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April 1st, 1901.

My DEAR FRIENDS.

Once more Easter has come and gone. All the Services were very well attended, indeed, it would not be too much to say that more than once the Church was crowded. The decorations were quite equal to the usual traditions, the Church certainly looked its best with the beautiful spring flowers, arranged with the best of care and taste by the many kind helpers. The bright and hearty services were thoroughly in accord with the happy thoughts and feelings always suggested by Easter Day. I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks for the most kind Easter offering.

The Annual Vestry Meeting took place on Easter Tuesday. The attendance was fairly good. The Churchwardens' accounts shewed that the total offertories amounted to £463 os. 10d., the details of which are printed below. The Accounts were adopted subject to audit. It was a great pleasure to me to again appoint Mr. Vine Griffiths as Vicar's Warden, and Mr. Storey was unanimously re-elected people's warden. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Churchwardens for their services during the year and also to Mr. Joseph for his assistance in keeping the pew rent account. The following were elected sidesmen:-Messrs. Geo. Evans, Geo. Dowsett, H. C. Garrett, E. A. Joseph, K. W. Edwards, A. E. Jones, H. Cremer, B.A., C. R. Foster, F. J. Carless, A. W. Daines, W. Singleton, T. Larcombe, W. T. Lowdell, W. Newton, G. F. Stutchbury, H. H. Lloyd, G. O. Ballard, and A. Tribe. Mr. Evans presented the Curate's Fund account, which shows a balance in hand of £4 4s. 10d. Most of the subscription lists and balance sheets will be printed next month.

On Sunday the 12th inst., the offertories will be for the Bishop of London's Fund. The Bishop has issued a most urgent appeal for help, and I am

requested to ask any who may be prevented from being present at Church on that day if they will most kindly send their contribution, however small, that it may be added to the offertory.

On Ascension Day there will be Celebrations at 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m., and service at 8 p.m. The Secretary of the Missions to Seamen's Society will preach at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., and the offertories throughout the day will be for that Society.

The Night School came to a close for this season just before Easter. Great assistance was given throughout the winter by Dr. Howard, Mr. Elsee, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Arthur Singleton. Very considerable progress was made in elementary wood-carving, which it is hoped will be carried forward to a higher stage next winter.

On Friday, the 19th ult., the Annual Band of Hope Tea took place. The arrangements were carried out by Miss Short, Mrs. Creane, Mrs. Singleton, Miss Cremer, Miss E. Barton and Mr. Phillips. After tea a number of Medals were distributed for good attendance, and the children thoroughly enjoyed a Magic Lantern Exhibition.

May I say please do not forget the coming Sale of Work?

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

WINTER ENTERTAINMENTS.

A meeting of the Committee was held on Thursday, March 28th, when the Balance Sheet, which had been audited by Mr. Stutchbury, was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. C. R. Foster, and adopted. Two Entertainments had been held, which, after the payment of all expenses, produced a net balance of £6 14s. 2d., which was apportioned as follows:—The Mission Rooms £3, the Day Schools £2, and the Annual Treat's Fund £1 14s. 2d. Hearty votes of thanks were given to the Secretaries, Treasurer and Auditor.

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