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RILLINGTON.

B U R I A L S .

1891.

- Nov. 25th.—Margaret Coates, aged 38 years
- Nov. 27th.—William Thompson, aged 73 years.

1892.

- Jan. 4th.—John Crosby, aged 4 months.
- Jan. 29th.—Jane Shaw, aged 84 years.
- Feb. 11th.—George Barker Kitson, aged 14 months.

L E N T .

The Special Services during Lent will be held on Wednesday Evenings, at 7 p.m., with Sermons by the Rev. E. F. Plume, of Settrington. I trust that as many as can possibly manage will come, and come regularly, so that this solemn season may be a real blessing to all Church people.

T E A .

On Wednesday, January 27th, a most successful tea was given in the Old Schoolroom to a large number of the old and poor of the Parish. The chief part of the work was done by Mrs. W. Heseltine, many friends in Rillington and the neighbourhood giving money and provisions. The room was decorated gaily, and with tables laden with good things was a very pleasant sight: and many sat down and enjoyed a good tea. This began at 4-30, and by the time everyone had finished it was 6-30; then the tables were cleared and seats placed, and a concert was given by the Glee Club and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owston most kindly came, and received a hearty welcome, their songs also were loudly applauded. The Vicar and Mrs. Carpenter sang some songs, and Miss Heseltine gave us one with a good chorus. Mr. A. Tindall sang, and Mr. Tom Freer, who with Miss Tindall, also sang a trio. The two comic trios, "Peter Piper" and "Jack and Jill," performed by Mr. T. Hick, Mr. S. Myers, and the Vicar were loudly applauded. The Glee Club sang three glees, and the Band played twice. Mr. Arthur Calam made his first public appearance as a violinist, and, with Mr. Marshall, brought down the house in two or three pieces. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall very kindly came in spite of being pressed with work, and added greatly to the enjoyment by their playing on the piano. The assistants at the tea stayed after the concert for a little dancing, the band, as usual, being ready to help in other people's enjoyment. The whole evening was one of thorough pleasure, and we can only hope for a repetition another winter.

THE CHURCH RESTORATION.

As all the world knows this has been fairly begun, and by the time this is printed the whole of the new roof will be pretty well fixed, the painting will then be done, and the Chancel walls will be painted and decorated, and the two side windows repaired. How much more can be done depends on the amount of money subscribed by Rillington itself, since outside friends are nearly exhausted. The amount now in hand is just enough to pay for the roof of the whole Church; we hope to have sufficient to finish the chancel entirely, walls, &c. But those who use the Church must please do what they can to make the rest of the Church correspond.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHOIR TREAT.

The choir boys had their Christmas Tea at the Vicarage on February 4th, after which they, and all the Sunday School Children, went to the Old School to see a magic lantern exhibition. Mr. Felton kindly showed the pictures, the Vicar reading the stories. The first was serious and thrilling, the others were amusing, such as "The adventures of Mr. John Gilpin," and "Old Mother Hubbard." The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance, and so did the few of the parents who accepted the invitation to come; we only wish more had been there. Buns and oranges came in as an ending (not altogether unwelcome) to the evening's amusement.

THE BRASS BAND.

The Annual Meeting was held on February 11th, to receive the balance-sheet. Only two of the trustees were present, and four of the band committee. The Vicar read the treasurer's report, which was duly passed. The officers were elected, Mr. E. D. Spaven as leader, Mr. S. Myers as treasurer, and Mr. J. Bielby as secretary. Mr. C. Myers was elected to fill the vacant place on the band committee, and Mr. Wright to fill that on the list of the trustees.

WEST HESLERTON.

BAPTISM.

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.

February 16th (privately)—Harold, son of George and Caroline Botterill.

BURIAL.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

February 10th, Harry Potter, aged 8 years.

February 20th, Harold Botterill, aged 5 weeks.

There's a crown for little children

Above the bright blue sky,

And all who look for Jesus

Shall wear it by and by.

A crown of brightest glory,
Which He will then bestow
On those who found His favour
And loved His name below.

LENT.

Our Lent services will begin on Ash Wednesday evening at 7-30, and be continued every Friday in the following weeks:—

Ash Wednesday, March 2nd—The Rev. H. M. Short.
March 11th—Rev. J. W. Stanbridge.
,, 18th—Rev. M. F. Bell.
,, 25th—Rev. A. S. Brooke.
April 1st—Rev. G. Day.
,, 8th—Rev. T. F. B. Scriven.

We hope our people will come in numbers to these Lenten services. The Sunday services lately have been only poorly attended, and our new lamps seem to have done more harm than good, by attracting idlers to the gates who annoy people on their way to worship God in His House.

On Friday, January 29th, the children of East and West Heslerton had a tea provided for them by the committee of the late concert. After tea, which was a very good one, many of them sang songs, and the visitors from the Hall and Rectory were much pleased at seeing how much they had improved of late. Then after a distribution of oranges and three cheers for the committee and their wives, they all went home, having had, as one boy remarked, a "jolly good tea." On the following day the committee invited all the women in the village to a second tea, and most of them came and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity thus given of meeting friends they seldom see in this sociable way. It does us all good to meet our neighbours and friends and have a homely chat sometimes, and we expect that some met that night who very seldom see one another; we heard it reported that one woman said that "there hadn't been such a 'do' no, not since the Queen was crowned." The committee gave a lot of pleasure by this thoughtful and kind action, and we were delighted to hear that so many were able to come; also that all the sick in the parish had something sent to them.

Please pass the tracts on to those who don't take the Magazine.

THORPE BASSETT.

BAPTISMS.

February 14th, in the Parish Church, Margaret Annie, daughter of George and Mary Hill.

February 14th, in the Parish Church, Alice, daughter of William and Sarah Jane Walker.

LANTERN ENTERTAINMENT.

On Wednesday, February 17th, we had our Magic Lantern Entertainment in the Schoolroom. We were all disappointed some three weeks before, as on the very evening fixed for the entertainment notice was sent round the village that no slides had come, and therefore there was "nowt" to be seen. This time all went as smoothly as a marriage bell, and though the weather was as bad as bad could be, a great many plodded through the snow, and the Schoolroom was packed. We had a mixture of slides, some serious, some horrible, and some amusing. "The woodman and his dog Cæsar" seems to have been a great favourite. "The bottle" showed us what mischief is done by intemperance. I don't think that the "Piper" and the "Rattens" will be forgotten in a hurry, or old Mother Hubbard either. Then we were all pleased with Mr John Gilpin and the capers he cut on his spirited steed. "The peasant and his fuzzack" had a good moral to it—a practical joke is a game that two can play at. We brought our entertainment to a close with the adventures of "A puppy and the prickly hodgson." The proceeds, 12s. 6d., will go towards a new harmonium for the church.

CHOIR TEA.

On Thursday, February 18th, the members of the choir, and the church officials were entertained at tea by the Rector. Most of our friends were able to be present and we spent a happy evening together. We think that some of our party would make clever actors. Those who were present will remember the "tall policeman" the "moles"; and last, but not least, the "frog."

THE SCHOOL.

Our School was inspected on Thursday, February 11th, by C. G. Colson, Esq. We have not yet received his report.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR.

We have formed a choir for boys and girls who ought really to help us much in our singing at Church. The practices will be held in the Schoolroom every Thursday, at 4 p.m. An account will be taken of those who attend these practices, and those who are regular will receive some kind of reward.

LENT.

There will be a special Service in the Church every Wednesday evening at 7-30. It is hoped that all who are able will make a point of coming to these services, which are certain to be helpful to their spiritual life. The following priests have promised to come and address us:— Wednesday, March 9th, the Rev. T. Williams, Vicar of Scampston; Wednesday, March 16th, the Rev. J. H. Hutton, of West Heslerton; Wednesday, March 23rd, the Rev. F. H. Buckham, Vicar of Sledmere; Wednesday, March 30th, the Rev. A. S. Brooke, Rector of Slingsby; Wednesday, April 6th, the Rev. L. C. G. Hewett, Curate of Helmsley.



THE THRUSH.

A MARCH RAMBLE.

BY THE REV. THEODORE WOOD, F.E.S.,

Author of "Our Bird Allies," "Our Insect Allies," "Nature and Her Servants," etc.

MARCH, to me, has been a month of many and grievous disappointments. When I was a boy in knicker-bockers, madly enthusiastic as any boy could be over butterflies, and moths, and beetles, and things creeping of every kind—with the exception of centipedes, which have ever been my abhorrence—I always used to look forward with hope and gladness to the first few days of March as the end of the winter of my discontent. According to the books, in which I believed with all my small heart and soul, birds ought to be building, and flowers starting up, and bees busily working, and butterflies enjoying the warm spring sunshine, and moths flocking in their multitudes to the honey-laden catkins of the sallow. And yet, when that distressful month dawned, I sallied forth again and again, and searched tree-trunks by the hundred, and fences by the mile, and turned over stones in

number greater than I should like to count, only to return home with saddened countenance, and boxes empty as when I set out.

And once, later, I took a special holiday in March, and went down to a certain favoured spot by the sea, on the strength of many notable captures made at that particular place and at that particular time in the preceding year, only to see the snow on the ground during the whole fortnight that I was there, while the wind never for a moment came from any quarter but the east. So that not a single insect summoned up courage to venture from its retreat.

Yet I have had many pleasant rambles in March, and seen many curious and interesting sights; for, when the weather *is* mild, Nature commences her spring work in a hurry. Birds *do* begin to build, sometimes, and even get well on with family matters before the end of the month.

Jesus Leads us! we shall Conquer.

A HYMN FOR BANDS OF HOPE.

Words by the REV. HERBERT M. BRAITHWAITE, M.A. (Curate of St. Saviour's, Liverpool.) Music by SIR GEORGE J. ELVEY, Mus. Doc.

1. Je - sus leads us! we shall con - quer, He will break the drunkard's chain;
2. All are sol - diers in Mis ar - my— All who seek the lost to save,

1. For He came to give to sin - ners Glo - rious lib - er - ty a - gain: All whom Sa - tan
2. All who strive to help the help - less, And give freedom to the slave: Therefore we are

1. has made cap - tive, Bound in sin and mis - er - y— Je - sus Christ unbars their pri - sons,
2. Christ's own soldiers, For we strive, at His command, From the fet - ters of in - tem - per - ance

CHORUS.

1. Bursts their bonds, and sets them free.
2. To set free our na - tive land. } Onward bravely in - to bat - tle, Christian soldiers,

on - ward go; Thro' the might of Christ our Cap - tain We shall conquer ev - ry foe!

3. He will help us in the battle,
Though we are but children weak;
He will give us power for action,
He will give us words to speak;
He will guide us through temptation,
Give us victory over sin:
Others to the Temperance Army
He'll by our example win.
Onward, &c.

4. Let us then obey our Captain
As His soldiers brave and true;
Let us love and help each other
As we know He bade us do;
Let us humbly trust our Captain—
He will lead us safely on
Till the strife with sin is over,
And the Heavenly crown is won.
Onward, &c.

SCAMPSTON.

DEATH.

On February 9th, George Barker, son of Charles and Anne Kitson, aged 14 months.

BIRTH.

On January 9th, Anne, wife of Robert Pickering, of a daughter.

There will be special services in Lent, of which due notice will be given.

On Friday last a supper was given to the Workmen and their wives by W. H. St. Quintin, Esq. Mrs St Quintin and Mrs Williams presided at one table, and the Vicar and Mr Puzey at the other. Before commencing the Vicar read a letter from Mr St. Quintin regretting his inability to be present owing to a previous engagement, and saying that he wished the supper to be an annual affair. (Loud cheers.) When Mrs St. Quintin left three hearty cheers were given for the Squire and family. After supper the Vicar occupied the chair, supported by Mr Puzey. The usual toasts followed, together with songs and recitations, and all went away delighted with the pleasant evening they had spent. On Monday the Rev G. A. Grenside and Rev. W. A. Felton, of Thorpebassett, gave an amusing and instructive entertainment with their Magic Lantern at Mr Lett's mission-room. There was a good moral to each of the stories not to be easily forgotten. A hearty vote of thanks concluded the proceedings.

Mr John Jackson has been very untiring in his efforts to raise a Band in this small village, and we were quite surprised when they came out to hear how well they played in so short a time. The members have shown their appreciation by presenting their bandmaster with a handsome new cornet. The following are members:— Messrs. Jackson, Cowton, Marson, Linton, Liens, Hick, Morley. All desire to thank friends for their kind patronage.

The drawing report arrived marked "good," which is satisfactory both to the managers and also Mrs Flint, our worthy schoolmistress.

A Penny Bank has been established in connection with the school. Mr and Mrs St. Quintin, Miss Lett, Mrs Flint, the Vicar and Mr Ralph Ryder are the trustees. We trust the children will be taught not only worldly prudence, but to save all they can in order to give all they can. To deny themselves for others and especially for their parents. What is laid out in this manner is really given to God.

Mr Barry, the diocesan inspector, gave us a very cheering report, stating that it was quite a pleasure for him to visit the school.

We regret to say that Mr Thomas Cowton met with an accident at Malton. He twisted his ankle by slipping on some orange peel. He is, however, doing well.

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We are looking forward to the Rev. H. S. Carpenter's concert on Shrove Tuesday, and shall be glad to welcome our Rillington neighbours. One good deed leads to another, and we hear that Messrs. Wentworth and Hodgson are giving a second concert at Easter.

The following has been sent to the Vicar of Scampston. It is an extract from the *Manitoba Free Press*, published at Winnipeg on January 14th, 1892 :—

HOLTBY.—On the 9th instant (at the residence of his brother-in-law, Thomas Farrow, postmaster, Oakbank, Man), the instantaneous sudden death of Richard Holtby, in the 66th year of his age, born at Scampston, Yorkshire, England — *Yorkshire Gazette* please copy.

In another part of the same paper headed "Sudden death.—A Springfield farmer called without warning on Saturday," is the following :—

"A farmer near Oakfield, brother-in-law of Thos. Farrow, postmaster, died very suddenly on Saturday morning at the latter's house, where he had been living for the last few years. He arose, apparently in good health, but without any warning fell back on the floor of his room and before friends had reached his side life was extinct.

I give these extracts in full in order that they may reach the eyes of some relation or friend of the late Mr Holtby. Mr Farrow, I conclude, is a relation of "old parson Farrow," who was vicar of Knapton and who lived for many years in this villiage.

WINTRINGHAM.

MARRIAGES.

January 26th—Tuesday—At the Parish Church, Francis Owston, of Rillington, and Elizabeth Tweedie, of Newton.

On Tuesday, January 26th, were married at Wintringham Church, Mr Francis Owston, of Rillington, and Miss Elizabeth Tweedie, house-keeper at Newton. At the request of the bride the Holy Eucharist was offered in the Parish Church that morning and she and her friends received the Holy Communion. The morning was wet, but the afternoon came out bright. Both the bride and bridegroom are deservedly popular, and at half-past two a large congregation had gathered in the Church. The service was commenced with a hymn; another was introduced in the middle of the service, and the choir and congregation joined heartily in the singing of them. Indeed it was a pleasure to take part in the service. It is a pity to end up this paragraph with a growl, but it is our duty to do so. Special reporters are a kind of watchdog and must give warning of the approach of mischievous persons. The mischievous person in this case is the man or woman who throws rice in the church. No rice ought to be thrown until the wedding party have left the church. To have the church covered with rice looks unseemly, it gives a deal of work to the church cleaner, and it encourages that pest the mouse. The vermin would have a fine time of it for a day or two after the wedding. The vestry floor was covered with food, for one witty gentleman threw in several handfuls of oats and Indian corn. Of course it was done thought-

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lessly and was meant as an expression of goodwill to the bride and bridegroom. We are sure that we have only to point out the evil side of the habit to have it at once discontinued.

For some time past the members of the Reading-room have been racking their brains to find out some plan by which money could be raised to repair the bagatelle table. It is a grand table, and it seemed a pity that it should become useless. Mr Grenside came to the rescue, and offered to give a magic lantern entertainment. This took place on Tuesday, February 16th. The School-room was well filled, and all seemed to enjoy themselves. An account of the pictures will be found in the Thorpebassett news. The sum of £1 2s. 3d. was taken at the door, and has been handed over to Mr S. Heseltine, the secretary of the Reading Room. I am sure such timely aid ought to give that valuable institution a "leg up."

THE SCHOOL.

We have received our annual report from Her Majesty's Inspector, and it is a good one. He says that the mistress has done good work under discouraging conditions. These discouraging conditions are the smallness of the present school-room, (and the consequent overcrowding of the children) and the absence of a class-room. Perhaps, next time the Inspector comes he will be quite set up with our new school.

LENT.

There will be a special service in the Church every Thursday evening at 7-30.

VILLAGE LIBRARY.

The books of this library have lately been cleaned and fresh labelled. They are now put back on their shelves in the Reading-room. We are fortunate in having a great many very interesting books. We hope to have a little more order in the giving out of the books. Mr Robert Drummond will act as Librarian until further notice. He is prepared to give out books any evening that he is in the Reading-room. But it will be a fixed rule for him to do so every Saturday from 5-30 to 7 p.m. This last rule is intended for the benefit of those living at a distance from the village. It would often be convenient for some of those to call for books on their way from the Malton market. As another help to such as these the Librarian has made three copies of the catalogue, one of these will always be found at Mr Creaser's, one at Mrs Darley's, and one at the School-House. In this way it will be easier for us to know what books are in the library and we can have more time in deciding what book to ask for. Some of the books are still out. We should like them taken to the Librarian and entered on his list even though the folk who have them wish to take them back home with them again. The following are the names of these books:—*Mayflower*, *Vilette*, *Robinson Crusoe*, *Queechy*, *Payne's Select Poetry*, *On Honour's Roll*, *Magnet Stories*, *Dombey and Son*, *Jane Eyre*.

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KNAPTON.

The Lent Services will be on Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock. We do hope that some more of our people will come to these services this year. We have not been able to ask any strange clergyman to preach for us for this reason. But why should Knapton be behind the other villages in this? Remember that in keeping Lent we are commemorating our Blessed Lord's forty days in the wilderness and His temptations there, and this should make us eager to prove, by some denial of our time and service, our great love for our Master. He lived for us. Do we live for Him? He died for us. Do we try to die to sin and remember to worship Him. In Lent we should make a special effort. Moody and Sankey's hymns will be sung instead of our usual ones.

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