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St. Mark's, Englefield.

ENGLEFIELD, JANUARY, 1914.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (Circumcision of our Lord).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

4th (2nd Sunday after Christmas).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

6th (Epiphany of our Lord).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

11th (1st Sunday after Epiphany).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (2nd Sunday after Epiphany).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service, with Baptisms; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Conversion of S. Paul).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—On Feast of the Epiphany, Alms and Intercessions are asked for the Oxford Mission to Calcutta.

MISSIONS.

The amount sent up to Headquarters of S.P.G. for the year has reached £21 14s. 8d. as per list appended:—

							<i>Total for Year.</i>										<i>Total for Year.</i>				
<i>Boxes—</i>				£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	<i>Boxes (continued)—</i>				£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Miss Barker	...			3	5	...				6	3	Sunday School	...						1	5	$\frac{1}{4}$
Miss Benyon	...					...		1	13	0		Mrs. Treadwell	...						3	2	
Mrs. Claydon	...			7	10	...		1	2	2		Kitty Vince	...						1	3	
Mrs. J. Cox	...			2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	...			3	$11\frac{1}{2}$		Mrs. Yarlett	...		3	6	...		6	6	
Miss Deacon	...			4	$2\frac{3}{4}$	...			8	$11\frac{1}{4}$		Mrs. Wadds	...		1	$7\frac{1}{2}$	...		3	3	
Mrs. C. Fisher	...			3	4	...			6	2											
Mrs. T. Harris	...					...			1	$0\frac{1}{2}$								10	0	$4\frac{1}{2}$	
Mrs. J. Martin	...			3	11	...			6	$11\frac{1}{2}$		<i>Subscriptions—</i>									
Mrs. Page	...					...			14	5		J. H. Benyon, Esq.	1	1	0						
Rectory	...			1	2	$7\frac{1}{2}$	...	3	4	0		Rev. G. G. Skipwith	1	1	0				2	2	0
Rectory Household	...					...			6	1									9	12	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Mrs. Roake	...					...			4	6		<i>Collection</i>	...		...		...				
Mrs. Smyth	...			3	0	...			8	$1\frac{1}{2}$											
																			£21	14	8

In addition to this, the following amounts have been collected for Missionary work:—Home Missions, £10 14s. 5d.; S.P.C.K., £1 6s. 6d.; Universities Mission to Central Africa, £1 6s. 9d.; Oxford Mission to Calcutta, £1 5s. 6d.; making a total of £36 7s. 10d.

Intercession for month:—"That we may learn the power and the blessing of putting prayer in the forefront of our lives."

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The following have been allotted prizes up to Advent, 1913:—

Boys. 1st Class.—1 (equal), Francis Smyth, Victor Cox, Cecil Golding; 2nd Class.—1 Ernest Rose, 2 Stanley Golding, Certificate, Cecil Willecox.

Infants.—1 George Joyce, 2 Chrissie Smyth, Certificate, Ellen Rose.

Babies.—1 Freddie Till, 2 Hilda Boyd, Certificate, Albert Chandler.

Girls. 1st Class.—1 Alice Joyce, 2 Mabel Wells, Certificate, Vera Webb.

Mrs. Benyon's Bible Class.—1 Mabel Clifton, 2 Mildred Harris, 3 Muriel Harris.

TOY SERVICE.

The Toy Service took place on Sunday, 21st December. We were glad to see a larger number of useful, warm garments than before. It was gratifying also to find that more adults had sent contributions than on any previous occasion. One parcel in particular was welcomed: it

contained two woollen scarves made by poor Fred Seymour on his death bed—he made them especially for this Toy Service.

List of Contributions:—Ethel Allen, pair of stockings. Lilian Absalom, handkerchiefs. Miss Barker, two chemises. Agnes Baker, knitted scarf. Gordon Baker, box of biscuits. Mrs. Bates, two petticoats, two vests, one pair of drawers, one pinafore. Alice Bates, scarf. M. B., picture book. Mrs. Briant, child's socks. Victor Briant, pair of gloves. Mrs. Benyon, seven petticoats, three chemises, four knickers, three baby's petticoats, two pairs of stockings, one cross over, one scarf. Miss W. Benyon, three books. Edwin Cox, three toys. Leslie Cox, handkerchiefs. Mrs. Cottrell, two pinafores. Betty Cottrell, pair of slippers. Ella Chandler, handkerchiefs and card. Mabel Chandler, handkerchiefs. Bertie Chandler, fishpond game. Harry Chandler, soldiers. Bertha Cox, scarf. Victor Cox, book. Joan Cox, petticoat. Bertram Croydon, Eskimo doll. Annie Cully, knitted vest. Frank Cullum, kitchen set. Ivy Cullum, toy and two petticoats. Charles Cullum, book. Annie Cook, socks. Eddie Cooley, book and games. Mrs. Claydon, doll, three petticoats, towel, stockings and socks. Miss Cobham, dress, two petticoats and cap. Mrs. J. Cox, two petticoats. Mabel Clifton, doll. Stanley Davis, jersey. George Davis, jersey. Roland Davis, crackers. J. D., skirt and jersey. Englefield Rectory, scrapbook. John Elliott, book. Percy Elliott, boat. Miss Martha Ewing, petticoat and games. Doris Fisher, stockings. Nellie Fisher, chemise. Stanley Golding, games, mail-cart, petticoat. Cecil Golding, petticoat, book, two toys. Alan Golding, oranges, pair of knickers, game. Mrs. Groves, pair of stockings. Miss Hill, motor car. Marjorie Horne, handkerchiefs and cards. Hilda Horne, cap and cards. Mabel Horne, doll and cards. Josephine Horne, doll and cards. Kathleen Harris, doll. Mildred Harris, nightdress. Muriel Harris, flannelette nightgown. Mrs. Henry Horne, petticoat and card. Mrs. Holmes, two chemises. Mrs. Hilton, two vests. Bert Huggins, top. Mrs. Hopley, book and socks. Miss L. Horne, petticoat and box of bricks. George Joyce, cap. Alice Joyce, chemise. K. M. L. (Yorks), doll, three woollen balls. Albert Martin, two vests. Mrs. Moon, soldiers, book and socks. George Nash, knitted knickers. Freddy Nash, top. John Nash, bricks. Willie Nash, motor toy and card. Edith Nash, cap. Bertie Nash, Teddy bear. Mrs. Newman, two pinafores and baby's dress. H. M. P., ball and two pairs of socks. Gladys Pusey, chemise. Mabel Pusey, two books. Bert Pocock, two shirts and transfers. Ellen Rose, child's petticoat and card. Ernest Rose, shirt and card. Louise Rabbitts, handkerchiefs. Florence Rabbitts, handkerchiefs. George Rouse, scarf. Bert Rouse, cart. Miss M. and George Reid, two games, one pair of mittens. Fred Seymour (deceased), two comforters. Miss Dora Skipwith, child's frock, pair mittens. Mrs. Skipwith, dress and petticoat. Nannette Skipwith, petticoat, vest, three books. Osmund Skipwith, petticoat and shirt. Philip Skipwith, shirt and petticoat. Francis Smyth, trousers and scrapbook. Chrissie Smyth, ball. Gertrude Smyth, bonnet and cart. Miss F. G. Stephens, two books. Wesley Simmons, toy. Winifred Sparkes, scarf, cap and ball. Mabel Stocker, white overall. York Stocker, scarf. Dorothy Stocker, knitted bonnet. Freddy Till, petticoat. Mrs. Thomas, vest. Mrs. Vince, biscuits in roller. Miss Wadds, cubes and book. Vera Webb, knitted bonnet. Fred Webb, table croquet. Winnie Webb, petticoat. Ben Webb, drum. Ella Webb, box of chocolates. Elsa Watts, handkerchiefs. Mrs. and Cecil Willcox, book, petticoat and cards. Mabel Wells, flannelette knickers and petticoat. Willie Young, two jerseys and one pair of knickers. Stuart and Henry Young, petticoat, jersey and knickers. Jack Young, two pair of stockings, one pair of boots.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

The Festival of the Nativity of our Lord was celebrated in the Parish with all due solemnity. The day was ushered in by peals from the belfry, which were repeated both before the 11 o'clock and evening service. During the day there were three Celebrations of Holy Communion, at which a large number of Communions were made, though there were some communicants who were conspicuous by their absence. Mr. Kenney preached an excellent Christmas sermon at the morning service, while the evening service consisted of Evensong with an Anthem by *Caleb Simper*, entitled: "Hosanna," . . . and Carols. These and the anthem were repeated on the Sunday evening following. The music at all the services was carefully and devoutly rendered.

The decorations, which were undertaken by Miss Benyon and the Rectory party, as well as by Mr. Wadds and his staff at the Gardens, were as usual very effective.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Mrs. Benyon asks us to mention that she has fixed Saturday, 17th January, for her usual entertainment.

Hymn List will be found in the Church Porch.

ENGLEFIELD, FEBRUARY, 1914.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not."

January 18th.—Reginald William Arthur, son of Edward Charles and Mary Cooley.

„ Charles Digby, son of Walter and Sarah Louisa Nash.

„ Rosemary Winifred, daughter of Edward and Kate Eliza Cottrell.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (4th Sunday after Epiphany).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

2nd (Purification of B.V.M.).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

8th (Septuagesima Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

15th (Sexagesima Sunday).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

22nd (Quinquagesima Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (St. Matthias).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

25th (Ash Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, Communion Service and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

N.B.—On Quinquagesima Sunday, Sermons will be preached by a "deputation" from Headquarters on behalf of the National Society, to which the collections will be given.

The Rector expects to be away from home from the 16th to the 21st, during which time week-day services will be suspended.

LENT WORKING PARTY.

Mrs. Benyon asks us to mention that the Working Party will meet in the Long Gallery, on Thursdays during Lent, commencing 26th February, at 2.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

On the 17th January, Mrs. Benyon invited all the children attending the Day and Sunday Schools to an Entertainment in the Long Gallery. About 4 o'clock the procession started from the School and on arriving at the Long Gallery at once sat down to tea, to which full justice was done. After the tables had been cleared, the stage curtain was drawn and a fully illuminated Christmas tree presented itself to the rapturous gaze of the children, a larger number than usual of whom had never seen a Christmas tree, as last year the scarlet fever interfered with the usual Christmas Entertainment. When the applause which had greeted the sight of the tree had died down, a programme of part-songs, recitations, and acting was proceeded with. Where all was so good it would be invidious to single out any items for special commendation. Suffice it to say that great credit is due to the children and those who were responsible for coaching them in their efforts.

Before Mrs. Benyon gave away the prizes and presents, the Rector thanked her on behalf of the children: he also made mention of the return of Miss Janes to her school duties, after a prolonged absence due to illness. The proceedings closed with the National Anthem, and all wended their way homewards laden with presents, sweets, oranges and crackers.

LENT SERVICES.

During Lent there will be a week-day Eucharist, and a special Service on Wednesdays. Further notice of the times, &c., will be given in the March number of the Magazine.

HYMNS FOR FEBRUARY.

4th Sunday after Epiphany (February 1st) ...	8.15 a.m.	315	323	469	318
	11 a.m.	281	6	193	280
	6 p.m.	82	177	271	21
Septuagesima Sunday (February 8th) ...	11 a.m.	34	83	168	533
	6 p.m.	292	489	167	242
Sexagesima Sunday (February 15th) ...	11 a.m.	210	514	184	224
	2.30 p.m.	204	235	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	270	172	213	23
Quinquagesima Sunday (February 22nd) ...	11 a.m.	208	255	265	367
	6 p.m.	601	450	604	366
Ash Wednesday (February 25th) ...	11 a.m.	86	92	94	
	7 p.m.	84	89		

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month :—"To give us a wider vision, and a larger Missionary heart."

The weekly Service (consisting of Evensong with a Litany for Missions) will be held during Lent, at 4.15 p.m. on *Thursdays*.

ENGLEFIELD, MARCH, 1914.

BAPTISM.

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

February 6th.—Richard Walrond, son of Leslie Edward and Maud Todd (of Theale).

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (1st Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

4th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

8th (2nd Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

13th (Friday).—2 p.m., Confirmation at Theale.

15th (3rd Sunday in Lent).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

22nd (4th Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Annunciation of B.V.M.).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

29th (Passion Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

4th, 6th and 7th, Ember Days.

LENT SERVICES.

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated each Wednesday, at 8.15 a.m. There will be a Special Service at 7 p.m., at which the Rector hopes to give a course of Addresses on the "Holy Communion"—on Sunday evenings he hopes also to preach a course on "Some Characters in the the Passion."

CONFIRMATION.

The Lord Bishop of Oxford hopes to hold a Confirmation at Theale, at 2 p.m., on Friday, 13th March. It is to be hoped that as many as possible, who are interested in the candidates, will be present and that, where possible, the sponsors will be present to witness the renewal of the vows.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

On Tuesday, 20th January, the adult members of the choir, together with Mr. Palmer (warden), the sidesmen and the organist, were entertained to supper at the Rectory. A pleasant musical evening was spent—the proceedings ending with the National Anthem.

The following night, the ringers and other Church workers accepted the Rector and Mrs. Skipwith's invitation to supper, on the occasion of which games were indulged in till about 10.30.

On Thursday, 22nd January, the choir boys turned up in good force to partake of tea and indulge in games. The following account is from the pen of one of the boys:—

"On the evening of the 22nd of January, the choir boys were entertained at the Rectory by the Rector and Mrs. Skipwith. A substantial tea was given at 6.30 p.m., and after all had finished, the crackers were pulled, and then the table was cleared and games were started. Happy Families and the other card games proved themselves very popular. A very exciting race game was the Aeroplane Race and was played by many. Snakes and Ladders, Halma, Draughts, Dominoes, and several race games also appeared. A Scout Test game was also very interesting.

The evening passed very quickly and it was nine o'clock before it was wanted. Before we left, the Rector expressed his regret that Albert Martin, who was on the sick list, was absent. He was not forgotten however, for Mrs. Skipwith sent him a parcel of all the good things. On leaving, each boy was given an orange and a bun.

BEN WEBB.

This name, which has been so familiar to us all, will not be heard so often in this Village in future. What will be our loss will be Mortimer's gain, for it is thither that he with his wife and family have gone to live—we can ill spare so doughty a yeoman—but he is taking up a responsible position in the "Mortimer Yard," and we hope he may be able to come over sometimes to take part in demonstrations, &c. For fifteen years he lived in Englefield and it will be understood how much he will be missed when we mention that he has been actively identified (besides his work at the timber yard) with the following Village interests:—The Choir, the Fire Brigade, the Workmen's Club (of which he was a prominent member of the Committee), the Cricket Club (of which he was Honorary Secretary), the Voluntary Aid Detachment (of which he was one of the Section Leaders).

A purse containing £10 has been handed to him from his friends at Englefield, and he goes to his new home with the best wishes for his future prosperity and happiness from all who have known and appreciated him here.

HYMNS FOR MARCH.

1st Sunday in Lent (March 1st)	...	...	11 a.m.	85	183	259	
			6 p.m.	250	86	353	
2nd Sunday in Lent (March 8th)	...	...	11 a.m.	182	91	277	
			6 p.m.	248	490	186	
3rd Sunday in Lent (March 15th)	...	...	11 a.m.	527	492	528	
			2.30 p.m.				(Children's Hymn Book).
			6 p.m.	261	266	95	
4th Sunday in Lent (March 22nd)	...	...	11 a.m.	183	269	257	
			6 p.m.	197	112	228	
5th Sunday in Lent (March 29th)	...	...	11 a.m.	96	263	494	
			6 p.m.	97	249	198	

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That Church-members may learn to dedicate a proportionate part of their means to the service of God."

ENGLEFIELD, APRIL, 1914.

BAPTISM.

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

March 15th.—Stanley Arthur, son of William and Mary Ann Chandler.

BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

March 3rd, at West End Churchyard, Southampton—Arthur Linzee Chatterton Heigham, Priest, aged 76 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

5th (Palm Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

6th (Monday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

7th (Tuesday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

8th (Wednesday before Easter).—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Choral Evensong (with reading).

9th (Maundy Thursday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Communicants' Guild.

10th (Good Friday).—11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, Ante Communion and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading), and Story of the Cross.

11th (Easter Eve).—8.15 a.m., Mattins; 8.30 a.m., Ante Communion.

12th (Easter Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 12 p.m., Holy Communion; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

14th (Tuesday in Easter Week).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

19th (Low Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (S. Mark).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

26th (2nd Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

CONFIRMATION.

A very impressive Service was held at the Parish Church, Theale, on Friday, 13th March, at 2 p.m., when the Bishop of Oxford administered the rite of Confirmation. The Church was well filled. The Bishop gave two addresses, in the first of which he explained the meaning of the rite, repeatedly asking the Candidates to realise the great gift of the Holy Spirit which was to be sent down upon them from on high. In the second he impressed upon them six duties which are necessary for the Christian life (1) Morning Prayer; (2) Night Prayer; (3) Intercessory Prayer; (4) Bible Reading; (5) Public Worship; (6) Holy Communion. It is to be hoped that those who were confirmed will take the Bishop's words to heart, and will try to lead the rest of their lives according to his advice. The number sent up from this parish was fifteen—*viz*: Charlotte Smith, Annie Pratt, Sarah Trew, Kate Hobbs, Gladys Annie Cully, Mabel Ellen Pusey, Mildred Mary Belton Harris, Muriel Elizabeth Harris, Dan Partlo, George Frederick Reid, Charles Robert Cullum, Francis Edward Smyth, Edward George Chamberlain, Gideon John Elliott, Frederick Jacob Webb.

REVEREND A. L. C. HEIGHAM.

When the present Rector came here in 1904, there were three Ex-Rectors (who had resigned), living. They have all now passed to their rest, the last to do so being Mr. Heigham, who was Rector here from 1884 to 1896. Since leaving here he had devoted himself to work on behalf of Church Schools. There are many in the Parish who will remember his ministry here with affection, and who will say from their hearts: "Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

A.C.S.

On Easter Day the Sermons will be preached by Rev. G. L. H. Harvey, and the Collections at all Services will be given as usual to Home Missions.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

The Office will be said on Maundy Thursday at 7 p.m., and there will be a Service of preparation for the Easter Eucharist, to which all Communicants are invited.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The General Annual Meeting was held in the Club Room on Monday, 23rd February. The President was in the chair and there was a good attendance of members present.

The Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1913, showed a balance in hand of £53 9s. 1½d., against one at the commencement of the year of £88 12s. 11d. This was, in a measure, due to heavy expenditure during the year.

All the Committee were re-elected.

The Life Boat box, after being sent round the room, was found to contain £1 4s. 7d.

CRICKET CLUB.

Following on the above meeting was held the Cricket Club Annual Meeting. The President again occupied the chair. The Balance Sheet which unfortunately was not able to be produced, owing to the illness of the Rector (Hon. Treasurer) showed a balance in hand of £7 1s. 4d.

The Officers and Committee were re-elected *en masse*, with the addition of Lewis Vince. Mr. H. Stanley Davis was elected Hon. Secretary in the place of Ben Webb, who has resigned.

The President presented the prizes for batting and bowling which were both won by L. Vince with the respective averages of 16.5 and 4.14.

A good number of matches has been arranged for the ensuing season.

SCHOOL.

The Easter holidays, fixed by the Managers, commence at noon, on Thursday, 9th April. The School will meet again on Monday, 20th April. On the two Sundays which come in the holidays, there will be no Sunday School.

HYMNS FOR APRIL

Palm Sunday (April 5th)	11 a.m.	49	107	106	520
	6 p.m.	98	172	523	493
Good Friday (April 10th)	11 a.m.	114	108	332	
	7 p.m.	109	120	122	
Easter Day (April 12th)... ..	11 a.m.	134	131	360	500
	6 p.m.	136	Anthem	532	135
1st Sunday after Easter (April 19th)	11 a.m.	125	514	519	499
	2.30 p.m.	123	124	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	260	299	503	28
2nd Sunday after Easter (April 26th)	11 a.m.	197	184	333	258
	6 p.m.	568	129	334	24

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To grant that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the Faith in unity of spirit and the bond of peace."

ENGLEFIELD, MAY, 1914.

BAPTISM.

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

April 19th.—Edna Grace, daughter of Frederick Neilson and Frances Till.

BURIAL.

"Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest."

April 13th.—Eliza Clifton, aged 52 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (S. Philip and S. James).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion. (Alms for S.P.C.K.)

3rd (3rd Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

10th (4th Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th (5th Sunday after Easter).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (Ascension Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion (Alms for Universities Mission to Central Africa); 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong, with reading.

24th (Sunday after Ascension).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

31st (Whitsun Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 12 noon, Holy Communion; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

THE RECTOR.

From 5th to 19th May, the Rector expects to be away from home. During his absence week-day services will be discontinued. The services on May 10th (4th Sunday after Easter) will be conducted by Rev. Marshall C. Vincent, and on 17th (5th Sunday after Easter) by Rev. H. Kenney.

LENT AND EASTER SERVICES.

Throughout Lent, Holy Communion was celebrated on Wednesdays and there was a Special Service with an address by the Rector. This was generally well attended, though it was disappointing to find that so few men were willing to give up half-an-hour once a week, at such a season, to attend a special service. Easter Day was gloriously fine. The Festival was ushered in by peals from the belfry, and large congregations attended the Services, especially the 7.30 a.m. Eucharist. The Rev. G. L. H. Harvey assisted the Rector and preached on behalf of Home Missions (A.C.S.): the collections for which during the day amounted to £10 3s. 5d. The music throughout the day was of a simple character; the anthem in the evening, however, was of a more pretentious character than we usually attempt and it was creditably performed. The Church looked particularly bright and spring-like with its wealth of daffodils (from the House and Rectory gardens) and primroses (picked by the school children on Good Friday) besides hot-house flowers of a choicer nature grown by Mr. Wadds. Amongst those who helped in the decoration of the Church were Mrs. Skipwith and the Rectory family, the Misses Benyon, Miss Wadds and her father, who as usual was indefatigable in providing of his best, and who was assisted by Messrs. Cottrell and Bates from the Garden, the former of whom had been responsible for the exceedingly decorative arrangement of the palms on Palm Sunday. Altogether it was a very happy day—one feature of it that was especially pleasing was the sight of the several families, all the available eligible members of which knelt together at the altar to make their Easter Communion.

EASTER VESTRY.

The Easter Vestry was held on Easter Monday, the Rector being in the chair. The Accounts were passed and the Wardens were re-elected. Mr. Benyon was re-appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. Palmer, Parish Warden. The following Sidesmen were re-appointed: Messrs. H. S. Davis, J. H. Claydon, A. B. Wadds, G. Parsons and Henry Horne. The Rector announced that the Parish had been assessed to the extent of £10, on behalf of the Diocesan Fund. The collections will be held probably in August and before then an explanation of the object of the fund will be published in the Magazine. A vote of thanks was passed to the Squire for his generous contribution—amounting this year to nearly £100—towards Church Expenses.

ASCENSION DAY.

The festival of the Ascension of our Lord is of as great importance as Christmas. But, owing to the fact that it always comes on a week day, it has not been kept as well as it deserves. With the exception of the 11 o'clock Service, when work at the timber yard is suspended, very few parishioners have taken any notice of it at all. This year there will be *two* Celebrations of Holy Communion—7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m.—when it is to be hoped that those who are free will make an effort to attend, especially members of the Communicants' Guild. The collections will be given as usual to the Universities Mission to Central Africa.

THE SCHOOL.

On Friday, 3rd April, Mrs. Skipwith presented the medals and book prizes to the children who had earned them by regular attendance and good conduct. Victor Cox gained a clasp for the 7th year in succession of perfect attendance. The only two to receive medals were Alice Joyce and Chrissie Smyth as the scarlet fever in the early part of the year interfered sadly with regular attendance.

The following received books:—Standard I.—1st prize, Harry Chandler; 2nd prize, Ellen Rabbitts. Standard II.—1st prize, Alice Joyce; 2nd prize, Stanley Golding. Standard III.—1st prize, Ivy Cullum; 2nd prize, Stanley Davis. Standard IV.—1st prize, Bertha Cox; 2nd prize, William Nash. Standard V.—1st prize, Albert Pocock; 2nd prize, Mildred Allen. Standard VI. and VII.—1st prize, Cecil Golding; 2nd prize, Annie Cully.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

May 9th, at Englefield, *v.* Bucklebury Fireside. May 16th, at Mortimer, *v.* Mortimer. May 23rd, at Basildon, *v.* Basildon. May 30th, at Englefield, *v.* Sulhamstead.

HYMNS FOR MAY.

3rd Sunday after Easter (May 3rd)	...	...	8.15 a.m.	515	319	464	318
			11 a.m.	221	281	229	545
			6 p.m.	199	12	198	541
4th Sunday after Easter (May 10th)	...	...	11 a.m.	516	599	207	511
			6 p.m.	225	265	214	20
5th Sunday after Easter (May 17th)	...	...	11 a.m.	3 (ii.)	143	527	245
			2.30 p.m.	45	232	(Children's Hymn Book).	
			6 p.m.	166	209	536	230
Ascension Day (May 21st)	...	...	11 a.m.	147	146	144	
			7 p.m.	150	148	301	
Sunday after Ascension (May 24th)	...	...	11 a.m.	304	231	270	224
			6 p.m.	291	520	297	300
Whitsun Day (May 31st)	...	...	8.30 a.m.	320	312	470	318
			11 a.m.	208	210	154	
			6 p.m.	Hail, Festal Day!	532	156	24

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month.—“That the Church may rise more and more to a sense of its Missionary vocation.”

The Service is held until further notice on Fridays at 6.15 p.m. During Lent there was a very satisfactory attendance. Why should not the same be the case every week?

ENGLEFIELD, JUNE, 1914.

BAPTISMS.

“One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.”

May 17th.—Alfred George, son of Francis Edwin and Emily Louisa Webb.

„ Nancy Lilian, daughter of Tom and Alice Sparks.

„ Malcolm Douglas, son of Arthur and Elizabeth Baker.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (Tuesday in Whitsun Week).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

3rd, 5th and 6th, Ember Days.

7th (Trinity Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (S. Barnabas).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

14th (1st Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (2nd Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Nativity of S. John Baptist).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

28th (3rd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (S. Peter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion (Intercession for S.P.G.)

BIBLE CLASS.

The Rector will take Mrs. Benyon's Bible Class in the Choir Vestry on Sundays, at 2.45 p.m., commencing Trinity Sunday.

THE SCHOOL.

The Diocesan Inspection took place on May 4th. The Inspector was Reverend H. C. Wilder. Appended is his report:—

“This School has passed an excellent examination, and I am pleased to be able to award the highest mark, E.

The children evidently love their work, and the efforts of the teachers are attended with the most satisfactory results. All the work showed a high level, and it is hardly possible to praise one part of it more than another. The singing was bright, and the time and expression excellent; the writing also was very good, especially the papers of Victor Cox and Annie Cully.”

The Bishop's Prize is awarded to Victor Cox. Certificates to:—Charles Cullum, Annie Cully, Stanley Golding, Alice Joyce, Agnes Baker. Specially Commended:—William Young, Florence Rabbits, Albert Rouse. Commended:—Millie Allen, Muriel Harris, Bertie Pocock, Mabel Pusey, Bertie Cox, Ivy Cullum, Arthur Croydon, Leslie Chamberlain, George Davis, Frederick Till, Cecil Croydon, Sydney King, Lilian Absalom.

V. A. D.

On Saturday, May 2nd, the Annual Inspection of the Englefield, Beenham and Bradfield detachments took place. There was an excellent muster—as far as Englefield was concerned, no one was absent, who could have attended. Major Maurice, R.A.M.C., inspected the members and expressed the great pleasure that it had given him to see such an up-to-date detachment. After some drill and stretcher work, he inspected the ambulance waggons which had all been fitted by members. He was especially pleased with an invention of one of the Englefield men (F. Cox), for minimising the jolting during transport. At the close of the inspection, the members, together with the patients, were entertained to tea by Mrs. Benyon, in the large tent which had been erected on the Cricket ground.

POISON!

Much indignation has been caused in the neighbourhood by the fact that some evil-disposed person placed poison, wrapped in rabbit's liver, in the Village, with the result that at least four favourite dogs and five cats succumbed. It was a dastardly, cruel act, and we wish that the perpetrator might be brought to justice. We would remind the culprit that the fine for such a deed is an exceedingly heavy one.

HYMNS FOR JUNE.

Trinity Sunday (June 7th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	474	163	160	215
				6 p.m.	161	162	167	493
1st Sunday after Trinity (June 14th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	270	195	172	221
				6 p.m.	189	208	186	391
2nd Sunday after Trinity (June 21st)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	248	514	290	230
				2.30 p.m.	232	255	(Children's Hymn Book).	
				6 p.m.	197	536	169	31
3rd Sunday after Trinity (June 28th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	261	243	265	258
				6 p.m.	292	416	535	431

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That it may please Thee to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy Kingdom."

The Rector will be glad to receive boxes (S.P.G.), by the 20th June.

CRICKET NOTES (Communicated).

BUCKLEBURY FIRESIDE.—The first match played at home on May 9th, was Bucklebury Fireside. A very pleasant game was played, ending in a win for Englefield, the scores being 74 against 71. For the home team A. Buckland batted well for a score of 28, E. Buckland of 15, G. Claydon making 11. The bowling of Messrs. Cullum and Vince was very good indeed. C. Smith batting for the opposite team had 31 runs to his credit, and Messrs. Hedges and Smith shared the bowling.

MORTIMER.—The result of this match away was a tie, scores being 64 each; L. Vince and A. Buckland getting the majority of the runs, whilst Mr. Byes shone with 14. Pleased to say that the little unpleasantness occurring at the end of this match has now been amicably overcome.

BASILDON.—This game was played under bad conditions, the weather being all against cricket, and great credit is due to our players in turning up as they did and waiting practically an hour on the ground before the opposing team turned up. I am sorry to say deep resentment was shewn at the attitude of the Rev. Phillips, who told our captain that Englefield were no sportsmen; and after the reverend gentleman was bowled by Vince, he walked off the field without even saying good-day. The result was 78 for Englefield, and Basildon scoring 26 for five wickets, this being due to an extension of time agreed between the two captains. L. Vince did well in getting 61; Cullum taking four wickets and L. Vince one.

Matches for June:—6th, v. Aldermaston, home; 13th, v. Oakfield, home; 20th, v. Whitchurch, home; 27th, v. Sulhamstead, away.

DISESTABLISHMENT AND DISENDOWMENT OF THE CHURCH IN WALES.

A Special Service of Intercession on behalf of the Church in Wales will be held on Friday, June 12th, at 7 p.m. On that day the 6.15 p.m. Service will be suspended.

ENGLEFIELD, JULY, 1914.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

5th (4th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

12th (5th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

19th (6th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Friday).—7 p.m., Communicants' Guild Service.

25th (S. James).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

26th (7th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

The Service will be held on Friday, July 24th (the Vigil of S. James), at 7 p.m. Members are reminded of the *third* rule on their cards, and are asked to bring their Guild office with them.

THE SCHOOL.

The summer holidays have been fixed by the Managers. They will commence at noon on Friday, 31st July: the School will meet again at 9 a.m. on Monday, 7th September.

The following report signed by Miss Wanklyn and Miss Bertha Waring has been received:—

"At Mrs. Skipwith's request, we judged the needlework done by the school children of Englefield on Thursday, 11th June. There was considerably less work to examine than last year, owing to the entire absence of the infant class. We were much pleased to notice the substitution of buttons and button holes for hooks and eyes, the button holes being on the whole very neatly done.

"The cheap lace, to which exception was taken last year, still seems popular. We would, however, sooner see a little narrow embroidery (which is much stronger) as trimming, and feather stitching done by hand, than machine-made braid.

"We were somewhat puzzled that in some cases two portions of the same knitted garment should have been made by different children. We would suggest in future that, in order to facilitate the judging, two portions of the same garment should be done by the same child, wherever possible. On the whole, the work done was very creditable and gave evidence of much care."

ADA B. WANKLYN.

B. BERTHA WARING.

Prizes. DIVISION I. *Sewing*.—1 (equal), Mabel Stocker and Annie Cully; 2, Mabel Pusey. *Knitting*.—1 (equal), Mildred Allen and Mabel Clifton; 2, Bertha Cox.

DIVISION II. *Sewing*.—1, Clara Seymour; 2, Vera Webb; 3, Mabel Wells. *Knitting*.—1, Ivy Cullum; 2, Ella Chandler; 3 (equal), Gladys Pusey and Mabel Chandler.

DIVISION III. *Sewing*.—1 (equal), Kathleen Harris and Agnes Baker; 2, Dorothy Stocker. *Knitting*.—1 (equal), Alice Joyce and Ethel Allen; 2 (equal), Ellen Rabbitts and Edith Nash.

ASCENSION AND WHITSUNTIDE.

Though there were two Celebrations on Ascension Day, the attendance was not much in excess of previous years. The Evening Service was, also, sparsely attended, which two facts show that there were many people who allowed the Festival of our Lord's Ascension to pass without any observance of it.

On Whitsun Day there were *three* Celebrations of Holy Eucharist: the two early ones being fairly well attended. We were glad to see such a nice number of Communicants at the Choral Eucharist and from what we hear, many were much struck by the reverent way in which the music was rendered.

The Church was not decorated on so lavish a scale as usual, but looked very nice and bright with its galaxy of red. The Rev. E. F. Braley assisted the Rector with the Services and preached in the evening to an appreciative congregation. The bells rang merrily during the day, commencing at 7 a.m.

THE CHURCH IN WALES.

By desire of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the House of Convocation an Intercessory Service was held in the Church on Friday, 12th June, at 7 p.m. The Choir attended and there was a fair congregation. The Service consisted of shortened Evensong with a special Psalm and lesson, and the form of service which had been specially drawn up for the occasion. As this Service was held throughout the Province, it is to be hoped that some good result will ensue. It was a satisfaction to find that there are some men, who evidently are not of the opinion that special intercessions should be left to the gentler sex.

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY FESTIVAL.

The Diocesan Missionary Festival is to be held this year at Reading, on Wednesday, July 15th. It is hoped that all in our Parish who can do so will attend.

The Festival Services will be held in S. Mary's Church, Reading, at 12 noon, when Bishop Copleston (late of Calcutta) will be the preacher.

Meetings have been arranged for the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided for all those attending the Festival, at the close of the afternoon Meeting. Particulars are advertised in the Church porch and in the Club.

CRICKET NOTES (Communicated).

SULHAMPSTEAD. (Home).—This match played at home on 30th May resulted in a victory for Sulhampstead, the scores being 108 for the visitors and Englefield 87. For the homesters H. Wilcox batted well for 25 not out, as did Vince 21, O. Holloway 15 and the captain (O. Hopley) making 13 (which proved to be the unlucky number). For the visitors Messrs. Lambden and Love shared the bowling, the batting honours going to Lambden not out 49, Love 15 and Bovington 15.

ALDERMASTON. (Home).—The match with Aldermaston ended in another defeat for Englefield, the scores were Aldermaston 76, Englefield 69. Considering the fact that Aldermaston put a very strong team in the field great credit is due to Englefield for making 69. For the homesters E. W. Pocock distinguished himself with the bat by making 20. A. Lamperd 18 and O. Holloway 10 also did well. Messrs A. Burtenshaw, H. Parsons and W. Sly came out with "ducks". Messrs. Vince and Pocock shared the bowling. For Aldermaston E. Martin and R. Iremonger made most of the runs, and Aldridge bowled splendidly, doing "the hat-trick".

OAKFIELD. (Home).—The result of this match was a victory for Englefield the final scores being Englefield 123, Oakfield 61. The chief scorers for the homesters were Cullum 42, L. Vince 15 and T. Fortune played good cricket for 13 not out. We were all pleased to see our captain (H. A. Benyon, Esq.,) playing and we hope that he will join us again shortly. E. Buckland distinguished himself at bowling and he was ably supported by L. Vince and T. Cullum. For Oakfield, T. Martin 22 and H. Bedford not out 17, batted well. The bowling was shared by Messrs. Martin and Feltham.

WHITCHURCH. (Home).—This match against Whitchurch resulted in an easy victory for Englefield. Scores: Englefield 157 for 5 wickets, Whitchurch 83. For Englefield O. Holloway took 4 wickets, the other bowlers also doing well. L. Vince batted well for 84, although his eagerness for runs nearly prevented him making this score especially after the winning hit had been made. T. Cullum also made 22. The chief scorers for Whitchurch were Rushby 18, Green 14, Wigley 13, and Mr. "Extras" 12. The bowling which was none too good, was shared by Messrs. Streak and Bartlett.

MISSIONS.

Intercession for the month:—"That great results may ensue from the Diocesan Missionary Festival."

The following S.P.G. boxes have been sent in for the half-year:—Mrs. Claydon, 5s. 5½d., Mrs. James Cox, 2s. 7½d., Miss Deacon, 3s. 4d., Mrs. C. Fisher, 4s. 2d., Mrs. James Martin, 3s. 1d., Mrs. Page, 15s. 3d., Rectory, £2 4s. 3d., Rectory Household, 2s. 5½d., Mrs. Smyth, 4s. 2¾d., Mrs. Vince, 1s. 8d., making a total of £4 6s. 6½d. This amount will be sent up to Headquarters in December. A Report has been sent to all who collected 4/- and upwards during 1913.

Hymn List will be found in the Church Porch.

ENGLEFIELD, AUGUST, 1914.

BAPTISM.

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

July 19th.—Hilda Mary, daughter of William and Mary Lamperd.

BURIAL.

"I believe in the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come."

July 20th.—William Cox, aged 64.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (8th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

9th (9th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

16th (10th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

23rd (11th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

30th (12th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

THE RECTOR.

The Rector expects to be away from home from the 12th August to the 2nd September. During his absence the Sunday Services will be conducted by Rev. A. D. Mozley, late Rector of Wigginton, near Banbury. There will be no Week-day Services. The Bible Class, too, on Sunday afternoons will be suspended.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

During the holidays, there will be School on the first *two* Sundays in August, and Children's Service on the *third* Sunday. The Sunday School will not meet again till the *first* Sunday in September.

DIOCESAN FUND.

There will be collections throughout the day on 9th August (9th Sunday after Trinity). The Oxford Diocesan Fund exists to carry on Church work in the Diocese. £8,500 is required this year, to be raised by subscriptions and apportionment. Each Parish is asked to raise (apart from subscriptions) a certain sum. We are asked to provide £10.

The money is wanted—1, to help to train men for the ministry; 2, to augment poor livings; 3, to help large and poor parishes to support their Clergy; 4, to help parishes to build and repair their Churches; 5, to help parishes to improve their Church Schools; 6, to help Mission and Rescue work.

I very much hope that Parishioners will give generously for these good objects. If anyone is prevented from attending service on that Sunday, the Rector will be glad to receive a contribution towards the £10 needed.

WILLIAM COX.

A familiar figure has been removed from the life of the Village. William Cox, who was bred and born in the Village 64 years ago, passed to his rest after a short, yet severe illness on the 17th July. He will be much missed especially at the Harvest Home where his genial smile, as he returned time after time to take up his prize-money, proved most infectious—while his sturdy figure was always conspicuous at the end of the rope in the tug-of-war. For many years he had been driver to the Fire Brigade, as well as coachman to the Clerk of the Works. In these capacities he was trusted and that trust was not betrayed. May he rest in peace.

CRICKET NOTES (Communicated).

SULHAMPSTEAD.—This match was played at Sulhampstead on June 27th, and ended in an easy victory for Englefield. The scores being Englefield 69, Sulhampstead 31. For Englefield, L. Vince batted well for 22, also G. Claydon for 12. For the homesters F. Bobbington and F. Webb scored 8 and 7 respectively. A nice tea was provided.

ALDERMASTON.—The match with Aldermaston, played on July 4th, at Aldermaston, ended in another easy victory for Englefield, the scores being Englefield 136 and Aldermaston 89. L. Vince 34 and O. Holloway 35 did very well for the visiting team. For the home team F. G. Strange 18 and W. Aldridge 18, did well. W. Aldridge and H. Galt shared the bowling for Aldermaston, and L. Vince and T. Cullum for Englefield. Great credit is due to our team. A splendid victory, a good tea, and a very pleasant match.

BUCKLEBURY FIRESIDE.—This match played at Bucklebury on July 11th, also ended in a victory for the visiting team. Scores, Englefield 53 and Bucklebury Fireside 48. For the homesters J. Smith 12 and E. Hedges 11, batted well. For Englefield S. Joyce did very well for 11 as did O. Hopley and O. Holloway for 9 each. A capital tea was provided through the kindness of A. W. Sutton, Esq., who was considerate in every way, shewing us round his beautiful grounds.

MORTIMER.—This match, although played on our own ground, resulted in a win for the visitors. Scores, Englefield 73, Mortimer 80. For Englefield L. Vince batted well for 28, also our Captain, H. A. Benyon, Esq., did well for 13 and O. Holloway 11. For the visitors S. Hathaway did very well for 31 and E. Rampton 12. We were sorry to lose this match especially as one who wished to be put in early did not score, although the night before he was good enough for 75. Pleased to say a very good feeling existed.

JACKSON'S XI.—In order to give the members a match who are not at other times chosen to play in the ordinary team, a match was arranged with the above team on Wednesday, July 22nd; our Captain granting the use of the ground, and the worthy Rector gave a very nice tea to both teams. Each team played two innings and resulted in a win for Jackson's, the scores being Jackson's 66, Englefield 64. One member we depended upon to make the winning hit was unlucky enough to get out first ball. No need to mention his name but it was our Secretary.

CHOIR AND RINGERS' OUTING.

This is arranged for Wednesday, 5th August. A start will be made from the Club at 5.30 a.m., and mothers must not be anxious if they don't see their little darlings again before 12 a.m. It is advisable that overcoats be taken. The "Venue" is Portsmouth, *via* Basingstoke.

HYMNS FOR AUGUST.

8th Sunday after Trinity (August 2nd)	...	8.15 a.m.	317	310	464	318
		11 a.m.	545	219	210	240
		6 p.m.	211	178	186	173
9th Sunday after Trinity (August 9th)	...	11 a.m.	533	282	248	604
		6 p.m.	260	446	524	28
10th Sunday after Trinity (August 16th)	...	11 a.m.	4	535	447	247
		2.30 p.m.	232	224	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	209	528	198	540
11th Sunday after Trinity (August 23rd)	...	11 a.m.	9	220	193	245
		6 p.m.	221	290	432	306
12th Sunday after Trinity (August 30th)	...	11 a.m.	3	(part 2)	527	183 335
		6 p.m.	308	184	520	546

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That the power of intercessory prayer may be realized by us all."

ENGLEFIELD, SEPTEMBER, 1914.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

6th (13th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (14th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

16th, 18th and 19th, Ember Days.

20th (15th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (S. Matthew).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

27th (16th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (S. Michael and All Angels).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

THE WAR.

Since our last number was published we, in conjunction with the whole nation, have been living in a state of anxiety, such as we little dreamed of a month ago. It is not for us here to enter into the details of the great war which is being waged. Suffice it for us to say that preparations are being made on a large scale to care for sick and wounded that may be sent to this village. The upper part of the Mansion has been turned into a hospital with all the paraphernalia necessary. The nurses, wardmaids, cooks, etc., are all in readiness. The men, too, have been hard at work, practising stretcher drill and the loading of carts, etc. Last, but not least, the Church has been doing her part. Special prayers are constantly being offered up, while on Friday, 21st August, the whole day was given up to Intercession to Almighty God on behalf of the sailors and soldiers of our King who are engaged in the war. The Holy Eucharist was offered at 8.15 a.m., and there were two special Services of Intercession, while throughout the day intercession was kept up by members of the Communicants' Guild.

The following from the Parish are at this time serving their King and Country either in England or on the seas:—*Yeomanry*: Henry A. Benyon, Dick Partlo, Arthur Thomas Claydon, George Henry Claydon. *Royal Navy*: Reginald Evelyn Briant, Walter Cox. *Royal Marines*: Charles Oswald Smyth. *R.A.M.C.*: Stephen C. Claydon. We would ask the Parishioners to remember them all in their prayers.

The Collections on Sunday, 23rd August, on behalf of the National Relief Fund amounted to £21 11s. 1½d. An additional sum of 10/- was received later, bringing the total to £22 1s. 1½d.

During the progress of the war there will be a mid-week Celebration of Holy Communion.

Forms of prayer have been sent round by the Rector to every house: it is to be hoped that they will be *used* during the time of war.

P.S.—Just as we are going to press, we hear that several young men from the village are offering their services, none too soon, to Lord Kitchener's new army. We shall hope next month to add their names to our present list.

CRICKET NOTES (Communicated).

OAKFIELD (August 1st).—A very pleasant match was played at Oakfield, and tea kindly given by Mr. Tyser. The visiting team made 118 against 84 for the home team. We had rather valuable assistance from Mr. A. Elsbury and L. Vince, who made 51 and 22 respectively, the latter also doing remarkably well with the ball, taking 7 wickets for 45 runs. We had our captain, Mr. H. A. Benyon, with us, who did his very best to hurry up the Oakfield team as it only wanted one minute to the time for drawing stumps, the Oakfield team not recognising any allowance for the twenty minutes our team was out in the field in the wet.

WHITCHURCH.—This match had to be abandoned owing to the rain. We had a very strong team to compete with and the score stood 5 wickets for 31 runs for Whitechurch.

The favourite match—Timber Yard v. House and Gardens—was played on Monday, August 3rd last, a most enjoyable day being spent. A capital lunch was provided by Mr. H. A. Benyon, and great credit is due to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Claydon for the manner in which it was placed on the table. There was also a good tea provided by Mrs. Benyon.

For the House and Gardens Mr. H. A. Benyon scored 44 and E. Buckland 20. A. Burtenshaw did well for 10 being very finely caught at point by the Secretary of the Club, and R. Mills did remarkably well taking 8 wickets for 25 runs. For the Timber Yard A. Lamperd and S. Joyce did well for 19 and 34 respectively, the unlucky number of 13 falling to F. Hawkins. The bowling was shared by F. Fisher, S. Allen and G. Claydon.

The Secretary has had a note from the Basildon Cricket Club saying that they hope to play us here on September 5th next, but if anything prevents them doing so due notice will be given in good time.

HYMNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

13th Sunday after Trinity (September 6th) ...	8.15 a.m.	317	312	464	318
	11 a.m.	34	280	183	258
	6 p.m.	292	268	297	223
14th Sunday after Trinity (September 13th) ...	11 a.m.	478	373	202	278
	6 p.m.	199	352	217	23
15th Sunday after Trinity (September 20th) ...	11 a.m.	474	512	510	276
	2.30 p.m.	271	270	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	165	448	614	24
16th Sunday after Trinity (September 27th) ...	11 a.m.	178	283	388	368
	6 p.m.	260	239	369	379

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That the present distress may be overruled for the advancement of God's Kingdom."

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

As there is no likelihood of a "Harvest Home" this year, the last Sunday in the month will be kept as a Harvest Festival. The collections will be given as usual to the Royal Berkshire Hospital. A limited supply of fruit and vegetables will be welcomed, as well as flowers.

ENGLEFIELD, OCTOBER, 1914.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

4th (17th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (18th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (S. Luke).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

25th (20th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

28th (S.S. Simon and Jude).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

There will be a Celebration of Holy Communion until further notice on a week day, which will be announced the previous Sunday.

S. P. G.

The third Sunday of the month (S. Luke's Day) will be devoted to Foreign Missions. The Rev. A. W. R. Dunstan, of Calgary, Canada, will preach in the morning and give an address to the children in the afternoon. At all services there will be a collection on behalf of S. P. G.

THE SCHOOL.

Though reduced in numbers, and likely to be further reduced, the School re-opened for the winter session on September 7th. A great addition has been made to the two playgrounds by the laying of paving stones for the purposes of drill.

THE WAR.

During the last month the fortunes of war have changed. At one time the German Army seemed as if they were going to bombard Paris, but they have been driven back and are now on the defensive. The Allies, though they have lost very heavily, are doing splendid work and have received very high praise both from the Commander-in-Chief and Lord Kitchener. We must not, at present, talk of victory or of peace. All we can do is to put our full trust in God that He will in His good time end this dreadful time of anxiety. In the mean time we must not relax our efforts in prayer, rather should we redouble them. It has been a little disappointing that a greater effort has not been made by the "irregulars" to turn up for united worship and join in the Special Prayers which are offered each Sunday. Every one must have some one in whom they are interested at the front. Surely the least they can do is to come and show that they are not disinterested in the welfare of those who are fighting our battles for liberty and freedom from an impossible yoke.

In addition to those whose names have been already mentioned the following from the village are serving their King and Country :—

Berkshire Yeomanry.—Walter Edge.

Grenadier Guards.—John Vince.

New Army.—Fred Fisher, Harold Willcox, Gilbert Cox, George Cox, Arthur Dance, George Jackson, Henry Beer, Ernest Davis, William Seymour, Albert Bryant, William Yarlett, A. Hurst.

In addition to these, Jesse Briant, J. Greenough and Seymour Joyce have been in hospital to get themselves fit for service.

The following, who work on the estate, but do not live in the village, have gone to serve their Country.—Albert Fisher, William Rouse, Alfred Day, F. Parsons, J. Parsons, R. Parsons, Edward Van Veen, Leonard Nash, Tom Nash.

So little Englefield has not done so badly after all!

HYMNS FOR OCTOBER.

17th Sunday after Trinity (October 4th)	...	8.15 a.m.	317	323	471	318
		11 a.m.	161	299	376	423
		6 p.m.	297	546	421	550
18th Sunday after Trinity (October 11th)	...	11 a.m.	268	182	180	246
		6 p.m.	261	282	271	142
S. Luke (October 18th) ...	...	11 a.m.	4	425	359	362
		2.30 p.m.	375	314	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	601	257	360	20
20th Sunday after Trinity (October 25th)	...	11 a.m.	1	197	270	303
		6 p.m.	166	547	194	258

The Choir have been learning four new war hymns which will be sung at intervals. The tunes are not difficult and it is hoped the congregation will soon pick them up and join in heartily; two of them are fresh tunes to words already in the hymn book.

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That it may please Thee to defend the fatherless children and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed."

Commencing October 2nd, the Friday Service of Intercession will be held, until further notice, at 4 p.m.

MISS FANNY DEACON.

It is with feelings of the deepest sorrow that we have to record the death of Miss Fanny Deacon.

Riding up to our Church on her bicycle on Sunday evening (20th September), she was run into by a motor car, and almost immediately expired as the result of the injuries received.

This calamity has caused wide-spread and heart-felt sympathy for her sister, with whom she lived in such perfect amity.

Though not a parishioner, she was a most regular member of the Congregation, a constant Communicant, and one of the few who rarely missed the Friday afternoon Service of Intercession for Missions. The funeral took place at Theale on Thursday afternoon: the Rectors of Theale and Englefield being the officiants. It was the express wish of Miss Deacon that no flowers should be sent.

ENGLEFIELD, NOVEMBER, 1914.

BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

October 15th.—Leslie Edward Todd, aged 32 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (All Saints).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

8th (22nd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

15th (23rd Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

22nd (24th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (1st Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

30th (S. Andrew).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

DIOCESAN FUND.

It will be remembered that collections for the above were advertised for the 9th August (see August Magazine), but owing to the outbreak of war which disorganised all our arrangements, it was thought well to postpone it. However, as this is a fund which *must* have our support, there will be collections on the 24th Sunday after Trinity (22nd November). We would remind our readers that the Committee have assessed this parish at £10.

S. P. G.

It is most satisfactory to note that the collections on October 18th (S. Luke's Day) were higher than we ever remember them before: and that, in spite of the many calls on everyone's purse. They amounted to £10 2s. 2½d. In the morning Rev. A. W. R. Dunstan, who formerly worked in Western Canada, preached and in the afternoon he addressed the children.

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

As there was no Harvest "Home" this year, the last Sunday in September was given up to Thanksgiving Services for the ample harvest we have enjoyed. The Church was not decorated as lavishly as usual, but there was a good supply of vegetables and fruit sent, all of which was despatched to the Hospital.

Those who assisted in the decorations, besides Mr. Wadds and his staff, were the Rectory party, Nurse Croydon and Miss Wadds. The Services consisted of two Celebrations of Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m. which were very fairly well attended, chiefly by those who were anxious to show their gratitude for God's goodness in "giving and preserving to our use the kindly fruits of the earth."

It is a strange thing why more, who set such store upon their gardens, do not attend the Thanksgiving Service on such an occasion. Mattins and Evensong are all very well but they are not services of our Lord's choosing. The only Service He instituted is the Eucharist. The other services were Mattins, Children's Service and Evensong at which Rev. H. Costley White, Headmaster of Bradfield College, preached. The bells were pealed before the first Eucharist and during the day. The collections, which were on behalf of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, amounted to £59 6s. 4½d. Appended is the list of those who sent fruit, vegetables, bread, etc.

R. Allen, E. G. Allen, R. Absalom, E. Buckland, Mrs. Bates, A. Baker, E. Cottrell, Miss Cox, Walter Cox, T. Cox, Nurse Croydon, H. S. Davis, T. Dixon, Englefield House, Englefield Rectory, G. Elliott, C. Fisher, H. Groves, H. Horne, F. Holmes, T. Huggins, O. Hopley, J. Hayes, S. Joyce, W. Lamperd, H. Martin, W. Morrell, J. Martin, G. Mundy, W. Nash, G. Nash, W. Palmer, W. Partlo, H. G. Page, F. Pocock, C. Rose, W. Smyth, T. Simmons, J. Thame, S. Willcox, J. Wells, F. Webb, W. Yarlett.

TOY SERVICE.

It is proposed to have our Annual Toy Service on the 4th Sunday in Advent (20th December). As there is certain to be a great deal of distress in the poor parishes of London during this winter, warm articles of clothing will be appreciated more than ever.

BOOT CLUB.

The Vouchers will be distributed shortly after the last payment for the year (22nd November). Names of tradesmen to be employed should be written on the payment cards. Preference should be given to those who advertise in the Magazine.

BATHING.

The warm weather caused the bathing season to be prolonged well into September. We are informed by Mr. Claydon that 945 bathes were enjoyed by the boys.

THE WAR.

Since our last report, Seymour Joyce has joined the Reservists, and Jesse Briant and John Greenough the new Army. The Berks Yeomanry is to be known as Royal Berks Dragoons: they are due to leave England on the 8th November, though their destination is not known. At the time of writing, things seem to be going well for the Allies, but as everyone sees a paper, it is not necessary to enter into details. Let no one imagine that the war is fast coming to an end: it may be a long time ere peace is signed. In the meantime don't let any one of us get slack about our prayers for those engaged in the war. The bell solemnly tolled at 12 p.m. every week-day is a great help to some of us.

CRICKET NEWS.

Batting Averages, Season 1914:—L. Vince, 266 runs, 7 innings, average 38; T. Cullum, 91 runs, 7 innings, average 13.

Bowling Averages:—L. Vince, 47 wickets, 277 runs, average 5.8; T. Cullum, 35 wickets, 314 runs, average 8.9.

LESLIE TODD.

We have to record with much sorrow the death of Leslie Todd. He had been ill for some time, but his end came with a suddenness that has caused a shock to his many friends. Always bright and cheerful and courteous, he was much respected by those who knew him. Though not a parishioner, he was actively identified with the village: for some time he captained the Cricket Club, and acted as Honorary Secretary to the Football Club. He was laid to rest in the Churchyard on Thursday, 15th October, his body having been brought to the Church the previous evening where it was met at the Lych-gate by the Rector who recited "Vespers of the Dead." At 8.15 a.m. next morning the Holy Eucharist was celebrated. The funeral service, which was choral, was conducted by the Rector, assisted by the Rector of Theale and Rev. F. W. Lane of Tilehurst, and was attended by a large number of people who were anxious to testify to their respect and affection for him, as well as their deep sympathy for Mrs. Todd in her affliction.

HYMNS FOR NOVEMBER.

All Saints Day (November 1st)	...	...	8.15 a.m.	317	319	471	318
			11 a.m.	221	435	224	428
			6 p.m.	427	439	429	437
22nd Sunday after Trinity (November 8th)	...		11 a.m.	185	267	169	191
			6 p.m.	144	290	202	216
23rd Sunday after Trinity (November 15th)	...		11 a.m.	165	376	520	240
			2.30 p.m.	271	173	(Children's Hymn Book).	
			6 p.m.	26	178	239	233
Sunday next before Advent (November 22nd)			11 a.m.	11	142	532	366
			6 p.m.	391	242	367	28
1st Sunday in Advent (November 29th)	...	...	11 a.m.		474	48	270
			6 p.m.		403	205	47

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That during this time of distress at home, the work of God's Church abroad may not fail for lack of sufficient help and support."

ENGLEFIELD, DECEMBER, 1914.

BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

November 5th.—James Frederick Coombes, aged 68 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

6th (2nd Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (3rd Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th.—7 p.m., Communicants' Guild Service.

20th (4th Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Toy Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (S. Thomas).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

25th (Christmas Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 12 p.m., Holy Communion; 6 p.m., Evensong and Carols, with Anthem.

27th (S. John, Evangelist).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Carols, with Anthem.

28th (Innocents' Day).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

16th, 18th and 19th are Ember Days.

S. P. G.

The Rector will be obliged if those, who have boxes, will return them to the Rectory by the 12th December.

TOY SERVICE.

As previously announced, we hope to hold our annual "Gift" Service on the Sunday next before Christmas (20th). Warm garments will be most acceptable. The name of the donor should be written outside the parcel. The Gifts will be sent to London on the day following.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

The Service, which is intended as a preparation Service for the Christmas Eucharist, will be held on Thursday, 17th December, at 7 p.m. All Communicants are invited. Members of the Guild should bring their office books.

THE LATE MR. COOMBES.

All that was mortal of James Frederick Coombes was laid to rest on November 5th, in the same grave in which his wife was buried 10 years ago. A large congregation assembled as a mark of respect to his memory. The service was performed by the Rector. Mr. Coombes, who was head gardener to the late Mr. Richard Benyon for 26 years, and the present Squire for 12 years, retired owing to increasing lameness in 1909, and took up his residence at the neighbouring village of Pangbourne. We would offer our sincere sympathy to Miss Lizzie Coombes, who ever since the death of her mother, has looked after her father and tended him with true devotion.

THE WAR.

Since our last number the preparations for wounded at the Hospital, in the Long Gallery, have been realized—nineteen soldiers who have been disabled—seven of whom were Belgians—arrived from the base Hospital at Oxford, on Thursday, October 29th. There they have been carefully tended by a staff of nurses under the direction of Mrs. Benyon, the Commandant, and at

the time of writing their health has improved to such an extent that only nine are left in the Hospital: the other ten having been discharged. In addition to the nurses, a band of "Masseurs" has been busy affording relief to stiff muscles and sprained ankles, &c. The Hospital has been visited by many people since it has been open, but as too many visitors is not good for the patients we are asked to say that visiting hours for the future will be from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursdays. No patient is allowed to have more than two visitors at a time.

The Berks Yeomanry have gone to Cromer. We are informed that one of their number has been specially honoured by being chosen for the important and responsible position of "despatch rider." By the way, with reference to a paragraph in our last number with regard to their future designation, we are informed that there is no truth in the rumour: they are to remain the Berks Yeomanry.

READING DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

We are informed that a Spiritual Convention will be held in Reading from 1st to 4th February, 1915. Further details will be given in our next issue.

CONFIRMATION.

The Bishop of Oxford will hold a Confirmation in the neighbourhood in the spring. The Rector will be glad if those who wish to offer themselves as candidates will give in their names to him shortly.

THE SCHOOL.

The Christmas holidays have been fixed by the Managers from Friday, 18th December, at 12 p.m., to Monday, 4th January, 1915, at 9 a.m.

HYMNS FOR DECEMBER.

2nd Sunday in Advent (December 6th)	...	8.15 a.m.	317	37	472	318
		11 a.m.		53	205	51
		6 p.m.		49	217	52
3rd Sunday in Advent (December 13th)	...	11 a.m.		50	193	268
		6 p.m.		355	256	222
4th Sunday in Advent (December 20th)	...	11 a.m.		257	520	49
		2.30 p.m.	340	341	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.		276	545	54
Christmas Day (December 25th)	...	11 a.m.		60	58	482
		6 p.m.		59	Anthem, Carols 62	
S. John, Evangelist (December 27th) ...	...	11 a.m.	7	535	66	329
		6 p.m.		432	Anthem, Carols 409	

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That it may please Thee to bless all those engaged in Mission work throughout the world."