

SHOOBRIDGE HALL.—A winter sale will be held at St. John's Mission, Shoobridge Hall, Canning Street, on Thursday, June 4th. Miss Isabel Kelly and her helpers are making warm garments for the new work stall and are also renovating second-hand clothing, which is urgently needed. Parcels of clothing of all sorts will be greatly appreciated old carpets and bed-linen as well, for the jumble stall. In order not to pauperise these folk our plan after long experience, is to make a very small charge for each article, and thus enable mothers of large families to procure warm garments for the cold weather. Any profits are devoted to charity where necessary, amongst the same people. Cakes and food for afternoon tea will also be gladly accepted.

Y.P.U.—The little people of the Young People's Union held a little fair on 21st May in the Kindergarten, and raised £6 12s for the support of a boy in the mission field.

BISHOP CHAMBERS is likely to visit Tasmania later in the year. His latest book on Tanganyika may be obtained at the C.M.S. Depot for 1/6.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH SOCIAL.—As suggested at the annual meeting, the ladies have decided to hold the congregational basket social in the school-room on Wednesday evening, the 17th June, at 8 o'clock, when the freewill offering proposal will be explained. Please bring a basket and enjoy a pleasant evening and a good programme.

LORD AND LADY BADEN-POWELL.—The visit of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide was a great event in the history of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides movements. A great stimulus has been given to the various troops and companies. Mrs. Hewton, President of the Girl Guides' Association, has just received a unique farewell card of original design, sent as the visitors were leaving Western Australia for England. Information will gladly be supplied to parents and others, who are urged to encourage young people to take advantage of our facilities.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN.—A meeting of the Trevallyn congregation will be held on Tuesday, the 2nd June, at 8 o'clock, to receive the statement of accounts, etc.

UNEMPLOYMENT.—The Rector is continually being applied to by men seeking work. It would help him if parishioners would let him know of anything available. Any in touch with friends in the country might enquire for openings for young lads. It is tragic to see so many wandering about. No possible good can come of this state of things.

BAPTISMS.

Pamela O'Loughlin, Margaret Ross Brent, Alexander Charles Wise, Maxwell Bryant, Elvie Nita Bryant, Gordon Jacques, Maxwell John Carroll, Trevor John Kearnes, Bernice May Walmsley, Garnet Barry Parker, Isabel Mary Wells Herbert Vernon Wells, Emma Eileen Wells, Eric John Wells, Winifred Jean Edwards, Maxwell Keith Robinson, Darrel Arthur Green, Barbara Patricia Dale, Ernest Searle, Maxwell James Gilmore, and one adult.

MARRIAGES.

Leonard A. J. Hurd and Amelia Walford.
Sterling Piercey Clarke and Vera M. J. Butterworth.
Thomas Edward Doe and Lorna May Anderson.
Alfred Ernest Boon and Alice Maud Tacey.

OFFERTORIES.

Wednesday, 1st April, £3 0s 3d (for choir funds), Good Friday, £10 2s (for Home of Mercy); Easter Sunday, £39 11s; Sunday, 12th April, £10 8s 9d; Sunday, 19th April, £14 6d 4d; Sunday, 26th April, £17 7s 3d (and £5 4s 9d for Grammar School Organ Fund); Sunday, 3rd May, £14 3s 3d; Sunday, 10th May, £12; Sunday, 17th May, £11 16s; 24th May, £10 8s 3d.

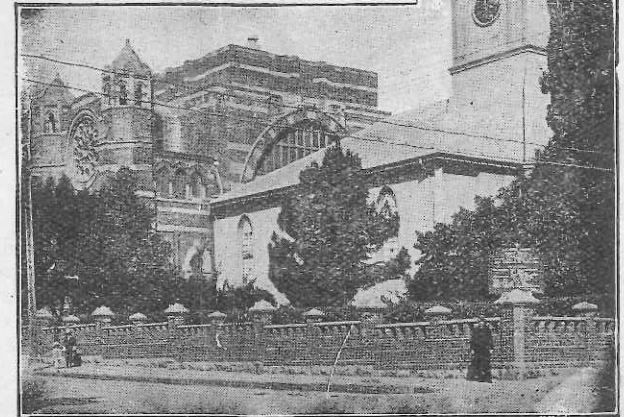
DONATIONS.

The following donations are thankfully received for the "Parish Messenger":—Mrs. Chambers, 5s; Mr. H. Brownrigg, 4s; Anzac Service, 4s; Miss Rollins, 3s; Mrs. Knowles, 2s; Mrs. Evershed, 2s; Nurse Brickhill, 2s; Mr. F. Baker, 2s; Mrs. Richards, 2s; Mrs. Finney, 2s; Mrs. Hutton, 2s; A Friend, 1s; Miss Sturdy, 1s.

SUNDAY, 21st June, 1931—Preacher at 11 a.m., Rev. W. Wilson Cash, D.S.O.; 7 p.m., Dr. J. Howard Cook, M.S., F.R.C.S.

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APPOINTMENTS:

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11, and 7—Sunday School, 10 and 3. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. (every Sunday), 10 a.m. (second Sunday), 11 a.m. (first and third Sunday). Young Men's Bible Class, 2.30.
MONDAY—Missionary Service League, C.M.S. Depot, 8 p.m.
TUESDAY—G.F.S., 7.30. C. of E. Boys' Society, 7.30. Girl Guides, 7.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAYS—Boy Scouts.
Baptisms every Wednesday, 11 a.m. Special Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.
THURSDAYS—Choir Practice, 8. Missionary Band, 4.15. Fourth Thursday, Mother's Union, 3.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN—Service every Sunday, 7. Holy Communion, Fourth Sunday, at 9 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, CANNING STREET—Service every Sunday, 7 p.m.

CORMISTON—Every alternate Sunday, 3.30 p.m.

A CORDIAL INVITATION is hereby given to ALL to Attend our SERVICES YOU will be Welcomed, Shown to a Seat, and, if necessary, provided with Books

RECTOR'S NOTES.

There was no issue of this Messenger in the month of May, and therefore I must say a few words about our Easter services. During Holy Week all the services were well attended and the choir rendered with great devotional effect Maunder's "Olivet to Calvary" and Stainer's "Crucifixion." On the day before Good Friday Mr. F. R. Adams, B.A., conducted a lantern service, with some very beautiful views of the Passion, and by request repeated the same on Good Friday evening. He also assisted the Rector by giving some of the addresses during the "Three Hours' Service," and we are greatly indebted to him.

On Easter Sunday there were splendid congregations at all the services conducted by the Rector. The number of communicants, including those at the service at Trevallyn, is estimated at about 500 persons, and the offerings, with the Lenten boxes presented, amounted to just on £90. Mr. R. A. Laity took the children's service in the afternoon.

Our service on Sunday evening 14th April, was broadcast by 7LA (Launceston Station).

During the month of June Tasmania is to have the pleasure of welcoming two very notable visitors who come as a delegation from the headquarters of the Church Missionary Society in London, namely, the Rev. W. Wilson Cash, D.S.O., O.B.E., and Dr. J. Howard Cook. Rev. Wilson Cash is eminently fitted to bring the world situation vividly before our minds and to present to us the unrivalled opportunities for world evangelisation at the present time. He is a highly-accredited delegate from the C.M.S., Salisbury Square, with actual missionary experience gained at Menouf, Egypt. During the war he was Assistant Principal Chaplain to the Eastern Forces, and went through Palestine with the troops being present during the capture of Jerusalem. He preached at the thanksgiving service in St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem, General Lord Allenby being present with the Jewish Rabbi and Archbishops and Bishops. He was awarded the D.S.O. in 1918 and the O.B.E. in 1919, and was appointed General Secretary of the C.M.S. London, in 1926. In 1928 he attended the Conference of the International Missionary Council at Jerusalem, and a similar Council in America in 1929,

while during the same year, at the invitation of the Sudan Government, he visited Khartoum for important conferences between the Government representatives and missionaries. The advice and counsel of such a man during the present need will be invaluable.

Dr. J. Howard Cook, M.S., F.R.C.S., who was accepted as a C.M.S. missionary in 1898, received his medical training at University College, and is an Achison Scholar, Medallist in Physiology, Midwifery, Medicine, Surgery, and Pathology. He graduated at London University M.B., B.S. (Scholar and Medallist), F.R.C.S. (Eng.), Dip. Trop. Med. (Cambridge). Dr. Cook left England for Uganda in 1899 to join his brother, Dr. A. R. Cook, at Mengo. These brothers built up a splendid medical mission and hospital at Mengo. On the outbreak of the war Mengo Hospital was constituted a Base Hospital, with 400 beds, for the British forces operating in Uganda.

Some may think it almost ridiculous to devote any time just now to anything but our own troubles and anxieties at home, but after a glance at the dates marking the periods of the greatest advance in the past history of the C.M.S., and comparing the conditions prevailing at the time, doubts will be removed.

In faith and reliance upon Him whose we are and whom we serve, let us welcome His messengers.

DAVID ROSS HEWTON.

30th May, 1931.

GENERAL NOTES.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.—In accordance with a new arrangement, by direction of Synod, the annual meeting of the congregation must now be held in the month of May instead of January, as heretofore.

On Monday evening, the 25th May, we held our annual meeting of St. John's Church. The statement of accounts submitted is for a 16 months' period. In the Churchwardens' short report accompanying the statement of accounts the following paragraph appears:—"A satisfactory condition is disclosed, which is attributable to the devotion and liberality of the parishioners and to the faithful and efficient services of many keen workers in the various departments of our spiritual activities, under the leadership of the

Rector and his wife, to all of whom we tender our most grateful thanks." A few copies of the balance-sheet are still available, and may be obtained on application at the door of the church. The retiring Churchwardens, Messrs. A. L. Green, E. A. Gee, and F. Lester, were re-elected, and the same auditors—H. R. Lakin and F. J. Jones—re-appointed. The following ladies were elected to represent St. John's on the Women's Council of Church Workers for the Diocese:—Mesdames D. R. Hewton, L. Lakin, J. M. Pardey, C. H. Rose, W. A. Whitaker, E. A. Gee, A. R. Gee, Misses Eleanor Murray, Beresford, F. Douglas, and Kelly.

The following gentlemen were also elected as sidesmen:—H. B. Brownrigg, G. E. Harrap, W. Martin, A. Calver, C. W. Calver, A. A. Castley, F. H. Cleaver, L. Potter, R. N. Smith, W. A. Whitaker, C. H. Rose, F. J. Jones, F. Cookman, A. R. Gee, A. W. Jones, W. H. Davey, H. R. Lakin, A. G. Hollingsworth, J. N. Gee, Eric Coulter, S. J. Jauncey, R. Stebbings, H. Pittam, A. E. Evershed, H. E. Clayton, R. J. Young, J. Brough, L. Cato, George Donnelly, Lance Benjafield, and E. Atherton.

The Rector also reported that, as directed by the Bishop's mandate, he had invited by public notice in the church, nominations in the prescribed form for two lay communicants to represent the parish in Synod, that only two nominations having been received he declared Messrs. C. H. Rose and F. R. Adams, B.A., duly elected as Synodsmen. It was unanimously resolved that instead of holding the usual church fair this year, that Mrs. Hewton be asked in conjunction with the ladies' committee which usually manages the fair, to arrange for a special freewill offering instead, to be given on or before a suitable date in July to be fixed by the ladies. This will be necessary, for, although the balance-sheet shows a credit balance, the fact is the general account is in debt about £90 which sum is due to the building fund. Before the date of the freewill offering a congregational social evening will be held, at which the matter will be fully explained.

A small credit balance of £105 is in hand for the Organ Fund. The sum of £301 8s 10d is held in trust for the Building Fund, which includes a sum of £100 from the estate of the late

M. E. Robinson and £100 legacy left by the late Mrs. M. E. Robinson. The executors have expressed a wish that this £200 might be used for the organ, a matter which will require consideration by the Churchwardens.

The usual complimentary votes of thanks were passed and the organist and choir were especially mentioned. Mr. A. R. Gee, in responding, invited members of the congregation to inspect the wonderful improvements that had been effected in the choir vestry, for which Mr. H. B. Brownrigg was largely responsible.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY—The annual meeting of the C.M.S. (Tasmania Branch) was held at the Depot, 92 St. John Street, Launceston on Tuesday, 19th May, Rev. W. R. Barrett in the chair. The Rev. R. H. Simmons of Hobart, General Secretary for Tasmania, was also present. Apologies were received from other members from Hobart and other parts unable to be present. The statement of accounts showed that £300 had been raised by St. John's Parish for missionary purposes, without including the £150 profits of the Depot and Tea-room, which go towards the support of Miss Garrard in Africa and other objects. Mr. H. L. Perriman, at Groote Eylandt, is our own missionary, wholly supported by St. John's.

A principal item of business was the arranging for the visit of the English delegation, Rev. Wilson Cash and Dr. Cook, who are already in Australia. Both are expected to arrive by the t.s. Loongana on Sunday morning the 21st June next, and are announced to preach in St. John's Church the same day. On Monday the 22nd June they will be present at a devotional meeting at St. John's in the afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, and in the evening will confer with the C.M.S. committee at 8 o'clock.

On Tuesday, 25th June, when the clergy are expected to be in Launceston at the monthly meeting of the N.C.R. Union Holy Communion will be celebrated at St. John's at 10.30 a.m. At 11.30 the delegates will speak at the clerical meeting. In the afternoon, at 3, Dr. Cook will speak on the subject of medical missionary work, to which the public are invited; and in the evening at 8 o'clock, a general missionary meeting will be held in the Mechanics' Hall, when a large attendance is expected.