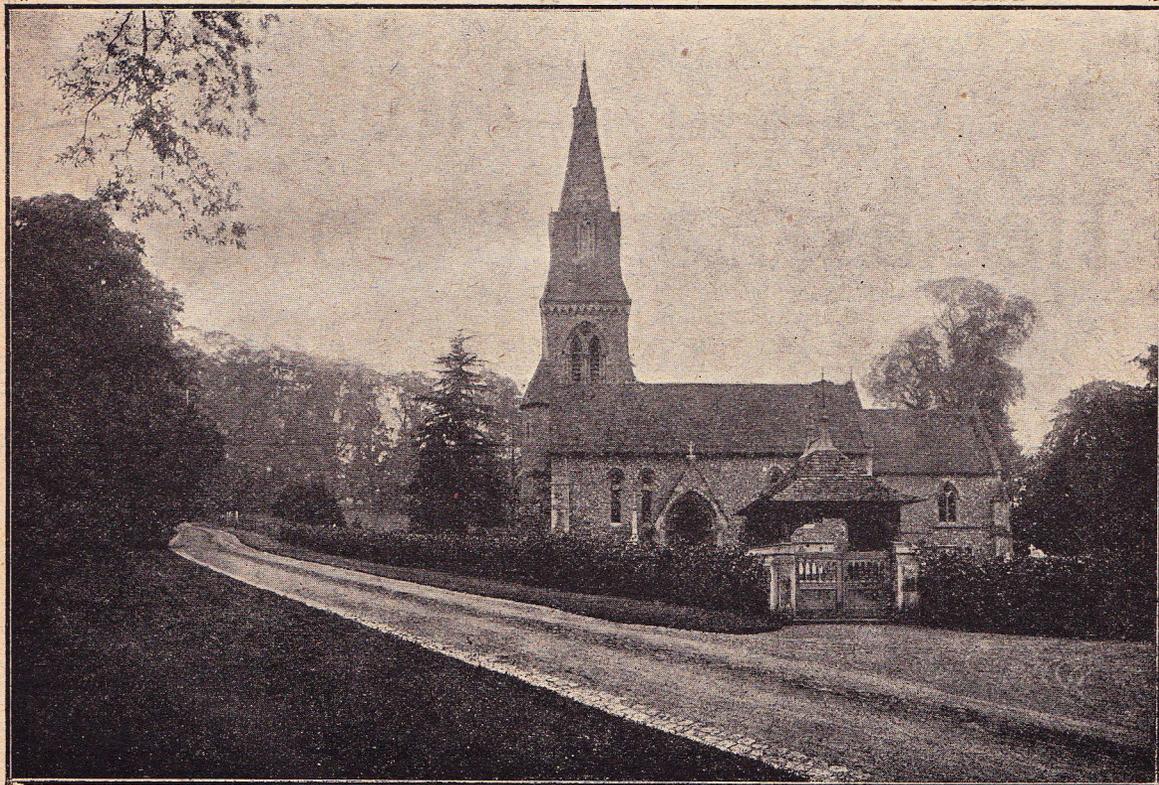


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ENGLEFIELD, JANUARY, 1913.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (Circumcision of our Lord).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

5th (Second Sunday after Christmas).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

6th (Epiphany of our Lord).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion. (Alms for Oxford Mission to Calcutta).

12th (1st Sunday after Epiphany).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

19th (Septuagesima Sunday).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Conversion of S. Paul).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

26th (Sexagesima Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

TOY SERVICE.

This was held on the 3rd Sunday in Advent, when a large number of garments, toys, &c., were brought; we were glad to see a larger number than usual brought, or sent, by adults. The boxes were sent up to Christ Church, Lisson Grove, London, on the Monday following. The following contributed:—

Elsie Allen, baby's knitted cap, socks and jacket. Ethel Allen, tam o' shanter, scarf. Mildred Allen, christmas stocking and book. A Friend, doll's clothes. Miss Barker, two vests. Agnes Baker, tin of biscuits. Alice Bates, woollen bonnet. Mrs. Benyon, frock, petticoat, two children's petticoats. Miss W. Benyon, game and top. Hilda Boyd, handkerchief. Doris Boyd, handkerchief. Mrs. Briant, vest. Victor Briant, dominoes. Agnes Bryant, scarf, two petticoats. Ella Chandler, two handkerchiefs, card. Bertie Chandler, whistle. Harry Chandler, reins. Mabel Chandler, woollen cap. Cecilia Clifton, book. Mabel Clifton, doll. Mrs. Claydon, three pairs of knickers, petticoat, nightgown, three dolls. Mrs. Cottrell, two pairs slippers. Betty Cottrell, teddy bear. Leslie Cox, money box. Mrs. James Cox, petticoat. Victor Cox, book. Joan Cox, petticoat. Bertha Cox, cap. Annie Cully, handkerchief sachet. Charles Cullum, crackers, tam o' shanter. Ivy Cullum, sweets, woollen petticoat. George Davis, vest and card. Stanley Davis, vest and card. Rowland Davis, box of crackers, card. John Elliott, flannel petticoat, card. Percy Elliott, soldiers. Doris Fisher, scarf. Nellie Fisher, three pairs baby's gloves, pinafore. Alan Golding, clothes. Cecil Golding, tam o' shanter game, cards. Stanley Golding, cakes, book, petticoat. Mrs. Groves, two pairs knitted socks, scarf. Eva Harding, crackers, card. Kathleen Harris, knitted scarf, cards. Mildred Harris, pair drawers, cards. Muriel Harris, flannel drawers, card. Mrs. Holmes, chemise. Mrs. Holloway, child's clothes. Mrs. Hopley, two pairs socks, cards. Hilda Horne, baby's shoes. Mabel Horne, doll. Marjorie Horne, knitted cap. Mrs. Henry Horne, chemise, card. George Joyce, cap. Alice Joyce, woollen vest, cap, card. Violet Legge, scarf. Miss A. M. Long, two child's petticoats. Miss F. Lowton, two child's petticoats. Connie Lowe, doll. Albert Martin, two scarves. Mrs. Moon, two books. Bertie Nash, teddy bear. Edith Nash, cards, handkerchiefs. Fred Nash, trumpet. George Nash, cards, handkerchiefs. John Nash, skittles. Willie Nash, engine. Daisy Palmer, woollen bonnet, card. Lizzie Palmer, woollen bonnet, card. Dan Partlo, sweets, musical instrument. Bertie Pocock, two boys shirts. Gladys Pusey, book. Mabel Pusey, pair of cuffs. Florence Rabbitts, doll. Louie Rabbitts, two handkerchiefs. Mabel Reid, pinafore. Ernest Rose, box of bricks. Ellen Rose, ball. George Rouse, three handkerchiefs, book. Westley Simmons, pinafore. Mrs. Skipwith, game, two caps, two jerseys. Nannette Skipwith, drawing slate, frock. Osmund Skipwith, two games, scrap book. Philip Skipwith, game, scrap book. Chrissie Smyth, ball. Frank Smyth, book. Gertrude Smyth, pinafore. Miss Stephens, book, socks. Dorothy Stocker, doll, mittens. Mabel Stocker, mechanical toys, handkerchiefs. York Stocker, toy, handkerchiefs. Mrs. Treadwell, Jersey. Mrs. Tyser, two cross overs. Ben Webb, trumpet and whip. Fred Webb, game. Winnie Webb, child's petticoat. Vera Webb, child's chemise. Miss Wadds, crackers, woollen scarf. Mabel Wells, sweets, flannel drawers. Cecil Willcox, wooden horse, cards. Mrs. Willcox, two chemises, cards. Jack Young, bricks. Flossie Young, knitted cap. Willie Young, book. Kitty Vince, game, pin cushion, tie, cards. A. W., child's petticoat. M. B., two story books. M. R., petticoat, scarf. J. D., knitted jacket, sweets. No name, prayer book, knitting sundries.

MISSIONS OVER THE SEAS.

On the Vigil of S. Andrew, a special service of intercession was held, which was choral. The less said about the attendance at this service the better; suffice it to say that it was a blot on the reputation of the parish. On the 2nd Sunday in Advent there were Special Sermons and Collections. Rev. C. G. Gardner, of Tokyo, Japan, preached in the morning and addressed the children in the afternoon. The amount collected through the day was £8 19s. 4d. We have been enabled to send up to Headquarters for the year 1912 the sum of £19 11s. 1½d. made up as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Collection</i>				8	19	4
<i>Subscriptions</i> —						
J. H. Benyon, Esq. ...	1	1	0			
Rev. G. G. Skipwith	1	1	0			
<i>Donation</i> —				2	2	0
“F”				5	0	
<i>Boxes</i> —						
Miss Barker	6	2½				
Miss Benyon	1	6	5½			
Mrs. Claydon	15	9				
Mrs. J. Cox	3	8½				
Miss Deacon	8	10½				
Mrs. C. Fisher	6	10				
Mrs. T. Harris	1	6½				
<i>Boxes (continued)</i> —						
Mrs. J. Martin	7	0½				
Mrs. Page	1	5	11			
Rectory	1	16	3			
Rectory Servants	4	11½				
Mrs. Roake	5	0				
Mrs. Smyth	6	2				
Sunday School	9					
Kitty Vince	2	5½				
Mrs. Wadds	1	10½				
Mrs. Yarlett	5	0				
				8	4	9½
				£19	11	1½

THE INSURANCE ACT.

The Berkshire County Nursing Committee acting under the advice of the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute to which they are affiliated have decided that it is advisable for all L.C. Associations to raise Midwifery Fees after January 15th in all cases where the Maternity Benefit under the Insurance Act is received. This Benefit of 30/- is intended to provide help toward the Fees of Doctor or Midwife as well as to enable the mother to have more comforts. The Q.V.J.I. insist strongly that no midwife shall in future practice without some fee, it is therefore necessary that in future in this Parish the Fee for Midwifery will be 5/- to all who receive the Maternity Benefit.—(Signed) EDITH BENYON.

V.A.D. BERKS SECTION. BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

The following report has been received by Mrs. Benyon from the War Office through the County Director:—

Improvisation of simple appliances, very good. Preparation of Ward, excellent. Cooking and preparation of invalid diets, very good. This is a very fine detachment, and has reached a high degree of efficiency and development. Six fully equipped beds were shewn in use and also operating room (very good). Pack Store, Laundry, Provision Store, etc. First Aid and Nursing were practised very well indeed, and there is a very full and proper appreciation of the functions and general routine and internal working of a Hospital. Everything is ready worked out for 25 beds and extra Patients, especially Convalescents could be dealt with. Uniform and discipline and tone all excellent.—Signed, F. J. BRAKENRIDGE, Major R.A.M.S.

HYMNS FOR JANUARY.

2nd Sunday after Christmas (January 5th) ...	8.15 a.m.	73	164	464	318
	11 a.m.	516	220	519	74
	6 p.m.	165	297	638	27
1st Sunday after Epiphany (January 12th) ...	11 a.m.	76	568	488	82
	6 p.m.	78	209	515	574
Septuagesima Sunday (January 19th) ...	11 a.m.	540	533	573	83
	2.30 p.m.	100	203	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	292	213	168	167
Sexagesima Sunday (January 26th)	11 a.m.	224	446	193	262
	6 p.m.	185	243	184	186

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—“That God may be pleased to send teachers to instruct the Natives of Japan and China.”

MRS. BENYON'S CHRISTMAS TREAT.

We are informed that the date fixed is Saturday, 11th January.

ENGLEFIELD, FEBRUARY, 1913.

BAPTISM.

“Suffer the little children to come unto Me.”

January 19th.—Alfred Thomas, son of Walter and Sarah Louisa Nash.

MARRIAGE.

“Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.”

January 4th.—James William Wheeler, of St. George's, Reading, to Emily Lamperd, of Englefield.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (Purification of B.V.M., Quinquagesima Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

5th (Ash Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, Communion Service and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong and Reading.

9th (1st Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

12th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

16th (2nd Sunday in Lent).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

19th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

23rd (3rd Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (S. Matthias).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

26th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

12th, 14th and 15th are Ember Days.

LENT SERVICES.

On each Wednesday during Lent the Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.15 a.m. There will be a Special Service at 7 p.m. Owing to the difficulty of securing suitable preachers for this service, a short address will be given by the Rector, commencing Wednesday, 12th February. Only the Nave of the Church will be used for this service.

SCARLET FEVER.

We regret to say that an epidemic of this plague, though of a mild nature, has visited the parish. It is five-and-a-half years since we last had such an interruption to the peaceful life of the village. The schools have been closed from the 14th to the 29th January, and it is hoped that this precaution will tend to prevent the spreading of the disease any further. In consequence of the outbreak occurring the day before the promised Christmas treat, Mrs. Benyon decided to postpone this till, at any rate, after Easter.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

The weather was most unkind during Christmas week, consequently the Services were not attended as well as usual. Fortunately the rain held off in the early morning of Christmas Day, which enabled a large number to make their Communion. At 11 a.m., Rev. H. Kenney preached, and at 6 p.m. there was a Service consisting of Evensong, Anthem and Carols. The anthem was “Behold, I bring you good tidings,” by *Hugh Buckley*; the careful rendering of this showed that the choir had taken pains in the preparation. On the Sunday following, the anthem and carols were repeated. The brunt of the decorations, consisting of ropes of evergreens, had been prepared in the gardens, under the supervision of Mr. Wadds.

HISTORY OF ENGLEFIELD AND ITS CHURCH.—Continued.

Between the nave and aisle are three arches (and a fourth one, modern, at the west end). They have on both faces a continuous undercut hoodmould, then a hollow and half-round, and a deep hollow, and the soffit a half-round with fillet band, and a half-round on either side. The

hoodmould on the south side rests on the bust of a small figure over the eastern column, but this does not seem to be in its original situation. The arches are obtusely pointed, and rest on half-round responds and two large circular columns with circular abacus and capitals. The east respond and column have undercut abacus and varied stiff-leaved foliage on the capitals, the west column has the dog tooth on the abacus, and trefoils and foliage on the capital. The carving is very good, and the date is about the year 1200, when the Norman style was yielding to the early English. Of the same date and style is a very beautiful corbel or bracket in the east wall, with four large specimens of the dog tooth on the chamfer of the upper part, then a row of four roses, and then of three fleurs-de-lis or lilies. There is a small squint through to the chancel from this aisle, carried through the wall on the south side of the chancel arch.

The east window is a very fine example of early 13th century date, with three lofty lancets having a continuous hoodmould to the containing arch, with heads between each lancet and at its terminations. A band of dog tooth with half-round on each side is carried round the containing arch, which is supported on two central and two jamb shafts of blue marble with a central band to each. The capitals and abacus are circular in plan, those adjoining the jambs being enriched with foliage. This window and arcade are the finest examples of this period of architecture in the county. The half-round stringcourse running round the walls is mainly original. The windows on south and west are new. Under two modern arches in the south wall are two early effigies in good preservation. The eastern one represents a cross-legged knight in full armour, with head within a flat helm resting on a pillow, plain link mail, leather surcoat and feet against a lion. He is in the act of drawing his sword, the lower part, which seems to have rested on a small dragon, being broken away. He has the left leg crossed over the right, but this is not a proof that he took part in the crusades, though he may probably have done so. There is no record as to his identity, but the date of the effigy appears to be late in the 13th or early 14th century, and we may therefore assume that he was the chief representative of the Englefield family at that period. This effigy is composed of a hard free-stone, which was the material generally made use of at that time. It is probable that it was decorated with colour, but no traces are now discernible. These crossed-legged effigies are fairly common, though many have disappeared in comparatively recent times, for instance one at Sandleford Priory. There are examples remaining in this county at Hungerford, Inkpen, Sparsholt, Childrey, Wantage, Burghfield, and a miniature one at Long Wittenham.

(To be continued).

LENT WORK PARTY.

Mrs. Benyon's Lent Work Party will begin on Friday, February 7th, at 2.15 p.m. Mrs. Benyon thinks that it would be advisable that no mothers who have children at school should come at first, until it is certain that all traces of scarlet fever and mumps have gone from the parish.

HYMNS FOR FEBRUARY.

Purification of B.V.M. (February 2nd)	...	8.15 a.m.	527	312	466	318
		11 a.m.	9	210	450	520
		6 p.m.	38	449	173	231
Ash Wednesday (February 5th)	... ..	11 a.m.	90	492	92	
		7 p.m.	249	638		
1st Sunday in Lent (February 9th)	... ..	11 a.m.	88	490	528	
		6 p.m.	89	91	493	
2nd " " (February 16th)	... ..	11 a.m.	245	279	254	
		2.30 p.m.	103	104	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	94	251	263	
3rd " " (February 23rd)	... ..	11 a.m.	7	86	288	
		6 p.m.	244	408	95	

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To give us a deeper belief in the excellency and power of prayer."

Mrs. Skipwith, Hon. Secretary, Home Missions for Berkshire, wishes to acknowledge the sum of 3/-, placed in the Church box anonymously.

N.B.—The Friday Service, during Lent, will be held at 4.30 p.m. instead of 7 p.m.

ENGLEFIELD, MARCH, 1913.

BAPTISM.

“Suffer the little children to come unto Me.”

February 16th.—Olive Grace, daughter of William George and Ada Annie Horne (North Street).

BURIALS.

“Grant them, O Lord, eternal rest.”

February 6th.—William Day, aged 65 years.

„ 11th.—(At Theale) Edward James Stocker, aged 20 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (4th Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

5th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

9th (Passion Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

12th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service.

16th (Palm Sunday).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th (Monday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

18th (Tuesday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

19th (Wednesday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

20th (Maundy Thursday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Communicants' Guild.

21st (Good Friday).—11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, Ante-Communion and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

22nd (Easter Eve).—8.15 a.m., Mattins; 8.30 a.m., Ante-Communion.

23rd (Easter Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Annunciation B.V.M.).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

30th (1st Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—On Maundy Thursday the Quarterly Meeting of the Communicants' Guild will take the form of a Service of Preparation for the Easter Communion, to which all Communicants, whether members of the Guild or not, are invited.

On Easter Day the Sermons will be preached by Canon Petit, and the collections will be given to Home Missions.

RECTOR'S BIBLE CLASS.

The Prizes for year ending December, 1912, were awarded to George Claydon (1st prize), Charles Smyth (2nd prize).

THE SCHOOL.

Owing to the outbreak of scarlet fever, which entailed the closing of the School for a fortnight, the numbers attending School have been very much reduced. We hope, however, that the fever is now at an end, and that the attendance will consequently improve.

The Easter Holidays fixed by the Managers will commence at noon on Thursday, 20th March: the School will meet again on Tuesday, 25th March.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Rector and Mrs. Skipwith entertained the adult members of the Choir, as well as Mr. Palmer (Churchwarden), the Sidesmen, and Organist to Supper on Tuesday, 28th January. The evening, after Supper, was spent in music, varied by a guessing competition. On the following

evening the Ringers were entertained. Various games were played, to the accompaniment of tobacco, till 10.30 p.m., when all dispersed to their homes. The Choir boys to the number of 12, had their Tea on the following night, which seemed to be much enjoyed—two of the boys were unfortunately prevented from being present owing to fever precautions, however, owing to Mrs. Skipwith's forethought, they were not forgotten. Every kind of game was indulged in till past 9 p.m., when they retired homewards supplied with an orange and a bun to stave off the pangs of hunger till the morning!

LIGHTING OF THE CHURCH.

Those who attend the Church will have noticed the alteration in the lighting arrangements. Instead of the old burners which consumed an unnecessary amount of gas, incandescent ones have been installed. These give a splendid bright light, and during the hot weather the atmospheric conditions will be considerably improved. We are indebted to Mr. Benyon for defraying the cost, while the installation has been carried out under the personal supervision of Mr. H. S. Davis.

HISTORY OF ENGLEFIELD AND ITS CHURCH.—*Continued.*

To the west under the second arch is a wooden effigy of a lady. She is also lying on her back, with her head resting on a pillow. She has a curious head-dress fitting close to the head, and the wimple, the sign of widowhood, under the chin. She has a gown down to the feet, her toes just showing beneath, and a cloak to below her knees. Her hands are clasped on the breast. No doubt there was colouring on the effigy, not now discernible, but round the verge of the slab on which she is lying, all being part of the same block of wood, can be made out a diaper of small clusters of six berries in each. The effigy is 6ft. 4in. in length, and A. C. Fryer, F.S.A., considers it to represent a lady of the Englefield family and to date from about the year 1340. These wooden effigies are not very common, and the majority seem to date from the first half of the 14th century. There are five in Berkshire besides this one at Englefield, namely: of a lady supposed to be Anne, daughter and heiress of Thomas Neville, and married to Gilbert, son of Robert Bullock, who was living in 1336 at Barkham; of a cross-legged knight at Burghfield, early 14th century; and of a knight and two ladies, supposed to be Sir Robert Achard and his two wives, at Sparsholt, 1336 to 1350.

In the vestry is the old font, recently brought back into the church, after having for many years been allowed to lie about in a shed in the churchyard. It is low circular tub-shaped, with an arcade of eight rounded trefoil-headed arches on shafts (some have perished) round the bowl, with a rose on the spandril space between the head of each arch. An engaged roll runs round the upper rim and the base, the latter much mutilated. It is probably of early 13th century date coeval with the aisle, arcade and east window.

(To be continued).

HYMNS FOR MARCH.

4th Sunday in Lent (March 2nd)	...	...	8.15 a.m.	320	314	466	318
			11 a.m.	112	190	233	
			6 p.m.	197	249	545	
Passion Sunday (March 9th)	...	...	11 a.m.	97	512	258	
			6 p.m.	96	633	24	
Palm Sunday (March 16th)	...	...	11 a.m.	98	107	523	520
			2.30 p.m.	107	117	(Children's Hymn Book).	
			6 p.m.	99	172	519	17
Good Friday (March 21st)	...	...	11 a.m.	108	114	332	
			7 p.m.	120	263	109	
Easter Day (March 23rd)	...	...	11 a.m.	134	131	214	500
			6 p.m.	Hail Festal Day!			135 532 302
1st Sunday after Easter (March 30th)	...	...	11 a.m.	136	514	499	230
			6 p.m.	125	170	174	28

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To give us courage and perseverance in the holy practice of Prayer."

ENGLEFIELD, APRIL, 1913.

BAPTISM.

“One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.”

March 16th.—Annie May, daughter of Edward Warman and Helen Buckland.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

6th (2nd Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (3rd Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

20th (4th Sunday after Easter).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (S. Mark).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

27th (Rogation Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

28th, 29th and 30th (Rogation Days).—7 p.m., Evensong (with Reading).

EASTER DAY.

Contrary to all expectation, March 23rd—the earliest Easter Day that any of us living now will ever experience—turned out beautifully fine. The day began with a peal by the bell-ringers about 7 a.m. There were two Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, at 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m., both of which were well attended. At Mattins and Evensong sermons were preached by Canon Petit (Secretary, A.C.S.), and the collections throughout the day on behalf of Home Missions amounted to £10 14s. 5d. The Church had been beautifully decorated—the sanctuary with palms and arums; both altars were graced with harrissii lilies; the font was also very tastefully arranged with arums, stocks and schizanthus; the pulpit with daffodils, ribes and polyanthus; the decoration of the windows was confined to daffodils, making a very brilliant effect; the few primroses which were supplied, chiefly owing to the earliness of the season and inclemency of the weather, were grouped around the base of the font. Those who assisted in the work of decoration included Mrs. and the Misses Benyon, Mrs. Skipwith, Miss Nannette Skipwith, Miss Huxtable and Miss Wadds, while Mr. Wadds, as usual, was indefatigable in his efforts to make the House of God look as beautiful as possible.

EASTER VESTRY.

On Easter Monday the Annual Vestry Meeting was held, with the Rector in the chair. After the accounts had been read and passed, the Rector re-appointed Mr. Benyon as his Warden, and Mr. Palmer was re-elected as Parish Warden. The following were re-appointed as Sidesmen:—Messrs. H. S. Davis, J. H. Claydon, G. Parsons, H. Horne, and A. B. Wadds. The thanks of the Vestry, on behalf of the parishioners, were extended to Mr. Benyon for his generous contributions towards the expenses of the up-keep of the Church.

CONFIRMATION.

At S. Laurence's Church, Reading, on March 12th, the following from this parish were confirmed by the Lord Bishop of Oxford:—Dorothy Emily Golding, Winifred Ada Webb, Alan Charles Golding.

THE SCHOOL.

Mrs. Benyon presented the prizes (provided by the Berkshire Education Committee) on Friday, March 14th. The following were the recipients: Standard I—1st, Alice Joyce; 2nd, Stanley Golding. Standard II—1st, Ivy Cullum; 2nd, Stanley Davis. Standard III—1st, Albert Poccock; 2nd, Louise Rabbitts. Standard IV—1st, Mabel Pusey; 2nd, Muriel Harris. Standard V—1st, Cecil Golding; 2nd, Victor Cox. Standards VI and VII—1st, George Rouse; 2nd, Elsie Allen. In addition to the prizes (which consisted of books), various medals, clasps and bars were given for regular attendance.

WORKMEN'S CLUB (Communicated).

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Workmen's Club, on Monday, February 24th, 1913. The President (Mr. J. H. Benyon) took the chair, those present including the Rev. G. Gore Skipwith, Messrs. H. A. Benyon, H. Stanley Davis, O. A. Hopley, A. E. Robinson, W. Partlo, Ben. Webb, F. Cox, C. Cox, T. Harris, W. Treadwell, A. Buckland, H. G. Roberts, W. Clifton, F. Reid, J. Hurst, A. Baker, C. Fisher, etc.

The balance sheet for the year ending 1912 showed a balance in hand of £88 12s. 11d. against one at the commencement of the year of £79 1s. 4d.

The annual report showed that a very successful year had been spent; dances, smoking concerts, tournaments, had been much enjoyed by members and friends.

It was decided to have the billiard table re-covered and re-cushioned, also to expend £5 on new library books.

The election of officers resulted in the re-election of Messrs. W. Palmer (Hon. Treasurer), O. A. Hopley (Secretary), Messrs. A. E. Robinson and D. M. Davies (Hon. Auditors), and the retiring Committee-men Messrs. C. Fisher, F. Cox, A. Baker, and J. Hurst.

The Life-Boat box was sent round the room and on being opened was found to contain £1 3s. 1d.

The President said thanks was due to the Hon. Treasurer, Secretary, Caretaker, Hon. Auditors, and the Officers of the Club for the work which had been carried out during the year.

The meeting then closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the President which was responded to by all present.

CRICKET CLUB (Communicated).

The Annual Meeting of the Cricket Club was held in the Club Room, on Monday, February 24th, 1913, the President, J. H. Benyon, Esq., presiding, supported by the Rev. G. G. Skipwith and H. A. Benyon, Esq., and a very fair attendance of members.

The annual balance sheet and annual report were read. The former showing the satisfactory amount of £8 12 1d. to the good.

The prizes for batting and bowling were won by Mr. T. Cullum and Mr. S. Holloway respectively, and were presented by the Chairman.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, J. H. Benyon, Esq., Captain, H. A. Benyon, Esq., Vice-Captain, Mr. O. A. Hopley, Hon. Treasurer, Rev. G. G. Skipwith, Hon. Secretary, Mr. Ben. Webb, and the following Committee:—Messrs. H. Stanley Davis, A. Baker, L. E. Todd, A. E. Robinson, A. B. Wadds, E. Buckland, A. Buckland, T. Cullum, G. Claydon, J. H. Claydon.

It was decided to give batting and bowling prizes again to the value of one guinea (if the average be not less than twelve), and ten and six respectively.

Votes of thanks were passed to the President for the use of the ground and to Mrs. Benyon for her gifts of cokernuts and "houp-la" at the Harvest Home, and to the Rector for giving teas to visiting teams, to Mr. Wadds for mowing and rolling the ground, also to Mr. Cosburn for printing and presenting fixture cards, and to Mr. J. H. Claydon for preparing the pitches.

Matches are being arranged with the following Clubs:—Aldermaston, Oakfield, Basildon, Calcot, Whitechurch, Mortimer, Sulhamstead, and Boyn Hill.

HYMNS FOR APRIL.

2nd Sunday after Easter (April 6th)	8.15 a.m.	164	310	464	318
	11 a.m.	224	197	334	296
	6 p.m.	504	568	503	31
3rd Sunday after Easter (April 13th)	11 a.m.	547	266	281	545
	6 p.m.	225	265	541	12
4th Sunday after Easter (April 20th)	11 a.m.	599	516	229	511
	2.30 p.m.	124	44	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	137	290	264	234
Rogation Sunday (April 27th)	11 a.m.	527	539	228	383
	6 p.m.	166	339	230	391

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To call more labourers to gather in the ripening harvest."

ENGLEFIELD, MAY, 1913.

BAPTISMS.

“Suffer the little children to come unto Me.”

April 20th.—Sheila Mary, daughter of Robert Charles and Eleanor Ann Allen.

„ 20th.—Archie Noel, son of Ernest and Ada May King.

MARRIAGE.

“Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.”

April 10th.—At St. Peter's, Tadley, Alfred George Buckland of Englefield, to Clarence Rose Stacey of Tadley.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (Ascension Day).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong (with reading).

4th (Sunday after Ascension).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

7th (S. Philip and S. James).—7.45 a.m., Holy Communion.

11th (Whitsun Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral); 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (Tuesday in Whitsun Week).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

18th (Trinity Sunday).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (1st Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

Notes.—The alms on Ascension Day will be given to Universities Mission to Central Africa. The alms on S. Philip and S. James will be given to S.P.C.K. The alms on Whitsun Day will be given to National Society.

The Sermons on Whitsun Day will be preached by Rev. A. H. Ferris, on behalf of the National Society.

The Choral Eucharist will be celebrated on Whitsun Day instead of on the first Sunday of the month.

Children's Service will be held on Whitsun Day instead of on the third Sunday of the month. Whitsun farthing collection on behalf of the Bishop of Oxford's Fund.

The Rector expects to be away for Trinity Sunday. The services will be conducted by Rev. Marshall C. Vincent.

There will be no week-day services between Whitsun Tuesday and Friday Evensong on 23rd May.

Mrs. BENYON'S ENTERTAINMENT.

This Annual Entertainment, postponed owing to the outbreak of scarlet fever, was given in the Long Gallery on the afternoon of Saturday, 5th April. After a sumptuous tea had been disposed of, a conjuring entertainment was the order of the day. Very excellent it was, too, and much appreciated by adults as well as children—some of the tricks being almost uncanny. During an interval, a ventriloquial performance was given by the conjurer's assistant. The whole entertainment proved a great attraction, especially as it is now some years since a similar one was given. At the close Mrs. Benyon presented prizes for good conduct, to those who had earned them, and presents to the children.

Before “God Save the King” was sung, the Rector thanked Mrs. Benyon on behalf of all present and mentioned the regret that all felt at the absence of Miss Janes, who has the care of the infants, and especially for the reason which kept her away.

BIBLE CLASS.

During Mrs. Benyon's absence from home, her class will be taken by the Rector, with the exception of May 18th, in the Vestry at 2.45 p.m.

THE SCHOOL.

The Diocesan Inspector, Rev. R. de M. Nixon, visited the School on April 17th, and expressed much pleasure with the work—so much so that he gave us the highest mark, Excellent.

Report: “The inspection of this School was a real pleasure to me: it enjoys many advantages, and is evidently making good use of them: I am glad to be able to award the Special Summary Mark, a mark which is chiefly earned:—i. By the written work (one of the surest tests of the effectiveness of the teaching) which was distinctly above the average: the papers of the elder children being especially good. ii. By the infants, who were an excellent class in every way, their work reflecting the utmost credit, both on their regular teacher, as well as on the teacher who has had charge of them during the last few weeks.”

Bishop's Prize: Cecil Golding. *Certificates*: Victor Cox, Charles Cullum, Mabel Pusey, William Young, Ivy Cullum. *Commended*: I. George Rouse, Fred Webb, Annie Cully, John Young, Muriel Harris, Bertha Cox, Mildred Allen; II. Percy King, William King, William Nash, Percy Elliott, Alice Joyce, Mabel Clifton; III. (Infants) the whole class: The answering being so level and general that it is impossible for me to single out any children as being deserving of special commendation, without being unfair to the others.

HISTORY OF ENGLEFIELD AND ITS CHURCH.—*Concluded.*

Before we take leave of the interior of the Church, we cannot help drawing attention to the unfortunate manner in which the ancient memorials have either been shuffled about, or have been altogether removed, since Ashmole compiled his notes of the Church in the 17th century, besides the Brasses which were then existing, but no longer to be found, viz., (1) of a figure in civilian costume, and inscription to Philip Englefield, Lord of the Manor, who died in 1439; (2) of a civilian also in a gown with inscription to John Englefield, son and heir of Robert Englefield, who died 1464; (3) of a lady with only the first part of an inscription and date 1530; (4) of a lady kneeling with four daughters, and inscription to Susan, wife of Humphrey Burdet, and daughter of Thomas Englefield, who died in 1569. The large monument to Sir Francis Englefield, the first baronet, has also disappeared. The exterior of the Church has been almost entirely renewed. The buttress at the south-west angle is old, and built into it is a small square stone with a Maltese cross in alto relievo carved on it. This is probably with the piscina, a relic of the earlier Norman Church. The south doorway, within a porch, has been much renewed. It has a chamfered hoodmould, then on outer order a roll with pointed edge on the angle and hollow on either side. To this order is an engaged shaft with round capital. The inner order has an undercut roll on the face and engaged roll on the soffit of the arch, and an engaged roll on the angle of the jamb, with a series of dental shaped labels attached to it. This is of early 13th century date. At the west end of the aisle has been inserted a small doorway with chamfered hoodmould, an undercut roll on face, and engaged roll on soffit of arch, and a hollow on the angle of the jamb. The abacus is new. There is a chamfer stop on lower part of north jamb. The doorway is of the same date as that on the south but has been much renewed.

HYMNS FOR MAY.

Ascension Day (May 1st)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	150	175	174	147
				7 p.m.	220	146	148	
Sunday after Ascension (May 4th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	270	519	258	224
				6 p.m.	291	210	231	27
Whitsun Day (May 11th)	...	...	...	8.30 a.m.	474	310	470	318
				11 a.m.	Hail!	Festal Day	242	157 391
				2.30 p.m.	137	136	(Children's Hymn Book).	
				6 p.m.	532	210	215	604
Trinity Sunday (May 18th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	161	160	164	167
				6 p.m.	221	163	274	29
1st Sunday after Trinity (May 25th)	...	...	...	11 a.m.	261	352	528	396
				6 p.m.	273	260	379	23

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—“That we may take our due share in promoting the Spiritual welfare of the Empire.”

CRICKET CLUB.

The following fixtures have been arranged for May:—3rd, at Englefield, v. Basildon; 12th, at Englefield, v. Boyne Hill; 17th, at Whitechurch, v. Whitechurch; 24th, at Englefield, v. Aldermaston; 31st, at Englefield, v. Oakfield.

ENGLEFIELD, JUNE, 1913.

BURIAL.

April 30th.—Thomas Moore, aged about 73 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (2nd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

8th (3rd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (S. Barnabas).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

15th (4th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

22nd (5th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Nativity S. John Baptist).—7.45 a.m., Holy Communion.

29th (Festival S. Peter, 6th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY FESTIVAL.

The Annual Missionary Festival for the Oxford Diocese is being held this year at Oxford on Thursday, June 26th. An innovation will be a meeting on behalf of Medical Missions, to be held at the Assembly Room, Town Hall, at 8.30 p.m. on that day. Among the speakers will be Mrs. Summerhayes, formerly engaged in Medical Missions work at Quetta, India, and Dr. Graham Aspland, "the man who fought the plague" at Port Arthur during the Russo-Japanese War.

The Festival begins with a Celebration of the Holy Communion at the Cathedral at 8 a.m., and at the special Festival Service at the Cathedral at 11.45 a.m. there will be a sermon by the Bishop of Bath and Wells. In the afternoon, at 2.30, in the Sheldonian Theatre, the Bishop of Oxford will preside, and speeches will be given by Bishop Molony of Che-Kiang, Mid-China, and Canon Colley, of Newfoundland.

Those attending the Festival are invited to tea in the gardens or Hall of Trinity College immediately after this meeting.

At 5.30 the children of the Oxford Rural Deanery will perform a Missionary Pageant, in the grounds of Worcester College, or, if wet, in the Sheldonian Theatre. A charge for admission will be made to cover expenses.

Cheap return tickets for a 40-mile radius from Oxford will be issued by the G.W.R. and L. & N.W.R. on production of a voucher signed by one of the General Secretaries.

It is hoped that many from this Parish will take the opportunity of shewing their keenness for the over-seas work of the Church by attending the Festival. The Rector will be glad to give any information required.

The Executive Committee desire the earnest prayers of all Church-people for God's Blessing on the Festival, and suggests the use of the Collects for the 3rd Sunday in Advent, and the last Sunday after Trinity.

WHITSUN.

The weather during Whitsuntide was of a very varying order. The Saturday was fine and gave promise of a spell of glorious weather—but alas! our hopes were dashed, as the Sunday was showery and the Monday cyclonic.

The Church had been very prettily decorated by Mrs. Skipwith, Misses Margot Gilliat and Nannette Skipwith, though the brunt of the work was borne by Mr. Wadds and his willing staff. More had been done in the way of decoration than is usual at Whitsuntide, and the whole effect was very pleasing.

The Services consisted of a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m., and the Choral Eucharist at 8.30 a.m. This latter was better attended than we ever remember it, the music was very nicely and reverently sung: it is to be hoped that those who were present at it will show their appreciation by a regular attendance at it. At 11 a.m., Mattins, and at Evensong the preacher was Rev. A. H. Ferris, and the alms, amounting in all to £8 2s. 7d., were given to the National Society. At the Children's Service in the afternoon, a collection was taken of Whitsun-farthings, a very ancient custom just revived: the idea being that the children of the Church

should make a present to their Mother Church on her birthday—at this service 7s. 8d. was collected and sent up to the Bishop of Oxford's Fund. Throughout the day the ringers rang peals.

S. P. G.

The Rector will be obliged if those who have boxes will send them to the Rectory by the 14th June. A copy of the report for the year 1912 will be sent to all who have subscribed or collected 4s. during the last year.

SCHOOL NEEDLEWORK.

“At the request of Mrs. Skipwith on Thursday, 8th inst., I judged the needlework done by the school children of Englefield. Speaking generally the work was excellent, indeed it was no easy task to select for particular award. When all were so good, much credit is due to the teachers. I would however suggest button and button holes in preference to hooks and eyes on the pinafores and blouses as being much better for washing as well as excellent practice for what is a very essential part of dressmaking. Moreover, instead of cheap lace, which is sure to be spoilt in the first wash, would not feather-stitching in white flourishing thread be more desirable and look neater? The infants' work I thought particularly praiseworthy. I am told had it not been for illness in the school, the collection submitted would have been much larger. I regret the cause most sincerely, but personally am not sorry as, if the same standard of excellence had been maintained my task would have been even more difficult than it was.”

ADA B. WANKLYN.

DIVISION I. *Sewing*.—1 Mildred Harris, 2 Annie Culley. *Knitting*.—1 Elsie Allen and Mabel Stocker (equal). *Samplers*.—1 Mabel Pusey, 2 Louisa Rabbitts.

DIVISION II. *Sewing*.—1 Mabel Chandler, 2 Muriel Harris and Gladys Pusey (equal). *Knitting*.—1 Mabel Clifton and Mabel Pusey (equal), 2 Mabel Wells.

DIVISION III. *Sewing*.—1 Edith Nash, 2 Doris Fisher and Florence Rabbitts (equal), (commended) Hilda Horne. *Knitting*.—1 Dorothy Stocker, 2 Alice Joyce, (commended) Ethel Allen.

INFANTS. *Sewing*.—1 Agnes Baker, 2 Doris Boyd. *Knitting*.—1 Ellen Rabbitts, 2 Kathleen Harris. *Boys' Knitting*.—1 Harry Chandler, 2 George Joyce.

CRICKET NOTES.

The season opened in very cold and unseasonable weather on May 3rd, with a match on our ground *v.* Basildon C.C. The game ended in a win for the visitors who totalled 59 against our 22.

Unfortunately our annual Whit-Monday match against Boyne Hill was interfered with by the elements to such an extent that not a ball could be bowled.

On May 17th, we journeyed to Whitechurch and were rewarded by a satisfactory win—making 64 (of which E. Cox was responsible for 21) against our opponents 59. Lewis Vince bowled very well, getting 6 wickets for 23 runs.

The next match *v.* Aldermaston, played in the park on May 24th, also resulted in a win for us—a rare change, as we usually have to acknowledge defeat against this team who have a larger choice of players than we have. Lewis Vince again bowled well, getting 6 wickets for 20 runs, and Cullum took 3 wickets for the same number of runs. Score: Englefield 96 (C. Grant not out 25), Aldermaston 43.

Arrangements in June:—7th, *v.* Mortimer, away; 21st, *v.* Sulhampstead, away; 28th, *v.* Whitechurch, home.

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month: “That God will bless all Missionary efforts.”

V.A.D.

In beautiful weather the inspection of our Detachment took place on Saturday, 24th May, at Mr. Chillingworth's Farm, Bradfield. Colonel MacDonald was the Inspector and at the close paid a high tribute of praise to the work done: Admiral Fleet, the County Director, also spoke. It is very encouraging to those who have the cause at heart to find a body of men throwing themselves heart and soul into the work: and whether there be a war in our time in this country or no, they will have the satisfaction of knowing that their time has not been wasted, for they will have learnt a great deal that may be of use to them in the accidents of life.

Hymn List will be found in the Church Porch.

ENGLEFIELD, JULY, 1913.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

6th (7th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (8th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

20th (9th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Vigil of S. James).—7 p.m., Communicants' Guild Service.

25th (S. James).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

27th (10th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

On the last Sunday of the month, there will be collections throughout the day on behalf of the Bishop of Oxford's Fund.

THE SCHOOL.

The Summer Holidays have been fixed by the Managers to commence Friday, 1st August. The School will meet again on Monday, 8th September.

CHOIR OUTING.

The Rector is arranging the Choir Outing (to which the bell-ringers are invited also) for Tuesday, 29th July.

THE CHURCHYARD.

Once before I asked those, who have relations or friends buried in the Churchyard, to see that the graves are attended to by cutting the grass, &c.; a good response was then made—but I notice on going round the Churchyard that, though a few do take the trouble and the care to keep their friends' graves in order, a large number never touch them at all, but rely on the scythes of the mowers, who at rare intervals pay a visit to the Churchyard. Surely the least those, who are left behind, can do for the memory of those who have gone is to attend to their resting place. There are some buried here, who have left no friends behind them, could not some volunteer to keep those graves in order?

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The following books have recently been added to the Library:—The Rosary, *Mrs. Barclay*; Steamship Conquest of the World, *Fredk. A. Talbot*; The Card, *Arnold Bennett*; The Matador of the Five Towns, *Arnold Bennett*; The Life of Cecil Rhodes, 2 vols., *Michell*; The Old English Country Squire, *P. H. Ditchfield*; Anglo-Indian, *Alice Perrin*; The Queen's Peril, *Hugh Fraser*; The Man from the North, *Arnold Bennett*; The Common Law, *R. W. Chambers*; The Shoe of a Horse, *Christopher Stone*; An Adventure; The Search Party, *G. A. Birmingham*; Expiation, *E. P. Oppenheim*; The Way of an Eagle, *Dell*; Seems So! *Reynolds*; The Hero of Herat, *Maud Diver*; The Life of the Bee, *Maeterlinck*; Vice Versa, *Anstey*; The Dop Doctor, *Dehan*; Paddy, or the next best thing, *Gertrude Page*; Lady Elverton's Emeralds, *D. Conyers*; An Imperial Marriage, *A. Marchmont*; A State Secret, *B. M. Crocker*.

S. P. G.

The following boxes have been sent in:—Miss Barker, 2s. 10d.; Mrs. Claydon, 14s. 4d.; Mrs. James Cox, 1s. 9d.; Miss Deacon, 3s. 10½d.; Mrs. C. Fisher, 2s. 10d.; Mrs. James Martin, 3s. 0½d.; Mrs. Page, 14s. 5d.; The Rectory, £2 1s. 4½d.; Rectory Household, 4s. 9d.; Mrs. Smyth, 5s. 1½d.; Mrs. Treadwell, 3s. 2d.; Mrs. Yarlett, 3s.; Mrs. Wadds, 1s. 7½d.; making a total of £5 2s. 1½d. for the half-year, which amount will be sent up to Headquarters at the end of the year.

Though all the boxes have not been sent in, the amount is a decided increase on what we have had for the half-year before: this is very gratifying.

CRICKET NOTES.

Oakfield paid us a visit on May 31st, and returned home with a defeat against them. Our score was 70 of which H. Willcox and T. Cullum each made 17, while they totalled 42. L. Vince was again to the fore with the ball, securing 6 wickets for 17, while T. Cullum got 4 wickets for 22.

The next match—against Mortimer—played in the park on June 7th, proved most exciting. Mortimer made 70 (H. Carter 30), and we lost 6 wickets for 62, so there was the possibility of defeat, however in the end we reached 85 amidst much cheering: A. Baker and E. Buckland 18, and C. Grant 14 were top scorers. L. Vince took 8 wickets for 33 runs.

Now comes a sad falling off—Sulhamstead on their own ground defeating us badly on June 21st. We were got rid of for 16 runs, while our opponents made 79 (A. Lambden, not out, 29). Vince again bowled well, taking 7 wickets for 27 runs.

Fixtures for July:—5th, *v.* Basildon, away; 26th, *v.* Calcot, at home.

HYMNS FOR JULY.

7th Sunday after Trinity (July 6th) ...	...	8.15 a.m.	314	310	469	318
		11 a.m.	527	520	193	573
		6 p.m.	26	185	242	528
8th Sunday after Trinity (July 13th) ...	...	11 a.m.	4	514	550	281
		6 p.m.	29	260	209	12
9th Sunday after Trinity (July 20th) ...	...	11 a.m.	5	211	219	303
		2.30 p.m.	211	172	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	292	178	228	186
10th Sunday after Trinity (July 27th)...	...	11 a.m.	165	532	360	215
		6 p.m.	601	588	604	366

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That God will put it into the hearts of parents to train their children with respect to their duty towards the Mission field."

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

Members are reminded that there will be a Service on July 24th (the Vigil of S. James), at 7 p.m.

ENGLEFIELD, AUGUST, 1913.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

3rd (11th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

10th (12th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th (13th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (S. Bartholomew, 14th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

31st (15th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

On the Vigil of S. James (24th July), the office of the Guild was said, and an address on the *Eucharistic Sacrifice* was given by the Rector. There was a fair attendance, but we would remind members of the Guild of the second rule on their cards.

RED CROSS.

The Long Gallery was once more transformed into a hospital, on Saturday, 26th July, when the women of the Englefield branch of the V.A.D. turned up in full force for their inspection. Major Brackenridge, who inspected the men at Bradfield, in October, 1911, was present, and at the close gave an appreciative address on the work that had been done. Admiral Fleet, the County Director, as well as Mr. Walmesley (Secretary), and Mr. Haviland (Treasurer), were also present.

There were 8 patients to be attended to, and they were conveyed on stretchers by some of the men's detachment, who kindly volunteered their services. All were subsequently entertained to tea by Mrs. Benyon, the Commandant.

THE RECTOR.

The Rector expects to be away from the parish from the 5th to the 26th August. During his absence there will be no daily Service. The Sunday Services will be conducted by Rev. H. Kenney.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

During the holidays there will be no Sunday School after the 3rd August, though the Children's Service will be held, as usual, on the third Sunday.

WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The following books have recently been added to the library:—The Church and Life of To-day, *Essays*; The Edge of Beyond, *Gertrude Page*; The Straying of Sandy, *D. Conyers Paddy*, or the Next Best Thing, is out of print, so must be taken off the list given last month.

HYMNS FOR AUGUST.

11th Sunday after Trinity (August 3rd)	...	8.15 a.m.	320	314	469	318
		11 a.m.	4	247	173	167
		6 p.m.	540	182	512	528
12th Sunday after Trinity (August 10th)	...	11 a.m.	1	527	193	239
		6 p.m.	270	514	207	17
13th Sunday after Trinity (August 17th)	...	11 a.m.	9	183	516	176
		2.30 p.m.	190	269	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	261	175	290	25
S. Bartholomew (August 24th)...	...	11 a.m.	432	447	439	532
		6 p.m.	292	448	431	419
15th Sunday after Trinity (August 31st)	...	11 a.m.	197	265	520	258
		6 p.m.	194	280	216	276

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To deliver us from party spirit in the Church, and to heal our divisions."

CRICKET NOTES.

Whitchurch played the return match with us in the park on June 28th, when they avenged themselves for their previous defeat. Scores:—Englefield 36, Whitchurch 86. Lewis Vince bowled well for us, taking 6 wickets for 22 runs.

The next match was played at Basildon, on July 5th, *v.* Basildon C.C.; here again we suffered a somewhat severe defeat. Scores:—Basildon 113 (H. Norris, not out, 33), Englefield 36 (G. Claydon 12, L. Vince 11). Cullum took 6 wickets for 44 runs for us.

On 26th July, the first match of the season *v.* Calcot, was played on their ground. Owing to hard hitting by L. Vince, our score reached 94: the home team being dismissed for 79. Vince also bowled well, taking 4 wickets for 15 runs, Cullum 3 wickets for 26 runs, Fortune 2 wickets for 12 runs. Scores:—Englefield 94 (L. Vince 43), Calcot 79 (E. Shepherd 31).

Fixtures for August:—2nd, *v.* Sulhamstead, at Englefield; 9th, *v.* Calcot, at Englefield; 16th, *v.* Mortimer, at Englefield; 23rd, *v.* Oakfield, at Oakfield.

ENGLEFIELD, SEPTEMBER, 1913.

BURIAL.

“Jesus called a little child to Him.”

August 9th.—Frederick George Seymour, aged 14 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

7th (16th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (Harvest Home).—11 a.m., Service.

14th (17th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (S. Matthew).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

28th (19th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (SS. Michael and All Angels).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

HARVEST HOME.

The date fixed for this annual event is Thursday, September 11th. Service will be held in the Church at 11 a.m. The alms will be given, as usual, to the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

CHOIR OUTING.

Two days more unlike can scarcely be imagined than the one chosen this year for the outing and the day on which we journeyed to Portsmouth last year. A hurricane of wind and rain met us last year, calm and unceasing sunshine this; last year no small boats could live on the water, this year the sea was alive with them. The day fixed was Tuesday, July 29th, and an early start was made from the Club in two pair-horse brakes, which just comfortably held our party of 33. We drove to Mortimer and went thence by train to Southampton pier, where we took the boat for Cowes, which was reached about 12.10 p.m. Here we were met by Mr. H. S. Davis, who was armed with chocolates for the boys—a kindly thought on his part. The first business was to have dinner; this we consumed at the Royal Marine Hotel—a place which had been recommended to us by one of our party, doubtless, because it was a temperance hotel! After dinner, various attractions appealed to the company—some walked, some drove, some lazed, some bathed; one, however, of the latter discovered that sea water, taken in copious draughts inwardly, is apt to have disastrous results. Visits were paid to the shops, where presents were bought for those who had perforce to be left behind. Tea was the next item on the programme, but evidently the caterers had not been accustomed to Englefield appetites, for they opened their eyes as the continuous cry came, “More bread and butter, please!” At 6 p.m. a move was made to the pier and we boarded our steamer, and after our chief engineer had satisfied us that all was right with the engines, we steamed across to Southampton. On the way we were all much interested in a sea-plane which flew swiftly by us and then circled round and landed on the water, just like some large bird after its flight. Mortimer was reached at 9.30 p.m. and Englefield about 11 p.m., all having enjoyed their outing. It was a pleasure to us to have Mr. John Hayes with us again, though he has been prevented for some time from taking his customary place in the choir. Our best thanks are due to the Squire for defraying the expenses, and cheers were given for him on our arrival at the Club.

FRED SEYMOUR.

On August 5th, there passed away from our midst one who, though young in years, had been through much trial during the last eight months. Frederick George Seymour left school in August, 1912, and after a short spell of work developed a malignant disease which necessitated the amputation of one of his legs. All went apparently well with him until May, when he became paralyzed and lingered on showing wonderful patience for some three months. He was laid to rest in the Churchyard on Saturday, August 9th. Much sympathy has been shown to his parents in their loss of their youngest son, a most promising boy.

CRICKET NOTES.

On August 2nd we played our return match *v.* Sulhamstead, on our ground. This time we had our revenge for the disastrous beating they gave us earlier in the season. Vince, Cullum and Burtenshaw all batted well for us, while Vince's bowling was unplayable—he took 7 wickets for 12 runs. Score: Englefield 90 (L. Vince 26, A. Burtenshaw 22, Cullum 18); Sulhamstead 41 (C. Short 13 not out).

The following Saturday, August 9th, another victory was registered for us, *viz.*, Calcot. The two elder brothers Claydon opened our innings and scored 52 before being separated; Calcot were got rid of for 62. Vince again bowled well, taking 6 wickets for 21, while Cullum got 3 for 22. Score: Calcot 62 (E. Shepherd 15); Englefield 84 for 7 wickets (C. Claydon 28, J. Claydon 20 not out).

Alas! that is the end of the victories; we have now to chronicle two defeats.

On August 16th Mortimer beat us on their ground very decisively. They had a strong team and evidently meant winning. Their score amounted to 115; Vince took 5 wickets for 23, but no one else met with any success. Score: Mortimer 115 (H. Carter 26 not out, W. Shackelford 18); Englefield 56 (H. A. Benyon, Esq., 26, C. Grant 13).

The last match of this month was the return *v.* Oakfield. They, too, did not mean to be beaten, so had got together as strong a team as they were able; however, they only managed to win by 10 runs. Vince again proved what good form he is in this season with the ball, taking 5 wickets for 18 runs; Grant took 3 for 14. Score: Oakfield 63 (S. Price 17, Feltham 16, Palmer 16); Englefield 53 (H. A. Benyon, Esq., 17, C. Grant 18). In the second innings Oakfield scored 88 for 8 wickets.

September fixture:—6th, *v.* Aldermaston, away.

HYMNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

16th Sunday after Trinity (September 7th) ...	8.15 a.m.	315	259	469	318
	11 a.m.	178	280	193	519
	6 p.m.	180	255	233	216
Harvest Home (September 11th)	11 a.m.	381	382	379	
17th Sunday after Trinity (September 14th) ...	11 a.m.	261	224	388	258
	6 p.m.	601	38	198	386
S. Matthew (September 21st)	11 a.m.	3	420	615	437
	2.30 p.m.	373	378	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	268	614	541	439
19th Sunday after Trinity (September 28th) ...	11 a.m.	161	526	223	550
	6 p.m.	26	335	617	546

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"That it may please Thee to bless all those who are engaged in the Mission work of Thy Church in every place."

ENGLEFIELD. OCTOBER, 1913.

MARRIAGE.

“Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.”

Sept. 4th—Herbert Arthur Tidbury to Edith Annie Buckland.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

5th (20th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

12th (21st Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (S. Luke).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

19th (22nd Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

26th (23rd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

28th (S.S. Simon and Jude).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

HARVEST HOME.

Favoured by an exceptionally fine day, the Harvest Home was celebrated on 11th September. As usual, the proceedings began with a Service of Thanksgiving in the Church, when the sermon was preached by Rev. A. B. Mynors, Vicar of Mortimer. The Church had been decorated the previous day by Mrs. and Miss Benyon, Mrs. Skipwith and the Rectory children, Nurse Treadwell, and Miss Wadds, while as usual the brunt of the work fell on the shoulders of Mr. Wadds and his willing staff. Joyous peals were rung from the belfry both before and after the service. The collection on behalf of the Royal Berkshire Hospital amounted to £57 15s. 6d. This year the vegetables, fruit, bread, jam, etc., which had been sent as offerings, were divided between the Hospital and the Helena Nursing Home, and grateful letters of thanks have been received from both. After service the Temperance Band led the way up to the Long Gallery where was spread a feast fit for an alderman. When this had been done justice to, the Squire gave the toast of the King, which was loyally responded to. The Rector then proposed the health of the Squire, Mrs. Benyon, and their family—not omitting “Patch,” the latest addition. The Squire responded, thanking the Preacher and the Judges for their attendance. The vegetable show was, considering the weather, a creditable one, though the competition was small. Mr. Palmer exhibited a wasps' nest containing some 95 queen wasps. During the afternoon there was a variety of amusements, including the Band which discoursed sweet music, houpla, cokernut shies, performing dogs, bowling for a live pig, seesaws, a tug of war, which was won by the timber yard, etc. At a little before 5 p.m. the Band led the way up to the Long Gallery, followed closely by a herd of children all eager for their tea, at which they were joined by their mothers—the Long Gallery once more being crowded. After grace had been said the Rector said a few words, thanking Mrs. Benyon for all her many kindnesses; and an adjournment was made to the Terrace where prizes and presents were distributed to the children. Later on in the evening an entertainment of a high order was given in the Long Gallery by the Royal Windsor Glee Singers, who were very much appreciated. They also paid a visit to the Workmen's Club during the evening, where a miscellaneous concert was in progress. All the arrangements throughout the day were carried out in a most satisfactory manner, and great credit is due to Mr. Davis who was responsible for it all.

Amongst those who sent offerings to the Church were the following:—A. Baker, W. Cox, T. Dixon, S. Joyce, J. Bailey, C. Young, G. Rabbitts, G. Neighbour, G. Elliott, J. Martin, S. Willcox, H. Horne, W. Palmer, F. Holmes, C. Golding, T. Huggins, H. S. Davis, F. Reid, G. Yarlett, F. G. Pocock, J. Cox, J. Claydon, W. Treadwell, W. Chandler, F. Till, W. Partlo, T. Cox, T. Sparks, H. Martin, C. Fisher, B. Webb, O. Hopley, T. Harris, R. Allen, F. Webb, C. Cox, A. Harris, S. Briant, H. Groves, W. Allen, E. Lamperd, G. Parsons, J. Wells, W. Lewington, J. Hayes, W. Lamperd, T. Simmons, C. Rose, G. Nash, R. Absalom, W. Smyth, G. Mundy, J. Thame, E. G. Allen, Mrs. Bates, C. Cooley, G. Boyd, and W. Vince.

The following is the list of prizewinners at the Garden Show:—

DIVISION I.—LABOURERS. Garden—1 J. Wells, 2 Geo. Mundy, 3 Geo. Neighbour. Collection of Vegetables—1 J. Wells, 2 T. Simmons, 3 G. Mundy. Potatoes: Kidney—1 J. Norris, 2 S. Willcox, 3 J. Martin; Round: 1 S. Willcox, 2 H. Groves, 3 G. Mundy. Cabbage—1 Gid. Elliott,

2 H. Groves, 3 S. Willcox. Onions—1 J. Wells, 2 T. Huggins, 3 Geo. Neighbour. Runner Beans—1 Gid. Elliott, 2 T. Simmons, 3 J. Wells. Carrots—1 J. Wells, 2 Chas. Rose, 3 E. Lamperd. Turnips—1 J. Wells, 2 G. Mundy. Parsnips—1 J. Wells, 2 Chas. Rose, 3 G. Mundy. Marrows—1 G. Mundy, 2 Gid. Elliott, 3 J. Wells.

DIVISION II.—MECHANICS. Garden—1 R. Allen, 2 W. Chandler. Collection of Vegetables—1 W. Chandler, 2 R. Allen. Potatoes—Kidney: 1 W. Chandler, 2 H. Horne; Round: 1 A. Baker, 2 W. Chandler. Cabbage—1 W. Chandler, 2 H. Horne. Onions—1 Chas. Cooley, 2 R. Allen. Runner Beans—1 H. Horne, 2 R. Allen. Carrots—1 W. Chandler, 2 R. Allen. Turnips—1 A. Baker, 2 R. Allen. Parsnips—1 R. Allen, 2 W. Chandler. Marrows—1 A. Baker, 2 B. Webb.

DIVISION III.—GARDEN LABOURERS. Garden—1 E. G. Allen, 2 W. Lewington. Collection of Vegetables—1 W. Lewington, 2 E. G. Allen. Potatoes—Kidney: 1 H. Martin, 2 W. Lewington; Round: 1 W. Lewington, 2 E. G. Allen. Cabbage—1 J. Cox, 2 E. G. Allen. Onions—1 H. Martin, 2 W. Lewington. Runner Beans—1 E. G. Allen, 2 W. Lewington. Carrots—1 W. Lewington, 2 Chas. Cox. Turnips—1 E. G. Allen, 2 Chas. Cox. Parsnips—1 W. Lewington, 2 Chas. Cox. Marrows—1 E. G. Allen, 2 Chas. Cox.

Wild Flowers—Boys: 1 York Stocker, 2 Ernest Rose, 3 Harry Chandler; Girls: 1 Ethel Allen, 2 Ella Chandler, 3 Mabel Chandler. Queen Wasps—1 Cecil Wilcox, 2 Ben Webb, 3 J. Young. Cooked Potatoes—1 Mrs. Chas. Cox, 2 Miss Dixon, 3 Mrs. E. G. Allen.

BATHING.

During the season the baths have been well patronized—Mr. Claydon tells us that 1052 bathes have been taken.

MARRIAGE OF MISS BUCKLAND.

In the early morning of Thursday, 4th September, the marriage was solemnized between Mr. Herbert Arthur Tidbury, of Pangbourne, and Miss Edith Buckland, daughter of Mr. George Buckland, of Englefield. The Wedding was very quiet owing to the unfortunate indisposition of Mrs. Buckland. We understand that the bride, who has lived all her life in Englefield, was the recipient of numerous presents. We would wish the newly married couple all happiness and prosperity in their new life.

DEPARTURES.

Soon after these pages are printed the Parish will be the poorer for the loss of two who have been closely identified with it for some years.

Mr. E. P. WORTH, who has been in the Squire's employ for 38 years, as butler and steward, is retiring owing to ill health. He has taken a house in Reading so as to make a home for his daughter. In his capacity as House Steward he has been responsible for many a feast in the Long Gallery at which members of the Parish have been entertained and we are sure they will all agree in wishing him many years of happiness in his retirement.

Nurse TREADWELL, who has been in the Parish since March, 1905, is also giving up her work to live in Theale. It is not very long since we offered her our congratulations on her marriage: now we must express our sorrow at her departure. There are few in the Parish who have not, at one time or another, had occasion to make use of her services: they will all join in wishing her happiness in her new home.

RUMMAGE SALE.

A Rummage Sale will be held in the Englefield School on Saturday, October 25th, at 3 o'clock, in aid of the local branch of British Red Cross Society which includes the villages of Beenham, Englefield, Theale and Tidmarsh, so it is hoped that all interested in it will come and support it.

MISSIONS.

Petition for the Month—"To deepen our belief in the power of prayer, and help us to grow in the habit and practice of prayer."

Hymn List will be found in the Church Porch.

Cricket Notes held over till next month.

ENGLEFIELD, NOVEMBER, 1913.

BURIAL.

“Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest.”

September 27th.—Mary Martin, aged 64 years.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (All Saints Day).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

2nd (24th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

9th (25th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

16th (26th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

23rd (Sunday next before Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

30th (1st Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—On the 9th inst. (25th Sunday after Trinity), the Sermon in the morning and the Address at the Children's Service will be given by the Rev. E. H. Gomes, of Borneo. There will be collections at *all* Services on behalf of the S.P.G. Children's Service this month will be held on the *second* instead of the third Sunday.

VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENT.

We are asked to publish the following report:—“First Aid—very good. Home Nursing—very good; instructions have been full and well done, and knowledge is practical. Cooking—very good and fully developed. Sanitation—not tested; might well be made the subject of part of next year's inspection. This is a very keen and well organized and practical detachment. Uniform, tone and discipline, all excellent. Quarter-master's duties very well developed. Equipment and arrangement for supplies, etc., very complete.”

(Signed) F. J. BRAKENRIDGE, Major, R.A.M.C.

LANTERN LECTURE.

A most interesting description of a “Tour round Asia,” was given in the Long Gallery, on 15th October, by Miss Hunter. The slides, some of which were coloured, were extraordinarily good. The result of the lecture was that £5 1s. 6d. was handed over to the Berks Nursing Association.

RUMMAGE SALE.

The Red Cross Society (Englefield Detachment) is the richer by £30 as the result of the sale of old clothes, &c., held in the School on 25th October.

VILLAGE NURSE.

Nurse Croydon has been appointed in place of Nurse Treadwell. Unfortunately since her arrival on Friday, 17th October, she has been laid up with a sprained ankle.

NURSE TREADWELL.

As a token of respect and affection, a purse containing £14 16s. 9d. (collected by Mrs. Davis and Miss Barker), was presented to Nurse Treadwell on leaving the Village. The following contributed:—Mrs. Benyon, The Rector and Mrs. Skipwith, Mrs. Dobbie, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Claydon, Mr. and Mrs. Hopley, Mrs. Wadds, Mrs. Chandler, Mr. H. Martin, Mrs. J. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Vince, Mrs. Cooley, Mrs. F. Webb, Mrs. Pocock, Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Clifton, Mrs. C. Fisher, Mrs. F. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. B. Webb, Mrs. Rabbits, Mrs. Joyce, Mrs. R. Allen, Mrs. Briant, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Reid, Mr. and Miss Allen, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Smyth, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Lamperd, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Simonds, Mrs. G. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. T. Harris, Fire Station, Winnie Webb, W. A.,

Mrs. Annie Cook, Mr. and Mrs. G. Neighbour, Mr. and Mrs. Osmond, Miss Barker, Mr. Palmer, Mrs. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Absolam, Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. King, Mrs. W. Horne, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. Lamperd, Mr. and Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Stocker, Mr. and Mrs. Yarlett, Mr. and Mrs. Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. H. Horne, Mrs. W. G. Horne, Mr. and Mrs. Groves and Son, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Willcox, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell, Mr. and Mrs. Buckland, Mrs. E. Buckland, Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. Wiggins, Mr. and Mrs. Page, Mr. Thame, Mr. and Mrs. Newman.

Nurse Treadwell asks us to express her sincere gratitude for a gift which was as acceptable as it was unexpected. In her letter she says :—" I value the good wishes and the kindness that have always been shown me : it is a great wrench to give up my work, and I leave with sincere regret . . . it will be impossible to go and thank each one. Could you kindly put a few words in the magazine and tell them I value their goodwill and kind thoughts? I do not feel I deserve this generosity, and have only done my duty."

Mr. WORTH.

His many friends in the Village and the neighbourhood subscribed together and presented him with a purse of money which was handed over to him by Mr. Davis just before he left the Village for his new home in Reading.

TOY SERVICE.

It is hoped to have our annual Service on December 21st (4th Sunday in Advent).

CRICKET NOTES (Communicated).

The past season has been very even as regards the matches played, as out of fifteen matches arranged, seven were won, seven lost, one not played.

The wins were Whitchurch (1), Oakfield (1), Aldermaston (1), Mortimer (1), Sulhamstead (1), Calcot (2). The losses were Basildon (2), Whitchurch (1), Aldermaston (1), Oakfield (1), Mortimer (1), Sulhamstead (1).

We were sorry we could not play Boyne Hill, but owing to a very wet day the match had to be abandoned.

We are pleased to say the averages are better than last year, L. Vince doing well with both bat and ball.

Batting average for best seven innings :—L. Vince, 7 innings, 117 runs, average 16.71; T. Cullum, 7 innings, 80 runs, average 11.42; H. A. Benyon, Esq., 5 innings, 72 runs, average 14.4; H. Willcox, 4 innings, 44 runs, average 11; C. Grant, 7 innings, 75 runs, average 10.71; T. Fortune, 7 innings, 47 runs, average 6.71.

Bowling averages :—L. Vince, 285 runs, 69 wickets, average 4.14; T. Cullum, 339 runs, 33 wickets, average 10.27. No other member of the Club has taken 20 wickets.

HYMNS FOR NOVEMBER.

24th Sunday after Trinity (November 2nd) ...	8.15 a.m.	221	310	464	318
	11 a.m.	447	224	427	439
	6 p.m.	429	428	222	437
25th Sunday after Trinity (November 9th) ...	11 a.m.	4	193	362	360
	2.30 p.m.	311	315	(Children's Hymn Book).	
	6 p.m.	601	217	363	587
26th Sunday after Trinity (November 16th) ...	11 a.m.	474	514	230	533
	6 p.m.	478	547	520	566
Sunday next before Advent (November 23rd)...	11 a.m.	5	197	190	258
	6 p.m.	292	263	219	28
1st Sunday in Advent (November 30th) ...	11 a.m.	53	47	46	
	6 p.m.	630	403	448	

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month :—" That greater interest may be aroused in Mission Work."

ENGLEFIELD, DECEMBER, 1913.

CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (S. Andrew, transferred).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

4th (Thursday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

7th (2nd Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (Thursday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

14th (3rd Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th, 19th, 20th, Ember Days.

18th (Thursday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Communicants' Guild Service.

21st (4th Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Toy Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

22nd (S. Thomas, transferred).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

25th (Christmas Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 12 p.m., Holy Communion; 6 p.m., Evensong, Anthem and Carols.

27th (S. John Evangelist).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

28th (Holy Innocents).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong, Anthem and Carols.

N.B.—There will be a Celebration at 8.15 a.m., on Thursdays, 4th, 11th and 18th, in Advent.

On Christmas morning, Rev. H. Kenney will preach at the 11 o'clock Service. The Celebration at 12 p.m. will be a separate Service, and the bell will be rung before it.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

The Service will be held on Thursday, 18th December, at 7 p.m. All Communicants are invited.

S. P. G.

The Collection on November 9th, amounted to £9 12 3¼d. This, together with the proceeds of the boxes, will be sent up to Headquarters in December. Rev. E. H. Gomes (of Borneo) preached at the morning Service, and gave an address to the children in the afternoon. The Rector will be obliged if those, who have boxes, will send them to the Rectory by the 13th December.

CONFIRMATION.

The Bishop of Oxford has fixed Friday, March 13th, 1914, at 2 p.m., for a Confirmation for the parishes of Theale, Burghfield, Sulhamstead and Englefield, at Theale. Names of those who wish to offer themselves as candidates should be given in to the Rector without delay. The candidates themselves should give in their names, not their parents.

TOY SERVICE.

For the benefit of those, who are new to the parish, I would explain what this means. It is an offering of toys, as well as warm garments, from this well provided parish to a very poor parish in London. It is not intended *only* for the children, but offerings are willingly accepted from adults. They should be wrapped up in paper, with the name of the donor written *outside*, and brought (or sent) to the Church at 2.30 p.m., on the Sunday next before Christmas Day.

THE SCHOOL.

There has been a certain amount of illness, chiefly affecting the throats of the children, which has spoilt the attendance during this last term. So far, we have been fortunate in avoiding those epidemics which have attacked some of the neighbouring schools, causing them to close their doors. The holidays commence on Friday, 19th inst., at 12 p.m., and school re-opens on Monday, 5th January, at 9 a.m.

BOOT CLUB.

The cards for the year (Advent, 1913-14), will be distributed on 1st December. The Bonus (kindly given by Mrs. Benyon) is as follows:—6d. from 4 years old to 7; 1/- from 8 to 11; 1/6 from 12 upwards. Attention is drawn to the rules printed at the back of the cards.

NURSE TREADWELL TESTIMONIAL.

By some mistake, the names of Mr. and Mrs. Partlo, and Mrs. W. Nash, were omitted from the list of those who contributed to the above.

HYMNS FOR DECEMBER.

2nd Sunday in Advent (December 7th)	...	8.15 a.m.	217	319	466	318
		11 a.m.	304	52	532	
		6 p.m.	53	479	49	
3rd Sunday in Advent (December 14th)	...	11 a.m.	352	50	414	
		6 p.m.	355	193	46	
4th Sunday in Advent (December 21st)	...	11 a.m.	51	276	257	
		2.30 p.m.	340	341	(Children's Hymn Book).	
		6 p.m.	50	222	31	
Christmas Day (December 25th)	...	11 a.m.	60	61	329	
		6 p.m.	62	Anthem	Carols	59
Holy Innocents' Day (December 28th)	...	11 a.m.	69	331	482	337
		6 p.m.	330	Anthem	Carols	62

MISSIONS.

Petition for the month:—"To draw Church people to more systematic giving, both for the home and over-seas needs of the Church."