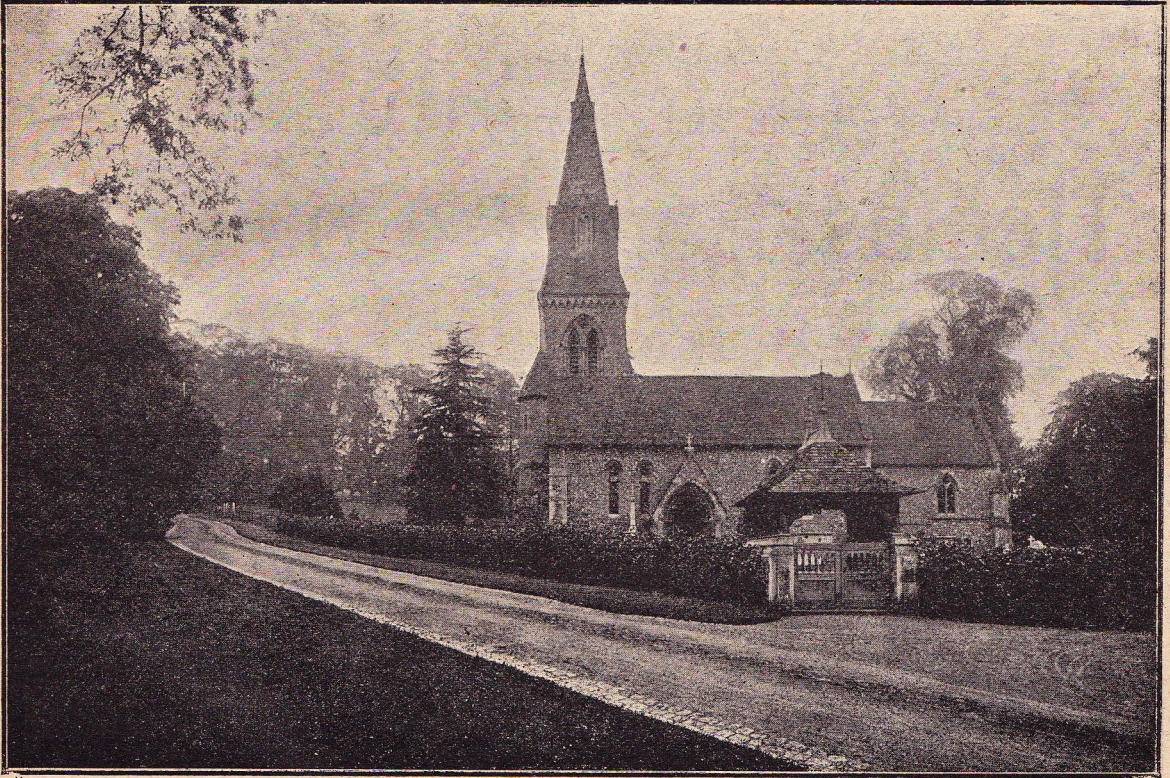


THE
PARISH MAGAZINE.



St. Mark's, Englefield.

"29-7"
R. G. Letter

First of all we must wish all our readers a very happy and a very blessed Year of Grace.

You will notice that the Parish Magazine is published in different form to what you have been accustomed. We hope that this new departure will be appreciated.

SAINTS DAYS IN JANUARY.

6th.—Epiphany of our Lord.

25th.—Conversion of St. Paul.

On each of these days Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.30 a.m., and Mattins and Litany will be said at 10.30 a.m.

INDUCTION OF THE RECTOR.

On Friday Evening, 25th November, in the presence of a large Congregation, the New Rector was inducted into the temporalities of the Living.

Service commenced at 6.30 with a Processional Hymn, after which Shortened Evensong was sung down to the 3rd Collect. The special lesson being read by Rev. C. Lovett Cameron, then followed the Service of Induction at the West Door, where the Clergy, preceded by the Churchwardens and Choir, had assembled. After the Rector had unlocked the Church Door and rung the bell, the Procession reformed and returned to the Choir, Hymn 215 (The Church's One Foundation) being sung. After the concluding portion of the Induction Service, a most impressive address was delivered by the Archdeacon of Berks (The Venerable W. M. G. Ducat), who explained the meaning of the Service just concluded.

A merry peal was rung both before and after the Service.

S.P.G.

The following amounts have been taken from the boxes and sent up to the treasurers :—

	£	s.	d.
Miss Benyon	2	10	0
Mrs. Roake... ..	16	10½	
Mr. Coombes	5	10	
Mrs. Ruby	5	7	
The Rectory	12	6	
Rectory Servants	1	11¾	
Sunday School	12	8½	
Mrs. Claydon	5	2	
Miss Barker... ..	6	2	
Mrs. J. Martin	5	3½	
Mrs. Hannington	7	5¼	
Mrs. Page	11	2	
Mrs. Smythe... ..	5	6½	
Mrs. T. Harris	2	5	
Collection on Festival S. Andrew	£7	8	8¼
	1	1	0
Total ...	£8	9	8¼

During 1905 those, who have boxes, are asked to send them in twice (in June and December).

BOOT CLUB.

As was notified in our December issue, the Penny Bank has been wound up, and in its place a Boot Club has been started. The object being to ensure regular attendance of the Children at Sunday School. Only those children present at Sunday School or Children's Service will be eligible to pay their penny in to the Club on Monday morning. At the end of the year an addition (according to age), will be made to the sums placed in the bank.

Each child will have a Card upon which will be entered the sums paid in. No limit is laid upon the amount paid in weekly.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

A most successful Dance was held in the Club on November 24th. Mr. O. A. Hopley acted as M.C. and Mr. Davis as Pianist.

On November 30th, a Tournament was played in the Club between Englefield and Pangbourne, a very close result ensued—The home team winning by 12 points to 11.

On December 7th, a very successful Smoking Concert was given in the Club. The Rector acted as Chairman, being supported by Mr. Roake as Vice-Chairman. It will be invidious to criticise where all was most excellent, but we must mention a chorus "Comrades in Arms," sung by Messrs. T. Harris, F. W. Pocock, J. Cross, C. Fisher, B. Webb, F. Cox, A. Ruby, O. A. Hopley and A. E. Robinson, which provoked much applause.

FOOTBALL CLUB.

Only two matches have been played lately as two other fixtures were unfortunately scratched.

v. Basildon played at Englefield, which was won by the home team 3 goals to 0.

v. Bucklebury played at Bucklebury and won by Englefield by 2 goals to 1.

So far Englefield have only lost one match and have kicked 40 goals to their opponents' 9. A record which speaks for itself.

MRS. BENYON'S CHRISTMAS TREAT.

We are asked to give notice that this Treat will take place on Monday, January 16th, at 4.30 p.m. in the Long Gallery. The parents are invited to come at 5.15 p.m.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
Nov. 25th—Choir Fund	1	11	3
„ 30th—(Festival of S. Andrew) S.P.G. ...	1	1	0
Dec. 4th—Church Expenses		8	10
„ 11th—Magazine	1	8	3
„ 18th—Sunday School		15	7
„ 21st—(Festival of S. Thomas) Choir Fund	2	6	

CONFIRMATION.

The Classes will commence early in January. Any Candidates, who have not already given in their names, should do so at once.

HYMNS FOR JANUARY.

Circumcision	M., 165, 74, 482 (tune 287)	321, 318.
(1st Jan).	E., 274, Anthem, 175, Carols.	
1st Sunday after Epiphany	M., 76, 260, 488, 219.	
(8th Jan).	E., 270, 78, 229, 232.	
2nd Sunday after Epiphany	M., 273, 520, 478, 303.	
(15th Jan).	A., 44, 99, (Children's Hymn Book)	
	E., 240, 214, 537, 31.	
3rd Sunday after Epiphany	M., 37, 514, 230, 202.	
(22nd Jan).	E., 215, 192, (M.S.) 277, 477.	
4th Sunday after Epiphany	M., 281, 266, 291, 540.	
(29th Jan).	E., 287, 193, 280, 21.	

BURIAL.

"Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest."

December 14th.—Alice Wheeler, aged 56 years.

Englefield, February, 1905.

SAINTS' DAYS IN FEBRUARY.

2nd.—Purification of the B.V.M.

24th.—St. Matthias.

On each of these days Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.30 a.m., and Mattins will be said at 10.30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES.

The Church had been tastefully decorated for the festival of the Nativity of the Our Blessed Lord. Amongst those giving their assistance being Mrs. Skipwith, Miss Benyon, Mrs. Roake, Nurse Page, Mrs. Moon and Mr. & Miss Coombes. The day commenced with a Celebration at 7.30 a.m., followed by a second Celebration at 8.30 a.m. The 11 o'clock Service consisted of Mattins and Holy Communion (Choral) with a Short Sermon by the Rector, and in the Evening the Choir sang Stainer's Anthem "O Zion that bringest good tidings," as well as some Carols. In spite of the absence of several members of the Choir, the singing was very creditable. Both Anthem and Carols were repeated on the following Sunday.

CONFIRMATION.

This year the Confirmation will be held by the Bishop of Oxford at Theale, on Tuesday, February 21st, at 2.30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Mr. Golding has been re-appointed Superintendent. It is hoped to have either Sunday School or Children's Service on each Sunday of the year, including the holidays. The number of children attending Sunday School is not as great as it might be. We would ask those parents, who do not send their children, to consider this matter.

We should much like to have one or two extra teachers, as the classes are at present too large for the small band of teachers.

The Children's Service, which was started last month, is held on each third Sunday at 2.30 p.m. It has been fairly well attended, but we should like to see more parents present, especially those, who find a difficulty in getting to either Morning or Evening Service. The Children's hymn book is used and copies are provided for those attending. The Service lasts a little over half-an-hour.

CRICKET CLUB.

A Concert will be given in the Long Gallery (by kind permission) on Shrove Tuesday, March 7th, on behalf of the Cricket Club.

N.B.—Please make a note of that date!

THE SCHOOL.

The following report has been received from H.M. Inspector after his visit of 9th November, 1904:—

"MIXED.—This is a thoroughly good country School. It is well appointed and well worked, and both tone and attainments are of a very satisfactory character, especially in the Upper classes.

The lower division, however, is not bright over Arithmetic, and their oral lessons need better preparation. The Head Master works with great zeal and merits praise.

"INFANTS. The room is too full for proper infant training, and the removal of the gallery would be a distinct improvement, leaving more floor space available.

But the teacher is doing her best under the existing conditions, and her children are making creditable progress. Arithmetic is the subject needing most attention."

PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE.

At a Meeting held on December 16th, 1904, Mr. Thomas Harris was appointed in the place of Mrs. Savill Young resigned.

MRS. BENYON'S CHRISTMAS TREAT.

By the kindness of Mrs. Benyon the children attending the Day Schools were entertained to tea in the Long Gallery on January 16th. After full justice had been done to the excellent repast, and the tables had been cleared away, the second part of the performance began—A Christmas tree of gigantic proportions, in all its glory, was, at a given signal, revealed to sight, the brilliant spectacle being greeted with rounds of applause from the children. Then an entertainment was given by the Children themselves, commencing with an Action Song "When Babies go to School," which was most creditably performed by the tiny mites. Victor Cox, a wee four year old, then, delighted the audience with a recitation "Tommy and the Eggs."

The concluding item on the programme was a Musical Sketch the "Washing Day," which not only was humorous, but also pointed an excellent moral. Mrs. Benyon then gave away the prizes (one of which together with an addition of sweetmeats reached each child). There were also some special prizes distributed to the chosen few.

In addition to the School children, Mrs. Benyon very kindly invited the members of the Rector's Bible Class and the Girls attending Mrs. Skipwith's Sunday Class, and they were not forgotten in the distribution. Before separating the Rector said a few words (1) of praise to Mr. Golding and his assistants on the way they had trained the children (2) of thanks to Mrs. Benyon for her great kindness in providing such a much appreciated entertainment. The National Anthem was sung as a finale.

FOOTBALL CLUB.

Our football correspondent informs us that only two matches have been played since our last notice, viz :—

December 26th v. Tilehurst United at Englefield and won by home team 3 goals to 0, and on December 31st v. Reading Graphic at Reading, which was won by our opponents by 2 goals to 1.

Three other matches, which had been arranged, unfortunately had to be scratched owing to the inability of the opponents to raise teams.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The so called "Christmas" dance was held in the Club room on January 9th, and was voted a great success.

Mr. F. Cox's band was responsible for the music, which was much appreciated.

A word of praise is due to Mr. and Mrs. Claydon for the way in which they tastefully decorated the room and prepared the floor.

The thanks of one and all are due to the Squire for his generosity in meeting all the expenses.

A Smoking Concert has been arranged to take place in the Club on February 2nd, when the prizes will be distributed to the winners of the home tournaments.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
Dec. 25, Christmas Day—Diocesan Church Building Society	8	3	7½
„ 27, (Festival S. John Evangelist) Church Linen, &c.		1	0
„ 28, (Festival Holy Innscents) Church Linen, &c.... ..		3	0
Jan. 1, 1905, (Festival Circumcision) Church Expenses	1	0	5
„ 6, (Festival of the Epiphany) Church Linen, &c.		5	0
„ 8, (1st Sunday after Epiphany) Sunday School	1	5	10
„ 15, (2nd Sunday after Epiphany) Church Expenses		5	5
„ 22, (3rd Sunday after Epiphany) Church Expenses... ..	1	5	7
„ 25, (Festival Conversion of S. Paul) Church Linen. &c.		3	6

BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little Children to come unto Me."

January 1st.—Cecil Albert Gordon, son of Albert Sidney and Rose Eleanor Willcox.

MARRIAGE.

"Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

January 16th.—Albert Edward Whiting and Edith Horne.

HYMNS FOR FEBRUARY.

5th Sunday after Epiphany... ..	M.,	270,	273,	193,	553,	324.
(5th Feb.)	E.,	79,	266,	276,	24.	
6th Sunday after Epiphany... ..	M.,	76,	261,	532,	82.	
(12th Feb.)	E.,	78,	191,	177,	545.	
Septuagesima	M.,	292,	34,	83,	296.	
(19th Feb.)	A.,	45,	44,	(Children's Hymn Book.)		
	E.,	540,	236,	520,	225.	
Sexagesima	M.,	221,	213,	282,	184.	
(26th February)	E.,	224,	295,	172,	528.	

Recessional for Month—16.

ENGLEFIELD, MARCH, 1905.

SAINT'S DAY IN MARCH.

25th.—Festival of the Annunciation of B.V.M. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.30 a.m.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday (March 15, 17 and 18) are Ember Days.

LENTEN SERVICES.

Throughout the solemn season of Lent, it is proposed to have a Celebration of the Holy Communion each Wednesday at 8.30 a.m. commencing on Ash Wednesday, 8th March.

Matins will be said daily at 8.15 a.m. and on Friday afternoons Evensong will be said together with a short Litany for Foreign Missions at 6.30 p.m.

On the Wednesday evenings there will be Choral Service in the Church at 7 p.m., when an Address will be given by the Rector.

On Ash Wednesday, Morning Prayer will be said together with the Communion Service at 11 a.m. (not at 8.15).

S. P. G.

Special Sermons will be preached morning and evening on Quinquagesima Sunday (March 5th) on behalf of the above Society by Rev. Sydney Hawthorne, who will also address the children in Church at 2.30 p.m. Collections will be made at all services on behalf of the Society.

In addition to the Choral Eucharist at 11 a.m. there will be a Celebration at 8.30 a.m. on March 5th.

LENT WORKING PARTY.

We are asked to give notice that the Working Party will be held in the Long Gallery on Thursday afternoons at 2.15 p.m. commencing March 9th. The work done will be distributed between the Home Missions and the Berkshire Hospital.

CONFIRMATION.

On Tuesday, February 21st, the Lord Bishop of Oxford held a Confirmation in Holy Trinity Church, Theale, at 2.30 p.m. The Church was well filled with parents and friends of the Candidates. As the Service was intended for the two Parishes of Theale and Englefield, at the request of the Rector of Theale, the choir was supplemented by six boys and seven men from Englefield.

In the course of his two very impressive addresses the Bishop dwelt upon the subject of "Love," basing his remarks on the words of S. Paul (*Romans v., 5*) "Because the Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." He pointed out that S. Paul in his "letter" to the Romans was exhorting them to show one of the results of this Love of God in their hearts by doing acts of kindness, and the Bishop urged those, who had been newly confirmed, to try and make the lives of those amongst whom they live brighter and happier by their acts of kindness, springing from this Love of God shed abroad in their hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto them.

There were 18 candidates from Englefield, viz.:—*Males*, David Arthur Stocker, Gilbert Allen, Alfred Edward Vince, Gilbert Cox, Fred Huggins, Henry Robert Bates, Arthur Smythe, Arthur Worth, Edward James Day: *Females*, Ethel Horne, Harriet Annie Fisher, Elsie Fisher, Elsie Smythe, May Elizabeth Winchcombe, Nona Mary Hickman, Caroline Lamkin, Ethel Jane Gore, Rose Violet Goodman.

NURSE PAGE.

It is with feelings of genuine regret that we have to announce the departure of Nurse Page from our midst. Since she came to Englefield some four years ago she has discharged her duties in a most capable and sympathetic manner. The best proof of how these services have been valued by her patients can be gathered from the fact that nearly everyone was anxious to contribute to her testimonial. This took the form of a purse of £10, and was presented to her before she left the Village.

The following contributed:—Mrs. Benyon, Mrs. Skipwith, Mrs. Roake, Mrs. Bucknell, Mrs. Ruby, Miss Barker, Miss Coombes, Miss Cox, Miss Mildenhall, Mrs. Buckland, Mrs. Pocock, Mrs. Worth, Mrs. Golding, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Claydon, Mrs. A. Harris, Mrs. W. Horne, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. Malpas, Mrs. Vince, Mrs. Winchcombe, Mrs. T. Harris, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. James, Mrs. C. Fisher, Mrs. Chandler, Mr. Dickson, Mrs. T. Cox, Mrs. W. Cox, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Huggins, Mrs. Yarlett, Mrs. E. Allen, Mrs. Stocker, Mrs. Love, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Smythe, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Bates, Mr. Wheeler, Mrs. W. Abery, Mrs. J. Cox, Mrs. Willcox, Mrs. H. Horne, Mrs. J. Martin, Mrs. Groves, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. F. Cox, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. W. Allen, Mrs. G. Allen, Mrs. Rampton, Mrs. Butcher, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Clempson, Mrs. Lamperd, Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Neighbour, Mrs. G. Fisher, Mrs. Fisher (North Street) Mrs. Dell, Mrs. Rouse, Mrs. Rabbits, Mrs. Roome, Mrs. Nash, Mrs. Neighbour, Mr. Lewingdon, Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Thame, Mrs. Champion.

Nurse Page before leaving the Village asked us to convey her most heartfelt and sincere thanks to all those who were responsible for this generous gift: she would liked to have thanked them all individually but the time at her disposal precluded such an idea. We hope that after a short rest she will be enabled to carry on her most necessary work elsewhere.

We understand that Mrs. Benyon is most kindly arranging for someone to take Nurse Page's place, but that some alterations will be made with regard to the new nurse's services.

FIRE BRIGADE.

The Annual Supper took place at the Fire Station on February 16th, when the Members and their friends spent a very pleasant evening. The usual loyal toasts were given and the health of the Squire was drunk with musical honours. The Chief Officer reported that five calls were received during the past year, two of which proved to be of a serious nature. Several speeches and songs were given by Members and Friends. Messrs. Robinson and Golding kindly presided at the piano.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

A very successful Smoking Concert was given in the Club Room on February 2nd. Mr. G. S. Roake was in the chair, supported by Mr. James Bucknell as vice-chairman. During the evening the home tournament prizes were distributed. The following were among the successful:—Messrs. J. Forrester and E. Buckland (Whist), Messrs. O. A. Hopley and W. Sly, senior (Double Cribbage), Mr. A. E. Robinson (Single Cribbage), Messrs. J. H. Claydon and J. Forrester (Double Don), Mr. J. H. Claydon (Single Don), Mr. W. Green (Draughts), Mr. J. Cross (Dominoes), Mr. A. Beasley (Bagatelle—Cannon), Mr. Herbert Cox (Bagatelle—Cannon and Holes), Mr. W. H. Arnold (Billiards). Many excellent songs were contributed.

The Annual Meeting took place in the Club Room on February 6th. The President (J. Herbert Benyon, Esq.) occupied the chair. After the minutes had been read and passed, the Secretary read the accounts, which showed a most satisfactory balance. The Rector was elected a Trustee in the place of Rev. H. Savill Young, resigned. The only other business was the election of the Committee and votes of thanks to all the Officers.

On February 8th a very enjoyable evening was spent with the Members of the Pangbourne Club. Englefield proved successful in the tournament by 12 points to 11.

We hope before long to be enabled to chronicle a great improvement in the matter of the ventilation of the Club.

CONCERT.

In our last issue we asked our readers to make a note of March 7th, the day on which we had intended giving a Concert on behalf of the Cricket Club. It has, however, been thought advisable to change the date to the 26th of April. More details will appear in our next number.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
January 29th (4th Sunday after Epiphany).—Magazine	6	7	
February 2nd (Festival of the Purification of the B.V.M.)—Altar Fund	1	6	
„ 5th (5th Sunday after Epiphany).—Church Expenses	16	1	
„ 12th (6th Sunday after Epiphany).—Choir Books	1	6	10
„ 19th (Septuagesima).—Sick and Poor	5	2	

HYMNS FOR MARCH.

Quinquagesima (5th March)	M.,	217	210	359	553	559
	A.,	37	308	(Children's Hymn Book).		
	E.,	391	362	366	477	
1st Sunday in Lent (12th March)	M.,	92	89	224		
	E.,	353	91	94		
2nd Sunday in Lent (19th March)	M.,	247	514	287		
	A.,	105	190	(Children's Hymn Book).		
	E.,	186	277	21		
3rd Sunday in Lent (26th March)	M.,	182	183	254		
	E.,	541	256	12		

ENGLEFIELD, APRIL, 1905.

The weeks of repentance are passing from us! We are getting near to the days of suffering! Soon the hours of agony will close around us and our Saviour! The Man of Sorrows will have led His Church through another Lent, and Passiontide and Good Friday. Do not let this solemn season pass away without making an effort to profit by it. Especially during Holy-Week, try and keep close to the Cross, and to meditate upon your Saviour's week of sorrow and pain.

Services during Holy-Week will be as follows:—

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday—Holy Communion, 8.30 a.m.;
Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, with Reading, 7 p.m.

Good Friday—Mattins, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, 11 a.m.; Evensong, and Sermon, 6 p.m.

Easter Day Services will be as follows:—

Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m.; Mattins, Choral Celebration, and Sermon, 11 a.m.; Evensong, with Sermon, and Anthem, 6.30 p.m.

Easter Tuesday is also the Festival of St. Mark—Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.30 a.m.

After Evensong on Maundy Thursday, April 20th, the Rector hopes to hold a Service of Preparation for the Easter Communion: he will be glad to see as many Communicants as can attend and especially those who have been lately confirmed.

S. P. G.

On Quinquagesima Sunday, the Parish received a visit from Rev. Sydney Hawthorne, on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. In spite of most inclement weather, there were fair congregations, and the Services, which were largely of a missionary nature, were joined in heartily by the worshippers.

The day began with a Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m. The other additional Service, being that provided for the Children, in the afternoon. Mr. Hawthorne preached morning and evening, as well as addressing the Children in the afternoon; and his eloquence was much appreciated by those who had ears to hear.

The total amount collected throughout the day was £8 17s. 6d., which was sent up to head quarters.

We would remind our readers, that the object of having a day set apart once a year on behalf of the S.P.G., is not simply to have collections for the Society, but to rouse up interest in the cause of Foreign Missions. The question for us to ask ourselves is: "Am I doing anything to carry out my Lord's wishes?"

There are now 19 houses in which boxes are kept, for the purpose of aiding this work; could not some other houses find room for a box?

During Lent—after Evensong on Fridays—Litany of Intercession is said. This has been very fairly attended. We hope, perhaps, it may become a permanent institution.

NURSE BODDON.

As intimated in our March number, Mrs. Benyon has most kindly provided the village with a successor to Nurse Page. We take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Benyon most heartily for her generosity in this respect.

Nurse Boddon took up her quarters in the Village on March 1st., and has had a busy time already, partly owing to the increasing population of the Village. We feel sure that she will have a hearty welcome and that her services will be appreciated as much as were those of her

predecessor. Mrs. Benyon asks us to say that it has been found necessary to make one or two new rules, and that every house will receive a copy, when they are printed.

It will be perhaps known to most of our readers, that rules have been issued from the Central Midwives' Board, which come into operation all over the country on April 1st. These rules have to be strictly adhered to; though they are not to be printed on the new cards, they will be communicated to all whom they concern.

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE LONG GALLERY (*Communicated*).

On February 22nd, Mr. and Mrs. Benyon invited the Village to an entertainment, which was much appreciated. The Rev. J. Ouvry, Vicar of Grazeley, brought his magic lantern, and exhibited a large number of most interesting slides and moving pictures. Most of the former being from photographs taken by himself, including some excellent local views. Miss Winifred Benyon delighted the audience with some dances, which were greatly enhanced by limelight effects; her Chinese dance, in a beautifully embroidered Chinese dress, being especially quaint and effective. The musical portion of the programme was carried out by Mr. and Miss Stock. Miss Stock commencing with a spirited Pianoforte Solo, whilst Mr. Stock won great applause for his varied and amusing Songs and Sketches.

At the close of the entertainment Mrs. Benyon expressed the Squire's regret at being unable to be present owing to a bad cold; she also mentioned that the Rector was kept away by influenza.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

At the monthly meeting held on February 27th the following were elected as Sub-committee for the year:—

Library—Rev. G. G. Skipwith, Messrs. G. S. Roake and J. Cross.

Tournaments—Messrs. James Bucknell, B. Webb and J. H. Claydon.

Smoking Concerts—Messrs. J. H. Claydon, F. Cox and B. Webb.

Dances—Messrs. O. A. Hopley, J. Cross and A. Mitchison.

The last dance of the Season was held in the Club Room on March 1st, and was voted a great success. An excellent programme was arranged by the Sub-committee, Messrs. O. A. Hopley, F. Reid and J. Cross. Mr. and Mrs. Claydon must be congratulated on the success attending their efforts to make everyone happy and comfortable on these occasions.

FOOTBALL CLUB.

On February 11th, the match against Ibis Athletic at Reading ended in a win for the home team by 4 goals to 3.

On March 11th, we went over to Mortimer to play the return match. This time it was Mortimer's turn to win, and this result they accomplished by the narrow margin of 1 goal to 0.

Bradfield College servants visited us on March 18th, and we succeeded in proving victorious by 4 goals to 1.

CONCERT.

There will be a Concert on Wednesday, April 26th, in the Long Gallery, to commence at 7.30 p.m., on behalf of the Cricket Club. We hope that it will be well patronised. The price of tickets (to be obtained from Members of the Cricket Club Committee) will be—Reserved Seats, 1/- 2nd Seats, 6d., Children (under 12 years of age) half-price.

SCHOOL.

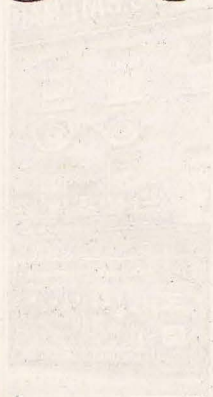
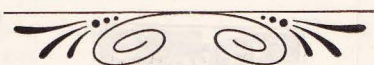
Owing to an outbreak of measles, the Education Authorities have given orders for the School to be closed till Easter Tuesday.

OFFERTORIES.

							£	s.	d.
February 24th (Festival of St. Matthias).—Altar Fund ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	6	
" 26th (Sexagesima).—Choir Books ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	10	
March 5th (Quinquagesima).—S.P.G. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	17	6
" 8th (Ash Wednesday).—Sick and Poor ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	6	
" 12th (1st Sunday in Lent).—Sunday School ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	11
" 19th (2nd " ")—Choir Books and Music ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	6	$\frac{1}{2}$

HYMNS FOR APRIL.

4th Sunday in Lent (April 2nd) ...	...	M., 520	197	556	318
	...	E., 257	255	545	
Passion Sunday (April 9th) ...	...	M., 106	523	96	
	...	E., 107	200	528	
Palm Sunday (April 16th) ...	...	M., 98	99	112	111
	...	A., 45	110	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	...	E., 172	99	98	17
Easter Day (April 23rd) ...	...	M., 134	136	499	556 318
	...	E., 133	Anthem	138	500
1st Sunday after Easter (April 30th) ...	...	M., 137	504	135	174
	...	E., 391	125	127	31
Good Friday (April 21st) ...	...	M., 105	108	112	
	...	E., 107	120	122	



ENGLEFIELD, MAY, 1905.

BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

April 2nd.—Albert, son of Thomas and Emily Huggins.

SAINTS' DAY IN MAY.

1st.—St. Philip and St. James. The Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.30 a.m., and the alms will be devoted to the S.P.C.K.

THE CHURCH.

Lent and Easter Day have come and gone: and it is to be hoped that many have profited by the Church's lessons during these Sacred Seasons. On Wednesday Evenings throughout Lent, the Rector gave Addresses on the subject of "Patience," and on the Sunday Evenings he took as his subject "Some Titles of Our Lord." On Friday Evenings, Evensong has been said at 6.30 p.m., followed by a short Litany of Intercession for Foreign Missions. This has been very fairly well attended, and it is intended to continue it for the present. We hope that those, who have attended during Lent, will continue to do so.

On Easter Day the Church looked bright and cheerful, the decorations having been tastefully carried out by willing hands. The number of Communicants was encouraging, and the music did credit to the Organist and the Choir. At the Evening Service the *Reverend J. Baden-Powell's* "Hail! Festal Day" was sung in procession: its bright tuneful chorus being well taken up by the Congregation. The Anthem was "Hallelujah! Christ is risen" by *Edwyn Clare*. The Collections, amounting to £9 16s. 9d., were given to the Additional Curates' Society.

Until further notice there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month, at 7.30 a.m.

THE SCHOOL.

Owing to an unfortunate outbreak of measles, which has thrown everything out of gear, the School has been closed for a month. We hear there have been 65 cases of measles in the Parish. However all is over, we hope, for the present, and the School opened again on Easter Tuesday.

The Diocesan Examination, which has been postponed twice already, will take place some time in June.

The Needlework was inspected on Monday, March 27th, by Mrs. Skipwith and Mrs. Roake. The following were awarded prizes:—

Needlework: Division 1.—Bertha Winchcombe, 1st prize; Ethel Nash, 2nd prize. Division 2.—Edith Bucknell, 1st prize; Mabel Reid, 2nd prize. Division 3.—Dorothy Golding, 1st prize; Sarah Rabbits, 2nd prize.

Knitting: Division 1.—Ida Rampton, 1st prize; Agnes Bune, 2nd prize. Division 2.—Daisy Wilcox, 1st prize; May Fisher, 2nd prize. Division 3.—Florence Abery, 1st prize; Ellen Rouse, 2nd prize.

INFANTS.

Needlework: First Class.—Alice Bates, 1st prize; Olive Bune, 2nd prize. Second Class.—Harriet Povey, 1st prize; Winifred Webb, 2nd prize.

Knitting: First Class.—Daisy Young, 1st prize; Edith Allen, 2nd prize. Second Class.—Florence Young, 1st prize; no competition for 2nd prize.

Report on School Needlework.—"The work as a whole is disappointing, and not equal to the usual standard. Buttonholes badly done in nearly every case, and in several instances those who had done good work in the more difficult parts, have had to be debarred from winning the prize on account of hurried carelessness in seams, and hems, and fastenings-off insecurely finished. In the knitting it would be better for each child to make a pair of socks, as the inequality of work makes it difficult to pair those done by two knitters. It would also be well for all the older girls to show specimens of marking, and for this one prize, at least, is offered for next year."

Signed—Violet M. Skipwith,
Mary I. Roake.

WORK PARTY.

On Thursdays during Lent a little band of industrious workers was to be found in the Long Gallery, under the superintendence of Mrs. Benyon, engaged in making garments for those less well off than themselves. Mrs. Benyon informs us that 202 garments were made. This is less than in former years, but the diminution is due to the epidemic of measles, which kept several mothers away. These garments have been sent to the following:—

The Mother Superior (for the Poor), S. Saviour's Priory, Hackney, East London,
Miss Duncombe (for the Poor), Deaconess House, Mildmay Park, North London,
Rev. C. Finch (for the Poor), S. Peter's Vicarage, De Beauvoir Town, North London,
And the Linen League, Royal Berkshire Hospital.

FOOTBALL CLUB (Communicated).

March 25th.—The Timber Yard *versus* The Gardens. This match, better known as the "local Derby," was the last of the season, and was won by the Gardens by 2 goals to none.

CRICKET CLUB.

Football having come to an end for the season, we are beginning to think of its Summer rival—Cricket. A General Meeting was held in the Club on March 27th; the Squire was in the chair. The following officers were elected for this season:—*Captain*, Rev. G. G. Skipwith; *Vice-Captain*, Mr. O. A. Hopley; *Hon. Treasurer*, The Rector; *Hon. Secretary*, Mr. A. Lamperd; *Committee*, Messrs. G. S. Roake, A. Ruby, Herbert Cox, A. Savage, G. Coombes, C. Fisher and J. H. Claydon. A good list of fixtures is being arranged.

CRICKET CLUB CONCERT.

On Wednesday Evening, April 26th, a Concert was given in the Long Gallery of Englefield House, on behalf of the Cricket Club. In spite of somewhat unpropitious weather this was very largely attended by an appreciative audience, and the result was highly satisfactory, a clear profit of over £8 10s. being realised. The programme was as follows:—

PART I.

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| 1. Part Song | ... "Sweet and Low" ... | Barnby. |
| | A. Claydon, H. and S. Willcox, Rev. G. G. Skipwith,
Messrs. T. Harris, Hopley, Pocock and Webb. | |
| 2. Cornet Solo | ... "The Lost Chord" ... | Sullivan. |
| | Mr. S. Claydon. | |
| 3. Song | ... "Johneen" ... | C. Villiers-Stanford. |
| | Rev. G. Gore Skipwith. | |
| 4. Recitation | "Reminiscences of Tom Cobley" | ... |
| | Mr. F. Cox. | |
| 5. Tambourine Dance... | ... | ... |
| | Miss Winifred Benyon. | |
| 6. Humorous Song... | ... "The Cigar Girl" ... | Baker. |
| | Mr. E. H. Moss. | |
| 7. Mandoline Solo | ... "Musica Proibita" ... | Graziani-Walter. |
| | Mrs. G. G. Skipwith. | |
| 8. Song | ... "The Storm" ... | Hullah. |
| | Mrs. Seymour Dubourg. | |
| 9. Part Songs | { "Now the Curfew Bell hath ceased" ... | C. Kreutzer. |
| | "Three Children Sliding" ... | A. Wellesley Batson. |
| 10. Humorous Song... | "Waltzing as she is waltzed" ... | Seldon. |
| | Mr. E. H. Moss. | |

PART II.

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| 11. Duologue... | ... "My Grandmother's Picture" ... | ... |
| | Miss Winifred Benyon and Miss Irene Waring. | |
| 12. Quartette... | ... "Phyllis dyes her tresses black" ... | Prendergast. |
| | Mr. T. Harris, Rev. G. G. Skipwith, Mr. Hopley, Mr. Pocock. | |
| 13. Song | ... "Beauty's Eyes" ... | Tosti. |
| | Mrs. Seymour Dubourg. | |

14. Song	...	...	"The Little Red Fox"	...	...	Somervell.
			Rev. G. Gore Skipwith.			
15. Vocal Duet	...	...	"The Battle Eve"	...	...	Bonheur.
			Messrs. Hopley and Pocock.			
16. Recitation	...	...	"My First Recital"	...	...	Eaton.
			Mr. E. H. Moss.			
17. Song	...	...	"Queen of Angels"	...	...	Piccolomini.
			Mr. A. Ruby.			
18. Instrumental Solo	...	...	"Fairy Bells"	...	...	J. Cross.
			Mr. Cross.			
19. Humorous Song	...	...	"It pleased the Children so"	...	...	Roberts.
			Mr. E. H. Moss.			
20. Part Song	...	...	"The Blue-bottle's Fate"	...	...	Ashworth.
			GOD SAVE THE KING.			

VESTRY MEETING.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was held on Easter Monday; the Rector in the chair. Mr. J. H. Benyon was re-elected Rector's Churchwarden, and Mr. Roake to represent the Parish. The Churchwardens' accounts were read and passed. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Squire for paying the organist's salary, and for a large contribution towards past and current expenses.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
March 25th (Festival, Annunciation of B.V.M.)—Altar Fund	...	...	4 6
„ 26th (3rd Sunday in Lent).—Sick and Poor	...	...	1 15 8
April 2nd (4th Sunday in Lent).—Church Expenses	...	...	1 6 2
„ 9th (Passion Sunday).—General Expenses	...	...	1 16 9
„ 16th (Palm Sunday).—Sunday School	...	...	17 7
„ 17th (Monday before Easter).—Sick and Poor	...	...	1 3
„ 18th (Tuesday before Easter).—Sick and Poor	...	...	6 3
„ 19th (Wednesday before Easter).—Sick and Poor	...	...	4 3
„ 20th (Maundy Thursday).—Sick and Poor	...	...	4 4
„ 23rd (Easter Day).—Additional Curates' Society	...	...	9 16 9
„ 25th (Tuesday in Easter Week).—Altar Fund	...	...	4 0

HYMNS FOR MAY.

2nd Sunday after Easter (May 7th)...	...	M., 292	125	197	553	311 (1st part)
		E., 224	238	284	21	
3rd Sunday after Easter (May 14th)	...	M., 540	514	176	220	
		E., 545	301	266	23	
4th Sunday after Easter (May 21st)	...	M., 178	(2nd part)	537	229	379
		A., 121	123			
		E., 137	516	243	19	
5th Sunday after Easter (May 28th)	...	M., 3	(2nd part)	527	143	135
		E., 383	511	539	24	

Recessional for the Month, 26.

ENGLEFIELD, JUNE, 1905.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

May 7th—Frances Olivia, daughter of Albert Edward and Kate Love.

Dorothy Annie, daughter of William Thomas and Elizabeth Stocker.

Ethel Hilda, daughter of Egbert George and Ellen Louise Allen.

THE CHURCH.

HOLY DAYS IN JUNE:—

1st, *Ascension of Our Lord*.—Services will be as follows: Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. (at which the alms will be given to the Universities' Mission to Central Africa); Mattins and Sermon at 11 a.m.; Evensong and Sermon at 7 p.m.

11th, *Whitsun Day*.—Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m.; Mattins, Sermon and Choral Eucharist at 11 a.m.; Evensong and Sermon at 6 p.m.

13th, *Tuesday in Whitsun Week*.—Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.

24th, *Festival of St. John Baptist*.—Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.

29th, *Festival of St. Peter*.—Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.

The appended Table of Fees was passed at the Easter Vestry:—

	Rector.				Sexton.			
	£ s. d.				£ s. d.			
Publishing Banns of Marriage	...	...	...	0 1 0	...	...	...	0 0 6
Marriage by Banns	...	...	...	0 3 6	...	...	...	0 2 6
Marriage by Licence	...	...	...	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 7 0
BURIALS.								
In Common Grave	...	...	...	0 1 0	...	...	...	0 3 6
In Vault	...	...	...	2 2 0	...	...	...	0 5 0
In Brick Grave (Single)	...	...	...	1 1 0	...	...	...	
Head and Foot Stone	...	...	...	1 1 0	...	...	...	
Searching Registers, and Certified Copy	...	...	...	0 3 6	...	...	...	
Burial of Non-Parishioners	...	...	...	10 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0

Approved in Vestry, April 24th, 1905.

GRANVILLE GORE SKIPWITH, M.A., Rector.

J. HERBERT BENYON, } Churchwardens.

G. STUART ROAKE, }

Sanctioned and Approved by me,

W. M. G. DUCAT, Archdeacon of Berks.

N.B.—No monument to be erected, or altered, or any inscription placed thereon without the sanction of the Rector.

No glass or other artificial memorial tributes may be placed on Graves without the sanction of the Rector.

No person who is not a Parishioner can be interred in this Churchyard, except under special circumstances, when the fee as above will be charged.

We would draw attention especially to the notice with regard to "glass or other memorial tributes."

Gilbert Cox and Edward Day, whose voices are breaking, have left the choir. Three supernumeraries are waiting to fill the vacancies.

I would like to point out that the object of having a choir in Church is that it may lead the singing of the congregation. Some of the younger members of the congregation evidently do not realize this, and I would appeal to their better feelings to try and render all the music in as reverent a manner as possible.

CRICKET CLUB.

The following are the fixtures for this month :—

June 3rd, at Englefield, *v.* St. Luke's, Reading.
 „ 10th, at Aldermaston, *v.* Aldermaston.
 „ 12th, at Englefield. *v.* Boyne Hill.
 „ 17th, at Englefield, *v.* Bucklebury Fireside.
 „ 24th, at Englefield, *v.* Reading College.

The season opened on May 13th, in most disastrous fashion for Englefield. Their opponents (Reading College) were disposed of for the paltry total of 20; Englefield only managed to get 19. The less said about the batting in this match the better, but we must give a word of praise to our bowlers—Beasley, who took 6 wickets for 9 runs, and E. Buckland, 4 for 8, and to their bowlers—Portsmouth and Farrants.

On May 20th, we went over to encounter some new opponents, viz. : Oakfield C.C. This was a match much appreciated by all who took part in it—a fine day, a good ground, and generous hospitality, all combining to make it enjoyable—to say nothing of the fact that we won. Scores:

<i>Oakfield C.C.</i>				<i>Englefield C.C.</i>			
Mr. W. J. Bradshaw, b E. Cox	...	...	2	Rev. G. G. Skipwith, c Pegg, b Palmer	...	...	4
F. W. Feltham, c Thame, b West	...	...	30	A. E. Robinson, c Tyser, b Nash	...	...	32
H. G. Palmer, c and b West	...	...	47	A. Lamperd, b Bradshaw	...	...	10
Mr. G. B. Tyser, c Hopley, b West	...	...	4	E. West, b White	...	...	24
Rev. C. B. Condor, b Coombes	...	...	0	G. Coombes, b White	...	...	33
Dr. Nash, c and b West	...	...	1	O. A. Hopley, c and b Stratton	...	...	14
C. Stratton, c Coombes, b West	...	...	0	J. Vince, b White	...	...	6
H. Downton, b West	...	...	0	C. Claydon, b Stratton	...	...	14
G. Pegg, c Skipwith, b West	...	...	4	A. Ruby, run out	...	...	2
R. White, b Coombes	...	...	4	E. Cox, b Stratton	...	...	2
G. Pontin, not out	...	...	0	A. Thame, not out	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	4	Extras	...	...	9
Total	...	...	96	Total	...	...	150

FOOTBALL CLUB (*Communicated*).

A General Meeting was held at the Workmen's Club on Monday, May 15th, when the secretary read the report for the past season. The season has been a very successful one, fifteen matches having been played with other clubs, of which Englefield won eleven and lost four, with a goal average of 55 for us and 17 against. The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of 14/5, which is very satisfactory, considering the expenses which the club has been subject to.

It being decided to apply for admission to the Second Division of the Reading Temperance League, three representatives went to the annual meeting of the above league, with the result that Englefield, not being fortunate enough to gain admittance to the second division, were allowed to enter the third division, which was formed at that meeting.

The club wishes to thank all patrons for their support during the past season, and hopes for a continuance of the same next season.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The last of the Winter Season Smoking Concerts took place in the Club on Monday, May 15th, after the General Meeting of the Football Club had been held.

Mr. G. S. Roake occupied the chair, and Mr. R. Allen (Captain of the Englefield Football Club) the vice-chair. A good programme of songs was well rendered by members of the club.

The Library Sub-Committee hopes to add several new books to the Library shortly.

WILD FLOWER STUDY.

It is hoped to resume the study of wild flowers; and to encourage this, prizes are offered by Mrs. Skipwith to those girls attending the two first classes at Sunday School, for the three best and neatest collections of dried wild flowers. The results will be exhibited at the Harvest Home.

MISSIONS.

The Rector will be glad if those, who are in possession of boxes, will send them to the Rectory, by the evening of 16th inst.

The Litany for Foreign Missions is still being said on Fridays, after Evensong, at 6.30 p.m. Could not a few more, who have the missionary cause at heart, attend?

We are asked to give notice that the Diocesan Missionary Festival is fixed for June 6th. There will be a Special Service at 12 noon, in St. Mary's Church, Reading, when the Bishop of Oxford will preach. At 3 p.m. there will be a Meeting in the Large Town Hall. In the evening at 7.45, an Open-air Service will be held in the Abbey Ruins; this service is intended primarily for working men and women, who cannot attend the service or meeting earlier in the day.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
April 30th (1st Sunday after Easter)—Choir Music	5	0	
May 1st (Festival of S S. Philip and James).—S.P.C.K.	9	6	
„ 7th (2nd Sunday after Easter).—Church Expenses	11	3	
„ 14th (3rd Sunday after Easter).—Sunday School	4	7	
„ 21st (4th Sunday after Easter).—General Expenses	5	4	

HYMNS FOR JUNE.

Festival of the Ascension of O.B.L. (June 1st)	M.,	147	150	220	
	E.,	148 (Part I.)	301	304	
Sunday after Ascension (June 4th)	M.,	179	478	282	219
	E.,	270	207	146	231
Whitsun Day (June 11th)	M.,	154	210	156	322 319
	E.,	211	212	192 (M.S.)	213
Trinity Sunday (June 18th)	M.,	161	343	162	281
	A.,	276	44	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	E.,	215	221	160	163
1st Sunday after Trinity (June 25th)	M.,	240	514	520	186
	E.,	172	276	280 (Part II.)	431

Recessional for month of June, 29.

N.B.—Owing to Whitsun Day coming on the 2nd Sunday of the month, the Services on the 1st Sunday of the month will be as follows:—

Holy Communion	8.30 a.m.
Mattins and Sermon	11 a.m.
Litany and Baptisms	3.30 p.m.
Evensong and Sermon	6 p.m.

ENGLEFIELD, JULY, 1905.

MARRIAGES.

"Those, whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

April 24th.—At the Parish Church, Turvey, Bedfordshire, by the Rector, Rev. G. F. W. Munby, Albert Arthur Savage, of Englefield, near Reading, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Savage, of Turvey, to Laura Minnie, only daughter of the Mr. Samuel Teagle, of Wolverton.—(Copied from the "Bucks Standard," April 29th, 1905).

June 17th.—At S. Michael's Church, Sulhamstead, by Rev. A. J. P. Shepherd, Albert Charles Day, of Englefield, to Margaret Woolford, of Sulhamstead.

S. P. G.

The boxes, returned for the half-yearly count, contained the following amounts:—

Nurse Page ...	box received December, 1904, returned February, 1905	...	9½
Mrs. J. Martin ...	" " " " " June, 1905	...	3 3½
Miss Barker ...	" " " " " " "	...	4 6
Mrs. Roake ...	" " " " " " "	...	10 1½
Miss Coombes ...	" " " " " " "	...	6 1½
Mrs. Claydon ...	" " " " " " "	...	4 2½
Mrs. Smyth ...	" " " " " " "	...	3 0½
Sunday School ...	" " " " " " "	...	2 4½
Mrs. Page ...	" " " " " " "	...	7 4
Mrs. Hannington ...	" " " " " " "	...	4 4½
The Rectory ...	" " " " " " "	...	8 4½
Miss Benyon ...	" " " " " " "	1	0 0
Mrs. Ruby ...	" " " " " " "	...	2 7¼
Rectory Servants ...	6th March, 1905	" " " " "	7 1
Kitty Vince ...	10th " " " " "	...	1 10½
Laura Allen ...	22nd " " " " "	...	1 5¼
Edith Smyth ...	" " " " " " "	...	9
Total ...			£4 8 3½

This is a very satisfactory total for the half-year. We are glad to note that some of the children have taken boxes, and hope that more may be persuaded to do so—that they may learn early in life to take an interest in this important work. Some are, of course, able to give more than others, but that must not be a bar to those who are less well off; the copper of one is, perhaps, of more value in the eyes of God than the silver of another—if it is given in the right spirit—the spirit of love and self-sacrifice.

THE CHURCH.

The usual Services were held in the Church on Ascension Day, but the attendance was most disappointing, with the exception of the 11 o'clock service. Another year we shall have to try some alteration.

On Whitsun Day the Church had been prettily decorated, though not so lavishly as usual; Mrs. Roake and Miss Coombes assisted Mrs. Skipwith. The services were well attended, a large number attending the 7.30 a.m. celebration. In the evening the choir sang that bright and joyous Hymn of Praise "Hail! Festal Day" (*Baden Powell*).

On Wednesday evening in Ember Week, by the wish of the Bishop of the Diocese, a special service was held. This service, which was very short and simple, consisted of a few hymns and collects asking for a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It was attended by a nice little congregation, amongst whom we were glad to see some men.

On Wednesday evening, June 7th, an interesting presentation took place in the Belfry, the recipient being Mr. Arthur Savage. Some of his fellow bell-ringers from Englefield, Bradfield, Goring and Theale had joined together and bought for him a very handsome silver-plated cake dish, as a mark of esteem on the occasion of his recent marriage. The Rector made the presentation, and in a few words wished him every success and happiness. Mr. Savage replied, thanking all for their kindness, which he much appreciated. During the evening several short touches were rung on the bells.

THE RECTOR.

The Rector will be away from Englefield during July, so there will be no week-day services until further notice.

THE SCHOOL.

The Diocesan Inspection took place on Friday, June 23rd. Rev. Stuart Angel-Smith kindly undertook the duty.

REPORT:—"During the last few months the School has been closed for some weeks, owing to illness, and there have been losses and changes of teachers. But no traces of these disadvantages could be detected in the religious examination just held; except possibly in the *Infant Class*, where it is recommended that the definitions in the syllabus be committed to memory, and simple explanations of words be given. Several of the little ones, however, answered very nicely, among whom are commended:—Elsie Bates, George Prater, William Stocker, Bertie Bucknell, Fred Seymour.

In the *Mixed School* the syllabus has been conscientiously taught and learned. In the *Second Division*—a large and intelligent class—the answering was very general, and the written answers accurate. Certificate: Ruth Bates; Commended: Daisy Willcox, George Claydon, Maggie Allen, Leonard Nash, Dorothy Golding, Tom Bucknell, Charles Pocock.

In the *Upper Division* good knowledge of all the subjects was shown, especially of the order of Holy Communion, in which the answers were accurate and intelligent. Diocesan Prize: Bertha Winchcombe; Certificates (given or re-signed): A. T. Claydon, Frederick James, Harold Willcox, Edith Bucknell, Walter Rampton; Commended: Agnes Bune.

The highest mark, V.G., is awarded to the school as a whole."

Two new teachers have been appointed in the place of Miss Preedy and Miss Kirby, who have resigned. The new teachers' names are Miss Rowbottom and Miss Brambley. They will commence their duties on July 3rd.

The Bathing Season has begun, and Mr. Claydon, who is as usual kindly undertaking the duty of "swimming master," reports that advantage is being taken of the joys of a plunge by some 17 school-boys.

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

Since our last report the Club has played five matches, winning four and losing one. The first match was played at Whitechurch, on May 27th. The homesters batted first, and scored 87; the visitors replied with 88 for eight wickets down, thus winning by two wickets.

The second match was played at home, against S. Luke's, Reading. The home team batted first and, thanks chiefly to E. West (31) and G. Coombes (31), reached the respectable score of 116; the visitors, however, did better, scoring 120 for the loss of seven wickets, Rev. A. G. Baines being top scorer (making 51), the homesters losing by three wickets.

The third match was against old friends at Aldermaston. Our captain again winning the toss, our team batted first, and, thanks to Mr. Sheppard, who went in first wicket down, and carried his bat through, being not out at the finish with 80 runs to his credit, the full score was 134. The home team responded with 73, Messrs. C. N. Keyser (25) and G. Strange (23) being top scorers, the visitors thus winning by 61 runs.

The fourth match was played at home on Whit-Monday, our opponents being Boyne Hill C.C., amongst whom being Mr. G. Taylor, who was for several years a prominent member of our Club. Play commenced at 12.30; the visitors won the toss, and scored 73 in their first venture, the homesters replying with 71, G. Coombes (23) and A. Beasley (18) being top scorers. On the visitors going in the second time, they were dismissed for 51, leaving the home team 54 to get to win in less than one hour, and, thanks chiefly to Mr. A. E. Robinson (28), C. Claydon (12) and A. Savage (11), this was accomplished for the loss of seven wickets, the home team winning on the second innings by three wickets. Lunch was provided in the Workmen's Club for both teams, and was much enjoyed by all, Mr. J. Claydon proving a successful caterer.

The fifth and last match was against Bucklebury Fireside, also at home, our team winning by 27 runs, G. Coombes (18) A. E. Robinson (16) and Mr. G. Sheppard (13) being top scorers.

The fixtures for July are:—1st, Oakfield, at home; 8th, St. Luke's, at Reading; 15th, Whitechurch, at home; 22nd, Bucklebury Fireside, at Bucklebury; 29th, Burghfield, at Burghfield.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
May 28th (5th Sunday after Easter)—General Expenses	...	8	5
June 1st (Festival of the Ascension)—Universities Mission to Central Africa ...	11	4	
„ 4th (Sunday after Ascension)—Church Expenses	3	6	
„ 11th (Whitsun Day)—General Expenses	1	3	4
„ 13th (Tuesday in Whitsun Week)—Altar Fund	2	0	
„ 18th (Trinity Sunday)—Sunday School	5	3	
„ 24th (Nativity S. John Baptist)—Altar Fund	1	0	
„ 25th (1st Sunday after Trinity)—Sick and Poor	...	...	...

HYMNS FOR JULY.

2nd Sunday after Trinity (July 2nd)	...	M.,	169	439 (Part II.)	197	321	319
		E.,	176	290	287	265	
3rd Sunday after Trinity (July 9th)	...	M.,	540	248	254	545	
		E.,	292	282	263	528	
4th Sunday after Trinity (July 16th)	...	M.,	165	229	284	511	
		A.,	158	183 (Children's Hymn Book).			
		E.,	224	260	280	27	
5th Sunday after Trinity (July 23rd)	...	M.,	270	4	172	193	
		E.,	219	279	232	31	
6th Sunday after Trinity (July 30th)	...	M.,	273	34	549	257	
		E.,	274	249	541	17	

ENGLEFIELD, AUGUST, 1905.

BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

July 2nd.—Hilda Kathleen, daughter of William George and Ada Annie Horne, of Theale.

SAINT'S DAY.

August 24th.—Festival of St. Bartholomew. Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.

THE CHURCH.

On the 4th Sunday after Trinity, Willie Rouse, Albert Horne and Charlie Pocock, were formally admitted as members of the Choir. We hope that they, as well as the other boys, will bear in mind that it is a great privilege to be chosen to lead the singing in the Church.

The Lads' Bible Class will be resumed on August 20th, at the usual time.

The Bells rang a merry peal to welcome the Squire and Mrs. Benyon home after their season in London.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

We are glad to hear that the ventilating of the Club Room is in progress.

The following books have been chosen by the Library Sub-Committee, and are now in the Club:—

Story of Andrew Fairfax	...	<i>J. Hocking</i>	Derrick Vaughan, Novelist	...	<i>E. Lyall</i>
The Purple Robe ...	...	"	Child of the Jago ...	...	<i>A. Morrison</i>
Scarlet Woman ...	...	"	The Stolen Emperor ...	<i>Mrs. Hugh Fraser</i>	
The Demagogue ...	...	<i>Dawe</i>	The Century Book of Gardening	<i>E. T. Cook</i>	
Kate of Kate Hall ...	...	<i>E. T. Fowler</i>	Travels Round our Village	<i>Eleanor G. Haydon</i>	
The Secret Woman ...	...	<i>E. Philpotts</i>	A Window in Thrums ...	...	<i>Barrie</i>
The Eternal City ...	...	<i>Hall Caine</i>	Black Beauty ...	...	...
Prodigal Son ...	...	"	In His Steps ...	...	<i>Chas. Sheldon</i>
The Isle of Unrest ...	<i>H. Seton Merriman</i>		When it was Dark ...	...	...
The Last Hope ...	"	"	Japan, The Place and the People		<i>Gwold C. Browne</i>
How we recovered the Ashes	<i>P. F. Warner</i>		Ingoldsby Legends ...	...	...
Count Hannibal ...	<i>Stanley J. Weyman</i>		The Cardinal's Snuff Box	<i>Henry Harland</i>	
Garden of Swords ...	<i>Max Pemberton</i>		Tommy Wideawake ...	<i>H. H. Bashford</i>	
The Sea Wolves ...	"	"	The Book of the Honey Bee	<i>C. Harrison</i>	
A Gentleman's Gentleman	"	"	The House of Seven Gables		<i>Nathaniel Hawthorne</i>
The Iron Pirate ...	"	"	King Edward VII.	<i>Mrs. Beloe Lowndes</i>	
Joan of the Sword Hand	<i>S. R. Crockett</i>		The Master Christian ...	<i>Marie Corelli</i>	
Lychgate Hall ...	<i>M. E. Francis</i>		Countess Tekla ...	<i>Robt. Barr</i>	
Japan To-Day ...	<i>J. A. B. Scherer</i>		Joyce Morrell's Harvest ...	<i>Emily S. Holt</i>	
Helbeck of Bannisdale ...	<i>Mrs. H. Ward</i>				
Fiander's Widow ...	<i>M. E. Francis</i>				

THE SCHOOL.

The Summer Holidays will commence on August 3rd, and the School will re-open on September 4th.

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

During the past month the Club has again been busy. Five matches have been played, with the following results:—

The first was the return with Reading College, played at Englefield, which again ended in a close finish, the home team just winning by 2 runs. C. Claydon (23) and G. Coombes (15) were the principal scorers.

The second was against Oakfield, also at home. The homesters batted first and ran up the respectable total of 133, G. Sheppard (31), C. A. Hopley (24), E. Buckland (19), E. West (17), and J. Vince (11) being chiefly responsible. The visitors, for whom F. W. Feltham batted well for 30 were dismissed for 92, Englefield thus winning by 41 runs.

The third match was played at Reading against St. Luke's. The home team were much too good for the visitors. Our eleven batted first, but only Robinson, who played a good innings for 33, and A. Ruby (10) were able to stand against some rather fast bowling, the whole side being dismissed for 67. The homesters, although losing three good wickets for five runs, ran up to 149 for 8 wickets down when time was called, thus winning by two wickets and 82 runs.

The next match was against Whitechurch, who arrived with only eight men, picking up two on the field. The homesters batted first, and, thanks to a capital innings of 30 not out by E. Buckland, scored 70 runs. The visitors were all out for 27, the home team winning by 43 runs.

The last match was played at Bucklebury, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 63 runs. The homesters batted first, and were all out for 69. The visitors replied with 132, Mr. G. Sheppard being top scorer; going in first wicket down, he was not out at the finish with 72 runs to his credit, the next best being A. E. Robinson (16) and E. West (10). The bowling honours go to A. Beasley, who in the five matches has taken 23 wickets.

Fixtures for August:—19th, v. Burghfield, at Englefield; 26th, v. Aldermaston, at Englefield.

YOUTHS' CRICKET CLUB.

Two matches have been played, both of which have been lost, v. Mortimer by 21 runs, and v. Burghfield by 22 runs. We hope that in the return matches the tables will be turned.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
June 25th (1st Sunday after Trinity)—Sick and Poor	6	0	
„ 29th (Festival of S. Peter)—Altar Fund	2	0	
July 2nd (2nd Sunday after Trinity)—			
„ 9th (3rd Sunday after Trinity)—Sunday School	2	9	
„ 16th (4th Sunday after Trinity)—Choir Fund			5
„ 23rd (5th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	1	3	6

HYMNS FOR AUGUST.

7th Sunday after Trinity (August 6th) ...	M.,	179	185	365	556	324
	E.,	242	178	(Pt. I.)	191	528
8th Sunday after Trinity (August 13th) ...	M.,	166	265	514	260	
	E.,	301	367	524	12	
9th Sunday after Trinity (August 20th) ...	M.,	211	240	186	545	
	A.,	44	45	(Children's Hymn Book).		
	E.,	79	229	184	228	
10th Sunday after Trinity (August 27th) ...	M.,	156	527	210	214	
	E.,	540	194	520	20	

Recessional for month of August, 23.

ENGLEFIELD, SEPTEMBER, 1905.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

- August 6th.—Frederick Maurice, son of Maurice and Edith Allen, of Theale.
" " —Frederick, son of Frederick William and Mary Ann Day, of South Norwood.
" " —Sybil Jeana, daughter of James and Jane Bucknell, of Wickcroft Farm.
" " —Mildred Edith, daughter of Harry and Lizzie Snell, of Weybridge.

SAINTS' DAYS.

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| September 21st.—Festival of Saint Matthew. | } Holy Communion
at 8.30 a.m. |
| " 29th.—Festival of S.S. Michael and All Angels | |
| " 20th, 22nd and 23rd are Ember Days. | |

HARVEST HOME.

The Harvest Home is fixed for Tuesday, September 5th. The day will commence with Service in the Church at 11 a.m., at which the Preacher will be Reverend R. Wickham Legg, Vicar of St. John's, Newbury. The Collection, as usual, will be given to the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

MISSIONS.

The Intercessory Service, on behalf of Foreign Missions, is held in the Church every Friday afternoon, at 6.30 p.m. We hope that more of those, who have the interests of Missions at heart, will avail themselves of the opportunity of joining in united prayer for the cause.

There are several papers issued with a view to stimulate the interest of people generally in Missions—we can recommend the "Mission Field," containing 32 pages with double columns, issued at 1d. per month. It contains excellent illustrations.

There is also a first-rate little paper, suitable for the young, called the "Children of the Church" Magazine. It is well illustrated and costs $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per month.

The best Magazine of all is "The East and the West," a Quarterly Review for the study of questions relating to Missionary Work. Its price is 4/- a year, post free.

The Rector will be glad to get any of the above papers if those, who would like them, will let him know.

CHOIRMEN AND BELL-RINGERS' OUTING.

Through the generosity of the Squire the men, who lead the singing in Church, and those, who remind people that the Service is about to commence, spent a pleasant day at the Seaside on Wednesday, August 16th. An early drive enabled them to catch the 9 o'clock train at Mortimer, where they were joined by the Rector. Portsmouth was reached about 11.45. The first duty which most felt to be incumbent upon them was a visit to the "Victory," Nelson's old flag-ship—and the thought crossed the mind of more than one, how strange it was that just 100 years after the famous battle of Trafalgar, the French Fleet should lately have been entertained so royally in Portsmouth Harbour, in sight of the old Man-of-War.

After an excellent repast at the "Speedwell Temperance Hotel," an adjournment was made to Southsea by tram—and most of the Company crossed the Solent by Steamship to Ryde—a "Voyage" that was much appreciated. We may mention that one of our number evidently so impressed the Steamship Company with his nautical appearance that he was allowed to travel first-class, while the rest of us were driven down to the steerage quarters. On our return to England from our foreign trip, we once more met at the "Speedwell" and enjoyed a capital tea, and caught the 6.58 train home. Mortimer was reached at 9.27, and a delightful moonlight drive home brought a most enjoyable day to a close.

There was some music, not entirely composed of chants, on the way home. There seems to be plenty of Musical talent outside of the choir—especially in the "Bass" line.

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

Only two matches have been played since our last Report. Both were against Burghfield and both won by our Eleven. The first was at Burghfield and was an easy win for the visitors. E. West being in capital form both with bat and ball, taking 14 wickets for 6 runs and scoring 29 runs. Scores: Burghfield, 7 and 21; Englefield, 57; the visitors winning by an innings and 29 runs.

The return was played here on August 19th, the home team ran up the respectable total of 100 for 8 wickets when the innings was declared closed; the Rev. G. G. Skipwith being top scorer with 35, the next best being A. Lamperd, 20, and E. West, 13. Burghfield replied with 52, leaving the home Eleven victors by 48 runs. E. West was again in form with the Ball taking 5 wickets for 14 runs.

YOUTHS' CRICKET CLUB.

Two matches have been played during the month of August, both at Englefield and both won by the home team. August 5th, *v.* Burghfield Boys, won by 65 runs. August 12th, *v.* Mortimer Boys, won by 66 runs. Mrs. Benyon kindly invited both teams to tea. We need scarcely add that her hospitality was much appreciated.

By the kindness of Mrs. Benyon, Bradfield (South End) School Boys were invited to play a team of Englefield School Boys in the Park, on Wednesday, August 23rd. The day was somewhat wild, but the Cricket proved to be most exciting; each side made 29 in the first innings and 42 in the second; the match thus ending in a tie. Tea was provided for both teams in a tent on the ground. At the close of the match hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Benyon. By the time these lines are in print the return match at Bradfield Union will have been played. We only hope it will be equally exciting.

OFFERTORIES.

						£	s.	d.
July 30th (6th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	8	10	
August 6th (7th Sunday after Trinity)—Church Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	15	6½	
„ 13th (8th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	8
„ 20th (9th Sunday after Trinity)—Choir Fund	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	
„ 24th (Festival of S. Bartholomew)—Altar Fund	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	
„ 27th (10th Sunday after Trinity)—Sick and Poor Fund	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	5
Taken from Alm's Box for Sick and Poor Fund	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	

HYMNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

11th Sunday after Trinity (September 3rd) ...	M.,	193	4	528	321	319
	E.,	292	207	280	28	
Harvest Home (September 5th) ...	M.,	382	384	366		
12th Sunday after Trinity (September 10th) ...	M.,	382	221	386	379	
	E.,	381	514	383	166	
13th Sunday after Trinity (September 17th) ...	M.,	242	265	290	214	
	A.,	173	172	(Children's Hymn Book.)		
	E.,	217	530	229	477	
14th Sunday after Trinity (September 24th) ...	M.,	274	6	615	(Tune 420)	298
	E.,	432	266	246	24	

Recessional for month of September 29.

ENGLEFIELD, OCTOBER, 1905.

BURIAL.

"Rest in Peace."

September 2nd.—George Buckland, of Burghfield, aged 79.

„ 22nd.—Julia Wingfield, aged 41.

The very sudden death of Mrs. Anthony Wingfield, better known perhaps to the inhabitants of Englefield as Miss Julia Benyon, will have caused a great shock to those who knew her in the old days. Apparently she was in her usual health, and was much looking forward to paying a visit, early in October, to her old home, when failure of the heart's action brought to a close her short life. We are quite sure that we are expressing the mind of the village when we say that our deepest sympathy is with her mother, Mrs. Benyon, Senior, in what, to her, must be an irreparable sorrow.

The funeral took place on September 22nd. The officiating clergy being the Archdeacon of Bedford, Rev. R. W. Carew Hunt, Vicar of S. Giles', Reading, and the Rector. The Service was choral, and most impressive.

S. P. G.

A Lecture will be given in the School by the Reverend T. G. Beal, of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle. The date is not fixed yet, but it will be about the middle of the month. Due notice will be given, and we hope that the room will be filled.

CHOIR BOYS' OUTING.

August 31st was a red letter day in the lives of the boys who form the Church Choir. The day commenced with a drive to Mortimer Station, where the 9.8 train was caught, and Portsmouth was reached about 11.45. Before dinner was partaken of at the "Speedwell" Hotel, a happy hour was spent on Southsea beach, where the attractions were various. After dinner a visit was paid to the "Victory," though time did not allow of a personal inspection, as it was arranged to go over by boat to the Isle of Wight. This part of the programme was thoroughly enjoyed. Most of the boys went up into Ryde town to make those purchases which are so eagerly looked for on their return home. About 5 p.m. the Solent was again crossed, and tea formed the next item in the day's arrangements. The train was due to leave Portsmouth at 6.58 p.m., and a very anxious time was spent by those in charge as the time drew near, but not so some of the boys. However "all's well that ends well," and Mortimer was reached about 9.30 p.m., and the village of Mortimer echoed with the usual up-to-date strains, as the brake bore the weary though happy party home to Englefield. Rounds of cheers were given for the Squire and Mrs. Benyon, through whose kindness the treat was enjoyed.

HARVEST HOME.

The day in the year, which is looked forward to by all connected with Englefield, threatened to be wet: however, after a very heavy shower in the early morning, the sky cleared and a lovely day ensued. The day's proceedings were very much as usual. There was a bright and hearty service in the Church at 11 a.m., when an excellent sermon was preached by Reverend R. Wickham Legg, Vicar of S. John's, Newbury. The Church, which had been decorated for the occasion by willing hands, was well filled, and the Royal Berkshire Hospital benefited, not only by the substantial sum of £55 17s. 10d., but also by a van load of vegetables, fruit, honey, eggs, bread, &c., &c., which had been sent by Members of the Congregation.

The following were amongst those who sent offerings :—

E. Lamperd	A. Ruby	G. Rabbitts	J. Norris
J. Cross	G. Fisher	T. Huggins	J. Hayes
J. Claydon	W. Cox	G. Elliott	W. Smyth
F. Reid	J. Cox	G. Parsons	W. Palmer
E. Worth	T. Dixon	G. Allen	G. Roake
E. Allen	H. Malpas	W. Day	Jacob Smith
W. Lewington	C. Fisher	H. Horne	H. Bates
T. Harris	F. Pocock	Mrs. Dell	G. Nash
F. James	G. Yarlett	W. Allen	G. Mundy
H. Martin	T. Cox	W. Abery	H. Page
A. Payne	W. Vince	H. Groves	J. Wells
D. Brill	A. Rampton	C. Young	J. Thame
Mrs. Winchcombe	A. Harris	F. Holmes	G. Neighbor
Mrs. W. Horne	C. Cox	J. Martin	G. Buckland
	J. Abery	S. Willcox	

After Service was over, the tent containing vegetables, &c., for competition, was inspected; and then followed dinner in the long gallery. At the conclusion of an excellent repast, the toast of "The King" was given and responded to loyally. Then the Rector proposed the health of "The Squire and Mrs. Benyon," which was drunk with musical honours. The Squire in responding spoke of various matters of interest to the villagers—one point on which he laid special stress being the necessity for the younger members to join a good Friendly Society, so as to secure for themselves an old age pension as well as sick pay. He wound up by proposing the health of "The Rector," who briefly responded. The concluding toasts were "The Preacher" and "The Judges" (Mr. Sherlock and Mr. Thatcher). During the afternoon, a capital Entertainment was given in the park by Messrs. Taylor Brothers. This took the place of the usual races, which, after a hearty meal, were not always appreciated by the runners. There was a "Punch and Judy," always a source of enjoyment to the younger members, and "Cocoa-nut Shies" for those of more mature age. This latter produced the sum of £2 4s. 6d., which, owing to Mrs. Benyon's generosity, helped to swell the Cricket Club's funds. Tea was partaken of by a host of children and their parents in the long gallery, and the day was brought to a conclusion by an Entertainment (Cinematograph) in the long gallery.

We have not room to give a list of those who won prizes for vegetables, but we may mention that a new departure was the "Nature Study" competition for girls attending Sunday School. These were judged by Miss A. Burrows, of Mortimer, who had great difficulty in deciding where so many were nearly of equal merit.

Edith Smyth,	who showed 61 specimens, gained 1st prize.
Bertha Winchcombe,	" 54 " " 2nd "
Kathleen Weller,	" 60 " " 3rd "

The Prizes, which were given by Mrs. Skipwith, who was responsible for the new venture, were for neatness in pressing and arrangement, as well as quantity of wild flowers collected.

BATHING SEASON.

With the end of August, the bathing season came to an end. We understand that the bath has been as much appreciated as ever. Nine hundred and two baths were taken, and the following eight boys have learnt to swim :—Sidney Willcox, Walter Rampton, George Claydon, Arthur Fisher, William Stocker, Edwin Parsons, Tom Bucknell, Albert Fisher.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The Ventilator in the Club room has been fixed, and we fancy that when the Season of Smoking Concerts begins it will be voted a great improvement.

On the evening of the "Harvest Home" a Smoking Concert took place: the chief performers being Messrs. Taylor Brothers, who had previously given an Entertainment in the park. A very pleasant evening was spent. Mr. Roake was responsible for making arrangements for this.

The Winter Games will commence early this month.

FOOTBALL CLUB (Communicated).

President—J. Herbert Benyon, Esq.

Treasurer—Mr. G. S. Roake.

Secretary—Mr. G. S. Hunt.

Captain—Mr. A. Thame.

Sub-Captain—Mr. W. Green.

Committee—Messrs. O. A. Hopley, C. Fisher, A. Lamperd, R. Allen, Hubert Cox, S. Allen, and J. Claydon.

The Club have, this year, entered for competition in Division III. of the "Reading Temperance League"; and in connection with this, they visited Stoke Row on September 9th, to play the opening game of the season. Result—Englefield, 3 goals; Stoke Row, 2; the Englefield team thus registering 2 points; a very creditable performance taking into consideration the long journey and the inclemency of the weather.

On September 16th, Englefield were "at home" to Biscuit Factory "B." Result—Factory "B," 3 goals; Englefield, 1 goal.

On Saturday, September 23rd, Englefield went to Reading to play "All Saints," and were somewhat heavily defeated.

THE SCHOOL.

There has been a further change in the staff—Miss Brambley, who commenced her duties as Assistant Mistress on July 1st, having resigned owing to ill health. Her place is to be taken about the middle of this month by Miss Amelia Barfoot, who comes from Oxford.

CRICKET CLUB.

We hope next month to give a short resumé of the Season's work.

OFFERTORIES.

					£	s.	d.
September 3rd (11th Sunday after Trinity)—Church Expenses	...	...	...	...	17	9	
„ 5th (Harvest Home)—Royal Berkshire Hospital	...	...	...	...	55	17	10
„ 10th (12th Sunday after Trinity)—Sunday School	...	...	...	...	1	9	6
„ 17th (13th Sunday after Trinity)—Choir Fund	...	...	...	...	8	1	
„ 21st (Festival of S. Matthew)—Altar Fund	...	...	...	...	12	0	
„ 24th (14th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	...	...	...	...	1	7	3

HYMNS FOR OCTOBER.

15th Sunday after Trinity (October 1st)	...	M.,	161	265	276 (1st part)	322	319
		E.,	290	512	17	550	
16th Sunday after Trinity (October 8th)	...	M.,	189	527	260	183	
		E.,	213	284	193	520	
17th Sunday after Trinity (October 15th)	...	M.,	3	(2nd part)	528	37	167
		A.,	190	255 (Children's Hymn Book.)			
		E.,	274	261	275	215	
18th Sunday after Trinity (October 22nd)	...	M.,	280	182	257	191	
		E.,	268	269	210	20	
19th Sunday after Trinity (October 29th)	...	M.,	540	6	514	532	
		E.,	273	549	277	231	

Recessional for month of October, 21.

SAINTS' DAYS IN OCTOBER.

18th October (Festival of S. Luke)	...	...	...	Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.
28th October (Festival of S. Simon and S. Jude)	...	...	„	„

The Church will be closed for the Annual Cleaning from 9th to 12th of this month. The Rector hopes to hold the usual Friday Evening Service on the 13th.

ENGLEFIELD, NOVEMBER, 1905.

BAPTISM.

“Suffer the little children to come unto Me.”

October 1st.—William Frederick, son of Frederick James and Esther Vince, of Lower Caversham.

MARRIAGE.

“Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.”

September 29th.—At the New Abbey English Church, by the Rev. F. C. Moir, Arthur, second son of Richard Baker, of Deafield, Witney, to Lizzie, only daughter of Gordon Gibson, of Barbeth, New Abbey.

SAINT'S DAYS IN NOVEMBER.

November 1st.—All Saint's Day. Holy Communion at 8-30 a.m. November 30th, Festival of Saint Andrew. Holy Communion at 8-30 a.m.

S. P. G.

Mr. and Mrs. Benyon, with their customary kindness, lent the Long Gallery for a Meeting on Tuesday, October 17th. A large number of children and adults availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing something about the work of the Church in N.W. Canada. The evening began with a few words of introduction by the Squire—then, after a Collect had been said by the Rector, the Reverend T. G. Beal, Rector of Grenfell, in the Diocese of Qû Appelle, gave a most interesting Lecture. By the aid of a Magic Lantern he conveyed his listeners through large districts of that little known country, and charmed them with the beauties it contains. Mr. Beal's object in coming to Englefield was not solely to show us the sort of country he lives in, he came also to try and interest us in the work of the S. P. G., and to explain to us under what difficulties the Gospel is spread in that vast area, comprising the Diocese of Qû Appelle. We hope that the result of his visit will show itself in a more general interest in the work of Foreign Missions. There are two ways in which this can be done by a larger number of people (1), taking boxes, and (2), attending the Intercessory Service, which is held during the Winter Months at 4-15 p.m. in the Church, on Fridays.

At the close of the Meeting, Rev. Stuart Angel-Smith, of Theale, moved a Vote of Thanks to Mr. Beal for his most interesting and instructive Lecture, and to Mr. and Mrs. Benyon for the use of the Long Gallery. The Collection at the doors amounted to £10 14s. 2d.

We must not omit to thank Rev. B. B. Woolrych, who came over from Mortimer, on purpose to put up and work the Magic Lantern.

THE SCHOOL.

Miss Amelia Barfoot commenced her duties, as Assistant Mistress, in the Mixed Department, on October 16th.

Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report made after visit of 3rd August, 1905.

MIXED:—“The condition of the School is very satisfactory. The Master is much in earnest, and the children are well disciplined and take interest in their lessons. All the work seen was very creditable, the Drawing, in particular, deserving much praise.

INFANTS :—Progress in the Infant Division has been hindered by sickness and shortness of staff, but the present teacher, who has been in charge only since the beginning of July, is working with much zeal, and the children may be confidently expected shortly to recover their lost ground. The instruction is careful and methodical, and steady discipline is maintained. The long desks are unsuitable for the room; dual desks should be substituted."

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

The past season, which was brought to a close on August 26th, has been one of the most successful for some years. Fifteen Out and Home Matches were arranged, of which 11 were won and 4 lost, those won, were home and away with Oakfield, Whitechurch, Bucklebury Fire-side, and Burghfield; Reading College, Aldermaston, and Boyne Hill, once each; the losses were St. Lukes, Reading, twice, Reading College and Aldermaston, once.

The Average Bat given by the Club, has been won by Mr. G. Sheppard, who has been a good help to the Club; his average for the best 7 innings being 31 per innings.

The Bowling honours are almost equally divided between E. West and A. Beasley, the former, who has been awarded the prize given by Mr. Roake, taking 45 wickets at a cost of just under 5 runs per wicket. The latter, for whom a special prize has been awarded, also coming out with an excellent average of 54 wickets, at a cost of a decimal over 6 runs per wicket.

The General Meeting has been arranged for November 1st, when the Batting and Bowling Prizes will be presented.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

On October 18th, some seventeen Members of the Club drove over to Mortimer to play the usual tournament. The result of which was 14 points to Englefield, against 11 to Mortimer.

We hear that a very pleasant evening was spent.

FOOTBALL CLUB (Communicated).

Following is List of Matches played :—September 23rd, All Saints lost 4—Nil. September 30th, Stoke Row, won 2—Nil. October 7th, St. Giles' Albion, lost 2—1. October 14th, Whitley United, won 1—Nil. October 21st, Shinfield United (unfinished owing to darkness, score stands Shinfield 4, Englefield 2, this game will be finished later.) Seven games have now been played, 3 of which have been won.

CHILDREN'S TOY SERVICE.

It is proposed to have a Special Service in the afternoon of Sunday, December 17th, when the children will be asked to bring a toy or a piece of work, which will be sent up to some poor children in London.

The object of this Service is to get the children to think of those less fortunate than themselves in life. Parents are asked to co-operate in this, and, as far as possible, to see that what the children bring is of their own making or buying. Socks, Petticoats, Comforters, will be welcomed, as well as Dolls, Toys and Games. Scrapbooks, also are much appreciated by children, who seldom see any bright pictures,

A further announcement will be made in next month's Magazine.

BOOT CLUB.

The Cards must be sent in on Monday, 27th November, with the name of the shop from which the boots are to be purchased. An order form on that shop will then be given to the value of money paid in, together with the bonus promised.

The Club will start again on the following Sunday.

We may remind parents that the object of the Boot Club is to ensure regular attendance of the children at Sunday School or Children's Service.

No limit is laid upon the sum that may be paid in weekly, though the amount will not affect the bonus.

HYMNS FOR NOVEMBER.

20th Sunday after Trinity (November 5th) ...	M.,	224	197	428	553	324
	E.,	439	287	546	437	
21st Sunday after Trinity (November 12th) ...	M.,	270	185	182	537	•
	E.,	291	249	514	28	
22nd Sunday after Trinity (November 19th) ...	M.,	3 (2nd part)	267	191	202	
	A.,	287	173 (Children's Hymn Book.)			
	E.,	273	246	18	477	
Sunday next before Advent (November 26th)	M.,	274	403	520	550	
	E.,	540	190	187	19	

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OFFERTORIES.

September 29th (Festival of S.S. Michael and All Angels)—Altar Fund	...	...	2	0
October 1st (15th Sunday after Trinity)—Church Expenses	...	...	13	6
„ 8th (16th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	...	...	1	8 4½
„ 15th (17th Sunday after Trinity)—General Expenses	...	...	7	10
„ 18th (Festival of S. Luke)—Altar Fund	...	...	4	6
„ 22nd (18th Sunday after Trinity)—Sunday School	...	...	1	6 4

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BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

November 5th.—William Henry, son of William and Mary Ann Chandler.

SAINTS' DAYS IN DECEMBER.

December 21st.—Festival of S. Thomas.

" 26th.— " S. Stephen.

" 27th.— " S. John Evangelist.

" 28th.— " Holy Innocents.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on all these days at 8.30 a.m., with the exception of the 26th (S. Stephen).

ADVENT.

Advent (*i.e.*, The Coming) is a Season appointed by the Church, that we may be prepared, by God's help, to rejoice rightly for the coming of the Saviour into the world for our sakes, as a little child, at Christmas.

By thinking of His first coming, we are naturally led on to look forward to the time when He shall *come again*, not as a helpless infant, but as a Judge, armed with infinite power to reward His faithful servants, and to punish those who have not proved faithful.

Let us endeavour to profit by this solemn season, that we may be able to keep our Christmas with thankful and peaceful hearts, and be the better fitted to meet Him *at the last day*.

ADVENT SERVICES.

The only extra Services during Advent will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 8.30 a.m., and the Friday Afternoon Intercessory Service at 4.15.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES.

The first Evensong of Christmas will be sung at 6 p.m. on Sunday, 24th inst. On Christmas Day the Services will be as follows:—

7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins, Choral Eucharist and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong, Carols and Anthem.

By desire of the Bishop, there will be collections for the Diocesan Spiritual Help Society. The object of this Society is to make annual grants of money towards the maintenance of Assistant Curates in those Parishes and Districts which appear to be most in need of such assistance. The average Income of the Society is about £1,100, derived from Annual Subscriptions, Offertories from the Parishes which receive Grants, invested Funds, and the results of the Bishop's Pastoral Letter, which has to be spread over three years. The Income of the Society depends in a great measure upon the response made to the Pastoral Letter. In the year 1902 £1,311 was realised from this source. If this amount can be raised in 1905, there is every hope that the present Grants can be maintained. Grants were voted for forty-three Parishes last year.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

We are asked to announce that Mrs. Benyon's Christmas Gifts will be distributed, as usual, in the Long Gallery, on Thursday, December 21st, at 11 a.m.

S.P.G.

The Rector will be glad if those, who have boxes, will send them to the Rectory by the 16th December.

A sermon will be preached, on behalf of the Society, on December 17th, in the morning, by Venerable Archdeacon Dunkerley. There will be collections at all services.

COMING OF AGE OF Mr. H. A. BENYON.

As is generally known, on the 9th December, Mr. Harry Benyon reaches his majority. We would take this opportunity of wishing him many happy returns of the day, also of congratulating the Squire and Mrs. Benyon on the fact. We shall have more to say on this subject in our January number.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

These have been fixed by the Managers. School closes on December 21st, and re-opens on January 8th.

CHILDREN'S TOY SERVICE.

December 17th is Toy Sunday. Children are asked to bring their toy or present wrapped up in paper with their name written clearly on the outside. The presents will be collected and sent to some poor parish, probably S. George's in Reading, but all depends upon the number received.

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

The General Meeting was held in the Workmen's Club on Wednesday, November 1st. The chair was taken by the President, and there were a good number of members present. The Hon. Treasurer presented the Annual Balance Sheet, which showed a good balance in hand.

The Hon. Secretary reported a very successful season; 15 out and home matches had been arranged and played with the following results:—

<i>Home Matches.</i>				<i>Return Matches.</i>	
Reading College	...	Lost by 1 run	...	...	Won by 2 runs
Oakfield	...	Won by 41 runs	...	...	Won by 54 runs
Whitchurch	...	Won by 43 runs	...	...	Won by 2 wickets
S. Luke's, Reading	...	Lost by 4 wickets	...	...	Lost by 2 wickets and 84 runs
Bucklebury Fireside	...	Won by 27 runs	...	...	Won by 63 runs
Aldermaston	...	Lost by 54 runs	...	...	Won by 61 runs
Burghfield	...	Won by 48 runs	...	...	Won by an innings and 29 runs
Boyne Hill	...	Won by 3 wickets and 17 runs	...	...	

making the total of 15 played, 11 won and 4 lost.

The President, with a few words of congratulation, presented the average bat and bowling prize, and the following votes of thanks were passed:—To the President for use of ground and its condition; to Mrs. Benyon for gift of cocoanuts and their proceeds at the Harvest Home; to the Rector for teas to visiting teams; to Mr. Roake for bowling prize; to Mr. Cosburn for fixture cards; to Mr. Claydon for preparing pitches, etc.

FOOTBALL CLUB (Communicated).

The following are the results of matches played by Englefield Football Club during the past month:—October 28th, Grove Athletic, won by 5 to 2; November 4th, Caversham S. John's, lost by 4 to 2; November 18th, Reading Phoenix, won by 4 to 2.

On November 11th, the team had a disappointment; they journeyed to Reading to play Seven Bridges in a "Temperance League" fixture, but for some reason, at present unknown, the referee failed to put in an appearance, so the match was not played. The Secretary is endeavouring to make arrangements to play it off on December 2nd, which is an "open" date.

WORKMEN'S CLUB (Communicated).

A Committee Meeting was held on October 26th, when the Secretary (Mr. Cross) resigned owing to his leaving the village. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Cross for his services. Mr. T. Harris proposed that Mr. Roake be elected "pro tem." and Mr. Roake consented to accept office for remainder of year.

The first Dance of the season took place on October 25th, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. Davis ably presided at the piano, and the floor was suitably prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Claydon.

A most successful Smoking Concert was held on November 1st, at which the President took the chair. During an interval a Meeting of the Cricket Club was held. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the President for his kindness in taking the chair, after which Mr. Roake occupied his place, Mr. O. A. Hopley being in the vice-chair.

On November 22nd, the second of the Inter-Club Games Tournaments was held, when our neighbours from Pangbourne paid us a visit, and spent a pleasant evening. Englefield won by 16 points to 7.

HOLY BAPTISM.

It is proposed to alter the Sunday for Baptisms from the first to the third Sunday in the month. It seems to us more in the fitness of things that this Sacrament with its solemn pledges should be celebrated in the presence of a larger congregation; hence it will take place during the Children's Service, when the choir boys will be present to sing a special hymn.

This alteration will commence with the New Year.

HYMNS FOR DECEMBER.

1st Sunday in Advent (December 3rd)	...	M.,	478	205	556	318		
		E.,	45	48	270			
2nd Sunday in Advent (December 10th)	...	M.,	243	530	49			
		E.,	219	51	532			
3rd Sunday in Advent (December 17th)	...	M.,	193	362	366			
		A.,	323	341	313	(Children's Hymn Book.)		
		E.,	192	(M.S.)	50	359		
4th Sunday in Advent (December 24th)	...	M.,	51	276	520			
		E.,	217	53	49	59		
Christmas Day (December 25th)	...	M.,	60	61	330	316	319	
		E.,	59	Anthem		62	Carols	329
Sunday after Christmas (December 31st)	...	M.,	175	197	6	298		
		E.,	179	Anthem		74	165	Carols

Recessional for month of December, 16.

OFFERTORIES.

						£	s.	d.
October 28th (Festival of S.S. Simon and Jude)—Altar Fund	...	...	...	...	...	4	0	
„ 29th (19th Sunday after Trinity)—Magazine	...	...	...	...	...	9	0	
November 1st (Festival of All Saints)—Altar Fund	...	...	...	...	...	7	0	
„ 5th (20th Sunday after Trinity)—Church Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	12	7	
„ 12th (21st Sunday after Trinity)—Sick and Poor	...	...	...	...	...	6	8	
„ 19th (22nd Sunday after Trinity)—Sunday School	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	10