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BADSEY CHURCHYARD FUND.

A meeting of contributors to this fund was held in the Parish Room on Tuesday, May 6, at 8 p.m.

The administrators of the fund (Messrs. G. E. Jones and W. Stanford) announced that for the past year the contributors had numbered 17, of whom 6 were annual subscribers and 11 had expressed their willingness to subscribe annually if the work were done in a satisfactory manner.

The accounts showed receipts amounting to £7 12s. 0d., an expenditure of £3 17s. 7d., and a balance-in-hand of £3 14s. 5d.

Practically all the work had been done by Mr. P. Brailsford and it was agreed that it had been well done.

The Vicar thanked Messrs. Jones and Stanford for undertaking the task of administering the fund and supervising the work in the churchyard, and congratulated them on the success of their first year's labours. He hoped that the current year would see a large accession of new subscribers of, say, 2/6 or 1/., or even 6d. a year; if everyone gave a little there was no reason why the churchyard should not be what it ought to be—the best-kept garden in the parish.

THE NEW "GOSPEL".

We take the following from the *Morning Post* for May 3rd.:—“The Esthonian newspaper *Saaremaa*, a copy of which has reached this country from Stockholm, contains the following report of a sermon delivered by the Bolshevik preacher Waller in the church of Werro (Livonia) to the working population:

‘The Lord as Autocrat and Slaveholder keeps the inhabitants of Paradise in the dark, but the devil as instructor and revolutionist opened Eve’s eyes and gave in this way all the good ideas to man. God is a despot and Autocrat, the devil was the first revolutionist who has indicated the right way. To you, my comrades, I communicate in the

name of the devil that you all belong to the devil; may the spirit of the devil accompany you and give you strength to maintain the revolution of the workman. After this sermon the holy vessels of the church were divided among the people present and the whole church robbed.”

Not all the devil’s disciples are so blatantly proud of their spiritual ancestry.

THE SERVICES.

The Vicar expects to be away from home for four weeks in June. The Rev. H. P. Edwards will, as a rule, take the services at Badsey and Wickhamford, and will be assisted on Whit-Sunday by the Rev. V. F. Honniball. The Rev. J. E. H. Blake, vicar of Bretforton, has kindly undertaken responsibility for any occasional duty.

The services on Ascension Day and the first four Sundays in June will be as follows:—

BADSEY.

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| Ascension Day ... | 8 Holy Communion. 11 Mattins with Catechising. |
| June 1 ... | 11 Mattins and Litany. 12 Holy Communion. 6.30 Evensong with Sermon. |
| Whit-Sunday ... | 7, 8, and 12 Holy Communion. 11.15 Mattins and Litany. 6.30 Evensong with Sermon. |
| Trinity Sunday... | 8 Holy Communion. 6.30 Evensong with Sermon. |
| June 22 ... | 11 Mattins and Litany. 12 Holy Communion. 6.30 Evensong with Sermon. |

WICKHAMFORD.

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| Ascension Day ... | 9.30 Mattins with Catechising. |
| June 1 ... | 3 Evensong with Sermon. |
| Whit-Sunday ... | 9.30 Mattins. 10.15 Holy Communion. |
| Trinity Sunday ... | 11 Mattins and Litany. 12 Holy Communion. |
| June 3 ... | 3 Evensong with Sermon. |

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NOTES AND NEWS.

Capt. J. M. Drysdale, late of the R.A.F., has received from Sir Woodman Burbidge, managing director of Harrods Stores, a gold cigarette-case in commemoration of the "first commercial flight." This took place on March 1, 1919, when Captain Drysdale piloted Sir Woodman to Brussels.

Long life and happiness to Major Sladden and his bride who were married at All Saints, Great Marlow, on Saturday, May 3. Had the wedding taken place at Badsey, as many hoped it might, it would certainly have proved one of the events of the year.

Intercession for the work of the Girls' Friendly Society will be made at the celebration of Holy Communion at Wickhamford on June 15 and at Badsey on June 22.

THE REGISTERs.

WICKHAMFORD—BAPTISM.

May 11.—Reginald John Meaton.

WICKHAMFORD—BURIAL.

May 5.—Louisa Annie Butcher, aged 46 years.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

| | | Badsey. Wickhamford. | | | | | |
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| May 4.—Sick and Needy | ... | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Church Expenses | ... | 1 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 13 | 1½ |
| " 11.—Sick and Needy | ... | 0 | 3 | 2 | | | |
| Church Expenses | ... | 1 | 3 | 7½ | 0 | 11 | 8½ |
| " 18.—Sick and Needy | ... | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Church Expenses | ... | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 10½ |
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