S. Oswald's Parish Magazine.

Остовек, 1895.

The swallows have departed, and with them the most of our visitors. The great globe is again swinging back northwards, and will soon take us into the region of days less bright and longer nights. We shall have now to settle down into quiet life once more, and seek some employment for the time of lengthening darkness, useful, instructive, or entertaining.

In view of this, one provision has been made. Thanks to the exertions of Dr. Johnston, backed up by a strong Committee, the scheme for the winter evening classes has been matured. In our last number we mentioned six subjects as being under contemplation. These have had to be reduced, partly through lack of names sent in, and partly because the County Council authorities could not see their way to supply teachers and grants for all; one subject (Hygiene) was considered too advanced for us, and enough may be learnt on that head in the Lectures on Health and Sick-nursing. There are now three subjects arranged for, which are to be taken as follows:—

- 1. Wood-carving. Mondays at 6 p.m. Twenty lessons. Teacher—Mr. Redhead, Coniston. (Mr. Redhead's instructions have been highly valued and successful in results at Langdale). Fee (to cover hire of room, light and fire, and other incidental expenses) 2/6 from each person. Commence 14th October.
- 2. Health and Home Sick-nursing. Tuesdays at 3 p.m. Twelve lectures by Miss Musgrove, late Head Teacher of the Manchester School of Domestic Economy, Lecturer to the Edinburgh Health Society, etc. Fee, 2/6; for Cottagers 1/-. Commence 1st October.
- 3. Drawing: Model, Freehand, and Geometrical. Fridays at 7 p.m. Twenty-eight lessons, by Mr. Bayliff, of the Kelsick School, Ambleside. Fee 2/6. Commence 4th October.

The Classes are open to all, of any age. As they will commence immediately, the Committee would urge upon all the necessity of deciding at once, and of the first Introductory Lectures or Lessons being attended. Also, as Grants depend on proficiency in some subjects, those who begin should determine, if possible, to go right through the course.

At one time it was thought that a music class might be formed, and that the S. Oswald's Glee Class might present themselves for practice towards the end of the elementary lessons; but this project has fallen through — we cannot get a qualified Teacher.

The Annual Festival of the Church of England Temperance Society which was to be held at Grasmere this Autumn, is through unavoidable causes not to take place. Notice of our ordinary monthly Meetings will be given ere long.

Two concerts were given last month in aid of the School Piano fund. The first was a professional one, arranged by Mr. Skelton, Ambleside, and, though very good, did not "draw" so well as might have been expected. After payment of the professionals Mr. Skelton kindly handed over to us the sum of 10/-, which was more than the actual balance.

On the 6th, a week later, an amateur concert was given, arranged in a very short time, and with very great success by Miss Graham. Our reporter was not there, and we have not seen the programme, but we heard that the room was crowded, and that some had to stand about the door or go away. The entertainment was delightfully varied, the pieces popular, the enthusiasm raised to the highest pitch, and the proceeds £15 15s. "That piano" is bought, and is now in use at the School and will, we hope, soon be heard at future gatherings. All thanks to our friends who have worked so hard for it.

The Harvest Festival will be held on Oct. 20th. The Bishop of Barrow-in-Furness will be the preacher in the evening. Offerings of corn and flowers gladly received at the Church on the Friday or early on Saturday. We will announce in due time the purpose to which the offertories will be devoted.

On the 8th ult., after the Bishop's Sermon, the sum of £8 10s. was given to the Mission to the deaf and dumb in the Diocese.

Mothers' Meetings will be resumed soon. Due notice will be given when arrangements have been made.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

October 6. Morn.: 270, 220, 550; Even.: 385, 505, 477.

,, 13. Morn.: 172, 272, 218; Even.: 170, 277, 266.

,, 20. Morn.: 382, 383, 384, 365; Even.: 166, 386, 388, 381, 379.

., 27. Morn.: 438, 238, 315; Even.: 426, 447, 437.

CELEBRATIONS OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Sunday, Oct. 6, at 8.

,, 13, at 11-45.

Friday, ,, 18, at 8. (S. Luke's Day.)

Sunday, ,, 20, at 8 and 11-45. (Harvest Festival.)

,, 27, at 11-45.

Monday, ,, 28, at 8. (Feast of SS. Simon and Jude.)

Baptism.

Sept. 22nd. Noble, son of George and Margaret Dixon.

RAINFALL AT GRASMERE.

Total for September, 2.6 inches.

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