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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

We are just now passing through the busiest time of the year in Church matters, and meetings and services come very close upon each other.

Mrs. Russell's Entertainment at the Victoria Hall, on January 29th, resulted in a net profit of £9 11s. 6d., which has been divided as follows: Provident Club, £4, Curate's Fund, £3; Nurse Fund, £1 10s.; Temperance Society, 11s.; and Treats Fund, 10s. 6d. The entertainment was really excellent in every respect, without a weak point in it, and we are most grateful to Mrs. Russell for all the trouble she took in getting it up, and to the many friends who so kindly supported her.

On February 19th a meeting of the Temperance Society was held (Mr. Phillips in the Chair) for the discussion of the question whether the "semi-teetotal" pledge should be adopted by our branch. This pledge binds those who take it to drink nothing of an intoxicating nature between meals. Mr. Storey opened the discussion in support of the adoption. Messrs. Redwood, Jordan, Hallam, Smith, and others took part, and finally it was decided that the pledge should be accepted as one that might be used by members of our branch of the Society.

The Bishop of Selkirk's sermon on Ash Wednesday seems to have aroused a good deal of interest in the far north-west. Several young men from the parish have lately gone to Canada. The demand for strong, healthy, industrious men there seems almost unlimited. But of course there are hardships, especially at first.

The Distribution of Prizes to the Day School children took place on the 18th of last month. The parents were present in goodly numbers, and a beautiful array of books were ready for the winners, which were duly handed to the successful children by Mrs. Elsee, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was given on the motion of Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Mrs. FitzWygram gave a supper to the men attending her Bible Class on February 5th. Thirty members were present. A very pleasant social evening was spent, and warm expressions of thanks were given to the kind hostess.

The Bishop of London and the Bishop of Southwark have issued a joint appeal for £50,000 to put all Church Schools in thorough order throughout London, according to the requirements of the County Council. £15,000 has already been received, so that good progress is being made. It is clear that people love the Church Schools and intend to keep them going if possible. Our Bishop asks that we will do something to help, and the Churchwardens are willing that we should give up the collections on Sunday, the 10th March, for this object. I hope the Bishops' appeal will meet with a generous response.

The Confirmation is fixed to take place at Hampton Church on Friday evening, the 15th, at 8 p.m. I am glad to say that we have thirty candidates from the congregation.

On Wednesday, the 13th inst., Prebendary Prosser will preach, at 8 p.m., the annual sermon on Temperance. Bags will be held at the Church door for any offerings for the parent Society, the "C.E.T.S.," as it is called.

On Wednesday, the 20th, instead of the Service in Church, we propose to have a Sacred

Cantata in the Victoria Hall, for which the "Lend-a-Hand" Society have been preparing, under the direction of Mr. Phillips. A beautiful series of sacred pictures by the world's greatest painters will be shewn by lime-light. During the time the pictures are on view soft music will be played, or a verse of a hymn bearing upon the particular picture will be sung behind the scenes. The tickets will be 1s., 6d. and 3d. The proceeds will be devoted to the funds most needing help.

On Tuesday, the 19th inst., there will be a Church Missionary Meeting in the Boys' School-room, at 8 p.m., when the Rev. H. W. Weatherhead, Missionary from Uganda, will show pictures and give an account of his work there. This is sure to be interesting. There will, of course, be a collection for the Society.

The next Intercession Meeting for Missions will be on Wednesday afternoon in Holy Week at 5 p.m.

On Monday, the 25th, the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all members of the Mothers' Union are invited to come to the Holy Communion at either 8 or 11 a.m. This is an arrangement that extends wherever the Society exists.

There will be the usual arrangement of services in Holy Week and on Easter Day. On Thursday evening there will be an address on preparation for Holy Communion, and on Easter Day there will be celebrations at 6.45 a.m., 8 a.m. and after the morning service. All Church people are most earnestly invited to

come, and those who come are asked to kindly put their names and addresses in a basket in the porch.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Jan. 27—Church Expenses ...	2	16 7	1	5 9	4	2 4
Feb. 3—Curate's Fund ...	4	9 6	2	3 2	6	12 8
" 10—Church Expenses ...	2	16 9	1	12 1	4	8 10
" 17—Teddington Hospital...	4	13 6	2	18 1	7	11 7
" 13—Ash Wednesday—Col. & Con. Ch. Society	0	18 1	7	13 0	8	1 1
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Jan. 27, 5/7; Feb. 3, 8/4; Feb. 10, 4/9; Feb. 17, 4/6 ...					1	13 2
Children's Services (Missions), Jan. 27, 3/3; Feb. 10, 2/10; Feb. 17, 1/1 ...					0	7 2
Special Celebrations, Jan. 25, St. Paul's Conversion, 3/-; Feb. 2, The Purification of the Virgin, 2/3 ...					0	5 3
Thursday, Feb. 14, 8 a.m., 3/4; 11 a.m., 7/6 ...					0	10 10
Special Service, Jan. 28, Mothers' Union ...					0	7 9
Jan. 30, Girls' Friendly Society ...					0	4 0
Feb. 4, Communicants' Guild...					0	8 10
					£34	13 6

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."

Feb. 10—Frederick Arthur Lee.
 " 10—Elsie Ethel Hillier.
 " 10—Leslie Arthur Chown.
 " 10—Frank Endicott Parrant.
 " 10—Percy Sidney George Culver.
 " 10—Florence Olive Warren.

MARRIAGES.

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

Jan. 21—Ernest Finch to Florence Ellen Baldwin.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.		AFTERNOON.		EVENING.	
Mar. 3	491	249	...	266	250	627
" 6	...	...	...	465	(3)	183
" 10	112	256 269	332 261	257	631	254
" 13	...	...	547	466	238	466
" 17	96	528	571 338	252	493	200
" 20	...	...	569	467	96	467
" 24	267	110 98	334 335	99	102	108
" 25	...	...	341	Story of the Cross.		
" 26	...	...	...	113	111	Story
" 27	...	...	...	106	105	Story
" 28	...	...	...	104	174	Story
Good Friday	101	103 114	625	311	320	Story
Easter Eve	...	...	...	494	120	122 123
Easter Day	134	135 499	134 197	125	140	141
	497	...	330	134	Anthem	135 137 126