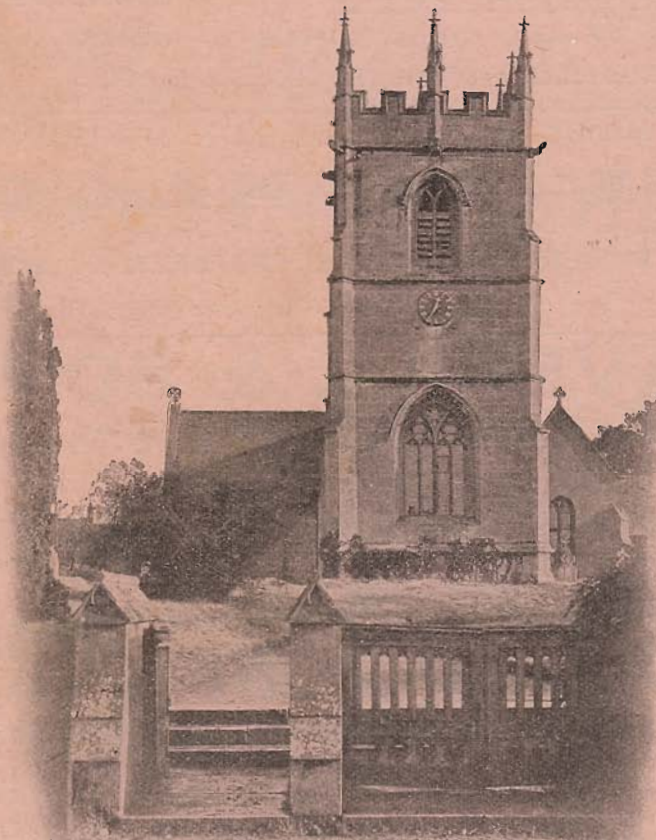


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Having found the rest of the party, we trudged on to Southsea through narrow streets and past innocent-looking fortifications, with the guns almost invisible. Now and again we found ourselves on the water's edge, and at one halting place some of us were so interested in the success which was crowning the efforts of two little crab-catchers that soon there were several more lines baited. But, alas, we didn't know the right word to say, for the best efforts of even the Parish Clerk were absolutely without result, and we went on without our crabs to Southsea beach. Here we were surrounded by vendors of bananas, sweets, shell boxes, &c., and repelled their advances with but poor success. A scamper across the common brought us to Smith's Restaurant, where a meal was laid out for us in a long room. We all did justice to the ample fare provided. After dinner, we went back to the beach, and walked on until we came to a more sandy spot, where most of us indulged in a delightful paddle for about half-an-hour. Then we were forced to find shelter from the driving rain. Fortunately, we were close to the South Parade Pier, where roller skating was in full swing. Here, too, were most wonderful penny-in-the-slot machines, which, with the skating, engaged our attention until 5.30. As it was still raining, we boarded a tram which took us back to the Restaurant for tea. Here we kept the staff busy for some time, and afterwards indulged in a few songs, accompanied by "Lopop" on the mouth-organ. Mr. Moisey, in the course of a speech, thanked those who had so kindly subscribed towards the expenses of the outing, and went on to express the great regret the choir felt at the absence of the Vicar this year, it being the first time they had gone without him. By this time it had cleared up, and we next had a trip on the floating bridge to Gosport and back. From the upper deck we had a splendid view of the warships in the harbour, and of four submarines nestling by the side of their parent ship. The remaining hour and a half we devoted to shopping and walking the streets, and at length succeeded in getting to the station without loss, as the roll-

call showed. It was fine to see the way one of our party bundled the folks out of one of our reserved compartments. It was in vain they expostulated—out they had to come. The journey home was accomplished without adventure. Many of us were indeed more or less asleep, but we all turned out safely at Littleton and Badsey, after having had a thoroughly enjoyable day.

C.A.B.

HUNT MEMORIAL.

The Churchyard Cross, now in course of erection, will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Warwick (Ven. J. H. F. Peile, M.A.) on Saturday, October 15th, at 3 p.m. A special Form of Service has been compiled by the Vicar and approved by the Bishop for use on the occasion.

All subscribers to the Hunt Memorial Fund are invited to attend a Social Gathering in the Old School the same evening, at half-past seven, at which Mr. Cecil Hunt and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hunt are expected to be present.

NOTES AND NEWS.

The appearance of the grave of the late Vicar has been much improved by the cleaning and re-lettering of the monument and the addition of neat kerbing. The cost has been defrayed out of the offerings of communicants on the last few anniversaries of Mr. Price's death, augmented by a donation from Mrs. Bowden.

The Harvest Festival will be kept at Wickhamford on October 9th, and at Badsey on October 16th. The preacher at Badsey will be the Rural Dean (Rev. J. M. Walker, M.A.)

A Confirmation Class for Girls will be held in the Parish Room on Wednesdays at 6 o'clock, and one for boys on Thursdays at the same hour and place. The classes will commence on October 26th and 27th respectively.

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THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISMS.

- Aug. 21.—Georgina Maud Payne.
 Sept. 25.—Douglas Austin Jelfs.
 Sept. 25.—Emily Mary Knight.

BADSEY.—MARRIAGES.

- Aug. 3.—George Parren Hart and Hilda Julia Ann Butler.
 Aug. 9.—Joseph Bramwell Farmer and Rosa Helen Taylor.
 Sept. 21.—William Leslie Hayward and Ellen Hannah Mustoe.

BADSEY.—BURIALS.

- Sept. 15.—George William Taylor, aged 3 months.
 Sept. 19.—Daniel Hartwell, aged 39 years.

WICKHAMFORD.—BAPTISMS.

- Sept. 4.—Charles Edward Jones.
 Sept. 11.—Richard Crompton Lees-Milne.

WICKHAMFORD.—BURIAL.

- Sept. 7.—Charles Edward Jones, aged 15 months.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

	Badsey	Wickhamford
Aug 7—Sick and Needy ...		2 3
„ Church Expenses 1 0 7		6 8
„ 14—Organ Fund ... 17 7		
„ Church Expenses ... 5 0		4 2
„ 21—Sick and Needy ... 2 8		2 0
„ Church Expenses ... 11 0½		12 4
„ 28—Sick and Needy ... 4 6		
„ Church Expenses ... 17 0		3 6
Sept. 4—Sick and Needy ... 4 0		4 6
„ Church Expenses ... 17 11		3 9
„ 11—Church Expenses ... 5 0		12 7½
„ Organ Fund .. 16 4		
„ 18—Sick and Needy ... 4 2		2 0
„ Church Expenses ... 17 6		8 10½
„ 21—Sick and Needy ... 0 9		
„ 25—Sick and Needy ... 3 11½		
„ Church Expenses ... 15 9½		4 4½
„ 29—National Society ... 1 0		
	£8 4 9½	£3 7 0½

