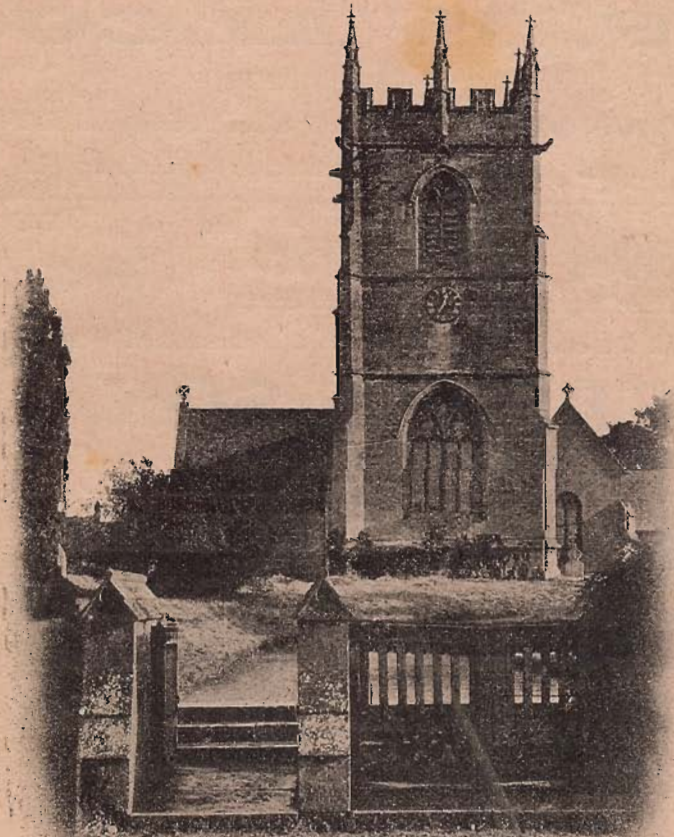


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IN MEMORIAM.

BEATRICE MATILDA LANE.

It was with very deep regret that we heard that Mrs. Lane (née Carter) had passed away on November 30th at the early age of 31. It was thus only by a few weeks that she survived her grandfather, the late Mr. Edward Wilson, who had done so much for her in her childhood, and to whom she was so devoted. It will be fresh in the minds of many how that her marriage had taken place as recently as June, 1906, when she left London for her new home in Birmingham, where she resided until her death. The greater part of her earlier life was spent in Badsey, and her memory will always be cherished by her many friends there. She will also be remembered as a devout and loyal member of the Church. She was patient, thoughtful, and ever ready to do all in her power to add to the comfort of others, and with such qualities she endeared herself to all who knew her. R.I.P. —J.T.W.

RICHARD PENDLEBURY.

In the death of Mr. Pendlebury Badsey has indeed sustained a heavy loss. Whether we think of him as a churchman, or merely as a member of our little village community, he was one whom we could ill afford to spare. Any scheme or fund for the general good of Badsey and its people was always sure of Mr. Pendlebury's hearty sympathy and liberal support, although he was the last man in the world to lend his name to any undertaking just to curry favour or secure popularity, for he was honest and outspoken almost to a fault. As a churchman, too, he was earnest and sincere, and, though never a man to make a parade of his religion, he had the courage of his convictions, as might be seen from his coming forward for Confirmation when already well advanced in years. He was not only a regular church-goer, but also a regular communicant, and made his last communion only the Sunday before he passed away. The Vicar officiated at the funeral, which took place at Brooklands Cemetery, near Manchester, on Friday, January 31st, and the ringers gave a muffled peal at Badsey. R.I.P.

FOUR MERRY MEETINGS.

The Vicar's annual supper to church-workers took place at the Vicarage on Tuesday, January 7th, about forty responding to the invitation. After supper the evening was devoted to harmony, the efforts of individuals being supplemented by Mr. Ballard's gramophone. A hearty welcome was

accorded Lance-Sergt. Addis who made amends for a late arrival by bringing with him from Evesham the Ladies' Challenge Cup. Before the company separated at 12.30 Mr. Hooper-Ingledew proposed the health of the Vicar, and, on the proposition of Mr. McDonald, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. and Miss Hands for their share in providing the evening's entertainment which, in spite of previous successes, was voted the 'best on record.'

The members of the Vicarage Sewing Class were entertained to supper by the Vicar and Mrs. Hands on Thursday, January 9th, when over twenty sat down. After supper musical items were provided by Mrs. Hands, Mrs. Moisey, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. G. E. Jones, Mr. R. Taylor, and the Vicar. After spending an exceedingly pleasant evening the party broke up soon after 11 o'clock.

The Choristers' Tea Party took place on Thursday, January 16th, every one of the junior members of the choir putting in an appearance. To their credit, however, it should be added that at the two weekly practices a full attendance is by no means the exception. Mr. Binyon, of whom it may be said, as of Father O'Flynn, 'All the young childer are wild for to play wid you,' was invaluable in helping to entertain the juveniles, and, before leaving, each of the choristers received a little present. This reminds us that on Christmas Day every boy in the first class at the Sunday School was the recipient of a pocket-knife, thanks to the kind thought of Mr. M. W. Callis, an old friend of the Vicar's from his former parish of Great Crosby.

Through the generosity of a few parishioners an excellent tea was given to all the children in Wickhamford, in the Parish Room, on Wednesday, January 15th. The arrangements were carried out by Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Hands, Mrs. E. Pethard, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Carter, Miss Day, Miss F. Pethard, Mr. Newman, Mr. Richards, and the Vicar. About sixty sat down to a thoroughly substantial meal, but several appetites were sadly impaired through excitement. The promoters of the treat were prepared to amuse the children with songs, gramophone items, etc., but it was soon apparent that the youngsters were quite equal to amusing both themselves and their hosts, for a succession of songs and recitations from boys and girls, whose names are too numerous to mention, kept the ball moving until seven o'clock when the party broke up.

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NOTES AND NEWS.

A highly successful concert, or rather variety entertainment, was given in the Old School, Badsey, on Monday, Jan. 13, with a view to raising funds for the annual choir outing. The performers, with the exception of one of the pianists, were drawn entirely from past and present members of the parish church choir—a point very much to the credit of a village like Badsey. The following was the programme:—Pianoforte duet, "Pas de charge," Misses McDonald; duet and chorus "Good King Wenceslas," the Vicar, F. Jelfs, and Choir; song, "I'm trying so hard to forget you," Mr. E. Ballard; violin solo, "Corricolo," Mr. E. Warner; song, "Should he upbraid," Mrs. Hands; song, "Down by the sea," Mr. Openshaw; humorous duet, "Reuben and Rachel," Messrs. J. Agg and T. H. Knight; song, "The Poacher," Mr. T. Taylor; comic song, "Let me sing," Mr. G. E. Jones. Part 2: Pianoforte solo "Weary Willie cake walk," Miss Openshaw; song, "When the ebb-tide flows," Mr. W. Sparrow; violin solo, "With banners waving," Mr. E. Warner, song and chorus, "Children's voices," Mrs. Hands and Choir; song, "The song of the bow," the Vicar; song, "British Boys," Mr. T. H. Knight; song, "Victor and vanquished," Mr. E. Warner; humorous discourse, "Goody Grim v. Lapstone," Mr. J. F. Agg; song, "The lads in navy blue," Mr. J. Sadler; comic song "Walker walked away," Mr. G. E. Jones; "God save the King," B. Hartwell, T. Keen, and Choir. During the interval Mr. Ballard gave several numbers on his gramophone. Mr. Binyon proposed a hearty vote of thanks to those who provided the evening's entertainment. The Vicar called upon Mr. G. E. Jones, as senior member of the choir, to respond, but Mr. Jones, pleading inexperience in the art of public-speaking, gave instead an inimitable rendering of "Ow did yer leave the pigs, Sammy?" The receipts, which amounted to just over £4, would certainly have been considerably more had a larger room been available.

A concert, organised by Mr. H. Richards, the energetic secretary of the Wickhamford Working Men's Club, was given in the Parish Room on Tuesday, January 14. That the room was packed may be inferred from the fact that the sum of £3 was taken at the door, although the highest charge for admission was only one shilling. Mr. T. Carter presided, and a capital programme was provided by Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Hands, Mrs. Taylor, the

Misses Carter, Miss Openshaw, Messrs. J. F. Agg, T. Carter, G. E. Jones, T. H. Knight, J. de R. Openshaw, and the Vicar. At the close of the proceedings Mr. Carter proposed a vote of thanks to the performers to which the Vicar responded. The Vicar also thanked Mr. Carter for presiding, remarking that Mr. Carter was always ready to help in any work calculated to promote the welfare of the parish of Wickhamford. The proceeds were for the benefit of the club.

OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY.

		BADSEY		WICKHAMFORD	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Dec.	1.—Foreign Missions	2	0 0½	0	11 8
"	8.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1 11		
"	"—Church Expenses	0	15 7½	...	0 1 8
"	15.—Sick and Needy	0	1 1	...	0 2 0
"	"—Church Expenses	0	8 9	...	0 3 8
"	22.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1 2		
"	"—Church Expenses	0	16 11½	...	0 2 11½
"	25.—Sick and Needy ...	0	16 9	...	1 8 5½
"	"—Sunday School ...	0	16 9		
"	"—Poor Clergy Relief Corporation ...	1	0 0		
"	27.—Sick and Needy ...	0	4 8		
"	29.—Sick and Needy ...	0	5 0		
"	"—Church Expenses	0	12 10	...	0 3 6
Jan.	1.—Sick and Needy ...	0	2 5		
"	5.—Sick and Needy ...	0	4 9		
"	"—Church Expenses	0	14 0	...	0 2 9
"	6.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1 10		
"	12.—Sick and Needy ...	0	0 11		
"	"—Church Expenses	0	15 9	...	0 2 2
"	19.—Sick and Needy ...	0	4 11	...	0 2 0
"	"—Church Expenses	0	7 1½	...	0 4 3
"	26.—Ordination Candidates Fund ...	0	16 4½		
"	"—Hartlebury College of Clergy ...	0	15 0		
"	"—Church Expenses	0 1 7½
"	"—Sick and Needy ...	0	2 0		
		£12	6 7½	£3	6 8½

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—BAPTISMS.

Jan. 19.—Albert George Roberts.
 " " William Ernest Bennett.
 " 23.—Albert Charles Knight.

WICKHAMFORD—BAPTISM.

Jan. 12.—Albert Agg.