

Extracts from the Heacham Deanery Magazine

September, 1934

HOLME-NEXT-SEA.

Our Fête in aid of Church funds was a great success, as we were fortunate enough to choose a perfect day.

Everything went with a swing, especially the Dancing in the evening, when the garden was illuminated with fairy lamps and lanterns, giving a very charming effect.

I should like once more to thank Mr. and Mrs. Rayner for all their kindness and generosity and also all our ready and willing helpers, who did so much to add to the harmony and success of the whole undertaking.

We were very glad to see so many of our visitors, and in the evening the presence of Prince Peter of Greece, added an additional éclat to an already distinguished company.

The amount realised was £40.15.8.

Altar Vases for September: Mrs. Donald Ducker.

BURIAL.

Aug. 2nd—Juliet Mary Asker, aged 10 years.

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The Commemoration Service for His Majesty King George V on January 27th was very well attended. There was a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 o'clock, and a large representative gathering at 11. The service terminated with playing of the Dead March by the organist, Mr. O. S. Coates.

The whole Village will join with us in the regret expressed at the Annual Meeting of the Parochial Church Council, held on February 14th, at the resignation of Mr. John Wales, Parish Clerk and Sexton, owing to increasing age and infirmity.

He has for many years served the Parish with marked devotion to duty, and we hope he will be spared for many more years to continue to sing in the choir, which duty he has performed so faithfully and regularly.

Mr. J. Hammond is to follow him in the post and was elected unanimously as his successor.

On January 31st, the children's annual Fancy Dress Carnival was held at the Institute. If possible, the costumes chosen, displayed more originality and ingenuity than former years, and Mrs. Simms-Reeve and Mrs. Newsam found the task of judging no easy matter, the standard being so high.

After the judging and prize-giving everyone joined in games and dancing, and a very happy evening was spent. As a result, the Hospital Committee were able to send about £5 to the Lynn Hospital.

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It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. John Farthing Wales, a very old parishioner and for many years Clerk to St. Mary's Church and a member of the choir and also of the Parochial Church Council. A large attendance at the funeral and the many beautiful floral tributes showed the great respect in which he was held.

Before this appears in print we hope to have welcomed our new Vicar whose induction is arranged for the 30th September.

A collection in aid of the Church Army on August 29th, resulted in the sum of £14.0 being raised. The collector was Miss Doris Smith.

MARRIAGE.

Sept. 12th—Harry Cockerill to Dorothy Ruth Artherton.

BURIAL.

Sept. 10th—John Farthing Wales aged 79.

Altar Vases for October. Mrs. S. Mowton.

November, 1936

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Dear Friends,

There is so much I want to write about! But I think we are only allotted a small space. First of all I want to thank you all, on behalf of my wife and myself, for the kind welcome you have given us. We thank our Rural Dean for the kind remarks and welcome he made and gave us in last month's "Deanery Notes."

There are a wonderful lot of people in Holme and a great enthusiasm for their love of God's house and its organisations.

To one and all, young and seniors, I invite you to work with me with all your might. It is your Church and I know how you are all eager to do your bit. May God bless all your good efforts.

We are going strong with our Choir and this is a great joy to our organist, and to us all; we must have bright services, reverently rendered, to the glory of God.

The number of communicants is very good. Let us, by God's help, continue in this great spirit and I am sure we shall be a happy, united family. There is strength in unity and love!

Wishing you all—God's blessing.

Your affectionate friend and Vicar,

W. S. HARPER.