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THE VICARAGE,

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The news of the illness of the King came upon us with a terrible shock just when we were in a state of the brightest excitement and anticipation. Painful and disappointing as the blow was, we may be sure that there is in it the promise of good. One good result at least was immediately apparent, in that the whole nation seemed to turn to God as one man, seeking His help and blessing, and the cry went up to Heaven from many million hearts "God save the King." As I write this the King's life seems to hang in the balance, and no one knows what may happen next, but we shall not cease to pray. "Man proposes and God disposes." Whatever happens may we learn in our hearts to say "Thy will be done."

We have a King and Queen who have the welfare of their people ever before their minds. They have in a remarkable way shown their thoughtfulness for all in the last few days, by their anxiety that the poor, and the domestic servants, and the children should have their full share in the intended rejoicings, and also by their desire that the nation's gift to the King should go to the Hospitals.

It is of the highest possible importance to us that the chief of this great realm should be great and wise and good, and it is for all Christian people to pray that God will endue him with wisdom from on high and in all things fit and equip him for his great and responsible office. "God save the King." Long may he reign.

The Peace proclaimed on Sunday, June 1st, so long desired and prayed for, has proved to be so far, better than we ever dared to hope for, for it is complete and thorough, without any of the rankling bitterness that was threatened and feared. And now are brave Boer and brave Briton, so recently antagonists on the field of battle, frater-

nizing together with perfect good feeling and mutual admiration. And there is every hope that both will work together for the promotion of prosperity, justice and religion, and that a great future is in store for South Africa United under the British Crown, which ought always to be a symbol of liberty, justice and truth.

Our Sunday School and Choir Excursion to Bournemouth was unfortunately marred by the rain. Our party numbered 240. The journey was a long one, but I think children like a long railway journey, and notwithstanding the inclement weather, a great deal of enjoyment was got out of the expedition. An excellent tea was provided for us in St. Swithin's Parish Room, which was kindly lent for the purpose. Nearly all the teachers were present, and although their duties were not light, they were rendered much easier than they might have been by the excellent behaviour of the children. No accident happened and all returned home in safety.

On St. James' Day, Friday, the 25th inst., we shall have the usual Services and Festivities. The Services will be as follows:—

7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion,

11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Address,

2.45 p.m.—School Children's Service,

8.15 p.m.—Choral Evensong,

Sermon by the Rev. Moore Neligan, M.A.,
Vicar of St. Stephen's, Paddington.

The offertories throughout the day will be for the Treats' Fund.

The Children will meet at the Schools at 2 p.m., with the Day and Sunday School Teachers, and will march in procession with the Band and banners to the Vicarage. If the weather is favourable the procession will pass through the village and up Park Road. The usual amusements will take place in the course of the afternoon. The Children's Tea will be at 4 o'clock. Members of the Congregation, Parents of the Children, and Parishioners generally will be heartily welcomed.

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Our Treats' Fund has not yet received quite the usual amount of support. The summer treats cost upwards of £30. At present we have received £20, so that another £10 is required, and I shall be very grateful for any further contributions. Gifts of provisions for the Children's Tea and toys, &c., for prizes will also be thankfully received. The Festival Services will be continued on the following Sunday.

The Flower Show is to be held in the Manor House Grounds, on Wednesday, the 16th inst. Every effort is being made by the Committee to secure a thoroughly successful show, and no doubt there will be an exceptionally good display of vegetables, and, provided we have some sunshine, of flowers also. There is a special desire that the Ladies' Classes should be well represented, viz., the tables, table centres, and bouquets. This is a part of the show that adds so much to its beauty and interest, and it is hoped that the ladies will help to secure that it shall be a thoroughly successful section. Lady Hay has most kindly promised to distribute the prizes, and I have no doubt she will be well supported by the presence of all who take an interest in the Show.

The Annual Meeting and Tea of the Members of the Communicants' Association will take place at the Vicarage, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. Full particulars will be sent to the Members, and I hope all will try to come.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

| | 11 a.m. | 7 p.m. | TOTAL. |
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| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| May 25.—Church Expenses ... | 3 2 4 | 1 7 0 | 4 9 4 |
| June 1.—Curate's Fund ... | 5 3 9 | 1 7 0 | 6 10 9 |
| „ 8.—Church Expenses ... | 5 16 3 | 2 1 4 | 7 17 7 |
| „ 15.—Church Expenses ... | 3 13 4 | 1 15 6 | 5 8 10 |
| „ 22.—Richmond Hospital ... | 7 0 0 | 2 13 0 | 9 13 0 |
| Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), May 25, 6/10; June 1, 11/9; June 8, 14/1; June 15, 5/7; June 22, 8/10 ... | | | 2 7 1 |
| Children's Services (Missions), May 25, 2/8; June 1, 1/0; June 8, 9/-; June 15, 2/-; June 22, 3/5 ... | | | 0 15 7 |
| Special Celebration, June 11, St. Barnabas' Day ... | | | 0 16 8 |
| Special Service, Communicants' Association ... | | | 0 11 4 |
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BAPTISMS.

“Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory and to triumph, against the Devil, the World and the Flesh. Amen.”

- June 8.—Elsie Louise Stone.
- „ 8.—Albert Francis Morris.
- „ 16.—Alexandra King (private).
- „ 17.—Arthur James Whymark (private).

MARRIAGES.

“O Lord, send them help from Thy Holy Place, and evermore mightily defend them.”

- June 5.—Walter Thomas Cane to Sarah Annie Cain.
- „ 22.—Walter James Cover to Georgina Elizabeth Strong.

BURIALS.

“I am the resurrection and the life saith the Lord, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.”—*St. John*, xi, 25, 26.

- May 24.—Arthur Nelson Cooper, aged 19 months.
- June 7.—Ann Allen, aged 55 years.
- „ 19.—Georgina Catherine Petronilla Ward, aged 76 years.
- „ 19.—Alexandra King, aged 9½ days