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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

I am glad to say that we have formed a branch of the Church of England Men's Society in the parish. The meeting to consider the matter was held in the Church Room on January the 6th. It was not a convenient time, because it was in the middle of the election excitement, but it was the only time when we could get the help of the Rev. Gordon Savile, the Secretary of the Society. We had forty men present, and after hearing an address from Mr. Savile, and also one from the Rev. Albert Kestin, we passed a resolution to the effect that it was desirable that a branch be formed, and we proceeded to elect a provisional committee and officers to draw up rules and form plans. The following were elected:—*Vice-Presidents*: The Rev. E. S. Phillips and the Rev. A. C. Kestin; *Treasurer*: Mr. Meynell; *Secretary*: Mr. C. H. Evans; *Committee*: Messrs. C. H. Carpenter, A. W. Daines, F. W. Dawkins, W. Jordan, A. E. Basey and Oatway. A second meeting was held on January 25th when the Rev. A. C. Kestin again spoke, and when the rules were adopted and the programme for the first half-year approved. The "rule of life" for the members is, "To pray to God every day and to do *something* to help forward the work of the Church." Men may join either as members or associates. Members must be communicants. A Monthly Service for men will be held on the last Sunday in the month at 3.45 p.m. There will also be a Monthly Meeting in the Church Room, for lectures, discussions, and of a social character. At these meetings non-members will be welcome. For membership there is a small annual subscription of not less than one shilling, and a small admission fee of sixpence. These payments entitle members

to wear the badge, and to receive the quarterly men's magazine. Names of those wishing to join may be received at any time, but the actual enrolment cannot take place for three months. We shall have a Social Evening on Tuesday, February 22nd, at 8 p.m. in the Church Room, when we shall be glad to see any men who will come, and when information will be given and new names received. I hope that this Society will be a great source of help to the Church and to those who become members.

The Season of Lent will be here in a few days, a list of services will be printed as usual, and I hope that the time between now and Easter will be a very helpful one to us all. On Ash-Wednesday the collections will be for the Colonial and Continental Church Society, which is doing so much for our countrymen in Canada and other parts of the world.

As already announced, the Bishop of London will himself come for the Confirmation which will take place at 8 p.m. on May 3rd. Classes will begin on Thursday, February 17th, for girls and women, in the Church Room, at 4.15 p.m. and at 8 p.m., and on Sunday the 20th, at 6 p.m., for youths, at the Eastbank Mission Room. Names should be given to me or to Mr. Phillips as soon as possible.

An excellent Concert was given at the Victoria Hall, on the 27th ult., in behalf of the Nurse and Poor Funds. The concert was promoted by the Rev. E. S. Phillips and the Choral Society, and their efforts were crowned with complete success, both as regards the performances and the financial result. The hall was quite full, and the net proceeds were £15 0s. 8d.

Mrs. FitzWygram's Bible Classes have, as usual, both been entertained by her with her accustomed generosity, during the month. The members of the Men's Class presented Mrs. FitzWygram with a beautiful electro-plated rose bowl

as a mark of their appreciation of her many and great kindnesses. The presentation was made by Mr. C. Dench in the name of the Class, and a few words were added by Mr. Kelsey, who gives valuable help in conducting the class.

The Bishop asks all the clergy to attend a "Quiet Day" at St. Paul's Cathedral, on February 7th. There will therefore be no service on that day, except the Communicant's Guild at 8 p.m.

Our usual collections for the Teddington Cottage Hospital will take place on Sunday the 20th inst. The hospital needs and deserves our warmest support.

Mrs. Dashwood-Howard, of Fairlight, Hampton Hill, the local Honorary Secretary for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, asks me to draw attention to the excellent work the Society is doing all over the country, and it has been the means of bringing to light and stopping cases of cruelty in our own immediate neighbourhood. The Society cannot carry on its work without means, and it appeals strongly to all the kind hearted to contribute to its funds.

Envelopes for Lent Offerings will be distributed at the Church doors to any who will take them. Various objects for contributions will be suggested, but the gifts need not be limited to these, any other object may be inserted, and the sum given will be duly forwarded. I hope many will ask for an envelope.

The District Nurse paid 3,086 visits during 1909. Her address is now Hamilton Villa, Burton's Road.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m. £ s. d.	7 p.m. £ s. d.	TOTAL. £ s. d.
Jan. 2—Curate's Fund ...	4 9 6	2 4 3	6 13 9
„ 9—Church Expenses ...	2 16 8	1 18 6	4 15 2
„ 16—Church Expenses ...	3 7 4	1 12 0	4 19 4
„ 23—Church Expenses ...	2 17 1	1 11 7	4 8 8
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), Jan. 2, 10/-; Jan. 9, 7/10; Jan. 16, 5/-; Jan. 23, 5/3 ...			1 8 1
Children's Services (Missions), Jan. 2, 5/2; Jan. 9, 4/5; Jan. 16, 3/4; Jan. 23, 2/6 ...			0 15 5
Special Celebrations, Dec. 27, <i>St. John the Evangelist</i> ...			0 3 7
„ „ Dec. 28, <i>Holy Innocents' Day</i> ...			0 3 3
„ „ Jan. 1, <i>The Circumcision</i> ...			1 10 2
„ „ Jan. 6, <i>The Epiphany</i> ...			0 10 11
<i>Thursdays</i> : Jan. 13, 5/-; Jan. 20, 1/10 ...			0 6 10
Special Services, Jan. 3, Communicants' Guild, ...			0 16 9
			<u>£26 11 11</u>

BAPTISMS.

"Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph against the Devil, the World and the Flesh." Amen.

Jan. 2—Robert William Chennell.
 „ 9—Ivy Lillian Homewood.
 „ 9—Elsie May Davies.
 „ 9—Dennis William Ede.
 „ 15—John Werner Determann.

BURIALS.

"I am the resurrection and the life saith the Lord, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."—*St. John*, xi, 25, 26.

Jan. 1—Joseph William Gullick, aged 65 years.
 „ 4—Elizabeth Muskle, aged 95 years.
 „ 22—Amy Frances Adams, aged 36 years.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Jan. 3	41 290
„ 6	210 553	334 208	211 262 217
Ash Wed.	...	342	192
„ 13	92 183 353	338 567	84 244 255
„ 16	...	263	627 90 354
„ 20	87 318	281 185	245
„ 23	...	224	267 465 (pt. 1)
„ 27	86 198 254	194 244	627 91 277
		569	287
			408 465 (pt. 2)
			637 266 89
			259