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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

I am writing this letter at Littlehampton where, owing to a stroke of good fortune, I am staying for three weeks. So far we have had sunshine ever since we came down although the usual breeze, which is a peculiarity of the place, does not allow the heat to be oppressive.

As I sat at the window on the first Sunday afternoon we were here and saw the thousands of people playing on the green and on the sands, or walking up and down the promenade I could not help sympathizing with them and thinking that it was good for them to be able to get away from London and spend a few hours at the sea in such innocent recreation even on a Sunday. At the same time the thought came into my mind that most probably hardly any of them had spent a few minutes with God the Giver of all good things before they started from home. And then as I mused on it came into my mind that here was an opportunity for the Church to break away from her conventional habits and provide a short service, other than Holy Communion, at a time convenient for such as these. This thought recurred to me the same evening when at about eight o'clock the green, the sands and the promenade being practically empty, a little band of well meaning people were holding a service, surrounded by a handfull of their own flock. Why not have held that service in the afternoon? Surely the Church is missing a great chance by not making such experiments.

The Report and Resolutions of the Lambeth Conference have been claiming our attention just lately. Various subjects and points have been dealt with in the Secular Press, but I hope the reading of such notices will not satisfy the average layman and laywoman of the Church. We must

all become possessors of the Report when it comes out in book form, and make a point of carefully studying the findings of the Bishops upon the many subjects which were discussed by them. We must not forget that the prayers of the Church here and Overseas were continually being offered, that the Holy Spirit might guide their deliberations. If we believe in prayer then we must believe that the results of the Conference are an answer to our prayers, and that the Bishops were guided by the Holy Spirit to their conclusions. Let us then approach the Report not in a spirit of criticism but rather as listeners to what the Holy Spirit, through the Bishops, has to say to the Churches. One of its messages is contained in the introductory part of the Encyclical Letter. There we are told that where as the idea which ran through the Conference in 1920 was "Fellowship," the idea underlying all the deliberations this year was "Witness." The letter says also that a true description of the Church of Christ is that it is a fellowship of witness, and the introduction concludes with these words "If Christian witness is to be fully effective, it must be borne by nothing short of the whole body of Christian people." Each member of the Body of Christ has to do his or her part in bearing witness to the Church's Faith in God, to her ideal in Sociology, Christian Unity, the Christian Ministry and the Vocation of Youth. If we are to do this we must know something about the Lambeth Report because in that we have an expression of the mind of the Church voiced by the Archbishops and Bishops of the Holy Catholic Church in full communion with the Church of England.

Now that the winter is drawing near the minds of many are exercised as to how they can spend their winter evenings. We have not yet raised all the money which will be required by the time the Parish Hall is completed. During the alterations various pieces of work have been necessary which

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were not foreseen when the original estimate was got out and further expenditure has been inevitable. But if we all have the will to work we shall be able to get all the money required by the end of January. I am anticipating launching a "Great Whist Drive," which will be run from the end of this month until the end of January. Fuller particulars will be given in the October Magazine.

Sunday School, Clubs etc, will be in full swing soon. In all departments of parochial life helpers are needed. There is ample opportunity for the Ministry of the Laity. We must pray God to stir the hearts of many to offer themselves for whatever work He has for them to do in this Parish.

I remain,  
Your faithful friend and Vicar,  
FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

INTERCESSIONS.

At 7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion

*Mondays:* Sunday Schools, Day Schools.

*Tuesdays:* District Visiting, Mothers' Union, Voluntary Workers in the Church, Cleaners, &c.

*Wednesdays:* Choir and Services, Parochial Church Council.

*Thursdays:* Temperance Work, Band of Hope, Crusaders and Adult Branch, C.E.T.S.

*Fridays:* Church Missions, Home & Over-seas

*Saturdays:* Church Lads' Brigade, Girl Guides, Girls' Friendly Society.

**IMPORTANT.**—Will all those who are responsible for Church Work please send in a full report by the 20th of each month, by so doing

it will not only be of great use to our readers, but greatly forward the work of the Church. Applications for Advertisements in the Magazine should be made to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. SIMMONS, 7, Oxford Road, Teddington.

We are grateful to our Advertisers for their support of our Magazine, and confidently hope our readers will support them.

**Parish Wants.**

1. Donations to the Parish Hall Fund.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, between the hours of 8.45 and 10 a.m. And on any day, except Mondays, between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m.

**CHURCHYARD.**—Contributions towards keeping the Churchyard and the graves tidy will be welcomed, and may be sent to Mr. C. H. Evans (Churchwarden), Roseneath, Edward road, Hampton Hill.

**Parish News.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.**—For the present the boys will meet in the Church Room while the girls will continue in the Club Rooms at the usual times, viz.:—10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. The infants will meet in the Church Room, their morning Service following the departure of the boys to Church. Parents may send their young children to the Club Rooms in School Road where Miss Gibbon will call for them and take them with her to the Church Room.

The Teachers will meet at the Vicarage on Thursday, September 18th, at 8 p.m.

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**BIBLE CLASS.**—A Class for girls over fourteen years of age is held in the Club Rooms, School Road, at 3 p.m. on Sundays.

**LADS' CLUB.**—The Club will re-open on Wednesday, September 3rd, at 7 p.m. New members should apply to Mr. Creane for admittance. The subscription is a penny a night.

**GIRLS' CLUB.**—The Girls' Club was started nearly a year ago, and since it began it has been steadily growing in numbers. During the summer months the meetings have been held in the Church Room, and when the weather permitted the girls have enjoyed playing tennis and cricket in the Vicarage field. Among their various activities the girls helped to provide the Grocery Stall at the Fête and they have also collected one pound amongst themselves to send a child from the East End of London to the sea-side. The Club is closed until the first Friday in October (3rd), when it will start on its second season at 7.45 p.m. in the Church Room. Mrs. Franks and Mrs. Glass will be delighted to welcome many more girls. They anticipate playing Badminton and giving instruction in handicrafts.

**MOTHERS' MEETING.**—This Meeting is held on Thursdays in the Church Room, at 2.30 p.m.

**MOTHERS' UNION.**—The monthly meeting will be held in the Church Room on Wednesday, September 3rd, at 2.30 p.m.

The United Dairies Company have given an invitation to the members, through the Vicar, to pay a visit to their premises on Tuesday, September 16th. They will send motor coaches to fetch the party and bring them home again. The time of starting will be about 1.30 p.m. at the Church Room. The outing is free to all members, and the Vicar would like to know how many will be able to avail themselves of this opportunity of inspecting the Dairy by Wednesday, September

10th. After all members have had an opportunity of joining the outing, if there is any more room left in the coaches other members of the congregation will be invited to make up the required number.

**SAINTS' DAYS.**—St. Matthew, September 21st, usual Sunday Services. St. Michael and all Angels, September 29th, Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

**MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION NOTES.**—A Social Evening will be held in the Church Room on Thursday, September 25th, from 8 to 10 p.m.; all members of the congregation are invited to attend. The yearly subscriptions (sixpence) become due at the end of September and the Secretary will be glad to receive them at this meeting.

Monthly Intercessions will be said after Evensong on Sunday, September 21st.

Several books have been added to the library lately, among them are "Temple Gairdner of Cairo," and a volume of his letters "W.H.T.G. to his Friends," also "Johnson of Zululand" and "Francis Xavier, Knight Errant of the Cross."

The Missionary Gift Day will be held at York House, Twickenham, on Wednesday, October 22nd. The Bishop of Tanganyika will speak at the afternoon meeting, when Lord Daryngton has promised to take the chair.

Gifts suitable for (1) Hospitals; (2) Schools and Orphanages; (3) Missionaries' Outfits, will be very welcome.

Here are some suggestions:—

- (a) Household linen of all kinds.
- (b) Nightdresses of nainsook, madapollam, nun's veiling, viyella.
- (c) Coloured cotton or white nainsook head squares, 36 to 45 inches square

