

The G.F.S. candidates' class, under Miss Nancy Kirkham and Miss Mary Arnold, met for their new year's work on Tuesday, February 15th. We hope it will be as successful as last year's was.

We are sorry to find our senior and much respected choirman, Mr Robinson, too indisposed to be able to attend with his former regularity. We all wish that he may soon be restored. His son, Mr Arthur Robinson, is getting better from his operation.

We shall be sorry to lose the valued services of Miss Bland from the choir. She purposes returning to her home in Wellington.

The Harvest Festival will be held this year on March 5th—Quinquagesima Sunday.

The Vicar will be absent for about ten days from the parish. He hopes to visit his new parish of Tauranga, and see a part of that Archdeaconry. Archdeacon Ruddock most kindly will take Sunday services on the 20th.

We regret losing from the parish Mr and Mrs Rood, who for years have lived here and are well respected. They carry away with them our best wishes for their new venture in farming in the Waipukurau district.

### Havelock-cum-Clive.

Vicar: Rev. J. A. Lush, B.A.

Curate: Rev. A. F. Hall, M.A.

### S. Luke's, Havelock North.

We are all glad to welcome the members of the Schools again. We are all sorry that S. George's School has left the Schoolroom—it was a joy to see the Church precincts alive with children. However, we know we could not expect the privilege for very long. Our best wishes and our prayers will follow the School at Duart.

Now that our numbers in the Schools have increased so much, the seating in the Church has become a problem. We would plead with all for patience—there is still plenty of room for everyone, and we fully understand that the members of the Schools must sit together. We want an organist and three Sunday School teachers—these are important wants. Will you all help to supply these needs.

Please take special note of the services for Lent. On the Wednesdays in Lent the clergy of the district, including Napier, are exchanging pulpits. By the way, now that S. George's School, under Mrs Crompton Smith, has left the Schoolroom, the apparatus of which we had free use for the Sunday School Kindergarten has gone too. Will those who can offer to supply what is

needed? Already thankofferings, £1 and eight small chairs have been given.

It seems a pity that the members of the choir should be using such dilapidated books. Is there need for it?

### St. Mark's, Clive.

The Clive branches of the Mothers' Union and Girls' Friendly Society hope to have their preliminary meeting on Monday, March 6th, in the afternoon and evening, when Deaconess Esther Brand has kindly promised to come.

The picnic for the children was held on February 5th, at Farndon Park, when, thanks to the clerk of the weather, and the Church committee, everything went off splendidly. Our best thanks are due to both.

The prize-giving was held on Sunday, February 6th.

We welcome Mr R. Edwards as a teacher in the Sunday School. His help was very much needed and will be correspondingly appreciated. A list of the Lenten services will be found elsewhere, and special attention is called to the Sunday night Mission service.

Sunday School.—The prizes were distributed by Mrs Laing on Sunday, February 13th. The Schoolroom was nicely arranged for the occasion. Special notice should be taken of the good work done by Mildred Ridgway (senior), Myra Ridgway, Dorothy Foster (intermediate), and Ada Thomas, in the Diocesan Sunday School Examination.

### BAPTISMS.

Sept. 7th, Walter Harry Garland.  
Oct. 4th, Ronald Sholto Douglas.  
Oct. 18th, Alice Constance Hookins Wilson.  
Oct. 28th, Alan Gordon Mulcaster.  
Nov. 7th, Lionel Henry Bradshaw.  
Nov. 7th, Edna Lorraine Wakelin (of Carterton).  
Dec. 11th, Antoinette Jean Hanmer Wildew.  
Jan. 9th, Rosina Lilian McLeod.  
Feb. 9th, Mary Dulcie Hoies.

### MARRIAGES.

Oct. 12th, Sydney Howard Wilding to Bessie Alice Brooke-Taylor.  
Dec. 7th, Donald Benjamin Hunt to Frances Ethel Collins.  
Jan. 5th, James Frederick McKeesick to Christina Anne Lowrie.  
Feb. 10th, at S. Mark's Church, Clive, Thomas Smith Rodford to Annie Leah McKenzie.

### BURIALS.

Sept. 5th, William Walker Footer, aged 62 years.  
Dec. 15th, Mary Susan Rigger, aged 36 years.

Jan. 5th, Henry Edward Mason Riseborough, aged 9 years.

Jan. 5th, Harry Peter Ridgway, aged 47 years.

Jan. 16th, Robert Warren, aged 46 years.

Feb. 17th, Harry L. Miller, aged 3½ years.

### Te Puke.

Vicar: Rev. J. Hobbs.

During the year ending last June only two funerals were recorded; since then we have already had nine of our friends laid in the grave. The last, and one specially touching, was that of a boy of fifteen, Philip Bishoprick, the son of our lay reader who was at his work in the Post Office on Tuesday, carried away with infantile paralysis on Friday, and laid in the grave on Sunday afternoon. The sudden shock warned parents forcibly that the epidemic might at any moment take their own healthy boys. The fact that the bereaved had only the last week bidden "farewell" to two other sons leaving for Trentham, swelled the public sympathy, but especially the sorrow of those who for so many years have had the care of our children in School, who have unselfishly identified themselves wholeheartedly with every interest of our township, who so often ungrudgingly shared another's burden, has brought out many thankful memories, and been in some way rewarded by the genuine and widespread desire to bear with them in the small way possible their heavy Cross.

The following is an extract from a letter received by the Rev. J. Hobbs from Mr Percy Steed who was supplied by friends with funds to study at S. Augustine's Theological College—"After serious thought I have decided to enlist, and so obtained permission to enter early for the first part of the Durham L. Th. instead of in March. I had only eight days' notice but I passed, though I did not make a brilliant pass. I have the First Aid and Home Nursing Certificates, the Medallion of S. John's Ambulance Brigade, and took the Medicine Prize with top marks, thus equipped I have joined the R.A.M.C. and hope to be of use in the Military Hospitals. I should like my friends who have helped me so much to know that I have handed the balance of the money provided (£50) to the sub-warden to invest till my return, or in the event of my being killed or unable to return to college to be used in such way as they desire, though I should like it to remain till one of my little nephews is old enough to be trained for the work in New Zealand, which I looked forward to. In