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Rector:
REV. GEORGE H. WILLIAMS.

Churchwardens:
Sir W. Anker Simmons.
Mr. Alexander Davidson.

Sidesmen:
Mr. D. MARCHAM
Mr. S. H. SMITH

Clerk and Sexton: Mr. G. E. SHIRLEY.

RECTOR'S LETTER.

Since I wrote last I have been called to pass through a trying period of bodily weakness, and the first thing I want to say this month is to tell you how deeply I have been touched by the sympathy and kindness you have shewn to me in this

time of difficulty.

My debt of gratitude to the Rev. S. J. Selwyn is indeed heavy, for he has in the most brotherly way relieved me largely for several weeks of my Ministerial responsibilities. I have also had the kind help of another Parishioner, the Rev. J. M. Jeakes. In thus trespassing upon the goodness of my Clerical brethren I feel that it is a real advantage for a congregation to hear the Gospel message presented from fresh points of view.

I have known that this period of weakness has had its lesson for me, for I have realised anew how utterly dependent we are upon the mercies of God for the strength needed for our work. And this sense of dependence brings God closer to us. We look into the face of our Saviour Christ, and we know He is at the heart of life's experiences. "It is the Crucified, in the unutterable pathos of His Passion and Death, Who has overcome and gotten unto Himself the victory."

Yours very faithfully,

GEORGE H. WILLIAMS.

SERVICES ON SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS.

Holy Communion every Sunday at 8 a.m., and also at midday on first and third Sundays; on Saints' Days either at 8 a.m', or at noon, according to notice on preceding Sunday.

Matins at 11 a.m. and Evensong at 6.30 p.m.

Children's Service on the 2nd Sunday in the month at 3 p.m., when the Sacrament of Holy Baptism is administered.

HOLY BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

Jan. 11. Katherine Elizabeth, the child of Bert and Eva Moring, 4 Remenham Cottages.

PARISH ITEMS.

We would again remind those whom it concerns that the Confirmation will take place at Henley Parish Church on Sunday, March 29, at 3.30 p.m. The names of intending candidates should be given to the Rector as soon as possible.

The Diocesan Missionary Festival is to be held this year at Henley on June 10, and in consequence of this fact the Exhibition that was to take place in October will be postponed to another year.

In the New Year's Honours List we saw with pride and pleasure that Sir Douglas Dawson on retiring from the post of State Chamberlain had been created a K.C.B., and we offer him our warm congratulations.

One of our Parishioners in the Summer, Mrs. Hopkinson, of the *Kelpie*, has suffered a great bereavement in the death on December 30, of her brother Sir Hugh Thomas, Castle Hall, Milford Haven, at the early age of 45. Sir Hugh, who was High Sheriff of Pembrokeshire, was the head of the leading Firm of Land Agents and Valuers in South Wales; not only was he a man of exceptional business capacity, but he was universally beloved for his geniality and kindness of heart. Those of us who knew him deeply mourn his loss.

During the early part of last month we were subjected for more than a week to the inconveniences of an exceptionally high flood; Remenham Lane was impassable for many days, and the discomfort of some of our Parishioners was serious, but everything was endured with cheery fortitude.

Mr. Robert S. Surtees, Aston Rise, on passing out of Sandhurst, has been gazetted to the Northumberland Fusiliers, "The Fighting Fifth," and will shortly be proceeding to India to join the Regiment.