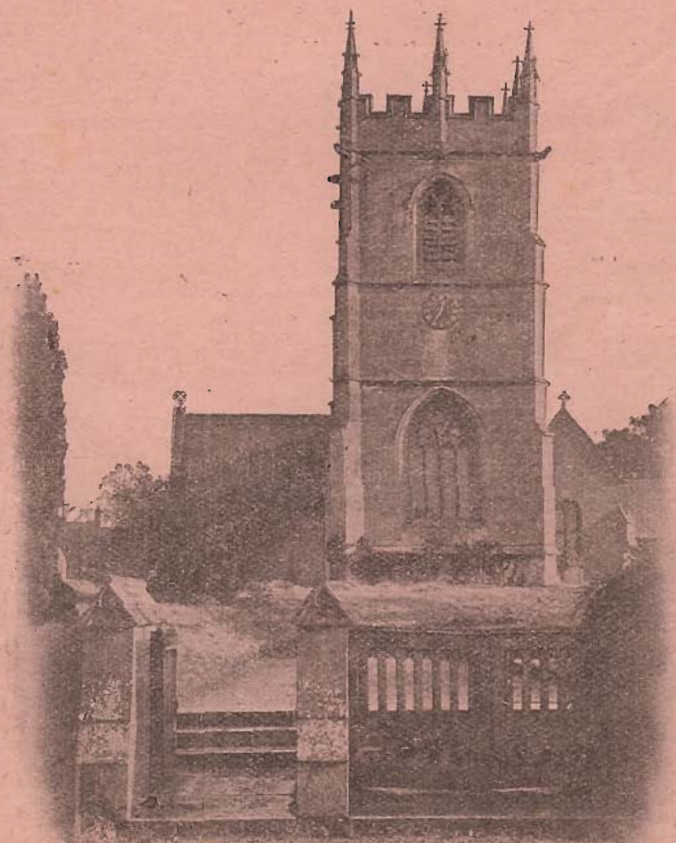


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THE WAR.

There was a Memorial Service for the late Cpl. A. Huxley at Badsey, on Dec. 5th, and one for the late Lieut. Bailey, at Wickhamford, on Dec. 10th. Lieut. Bailey, who was beloved by all who knew him, died in Cairo on Dec. 1st from wounds received in the operations which resulted in the capture of Jerusalem. He had been on active service ever since the outbreak of hostilities.

We also record with regret the death of Cpl. H. Hancox, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hancox, of Bower's Hill, who was killed in action in France on Dec. 7th. A Memorial Service was held at Willersey. Much sympathy is felt for Corporal Hancox's parents who now also mourn the death of a daughter.

With the passing of the Old Year came news of the death in the service of his country of Cpl. W. E. Cleveley. Cpl. Cleveley, who was only 18 years of age, enlisted quite early in the war when he was only 15. He went out to France in Jan. 1916 and, after being buried by a shell and narrowly escaping with his life, was wounded in the fighting on the Somme in August of the same year. He had suffered for years from an affection of the ear and the old trouble, accentuated no doubt by his wounds, necessitated an operation as the only possible means of relief. All efforts to save his life were, however, unavailing and he passed away at the Horton War Hospital, Epsom, on Dec. 31st. He was a most promising soldier, and at the time he was taken ill was on a course at the Training School for N.C.O.'s at Hertford.

R. I. P.

Gunner A. J. Tyler, R.G.A. and Pte. A. J. H. Morris, Coldstream Guards, who were reported missing after the Cambrai battle, are now known to be prisoners of war in Germany. Pte. Morris is also wounded.

Cpl. C. Hartwell is going on well, and his brother, W. Hartwell of the R.N., has now recovered from his wounds.

Pte. E. Yeates is in hospital at Banbury and progressing satisfactorily.

Cpl. A. C. Perkins is in hospital in France and has had an operation for appendicitis.

Pte. W. Southern, who has been wounded for the fourth time, is nearly well again.

Signaller A. Jinks, Pte. S. J. Collett (who has been in hospital), Cpl. F. Jelfs, Pte. G. W. Nightingale and Pte. S. Harris are all convalescent.

Sergt. A. Keen and Pte. H. Sadler are both progressing. The latter is now in hospital at Romsey.

Pte. W. Malin and Pte. P. W. Cockerton are both in hospital; the former in France and the latter in Italy.

T. Taylor is in hospital in France suffering from dysentery.

Cpl. H. Walters, who was wounded in the left hand with shrapnel on Dec. 5th, is in hospital at Etaples and is going on well.

Pte. A. O. Knight is still quite incapacitated by the severe wounds received last April.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

PRIZE LIST.

BADSEY.

Boys: Class I.—C. Harwood, S. Green, P. Crisp, H. Agg.

Class II.—A. Reed, G. Knight, W. Harwood, C. Sears,

Girls: Class I.—D. Brewer, D. Knight, M. Keen.

Class II.—D. Jelfs, S. Crisp, L. Moisey.

Class III.—A. Agg, L. Keen, C. Crisp, H. Agg.

Infants: J. Harwood, P. Sparrow, S. Crisp, G. Warmington, Ethel Moisey, M. Warmington, L. Mustoe, Edith Moisey, R. Knight.

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WICKHAMFORD.

- Class I.—N. Pethard, E. Agg.
 „ II.—A. Agg, I. Bennett.
 „ III.—M. Halford, F. Mason.
 „ IV.—D. Jones, V. Bennett.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Ashwin, Mrs. A. Sears, Miss Allan, and Miss N. Crisp for kindly giving books for prizes.

IN MEMORIAM.

During the month of December Badsey has lost by death two of its most highly-respected parishioners.

Mr. Alfred G. Kerr died at his residence on December 8 at the comparatively early age of 49. His health had for some time given cause for anxiety, but his final illness was a very short one as he was actually in Evesham only a fortnight before his death. Though a resident in Badsey for about nine years Mr. Kerr never severed his connexion with S. Laurence's, Evesham, where he regularly worshipped and was for many years a sidesman. He was a man of quiet and retiring disposition, esteemed by all, and one, moreover, of whom one never heard an unkind word spoken. The funeral, at which the Vicar assisted, took place at Evesham Cemetery on December 11.

News of the death of Mrs. Mustoe on the evening of Sunday, December 23, came as a great shock and was received with profound sorrow. The doctor was only first called in on December 11, but he advised an immediate operation which was performed at the Cottage Hospital the same day. The operation was quite successful and Mrs. Mustoe progressed wonderfully well; so well that the period of anxiety seemed to have passed, and on the Sunday in question she was able to be up and had tea with several members of her family who left her full of hopes for her speedy recovery. Soon after their departure from the hospital, however, she had a heart attack and died before all the family could be summoned. It is superfluous to say that Mrs. Mustoe was universally beloved both for what she was and what she did. A sincere Christian, a devout communicant, one full of thought for others, there stand to her credit innumerable deeds of kindness of which the public knew nothing, and many have cause to mourn the loss of a true friend. The funeral took place at Badsey on December 28, the choir attending and singing two of Mrs. Mustoe's favourite hymns.

R.I.P.

CONFIRMATION.

On December 5th at All Saints' Church, Evesham, Alfred Ernest William Wheatley.

NOTES AND NEWS.

We much regret having been obliged to raise the price of the Magazine owing to the very considerable increase in the cost of production. May happier conditions soon enable us to return to the old and more popular price!

Mr. Barnard's interesting contribution is held over until next month for want of space.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—BAPTISMS.

- Dec. 19. Joseph Edward Porter.
 „ 30. Kathleen Mary Marshall.

BADSEY—MARRIAGE.

- Dec. 25—Henry Walker and Cissie Elsie Motteram.

BADSEY—BURIALS.

- Dec. 22—Joseph Edward Porter, aged 7 days.
 „ 28—Lucy Mustoe, aged 70 years.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

		Badsey.		Wickhamford.					
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Dec. 2	Foreign Missions	...	1	14	8½	2	3	1½	
„ „	Church Expenses	...		1	3				
„ 9	Sick and Needy	...		2	2				
„ „	Church Expenses	...	1	0	8½		9	9	
„ 13	Church Expenses	...		1	3				
„ 16	Sick and Needy	...		5	7				
„ „	Church Expenses	...		8	10		6	3	
„ 20	Church Expenses	...		1	3				
„ 21	Sick and Needy	...		1	3				
„ 23	Sick and Needy	...		2	11				
„ „	Church Expenses	...		16	8		9	1½	
„ 25	Sick and Needy	...	1	15	2		14	3	
„ „	Sunday School	...	1	15	1				
„ „	Waifs and Strays	...					14	4	
„ 27	Sick and Needy	...		1	3				
„ 30	Sick and Needy	...		18	2				
„ „	Church Expenses	...	1	5	7		5	5½	
			£10		11		10		
			£5		2		3½		