

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

FEBRUARY, 1940.

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CHURCHWARDENS.

Rector's—S. McCORMICK.
People's—J. G. GRACEY, J.P.

THE CLERGY WILL ESTEEM IT A FAVOUR IF
IN CASES OF SICKNESS THEY ARE INFORMED
IMMEDIATELY.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY.

February 4th—Quinquagesima.
Church Army Mission begins in
Levaghery at 8.30 p.m.

February 7th—Ash Wednesday.

February 8th—Mothers' Union Meeting at 3.30 p.m.

February 11th—First Sunday in Lent.

February 14th

February 16th —Ember Days.

February 17th

February 18th—2nd Sunday in Lent.
Church Army Mission begins in
Edenderry Parochial Hall at 8.30 p.m.

February 20th—Monthly Service in Bocombra at
8 p.m.

February 24th—St. Matthias.

February 25th—3rd Sunday in Lent.
Monthly Service in Hacknahay at
3.30 p.m.

LENT SERVICES.

Commencing on Ash Wednesday evening, February
7th, there will be a mid-week Lenten Service each Wed-
nesday in Lent at 8 p.m., in the Parish Church.

A special war-time form of intercession service will
be used.

LETTER FROM MISS DAWSON.

We print below a letter from Miss Dawson, who
rightly stresses the need there is in these difficult
days, for us to see to it that the Missionary cause
does not suffer because of the war.

Westhall Cottage.

1 Park Lane, Bath.

Jan. 23rd, 1940.

My Dear old Friends of my Childhood and Girlhood,
To you and to all the younger generation whose
mothers and fathers were our "children" in those
happy Seagoe days—I wish God's best in this year
of 1940, and may He give His Peace to the world, and

to each of us His Peace in our hearts. It is going
on to 10 years since I stayed with my good old friends
—Mrs. and the Misses Atkinson—and we started the
Sunday School children and the Mothers' Union mem-
bers to collect annually for the support of 2 "brown
babies"; since then you have been wonderful in keep-
ing up that contract from year to year, though it has
been hard to keep enthusiasm when no missionary
came to tell about your "babies." It has been diffi-
cult for the Society—very difficult—from a financial
point of view to send someone over from England, and
now in these dark days of war God is testing us—the
missionaries abroad and we at home, that we do not
forsake our brown brothers and sisters out there in
sunny S. America who are rejoicing in the good news
of a Saviour and an Eternal Friend. I wish I could
come and tell you myself how the Indians all over
our Mission stations are spreading that good news
amongst tribes without a missionary, and how in
Arancapia, where my dear comrade sister, Mary,
worked when we first went out. The native Christians
have built with their own efforts a native church.
Two of our old Indian schoolboys are ordained and
are being used wonderfully of God to win the
Mapuche tribe for Him, and they are taking over
the responsibility of the maintenance of that Church.
When an Indian finds Christ, he or she can't keep
Him to themselves, they must tell others. There's
not much space left now, but I must tell you as
briefly as possible how a little heathen girl brought
her whole tribe to our station.

Far away in the forest swamp land of the Argen-
tine Chaca, where the Bermejo river flows swiftly
through, a young missionary working alone with his
native Christians, saw one day a little band of
Indians (a chief and his men in full war dress!) get-
ting on to a raft to cross the river, as they watched
the strangers crossing the current, they feared many
times the raft would be swept away, but at length
by clever dexterity the party came ashore and to the
Missionary's surprise there was a little girl, Ana
Maria, about 12 years of age, with such a bright and
happy face. The chief drew up his men with great
ceremony before the Missionary and told how they
had heard news in their land of a white man who
was telling of a Great White Father who loved the
Indians, and so he had brought his men through
swamp and forest, snakes and wild animals lurking
there, to hear the good news and if the Missionary
would pay him he would bring his whole tribe. When
he was told that was impossible he was very angry
and after a few days he went away, but during that

time little Ana Maria went to school, and didn't she love it! trying to make weird figures on her slate, joining in the hymns in the Indian language, and when the day came for her to go with her father she said good-bye "Oyapil" very sadly to her new-found friend. About three weeks afterwards another little group gathered on the other side of the river, but this time there were no men, but women, some with their babies strung on their backs, others with all their pots and pans in string bags across their shoulders, some holding on to goats and hens, and children clutching to their clothing, Ana Maria at the head. After many anxious moments of watching the Missionary and his helpers saw the little party land. Ana Maria came up smiling to him and said, "I have brought my people to you; it is good to be here in the Mission, my father was angry and would not come but I have brought them." Now they are all there, learning and growing daily nearer to Christ; surely "A little child has led them." Mothers and children of Seagoe, carry on your good work, your money goes to bring many like little Ana Maria to the Saviour who died for them and loves them so dearly. Pray for them.—Your affectionate old friend,

CHERRIE P. DAWSON.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES.

The following letter has been received in acknowledgment of the articles made by the Seagoe G.F.S. Candidates for a missionary hospital:—

C.M.S. Hospital,
Fort Portal,
Toro, Uganda,
Oct. 29th, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Appelbe,

Thank you very much for quilts, etc., which arrived out here in a "Wants Box" a short time ago—they are most useful and are a great help to our people.

Once again we are without a resident doctor as Dr. Seyel was called up for National Service on August 26th. We are missing him ever so much, for although he had been working in our hospital for a short time (only since December, 1938), the people had grown to love and trust him; one of the chief reasons being that he had got on wonderfully well with the language and was able to talk to the patients; a great help in getting to know the people.

There are at least six patients in at the moment convalescent from pneumonia; we have had a lot of pneumonia cases lately, probably due to the heavy rains which are on just now. The sun, during the rainy season, when it does shine, is most powerful, then storms come on very quickly and then there is

a sudden drop in the temperature, resulting in colds, coughs and various other ailments.

Our services go on as usual, as does the class for readers in the waiting room of our dispensary every day, with the exception of Saturday and Sunday; quite a number of heathen come in sick and when they are able to get up and about, they go to the reader's class. Sometimes patients are in for months at a time, and during that time read for baptism; then there are several of our outside workmen who are being prepared for baptism, also a woman, who cultivates in the "Rugonjo," i.e., the food garden, where native potatoes and vegetables are grown to feed the staff, and quite a number of the patients. We have about eleven garden women, some amongst them are very fine Christians. One old soul came to me the other week with a gift for our hospital of 12/-; for a woman of her standing 12/- is a large sum of money. Lebeka (Rebecca) came here years ago as a patient, not knowing anything of Jesus and His love. She got better, then was taken on as a garden woman, read for baptism, afterwards was confirmed and now she is a shining Christian and a wonderful example to many of our people. Lebeka told me the other week that everything she possesses belongs to God, He had given her strength to do her work, a home to live in, and she has no fear of the future for He will look after her—a wonderful testimony. Her gift reminded me of the "Widow's Mite." for she had given practically all the money she possessed. An experience such as that is a great encouragement to us in our work here.

These days our thoughts are very much with you dear people at home. God grant that a just and lasting peace may be the outcome of this terrible war.

With renewed thanks for your prayers and for help given to us in other ways. Good wishes for 1940.—
Yours very sincerely,

S. LYON (Sister).

SEAGOE C.E. SOCIETY.

Seagoe Christian Endeavour Society held their annual social and business meeting on Monday, 1st January, 1940, at 8 p.m. in Edenderry Orange Hall. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Miss Nellie Montgomery; vice-president, Mr. R. M'Murray; corresponding secretary, Miss M. L. Best; recording secretary, Miss Sadie Best; treasurer, Miss N. K. Montgomery.

Tea was served and games followed, and a happy evening came to a close with the Benediction.—
(M.L.B.)

DRUMGOR SUNDAY SCHOOL, PARISH OF SEAGOE

Statement of Income and Expenditure, January to December, 1939.

INCOME.

Balance on hands, Jan., 1939 ..	..	£7	16	2
Church Services .. ..	..	3	1	9
Special Services .. ..	..	3	3	0
Sunday School Collections ..	..	6	2	2
Collection for Missions ..	..	0	13	6
Balance from Concert .. ..	..	3	5	4
Receipts from Recreation Club	..	0	15	0
Proceeds from Pic-nic .. ..	..	2	10	0
Proceeds from Beetle Drive ..	..	3	8	0
Subscription from C.L.B. ..	..	1	0	0
Fee from Agriculture Committee	..	0	5	0
Cash received—S.S. Excursion	..	0	6	3
		£32	6	2

Balance on hands Jan., 1940	£1	7	10
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EXPENDITURE.

Sunday School prizes	£3	3	3
Printing Account	1	6	7
Repairs to Organ	£1	10	0
Heat and Light .. ..	..	1	4	9
Sunday School Excursion ..	..	2	12	6
Holiday Fund .. ..	..	8	17	6
Catering Account .. ..	..	0	16	11
Hire of 'Bus .. ..	..	1	0	0
New Seating Accommodation ..	..	5	14	0
School Rent .. ..	..	2	10	0
Caretaker .. ..	..	1	0	0
Sub. to S.S. Excursion Deficit	..	0	7	6
Postages	0	1	10
Foreign Missions	0	13	6
		£30	18	4

Balance on hands	£1	7	10
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THE CHURCH ARMY VAN.

Since the end of last week a Church Army Van has been in the parish in charge of Captain J. Atkinson, assisted by Captain Tatnall. Already a successful series of meetings has been held in Bocombra Church Hall.

From Sunday, February 4th, Evangelistic Services will take place in Levaghery School for ten days. On Monday, February 18th, at 8.30 p.m. a ten-day mission will commence in the Parochial Hall, Edenderry. The final meetings will take place in Carne Church Hall, commencing on Sunday, March 3rd, at 8.30 p.m.

THE REVISION OF LIST OF REGISTERED VESTRYMEN.

The annual revision of the list of registered Vestrymen takes place during the month of February. All subscribers to the W.F.O. or Sustentation Fund are

eligible to be placed on this list, provided they sign a declaration stating that they are members of the Church of Ireland, usually resident in the parish and that they are not registered as Vestrymen in another parish.

New names can be added any time before February 29th, when the Register is closed. Men and women, whose names are on this list of registered Vestrymen, make up the General Vestry, the chief function of which is to meet at Easter each year to elect the Select Vestry to carry on the business side of the parish.

Any member of the Select Vestry will be glad to hear of any parishioner who wishes to be registered.

SIDESMEN FOR FEBRUARY.

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens; Messrs. H. Ellis, J. Gee, R. McMurray, D. Sherman.
Evening Prayer—Messrs. G. Wilson, T. Stanfield, Holmes White, Wm. Neill, G. Nixon, D. Allen.

DISTRICT SERVICES.

February 11th—Drumgor, at 3 p.m.
February 20th—Bocombra, at 8 p.m.
February 25th—Hacknahay, at 3.30 p.m.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The monthly meeting took place in Seagoe School on Thursday, January 11th, at 3.30 p.m., at which an appropriate address was given by the Rev. W. F. Hayes.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 8th, at 3.30 p.m., when an address will be given by Captain Tatnall, C.A.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God."

December 29th—Noel Francis, son of William and Ellen Gertrude Dickie, 23, Florence Court, Portadown (Privately).

January 7th—Robert Henry, son of William Robert and Sarah Jane Hamill, Killicomaine.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours."

January 6th—Samuel John Ruddell, Seagoe Lower, aged 86 years.

January 30th—James Sands, 17, Killicomaine Road, Portadown, aged 73 years.

NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

The Hon. Treas. for the above gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following subscriptions:—

Mr. H. M. Gibson, Rathlin .. ..	..	£5	0	0
Mrs. J. McLaughlin, Lower Seagoe ..	..	0	5	0
Mr. Woolsey White, Bocombra .. ..	..	1	0	0
Mr. James Boyce, Bocombra .. ..	..	2	0	0
Mr. J. H. Twinem, Bocombra .. ..	..	2	0	0
Mr. Wilson, Levaghery .. ..	..	0	10	0
Mrs. Mayes and family, Levaghery ..	..	1	0	0
Mrs. and Miss Preston, Levaghery ..	..	1	0	0
Mrs. Heyburn, Bachelor's Walk .. ..	..	0	5	0
Mr. D. Allen, Century St. .. ..	..	0	10	0
Mr. Ephraim Collins, Kernan .. ..	..	1	0	0
Mr. James Shanks, Kernan .. ..	..	1	0	0
Mr. D. Kane, Ballymacrandle	0	5	0

		£15	15	0
Already acknowledged	574	3	1
Total	£589	18	1

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OBITUARY.

Samuel John Ruddell had reached a ripe old age and almost to the last he was a regular church-goer and communicant; a short time before he died he was in his usual place in Church. The end came very suddenly.

James Sands, too, had passed the "allotted span," though for some years he had not been in robust

health. He possessed a keen intellect and read widely, and this combined with his genial personality made conversation with him a delight.

The passing from our midst of these two old parishioners makes a gap that will be hard to fill. To the bereaved we offer our deepest sympathy and pray that our Heavenly Father will comfort and strengthen them in their sorrow.

LEVAGHERY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Report for Year Ending December 31st, 1939.

RECEIPTS.		£	s	d
Jan. 1.				
To Balance of year 1938	..	5	3	2
„ Subscriptions	..	0	17	6
„ Collections	..	6	16	5½
Feb. 23.				
„ Social Evening Proceeds	..	3	14	0
March 12.				
„ Social Evening Proceeds	..	3	2	6
Harvest Thanksgiving Service	..	1	7	5½
		£21	1	1
Jan. 1, 1940.				
To Balance —C/D	..	£4	9	11

EXPENDITURE.		£	s	d
Jan. 1.				
By Fuel Account	..	1	11	8
„ Light Account	..	0	8	0
„ Sundries	..	0	11	3
„ Laundry Account	..	0	0	10
„ Stationery Account	..	0	5	1
„ Annual Social Expenses:—				
Thom's Account	..	£1	7	10
Mr. W. H. Best's Ac.	..	0	2	6
Mr. D. Jeffers's Ac.	..	0	13	4
Prizes	..	4	11	5
				6 15 1
Feb. 23.				
„ Social Evening Expenses:—				
Thom's Ac.	..	£0	10	0
Mr. W. H. Best's Ac.	..	0	2	6
				0 12 6
„ Rent for Boiler	..	0	2	6
March 12.				
„ Social Evening Expenses:—				
Thom's Ac.	..	£1	1	4
Mr. W. H. Best's Ac.	..	0	2	5
				1 3 9
„ Excursion Expenses	..	4	13	0
„ Subscription to Excursion Fund	..	0	7	6
„ Balance	..	4	9	11
				£21 1 1

SERVICES—THE PARISH CHURCH.

HOLY COMMUNION—1st Sunday after Morning Prayer; 3rd Sunday at 8 a.m., and on the Chief Festivals.

HOLY BAPTISM—1st Sunday of each Month at 4 p.m., and during any Service in the Parish Church, notice to be given; Two Sponsors at least are required. The father and mother must be present. Churchings are held at each Baptism. Mothers are expected to bring a thankoffering. (See Book of Common Prayer.)

MORNING PRAYER—Sundays and Chief Festivals, 11.30 a.m.

EVENING PRAYER—Sundays, 7 p.m.

DISTRICT SERVICES.

Hacknahay—Last Sunday of Month at 3.30 p.m.

Drumgor—Second Sunday of Month at 3 p.m.

Edenderry—Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Oct—Easter.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licences are issued by Ven. Archdeacon Hannon, the Rectory, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. **FEES**—By License—Labourers 5/-, Tradesmen 10/-, Merchants and Farmers £1, Professional £1. By Banns 5/-.

FUNERALS will be attended by the Clergy if proper notice be given. **SICK CASES** should be notified to the Clergy without delay. **FEES FOR CERTIFICATES**—BAPTISM 3/7, Children (Factory) 1/- and 2/- (non residents); **MARRIAGE** 3/7. An extra Search Fee is chargeable in certain cases. It will be a help to the Clergy if they are notified of the arrival of new Church families in the Parish.

A copy of the Magazine will be sent by post to any subscriber for 3/- per annum.

CLASSES, &c.

BIBLE CLASS FOR MEN in Edenderry on Sundays at 10.15 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—10.15 a.m. Edenderry Parochial Hall and Seagoe School. 3 p.m. Seagoe, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Levaghery, Hacknahay, Carne, Drumgor, Bocombra.

MOTHERS' UNION—2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE in the Parochial Hall on Tuesdays.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY in Seagoe School on Mondays at 8 p.m. as announced.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES—Oct.—Easter, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Saturdays at 3 p.m.

SEAGOE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY—Mondays, Orange Hall, at 8 p.m.

SEAGOE P.E. SCHOOL—9.15 a.m. Principal—Mr. R. Scott.