

# Seagoe Parish Magazine.

NOVEMBER, 1929.

## Seagoe School Bazaar, DECEMBER 12th and 13th, 1929.

### **Seagoe School Bazaar.**

The Bazaar for the renovation and upkeep of Seagoe School will (D.V.) be held in Seagoe School on Thursday and Friday, December 12th and 13th. The Bazaar will be opened at 3-30 on Thursday, Dec. 12th, by Viscountess Charlemont, and on Friday, Dec. 13th, at the same hour by Mrs. Waring, M.P., of Waringstown. The following stalls have been arranged:—

1. Farm Produce Stall.
2. Refreshment Stall.
3. Work Stall.
4. Pound Stall (Children's Stall).
5. White Elephant Stall.
6. Cake Stall.

There will also be a shooting gallery, two bran dips, etc. The charge for admission will be sixpence on the afternoon of Thursday up to 6 p.m., and threepence on Thursday evening from 7 p.m. On Friday afternoon and evening admission will be threepence. Collecting books have been issued. Final particulars regarding the Bazaar will be given in our next issue. Viscountess Charlemont who has most kindly consented to come for the opening of the Bazaar, is the wife of Lord Charlemont the Minister of Education in Northern Ireland. Mrs. Waring, who is also coming to help us by opening the Bazaar on Friday, Dec. 13th, is the widow of the late Mr. Holt Waring, who was killed in the War. Mrs. Waring is a Member of Parliament in the Northern House of Commons. A large Bazaar committee has been formed and has quickly got to work. Collecting books, signed by the Rector, have been issued, and we ask the kind help of all the Parishioners to make the Bazaar a great success. We appeal especially to all those who have been educated in the School or have attended the Sunday School to help towards the renovation and upkeep of the old building. Many who read these words will recall the days when as school children they sat in these rooms hallowed by so many memories, or played at piece-time in the old playground trodden by the feet of many generations of Seagoe children. Seagoe School has indeed meant much to Seagoe Parish, and the Parishioners should take a pride in keeping it in a state worthy of its high traditions.

### **Seagoe Harvest Services.**

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in the Parish Church on Thursday, October 17, and on Sunday, October 20th. The Service on Thursday evening was attended by a large congregation. The musical part of the Service was beautifully rendered by a large choir. The Harvest Anthem was 'While the Earth remaineth,' by Maunder. The Rev. W. T. Grey, M.A., a former Curate of Seagoe and now Deputation Secretary of the Jews' Society, preached the sermon. The collection was for Foreign Missions. The Services on Sunday began at 8 a.m. with a celebration of Holy Communion, at which there was a good attendance notwithstanding the very inclement weather. At the 11-30 o'clock Service there was a large congregation. The Anthem was by J. H. Maunder—"While the earth remaineth." The solos were sung by Messrs. R. Robb (bass) and D. Murray (tenor). Both choir and solo parts were rendered with great expression and musical precision. The Rev. A. D. Mitchell, M.A., Rector of Eglantine, Hillsborough, preached. At Evening Prayer the Church was crowded. The special preacher was the Rev. Canon Manning, M.A., M.C., Rector of Holywood, Co. Down. At the close of the Service the Benedicite was sung as a Hymn of Praise. We offer our thanks to all who so kindly sent fruit and flowers for the decoration of the Church.

### **District Harvest Services.**

Harvest Thanksgiving Services have been held during the month in all districts of the Parish. They were all attended by large numbers of people and in each of the Schools the rooms were decorated with great taste. This year there seemed to be a wealth of beautiful flowers, greater than in other years. Among those who kindly helped we would specially thank the Rev. J. G. F. Magill, M.A., of St. Mark's, and the Rev. E. Burns, of Shankill.

### **Edenderry Harvest Services.**

The last of our Harvest Services will be held (D.V.) in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Sunday, November 3rd, at 3-30 p.m., and on Monday, Nov. 4th, at 8 p.m. A special choir will lead the singing and an Anthem will be sung. The Rev. H. O. Egerton, M.A., Rector



of Mullabrack, will preach on Sunday, and the Rev. A. H. Mann, M.A., Rector of Knocknamuckley, on Monday. The offerings on Sunday will be in aid of the Parochial Hall Fund and on Monday for Foreign Missions.

### **Death of Mr. Joseph Warnock.**

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr. Joseph Warnock, which took place after a long and trying illness on October 12th. Mr. Warnock had throughout his whole life been associated with Seagoe Parish and was always greatly interested in its welfare. When Seagoe Parish Magazine was published for the first time in January, 1906 he helped in many ways to make it a success. It was he who for many years past chose the quality of paper for the cover and showed his interest by making many helpful suggestions. When he became proprietor of the "Portadown News" he filled that responsible post with great judgment and discretion. He had a very retentive memory and his unfailing sympathy and kindness made him popular with everyone. He bore a long and most trying illness with a wonderful spirit of courage and hope. Though often racked with pain he never complained, and to the very end he retained his interest in current events. His funeral to Seagoe was very largely attended and regret was expressed on all sides at his early decease. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his most devoted wife and relatives, who through his death have suffered a sad loss.

### **A Letter of Appeal.**

Mrs. Atkinson, of Eden Villa, has asked that the following appeal should appear in the Magazine, and with great pleasure we comply with her request. We hope that many in the Parish will respond. It is very fitting that Seagoe should have a share in the building of the great Memorial Tower at St. Mark's Church. When the Tower is finished and the bells hung their soft music will float over Seagoe Parish and bring beautifully to our remembrance those bright ones whose company we once enjoyed and whose bodies now rest on distant battlefields.

#### **A P P E A L .**

I am sure there are many people in Seagoe who feel, with me, that they would wish to share in helping the people of St. Mark's Parish, Portadown, to raise the required sum of money for the peal of bells, and so show our sympathy.

I have obtained the willing approval of Canon Archer and the Select Vestry to receive subscriptions, as a gift from Seagoe Church people. The fund will remain open from now until the end of December. I shall receive and acknowledge all contributions sent or brought to me before that date.

ALICE ATKINSON.

Eden Villa, Portadown.

Oct. 26th, 1929.

### **Mothers' Union.**

A meeting of the Mother's Union will (p.v.) 1 be

held in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 12th, at 7-30 p.m. Tea will be provided for all who attend. We regret that Mrs. Reid has had to resign her position as President of the Seagoe Mothers' Union owing to prolonged absence from home and pressure of other work. At a meeting of the committee held in the Parochial Hall on Oct. 22nd, Mrs. James Twinem, of Lylo, was unanimously elected President of the Union. Mrs. Twinem has shown much interest in the Mothers' Union since its formation in the Parish. We are confident she will make an excellent President.

### **Church Parade.**

The Seagoe C.L.B. and the Junior Cadets took part in a Church Parade at Seagoe on Sunday morning, Oct. 27th. Headed by the St. Mark's B.B. Band, they marched from Edenderry to the Church. Special places were reserved for them. Captain Gracey preached on "David and Goliath." The lads presented a very smart appearance. We wish to express our thanks to the St. Mark's lads who so kindly played our Brigade to the Church. The collection, amounting to £2, was given to the C.L.B. Funds.

### **Death of Mrs. Bright.**

We record with sincere regret the death last month of Mrs. Bright at the advanced age of 86½ years. She was the daughter of the late Mr. James Atkinson, of Lower Seagoe, who for 50 years acted as Hon. Sec. of Seagoe Select Vestry. Mrs. Bright was all her life deeply interested in Seagoe Parish and possessed a most interesting collection of Seagoe antiquities, including a uniform of the Seagoe Yeomanry of 1820. Up to the end of her long life she retained her keenness of intellect and brightness of manner. She had many stories to tell of Seagoe in the old days of Archdeacon Saurin, and her vivid memory of all that she had heard and seen made her conversation delightful and informing. She is laid to rest amid the hallowed surroundings which she loved in life. Our sympathy goes out to all the members of her family in their bereavement.

### **"A Palestine Evening."**

On Friday, Oct. 18th, the Rev. W. T. Grey, M.A., gave a most interesting "Palestine Evening" in the Parochial Hall. After tea, the proceedings took the form of an illustrated lecture on Life in Palestine. Mr. Grey had a number of most interesting exhibits. Miss M. Twinem had trained some singers, who in Eastern costume chanted Hebrew melodies. Mr. Isaac Clayton made a splendid "Shepherd," and Mr. James Lavery acted cleverly as a Jewish Scribe. Mr. R. Gracey presided, and there was a good attendance. Everyone was greatly pleased with the evening's proceedings. The tea was kindly supplied by a ladies' committee.

### **Jumble Sale.**

A Jumble Sale will be held in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Friday, Nov. 8th, at 8 p.m. There will be splendid bargains. The proceeds will go to the C.L.B. Band Fund.



## Parish Register for October

### Baptisms

**Vennard**—Oct. 5th, 1929, Leslie, son of Edward and Jane Vennard, of Edenderry.

*Sponsors*—Edward Vennard, Minnie Craig.

**Best**—Oct. 5th, 1929, Anne Jane, daughter of James and Sarah Best, of Balteagh.

*Sponsors*—James Best, Anne Jane Best, Sarah Best.

**Hamill**—Oct. 6th, 1929, Julia Frances, daughter of Samuel and Anne Hamill, of Killicomaine.

*Sponsors*—Samuel Hamill, Mary Quinn, Anne Hamill.

### Marriage.

**Pepper and Brown**—Oct. 10th, 1929, William James Pepper, of Portadown, to Ellen Brown, of Edenderry.

### Burials.

**Warnock**—Oct. 14th, Joseph Warnock, of Portadown, aged 38 years.

**Taylor**—Oct. 15th, Sarah Taylor, of Levaghery, aged 70 years.

**Towell**—Oct. 28, Joseph Towell, of Edenderry, aged 70 years.

### Sympathy.

The death of Mrs. Taylor removes from our midst one who was known to many. She bore a long and trying illness with much patience. We offer our sincere sympathy to her sister, Mrs. Patton, and to her brother, Mr. Walker.

### Girls' Friendly Society.

Seagoe G.F.S. opens its meetings for the Winter Session on Thursday, Nov. 7th, in Seagoe School at 7-30. A social has been arranged for Thursday, Nov. 14th, in Seagoe School. A Girls' Bible Class is held every Sunday in Seagoe School at 10 a.m. We invite the members to join this class.

### Men's Bible Class.

Edenderry Mem's Bible Class held a social in the Parochial Hall on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd. There was a large attendance of members and their friends. After tea, games were enjoyed and then the Rector took the chair, and a presentation of a handsome dressing-case was made to Mr. Wm. Forde on his approaching departure for the States. Mr. Forde suitably replied and thanked the members for their kindness. Mr. Gracey and several others spoke of Mr. Forde's good work in connection with the Class.

### "The Church in Canada."

The Rev. H. Knobbs, who is a Rector in Western Canada, will speak in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 13th, at 8 p.m., on "The Church in Canada." Mr. Knobbs has had a long experience of Church work in Western Canada. A collection will

be made for Mr. Knobbs's work. This Lecture ought to be of great interest to our people.

### A Kind Offer.

Mr. James M'Dowell, of Rhode Island, U.S.A., who re-visits Seagoe every year, has made a kind offer to the Rector to supply a large-type set of Prayer Books and Hymnals for the use of strangers and others who may be worshippers in Seagoe Church. We accept his offer with thanks and pleasure, and an order for the supply of the books is being forwarded to the publishers in Dublin. Mr. M'Dowell has written to the Rector expressing the pleasure which he and Miss M'Dowell experienced in their recent visit to Seagoe and Portadown. "We had a very nice visit, both in Ireland and England, and enjoyed it all very much from the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to us by everyone with whom we came in contact."

### Armistice Sunday.

On Sunday, Nov. 10th, the Services in the Parish Church will have special reference to the subject of Peace and a Remembrance of those who fell in the Great War.

### Seagoe Parish Almanac.

The pretty Parish Almanac for 1930, price 2d, will be on sale from Dec. 1st at Mr. Vance's, Bridge St. Those who would wish for early copies to send abroad can have them on applying to the Rector.

### ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rainey wish to thank all who subscribed towards the chair for their little girl Vera.

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Messrs. A. Harper & Co., of Belfast, have given a valuable cup for competition among the members of Seagoe C.L.B.

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Mr. James Twinem has been elected a supplemental member of the Diocesan Council of Down and Connor and Dromore.

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We thank Mrs. Nesbitt, of Brisbane, North Queensland, for very interesting Australian Church papers which she has sent.

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Buy a Seagoe pencil and help our Bazaar. They are splendid value.

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£1 has been sent to the Church Army, being a collection made recently at a Wednesday evening Service in the Parochial Hall.

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Largely attended open-air Services have been held on Saturday evenings in Edenderry at the "Big Lamp" at 9 o'clock by Mr. Gracey and his band of workers.

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Advent Sunday falls on Dec. 1st this year



**RECTOR :**

**Rev. Canon Archer, B.D., The Rectory, Seagoe, Portadown.**

**LAY READER (Bishop's Licence) :**

**Mr. Robt. Gracey, 23 Railway Street, Portadown.**

**CHURCHWARDENS :**

**Rector's—George Henry Wilson.**

**People's—John Harrison Twinem.**

**Old Seagoe Notes.**

**The Saurin and Cave-Brown-Cave Families, 1858.—**

The recent death on Oct. 22nd, 1929, of the Rev. Sir Genille Cave-Brown-Cave, Bart., brings to mind the marriage in Seagoe Church on Sept. 9th, 1858, of Miss Caroline Mary Anne Elizabeth Saurin, elder daughter of Archdeacon Saurin, to the Rev. Ambrose Sneyd Cave-Brown-Cave, Rector of Stretton-en-le-Field, Derbyshire, third son of Sir John Robert Cave-Brown-Cave. Mrs. Cave-Brown-Cave had a large family of thirteen children—nine sons and four daughters. Her eldest son was named James Saurin, after his grandfather, and was baptized in Seagoe Church. He was a Captain in the Yorkshire Light Infantry and died on Feb. 14th, 1892. Her second son was Reginald Ambrose, who is now a Commander in the Royal Navy and has just succeeded to the Baronetcy. Mrs. Cave-Brown-Cave died on April 16th, 1903, and her husband died on July 22nd, 1895. The family residence of the family of Cave-Brown-Cave is at Stretton Hall, Ashby-de-la-Louche, England. They are a very ancient and distinguished family.

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**Re-opening of Seagoe Parish Church in 1891.**—[Mr. John Montgomery has kindly lent us the following interesting record of what took place at the re-opening of Seagoe Parish Church in 1891. At the time it appeared as a supplement to the "Portadown News."]

The re-opening of Seagoe Church and the Consecration of the Chancel and South Aisle by the Lord Bishop of Down and Connor and Dromore took place on the 7th inst. A description of the extent and nature of the improvements effected has already appeared in the "Portadown News." With the exception of the West wall and gable the Church has been entirely reconstructed. When the service commenced at three o'clock, the Church was well filled in every part.

**Petition for Consecration of Chancel and South Aisle of Seagoe Church, August 7th, 1891.**

To the Right Reverend Father in God, William, by Divine permission, Lord Bishop of Down and Connor and Dromore.

The 7th day of August, 1891,

The petition of the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the parish of Seagoe, in your Lordship's Diocese of Dromore:

Humbly Sheweth—That the Parish Church of Seagoe hath been lately enlarged by the addition

of a chancel and south aisle; the chancel having been erected as a memorial of the late Stewart Blacker Esq., Deputy Lieutenant, of Carrickblacker, by his sister, the Baroness Von Stieglitz; and the south aisle to meet the requirements and convenience of the parishioners, by the subscriptions of the Baroness Von Steiglitz, the parishioners, and friends, and by grants from the Lord Beresford Fund, and the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge (London).

That your parishioners accepted the charge thereof whenever the same shall have been consecrated.

That same have been adorned and furnished with all things decent and necessary for the worship of God.

May it therefore please your Lordship by virtue of your Episcopal Office:—

1.—To separate the said chancel and south aisle from all common and profane uses, and to dedicate the same to the service of God, and also the said chancel as a memorial aforesaid.

2.—To assign same to be perpetually a part or parcel of the said Church of Seagoe, for the use of the inhabitants of the said parish.

ABRAHAM DAWSON, Rector; JAMES ATKINSON, GEORGE CALVERT, Churchwardens; HESTER ANNA VON STIEGLITZ, JAMES ALBIN, JAMES COLLINS, T. H. WILSON, DAVID W. WALKER, JOSEPH MUNROE, THOMAS GILPIN, CAPEL W. REID, Parishioners.

The sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Dr. Murray, Dean of Connor, who selected as his text, Genesis, xxii., 17—"And he said behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering." He said—"Except the Lord build the house their labour is but lost that build it." Such are the words of the Psalmist, and such, imperfectly, but according to their measure, really express the spiritual force of the words I have chosen for my text on this joyful occasion. For, indeed, it is a joyful occasion when clergy and people meet together in a house built for the praise of God or restored in such a manner that it worthily expresses the feelings of those who use it for worship, and who desire to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. That beauty is in a sense sacramental. It has an outward and visible sign in the stone and wood and skilful device of the architect, but it is not complete without that inner spiritual grace, which is full of spiritual life, which contemplates a spiritual temple built of living stones, a temple whose walls are salvation and whose gates are praise. The narrative with which these words are connected is one with which we are all familiar. The only answer which could have satisfied the question of Isaac was that which Abraham gave—"My son, God will provide a lamb for the burnt offering." The provision of God would come in to supply the necessity. Now, this special case may easily be extended so as to afford a general principle applicable to all sorts and conditions of worship.

(To be continued.)