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MY DEAR FRIENDS.

My first pleasurable duty is to wish all the readers of our magazine a very happy New Year.

Below will be found the Day School reports, both of the Inspector in Religious Knowledge, and also of the Government Inspector, and I am sure they will be read with great satisfaction by the parents of the scholars, and by all friends of the school.

The Provident Club money was paid out on the 9th ult. The deposits reached a higher sum than ever before. The total repayments, including £18 7s. 11d. added for interest, amounted to £555 11s. 2d. The interest was mainly provided for by subscriptions kindly collected by Miss Barnard.

The Entertainment got up by Mrs. Vickers for the Nurse Fund was a great success in every way. The performance, the attendance and the proceeds were all good. The Nurse Fund has benefited to the extent of £9 4s. 6d. by means of Mrs. Vickers' kind effort. The Nurse continues to be much appreciated in the parish. During the year she has made 1738 visits upon the sick. She will be very glad to receive any gifts of old linen for bandages. Her address is Ashsted, Prince's Road.

The Sunday School Prize Distribution is fixed for Tuesday, the 12th inst.

The Confirmation will this year be held at Hampton, at the end of April. This is much later than usual. Classes will be commenced in March. In the meantime Mr. Phillips and I will be very glad to receive any names of Candidates.

The parish suffered a great loss by the death of Mr. Dowsett on December 7th. He was one of our most regular attendants at Church, and had been a sidesman for a great many years. He had filled many offices in his time

with great credit. His life was singularly consistent and upright, and his familiar figure and genial face will long be missed in Hampton Hill. Everybody will sympathize with his widow, who is left to mourn his loss.

Some members of the congregation have made a most suitable present, in the form of a bicycle, to my valuable colleague, the Rev. E. S. Phillips. His expression of thanks to the subscribers will be found below.

Many of you are already aware that I hope very shortly to pay a visit to Palestine and Egypt. I have been asked by the Directors of the Orient Shipping Company to give a series of lectures on places in the Holy Land to be visited by the passengers on board the "Cuzco," which is to sail from London on February 9th. This unexpected opportunity to visit scenes more interesting than any others in the world I felt bound to embrace. I shall be sorry to be away in Lent, but I can leave the work in the hands of Mr. Phillips without misgiving, and I shall try to arrange for him to have as much help as possible on the Sundays. I hope to be back for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. As I shall have a further opportunity of addressing you before I go, I will not say more about this now.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

The Rev. E. S. Phillips writes:—

"Ma— I express my warmest thanks for the very handsome presentation that has been made to me this Christmastide.

I can only assure my many friends that I heartily appreciate their most generous gift, and the kind feeling of affection that prompted them to make it.

With many thanks to all who have so kindly expressed their good will towards me in this very tangible form.

Believe me,

Yours faithfully,

E. STANLEY PHILLIPS."

THE DAY SCHOOLS.

THE GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT.

BOYS' SCHOOL.

"The teaching is at once effective and well supervised, and the general tone is worthy of praise. Teachers and scholars are in full sympathy, and heartily co-operate to further the welfare of the School."

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

"The general standard of work is quite satisfactory, the written exercises are extremely creditable, and the behaviour and personal neatness of the girls testify to the good influences of the School."

INFANTS' SCHOOL.

"The children are under kindly and sympathetic control, and are making very creditable progress in all the subjects of instruction."

(The highest grants are obtained in each department).

(Various recommendations are made respecting the future internal arrangements of the Schools, which will be dealt with by the managers).

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE INSPECTORS' REPORT.

	BOYS.	GIRLS.	INFANTS.
Number on books	242	180	121
Present at Inspection	206	164	118

BOYS' SCHOOL.

"Each division as a whole, excellent."

"The School is again excellent in each division.

In Division I an extensive syllabus has been most carefully prepared. The boys showed interest in all their work, and the answering throughout was pleasing and attentive.

Able and influential teaching is also given in Divisions II and III, and the excellent results obtained reflect great credit upon the teachers."

H. C. BATTERBURY, *Inspector.*

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

1st Division as a whole, excellent.
2nd " " " very good.
3rd " " " very good.

"The School has again passed a very good examination, and there are evidences in all divisions of careful work with a high aim.

There is general answering with a pleasing tone in Division III, and the subjects have been correctly and practically dealt with. The girls' intelligence would justify a somewhat deeper teaching.

Much earnestness and pains have been expended in Division II. The answering on the Scripture lessons is bright and accurate, and the Prayer Book has been carefully explained. The knowledge of the Catechism lacks clearness.

Most of the work in Division I is thoroughly excellent, especially the New Testament and the Prayer Book, and the Old Testament is almost as good considering the subject. The explanation of the Catechism is practical, but might be fuller."

R. DIXON BOSE, *Inspector.*

INFANTS' SCHOOL.

1st Division as a whole, excellent.
2nd " " " very good.

"The School, as a whole, is excellent.

Division I is effectively taught; the answering was accurate and orderly and reverent in tone.

Commendable pains have been taken by the new teacher of Division II; the answering was correct, but difficult of extraction."

H. C. BUTTERBURY, *Inspector.*

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nov. 22—Church Expenses ...	4 7 8	1 10 6	5 18 2
" 29—S.P.G. 8 a.m., 16/3	5 6 9	3 5 4	9 8 4
Dec. 6—Curate's Fund ...	3 15 2	1 16 1	5 11 3
" 13—Church Expenses ...	2 14 6	1 10 8	4 5 2
" 20—Church Expenses ...	3 8 10	1 8 10	4 17 8
" 27—Church Expenses ...	4 8 6	1 10 0	5 18 6
Xmas. Day (Poor Fund) 7 a.m., 14/7; 8 a.m., £2 18/-	10 12 2	0 14 3	14 19 0
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Nov. 22, 8/8; Dec. 6, 3/5; Dec. 13, 7/2; Dec. 20, 4/4; Dec. 27, 3/4 ...			1 6 11
Children's Services (Missions), Nov. 22, 1/6; Dec. 6, 2/5; Dec. 13, 4/-; Dec. 20, 2/10; Dec. 27, 2/8 ...			0 13 5
Special Celebrations, Nov. 30, St. Andrew's day, S.P.G. 2/6; C.M.S. 2/6; Dec. 21, St. Thomas' day, 2/5; Dec. 26, St. Stephen's day, 4/3; Dec. 28, Holy Innocents, 1/-			0 12 8
Thursdays, Dec. 3, 9/4; Dec. 10, 8/7; Dec. 17, 7/3 ...			1 5 2
Special Services, Dec. 7, Communicants' Association			0 8 7
			<u>£55 4 10</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. 27.—Frederick Card.
- " 27.—Ivy Card.
- " 29.—Margaret Annie Tyrrell.
- Dec. 3.—William Lacey Smith.
- " 3.—James Frederick Jennings.
- " 3.—William Thomas Tickner.
- " 3.—William Edwin Butt.
- " 3.—Walter George Vince.
- " 3.—Mary Ann Vince.
- " 20.—Percy Arthur Tolson.

MARRIAGES.

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

- Nov. 23.—William Edwards to Alice Sarah Hutchins.
- Dec. 25.—George Watford to Mary White.
- " 25.—Frederick Arthur Alderton to Florence Kate Minchin.

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.—Mary Ann Armes, aged 76 years.
- Dec. 1.—Edith Milam, aged 21 years.
- " 7.—Sarah Louisa Morley, aged 80 years.
- " 10.—George Dowsett, aged 73 years.
- " 15.—Ivy Card, aged 21 days.
- " 15.—Charles Lush, aged 34 years.