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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE BAZAAR HELD AT WICKHAMFORD MANOR ON
AUGUST 21ST, 1901, IN AID OF THE RESTORATION OF THE CHURCH.

RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.
Per Lady Blomfield, sale of tickets, etc.	5 17 0
Payments for Entertainment received in Barn by Mr. Warner	3 17 6
Sale of Tickets for Entertainment, etc., by Rev. W. H. Price	4 19 6
Sale of Tickets by Mrs. Warner	19 6
Sale of Tickets by Mrs. W. Hartwell	3 0
Taken at Gate by Mr. H. Keen	8 15 1
Motor Cars £1 2s. ; Clock Golf receipts 9s.	1 11 0
Per Mr. B. Idiens	1 6 8½
Per Mr. Osborne	3 2
Mrs. Price's stall, including sums received by Mrs. H. Keen, Miss B. Evans & Miss Hughes	14 2 1½
Mrs. Savory's stall	10 15 3½
Miss Price's stall	10 1 0
Mrs. Sladden's stall	3 4 2
Miss H. Ashwin's receipts	1 10 6
Mrs. J. Idiens receipts from her stall, refresh- ment stall, Ping Pong payments, tickets, etc.	25 13 9½
	<u>£92 19 4</u>
<i>By Cheques, etc.</i>	
Family of the late J. P. Lord, Esq.	20 0 0
T. Adkins, Esq.	2 2 0
Rev. N. Shelmerdine	1 1 0
Mrs. Courtenay	1 1 0
F. H. Ingledew, Esq.	1 0 0
Miss M. Renny Watson	1 0 0
Collection at meeting of Bristol and Gloucester- shire Archaeological Society	2 3 7
	<u>£121 6 11</u>

PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.
License for Play	5 0
Policeman	5 0
Summers, for Posting Bills	10 0
W. & H. Smith Ltd., for Printing and Advertise- ments in "Journal"	2 3 6
Advertisements in "Evesham Standard"	12 6
Fireworks	3 1 0
Alcock's Bill for Band and Piano	2 8 0
Hire of Chairs from Town Hall, and other Incidental Expenses	1 0 0
	<u>10 5 0</u>
Balance for Restoration Fund, including Cheques	111 1 11
	<u>£121 6 11</u>

The above statement of accounts shew that the receipts from the Bazaar amounted to £92 19s. 4d. This sum does not quite represent the total amount received, as certain necessary expenses were deducted before the nett receipts were handed over to the Vicar. We ought to say that the expenses would have been very much heavier had it not been for the great liberality of many persons. Mr. G. Pethard lent a quantity of wood for the stalls. He and Mr. Idiens gave men's time for putting up the stage, etc. in barn, for erecting the stalls, and much other manual labour. Mr. Idiens also did all the carting free of cost, which would have amounted to a very large sum had it been charged for. Mr. and Mrs. B. Carter lent boards and trestles, and a large quantity of crockery. Boards and trestles were also lent by the Badsey Flower Show Committee, and forms by Mr. T. Marshall and others. Many other things, such as boats, Ping Pong tables, chairs, etc., were very kindly lent by kind friends. We must not forget to say that the greater part of the provisions for the refreshment stall were given. All this liberality on the part of so many good-natured people greatly reduced the expenses, and was the cause of such a large balance being handed over to the Fund. We give our most grateful thanks to all those who so kindly helped us in so many ways. We should also mention that the handsome prizes for the Ping Pong Competition were given by Mr. P. Adie, of Birmingham, through Miss M. Horsman.

HARVEST THANKSGIVINGS.

The Thanksgiving Services for Harvest will be held in Badsey Church on Sunday, October 6. The Services will be as follows:—8 a.m. Holy Communion (Choral); 11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon followed by Holy Communion without music; 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon; Preacher, the Rev. J. H. Beibitz, M.A. The collections throughout the day will be equally divided between the Evesham Cottage Hospital and the Badsey Sunday Schools. Any gifts of fruit, flowers, and vegetables for the decorations will be thankfully received at the Church on Saturday morning, October 5. Harvest Thank-giving was observed in Wickhamford Church on

Sunday, September 29, an account of which shall be given in our next number, together with that of Badsey.

Mr. C. A. Binyon, who is taking a great interest in the Bells and other historical matters connected with our Parishes, has sent us the following account of the inscription on the tenor bell in Badsey Tower. It will form a useful addition to a note on the bells which appeared in our local magazine of March, 1898. While speaking of the bells we should mention that Mrs. Sladden very kindly had a Rummage Sale in their barn in aid of the fund for two new bells on Saturday, September 21, when the substantial sum of rather more than £9 was realised.

The inscription on the Tenor Bell is a very remarkable one. It is in Latin as follows:—MVTA VIT VIGILANS IN SEX NOS CVRA ROBERTI HILL IBI VIC GVL CLARK EFFICIT ANO ARTE sVA. The translation has been given in a former magazine as: "The watchful care of Robert Hill, Vicar of that place, changed us into six. William Clark did the work by his own skill. In the year—

There is also a monogram IHS about which I shall have something more to say later. At first sight the inscription seems to have been very carelessly done, as some of the letters are very much larger than others, and although ANO (in the year) occurs, there is no year mentioned. But if we look closely at it, we shall see that only certain letters are made large and these are all letters used in the ancient Roman way of writing numbers, such as those which we still use at the heading of the Psalms in the Prayer Book, and with which we are all familiar. V means 5, X 10, etc.

In the inscription we find:—One M which stands for 1,000; one X 10; seven V's 35; eleven I's 11; five L's 250; four C's 400; these all added together, 1706; the date the bells were cast, as we know from other sources. This kind of inscription is called a chronogram, and is very rare on bells, though there are a few more in this district; one by the same founder, William Clark, being at Hinton-on-the-Green, the only one in Gloucestershire.