RILLINGTON.

A public meeting was held in the Reading-room on Wednesday afternoon, 5th September, to consider an invitation of the East Riding County Council to be allowed to give Cookery Instructions for the benefit of Rillington and district. The meeting was convened by a gentleman from the County Council's office at Beverley, and there was a very good attendance. The Vicar presided and amongst those who were present were the Rev. G. A. Grenside, Dr. Bradford, and several ladies from Thorpe Bassett, Scampston, and Rillington. After an address, very charmingly given by Miss Manley, Technical Secretary of the Yorkshire Ladies' Council of Education, it was unanimously decided to welcome the Cookery Instruction. A Committee was elected comprising the Vicar (chairman), Dr Bradford (secretary), the Rev. G. A. Grenside, Mrs Harland, Mrs Heseltine, Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs W. Collinson, Mrs Williams, and Miss Lett. The old school was deemed the most suitable place and Wednesday the most convenient day. The requisite number of adult pupils is 18 and these names were readily btained. It is expected that the classes will commence Wednesday, 3rd October, at 2-30, and 6-30. The practical lessons in the afternoons are open only to the 18 pupils, but in the evening, at the demonstration lessons, others may be present so far as the room will accommodate. Cooked dishes are to be sold at cost price at the close of each lesson. The grant of the County Council will depend upon the attendance of the 18 pupils, and for that reason the Instructions are to be free.

At the service on Sunday evening, 23rd September, a beautiful Eagle Lectern, made of oak, was dedicated by the Rural Dean, the Rev. G. A. Grenside. The following simple service that was used may be read with interest. At the conclusion of the Psalms, Mr Grenside standing on the Chancel step began the dedication:—"In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen! To the glory of God and in the memory of William Macdowall, Priest, for 25 years Vicar of this Parish, I dedicate this Lectern, the gift of parishioners and friends, for use in the public worship in this house of prayer."

Let us Pray.

"O Lord God, who art pleased to be worshipped by the offerings of Thy creatures, according to the purpose of their hearts, accept, we pray Thee, the gift now made unto Thy house, for Thy honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.

"O Almighty God, who dost enlighten the minds of Thy servants with the knowledge of Thy truth. bless, we beseech Thee, this Lectern, and grant that Thy people, taught in Thy ways, may so take heed to what they hear as to fulfil all precepts and commandments delivered to them, so that by the Word of Truth they may at length attain unto Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, who liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end." Amen.

The Choir then sang the hymn 243, "Lord, Thy word abideth," &c. The special lessons read were Psalm exix., 1-49; and St. Luke iv., 16-21. The sermon, or the importance of hearing the word of God read in public

worship, was preached by Mr. Grenside from the text "This is life eternal to know Thee, the only God and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent," St. John xvii., 3. The offertory, for the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter Fund, i.e. the general Church needs of the Diocese, amounted to 10s.

The names of the subscribers to the memorial to Mr. Macdowall have been sent to Mrs. Macdowall, and, according to promise, the amount given has in no case been mentioned. It is a great pleasure to Mrs. Macdowall to find how many of her friends in Rillington and the neighbourhood have taken a part in this memorial. We are asked to find room for the following letter which we are sure will be read with pleasure by all the subscribers :-

"Hovingham, Sept, 1894.

My Dear Friends,

Mr. Grenside has sent me the names of those who have subscribed to a memorial in memory of my dear husband. I very much appreciate the kindness which has led you to take part in such a memorial. Nothing could have pleased my husband or myself more than that the gift should have gone to beautify the house of God. I am sorry that I was not able to be with you in Church last Sunday evening. With my best thanks for all the kindness we received from you all during the 25 happy years we spent at Rillington. Believe me, yours affectionately, S. M. Macdowall."

On Thursday, 20th September, the children attending the Sunday School had a tea party on the vicarage lawn. A short service was first held in the Church. Fortunately the day was favourable and the 50 children seemed to find as much pleasure in their treat as Mr. and Mrs. Harland did in entertaining them.

SCAMPSTON.

The Harvest Thanksgiving service will be held on Tuesday, 2nd October, at seven o'clock. The offertory will be given to Foreign Missions in aid of the old Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. It is a good thing to see that our harvest thank offerings do not in any way, even indirectly, benefit ourselves, or our own Parish, and in the next place the great spiritual Harvest of the world, in which, in our day the Church of England is the foremost in labours, ought to be closely connected in our minds, when we are specially acknowledging our great obligation to the Lord of the Harvest. In connection with the Harvest Thanksgiving there will be a celebration of Holy communion at eight o'clock, on Sunday, 7th October.

Through the kindnesss of Mr. and Mrs. St. Quintin the School children had a treat in the Hall grounds on Thursday, 30th August. The day was beautifully fine and the treat was much enjoyed. The Scampston Band greatly increased the pleasure of the treat.



A PROMISE FOR PARENTS.

"For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed and my blessing upon thine offspring."—IsA. xliv. 3.

BY THE REV. F. BOURDILLON, M.A.,

ARENTS have one great object the Spirit, and to the parent thirsting of anxiety which others have for the Spirit to come to be a spirit to be a spi not-their children. And

Christian parents have one which other parents have not-their children's spiritual welfare. In the eyes of worldly parents this is little; but to Christian parents there is nothing

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Now, here is a promise full of encouragement to such. It was the promise of Jehovah to the pious Jews of Isaiah's time, with regard to their children and posterity. The parents feared the Lord; but, in those evil times, would their children after them fear Him? In that generation there were yet a few godly men; but, as things seemed to be going from bad to worse, would any such be found in the generations that were to follow? Yes; the Lord promised that so it should be. He would pour forth His Spirit, He would preserve a godly seed, He would draw one after another to Himself.

The believer may take to himself the promises made by God to Israel; and this special promise the Christian parent may apply to himself and his children. It is full of encouragement to prayer, and effort, and faith.

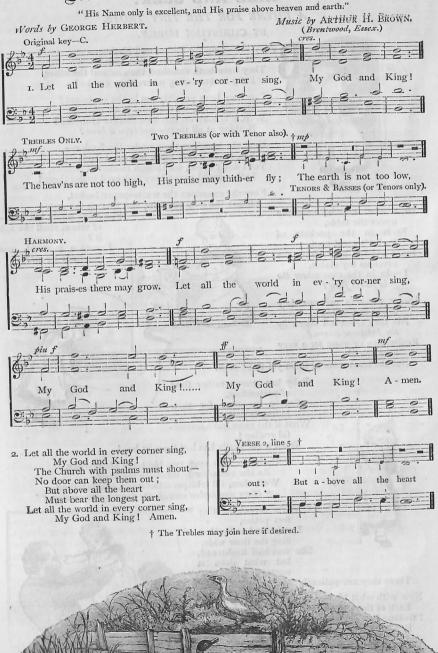
The figure is one of the plainest, and one often used. Water here means the Spirit of God and His blessing; and by the dry ground we are to understand the hearts of children —whether still children, or grown up: "him that is thirsty" we may apply both to the child not yet renewed by

Every heart, both of parent and of child, is dry ground till watered by the Spirit of God; every one till then is thirsty, in the sense of having no water; but it is only the renewed heart that thirsts for God, as desiring Him. A Christian parent, then, thirsts and longs, not only on his own account, but for his children too —to see in them some sign of turning to God, some token of His grace.

For this many godly, prayerful, and painstaking parents have to wait long. From the cradle the mother has taught her little ones, from their earliest years both father and mother have trained their children for God, and prayed for them, and set them the example of a godly life; but hitherto no sign of grace in them has appeared. Their children are like other children; in some cases they have even gone far in sin. Often have the parent's hopes been raised, but only to be disappointed; a striking sermon, a serious talk, a startling event, has seemed to make an impression, but it did not last; and sometimes a son or daughter has seemed humbled and softened, but nothing came of it; and the parents, so often disappointed, are cast down. Will the blessing ever come? Will they ever have the joy of seeing their children come to God? Has not God forgotten to be gracious?

No! God never forgets to be gracious. One thing He is teaching

"Let all the world in every corner sing."



WEST HESLERTON.

BAPTISM.

On Sunday, Sept. 2nd--John William, son of Charles and Elizabeth Bryant.

BURIAL.

On Saturday, Sept. 1st—Leonard Hesp, aged 19 years.
"In the midst of life we are in death."

On the last Saturday in August Leonard Hesp was helping to gather in the harvest of the year. On the following Saturday he was laid to rest in our churchyard, himself gathered in with the harvest of human life by God's reapers, who are the angels. As we said in our last number, a sudden death does not necessarily mean an unprepared death, but such calls cannot but come with warning note to those who are living carelessly in the world without thought of God. Which of us has sown such good seed in his life and brought forth such good fruit that he is ready, at a week's notice, to be borne hence by the reapers? "If Thou, Lord, will be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?" Jesu mercy.

We have most of us said many bad things about the weather this year, but we have had at least one glorious day, and that was just the day on which our Band of Hope took its holiday in Scarbro'-Thursday, August 30th. It will be remembered that the children of the Band of Hope gave an entertainment last Martinmas, which realised, after expenses had been paid, just a sovereign. With a small addition to this from a private source we were able to take our twelve young members (of our full number some were at work and some have left the village) to Scarborough for the day. Many friends joined us on their own account, so that the platform at the station presented an unusually gay appearance. On arriving at Scarborough Mrs Hutton took the main body of children away to the North Cliff, where shoes and stockings were drawn off and all sorts of fun began. The elder ones amused themselves in various ways, and all met together at five o'clock to tea, after which another visit was paid to the sands, and the Band of Hope returned by the mail train, having spent a most enjoyable day. We trust that this holiday may be an annual one and that parents and friends will oncourage the children in every way in their power to join the Band of Hope and become total abstainers while they are young. Anyone who looks around him will soon see some of the evil effects that the love of strong drink has had upon all classes of society. Let the children learn to love total abstinence before they can have learnt to love beer or spirits and we shall have gone a long way towards giving them a good start in life. In our Yorkshire villages this is especially needed among the boys, who will be the labourers on our farms in a few years, and we hope that several more little boys will join our ranks before winter. We hope to have another entertainment next month, given by the members of the Band of Hope.

KNAPTON.

BAPTISM.

On Sunday, September 9th, George Arthur, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Shepherd.

We hope to hold our Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, October 17th, at 7-30 p.m., and we trust that as many parishioners as possible will endeavour to be at Church. Even if the harvest has not been so rich as at one time seemed likely, even if it has been below the average in quality, surely we shall none of us deny that we have cause enough to be thankful for God's many mercies, to make it a duty (and it should be a pleasure as well) to join together in praise and worship. Everyone admits that we had a splendid harvest last year. Have we all shown our gratitude for it by trying to serve our Father more truly and faithfully during the past twelve months? And if not, can we venture to complain because He does not bless us a second time with such an abundant store. "Be not deceived. God is not mocked. For whatseever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

THORPE BASSETT.

Our School will not open until Monday, October 15. We hope the attendance will be good so that we do not find ourselves behind-hand with work when the Inspector visits us. Our School promises to be an exceedingly nice one, with plenty of room, light, and warmth. The masons and joiners are working well, and will soon bring their work to a finish.

Our Harvest Festival is on Thursday, October 4, at 7-30. The preacher is the Rev. Godfrey Horner, Vicar of Upper Helmsley. Mr. Horner knows Thorpe Bassett, and has often taken duty in the old Church. We can rely on having a large congregation. Most of us see the fitness of thanking God in public worship for the blessings of the harvest. We, who acknowledge the hand of God in our daily lives and pray give us this day our daily bread, do well to join once a year in God's house to thank Him for His blessings vouchsafed in the annual ingatherings. We wish we could say this had been a splendid year for the farmers in this Parish. But though we cannot say this we know that they own that they have many temporal mercies to thank God for, and that they wish to join the rest of God's people in gladly offering thanksgiving to Him to whom belongs the earth and the fulness thereof, and who has given this earth and its fulness to the children of men.

It is with a sad heart that we record the death of Miss Annie Cattle. She has lived in our village about 20 years and has won our respect and affection. With health always bad, she has bravely worked at her home duties, and never complained. She was always thinking of others, and even during the extreme weakness of the last few weeks, her unselfishness and courtesy were most touching. Lives such as hers are of great influence for good as they shame our impatience and make us more brave in suffering. She was a sincere Christian, ready to resign her will to

God, and looking forward with bright hope to the world beyond. Let us pray God to strengthen and comfort those to whom her loss is greater than any poor words of ours can express.

All Saints' Day will be here before the issue of another Magazine. It is Thursday, November 1. We shall have a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7-30, and Evensong and Sermon at 7-30. Again we ask all to make an effort to be present The preacher at Evensong is the Rev. A. W. Swayne, curate of S. Martin's, Scarborough.

WINTRINGHAM.

BAPTISMS.

Sunday, September 16th.—Michael William, son of William and Ann Elizabeth Staveley.

Lillian Ann, daughter of Howland and Mary Annie Walker.

CALENDAR.

Friday, October 5.—Harvest Festival 7-30. Preacher, Rev. T. D. Speck, Vicar of Langtoft. Collection for Agricultural Benevolent and York County Hospital.

Sunday, October 7.—Morning Prayer 10-30. Evening Prayer 6-30.

Preacher, Rev. E. Plume, curate of Settrington. Collection for Church Expenses.

Wednesday, Oct 17.—Eve of S. Luke's Day Preacher, Rev. C. C. Mackarness, vicar of S. Martin's, Scarborough Collection for Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

Thursday, October 18th.—St. Luke s Day. Holy Communion 7-30 a.m. Sunday, October 28.—St. Simon and St. Jude. Holy Communion 8-30 a.m. Evening Prayer 6-30.

We wish to specially observe the Festival of St. Luke from year to year, as it is the anniversary of the opening of our beautifully restored Church. We are sure that our Communicants will make an effort to be in Church in the morning at 7-30. We will have our Evening Service on the Eve, as we can secure as our preacher the Rev. C. C. Mackarness. We are very glad to be able to announce this, as Mr Mackarness is an excellent preacher, and his words cannot fail to be useful to us. We may reckon on a large congregation. A great many of us value highly the services of our Parish Church, and will be glad to hear that we intend to perpetuate the memory of S. Luke's Day, 1893.

It is very seldom that we have an entertainment at Wintringham unless we get it up ourselves. But on Monday, Oct. 15th, we are to hear an entertainment in the school by Mr Hertz, conjurer and ventriloquist. The performance begins at 7-30. Front seats 1s, second seats 6d, back seats 3d. There will be special prices for the children. We are told by those who have seen the entertainment that we can reckon on a very pleasant evening.

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