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CHURCH RESTORATION.

It was always understood that after the completion of the work on the Church roof, a certain amount of internal renovation would be necessary before the Church could resume a clean and decent appearance. But it was not perhaps realised how many weeks of discomfort for all, and hard work for some would be involved in the process! It is pleasant now to be able to record the successful completion of the main part of these operations. Except for one detail to be finished later (an outside light, long wanted, near the Langdale door) a completely new electric light system has been installed, and the internal walls of the Church have been redecorated throughout.

Our special thanks are due to Lady Chance for her gift of the new electric light fittings, which came into use for the first time at the Wordsworth Centenary and which have so greatly helped to lighten and improve the appearance of the Church. A small tablet in Hopton Wood Stone has been placed in the wall in the north-west corner of the nave recording that the gift is made "As a thank offering and as a Memorial to Frederick William Chance, K.B.E., of Lancrigg, Grasmere."

Two particular points about the more general "renovations" are worth recording.

(1) The redecoration of the walls has been done to a formula left by the late Mr. Hicks, the architect who supervised the restoration of the roof, and in a shade very strongly recommended by the Central Council for the Care of Churches.

(2) The ancient "carved stone," mentioned in the "Short Guide to the Church," has reappeared after having been stored for some years in a vestry cupboard. Thanks to the ingenuity of Mr. W. E. Sharp, the stone has now been mounted on an oak bracket inside the altar rails on the north side of the Sanctuary, in such a way that it can be easily seen, and when necessary turned, without being handled and without risk of defacement. The stone, which is decorated on all four sides, is considered to be work of the twelfth century, and formerly belonged to the Rev. Edward Jefferies who was Curate and Rector of Grasmere from 1840-1878. It was given to the Church in 1913.

Minor jobs of "renovation" remain to be done, the repair of hassocks, the renewal as soon as practicable of seat runners, and the organ still has to be cleaned. But the most difficult part of the work has been accomplished, and our warmest thanks are due to the splendid party of volunteers who have toiled incessantly, week after week, to clean and repair the Church and its furnishings, and so to restore it and them to something like their proper condition.

CHURCH SCHOOLS APPEAL.

After rather a slow start donations to the above appeal have begun to come in, and the fund now stands at £140. Grasmere has undertaken to find £250 towards the £25,000 asked for by the Bishop from the diocese as a whole. Should any reader who may have missed the more detailed account which appeared last month, feel disposed to contribute to this fund, which aims at saving as many Church Schools in the diocese as possible, he should send his gift to Mr. A. Robson, Howbeck, Grasmere, or hand it to Miss Read.

“C.M.S.” SUNDAY

The date of “Church Missionary Society” Sunday will be July 16th and the preacher will be Dr. Norman Macpherson who succeeded Dr. Cox at Peshawar Hospital (where we support a Grasmere cot) and who for several years now has been surgeon-specialist at the Christian Medical College at Vellore in South India.

THE RUSHBEARING.

The Rushbearing will take place on Saturday, August 5th (St. Oswald's Day). Details will appear in next month's magazine. Meanwhile the committee wish it to be known that they hope to provide tea (on Monday, August 7th) for the Rushbearers and for the mothers of Rushbearers under the age of five, and the usual collection will take place shortly for this purpose.

BAPTISM.

14 May—Valerie Elaine Gridale Dixon.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS.

30 April	£7 16	3	Church Expenses.
7 May	£6 10	4	„
14 May	£7 7	0	„
18 May	£1 6	3	(Ascension Day) V.M.C.A.
21 May	£7 15	5	Church Expenses.
28 May	£19 18	8	Diocesan Quota.

RAINFALL.

Rain fell on 24 days in April making a total of 6.31 inches.

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