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NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF CLERGY AND CHURCH OFFICERS.

Vicar and Rural Dean : The Rev. E. LAMBERT, M.A., The Vicarage, Upper Bridge Street.
Churchwardens : Mr. M. J. R. Dunstan, M.A., Wye College. Mr. W. Lewin, Cumberland House.
Sidesmen : Messrs. W. J. Ashby, H. C. Chapelow, P. E. Clarabut, J. Dodd, G. H. Garrad,
C. Head, Junr., C. H. Hooper, H. W. Kersey, H. J. May and F. W. Slaughter.
Organist and Choirmistress : Miss Martin, L.R.A.M., A.T.C.L., 4, Rock Cottages, Wye,
and 20, Bank Street, Ashford.

Vergar and Sexton : Mr. John Pemble, Bridge Street, to whom all notices of Baptisms, Marriages, Churchings, and Burials must be given. It is particularly requested that notices of these events should be given in good time.

SUNDAY SERVICES—Holy Communion always at 8 a.m. ; also 1st and 3rd Sundays at 12 noon. Matins at 11. Shortened Evensong, or Baptism, with Catechising at 3 p.m. Evensong, 6.30 p.m.

☛ In cases of extreme sickness, Private Baptism and Holy Communion will be administered at any hour.

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CHURCH NOTICES.

On September 12th, and until further notice, Evening Service will be at 6 p.m. instead of 6.30. The Harvest Festival will be held on Sunday, September 26th, when the preacher morning and evening will be the Rev. Alan Campbell, M.A., of Folkestone. Gifts of fruit, flowers, etc. will be welcome, and should be brought to the Church by 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 25th.

OCCASIONAL NOTES.

An excellent concert was given by the R.A.M.C. in the College Gymnasium on Tuesday, August 3rd. There was a crowded and appreciative audience, and the net proceeds for the Corps Recreation Fund amounted to £7 17s. 6d. Programme:—Selection of popular choruses, led by the Field Ambulance Choir; Song, "Asleep in the deep," Pte. H. D. Tims; Quartette, "When evening's twilight," Q.M.S. Llewellyn, Ptes. Brooking, Kearns, J. W. Jones; Song, "When you come home," Lieut. J. Owen, Royal Welsh Fusiliers; Pte. Render described how he discovered the North Pole; Two songs from the Garden of Kama, (a) "Mahommed Akram's appeal to the stars," (b) "When love comes," Q.M.S. Llewellyn; Doxological dirge, "The night the old cow died," Pte. Cox; Chorus, "Tell her I love her so," Field Ambulance Choir. Interval. Pianoforte solo, selected, Lieut. W. R. Pierce; Song, "Fall in," Pte. Mahood; Banjo solo, selected, Pte. H. D. Mills; Humorous song, selected, Pte. Kearns; Magic manifestations, Hassim Bey (Pte. R. Martin); Song, "Maire, my girl," Pte. Flindt; Duet, "Don't we, Harold?" Q.M.S. Llewellyn and Pte. Kearns; Chorus, "In absence," Field Ambulance Choir. God save the King. Accompanists, Lieut. Pierce and Sgt. Readdy.

Wednesday, August 4th, being the *Anniversary of the Declaration of War*, was observed as a special Day of Intercession. There was a congregation of about sixty at noon, when the service authorised for January 4th was used, and some sixty or seventy came to the darkened Church at 9 p.m. The service, which it is hoped to repeat on September 8th and once a month later, consisted of devotional music, prayers, short lesson, National Anthem sung kneeling, intercession by name for those serving, Grace, martial music.

In the afternoon the members of the *Mothers' Union* were entertained to tea, games, etc., by Mrs. Gostling, who has, to the great regret of

many friends, now given up her house and ceased to reside in Wye. After tea, Mrs. Lambert, on behalf of the members, presented Mrs. Gostling with a crushed morocco case for letters and photo frame, referring gratefully to her interest in the Mothers' Union, and her unflinching sympathy and many acts of kindness which had endeared her to Wye people. Mrs. Lambert has kindly consented to act as Secretary for the Mothers' Union in Mrs. Gostling's place.

August 11th. Two presentations were made to Miss Bonfield to-day—first in the Infants' School the Vicar was asked to hand to her a set of silver tea spoons, etc., and then in the Thornhill School a china tea service from the Band of Hope children. Miss Bonfield was quite "taken aback" by the gifts and kind sentiments expressed about her. The following is the letter she wrote subsequently:—

"As it was impossible to thank individually the many friends and parents of the children who subscribed to the handsome presents (presented by the Vicar) before my departure from Wye, I feel I must, through the Magazine, tender my heartiest thanks to you all for the kind thought and appreciation of my work during the nine years I was amongst you. It was indeed a great surprise, and words cannot express what I felt when the presentation was made.

Though I am a good many miles away, my thoughts will often fly back to the children of Wye, whom I was very sorry to leave."

August 8th and 15th. Interesting sermons were preached at the morning service on these two Sundays by the Rev. F. O. Coop, Chaplain to the Forces, South Lancashire Division, and Vicar of St. Catherine's, Abercomby Square, Liverpool.

August 18th. Choir Trip. A party of eight adult members of the Choir, with the Vicar and Mr. Garrad, spent a very interesting day's outing at Folkestone and Dover. The weather was perfect, and the sea perfectly calm, so that an hour's run in a motor boat was enjoyed without interfering with anybody's digestion. One of our airships, like a great silver fish in the sky, was reconnoitring in the channel, torpedo destroyers and mine sweepers could be seen in the offing, and Canadian soldiers were making entrenchments; but otherwise the popular seaside resort was peaceful and affording healthful recreation to a good number of children, elder people and convalescent soldiers. After dinner at a restaurant in the town, we proceeded to Dover, and calling

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at the Missions to Seamen Institute were escorted by the Lay Reader, Mr. Hichens, on board a torpedo destroyer and a mine sweeper which had been under shell fire and suffered the loss of one man killed and two wounded. We were then welcomed at the Institute by Mrs. Bushell, who with her helpers, had provided a sumptuous tea, and after a walk about the harbour with all its war vessels coming and going, waterplanes, etc., we returned home feeling that our outing had been one of exceptional interest, and only regretting that all our friends had not been able to accompany us. Messrs. Tully and Slaughter and Mr. Harvey, who has so kindly taken Miss Martin's place during her month's holiday, were prevented by other engagements. At Ashford on the return journey a visit was paid to the Drill Hall in hopes of finding Private W. J. Ashby, but he was out on a night march.

August 24th. The Church was beautifully decorated with flowers for the marriage of Lieut. Christopher Bushell, of the Queen's Regiment, and Miss Rachel E. F. Lambert, the Vicar's elder daughter. Canadian soldiers who happened to be in Wye on manoeuvres and were interested in the bridegroom as a wounded officer passed as fit to return to the front, and R.A.M.C. men billeted in Wye crowded also into Church and heartily cheered the happy pair on leaving. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. W. Hobson, M.A., Chaplain Superintendent of the Mersey Mission to Seamen, brother-in-law of the bridegroom: and the bride, dressed in simple white dress, with wreath of orange blossom and myrtle, was given away by her father. The Psalm 128 and hymns 578 and 520 were admirably led by the Choir. Mr. Harvey, officiating at the organ in Miss Martin's absence, played the Wedding March from Mendelssohn, and our company of bell-ringers rang out merry peals when the bride and bridegroom left the Church and when they went away about 2.30. Mr. and Mrs. Dunstan kindly threw open their garden for an informal reception after the service.

The following is a list of Wye men serving at the front, besides those serving in the Royal Navy and those connected with Wye College:—

Private T. Amos, 7th Buffs.
 Private L. Amos, R.A., Dardanelles.
 Sergeant A. Basson.
 Private A. Catt, 7th Buffs.
 Private T. Croucher, The Buffs, wounded.
 Sergeant-Major Dadd, R.F.A.
 Private A. Darrell, 1st Buffs.
 Lance-Corporal G. Darrell, 7th Buffs.

2nd Lieut. J. C. W. Erle-Drax, Rifle Brigade.
 Lieutenant E. C. Dunstan, 7th Buffs.
 Private F. Edenden, 7th Buffs.
 Private P. Greenstreet, Prisoner of War.
 Private H. Hall, Transport.
 Private G. Hollender, Royal Engineers.
 Private F. Huckstepp (wounded), Canadian Contingent.
 Private Stanley Jordan, R.A.M.C.
 Private F. King, 7th Buffs.
 Lieut. J. E. H. Lambert, 4th King's African Rifles.
 Sergeant F. Lusted, 7th Buffs.
 Private E. Pemble, 6th Buffs.
 Private F. Pemble, 6th Buffs.
 Private W. Springett, Kent Cyclist Corps.
 Private H. Sutton, 6th Buffs.
 Corporal A. H. Swaffer, R.A.
 Sapper C. Tippen, R.E.

G. W. Reff, Royal Marines, wounded at the Dardanelles, is in the Royal Naval Hospital, Chatham, making slow but satisfactory progress towards recovery.

The Vicar will be glad to hear of any additions or alterations that should be made in this list.

A PRAYER FOR ONE GOING INTO ACTION.—
 Almighty Father, Who hast given me my life and preserved it, I commit myself to Thee this day. Help me to do my duty in life or in death. Bless those near and dear to me; and pardon all my sins, for Christ's sake.—Amen.

CHURCH COTTAGE CLUB.

This institution which, for twenty years past, has served a most useful and good purpose, has for some time been at a very low mark, and since last January, when it was let as a recreation room for the troops then stationed in Wye, has not been opened for the use for which it was originally designed, viz., a Village Club or Institute.

The matter has been a source of grave anxiety to the Committee which has met on several occasions faced with the prospect of being obliged to close. Finally, however, it has been decided to try and keep the Club going so that when its old members (many of whom have gone to serve their country) return, they may find a comfortable meeting-place where they will be able to renew old friendships, and enjoy once more that social intercourse which was so pleasurable to them in the by-gone days.

To carry out this very desirable object, support in different ways is urgently required, and as

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there will be monetary risks subscriptions will be acceptable and most gratefully received. But the best help is probably from regular membership, and therefore to all old members an earnest appeal is made to renew their acquaintance with the Club, and to try and bring new members in.

It is hoped that a re-opening will be made very shortly, and that various events may be arranged to keep up a lively interest in the institution.

The Honorary Secretary is Mr. C. Head, jun., Scotton Street, who will be pleased to receive subscriptions or the names of any wishing to join.

BELGIAN REFUGEES.

A public meeting was held in the Church House on August 26th to receive the report of the Belgian Committee. The Treasurer stated that he had a balance in hand of £6; that the monthly receipts were roughly £18, and the monthly expenditure about the same amount. The number of Belgians supported by the subscribers was now only ten, and the expenditure had consequently been considerably curtailed; but unfortunately the number of subscribers had also fallen off very seriously during the last few months, so that the receipts barely met the expenditure.

These ten Belgians have to be supported entirely with food, clothing and houses, and the meeting was unable to suggest any way in which the cost, which only amounts to 9s. per head per week, could be reduced. With the winter coming on and the consequent increased cost of clothing, firing and lighting, the financial position is becoming a critical one, and if the number of subscribers continues to fall off the expenditure will very shortly exceed the receipts. If there are any new subscribers in Wye who would like to come forward and help to support our Belgian friends, who have now been exiled from their own homes for more than twelve months, they will be welcomed by the Committee. Those who have shouldered the burden so far have done well, and more than their share. One hundred and forty subscribers have contributed more than £250. The original one hundred and forty are now reduced to seventy. Will not others come to the rescue?

WYE COTTAGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting was held on August 11th. A special feature at this meeting was a grand display of sweet peas in competition

for Messrs. Dobbie's prize of a gold medal for which there were nine competitors. Mr. A. E. Alchin, of Kennington, was the successful member. Other prizes from monies collected at this meeting were awarded as follows:—Mr. Burchett 2nd, Mr. T. W. Harling 3rd, Mr. J. Chittenden 4th. Special prizes were also awarded for runner beans and peas in both Amateurs' and Cottagers' Classes. *Amateurs*, beans, 1st, J. Chittenden; 2nd, E. V. Burchett; 3rd, A. Mills. *Cottagers*, beans, 1st, S. Allard; 2nd, G. Newport; 3rd, T. W. Harling. Peas, 1st, G. Hollands; 2nd, A. Warman; 3rd, G. Newport.

Points were awarded as follows:—Messrs. J. Catt 55, Warman 35, Butcher 28, G. Newport 22, T. Dodd 3, G. Woodstock 3, T. W. Harling 18, A. Mills 18, S. Allard 16, T. W. Burchett 13. The judging at this meeting was satisfactorily carried out by Walter A. Wright, Esq., to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded.

WYE COLLEGE NOTES.

News of the following additions, promotions and casualties to former students and staff now in H.M. Forces, have been received during the month:—

Alford, Corpl., 6th Australian Light Horse.
Allen, B., 2nd Lieut., Indian Army Reserve.
Arnold, T. W. W., 3rd Batt. East Kent Regt.
Baddeley, P. K., 2nd Lieut., Royal Sussex Regt.
Birkett, H. W., Sergt., 48th Batt. Canadian Contingent.
Campbell, Hon. I. M. C., Major, 2nd Lovat Scouts.
Cannon, P. W. J., 2nd Lieut., 4th Batt. Lincolnshire Regt.
Chaytor, A. H., (Governor of College), Capt., 8th Batt. London Rifles.
Chesney, C., Indian Army.
Clark, E. A. McK., 2nd Lieut., 52nd Brigade R.E., and Signalling Officer.
Cocks, J. F., Qr.-Mr.-Sergt., 1st Batt. Hertfordshire Regt.
Corry-Smith, W. B., Lce-Corpl, East Kent Motor Cyclists.
Day, G. S., 2nd Lieut., 4th Batt. King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
Dowdell, H. B., 15th Batt. County of London Regt.
Field, C.S., Lieut., West African Field Force.
Fox, F. M., Sub-Lieut., Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve; attached R.N.A.S.
Furley, R. B., 2nd Lieut., 5th Batt. Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry.

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Gibson, C. M., 2nd Lieut., Black Watch.
 Giffard, E. H., 2nd Lieut., Royal Garrison Artillery.
 Gordon, C., 2nd Lieut., London Regt.
 Gregory, E. H., 2nd Lieut., 3rd Batt. Suffolk Regt.
 Hicks, G., 2nd Lieut., 7th Royal Dublin Fusiliers.
 Hoar, C. D., London Rifle Brigade.
 Holyman, L. E., Lce-Corpl., 5th Batt. East Kent Regt.
 Jameson, R. S., Duke of Edinburgh's Own South African Rifles.
 Jones, F. O., Motor Cyclist, British Red Cross Society.
 Kipps, G. S., Inns of Court O.T.C., (Cavalry Section).
 Letchworth, A. G., 2nd Lieut., 3rd Batt. Dorset Regt.
 Lilley, E. S. Artists' Rifles.
 Marten, E. R., Lieut., Glamorgan Yeomanry.
 Mizen, E. E., 2nd Lieut., 9th East Surrey Regt.
 Nicholson, W. A., Lieut-Colonel, Royal Field Artillery.
 Parkin, A. D., 2nd Lieut., Sherwood Foresters.
 Patterson, J. K. P., 2nd Lieut., 11th Batt. East Surrey Regt.
 Rammell, J. H., 31st Batt. Canadian Expeditionary Force.
 Reeve, C. d'A. E. W., 2nd Lieut., Royal Flying Corps.
 Reid, M., Captain, Army Veterinary Service.
 Ritchie, J. N., 2nd Lieut., 4th Howitzer Brigade R.F.A.
 Seon, A.A., 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles.
 Shepherd, A. G., Sergt., 5th Batt., East Kent Regt.
 Sherwin, C. J., Canadian Engineers.
 Spickernell, R., 2nd Lieut., R.N.A.S.
 Stayner, J. W., 2nd Lieut., Indian Army Reserve.
 Steane, F., Corpl., 12th Batt. 1st Canadian Expeditionary Force.
 Sterry, F. M., Lieut., Royal Field Artillery.
 Stokes, N., Inns of Court O.T.C.
 Swinford, J. O., Colesberg Hanover Mounted Rifles.
 Wachter, L. F., 2nd Lieut., Howitzer Brigade, R.F.A.
 Wellington, R., 2nd Lieut. 4th B. Reserve Brigade, R.F.A.
 White, L. W., Chemist, R.E.
 Wood, C. A. H., Lce-Corpl., 5th Batt. East Kent Regt.
 Woodman, A. G., 10th Batt. Devons Regt.
 Woodruffe, A. H., South African Field Force.
 Yonge, G. E. H., 2nd Lieut., Indian Army Reserve.

CASUALTIES.

Atkinson, W. E. G., Captain, 9th Batt. Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, killed August 6th, 1915, at the Dardanelles; was at College 1900-02.
Boyle, C. N. C., 2nd Lieut., 5th Batt. Rifle Brigade, wounded July, 1915; at College 1908-12.
Cole, A. P., 2nd Lieut., 131st Battery Royal Field Artillery; severely wounded at Ypres May, 1915; at College 1911-12.
Fairbairn, A. H., 2nd Lieut., 3rd Batt. Royal Irish Regt., died of wounds on June 5th, at Oost-Nieuwerkerke; at College 1910-13, and on College Research Staff at commencement of war.
Gordon, C., 2nd Lieut., London Regt., wounded March, 1915; at College 1911-12.
Greig, J. G. N., 2nd Lieut, 6th Batt. East Kent Regt., died of wounds August 1915; at College 1912-14.
Hardy, R. M., Captain, Rifle Brigade, killed July, 1915; at College 1906-08.
Hicks, G., 2nd Lieut., Royal Dublin Fusiliers, wounded August, 1915.
Powell, C. B. D., Kent Cyclists' Batt., invalided May, 1915; at College, 1909-10.
Simon, E. C., Captain, 5th Batt. Lancashire Fusiliers, killed August, 1915; at College, 1906-08.
Warner, G. M., 2nd Lieut. 60th Rifles, wounded August, 1915; at College 1911-14.

An unauthorised and inaccurate statement appeared in the *Kentish Express* of August 27th reporting that Messrs. Giffard, Hoar and Patterson had been killed. We are glad to say that all of these are alive and well.

The Right Hon. Lawrence Hardy, M.P., has been appointed a Governor of the College by the Kent County Council.

The College Autumn Term commences on Monday, October 4th.

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