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MOTTO FOR 1917.

“Be thou faithful unto death and I will give you a Crown of Life.” *Rev. ii., 10.*

THE NATIONAL MISSION.

(Extract from the *S. Paul's, Haggerston, Parish Magazine*).

“Most earnestly I beg you to rise in your great responsibility, and to realize the great extent to which you are pledged to serve your Lord and your Church. We of the priesthood are willing to take our share—our large share—of the responsibility of the ineffectiveness of the past, but the failure is also largely owing to you (*i.e.* the professing members of this Church). It is because you have expected to receive and not to give that the Church makes so small a claim on your loyalty. It is because you have not stood on our side, but laughed aloud and ridiculed us that we have not done better than we have. It is because you have not witnessed for the Christ whom you are equally pledged to serve in those walks of life which you specially inhabit, that the Name of Christ is so dishonoured and His Blessed Kingdom delayed. It is because you are always saying, that is the parson's job, about things which are essentially your concern. It is because you have clung quite as tenaciously as we have to forms and ceremonies which are obsolete and old fashioned. It is because you never approach us with friendly criticisms but only air your criticisms behind our backs. It is because you have accepted us as indispensable only for your weddings, your baptisms, and your funerals. It is because you have encouraged with your laughter the public taste for the comic parson; because you have not insisted even now that your priests should be placed on the war establishments of the army, or that chapels should be built on your Men-of-War for the conduct of Divine Service. It is because without knowledge you are censorious, because you never tell us what you find unreal in our services, because when *John Bull* publishes a degraded article about your Bishop you make no protest; because when *Truth*

publishes a story ridiculing your sacrament for baptism scarcely a letter of remonstrance is sent by the laity; because when a number of the *Winning Post* includes a loathsome libel on your sacrament of marriage no one goes to the editor and says, ‘these things must cease’; because when you have seen a play or a sketch which you know to be degraded, not one of you has the courage to write a letter of complaint to the Manager; because when elections are held you never insist on Christian candidates.

Finally, it is because you so seldom pray for us that we are what we are, and our failure is as grave as it is. Yes we (the Clergy) will take our share of the blame. The National Mission is the pledge that we are dissatisfied with ourselves; but will you also accept your responsibility for never having exercised your Christian priesthood? Will you also say, ‘we are not a success’?”

DEATH OF MRS. WARDE.

The parish has suffered a great loss in the death of Mrs. Warde after a short illness. Always very delicate and oftentimes suffering intensely, one could learn the lessons of absolute patience and unselfishness from her brave example. Generous and kind to all, there is many a grateful heart in East Farleigh will go out in deep sympathy to Colonel Warde and his daughters in their irreparable loss. Mrs. Warde was laid to rest in the churchyard at Wrotham, which has been the family burying place for many generations.

“When some Beloved, 'neath whose eyelids lay
 The sweet lights of my childhood—
 Did leave me dark before the natural sun,
 And I astonished fell and could not pray—
 A thought within me to myself did say,
 ‘Is God less God, that thou art left undone?
 Rise, worship, bless Him, in this sack cloth spun
 As in that purple!’—But I answered, Nay!
 What child his filial heart in words can loose
 If he behold his tender father raise
 The hand that chastens sorely? Can he choose
 But sob in silence with an upward gaze?—
 And my great Father, thinking fit to bruise,
 Discerns in speechless tears both prayer and praise.”

THE VICAR'S CLOTHES.

Why does the Vicar wear such extraordinary clothes people are asking. What are they? Well, the indispensable parts belong to the uniform of a chaplain to the Church Lads Brigade in the year 1902. The waistcoat was knitted and made by Mrs. Ellis, of the Priory, in the year 1906, and the coat was built in Regent Street in 1904. The reason? Because he feels that in War time no one should spend money on themselves, but every penny that can be saved should be lent to the country to carry on the War. Do we want to win the War? What are we really doing to help? Of the 300 homes in Farleigh, how many are saving and lending the money to the country? *Every one ought to do something.* We have a War Savings Association. Mr. W. F. Hartridge is the Treasurer, and Mr. J. B. Leaver the Secretary, and we have 25 subscribers. Anyone who lends 15/- to the country will be paid back 20/-, and the money can be taken back, if necessary, at any time. Surely here is a splendid investment, 5/- for nothing! and a grand opportunity to help the country win the War. All you have to do is to go to the Post Office, say you want to join the East Farleigh War Savings Association, get a card from the Secretary and save 3d. or 6d. a week, buy the special stamp with the 6d., put it on the card, and in time it will be filled up, and can be exchanged for a little book, containing the Government's promise to pay you the 20/-. Remember every penny you save is a help to the brave lads in the trenches, and helps to shorten the War.

How can we help? By saving, by thrift, and by prayer. Now that the terrible epidemic of sickness seems to be passing away, which has caused us so much sorrow and bereavement during this past two months, we must begin the Wednesday evening Prayer Service again. *It all helps*, and we all want to do our best.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZES.

GIRLS.

CLASS 1.—Ivy Arnold, Jessie Taylor, Gertie Hawkins.
CLASS 2.—Beaty Hayzelden, Grace Funnell, Dolly Weeks
CLASS 3.—Edith Hack, Gladys Arnold, Daisy Weeks.

BOYS.

CLASS 1.—George Smith, Stephen Hayzelden.
CLASS 2.—Sidney Hack, Lewis Taylor.

INFANTS.

Evelyn Hack, Edith Arnold, Amy Acott, May Acott, Stanley Hayzelden, Willie Taylor, Jack Acott, Ada Maynard.

CERTIFICATES.

F. Hadlow, P. Latter, H. Hayzelden, T. Dodge, K. Acott.

Coxheath Sunday School.

CLASS 1.—Doris Towner, Florrie Whyman, Ethel Card, Alf. Oliver, Annie Hewitt.

CLASS 2.—John Sharp, Edith Wilkins, Claude Foster, Willie Foster, Arthur Whyman.

INFANTS.—Fred Sharp, Emmie Whyman, Charlie Foster, Harry Foster, Teddie Whyman.

HYMNS FOR JANUARY.

MORNING.

JANUARY 7th.

JANUARY 14th (2nd Sunday after Epiphany).
266 255 210 292 233 20 31

JANUARY 21st (3rd Sunday after Epiphany).
78 306 307 303 302 511 21

JANUARY 28th (4th Sunday after Epiphany).
405 406 437 281 285 271 550

EVENING.

BAPTISMS.

"Go ye therefore and teach all Nations, baptising."—
S. Matt. xxviii., 19.

Dec. 3—Florence May, daughter of Herbert and Winifred Lovelock.

" 17—Vivian Maud, daughter of Arthur and Beatrice Onion.

1917.
Jan. 6—Evelyn Minnie, daughter of Frederick and Harriet Cox.

" 7—Sidney George, son of Austin and Sarah Smith.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."—Rev. xii., 13.

Jan. 2—Emily Coppen of East Farleigh, aged 75 years.

" 5—Emily Mew of East Farleigh, aged 77 years.

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THE BISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER.

To be read in Parish Churches throughout the Diocese
 On SUNDAY, FEBRUARY, 11th, 1917, being Sexagesima Sunday.

JOHN REGINALD, *by Divine Permission*, BISHOP OF ROCHESTER; to the Clergy and faithful laity in our Diocese; Grace to you and Peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour, and from the Holy Ghost, Who abides in the Church to guide and strengthen her.

Once more at the request of the Diocesan Board of Finance I place before you in this Pastoral Letter the claims upon your support of the seven recognised departments of Church work now accepted as obligatory by every diocese in England and Wales. What are these seven recognised departments? They are as follows: 1. The training of candidates for ordination. 2. The maintenance of the ministry, that is, living agents, clerical and lay, male and female. 3. Pensions for Clergy and Lay Workers. 4. Provision for Widows and Orphans of the clergy, and for necessitous clergy. 5. The erection and repairs of buildings as churches, mission rooms and vicarages. 6. The religious education of the young. 7. General purposes.

These departments cover the field of Home Work. They do not touch the sphere of Foreign Missions. And they are diocesan, in the sense that they are spent within the borders of the diocese which contributes them, apportioned by the vote of its elected representatives. They constitute therefore the offerings of churchpeople for the extension and maintenance of Christ's kingdom within our borders.

The conditions of the Diocese of Rochester amply justify this call upon your generosity. Within our boundaries are contained parishes of every class. Great and growing artisan populations, spreading along the south bank of the Thames, and the mouth of the Medway, teeming hives of industry which war conditions are crowding with an ever increasing influx of munition workers, make their appeal to the occupants of residential and suburban towns and model villages, and the stately homes which are the pride of Kent. And, thank God, they do not appeal in vain. In spite of the financial strain of the war, with its clamour of new claims, with its insistent call for scrupulous economy in the home, the Board of Finance registers no falling-off from the receipts in 1915 in its balance sheet for the year now closed. It records indeed a rise of some four hundred pounds. But whereas the sum asked for is £10,500, the amount raised is still £1,500 short of that estimate. It is for us this year to determine that what is calculated as needed for the effective working of the diocese shall be provided in full total. And so quite early in the year this appeal goes out. It is a test of fellowship—of that brotherhood between churchpeople which the National Mission, inaugurated last autumn, has done so much to foster. The interchange of Bishop's Messengers within this diocese has accomplished much in breaking down parochial barriers. Forced to depend upon itself for the supply of clergy to voice the message, and of earnest laymen and trained ladies to prepare the ground, Rochester has come to realize, as never before, the unity and solidarity of her Church life—one in its

loyalty and devotion, but differing in the conditions under which the Church in Erith, or Dartford, or Gravesend, or Chatham and Gillingham, contends for the faith, as compared with the circumstances of our richer districts or country villages. We need a wider spiritual outlook. Personally I am convinced that but for a certain lack of imagination the £10,500 required would be easily raised, nay, considerably exceeded. But we are slow to picture conditions outside our own experience. One thing is certain. When the heart is touched, money is not withheld. Thus the National Mission has more than paid its expenses; and the appeal for a war-allowance for the unbeneficed clergy has met with so cordial a response that of the money needed four-fifths was raised by special contributions within a few days of its issue. I ask, therefore, as your Bishop, that the raising of your own parochial quota be taken in hand at once, and that it be paid in full as a debt of honour; and I appeal for generous gifts from individual churchmen, earmarked, if they desire, for special objects within the various recognised departments, as contributions to the Central Fund. This Central Fund needs reinforcement. It is our one disappointment. Created as the avenue by which our wealthier members can give out of their superfluity, and calculated to produce one third of our total estimated needs, its intention has not been fully understood, and the response hitherto has fallen short of expectation. Last year there were only 160 contributors to it. And yet it is obvious that if the Central Fund habitually fails, the parochial quota must be increased all round. This course the Board of Finance would be very unwilling to adopt: for it will impose a severe strain upon the rank and file of our congregations, who take their share gladly, expecting that churchpeople with ampler resources will subscribe to the Central Fund, as well as to the parochial quota, which is intended to be supported by rich and poor alike.

I close with a cordial tribute to the administrative work of the Board of Finance. The attendance at the meetings, and the care and ability displayed, are beyond praise. Every year more parishes receive grants in one form or another. In spite of war conditions, two new churches—St. Augustine's, Belvedere, and St. Augustine's, Gillingham—were consecrated last autumn, both practically free from debt, both designed as the centre of new parishes to be created and endowed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners on the ground of population. This means the fulfilment of much self-sacrifice, of many prayers. It will mean also, in the near future, the release of the diocese from the obligation of the continuance of certain grants. But, best of all, it is a witness to the diocesan spirit which recognising the need for a venture of faith concentrated itself upon a

spiritual effort of some magnitude, and distributed the burdens fairly and impartially among all.

It is the growth of this spirit which enables me, as your bishop, to face the future with thankfulness and with hope. May God bless and use your gifts and offerings to His own honour and glory, and to the extension and well-being of the Church of His dear Son.

I am,
Your faithful bishop and fellow labourer
in His Service,
J. R. ROFFEN.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF THE SCHOOLS.

The Vicar and the Rev. G. Chatterton visited the Schools on January 31st, and, in spite of the snow and inclement weather, found a splendid attendance. The teaching and the discipline in the whole Schools was excellent.

THE SENIOR DIVISION.—STANDARDS 3, 4, 5, and 6 knew thoroughly well their Old Testament set subject, "Elijah and Elisha," and the questions asked were answered very well. In the New Testament the set period was from the death of our Lord to the day of Pentecost. The children showed great intelligence, and answered the questions remarkably well on this subject, knowing the difference in the Gospel narrative of the events recorded in the four Gospels, after our Lord's death to the day of Pentecost, which shows their teachers must have taken great pains and trouble to teach them this subject.

The Church Catechism during the past year must have been well and carefully taught, the children being able to explain in their own words the meaning of the "Lord's Prayer and Desire," and the Commandments and duties, which gives great credit to their teachers. They answered well the questions on the Christian Seasons, and recited very nicely Psalms 1 and 23.

STANDARDS 1 and 2 knew their subjects well and answered the questions intelligently, knowing the meaning of the words they used.

THE INFANTS AND BABIES answered after their kind, small mites of four and five reciting texts of Scripture and hymns with great confidence and delight. The teaching of the parables in the Infants was specially worthy of praise, the children being able to put into their own words the stories in the New Testament.

SERVICES DURING LENT.

Daily.	
Mattins and Intercession Service	12.30 p.m.
Wednesdays.	
Children's Service	4 p.m.
Evensong and Intercession Service	7.30 p.m.
Thursdays.	
Holy Communion	8 a.m.
Prayer Meeting (Coxheath)	7.30 p.m.

THE WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

The East Farleigh War Association has began to advance—membership is now going up, and now totals 59. An enthusiastic meeting was held in the Court Lodge Room on February 5th, when the first 11 certificates were balloted for.

During the last ten months of 1916 over 42,000,000 certificates were sold, and there are now over 20,000 War Savings Associations throughout the country.

New members are wanted. Anyone can enrol at any time at the East Farleigh Post Office, where subscriptions of 6d. (sixpence) or more will be received. All the money goes to aid the War. Nobody receives any pay for their services, and every member gets £1 for every 15/6 invested.

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MORNING.	EVENING.
FEBRUARY 4th (Septuagesima).	
FEBRUARY 11th (Sexagesima).	
186 187 367	36 523 290 27
FEBRUARY 18th (Quinquagesima).	
210 255 322	267 260 194 192
FEBRUARY 21st (Ash Wednesday).	Mission Hymns.
FEBRUARY 25th (1st Sunday in Lent).	
84 91 92	92 91 277 252

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"	28—Eileen, daughter of Arthur and May Page.
Feb.	4—Rose Evelyn, daughter of William and Eliza Tompsett.
"	4—Thomas Robert, son of William and Avis Foster.

MARRIAGES.

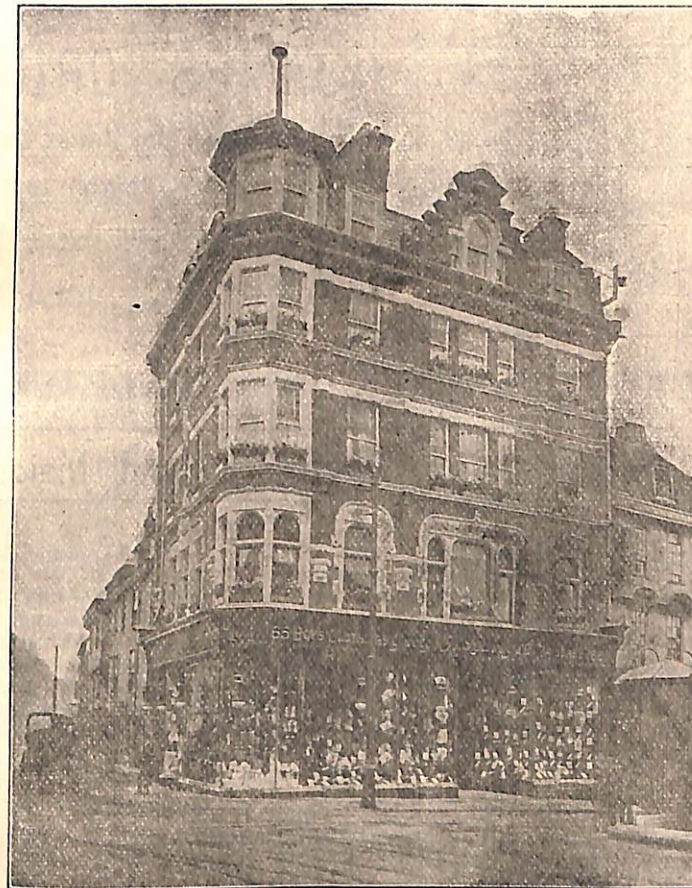
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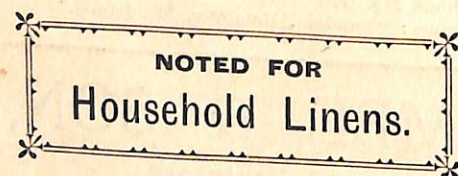
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Daily.

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Wednesdays.

Children's Service ... 9.15 a.m.

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Thursdays.

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It is hoped that our Communicants will make a Lenten rule of attending the Lord's Service on each Lord's Day, and that the members of our Congregation will make a rule to attend every Wednesday at 7.30 to help our Sailors and Soldiers by their prayers, and every Sunday evening at 6.30 during Lent. A simple rule, well kept, is most useful in strengthening our spiritual life.

PLEASE !

1.—If you find a bunch of keys, walking down to the East Farleigh Station, will you kindly bring them to the Vicarage?—they belong to Mrs. Heath.

2.—If you ever come to Church, would you notice the notice on the door? Coal and coke are very expensive, and each person who leaves the door open lets thousands of cubic feet of hot air out of the Church to warm the Churchyard; now the Churchyard does not want warming, but the Church does—so please be thoughtful, and shut the door after you and never mind those who are walking behind you.

3.—If you know who has borrowed the rear red lamp from the Vicarage Car, will you ask them to return it?

4.—If you are driving any vehicle, remember the ordinary rule of the road is to drive to the left, you may have private theories on the matter, but it is safer to comply with the general rule; also when you must needs draw up, don't stop just round a corner where no approaching vehicle can see you, it creates an unpleasant surprise to all concerned.

5.—If you are walking up a hill or in a narrow lane, and there are several of you, don't divide into small skirmishing parties and occupy both sides of the way, it is difficult to drive a car through an uncertain crowd. Keep all your party on the same side, and all will be well.

6.—Explain to your dogs, cats and chicken the rules of the road. It is not easy for a motorist to know what to do when a chicken flies on to his bonnet, or a cat sits calmly in the middle of the road to complete her toilet, or a dog suddenly changes his mind and runs under his off-side wheels.

7.—Don't keep quantities, large or small, of gold or silver in your house. Money has been stolen before now,—instead of hoarding it, take it to the Post Office or join the East Farleigh War Savings Association; for every 15/6 you put in the Country will give you back £1. You will do three good things: you will help your Country, you will help yourself, and you will prevent your money being taken by anyone else. Hurrah! for the War Loan. A thousand millions is not a bad start, so bring your savings along and make it more.

8.—If you are a man and not already a Volunteer, come along on Tuesday or Thursday evening at 7 p.m., to the Court Lodge Oast. Your King and Country need you.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

To the people of East Farleigh.

Will you all help me to collect a little money to feed and clothe our brave Prisoners of War,

Private Marsh and Private Mabb? They are now in Germany, and have helped to defend us and their country, so now we must not forget them and let them starve, as they would do if we did not send them food. It costs £2 to send them a box each fortnight, and think what that box means to them! I am sure you will all help and send your pennies each month by the children to Mrs. Oatley who has kindly said she will collect them for me, and I will send it with the other collections in the Parish to Miss Hills and Miss Harmer who kindly pack and send off the boxes every fortnight.

MARION WALTER,
The Parsonage,
East Farleigh.

THE GARDENERS' SOCIETY.

BY THE SECRETARY.

The Annual Meeting was held at the Bull Inn on Tuesday, January 16th, and in the absence of Captain Walter (the President) through military duties, Mr. A. Brook presided. The Secretary read his report and balance sheet for the year, which showed a balance of only £1 4s. 7½d. against £7 15s. 9½d. the previous year, but this was accounted for through not being able to hold our Summer Show at the Priory on account of the War.

The Secretary would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Hon. Subscribers for their support to the Society.

The election of officers for 1917 followed. Captain S. Walter was again elected President; Rev. A. B. Littlewood, Treasurer; Mr. H. Simmons, Chairman; and Mr. C. Weeks, Vice-chairman for three months; Mr. H. Simmons and Mr. T. Brook, Auditors; and Mr. S. Hayzelden was again elected Secretary and Collector. The Committee are Mrs. B. M. Maconochie, Messrs.

H. Simmons, D. V. Neale, W. Bellingham, L. J. Costin, T. B. Brook, H. Lane, W. Mann, C. Weeks, G. Moorecraft, H. Button, W. Laurence, and F. Oliver.

At the monthly meeting on January 30th the competition was a plate of boiled potatoes (6), the prize-winners being:—1st, Mrs. H. Webb; 2nd, Mrs. H. Button; 3rd, Mrs. W. Bellingham; 4th, Mrs. R. Honeysett; 5th, Mrs. F. Chapman; 6th, Mrs. C. Excell; 7th, Mrs. W. Stedman; 8th, Mrs. S. Hayzelden; 9th, A. Brook; 10th, T. Webb; 11th, Mrs. C. Weeks; and 12th, Mrs. E. Hadler; all the prizes were in kind (tea, sugar, bread, butter, and jam). At the meeting on February 27th the competition was three plates of seed potatoes, different varieties; the winners were:—1st, S. Hayzelden; 2nd, F. Oliver; 3rd, H. Webb; and 4th, C. Weeks.

Next meeting at the Horseshoe Inn on March 27th. Competitions, three heads of greens and two pots of mustard and cress, *see Notices*.

HYMNS FOR MARCH.

MORNING.	EVENING.
MARCH 4th (2nd Sunday in Lent).	
94 184 553	182 493 86 260
MARCH 11th (3rd Sunday in Lent).	
528 523 511	257 630 89 269
MARCH 18th (Mid-Lent Sunday).	
238 197 314	251 514 257 254
MARCH 25th (Passion Sunday).	
112 96 106	105 96 97 259

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Feb. 18—Edith Helena, daughter of Charles and Edith Walland.

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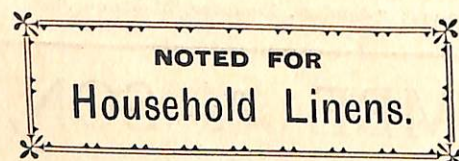
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Daily.

8 a.m., Holy Communion.
 12.30 p.m., Mattins & Intercession Service.

Good Friday.

8 a.m., Litany and Meditation.
 9.45 a.m., Mattins & Sermon at Workhouse.
 11 a.m., Mattins, Ante-Communion and Sermon.
 3.30 p.m., Mission Service (Coxheath).
 7 p.m., Evensong, Sermon, and Story of the Cross.

Easter Day.

Celebrations of the Holy Communion:—
 7 a.m., 8 a.m. (choral), and mid-day.
 9.15 a.m., Coxheath Mission Room.
 9.45 a.m., Workhouse Chapel.

Monday in Easter Week.

10.30 a.m., Mattins.
 11 a.m., Annual Vestry Meeting.

Tuesday in Easter Week.

10 a.m., Holy Communion.
 10.30 a.m., Mattins.

¶ And note that every Parishioner shall communicate (receive the Holy Communion) at least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one.

Parishioners unable to receive the Holy Communion on Easter Day should receive on Easter Tuesday, at 10 a.m., or the first Sunday after Easter.

EASTER VESTRY.

"Owing to the War."—We are becoming quite accustomed to the phrase, although apparently there are still some people in England

who do not know that we are at war, and who, apparently, are doing nothing for their country. In some dim way we can understand a conscientious objector, although it is difficult to conceive a man standing quietly by whilst the Germans killed his wife and children; such a man surely cannot be allowed a voice in the government of the country he refuses to defend, and he should not be allowed a vote in any kind of election; but it is difficult to understand a man, who is a man, not doing all his best when his King and Country call him. Owing to the War then, there will be many changes in the Church's Services. All the Clergy have sent in their names and enrolled for National Service, and we wait until the Bishop's orders come to know exactly what we must do. An amalgamation of parishes is most likely, and West Farleigh, East Farleigh and the Workhouse will be worked together.

A meeting of all members of the Congregation will be held in the Church Vestry on Easter Monday, at 11 a.m., to find out their wishes and desires in the matter of the times and alterations of the Services. It is hoped that the meeting will be truly representative, and that everyone who takes an interest in the Church will endeavour to be present. There will be many difficult matters to arrange, and in the multitude of counsellors there may be much wisdom, at any rate it will be much easier to speak beforehand than to grumble afterwards! Don't forget it then, Easter Monday, Church Vestry, 11 o'clock in the morning.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

In response to Mrs. Walter's appeal for our own Prisoners of War, Pte. Marsh and Pte. Mabb, the Parish has sent £2 for February and £2 for March. The children at the School, under the guidance of Mrs. Oatley, have done splendidly,

and sent in no less than 8/6 to the fund. This is a great beginning, but we must remember that it must go on.

TO-NIGHT.

(AN EVENING PRAYER).

For all who watch to-night—
By land, or sea, or air,
O Father, may they know that Thou
Art with them, "even there."
For all who weep to-night—
The hearts that cannot rest—
Reveal Thy love—that wondrous love
Which gave for us Thy Best.
For all who wake to-night—
Love's tender watch to keep,
Watcher Divine, Thyself draw nigh,
Thou Who dost never sleep.
For all who fear to-night,
Whate'er the dread may be,
We ask for them the perfect peace
Of hearts that rest in Thee.
Our own belov'd to-night—
O Father, keep, and where
Our love and succour cannot reach,
Now bless them through our prayer.
And—all who pray to-night—
Thy wrestling hosts, O Lord,
Make weakness strong, let them prevail,
According to Thy word.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday Schools have suffered much owing to the War, nearly all the teachers have become nurses and are looking after the wounded soldiers at the various Hospitals in Maidstone. Still in spite of all the difficulties the numbers are coming back to their old state, and things are much improving.

We much regret that owing to ill health Miss Caroline Coppen has resigned her post as Sunday School Teacher. For some 25 years she has never missed her Sunday work, no weather daunted her, and nothing kept her away—it was a labour of love and she fulfilled it nobly. Our deepest sympathy goes out to her now that she is so seriously ill, and it must be a great help to her to know that her friends and old Sunday School Scholars are praying for her that God will comfort her and help her in her great need.—(*Epistle of S. James v., 13-18*).

HYMNS FOR APRIL.

MORNING.	EVENING.
APRIL 1st (Palm Sunday). 98 99 309	98 106 107 493
APRIL 6th (Good Friday). 114 119 105	Mission Hymns.
APRIL 8th (Easter Day). 134 127 133 316	134 Ant. 138 499 30
APRIL 15th (1st Sunday after Easter). 125 499 132	133 Ant. 135 138
APRIL 22nd (2nd Sunday after Easter). 197 334 333	140 258 275 498

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THE EASTER FESTIVAL.

"Owing to the weather," for the weather or the War generally explain most things, spring flowers were very scarce, and the Easter decorations were therefore not so plentiful as in most years. It was wonderful, however, what was done, and great thanks are due to the ladies, who so kindly and ably made much out of so little. The Church and the Mission Room, and the Church at the Workhouse, all looked very beautiful, and preached the best Easter sermon that could be made. The number of Communicants of course shewed a great falling off from other years, but is more than accounted for by the large number away from the parish. On Easter Monday the Vestry Meeting was held, and the Churchwardens' Accounts also shewed a large deficit, and this for the first time for some years past; the War and the weather account for this, but we cannot feel happy when we owe the Churchwardens £12 16s. Everybody wants a bright, warm, clean Church, but sometimes many bodies forget that all this costs money, and it would be fairer and more honest instead of grumbling at the cold to try and provide more money for the firing. Mrs. Maconochie was again elected People's Warden, and the Vicar again nominated Captain Walter as his Warden; the Sydesmen are the same as heretofore. The Vicar explained to a meeting of the parishioners afterwards that very soon the parishes of West and East Farleigh would be amalgamated to allow the Vicar of West Farleigh to go back as a Chaplain to the Forces. It would mean a certain amount of arrangement to carry on the work of these two parishes, together with the Workhouse and the Mission Room. At the close of the meeting Captain Walter, on behalf of the Vicar and Churchwardens, presented Mr. Stephen Hayzelden, the Verger and Sexton, with a handsome 8-day striking clock, on the occasion of his completion of 25 years' service. Captain Walter said it was a splendid record of service, and

thanked Mr. Hayzelden for his work for the Church. The Verger, in returning thanks, said it was a great surprise to him to receive such a handsome present, but he would value it very highly for the sake of all it represented.

THE NAVY.

We congratulate most heartily Mr. and Mrs. Oatley on the success of their son Eric in his examination; he is a great credit to his School, to his Teachers, and to his Village, and we all feel proud that he has done so well.

Eric Stanley Oatley, formerly a scholar of East Farleigh School and for the past five years of the Maidstone Grammar School (where he was a Prefect, a sergeant in the O.T.C., having gained a first-class certificate for musketry and Class A for Army efficiency), at the age of 18 has succeeded in obtaining a Naval Cadetship (special entry) at Keyham College, Devonport. In the examination for this position he obtained the 16th place out of the 50 offered by the Admiralty. He commenced his training on April 12th. While at the Maidstone Grammar School he passed both the Senior Oxford and Cambridge University Exams.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

£2 has again been collected for April by Mrs. Walter and sent to our Prisoners in Germany. The children of the School did their bit in collecting some of this sum.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Secretary of the S.P.G. reports that last year £3 6s. 0d. was collected in the Parish and sent to the Society. The following have boxes and are doing their best to help the Missionary work of the Church:—Miss Austen, Mrs. Brook, Miss Brook, Mrs. Burridge, Miss Coppen, Miss E. Cox, Miss Cronk, Miss V. Diprose, Mrs. Excell, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Goldup, Miss B. Hayzelden, Stephen Hayzelden, jun., Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. Laurence, Miss Ley, Edward Miller,

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Owing to the War, of course money is very scarce and becoming still scarcer, but we must not let the Church's work suffer, and must do our best to support the Missionary work.

WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

A meeting will be held one evening in the first week in May, when a lecture to Women will be given on the War Rations.

CHURCH EXPENSES.

BALANCE SHEET—EASTER, 1917.

Receipts.

Collections	...	£	s.	d.
Donations, 1916	...	50	2	6
Deficit due to Churchwardens	...	10	8	6
		12	16	0
		£73	7	0

Expenditure.

Deficit to Churchwardens	...	£	s.	d.
Verge	...	19	0	0
Attending Clock	...	12	0	0
Chiming Bells	...	2	0	0
Blowing Organ	...	1	0	0
Church Cleaning	...	2	0	0
Candles, Oil, etc. (J. B. Leaver)	...	13	0	0
Insurances	...	7	5	4
Water Rate	...	12	18	6
Vino Sacro (Hicks & Co.)	...	1	0	0
Coke (C. Willmore)	...	3	6	0
Washing Surplices	...	8	15	0
Sundry Repairs	...	2	14	5
Cleaning Trough	...	19	0	0
Stamps for Notices	...	1	6	6
Visitation Fee	...	1	10	0
Water Rate—Memorial Trough	...	10	0	0
Repairs to Church (T. H. Miller)	...	1	12	0
		1	19	4
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HYMNS FOR MAY.

MORNING.

EVENING.

APRIL 29th (3rd Sunday after Easter).

126 232 307 273 222 235 233

MAY 6th (4th Sunday after Easter).

540 530 553 447 411 199 437

MAY 13th (Rogation Sunday).

143 176 376 196 142 298 302

MAY 17th (Ascension Day).

147 148 149 150

MAY 20th (Sunday after Ascension Day).

149 299 301 147 150 300 142 30

MAY 27th (Whitsunday).

156 157 508 154 Ant. 212 210

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April 1—George Herbert, son of William and Alice Sharp.

" 1—Frank William, son of Frank and Daisy Underhill.

" 1—Kathleen Rose, daughter of Arthur and Florence Seager.

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Trinity Sunday, June 3rd.

Holy Communion	- - - - -	8 a.m.
Mattins, Holy Communion, and Sermon	- - - - -	11 a.m.
Mission Room	- - - - -	3.30 p.m.
Evensong and Sermon	- - - - -	6.30 p.m.

The ADDRESSES will be given
by the DIOCESAN MISSIONER,

The Rev. B. F. RELTON.

WILL YOU COME TO THESE SERVICES?

PARISH NURSE.

Owing to the kindness and generosity of some friends who wish to be unknown, a Parish Nurse will be provided after the War. At the present moment it is impossible, every available Nurse being taken up for the wounded sailors and soldiers. In the event, however, of any serious illness where the services of a Nurse are required, application should be made to the Vicarage.

THE THUNDERSTORM.

On May 20th, a violent thunderstorm broke over the South of England, and Kent suffered much from the effects of the lightning and rain. East Farleigh escaped much of its fury, the only damage occurring at the Vicarage, where the north chimneystack was struck by lightning, fortunately the only two rooms that were damaged were the only two rooms in which no one was sleeping, and so all the inhabitants were unhurt. Owing to the energy of Mr. Miller further damage was obviated by taking the damaged stack down. It was an exciting experience, and everyone is thankful that no one was injured.

PENSION PAPERS.

Anyone requiring the Vicar's signature to Pension Papers, or any other paper, can obtain it at the Church Vestry any weekday at half-past twelve.

As the Vicarage Hill is always longer and steeper in the summer months, by coming to the Church the hill may be avoided. The papers may be left in the Church Vestry at any time during the day.

SERMONS.

There is a movement in the Church to put first things first, and to put the Worship of God in its right place. We are coming to see that people really go to Church to say their prayers, to worship God and to listen to His Holy Word, and not to be entertained or bored by a popular or unpopular preacher.

The Vicar would be very pleased to hear the views of the Parish on this subject. When the Services at West Farleigh have to be taken some alterations may have to be made, and it would be very helpful if those who take an interest in the Church would write to the Vicar any suggestions they may have to make.

HYMNS FOR JUNE.

	MORNING.			EVENING.		
JUNE 3rd (Trinity Sunday).	160	161	36	163	160	162 587
JUNE 10th (1st Sunday after Trinity).	186	106	192	12	215	274 27
JUNE 17th (2nd Sunday after Trinity).	179	266	316	431	413	412 437
JUNE 24th (S. John the Baptist).	441	416	427 431	224	196	273

BAPTISM.

"Go ye therefore and teach all Nations, baptising."—
S. Matt. xxviii., 19.
May 27—Cyril Richard, son of John William and Ethel Lydia Hayzelden.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."—Rev. xii., 13.
April 30—Robert Seager, of East Farleigh, aged 80 years.
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S. John the Baptist, 1917.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

In the Magazine last month I asked for your help and advice in the matter of the delivery of sermons in the Services of the Church. The primary objects of the Services held in the Church as set forth in the exhortation in Mattins and Evensong are as follow :—

- I. To acknowledge our sins before God.
- II. To render thanks.
- III. To set forth God's Praise.
- IV. To hear His Holy Word.
- V. To ask for temporal and spiritual things.

There is no word here about any sermon or address, but the custom has grown up that such sermons or addresses are considered necessary, and they have been added to nearly every service, so much so that the worship of God has become forgotten and something else put in its place. Something that people can praise or blame, something that can be criticized. Is this state of things the best? Can we not alter it? Can we not get back to the primitive practice of the Church and put the worship of God in its right place? I asked for an expression of opinion on this subject, but so far none has reached me. It may be that as I was away from home people thought it better to wait until I returned; perhaps now I may receive the desired information.

On Sunday, July 1st, we take over the care of West Farleigh Parish, and are responsible for the services therein; it will be a difficult task, but it is War time, and everyone must do his best for his country. I would ask for the help of your prayers that we may be able to do our best for both parishes. All the Services will be kept on in both Churches as at present, the Evensong at West Farleigh being at 3.30 p.m. So there will now be a change of times

I am sure that you will all be glad to hear that Mrs. Littlewood is now restored to health. For the past three weeks we have been at a south-east seaside town in Kent, enjoying the quiet and the invigorating sea breezes, and learning something of the War by the air raids of the Germans. At the last raid 23 bombs were dropped in the town, three of them round the house in which we dwelt. I went to the neighbouring town, and saw the awful devastation caused there; the damage was appalling, the houses being smashed right down to the ground. There are not many people in the town, but spite of some newspaper reports no one is frightened, no one is jumpy or nervy, and when the air raid signal is given, and the police clear the streets, the people walk quietly to their homes, take their meals, and wait till they are allowed out again!

A very beautiful Service of Thanksgiving was held on June 10th, attended by the Mayor and Corporation, the Volunteer Corps, the Fire Brigade, the Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts, and detachments of the various regiments quartered in the town. It was a most inspiring sight, and the singing of the National Anthem by thousands of voices was a sound never to be forgotten. In our troubles we turn instinctively to our God in prayer, and when He has delivered us we turn to Him again in praise and thanksgiving, with hearts full of gratitude for our preservation.

Our organist, Mr. Hugh Weedon, has been called up, so for some time or for the duration of the war we shall be without his services. We shall miss him very much, and look forward to the time when he will come back again. In the meantime we have arranged with Mr. Ernest L. Cook, of "Englemere," Loose, to take his place.

Again asking for the help of your prayers,
 Believe me,

Ever my dear friends,
 Your faithful friend and Vicar,
 A. BERNARD LITTLEWOOD.

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THE WEEK-DAY CELEBRATION.

In future the Week-day Celebration will be held on Wednesday at 7.30 a.m., instead of Thursday at 8 a.m. It is hoped that this will be a more convenient time, and many more will be able to be present.

VISIT OF THE DIOCESAN MISSIONER.

From Saturday, June the 2nd, to Monday, June the 4th, our Diocesan Missioner, the Rev. F. B. Relton, paid us a most welcome visit.

There was a Service of Intercession for the War at 7.30 on the Saturday evening, and a short address was given by the Missioner. It was disappointing there were not more in Church, but Saturday evening, as we all know, is a difficult time for many to come to Church, and we hope when Mr. Relton comes to visit us again there will be more to welcome him at the first service.

On Trinity Sunday there was a very good congregation at Mattins and Evensong considering the time of the year and the work that has to be done now on Sundays. Mr. Relton spoke to us about "The Vision of God," and "The love of God for each one of us." He gave us much food for thought, which we shall do well to meditate upon.

In the afternoon Mr. Relton went up to the Mission Room, Coxheath, where there were a fair number of children and grown-up people to welcome him.

We hope Mr. Relton will pay us another visit sometime in the near future.

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	MORNING.	EVENING.
JULY 1st (4th Sunday after Trinity).		
	224 229 322	446 416 260 437
JULY 8th (5th Sunday after Trinity).		
	267 193 278	236 290 178 21
JULY 15th (6th Sunday after Trinity).		
	260 216 275	520 534 274 477
JULY 22nd (7th Sunday after Trinity).		
	217 175 514	261 239 198 28
JULY 29th (8th Sunday after Trinity).		
	271 528 523	441 418 440 298

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- June 3—William Thomas, son of William and Fanny Stevens.
 „ 3—Frank Arras, son of Frank and Alice Green.
 „ 24—George Arnold, son of Robert and Minnie Ware.
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MARRIAGES.

"Let Marriage be had in honour among all."—Heb. xiii. 4.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 5th, 1917.

Third Anniversary of the War.

SERVICES:

8 a.m.	- - -	Holy Communion.
11 a.m.	- - -	Mattins, Holy Communion, and Sermon.
3.30 p.m.	- - -	Evensong (West Farleigh).
6.30 p.m.	- - -	Special Service.

IT IS HOPED THAT EVERYONE IN FARLEIGH WHO HAS ANY FRIEND OR RELATION ON ACTIVE SERVICE WILL COME TO CHURCH AT 6.30 P.M.

FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES FOR THE NAVY.

TO THE PEOPLE OF EAST FARLEIGH.

I have been asked to collect vegetables and fruit for the Navy. The gifts of *any kind of vegetables or fruit* sent in any small quantities will be gratefully received by me at St. Helen's, East Farleigh (or the Court Lodge Room at 12 p.m.) on *Mondays*, and packed and sent to the Head Depôt at Maidstone. All the villages round Maidstone are helping, East Farleigh should do the same.

Do not let anything in your garden or allotment go to seed. Remember the sailors who are protecting us and our food supply day and night from the enemy.

EMILY M. LEY.

TAR.

Does anyone want any tar? If so please apply at the Vicarage, there is plenty on the Vicarage car—on the wheels, on the body, on the glass screen. Anyone who will remove it may have it for nothing. We are always taught to say "thank you," but little children prefer to say "ta." I do not think we can say either to the Kent County Council for the extraordinary methods they have used in tarring the Lower Road. Most of the tar is on people's boots, or on the carpets of the cottages, or on the wheels of our vehicles, and the poor horses are loud in their complaints because of the harm done to them. A little common-sense, or a little sand or gravel would have prevented all the trouble. What a pity it is that we have not a member of the County Council living in our village, and thus we should have been saved much expense. Last year it was done in hopping time, but I suppose as they could not be so humorous again they have tried a new method to make us laugh. We shall all be glad when the trouble is over, and we can say "Ta ta" to the harm that has been done.

HOP-PICKING, 1917.

"Owing to the War" hopping will not be as in the years gone by. It will be full of difficulties, but no difficulties should prevent us doing our best. There will be the same number of pickers as before, and the Church must do all that can be done to help them. We intend to try and carry on all the various organizations that we have had in previous years. There will be a marquee by the river (if we can obtain permission). Who will help with the Concerts? There will be the Coffee Stall and Coffee Barrows (if we can obtain tea, sugar, and bread). Who will help in this useful work? There will be the Surgery in the Court Lodge Room. Who will make us some bandages? There will be Miss Luard, her attendant ladies, her red coffee cart. Who will lend us a pony? In fact, "Hopping as usual" will be our aim. Who will send us a donation, large or small, to help carry on our useful work?

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	MORNING.	EVENING.
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	370 379 595	165 166 391 230
AUGUST 12th (10th Sunday after Trinity).		
	511 514 523	12 242 305 210
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	36 172 315	239 238 528 32
AUGUST 26th (12th Sunday after Trinity).		
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MISS CAROLINE COPPEN.

We much regret to record the death of Miss Caroline Coppen, who passed away on August 25th, after an illness of some months. She was for nearly 30 years a teacher in East Farleigh Sunday School, and only gave up her post last Christmas, when ill-health prevented her taking the long walk. She has been much missed by her former scholars and others who knew her in the School. She bore her long and painful illness with marvellous patience and fortitude, sustained by the help and Presence of her Master, whom she had served so faithfully for so many years.

Meadows, and gave themselves up to uncontrolled enjoyment and much swinging of swings. A simple repast of two pieces of bread and butter and two pieces of cake sustained their tired bodies till the plums and apples gave them further enjoyment. It was all very simple, very natural, very joyful, and very happy. Mrs. Maconochie kindly entertained the teachers and helpers in the Conservatory at the Priory, and all were glad for a little rest after the labours of the day.

At seven o'clock much cheering announced the fact that the children wished to express their thanks and gratitude for all who had helped to produce such simple happiness for them. Then Mr. Adams and his cart appeared, and took the Union children back to Coxheath, Frederick, so rumour has it, still eating cake with a seraphic smile of supreme enjoyment. Photos were taken at intervals, some day we may see the results.

Altogether a very happy day, uneventful, but gloriously happy, and it will cheer our brave men and lads at the Front when letters come from home, to hear that their children have not been forgotten.

THE SCHOOL TREAT.

A School Treat, strictly under War Ration Regulations, was held on Tuesday, August 21st, in the Priory Meadows by the kind invitation of Mrs. Maconochie. Our children have not many parks to play in, not many fields to run about in, not many opportunities to enjoy the simple joys of the country. No one would therefore grudge them their one day in the year, when they can roll on the grass, rush over the turf, run wild in the meadows, and enjoy themselves after their kind. The War is a dreadful reality, but if the fathers and relations of the children at the Front were asked, "Shall the little ones have their treat or not?" I think the answer will admit of no doubt at all. A simple tea was provided by those subscribers who love the children, apples were given by Mrs. Maconochie, and plums as prizes in the sports were provided by the Misses Ley.

After the usual Service in Church the children, "brave as an army with banners," marched with many flags and much enjoyment to the Priory

SUGAR SCHEME.

The preliminary arrangements for the regulation of the distribution and consumption of next sugar will commence in the course of next month. Full instructions will be issued by posters in different parts of the parish and by other means.

Some of the regulations most nearly affecting the parish are printed below. A Committee has been formed under Government direction by the Rural District Council. Mr. Carrington Ley is the Representative on this Committee for East and West Farleigh.

SUMMARY OF SUGAR SCHEME.

The main features of the scheme are as follows:

(a) No sugar will be sold retail except by retailers registered by Local Food Control Committee.

(b) Every householder will be entitled to obtain from the Local Food Office a sugar registration card, to cover all members of the household not in receipt of Government rations. A portion of this card will be deposited by the householder with the registered retailer selected by him.

It will be a condition of the retailer's registration that he must accept sugar cards tendered to him. The retailer will, when the scheme has come fully into operation, be required to give preference to registered customers, i.e., those in respect of whom cards have been deposited with him, his supplies being so regulated as to provide him with sufficient sugar for his registered customers at the weekly rate for the time being announced by the Food Controller.

(c) Caterers of all kinds will have their supplies regulated after a consideration of the number of meals they ordinarily serve and the sugar they normally use.

(d) . . .

(e) . . .

(f) Registered retailers will have their supplies of sugar regulated in accordance with the number of their registered customers, and the quantities of sugar any caterers, institutions or manufacturers are authorised to buy from them.

(g) Sugar will only be obtainable by caterers, institutions, manufacturers, and registered retailers on surrender of vouchers issued by Local Food Office.

(h) . . .

(i) Severe penalties will be prescribed for false statements and other offences under the scheme.

CRICKET.

On Saturday, August 18th, a team of Scouts played the Linton Choir in Linton Park.

Purefoy, Miller, Parkes, Thompsett, Reid, Taylor and Wallond represented East Farleigh, and Kemp, Sendles, Humphrey, Baker, Merritt, Harthill, Baker, Pettitt, Tillman and Watson played for Linton Choir. The Scouts went in first and made 45, of which Ted Miller accounted for 35, and Linton then proceeded to make 12, Miller taking 7 wickets. Linton followed on and made 17, thus allowing Farleigh to win by an innings and 16 runs. It was a most enjoyable match. Tea was very kindly provided by Mrs. Champion, and all did justice to it. Sports followed for Linton Choir, and in some of the open events Farleigh provided the winner. Altogether a most enjoyable day for Farleigh!

HYMNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

	MORNING.	EVENING.	
SEPTEMBER 2nd (13th Sunday after Trinity).			
	240 232 316	368 235	511
SEPTEMBER 9th (14th Sunday after Trinity).			
	156 210 228	20 278	514
SEPTEMBER 16th (15th Sunday after Trinity).			
	550 322 313	290 193	218
SEPTEMBER 23rd (16th Sunday after Trinity).			
	221 195 196	362 215	477
SEPTEMBER 30th (17th Sunday after Trinity).			
	256 257 266	270 269	520



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11.0 a.m. Mattins, Sermon and Holy Communion; Preacher: the Rev. Peter Lambert, Vicar of S. Michael's, Maidstone.

3.0 p.m. Children's Service.

6.30 p.m. Evensong, Procession & Sermon.

Collections during the day for the West Kent Hospital and Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution.

On Sunday, October 21st, there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 9 a.m. at the Coxheath Mission Room, and 9.45 a.m. at the Workhouse Chapel.

HOP-PICKING, 1917.

We hear that in a great many districts the work amongst the hop-pickers was given up "owing to the War." But East and West Farleigh said, "No, we will not give up; the work is wanted more than ever, and it shall be carried on." So in spite of all difficulties, and they were many, all the usual machinery was put in action.

The Coffee Stall opened, and it was besieged all day, and sold enormous quantities of food and coffee and tea. Here Mrs. Littlewood presided, and was ably helped by Miss Margaret Ley and Miss I. Cheffins; during the short time in the day the Stall was closed tea, etc., was sent into the Gardens, and here Miss Emily Ley, Miss Maggie Ley, Miss Dorothy Warde, Miss Gladys Warde, worked most vigorously. Mr. Chatterton, with Messrs. Reed and Walton, Mr. Cyril Butler, and three boys to help him, did most excellent work. The Surgery, under the

charge of Sister Tuxford, Q.A.I.M.N.S.R., looked after the sick and the wounded.

The marquee was open every night. Here hundreds of letters were written, and many hundreds of children were taken care of and amused by the toys and games, under the direction of Mrs. Chatterton. Mr. and Mrs. Laurence were faithful as ever, and each night came to play and to help. Mr. Howard Small received a marvellous ovation, and the cheering was so great that the Germans must have heard the "Archies." Miss Amy Oatley and Miss Norah Oatley were most kind in helping in the singing, and Miss Willis and her nigger troupe of girls gave an entertainment that will never be forgotten. The fight in the third act of the play roused the audience to a pitch of enthusiasm, and nearly lifted the roof of the marquee completely off; for fully five minutes the cheering lasted, and only stopped when the fight finished.

Miss E. Luard, with Miss Macpherson, Miss Ingles, Mrs. Walter Fletcher, Miss Gill, and a pony with a most complicated harness, worked hard both morning and afternoon, and the sight of the red cart brought joy and happiness to many a tired hop-picker. We missed the Lantern very much on Sunday night, but we were not to be beaten. An Open-air Service was held every Sunday at the Lych Gate, and although the crowd was not a quarter its usual size, it was a most encouraging gathering. Here Mrs. Muriel Brandon, Miss Willis, and Mr. Dickenson sang sacred solos, and the beauty and pathos of the music touched many hearts. The Missionaries, Messrs. Reed and Walton, held Lantern Services in West and East Farleigh, and worked, if it were possible, harder than ever to supply the place of the many helpers who could not come this year. Altogether our little Band of Helpers must be congratulated very heartily on their plucky work, and although we cannot see much direct result of our Mission work, it was done for the honour and glory of God, and in His Hands we can leave the result.

JUMBLE SALE.

We must raise some money to pay our portion for the Diocesan Finance Scheme. Owing to the War, for the first time for many years, the Churchwardens Account is in debt, and the collections are not sufficient to pay the expenses. Over and above the ordinary Church Expenses, we ought to send up to the General Diocesan Fund £80 a year. We have tried to manage a collection every quarter, which should bring in £5 a time, but it has not been very successful. As we are almost the only Church in the Deanery and in the Diocese that does not send up its proper contribution, we must do all in our power to remove the reproach. We can make a good start by holding that most popular function, a Sale of Jumble, Rummage and Old Clothes. Nothing is more attractive, nothing brings in so much money with so little effort. Will, therefore, every Church person in the Parish send in some contribution? any old thing will do; and will everyone come and buy, and make the Sale a grand success? It will be held in the Court Lodge Oast on Monday, October 29th, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Remember the date; send a post card to the Vicarage, and a cart will be sent for your contribution.

East and West Farleigh and District GARDENERS' SOCIETY.

[BY THE SECRETARY].

A Meeting was held at the Victory Inn on Tuesday, September 25th, Messrs. Weeks and Simmons presiding. There were Three Competitions—Collection of Vegetables 4 Varieties. The prize-winners were:—S. Boorman, 1st; C. Weeks, 2nd; F. Oliver, 3rd; and 4th, W. Laurence. Two plates of Potatoes, distinct Varieties:—C. Weeks, 1st; H. Webb, 2nd; S. Boorman, 3rd; and F. Oliver, 4th; and for 4 Varieties of Cut Blooms, 3 of each: F. Oliver, 1st; and C. Weeks, 2nd. Mr. Bellingham staged

16 Varieties of Vegetables and 9 Varieties of Fruit.

The next Meeting will be held at the Bull Inn on Tuesday, October 9th. Competitions:—3 Cauliflower, 2 Pot Plants, and 3 Savoys.

An Autumn Show will be held in the Schools on Friday, October 26th, when the Members of the Society will give as much fruit and vegetable as can be spared to the local hospitals. Admittance will be free to all.

The Secretary would be glad if any of the Parishioners would stage fruit or vegetables to be sent to the Hospitals.

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OCTOBER 7th (18th Sunday after Trinity).	
184 231 321	546 523 271 275
OCTOBER 14th (Harvest Festival).	
381 382 384	381 Ant. 384 386
OCTOBER 21st (20th Sunday after Trinity).	
433 425 436	—
OCTOBER 28th (21st Sunday after Trinity).	
426 432 431	12 167 307 21

BAPTISM.

"Go ye therefore and teach all Nations, baptising."—
S. Matt. xxviii., 19.

Sept. 9—Margaret Elizabeth, daughter of
Albert and Elizabeth Batchelor.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."—Rev. xii., 13.

Aug. 28—Caroline Coppen, of East Farleigh,
aged 63 years.

Sept. 7—Jane Evenden, of London, aged 78
years.

„ 19—Margaret Green, of London, aged
90 years.

„ 19—Ellen Webb, Hop-picker, aged 10
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„ 19—Clara Louise Dadson, of East Farleigh,
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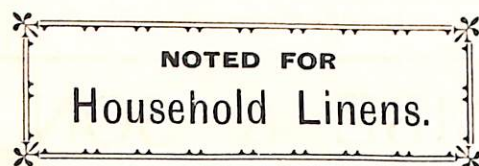
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HARVEST AT THE WORKHOUSE.

On Sundry, October 21st, Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held at the Chapel of the Workhouse at Coxheath. Never before has the Chaplain's appeal been so wonderfully responded to. All the 28 Guardians (with one or two exceptions) sent fruit and flowers for the poor old people's benefit. Friends in West Farleigh and East Farleigh were most generous in their gifts; some 70 bunches of grapes, 8 bushels of apples and pears, baskets of nuts and vegetables, and quantities of flowers and foliage being available for the decorations. Mrs. Champion and her sister, Mrs. Brandon, and Miss M. Ley showed wonderful skill, and the Chapel was a glorious colour scheme of beauty. The pulpit was hung with crimson berries and purple grapes, the choir stalls with scarlet crab apples and sheaves of wheat straw, the windows with white pampas grass and many coloured chrysanthemums, whilst festoons of hop bines covered

the western wall. The altar vases were beautifully arranged by Mrs. Charles Kennard, and the sanctuary was filled with giant palms from the Priory, under the direction of Mr. Robinson. At 9.45 a.m. there was a celebration of the Holy Communion, Mr. Thornhill presiding at the organ. At 3 p.m. the combined Choirs of East Farleigh and Linton sang the Service, Mr. Cook being the organist, and Mrs. Brandon taking the solo of the anthem. The Rev. J. Forrest, Vicar of Linton, preached. The Choir, Clergy, and some members of the Congregation then proceeded to the Hospital Wards, where short Services and singing of hymns took place. This gave great pleasure to the old people who were unable, through illness, to attend the Service in Church. On Tuesday Mrs. Laurence and Mrs. Carrington Ley distributed the fruit amongst the inmates, and, thanks to the generosity of friends, there was something for everyone. Owing to the war there are many calls on time and purses, and it is a splendid thing to think that the poor old people are not forgotten. Their gratitude is great, and they wish to thank everyone who was so kind to them.

"ALL SOULS' DAY."

By age-long usage the Church is accustomed during the month of November very specially to remember before God those of her members who have passed into the life beyond—and of these, those in particular who did not attain to any special heights of holiness on earth. All Souls' Day (Nov. 2) became generally recognized in the West about the tenth century. But certain abuses connected with its observance arising, All Souls' Day was struck out of our Kalendar in the sixteenth century and this is the reason why it does find a place in the list of Holy Days contained in the Prayer Book.

It is the belief of the Church that all who die in the faith and fear of God are safe in His holy keeping; that they await the general resurrection at the last day, the last judgment and their entrance into the fulness of heavenly joy; that during this time of waiting they are being cleansed from the stains and scars that even forgiven sin leaves on the character. Till the soul is thus cleansed it cannot be admitted to the vision of God in heaven for "without holiness no man can see the Lord." This is the

revealed truth which underlies the word "Purgatory" used as a description of the state of "waiting" souls. Many speculations have been gathered round the word, some reverent, others irreverent. But the fact remains and surely it is a fact for which we may be truly thankful. Which of us is ready for heaven at the moment of death? The Church prays for her departed members. They *are* still her members. In every human society death erases a member's name from the roll of membership. But that is not so with the Church. Our loved ones who have left this world are still "in Christ," members of His Body. We know very little of their life beyond. But it is very real life and he has learned little of the meaning of the Communion of Saints, of the fellowship of the baptized who does not realize that fellowship in prayer for the departed—prayer *for* them, not *to* them. I think it is true to say that if the Church had been more faithful to true Catholic teaching and practice concerning the faithful departed, spiritualism and its dangerous doctrines would have had little chance of finding adherents. To forget our loved ones who have gone before goes clean against every instinct of human nature. We must needs bear them in mind and heart. The Church teaches us how it is God's will for us to do this.

There are some perhaps whom we love, concerning whom, with every desire to do so, we find it hard to think of as "faithful departed." Are we to leave them outside the scope of our prayers? Surely not. It is not ours to pass judgment. Them too, we will commend into the keeping of our Father and their Father, in the assurance that in answer to our prayers all that is truly best will be done for them and for us.

I think that many will learn the precious power of intercession for the departed during this time of war. Brave soldiers and sailors are laying down their lives at the call of duty many homes are sad. And where shall comfort be save in communion with Him in whom all live?

The Holy Communion is the bond of unity in the Church. There we practically realise our unity "in Christ." There we plead the merits of Christ's perfect offering "that we and all Thy whole Church may obtain remission of your sins and all other benefits of His passion. The faithful departed, without doubt, form the overwhelming majority of "All the whole Church." Give careful thought to these facts and you will see that the celebration of the Holy Mysteries is our greatest opportunity for

praying for the departed. When such prayer is the special purpose for which a particular Eucharist is offered, such a celebration is called a "Requiem."

"Lord all pitying, Jesus blest,
Grant them Thine eternal rest."

"Remember, O Lord, the souls of Thy servants and handmaids (.....) who have gone before us with the Sign of Faith, and now do rest in the sleep of peace; to them O Lord, and to all who rest in Christ, grant, we pray Thee, a place of refreshment, light and peace, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen."

"For the passing souls we pray,
Saviour meet them on their way;
Thou wilt hear our yearning call,
Who hast loved and died for all."

HYMNS FOR NOVEMBER.

MORNING.	EVENING.
NOVEMBER 4th (22nd Sunday after Trinity).	
428 499 436	427 618 235 222
NOVEMBER 11th (23rd Sunday after Trinity).	
184 231 302	588 546 523 271
NOVEMBER 18th (24th Sunday after Trinity).	
540 232 367	164 247 528 477
NOVEMBER 25th (Sunday next before Advent).	
160 161 165	268 202 280 166

MARRIAGE.

"Let Marriage be had in honour among all." - Heb. xiii., 4.
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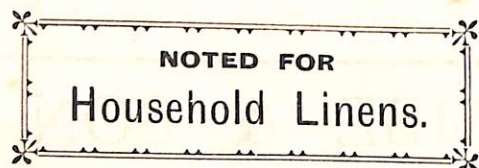
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WAR SAVINGS.

We must do all we can, we must help all we can. All England knows this, and War Saving Associations are to be found everywhere. At present there are 40,000 War Saving Associations, with a membership of 4,000,000 people, and these have sold £125,000,000 of War Saving Certificates. This surely shews that the investment is a good one, and that the security is sound.

There are some unfortunate people, whether they are in the pay of the Germans I do not know, who are saying that if once you put your money into the War Savings you can never get it out again! Now the truth is, you can take it out the week after you put it in if you like, but if you leave it in you will gain an enormous amount of interest; you put in 15/6 and get out £1. Surely that is worth having! It is the very best investment in the world, and as long as England is a nation the money will be paid.

If anyone hears anyone in the village speaking against the War Saving or trying to dissuade anyone from joining it, I should be very glad if they will let me know, that the case may be investigated and proceedings may be taken.

SERVICES IN DECEMBER.

Daily.

Intercessions for the War 12.30 p.m.

Wednesdays.

Holy Communion..... 8 a.m.

Christmas Day.

Holy Communion (choral) 8 a.m.

„ (Workhouse) 9.45 a.m.

Mattins, Sermon and Holy

Communion 11 a.m.

Evensong and Carols 4 p.m.

S. Stephen (Dec. 26th).

Mattins and Intercession..... 12.30 p.m.

S. John (Dec. 27th).

Holy Communion..... 10 a.m.

Mattins and Intercession..... 10.30 a.m.

Innocents' Day.

Mattins and Intercession..... 12.30 p.m.

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NATIONAL INTERCESSION SERVICE FOR THE WAR.

Collections for Red Cross Funds.

Holy Communion Mid-day.

Church Parade of Volunteers... 11 a.m.

Special Prayer Service for the
War 6.30 p.m.

HYMNS FOR DECEMBER.

MORNING.

EVENING.

DECEMBER 2nd (Advent Sunday).

DECEMBER 9th (2nd Sunday in Advent).

243 50 202 48 222 168 226

DECEMBER 16th (3rd Sunday in Advent).

53 268 511 352 51 52 355

DECEMBER 23rd (4th Sunday in Advent).

193 353 588 47 49 202 203

DECEMBER 25th (Christmas Day).

62 59 60 Carols.

DECEMBER 30th (Sunday after Christmas).

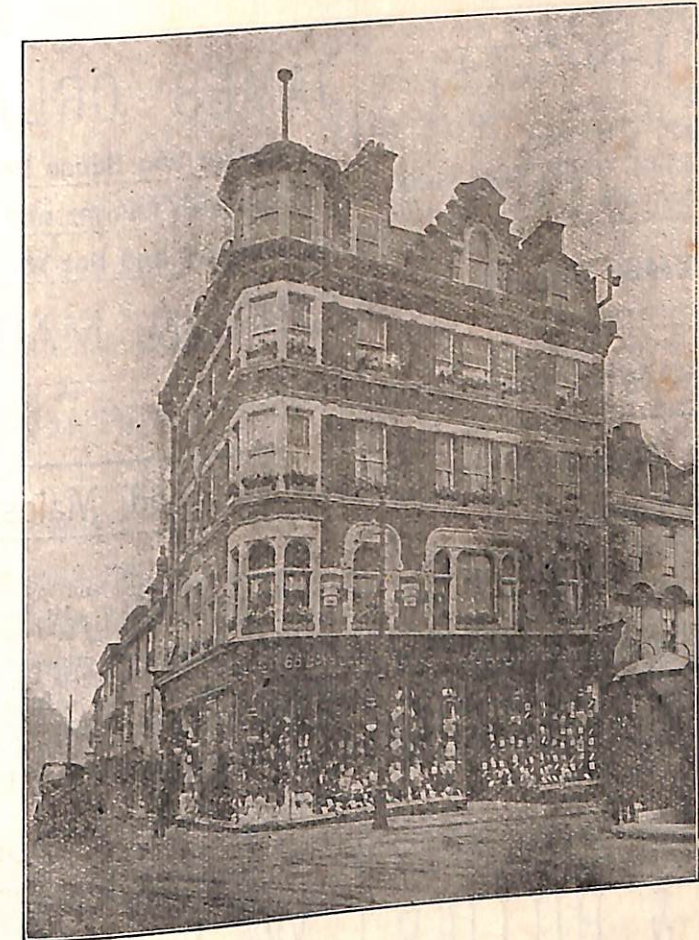
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