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EAST BRIDGFORD MAGAZINE.



St. Peter's Church, East Bridgford.

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At 10 a.m. in the National School. Catechism in Church at 2.30.

ON EASTER DAY, April 4th, the services, as announced last month, are Holy Communion 7 and 8 a.m. (choral) ? and at 10.45 Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon. The Easter Offerings will be given for the Church Restoration Fund.

The annual Easter Vestry will be held at 7 p.m. in the School room on Tuesday in Easter week, April 4th, to receive the Churchwarden's accounts, and to appoint Churchwardens and Sidesmen for the ensuing year, etc.

A Statement will be made of the Church Restoration Fund, for which about £165 is still required.

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount acknowledged January 25th, 1915	214	1	2
Mrs. Turner (the late)	2	15	0
Mrs. Fletcher		10	0
Mr. J. T. Green		5	0
Mr. W. R. Sharman	1	0	0
Church Box, December—March		12	1
Total, March 24th, 1915	£214	3	3

A general meeting of the Choral Society was held on Wednesday, March 10th in the School. Including the sum in hand from last year, the Treasurer was able to report a balance now in hand of £7 13s. 1d. Out of this it was decided to give three guineas to the Queen's "Work for Women" fund, and two guineas to the Y.M.C.A. tents for soldiers. The Society is to be congratulated on the successful close of the season.

The Church of England Men's Society met at Mr. Hodges' house on March 8th, when an interesting account of the Catacombs of Rome was given by Mr. Hodges.

Mr. Anthony Dent, who has left East Bridgford for the neighbourhood of Leeds, will be missed in many departments of usefulness, especially as a member of the Choir and a bellringer. He was also assistant librarian for Jalland's library.

The 8th Battalion (Territorial) of the Sherwood Foresters went off to the front at the beginning of March in good spirits and health. Our hearts go with our lads in this and the other troops who have gone out, and our prayers rise daily for their welfare. But we know they are doing their duty and we are justly proud of them.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD. (IV.)

In continuation of these records of the Rectors of East Bridgford, it may be noted that 1349 was the year of the terrible plague known as the "Black Death," which swept away more than half the population of England. Many parishes were left without the ministrations of clergy, cultivation of land was impossible, harvests rotted on the ground, and the country was torn with riot and disorder. The building of Churches was interrupted by the lack of competent masons, and there is some reason to think that the work then being carried out in our Church was hindered in this way. In Nottinghamshire, 59 out of the 161 benefices were rendered vacant by death in that year; Thomas de Outheby, Rector of East Bridgford died, and was succeeded by John de Stanford. There was a John de Stanford, probably the same man, who is mentioned as having held various benefices in the King's gift, Brampton, Hunts, which he exchanged for Dallyngton,

Northants, in 1343, and Hemington, which belonged to the Priory of St. Neots then in the Kings's hands by reason of the war in France; and in 1346 he was rector of Wylingham S. Mary, Norwich.

John de Stanford was instituted as rector of East Bridgford, on the presentation of Edmund Deincourt, July 11th, 1349. He probably resided here, and during his incumbency the services in the newly restored and enlarged church were carried on with dignity and efficiency. An excellent layman, William Deincourt, supported him, and provided an endowment and house for three clergy to serve in the Church. John de Stanford was doubtless regarded by his parishioners as a competent and trustworthy man, for in 1375 he is named as one of the Trustees of Lady Alice, widow of Sir Thomas Hethe and owner of one of the East Bridgford Manors. Stanford died in that same year. He was buried in East Bridgford Church, and the slab which covered his grave now lies on the south side of the altar, with an inscription partly obliterated:—

Johannes de Stanford quondam rector ecclie de est brigeford cujus aie propicietur ds et oim cristianoru ani.

[John de Stanford formerly rector of the church of East Bridgford on whose soul and the souls of all Christians may God have mercy.]

His successor was Theobald de Chaworth, instituted 15 Dec. 1375, on the presentation of his kinsman Sir William de Chaworth, who had married the Lady Alice de Hethe. Nothing is recorded of him, or of his successor Sir Robert de Skampstone, collated by Archbishop Nevill to whom the presentation had lapsed, Nottinghamshire then being in the diocese of York. The title "Sir" was usually given to those clergy who had received a University education.

The next Rector, Sir Henry de Merston, was instituted 5 Nov. 1389, on the death of Skampstone. In 1398 he resigned, having exchanged East Bridgford for the Rectory of Great Cressingham in Norfolk. He was afterwards appointed Baron of the Exchequer by Henry IV (1409), and was a Canon or Prebendary of St. Paul's, London. In accordance with his will which is preserved at York, he was buried before the crucifix in the royal chapel of St. Stephen beneath the palace of Westminster. He made benefactions in his will to several of the parishes he had held, but forgot East Bridgford.

Hugh Sturmy, or Sturmyn, instituted 16 Aug., 1398, on the presentation of Robert Deincourt, after the resignation of Merston, seems to have been a non-resident rector, and a rather troublesome person. The King's protection was granted him about the same date for one year, for going to Ireland in the service of King Richard II. In 1403, he was granted an indulgence for ten years to take the fruits of his benefice while studying letters at a university or in the Roman court, and to let the said fruits, etc., to farm to any persons, clerks, or lawyers.

In 1406 a writ was issued to the sheriff to seize the goods lately belonging to Hugh Sturmy outlawed for debt in the county of Nottingham at the suit of William Greneak and William Berneak.

In 1408 protection was granted for Hugh Sturmyn, parson of East Bridgford, on the King's Service (Henry IV) in company of the King's second son, Thomas de Lancaster (then about 18 years of age), for his safe keeping in Ireland.

Sturmy was probably never in priest's orders, and therefore never in spiritual charge of the parish. He was perhaps engaged as tutor or companion to the young prince Thomas. We may be thankful that the misuse of Church endowments by appropriating them for the enrichment of laymen or state officials has long been checked; but even in the present day we hear of proposals for diverting to secular purposes endowments given solely for the Service of God, which is quite as glaring an evil as those abuses which had arisen in the 14th century. A.D.H.

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BAPTISM.

March 21st. Tom, son of Tom and Maria Thraves.

LIGHTING UP TIMES.

April 6th. 7.38; 14th, 7.51 (New Moon); 22nd, 8.5; 29th, 8.16 (Full Moon).

Time Table for East Bridgford of Trains to and from Nottingham, for April, 1915.

Bingham.		Lowdham.		Victoria. Arrive Nottingham		Leave Nottingham.		Arrive	
				G.N.R.	M.R.	G.N.R.	M.R.	Bingham.	Lowdham.
Leave	Leave			Victoria.					
—	6.58	—	7.1	5.25	—	5.48	—	—	—
7.30	—	7.54	—	—	6.0	—	—	6.19	—
—	7.46	—	8.5	—	6.28	—	—	6.47	—
8.20	—	8.45	—	7.15	—	7.38	—	—	—
—	8.25	—	8.45	—	7.20	—	—	7.39	—
—	8.59	—	9.20	*8.10	—	8.34	—	—	—
9.4	—	9.28	—	—	8.32	—	—	8.51	—
*9.43	—	10.6	—	9.25	—	9.48	—	—	—
9.51	—	10.12	—	*10.25	—	10.47	—	—	—
—	9.56	—	10.22	—	11.25	—	—	11.46	—
11.50	—	12.23	—	11.50	—	12.13	—	—	—
—	1.35 <i>except Sat.</i>	—	1.55	—	12.45 <i>except Sat.</i>	—	—	1.3	—
*1.40	—	2.4	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.24	—
2.1	—	2.25	—	* 1.50	—	2.13	—	—	—
—	2.4	—	2.27	—	2.0	—	—	2.18	—
—	2.27	—	2.47	2.8	—	2.26	—	—	—
—	3.25 <i>Fridays</i>	—	3.40	2.43	—	3.6	—	—	—
*3.30	—	3.54	—	4.12 <i>Saturdays</i>	—	4.33	—	—	—
—	4.22	—	4.40	—	4.40	—	—	4.59	—
—	4.48	—	5.10	* 5.0	—	5.23	—	—	—
4.57	—	5.21	—	—	6.10	—	—	6.29	—
5.7	<i>Saturdays</i>	5.30	—	6.15	—	6.38	—	—	—
—	6.36	—	6.55	—	6.43	—	—	7.4	—
6.44	—	7.8	—	—	7.45	—	—	8.5	—
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*9.2	—	9.26	—	8.47	—	9.13	—	—	—
9.10	—	9.34	—	—	9.20	—	—	9.39	—
—	9.42	<i>Saturday</i>	10.2	9.55	—	10.19	—	—	—
—	10.5 <i>except Saturday</i>	—	10.25	11.0	<i>Wed. and Sat.</i>	11.24	—	—	—
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SUNDAYS.									
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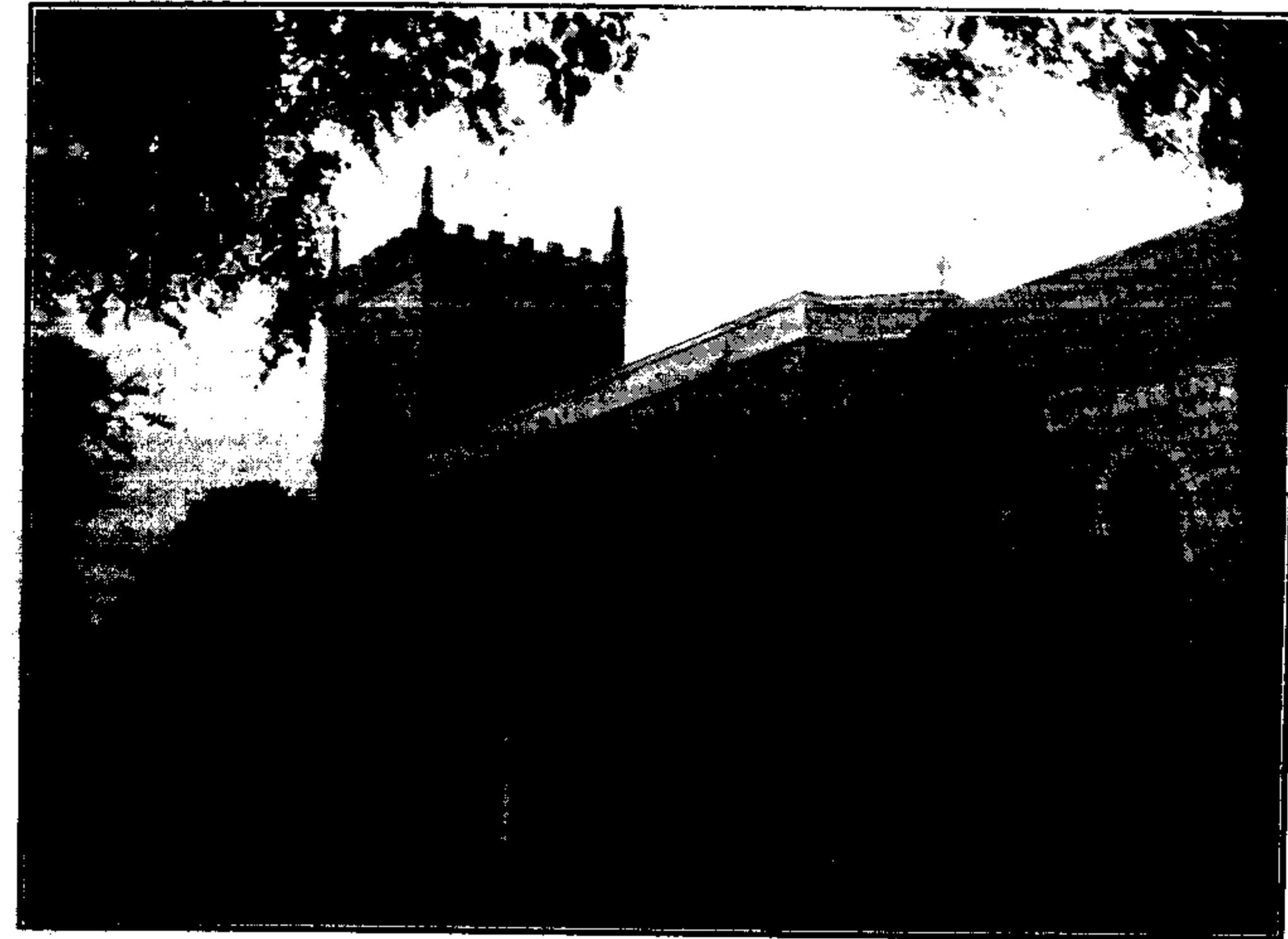
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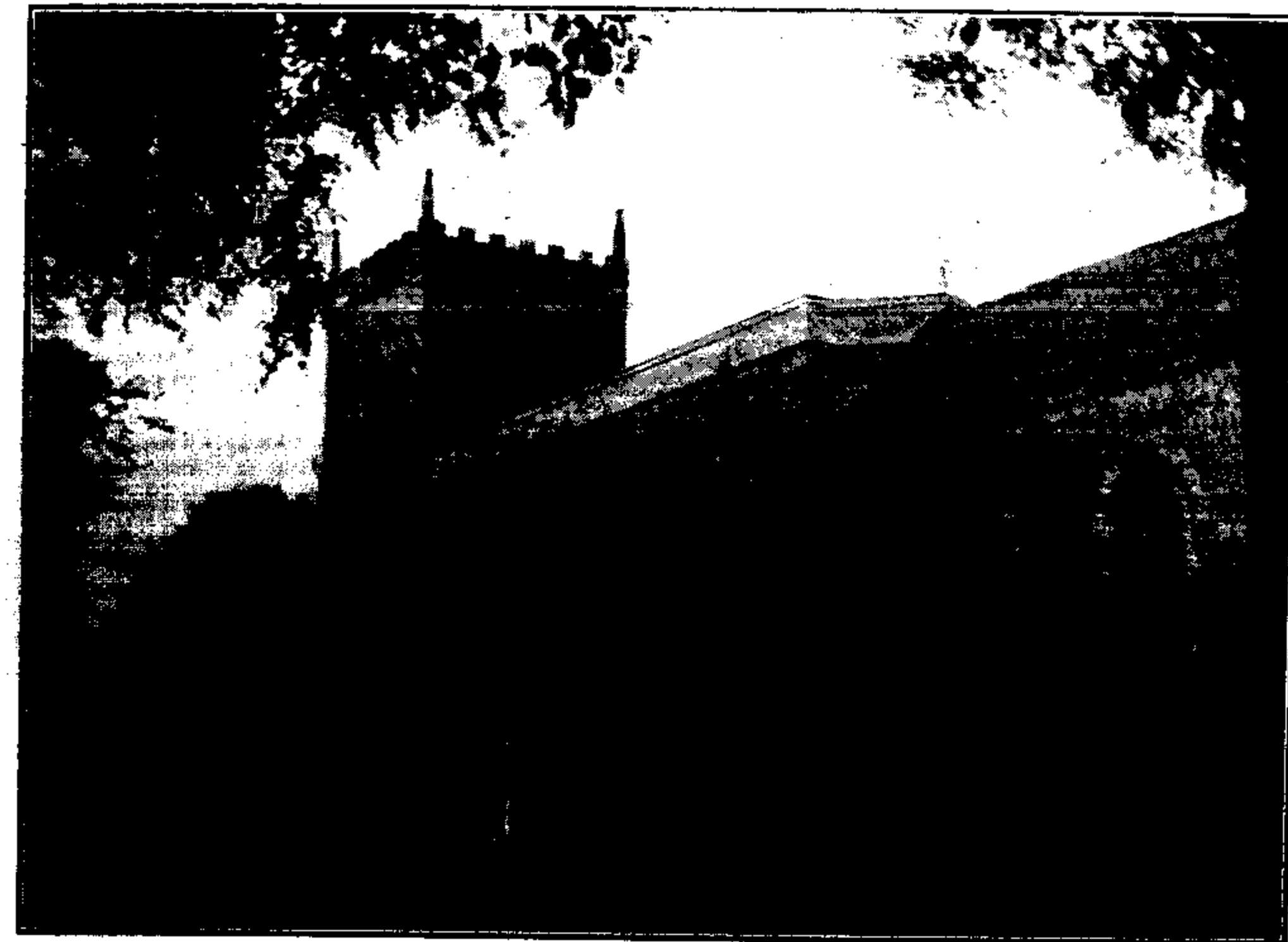
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EASTER DAY.—The services on this great Festival of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ brought to us the holiest and highest assurances of simple Christian faith. In this time of anxiety and trial we need to remember the wealth of consolation that is stored in the sure and certain hope of Christian belief, the hope full of immortality.

It is satisfactory to record the large congregations at both the early celebrations, especially at the Choral Eucharist at eight o'clock. The Easter offerings for the Restoration Fund were £13 16s.

THE EASTER VESTRY meeting on Tuesday, April 6th, was attended by about twenty persons. The Church accounts given below were presented, showing a balance due to the Churchwardens of £2 1s. 6d. Mr. J. Turner and Mr. R. Swanwick were re-appointed Churchwardens, and the following sidesmen were chosen, Messrs. C. Allwood, E. E. Coville, W. Lander, C. Millington and W. R. Sharman.

The Rector after thanking the Church officials on behalf of the congregation, referred to the two outstanding features of the past year, the re-opening of the Church on May 23rd, and the declaration of war on August 4th, both of which had made a deep impression upon us.

The report of the Treasurer of the Church Restoration Fund, Mr. W. A. Hodges, showed that a debt of £148 15s. 2d. still remained, for which interest would have to be paid to the Bank.

SUMMARY OF CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS, EASTER 1915.

Receipts.		Expenditure.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance in hand, Easter 1914		3	0
Collections:—			
Church Expenses	71 10 1		
First Sunday	7 14 9		
Saints days, etc.	4 6 0		
Special Objects, viz:—			
Mission Students	10 7		
Church Defence	7 1		
Church Building Society	12 3		
War Relief	9 1 6		
Red Cross	5 13 4		
Hospitals	8 2 6		
Missions S.P.G.	7 3 10		
Mission to Jews	1 3 8		
Church Extension Society	10 0 0		
	<hr/>	42	14 10
Church Restoration		103	9 10
Sundries		2	11 0
Balance due, Easter 1915		2	1 6
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		£234	11 0

A. D. HILL, Rector.

J. TURNER,
R. SWANWICK, } Churchwardens.

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount acknowledged March 24th, 1915	214	3	3
Mrs. Orchard	1	1	0
Easter Offerings, April 4th, 1915	13	16	0
Miss Barker	2	0	0
Mr. C. Millington (box)	10	0	0
Miss E. Allen	5	0	0
Rev. J. K. Floyer	2	2	0
Sale of Work	7	0	0
Ditto per Miss Fox	1	0	0
Church Box, April	7	1	
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Total, April 26th, 1915	£2167	11	4

DIOCESAN SUNDAY. May 9th is Rogation Sunday, and is appointed as the day on which our Bishop makes his appeal in every parish for funds for Diocesan Societies. We in East Bridgford are asked to make our contribution of £10, as we have done for the last two years. The needs of the Diocese are greater than ever, and it should be a point of honour among Churchpeople not to let any good work which we are pledged to support, suffer any loss at this time.

ASCENSION DAY.—The services on this day, Thursday, May 13th, are Holy Communion at 8, Morning Prayer at 11, Evening Prayer and Sermon 7.30.

WHIT-SUNDAY.—The Services on Whit-Sunday, May 23rd, are Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m., Mattins at 10 and Choral Celebration 10.45. Evensong and Sermon 6.30.

On Trinity Sunday, the Holy Communion will be at 8 a.m., and also after Morning Prayer, instead of on the first Sunday in June.

On Wednesday in Whitsun week, May 26th, a meeting will be held in the School at 7 p.m. to which all Confirmed Parishioners are invited, to elect five Representative members to serve for three years on the Church Council of East Bridgford.

THE CONFIRMATION took place on Monday, March 29th, at 3 p.m., in East Bridgford Church, by the Bishop of Derby. There were 62 candidates, of whom 17 came from our own parish, and the others from Screveton, Car Colston, Kneeton, Flintham, Lambley, Gonalston and Burton Joyce.

KING EDWARD CLUB.—A successful Whist-drive was held on Easter Monday by means of which £3 18s. 3d. was added to the funds of the Club. Twelve members of the Club are now serving their country. May their example stir up others to offer themselves in this time when men are urgently needed.

ROLL OF HONOUR.—The following names are now added to the fifty on the lists already given of those who are serving from this parish. Arthur Richardson, Army Ordnance Corps and Herbert Dickenson, 4th Batt. Sherwood Foresters.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD. (V.)

In the list of Rectors on the board in the Church and printed in the Magazine for March, it will be noticed that the date of institution of Robert Hechard is not given, but that the date of his death is recorded. Hugh Sturmy,

whose discreditable career was described last month, was instituted in 1398, and Hechard died in 1475, so that it is most likely that the name of one Rector is omitted here. In a deed executed in 1415 by Thomas de Chaworth, Knt. I have found the name of John Walkere parson of the church of Briggeford, which may probably fill the vacant place.

Robert Hechard, or Echard as he wrote it himself, held a University degree of M.A. and acted as pro-archdeacon of Nottingham during a vacancy in that office, when Rector of East Bridgford. On July 5th, 1471, he was instituted to the Rectory of St. Nicholas, Nottingham, which he held with East Bridgford till his death.

His will is preserved at York, dated March 1st, 1475. The year as then reckoned ended on March 25th, so that in our mode of reckoning it would be 1476. It contains some interesting particulars, for he remembers his Church at East Bridgford, and probably each of the clergy who ministered there. This is a translation of the will which is written in Latin :

“ Master Robert Echard, Clerk, Rector of the parish Church of Estbrige-
 “ ford. Buried in the chancel of the said Church before the high altar. I
 “ leave to the altar of the same my Missal (service-book), a large Portiforium
 “ called a Coucher (a prayer book for the desk) containing therein the
 “ appointed lessons, a very good Manual (occasional services), a Psalter, a
 “ chalice of silver gilt within, two good vestments for the use of the Priest
 “ in perpetuity that he may pray for my soul and also for remembering my
 “ name in the prayer-roll on Sundays ; for which remembrance Robert
 “ Echard and his heirs shall pay a perpetual annuity of iiii pence out of
 “ certain lands granted to them called *Touk-place*. To Sir Thomas Aleyn,
 “ chaplain, one small Portiforium called a jonnall (daily prayers). To
 “ Brother Robert Hull, of the order of St. Augustine, Lincoln, a book of
 “ Placebo and Dirige (Burial Services). To Sir Richard Jepson, a Porti-
 “ forium marked with a horn on the back or side, and a Pye (a directory of
 “ the services). To Master Robert Skape a book containing notable legal
 “ cases. To Master John Benet a book called Odo.”

On the death of Hechard, owing to the failure of the proper patron to make a presentation within six months, it lapsed to the Archbishop of York, Lawrence Booth, in whose diocese Nottinghamshire was then included. He collated Master Nicholas Calchith to the Rectory of East Bridgford, October 15th, 1476. This was a Nottinghamshire name, spelt in various ways, Calchith, Culchith or Culchiche. In the Magdalen College records, the death of Sir Christopher Kilcheth, Rector of East Bridgford, is mentioned as taking place in 1504, but this is probably a mistake for Nicholas, as it is not likely that two successive Rectors would bear so unusual a name. A.D.H.

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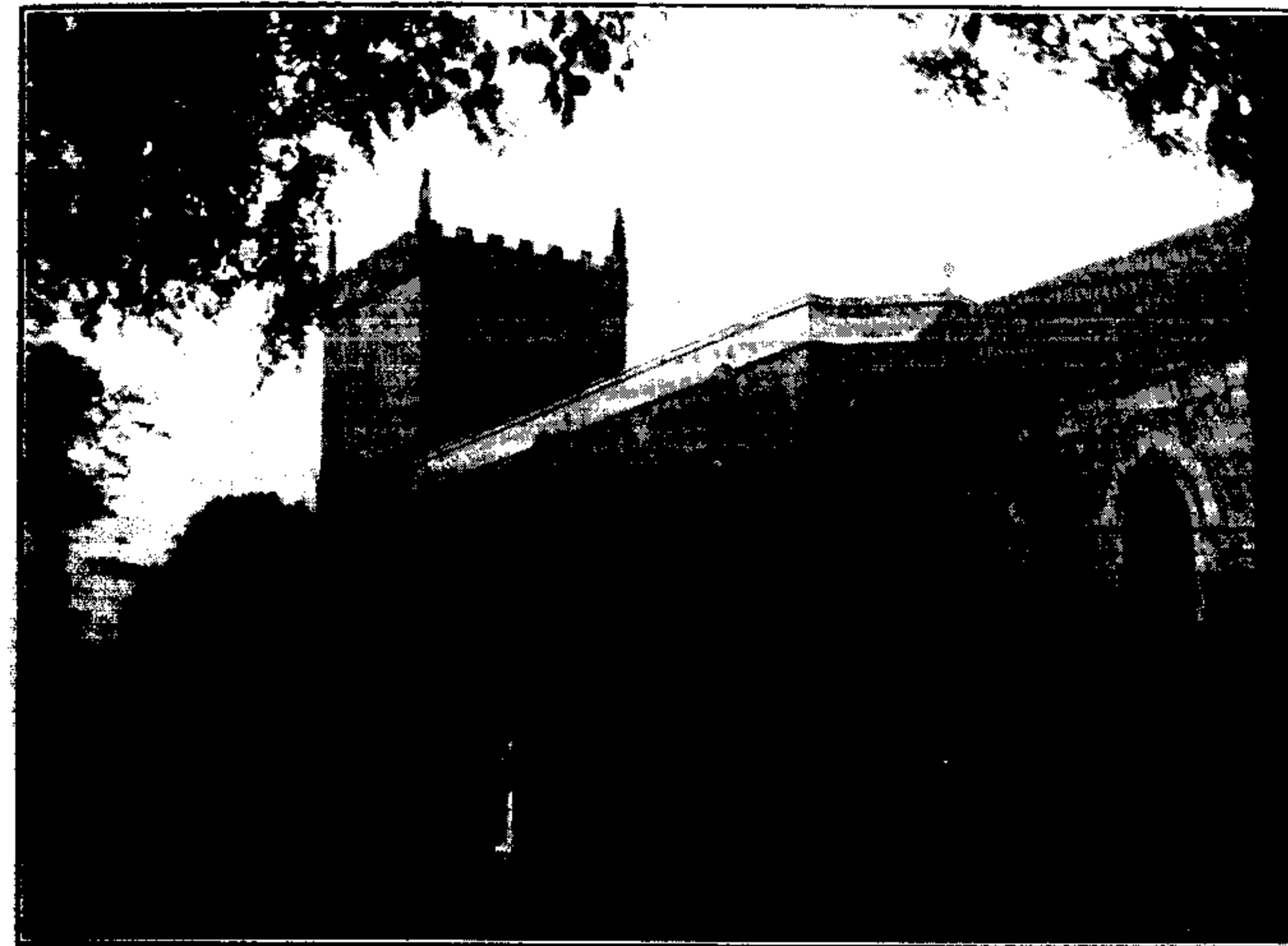
MARRIAGE.

April 7th. John William Dickenson and Sarah Mildred Euerby.

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Robert Hechard, or Echard as he wrote it himself, held a University degree of M.A. and acted as pro-archdeacon of Nottingham during a vacancy in that office, when Rector of East Bridgford. On July 5th, 1471, he was instituted to the Rectory of St. Nicholas, Nottingham, which he held with East Bridgford till his death.

His will is preserved at York, dated March 1st, 1475. The year as then reckoned ended on March 25th, so that in our mode of reckoning it would be 1476. It contains some interesting particulars, for he remembers his Church at East Bridgford, and probably each of the clergy who ministered there. This is a translation of the will which is written in Latin :

“ Master Robert Echard, Clerk, Rector of the parish Church of Estbrige-
 “ ford. Buried in the chancel of the said Church before the high altar. I
 “ leave to the altar of the same my Missal (service-book), a large Portiforium
 “ called a Coucher (a prayer book for the desk) containing therein the
 “ appointed lessons, a very good Manual (occasional services), a Psalter, a
 “ chalice of silver gilt within, two good vestments for the use of the Priest
 “ in perpetuity that he may pray for my soul and also for remembering my
 “ name in the prayer-roll on Sundays ; for which remembrance Robert
 “ Echard and his heirs shall pay a perpetual annuity of iiii pence out of
 “ certain lands granted to them called *Touk-place*. To Sir Thomas Aleyn,
 “ chaplain, one small Portiforium called a jornall (daily prayers). To
 “ Brother Robert Hull, of the order of St. Augustine, Lincoln, a book of
 “ Placebo and Dirige (Burial Services). To Sir Richard Jepson, a Porti-
 “ forium marked with a horn on the back or side, and a Pye (a directory of
 “ the services). To Master Robert Skape a book containing notable legal
 “ cases. To Master John Benet a book called Odo.”

On the death of Hechard, owing to the failure of the proper patron to make a presentation within six months, it lapsed to the Archbishop of York, Lawrence Booth, in whose diocese Nottinghamshire was then included. He collated Master Nicholas Calchith to the Rectory of East Bridgford, October 15th, 1476. This was a Nottinghamshire name, spelt in various ways, Calchith, Culchith or Culchiche. In the Magdalen College records, the death of Sir Christopher Kilcheth, Rector of East Bridgford, is mentioned as taking place in 1504, but this is probably a mistake for Nicholas, as it is not likely that two successive Rectors would bear so unusual a name. A.D.H.

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April 11th. Frances, daughter of Arthur and Annie Ellis.

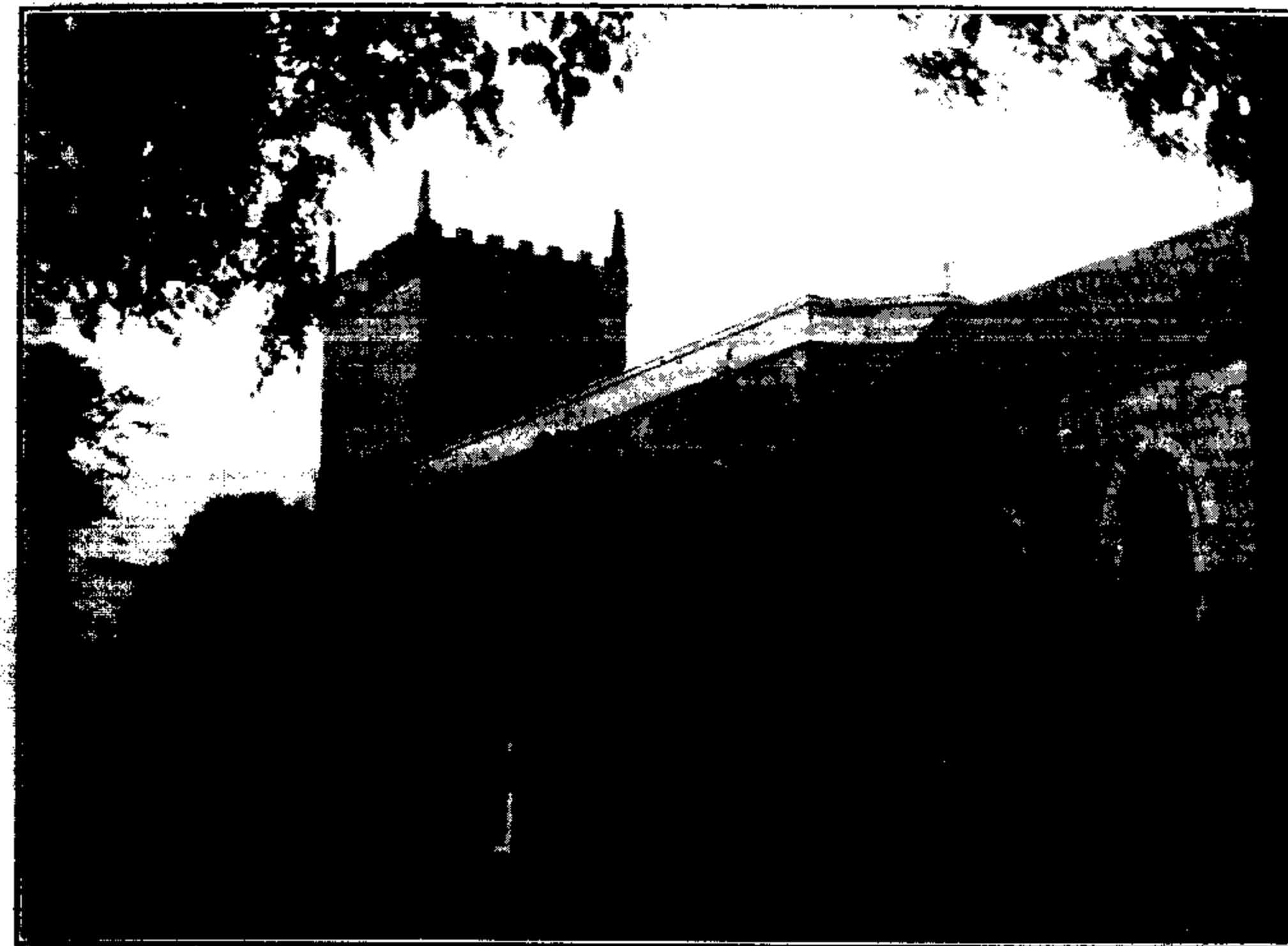
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On May 9th, Diocesan Sunday, the Collections in response to our Bishop's appeal amounted to £9 8s. 7d.; and the full amount of £10, which we are asked to contribute from this parish for the promotion of Church work in the Diocese, was made up by the addition of 11/5 from the collection on the following Sunday.

On Ascension Day, May 13th, £1 1s. 9d. was contributed to the Diocesan Missionary Studentship Association. The whole of the college fees of two students in training were provided last year by the Association.

Whitsunday, May 23rd, was the Anniversary of the re-opening of the Church. The Offerings on this day added £4 to the Restoration Fund. There still remains a debt of about £140 to be defrayed to which we still ask for contributions.

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount acknowledged April 20th, 1915	21	11	4
Mrs. Mussell .. ..	..	5	0
F.B. .. ..	..	3	6
Descendants of the Caunts	1	1	0
Whitsunday Offerings	4	0	0
Church Box—May .. ..	..	7	10
Total May, 1915	£21	73	8 8

THE CHURCH COUNCIL.—On Wednesday, May 26th, five Communicant Members of the Church Council were elected to serve for three years, Mr. W. A. Hodges, Mrs. Milward, Miss Fox, Mr. Goldston, Mr. W. R. Sharman. The five *ex-officio* members annually appointed are the two Churchwardens, and Messrs. Allwood, C. Millington and Coville, Sidesmen. The Rector is Chairman.

On May 4th the bells pealed a welcome to the Rev. Leslie Hodges and his bride, who were married at Repton on April 24th.

We are glad to report that our wounded soldiers, Gunner John Marshall, Lance-Corporal Charles Wilkinson, 1st Lieut. Harold Hodges and 1st Lieut. Kingsley Weatherell are recovering.

Many letters from the Front continue to convince us of the splendid spirit of the men who are fighting on our behalf and in the cause of righteousness. But one cannot help noticing that they feel in many ways the nation at home is not backing them up as they could and should do. The people are slowly, all too slowly, awakening after ten months of war, to the immensity of the task before them and the effort it demands. More men, more ammunition, more sacrifice, not strikes, drink and indifference, are needed if we are to help our brothers in the fight that is going on only sixty miles from our own shores. Let us hope that our new National Government will soon arouse a new National spirit of service.

FEAST SUNDAY.—June 27th. Holy Communion will be at 8 and 10.45 a.m. (Choral). The Flower Show will take place on Tuesday, June 29th, St. Peter's Day, but in this serious time we cannot wish to make our festivities as light-heartedly as usual.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD. (VI).

It has already been stated in the account given in March of the patrons of this Benefice, that in 1468 Willam Deincourt settled his portion of the Manor, with the alternate presentation to the Church, on the Bishop of Winchester, William of Waynflete. This was a gift for the endowment of the good Bishop's new college of St Mary Magdalene, at Oxford, with which East Bridgford has been connected ever since. Some legal difficulties with the heirs seem to have taken some time to settle. William Deincourt's daughter Ales and her husband remitted all their claim, but John Deincourt and his wife Joan claimed a payment of 200 marks from the Bishop in 1481.

The first appointment made by the College to the Rectory was on the death of Calchith in 1504. John Higden, Fellow and Bursar of the College was instituted by Archbishop Savage of York, December 20th. He was non-resident, for he was appointed Vice-President in the same year, and was President of the College 1516-1525. He was afterwards Dean of Christ Church, Oxford, and was buried in the Choir of Magdalen College Chapel in 1533. His portrait in painted glass could formerly be seen in Balliol College Chapel.

We know nothing of his successor, William Woodward, beyond the fact that he was instituted May 14th, 1533, on the presentation of John Chaworth. In the *Valor Ecclesiasticus*, a valuation made by Henry VIII in 1536, the Rectory of Estburghford is set down at an annual value of £19 8s. 6d., William Woodward being then Rector.

On his death in 1538 a great dispute arose between the patrons. It was the turn of Magdalen College, but John Chaworth appointed one John Baylie claiming that he was full patron and that the College had only interrupted his right by a temporary agreement. The Archbishop of York thereupon appointed a Commission of Inquiry which sat at East Bridgford on Oct. 1st. The matter was settled by Sir John Chaworth agreeing to the appointment of Dr. Owen Oglethorpe, President of the College. The Commissioners decided that both parties should continue to enjoy the right of presentation by turns, beginning with Sir John Chaworth, who was apparently satisfied that this presentation was his own. The dispute was however not finally settled till 1543.

These were troublous times, when Henry VIII was combining his zeal for the Reformation with his greed for the plunder of Church property. The old parochial endowments were however not usually interfered with, though doubtless the additional priests provided for this parish by William Deincourt two hundred years before were taken away. The parishioners under their resident Vicar perhaps quietly accepted the new English Prayerbook of Edward VI, used for the first time on Whitsunday 1549; but we have no evidence of the changes except that from that time the Church was allowed gradually to crumble into ruin.

But our Rector, Dr. Oglethorpe, took a great part in the events of the times. He was deprived of his presidency, but afterwards re-elected. When Dean of Windsor he was one of a select Committee of Oxford and Cambridge divines, in a memorable disputation with Cranmer, Latimer and Ridley. Under Queen Mary he was in 1557 made Bishop of Carlisle, and when Queen Elizabeth came to the throne he was the only one of the Bishops who would consent to set the Crown upon her head, for the form of oath gave her the

title of Supreme head of the Church which the Queen afterwards repudiated. Bishop Oglethorpe was soon after deprived, died, and was buried at St. Dunstan's-in-the-west. His commemoration as a Benefactor is still observed at Magdalen College on December 31st, the day of his death in 1559.

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G.N.R.		M.R.		G.N.R.		M.R.		Bingham. Lowdham.	
Leave	Leave	Arrive	Arrive	Leave	Leave	Arrive	Arrive		
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0.4	—	9.28	—	—	8.32	—	8.51		
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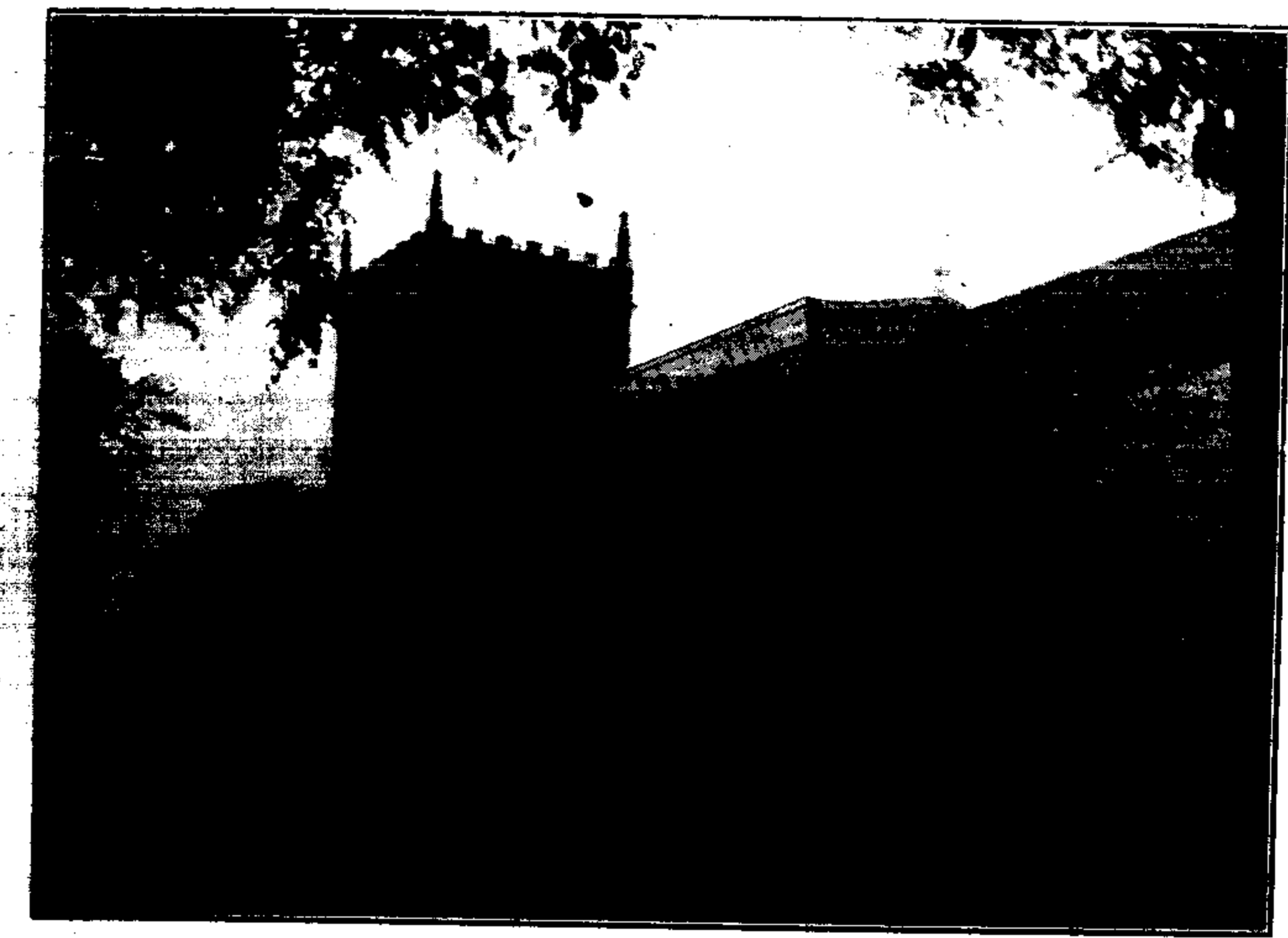
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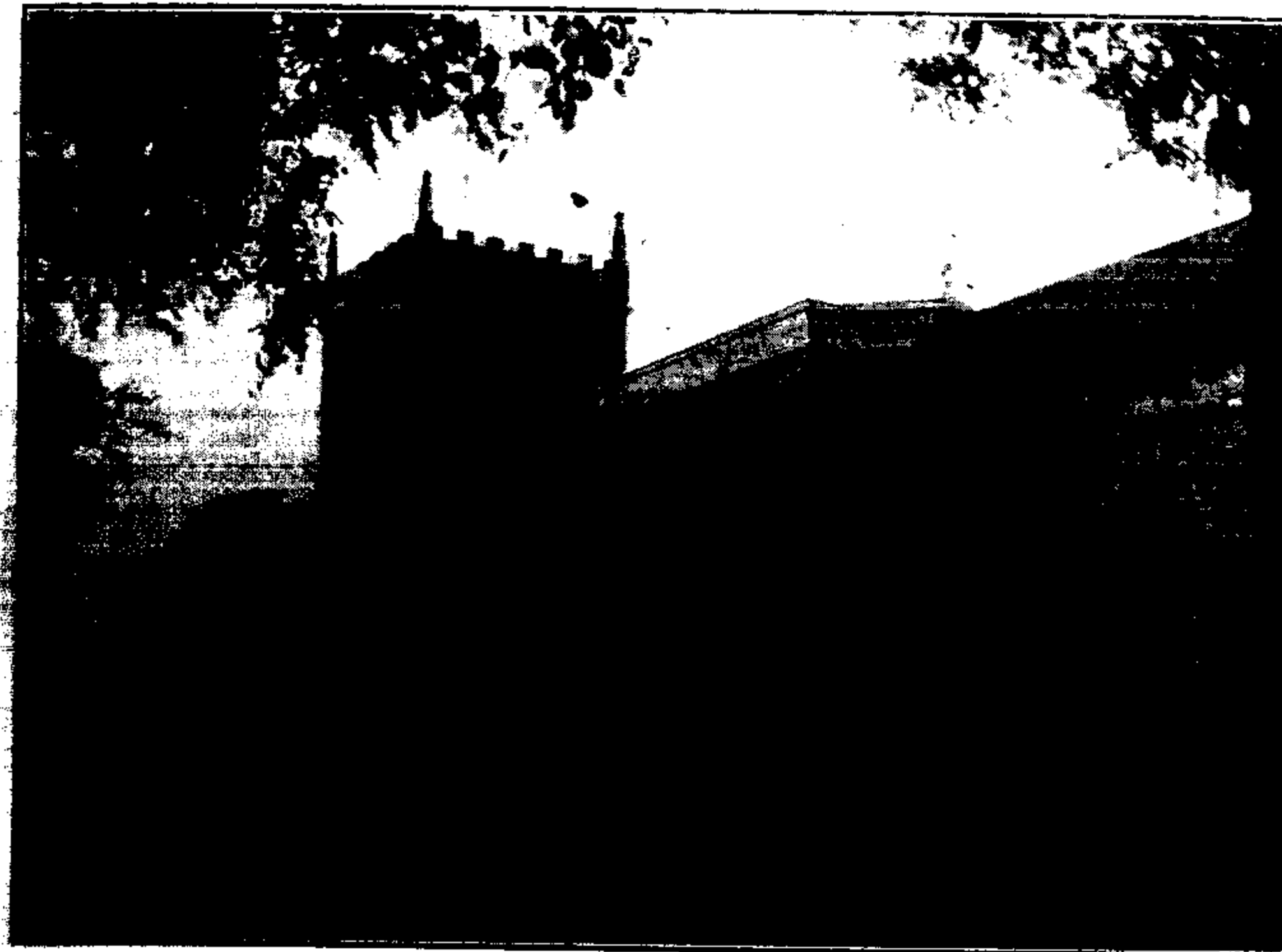
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A very earnest Pastoral Letter from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York was read at the end of the Evening Service on Sunday, June 6th. Let us especially recall the following words:—

“It is the office of the Church of Christ to quicken and to guide the spiritual forces on which the strength, the steadfastness and the nobility of the national spirit depend. Are these forces as alert, as watchful, as persistent now as they ought to be? We have cause to fear that they have languished a little since the earlier weeks of the War. . . . We want a more literal fulfilment of the plain duty of ‘continuing instant in prayer’. Are the Christian people of our land putting into the high service of prayer anything like the energy and resolution, or the sacrifice of time and thought, which in many quarters are forthcoming with a ready will for other branches of national service?”

“Remember always that prayer means something even larger and deeper than asking wisdom for our King and his Ministers, protection for our sailors and soldiers, comfort for the anxious and the bereaved, victory for the cause of our Nation and its Allies. Prayer implies a reverent sense of the Sovereignty of God, a hold even when we are bewildered in the darkness and confusion upon the certainty that He is set in the Throne judging right. And prayer means—for without this we dare not come into His Presence—the humble, deliberate, heart-felt confession of our sins: sins of selfishness and self-indulgence, sins of hardness and complacency, sins of sheer laziness and lack of thought. We have in days of quiet made too little of the claim of God upon our lives. Can we wonder that in stern hours like this it is hard to kindle afresh the deep and simple thoughts which we have allowed to grow languid and uncertain? But such re-kindling there must be. Give earnest heed to this most sacred of all duties. Set yourselves, even in the midst of the exigencies and passions of war, to be loyal to the spirit of “JESUS CHRIST.”

We are pleased to record that a Meeting for United Intercession for our Country and Allies, and our Sailors and Soldiers, especially those gone from East Bridgford, was arranged by the Nonconformist bodies on Sunday afternoon, May 30th, and was well attended.

An address was given in the Rectory Garden on June 14th, by Mrs. Winder, to members of the Mothers' Union, Girls' Friendly Society, and others, on the League of Honour. The object of the League is to unite women, during this War time, in their opportunities of maintaining the self-respect and honour of our Soldiers.

A Meeting on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was held on Tuesday, June 22nd, in the garden of Bingham Rectory, by permission of Rev. and Mrs. Hutt, for the parishes of the Bingham Rural Deanery. A short Service was held in Bingham Church at 3.30, followed by an address given in the garden by Rev. Thorman, from Klondyke.

The Triennial Festival of the Southwell Diocesan Board of Missions will take place in Southwell Minster on Tuesday, July 20th. Special Services

will be held at 11.30 with an address by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Walmisley, and at 3 p.m. with addresses by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Northern and Central Europe, and the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Bombay.

ROLL OF HONOUR.—The following additions have been made to our list of those serving from East Bridgford:—Herbert Dickenson, Private 4th Sherwood Foresters; Ernest Edward Barker, Private 12th Yorks. and Lancs.; Ephraim Breedon, South Notts Hussars, Harry Ellis, Drummer, 8th Sherwood Foresters and Arthur Thraves.

The sad news has reached us of the death of Herbert Richards, Sapper, R.E. He was with the Forces in the Dardanelles, and died of wounds received during the performance of some very important operations on May 25th. He was 23 years of age and leaves a widow.

The Hay Harvest has begun, but the long drought has probably made light crops. On June 24th, as this goes to the printer, the weather has become colder, and rain seems likely to fall. Our Feast week will take place when all hearts are filled with anxiety, which will of course overshadow the holiday. But still let us remember the true meaning of our Parish Festival, the lifting up of thankful hearts to God for His blessings through another year.

East Bridgford will feel the loss of Mrs. Weatherell and her family, who are leaving the Old Hall, where they have resided for 25 years.

Ornamental blocks of carved oak have recently been fixed on the hollow cornice under the roof of the aisles of the Church. These are the work of the Misses Weatherell and other ladies.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD (VII.)

When Dr. Owen Cglethorpe became Bishop of Carlisle, the next presentation to the Rectory was, by the agreement, in the hands of Magdalen College, and Roger Jackson, a fellow of the College, was instituted in 1557. He resided and owned property in this parish. Thoroton, the historian of Nottinghamshire, says, “Next beyond the Parsonage from the Church is a small place heretofore called Sir John Markham's Manor, given by one Mr. Jacson, Parson of this Church, to his kinsman Michael Jacson, whose eldest son William . . . had one child also called William, a modest man but of great worth, who died parson of Screveton Feb. 27, 1661, (buried at East Bridgford) leaving but few equals for Prudence, Piety, and Learning, in this country. He married Dorothy, my father's sister, by whom he left a son William to succeed him in this small freehold.”

A stone built into a gable in Mr. Hodges' stable yard, and inscribed ¹⁶⁵⁷W.J. still indicates the site of William Jackson's house.

Henry Spurre succeeded Roger Jackson, and was instituted to the Rectory Jan. 26th, 1585, on the presentation of Sir George Chaworth. We are indebted to Henry Spurre for the beginning of our Parish Registers. These

were ordered to be kept as early as 1538, but this was only done in a few places or they were kept on paper, and it was not until 1597 that precise directions were issued by Queen Elizabeth for transcribing the records into parchment books.

On the first page of our Register there is written

“ A booke of the names of such persons as have
“ either bene Christened married or buried
“ w'thin the p'ishe of Eastbrigford since the
“ xxth day of December Ano Doni 1557.
“ Per me Henricum Spurre Rectorem Ecclesie.”

Into this parchment book there has been copied in a clerkly hand the record of Baptisms, left by his predecessor Jackson whose death he notes in 1584, and continued up to 1599, when there comes a break in the Register. After this he does not begin the regular entry in his own hand-writing of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, until 1614, except to make the sad record of the names of fifty-two persons who died “of the Plagge” in 1604. The terrible visitation of the Plague occurred once again in 1637, when there were ninety deaths in one year in this parish.

After an incumbency of nearly 44 years, during which he describes himself when signing the registers variously as Rector, Parson, or Minister, Henry Spurre died and was buried here on November 23rd, 1628, probably in the chancel. His initials, H.S. with the date 1628, are to be seen roughly cut on the stone floor-slab which covered the grave of Johannes de Stanford, who was Rector nearly three hundred years before him. Other members of his family appear to have resided in East Bridgford, whose names are frequently recorded in the registers of the following hundred years. A.D.H.

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June 25th. Gladys Mary, daughter of Frederick and Grace Christine Collishaw.

MARRIAGE.

June 15th. Ernest Frank Fretwell and Clara Allister.

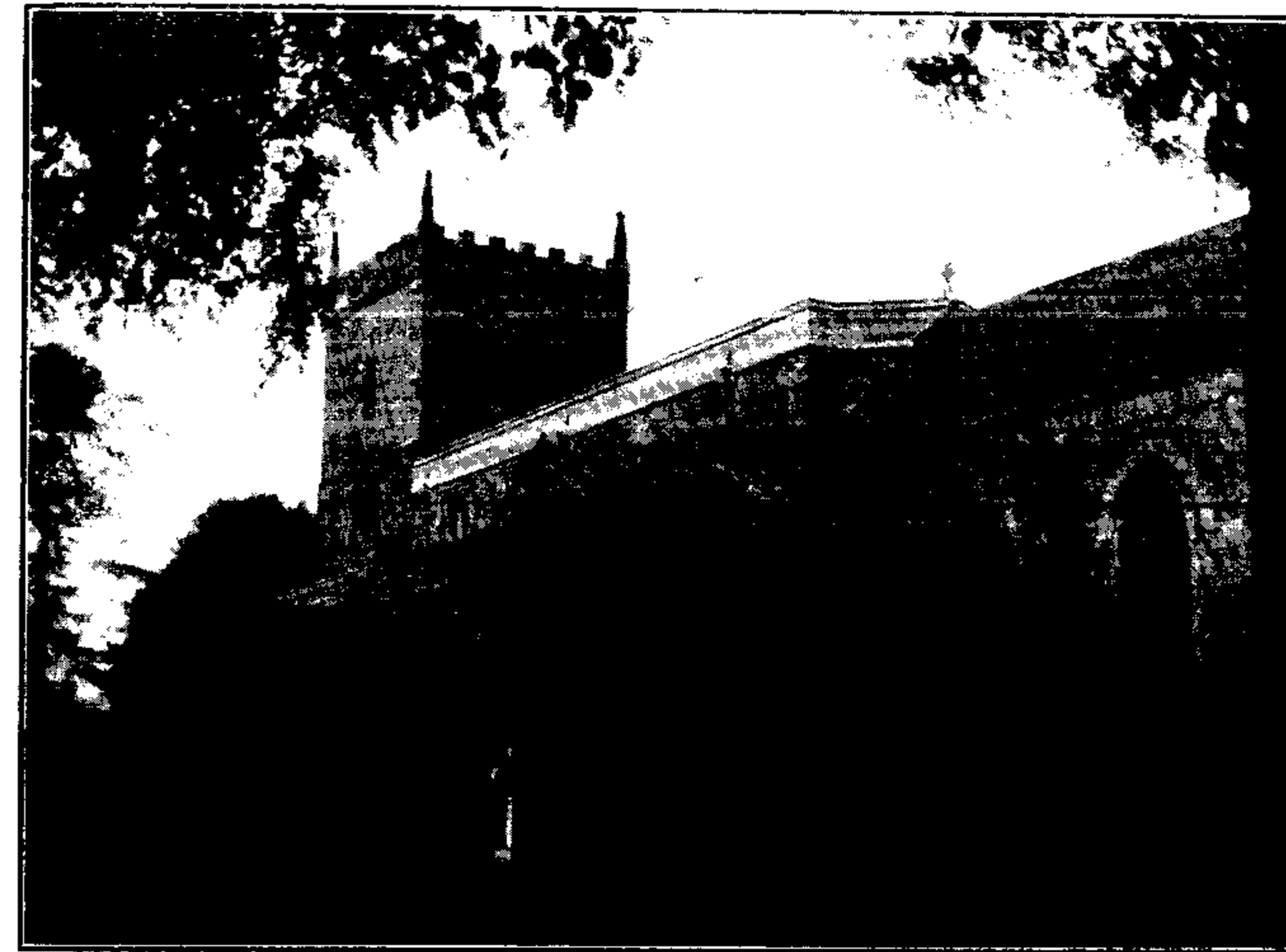
BURIALS.

June 3rd. John Blagg, aged 39 years.
„ 10th. Elizabeth Ann Wood, aged 84 years.

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On the first page of our Register there is written

"A booke of the names of such persons as have
"either bene Christened married or buried
"w'thin the p'ishe of Eastbrigford since the
"xxth day of December Ano Doni 1557.

"Per me Henricum Spurre Rectorem Ecclesie."

Into this parchment book there has been copied in a clerly hand the record of Baptisms, left by his predecessor Jackson whose death he notes in 1584, and continued up to 1599, when there comes a break in the Register. After this he does not begin the regular entry in his own hand-writing of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, until 1614, except to make the sad record of the names of fifty-two persons who died "of the Plagge" in 1604. The terrible visitation of the Plague occurred once again in 1637, when there were ninety deaths in one year in this parish.

After an incumbency of nearly 44 years, during which he describes himself when signing the registers variously as Rector, Parson, or Minister, Henry Spurre died and was buried here on November 23rd, 1628, probably in the chancel. His initials, H.S. with the date 1628, are to be seen roughly cut on the stone floor-slab which covered the grave of Johannes de Stanford, who was Rector nearly three hundred years before him. Other members of his family appear to have resided in East Bridgford, whose names are frequently recorded in the registers of the following hundred years. A.D.H.

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BAPTISM.

June 25th. Gladys Mary, daughter of Frederick and Grace Christine Collishaw.

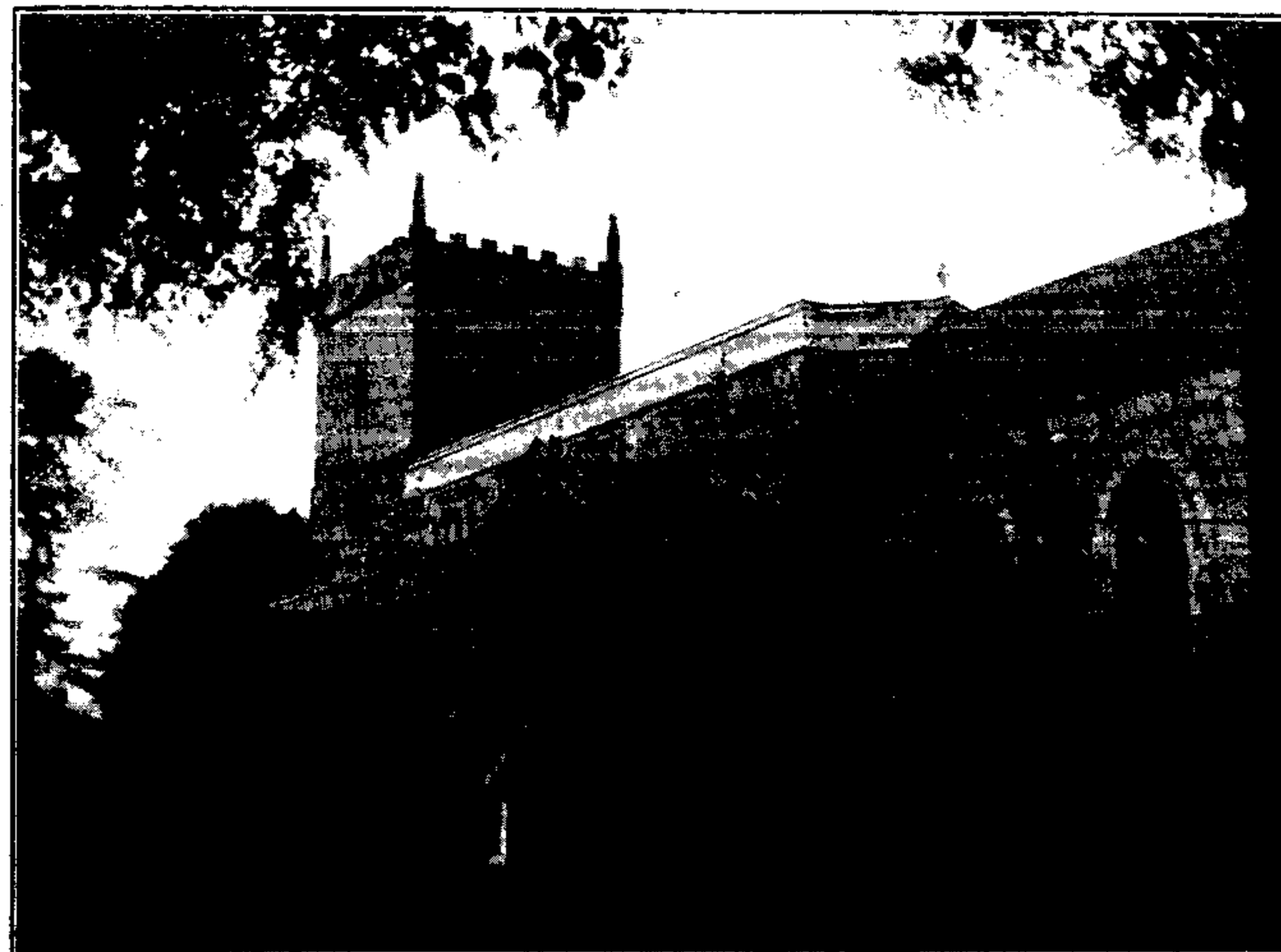
MARRIAGE

June 15th. Ernest Frank Fretwell and Clara Allister.

BURIALS.

June 3rd. John Blagg, aged 39 years.
" 10th. Elizabeth Ann Wood, aged 84 years.

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EAST BRIDGFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The 52nd Annual Show was held on Feast Tuesday, June 29th. The exhibits were staged in a large marquee in Mr. Turner's Field. In spite of the long drought and cold winds the show was pronounced a very good one. On account of the War, dancing and sports were omitted from the day's programme; and this no doubt diminished the takings, which were only about half those of the previous year. The Bingham Band played a selection of tunes from 3 o'clock to 8.15. The list of first-prize winners is as follows:—

CLASS A.

Mr. J. W. WOODSEND won first prize, for Geranium for foliage, Pelargonium, Fuchsia, Calceolaria herbaceous and shrubby, Greenhouse plants, Sweet Williams, Sweet Peas, Spring Onions, Lettuce, Potatoes round, Potatoes kidney, also premier for Potatoes (both kinds), new Apples, Gooseberries, Black Currants, Cherries and best Tray of Vegetables.
(Gardener, J. Bullimore)

Rev. A. D. HILL first prizes for Geranium for bloom, Petunia, Pansies, Cauliflower, Broad Beans, Turnips, Red and White Currants, Strawberries.
(Gardener, J. Mussell)

Mr. W. A. HODGES first prize for Cucumbers, Autumn Onions, Peas, last year's Apples.
(Gardener, J. Upton)

Miss FOX first prizes for Roses, Bouquet of Garden Flowers.
(Gardener, G. Upton)

Mr. S. RICHARDSON first prize for Raspberries.

CLASS B.

Mr. W. C. MILLINGTON first prize for Roses, Geranium for bloom and foliage, Fuchsia, Petunia, Greenhouse plants, Pansies, Autumn Onions, Gooseberries, White Currants, and Best Tray of Vegetables.

Mr. J. T. KNIGHT first prize for Shrubby Calceolarias, Sweet Peas, Carrots, Cauliflowers, Spring Onions, Lettuce.

Mr. E. E. COVILLE first for Sweet Williams, Cucumbers, Broad Beans, Round and Kidney Potatoes.

Mr. T. ALVEY first for new Apples, and Red Currants.

Mr. E. N. SEARS, first for Peas and Turnips.

Mr. J. STANLEY, first for Black Currants and Cherries.

Mr. H. PICK first for Raspberries.

Mr. A. H. SMITH first for Pelargonium and Window Plants.

CLASS C.

Mr. J. HIGGS was first for Fuchsia, Sweet Williams, Pansies, Cauliflowers, Spring Onions, Peas, Kidney Potatoes, Turnips, Red and Black Currants, and best Tray of Vegetables.

Mr. T. WATSON first for Petunia, Window Plants, Broad Beans, Spring Onions.

Mrs. UPTON first for Geranium for Bloom and Foliage, Pelargonium, Calceolaria, Pot of Musk.

Mrs. THORNTON first for Roses, Cut Flowers, Eschalots, New Apples and Gooseberries.

Mr. A. ELLIS first for Carrots and Cabbages.

Mr. C. SMITH first for Rhubarb.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Doncasters—Millington 1, Stanley 2.
Eggs—Rev. Hill 1, Mr. Knight 2.

Mathers—Miss Fox 1, Rev. Hill 2.
Garden Designs—Mr. J. R. Gower 1.

A very severe thunderstorm, with rain, occurred on Sunday, July 4th, and a violent gale on July 17th. The rainfall in Nottingham was registered as 2½ inches in 24 hours, and we fear a good deal of damage has been suffered by the fruit trees and standing corn.

THE WAR.

Again we have the sad duty of recording the death of one of our neighbours. Frank Thraves, 1st Sherwood Foresters, of Gunthorpe, died of wounds in Hospital on June 22nd.

The following corrections should be made in the list of those serving given in July:—Ephraim Breedon, Trooper, Notts Sherwood Rangers; Arthur Thraves, Private 7th Sherwood Foresters.

Sunday, August 8th, will be observed as a day of special Intercession for the War.

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount acknowledged June, 1915	2173	8	8
Feast Sunday Collections	4	9	0
Mrs. Jalland	6	6	0
Sales	10	6	0
Church Box—June	1	4	2
Church Box—July	8	2	0
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Total July 20th, 1915	£2180	7	8

The debt on the Restoration is now about £134. Contributions are still asked for, and may be placed in the Church box or sent to the Rector.

Our Belgian guests are still with us, and with no prospect of returning to their homes at present. It is again necessary to ask for contributions, which it is hoped will be as generously renewed. They may be sent to the Treasurer, Mr. W. A. Hodges, or to the collectors.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD (VIII.)

JOHN HULL, B.D. was Rector from 1629 to 1658. He had entered Magdalen College as Demy (or scholar) at the age of 19 in 1606. In 1612 he became a Fellow, and held various offices in the College, including that of Bursar 1621—1624. He was Rector of Ardley, Oxon, in 1622, and was instituted Rector of East Bridgford, May 6th, 1629, when he resigned his Fellowship, married, and settled down in his new Rectory with his wife Elizabeth who bore him four daughters. He was author of "Lines on the death of Prince Henry" 1612, "On the marriage of the Prince Palatine" 1613, and "On the death of Queen Anne" 1619. From the manner of his keeping the parish registers we can gather that he took a great interest in his Church and Parish during the troublous times of the Civil War and Commonwealth.

From 1642 to 1646 this neighbourhood was the scene of many a fierce skirmish between the Royalist troops at Newark and the Parliament forces at Nottingham. Colonel Francis Hacker and Captain Rowland Hacker, both well known in East Bridgford, were on opposite sides; and to Colonel Hacker was entrusted the task of seeing the sentence on King Charles I carried out. In 1643 Mr. Thomas Hacker was brought here to be buried, having been slain in a fight at Colston Bassett. Royalist garrisons at Shelford Manor and Wiverton Hall were compelled to surrender after a bloody struggle in 1646.

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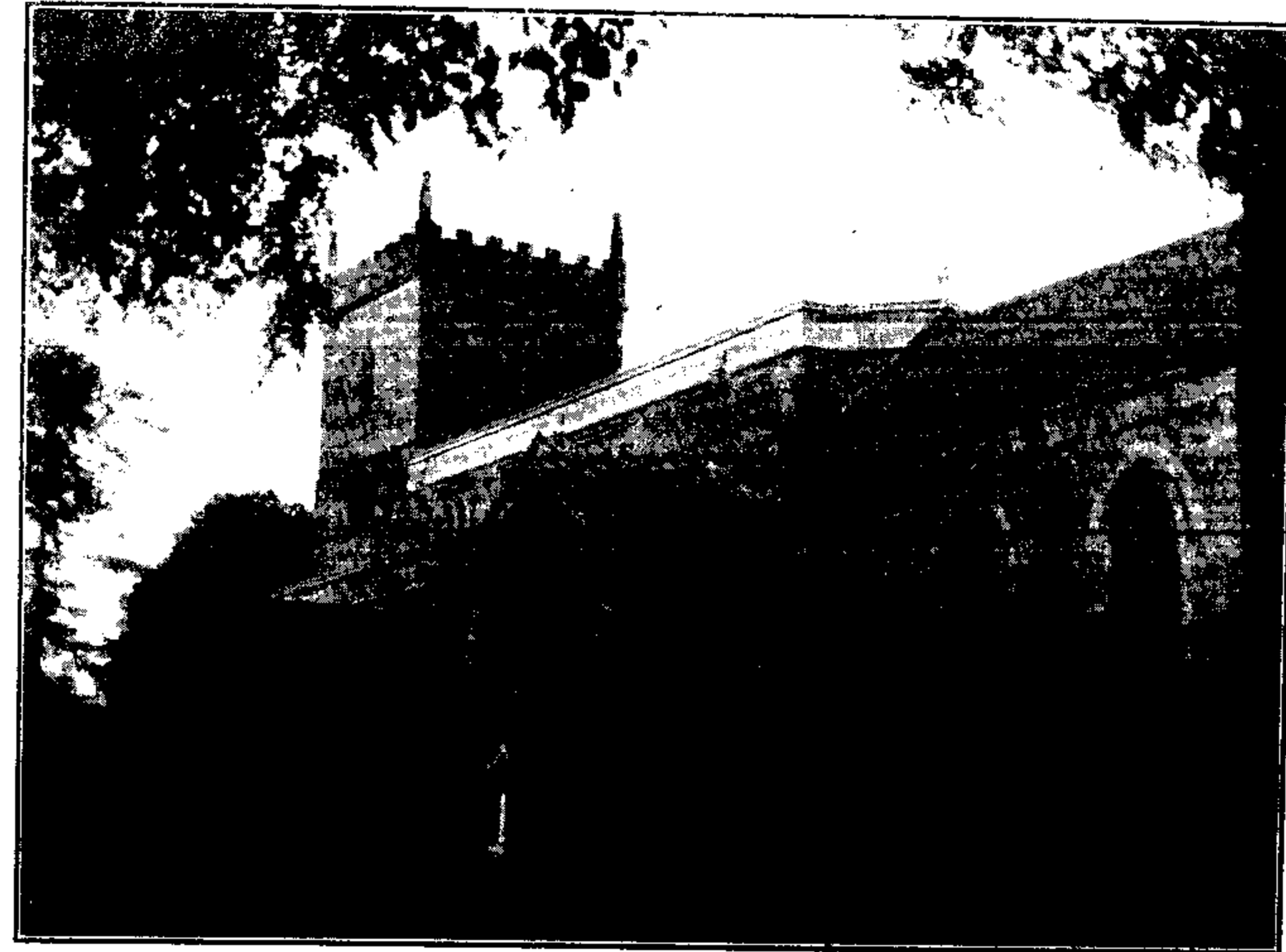
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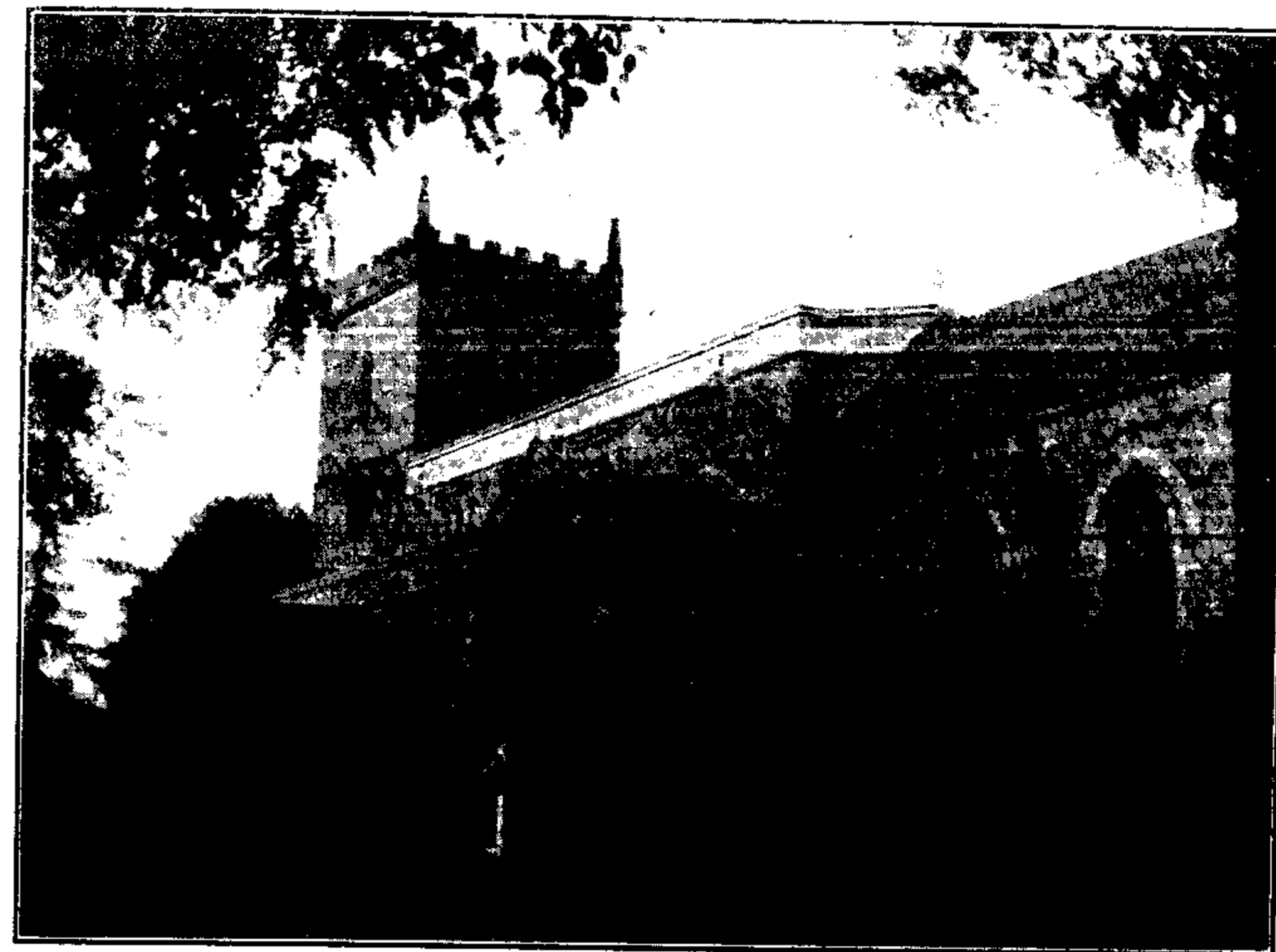
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HARVEST THANKSGIVING.—We have had magnificent weather during September and the Harvest has been plentiful and well gathered in, so that we have great cause to be thankful to God for these blessings. Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on Thursday evening, Oct. 7th, at 7 p.m., when a sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dr. Field, Vicar of St. Mary's, Nottingham. Thanksgiving services will also be continued on the following Sunday, October 10th, when the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 8 a.m.

The Thank-offerings on Thursday evening will be given to the Red Cross and S. John's Ambulance Societies, and on the following Sunday to the Sunday School Funds.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The Annual Meeting of the Bible Society is announced for Friday, October 22nd, at 7 p.m.

THE SCHOOL.—Miss Millicent Wilkinson has resigned her post of Assistant Teacher. We are very sorry to lose her capable and willing services, and hope a good rest will fully re-establish her health. The Managers have appointed Miss Gladys Clark as Assistant Teacher, who will begin her duties on November 1st.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—We know well that in these days it is hard to turn the mind away from the great contest which has drawn within its power almost the entire world. The issues are overwhelming. Our Bishops have called on us to remember that we are engaged in a supreme struggle on behalf of righteousness and justice, and that what is at stake is not only the honour of our pledged word, but our safety and freedom. It is true: yet we still have old duties and claims to fulfil, and above all those which are laid upon us in the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout the world. Our colonies and dependencies have been loyal in their help to us; we must assure them that their homes and families will not be deprived of our help in maintaining their Mission Clergy, teachers, doctors, or nurses.

The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was founded in 1701, in a time of war, let it be maintained and supported during this still greater war. We all have to economize, but do not let us seek to economize by withdrawing our help from our brothers who have come to the nation's aid in a critical time.

On Sunday, October 24th, collections will be made in behalf of Missionary work, and the Rev. C. Foxley, of Osalla, will preach in the evening. On Monday evening a meeting will be held in the Temperance Hall at which Mr. Foxley will give an address at 7 p.m.

A PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER. With the permission of the Bishop of the Diocese, a few women are visiting some of the country parishes of this neighbourhood, in order that by means of Prayer and short talks with women and children we may together learn to think more about the Saviour of the world in this time of national anxiety and danger. With the consent of the Rector they are to come to East Bridgford on Sept. 29th, leaving invitations at the houses for the following day of prayer, Thursday, Sept. 30th, which is to begin with a celebration of Holy Communion, and to afford opportunities of meeting together in the afternoon and evening.

U.M.C.A.—On Friday, October 8th, the Rev. F. J. Evans, late Arch-deacon of Zanzibar, will give a lecture illustrated by lantern, on the work of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, at 7.30 in the Temperance Hall.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD (X).

Richard Strickland, Rector of East Bridgford, 1702—1707, was a Demy (Scholar) of Magdalen College, and held a Fellowship there, 1676—1703. During those years a storm of trouble fell on the College, for at that time King James II. was making his unconstitutional efforts to bring back the English Church and nation to the Roman Catholic obedience, and attempted to Romanize the Universities, which were the training ground of the future clergy of England. The King forced a Roman Catholic President upon Magdalen College, and twenty-five of the Fellows, among whom was Richard Strickland, were ejected, Nov. 16th, 1687, for refusing to acknowledge his authority. In the following year, King James, frightened by the outburst of popular sympathy with the seven Bishops who had been committed to the Tower of London for refusing to obey what they considered to be the King's unlawful command, and threatened by the coming of Prince William of Orange, restored the President and Fellows of Magdalen College to their posts, October 25th, 1688, and shortly afterwards abdicated his throne.

Richard Strickland was instituted to this Rectory Sept. 30th, 1702 and was buried at East Bridgford on Dec. 11th, 1707. A.D.H.

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BAPTISM.

Sept. 5th. James, son of William and Mary Jane Ingall.

MARRIAGES.

Sept. 11th. Bertie Topley and Edith Widdison.
.. 22nd. Charles Emmons and Lois Pride.

BURIALS.

Sept. 9th. Annie Turner Hothersall, aged 23 years.
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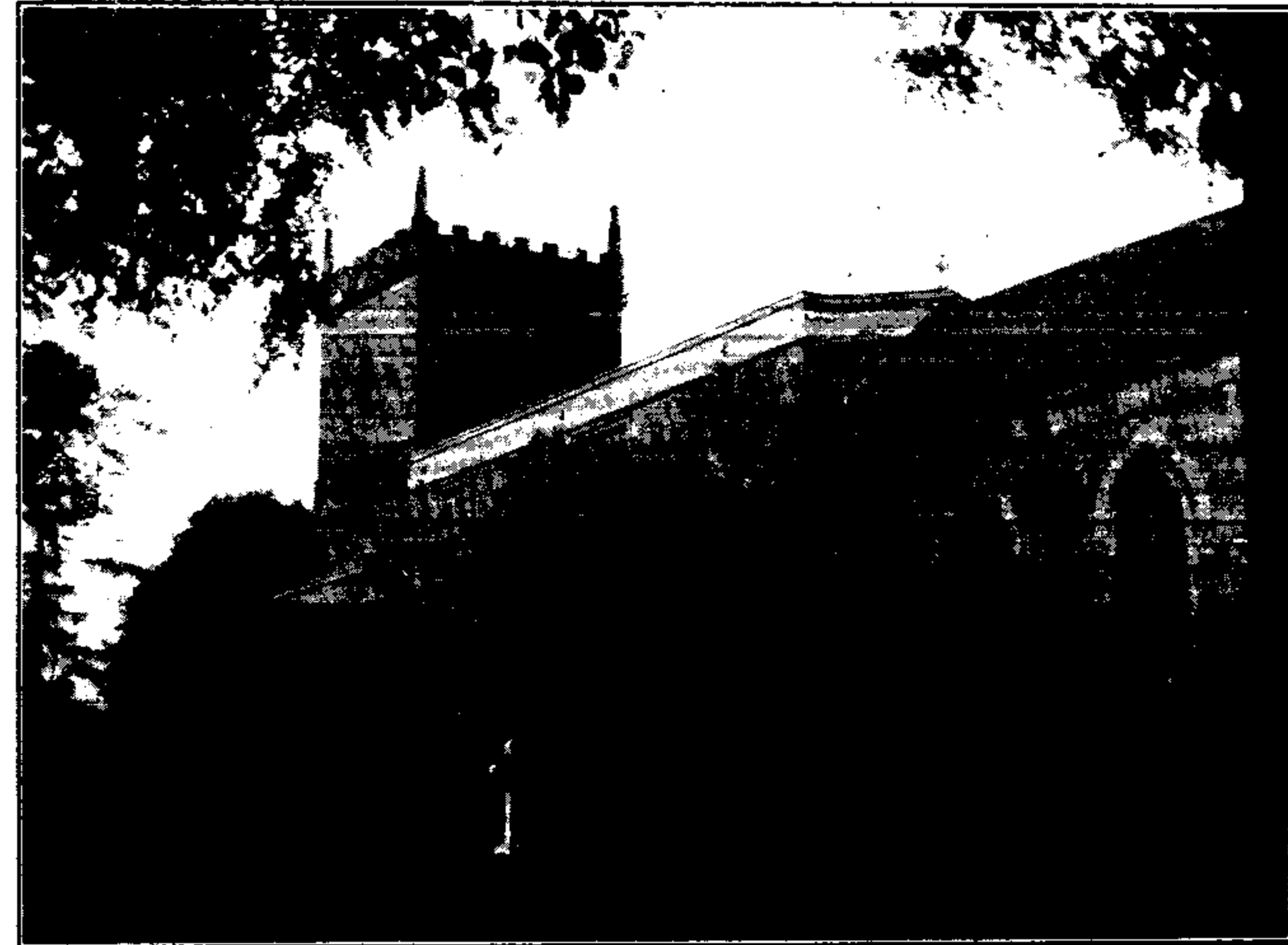
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7.30	—	7.54	—	—	6.0	—	—	—	6.19
—	7.40	—	8.5	—	6.28	—	—	—	6.47
8.20	—	8.45	—	—	7.15	—	—	7.38	—
—	8.25	—	8.45	—	7.20	—	—	—	7.39
—	8.59	—	9.20	*8.10	—	—	—	8.34	—
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11.59	—	12.23	—	—	11.50	—	—	12.13	—
—	1.35 <i>except Sat.</i>	—	1.55	—	12.45 <i>except Sat.</i>	—	—	—	1.3
*1.40	—	2.4	—	—	1.5	—	—	—	1.24
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—	2.27	—	2.47	2.8	—	—	—	2.26	—
—	3.25 <i>Fridays</i>	—	3.40	—	2.10	—	—	<i>Saturdays</i>	2.29
*3.30	—	5.54	—	2.43	—	—	—	3.6	—
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SUNDAYS.									
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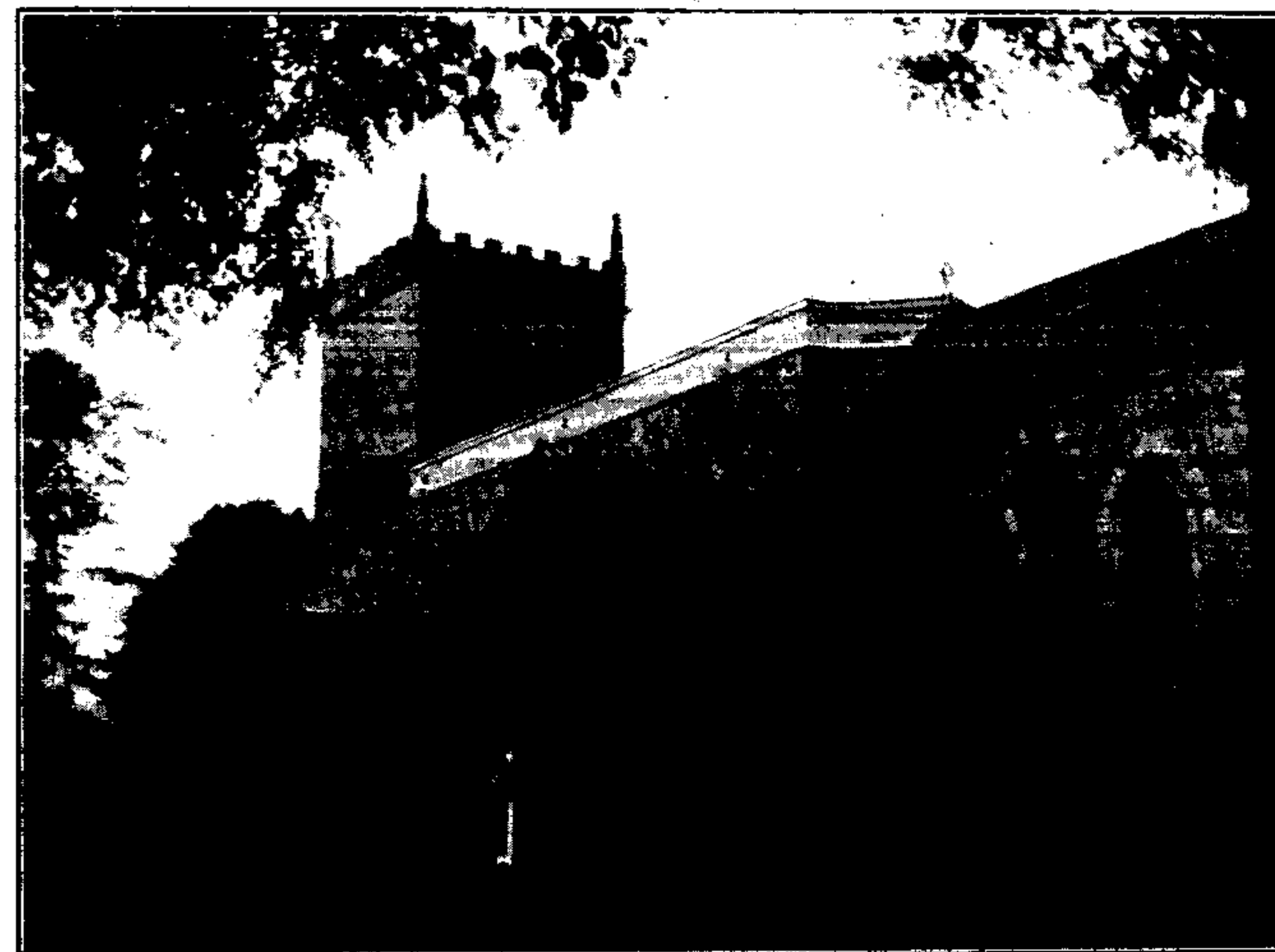
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THE ROLL OF HONOUR—William Henry Manchester Guy, Private, 12th Batt. Sherwood Foresters, was killed in Flanders on Sunday, Sept. 26th, aged 38. He leaves a widow and five children. The sad news reached us on Sunday, October 3rd, and a muffled peal was rung in the evening.

The following are to be added to our roll of those who have volunteered:—

John Henry Shardlow.....	A.S.C.
Whittle Cloxton	Robin Hoods
Harry Cloxton.....	South Notts Hussars
Tom Thraves	Sherwood Foresters
Fred Marshall	R.F.A.
George Crossland	R.E.
Joseph Cox.....	R.E.

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Thursday, October 7th, and the following Sunday, October 10th, were well attended, the Church being very full especially on Sunday evening. The decorations were very prettily arranged. The Rev. Dr. Field, Vicar of S. Mary's, Nottingham, was the preacher on Thursday, and the Rev. Dr. J. Barker, on Sunday evening. The Harvest Offerings were for the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance Societies £5 and for the Sunday School, £6 1s.

On Friday, Oct. 8th, the Rev. F. J. Evans, late Archdeacon of Zanzibar, gave a lecture on the work of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa. It was a disappointment that the promised lantern slides did not arrive in time in consequence of the trains being so crowded with soldiers, but the lecturer's descriptions were so vivid and interesting that we soon forgot their absence. The sum of 12/6 was collected for the Mission.

ADVENT SUNDAY.—November 28th, is the First Sunday in Advent. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 a.m., as well as Choral Celebration at 11.15.

PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER.—The three members of the "Pilgrimage of Prayer" who came to East Bridgford from September 29th to October 2nd, were hospitably and gladly entertained during their visit. They held a meeting for women on the afternoon of Sept. 30th at Mrs. Hodges' house and a meeting for all in the evening of October 1st in the School, which was well attended. The special charm of their work lay in the brightness, humility, and love which pervaded it all, and opened hearts as well as doors to them. Their earnest and friendly visits to many houses, which they diligently made throughout the village as far as the time at their disposal allowed, were cordially received and appreciated. We hope that the simple directness of their appeal for more prayer in this time of trouble, and their helpful suggestions about the use of family prayer and Bible reading, will not have been in vain.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Society was held in the Temperance Hall on Friday, October 22nd, the Rev. A. Rowley, Vicar of Kneeton, being Chairman. The Secretary of the Midland District, Rev. W. G. Roberts, in his address gave an interesting account of the supply of copies of the Gospels to our soldiers. They now added the Psalms to each volume, which were greatly appreciated by the men. The sum of £1 8s. was collected at the meeting, with subscriptions £5 15s. 5d. and Miss Upton's box 17s. 8d. making in all £8 1s. 1d.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—The Rev. C. Foxley from Himeji, in the Diocese of Osaka, Japan, preached on Sunday evening, October 24th, and the collections during the day, amounting to £5, were given to the Missions of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Mr. Foxley gave a lantern lecture on the following day in the Temperance Hall.

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD (XI).

Christopher Overend, M.A., was instituted to the Rectory, January 22nd, 1707, on the presentation of Patricius Chaworth of Annesley, Esqr. This would be, according to modern computation, January 1708, but March 25th was then reckoned as the first day of the year. The change to the present practice was officially introduced and adopted in the Parish Registers in 1753. Mr. Overend died at the Rectory and was buried at East Bridgford, Dec. 21st, 1741. He bequeathed £40 to the poor of the parish.

Peter Priaulx, B.D., belonged to a Guernsey family, was Demy and afterwards Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, 1728-1743. He was instituted to this Rectory, April 24th, 1742, but he did not reside here for the first year after his appointment, as the Registers are signed by "Mr. Robert Manley, Curate for Mr. Priaulx." Mr. Priaulx rebuilt the Rectory in 1744; it was then a red brick house with steep tiled roof, and the principal entrance in the front. He was Rector for 41 years, and was buried in the chancel, March 26th, 1783, where his name may still be seen on one of the floor slabs. On the south wall of the chancel there is a marble tablet inscribed:—

Underneath lieth the Body of MRS. CÆLIA PRIAULX, Relict of PETER PRIAULX, D.D., who died May 11th, 1751; aged 86 Years. Also the Body of The Revd. PETER PRIAULX, B.D., their Son, who died March 18th, 1783; Aged 80 Years. Having been Forty-one Years Rector of this Parish.
In Him the Poor have lost a Friend and Benefactor.

This worthy Rector left a benefaction of £40 to the poor of the Parish.

During the incumbency of Mr. Priaulx the work of reparation of the now sadly ruinous church was undertaken. In order to raise funds for this purpose, a Brief was applied for, and issued in 1770. Briefs were letters of public appeal under the King's authority for Collections in Churches, towns, and villages; and were largely used in the 17th and 18th centuries as a means of raising money for all kinds of charitable objects. A rubric in the Communion Service in our Prayer Book still authorizes "Briefs" to be read before the Sermon.

This Brief, which happens to be preserved in the British Museum, is a very long and wordy document. It states "the humble petition of the Ministers, Churchwardens and principal inhabitants of the parish of East Bridgford . . . that the parish Church is a very ancient building and greatly decay'd and that the parishioners have laid out several sums of money in repairing the same yet the same is become so ruinous that the Tower steeple and great part of the body of the said Church must be taken down and rebuilt . . . which upon a moderate Computation will amount to "one thousand one hundred and eighteen pounds"

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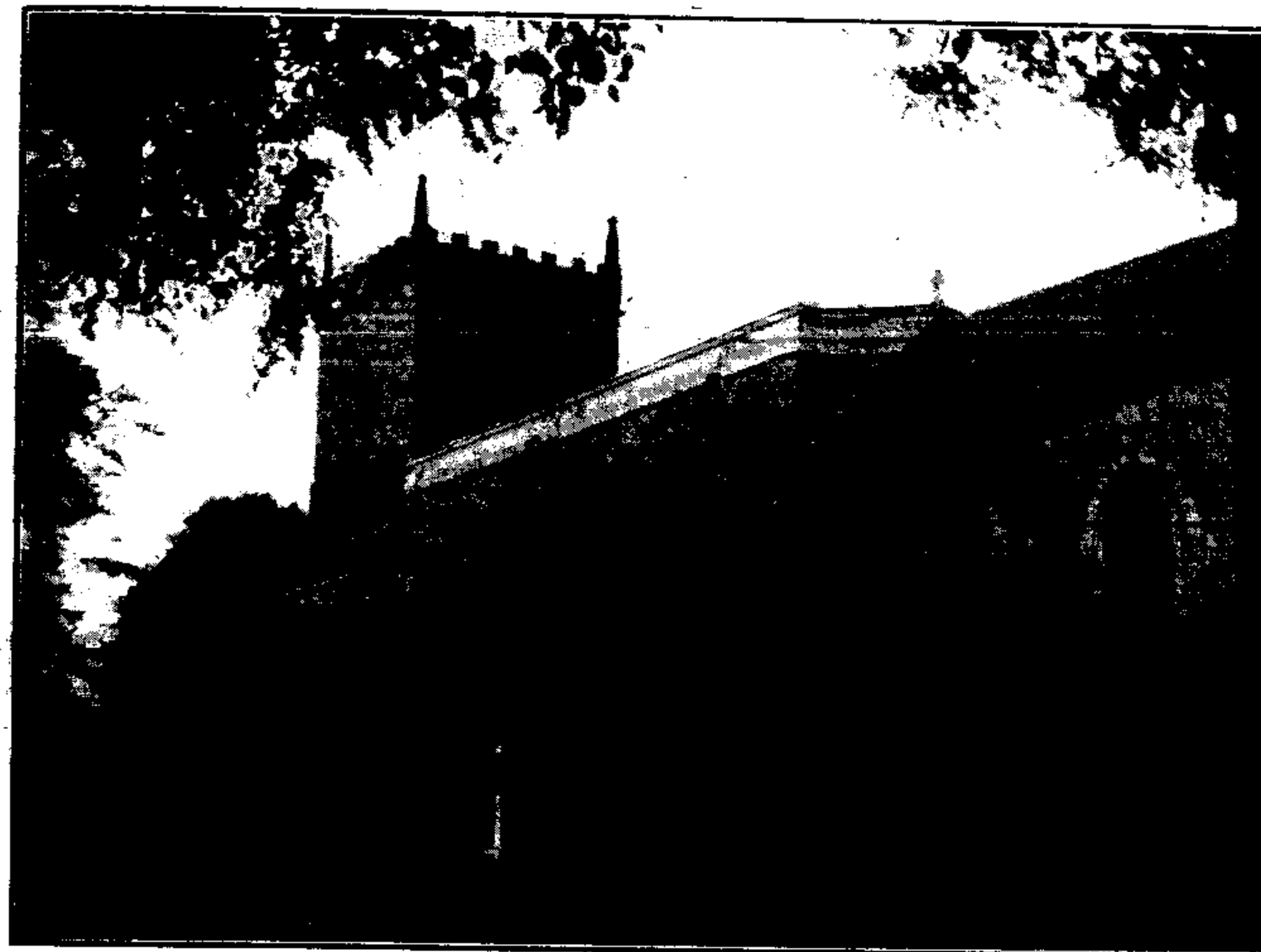
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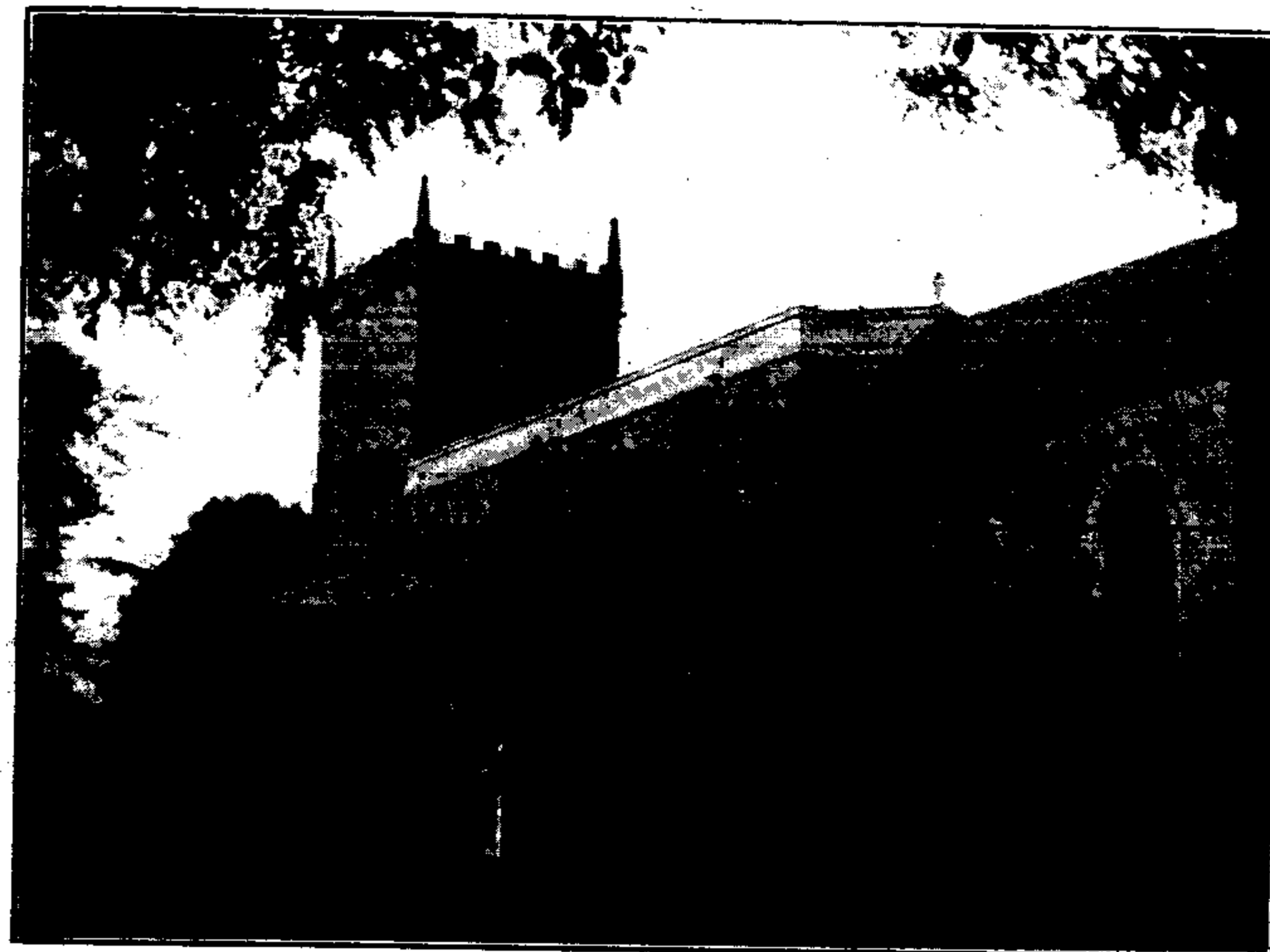
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ADVENT.—On the eve of S. Andrew's day, a service of Intercession for Foreign Missions is appointed.

There will be a short Service on Wednesdays, December 8th, 15th, and 22nd, at 7 p.m., during Advent, the time of preparation for the great festival of Christmas.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY, the Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8, and also at Midday after Mattins at 10.45., Evensong at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, December 26th, there will be a Celebration at 7 a.m., Mattins at 10 and Choral Celebration of Holy Communion at 10.45.

On Sunday, January 2nd, the Celebrations will be at 8, and after Mattins at midday.

THE WAR.—The call to nation is becoming clearer and clearer to consider seriously the full meaning of this time of war. We are fighting not merely against earthly powers, but against powers of darkness and evil, in ourselves and in our own country as well as in the world outside. We must turn in penitence and prayer to Christ and the Cross.

An appeal is made to the whole Church in England to set apart Friday, December 31st, Saturday, January 1st and Sunday, January 2nd, as days of penitence, prayer, and communion. In accordance with this appeal, and at the request of our Bishop, it is proposed to hold services on these three days, of which fuller notice will be given later. The Holy Sacrifice will be pleaded in Communion at 8 o'clock each day; and on Sunday, January 2nd, after Evening Prayer, when there will be no sermon, a separate special service will be held for United Prayer in Church at 7.30.

I hope that non-conformist parishioners will equally feel that this service is intended for all; there need be no distinctions to separate us. The parish Church is free and open for the use of all in the parish, one does not usually wait for invitation to enter places that are one's own inheritance. On such an occasion and in such a need as our present one, we may hope for united effort in heart and voice.

The following are now added to our list of those who have volunteered:—

Richard A. Forrest	.....	2nd Lieut. 7th Sherwood Foresters
Donald H. Richardson	.....	Lieut. 12th Sherwood Foresters
William Mussell	.....	R.F.A.
William Mann	.....	7th Sherwood Foresters
William Cooper	.....	"
Robert Gower	.....	South Notts Hussars
John Cecil Pickford	.....	"
Rowland Upton	.....	7th Sherwood Foresters
Arthur Pailing	.....	Lance-Corporal, R.E.
Harold Watts	.....	Sergeant, Durham L.I.
Eric Watts	.....	2nd Lieut., West Kent
George Pepper	.....	"
George Ellis	.....	"
James Lodder	.....	"
Frank Oliver Green	.....	"
John Thomas Knight	.....	"

From Newton—

Joseph Osborne	.....	"
Leonard Cheetham	.....	9th Sherwood Foresters
Tom Cheetham	.....	South Notts Hussars

It has been decided that, as we are beginning the New Year with an act of penitence and prayer, the usual Parish Tea and Entertainment would be out of keeping at this time and therefore it will not be given.

We are asked to announce that the "Bethlehem Tableaux" will be presented at the Meadows Hall, Kirkewite St., Nottingham, on Thursdays, Jan. 6th and 13th at 8 p.m., and on Saturdays Jan. 8th and 15th at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets at Mr. J. T. Adams, 100 Wilford Road, 1/- (reserved) 6d. and 3d.

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Amount acknowledged September, 1915	..	..	2182 18 1
Mrs. M. E. Richards	..	..	5 0
Mrs. M. Butler	..	..	2 6
Archdeacon and Mrs. Herbert Hodges	..	..	5 0 0
Church Box—Sept. to Nov.	..	..	1 11 3
Sales	..	..	9 7
Total Nov. 22nd, 1915.	£	2190	6 5

It stands before us as a clear duty to do our utmost to clear off the remaining debt on the Church—about £126; more especially as the interest charged upon it is mounting up as long as it remains unpaid. The Christmas offerings in Church will be given to this fund: let our Birthday gifts to the Lord of all, who for our sakes became poor, be no mean or unworthy offering.

EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

MARRIAGE.

Nov. 2nd. George Allister and Mary Ann Barnes.

BURIALS.

Nov. 12th. Ann Barnes, aged 83 years.
 ,, 20th. Martha Smith, aged 64 years.
 ,, 23rd. At Elston. Charles Jabez Bond, aged 2 years.

LIGHTING UP TIMES FOR DECEMBER.

Dec. 6th, 4.51 (New Moon); 13th, 4.49; 21st, 4.51; 29th, 4.56. (Full Moon).

RECTORS OF EAST BRIDGFORD (XII).

At the death of the Rev. Peter Priaulx it was the turn of Chaworth to present to the Rectory, and the Rev. Peter Broughton was instituted by the Archbishop of York in 1783. East Bridgford again had the misfortune of a non-resident Rector, but such evils seem to have been lightly regarded in those days. Throsby, the historian writing in 1790, says, "The present incumbent is "Rev. Mr. Broughton of Shropshire, a man of good fortune, who has a "pretty estate at Lowdham, in this county. His father bought the turn of this "living nearly thirty years since, of Mr. Chaworth, who was killed in a duel "with Lord Byron." Peter Broughton held the living for 44 years until his death in 1827, and left £50 to the Poor of the Parish. Of course there were resident curates in charge of the parish during this period, whose names are to be found in the Registers: Rev. John Whelpdale, 1783, who in 1786 married Miss Mary Heathcote, whose father Rev. Edward Heathcote had married the heiress Catherine Hacker, and resided here, often officiating in

East Bridgford church ; Rev. Thomas Bateman, curate 1786-91 ; Rev. Thomas Beaumont, Curate 1792 till the death of the Rector in 1827. Mr. Beaumont let the Rectory house as a girls' school, and built himself a house from his own plans on the adjoining land known as Jacson's Close and Orchard, which appears to have been purchased from Henry Blagg, Esq., one of the Lords of the Manor. Here he resided, and was a County Magistrate until his death in 1835. He was also non-resident Rector of Keyworth and Costock 1783-94, and of Plumtree 1813-16.

The enclosure of 1267 acres of the open fields of the parish, under an Act of Parliament, in 1796-1801, must have brought about a considerable change in the agricultural conditions of the parish at this period. The principal common lands enclosed were known as The Holme, Trentfield, The Hills, Upper field, Middle field, Foss field, and Burrow field. Of this 276 acres were allotted to the Rector in lieu of the Rectorial tithes ; at that time the living was worth about £750, considerably more than double its present value.

The Rev. Richard William Hutchins was instituted December 28th, 1827, on the presentation of Magdalen College, in succession to Rev. Peter Broughton. He made some alterations to the Rectory, re-roofing the front part with slates and enlarging it by the addition of a bow on the east. In 1833 a National School was built on glebe land adjoining the churchyard, by subscriptions of Magdalen College, Mr Hutchins and others, where 100 boys and 63 girls were being educated when the parish contained 1110 inhabitants in 1844. The Rev. R. W. Hutchins died September 11th, 1859, aged 76 years, and was buried in the chancel.

In 1838 the alternate presentation to this benefice, which had belonged to the Chaworth family since 1375, was acquired by Magdalen College through the gift of Mrs Sheppard, sister of President Routh, and a great benefactress to the College, which thus became sole patron.

The Rev. Arthur Alcock Barker, a Fellow of Magdalen College, was instituted in 1860. Here he resided and worked faithfully until his death in the 78th year of his age. He was buried in the Churchyard at the east end of the Church, October 22nd, 1897. During his incumbency the present School was built in 1863. The Church was re-seated and the gallery removed in 1862, and the present East and South windows of the Chancel were inserted by Mr Barker in place of the round-arched windows placed there by Rev. H. Smith in 1686.

Mr Barker became Vicar of Kneeton in 1869, and the help of a curate was necessary ; they were:—Rev. W. Bethell Roberts 1869—75, Rev. George Baillie Hamilton 1876—77, Rev. James A. Penny 1880—88, Rev. John C. Gawtherne 1889—92, Rev. H. Graham Fullmer 1893—98.

In 1875 Nottinghamshire was transferred from the diocese of York, to that of Lincoln in the Province of Canterbury, and in 1884 the new diocese of Southwell was formed of the counties of Nottingham and Derby.

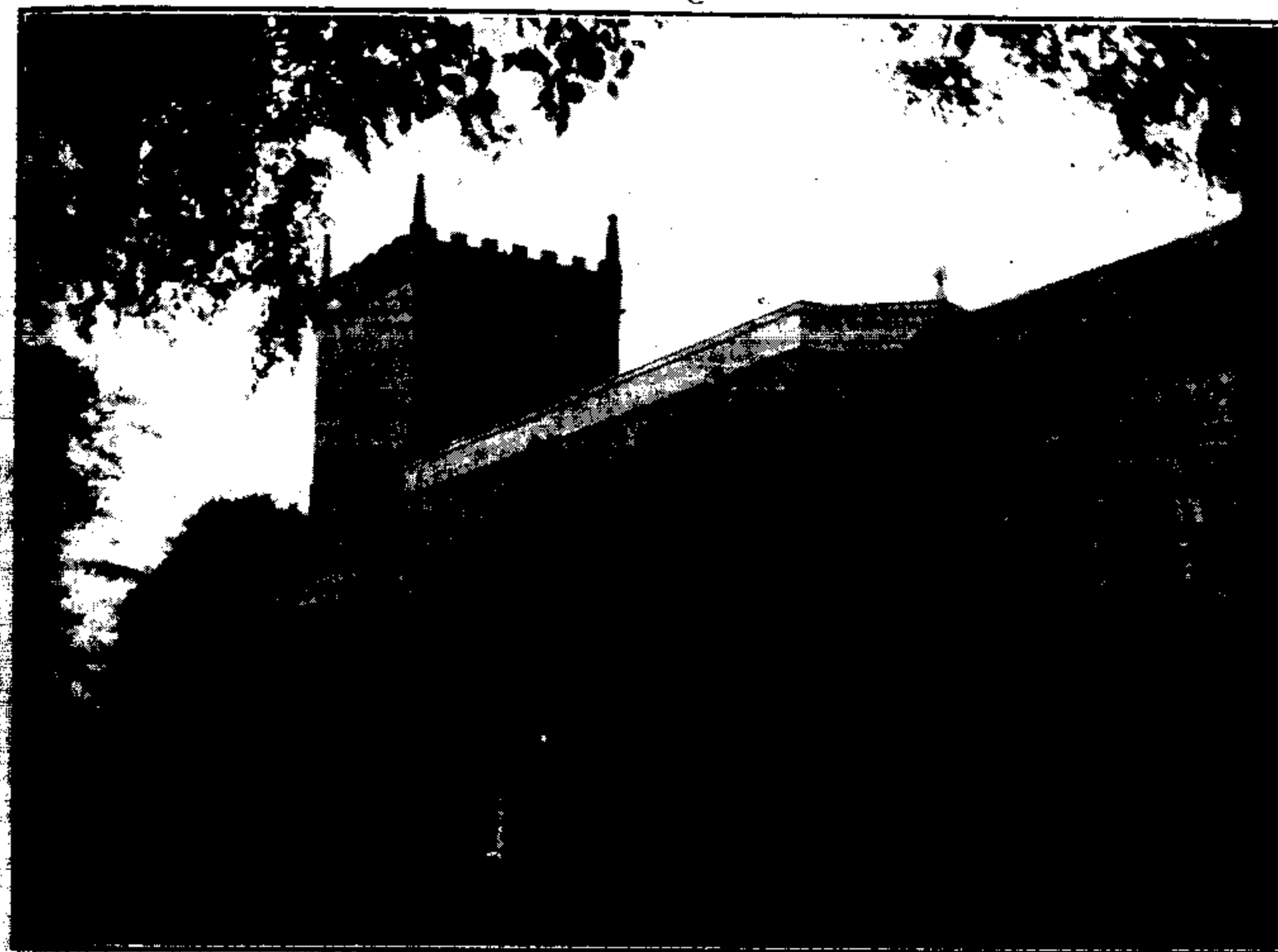
With the institution of the present Rector by the first Bishop of Southwell, Dr. Ridding, on May 4th, 1898, this history of the Rectors of East Bridgford during 650 years is now brought to a close. There has been good and bad in it, and much of the earlier history is lost, for the Church itself has stood here for at least a thousand years. It will perhaps have kindled some thoughts of thankfulness to God for the preservation and the vitality, through many vicissitudes, of our dear Church of England.

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