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MISSIONARY LECTURE.

The Rev. R. A. Brackenbury, M.A., Organising Secretary of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, gave a very interesting lecture on the work of the Society, in the Old School, on Tuesday, January 31st, the lecture being illustrated by excellent lantern slides. There was a fairly good attendance and the collection realised 13s. The Vicar will be glad to hear from anyone willing to take a box to collect for this noble Mission, which was founded at the suggestion of Dr. Livingstone in 1857.

WICKHAMFORD MEN'S CLUB.

A concert, organised by Mr. Richards, was given in the Parish Room on Monday, February 13th, in aid of the Wickhamford Men's Club. Numbers were contributed by Mrs. Hands, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Elliott, Miss Empey, Miss Holmes, Miss Richards, the Misses Openshaw, Mr. Hartley Smith, and the Vicar. Miss Richard's banjo-playing was much appreciated and the Misses Openshaw's rendering of "A Bird in Hand" showed that in competent hands the old favourites are hard to beat. Mr. Hartley Smith, who has little to fear, in his own particular line, from amateur competition, of course "brought down the house." The profits amounted to about £2.

HUNT MEMORIAL FUND.

A meeting of the Committee was held in the Parish Room on Tuesday, February 14th, when a vote of thanks was passed to Miss E. Sladden for her labour in collecting subscriptions, and it was agreed that the account be closed and the committee relieved of further responsibility.

BALANCE SHEET.

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Receipts.	£ s. d.
£ s. d	. Expenditure.
Subscriptions 50 12	3 Mr.Jackson's fee 15 15 0
Bank Interest 0 6	Messrs. Gardiner 34 12 0
Advanced by Mr.	Printing, Postages,
Sladden 0 18 8	etc 1 10 5
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£51 17 8	£51 17 5

There is an outstanding subscription of 10s., and any contributions towards the deficit of 8s. 8d may be paid to Mr. Sladden.

CHILDREN'S OPERETTA.

Most successful performances of an operetta. entitled "Cinderella's At Home," were given in the Old School on February 15th, 16th, and 20th, by children attending the Council School. very greatest credit is due to Ida Dore and all her little colleagues, as well as to those who trained them or otherwise assisted in the production of the piece. Only those who have had to do with the musical training of children can properly appreciate the character of the task so pluckily undertaken and so successfully performed by Miss Bird and Miss Sparrow. Moreover, the enthusiasm of the two prime movers was evidently of a highly infectious order, for their efforts were most ably seconded by Mr. L. Sparrow, conductor, Mr. A. Wyles, jun., chief stage-carpenter and footlight-operator, Mr. C. A. Binyon, lessee and manager, and Mr. A. Sparrow, who ran the risk of serious pecuniary loss by allowing his residence to be converted into what can only be described as a "public" house for some two or three months. Seldom have the Old Schools accommodated audiences as large or appreciative as those which assembled to witness "Cinderella's At Home," and we heartily congratulate all concerned. The receipts amounted to £16 5s. 8d., and the expenditure (inclusive of a voluntary payment of 10s. for the use of the Old School) to £3 5s. 7d., so that there remains the handsome balance of £120s. 1d., out of which it is proposed to give a tea, one day during Easter Week, to all the children attending the Day Schools. Photographs (price 2d. each) of those who took part in the performances may be had at Mr. A. Sparrow's.

CONFIRMATION.

The Right Rev. L. G. Mylne, D.D., formerly Bishop of Bombay, held a Confirmation in Badsey Church on Tuesday, February 21st, when there were 52 candidates, 27 of whom were males and 25 females. His Lordship gave earnest and impressive addresses on (1) What Confirmation is; (2) What Confirmation does; and (3) What Confirmation leads to. He urged the newly-confirmed to become regular Communicants, emphasising the importance of having a certain Sunday in the month on which to make their Communion and keeping to it. After the service Bishop Mylne spoke approvingly of the apparent earnestness of

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the candidates and their devout demeanour during the administration of the Rite. The following are the names of the confirmees:—

Badsey: S. J. Brewer, C. H. Byrd, E. Crane, G. Evans, R. Hartwell, F. C. Jones, B. Jelfs, T. F. Jelfs, A. C. Keen, T. C. Keen, A. W. Keyte, V. S. Knight, W. F. Nightingale, J. Pethard, S. F. Reeves, C. W. Sadler, A. J. Taylor, A. C. Wilkins, C. W. Wilkins; P. Addis, H. Agg, G. M. Ballard, M. E. Ballard, E. Barnard, I. L. Byrd, R. E. Brewer, B. G. Charlotte, E. A. Ellison, N. A. Hancox, E. A. Hardiman, M. C. Jelfs, M. Keyte, C. Knight, E. Knight, E. Marshall, M. A. Moisey, A. M. Taylor, M. Teal, G. A. Warmington, W. M. Wilkins.

Aldington: O. G. Harwood, W. W. Harwood, S. Howells, D. V. Wasley; G. M. Hinds.

Wickhamford: A. Cox, R. P. M. Hartwell, P. C. Heritage, G. Mason; M. D. Chambers, B. R. Halford, V. L. Pethard.

LENTEN PREACHERS.

Wednesday, March 8.—Rev. A. W. F. Norton, B.A., Vicar of Lower Lemington and Assistant Curate of Blockley.

Thursday, March 16.—Rev. T. B. Harvey-Brooks, M.A., Rector of Solihull.

Wednesday, March 22.—Rev. R. Wilson, LL.D., Vicar of Earlswood.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISMS.

Feb. 19.-Evelyn Barnard.

" 26. Norah Wheatley.

Note.—In the January Number, for Muriel Joan Knight read Miriel Joan Knight.

BADSEY .- MARRIAGE.

Feb. 21.—Hubert Gaukroger and Eva Mary Byrd.

BADSEY .- BURIAL.

Jan. 31.—Elizabeth Addis, aged 41 years.

WICKHAMFORD.—BAPTISMS.

Feb. 15.—Catherine Warman.

" 26.—Dorothy May Jones.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

		Badsey.			Wickhamford.		
	ECHELLIN THE STREET	£	S.	d.	£	S.	d.
Jan.	22 Church Expenses.		15	0			
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,,	30.—Sick and Needy			9			-
Feb.	2Sick and Needy		1	0			
,,	5Sick and Needy		5	0		1	1
7,1	5.—Church-Expenses		16	71/2		3	115
,,	12.—Organ Fund		13	85			4
,,	12Church Expenses		5	0		8	1
,,	19.—Sick and Needy		4	7		7	0
,,	19.—Church Expenses		13	8		8	7
,,	21Sick and Needy		2	9			
,,	26Sick and Needy		1	8			
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