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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The month of July has, as usual, been a month of parochial festivities and Annual Meetings. Happily we have been favoured with most delightful weather, and all our gatherings have taken place under the very best conditions.

We had first the Annual Meeting of the Communicants' Guild on the 3rd inst., in the Vicarage garden. About 75 were present. The proceedings commenced with tea at 5.30. Then followed games and a musical programme arranged by Miss Geraldine Cooke. A short business meeting was held, when £1 1s. was voted for the Nurse Fund and £1 10s. for Missionary work, and the balance of £5 7s. 7d. was reserved towards the cost of a small stained glass window in the Church.

On the 5th inst. the Temperance Society held its Annual Meeting, also in the Vicarage garden. About 130 were present. The Rev. B. L. Currie, the Secretary of the Society, was present and gave a bright and stirring address. This was followed by some excellent singing by the "Lend-a-Hand" Society, under the direction of the Rev. E. S. Phillips. A vote of thanks to Mr. Currie was proposed by Mr. Churchwarden Storey. The refreshments were well looked after by the Secretaries, Mrs. Wallace and Miss Hemery, and many assistants. The meeting was altogether the best of the kind we have had.

In fulfilment of a promise made last winter, Mr. and Mrs. Norton entertained the Day School teachers and all the children who had won prizes, to the number of 200, to tea at Laurel Dene on the 5th inst. All kinds of amusements were provided for the children in the hay field, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

The Working Men's Club and Institute had their Annual Sports on the 13th inst., when most of the prizes were well competed for. The prizes were very kindly distributed by Mrs. Norton at the close of the afternoon.

The Flower Show took place at Manor Park on the 11th inst. The Show was excellent in every respect. The opening ceremony was performed by Lady Hartland in a very graceful speech. Sir Frederick Dixon-Hartland, M.P., was also present and spoke of the great pleasure it gave him and Lady Hartland to be present and encourage such excellent objects as the Committee had in view. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Hughes later in the day. It is to be regretted that a larger number of people did not visit the Show, and it will be a great misfortune if it has to be discontinued for lack of funds.

Our Choir, who give their services freely and so willingly, had a very pleasant river trip on the 17th inst. We started from Hampton Ferry and steamed to Maidenhead, where we landed amid the most beautiful scenery that the Thames Valley can boast of, and that is saying a good deal. A thoroughly bright and happy day was spent.

On Thursday, the 19th inst, the members of the Mothers' Union met in Church at 3.30 and after a short service adjourned to the Vicarage garden, where a most excellent and stirring address on the Education Bill was given by Mrs. Vernon Smith. This was followed by the usual tea. Ten new members were admitted.

Our Annual Dedication Festival took place on St. James's Day, the 25th inst. There were celebrations of the Holy Communion at 8 and 11 a.m., and there was a choral service at 8 p.m., when the preacher was the Rev. Prebendary Prösser. The next day the children of the Day and Sunday Schools met at the School at 2 p.m., and led by the Fortescue House Band they marched with their banners through the streets to the Church. After a short service the great army of small people adjourned to the Vicarage garden for tea and sports. A large number of parents and members of the congregation followed, and the total numbers who passed the gates were upwards of 1,200. The afternoon and evening were thoroughly occupied with various amusements, into which teachers and friends entered with the greatest zest. The boys gave an exhibition of drilling, under the direction of Mr. Basey, and a group of girls gave an action

song, &c., under the guidance of Mrs. Creane. Then we had our welcome friends, "Pat Thayer and the Little Japs," who thoroughly amused everybody, young and old. Miss Bazett, of the British Syrian Mission, gave a most interesting account of Eastern manners and customs and religious work in Palestine, illustrated by a group of young people in native costume. Races for the children were organized by the teachers, while many amused themselves with the swings and cocoanut shies. The little Missionary Sale of Work was a great success, inasmuch as nearly everything was sold, and the net proceeds were £23.

We are indebted to a great many people for their ready help, and to all who gave contributions of any kind; to Messrs. Singleton & Sons, for labour and the loan of timber; to Messrs. Jones & Peers, for the loan of cans, &c.; to Mr. D. Howe and Mr. Prewett, for milk; and to the following for various gifts:—Mr. S. G. Looker, Mrs. FitzWygram, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Storey, junr., Mr. R. Howe, Mr. Matthews, Miss Allen, Mrs. Waterhouse, Mrs. and Miss Stutchbury and others. To Mr. L. Singleton, for managing the "Sugar Plums"; to Mr. Hallt, for many hours at the gate; and to Miss Barnard, for her hard work at the tea urns.

I have also to acknowledge gifts for the Sale of Work from Mrs. Powell, Miss Adams, Miss Hemery, Miss Russell, Mrs. Barton, Mrs. Garrett, Miss White, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Handcock, Miss Barnard, Mrs. Wallace, Miss Bracey, Mrs. Greenslade and others.

The Festival services were continued on Sunday. The offertories were for the debt on the Church Expenses fund. I asked for £20. The amount received was £17 7s. 10d. I hope that those who were from home, or for any reason were not able to be at Church, will send a contribution towards the debt, as it really is a matter in which all the members of the congregation have a share, and it is better that we should pay our debts at once.

The Church decorations were quite equal to their usual beauty, and we are very much indebted

to all who lent plants or gave flowers or worked so hard in their arrangement.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
June 24—Church Expenses ...	3	2 11	1	13 3	4 16 2
July 1—Curate's Fund ...	3	19 6	1	13 7	5 13 1
„ 8—Church Expenses ...	3	5 0	1	5 11	4 10 11
„ 15—Church Expenses ...	3	9 0	1	12 6	5 1 6
„ 22—Church Expenses ...	3	0 7	1	10 4	4 10 11
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) June 24, 10/5; July 1, £1 5s. 4d.; July 8, 19/6; July 15, 8/8 ...					3 3 11
Children's Services (Missions), June 24, 1/6; July 1, 1/10; July 8; 3/9; July 15, 2/11 ...					0 10 0
Special Celebrations, June 29, St. Peter's Day, S.P.G.					0 8 9
Special Service, July 19, Mothers' Union ...					0 15 10
					£29 11 1

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."

- April 25—Florence Amy Glanfield.
- July 8—Norah Minnie Goodwin.
- „ 8—Miriam Ada Johnson.
- „ 14—Eric Donald Adamson.

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.

- June 30—Charlotte Amelia Freeman, aged 49 years.
- July 19—Sarah Julia Van Praagh, aged 29 years.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
August 1	...	...	460 304
„ 5	271 264	334 335 333	290 550 265 603
„ 8	...	...	279 209
„ 12	6 184 540	338 280 337	176 248 294 545
„ 15	...	...	269 13
„ 19	528 244	299 281 291	12 247 514 511
„ 22	...	...	207 242
„ 26	36 419 270	37 547 297	194 164 632 477
„ 29	...	...	238 16