

24th June, 1917.

St. Andrew's Church, Madras

Presidency Senior Chaplain.—Rev. John Heron, M.A., B.D., (on leave).

Offg. Presidency Senior Chaplain and Chaplain of St. Andrew's Church.—Rev. D. H. Gillan, M.A., B.D., c/o Garrison Chaplain, Fort St. George.

Kirk Session.—The Chaplain, J. R. Atkinson Esq., W. A. Beardsell Esq., Dr. J. R. Henderson, W. Hutton Esq., W. Lamb Esq., A. C. Puddephatt Esq., R. W. Ross Esq., Capt. A. J. H. Russell, Col. R. Robertson, J. F. Simpson Esq., W. A. Turner Esq., and C. A. Innes, Esq., I.C.S.

Church Officer—Mr. H. Boys, Kirk Villa, Egmore.

Organist and Choirmaster—A. W. Jones Esq., 1/144 Mount Road.

Free School Headmistress—Mrs. Bennett, St. Andrew's Free School.

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

Women's Guild Secretary—Mrs. Gillan, Fort St. George (Acting).

Women's Guild Treasurer—Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell, Luttrell's Gardens, Kilpauk.

Sunday School Superintendent—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Kalajagah, Chetput.

School Visitation Secretary—Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell, Luttrell's Gardens, Kilpauk.

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



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.

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.

WOMEN'S GUILD—The Women's Guild meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month at 4-30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL at 5 P.M. from January to April, and August to December.

MOTHERS' MEETING in School-room at 5 P.M. on Mondays.

Church Notes

Holy Communion.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at the close of the Evening Service on 1st July, the first Sunday of the Quarter.

Admission to Kirk Session.—The name of Mr. C. A. Innes will be noticed above among

the names of the elders. He was formerly a member of the Kirk Session of our Church in Simla, and since his arrival in Madras has identified himself in many ways with the congregation. After the necessary preliminaries of "serving an edict", etc., Mr. Innes was admitted to membership of the Session at the Evening Service on 27th May.

Church Attendances.—Considering the numbers absent from Madras, the congregations have been good. A downpour of rain on the evening of 3rd June came inconveniently near the time of service, but even so a fair congregation was present. The comparative coolness of this Hot Weather has no doubt helped the attendances.

Vacant Sittings.—It should be noted by those who intend to take sittings in the Church that the present is a specially good time for doing so, as more selection is possible just now than at other seasons of the year.

Return of Members.—As anticipated last month, Captain Guthrie has now returned to Madras, after almost exactly two years' absence in Mesopotamia. Mr. S. Jackson, Buckingham Mills, has also returned during the month. We extend to both a hearty welcome back to the congregation.

Woman's Guild Entertainments for Soldiers.—The monthly entertainments for soldiers go on with unabated success. The third was held on the 25th May. The day was grey and at the time the soldiers arrived the rain began to fall. But to everybody's relief it soon cleared off and left the afternoon cool and pleasant, for the time of the year. The guests were chiefly Devons who were at home on furlough from Mesopotamia, also a few Somersets making the total 43. They arrived at 4-30 and had tea at once, which included an abundance of good things provided by the ladies. After "smokes" the men were lured away to play badminton, clock golf, and the usual competitions which seem to be a fund of interest to the men. These things kept them going happily till nearly 7 and until it was too dark to play any more. Thereafter cold drinks were distributed, prizes to the successful competitors given away, and the Concert begun. The performers were Mrs. Nicholl, Mrs. Flohr, Mrs. Murphy, and Miss Maggie Boys, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Fort. All contributed delightful items and

the Concert went with great swing. Mrs. Bromhead kindly played the accompaniments. At the end of the programme the Chaplain said a few words to the men who were returning to Mesopotamia and hearty votes of thanks were given to Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell and the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly made the entertainment such a success. One of the Devons got up and proposed an additional vote of thanks after which the men standing burst forth into "For they are jolly good people!" The proceedings were concluded by the singing of "God save the King," and after the further giving out of smokes and drinks the happy evening was brought to a close. It was a great pleasure to see so many of the congregation present and such a large representation of the Kirk Session.

Owing to the generosity of the ladies more cakes than were required had been given and these were sent to the barracks to be distributed among soldiers whom we had not been able to invite to the party.

We would like to thank warmly the ladies of the Guild for the supply of tea and cakes month by month, and the men of the congregation who have so generously given money for cold drinks, prizes, hiring of cups and saucers and tumblers, lighting arrangements, etc., etc. As long as the cakes and the money come in so long will the ladies of the Guild be delighted to arrange these very enjoyable entertainments.

We should be very glad if some of our friends would send us badminton bats and nets; also as the hiring of crockery and glass is so high during war times we would suggest that if friends have cups and saucers and tumblers that they do not need, even if they are a little cracked we would be glad to have them for these tea-parties, and please do not be afraid to send in the twos and threes—or even the ones! All will be thankfully received, and this will lessen somewhat the future cost of these entertainments.

The next entertainment will be held on Friday, 29th June. The Concert will begin about 7 o'clock, and we hope a large number of the congregation will be present.

CHURCH REGISTER

Marriage

"What God hath joined together let not man put asunder."

May 9th, 1917—William Augustine Jackson to Emma Arabella Twigg.

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

I.—Monthly Statement of Kirk Session Fund Account for May, 1917

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	109	0	0	To Church Choir, for April, 1917 ...	159	0	0
„ Seat Rents	79	0	0	„ „ Estabtd. „ „ ...	185	8	0
„ Church Collections	117	4	6	„ Organ blowers „ „ ...	6	0	0
„ Organ practice	2	8	0	„ M. E. S. Co., current „ „ ...	8	8	0
„ Refunds	10	0	0	„ Printing bill No. 1255 „ ..	15	0	0
				„ Communion elements	3	2	0
				„ Secy. B. and F. Bible Sy. Proceeds special collection...	91	3	3
				„ Printing bill No. 1352	10	0	0
				„ Miscellaneous repairs (fan and organ stool)	2	0	0
				„ Miscellaneous	3	4	0
Balance Debit this Account ...	165	12	3				
Total ...	483	8	9	Total ...	483	9	3

II.—Monthly Statement of St. Andrew's Free School Account for May, 1917

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Subscriptions	12	0	0	To Teachers and Establishment ...	177	8	0
„ Refund	10	0	0	„ Food	50	9	0
„ Interest	27	10	0	„ Stamps	0	10	0
„ Cash	179	1	0				
Total ...	228	11	0	Total ...	228	11	0

H. BOYS,
Church Clerk.

D. H. GILLAN,
Senior Chaplain.