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At the commencement of a New Year, when it seems most fitting to make a fresh start in matters both spiritual and temporal, we venture to place before you, the inhabitants of Arncliffe, Kettlewell, and Hubberholme, the "Parish Magazine." This Magazine has now found its way into many parishes, both in towns and country villages, and from the well-deserved support which it has generally received at the hands of those who are interested in the work of their own Church, we venture to hope that it will also prove acceptable to the dwellers in our own dales. It contains many well-written articles on many subjects, including also a story and a sermon. It will also contain a short report of such events and occurrences connected with the Church as may seem interesting to the inhabitants of Upper Wharfedale. We hope, therefore, that you will both support it yourselves and recommend it to your friends, as we have the impression that such a publication will be both profitable and interesting to this neighbourhood. It will be published at an early day in each month of the year. Wishing you all much happiness in the coming year, and success to this, our little venture,

We are, yours truly,
THE EDITORS.

RAIN FALL AT ARNCLIFFE.

The Fall of Rain at Arncliffe during the year 1880 has been 64.05 inches (which is as much as 796 tons of water on each acre). Rain fell on 228 days in the course of the year. During the month of December it has been 7.96 inches. Our height above the sea level is about 750 feet.

THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL AT ARNCLIFFE.

The pretty little Church at Arncliffe was decorated for the Christmas Season with much taste and beauty, and the services in the Church were bright and cheerful as befitting the season. The Choir on Christmas Day chanted the Psalms, and in the evening sang the Anthem by Elvey, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come," with much heartiness and spirit. At night they went round the village singing Christmas Hymns and Carols; and the season was in general celebrated in a happy Christmas fashion.

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KETTLEWELL.

During the year which has now passed away there has been solemnized in this parish nine baptisms, five marriages, and five burials. Twenty-nine offertories were collected, producing in all the sum of £14 2s., which has been distributed as follows:—To the Churchwardens, £8 3s. 6½d.; to the Ripon Diocesan Church Building Society, £1 5s. 11d.; to the sick and needy by the Vicar, £2 4s.; to the Poor at Christmas, £2 8s. 6½d. The average number of Communicants during the year was nearly 11, whilst during the previous year it was only eight. We are thus enabled to show an increase in the number of our Communicants, which we earnestly pray may be continued in the future. We are also happy to report that more than eleven guineas have been collected in connection with our Church for Missionary work amongst the heathen.

TEA PARTY AT KETTLEWELL.

A tea-party was held on the Festival of the Holy Innocents, commonly called Childemas Day, at the National School, for the children of the National and Sunday School, and also for the choir and congregation. The profits will be given towards the purchase of a new harmonium, which is much required for the Parish Church. Any donations for this object will be thankfully received by the Vicar and Churchwardens.

ADVENT SERVICES AT HUBBERHOLME.

We are glad to report that, although ushered in by such misfortunes as stormy weather, the illness of our Choir Master, and the consequent weakening of the choir, the Advent Season has not been entirely without success. The Church, it is true, was sometimes sorely thinned of its ordinary congregation, but resumed its wonted aspect as the weather cleared. The afternoon service at Oughtershaw still keeps up its well-deserved reputation of a good attendance, but the Wednesday evening service at Buckden, which at first gave promise of great success, so lately (probably on account of the bad weather) to have been a failure. We venture to hope that for this service, which is conducted in the midst of the population, a brighter prospect is in store.

CHOIR TREAT AT HUBBERHOLME.

On Christmas Eve the boys, who for some time have formed our choir, were gathered together by their active and energetic leader, Mr. Maltby, for the purpose of ushering in the Christmas

season by singing hymns, &c. Divine service was performed in church at 4 p.m., at the conclusion of which they sang the usual Christmas hymns at Hubberholme and Kirkghyll. Having taken tea at the Grange, where they were also refreshed with the sight of a Christmas Tree, oranges, nuts, &c., they continued to sing in Buckden. On the following afternoon (Christmas Day) they proceeded in their march as far as Deepdale, returning in due time for evening service. The donations received from their willing hearers will be divided amongst the boys.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AT HUBBERHOLME.

Notwithstanding the great difficulty which invariably attends any attempt to decorate so dark and heavy a building as the ancient church of St. Michael's, Hubberholme, a vigorous effort was made to render this House of God more suitable to the festal services of Christmas, and the endeavour was not altogether without success. Turning to the eastern quarter of the church, on the window sill, which is covered with moss, stands a cross of holly, whilst over the altar is suspended the text "Glory to God in the highest" in straw letters. The Baptismal Font supports a cross of holly, and round the base is laid the text "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism," in letters of white wool. The pulpit presents a warm appearance by being surrounded with a text in frosted letters on a scarlet ground, whilst upon the rood screen is suspended a large illuminated text, "On Earth Peace, Goodwill toward men." The services on Christmas Day were well attended; the congregation, which assembled on Christmas morning to celebrate the Saviour's birth, must have greatly rejoiced the hearts of those who had endeavoured to make the church and service attractive, whilst so large a congregation as that on Sunday evening, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. E. G. Wales, well repaid the gentleman for the effort he had made in crossing the hill over and help us.

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BAPTISMS.

"As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ."

DEC. 12th, Mary Ellen, daughter of Joseph and Ellen Wiseman, Kettlewell.

BURIALS.

"With Christ, which is far better."

Dec. 9th, Isabella Boyd, Arncliffe Vicarage, aged 75 years.