

St. Andrew's Church, Madras

Joint Chaplain.—Rev. Neil Meldrum, M.A., B.D., 2, Victoria Crescent, Egmore (*On leave.*)

Acting Chaplain.—Rev. A. Templeton, M.A., B.D., College House, Georgetown.

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 Officer—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, Silverton, Casamajor Road.

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

Sunday School Superintendent—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Kalamunda, Nungambakum.

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

Honorary Auditor—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Nungambakum.

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.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the evening Service on July 4th. There were 36 communicants. The mid-quarter communion will be held on the 15th of August, at the close of the morning Service.

the low water mark in Church attendance in the month of June and last month was no exception to the rule. One is therefore pleased to be able to record and welcome the return of several members of the congregation after the holidays.

Church Attendance.—We generally reach

Dorcas Society.—The Honorary Secretary

of the Dorcas Society has fixed upon Thursday, 29th July, as the date for the half-yearly distribution of clothing among the poor of the congregation and the children of the Free School. The distribution will take place in the school room at 5 o'clock and we hope many of the congregation and their friends will be present to show their interest and appreciation in the work of the Society. We understand that a most acceptable programme has been arranged by Mrs. Bennet and the teachers; and the children are sure to excel and make the function full of entertainment. Mrs. Meston has kindly consented to give away the clothing.

The Free School.—The school re-opened on the 5th July, the children attending in full force; no less than 52 answering the roll call. If one may judge by the numerous applications that have been made for admission to the school there can be no doubt as to its popularity. That the community should express its appreciation in this fashion is sufficient testimony to the value of the work that is being done.

St. Andrew's Women's Guild.—The meetings of the "Work Party" will be resumed about the middle of August. With reference to the sale it is expected to take place early in December. Further announcements will be made in due course from the pulpit.

The War.—The family of the late Captain S. E. Falconer, for thirteen years an elder in St. Andrews, have received the sad news of their brother's death. Lieutenant Percy Falconer was acting on a submarine which seems to have been lost in the North Sea. We would sympathise with the bereaved family and his young widow, for he was but recently married. But he is on the Roll of Honour in the company of much of the best blood of the British Empire.

We are glad to learn that Mr. C. G. Alexander who went to the Front with a Contingent of Madras Motor Cyclist Despatch Riders, and who was recently wounded, is progressing favourably in a Military Hospital in England. He has had a very severe three months and will no doubt benefit by his enforced rest.

We salute Mr. Guthrie on his departure for active service and hope and trust he may be spared to return.

There are several of our young members at the Front, of whom no recent news has been received, but we trust that no news is 'good news.'

Remembering.—A portion of St. Andrew's congregation must necessarily be ever changing, but it is good to note that some who go away do not forget: Mr. Adam Bennet for the last ten years has subscribed for the "Life and Work" i.e., he has sent annually 24 Rs. for a seat in the Kirk. He is now in Sargon, China.

Sunday School.—The Sunday School will re-open on Sunday, 8th August, at 4-45 P.M.

Baptism.—Some eight years back Mr. and Mrs. Eames presented their then infant daughter for baptism. Mrs. R. A. Bowie, the great grandmother, was present at the ceremony. The christening of Mr. and Mrs. Eames' infant son on Sunday, 4th July, was of exceptional interest as again Mrs. Bowie was permitted to be present and the baby which was brought all the way from Ceylon for the purpose was baptized in presence of representatives of three generations. Mrs. Bowie claims to be the oldest member of the Kirk in Madras and is a very devoted member and we heartily congratulate her on this interesting event.

Concert.—Mr. Lindsaye is giving a Concert at the Habitation Hall, on Saturday, 31st July, the Vocalists will be—

Soprano Miss Higginbotham.
Contralto Miss Muriel Johnson.
Tenor Mr. A. Steuart.
Baritone Capt. O'Brien.

COLLECTIONS, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

1915	Rs.	A.	P.
June 6th (Ordinary)	...	30	10 0
" 13th "	...	28	13 0
" 20th "	...	29	15 0
" 27th "	...	35	3 6
Total	...	124	9 6

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Baptism

"Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not"

4th July, 1915—Hugh Henry Shortt Wilberforce, son of Ernest Henry James and Frances Adeline Maud Eames.

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

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

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	109	0	0	To Church Choir for May 1915 ...	276	0	0
„ Pew Rents	114	0	0	„ Church Establishment, May '15	137	0	0
„ Church Collections	124	9	6	„ Compound bill	4	6	0
„ Exchange on coins	2	8	0	„ Messrs. Siemens	15	0	0
„ Refund "Life, Work" Supple- ments	38	4	0	„ Methodist Press Printing ...	38	10	0
„ Interest	21	3	0	„ Balance due on Xmas Account.	41	11	8
Debit this Account	128	2	8	„ M. E. S. Co. current for May 1915	15	8	0
				„ Repairs to Organ case	4	0	0
				„ Miscellaneous	5	7	6
Total ...	537	11	2	Total ...	537	11	2

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

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	100	0	0	To Establishment	204	0	0
„ Subscriptions	11	0	0	„ Food (daily)	50	2	0
„ Interest	10	3	9	„ Miscellaneous	0	6	0
„ Kirk Session	133	4	3				
Total ...	254	8	0	Total ...	254	8	0

ANDREW TEMPLETON,
Acting Joint Chaplain.

I certify that the Church Accounts for *April* and *May* have been examined by me and found correct.

MADRAS,
22nd June 1915.

H. PERCY ASHWORTH,
Hony. Auditor and Treasurer.