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The Easter Vestry. NEW CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.



T the Easter Vestry held in Seagoe School on Thursday, April 16th, at 7 30 p.m., the election to Church offices for the ensuing year took place. The meeting of the General Vestry was preceded by a

meeting of the Select Vestry. The meeting of the Vestry was preceded by Prayer and the reading of a portion of Scripture. The minutes of the last General Vestry having been read by the Hon. Sec. (Mr. Wolsey R. Atkinson) and confirmed, the Rector made a short statement regarding the work of the past year. The attendance of the Parishioners at Public Worship still continued below the number which would bear a reasonable proportion to the total number of Parishioners who belong to the Church of Ireland. The District Services in Tamnificarbet and Drumgor had been held regularly on Sunday evenings during the year, and had supplied an opportunity of worship for Parishioners who resided at such a distance from the Parish Church that they could not easily attend Evening as well as Morning Prayer in the Parish Church. The various Funds connected with the Parish had been liberally supported, and the sum contributed for Foreign Missions was in excess of that of last year.

The nomination and election of the Rector's and People's Churchwardens and of the new Select Vestry was then proceeded with. The Rector nominated as his Churchwarden Mr. Wolsey Richard Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson replied accepting the office. The Chairman then called for nominations for the office of People's Churchwarden. Major Stewart W. Blacker was proposed by Mr. George Calvert and seconded, and there being no other name proposed Major Blacker was declared by the Chairman unanimously elected. Major Blacker replied thanking the members of the General Vestry for the position

to which they had elected him.

The New Select Vestry was then elected as follows :-

T. J. Atkinson, LL.B. T. E. Maginnis G. Calvert T. Martin J. H. Stevenson W. Best J. G. Gracey
T. J. Montgomery
R. Price J. Monroe J. Twinem J. Sands

The following were elected to the office of Sidesmen:—Messrs. J. Twinem, W. Best, W. J. Cox, L. Bradshaw, R. T. Montgomery, T. Martin, J. G. Gracey, and D. Rock.

Mr. James Twinen was elected as one of the Representatives of Seagoe Parish on the Diocesan Synod

in place of Mr. Wilson Irwin, resigned.

We welcome on the Select Vestry two new members, Mr. Robert Price, of Ballinacor, and Mr. Jas. Sands, of Edenderry, who have in many ways already done good service to the Church in Seagoe Parish.

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"Jesus took a little child and set him in the midst of them." Baptised in the Parish Church on Saturday, April 4th, 1914.

Best. - Mabel, daughter of James and Anne Best, of Drumnacanvey.

Sponsors Elizabeth Boyce, Minnie Hughes. Beckett.—Elsie Emily, daughter of Robert James and Jessie Fitzpatrick Beckett, of Tamnifiglasson. Sponsors-Robert James Beckett, Jessie Fitzpatrick Beckett

Martin.-Hannah Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Martin, of Kilvergan Sponsors-Mary Martin, Sarah Martin.

White.-William Johnston, son of William John and Julia White, of Killicomaine.

Sponsors-Sarah Jane Atkinson, Julia White. Webb.—Edith Edna, daughter of William John and

Jane Webb, of Kilmorarity. Sponsors-Emily Magee, Jane Webb.

M'Nulty.-Kathleen, daughter of William Henry and Mary M'Nulty, of Hacknahay. Sponsors - Ellen White, Mary M'Nulty.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom Thou by matrimony hast made one."-Book of Common Prayer

Wilson and Duke-April 9th, 1914, Henry Wilson, of Ballymacrandle, to Sarah Duke, of Ballydonaghy, Parish of Knocknamuckley.

Newell and Finney-April 16th, John Henry Newell, of Portadown, to Elizabeth Finney of Edenderry.

BURIALS.

"They rest from their labours."

M'Bride-April 18th, James M'Bride, of Killicomaine, aged 77 years.

Offertories for April.

Sunday Morning, £5 5 Evening, ... Week Days,

£7 17 0

The above total includes £3 18s 51 for Sunday Schools on Easter Day, and 7s 2d for Jews' Society on Good Friday.

Church Insurance Collections.

Insurance collections for April—£1 1s 11d.

The total sum collected towards the Special Insurance of the Church against Civil War Risks, now amounts to £9 17s 61d.

The total sum required is £21. Balance required

£11 2s 5\d.

Death of the Rev. Dr. Quirk.

We record with deep regret the death, on Saturday, April 25th, of the Rev. Robert Quirk, D.D., Rector of Magherally, who for almost twenty years, from February, 1881, to December, 1900, was Curate of He had been in failing health for some time, but his illness assumed a serious form only a week before his death. The death of Miss Quirk some two years ago came as a great shock to him. Seldom have a brother and sister been united in such close ties of affection as were Dr. and Miss Quirk. The work accomplished by Dr. Quirk in this Parish will be long remembered. His sympathetic manner and his diligence in visiting won for him a secure place in the affections of the people of Seagoe. The erection of the fine Parochial Hall in Edenderry was largely due to the efforts of him and his sister.

The funeral took place to Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow, on Monday, April 27th, leaving the Rectory, Magherally, at an early hour that morning.

References were made at Morning and Evening Prayer in the Parish Church, on Sunday, April 26th, to the death of Dr. Quirk and to the good work he did when Curate of the Parish.

We hope in the next number of our Magazine to publish a portrait of Dr. Quirk.

Rev. W. R. Crichton, M.A.

On Sunday, May 10th, the Rev. W. R. Crichton will pay Seagoe a visit. He will preach on that day both at Morning and Evening Prayer on behalf of the Jews' Society, of which he is now Assistant Deputation Secretary. His many friends in the Parish will be very glad to see and hear him once again when he visits the scenes of his former labours.

The Easter Services.

The Services in the Parish Church at Eastertide were very bright and hearty. There were large congregations, and the Church looked very pretty in its decoration of plants and fragrant blossoms. The anthem interpreted the joy which always marks this great Christian Festival. The solo was sung with great power and feeling by a member of the choir, Mr. David Murray. A large number were present at the early celebration of Holy Communion. and many also attended at the later celebration after Morning Prayer. Appeals were made both at Morning and Evening Prayer on behalf of the Sunday Schools of the Parish, and a liberal response was made. During Holy Week Services were held in the Church each evening. Special subjects were dealt with by special Preachers, so that during the week the successive incidents in the events of the Passion were brought before our people.

Church Attendance Cards.

JANUARY-MARCH, 1914.

Seagoe Sunday School.

1st Rank-35-39. Gold Seal, 39. Joe Kelly, 39; Willie Holland, 39; Mary J. Atkinson, 39; May Best, 39; Isabella Best, 39.

2nd Rank -30-34. Maggie Mathers, 32; Minnie M'Cormick, 31; Rachel Turkington, 31; Caroline Magee, 30.

3rd Rank-25-29. Rebecca Turkington, 28: Sarah Porter, 25.

4th Rank-20-24. Fred McDonald, 24; Dynes Turkington, 24; Henrietta Porter, 22; Elizabeth McCormick, 22; James Hall, 21.

Edenderry Sunday School.

1st Rank-35-39. Gold Seal, 39. Agnes Johnston, 39; Arthur Allen, 39; Annie Walker, 38; Sarah Martin, 37.

2nd Rank-30-34-May Best, 32; Agnes Wilson, 32: Mollie Cox, 30.

3rd Rank - 25-29 - Hannah Johnston, 28; Richard Best, 28; Maud Best, 26; Maggie Forde, 26; Minnie Crawford, 26; Edith Haire, 26; Jane Dawson, 26; Mary Best, 26; Jemima Matchett, 26; Wm. H. Best, 26; Robert Crawford, 26; Teenie Flannigan, 25; Annie Gates, 25; George Best, 25.

4th Rank-20-24. Bella Magee, 24; Emma Best, 24; Sidney Walker, 24; Willie Cox, 24; David Rainey, 24; Willie Best, 24; Martha McCrory, 22; Annie Cox, 20; May Hynds, 21; Maggie Rainey, 21; Sarah Malcolmson, 20; Willie Forde, 22; Isaac Clayton, 20.

Carne Sunday School.

1st Rank-35-39. None.

2nd Rank - 30-34. Margaret Costello, 32;

Hannah B. Caddell, 32; Agnes Costello, 32. 3rd Rank—25—29—James Connelly, 29; Anna Connelly, 27; Isabella Hewitt, 26; Amelia Hewitt, 26; William John Costello, 26; Willie Connelly, 26: Ellie Hewitt, 25.

4th Rank-20-24-Annie Porter, 24; R. Gilbert Price, 24; Sarah J. McCabe, 23; James Costello, 23; Sarah Porter, 21; Thomas Simpson, 21.

Visit of Archdeacon Perry, of Ontario.

On Tuesday, May 5th, Archdeacon Perry, of Ontario, will address a Meeting in Edenderry Parochial Hall, at 8 o'clock. Archdeacon Perry will speak on behalf of the Colonial and Continental Church Society. Very many of the Parishioners have relatives in Canada. We heartily invite all such to attend and to hear from the Archdeacon of Ontario the efforts which the Church in Canada is making to meet the pressing need caused by the extraordinary increase of population due to emigration from this country.

Hymns for May, 1914.

Morning—3rd—33, 419, 358. 10th—52, 552, 276, 242. 17th—37, 577, 625, 631. 24th—31, 50, 261, 550. 31st—9, 275, 39, 542.

Evening—3rd—245, 382, 455, 249, 24. 10th—243, 315, 467, 310, 24. 17th—280, 48, 474, 27, 24. 24th—304, 289, 285, 279, 392. 31st—273, 268, 247, 17, 392.

A Canadian Parish.

Mr. Herbert Murray sends us the following interesting letter:—

I got a copy of the Annual Report, and am sending it on to you. The Easter Vestry is being held tonight, and Mr. Skey announced that a hearty invitation was given to all the women as well as the men who were interested in the Church and its work during the past year. This is the first time that the women have been asked to come to the vestry meeting, but Mr. Skey thought that the men would turn out better if they had their wives and lady friends with them. The Easter Vestry in St. Anne's is not confined to a chosen few, or only those who have been registered like Seagoe, but anyone who likes is made welcome, and it is expected there will be the full of the Parish Hall, and it holds about five or six hundred, so you see it is quite a swell affair.

Last Wednesday we had the Annual Confirmation Service. There were 125 candidates, the largest number, I think, there has ever been in St. Anne's. It was a very nice Service, and the Bishop gave a nice address, but I think I would rather hear Bishop D'Arcy. There was a very large attendance of

Parishioners.

The Easter Services were exceptionally nice and bright. We had five Services altogether. Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m., Morning and Evening Prayer with Communion after each, and a Children's Service in the afternoon. At the 8 o'clock Communion there were over a thousand. I left about half-past nine in order to get home for breakfast and to get back again for the eleven Service, and a good many had not partaken then, so it must have been about ten o'clock before the Service was over.

The Congregations at both Morning and Evening Prayer were very large. Many had to go away—couldn't even get standing room. With a choir of over 90 voices, the singing was magnificent.

The Men's Association held their last meeting for the season last Monday, when a very interesting address on "The Life of General Gordon" was given by Rev. T. Macnamara, Rector of Colingwood. It was illustrated with lantern views. The election of officers is on next Monday night.

The A.Y.P.A. are entertaining five city branches next Thursday, and then on the 30th we are having our Annual Banquet, which will wind up the season for indoor gatherings. During the summer we have picnics at various places.

ITEMS.

Ardmore Parish Church has been restored and beautified at a cost of £385. It was re-opened for Service on Friday, April 24th, by the Lord Bishop of Down.

Seagoe Choir is practising the special music for the Lurgan Choral Festival, to be held in Shankill (Lurgan) Parish Church, on Saturday, May 23rd.

The Organ in Seagoe Parish Church was tuned last week.

The manœuvres of the Portadown Battalion of the Volunteers took place at Moyallon on Easter Tuesday. They proved most interesting and useful. Major S. W. Blacker, J.P., was in command.

Councillor S. W. Allworthy, M.D., of Belfast, kindly acted as Inspector of the Ambulance section during the manœuvres.

The Hacknahay branch of the G.F.S. will hold its annual excursion on Thursday, May 14th, going by the 2-15 p.m. train to Belfast. Tea will be had at the Bellevue Gardens, Glengormley.

The great S.P.G Missionary Exhibition will be held in Dublin from May 13th to May 20th. Those interested in Missionary work should endeavour to attend.

The General Synod was held in Dublin last week. The debates were very interesting and were largely attended.

Parents should warn their children against the dangers of motor traffic. The child of a Parishioner in Edenderry was run over in Bridge Street recently, but is happily now recovering. The danger is great, and all in charge of children should warn them against it.

This is the time to sow flower seeds in your garden. For a few pence you can fill your garden plots with bright and fragrant flowers.

The Annual Parochial Report will shortly be issued.

The Rev. G. Bloomer, Curate of Seagoe, has been appointed Company Commander of the Tamnificarbet U. V. F., and took part in the manœuvres on Easter Tuesday at Oxford Island near Lurgan.

Ascension Day will this year fall on Thursday, May 21st, and Whit Sunday on May 31st.

The Offertories on Whit Sunday in the Parish Church will be as in other years in aid of the Parochial Day Schools.

Concert in Seagoe School.

A successful Concert was given in Seagoe School on Thursday, April 23rd, at 8 o'clock. An interesting Programme had been arranged, consisting chiefly of items by the Pupils of the Day School. Some very pretty and amusing Action Songs were sung, and they were ably supplemented by Songs by Miss Chambers and Mr Uprichard, of Belfast, and by Recitations given by Miss Irwin. Miss Quinn opened the Programme with a well-played Pianoforte Solo. A hearty vote of thanks was passed at the close to all who had assisted, and especially to Mr. Chambers and Mr. Boyle.

Nature Notes.

Our Summer migrants have not disappointed us. They have arrived up to time as usual. As we promised last month we publish the names of those who first heard them. The first Swallow was seen by Mr. George Jennet at Carrick-blacker on April 4th; the Cornerake was first heard by Mr. Thos. E. Maginnis on April 15th. The Cuckoo was first heard by James Hall, of Lisniskey, a pupil of Seagoe Day School, on April 21st, 1914.

Old Seagoe Notes.

The Turnpike in Edenderry, 1820.—In the early years of the last century the Turnpike in Edenderry was a well-known landmark. It stretched right across Bridge Street at the narrowest point. It consisted of double gates on the roadway and a small gate for foot passengers on either pathway. gates were 41 feet high. Mr. Watson, father of the late Mr. W. J. Watson of Edenderry, was in charge of the gates for many years. He lived in a house near the turnpike. All horse-drawn vehicles were compelled to pay a toll on passing through the gates, but foot-passengers were allowed to pass through without charge. The money received was expended on the up-keep of the roads and bridges in the district. The coaches always changed horses here, and stables were provided by Mr. Watson where the spare horses were kept. The Postal Mail Bags were also put on the coaches at the Turnpike.

The First Courthouse in Portadown.—The first building used as a Courthouse in Portadown was one of the small houses in the row between Foundry Street and First Presbyterian Church. The house is the end one of the row. It may be recognized by having a larger window than the other houses. Here during the early years of the last century the local magistrates (usually Lt.-Col. Blacker and Mr. Obins) sat weekly to mete out due punishment to wrong doers.

The Old "Stocks" of Portadown—Until about 65 years ago the "Stocks," which had been used for the punishment of offenders, were set up in the High Street nearly opposite the present Ulster

Bank premises. Originally a series of stone steps extended at this point from the pathway to the centre of the roadway. The present very steep incline is due to the removal of these steps. Up to the year 1840 a double row of poplar trees grew on the right hand side of Bridge Street (looking from the Bridge towards the town) where a line of houses now stands.

Plans for New Seagoe Church, 1811.—At a Vestry held in the Parish Church of Segoe, the 11th day of June, 1811, by adjournment, and legal notice for the same having been given, It was Resolved that the following Parishioners be appointed a Committee to receive Plans and Estimates for the building of a New Church and to procure a lease of a sufficient quantity of ground for that purpose-Rev. Richd Olpherts, John Midcaff, Mr. Woolsey, Mr. Wm. Overend and Mr. Thos. Woolsey. Resolved that we consider a plan now before this Vestry of a Church of eighty feet in length, sixty feet in breadth and forty feet in height, exclusive of the Antechapel and Tower, to be a proper guide for the Committee in treating with the different tradesmen necessary to be employed. Resclved that it appears necessary that the New Church be formed of Coigns of Cut Stone. Resolved that the gentlemen of the Committee be requested to be as expeditious as convenient, so that the work may be commenced with as little delay as possible.

Churchwardens of Seagoe (continued.)-

1815—Mr. Wm. Gilpin. Mr. Jno. Overend.

1816—James Walker, of Levaghery.
William Harrison, of Knockmena.

1817—Joseph Malcolmson, of Lisnamintry.
James Elliot, of Breagh.

1818—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine. Joseph Gaskin, of Kilvergan.

1819—Robert Watson, of Killicomaine. Joseph Gaskin, of Killvergan.

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