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21st February, 1915.

# St. Andrew's Church, Madras

*Joint Chaplains.*—Rev. John Heron, M.A., B.D., Presidency Senior Chaplain, Spencer's Hotel.

Rev. Neil Meldrum, M.A., B.D., 2, Victoria Crescent, Egmore.

*Kirk Session.*—The Chaplain, J. R. Atkinson Esq., W. A. Beardsell Esq., J. M. Ewing Esq., Dr. J. R. Henderson, W. Hutton Esq., W. Lamb Esq., R. W. Ross Esq., Capt. A. J. H. Russell, Col. R. Robertson, J. F. Simpson Esq., and the Rev. A. Templeton.

*Church Clerk*—Mr. H. Boys, Kirk Villa, Egmore.

*Organist and Choirmaster*—C. Norman Lindsay Esq., Woodlands, Royapettah.

*Free School Headmistress*—Mrs. Bennet, St. Andrew's Free School.

*Dorcas Society Secretary*—Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, Goodwood, Kilpauk.

*Women's Guild Secretary*—Mrs. Turner, The Rookery, Chetput.

*Women's Guild Treasurer*—Mrs. F. Thomas, Buckingham Gardens, Perambur.

*Sunday School Superintendent*—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Kalamunda, Nungambakum, (On Leave).

*School Visitation Committee Secretary*—Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell, Kedleston, Kilpauk.

*Honorary Auditor*—James Leask, Esq., Bank of Madras.

## Church Notices

**SITTINGS AND MAGAZINES**—Application for vacant sittings should be made to the Clerk, with whom should also be lodged orders for the Monthly Parish Magazine (Rs. 2 per annum), and the Indian Quarterly, *St. Andrew* (8 annas per annum). To seat holders *Life and Work*, with local Supplement, is supplied free. Copies of the Hymnary, Psalter, and Anthem Book, with or without music, may also be purchased from the Church Clerk.

**HOURS OF SERVICE**—Divine Service is held on Sundays at 8 A.M. and 6 P.M. Choir Practice on Thursdays at 6-15 P.M. Women's Guild meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 4-30 P.M.

**HOLY COMMUNION**—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is dispensed after evening service on the first Sunday of every quarter, and after morning service on the sixth Sunday of the quarter.

**BAPTISM**—The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in the Church on Thursday evenings, or on Sundays after the morning service.

**FUNERALS**—Funerals should be arranged through an Undertaker.

**ST. ANDREW'S CEMETERY**—St. Andrew's Cemetery is, by Government order, reserved for the burial of *bona fide* members of St. Andrew's Church and Presbyterian soldiers; and the sanction of the Chaplain has to be obtained.

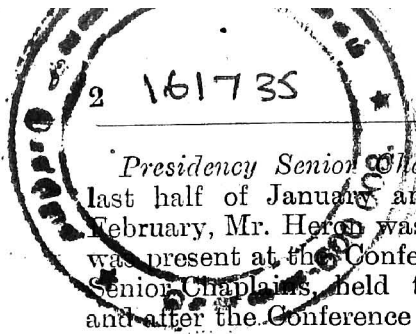
**FREE SCHOOL**—There is an Industrial Class in connection with the Free School. Orders for towels, dusters, etc., may be sent to Mrs. Atkinson, "Goodwood," Kilpauk, or to the Church Clerk. The money thus earned helps to defray the salary of an extra teacher.

## Church Notes

*Holy Communion.*—Holy Communion was celebrated at morning service on February 14. There were 45 communicants. The next celebration will be on Easter Sunday evening.

*Catechumen's Class.*—I propose having a class for Young Communicants, preparing them for the next Communion on Easter Sunday Evening. The class will meet on Thursdays in the Vestry at 5-30 P.M.

*Special Collection.*—The Special Collection for the Women's Association for Foreign Missions will be taken at both services on the last Sunday of the month, February 28. The Rev. Andrew Templeton will take evening service on that day. At the end of this supplement will be found a column of interesting notes on the large and important work the ladies are doing.



*Presidency Senior Chaplain.*—During the last half of January and the beginning of February, Mr. Heron was out of Madras. He was present at the Conference of Presidency Senior Chaplains, held this time at Poona, and after the Conference he went on tour.

*Books for Hospital.*—I have to thank Mrs. Organe for the many magazines which she has sent along for distribution in hospital. I shall be very glad indeed if some others will be good enough to send along their spare magazines and papers.

*Sunday School.*—The Sunday School has opened again with a very satisfactory attendance of pupils. One had expected that the offers of service as teachers which have been made would materialise, but unfortunately we are suffering as usual from a shortage of teachers. However, it is a great satisfaction that while new comers fail to make their appearance, those who have had already a good deal of experience in St. Andrew's Sunday School have remained faithful and are hard at work as ever. The present staff consists of Mrs. Boys, Mrs. Meldrum, the Misses Falconer, Miss James, Miss Hog, Miss Daniel, and the Chaplain.

The Annual Treat which was postponed was held on Friday, shorn of much of its former interest and glory. The children met in school when the prizes were presented to them, the winners of the Chaplain's Bibles, being James Weston and Hilda Weston, and John Singaram the winner of Miss Dunhill's prize. After a distribution of sweets and cake the company 120 strong boarded two tramway cars and invaded the Lyric Cinematograph, where the children had a lengthy feast of pictures instructive and amusing, and also some very clever conjuring. It was nearly nine o'clock before the cars were filled for the return journey and every one reached home safely. The treat was voted a great success.

*The Free School Annual Examination.*—As happened last year the Inspector came within a few days of the re-opening of the school before teachers and scholars had time to settle down and when the classes had just been newly arranged. However, from what could be gathered his impression of the school seemed to be favourable. He commented on the great improvement that had taken place since his previous visit, a twelve month before.

*Gifts.*—We are glad to be able to record that the Women's Guild have made a contribution of Rs. 60, towards the salary of one of

the teachers and that a member of the congregation has guaranteed the cost for a year of a teacher to help in the musical part of the school curriculum. Mrs. Atkinson, as usual, has been very kind in providing special dainties for the Sunday morning breakfast, and one morning the children were delighted with a gift of chocolates sent by their fellow worshippers on Sunday morning the Hon'ble John and the Hon'ble Peggy Sinclair.

*Children's Treat.*—On the last Saturday of January, the children were all entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Turner at the Rookery. They drove up in great state packed in a motor lorry and had the most delightful time that could be imagined, with merry-go-rounds and games and prizes and refreshments. Greatly to the annoyance of everybody the afternoon passed away too quickly. The guests of the afternoon showed their appreciation of the kindness of their hosts by ringing cheers and by the tiredness and happiness which proved how they had taken advantage to the full of their opportunities. It will be a long time before the school forgets its visit to the Rookery.

*Sewing Class.*—Mrs. Horn has very kindly volunteered to come to the School once a week to teach the girls fine sewing. Her coming will be a great help to the children.

*Obituary.*—The funeral of Mr. J. H. Mackintosh of the Presidency College, took place on February 3rd at St. Andrew's Cemetery. The coffin was borne to its last resting place on the shoulders of Messrs. J. L. Simonsen, K. C. Macartney, Mark Hunter, R. Littlehailes, H. Dodwell, S. J. Crawford, Collins and P. F. Fyson. There was a large gathering in the Cemetery, including numbers of the students of both the Presidency and Christian Colleges, many Anglo-Indian and Indian lady students, and nearly all the Professors of both Colleges. The Rev. A. Templeton of the Christian College, read the Burial Service. Beautiful wreaths were sent by the Professorial Staffs of the Presidency and Christian Colleges, the Anglo-Indian lady students, the Indian lady students, each Honour class of each section, and several friends.

COLLECTIONS IN ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

				RS.	A.	P.
Jan.	3	Ordinary	...	100	10	3
"	10	"	...	92	5	3
"	17	"	...	53	4	3
"	24	"	...	60	12	3
"	31	"	...	64	5	9
			Total	371	5	9

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## Women's Guild

*Donations.*—It was decided at a recent meeting of the Guild to send a Donation of Rs. 200 to the Women's Mission of the Church of Scotland at Kilpauk, and a Donation of Rs. 60 to the Funds of the Free School.

*Mrs. Hatchell.*—There was good attendance of the members of the Guild on Thursday, the 18th February, when Mrs. Hatchell, who has a distinct position in the philanthropic life of Madras gave a very interesting and helpful address on Women's Work in War-times. The address was highly appreciated and it is hoped that it will be the precursor of many others.

*Work.*—During the past weeks the energies of the ladies of the Guild have been taken up with the production of articles for the soldiers and for the Hospital Ship. They are now busy over garments which are wanted for the St. George's Homes at Kodaikanal, of which by the way the Annual Meeting was held recently before a very meagre audience. So much depends upon these homes for the uplift of the poorer members of the community in Madras that it will be a misfortune if the in-

terest shown in the work a year ago is allowed to die out.

*The Sale.*—Through one cause or another the sale which I have intimated here more than once has had to be indefinitely postponed. But several members are busy with work for the Sale when it comes and there is already a considerable amount finished. Mrs. Horn whom we are all glad to see back in India has been kind enough to volunteer to design and prepare some fancy work.

*Proposed Concert.*—The attention of all the congregation is asked for the Concert which the ladies of the Guild intend giving on March 16th in the Habitation, Pantheon Road. It is a pity that we cannot have it in a building of our own but the school room which is all that we have in the form of a hall, in its present state without lights or fans, is not suited for any audience in the evening. The entertainment will take the form of a short Dramatic Sketch and a Concert in Costume. The quality of it will be sufficiently vouched for by the names of the promoters Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Wilson.

## Women's Mission

*Re-opening.*—After Christmas and New Year Holidays, the work of the Mission in all its branches was resumed on the 18th instant. The Schools (8) re-opened with a good attendance but, owing to sickness and other causes there was not a full muster of teachers.

*Georgetown School.*—We have not yet received any Government Grant for our new school building in Georgetown and the removal of the debt incurred in its purchase, is a long way from being realized. It is cheering, however, to know that the Ladies of St. Andrew's Guild have given help from their funds. The Kindergarten room in this school deserves notice as we have been able to equip it in up-to-date fashion mainly through the kind generosity of Mrs. Meldrum.

*Triplicane School.*—The two schools taken over from the L. M. S. in September of last year may cost us the loss of our school in Triplicane, which we would all deplore, as it is the oldest, most popular and until Georgetown reached its present dimensions, our largest school. The cost to the Mission is on an average about Rs. 900 per annum. There are over 300 pupils on the Roll and a staff of 11 qualified teachers. We have been

asked by the Home Committee to hand it over to another Mission as the present state of the funds will not permit keeping it and the two new schools. We hope that some way will yet be found to retain this school.

*Industrial School.*—Besides being self-supporting, the Industrial School aids the High School considerably in the matter of School fees earned by the girls in this department. Fourteen girls and teachers were sent up in November for the Lace and Embroidery Government Examinations. All the girls passed First Class in Embroidery. We await the results in the Lace and Teachers' Technical Examination.

*Lace Sales.*—Fears were entertained that the income from sales of lace and embroidery would be much reduced owing to the depression caused by the war, but we are glad to say that the average drawings have been equal to that of former years. For this, our best thanks are due to Mrs. F. Thomas, Perambore, who has greatly helped in disposing of the work and obtaining orders.

## CHURCH REGISTER

## Baptisms

*"Suffer the little children to come unto me"*

4th February, 1915—Sarah Ellen, daughter of Samuel Richard and Annie Maria Matthews,

7th February, 1915—Alice Robert Springthorpe, son of Robert Leonard and Marion Blackwell Hird.

## Burial

*"I am the Resurrection and the Life"*

15th February, 1915—John Henry Mackintosh, aged 27 years.

## CHURCH ACCOUNTS

*I.—Monthly Statement of Kirk Session Fund Account for January, 1915.*

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant ... ..	109	0	0	To Church Choir for Dec., 1914 ...	204	0	0
„ Pew Rents ... ..	217	0	0	„ „ Establishment, Dec., 1914	138	4	0
„ Church Collections ... ..	371	5	9	„ „ Life and Work ” Subscription,			
„ Sale of Grass (January 1915)...	20	0	0	1915 ... ..	75	7	6
				„ „St. Andrew” Subscription, 1915	31	8	0
				„ Chains and locks for entrance			
				gates ... ..	4	0	0
				„ M.E.S. Co. current for Dec. 1914	15	8	0
				„ Messrs. Siemens Electric bulbs...	7	8	0
				„ Compound account ... ..	13	15	0
				„ Balance account white clothing			
				(Servants) 11-14-0 ... ..	11	14	0
				„ Miscellaneous ... ..	7	6	6
				By Balance Credit this Account...	207	14	9
Total ...	717	5	9	Total ...	717	5	9

*II.—Monthly Statement of St. Andrew's Free School Account for January, 1915.*

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant ... ..	100	0	0	To Free School Establishment (Dec.,			
„ Subscriptions January, 1915 ...	75	0	0	1914) ... ..	179	0	0
„ Donation from St. Andrew's				„ Children's daily food ... ..	69	6	0
Women's Guild ... ..	60	0	0	„ Books, paper and material ...	23	3	0
„ Kirk Session Fund ... ..	42	13	0	„ Miscellaneous ... ..	6	4	0
Total ...	277	13	0	Total ...	277	13	0

H. BOYS,  
Church Clerk.

NEIL MELDRUM,  
Chaplain.