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LETTER FROM THE HEAD.

Box 1131, Johannesburg.

Undoubtedly the most important event to the Mission this quarter has been the action of the Committee appointed by the Provincial Synod to discuss the best method of developing and strengthening the work. I knew that there was a feeling among some of the clergy that the work might be done by the parochial clergy, or that each Diocese might work a Railway Mission of its own. I therefore asked the Synod to appoint as its committee the Bishop and one of the clergy from each Diocese concerned. We were fortunate in being able to get such a representative body, and one which consisted entirely of men who really knew something about itinerating work. In addition to the Bishops of Grahamstown, Bloemfontein, Pretoria, Mashonaland, George and Kimberley, we had Dean Phelps of Grahamstown, Deal Hulme of Bloemfontein, Archdeacon Cameron of Johannesburg, Archdeacon Etheridge of Mashonaland, Archdeacon de Rougemont of Kimberley, Canon Thornley Jones of Jansenville, and myself. We owe these gentlemen a deep debt of gratitude for devoting to the Mission a good deal of the very little spare time we were allowed during the Synod. Their report to the Episcopal Synod read as follows:

"Realising the valuable work which the S.A. Church Railway Mission has rendered to the Church of the Province during the last twenty-three years, the Committee feels that the continuation of its work is essential. It therefore recommends that the Archbishop should appoint a new Head to succeed Archdeacon Rogers with as little delay as possible."

The Committee then went on to suggest certain minor alterations in our Constitution with a view to bringing the work into closer touch with the Diocesan organisations.

The Archbishop has already taken steps to follow these recommendations, and I quite hope that before the next Light for the Line appears a new Head will have been appointed and the Mission will have taken a new lease of life.

I am afraid you must not expect a large increase in our Staff just at present, but we must hope that the present Staff may be doubled by the end of next year.

I am thankful to say that we have had no permanent losses since the beginning of the year. Mr. Holden has started working for us in England and for six months at least will act as Organising Secretary and get us some money and workers. Miss Glasier has gone home for a holiday, but we shall look forward to seeing both her and Miss Heddy back amongst us soon after Whitsuntide. I was fortunate in being able to meet Miss Beckwith on her return as she passed through Cape Town, and two days later to give Miss Glasier a parting cheer. Miss Beckwith has kindly agreed to take Miss Glasier's
section so as to leave Miss Holmes in the north of the Colony.

Mr. Esdaile and Mr. Winnington Ingram and Mr. Lejeune are still at their posts, and will, I hope, all tell you what they are doing themselves.

I am sorry to say that Miss Attlee is due to go home for a holiday after Easter, and Miss Wardale (I fear) for good in August.

There is one addition to the Staff in the person of Mr. Houghton Thorne, who hopes shortly to be ordained, but will, till then, work on the section from De Aar to Upington.

Just lately this part of the line has been much upset by the movement of troops and by floods, and Mr. Thorne has been ill, but it is to be hoped that things are settling down again by this time.

I am sorry I have been unable to get about much, but I am keeping a little Railway Mission time in hand to show the new Head around, and in Mr. Austin’s absence there is a good deal of correspondence.

I am afraid that one of our economies may be a disappointment to some, namely, the discontinuance of the Wall Almanack, but it seemed to be one of the luxuries which we could do without, and perhaps next year the war will be over.

Will you please pray that the right man may be offered and accept the position of Head, and when you hear who he is, will you pray especially for him that he may be guided to do what is wise and right?

F. A. Rogers.

Old friends of the Rev. P. E. Barnes (who worked on the Midland home section 1908-11) will be interested to hear that he has left Ilfracombe and is now curate of Wanstead, London, N.E., and acting chaplain of the Infant Orphan Asylum there. It has 400 children (ages from 3-15), of whom most are boys, and the chaplain’s work includes teaching daily. Mr. Barnes hopes that he will see more friends from South Africa now, and that he will find more time to answer letters. The address, “Orphanage, Wanstead, N.E.”, will find him.

PRETORIA DIOCESE.

Waterval Boven, March 16, 1915.

My dear Editor,

I find my last letter ended just before Christmas, which reminds me of a quite successful introduction of carols at WATERTAL BOVEN on Christmas Eve. I have also begun here to have a fortnightly celebration of the Holy Communion, by using the Monday following the second Sunday in the month, when I am at MACHADO-DORP in the morning; also a monthly Preparation Service. Both of these have been fairly well attended for a start. And in the Sunday School I now send the little ones out of doors in fine weather under the trees, so that they get their picture-book and lesson separate from the older children. It was a great treat for me to have seven visiting brother clergy for an informal
conference. We see so little of each other ordinarily—about once a year as a rule. We enjoyed our Services and Father Biggart's addresses, and I never realised before how little I had seen of the surrounding country till I found myself summarily appointed guide. And after I had told them, on the afternoon when we visited the "great falls" at the head of the five-arch Kloof, that "you could walk there in an hour on a path good enough for a bicycle," they were very sceptical of the truth of my topographical information I dished out afterwards. I had forgotten that the grass had grown since I was last there.

Perhaps I should mention the very sad accident in which two little boys, only four and three years of age, were drowned in the swimming bath. They belonged to the families of Van der Ness and Papenius. No blame can be attached to the Bath Committee, for even if the door had been locked, one could not prevent boys from climbing over.

I am glad to report that a Sunday School has been started at BREYTON, and that the enthusiasm of Mrs. Blankenberg has not only attracted most of the children to be regular attendants, but has also led to the starting of a fund for the purchase of a much needed harmonium for the Services and Sunday School. The children were greatly interested on my last Sunday visit when I baptised Mrs. Roberts' little baby boy at their service in the afternoon.

I spent the inside of a fortnight in January in the Low Veld, visiting Airlie Estate, ELANDSHEUKE, where Mrs. Groenewald kindly allowed us to use her room for the evening Service, and I celebrated on the following morning in the ganger's cottage, RIVULETS, where after a conversation highly pitched across a flooded river I was able to cross the following morning, and where I helped to lay the spooks at the store where the Kafir boy had been murdered a few days before—at least, I hope I proved good company to the solitary white man. Then on to ALKMAAR, where they insisted on having a collection for the Mission at breakfast, MLELANE and KOMATI-POORT, where I branched off for an interesting trip through the Game Reserve on the Selati Line, and was able through the kindness of Mr. Price to visit both gangers' cottages on either side of MICA SIDING, and was initiated into the properties of mica and corundrum.

A Sunday at NELSPrUIT came in the middle, and I enjoyed a visit to Mrs. Hall's at RIVERSIDE, not to mention the Sunday ride in to Service—seventeen on a trolley! I must not forget well attended Services at DELMAS, where the usual downpour held off long enough to enable a good attendance, and PAN, where the new school was a great improvement on the station office, and a clean room in the schoolmaster's house for the celebration comparative luxury.

As I have been without the coach all this quarter I have been more than usually dependent upon the kind hospitality of friends, too numerous to mention. I am afraid if I started to put their names down I should forget somebody and I only hope that when sometimes I depart in a hurry and they don't get my "bed and hoarder" (my own family pet name for a letter of thanks after a visit), they don't think I am ungrateful and take it all for granted. I would gladly go without the coach if the Railway Mission could produce a new recruit each quarter to steal my share of it. Good luck to Mr. Thorne on the Prieska-Upington section.

Yours very sincerely,

E. G. K. ESDAILE.

P.S.—The names of places visited will be found under the list of Collections and Donations, Diocese of Pretoria.
DIOCESE OF MASHONALAND AND N. RHODESIA.

It is not always an easy task to find something fresh to say about a section, as it becomes more familiar to you, and although my title implies an extension of the ground I have hitherto covered, yet I am not in a position to speak of N. Rhodesia with the certainty that Mr. Holden could, as my visits up here have to be rather hurried ones, partaking of the nature of an "emergency" rather than a "regular" ration! Still, the Editor will say it is better to have written, and failed to interest, than never to have written at all.

At PLUMTREE things continue as usual. There was a most excellent attendance here on the "King's" Day of Intercession for our troops: forty people turned up, and that on a day during school holidays, when we had not the customary support of the school and the staff. I am glad to say that a Confirmation Class of seven boys is being held at the present time; the Confirmation will probably be in June.

I was able to baptise two babies and hold a Service for the seldom visited district of MARULA the other day: considering the state of the roads and the weather, it was most heroic of the few people who drove in to the Service, in some cases as much as 14 miles.

Quite a number of baptisms have fallen to my lot: at FIGTREE I had the pleasure of baptising another little son for Mr. and Mrs. Wilsorth, at the public Service, which was quite well attended. Here again, people nobly surmounted the difficulties which this season's amazing rainfall have brought about.

The West Nicholson line is proving a very pleasant field to work in. At GWANDA, church attendance has distinctly improved. To have six communicants, one christening, all the children at Sunday School, and 21 at Evensong, is very encouraging.

In this neighbourhood, people live scattered about on small rivers, and are difficult to get at; through the kindness of Mr. Hunt at the Big Ben, I was able to visit one or two, though I could not do more. I should also have spent a day at WEST NICHOLSON and at least held a Service there; but for the fact that riding over there on horseback, I got lost, and eventually turned up again at the Big Ben, after riding 36 miles, which I stood better than I expected, considering my want of experience. As it was, I could only just pick up the coach at West Nicholson, apologise, and retire to ESSEXVALE.

Here, owing to horse-sickness, which is quite terrible just now, and the fact of Mrs. Richardson being away, I had to stay at the siding, and hastily arrange for a Service there, which, though small, was quite a success. I have to thank Mr. Russell for kind hospitality.

Of my trip on the North section, my recollections savour chiefly of mosquitoes, large and very numerous. I have no hesitation in ascribing to GWAAI the distinction of possessing the most venomous and numerous specimens. I was nearly eaten up alive, but have suffered no evil consequences. I was able to hold Service at MALINDA on this trip, which all attended who could. From here, I went through to LIVINGSTONE, and spent two very pleasant days at the Church House with Bishop May and Mr. Phillips before leaving in the coach for LUSAKA. I spent a Sunday here, and got to know the people, who turned up well for Service. The next few days I spent in lightning visits to CHOMA, PEMBA and KAFUE. At PEMBA, Mr. and Mrs. Thorne, old friends of the Mission, were kindness itself to me, and we had a nice little Service at their house.

I spent the next week-end at BROKEN HILL, which is so scattered that it takes some time to visit. People were as nice as possible, but the Church
The number of Communions made on Christmas Day was, I am glad to say, greater than the previous year, though I am sorry to say that not a single communicant troubled to make their Communion on New Year's morning.

And while I am speaking about our Communions there are one or two things I should like to mention. (1) I have started a Children's Eucharist on Sundays at 9.30 a.m., which has been very well attended, and for which I entertain great hopes. Adults, of course, are always welcome at the Children's Eucharists, for I quite realise that 9.30 may be a more convenient hour for some than 8 a.m.

(2) I should like to say something about the relationship between 11 o'clock Morning Prayer and the Holy Communion. It has, I believe, been stated that I object to Morning Prayer at 11 o'clock on Sunday. That is not true. What I do object to is the practice among many people of substituting 11 o'clock Morning Prayer for the Sacrament of the Holy Communion. No Service can take the place of the Holy Communion.

The Holy Communion is the Lord's Own Service, and is meant to be the chief Sunday Service. It is the duty of every Church person to be present at the Holy Communion every Sunday, unless they are prevented by some absolutely unavoidable reason.

Morning Prayer, as held at many churches at 11 a.m., may often be and often is a very beautiful service, but even if one is present at that service, it does not alter the fact that our duty is to be present at the Holy Communion every Sunday. To say that you prefer Morning Prayer at 11 and to stay away from the Holy Communion in favour of the other service, without sufficient reason, amounts to saying that you prefer your own ideas to God's Will. For we cannot lightly stay away from the Holy Communion on Sundays without losing the benefits that we receive.
thereby and without insulting and dis-obeying Him Who said the night before He died, "This do in remembrance of Me." I hope all readers of these words will think over carefully what I have written and act upon my words and accept them in the same friendly spirit in which they are written.

I have received from one of the Sisters at St. Peter's, Grahamstown, a banner for the use of the children. It has been paid for by the children and will prove, I believe, a really fine ornament to the Church. It is expected that it will be used for the first time on Easter Sunday.

I have been to the following places during the last three months: COOKHOUSE (three times), SHERBORNE, WILDFONTEIN, ARUNDEL (twice), NORVAL'S PONT, TAAIBOSCH and RIET.

We shall shortly be having our annual Easter Vestry. It will be noteworthy at any rate for one thing, namely, that women who are communicants will have the right to sit, speak and vote at the meeting. We shall welcome them, I am sure, recognising that it is a piece of justice long deferred.

I cannot conclude this letter without a reference to the resignation of our Bishop. The Bishop of Grahamstown by his wisdom, love and saintliness of character has endeared himself to all of us whose privilege and happiness it has been to come into contact with him. We shall feel—those of us who knew him personally—that we are losing a real friend and father in God. And all of us, whether we knew him or not, have been brought under the spell of his influence through his administration of the diocese for these many years, and through the power of his prayers for us. Will you pray for him and his wife on their retirement and for those in whose hands the election of a successor lies that under the guidance of God the Holy Spirit the right man may be chosen to succeed to the Bishopric of Grahamstown?

It will be your duty, too, to elect a representative to attend with me at the Elective Assembly, which will meet in due course of time to elect a new Bishop.

Yours sincerely,

G. A. LEJEUNE.

COOKHOUSE.

It is just six months since I took over the work at Cookhouse from Mr. Griggs. It is often a matter of regret to me that I live so far from Cookhouse, and that it is so difficult to pay more frequent and longer visits. During those six months we have said goodbye to Miss Glasier, and have welcomed Miss Beckwith back. The number of communicants is on the whole very satisfactory. I am in future having a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10.15 each month. This late celebration is really intended for those who live some distance from Cookhouse, and who find it very difficult and almost impossible to come at 8 o'clock. I hope though that communicants living in Cookhouse will still come at the earlier hour.

Mr. Vincent has unfortunately been obliged to relinquish his church work, owing to being so often out of camp and so far away. Mr. Vincent has worked hard for the church, and what is best of all, he has worked for the church because his heart is in the right place, and he loved his church and the work he did was inspired with that same love. Mr. Willie Wise has, at my request, taken over the work of Mr. Vincent, and has entered upon his new duties with great keenness. He will be a real help to me.

I want volunteers for the choir, men, women, boys and girls. Choir practice is always on Saturday evenings at 8. I also want a volunteer to take over the
Sunday School. At present we have Sunday School only once a month. If I could get a suitable person to take the Sunday School for the other three Sundays, then we could have our own Church Sunday School every Sunday. Will someone volunteer for the love of the Church and for the sake of our English Church children?

I hope to be able to have some kind of Social in April for members of our congregation, coupled with a business meeting.

With all good wishes,
Believe me, yours truly,
G. A. Lejeune.

WOMEN’S WORK.

GRAHAMSTOWN DIOCESE.

Lent in war-time. What a time for thinking!

One thought has come to me very much as I have been going about lately—the enormous influence of women, that is, the wife and mother kind. Isn’t it true that in a large number of cases the wife and mother is much the greatest power in the home? What does Mother say about it? What would Mother do? And with this great influence comes a great responsibility.

Of course, not being of the wife and mother kind myself I can only speak as an onlooker, but it does seem to me that, especially at this time, all wives and mothers must be straining every nerve to keep high the husband’s standard of right and honour, to teach the highest standard to the boys and girls, and to train the girls in their turn to uphold the right and honour in their brothers—and other people’s brothers—as well as in themselves. “To speak no evil no, nor listen to it,” oh, and lots more. Yes, the wife and mother kind has an important life to lead and she needs all the help and support in it that we can give her.

G. E. Holmes.

Since returning from Europe I have so often been asked about my visit to France that I feel I must try to put some record of it on paper, though it seems perhaps rather stale news by this time. My two months in Paris (dating from the middle of October) were certainly most interesting, though perhaps less exciting than people imagine. They were spent at the G.F.S. Lodge, where I went to help in the absence of the Lady Superintendent through illness. It was then filled with British Red Cross nurses (though several beds were always kept for any girl travellers), sixty of whom stayed there during the first six weeks. All of them were fully trained, and many of great experience, having been drawn from all parts of the Empire—Australia, Canada, South Africa, New Zealand, by the needs of our brave soldiers. As to the latter, their testimony was wonderfully united and emphatic; all being agreed that the men’s patience, cheerfulness and general good conduct under trying circumstances were beyond all praise. It was indeed a privilege to visit these patients in the wards of various hospitals in and around the city, and to find them with every comfort and cheery in spite of present suffering and in some cases permanent disablement or loss of limb. Small gifts of books, papers, picture post-cards, games, English cigarettes and especially matches were gratefully received, and they also greatly appreciated copies of the Holy Gospels (sent out by an English friend) containing a letter from Lord Roberts. Many attended his Memorial Service in the Embassy Chapel, both French and English soldiers. There were also solemn Requiem Services during All Saints’-tide in the Cathedral of Notre Dame and the Church where Napoleon was buried.

Here hang already seven German flags taken since August, trophies which have been visited by thousands of people. There were also immense
crowds flocking to the cemeteries on All Saints' Day, and it was most touching to find our countrymen's graves literally covered with flowers and French messages and to hear a woman murmur in the same language, 'They died for us.' In the centre stood our Red Ensign with the words 'Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends,' embroidered on its folds.

Many of our nurses moved on to Boulogne, and by their kind invitation I stayed with them on my return journey and was able to see four hospitals in one day, including one entirely equipped and staffed from Australia. At this station food and first aid were given by a Voluntary Aid Detachment in a way which rather reminded one of our Railway Mission, as four covered trucks were fitted up respectively as dispensary, kitchen, store room and rest room for the staff, who did both day and night duty in turns.

It has been a great interest since returning to South Africa to hear how much has been done in this country on behalf of the many sufferers from the War, and I should like to congratulate both our camps and the G.F.S. members on their various contributions towards this object. May we all continue to help in every possible way, "Without haste," but also "without rest," and above all let us persever in prayer that a speedy "Peace with Honour" may be granted to us.

I am again now in the Southern Section of the Diocese in the absence of Miss Glasier, who is safely at home and enjoying the rest which she so much needed. The pleasure of revisiting the Railway Camps is somewhat damped by finding so many old friends gone from among the church congregations. This is especially noticeable at Cookhouse, where the numbers are greatly reduced. However, the children turned up in good numbers at their Temperance meeting.

Ash Wednesday I spent in Sandflats, where the G.F.S.’ candidates have been preparing for the Text-painting Competition under the kind tuition of Mrs. Case, and, as in other camps a small gathering of mothers for War Intercession was held.

It is splendid to hear the long list read out in church of those who are serving their country at the front from the various camps, and better still to know that some of them have already been commended for pluck and perseverance under trying circumstances.

Alicedale had an interesting christening on Sunday, Feb. 28th, when the infant son of the energetic Scoutmaster, Mr. Hubert Harvey, was brought to the Children's Service. The troop of boys paraded for the occasion, standing very steadily round the Font and helping heartily in the singing and afterwards making an arch of flags and staves under which the babe was carried as he passed out of church. May he some day become a keen church-worker and so help to uphold the worthy traditions of his family!

M. J. Beckwith.

14 Queen Street, Germiston, March 21st, 1915.

Dear Miss Burt,

I think I did not send any word for Light for the Line about the Confirmation here in December, at which three girls and one boy from Natal Spruit were confirmed, and two girls from the Railway Camp here, also Mr. and Mrs. Walker from a signal-box along the line, and Mrs. Smith from the Railway Camp.

It was a very happy day; the only regret was that the Confirmation was at Cleveland instead of St. Boniface Church.

When I go to England, next month, I shall leave the Natal Spruit Sunday School in the charge of two of the girls who were confirmed, Irene Petzer and Winnie Davison; and I hope that one
of the members of the Churchwomen's Society here will find it possible to visit it once a month, to encourage and help them. I have just received a roll of beautiful pictures illustrating the seasons of the Church's year and also a book of lessons for Natal Spruit. It is very trying to leave everything once more, but it has to be, and perhaps I shall soon come back, but I know I must be prepared for it to be a final "good-bye" to very happy work, and very dear friends.

Yours very sincerely,

MARY A. B. ATTLEE.

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ORANGE FREE STATE.

As my letter will be the only letter from the O.F.S. this quarter, I must begin by giving the sad news we heard from Miss Heddy in January. She got home just too late to see her mother alive, though she was in time for the funeral and in time to be a great comfort to her father and sisters, so I trust she does not feel that she had that long, anxious voyage for nothing. This last month I have seen a little of her people in her section, and I am hoping that four or five of those she was preparing for Confirmation will be confirmed at Kroonstad on March 26th. It is a great pleasure and satisfaction to all her friends to know that she is talking of returning to her work here in June or July.

Since Christmas things in my section have been rather quiet, the more so as I had a fortnight's holiday at Van Reenen in January, and a most delightful fortnight it was, and my friend Miss Orford and I had time for exploring kloofs and climbing mountains in a way that I have always longed to do but had not the opportunity for before.

The Thaba 'Nchu Railway Sunday School picnic must not be forgotten. It took place on New Year's Day, and a good party of us went by train to Likatlong, where Mrs. Aitchison kindly met us with a wagon and her cart and horses, and conveyed us all to the river, where we spent a delightful time and had our picnic under the lovely big willow trees. The time was all too short, as the only train by which we could return was much too early in the afternoon!

The supply of Christmas presents this year was far too small for the number of children I should have liked to take them to. I had only the box that I brought out from England with me, and if it had not been for the C.O.V.'s at St. Michael's and the nice things they sent, far more children would have had to go without. In a few places we were able to have little parties and picnics to take the place, and for these we must thank the kind friends and parents, who gave fruit and cakes, and the boys of the Grey College, who made a collection at the tuck-shop which was spent on sweets and little prizes for sports and games.

M. E. WATSON.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE.

My dear Children,

Once more the time has come round for the Bible Examination. You have I hope been reading the verses every day and learning the passages set so well that you will be ready to write down the answers when examination day comes.

Do be very careful to send in your age, the standard you are in, and your name, and to put all that on your paper too. Last year several children did not do this, and some who ought to have written senior papers wrote junior, and their marks could not be counted.

Nearly all of you, I expect, are doing something to help the soldiers—perhaps knitting or sewing garments—but are you all doing the one thing that even the smallest child can do, and
that is pray? You will see a page of Intercessions and prayers in this magazine. Will you not use that help and remember every day the many soldiers and sailors and airmen who are fighting for the Empire to which you belong?

Your friend,
The Editor.

VICTORIA BIBLE EXAMINATION
to be held in May, 1915, in connection with the S.A.C.R.M.

1. The Examination is for both Juniors and Seniors. Juniors are those who at the time of the Examination are in Standards 1, 2, or 3 in day school; Seniors, those in Standards 4, 5, 6, 7, and above standards.

2. Besides the Bible Knowledge according to the Syllabus, Juniors will be expected to know the Question on the Creed, and Seniors the duty towards God and the duty towards our neighbour in the Catechism. Both Juniors and Seniors must know the Lord's Prayer and the Apostles' Creed.

Names for the Examination in May, 1915, must be sent in by May 1st to Miss Burt,
The Hermitage,
Grahamstown.

BAPTISMS.

DIOCESE OF PRETORIA.

Jan.
3—Christian Eric Cox, Nelspruit.
10—Thomas Henry Spear, Waterval Boven.
29—Jan Andries Cronje, Krantzpoort.
Feb.
2—William Henderson, Bethel.
3—Stoffel Johannes Crowcamp, Bonnefoi.
7—Lewis William Roberts, Breyten.
16—Adèle Joyce Shepstone, Rayton.
March
4—Robert William Ramm, Bronkhorstspruit.
5—Francis Carver Godrich.

DIOCESE OF MASHONALAND.

Nov., 1914.
22—May Madeline Lottringe, at Gwanda.
Peter Melville Scooby, at Gwanda.

Dec.
27—Albert Edward Wilsworth, at Figtree.
Jan., 1915.
23—Stuart William Hinds, at Broken Hill.
28—Bernard Henry Alexander Williams, at Victoria Falls.

Feb.
9—Phyllis Grace Shone, at Marula.
Cecilia Joanna Vickery, at Marula.
14—Charles Ernest Lees, at Gwanda.

DIOCESE OF GRAHAMSTOWN.

At Cookhouse.
Dec. 13—Basil Capel Baines.
Feb. 14—Margaret Southey Burchell.

At Naasvapoort.
Jan. 1—Dorothy Dean, Viljoen's Drift.
James Dean, Viljoen's Drift.
Feb. 17—Charles van der Merwe (privately).
At Arundel.
Feb. 4—Celia Lorraine Hoare.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Dec. 15—
Elise Claissen, Germiston.
Clara Walker, Germiston.
Thomas Walker, Germiston.
Lily May Smith, Germiston.
Irene Diana Potzor, Natal Spruit.
Winifred Millicent Davison, Natal Spruit.
Holly Aletta Davison, Natal Spruit.
Reginald James Bristin, Natal Spruit.
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