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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

Let me take this opportunity of wishing to all our readers a very happy New Year. One always feels that while in this matter something is in our own hands, there is much that is altogether beyond our control. The best we can do is to trust and fear God and be absolutely true to our conscience. Or, as I think an Eastern saying puts it, "Love God before all; love thy fellow man, and thy conscience will bring thee safe home."

We had not a large attendance at the Church History lectures last month, but I think those who came were interested in the subject. I hope to continue the course later on.

The Advent addresses by Mr. Mounsey drew a larger number of people than we are accustomed to see at Church on week nights, and from what I hear they were a great help to many.

The Confirmation classes will begin again on Monday, 13th. In addition to the Tuesday evening class for men and youths, Mr. Phillips will have one on Sunday afternoon, at the Mission Room, at 6 p.m. About fifty candidates have given in their names at present, but I hope there will be a good many more. Special times will be fixed for any who are not able to come to the ordinary classes.

The total amount deposited in the Provident Club was £490 9s. 4d., to this was added £14 6s. 8d. by way of bonus, provided

chiefly by subscribers. The deposits were about £100 less than in the previous year, which I am afraid indicates that the year was not so prosperous as usual. We are very much indebted to the District Visitors who take such pains in collecting the money throughout the year.

The Government Inspector's Report on the Day Schools will be found below, and it will be noticed that it is quite as satisfactory as the one on Religious Knowledge which was printed last month.

The Services on Christmas Day were very well attended and had all their usual brightness. There were 344 Communicants, which is the largest number we have had at this Festival. The offertories for the Poor Fund amounted to nearly £16. We are very much indebted to all the many kind friends who helped at the decorations, and to those who so kindly sent flowers and evergreens.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

THE DAY SCHOOLS.

Copy of the Report made by the Government Inspector, Mr. Streatfield, after visit of 13th, 18th and 20th November, 1907.

BOYS, GIRLS AND INFANTS.—"All three departments maintain their reputations for good manners and discipline, for a healthy tone and for effective and intelligent work. Brushwork is again highly successful in the boys' department, whilst two special features of the infants' curriculum are the clever teaching of number and the bright conversational lessons."

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Report of the Assistant Inspector, Mr. F. J. Webb, relating to the Evening School, December 3rd, 1907.

"I visited the Evening Classes at the Hampton School (Boys) on Thursday last and was very pleased to find so large a number of students and so much interest by managers, friends and teachers. Being the first year makes it all the more satisfactory to see such numbers."

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nov. 24—Church Expenses ...	3 13 10	1 11 5	5 5 3
Dec. 1—S. P. G. ...	7 19 2	2 10 6	10 9 8
" 8—Curate's Fund...	3 2 11	1 12 4	4 15 3
" 15—Church Expenses ...	3 7 8	1 15 8	5 3 4
" 22—Church Expenses ...	3 6 2	1 4 0	4 10 2
" 25—Xmas Day. Poor Fund,			
7 a.m., £1 16 9; 8 a.m.,			
£3 12 3; ...	10 0 6	8 0	15 17 6
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Nov. 24, 12/2; Dec.			
8, 6/7; Dec. 15, 1/4/4; Dec. 22, 7/10 ...			2 10 11
Children's Services (Missions), Nov. 24, 2/3; Dec. 8,			
2/10; Dec. 15, 2/6 ...			0 7 7
Special Celebrations, Nov. 30 (St. Andrews Day) S.P.G.			
12/8; C.M.S. 12/8; ...			1 5 4
" Dec. 21, (St. Thomas's Day) ...			0 7 10
" Dec. 26, (St. Stephens' Day) ...			0 5 3
Thursdays, (Candidates Ordination Fund), Dec. 5, 7/-			
Dec. 12, 7/-; Dec. 19, 7/2 ...			1 1 2
Special Services, Dec. 2nd, Communicants' Guild ...			0 12 0
" Nov. 28, Girls' Friendly Society ...			5 9
" Dec. 5, Mothers' Union ...			9 9
			<u>£53 6 9</u>

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.

Nov. 21—Mary Smith.

Dec. 8—Ivy Winifred Cornwill.

" 8—Irene Eva Helen Glanfield.

MARRIAGES.

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

Dec. 21—Sidney Edward Dobson to Alice Ethel Keeble.

" 25—Harry Cobb to Rose Elizabeth Tillman.

" 26—James Bowden to Elizabeth Camp.

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.

Nov. 25—William Turnbull, aged 88 years.

Dec. 4—Eliza Court, aged 37 years.

" 14—Maria Higgs, aged 66 years.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON	EVENING.
Jan. 5	71 74	175 70 329	74 179 178 (1) Carols
" 8	...	...	75 81
" 12	78 209 488	571 488 333	218 77 79 275
" 15	...	...	78 176
" 19	537 81	330 76 566	76 514 486 31
" 22	...	...	79 177
" 26	406 79 446	332 547 334	282 405 220 80
" 29	...	...	283 29

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

Lecture by Miss Gorham, at the Victoria Hall, on Tuesday, January 14th, at 8 p.m. Admission: 1/-. 6d. and 3d. Lime-light pictures. Vivid Scenes.