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My DEAR FRIENDS,

I have again the pleasure of wishing all the readers of our Magazine a very Happy New Year, and I pray that God's blessing may rest upon our Church and Parish throughout 1907.

Christmas has come and gone, with all its happy associations. So far as the weather is concerned it will be remembered as one of the good old-fashioned type, although the day itself was free from the snow which immediately followed. The Church, as usual, looked extremely well in its decorations, which many willing hands had deftly given it. It is so good of them to come and do this work when there are so many claims upon their time. The services were very well attended, and we had about 300 communicants. The collections, which were for the poor, amounted to over £15. A Christmas character will be given to the services for one or two more Sundays, and some of the beautiful carols will be sung in the evening.

Another very attractive stained glass window has been placed in the north side of the Church. It has been erected by Mrs. Sale Hall, a former resident in the parish, in memory of her late husband. The figures in the window represent "Faith" and "Hope." The former is most fittingly illustrated by a female figure holding in one hand a cross and with the other clasping a Bible to her bosom. "Hope" is represented by a shepherd who has watched over his flock through the dark hours of the night and is now relieved and gladdened by the sight of the bright morning

distance the light is seen breaking in the sky, clearly showing that "the night is far spent, the day is at hand." The colouring is soft and bright and the general effect extremely pleasing. The

star which betokens dawn, and already in the

window is a very acceptable addition to the adornment of our Church, and will not be without its suggestive thoughts for those who look upon it.

The window has been designed and fixed by

Another piece of good news is that through the

Messrs. Heaton, Butler and Bayne.

intermediary of a member of the congregation a grant of £50 has been made to the Church for the Reparation Fund. This has entirely cleared off the debt that remained on the cost of installing the electric light, very much to our relief and satisfaction. Last Easter we had, roughly speaking, a balance of about £100 on the wrong side. But there has been a steady improvement in the offertories ever since, with this and the grant of £50

the Churchwardens expect to be able to present a

balance sheet entirely free from debt next Easter.

On December 4th we had a largely-attended Temperance Meeting at the Schools. A most stirring address was given by the Rev. F. L. Boyd, Vicar of Teddington. The next meeting is to be on Tuesday, the 15th inst., which will be in the form of a lecture by Miss Gorham, illustrated with magic lantern pictures. The proceeds will go to Lady Henry Somerset's Inebriates' Homes. Full particulars will be advertised. There must be no doubt about our having a room full for this. Tickets may be had from the District Visitors.

Confirmation Classes will commence about the middle of the month. Names of candidates should

be given at once to Mr. Phillips or myself. The Confirmation will be at Hampton on March 15th.

I am glad to say that through the efforts of Mr. Rowland Moores, Mr. Wiseman, Mr. Hitchman, and others, the District Nurse has been provided with a new bicycle. The appeal made by these gentlemen was very readily and quickly responded to, and the Nurse has thus been provided with a means of great assistance in getting about for her work. The Committee of the Nurse Fund wish to express their thanks to all who helped in this matter. The Nurse paid 325 visits during December.

The total deposits in the Provident Club were £585 7s. 2d. To this amount £16 13s. 2d. was added by way of interest. This is chiefly provided by voluntary subscriptions, but I regret to say that there has been some falling off in these, and the fund has now a debt of £4. I hope some kind friends will be good enough to help in the removal of this small trouble.

The Supper for the members of the Mothers' Meetings and their husbands is fixed for Thursday, the 10th inst. I am glad to say that Pat Thayer and the "Little Jappies" have promised to come and give the entertainment after supper.

I hope to arrange for a short course of services for men very soon. The next Intercession Meeting for Missions will be on Wednesday, January 23rd.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

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Dec. 12, Hampton and Teddington Rescue Work Thursdays, Dec. 6, Ordination Candidates' Fund,

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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."

Dec. 9-Lilian Doris King.

., 9-Kathleen Esther Card.

,, 10—Leslie George Willis.

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.

Dec. 1—Reginald James Lambourn, aged 3 years.

,, I—Annie Martin, aged 6 months.

" 22—Elsie Jane Welch, aged 31 years.

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