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CONFIRMATION.

When we were first promised a confirmation by Bishop Gore we all expected that it would be the occasion of a visit from our old Diocesan. By the foundation of the new See of Birmingham, however, and the inevitable decision of Dr. Gore to embrace the opportunity of work in a centre of so many activities, we have been deprived of the pleasure to which we had looked forward. Most of the Worcester confirmations (including our own) are to be taken, at the Bishop of Worcester's request, by Bishop Mylne, Vicar of S. Mary's, Marlborough, and formerly Bishop of Bombay. The Services at Badsey on the Confirmation-day will be as follows:—

8. Holy Communion.
10. Morning Prayer and Litany.
- 11.15. Holy Rite of Confirmation.
7. Evening Prayer.

The Vicar earnestly hopes that all who possibly can, and especially those more particularly interested in individual candidates, will be present at the 8 o'clock Celebration to join in asking the blessing of Almighty God on the day's solemnities.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE.

The Vicar wishes to call attention to the following extract from the Act of Parliament regulating the publication of banns:—

"No parson, vicar, minister, or curate shall be obliged to publish the banns of matrimony between any persons whatsoever unless the persons to be married shall, seven days at the least before the time required for the first publication of such banns respectively, deliver or cause to be delivered to such parson, vicar, minister, or curate, a notice in writing, dated on the day on which the same shall be so delivered, of their true Christian names and surnames, and of the house or houses of their respective abodes within such parish or chapelry as aforesaid, and of the time during which they have dwelt, inhabited, or lodged in such house or houses respectively." 4 Geo. IV., c. 76, s. 7.

From this enactment it will be seen that the custom of handing in at the last moment a scrap of paper containing information invariably scanty and occasionally inaccurate is calculated to lead to disappointment. In order to ensure the publication of banns on any particular Sunday notice of the same should be sent to the Vicarage not later than the preceding Sunday.

An incumbent may, of course, at his discretion, publish banns notice of which has only been received immediately before the commencement of the service at which they are so published; still, it is entirely a matter for his discretion, and, in all cases in which he might deem it desirable to enquire into any question of fact or law, he would

naturally avail himself of the means provided by the Act.

Banns can only be published in the parish or parishes in which the parties are *resident*, and any incumbent who, "not using due diligence," publishes banns between, or marries persons, neither of whom is resident in the parish, renders himself liable to pains and penalties.

Forms for giving notice of banns may be obtained from the Vicar, the Parish Clerk of Badsey, or the Parish Clerk of Wickhamford.

DANCE.

A most successful dance in aid of the Clock Fund took place in the Old School on Wednesday, February 22nd. The prime movers are the more deserving of credit as the whole arrangements were carried through at very short notice, and there were other more or less serious attractions the same day. The music was provided by Mr. Stokes; Messrs. G. Brearley, J. E. Knight, F. Thould, and E. Warner acted as M.C.s; and Mrs. H. Keen, Miss Mustoe, Miss Pendlebury, Mrs. Sparrow, Mrs. Warner, and Mrs. Wilson had charge of the refreshment department. Gifts in kind were generously sent by Mr. Brearley, Mr. Brewer, Mr. F. C. Byrd, Mrs. Cull, Mr. Ellison, Mrs. Johns, Mrs. H. Johns, Mrs. J. Johns, Mr. C. Johns, Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. H. Keen, Mrs. J. Knight, Miss McDonald, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Mustoe, Mrs. Poole, Mrs. Sladden, Mrs. Sparrow, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Warner; whilst subscriptions were received from Mrs. H. Byrd, Mrs. Hands, Mrs. Idiens, Mrs. Kelland, Mrs. Orchard, Mr. Pendlebury, Mrs. Pethard, and the Vicar. We subjoin the balance-sheet:—

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Sale of Tickets...	2	10 0	Pianist ...	0	12 6
Taken at Door ...	0	13 0	Provisions ...	0	7 0½
Subscriptions ...	1	4 0	Preparing Floor	0	2 6
Sale of Refreshments	2	6 7½	Tuning Piano ...	0	5 0
			Hire of Room ...	0	5 0
			Balance to Clock Fund	5	1 7
	£6	13 7½		£6	13 7½

GENERAL NOTICES.

The Chimers wish to thank all those parishioners who contributed to their Christmas Fund. The amount collected—viz., £4 5s. 6d., beats all previous records. We are pleased to note this growing appreciation of the praiseworthy labours of our band of chimers.

The evil day of bankruptcy which would seem to await the person or persons responsible for the Flower Show debts has, at any rate, been postponed by the timely help of Mr. T. E. Knight. Under this gentleman's superintendence a concert was given in the Old School on Thursday, February 9th, which resulted in a net profit of £1 9s. for the funds of the Flower Show. There was a

large and enthusiastic audience, and an entertaining programme was provided by Mrs. Hands, Mrs. Sladden, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Whitfield, Mr. T. Agg, Mr. G. E. Jones, Mr. T. H. Knight, Mr. Salter, Mr. Sladden, and Mr. E. Warner.

Mr. W. Keen wishes to express, through our columns, his gratitude to all those friends who recently showed their sympathy in such a practical manner.

L E N T .

The services on Ash Wednesday will be Holy Communion at Badsey at 8.30., Morning Prayer and Commination Service at Wickhamford at 10, and Evening Prayer and Commination Service at Badsey at 7.

On each succeeding Wednesday in Lent there

will be Morning Prayer and Reading at Wickhamford at 10, and Evening Prayer and Reading at Badsey at 7.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISM.

February 19th, Francis Charles-Perkins.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

	BADSEY.			WICKHAMFORD.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Feb. 5th. - Sick and Needy	0	10	0			
" " Church Expenses	0	7	3½	0	4	3
" 12th.—Sick and Needy	0	1	2			
" " Church Expenses	0	16	4½	0	5	3
" 19th.—Sick and Needy				0	4	0
" " Church Expenses	0	7	9½	0	4	8
" 26th.—Sick and Needy	0	0	9			
" " Church Expenses	0	11	8½	0	4	11
	£2	15	1	£1	3	1

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