

30th September, 1919.

St. Andrew's Church, Madras

- Presidency Senior Chaplain and Chaplain of St. Andrew's Church.*—Rev. D. H. Gillan, M.A., B.D., (On leave).
- Offg. Presidency Senior Chaplain.*—Rev. J. D. Mitchell, M.A., B.D., Secunderabad (Deccan.)
- Ag. Joint Chaplain of St. Andrew's Church.*—Rev. W. Meston, M.A., B.D., College Park, Kilpauk, Madras.
- Kirk Session.*—The Chaplain, J. R. Atkinson, Esq., I.S.O., Sir William Beardsell, The Hon. Mr. W. Hutton, W. Lamb, Esq., A. C. Puddephatt, Esq., R. W. Ross, Esq., Major A. J. H. Russell, Col. R. Robertson, J. F. Simpson, Esq., W. A. Turner, Esq., and C. A. Innes, Esq., I.C.S.
- Organist and Choirmaster*—A. W. Jones, Esq., 1/144, Mount Road.
- Free School Headmistress*—Mrs. Pritchard, St. Andrew's Free School.
- Dorcas Society Secretary*—Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, Kedleston, Kilpauk.
- Woman's Guild Secretary*—Mrs. Turner, The Priory, Teynampet.
- Woman's Guild Treasurer*—Mrs. H. S. Chandler, Sunnyside, Royapettah.
- Sunday School Superintendent*—H. P. Ashworth, Esq., Cranford, McNicholl's Road, Chetput, (On leave).
- School Visitation Secretary*—Mrs. Turner, The Priory, Teynampet.
- Honorary Auditor*—H. P. Ashworth, Esq., Cranford, McNicholl's Road, Chetput.
- Church Officer*—Mr. H. Boys, Kirk Villa, Egmore.

Church Notes

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). 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 should be arranged through an Undertaker.

ST. ANDREW'S CEMETERY—St. Andrew's Cemetery is, by Government order, reserved for the burial of *bonâ 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, Kedleston, Kilpauk, or to the Church Clerk. The money thus earned helps to defray the salary of an extra teacher.

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

Church Notices

Holy Communion.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at the close of the evening Service on Sunday, the 5th October, being the first Sunday of the quarter. Any church members whose names are not on

the Communion roll are requested to communicate with the Chaplain.

Special Collection.—By appointment of the Kirk Session a collection will be made at both

Services on Sunday, the 5th October, on behalf of the Arkonam Mission of the Church of Scotland. We are glad to welcome back the Rev. A. Silver to Madras and to his old charge in Arkonam. The years of service which he has seen as Chaplain to the troops have made little outward change on him, and he has returned to us with characteristic good cheer and with health unimpaired.

Comings and Goings.—In the February Supplement we noted the marriage of Mr. C. G. Alexander and said that there were hopes that he would return to Madras before long. The time has lengthened out a little, but we were glad to see him and his wife with us on the 14th, and we extend to them a cordial welcome. A delay caused by the commanding of the "Mandala" and then to a postponement of the sailing of the "Oxfordshire" has given us two extra Sundays of those who intend to sail by the latter vessel. Miss Chatterton sailed for England on the "Ormonde."

The Chaplaincy.—It will be a matter of great satisfaction to the congregation to learn that a Chaplain has been appointed to the Madras Establishment, and that our Church will soon have one whose sole charge will be its care. The Rev. D. F. Mackenzie left England on the "Derbyshire" to take up his duties in this presidency. The steamer is expected to arrive in Bombay this week. Mr. Mackenzie will proceed to Secunderabad to report his arrival to the Presidency Senior Chaplain, and will then come on to Madras. It is hoped that it may be possible to announce on Sunday the date on which Mr. Mackenzie will assume charge of the Chaplaincy of St. Andrews. Meantime we assure him that his arrival is anticipated with much gratification.

Free School.—It is always a pleasure to visit the Free School and to see what is being done there. The numbers have increased from 69 to 77, and with that number on the rolls the School closed for the Michaelmas holidays. It re-opens on the morning of the 8th October. Mrs. Pritchard mentions that Mr. Hart, Drill Instructor to Government, paid two surprise visits, and was pleased with what the pupils were doing. Owing to Mrs. Turner's absence on the hills the school has had to be without her weekly visits, but Mrs. Wilton has kindly given it the benefit of her visits. After the holidays special hard work

will be the order of the day, for the final examination looms ahead and there is the annual demonstration.

Choir.—Owing to the illness of Mr. St. Leger, Mr. Jones took his place at the Cathedral organ on Sunday, the 14th September. We were glad to be able to render this service in the emergency in which the Cathedral Chaplain found himself. Mr. Foyster was good enough to take Mr. Jones's place at our organ and we are grateful to him. We should be glad to know of any who are prepared to join our Choir. Their assistance will be welcomed.

Miss Forbes.—The worth of Miss Forbes and her long years of service are known to all in the congregation. They will, therefore, welcome the following paragraph from the graphic pen of Miss Graham:—

Before her departure for home, Miss Forbes made a farewell round of visits to her schools during the last days of September and said goodbye to the pupils. On the afternoon of Friday, the 26th September, there was a large gathering of the Mission staff in the Mission Lace Hall at Kilpauk, when a farewell address and the gift of a beautiful gold bracelet were presented to Miss Forbes by the staff. The Rev. A. Silver was called to the chair and was given a hearty welcome on his return from Palestine and Mesopotamia where he has been Chaplain to the troops for nearly three years. In the course of the address to Miss Forbes it was noted that during the last nineteen years the Mission had more than doubled itself not only in the number of workers, pupils and mission buildings, but also in fees, grants and the value of the whole property. A long and interesting programme of songs, recitations and plays was gone through by pupils of the different schools, one of the items being an amusing dialogue between two girls concerning Miss Forbes who 'came from Aberdeen'. At the close coffee and fruit were served to the staff at the bungalow. Miss Forbes expects to leave Madras for Colombo on the 2nd of October.

Arkonam Mission Notes.—The following notes have been kindly supplied by Mr. Silver who tells us about others but not about himself. This is only what we might expect from him, but we hope that the opportunity for the record of his interesting experiences will not be lost. The Rev. G. S. Vethanayagam, who has been acting as the

Secretary of the Mission since December, 1916, has now returned to his former appointment as Pastor of the South India United Church in Choolai, Madras. While in charge of the work at Arkonam he discharged his duties very efficiently and has earned the sincere thanks of all who have the welfare of the mission at heart. The Secretaryship has now been resumed by Mr. Silver who returned from active service on the 8th September. Work in the outlying schools has been difficult of late owing to the shortage and dearness of food. Many of the children belong to the poorest classes and have been existing on one meal of the most inferior quality per day. Consequently they cannot be expected to attend school regularly or learn satisfactorily. Any who have been able to get work have left school and spend their time herding cattle or working in the fields. Their wages consist of food alone and not too much of that. As far as possible relief work is being done with funds gathered by private subscription, and if any who read this are touched by the sufferings of the

children and would care to contribute towards the relief work, contributions will be gratefully received by the Secretary. During the absence of the missionary it was impossible to carry on the regular services in English for the benefit of the large Anglo-Indian community at Arkonam. Missionaries from other stations kindly officiated from time to time, and this opportunity is taken of expressing to them the thanks of the English congregation. Services have now been resumed every Sunday evening and are well attended, the congregation last Sunday evening numbering about forty.

Marriage.—Not a few members of the congregation who remember Miss Dorothy Howell, when she belonged to our Choir, will be interested to read the following:—"On the 18th September, 1919, at Ghoripuri Garrison Church, Poona, Frederick Samuel Sellek, 1/4th Devonshire Regiment, attached Army Signals (Southern) Quetta, to Dorothy Price Howell, Madras." We send them both our best good wishes.

CHURCH REGISTER

Baptism

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me and forbid them not."

14th September, 1919.—Allan Millar, son of James William and Jeanie Davidson Keith.

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

I.—Monthly Statement of Kirk Session Fund Account for August, 1919

| RECEIPTS | AMOUNT | | | DISBURSEMENTS | AMOUNT | | |
|---|--------|----|----|--|--------|----|----|
| | RS. | A. | P. | | RS. | A. | P. |
| By Government Grant (Establishment and Cemetery) ... | 109 | 0 | 0 | To Church Etabt. for July, 1919. | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Seat Rents ... | 76 | 0 | 0 | „ „ Choir „ „ ... | 158 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Church Collections ... | 143 | 2 | 7 | „ Organ Blowers „ „ ... | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Special Collection "Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Fund" ... | 120 | 1 | 9 | „ Servants' Batta Allowance, July, 1919 ... | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Refunds ... | 10 | 0 | 0 | „ Communion Elements ... | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| „ Organ Practice ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | „ "Madras Times" Printing bill (Peace Services) ... | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Government Grant refund—Free School ... | 824 | 0 | 0 | „ M. P. House Printing bill ... | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Government refund—Rates and Taxes ... | 66 | 9 | 7 | „ M. E. S. Co.'s Current for July, 1919 ... | 14 | 8 | 0 |
| Balance Cr. this Account ... | 149 | 9 | 11 | „ Special Collection "Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association Fund ... | 120 | 1 | 9 |
| Total ... | 1,503 | 7 | 10 | „ School Clothing Dorcas Account ... | 420 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | „ R. and R. Clarke "Life and Work" ... | 217 | 14 | 0 |
| | | | | „ Rates and Taxes ... | 66 | 9 | 7 |
| | | | | „ Siemens Brothers' Account, 1918-19 ... | 279 | 10 | 0 |
| | | | | „ Miscellaneous ... | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| | | | | Total ... | 1,503 | 7 | 10 |

II.—Monthly Statement of St. Andrew's Free School Account for August, 1919

| RECEIPTS | AMOUNT | | | DISBURSEMENTS | AMOUNT | | |
|--|--------|----|----|--|--------|----|----|
| | RS. | A. | P. | | RS. | A. | P. |
| By Subscriptions ... | 8 | 0 | 0 | To Teachers and Establishment, July, 1919... .. | 209 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Refund ... | 10 | 0 | 0 | „ Food Account ... | 90 | 9 | 0 |
| „ Government Grant for food and clothing, 1919 ... | 824 | 0 | 0 | „ Tuning School Piano ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| „ Cash ... | 316 | 13 | 6 | „ Laundry ... | 1 | 14 | 0 |
| | | | | „ Glazing Picture of H. M. the King ... | 4 | 12 | 0 |
| | | | | „ Refund to Kirk Session Account (food and clothing) ... | 824 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | „ Miscellaneous Accounts, July and August, 1919 ... | 23 | 10 | 6 |
| Total ... | 1,158 | 13 | 6 | Total ... | 1,158 | 13 | 6 |

H. BOYS,
Church Clerk.

W. MESTON,
Ag. Joint Chaplain.