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LETTER FROM THE HEAD.

The same Head, I am afraid! The original priest who was asked to become Head has not refused, and I still hope he may accept, but circumstances made it difficult for him to give a definite answer. I told you last quarter not to expect a large increase in the staff just at present, but in spite of that I have within the last week had a definite offer from a priest to come out next Easter, and a nurse who, I gather, might arrive any day. I have also great hopes of another priest to work in the Kimberley Diocese. Also Miss Heddy is on the water and will, we hope, reach Cape-town on June 25th.

During the last two months we have had some help from three clergy of the Province, Archdeacon Roberts having relieved Mr. Esdaile for a Sunday, and Mr. Blundell and Mr. Bazeley having taken care of Naauwpoort during Mr. Lejeune's holiday; while Mr. Gibson from Pretoria Cathedral gave us three Sundays in Rhodesia. So the Mission is not quite defunct yet.

Our year book for 1914 shows that our friends in England and S. Africa have stuck to us nobly in spite of bad times. Our income has dropped, that was almost inevitable for we have been doing less work, but out of a decrease of £600 only £100 is due to S. Africa. The fact that the Colonial Nursing Association no longer helps us accounts for £120 of the deficit, £300 less than last year from our friends in England, while out here, we dropped £60 in collections, which, however, is largely compensated for by an increase of £35 in sustentation funds and donations. The reduction of our staff has meant a corresponding decrease in expenditure, and I am thankful to say I have been able to pay off £150 of our capital debts.

Lieut. Austin is still in training in England, but hopes to go to the front shortly. Mr. Knapp Fisher was last heard of on board a warship patrolling the east coast of Africa. Mr. Coles and Mr. Bickerdike were ordained to the Priesthood and Diaconate respectively on Trinity Sunday, and the former can be found at St. Barnabas, Capetown, and the latter at East London.

Mr. Thorne seems to be having bad times out Upington way, as his trains seem to find great difficulty in keeping on the rails.

Please continue to pray for the appointment of the right man as Head and that more clergy may be led to offer for the work.

F. A. Rogers.

DIOCESE OF GRAHAMSTOWN.

My dear Friends,

Since I last wrote Easter has come and gone. The Holy Week and Easter Services were on the whole well attended. On Ascension Day we had more communicants than last year—a good sign as far as numbers alone are a sign of progress.

A line or two about the Easter Vestry meeting. The following were elected...
Churchwardens for the ensuing twelve months:

Churchwardens: Messrs. Viney and Hitchcock.


I am grateful to last year's Church officers for the help they have given me, and look forward to the next twelve months in the confidence that the newly-elected Church officers will maintain the well-deserved tradition that Naauwpoort has gained in respect to its Church officers.

As regards financial matters. The financial year ends at Easter, and at the Easter Vestry I was able to state that we had a balance on the right side of a few shillings! Members of the Church in Naauwpoort have really done finely, in spite of many calls on their pockets.

We have a stiff time in front of us financially, but I hope that we shall rise to the occasion again, as we always have done in the past. We have the distinction—not shared by all the English Church congregations in S. Africa—of not being one penny in debt. At the same time we must remember that this happy state of affairs would not be possible were it not for the substantial help given to us each year from the funds of the Railway Mission. We owe the Railway Mission and its supporters in England a very real debt of gratitude. I hope the time will come soon when we, in common with the rest of the English Church in S. Africa, will be able to be self-supporting, and also in a position to help the Church of England at home and in other parts of the world. Our annual expenditure is at present £160 a year roughly. Our estimated income (not counting any help from the Railway Mission) is just over £100. You will therefore see that we are faced during the twelve months with an estimated deficit of £60. What are you, reader, going to do? I feel that members of the Church have only to realise the position in order to take steps to reduce this deficit to the vanishing point. I take this opportunity of making an appeal for fresh subscribers to the Sustentation Fund. Monthly contributions of any amount are asked for. I want each member of the Church to subscribe something—over and above the Sunday collection—even if that something is only one halfpenny. Children, please note. A halfpenny each month from each child in the Sunday School given to the Church would bring in the sum of about 25/- a year. Not much, you will say perhaps, but every little helps! One member of the congregation has promised to raise £5 before next Easter. Will anyone follow his example?

This letter has been occupied mainly with the subject of money. In case you get wearied with constant appeals for money for the Church, remember, please, one or two things:

1. That Naauwpoort would be infinitely the poorer without a church here.

2. That many of you have received from the Church here many things that you can never repay—not material things, but greater than that—strength and help and encouragement, answers to prayer, the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and that which comes to us through the Holy Communion. In view of all that, anything in the way of money that we can give is after all but a small return for all that we have received. What would add value to our money gifts, what would make them a more adequate return, would be hearts of love and gratitude that prompt us to give liberally and generously to the Church, that others in their generation may receive what we have and do still receive from our Church.

3. The work of the Church is God's work, and in giving to the Church we are giving to God.
My wife and I will be away for the greater part of June and will be back we hope in Naauwpoort for the first Sunday in July.

Yours sincerely,

G. A. Lejeune.

**DIOCESE OF PRETORIA.**

Waterval Boven, June 16, 1915.

It seems a long way to go back to Good Friday and Easter, in writing this quarterly letter, as they happen to be just at the beginning of it. I divided my time between Boven and Machadodorp, and am getting to know the road so well that I gave the visiting Wesleyan Minister twenty minutes start, and when I arrived at Machadodorp he was not even in sight. At Waterval Boven the Church was nicely decorated for Easter and, though few in number, we sang our Easter hymns at the second Celebration at 7 a.m. Waterval Boven has a lot to learn as to the keeping of Good Friday and Easter. At Machadodorp, by the kindness of the Rev. van Rooyen and elders of the Dutch Reformed Church, we had the privilege of conducting our services morning and evening in the Dutch Church. Both services were well attended, and one felt more than ever the need of a consecrated building for the worship of God. In Machadodorp we got as far as talking about building a church, and then the war came and made it impossible to begin collecting. It would only have been a desperate adventure, but with faith and a strong co-operation on the part of all the English Church people I believe we shall get our church in the near future.

If anyone feels like complaining that my visits are few and far between, may I, this quarter, plead in extenuation the three Sundays spent at Jansenville and Steytlerville in the Cape? I undertook this as a piece of Railway Mission work in order to set free for a northern trip a priest who may become Head of the Mission. It was most interesting in one way to visit such a parish, as the work was begun and the churches were built by the Railway Mission, though how they had the audacity to venture 18 and 23 miles away from the railway I cannot pretend to understand. But one feels if such solid work as is now going on depended for its initiation on the efforts of a struggling Railway Mission, then, maybe, out of some of the very small beginnings at some places in the Transvaal on my section will come churches and a really Christian body of people with a definite Church life. Meanwhile, one must not be in too much of a hurry.

Breyten has been distinguishing itself in a play, and I was very sorry to be absent on the occasion. Mr. Woolford, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mrs. and Miss Blanckenberg, with several other friends, contributed to a very successful entertainment. The house was a crowded one. The Sunday School children, who had been trained by Mrs. Blanckenberg, sang very creditably, and the English Church Organ Fund now stands at over £10.

Bronkhorstspruit has also been collecting for an organ, and the result of the canvassing of the Misses Una and Enid Kidd amounts to over £10. We hoped to have started a Sunday School here, but difficulties seem to have arisen, and the exceedingly rare situation was reached of a teacher and no children. Bronkhorstspruit labours under the difficulty of "one more river to cross," but I hope that the obstacles in the way of a Sunday School are only temporary. I hardly like to speak of the gloom overshadowing our little English community there, in our deep sympathy with Mr. Scott in his bereavement. That such a visitation should come so soon upon a home with such bright prospects, and upon one
who was so full of activity and social kindness, whose hospitality was extended so freely. I am sure the Bishop of Pretoria, who greatly appreciated it on his visit to hold a Confirmation, would be greatly grieved, if he knew.

It was also a sudden and a sad call to Hatherley, where at the foot of the hills, in a little cemetery where many a soldier lies, the remains of Joseph Strike were laid to rest. The sympathies of all friends of the Railway Mission are extended to the family, which has so often befriended the Railway Chaplains in the past.

E. G. K. ENDALE.

DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN RHODESIA.

I am glad to say that I am finding it possible to keep the work going on the Northern section as well as my own, though certain places have to wait three months between services, and I am thankful to say that I have survived an exceptionally bad season without a day’s illness, which is distinctly fortunate.

My monthly visit to PLUMTREE takes me along the 60 miles of line south of Bulawayo most frequently, and there are very few people along the line that I have not got to know. At Plumtree we are looking forward to a Confirmation on St. Barnabas’ Day, for which eight boys are preparing; perhaps our readers will remember them in their prayers. The school and a few regular worshippers always make it a pleasure to hold service, and it is gratifying to be able to say that a Sustentation Fund is really established, and we have to thank Dr. Haworth for collecting the same and handing over the first cheque to the Mission Funds. It is still, however, disappointing that so few people from outside take advantage of the services.

FIGTREE continues to respond splendidly to the visits that are paid to it; on the last occasion, some 25 people were present, most of them coming at least six miles. The services always seem to go well here. Of the other smaller places, I can only say that I occasionally look them up, even though no services may be possible.

The WEST NICHOLSON line presents very little scope for railway work, pure and simple, but there is nevertheless a good deal to be done here, involving a certain amount of cross-country work. I hope gradually to extend my visits to the various mines in the locality, some of which, up at Filabusi, have quite a large population. It has not yet been possible to again visit MA-ZUNGA, but I have recently been to GWANDA, where people come to church very well, and I have only recently returned from a trip which involved a visit by cart to BALLABALLA for a Confirmation class: two services at ESSEXVALE: two services at the BUSH TICK mine, which, though closed down, produced nearly all the population at Evensong; and eight communicants next morning: and finally a visit to a small community at Intabueenda Mine, which involved a christening at a cottage right out in the veld, on a claim, and a small Intercessions Service, attended by two Roman Catholics, two Presbyterians, and one member of our Church! I am quite worn out with bumping over appalling roads in carts, and shall feel very sore, in two senses, if anyone ventures to suggest that the Railway Mission does not go off the line, when it can, for its ministrations!

I have received much kind hospitality from Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Burnett, and Mrs. Smalley, and must thank them and others for the loan of their transport, as well as the shelter of their roofs. The bitter cold of this week made their comfortable
homes all the more pleasant, after the experiences of the day.

My Northern trip this quarter was wholly absorbed by a trip to the CONGO, and my usual visit to WAN-KIE. It took me from Monday night to Friday morning to get to ELISABETHVILLE, and I had to spend over four days there; but the time could not have been better spent. It was a new experience to have to pay one’s fare from Sakania; and the language of the country necessitated some probing into a remote past when I once endeavoured to put into French, “The lion ate the gardener,” and other facts of an equally exciting nature. But I cannot digress into such frivolous subjects.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, of Lubumbashi, were my kind hosts, and I owe them a great deal for the complete way in which they helped me to see everybody, and everything, including the smelting works. My time was quite taken up with visiting, and taking Baptisms, of which there were four. The services were most reverent, and very well attended. There were eight communicants at a Celebration at Lubumbashi: eighteen people came to Mattins at the British Consulate, which was arranged to meet the needs of the British residents of the town; and a new experiment was tried at night, by holding service at the workmen’s quarters at Lubumbashi, which produced a congregation of forty. My visit was indeed a pleasure, from every point of view, and the voluntary offerings amply covered the expenses which such a journey must involve. I am looking forward to another visit as soon as it can be managed. On all sides of course, Mr. Holden was a persona grata, and I could not help feeling that much of the keen spirit shown by all, was due to the effect of his work and influence amongst those who liked him so well.

And here, I think, I must bring my account to a close.

E. F. WINNINGTON INGRAM.

WOMEN’S WORK.

GRAHAMSTOWN DIOCESE.

The past quarter seems to have been a very full one, though in spite of much travelling I have not yet been able to visit the entire district. During Lent, Passiontide slides were shown at Glenconnor, Wolvefontein, Mount Stewart, Klipplaat, Aberdeen Road, Kendrew and Graaff-Reinet; and in Holy Week at Redhouse, Sandflats, Alidedale, Middleton and Cookhouse. After Easter I went down both the Alexandria and Avontuur lines, visiting Hankey and Potentie for the first time, but finding old friends in both of these picturesque places.

Saturday, May 1st, was the occasion of a delightful Sunday School Picnic at Sandflats, when a party of adults and children accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Case in an ox-wagon to a neighbouring hill, where we spent the day in the open air, finding it all too short so thoroughly did all enjoy both the games and sports and the refreshments so bountifully provided for us. A prize was offered for the best collection of wild flowers which produced some very charming little bouquets, over twenty different species being gathered by the successful competitor, Pearl Bruton. Iris Gates also received a prize for painting in the recent G.F.S. competition.

This month brought us all a sad parting from our beloved Bishop and his family at Port Elizabeth, where they went on board the Balmoral Castle, but the news of their safe arrival in England in spite of all the present perils of the sea has since filled us with thankfulness, as indeed all memories of their past busy and useful life at Bishopsbourne cannot fail to do. Mrs. Cornish seemed much pleased by the gift from the churchwomen of the Diocese.
Whitsuntide was a specially bright and happy Festival at Alicedale on account of the presence of some of our returned soldiers, two of whom again took their places in the choir and attended all the services with their families. On Saturday in that same week I had the pleasure of speaking to about fifty Girl Guides in Port Elizabeth, and was glad to recognise some old Railway friends among their number.

On Saturday, June 5th, all Alicedale was en fête (and fortunately the weather also) to celebrate the wedding of a well-known inhabitant, Miss Lily Pearce, with Mr. Penny from the Port Alfred district. The Church was crowded for the service at 3 p.m., when Hymns 350 and 210 were sung. A pleasant little reception was held afterwards in the bride’s house, and in the evening her friends in the camp entertained the whole bridal party at a dance in the Railway Institute till the night train carried away the happy couple. Since then Alicedale has been holding quite a gala week just as the schools were all closing for the winter holidays.

On Wednesday, June 16th, an exhibition of children’s work was held in the school on which Mr. Cruden and all his staff are greatly to be congratulated, as some really admirable and accurate work was shown, including sewing, designing, map drawing and woodwork.

Thursday, the 17th, was the occasion of the G.F.S. Festival, in which a small party from Sandflats joined, in spite of somewhat stormy weather. About fifty assembled in the Church Hall for light refreshments at 3.30 p.m., when the Boy Scouts made admirable waiters. Afterwards all adjourned to the Church, where the Rev. P. H. Case conducted a short service. In the evening the Institute was well filled with an appreciative audience for the performance of a Mystery Play of the early days of the Christian Faith called “Clement,” and written by Miss Steedman, of the College of Grey Ladies, now working at St. Patrick’s Mission, Bloemfontein. The programme opened with a pianoforte solo played by Miss F. Cinnamon, which was followed by a War Hymn sung by the Junior Candidates of the G.F.S. The cast of the piece consisted of members of the G.F.S. and Church Choir, also the Boy Scouts, ably assisted by Mr. G. Harvey in the rôle of Emperor. All are to be congratulated on the way in which they sustained their various parts and especially on the distinctness of their voices; and as many admired the picturesque costumes of both Romans and Christian maidens, they may be glad to hear that photo groups are to be obtained from Mr. Bennett Harvey. The proceeds amounted to £4 14s. 6d., and after paying all expenses the profits were divided as follows: three guineas to Red Cross Funds and one guinea to G.F.S. Funds.

Special thanks are due to Miss M. Munro, L.C.U.M., who most kindly sang three solos, also to Miss Harvey, who accompanied the hymns.

On Friday evening a dance was given in the same hall to celebrate the safe homecoming of the Alicedale contingent of soldiers after many perils and hardships and narrow escapes from both mines and bullets. Finally, on Saturday evening the children were also entertained by the camp, and it was indeed a pretty sight to see them entering into the dancing with much spirit and enjoying themselves equally with their parents and guardians.

M. J. Beckwith.

Characters in “Clement.”

Roman Emperor ........ G. Harvey.
Roman Matron ........ M. Munro.
Old heathen Father .... E. Harvey.
Sons—Marcus ........ H. Akers.
Placidus ........ C. Bennett Harvey.
Roman Captain ... E. Ashwell.
This quarter has been quite one of "beginnings," if not for the Railway Mission, at least for Institutions with which many of us have to do.

The Governor-General laid the Foundation-stone of the new Chapel for the College and schools at St. Peter's, Grahamstown. Many old G.T.C.'s have already been glad to hear an account of that day. It was not too hot and not too cold, and all went beautifully. There was an immense background to the stone of girls piled up high into the sky it seemed. On investigation afterwards I found they were mounted on a huge pile of bricks. I was rather surprised, knowing the rapid way in which things get done at St. Peter's, to hear that the Chapel will not be quite ready for use next term!

On the same day Lady Buxton opened Oriel House for the women students at Rhodes College, and, in the afternoon, laid the Foundation-stone of some new buildings at the Diocesan School for Girls.

The following week I was at the formal opening of the Teachers' Training College at Cradock, at which I have also many friends. That too passed off very well and there was a charming little programme after tea consisting of a piano duet, a song duet, a Dutch recitation, and a part song by all the students, ending up with the National Anthem.

I am hoping to see Miss Heddy on her way back to Bloemfontein, but I am not quite certain what train she will be coming by yet.

It was a surprise, and one I was sorry for, to find on arriving at Hanover Road the other day that there had been many changes there. I am sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Isaacson from this section and shall miss their kind welcome. But one is always making new friends, even while one regrets the removal of the old ones.

— G. E. Holmes —

WOMEN'S WORK, O.F.S.

July, 1915.

There does not seem to be much of importance to record this quarter. I am rather disappointed that so many children who started to read for the Victoria Bible Prize Examination failed to go in at the last minute. It was doubtless a good deal my fault for failing to go round more regularly to find out how they were getting on.

Both mothers and children tell me as excuse that they have so much homework to do every day, and I think in many cases this is a very real excuse; but still I think more might manage it, and I shall be very glad to supply the paper of Bible reading set for next year and to give any help that I can. And those who really have not time I hope are keeping the rule on their Good Shepherd cards, 'Every day Read and Pray.'

Miss Heddy will, I hope, be back again by the time this July magazine reaches you. I know there is a very warm welcome waiting for her on her own section.

"Leave" is very much the fashion in July and August. I hope it will mean much happiness and renewed health and energy to some of the tired hard-workers.

— M. E. Watson —
VICTORIA BIBLE PRIZE EXAMINATION.

Report.

Successful candidates, as last year, are tabulated as follows:

(1) Those who have passed with Honours, in two classes, and in order of merit.
(2) Those who have passed, but have not gained sufficient marks to obtain Honours, also in order of merit.

To all those who have obtained first or second class Honours a prize will be granted; to all those who have passed with or without Honours a Certificate will be granted.

Twenty-nine senior papers were sent in, and fourteen junior, a little fewer than last year. The Catechism questions were well answered throughout, though some of the seniors insisted on writing out the Duty to Our Neighbour, which was not asked for. Only two seniors remembered the sign by which Gideon was to choose the last 300 men, most of them got it the wrong way round. I was surprised to find a number of seniors writing that St. Thomas actually tested the evidence of the Resurrection which he had demanded, and came to believe by touching Our Saviour's hands and side, also that the two disciples of Emmaus recognised Our Saviour in the act of breaking the bread by the marks in his hands, for which there is no Gospel authority.

These two mistakes, and the omissions by many of the juniors of their answers to the question on the Resurrection, lead me to think that teachers would do well to give detailed lessons on this great central fact of our religion.

The best paper was sent in by Cornelius Knoetze, of Wolvefontein, who showed a sound all round knowledge of Bible and Catechism. He was run very close by Olive Pearl Wilmot (who, with Clement G. Rippon, is eligible for a certificate but not for a prize, as they have both left school), and by Gertrude Catherine Skinner, also of Wolvefontein, whose Catechism answers obtained full marks.

In the second class, good papers were sent in by Casper Knoetze, of Wolvefontein, and Kathleen Roberts, of Glenconnor. And good promise was shown by Elsie Carr, of Waterval Boven, the youngest in this section, also by Wilhelmina and Dorothy Ferreira, of Glenconnor, Jeannie Burnett, of Wolvehoek, and Ivy Mercy Maguire, of Wolvefontein. Next year they should see their names amongst the prize-winners.

The work of the Juniors is not up to last year's standard. The best paper was done by Susan Harrison, of Waterval Boven, run fairly close by Dorothy Pullinger, of Witkloof, Carolina, and fair papers were sent up by Victor Knipe, of Wolvefontein (not so good as his splendid paper last year), Harry Robert Skinner and William Samuel Skinner, also of Wolvefontein.

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Children's Page.

Dear Children,

This number of *Light for the Line* will be looked out for eagerly by those of you who have written the Bible Examination papers. You will see what the examiner says, and I hope many more will take the new Daily Reading papers and use them every day until the next examination time comes round.

This year two candidates who have left school wrote papers. They cannot have the regular prizes, but special books will be sent to them with a certificate. We are very glad they have studied and again passed the examination and we know they and those others who have for many years steadily gone on with the Bible Reading will never regret the time and thought they have given to it. Although the time has come when they no longer can earn
prizes, it does not mean that they no longer need the help of Daily Bible reading. There never comes a time when we can do without that if we want to grow strong in the best of all ways.

And just now I am sure all of you are joining in the prayers for soldiers and sailors and for all who are suffering through this terrible war. The petitions printed in this magazine can be used by all and special names added of any known to you personally. This is one way in which we can all show our faith in and our love to the God Who is our only hope.

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20—William John Byerley, Mtabanenda.
29—Samuel Cornelius Booyens, Myantue.
May 17—Elizabeth Vale Grey, Elizabethville.

MARRIAGES.

April 8.—At All Souls' Church, Naauwpoort,
John Momberg Willett and Mabel Annie Edwards.

BURLALS.

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May 11.—At Hatherley, Joseph Strike.
R.I.P.

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_A Prayer for Schools in this Time of War._

O God our Father in heaven, strong and full of love to all, we Thy children pray Thee to bless our country in this sad time of war. Watch over all those who have gone away from us to fight in our country's cause, especially the father or the brother of any of us, or of other children like ourselves. Keep them safe, if it be Thy will, in all times of danger, and bring them home again to us in peace. Be with all the wounded and the sick, and ease their pain. Take care of us also, who stay behind in this quiet land. Thou hast something for us to do; help us to do it. Give us grace to be good and unselfish and loving, that we may cheer those about us who are anxious or unhappy. Look down in mercy upon those who are now fighting against us. And soon, if it please Thee, make glad all the whole world with Thy blessing of peace; for Jesus Christ our Saviour's sake. Amen.

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_Prayer in Time of War._

O most mighty God and merciful Father, Whose never-failing Providence ordereth all things both in Heaven and earth, we Thy humble servants commend to Thy Fatherly care all who are at this time engaged in warfare. Let Thy holy angels succour and defend our soldiers and sailors. Watch over and comfort all who are near and dear to us. Have pity on the sick, the wounded, and the dying. Guide and direct the Government of our country. Give success to our arms; and grant in Thy own good time, that peace may be established on a firm and righteous foundation, for Thy glory and the furtherance of Thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

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