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HARVEST FESTIVALS.

The Wickhamford Harvest Festival will be kept on Sunday, October 8th, on which day the services will be as follows:—

BADSEY. WICKHAMFORD.
8 Holy Communion.

11 Morning Prayer
and Litany

11.45 Holy Communion.

6.30 Evening Prayer
and Sermon.

Offerings of flowers, fruit and vegetables may be brought to the Church between 9 and 10 a.m., on Saturday, October 7th.

The Harvest Festival will be observed at Badsey on Sunday, October 15th, when the services will be:—

6 Holy Communion.

7.30 Holy Communion (Choral).

11 Morning Prayer and Litany.

11.45 Holy Communion.

6.30 Evening Prayer and Sermon

The preacher will be the Rev. Robt. Wilson, LL.D., Head Master of Solihull Grammar School. It is requested that offerings of flowers, fruit and vegetables, be brought to the Church on Saturday, October 14th, between 9 and 10 a.m.

The Badsey Festival will possess an added interest as being held on the twentieth anniversary of the re-opening of Badsey Church after the restoration of chancel, nave and transept, and the building of the vestry and south aisle. The festival alms at both Wickhamford and Badsey will be given to the Evesham Cottage Hospital. As this is the only occasion in the whole year when the cause of this local medical charity is pleaded in our Churches, we appeal to *everyone* to give "as he is able." No Christian is dispensed from the duty of almsgiving by absence from public worship, and we venture to suggest that those who are unavoidably prevented from attending the Festival Services, should send their offerings by the hands of friends. The Vicar will be glad to put into the almsdish any money sent to him.

THE SEWING CLASS.

Those good ladies who so willingly give up one afternoon a week during the winter months for the benefit of their Church have once more the satisfaction of seeing the fruit of their labours. The parish owes a deep debt of gratitude to them: all, but especially to Mrs. H. Keen who, besides working hard with her needle and finding a market for much of the work, has been responsible for all the 'shopping' and 'cutting-out.' The following balance-sheet will show the results of last winter's work at a glance.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Sale of Work and Rummage ...	11 0 9	Materials ..	4 4 4
		Use of Old School for Sale ...	0 5 6
		Clock Fund ...	2 4 10
		Ditto (Outstanding Bill for Printing	
		Dance Posters	0 4 0
		Balance in hand...	4 2 1
	£11 0 9		£11 0 9

The above item of £2 4s. 10d. balances the Clock Fund Account which is consequently closed, and the Committee tender their warmest thanks to the members of the Sewing Class who have contributed, in all, more than £24 to the Clock Fund. The first meeting of the Class for the ensuing winter session will be held at the Vicarage on Wednesday, October 24th, when the old members will be consulted as to the disposal of the balance of £4 2s. 1d., and any new members will receive a hearty welcome.

THE READING ROOM.

A meeting of those interested in this now familiar institution was held in the Old School, under the presidency of the Vicar, on Thursday, September 28th. Mr. Binyon presented the following balance-sheet for the session 1904-5.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Cash in hand ...	2 4 9	Newspapers ...	1 1 11
Donations:—		Playing Cards ...	0 7 9
The President 5/-		Heating & Lighting:	
Mr. Hedley		Oil, etc. £1 9 0	
Masters 5/- ...	0 10 0	Wood	0 2 6
Entrance Fees (57 Members) ...	1 8 6	Coal	1 9 1½—3 0 7½
Subscriptions ...	6 2 6	Cleaning ...	2 3 0
Sale of Oil ...	0 0 8	Rent ...	1 6 0
		Balance in hand	2 7 1½
	£10 6 5		£10 6 5

Mr. Binyon also reported that the President had provided the "Weekly Graphic," Mr. A. F. Alcock "The Sphere," Mr. G. Nightingale "The Fruit Grower," and Mr. H. Kelland the "Morning Leader," regularly during the session, whilst Mr. J. Idiens had given magazines occasionally.

It was unanimously agreed to re-open the Reading Room on Monday, October the 2nd, and the following elections were made:— President: the Vicar. Vice-Presidents: Messrs. A. F. Alcock, W. J. Hands, J. Idiens, F. J. Hooper-Ingledeu, H. Leveratt, Hedley Masters, and H. Richardson. Hon. Sec.: Mr. H. Kelland. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. A. Binyon. Committee: Messrs. W. Allchurch, A. Anker, H. Field, J. Moisey, W. Newbury, G. Nightingale, J. Perkins, E. Sadler, J. Sadler, W. Stanford, W. Stewart, and E. Warner.

The President and Mr Alcock promised to give the same illustrated papers as last year, and, as the room is very poorly furnished, the President offered to give an extra donation of 5s. towards a Furniture Fund, provided nine other offers of an equal amount were forthcoming. If the Reading Room is to have a really refining influence on those who frequent it, something must be done in this matter of furnishing, and the Hon. Treasurer will gratefully acknowledge any sums, however small, that may be sent to him.

NOTES AND NEWS.

The Parish Library will re-open on Monday, November 6th, at 5.30 p.m.

The Vicar acknowledges with thanks the following contributions towards the Choir excursion:—Mr. A. F. Alcock 5s., Mr. E. Crisp 2s. 6d., Miss F. Cross 1s., Mr. H. Keen 2s. 6d., A Member of the Church 5s.

The members of the Sewing Class were entertained to tea at the Vicarage on Tuesday, September 19th.