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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

The old year has nearly gone, and we shall soon be opening another page in life's book. Most heartily do I wish you all every happiness in the New Year, and we must pray that during its course a "righteous and lasting peace" may be restored.

The Archbishops have set apart the first Sunday in the New Year as a day of Special Intercessions on behalf of the War. The forms of service issued by Authority will be used at the 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. services. I have been approached as to the possibility of a united service to be held in the afternoon, when all Christian people in the Parish could meet together in their Parish Church. I am glad to say that Mr. Shrewsbury and Mr. Sellars, representing the Non-conformists, are heartily in sympathy with the idea. The service will begin at 4.15, and finish at 5 p.m.

It was a great joy meeting so many of you at our various Celebrations on Xmas Day. The Church was beautifully adorned by the usual band of willing helpers. The collections, amounting to over £12, will be distributed in coals, &c., among the widows and poor. Six o'clock is evidently not a suitable hour for the evening Carol Service, as the attendance was very small, though the Carols were nicely rendered by the choir boys.

The Annual Collections for the Society for Propagating the Gospel will be made on January 17th, when the Preacher will be the Venerable Archdeacon Lefroy, formerly of Perth. We are sending Army and Navy abroad in this time of war with prayers and blessings, but the Church is always engaged in sending the Lord's soldiers abroad, women as well as men, with prayers, and we assure them that they will never be forgotten. Now the test has come for us, and we must not forsake these men and women who are in our Church's firing line.

Mr. Lees, of the Missions to Seamen, has kindly consented to give one of his Lantern Lectures on

his work, to the Crusaders, on Monday, January 25th, in the Church Room. Others, besides Crusaders, will be welcomed.

Mr. Whalley, Clerical Secretary of the Waifs' and Strays' Society, is coming to tell the C.E.M.S. something more about his work. He is bringing some slides, so a very interesting evening may be looked for. The date is January 26th, in the Church Room, at 8.30 p.m.

The Parish Almanack is ready, and may be obtained of the District Visitors, or in the Vestry after any service—price 1d.

The C.E.T.S. Social Gathering proved an immense success. The Schoolroom was quite well filled, and everyone spent a very enjoyable evening. I am very grateful to all those who contributed in various ways to such a pleasant gathering.

Yours truly,

R. COAD PRYOR.

Parish Notices.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—A Teachers' Meeting will be held in the Church Room, on Tuesday, January 12th, at 8 p.m., and the Annual Prize Giving will take place on Friday, January 22nd.

A Course of Five Lectures and Demonstrations on Sunday School work will be given at Teddington, on Thursday, February 25th, and the following four Thursdays.

C.L.B.—There will be a Church Parade Service for all the neighbouring Companies, on Sunday afternoon, January 24th.

WORKING PARTY.—The next Meeting is at the Vicarage, on Friday, January 15th, at 2.30.

Organ Recital after Evening Service, Sunday, January 10th.

- Grand Choer - - - - *Salomé.*
- Offertoire on two Xmas Carols - *Guilmant.*
- Toccata (1st Symphony) - - - *Widor.*

The District Visitors will meet on Friday, Jan. 29th, at 11.30. There will be no meeting of the School Managers this month.

Parish News.

PRESENTATION. In recognition of her good work and unfailing kindness, Nurse Edmonds was recently made the recipient of a testimonial—consisting of a gold watch bracelet and a cheque—which was supported by a large number of parishioners of all classes and creeds. Nurse Edmonds desires to express her gratitude to all those who contributed and to say how much she appreciates their kindness.

SALE OF WORK. Although the weather was unfavourable a good many people attended the Mission Sale of Work held at the Vicarage on December 11th, the amount taken was just over £10.

MOTHERS' UNION.—A Social Evening is being arranged for Friday, January 8th, at 8 p.m., in the Boys' School, to which members of the Mothers' Union and their husbands are invited. It is much hoped that everyone will be able to be present, and thus begin the New Year together.

NEW YEAR'S CONVERSAZIONE.—This will take place in the Boys' School, on Saturday, January 9th, at 8 p.m. Tickets, 1/- each, may be obtained of the Churchwardens, Sidesmen, or at the Vicarage. Proceeds for a Parochial Fund.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Nov. 29—Church Expenses ...	2	16 3	1	15 8	4	11 11
Dec. 6—Assist. Clergy Fund ...	2	17 6	1	9 6	4	7 0
„ 13—Church Expenses ...	1	14 9	1	11 5	3	6 2
„ 20—Church Expenses ...	3	3 2	1	15 0	4	18 2
„ 27—Church Expenses ...	2	3 7	0	19 9	3	3 4
„ 25—(Xmas) Poor Fund:—						
Celebrations	£3	19 5	7	8 7	0	15 8
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund)					12	3 8
Nov. 29, 11/7; Dec. 6, 10/1; Dec. 13, 6/2, Dec. 20, 18/8; Dec. 27, 3/3					2	9 9
Week-day Celebrations:—Nov. 30, 2/1; Dec. 3, 8/0; Dec. 17, 1/1; Dec. 21, 2/6					0	8 8
Children's Services (Missions)—Nov. 29, 1/11; Dec. 6, 1/4; Dec. 13, 1/1; Dec. 20, 1/1; Dec. 27, 1/11					0	7 4
					Total - £35 16 0	

BAPTISM.

“Made a Member of Christ.”

Nov. 28—Ronald Arthur Clarke Tydeman (privately).

MARRIAGES.

“Those whom God hath joined together.”

Dec. 2—Carvenal Smith and Kate Sophia Culling.
 „ 19—William James Wilshere and Annie Amelia Kingston.

BURIALS.

“I am the Resurrection and the Life.”

Nov. 25—Gabriel Henry Cremer, aged 68 years.
 „ 26—Samuel Curtis, aged 44 years.
 „ 30—Fanny Eliza Kedge, aged 51 years.
 Dec. 8—William Sherwood, aged 84 years.
 „ 9—Dorothy Emily Lily Venables, aged 18 months.
 „ 10—Rachael Elizabeth Bell, aged 38 years.