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THE BISHOP'S APPEAL FOR CHURCH SCHOOLS.

At the last Diocesan Conference and again in a Pastoral Letter read in all churches in the diocese during October, the Bishop of Carlisle has been re-emphasising the importance and the needs of Church Schools. He writes :—

“We must face the fact that many Church Schools must be completely renovated or replaced. Towards the cost of this the State will contribute 50 per cent. Our policy will be to maintain as many aided schools as possible, and I am bound to declare my conviction that this is in the interest of the country as well as of religion. If we lose our schools there will only be one authority apart from the Roman Catholic Church which will control education, and that authority will be the State. There could be no better preparation for totalitarianism than to permit the moulding and fashioning of the minds of children to be under one authoritative Minister or Department of State. . . . I am in conscience bound to declare my conviction that such is wrong, and that the Church must do her utmost to preserve islands of freedom in the educational system for the sake of the country and the Kingdom of God.”

The Bishop therefore asks that by the end of 1950 the diocese as a whole, shall aim at raising £25,000 for this cause, and that each parish shall volunteer its own target.

At a meeting of Grasmere Parochial Church Council on October 27th, it was agreed to support the Bishop's Appeal, and resolved that we in Grasmere shall aim at raising £250 for this purpose by the end of 1950. Ways and means will be discussed in detail later, but it is important that parishioners should know at this earliest possible moment of the extent of this task to which we have committed ourselves.

IN MEMORIAM.

The news of Mrs. Campbell's death in Eastbourne on September 27th came as a great shock to her friends in Grasmere, where for so many years her interests had been centred and where for so long she had been an active helper in many good causes. The sympathy of parishioners will go out in full measure to Miss Campbell, and also to Miss Ward and Mrs. George Fleming in their bereavements.

BAPTISMS.

- October 12th—Clare Ophelia Gordon Heaton Cooper.
,, 23rd—George Peter Henry Horner.
,, 23rd—Roland Anthony Dixon.

BURIALS.

- October 1st—Harry Bernard Ward, aged 66 years.
,, 13th—George Fleming, aged 72 years.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS.

- September 25th—£10 5s. 4d. Church Expenses.
October 2nd—£19 10s. 6d. Diocesan Stipend Fund.
,, 9th—£10 6s 4d. Church Expenses.
15s. 3d. Hostel of St. Luke.
,, 16th—£7 14s. 11d. Church Expenses.
,, 23rd—£8 7s. 10d. Church Expenses.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The November meeting will be held in the Rectory Room on Wednesday, November 16th at 2-30 p.m. The name of the speaker will be announced later.

GRASMERE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION.

The next Social Evening will be held on November 3rd at 7-30 p.m. when Mrs. Banner has kindly undertaken to entertain us with songs and guitar.

GUIDES AND RANGERS.

Will all members, and all parents please note that in November the monthly Church Parade will be on November 6th, NOT on the 3rd Sunday as is usual.

The Ranger "Christmas Gift" Sale will be held on Thursday, December 8th.

The Christmas Party to which we invite all the parents of the Guides and Rangers will be on Wednesday, December 14th.

RAINFALL.

Rain fell on 14 days in September. A total of 2.91 inches was recorded.

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