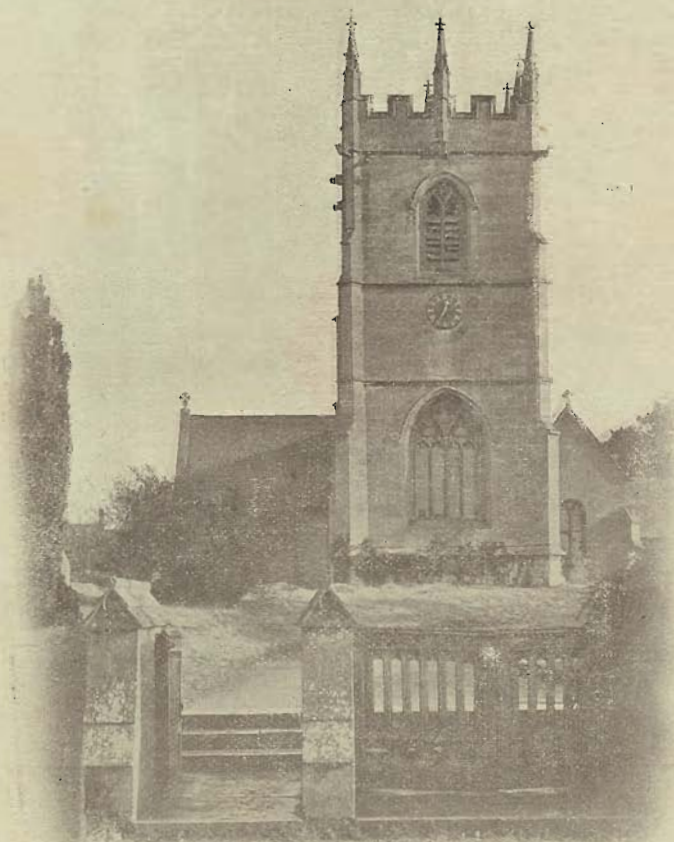


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THE BILL.

The measure by which it is proposed to kill one religion in the schools and endow another out of the rates and taxes, has been described by Canon Scott Holland (a confirmed Radical) as "Mr. Birrell's Bad Bill." But intrinsic badness is no more a pledge of immediate failure in "these dangerous days" than it was in the days of the Psalmist. For the present, at any rate, the Bill is "in no peril of death." Deaf to argument, but with a becoming sense of gratitude to those Nonconformist divines who did so much to send them to Westminster, the Government evidently intend to press the Bill through the House of Commons without substantial amendment. To insure a welcome for the measure in the Upper Chamber the Lords are being threatened with all manner of pains and penalties short of, and even including annihilation. Intimidation, when applied to the young man whose claim to a lodger vote rests on the shakiest of qualifications, is a very serious and punishable offence—but intimidation may apparently be applied with impunity to the House of Lords. We have confidence, nevertheless, that the House of Lords will be proof against all threats, however terrible, for to yield to intimidation at such a juncture would indeed be to forfeit all claim to existence.

A Church Schools Defence Committee has been formed for these parishes, and arrangements are being made for holding a meeting, at an early date, to protest against the new Bill.

RECREATION ROOM FOR WICKHAMFORD.

The parish of Wickhamford, the population of which is increasing by leaps and bounds, has for some time felt the want of a recreation room. This want is soon to be supplied by the generosity of the family of the late Captain J. P. Lord. They have given a suitable site in a

central position, and have offered £150 towards the expense of erecting a Recreation Room. Mr. Ford Whitcombe, F.R.I.B.A., has designed a building which will be artistic without, and commodious within, and, as it is to be constructed of concrete blocks (rough-cast), the total cost will probably not be much in excess of the above-mentioned sum.

When Charity shrinks from the all-embracing grasp of the great "Steal Trust," it requires profound faith and no little hope to encourage new benefactions, and Wickhamford may consider itself singularly fortunate in having for its principal landlords a family who, for the benefit of their tenants, are prepared to risk the ultimate confiscation of their liberal gifts, and the open violation of their expressed wishes.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Church in Badsey loses one of its oldest workers in the death of Oliver Jelfs, who passed to his rest on Friday, May 25th. In his early days he was a member of the choir, and for the last twenty years had been one of the band of chimers. A life-long invalid, he battled bravely with his infirmities, and was most regular in the discharge of his self-imposed duties. His death was in a sense sudden, following as it did upon his return from Weston upon what seemed the promise of improved health. But, as he himself undoubtedly realised, his work was done, and, prepared and purified as he was by a life of suffering, we cannot but thank God that he has been called to join those who "rest from their labours." He was laid to rest on May 29th amid many tokens of respect. The Burial Office was sung throughout most impressively by the choir, and the bells were chimed before and after the service. R.I.P.

Mrs. Jelfs wishes to thank all those who proved themselves such true friends to her husband during his long illness, and who have shown her such sympathy in her bereavement.

NOTES AND NEWS.

On Sunday, June 17th, both at Badsey and Wickhamford the prayers of worshippers at the Holy Communion will be asked on behalf of the work of the Girls' Friendly Society.

Sunday, June 24th, being S. John Baptist's Day—the patronal festival of Wickhamford—there will be Morning Prayer at Wickhamford at 11 and Holy Communion at 11.45, and there will consequently be no 11 o'clock service at Badsey.

There will be a sale of rummage and of articles made by the Vicarage Sewing Class at the Old School on Wednesday, June 27th, from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea will be provided.

WHITSUNTIDE.

Divine Service will be as follows:—

BADSEY.	WICKHAMFORD.
WHIT SUNDAY.	
6 Holy Communion.	9.15 Morning Prayer and Litany.
7.30 Holy Communion (Choral).	10 Holy Communion.
11 Morning Prayer and Litany.	3 Evening Prayer and Sermon.
11.45 Holy Communion.	
6.30 Evening Prayer and Sermon.	
MONDAY AND TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK.	
8 Holy Communion.	10 Morning Prayer.
8 Evening Prayer.	

OFFERINGS FOR APRIL AND MAY.

	BADSEY.			WICKHAMFORD.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
April 1.—Sick and Needy ...	0	2	0	0	8	11½
" " Church Expenses ...	0	15	8½			
" 8.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	5			
" " Church Expenses ...	0	12	7½	0	7	3
" 11.—Sick and Needy ...	0	0	8			
" 12.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	10			
" 13.—Missions to Jews ...	1	1	1	0	6	2½
" 15.—Vicar's Easter Offerings	2	19	0½	1	0	5
" 16.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	0			
" 22.—Sick and Needy ...	0	11	9	0	4	9
" " Church Expenses ...	0	14	6½			
" 29.—Sick and Needy ...	0	0	10			
" " Church Expenses ...	0	14	0	0	3	2½
May 1.—Sick and Needy ...	0	0	6			
" " Church Expenses ...	0	4	0	0	6	9½
" 13.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	7			
" " Church Expenses ...	0	12	7½	0	7	5
" 14.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	0			
" 20.—Sick and Needy ...	0	1	6	0	8	9
" " Church Expenses ...	0	7	10			
" 24.—Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge	0	12	0	0	1	3
" 27.—Sick and Needy ...	0	0	10			
" " Church Expenses ...	0	15	3½	0	6	6¾
	£8	4	11	4	1	6¾

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY.—BAPTISM.

April 15th.—Doris Winifred Jelfs.
 " " William George Smith.
 " " Ivy Doris Cleveley.
 " 24th.—Charles Edwin Stewart.

BADSEY.—MARRIAGES.

April 17th.—Albert Hall to Sarah Sophia Lewis.
 " 25th.—Thomas Henry Taylor to Florence Beatrice Keyte.
 May 2nd.—Alfred George Tompkins to Ellen Beatrice Hartwell.

BADSEY.—BURIALS.

April 5th.—Eliza Knight, aged 76 years.
 " 10th.—Norah Margaret Grove, aged 4 years.
 May 29th.—Oliver Jelfs, aged 39 years.

WICKHAMFORD.—BURIAL.

May 3rd.—Rebecca Fryer Winnett, aged 62 years.