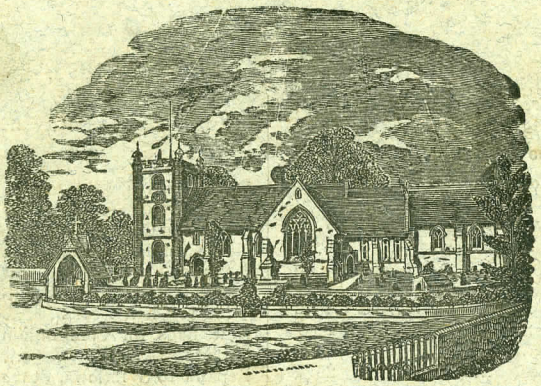
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BAPTISMS.

Feb. 1.—Archibald, son of James William and Mary Ann Balls, Goddards.

„ 1.—Phyllis Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Arthur Charles and Agnes Webb, Moor Common.

„ 8.—Annie Elizabeth, daughter of James and Maria Austin, Frieth.

„ 8.—Frederick William, son of Susan Cook, Greenwood Cottages.

„ 15.—Walter, son of Philip and Harriet Harman, Southbrook.

„ 15.—Minnie, daughter of George and Edith Jane Higgs, Hambleden.

„ 15.—Ethel Jane, daughter of Arthur George and Annie Archer, Millend.

It is a long time since we have passed 4 weeks without a "burial." This is the first Magazine for many months that has not recorded any burial, and it is the more remarkable because the death rate in February usually exceeds the monthly average. We trust that the health of the parish will continue—as it is at present—satisfactory, and that 1891 will, in health, more than make up for the sickness of 1890.

FRIETH CHURCH ACCOUNT, 1890.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Jan., 1890.			
Balance in hand... ...	0	3	9¾
Offertory Collections:			
January	1	16	9½
February...	1	16	2½
March	1	18	2½
April	2	6	6
May...	1	16	11½
June	2	4	2
July	2	1	1½
August	2	6	10
September	2	2	0
October	1	17	1¾
November	1	16	2
December	1	18	9
	24	4	8
DEFICIT	11	15	11½
	£36	0	7½

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Organist	10	0	0
Sexton...	5	10	0
Caretaker	4	11	0
Oil for Lamps, &c.	1	5	5
Coal and Coke	3	19	0
Repairs to Communion Plate	1	18	6
New Matting and Carpet ...	1	10	3
Ewer for Font	0	5	0
Blowing Organ and attending to Choir Books ...	1	0	8
New Bags for Communion Plate	0	9	0
Repairs to Windows, Stove and Flues	1	0	0
Washing Surplices, Communion Linen, &c. ...	1	5	1
Tuning American Organ for Choir Practices	0	10	0
Fire Insurance Premium ...	1	13	0
Candles	0	4	4
Brushes, Flannel, &c., &c.	0	19	4½
	£36	0	7½

We publish, according to promise, a full statement of the Frieth Church Account for the year ending December 31st, 1890.

It will be seen at a glance that £12 is required to make a balance to the good. We sincerely hope that the Laity in the parish—Frieth *is part of the parish, and not a separate Ecclesiastical district dependent upon its own resources*—will help to pay this most unsatisfactory debt. There has been no extravagance, as the Account

will prove, but Frieth is a poor district, and the fact is plain that under existing arrangements the necessary funds cannot be raised without a special appeal to Church people *generally* in Hambleden parish to assist. We cannot suppose for a single moment that the money will not be forthcoming to help Frieth Church out of its difficulty, but we most sincerely wish that it were not necessary to *beg* in this way every year.

Contributions may be paid to the Rector, or to Mr. J. Toovey, Parmoor.

COAL CLUB.

Those who wish to pay in for Coal must begin on the last Monday in March. The payment is One Shilling each month until October. As Mechanics are not allowed to belong to this Club, the Rector is willing to take charge of any payments made by them during the same period of time, from One to Two Shillings per month (for 8 months), and will give them a ticket accordingly at the beginning of November. A strong wish has been expressed that a Club might be formed for Mechanics, even if no "bonus" can be given on their "deposits," as it will enable them to pay for their Coal in advance during the summer.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER.

Before another Magazine is published, Holy Week and Easter will be here. We hope that they will be duly observed by all Church people, and that Communicants will remember the Church of England expects them to "Communicate" on that High and Holy Festival which is the yearly commemoration of our Blessed Lord's Resurrection.

See Rubric at the end of the Holy Communion Service.—"And note, that every Parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one."

HAMBLEDEN WORKING MEN'S INSTITUTE.

Account for Quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1890.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand, Oct. 1, 1890	8	7	4
Honorary Subs. already paid	7	0	0
Ordinary Subscriptions ...	2	6	8
Waste Paper (sold)	0	1	5
	£17	15	5

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Care-taker, Oil for Lamps, &c., &c.	5	12	7
Coal	2	10	0
Newspapers	0	16	0
Fire Insurance	0	7	0
	9	5	7
Balance in hand	8	9	10
	£17	15	5

COFFEE AND COCOA ACCOUNT.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand, Oct. 1, 1890	2	13	9
Receipts for Quarter	1	13	3
	£4	7	0

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Expenses for Quarter	1	4	0
Balance in hand	3	3	0
	£4	7	0

The above Account may be deemed satisfactory. We hope for some more honorary subscriptions before long, as many who supported the Institute last year have not yet paid their subscriptions this year. We shall probably want all our money later on as a great deal will have to be done in the way of cleaning and whitewashing, which has been made absolutely necessary by the smoke.

MEDMENHAM.

BAPTISMS.

February 1st.—James Munday.
" " Joseph William Jacobs.
" " Frederick William Russell.

BURIAL.

February 12.—John Franklin, of Woodend Farm, aged 60.

The loss of one of the employers of labour makes a great change at all times in a Parish. At such time we can only hope that the change will soon be succeeded by a renewal which will cause matters to settle down again. But in the present instance we are very sorry to lose Mr. Franklin and to think of the sorrow that has fallen upon his family. Mr. Franklin's illness was a long and painful one. At times we had hopes of seeing him once more restored to health, and then again he relapsed. The greatest sympathy is felt for Mrs. Franklin and her sons.

The Lenten Week-Day Services are, so far, extremely well attended. A little change has been needful in the list of Preachers, but that was through other engagements quite unavoidable.

It is with unmixed satisfaction that we are able to announce the complete payment of all expenses connected with the new heating apparatus of our Church. This happy issue is due to the beneficence of G. T. Treherne, Esq., who has always taken the greatest interest in our Church and locality. Disappointed as he was in his kind intention of erecting some Jubilee Memorial in our Church, he then took up the more urgent scheme of warming the Fabric; the upshot of which is that he has sent the Vicar a cheque for £20.

After the above paragraph, it is most distasteful to put down a word in favour of "holding out the hand to receive" once more—but to put the matter as it only ought to be put, we really cannot help it. H.M. Inspector ordered the re-painting and re-cleaning of our School Room. It was done last August by Messrs. Wellicome. It was a matter of faith that funds would be forthcoming to meet a compulsory expenditure. The funds have not yet appeared. We want no less than £8 13s., and this ought to be found at once and *must* be found before the approaching audit of the School Accounts for the year.