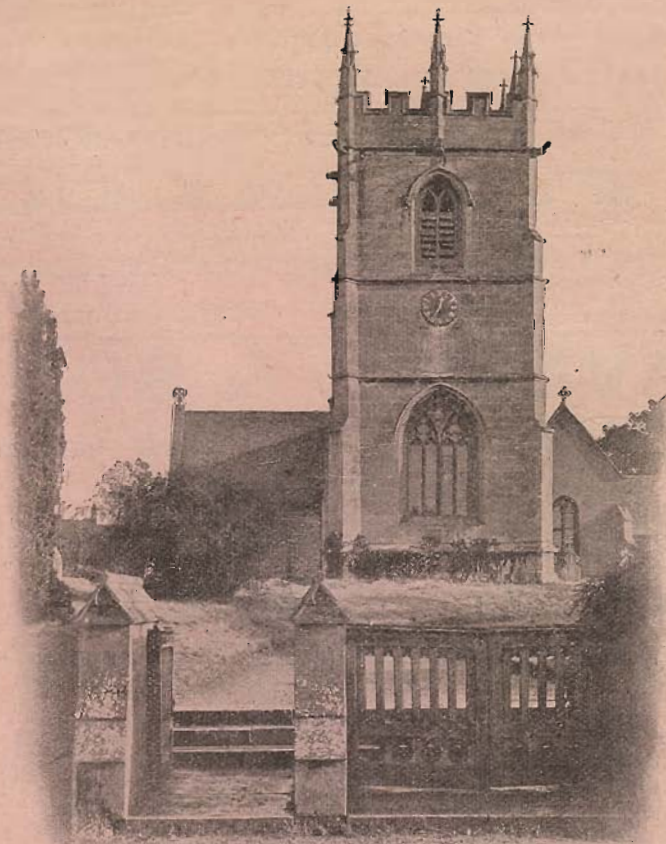


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THE HUNT MEMORIAL.

Oct. 15th, 1910, will long be remembered as a red-letter day in Badsey.

In the afternoon the graceful Churchyard Cross, erected to the memory of the late Rev. T. H. Hunt, was dedicated by the Archdeacon of Warwick with simple but impressive ceremonial. The dedication was preceded by evensong, with special lessons (Numb. xxi. 1-10 and S. John iii. 11-17) and special psalms (lxxxiv., cxii., cxlix.) The antiphon before the psalms was "They will go from strength to strength," which was repeated after the psalms with the additional words "and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Zion." Captains Cecil and Charles Hunt were both in the choir, the former reading the first lesson and the Rural Dean the second. Goss's anthem, "O Saviour of the world," was sung by the choir without accompaniment. The anthem ended, the choir and clergy led the way to the cross singing the hymn, "We sing the praise of Him Who died." The service in the churchyard was conducted by the Archdeacon, and after the dedication the hymn "When I survey" was sung as all stood round the cross. On returning to the church the Archdeacon preached an appropriate sermon, and the service concluded with the singing of "Abide with me" and the blessing.

In the evening there was a Social Gathering in the Old School, at which Capts. Cecil and Chas. Hunt and Mrs. Chas. Hunt were accorded a most hearty reception. The big room was packed and everybody seemed in the best of good humour with everybody else. The Vicar, in welcoming the principal guests, said how deeply he appreciated all that Mr. Hunt had done for the church and people of Badsey, and he was glad that the gratitude of Badsey had at length taken a practical turn. He hoped there might soon be a tablet in the parish church setting forth in detail

the grounds of Badsey's obligations to Mr. Hunt. Capts. Cecil and Chas. Hunt both made speeches which vividly recalled the past to the mind's eye of many of their hearers, and which were, needless to say, freely punctuated by applause. Mr. Sladden also spoke, dwelling on Mr. Hunt's devotion to Badsey and the very deep affection with which he was universally regarded in the parish.

A musical programme kept the company entertained to a late hour and, but for the fact that Sunday was so near, it would probably have been a case of an "all-night sitting." The following items were contributed: "King Haakon's Cradle Song," "The Flower Girl," "Proud Maisie," "Curly-headed Babby," by Mrs. Chas. Hunt; "Once I loved a maiden fair," "A Persian Song," by Capt. Cecil Hunt; "To Anthea," "Mrs. Brady," "Dumbledore dreary," by Capt. Chas. Hunt; "The Drum Major," "Dumb, Dumb, Dumb," by the Vicar; "Thora," by Mrs. Taylor; "An Evening Song," by Miss F. Pethard; "The Battle Eve," by the Vicar and Capt. Chas. Hunt; "The Arab's Farewell," by Mr. A. Dore; "The Lord Mayor's Treat," by Mr. E. Crisp, and "John Peel," by Mr. J. F. Agg.

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

The Harvest Festival was kept at Wickhamford and Badsey on Sundays Oct. 9th and 16th respectively.

At Wickhamford the collections, which were for the Evesham Cottage Hospital, were the highest on record

At Badsey there was a large number of communicants and the singing was exceptionally good throughout. The lessons, both morning and evening, were read by Capts. Cecil and Chas. Hunt who were also a valuable acquisition to the choir, and at evensong an eloquent sermon was preached by the Rural Dean. The collections, though not a record, were above the average.

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The offerings in kind were disposed of as in previous years, and the Vicar has received an acknowledgment not only from the Priest-in-Charge of the Ch. Ch. Mission, but also from one of the "sisters" who work among the poor, who writes to say how very much they appreciate the "splendid gift of apples."

"GRANNIE."

By the death of Mrs. Malin Badsey has lost its oldest inhabitant and its only centenarian. It is true the Register of Baptisms at Offenham, of which parish Mrs. Malin was a native, does not afford conclusive evidence of her age being so great, but her baptism may have been deferred, and there are some who remember her when she was comparatively young who are convinced she was at least 100 on her last birthday. "Grannie"—as she was affectionately known to many outside her own family—will be much missed, for, although she had for some years been bed-ridden, there were not a few who enjoyed a visit and chat, and she always had a cheery welcome for all—except members of the medical profession, her natural antipathy to whom she never quite conquered. R.I.P.

NOTES AND NEWS.

In the newspaper report of the Harvest Festival the name of Mrs. Walters was inadvertently omitted from the list of those who sent flowers, fruit and vegetables to Wickhamford, and that of Mrs. E. Collett from the list of those who assisted in the work of decoration at Badsey.

The Sewing Class will meet at the Vicarage on Wednesday, Nov. 16th.

All Missionary Boxes should be returned on Saturday, November 19th.

The inscription round the die of the new cross runs, AD HON : DOM : NRI : JESU XTI : ET IN MEMORIAM THO : HEN : HUNT A : M : HUIUS PAR : VIC : MDCCCLII—MDCCCLXXXVII., being abbreviated Latin for "To the honour of our Lord Jesus Christ and in memory of Thomas Henry Hunt, Master of Arts, Vicar of this Parish 1852-1887."

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISM.

Oct. 16, Ernest John Stewart.

BADSEY.—MARRIAGE.

Oct. 29, William Agg and Sarah Ann Sears.

BADSEY.—BURIAL.

Oct. 18, Louisa Malin, aged 100 years.

WICKHAMFORD.—BAPTISMS.

Aug. 28, Walter Clive Chamberlain.

Oct. 16, Thomas Herbert Jones.

Oct. 23, Dorothy Smith.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

	Badsey.	Wickhamford.
Oct. 2.—Sick and Needy ...	2 0	2 0
„ Church Expenses ...	14 2½	3 10
„ 9.—Organ Fund ...	4 11	
„ Church Expenses ...	5 0	
„ Cottage Hospital ...		2 17 9½
„ 16.—Church Expenses ...	2 0 0	3 7
„ Cottage Hospital ...	3 15 7½	
„ 18.—Sick and Needy ...	9	
„ 23.—Sick and Needy ...	1 10	
„ Church Expenses ...	17 5¾	5 3
„ 30.—Sick and Needy ...	2 2½	
„ Church Expenses ...	15 3¾	5 10
	<u>£8 19 3¾</u>	<u>£3 18 3½</u>

