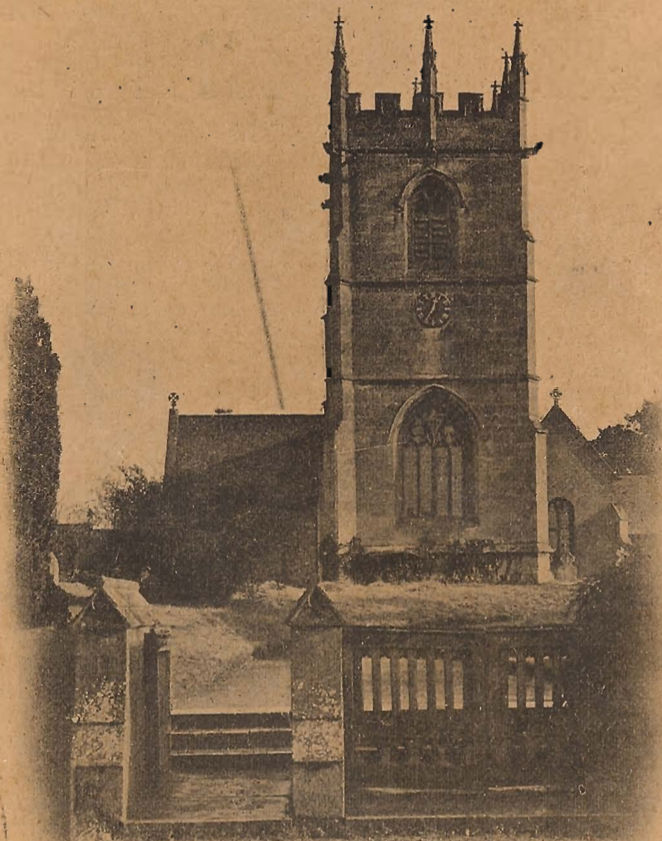


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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Last year we had to record a falling off in the amount collected for Foreign Missions by means of missionary boxes, but the deficiency was more than made up by a considerable increase in the collections on Advent Sunday. This year, although the boxes have produced rather more than last year, the collections have amounted to considerably less, so that, although on two special occasions the alms were devoted to missions, our two parishes show a waning zeal in what should be the Church's main business. True, we are only 7s. 2½d. behind last year's total, but—"these things ought not so to be."

Below we give particulars of the year's contributions.

BADSEY.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
For S.P.G. :—						
Collections Advent Sunday	1	0	0¼	1	0	0¼
Boxes :—						
Miss Brown Constable ...	0	1	8½			
Mrs. E. Knight ...	0	3	7			
Mr. Leveratt (the late) ...	0	5	0½			
Mrs. Mustoe ...	0	5	3			
Mrs. E. Mustoe ...	0	0	6½			
Mrs. Orchard ...	0	0	5			
Miss D. Sharpe ...	0	1	7½			
Mrs Sladden ...	0	6	8¼			
The Vicarage ...	0	4	6½	1	9	4½
Total for S.P.G				2	9	5

For Lebombo :—						
Alms March 15 ...	0	4	4½			
„ November 1 ...	0	5	1			
Collections Advent Sunday	1	0	0	1	9	5½

Boxes :—						
Mrs. Bennett ...	0	1	9			
Mr. W. Jelfs ...	0	2	0			
Mrs. H. Kelland ...	0	2	7½			
Mrs. J. E. Knight ...	0	5	6			
Miss McDonald ...	0	3	5½			
Mr. Pendlebury ...	0	3	3			
Mrs. Stanford ...	0	1	11	1	6	2½

Total for Lebombo	...	£2	15	1
		£5	5	1

WICKHAMFORD.

For S.P.G. :—						
Collections Advent Sunday	0	5	10	0	5	10

Boxes :—						
Mrs. Hartwell ...	0	1	0			
Mrs. G. Pethard ...	0	4	3¼	0	5	3¼
Total for S.P.G.				0	11	1¼

For Lebombo :—						
Collections Advent Sunday	0	5	10	0	5	10

Boxes :—						
Mrs. G. Agg ...	0	2	6			
Mr. W. Taylor ..	0	2	1	0	4	7

Total for Lebombo	...	£1	1	6¼
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Total contribution from both parishes £6 6s. 7¼

CHRISTMAS.

The most cheering feature in the Christmas-services was the large number of communicants as compared with that of last year, the total increasing from 104 to 128. This total was made up as follows :—

	BADSEY.	WICKHAMFORD.
Xmas Day ...	89	12
Other days in Octave	17	
Private Communions	5	5
	111	17
	128	

The services at both churches were bright, and the singing at the choral celebration at Badsey was better than usual. The anthem at Badsey was "Glory to God," by S. C. Cooke, and at Wickhamford the choir gave a creditable rendering of Simper's "We have seen His star." Flowers and evergreens were given by Mrs. Ashwin, Mr. Binyon, Mrs. Hands, Mr. J. Marshall, Mr. Richards, Mrs. Foster and the Vicar, and the decorations were the work of Mrs. Hands, Mrs. H. Keen, Miss Holmes, the Misses Orchard, Miss Jelfs, Miss E. Knight, Miss E. Sladden, Miss M. B. Sladden, Miss Sparrow, Mrs. Hartwell, Mrs. Walters, Miss Pethard and Miss F. Pethard.

PRIZE DAY AT THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School prizes were distributed by the Vicar on Sunday, December 29th. At Badsey the distribution took place at the Old School at 4.30, and at Wickhamford, in the Parish Church, immediately before the close of the afternoon service.

The following is the prize list :—

BADSEY.

Class Prizes.

Boys.

- Class I.
1. Frank Jelfs.
 2. W. Agg.
 3. T. Warmington.
 4. Not awarded.

- Class II.
1. Albert Keen.
 2. Arthur J. King.
 3. W. Barnard.
 4. C. Agg.

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INFANTS.

A. Wheatley.
Edmund Jelfs.
E. Wilkins.
Martin Agg.
C. March.
F. Dore.
Eric Jelfs.

GIRLS.

Special Prize E. L. Crisp
Class I. 1. Gladys Ballard
 2. Helen Agg
 3. W. Warmington
Class II. 1. May Ballard
 2. Mary Jelfs

INFANTS.

M. March.
H. Grove.
R. Nightingale.
E. Agg.
M. Perkins.
N. Crisp.

Attendance Prizes, given by Mr. Mustoe.

Boys. F. Jelfs }
 Albert Keen } Never absent, never late.

GIRLS. Gladys Ballard, never absent, late once.
 M. Jelfs, absent once, never late.

Vicar's Prizes for Attendance and Conduct were awarded to E. Wilkins, G. Nightingale, M. Moisey, M. Teal, R. Nightingale and F. Moisey.

WICKHAMFORD.

BOYS.—A. Cox, F. Cox, W. Cox and P. Hartwell.

GIRLS.—M. Westwood, V. Pethard, E. Pitman, R. Halford and E. Baylis.

INFANTS.—Alice Cox, I. Baylis, E. Hacklett, H. Westwood, E. Bettridge.

Mr. Mustoe has very kindly promised to give a prize annually to each senior boy and girl at Badsey who receives full marks for attendance.

NOTES AND NEWS.

In the death of George Halford, on Friday, November 29th, there passed to his rest one of those good old-fashioned Christians who know their Bibles and love their Church, and by the loss of whom we, as a Christian community, are so much the poorer. Preaching on 'The Bible' on Sunday, December 8th, the Vicar said, "I stood

by the bedside of the dying a few days ago, and there the claims of the Bible were once more vindicated. We all profess to read our Bibles, but few read them to as good purpose as did George Halford, who passed away the other day. As you all know, he very seldom missed a Sunday morning service in this church so long as he could get about, and he was not an infrequent communicant. It was hardly then matter for surprise to find that when I recited the psalms and prayers of the Church at his bedside, although stricken with blindness, he was able to recite them with me, for he could truly say with the Psalmist, 'Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage;' and so he passed to his rest full of confidence in those 'exceeding great and precious promises.'" R.I.P.

We record with regret the death at Worcester of Mr. John Hardiman, a former resident in Badsey, and a staunch supporter of the Parish Church. He was a member of the choir for some years, and also filled the position of Foreman Chimer at one period. In his capacity of village blacksmith he fitted most of the ironwork required at the time of the church restoration, which evidence of his handiwork will long remain. Since the re-hanging of the bells he has more than once paid a visit to assist in ringing, and the muffled peal given by the ringers from our belfry upon S. Thomas's Day, the date of his funeral, was a fitting tribute of respect to his memory. —J.S.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISMS.

Dec. 15.—Ida Marion Elizabeth Hartwell.
 " 22.—Harry Proctor King.

BADSEY.—BURIAL.

Dec. 3rd.—George Halford, aged 81 years.

THEN AND NOW.

BADSEY	A.D. 1607.	1707.	1807.	1907.
Baptisms	4 (2m 4f)	9 (7m 2f)	7 (2m 5f)	22 (9m 13f)
Marriages	2	0	1	7
Burials	5	2	5	9

WICKHAMFORD

Baptisms	5 (2m 3f)	4 (2m 2f)	7 (2m 5f)	6 (4m 2f)
Marriages	0	0	0	1
Burials	0	2	5*	1

* One of these is described as "from Badsey."