

March 1917

LENT, 1917.- It is sad to think that for a third year we are passing the holy season of Lent under the shadow of this great and terrible war, which is trying us all so severely. There is much, however, to be said that such a crisis inclines (nay, compels) us all to serious thoughts, to stricter lives, to a more real repentance and more earnest prayer than ever before. Lent is given for such purposes, but never can we have felt the need of it and never (if we use it aright) could it give us more help than at the present time. In addition to the usual daily Matins and Evensong the addresses will be given on the following subjects:-

Sunday morning by the Vicar on "Some Old Testament Characters:" 1, Lot, the lingerer; 2, Esau, the profane; 3, Jacob, the supplanter; Israel, the Prince of God; 4, Joseph, the God-fearing; 5, Moses, the faithful servant.

Sunday evening, Rev. A. E. Baynes: "The work of the Holy Spirit:" 1, Regenerating; 2, Renewing; 3, Illuminating; 4, Guiding; 5, Uniting; 6, Perfecting.

On Wednesday at 5.30, addresses by Rev. A. E. Baynes, on the "King's Highway."

Feb. 28th.-The Way of Obedience.

March 7th.-The Valleys of Sorrow.

" 14th.-The Hills of Rejoicing.

" 21st.-The Rivers of Refreshment.

" 28th.-The Heights of Achievement.

On Fridays at 5 there will be a special service for children.

WING PROVIDENT DISPENSARY.- The meeting will not be held this year, and a brief account of the Dispensary during the year 1916 (its twenty-first year on its present footing), will be of interest. There has been little illness in the village during this year; the deaths were most of them those of aged people. Two, however, we must mention of middle age, Levi Rickard and Thos. Green, who have passed away and will be much missed in the village, but, above all, our excellent and beloved Parish Clerk, Edward Whitman, who had acted as collector and clerk to the Dispensary ever since it started. The number of members again shows a slight decrease, due possibly to National Insurance and to the war and our diminished population. In 1913 there were 429, and in 1916 416 members. We append a statement of accounts and subscriptions. The committee remains same as before.

RECIEPTS

	£	s.	d.
Balance on last year's account	8	0	8
Payments of 416 Members	70	14	2
Fines	1	10	11
Collections-			
Parish Church	4	11	6
Wesleyan Chapel	0	19	0
Littleworth	0	9	7
Primitive Methht's	0	9	0
Crafton	0	2	6
	6	11	7
Subscriptions-			
Mr. Leopold de Rothschild	25	0	0
Mrs. De Rothschild	5	0	0

Mrs. Lionel de Rothschild	5	0	0			
Earl of Rosebery	3	3	0			
Vicar and Mrs. Tatham	3	3	0			
Lady E. Cotes	3	3	0			
Countess of Yarborough	1	1	0			
Mr. C. C. Edmunds	0	10	6			
Mr. R. F. J. Gates	0	10	0			
Mr. J. T. Tarver	0	10	0			
Messrs. H. W. Adams, A. F. Heley						
E. F. Heley, J. Whitman 5s	1	0	0			
Mr. W. Manning	0	4	0			
Rev. A. Baynes, Messrs. W. Green, J. Jennings, W. Merry, Mould, Olney, Piper at 2s. 6d.	0	17	6			
J. Redrup and G. Page at 2s	0	4	0			
	0	15	0	49	2	6
				133	19	8
PAYMENTS						
Payments of 416 members				70	14	2
Dr. Harris				50	6	0
Dr. Chignell-1 Midwifery Case				0	3	0
Jackson and Co., Printing				0	16	0
J. Whitman, Collector				3	12	3
Balance at Bank				<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>3</u>
				133	19	8

MOTHERS' UNION.- Mrs. Tatham proposes to hold Prayer Meetings during Lent in the Parish Room at 2.30 on Fridays, commencing March 2nd, for members of the Mothers' Union, and others. She hopes to have a Mothers' Union Quarterly Meeting with an address, about the middle of March. Notices of this will be sent round later.

THE EGG COLLECTION.- Mrs. Manning thanks most heartily all the helpers and contributors to the Wounded Soldiers' Egg Flag Day. Through their generosity she was able to send up £13 and 170 eggs. Since she undertook to send weekly collection of eggs up to the National Egg Collection, she has collected £70, and has sent over 1,300 eggs. Now that eggs are getting more plentiful, she will be very pleased to receive some fresh contributions, and if anybody would be kind enough to give her an egg, or eggs, a week, she will gladly call for them.