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THE RECTOR'S NOTES.

First and foremost, after expressing the hope that you have all had a happy Easter, I thank you for your very generous Easter offering.

The date of Easter this year has caused much comment. The following details are interesting. When Easter Day falls on March 24th it is the third earliest on which Easter can fall, the earliest is the 22nd. This year's date, although not the earliest, is actually the rarest date, for it last occurred in 1799 and will not do so again until 2,391. "This ought to be an Easter of uncommon significance," says a Sunday Newspaper, "if we can only make out what the significance is." This somewhat cryptic remark should remind us that a no small measure of the skill of living an intelligent life, lies in being able to see the significance of events. It should also remind us that the common habit of just letting things happen without taking the trouble to consider their cause and effect is a failing which is constantly getting us into trouble. The gift of being able to see beneath the surface of things is one to be coveted and made the subject of our prayers. It must be heartbreaking for the inhabitants of Heaven to watch us continually making the same old mistakes, being repeatedly surprised by events that have been clearly foretold, and never being ready.

The late Mr. G. K. Chesterton was one of those rare spirits possessed of clear eyes and the courage to face the truth honestly. A volume of essays that he wrote some years ago has just been published. Hitler came into power in 1933, Chesterton died in 1936, yet the latter could write "The Prussian patriot may plaster himself all over with eagles and crosses, but he will be found in practice side by side with the Red Flag. The Prussian and the Russian will agree about everything, especially about Poland." Chesterton was right too about the underlying cause of modern troubles. He saw that they were much more spiritual than political in origin. He said that what we have to fight against is not a nation, but a *notion*, a notion that is a nightmare, a notion that Christianity is a spent force, that there is no compelling force or truth in the words, "I am the Resurrection and the Life."

PARISH NOTES.

THE SCHOOLS.

Many will learn with regret the departure of Miss Harriet Davy. She has left to take up work in her own village. For many years Miss Davy has had to cope with the transport problem, and this last winter she had to make heroic efforts to get to school, such efforts as no teacher should be called upon to make. Miss Davy came to us in September 1932. She has as a rule taken Standard I and II, although she was always ready to help in any other class. Many girls will remember with gratitude her lessons in needlework. The day of Miss Davy's departure was a sad one for the school. Both staff and pupils gave her farewell gifts, and wished her the best of fortune in her new appointment.

Last term was one that the School will not easily forget. Several times the attendance fell well below 50%. This was due early in the year to the severe weather conditions, and lately because of the widespread epidemic of German Measles.

The three air-raid shelters require only the finishing touches. They do not look so grim as was expected. I hear that Mr. Rhodes has plans of growing yellow geraniums over them, or is it nasturtiums?

THE NEW HYMN-BOOK.

The new hymn-book has been a long-cherished desire of the Rector. The state of the Church finances being what they are, there seemed to be no hope of fulfilment, but with her customary generosity Mrs. Owen Taylor has paid the bill, and not a small one either, viz. £5 11s. 6d.

THE G.F.S.

Enrolments into the Society will take place during Evensong on Sunday, April 7th.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Collection at the Good Friday Service amounted to 11/- and this has been sent to the Jerusalem and East Mission.

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH.

In addition to the hymn-books mentioned above, there has been 10/- given by an anonymous donor.

THE CRICKET CLUB.

The Club is carrying on. On Easter Monday, a Whist Drive & Dance was held in the Village Hall, and realised a profit of £2 6s. 3d. The Cricket Club desire to thank those who gave prizes.

Mr. Albert Newcombe is collecting material for a history of the club. He would be very grateful for the loan of old score books, photographs and any other relevant records.

FOR THE TROOPS.

It is proposed to run a Whist Drive & Dance on Saturday, April 20th, and with the proceeds to provide comforts for Newton, Kneeton and East Bridgford men who are serving in the Forces. The Whist Drive will be in the British Legion Hut, at 7 p.m. The Dance will be in the Village Hall, at 8 p.m. Gifts of foodstuffs, especially sugar, to provide refreshments, will be very welcome.

THE PARISH MAGAZINE.

The Rector, wishing to have some old copies of the Magazine bound, has discovered that the cover for November 1937 is missing. The Rector would be especially grateful to anyone who has preserved a copy of this cover, and would give it.

OBITUARY.

Many parishioners will hear with regret of the death of Ethel May Duff, who died on March 7th, in a Cambridge Nursing Home.

"May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace." Amen.

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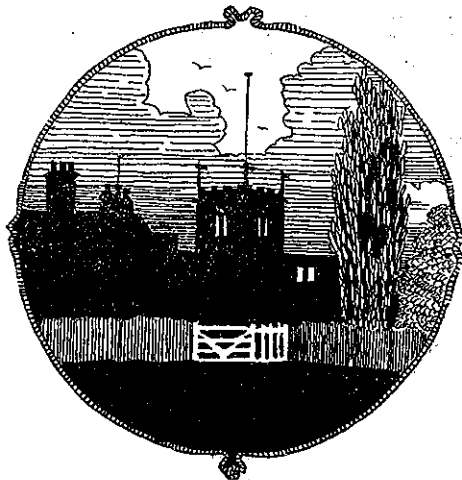
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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

There is a season for everything. January is the season for resolutions, also for broken resolutions. That is the truly maddening part about it. Many of us have given up making New Year resolutions because we have failed so often in them. Why make resolutions to be broken? The answer is that a resolution which is unbreakable is worthless. A resolution is not a vow. Let us distinguish between the two. A vow is a promise made to God, whereby a person intends to honour God and bind himself to God in a special way. Of course we must not break vows, nor, if we can avoid it, run the risk of doing so. We make vows in marriage and baptism, and for other religious reasons, but these should never be undertaken without due safeguards, and in some cases, only after long consideration and many resolutions. A resolution is a promise made to oneself. When we make it, we mean of course to try and keep it. But here is the point. It is no use making a resolution which we know we shall have no difficulty in keeping, for nothing is achieved thereby. For example, ordinary people should not congratulate themselves on keeping a resolution to refrain from burglary or bird-nesting, but they should resolve not to be selfish, quick to take offence or self-indulgent. There is a double value in such resolutions. If they are kept successfully, there is great benefit to us and others; if they are not always kept, but we keep on trying, there is yet the great value of the efforts we have made, and some day we shall be successful.

So all good wishes to you for 1940, and the best of luck with your resolutions.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

LORIMER REES.

A Christmas Carol: "Out of Bounds."

"A little Boy of heavenly birth,
But far from home to-day,
Comes down to find His ball, the Earth,
That sin has cast away.
O Comrades, let us one and all
Join in to get Him back His ball!"

—J. B. Tabb.

PARISH NOTES.

The Christmas Market on December 9th was opened by Mrs. Hilliard. In a happily phrased speech, Mrs. Hilliard said how glad she was to be present, and suggested that as an antidote to financial worry over the cost of additions to the hall, the village should congratulate itself on having a hall at all.

The Market made a profit of £51 which, in view of the war, must be considered a satisfactory effort.

THE KING EDWARD CLUB.

The Secretary reports that the Whist Drive and Dance on Boxing Night was not only a great social success but a financial one as well.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This Parish has chosen as its especial object the support of The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. The sum of £7 2s. 6d. has been collected for this purpose. Lest we should congratulate ourselves prematurely, let it be known that £5 of this amount was given by one generous subscriber. It is very much to be hoped that more people will take collecting boxes and save their spare pennies for the work of extending Christ's Kingdom. Applicants for boxes should apply to the Rector.

THE MOTHERS' UNION

An Advent Service was held for the M.U. on December 9th. The attendance was disappointing. Other services will be announced in due course in the hope that more members will welcome such opportunities of worshipping God together, and of receiving Christian Instruction.

THE ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING.

This will take place in the village Hall on Thursday, January 25th, at 5-30 p.m. Tea tickets 6d. All Baptised Members of the Church are invited.

HOLY MATRIMONY.

December 16th—John Wesson and Nancy Allwood.

BURIAL.

December 8th—Mary Martha Falconbridge, aged 80, at Wilford Hill Cemetery.

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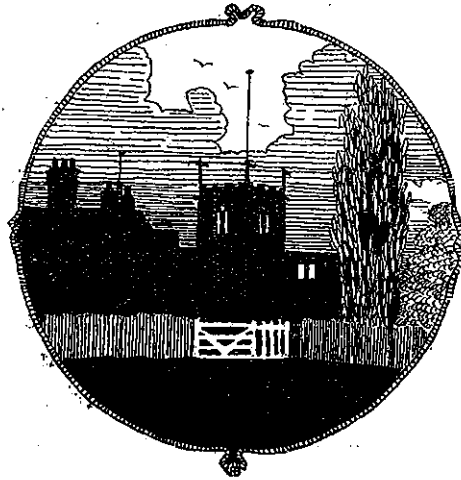
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FOR THE HONOUR OF SO GREAT A SACRAMENT.

Do You Know?

I—That attendance at the Lord's Service every Sunday is a matter of obligation to all Christians unless there is "lawful or reasonable excuse to be absent," while other Services are of devotion, that is, according to our Spiritual desire.

II—That the Lord's Service is the Holy Communion. It is the worship of God in the way God has appointed. It is the only form of Service directly given by Our Lord. It is the Apostolic Service identical with the Church's worship in the first days.

III—That the Prayer Book teaches that the main Sunday Service is the Holy Communion. See for instance that it is appointed that the Church Notices shall be announced and the Sermon shall be preached after the Creed in Holy Communion. No mention is made of a Sermon or Notices at Mattins or Evensong.

IV —That Non-Communicating attendance at Holy Communion is implied by the direction in the Service of Holy Baptism that children shall be brought to hear Sermons, for the only place where a Sermon is ordered is at Holy Communion. The Holy Communion is directed to be "Sung or Said." It is clear it was never meant to be merely a "Said" Service for the especially devout, but a Service for the general public including children.

THESE CONSIDERATIONS WILL DETERMINE THE
CHRISTIANS' ATTITUDE TO SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

The Christian Sunday is a day of Worship and Rest. Worship comes first. Some of us should ask ourselves:—Do we plan our Sunday round the Sunday dinner or round the Sunday Worship? With a little arrangement and good will, it is *quite easy* to arrange that Sunday Worship takes first place without depriving ourselves of our weekly “lie-in” (a very good thing in itself!)

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

How can I know when to go up to the Altar-Rails to make my Communion?

As soon as you see the Priest start to make his own Communion, rise from your knees and go up to the rails. At this point a bell is generally rung, but if it is not, you can tell when the priest is communicating because he bows his head and strikes his breast three times saying "Lord I am not worthy" before he receives the Sacred Elements. When the Priest turns round to give Communion, he should find the Communicants all ready kneeling at the Altar-rails. Communicants should avoid at all cost the silly habit of waiting for somebody else to move before they do. Such a practice destroys devotion. Your heart and eyes and ears should be towards the Altar. You should be thinking of nothing but your great happiness in receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

PARISH NOTES.

MAGAZINE ACCOUNT, 1939.

Receipts		£	s.	d.	Expenditure		£	s.	d.
Sale of Magazines	17	13	4	Printing Cover	14	14	0
Donation (Mr. Wing)	...		16	6	Printing Inset	5	8	0
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ARRANGEMENTS FOR LENT.

Evensong on Sundays during Lent will be at 4-0 p.m. The Reverend C. C. Hardy, Vicar of St. Alban's Church, Nottingham, will preach a course of Sermons entitled: "The Christian Idea of Man."

LENT SAVINGS.

You are invited to take home a Collecting Box and to save in it money for the Bishop's Appeal Fund. Boxes should be returned in Church on Easter Day.

A leaflet may be had in Church which sets forth all other arrangements for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. It also contains a hymn and a prayer, especially selected for this Lent.

It is very much to be regretted that on Palm Sunday this year, there will be no Blessing and Distribution of Palms. War conditions have made it impossible to get the palms from Palestine.

THE CHOIR.

The Rector with the help of Mr. Hadley have formed a Choirboys' Club, which meets on Thursday evenings. The present members are very keen, and will welcome any recruits.

The Choir is in urgent need of men singers, and it is hoped that some at least of the many men in the parish who were choirboys in their youth will join. In any case a high standard of vocal skill is not the first consideration. What matters is, not how good our best is, but that we offer our best.

On January 22nd, thirty-two members of the Sunday School were the guests of the Rector at the Pantomime "Mother Goose."

The Annual Church Meeting took place on January 25th, starting at 5-30 p.m. Although the weather was severe, it was very disappointing that only twenty-five people were present. The Social later in the evening attracted more comers, and there was a very happy party.

BURIALS.

Extra-Parochial.—Sarah Elizabeth Knight, wife of Thomas Knight, of Gunthorpe, who died January 2nd and was buried at Wilford Hill Cemetery.

January 16th—Albert Boyce, aged 66 years

January 30th—Harry Eggleston, aged 81 years.

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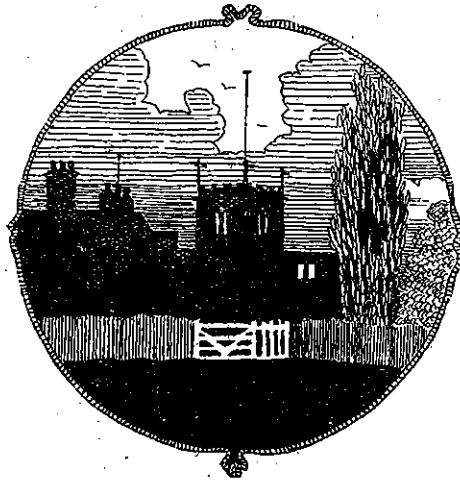
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My dear friends.

Most of you read the newspapers regularly and will no doubt have noticed the tremendous stir caused by *The Times* leading article, which appeared recently entitled: "Religion and National Life." Although the *Times* is but little read in this parish, other newspapers have not failed to comment upon the article mentioned. Now this article has been reprinted in pamphlet form, and it is encouraging to Christians to know that six large editions have been issued, and that more copies of this pamphlet have been sold than of any other reprint from the *Times*, even exceeding the sale of "The Hitler Calendar" at the beginning of the war.

There seems to be a great interest in religion springing up again. The question is, what is the average Englishman going to do about it? It is a grim fact that in a country professedly Christian and which at the moment is staking its all in defence of Christian principles, nine tenths of the population have no direct contact with organised religion at all, and are content for their children to have a purely heathen upbringing. These are hard words, but they are true and need saying. It will be of little use to fight for the preservation of the Christian principles of love, mercy, truth, decency and fair play, if Christianity itself is to have no future. When the tree dies, so does the fruit. If Englishmen believe in Jesus Christ, they have got to be more thoroughgoing than those who do not. The Bolsheviks and Nazis take no chances. With the greatest possible care, every generation as it comes along is taught the lies of their creed, and converted to it as soon as possible. In England we are content to live on spiritual capital, on tradition inherited from the past, instead of by our own exertions providing for the present and for the future. When will Englishmen learn the folly of this? The clergy are doing their utmost to check the decay of religion. It remains to the lay people to back them up to the hilt. "But," say most people, "we send our children to a Church School, and to Sunday School, even if we ourselves cannot bother to go to Church." The answer to this is sharp and short. "What you give with one hand, you are taking away with the other." With the example of his parents and elders always before him, the child quite naturally decides that religion is apparently only a "kid's affair," and that there is no real call for him to give it a place in his life.

Perhaps it is a pity that the fear of Hell is out of fashion these days. We seem to have overlooked the fact that Our Lord taught it. True, the appeal of Jesus is the appeal of Love, but never let us forget that what we know about Hell we know from His own lips. When we ignore Love, then Fear may be the only thing that will bring us to our senses. What do grown-ups who neglect religion make of these words: "Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a mill-stone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea." *Matthew xviii., v. 6.*

Dear readers, excuse me speaking such words to you, you who are faithful. My idea is that you should pass this magazine on where you think it is needed. The situation is *desperate* and we must do something about it. Parents must come to Church if their children are to be brought up in the Faith.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

LORIMER REES.

PARISH NOTES.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL.

The following officers have been appointed for the year:

Hon. Sec.—Mr. T. Knight.

Hon. Treas.—Mr. C. Hall.

Representative to the Village Hall Committee—Mr. L. Hand.

MORAL WELFARE.

In 1938 the Women's Offering Fund was started in this diocese, and in each of the past two years it has raised a sum of over four hundred and fifty pounds. This valuable addition to the available funds for Moral Welfare Work is due to the help of those who, in nearly every parish, have collected a large number of small gifts. The Ideal of this Fund is that every woman should have the opportunity of contributing something to this work, the importance of which is increased rather than diminished by the fact that we are at war. The Magazine distributors will be glad to receive donations. The usual amount is a penny.

TIMES FOR EVENSONG.

Now that the days are getting longer, we shall soon be having Evensong at the customary time of 6-30 p.m. Certainly after Easter, if not before. Please note that the especial Service on Good Friday, called "The People's Remembrance," and advertised in the Lent leaflet for 5-30 p.m., is now arranged for 6-30 p.m. The Rector is counting upon everyone in the parish to make a special effort to be present at this service.

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH.

The Rector is always glad to receive gifts towards the furnishing and decorating of the Church, and would be pleased to advise something suitable should any one wish to make a thank-offering or give an article in memory of somebody. The G.F.S. have once again been thoughtful and generous, in giving yet another fair linen cloth for the Altar. The Rector thanks them on behalf of the congregation and himself.

BURIALS.

February 15th—Mary Elizabeth Wardle, aged nine months.

February 26th—William Kent, aged sixty-eight.

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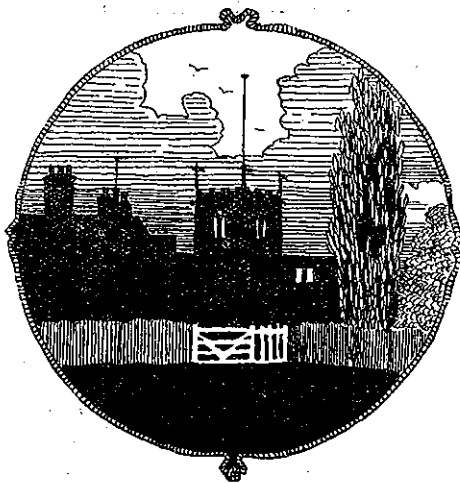
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The Village Hall Annual Meeting was held in the Hall, on April 20th. The Secretary, Mrs. Boyce made a report upon the last eighteen months. She said that a grant of £120 and a loan of £235, free of interest, had been received from The National Council of Social Service, also that Mr. W. E. Claye had most generously given a donation of £50. Continuing, Mrs. Boyce pointed out that the repayment of the loan was to be at the rate of £47 per annum for five years, and that the first instalment would be due in October of this year. A glance at the Balance Sheet would show that the first instalment could be paid, but that the Meeting must remember that the sum of £53 had yet to be raised to complete the payment to the builders.

The editor who attended the Meeting was aghast to observe how few people were present. It is very much to be hoped that this was due to a reluctance to share the burden of worry in administering the affairs of the Hall, rather than to a falling off of interest, the former case would be discreditable enough, but the latter would be disastrous. One thing is abundantly clear. The village has undertaken the Hall and besides enjoying the use of it, must find means of paying for it.

EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE HALL

Statement of Accounts, October 1st, 1938 to March 31st, 1940

RECEIPTS		£	s.	d.
Balance in hand	...	24	5	11
Donations	....	67	19	3
Grant from the Carnegie Trust Fund	... ..	120	0	0
Loan from the National Council of Social Service	... ..	235	0	0
Coronation Fund	...	15	16	5
Income Tax Rebate	...	3	14	11
Christmas Market 1938	...	70	10	7
Christmas Market 1939	...	42	0	5
Whist Drives & Dances	...	10	9	10
Children's Dances	...	8	8	6
Inauguration Social	...	9	11	11
Film Shows	... ..	6	6	6
Bank Interest	... ..	5	0	
Hire of Hall	... ..	30	15	0
		£653	10	7

EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.
Building	...	500	0	0
Lighting and Heating	...	16	19	5
Caretaker's Fees	...	12	8	8
Painting of Hall	... ..	9	1	6
Rates	... ..	4	0	4
Water Rate	... ..	5	9	
Insurance	...	2	1	0
Income Tax	...	4	11	6
Christmas Market Expenses	...	3	10	10
Performing Rights	...	1	9	11
Repairs and Ladder	...	4	14	0
Piano Tuning	... ..	12	0	
Copper Urn	... ..	2	5	0
Radiogram	... ..	5	0	0
Printing	... ..	1	7	0
Affiliation Fee	... ..	1	0	0
Cheque Books and Bank Charges	...	17	0	
Stationery and Sundries	...	8	11	10
Balance at Bank	...	73	19	7
Cash in hand	...	15	3	
		£653	10	7

Audited and found correct.

CHARLES FARMER.

1,000 SAVINGS.

The sum of £1 8s. 5d. was collected and this has been sent to the Bishop's Appeal Fund. The sum of £4 8s. 9d. being the collection on April 14th, has been sent to the Nottingham General Hospital.

FOR THE TROOPS.

The Whist Drive and Dance on April 20th was a great success, and the magnificent sum of £15 2s. 2½d. was gained. Also a donation from the Junior Imperial League of £2 4s. 3½d. together with a donation from the Dramatic Society of £1 10s. od. has been added. The organisers wish to thank all those who gave prizes and refreshments, and helped in many other ways. We shall be hearing no doubt in the future how the soldiers have appreciated the parcels sent to them.

Another Whist Drive and Dance for the same purpose is announced for **Whit-Saturday, May 11th.** The Whist Drive starts at 7-0 p.m. in the British Legion Hut. The Dance will be in the Village Hall, 7-30 p.m. to mid-night. Gifts of prizes and refreshments will be gratefully received by the organisers, who are Messrs. Frank Lodder and Albert Newcombe.

The Day Schools.

According to custom the collections in Church on Whit-Sunday will be given to the Managers of the Day Schools. It is not sufficiently realised that the Managers have to raise a considerable sum every year to ensure the proper running of the School. They are hoping that despite the hard times, the village will assist them handsomely.

BURIALS.

Extra-Parochial. Francis Charles Robinson, who died at Wimbledon on April 20th.

April 9th—Grace Egglestone, aged 85 years.

"May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace." Amen.

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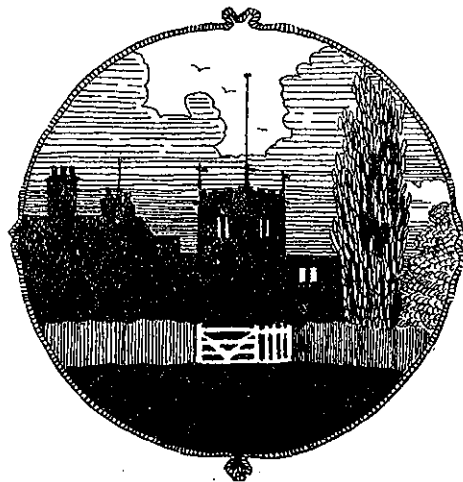
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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

Many of you are thinking with regret that our Patronal Feast this year will not be the happy event that it usually is. The war, righteously undertaken as it is, cannot but cloud our minds with care and many a worry. The nation's peril, the cause of truth, and the dangers that surround our young men in the forces are ever uppermost in our thoughts, and we would not have it otherwise, the situation being what it is.

The Day of National Prayer was, on the whole, well observed in our village, though there were many faces missing from the congregation which should have been there. Those of us who did not fail to join in the national effort of prayer on that day, must see to it that we keep our effort going all through the anxious time to come. "It is not to occasional dramatic acts of prayer, but rather to prayer continuous and persistent that the Gospel promises of answer were given." Such are the words of the Archbishop of Canterbury. He also said that "with this ministry of continuous prayer must go the ministry of worship," and pleaded that the regular worship of the Church should be maintained. Let us be sure that we fail not here.

I have been reading lately about St. Augustine of Hippo and have been quite startled to find how closely his day resembles ours. In his time the tendency of the state was to set itself up on an equality with God, or even to eliminate God altogether. That was bad enough, but worse was to follow.

The Roman Empire, which had been expected to last for ever, began to collapse. St. Augustine, as his life drew to a close, had to watch the crumbling of that empire, and he died with the invading hordes of Vandals at the very gates of Rome. Chaos seemed to be come again. At this time St. Augustine wrote his famous treatise "The City of God," and called on men to realise that this world is only important in so far as it provides for us a time of preparation for the Realm of God. His message is admirably expressed by these verses of Samuel Johnson:

In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharm'd upon the eternal Rock
The eternal City stands.

That thought should explain much to us, and give us in our present struggle a true vision and an unconquerable hope.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

LORIMER REES

PARISH NOTES

The Feast of our patron St. Peter the Apostle falls on June 29th, and this year Feast Sunday will be on Sunday, June 23rd.

The following arrangements have been made for the Feast.

Saturday, June 22nd—A Garden Fete will be held in aid of the Village Hall Fund. Mr. Charles Farmer has very kindly promised the use of his garden at The Old Hall for the occasion. The Formal Opening will be at 3-0 p.m., gates open at 2-30 p.m. We are very much looking forward to welcoming Mrs. Burton, of Orston Hall, who is going to open the Fete. The posters and handbills should be consulted for further details.

Feast Sunday, June 23rd—Holy Communion at 8-0 a.m.

Mattins and Holy Communion, 10-45 a.m.

Evensong at 6-30 p.m. Special Preacher:

The Reverend Canon C. Leeper, M.A.,

Vicar of St. Michael's, Nottingham.

The British Legion will be holding a Drum-Head Service at the Manor, and this will be conducted by The Venerable J. P. Hales, M.A., D.S.O., Archdeacon of Newark. The British Legion will parade beneath the Memorial Cross for the laying of Wreaths at 7-30 p.m. and march up to the Manor for the Service at 7-45 p.m.

Saturday, June 29th, St. Peter's Day, Holy Communion at 10-45 a.m.

The Southwell Diocesan Association for Moral Welfare has been sent £1, this being the sum collected in this parish. Many thanks are due to the magazine distributors who arranged for the collection of this money.

THE CHURCHYARD.

It is held in Law that churchyards once dedicated and consecrated are the soil of the church, and their freehold, like that of the church, is vested in the incumbent. The incumbent has, moreover, the control over the erection of grave-stones, and the inscriptions thereon in churchyards. This being so, the Rector is anxious to be consulted immediately anyone is desirous of having a stone put up, or an inscription engraved in our churchyard.

Such a course of action will avoid any delay in the sanctioning of the material and design of the proposed memorial.

THE DAY SCHOOLS.

It has been arranged that the school children shall attend a service in church every Monday morning at 9-10 a.m. Although this service is especially for the children, this is not to say that any adults who may care to come would not be welcome. On the contrary it would be an excellent thing if grown-ups, and especially parents would come: their presence would be both a source of pleasure and also an encouragement to the children. Young people need besides instruction, the support of the example of their elders. Where this is not forthcoming, much of the instruction that has been given is nullified in effect, and often more harm done than good.

Monday has been chosen as the day for this service for a very simple and homely reason. In winter time on Mondays the church is still warm from the week-end heating.

HOLY MATRIMONY.

June 5th—Walter Claude Fernley and Freda Collishaw.

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May 9th—George Arthur Enderby, aged 58 years.

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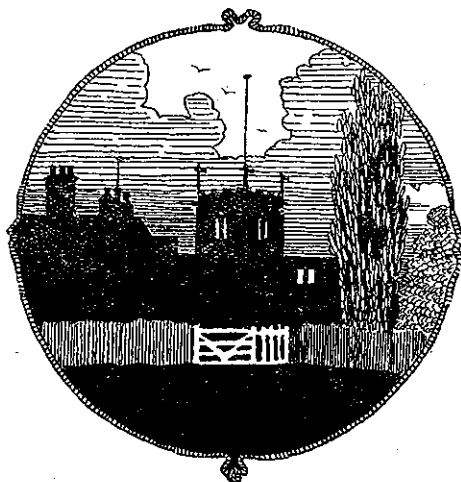
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My dear friends,

It seems that each successive month the news of the war becomes more and more depressing. Each month as I sit down to write the magazine I have a wild desire to be able to say something really cheerful and encouraging to you all, but nothing comes to mind. Sometimes I think I will write a facetious or humorous letter, but to do this, would be, I know, out of place and out of tune with your thoughts at this time.

This month we are mourning over the tragic fall of France. To many of us the worst part of the whole catastrophe is the cracking up of the spirit of the French people. This is by far the worse thing that has happened yet. It is vitally important that we should learn a lesson here. It is not too late even now for us to strengthen the fibre of our souls so that we fail not in trials to come. This war has made one thing abundantly clear. There is an assault upon the spirit of mankind being made now that is probably unparelled in history. What we have got to fear, is not so much the physical losses of war, as the failure in us of what we call "morale." As a nation we have grown spiritually flabby through our neglect of God and His inspiration. We must get back to our prayers and the practise of our faith.

To those of you who want to resume the life of prayer and seem to be unable to get started upon it, let me humbly suggest the following. Go into Church sometime when you can be quite alone with God. Take one of the blue hymn books, which you will find in a rack near the door. Look up Hymn No. 93, and on your knees use it as your prayer. It is not generally known apparently, that a good hymn book makes an excellent prayer book.

If you will pray conscientiously (you will find it hard work sometimes, but everything that is worth anything must cost something) you will gain the peace of God, which nothing either in this world or the next, can take away from you.

As regards the sufferings of this present time, even in these there is a source of happiness. Our Blessed Lord has taught us, and the saints have abundantly demonstrated the truth of His words, that we can have an interior joy if we suffer for God's cause and the right things.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

LORIMER REES

PARISH NOTES

The Garden Fete in aid of the funds of the Village Hall, like many others within recent memory, was not blessed with fine weather. It was a bitter disappointment to have to forgo the pleasures of Mr. Farmer's fine garden and at the last moment to have to convert the Fete into a Sale of Work in the Village Hall. The Sale of Work was graciously opened by Mrs. Burton, of Orston Hall. In a charming speech Mrs. Burton said that she was especially pleased to find that East Bridgford, despite the troubles of war, was continuing to uphold peacetime activities, and was looking hopefully towards the future.

The Sale of Work was followed by a dance, and when the time came to add up the proceeds of the day, the organisers were delighted to find the satisfactory sum of £15 16s. 0d. had been collected. On the following day it was possible by the kindness of Mr. Farmer and the clearing up of the weather to open the garden of the Old Hall to the villagers. A further £1 10s. 0d. was raised by this means. Many thanks and much appreciation is due to Mr. Farmer and his staff of gardeners for the great pleasure they have afforded. Moreover the cheerful co-operation of many willing helpers will not readily be forgotten.

The following letter has been received from the Area Representative of St. Dunstan's. "You will be pleased to learn that the collection undertaken by our Honorary Collector (Mr. Thomas Knight) has realised the sum of £5 10s. 0d., which is 13s. 3d. more than in the previous year, 1939. This is highly satisfactory and I would like to express to you and all who contributed towards this excellent result my warmest thanks. It is very evident that the inhabitants of East Bridgford are determined to support those who lose their sight in the service of their country."

There is little that need be added to this letter except to mention with admiration the self-sacrificing labour of Mr. Knight in this village and in many others. He must be very footsore now after all his journeys to and fro. He will not relish this mention of his good work, but we cannot spare his feelings always. We need in these days, the encouragement of such an example of unselfish service. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

OUR ROLL OF HONOUR. The first name to be inscribed is that of Phillip Isaacs. He was killed in action in Belgium late last month. It is with a mixture of regret and pride that we record this cutting off of a promising young life. For Philip it can mean but one thing—the blessed state of those who have "laid down their lives for their friends." For us there is the message which the manner of his death proclaims: the message, that the measure of our sacrifice will be the measure of our victory.

HOLY BAPTISM

June 23rd—Benjamin Harold Bouchier Wrey

BURIAL

July 3rd—Frederick Oliver Gisborne, aged 70 years

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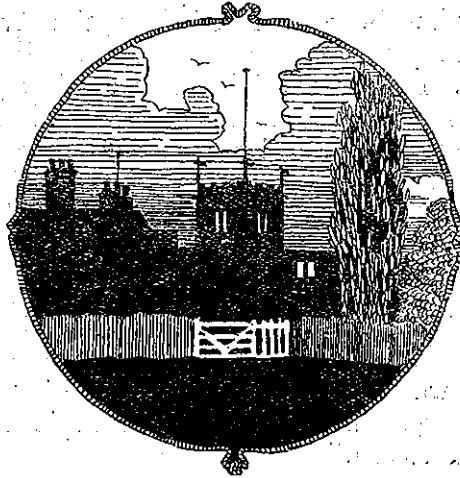
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PARISH NOTES.

The Editor apologises for the lateness of the issue of this Magazine. It was his desire to include in this month's number some mention of the recent work on the Chancel of the Church. This is the reason for the delay.

THE CHOIR STALLS—Dry Rot and Wood Worm have been discovered in the woodwork underneath the Choir Stalls. It has been necessary to remove the Choir Stalls in order that the floor beneath them might be dealt with.

The Choir Stalls are at present in position at the West end of the Church until such time as they can be put back in their old position, or it should be decided to keep them at the back of the Church. The latter scheme would be a very good idea for many reasons. The Chancel of the Church would regain its former dignity if it could be cleared of the Choir Stalls. This is not to say that the stalls are in themselves unsightly, far from it, they are particularly good work, but they do obscure the view of the altar and rob the sanctuary of much space.

It would seem that The Reverend Arthur Du Boulay Hill had some such scheme in mind when planning the restoration of the Church 27 years ago. Looking through the drawings that were made then, I have found one, that shows the organ placed in a gallery in the west wall (the tower). No doubt the cost of placing the organ in this position was considered prohibitive, or else the move would have been made. The present position of the instrument is far from ideal. The sound cannot escape into the Church as well as it would if the organ were not so confined, and the latter makes the clergy vestry very cramped for space.

Of course the removal of the organ must in any case wait till more prosperous days, but there is much to be said for keeping the Choir Stalls at the back of the Church.

THE DAY SCHOOLS—The school was inspected in religious knowledge on July 11th. The Reverend Canon A. D. Allen was the inspector and he has sent in a very satisfactory report, and one which is full of valuable suggestions. He particularly approves of the weekly school service in Church as a means of educating the children in the art of worship.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—It is pleasing to note that the collecting boxes for S.P.G. continues to provide a steady income for the extension of God's kingdom. In the last two quarters the sums of 12s. 4d. and 11s. have been raised. Collecting boxes may be found at the back of the Church. It is hoped that more and more people will take one home to save in them their odd pennies.

A LINK WITH THE PAST—The death of Mr. Turner which is recorded in this month's obituary brings to an end one of the few links remaining between Magdalen College and the village. Mr. Turner knew the former President of the college, Sir Herbert Warren, and several other Fellows of the college. He not infrequently had the pleasure of entertaining them on the occasions when they came to inspect the college property in the parish. Mr. Turner held the office of Churchwarden for 18 years, retiring in 1921. He always was a faithful supporter of the Church and up to the time of his death took an interest in all Church affairs. It was a great trial to him that in latter years through ill health he was unable to get to Church services.

THE VILLAGE HALL—The committee are organising Dances on every Friday until further notice. It is hoped by this means not only to raise funds to pay off the debt on the building fund, but also to provide entertainment for the many visitors in the village.

THE WALL ON KIRK HILL—Most people will have noticed that the wall, not far from the Memorial is broken, but not all seem to realise that it is unsafe to linger near the gap. The wall is not likely to be repaired for some considerable time because there is some dispute over ownership. It would be as well if people, and especially children, took care not to walk under the wall in the vicinity of the breach.

A Meeting of the Church Council is called for Monday, August 26th, when the chief item on the agenda will be a discussion about the moving of the Choir Stalls.

HOLY BAPTISM

July 21 Gwendoline Ann Wilde.

HOLY MATRIMONY

June 6 Tom Alfred Duckingfield Atkin and Edith Ellen Thraves.

July 29 Charles Edward Ramsey Tait and Judith Frances Leir.

BURIALS

June 26 Sarah Cornell, aged 27

July 27 Joseph Smith Turner, aged 86

July 30 Walter Michael Blom, R.A.F., aged 23

" William Henry Franklin, R.A.F., aged 28

" Frederick Stewart, R.A.F., aged 22

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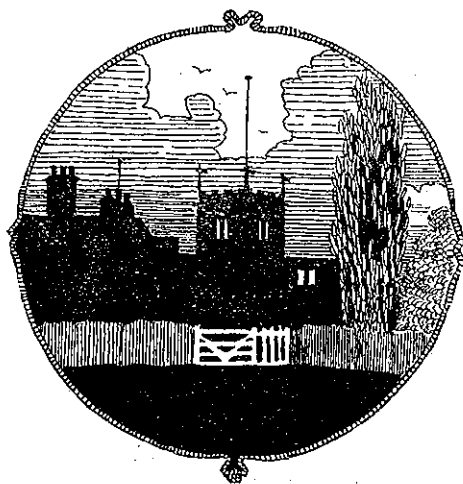
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PARISH NOTES.

THE HARVEST FESTIVAL will be on Sunday, September 22nd. The services in church will be as usual except that Evensong will be at 6 p.m. The special preacher at Evensong will be The Reverend G. R. D. McLean, M.A. This year of all recent years is one when every Christian should make an especially good thanksgiving to God for the harvest. The greatness of our need during this time of war has been met by God with an abundant harvest of all manner of crops. Let none of us fail to remember our Lord's words "Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." Let us offer Him in return, as an earnest of our gratitude, the government of our hearts and wills.

CHURCHYARD RAILINGS. The following extract from the Diocesan Magazine should interest many readers. It was written by Mr. Nevil Truman and it appears in this month's issue.

" It is hoped that the clergy and the wardens will make every effort to get rid of the iron railings which have for long disfigured our churchyards and graves—not only because the nation requires the metal for the war, but because a great improvement to the beauty of the church's surroundings will be effected by the removal. Railings round graves result in the grave itself and its headstone becoming quite overgrown, with consequent damage to both stone and lettering, since it is impossible to cut the graves within the rails when the rest of the land is mown or sheep-grazed. Railings round the churchyards impart a "citified" look to the most rural place and are thus a lien to the countryside spirit.

Of course one excepts good ironwork of the 18th or earlier centuries, but this is rarely found out-of-doors. If any doubt exists an authority should be consulted.

In most dioceses the delay and expense of a faculty will not be required, provided that reasonable care is taken that private rights are respected. In most cases of neglected railed-in graves such rights will have lapsed. Application for leave to remove rails must be made to the Diocesan Registrar. The Central Council for the Care of Churches both approves and urges the removal of this ironwork.

The expense of mowing graveyards often prohibits their being cut as often as they should be; the old-fashioned alternative of allowing sheep to pasture within God's acre, is both seemly and economic. In this way the grass is kept perpetually neat and tidy, and wherever possible steps should be taken to revive the custom, if it has lapsed. It was well-nigh universal until a few years ago when it seems to have been abandoned through a mistaken idea of reverence, which was at least thoughtless. It is more irreverent to leave the churchyard grass neglected and shabby than to admit our little Brother Sheep to do the work."

Parishioners will have noticed that the railings have been removed from the ground above the Heathcote Hacker vault. They have gone to supply the government's demand for metal. Before the removal of these iron railings the Archdeacon was consulted, and it was decided that, as they had no artistic merit and that the family in question had long since died out, the sooner they were removed the better. It will now be possible to keep the north wall outside the church tidy. When the grass on this spot was mown after the railings had gone a surprising collection of broken glass jars and rubbish came to light.

GIFT TO THE CHURCH. Not long before her death last April, Miss Grace Egglestone gave a sum of money to the Rector wherewith to buy something for the adornment or furnishing of the church. A handsome stand for the altar book, made of limed oak, has been bought with the money. It is particularly fitting that such a faithful servant of God as Grace Egglestone should have a memorial close to the Holy Mysteries.

THE SIGNING OF FORMS. The Rector wishes it to be known that he is always available for this purpose after any of the services in church. Parishioners who have in the past called at the Rectory with their forms and papers and found the Rector out, might like to know of some set time when they can be certain of seeing him. The Rector is, of course, willing to sign papers or give interviews at other times as well.

HOLY MATRIMONY

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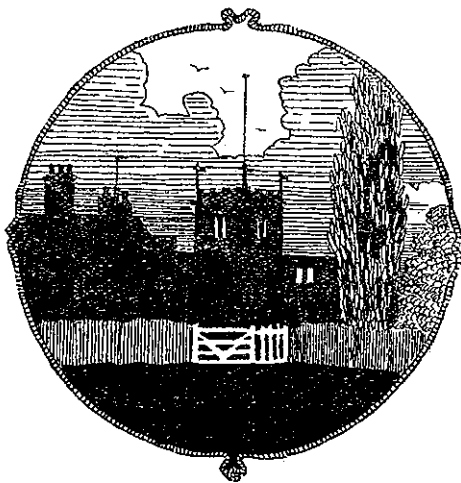
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PARISH NOTES.

RESIGNATION OF OUR ORGANIST.

It is with great regret that we hear of the resignation of Mr. George Shipman from the office of organist. Mr. Shipman has held the post for eight years and has always carried out his duties conscientiously and well. In his letter to the Parochial Church Council, "George," as we affectionately call him, explained that the difficulties of travelling in the "black-out" made it impossible for him to be able to guarantee his attendance at East Bridgford now that he is living in Nottingham. A gift is to be presented to George by the P.C.C., representing the congregation of St. Peter's, which we hope he will accept as a token of gratitude and esteem for many years of faithful service.

THE BEQUEST OF THE REVEREND ARTHUR DU BOULAY HILL.

Many will remember that when the will of this former and beloved Rector of our parish was published a few months ago, the following bequests were made to East Bridgford:—£100 to the Rector, and £5 to the vergers for the upkeep of Du Boulay Hill's grave. It can now be known that the bequest to the vergers has been held to be bad at law, but the £100 has been paid. This sum has been invested at 3½% and the interest will be paid each year to the Rector to be spent on the church as he shall think fit. Of course it goes without saying that the grave of Du Boulay Hill and its beautiful headstone will always be cared for by the parishioners of East Bridgford. The Rector feels sure that it will be the wish of everyone that he should make arrangements accordingly.

GIFTS TO THE CHURCH.

Pupils of the Day Schools have made ten kneeling pads for the Church. The gift is a very useful one and much appreciated.

THE RECTOR'S POST BAG.

Dear Sir,

I have received a parcel from the East Bridgford Comforts for the Troops Fund. I am most grateful to the people of East Bridgford for sending it. Will you please convey my thanks to the persons who have been responsible for sending it. I am quite well and happy.

Yours faithfully,

Frank Ingall,

Private R.A.M.C.

Dear Sir,

It is with much pleasure that I have to acknowledge receipt of the large quantity of fruit and vegetables which you have so kindly sent to the hospital, being the proceeds of the Harvest Festival Collection held at East Bridgford. I can assure you that these gifts are most acceptable, and I should be glad if you would accept for yourself, and convey to all who have contributed in any way, my committee's very sincere thanks for their kind support.

Yours faithfully,

H. M. Stanley,

House Governor and Secretary,

Nottingham General Hospital.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

The collections at the Harvest Festival for the Sunday School amounted to £2 18s. 1d. There are no special collections during October. Those in November and December will be announced later.

HOLY BAPTISM

September 8th—Florence Anne Soles.

September 22nd—Ann Allwood Ewan.

September 25th—Kenneth Walter Blagg.

HOLY MATRIMONY

September 6th—Bernard William Peatman and Ethel Neary.

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Mattins and Sung Eucharist 10-45 a.m.

(Holy Communion given on Third Sunday in the month).

Evensong 6-30 p.m.

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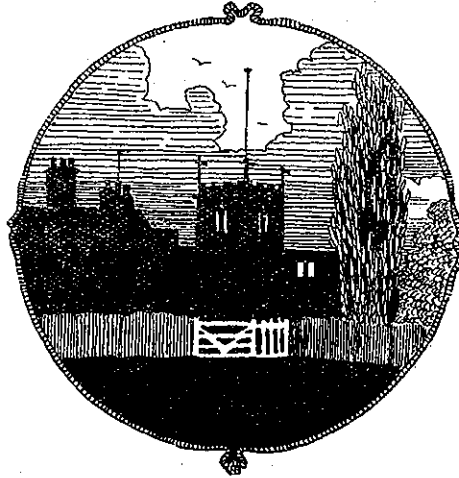
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PARISH NOTES.

SCIENCE v. RELIGION.

Some fifty years ago it was the popular belief that the foundations of religious belief had been in a large measure destroyed by the discoveries of science. To-day a more enlightened opinion prevails and these two branches of knowledge are now recognised as being complimentary. There is, however, a wide gulf between them and it is this—mankind is exploiting the discoveries of science and neglecting the inspirations of religion.

"I hate and fear science," wrote George Gissing, "because of my conviction that, for long to come if not for ever, it will be the remorseless enemy of mankind. I see it destroying all simplicity and gentleness of life, all the beauty of the world; I see it restoring barbarism under a mask of civilisation; I see it darkening men's minds and hardening their hearts; I see it bringing a time of vast conflict which will pale into insignificance 'the thousand wars of old,' and, as likely as not, will overwhelm all the laborious advantages of mankind in blood-drenched chaos." George Gissing died in 1903. We cannot but admit that his prophecy has proved astoundingly true.

The dreadful state of the world to-day is not the fault of either science or religion, but it is simply due to men's refusal to combine the two. Our civilisation threatens to crash about our ears because it has been allowed to grow lopsided and so lose its balance. As a distinguished Professor of engineering said not long ago, the trouble is that mechanical and scientific inventions have equipped mankind with powers perilously in advance of our moral and religious development.

If only we sought discoveries in spiritual things with the same avidity that we seek scientific inventions we should be quite safe. But we do not, and that is the pity of it.

SEATS IN CHURCH.

Although there are no pew-rents in our Church and all the seats are free, there still exist many of the evils of the pew-rent system and we would do well to eradicate them.

In "the bad old days" there were at least some compensations in the pew-rent system; a privileged few did enjoy a measure of convenience, while the Church gained money for the upkeep of its fabric or the subsistence of its clergy. It would appear that the only feature of the system which has been successfully repressed is the payment of rent. There is established among us a system of claiming seats simply by custom and use. "Well why not?" some people may say. There are many answers to such a retort. Let us mention just one of them, probably the most important of them all. It has been found in practice that such a system sets up a barrier in the way of the lapsed, who may like to return to Christian Worship. Already the following conversation has become quite familiar to the present Rector.

Parishioner—Perhaps I may come to Church some day!

Rector—I do hope you will.

Parishioner—Will my seat be empty for me?

Rector—"I really do not know."

Parishioner—Oh, I could not sit anywhere else in Church, but in my old seat.

Rector—Why?

Parishioner—I should be afraid of taking somebody else's seat by mistake. Besides, I would not feel at home in any but my old seat.

Rector (not on the wireless)—"Here's a pretty kettle of fish! What would you do chums?"

BURIAL FEES.

The Parochial Church Council have agreed that the fee for a single grave shall be £1 os. 7d. and 2/6 extra shall be chargeable for a 7 foot grave. Since the fee includes the cost of digging the grave and the purchasing power of money is less now than it was, the old scale of fees provided a quite inadequate remuneration for the labour done.

THE SPITFIRE FUND

Readers will be delighted to know that the sum of £47 has been collected in the parish.

THE CHOIR-STALLS.

When the Parochial Church Council met to consider the position of the choir-stalls, it was decided by a large majority of votes that they should be put back in their original position.

This restoration will be done during this month.

APPOINTMENT OF ORGANIST.

The post left vacant by the resignation of Mr. G. Shipman is to be filled by Mr. J. H. Shardlow. For the remaining part of the year Mr. Shardlow will continue his duties at Kneeton Church and Mr. Bowles has very kindly agreed to deputise for him during his absences. This arrangement will give the parish of Kneeton time to find a successor to Mr. Shardlow.

East Bridgford is indeed fortunate in having the services of two such accomplished organists.

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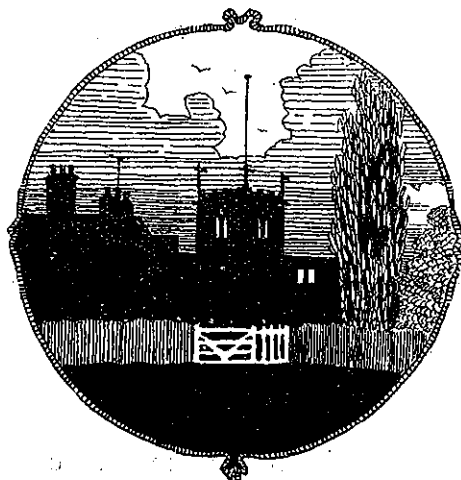
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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

I wish you all a very happy Christmas and I hope that the joy of Christmas Day will not be dimmed for you because of the miseries of this war. It need not be. Christmas should always present to us in bold relief the contrast that exists between the imperfections of this world and the blazing glory of heaven.

That it should be particularly easy at this time to recognise that things are not what they should be, is rather an advantage than a drawback; for we are enabled to see more clearly the reasons that brought The Son of God to dwell among us. We have moreover the most compelling incentive to give to our Lord the recognition, love and service that are His due.

The message of Christmas is "Peace and goodwill to all mankind." It is probable that some of you find this thought a trifle grotesque in view of the fact that the greater part of the world is at war. Let us try and sort out our thoughts. There is a distinction between sin and the sinner. It is our duty to hate the sin, but it is just as much our duty to love the sinner. This does not mean that we must give up opposing the sinful acts of the sinner, it means that while we are fighting, our intention is to bring the sinner to see the error of his ways and draw him back to the forgiveness of God. We should always make, as our Lord did, a clear distinction between forgiveness of one's enemies and acquiescence of things inherently evil.

The trouble about the German people is that as a whole they are so predisposed to evil. They have been responsible for no less than five wars in eighty years. When this war is over there will still remain the greater task of converting the German people. We failed to do this after the last world war and that is why we have had to fight again. We shall for certain be at war again and again until we face up to the larger issue.

Let us this Christmas-tide make a resolution to put God first in all we do and think. Let us call to mind Christ's words to the patron saint of this parish "And when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." Finally let us look for, seek after, and struggle for the peace of God rather than the peace of the world. When we have gained the first we shall have the second, but not till then.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

LORIMER REES

THE SERVICES AT CHRISTMAS.

The rector very much regrets that he is unable to announce the time of the services till later. He expects to be called to serve as a Chaplain to the Forces sometime this month and arrangements have still to be made for a priest-in-charge during his absence. There is the added complication of the dark mornings and the fact that no regulations have yet been issued with regard to the celebration of Holy Communion in Churches that have not been "blacked out."

The rector hopes that parishioners will watch carefully the Church notice board.

PARISH NOTES.

THE CHURCHYARD WALL.

A long history of dispute has at last been brought to an end. An agreement has been entered into between the Parochial Church Council and the County Council whereby the former takes full responsibility for the brick portion of the wall, and the latter undertakes a similar liability for the stone portion.

This happy conclusion to what has been in the past a cause of much acrimonious dispute is due to the generosity of the County Council and the painstaking negotiation of Mr. Richard Wing. Mr. Wing has taken a great deal of trouble and spent much of his time (and money, we suspect) in thus furthering the interests of the parish and we cannot be too grateful to him.

GIFT TO THE CHURCH.

Mr. Frank Lodder has very kindly restored the aumbry in the east wall of the chancel. This aumbry or cupboard is mentioned in Du Boulay Hill's book (page 110). Mr. Hill left stones in the aperture in the wall for a restoration but nothing else had been done, the unsightly hole being just covered by a piece of board. The above mentioned stones have now been used to line the aumbry and a stout oak door has also been provided.

THE DIOCESAN QUOTA.

Our parish has for many years contributed the full amount of the quota allotted to it, but this year it begins to look as if we shall spoil our fine record. Just because it is war time we should do everything we can to support the needs of our diocese, the expenses of which are in no way diminished by the present unfortunate circumstances. One of the last things that England can afford at this time is any suspicion of a religious "black-out," therefore every effort should be made to ensure that the activities of the Church are not curtailed. The collections in Church on Sunday, December 8th, will be given towards the quota and parishioners are most urgently invited to give as generously as possible.

Here is a motive for giving a little more than you would have given. Why not give a handsome Thank-offering? There must be many who have ample cause to thank God in a special way.

Last month an aged widow in poor circumstances gave the rector a sovereign to send to Foreign Missions. She had saved it to pay for medicine, but being better in health decided to give the money as a Thank-offering for recovery from sickness. The rector felt very humble in her presence.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Miss Emmett, the Diocesan Secretary for G.F.S. gave a lecture in the W.I. Hut on November 14th to members of the G.F.S. The lecture was illustrated by an excellent film and was much appreciated.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

The Boys Brigade will be making its Annual Collection, December 1st—8th, and will be very grateful for the support of its friends.

The King Edward Club intends to hold the usual Whist Drive and Dance on the evening of Boxing Day. Further details will be published later.

The Village Hall Committee are planning to hold an Entertainment on 18th January of next year, in aid of the funds of the hall. The entertainment will be a mixture of Market, Concert and Sideshows.

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HOLY MATRIMONY

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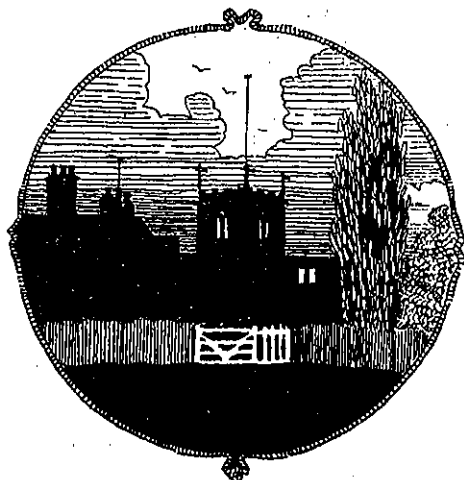
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