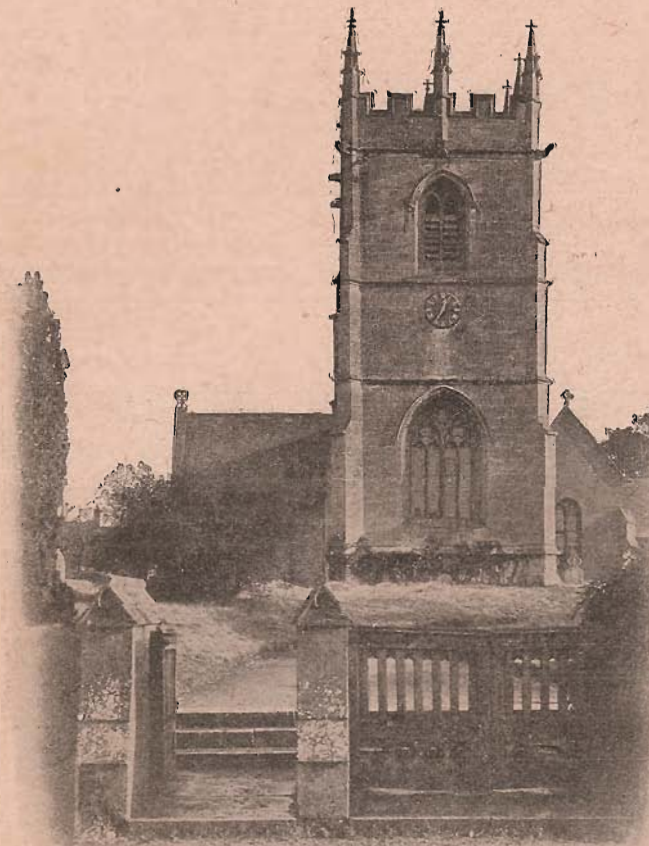


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THE MALVERN CONVENTION.

The Bishop writes:—“The great gathering is over, and those who went through with it will never forget it. I do not intend to say much now, as I am preparing the message, which is its outcome. . . . But I would mention that I have taken the next step contemplated in the plan. I have addressed our House of Laymen, asking for co-operation, and the members have cordially agreed to a series of conferences with men being held in all the Deaneries, at which I hope to preside. Already, every Rural Dean has received my letter, suggesting details and fixing a day. Later on I hope to bring the various associations of women into action. In this quiet, persistent, and systematic way I hope, by the help of God's Holy Spirit, that the efforts of my clergy to answer to the Divine Call in this awful crisis may be supported by the laity in every parish in the Diocese.

The men invited to my Ruridecanal Meetings are Churchwardens, Sidesmen, Parochial Representatives, Parochial Church Councillors, Teachers, and workers of all sorts, and such male friends as any of the above may bring with them.”

The meeting for this Deanery has been fixed for Nov. 17th, and will be held at Evesham at an hour to be announced.

THE WAR.

Lieut. C. E. Sladden has rejoined his Battalion.

We regret to learn that no further news has been received of Pte. C. Crane.

Corpl. G. Mason, who was invalided from the firing line on Sep. 5th suffering from enteric, is in Hospital at Alexandria. His illness has been of a serious nature but he is now much better.

Pte. G. Crisp, who is in Hospital at Port Said recovering from wounds and enteric, expects to be sent home soon.

Mr. E. Crisp has very kindly lent the Vicar a diary kept by Pte. Crisp, noting the events of each day from March 20th, when he left Leaming-

ton, to April 30th, when, after being wounded in action, his finger was amputated. The diary, which is interesting as it is brief, gives an excellent impression of the writer's experiences, and deserves to be preserved as an heirloom.

Pte. C. Jeffries' friends are delighted to see him looking so well after all he has gone through.

Corpl. J. E. Knight, writing to the Vicar under date Sep. 15th, says: “I thought you might like to know that both L. Sparrow and J. E. are in the best of health and spirits so far. We are now in the firing line, with the Turks about 800 to 1,000 yards in front of us. There is not much firing going on in the day time, but we keep sniping at each other most nights I went out on patrol with two men last night, when a few stray shots came whistling through the air a bit too near to be comfortable I am afraid I cannot tell you much news as you don't see a lot in the day time, and at night of course you have got to listen pretty keenly as the Turk is a wily customer If there are still any slackers left in Badsey, tell them to hurry up or they may be too late to take a hand in the World's Greatest War—and when it is all over they won't like to talk about it.”

Private W. Addis, writing from a hospital in France, also expresses a hope that still more recruits may be raised in Badsey.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO WAR FUND.

WICKHAMFORD.

	£	s.	d.
Previously acknowledged	51	15	2½
British Red Cross Society (Miss Impey's Box)	1	15	6
	£53	10	8½

During spring and summer 88 pairs of socks, 22 shirts, 20 pairs of mittens, 17 mufflers, 3 belts, 7 pairs of cuffs and 150 sandbags have been distributed through various channels by Mrs. Drysdale as the result of work done in Wickhamford.

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NOTES AND NEWS.

By the death of Mr. W. J. Hardiman Badsey loses an old ringer and one who always took a very keen interest in the bells. Nothing delighted him more than a good "bit of ringing" and he was ever quick to detect a fault. His funeral, which took place on Sep. 24, was immediately followed by a muffled peal. Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Hardiman and her family, and also for those other families in Badsey and Aldington upon whom the shadow of bereavement has so suddenly and unexpectedly fallen.

Members in the Coal Club requiring coal should notify the quantity to Mrs. Hands not later than Oct. 16th. The price will be 28s. 6d. per ton.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—MARRIAGES.

- Sep. 1. John Enstone and Alice Hale.
 „ 23. Francis Walter Thelwall and Muriel Stainforth Holmes.

BADSEY—BURIALS.

- Sep. 20 Frederick Perkins, aged 21 years.
 „ 24 Walter James Hardiman, aged 60 years.
 „ 27 Annie Brittymart Bell, aged 5 years.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

		Badsey.		Wickhamford.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Sept. 2	Church Expenses ...	2	3		
„ 5	Sick and Needy ...	2	0	3	0½
	Church Expenses ...	1	2 3½	5	1½
„ 12	Sick and Needy ...	6	4		
	Church Expenses ...	16	7½	5	2
„ 15	Church Expenses ...	1	11½		
„ 19	Sick and Needy ...	3	4	5	0
	Church Expenses ...	8	9½	7	5
„ 21	Sick and Needy ...	1	6		
„ 23	Church Expenses ...	4	3		
„ 26	Sick and Needy ...	3	1½		
	Church Expenses ...	1	3 2	5	4½
„ 29	Sick and Needy ...	1	9		
„ 30	Church Expenses ...	1	8		
		£4 19 0½		£1 11 1½	

