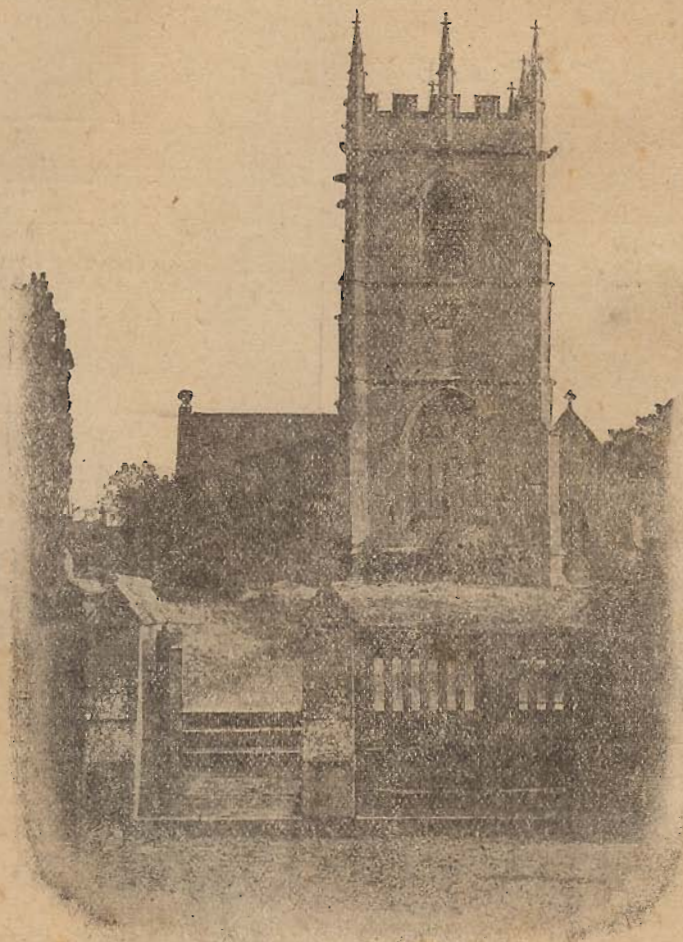


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THE WAR.

Mrs. J. S. Cull has received from one of the late Cpl. Cull's officers a letter of sympathy in the course of which he says: "I have found your husband the most willing and obliging man I have ever met. I can honestly say that he was the best man I had under my command. We have been together under fire, and he displayed a coolness and courage any man might envy. He was most popular amongst all ranks and his loss is keenly felt amongst both officers and men."

A scheme has been put forward for a War Memorial for Wickhamford, and two such schemes for Badsey. As circulars have been left at every house giving full particulars of these proposals it is quite unnecessary to go into details here, and we have no intention of "appealing" for subscriptions which should be in the strictest sense voluntary. We may, however, be allowed to express a hope that those who do intend to contribute towards any of these memorials will not fail to fill up and send in the forms provided, so that the work of those charged with carrying out the different schemes may not be unnecessarily hindered.

ENTHRONEMENT OF THE BISHOP.

Our new Bishop was enthroned in Worcester Cathedral on S. David's Day (March 1). Most of the clergy of the diocese attended and the large congregation included many officials of the city and county.

At the conclusion of the ceremony of enthronement the Bishop addressed the clergy from the throne on the liberty of Christian service. To serve and to witness was the true liberty of the Church in which all must stand fast. The true liberty of the Christian minister was to serve, and the true liberty of the Christian bishop was to be *servus servorum*, to serve those who were thus serving. The present was a time like the middle of the 17th century when, throughout England, all institutions, sacred not less than secular, stood to be judged by their corporate capacity for service. When that happened it was always upon the clergy that the brunt of the attack was directed; and thank God it was always the power which the Spirit gave us to make answer to the adversary

that saved the sacred institution from the adversary's hand, and such answer was best given in unselfish devotion to the service of man for the sole sake of Him who came to seek and to save that which was lost.

The Bishop then addressed the laity from the pulpit in the nave, reminding them that the people too must stand fast in their liberty, which was to witness. They might encounter difficulty in thus bearing their part; they might find it very hard to stand forth as those whose Christian sympathies were made obvious, whose desire to promote Christ's Kingdom was the ruling passion of life; they might perhaps urge by way of excuse that the parsons did not draw them out and encourage them, and that God Himself had not given them the necessary gifts for such witness. But we had just come through great tribulations, of which the chief mark had been that everybody had been given the chance of great and engrossing tasks in the war. Times of trial such as we were still contending with had always been marked by complaints and accusations against religion and its special ministers, and therefore these were moments when the Christian layman could best bear his witness, and give his parson a definite and unmistakable support. The crises of to-day were sent to us from on high to call forth ventures that otherwise we should have been diffident to make. In how many parishes of the county had there come from any Christian household the definite witness of a request for prayer to be offered—and even a prayer meeting held—that the spirit of wisdom and understanding might descend on the commission which was considering the demands of the coal miners? The Bishop concluded by asking the congregation to kneel down and say aloud after him a prayer for peace between all nations and classes and interests.

Mr. Binyon attended the enthronement in the capacity of a magistrate for the county and Mr. Sladden as a member of the County Council.

NOTES AND NEWS.

Badsey churchgoers who use the western entrance to the churchyard should be grateful to Mr. Mustoe who has erected a handsome lamp over the gateway as a memorial to Mrs. Mustoe. The lamp not only lights the gateway and church-

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yard path, but effectively illuminates the village street for a considerable distance in either direction. It is a pleasure to add that the iron-work was forged by a local craftsman, Mr. W. Woodward, and we congratulate him on his work. The old lamp is to be removed to the eastern entrance to the churchyard.

Harold Tolley wishes to thank most sincerely all who contributed either directly or indirectly to the very welcome gift of which he was recently the recipient.

EASTER DAY SERVICES.

BADSEY.

- 7 Holy Communion.
- 8 Holy Communion (Choral).
- 11.15 Mattins and Litany.
- 12 Holy Communion.
- 6.30 Evensong with Sermon (Preacher: Rev. V. F. Honniball, M.A., late of S. Andrew's, Worthing).

WICKHAMFORD.

- 9.30 Mattins and Litany.
- 10:15 Holy Communion.

EASTER VESTRIES.

The Badsey Easter Vestry will be held in the Parish Church on Tuesday, April 22nd, at 8 p.m.

At Wickhamford the Easter Vestry will be held in the Parish Room on Wednesday, April 23rd, at 7.30 p.m.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY—BAPTISMS.

- Mar. 16.—Evelyn Mildred Malin.
- „ 27.—Ernest Hancox.
- „ „ Victor Hancox.
- „ „ Joseph Gilbert.

BADSEY—MARRIAGE.

- Mar. 3.—Thomas Richard Roberts and Millicent Keyte.

BADSEY—BURIALS.

- Mar. 12.—John Howells, aged 61 years.
- „ 19. Leonard James Sadler, aged 2 years.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

		Badsey, Wickhamford.					
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Mar. 2.	Sick and Needy	3	0	0		2	0
	Church Expenses	1	7	3		9	4
„ 5.	Sick and Needy	2	6	0		4	8
„ 9.	Sick and Needy	4	8	0			
	Church Expenses	19	4	½		4	9
„ 16.	Sick and Needy	4	6	0		2	0
	Church Expenses	13	5	0		7	3
„ 23.	Sick and Needy	5	10	0			
	Church Expenses	1	1	1½		11	9
„ 25.	Sick and Needy	2	3	0			
„ 30.	Sick and Needy	5	8	0			
	Church Expenses	6	11	½		7	6½
		£6	6	6½	£2	12	3½

