

Reighton and Speeton Parish Magazines

Introduction

Reighton and Speeton are two small villages at the southern end of Filey Bay. Their parish magazines appear as parts of larger publications issued by the Parish Magazine Union which comprised the magazines of many of the parishes of the eastern part of the East Riding of Yorkshire. Having begun with just the parishes of Sewerby, Marton, Grindall and Argham in 1878 the Union grew steadily over the years and was still going strong on the eve of the First World War. The East Yorkshire Archives at Beverley holds many volumes of these magazines, and they make fascinating reading for anyone interested in the minutiae of the day to day lives of ordinary people. A surprising amount of information can be found in them about the individual people living in the villages. The entries for the larger villages are too lengthy for transcription but are easily accessible to anyone who cares to make the journey to Beverley. The volumes come in two sections: the first parts comprise material of a general nature with a religious slant, such as stories with morals, descriptions of churches, hints on housekeeping, and quizzes with Biblical themes such as would have formed part of the magazine for every parish. The second parts comprise the magazines of the individual parishes.

Reighton joined the magazine union in 1898. The vicar at the time was William Rowley (Vicar of Reighton 1883 to 1901, formerly curate under Rev Nathaniel Constantine Strickland) but he was, for some reason, unable to attend to his duties. These were carried out by Rev J M Wynne, curate in charge, who later became the vicar. Speeton was at this time a chapelry of Bempton and its news was included in the magazines for that parish. In most cases this was limited to times of services but when other news was reported I have included it here. The business of the villages at this time was overwhelmingly agriculture, the few people not working directly on the land being such as the vicar, schoolmaster, joiner, blacksmith and a couple of shopkeepers. A further account of life in Speeton in the later years covered here can be found in William Sellers' Diary which can easily be found online.

What I find interesting about the parish magazines, apart from the insight they give into the life of the village, is how much has changed and how much has stayed the same. Congregations are obviously much smaller nowadays and the church is no longer so central to the social life of the village. However, there is still the continuing need to raise funds for the preservation of the fabric of the church and for other worthy causes. The same people still seem to do all the work, and Reighton was, even then, a holiday destination, as the many references to residents having visitors or guests makes clear. In those days, before the opening of Reighton Gap camp in the 1920s, the holidaymakers would have lodged in the village or at the Dotterel Inn. Now Reighton forms part of the 'Headland Benefice' comprising Reighton, Speeton, Buckton, Bempton and Flamborough. Though Reighton now offers few employment opportunities, there is still a sense of community there with an annual 'Reighton in Bloom' competition,

village walks and evenings gardening in the churchyard among other activities which take place. Anyone who wishes to read the current parish magazine will find it on the 'Headland Benefice' website.

All the entries here are for Reighton unless specified as being for Speeton. At the present time I have only had access to those volumes of parish magazines held by the East Yorkshire Archives in Beverley and those held by the Local History Section of Bridlington Library, which is why the magazines for 1910 do not appear in these transcriptions as neither collection has a copy. Text in quotation marks is directly transcribed, that without quotation marks is abstracted or paraphrased. Photographs come either from my collection of postcards or were taken by me. The transcriptions are mostly verbatim as regards both spelling and punctuation. I have, however, corrected obvious errors and have, in the most part, used a standard format for sums of money. In a few places I have omitted material of a purely religious nature. (NB: £1 = 20s, 1s = 12d, 1d = 2 halfpennies or 4 farthings, 1gn = £1 1s [£1.05]. 1s = 5p, 1d = about 2.5p. £1 in 1900 = about £60 in 2014.)

My thanks are due to the staff of the East Yorkshire Archives in Beverley, and, in particular, to Sarah Hutchinson of Bridlington Library for her kindness in granting me the great favour of allowing me to borrow an original volume to take away and transcribe at my leisure. The codes at the beginnings of entries refer to their catalogue numbers at either Beverley or Bridlington.



Reighton church with its old tower and porch

1893

PM/105/6

Like all the rest of the volumes published by the Parish Magazine Union this book contains the magazines for a number of parishes including Reighton. However, as Reighton only formally joined the Union in 1898 there is only one entry specifically for the village, that being in the February edition.



Reighton church 1886

February

'This parish has just sustained a very great loss, at an early age, of Mrs Rowley, the highly respected wife of the Vicar. After many weeks of suffering, during which she had most bravely borne up, the end which had been cheerfully looked forward to by the sufferer, came on the evening of Christmas Day. At the funeral, which took place on the Wednesday afternoon following, there were many mourners present, both from the village and from other places around. The clergy taking part in the service were Rev R Fisher (Rural Dean), Rev A N Cooper and the Rev E Mitford. There were also present the Rev N McGrath and the Rev J Fisher Brown.

'The following were unavoidably absent: the Rev C S Booty, Rev J Clarke, Rev W Felton, Rev C Ivens. Preaching to the congregation the following Sunday, the Rev A N Cooper, in the course of a most impressive sermon,

made several very touching allusions to the deceased. Much sympathy is felt for the Vicar and his young daughter in their bereavement.

'The deceased lady, who was married to Rev W Rowley in 1879, was the daughter of the late Rev N C Strickland and grand daughter of the late Sir W Strickland, Bart, of Boynton.

'Greatly attached as the deceased had always been to the parish in which she was born and brought up, yet even more attached to it did she seem to become to it during the latter part of her short life. The same may also be said of her *increasingly* kind and anxious desire for the happiness of all around her, and few there are, now that she is gone, who will not often, and for years to come, recall the many excellencies which went to make her bright and beautiful character.

J. H. A. L.'

Baptism

December 15th Louisa, d/o Walton and Fanny Crawford

Burials

December 3rd William Hoggarth, Hunmanby Moor, 75

December 18th William Claxton of Reighton, 77

December 20th Louisa Crawford, 3 days

DECEMBER 28TH

MARY, THE BELOVED WIFE OF
THE REV W ROWLEY

"Her price is above rubies"



The grave of May Strickland Rowley

1894

PM/105/7

(These are the only two entries for Reighton in this volume of the parish magazines. There are no further entries for the village until 1898.)

April

Reighton Services 10:45 and 6:45

Easter 1893 to Easter 1894

Baptisms

1893

April 16th Francis s/o Robert and Hannah Robinson

June 26th James Pashby s/o John George and Lavinia Edmonds

October 8th Harry s/o George and Jane Pudsey

October 8th Rose Anne d/o William and Annie Ellen Woodhead

1894

January 14th John Thomas s/o John William and Hannah Brigham

January 14th John William s/o George and Annie Leonora Hoggarth

March 4th Reuben s/o Samuel and Amy Esther Bilton

March 18th Hilda d/o George William and Mary Ann Stubbs

Marriage

October 14th 1893 John Stavely Moody and Margaret Ann Vickarman

Burials

1893

August 9th James Marshall, 73

September 3rd William Piercy, 86

September 13th Eliza Hoggard, 90

November 20th Two sailors found on the beach, one aged about 30, the other about 20

1894

17th February Charlotte Clements, 38

22 February Alice Marshall, 8

28th February Sarah Sellers, 42

IN MEMORIAM

CHARLOTTE CLEMENTS

'With very deep regret we have to record the sudden death on 15th February, of Mrs Clements, at the age of 38, the wife of our coastguard. During the time Mrs Clements was amongst us she won universal respect and this has she also done during the 8½ years at Bridlington Quay, prior to her coming here eighteen months ago. At Shields, her native place, her

death was very deeply deplored by a large circle of friends. Up to the time of her death she fulfilled at church the duties of Organist, her place now being taken by her daughter, Laura. Of Mrs Clements it is said by those most intimate with her, that she had a sweetly gentle nature, and was kindness itself.'

'Sleep on, beloved, sleep, and take thy rest,
Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast.
We love thee well, but Jesus loves thee best.
Goodnight! Goodnight! Goodnight!'

J. A. H. L.



The grave of Charlotte Clements

One of the oldest and most respected residents of the parish, James Marshall, died six months ago at the age of 73. He was a native of Nafferton. Prior to his coming to Reighton, he was foreman to Mr Thomas Cranswick, then of Burton Agnes. Upon that gentleman's moving to Reighton, 53 years since, Mr Marshall came with him and remained with him upwards of 20 years. After leaving Mr Cranswick's service, he commenced the business of carrier between Bridlington and Scarborough, which he continued to follow up to the time of his *late*, and as we believe,

his *only* illness 18 months ago. For the last few years he added to his other business of carrier and shop keeper that of tenant farmer, taking in hand the Vicarage Farm, to which since his death one of his family has succeeded him in occupation. Through the whole of his long life he was a hard worker, thrifty, and honest as the day was light. For close upon 40 years Mr Marshall was a staunch and consistent Methodist of the old stamp, and for a number of years class leader, but whether as a member, or office bearer, or both, he was an honour to the body to which he belonged. By nature he was strongly conservative, and in nothing was this more decidedly shown than in his religious life, *all the way through*, his maxim being that laid down by the Holy Apostle “whereunto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.” During the last year of his life he was reduced to a state of great weakness from heart disease following upon influenza. He died as he had lived, a good soldier of Jesus Christ.



The grave of James Marshall and his wife, Mary

Alice Marshall, grand daughter of the above, died on the 20th of last month. She was 8 years of age. So good and gentle was she that everyone who knew her loved her very much, and because she was often sick, and not able to run about and enjoy herself like the other children that were stronger, we loved her, as it seemed to us, all the more. Poor, dear, little

Alice. She has been called to an early grave, or rather, let us say, an early rest. And may we not add:-

“How blest are they below, to whom is giv’n,
The dearest pledge which they from heaven received;
Fresh in baptismal drops to yield to heaven,
Ere soiled by thoughts of crime, or sin deceived,
Or knowing evil.
Thus to be forgiven
And die, this is the best we know on earth.”

J. H. A. L.



The grave of Alice Marshall and her parents, William and Elizabeth

The Penny Collection and Lantern Entertainment
And Restoration Fund

Our success during the first month’s working of this effort gives ground for thankfulness and hope. We are especially grateful to the clergy in the various parishes for the very kind help they afforded us. Many of whom have not only given the use of their Parish Rooms, but have also given their personal help. The following is the result of the collection up to the 8th of March

Reighton and Speeton	£1 10s 2d
Grindale	17s 4d
Hunmanby	£2
Filey	18s 4d
Ayton	14s 11d
Hutton Bussell	£1 17s 1d
Brompton	18s 10d
Snainton	£1 2s 8d
Ebberston	9s 4½d
Allerston	£1 8s 5d
Thornton Dale	£1 14s 1½d
Welton	11s 5d
Pickering	£1 3s 7d
Middleton	18s 6d
Sinnington	£1
Appleton le Moor	11s 11½d
Lastingham	18s 9d
Hutton le Hole	14s 1d
Rosedale	£1 14s 5d
Gillamoor	£1 1s 3d
Farndale	£1 5s 6d
Castleton	£1 5s 3½d
Glaisedale	17s 10d
Kirkby Moorside via Rev G. W. K.	£1 5s

Donations

The Rev A J Durand	£5
J Dickson Esq	£2

May

Erratum – In the April number of the magazine ‘John Stavely Moody’ should read ‘John Moody Stavely’.

IN MEMORIAM

Jane the beloved daughter of Mr Thomas M Mayman of West Ayton, and grand daughter of Mr and Mrs R Mayman¹ of Reighton, died at her home with her grandparents on the 7th inst, in the 24th year of her age. She had a long and trying illness, lying for a year and a half in a state of extreme, almost helpless, weakness – her aged grandparents nursing her all the while, with the most loving care. Her medical attendant, Dr Heard of Hunmanby, pronounced her case hopeless from the first, and upon being told of this, a short time afterwards, she, of all others, appeared to be the least concerned. In the earlier part of her illness she suffered very much pain, bearing it, however, with much patience and firmness of mind. As a child she was remarkably quick and intelligent. When only six years old she had no small knowledge of Ancient History – Bible History especially. Not a King was there, either of Judah or Israel, whose personal character,

¹ Richard Mayman, shoemaker and churchwarden.

and career, she was not fully acquainted, together with the several leading events of their reign. Nor was this memory work merely, for, young as she was, she had learned to trace the course of events from the first to the final cause or causes. As she grew older she read not less, but more: but her reading was wider, and much more varied than before. For some years we had seen her only occasionally. Her sickness it was which brought us again more nearly together, and the promise of her childhood, of great and good things in the future, we now saw fulfilled, but in another and higher sense. The Vicar, being close at hand, saw her daily. On Monday the 2nd inst, shortly after midnight, she was taken with strong convulsions, and lay for some hours, and in a dying state, to all appearances, but she rallied, as she had often done before. During the week she had other attacks of a similar kind, but very much slighter. From this time she sank rapidly, her intellect remaining, still, clear as ever, and her looks, although she was worn to a shadow, still retaining their natural brightness. On the Saturday she lay low all day, only showing the feeblest signs of animation, and the end, as it was thought by everyone who came, and so it was, for just as daylight faded from the sky, her gentle spirit entered into rest.'



Reighton Church from N.W. 1897



Reighton Church 1897

1898

PM/105/9

January

To all who take the Church Monthly magazine in this village, I have no doubt it will be a pleasure to hear that I consider church life is making fair progress. The Sunday School is firmly established and the young people attend well and seem to appreciate the catechizing at the afternoon service. Our Choir, composed entirely of the junior members of the congregation, is very satisfactory, and the attendances at practices regular and all I could wish for.

Since the first week in August we have succeeded in making a few improvements in the church. First we began with the harmonium, which had to be thoroughly repaired and tuned. It was so sadly in need of repair that it took upwards of a month getting it in perfect order, and during that time thanks are due to Mr Hall² for the loan of an excellent instrument. As winter approached the want of a new stove was a serious trouble. Through the kindness of friends the following generous subscriptions enabled us to procure a very good one from Messrs King & Co of Hull, at the cost of £8. The donations towards the fund were as follows: Lady Boynton £2, Lady Amhurst £2, A Bosville Esq £1, Mrs Nicholls Harrison £1, Rev R Fisher 10s, Venerable Archdeacon Palmes 7s 6d, Mr and Mrs

² Henry Hall, joiner, school governor and churchwarden.

Sparrow 5s. Total £7 2s 6d. A new lamp costing 25s has also been bought from the same fund, and at the present time our debt to Messrs King & Co for lamp and stove is only £3 10s which I hope we may pay off before Easter.



The New Year will be with us by the time the Magazines are out, so I take this opportunity of saying that I trust we may all do so good lasting work for the Church of Reighton before it closes.

Baptisms

September 10 th	George Pudsey and Harry Pudsey, twin sons of Henry and Emma Pudsey
September 15 th	John William Woodall s/o Harry and Elizabeth Margaret Temple
October 10 th	Ernest s/o Fewster and Elizabeth Sellers
December 25 th	Ernest s/o George William and Mary Jane Stubbs

Burials

September 16 th	Harry Pudsey and George Pudsey, 5 days
December 12 th	George Crowe, 73
December 27 th	Ernest Stubbs, 3 weeks

February

Offertories

December 25 th :	9s 5d
December 26 th :	3s 3d
January 2 nd :	3s 6½d

Confirmation

A confirmation will be held at Christ Church Bridlington Quay on Tuesday March 27th at 2:30 pm. Any wishful to be confirmed on this occasion are kindly invited to send their names to me at once. I want you to ask yourself the question 'Why ought I to be confirmed?'. For three reasons! i Because the Church to which I belong commands it, ii Because God's word in the Bible teaches it, iii Because of the great spiritual benefits which come with it.

On Ash Wednesday February 23rd there will be Matins, Litany and the Communion service, with a short address at 10:30 am. During Lent there will be Evensong with Sermon every Friday evening at 7 pm.

The following sums have been received since our last issue towards the debt on the stove: Mrs Crowe³ 10s, Rev A N Cooper 5s, Mr and Mrs Hall 5s, Mr and Mrs Piercy⁴ 2s, Mrs Pudsey 1s, which still leaves a balance of £1 7s to Messrs King. My thanks are due to an anonymous donor who kindly sent me the sum of £1 'with good wishes for better times to come'.

It was intended that a Concert should be given at the Board School room during the first week of the New Year. However, owing to family bereavements on the part of many who had kindly volunteered to assist, it was deemed advisable to postpone it. The children of the Sunday School had been diligently practising a little play and some action songs for some weeks past, so to prevent their disappointment, and that their labours should not be lost, a small entertainment was given at the Vicarage for which the following is the programme.

'The Golden Boat'	Children
Song 'The Pilot'	Mr Williams ⁵
Duette 'Country Courtship'	Miss Pinkney and Mr Burt
Song 'My Love is Gone A-Sailing'	Mrs Sparrow ⁶
Song 'The Bailiff's Daughter'	Mrs Jones
Song 'Marching Home'	Mr Williams

Play 'The Squire's Daughter'

The characters were: Mrs Baxter – Miss Alice Hall, Bessy, her daughter – Nelly Crawford, The Squire's Daughter – Alice Hall, Laura Greenfield – Maud Piercy.

Song 'The Mistletoe Bough'	Miss Pinkney
Song 'The White Squall'	Mr Hall
Song 'Darby and Joan'	Mrs Sparrow

³ The Crowe family had Reighton Manor Farm, at the bottom of the hill by the bus stop, not to be confused with Reighton Hall which is among trees at the top of the hill, or Reighton House which is on the left at the corner at the top of the hill heading towards the Dotterel.

⁴ The Piercys ran the Dotterel Inn.

⁵ William Williams, master of the school which served both Reighton and Speeton.

⁶ Mary Alice Sparrow, wife of Thomas Sparrow, retired goldsmith. The Sparrows lived next door to the Crowes.

Song and Chorus
Duette 'I would that my Love'
Reading 'The Geese'
Dollies Dance
'God Save the Queen'

Miss Pinkney and Children
Mrs Sparrow and Mrs Jones
Mrs Jones
The Children

The sum of 15s 2d was taken at the door and 1s 6d was handed in afterwards by some friends who were unable to be present. This brings our Choir Fund (which shall be spent on presents of Hymn Books to each member of the Choir) to 16s 8d. We hope to have a similar entertainment for the same good cause before Lent commences.

It is a cause of great thankfulness to me that I have been able to make a considerable improvement to the Chancel.



An early photo of the interior of Reighton church. The chancel may be seen through the archway.

I think I may take it for granted that the changes are appreciate when I state that we are indebted to our churchwarden, Mr Hall, for the Cross and the Super Altar which he has presented to the church.

March

St Peter's Reighton, Services

Sundays: Holy Communion 8 am, First Sunday in the month after Matins at 12 noon. Matins 10:30. Afternoon Children's Service with catechizing at 2:30 pm. Evensong 6:30.

Wednesday, Friday and other Holy Days: Matins and Litany 10:30 am.
Fridays in Lent: Evensong 6:30.

Confirmation Classes: Vicarage Schoolroom: Boys: Tuesday 7 pm, Girls Wednesday 7 pm.

In an old terrier belonging to the Parish Church which is dated 1777, it is set forth that the chancel be kept in repair, three fourths by the Patron and one fourth by the Vicar. In accordance with this old rule I have asked for and received from H Strickland Constable Esq⁷, the sum of £3, and from W Drawbridge, the Official Receiver, 16s. A new East Window, replacing the one blown away in the December storm, has been placed in the chancel, and I hope to have the other windows restored in a similar manner, the roof made watertight, and the brick flooring cemented underneath.

The cost of repairing the American Organ by Messrs Friend & Co came to £4 10s. From one who takes a deep interest in church work I received the generous contribution of £2 which will help to pay off this debt.

I would beg all who read this magazine to try and make a resolution at the beginning of Lent to attend at least some of the Church's services. If you resolved to *make* time, and to come as a *duty* during lent, you might feel in the words of the beautiful Hymn.

“That when our Easter morn we hail,
Its Mystic Feast we may not fail
To keep with conscience clear.”

Baptism

January 30th Thomas Stanley Ambrose s/o Edith Mary and William Williams

Burial

January 21st Louisa Cranswick w/o Harry Cranswick, 36

April

By the time this magazine is in your hands the confirmation will have been held at Christ Church, Bridlington Quay. I must take this opportunity of saying that I have been most gratified by the diligence and reverent bearing of those who attended my classes. I have herewith appended their names.

Male candidates: John Botterill Smithson, Thomas Arthur Marshall, John William Clubley, Harry Temple Appleby, Harry Horsman Piercy.

Female candidates: Alice Hall, Mary Booth Hall, Maud Piercy, Ellen Crawford, Annie Eliza Chapman, Mary Jane Pudsey, Fanny Pudsey, Mary Pinkney.

⁷ Of Wassand Hall near Hull, holder of the advowson (right to appoint the vicar) and nearest relative to the Stricklands who were once the dominant family in the area.

And I pray that this solemn and beautiful Service of Apostolic origin may indeed 'confirm and strengthen the young souls to be Christ's faithful soldiers and servants until their life's end'.

An enjoyable little concert was given in the Vicarage schoolroom on February 21st then the sum of 17s was taken on the door. I regret that I have not yet enough for the purchase of new Hymn Books for the Choir but I have bought fourteen numbers of the Cathedral Psalter, and I hope to be able to add the Hymn Books after a concert we propose to give in the Board School after Easter. Several items given at the previous concert will be repeated and some friends from a distance have promised to attend.

Offertories

Second Sunday in Lent: 4s 7d

Third Sunday in Lent: 3s 5d

Services

Thursday in Holy Week – Maundy Thursday: Holy Communion 8 am.

Good Friday: Matins with Sermon and Ante Communion Service 10:30 am, Litany 2:30, Evensong with Sermon 7 pm

Easter Day: Holy Communion 8, Matins and Holy Communion 10:30, Evensong 6:30

The following contributions to the Stove Fund have been received: Mr Anderson 2s 6d, Miss Pinkney 2s 6d, Mrs Whiting 1s.

Baptisms

March 2nd James Victor s/o Tom and Bell Witty of Speeton

March 2nd George s/o William Mason and Elizabeth Simpkin

March 11th Mildred Alice d/o William and Harriet Wilson

Burial

February 20th John Thomas Anderson 15 months

May

Our Services on Easter Day and Low Sunday⁸ were well attended, and with deep thankfulness I may record that there was a very good number of communicants at the first as well as the second celebration of the Blessed Sacrament on Easter Day. Great praise must be given to our little Choir for the careful rendering of the Psalms, Hymns and Anthem 'He is Risen!'. The solo was taken by Mrs Sparrow.

At the Easter Vestry the Churchwardens, Mr Hall and Mr Crowe, were re-elected and the accounts audited. I regret to say that there is still an old debt, dating from 1893, of £9 owing to the churchwardens.

From £2 2s which I received from the Rural Dean, I have placed two brass candlesticks on the Altar and bought some Hassocks. We hope to have some brass Altar Vases by Whitsuntide.

⁸ The Sunday after Easter Sunday.

On the evening of April 19th a nice Concert in aid of our Choir Fund was held in the Speeton Board School, and the sum of £2 11s 9d was taken on the door. It would be invidious to remark on items, but I think I may say that the whole seemed to give universal satisfaction. Without the kind assistance which everyone gave cheerfully and willingly, the undertaking would have been impossible; and I must here thank most heartily those who helped and lent eleven seats and lamps and gave much time and labour to forward a good cause.

Offertories

Easter Day 17s, devoted to church expenses.

At the end of July we hope to have a Bazaar for the rebuilding of the Church Porch and Tower. Any gifts for the same may be sent to Mrs Matthew Jones, the Vicarage, or Mrs Crowe, the Manor House, Reighton, and will be gratefully acknowledged.

Baptisms

March 13th Violet d/o Charles and Lucy Simpkin

March 20th Thomas William s/o Thomas and Edith Mary Walton

Burials

March 20th Jane Elizabeth Ellbeck, of Speeton, 14

April 15th Mary Hogg, 67

April 16th John Speck, of Speeton, 79

June

I am writing these notes on the Eve of the great Church Festivals, Ascension Day and Holy Thursday, which, I fear, does not yet hold the prominent place it should in some of our villages, but I trust that some may be able to attend the services and that many who come to Holy Communion on Easter Day will avail themselves of the blessed privilege during Ascensiontide and Whit Sunday.

A Committee meeting was held at the Vicarage on the evening of May 11th when the date of July 13th was fixed on for holding a Bazaar to raise funds for the restoration of your Church Tower and Porch. Contributions towards the same may be sent to the Venerable Archdeacon Palmes at the Bridlington Quay branch of the York City & County Bank as he has kindly consented to act as Treasurer of the Restoration Fund. The Bazaar will be opened by Lady Boynton and stalls will be held by Mrs Wall, Mrs Matthew Jones, Mrs Crowe and the Misses Cranswick. A Rummage or Jumble Sale will be opened at 4 o'clock. Any gifts for it or for the Refreshment Stall will be gratefully accepted from far and near. A Café Chantant, to which admittance will be 4d, will be opened after tea. Several ladies have promised to provide an excellent entertainment for that small sum. During the afternoon a Band will be in attendance.

The following contributions have now reduced the debt on the stove to 8s: Mrs Chapman 3s, Mr Witty 1s, and 6s we have in hand.

Offertories

May 1st (Third Sunday after Easter) 17s.

On June 29th, St Peter's Day, being the anniversary of the dedication of our Church, Patronal and Dedication Services will be held as follows: Holy Communion: 8 am, Matins 10 am, Evensong and Sermon by a Special Preacher: 7 pm. I will remind you that there is Evensong in your Church every Friday at 7 pm before Choir Practice.

July

We have now reached the commencement of the second half of this year 1898 – let us look back over the first half and think with gratitude how much we have to thank God for.

All the work connected with the Bazaar for the Church Restoration Fund will be over before you get another magazine. I am glad to say that so great has been the kindness of friends far and near our efforts have met with nothing but success. All to whom we have appealed have come forward willingly to help in a work which will be for God's Honour and Glory.

On Whit Sunday prizes were presented to: 1st Alice Hall, 2nd Alice Piercy, 3rd Mary Booth Hall, 4th Lily Anderson, for giving the best answers during the catechizing in Church during the children's service. I shall offer similar prizes on Advent Sunday when, I hope, some of those who have not been hitherto successful may merit reward.

Offertories

Whit Sunday 9s

We have received from a friend a beautiful gift of Alms Bags for the Church and also a gift of 12s towards the Brass Altar Vases, which added to the 6s 6d in hand will enable us to procure the Vases for our Dedication Service on the 29th, St Peter's Day.

For the Restoration Fund I have received

From Mrs Nicholls Harrison £1

From A Friend (collected) £1.

August

On Wednesday July 13th 1898 a Bazaar for the restoration of the tower and porch of this ancient and really interesting little church was held. The quaint old building, which none can pass without their curiosity being roused, is well situated on the brow of a steep hill which runs through the village, making a high road to the towns of Scarborough, Filey and Hunmanby. On the morning of the 13th the wind was high enough to cause regret, but we were all thankful to see at dawn the promise of a fair day, and with the exception of a strong breeze, which never abated, we were favoured by sunshine and bright weather.

Punctually at two o'clock Lady Boynton, who had kindly driven over from Burton Agnes to open the Bazaar, proceeded to the huge tent erected in the paddock adjoining the churchyard. Her Ladyship was accompanied by Rev A N Cooper, Vicar of Filey, Rev Matthew Jones, Curate of Reighton, Rev C Booty, Vicar of Rudstone, and a large company who had assembled in time for the opening and to hear the speeches, which were full of interest. Mr Cooper, who introduced Lady Boynton, spoke of what had been done in the past for the restoration of the church and also of the various members of the Strickland family who have at different periods lived at Reighton and have been celebrated not only as one of the oldest families in Yorkshire, but also for attainments in the world of literature and science. Lady Boynton spoke with remarkable fluency and ease, and made a point in expressing her pride in the possessions which Yorkshire may claim as peculiarly its own. Its broad acres, its horses, its hospitality and its beautiful old churches, of which she instanced several. She declared herself much pleased with the interior of Reighton church at the present time and had much pleasure in handing over a cheque for the restoration fund from her cousin, Lord Grimthorpe⁹. She then declared the Bazaar open. A beautiful bouquet was presented to her Ladyship by six little girls belonging to the Sunday School. After this Lady Boynton made a round of the various stalls and the buying and selling began in good earnest.

The interior of the tent was very pretty, all the stallholders having spent much time and displayed good taste in decorating each stall with different coloured art muslins. Mrs Dale's china proved a great attraction and Mrs Cooper's flowers on the other side looked very pretty. Outside the Miss Cranswicks' refreshment stall did excellent work and our thanks must be given to many friends at home and from a distance for the generous way in which it was supplied. Mr Smith's black faced sheep was so well liked that it realised the sum of £2 12s and finally fell to the lot of our Coastguard, Mr Hall, a fact which seemed to please the would-be possessors as much as if the lucky number had been their own.

A word must be said for that popular lady 'Madam Jumble' ie the Jumble Stall which held its own right merrily all the day and was presided over with the greatest diligence by Miss Burrill and the Misses Rounding of Fraisthorpe, assisted by Mrs Lawrence of Barmston. Their labours were well rewarded by the substantial sum of £12 12s 6d. The whole Bazaar realized £83 10s.

Donations towards the Restoration Fund are as follows: Mrs Nicholls Harrison £1, A Friend £1, Lord Grimthorpe £5 5s, Rev E Mitford £1 1s, Mrs Lloyd Graeme £1, Mrs Hall (collected) £1 2s 6d, Mrs Piercy (collected) £1 11s, A J Coulson Esq £1, A Friend per Lady Boynton £2 2s, Total £15 1s 6d.

The Café Chantant, which we may say was a brilliant success, had been arranged by Mr and Mrs Crowe and Mr and Mrs Sparrow. A barn had

⁹ Edmund Beckett 1816 – 1905. Lawyer, astronomer, horologist. Designed the clock mechanism for Big Ben. Had a keen interest in (perhaps over zealous) church restoration.

been transformed into a perfect Fairyland, lit by Chinese lanterns and artistically draped and ornamented past all chance of recognition by its usual occupants. There were no less than four separate entertainments, at which friends from a distance viz Miss Mitchell, Clitheroe, Miss Pritchard, Manchester, Mr Lucas, Driffield, Mr Hall, Hull and Mr Woodcock, Hunmanby, supplied the whole evening's entertainment.

I cannot close without saying that we are much indebted to those who worked hard for the good cause from first to last: Mr and Mrs Crowe and daughters, Mr and Mrs Sparrow, Mrs Moultrie Kelsall, Miss Mackonochie, Miss Radford, Miss Vicars, Mrs Wall, Miss Schofield, Miss Fisher, Mrs Cooper, Miss Suter and Miss Ackland, Mr Smith, Mr Hall, The Coastguard, Mrs Waites, Mrs Whiting, Mrs Piercy, Mrs Chapman, Miss A Shelley, Miss M Pinkney, Miss S Lathom and, above all, Our Postman.

On St Peter's Day we had our Dedication Festival: Holy Communion at 8am, Matins 10am and at 7pm a large congregation. A most impressive sermon was preached by the Rev Coleman Ivens, Vicar of Boynton and Carnaby. He spoke with great simplicity and earnestness and the attention he commanded even from the little ones, was remarkable. An effective little Anthem 'O How Amiable are Thy Dwellings' was sung very sweetly by the choir of children, Mrs Sparrow taking the treble solo with much feeling and expression.

The offertories on St Peter's Day amounted to 10s, which was paid towards the debt on the harmonium. On the third Sunday after Trinity the offertory was 7s 1d and the contents of the box for the Restoration Fund was £1 3d.

One further word with regard to the Bazaar – our outgoing debts were reduced to a minimum by the free gift of valuable time and material from Mr Woodhead of Bradford and Mr Hale of Reighton.

Baptism

July 10th

Edith Ann d/o Tom and Jane Hyde

September

CHOIR TREAT. During the winter months many happy hours were spent practising for the pleasant entertainments, held on two occasions at the Vicarage and repeated with several important additions later on at the School Room. The result of these winter labours has been a most enjoyable summer Choir treat. On the morning of July 25th all the members of the choir were taken to Bridlington Quay, where a long day was spent. The amusements which swarm on the sands proved very attractive and were largely patronised by the young people. An excellent tea was provided at the Pavilion, after which the whole party was taken to the People's Palace. It was not until 9:30 that the wagon (kindly lent by Mr Crowe) was yoked for the return journey. This homeward ride, not the least enjoyable part of the day's proceedings, was made merry by the children's voices singing all the way.

A balance sheet setting forth all expenditure relating to the Bazaar will be published in the October number of this magazine. We may add that the sum of £5 6s has been added to the Restoration Fund by the sale of a large number of photo frames left over on Mrs Crowe's stall, also that instead of 'Mrs Dale' as holding the china stall at the Bazaar and 'Mr Hale' contributing time and material, read 'Mrs Wall' for the former and Mr H Hall for the latter. We hope to announce the date of our Harvest Festival in the next number as well as the name of the clergyman who will preach on that occasion. All further parish entries must stand over until October owing to the absence of the Rev Matthew Jones, who is at present away on holiday.

October

I am pleased to announce that the Rev Gwynn Rees, Vicar of Wales near Sheffield, has kindly promised to come to Reighton for our Harvest Festival which we have fixed for St Luke's Day, October 18th. The sermon on the evening of that day will be preached by the Rev Gwynn Rees. During several past years our hearts have failed us when the time has come round for Harvest Thanksgiving. The seasons have not gone by without some murmuring: many have gone so far as to suggest a prayer for greater prosperity in place of thanks offering for favour and mercies vouchsafed. But last year and, again, this autumn of 1898 there can be but one feeling – that of deep thankfulness. The universal form of greeting between friends is 'What a fine harvest', 'What beautiful weather'. Truly no one can say a word against the glory of this abundant reaping. This being so, my friends, let us all try and make our gratitude fervent, our almsgiving a reality, and something that can be *missed* from the store with which God in his Mercy blessed each one of us.

We have since received for the Restoration Fund: Collected £1, Mrs Piercy, collected 7s 6d. The expenses connected with the Bazaar were as follows:

Art muslin	£3 12s 6d
Towels for Washing Competition	6s
Paper and string	4s 4d
Carriage of Muslin	2s 6d
Ginger Beer etc	17s 3d
Tents	£2 9s
Tuning piano	5s
Sandwich men	9s
Beaconsfield Singers	£3 10s
Bread etc	£1 2s 6d
Police	4s
Carriage of tents	11s 11d
Total	£13 14s

The whole sum realised on the day of the Bazaar amounted to £104 9s 7d. Deduct for expenses £13 4s and we are left with a balance of £90 15s 7d. This has been placed to the credit of the Rev C S Booty (Treasurer) in the York City and Country Bank.

Offertories

September 4 Trinity XIII 16s 7d

Church Restoration Box £2 10s

Services on St Luke's Day, Harvest Thanksgiving Festival

Holy Communion 8am, Matins 10am, Evensong 7pm

Offertories will be given to paying off the debt which is of long standing to the Churchwardens.

Baptism

August 7th Charles William s/o Harry and Sarah Skelton

Burials

August 8th Charles William Skelton, aged 4 hours

August 9th Matthew Crawford 68

November

Our Harvest Festival on St Luke's Day was the first occasion on which the weather has proved unfavourable since I came to Reighton in August 1897. Last year our Thanksgiving Services for the blessings of the Harvest fell on a fair bright day though in the month of October.

Christmas Day, as all may remember, was most perfect, brilliant sunshine lighting up the land which was clothed in a mantle of frost. Easter Day and Whit Sunday were equally fair and our Dedication Festival, St Peter's Day, those who had been working in the fields under a June sun may recall that it was with a feeling of refreshment that they entered the cool church and took part in one of the most hearty and devotional services that has been held within the year. Looking back, therefore, to the favours with which we have been blessed in the past we may, with a sense of thankfulness for them, soften the regret and disappointment which naturally moved us when on the 18th of October, St Luke's Day, 1898, turned out to be one of the most stormy and obstinately wet days we have had for a lengthened period. The fair weather, which gave the abundant harvest, brought a wealth of flowers also quite unusual for late autumn, so the decorations (to use the words of a stranger who saw them) were really exquisite. All was the work of Mrs Crowe whose skill and taste is heightened by practice and genuine love for the good work she carried out for many years in Reighton church. Our thanks must also be given to the many who assisted and sent offerings of flowers, fruit and cornwork over which much skill and patience, to say nothing of time, must have been spent.

Despite the torrents of rain which fell without ceasing, a good many were present at Evensong and heard an eloquent sermon preached by Rev Gwynn Rees. (small omission) The amount of offerings I shall give in the next issue as those on Sunday will be devoted to the same cause, the paying off of the debt still owed to the Churchwardens.

On Wednesday the 19th all the members of the Choir and Sunday School, thirty six in number, were given a tea at the Vicarage by Mrs Matthew Jones. As the schoolmaster, Mr Williams, intends giving a Concert in the Board School at Christmas there will be no practices in the Vicarage until the New Year, when we hope to have a month's work before the commencement of Lent, for a concert at Easter.

Baptisms

September 25th Jessie d/o George and Sarah Ann Hall
October 9th Emily Phillis d/o William and Harriet Wilson

December

These notes for the December number of the magazine must be sent in by November 21st, and writing that date reminds me that next week is the great Martinmas week. No one can have lived a few years in the East Riding without realizing the vast importance of this one week in the year to all dwellers in country villages. Faces that have grown familiar disappear, and we begin to look forward with curiosity for the new comers who seem to be strange at first but who soon fall into their allotted places and become familiar faces in our midst. I am grateful to say that many, who may soon be leaving the village, have been attending the Evening Services at the Church very regularly, and it is with regret that I remember that next Sunday may be the last time I shall see them at Reighton Church, but I trust that the good habit of attending Divine Service may still be carried on in their new sphere of work wherever that may be, also that the new comers may fill those places in the Church left vacant. From me they will always receive a hearty welcome.

The work of collecting for the Church restoration Fund has not been standing still. By the kindness and liberality of the Rev C Johnstone of Hackness we have been able to add the sum of £10 to the fund. By the Sale of Work at Bridlington Quay we have realized £8 8s 8d and Mrs Piercy has again collected 4s making a total of £18 12s 3d.

The offertories at the Harvest festival, together with the Sunday following, came to £2 1s 6d, and the xxii after Trinity was 6s 3d.

During the Advent Season there will be a short address every Friday at Evensong at 7pm. Our Services on Christmas Day as follows: Holy Communion 8am, Matins 10:30am, Evensong 6:30pm

Anyone wishing to have their magazines bound will kindly give notice when they receive their numbers.

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January

‘Once again I have to wish my readers a Happy New Year.

‘There is an old saying which runs ‘A good beginning makes a good ending’ but thinking of our church services at Reighton I feel inclined to reverse the sentence, and prove that it may prove equally true.

‘Our old year has ended, I am thankful to say, with a steady increase of Communicants, and those who came to Early Celebration on Christmas Morn must have felt the peace and the blessing of being present at that beautiful service. Our thanks are due to a friend who takes the deepest interest in the parish and has worked a beautiful white Altar Frontal, which was used for the first time on Christmas Day. The Anthem ‘Behold I bring you glad tidings’ was sweetly sung in the evening, and the Psalms and Canticles went with care and precision. The offertories on Christmas Day went to paying off the debt that is still owing for the repair of the harmonium.

‘The last Sunday in Advent fifteen prizes were given in the Sunday School for the excellent answers sent in to a set of examination papers.’

Offertories

Advent III at 8 am 1s, Matins 2s 8d, Evensong 3s 7½d

Christmas Day at 8 am 3s 5d, Matins 7s 2d, Evensong 5s 5½d

For the Church Restoration Fund, Mrs Anderson collected 3s

Baptism

November 27th 1898 William Henry s/o William and Margaret
Pudsey of Muston

February

‘Ash Wednesday this year falls on the 15th of February. I need hardly remind you that it is the first of the forty days of Lent. During that solemn season I propose to give an address at our usual Friday Evening Services. There will be no practices for our “Choir Fund” Concert during Lent, but Mrs Jones intends to have a working party in the Vicarage Schoolroom every Wednesday evening at 7 o’clock, and will be very pleased to see anyone who likes to come. She will supply the material, and the work when finished, will be either sold for, or sent to, the Homes for Waifs and Strays. I am sure that all who help in this good work will realise the pleasure there is in helping others. Some useful reading will be given each evening.

Services on Ash Wednesday will be as follows:

Holy Communion 8 am, Matins 10 am, Evensong 7 pm.

March

'Good Friday, March 31st, and Easter Day, April 3rd will have passed before another magazine reaches us. I must, therefore, speak of those two great days in this number. First of all I would beg all good church people to try and attend on Service at least on Good Friday. Judging by the congregations what have met regularly in our little Church since last Lent and Eastertide I earnestly hope that my request will not be made in vain.

'In the April number of the magazine I shall be able to mention the names of those who will have given their time and work during Lent in making garments for 'The Homes for Waifs and Strays' at Hull, where I find the work which is done will be thankfully received.

'On Thursday February 16th the Rev W Lamb gave an interesting Lecture on "Beekeeping" in the Vicarage Schoolroom. He suggested that a larger room, which might be used for similar Meetings, Concerts, Classes etc would be a great advantage to the village of Reighton. At present all our efforts are concentrated on the Restoration of your beautiful old Church, and I am pleased to say that the work of rebuilding the Porch will commence as soon as we obtain the plans from the Architect who directed the restoration of the nave.

'Services for Good Friday will be:

Matins with Ante Communion Service and Sermon 10 am, Litany 2 pm,
Evensong with Sermon 7 pm

Easter day: Holy Communion 8 am, Matins 10:30 am, Evensong 6:30 pm.

There will be no Children's Service on Easter Sunday afternoon.

Offertories

Sexagesima Sunday: 8 am – 1s 2d, 10: 30 - 4s 1½d, 6: 30 – 1s 9½d

Baptisms

February 19th James Robert s/o Harry and Eliza Temple

February 19th Hardy Taylor s/o William and Annie Ellen Woodhead

April

'Since I entered upon the duties of Parish Priest in Reighton nearly two years ago, It has been with thankfulness and much gratitude that I have had to acknowledge some kind gift, some act of thoughtfulness and generous feeling from friends of THE CHURCH who have helped us towards the work of restoring God's House in this parish.

'The beautiful old Church speaks to all who see it of the piety and earnestness of Christians from a very early age. I regret to say that, for the second time since I came, the box containing offerings towards the Restoration Fund has been robbed. In future, the Churchwardens have resolved to open the box every week, by which means we trust to preserve all that may be given towards that pious work the donors wish to forward.

'The working parties on Wednesday evenings during Lent have been very well attended, and our thanks must be given to Mrs and Miss Crowe, Mrs Sparrow, Mrs Waites, Mrs Pudsey, Mrs Clubley, Mrs Hall, Annie Maud and Alice Piercy, Alice and Fanny Hall, Mary B Hall, Fanny Pudsey, Annie Chapman, Ada Marshall, Hannah Hogg and Florrie Burt. A nice parcel of clothing has been made, and will be forwarded to Mrs Squire, Diocesan Home, Fairfield, nr Manchester.

'Our Choir Concert has been postponed until Whitsuntide, as I have arranged to take a fortnight's holiday from April 17th to 29th. The services in Reighton church on April 23rd, the Sunday on which I shall be absent, will be taken by the Rev A N Cooper M A, Vicar of Filey, and Rev G Place, Assistant Priest of Filey. Mrs Sparrow has kindly promised to preside at the harmonium.'



Canon A N Cooper, vicar of St Oswald's church, Filey 1880 - 1935, a k a 'The Walking Parson'. Famous for his long distance walks, such as the one he made from Filey to Rome, about which he published books.

May

'Any of our readers who have been interested enough in the subject will notice the Archbishop's Letter which appeared in the "Yorkshire Post" on the office of Churchwardens, and saw the importance he attaches to that

office, will recognise that the parish of Reighton has reason to congratulate itself on the re-election of Mr Crowe and Mr Henry Hall at the Easter Vestry.

‘Our Services on Easter Day were well attended, there being eleven communicants at the early celebration, and seven at mid day. This was not quite so many as on Christmas Day, some being away from home. A beautiful new super frontal (a gift from the lady who presented the white frontal at Christmas) was used for the first time. It is of dark crimson velvet, with five gold stars worked on it. It much helped to brighten the Church, and mark the Great Festival for which we were unable to have the usual flowers owing to the unfavourable weather.

‘The offertories during the month have been as follows: At the early celebrations 3s 1d, and at the second celebration and the evening on Easter Day 10s 5d.

‘The income from various sources during the year has come to £18; out of this £14 1s 3d has been paid for Church expenses, and £3 18s 9d towards cancelling the debt to Mr Crowe, still leaving a deficit of £6 13s 0d to him.

Baptism

April 2nd, Easter Day Alice Maud, d/o Ann Elizabeth and John Isaac Moore

Burial

March 29th Thomas Sellars, 87.

June

‘The late advance of summer this year, and the bitter winds alternated by thick fog which we have had for so long, makes us the more anxious to see the commencement of building operations, and the first stone of the new Church Porch laid. There has been considerable difficulty in securing building stone, but I am glad to say that our god Churchwardens have today succeeded in finding all that is suitable; and the work will really begin as soon as the Architect’s instructions are received. The contract is placed in the hands of Mr Henry Hall of Reighton. The excellent work of the restoration of the Nave, has for as it has proceeded, leaves us with no anxiety for the future of the Porch.

‘In this number I must remind you that our Dedication and Patronal Festival is on June 29th. It was well attended last year. May I hope that as many will try to be present at some of the services on St Peter’s Day 1899. The sermon at Evensong will be preached by the Rev Gwynne Rees, Vicar of Wales, Sheffield. There will be an Early Celebration at 8 am, Matins at 10 am and Evensong at 7 pm. The offertory will be dedicated to the Poor Benefices Fund.’

Offertories for the Month of May

Early Celebration 1st Sunday of the month – 2s 10d, 10 am – 2s 7½d,
Evensong 1s 8d

Burial

May 11th Mary Matilda Cook, 7 months

July

‘The record of small events on this little village would not be complete if we failed to notice that on May the 24th, we made an attempt to celebrate the 80th birthday of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. By the kindness and liberality of Lady Amherst of Hackney, Miss Cotterell Dormer, Mrs Crowe, Sterndale Sparrow Esq, Mr Smith of Reighton Hall and others, we were enabled to give the children of the Sunday School, and some of their parents, a tea in Mr Crowe’s barn, which he was good enough to lend for the occasion. Our thanks must be given to Mrs Piercy for the excellent tea she provided. After that was over, the young people displayed their usual amount of energy for enjoyment, by indulging to the utmost in all the old games, of which they never tire. Mr Wynne explained to them in a few words why they were given the treat, and begged them to sing the National Anthem, which was rendered most heartily.

‘We regret that the Concert must be postponed for a few weeks on account of the prevailing epidemic of mumps.

‘On the afternoons of July 2nd and 16th, there will be no Children’s Services in the Church as Mr Wynne has promised to take the services at Boynton for the vicar, Mr Ivens, on these two afternoons.’

Offertories for the first Sunday in June has been as follows: Trinity I: 8 am 2s 6d, 10:30 am 2s, 6:30 pm 3s 1d.

August

‘Our Dedication Festival on St Peter’s Day was well attended. The Rev J Fisher Brown, Vicar of Muston, preached a sermon full of practical interest, at the same time reminding us that the higher life, the true Christian life, is to be lived by all from day to day.

‘For various reasons we have not so large a number in the choir just now, therefore we must commend those who enable us by their attention and painstaking, to carry out the same fine music we had last year.

‘The School Board Election, which was held on July 5th, resulted in the election of three members for Reighton, viz Mr John Henry Coleman, farmer, 42 votes, Mr Nathaniel Coleman, farmer, 50 votes, Mr Henry Hall, joiner, 47 votes. For Speeton Mr R Fenwick, farmer, 37 votes, and Mr W Wilson, farmer, 22 votes, were also elected.

‘We hope to have a Sunday School and Choir treat during the summer.

‘The offertories on St Peter’s Day came to 8s 6d and were sent to the Poor Benefices Fund. And on the first Sunday in July, Trinity V, 8 am – 1s 4d, 10:30 5s 2d, 6:30 – 3s 6d.

Burial

July 2nd Agnes Ellbeck, of Speeton, aged 21 years.

September

‘It is no uncommon thing now-a-days to hear people say that The Church has lost its hold on the world’s interests and affections, that in the hurry and pleasures of life Religion itself stands forgotten. I cannot help feeling with deep thankfulness that this is not the case. Our little half-ruined church is a strong protest against such an idea. Day by day throughout the year it stands open, and during the summer months, I may say, hundreds of passers-by on holiday and pleasure bent, draw up and enter the quaint building, that on the outside suggests merely a barn or an old farm building.

‘I would here remark that not once have I had occasion to find fault with a single act of irreverence on the part of those who come and go, and we may indeed believe that once they pass the sacred threshold the words of that familiar hymn may pass through their minds “We love the place, O God, where in Thine honour dwells.”.

‘I have no way of thanking those who have helped us by their offerings, but I must acknowledge the sum of £4 4s 6d in the Restoration Fund box since May 27th and 10s 7d in the Church Expenses box, speaks as to the reality of what I have tried to express, and surely we may believe that the Church is “Ever held in highest honour, and with many a gift made bright.”.

‘Towards the Restoration Fund we have also received:

Collected by A Friend 17s

Collected by A Friend 10s

The latter to be used for new kneelers, which are sadly wanted.

‘During the last four Sundays the offertories at Holy communion at 8 am, have come to 4s 8d and the first Sunday in the month (10th after Trinity) at Matins 5s 11d, Evensong 3s 4d.

Baptisms

July 30th Tom s/o Thomas and Sarah Jane Barker, Richmond Gates

July 30th Elsie May d/o William and Elizabeth Chapman, Reighton

October

‘Through illness my holiday, which was to have been for a fortnight, extended itself to a month. It was a great relief to my mind to know how kindly and cheerfully part of my work was carried on during my absence. The Church music and the Sunday school being in the hands of Mrs Sparrow and Misses May and Sybil Crowe, I was spared all anxiety as to their welfare, and I am sure the congregation and the Sunday School children will join me in thanking those ladies for their good works.

'The porch is making steady progress, and I hope it may be up to shelter us from the winter storms. Then will come the time for turning our thoughts to a still greater undertaking, the restoration of the tower. £2 5s 4d was given to the Church Restoration Box this month.'

November

'On Tuesday September 26th we held our Harvest Festival. The sermon was preached by Rev C S Booty, Vicar of Rudstone and Rural Dean, from Genesis IX V 22. His earnest counsel was well adapted for those whose lives are spent in agricultural work. The Church was tastefully decorated, and when I state that work was undertaken and carried through almost unaided by the elder members of the Sunday School and Choir, I feel that much praise is due to them, not alone for the taste displayed, but for their unflinching energy, and their determination to give their very best. In one respect I had special reason for thankfulness over this Harvest Festival. The congregation, which was a very good one, was comprised entirely of Reighton people, and the offertory, 16s 5d, was, to my thinking, excellent when we consider that on this occasion the family from the Manor House, as well as Mr and Mrs Sparrow, were unavoidably absent. The cheerful givers were, indeed, those who work for their daily bread.

'This year's Sunday School and Choir treat was held on 18th October. Mr and Mrs Wynne gave the children, about 40 in number, an excellent tea, supplied by Mrs Piercy of the Dotterell Inn. The usual games followed and a happy evening was spent. Of course, there was one drawback, the small room. Reighton sadly needs a suitable room for parish use.

'I would here remark that I hope to organise an annual New Year's Parish Tea and Entertainment, if we can secure Mr Crawford's barn. I trust that January 1900 may see the first such a social gathering as is suitable at the season when our hearts should remember the words 'Peace on earth and good will to all men'.

Contribution to the Church Restoration Fund

A Machin Esq £1 1s 0d.

Offertories

14th Sunday after Trinity: Matins 6s 3½d, Evensong 5s 7d

September 26th, Harvest Festival: 16s 5d

18th Sunday after Trinity: Early Celebration 1s 4d, Matins 7s 6½d, No offertories at Evensong.

Box for Church expenses: 8s 3d

Baptisms

October 8th Edith Alice d/o George and Alice Milner of Reaths Hill
Hunmanby

October 15th Arthur Botrill s/o Harry and Sarah Skelton of Reighton

Marriage

September 23rd Charles William Pearson and Martha Elizabeth
Biggins

Burial

September 23rd John Park Smith (body found at Reighton Sands) aged about 56 years.

December

'During the time that I have been at Reighton, about two years and a half, we have had only one offertory for an object outside the Parish, that being for the Poor Benefices Fund. The debt to the churchwardens being heavy and not yet cancelled has tied us down in this respect. It has been suggested to me that our little offerings on the first Sunday in December should be sent to the Lord Mayor of York's Fund for the widows and orphans of our troops in the Transvaal War. I feel sure that Reighton will be proud and willing to add its mite to this noble cause. On Tuesday December 12th the Rev Mr Endle has promised to give an interesting lecture on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. This meeting will be held, (by kind permission) in Mr Crawford's Barn. We hope to have the Christmas Tea and Entertainment during the Christmas week, admission 6d. There will be some useful articles of clothing etc on sale on that occasion in aid of the Church Restoration Fund.

'During Advent there will be a short address at the usual Friday Evening Service at 7 pm.

'The services on Christmas Day will be: Holy Communion 8:30 am, Matins 10:30 am.

'The offertories on Trinity XXIII: Holy Communion at 8 am – 1s 1d, Matins 2s 3d, Evensong 3s 8d. This sum was given towards the purchase of twelve new hymn books for the congregation, which cost 10s 7d.

'The sum of £8 9s 10d from the Church box has been placed in the Bank for the Restoration Fund.'

1900

January

On December 27th a Christmas Tree and concert were held for the first time. Eighty four tickets were sold at 6d each and 5s 6d was taken on the door after tea. Mrs Piercy supplied an excellent tea and this was followed by music and a little play entitled "Wanted, a Teacher", capittally acted by some of the Choir and Sunday school boys and girls. During the evening Rudyard Kipling's famous song 'The Absent Minded Beggar' was sung by permission of the 'Daily Mail'. The singer made a tambourine collection in the room for the War Fund which realised 10/- which was sent to the Daily Mail.

Advent Sunday Collections were sent to Col Armytage for the War Fund. Collections as follows: 8am – 2s 1d, Matins - £1 1s 7½d, Evensong – 13s.

Christmas Day – for church expenses. 8am - 1s 6d, Matins – 2s 10d

Burial:

December 15th: Ann Burton, 70, of Rudstone.

February

One of the three Sundays preceding Lent has been fixed on by the Archbishops as a day of Special Intercession for the nation and our troops engaged in the War in South Africa. There will be a form of additional service used with Special Hymns and Music.

‘I have been grieved to hear of the really sudden death of one of our oldest inhabitants – Mrs Mayman¹⁰, who had only left this village about a fortnight ago hoping to find her health improve in the care of friends at Bridlington, but she died on January 19th.’

Ash Wednesday, 1st day of Lent – February 28th. Holy Communion 8am, Matins, Litany, comination (sic, communion?) service 10:30 am, evensong with Sermon 7pm.

Collection, 7 January, Epiphany 1 – Holy Communion 8am 1s 5d, Matins 1s 8d, Evensong 2s 3d.

March

‘Our village has not escaped the common epidemic of Influenza. It has left its mark by reducing the attendance at Church. Considering the illness about I was glad to see how many made the effort to be present at the Service of Intercession on Septuagesima Sunday. We have to thank an anonymous friend through the Vicar of Hackness for the gift of 15s for the Church Restoration Fund.

Collection – Epiphany 5: 8am 1s 6d, Matins 3s 2½d, Evensong 1s 8d.

Baptism

28th January Arthur Walkington, son of Harry and Sarah Johnstone of Speeton.

Marriage

7 February Frederick Skelton, of Hunmanby, and Sarah Jane Waites, of Reighton.

Burials

21 January Mary Mayman, 78

6 February Ernest Nelson of Speeton, 9 months

¹⁰ Her husband, Richard Mayman, had been buried at Reighton on 2nd May 1897, aged 79.

March

There was an appeal for better attendance at Friday evening services during Lent. 'I can only still hope and pray that *Time* and *Custom* may overcome the Habit of neglect of religious duties, save on Sundays.'

There was also a request that as many as possible attend church on Good Friday.

Good Friday, 13 April, Matins with Ante Communion service – 10:30, Litany 2:30, Evensong 6:30.

Easter Day, Holy Communion 8am, Matins 10:30, Evensong 6:30.

There will be no Children's Service on Easter day in the afternoon.

April

Wednesday of Holy Week, 11 April. Evensong at 7 with an address to Communicants afterwards.

Offertories: March 4th, Lent 7

Early celebration 1s 6d, Matins 4s, Evensong 1s 8d.

May

On April the 5th three candidates were presented for confirmation at Rudstone where Holy Rite was administered by the Archbishop of York. The candidates were John Riston Wardill, Lilian Anderson and Alice Mary Piercy.

The church looked bright and pretty on Easter Day and the choir sang well.

Churchwardens' accounts Easter 1899 to Easter 1900

Received

Offertories and contents of box	4 – 19 – 7
Mr Hall (grass)	0 – 10 – 0
Balance due to churchwardens	16 – 0 – 4

Expenses

Balance to churchwardens	6 – 1 – 3
Anderson (clerk)	3 – 6 – 0
1 lamp glass	0 – 1 – 0
Insurance of church	0 – 12 – 6
G Pudsey for cinders	4 – 3 – 4
Fire shovel	0 – 1 – 6
Messrs Wardill for chairs	0 – 18 – 0
Three bottles of wine	0 – 7 – 6

Mr Hall for paraffin	0 – 9 – 3
TOTAL	16 – 0 – 4

(Signed) Robert Crowe, churchwarden, 17 April 1900

The Good Friday services were well attended.

Offertories

Lent 5: 8am 1s 1½d, Matins 5s 4½d, Evensong 2s 1½d
Easter Day: 8am 3s, Matins 10s 4d, Evensong 4s 7d

An anonymous friend has sent a gift of £2 'from a lover of Reighton'. It has been placed in the bank for the Restoration Fund.

Burial:

4 April Robert Henry Jackson of Speeton, 1 year.

June

' Many a time since Easter 1899 have we mentioned the progress made with the new porch of the Reighton church. It is nearly twelve months since the architect's plans were received and approved and the stone chosen and ordered from Ruswarp near Whitby. Now the porch stands complete, not only a solid piece of workmanship but a building of beauty and symmetry as befits the entrance of God's Holy House. On April the 24th a Service of Celebration was held and the Porch was dedicated to the Honour and Glory of God by the Venerable Archdeacon Mackarness. Service was held in the evening after which the Archdeacon and Clergy and Churchwardens walked in procession from the chancel to the porch where special collects and prayers were said. Clergy present: Rev C Booty R.D., Rev J Fisher Brown, Rev A N Cooper, Rev C Coates, Rev C Collier, Rev C Ivens, Rev N Ivens, Rev E Mitford and Rev M Wynne, curate in charge. Churchwardens Mr Robert Crowe and Mr Hall were also present. The church was tastefully decorated by Mrs Crowe and her daughters. An offertory of £3 – 19 – 6 was given to restore the west end.'



The Porch of Reighton Church

Offertories

Easter III: 8am 1s 9d, Matins 2s 11d, Evensong 2s ½d.

Baptism

29 April Beatrice Alice daughter of Robert and Agnes Hallett.

July

No children's service will be held on the 8th or 15th of July as the vicar was going to deputise in another parish, but Sunday School will take place in the Vicarage.

The Vicar will try to give the Sunday School and Choir a treat in the middle of the month and Bridlington seems to be the place for which all have a preference.

Error on the May magazine: Should read 'Received £5 – 9 – 7, Expenses £16 – 0 – 4, Balance of £10 – 10 – 9 to churchwardens'.

Offertories

Whit Sunday: 8am 1s 2d, Matins 5s 2d, Evensong 1s 8d.

Burial

May 26th Arthur Botterill Skelton, 8 months.

August

A Dedication Festival was held at the church on Thursday June 28th when Rev Coleman Ivens, vicar of Boynton, preached. The vicar is sorry that so few attended.

‘Congratulations are offered to Mr Smith of the Hall who was married at Hunmanby on July 7th. We owe him much in the past for his help with the restoration of the church porch and trust that it is no vain hope to say that in the future we shall find the same help and goodwill extended to the strengthening of the church by his wife.’¹¹

Offertories

Trinity III: 8am 1s, Matins 2s 5½d, Evensong 1s 4½d.

Dedication Festival on St Peter’s Day: 6s 9d which was to be devoted to the Restoration fund.

September

‘On July 24th, a Tuesday, we had our Sunday School and Choir Treat to Bridlington. Two wagonloads, children and mothers, 56 or 57 in all. Mr and Mrs Wynne provided them with a good substantial tea and Mr Crow and Mr Smith lent their wagons for the day. The weather was so perfect that it was not possible to find fault with it. The Misses Crowe and Miss L Radford deserve great praise for their help in the tea room.’

The Rev C Hutton Coates M.A., Rector of Burton Agnes, has promised to preach at the Harvest Festival.

¹¹ John Thomas Smith married Annie Eliza Bird. The 1901 census gives their ages as 34 and 31 respectively. They seem to have moved from the village about this time.



Offertories

First Sunday in August, Trinity VIII: 8am 2s 5½, Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 8s 6d.

Baptisms

July 13	Mabel daughter of Francis and Elizabeth Skelton
July 22	Lily, daughter of Frederick and Jane Skelton
August 9	Emma, daughter of Tom and Bell Witty of Speeton
August 12	Dora Isabel, daughter of William and Betsy Pinkney

October

‘Since the erection of the new Porch it has been noticed that the path to the church gate is more in need of lighting than before. A new lamp, with duplex burner and lantern sides has, therefore, been ordered for lighting the Porch and path, and with the permission of the churchwardens I hope to pay part of the cost of 21s 9d by an offertory. I shall give 5s towards the

new lamp and any further contributions may be sent to the churchwardens.'

Subscriptions to the Church Restoration Fund

Mrs Kelsale (collected) £2, Mrs Sedler 5s 6d.

Offertories – Trinity XII: Matins 8s 1d, Evensong 1s 5½d
Trinity XIX: 8am 2s 6d

Baptism: 12 September – Walter George s/o Harry and Eliza Margaret Temple

The postal address for Reighton is now:- Bempton, Bridlington

November

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on Tuesday October 2nd. The Rev C Hutton Coates preached on 'Give us this day our daily bread'. I could not help thinking with thankfulness that in this little village there are indeed none who can say that these simple words do not daily and yearly meet with a merciful response from the giver of all good. The decorations were done by Mrs Crowe and her daughter, and Miss G Cranswick who most kindly assisted for two days. Thanks are also given to those who sent offerings of flowers and vegetables. The music was the same as was used on the previous occasion but special praise must be given to Wilfred Piercy and Watson Pudsey for their singing in the Anthem. The collection of £1 – 16 – 7 was given to the Lloyd Cottage Hospital. I have received three tickets for the hospital from the secretary which may be had if wanted.

The new altar rails which were presented to the church by the Rev C Ivens have at last found a suitable resting place, after having been in use for many years at the Priory Church, Bridlington, Bessingby church and Carnaby church. They are made of handsome carved oak and add a dignity, which was much needed, to our Chancel.



The altar rails in Reighton Church

Offertories: Trinity XVIII: 8am 1s 3d, Matins 2s 4d, Evensong 4s 1d.

The contents of the Church box since Easter for the Restoration fund come to £6 9s 3d. I forgot to state that on July 15th I placed 2gns in the bank for the above fund from Archdeacon Mackarness.

Burial

25 September William Botterill, 66.

December

Through the beneficence of one who does not wish his name to appear, a debt of long standing has been paid to our churchwardens. To Mr Crowe for church expenses £11, to Mr Hall £2, the balance of the debt for the restoration of the nave. The same kind friend has also presented us with a new lamp for the path.

Received towards the Restoration fund for the West End: A Bosville Esq¹² £5, Miss Wath £1.

¹² The Bosville Macdonalds were the Lords of the Isles. They were based at Thorpe Hall near Rudston and their impressive family plot can be seen in Rudston churchyard. (see above)



The family plot of the Bosville Macdonalds, Lords of the Isles, at Rudston.
The white marble book to the left is the grave of Winifred Holtby.



By the kindness of some personal friends I have been enabled to purchase 1 dozen kneeling mats for the Church, a dozen and a half new prayer books for the Sunday School and have had the harmonium cleaned and tuned. Since the last magazine was sent out the new oak door has been put up in the church. Like the porch it is an excellent piece of

workmanship and will withstand the storm and stress of weather for centuries.



The harmonium and main door, Reighton Church

The Annual Christmas tea and entertainment is to be held in the first week of January 1901. On Tuesday December 18th there will be a Missionary Meeting in Mr Crawford's barn. The Rev Mr Priestley from Bombay will give a lecture on Missionary work in India on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. I trust that many will try to be present. I will give a short address at our usual evening services during Advent.

Baptism

4 November Dora Beatrice d/o William and Harriett Wilson

Offertories: Trinity XXI: 8am 1s 5d, Matins 5s, Evensong 3s 3½d.



Reighton Church in 1901

1901

January

'The last Christmas Day of the old Century is over. How did it pass in this little village? What were the leading thoughts of the Happy Day? At dawn the church bell rang and the Holy Eucharist was celebrated, and at 10:30 there was again a bright service followed by a second celebration. It was a source of deep thankfulness to me that a great number of the Sunday School attended Divine Service this Christmas Day, and the children's voices sounded sweet in the simple Anthem which they sang in honour of the Saviour's birth.'

The vicar wishes all his friends in Reighton every blessing and happiness in the new Century.

Offertories: Christmas Day – 8am 2s, 10:30 Matins 6s 6d.

Advent II 8am 1s 1d, Matins 4s 6d, Evensong 2s 2d.

Marriage

22 December. Bage Cowton of Hunmanby to Cicely Clubley of Reighton.

February

'Our second Christmas Tea and Entertainment on January 3 1901 was as good, if not better than the first which was held last year. Great praise must be given to Mrs Piercey for the excellent tea she supplied at the very reasonable sum of 6d per head. I believe 100 persons, including the school children, sat down to well filled tables. The following programme was then gone through.

Reighton
January 3 1901

'Kinderspiel' - The School Children
Song 'The Forge and the Bell' - Miss Crowe
Song 'Be Brave, Be True' and chorus - Arthur Marshall
Song 'Echoes' – Miss S Crowe
Song 'The Zuider Zee' – Miss Pinkney
Song 'The Devoted Apple' – Miss Piercey
Song 'The Little Lads in Navy Blue' and chorus – Miss Pinkney

Interval – 5 minutes

Part II

A Play 'Who Killed Fido'

Miss Piercey Mr A Marshall

Miss A Piercey Mr J Wardill

God Save the Queen

The 'Kinderspiel' which means Children's Play in German, seemed to please the audience, and the familiar characters in the old nursery rhymes were one and all given a hearty greeting, to say nothing of the chorus, which was energetic throughout, and ever ready to answer to Sister Ann's cry 'Gather, come gather ye, gather for play.' The songs which followed gave a nice restful change and by the time the little play of 'Who Killed Fido' was ready all were again prepared for exuberant mirth, and so great was the laughter provoked by the miseries of poor Miss Hookem that the actors had some difficulty being heard.

Lady Amherst sent 2gns to the vicar. He spent it on 44 tickets to the Christmas Tea for the Sunday School children and choir and on gifts for the choir. It was supplemented by the sum of 4s 6d in gifts from two other friends.

Ash Wednesday Services, February 20th: Litany and Communion 10 am, Evensong with sermon, 7pm and evensong every Friday during Lent.

Offertories: 1st Sunday of Epiphany: 8am 1s 2d, Matins 3s, Evensong 1s 9d

Baptism: Elizabeth Emma, d/o Tom and Edith Mary Walton

March

The people of Reighton showed 'loyal and earnest grief' on the death of Queen Victoria. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday 2 February which was largely attended and the 'devout and reverent bearing' of all present was an eloquent tribute to the memory of Victoria the Good.

'In this village there is an old woman living who remembers being taken as a child in 1837 to a service at the Priory Church, Bridlington. All that she can now recall of the Coronation Day is that there was a dense crowd,

that she and many others wore bunches of coloured ribbons, and that her mother brought back a basket of sweets and oranges for the younger children who were left at home in Speeton. Sweets and oranges were much thought of by the children in those days, for they did not get them so easily or so often as at the present time. The same old lady was later on married at the Priory Church and she thinks she must have knelt at the very Altar Rails that now stand in Reighton church.'

Offertories: Eight services on Sundays: 4s 7½d. February 3rd (Septuagesima) Matins 5s 4d, Evensong 3s.

Baptism: Leonard, s/o John Thomas and Rebecka Robinson.

April

'A late spring is following a long winter, it is now less than three weeks to Eastertide and only the lengthening of the days reminds us that summer is not far off. In this land of cold winds and bleak days how many hopes are centred on the coming of a fine summer, so many are there to whom it means so much.

'These thoughts turn my hopes to the little half ruined church on the hillside, for I know that sunshine and fine weather may bring the wandering tourists who travel by charabancs, the cyclists and pedestrians on their holidays along the high roads from Bridlington, Scarborough and Filey that run through the little village of Reighton. At the right hand at the top of a steep bit of hill they may pass the quaint little building which prompts many to turn aside to see if it be really a church, though now with its new porch, surmounted by a small cross, the sacred edifice no longer puzzles the passer by as it did of yore, and the three arches dating from the twelve century which face you on entering, the beautiful chancel arch and the ancient font will repay a short halt in the day's journey. The liberality of visitors during the last few years has done much to help in the restoration of the ancient church – altogether about £206 has been contributed since 1898 from various sources, and the sight of the demolished tower, its framework supported by chains, will still appeal to local church people.



Reighton church in 1901

'I may mention that the traveller will find excellent fare at the Dotterell Inn, where the hostess, Mrs Piercey, supplies first rate refreshment for cyclists, new milk, fresh eggs, cakes of many kinds and TEA at any hour.'

Services

Good Friday: Matins and Ante Communion 10:30, Litany 2:30, Evensong 6:30. The Story of the Cross will be sung.

Easter Day: Holy Communion 8 am, Matins and Holy Communion 10:30, Evensong 6:30. The Anthem will be sung in the evening.

Offertories: Holy Communion at eight during the month: 3s 2d.
Lent II, Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 1s.

Baptism

3 March Phyllis Madeline Annie, d/o William George and Edith Mary Williams, School House, Speeton.

May

The Easter Service was very well attended and the church decorated with the single daffodils known as Lent lilies, sent from Devonshire but looked as fresh as if gathered from the village. The church was decorated by Mrs Crowe and her daughters. The younger members sang 'Christ is Risen'. In spite of three regular communicants having left for domestic service there were eleven people at each celebration and two visitors, making twenty two in all.

A vestry meeting was held on the Tuesday of Easter Week. Mr Crowe and Mr Hall were elected churchwardens. The accounts were audited. Receipts

from offertories came to £6 – 2 - 4½. Expenses were £6 – 11 – 3. Mr Hall was still owed 10 s 2d for oil.

Offertories: Sundays in the month at 8am – 3s 8d. Easter Day – Matins 8s 3d, Evensong – 5s 1d.

June

On Tuesday 30 April a Confirmation was held at Burton Agnes by the Archbishop of York. Three candidates from Reighton were presented: Charles Henry Clubley, Watson Pudsey, and Edwin Atkinson (of Muston).

The census has been taken. In 1891 the population was 252. In 1901 it was 219. This is difficult to account for as there is only one house in the village unoccupied, and that could readily be let if it were in good repair. All the large farms in the parish are in a thriving condition and the number of children attending Sunday School is large. A suitable room for teaching Sunday School is needed as the one used at the vicarage is too small.

St Peter's Day, 29th of June, falls on a Saturday. The Rev C V Collier, curate of Burton Agnes, is to take the service. The offertories of Friday 28th June are to go to the church restoration fund.

Offertories: Five Sundays at 8am – 3s 9d. May 5th after Easter – Matins 5s 9½d, Evensong – 2s 9d.

July

A contribution of 1d every week from every family in the church diocese would produce £27,000 per year for the support of various agencies. The collection would have been made every week by two ladies who would undertake the work. The vicar was to have a meeting to consider the plan to benefit both the diocese and the village.

Offertories: Four Sundays at 8 am – 4s 1d. Trinity Sunday – Matins 7s 10d, Evensong 2s 3d.

August

There was a good congregation at the St Peter's Day service except that the Muston Club Feast fell on the same day and stopped many attending. The Rev C V Collier preached. A collection was made for the Mayor of Bridlington's Fund for Soldiers and Sailors returning from the war in South Africa made 10s which was sent to A Matthewman Esq.

The Reighton School Treat was to be held in August.

Two pounds had been placed in the church restoration fund, £1 of which came from the church box and the rest collected by a friend.

Offertories: Four Sundays at 8 am – 2s 10d. Trinity V: Matins – 8s 4d, Evensong 2s.

September

It was a beautiful day for the Sunday School Treat on Thursday August 8th. Mr Crowe and Mr Smith lent wagons for the day and we started for Bridlington at 10 am. Mr and Mrs Wynne gave the children a good tea. Everyone enjoyed the outing and found plenty of amusement on the sands.

Church Restoration Fund: Church box £2, Miss Macan 5s.

Offertories: Five Sundays at 8 am – 3s 1d. Trinity X – Matins 14s, Evensong – 4s 1d.

Baptisms

14 July Annie d/o William and Rachel Sellars of Speeton.

4 August Harold s/o John Isaac and Ann Elizabeth Moore of Speeton

October

‘Autumn is with us reminding us that winter follows apace bringing with it Martinmas, that greatest of Yorkshire holidays. Services take on a festal character, and seed is sown at such times.’

On Sunday September 22nd Sunday School prizes were given for attendance over the past two years. Unbroken attendance for that time: George Anderson, Ernest Clubley, Kate Hall and Hilda Hall, all of whom received prizes.

Offertories: Four Sundays at 8 am – 4s 6d. Trinity XIII – Matins 8s 10d, Evensong 4s 6d.

Baptism: 1 September William s/o George and Emily Whiting

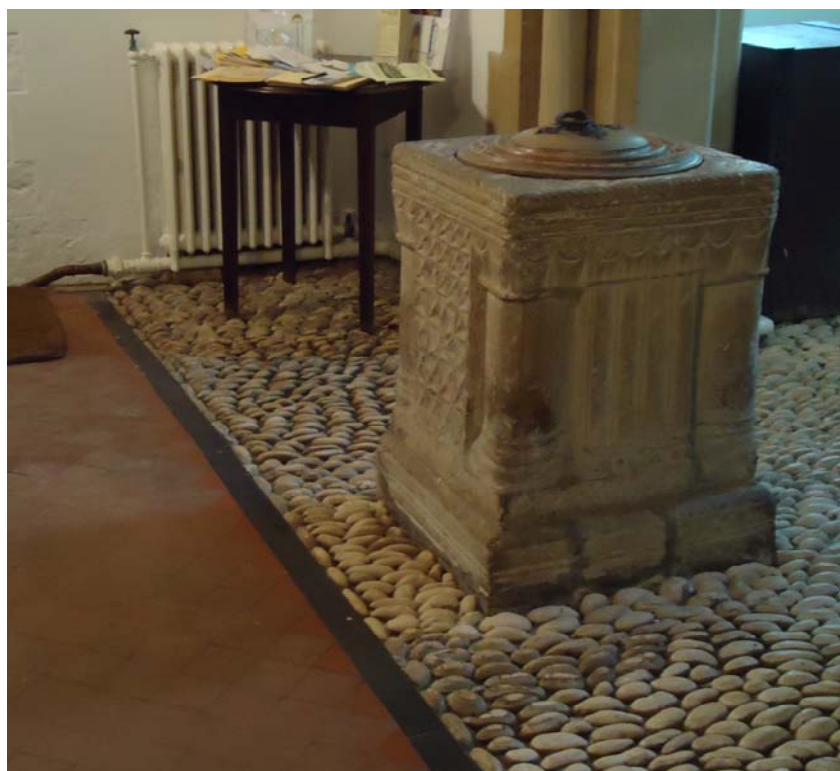
November

The Harvest Festival was held on Tuesday 24th September. The weather was delightful for decorating the church. A quantity of flowers were sent for decorating and many of the Autumn leaves and berries which are to be found on the hillside added to the beauty and variety of the decorations. The font was notably artistic and still looked fresh the following Sunday. The sermon was preached by the Rev W Hermitage of Nafferton. The singing was hearty and congregational. The collection raised £1 4s 0d which was sent to the Lloyd Cottage Hospital.

Note from the ‘Scarborough Mercury’

It is to be hoped that all who cycle to Bridlington from Scarborough ... will turn aside to look at Reighton church. It seems to curious to find one end of it well restored and the other, with its pebbled floor, in a terribly dilapidated condition, awaiting funds in order to be put into repair. The

effect of the exterior is even more peculiar than that of the interior. These old country churches have a wonderful fascination for many people and some lady cyclists are really well informed concerning the interesting places of worship within cycling distance.'



The font and pebbled floor

£4 had been received from the church box for the Restoration fund.

Offertories: Four Sundays at 8 am – 2s 6d. October 6th Trinity XVIII – Matins 5s 2d, Evensong 2s 4½d.

Baptisms

September 29th Ernest s/o of Harry and Sarah Skelton of Hunmanby
September 29th William Botterill s/o Tom and Jane Hyde of Reighton

December

The New Year Tea was to be given in the first week of January 1902 and entertainment was to be given afterwards. Tickets to cost 6d for tea.

The Rev Wynne was made the official vicar of Reighton, instead of acting curate, by the Patron of the Living H Strickland Constable Esq.

Offertories: Four Sundays at 8 am - 4s 6½d. November 3rd Trinity XXIII
Matins - 7s 3d, Evensong 2s 7d.

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January

'Our services on Christmas Day were bright and well attended, and the singing, though simple, was hearty. The proper Psalms for the day, which we always sing on Xmas (sic) morn, help to make the service joyful, and the hymns never fail to strike a chord of deep feeling. Not only do they remind us of the glad tidings which make every Christian soul rejoice, but they often recall old memories which, perchance, soften our hearts, and help us to realize that the special message Christmas has to give is that of 'peace and goodwill.'

The vicar wishes all parishoners a Happy New Year, full of prosperity which brightens lives, and not to forget the Creator who is the giver of all Goodness.

Baptisms

December 8 William Bertie, s/o William Jesse and Emma Mary Maplesden, coastguard, of Reighton.

December 8 Frederick, s/o John William and Annie Elizabeth Dobson of Hunmanby.

Offertories

Six Sundays at 8am – 6s 3d. Advent Sunday Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 6d. Christmas Day 8 am 1s 2d, Matins 6s 8d

February

The Annual Christmas Tea and Entertainment was held on the evening of New Year's Day 1902 in Mr Crawford's bran. 117 persons partook of good fare provided by Mrs Piercy at the modest sum of 6d a head. The tea was followed by an entertainment, the first part of which included a Magic Lantern with slides of the War in South Africa. The Magic lantern belongs to the vicar of Muston, who kindly gave us appropriate notes and explanations of the pictures shewn (sic). These, I learn, gave much satisfaction, and many declared that they learned more about the course of the war and the nature of the ground in which our troops are fighting than they had ever gleaned through reading. An interesting programme was successfully gone through, though we did not reach its end so early as was intended. Another year we hope to have the Tea and Concert in two separate Barns as owing to the want of space, I fear many failed to find seats and some to gain admittance. I must take the opportunity of thanking all who so kindly lent chairs for the concert.

Received

Lady Amherst	1 – 1 – 0
Mrs Danford ¹³	0 – 10 – 0
A Friend	0 – 2 – 0
Reserved seats	0 – 6 – 6
Total	1 – 19 – 6

Expenses

44 tickets for Tea to Sunday School, Choir and Performers	1 – 2 – 0
Expenses connected with the Magic Lantern	0 – 14 – 3
Incidental expenses	0 – 3 – 3
Total	1 – 19 – 6

Offertories

4 Sundays at 8 am – 2s 6d. January 5th, 2nd Sunday after Christmas – Matins 5s, Evensong 1s 6½d.

Lady Amherst has kindly given 1 gn to the church restoration fund, which has been placed in the bank.

Burial

January 3rd Stephen Anderson 16 months.

March

‘On Tuesday February 18th I, John Matthew Wynne, was inducted to the vicarage of Reighton by the Venerable Archdeacon Mackarness. I was gratified by the large number of parishoners at the service and feel sure that all who were not able to be there will hear about it from those who were. Even to the children the address of the Archdeacon must have been interesting, so clearly did he set forth the meaning and necessity of the induction service and connect it with the growth of the church through Christ’s messengers from the very earliest ages, even that of the Apostles.

Clergy present were: Rev J Fisher Brown, vicar of Muston, Rev A N Cooper, vicar of Filey, Rev Hepworth Atkinson, vicar of Lowthorpe. Rev E Mitford, vicar of Hunmanby, sent regrets, and others were unable to attend due to the weather and the difficulties of the train service.’

Some friends have given 10 gns¹⁴ for the purchase of a new preaching desk, chair and Lectern, which we hope to have in time for Easter. They also promised £5 for the restoration fund, and the offertories on Tuesday of 17s are for the same.

¹³ The Danfords moved into Reighton Hall after Mr and Mrs Smith moved out.

¹⁴ ie: £10 10s or £10.50.



The Preaching Desk and Chair.



The Lectern

Good Friday services: Matins and Ante Communion 10:30, Litany 2:30, Evensong 7pm

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am 3s 3d. February 2 Sexagesima Sunday Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 2s 9d.

Baptism

February 16th Caroline Elizabeth d/o George and Elizabeth Hoggarth of Argham

April

Rev Wynne asks his friends who take the parish magazines to either pay the 1s annual subscription in advance or to have the penny ready each month as he has to pay for them quarterly.

(Some unimportant material omitted.)

Offertories

3 Sundays at 8am – 4s ½d. Lent III Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 2s 3½d.

Baptism

March 12 Sydney, s/o Elizabeth Margaret and Harry temple.

May

‘The great Festival of Easter was blessed with a glorious day this year. Bright sunshine hastened the backward spring flowers into bloom, and unfolding the shrinking foliage on the bare branches of the trees that still await their mantles of green.

‘A little village in North Devon named Bampton, sent us a plentiful supply of daffodils which made the church bright and spring like, while the font and altar were covered with white flowers. The font was decorated by Mr and Mrs Crowe, the pulpit and lectern by Mrs Danford. On the altar were four new brass vases, in addition to those already in use. They were the gift of Arthur Machin Esq.

‘The new reading desk, chair and lectern, all of solid oak, which have been presented to the church, were used for the first time on Easter Day. The pulpit has been grained in oak to match them. All this is a striking improvement to the interior of the church.

‘At Early Celebration on Easter Day there were 17 communicants, and seven at midday. All services were well attended and the school children deserve great praise for their singing.’

A special prize for the best answers in Sunday School was given to two scholars, George Anderson and Mary Evison. It is hope more scholars will merit prizes in the meantime.

At Easter Vestry Mr Crowe and Mr Hall were re-elected churchwardens. The accounts were audited, leaving a small balance to the good. Details will be given in June.

Baptism

13 April John Brompton, s/o Mary Anne and John Smith of Graffitoe, Hunmanby.

June

Bad weather and the prevalence of illness in spring did not have too much effect on church attendance.

Accounts

Received (including 1s 1½d in hand) £7 – 2 - 10½

Expenses

Coke and coal	2 – 1 – 7
Clerk for cleaning etc	3 – 4 – 0
Extra cleaning	0 – 3 – 0
Insurance and postage	0 – 12 – 9
Brush and lamp glass	0 – 1 - 1½
Oil bill 1900	0 – 10 – 2
Total	6 – 12 - 7½

Balance in hand 0 – 10 – 3

Offertories

Seven Sundays at 8 am 12s 7d

Easter day – Matins 11s 7d, Evensong 2s 7½d

May 4 – Easter V – Matins 3s 3d, Evensong 2s 5d

Whit Sunday: Matins 5s 7d

July

‘In many a country village like Reighton, the blessed news that the War was over and Peace proclaimed was not known until the morning of June 2nd. It was only on that date that it reached us. On Sunday night someone in the village mentioned that they thought they had heard church bells ringing in the distance long after the hour for Evensong: and this must have been the case, as I am told that church bells proclaimed the joyful news in some of the large towns that lie on either side of this hillside village. We kept our Thanksgiving Service on Sunday June the 8th using the special Psalms and Lessons appointed for the day. The Hymns as well as the National Anthem were heartily sung at each service.’

For the 26th of June, Coronation Day, Reighton has come out bravely. We had collected nearly £20. There is to be a tea for all the inhabitants of the village followed by sports and prizes.

Services that day: Holy communion 8 am with the form and order recommended to be used in churches. June 26th 10:30.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am – 1s 10½d.

June 1st Trinity Sunday Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 2d.

Baptisms

June 8th Walter s/o John and Henrietta Dorothy Louisa Clubley

June 8th Edward Alfred s/o William and Harriet Wilson

Marriage

May 24 John Noble to Elizabeth Milner

August

‘The 26th of June, which we hoped to keep as a day of rejoicing, was naturally one of disappointment¹⁵, as well as grief for the cause which turned all joy to sadness. Self restraint, however, was the keynote of the day, and it was unanimously agreed that the sports which had been arranged should stand over. All the village partook of the excellent tea which had been provided by Mrs Piercy, and for which Mr N Coleman gave the use of his barn. As parish Councillor he had taken an active part as chairman of the committee for Coronation Day. When tea was over the vicar briefly expressed our present attitude of sympathy and loyalty on this occasion of national Sorrow, to which Mr N Coleman responded in feeling terms, alluding to the King’s thoughtfulness for his people in the midst of his own suffering.’

The Coronation is now set to be held on August 9th when sports will be held.

Offertories

Six Sundays at 8am – 4s 8½d. July 6th Trinity VI: Matins 5s 4d, Evensong 2s 1½d.

September

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am 4s 9d. August 3 Trinity X Matins 10s 4d, Evensong 3s.

‘The sports in honour of the Coronation were held on the afternoon of August 9th. The day kept fair until the evening, and then the rain was not very much. The children’s races began at 3 pm and the others began punctually at 6 pm. A long programme was gone through and the prizes given away by lamplight. The proceedings were warmed up with a hearty singing of the National Anthem and I think I may say that all the loyal subjects of King Edward in the village of Reighton spent a thoroughly

¹⁵ The coronation of Edward VII had to be postponed at short notice after he was taken ill with appendicitis.

happy day. On the Sunday the services were well attended and the Prayers and Hymns ordered for the occasion used.'

'As the ruined West End of the Parish Church has been pronounced unsafe, I have given orders that the Bells are not to be rung until a complete restoration of that portion of the church has been effected.'

'I wish to draw attention to the fact that six days' residence in a parish does not constitute a legal period for the publication of banns. This is on the Authority of the Bishop of Hull.'

The Sunday School tea is to be given in early September.

Marriage

August 11 John Garbutt to Christiana Taylor

Burials

August 6th Walter Clubley, 6 months

June 19th Harry Skelton of Hunmanby, 27

October

The Sunday School Treat was given on Monday September 15th. Games and races in the Vicarage Paddock began at 3 pm. By four o'clock all was ready for a substantial tea given by the Vicar and Mrs Wynne. This being over, amusements were soon in full swing again, and an enjoyable afternoon was brought to a close by the distribution of toys all round, the winners of the different races having their choice. Our thanks are due to Mr and Mrs Sparrow and members of the choir for their kind help during the afternoon.

'It seems late now, on September 19th, to write of the sad drowning fatality that threw this village into gloom during those few bright summer days in August, but we must record in these parish notes our heartfelt sympathy with the bereaved parents of those little ones so suddenly called away. On account of this recent calamity our School Treat did not take place in the first week of September as intended.'

(On 22nd of August 1902 five children [who were on holiday at Hunmanby with their parents] and their nursemaid were playing on Reighton beach when they were cut off on a sandbank by the incoming tide. Despite many attempts to rescue them the children drowned although the nursemaid was able to reach the shore. Their names and ages were: Hannah Mary Webster, 3, Elsie Taylor, 7, Clarissa Taylor, 7, Martha Alice Webster, 11, and Lily Taylor, 12.

THE FILEY FUNERALS.

PATHETIC SCENES.

Reighton and the district were on Monday wrapped in the deepest gloom. The body of the youngest of the five children drowned on Reighton sands had been recovered, and the inquest was held.

It had not been closed more than an hour when the little sisters Webster were removed to their last resting-place, the funeral being a particularly pathetic one.

Later in the afternoon the bodies of the sisters Taylor were removed from Reighton to Bridlington, and thence conveyed by an evening train to Leeds.

The inquest was conducted at the Dotterill Inn on Monday by Mr Luke White, M.P. With two exceptions, the jury was the same as on Saturday, and this being so, the Coroner intimated that he would not call the mothers again. They were both very much worn with grief—in fact, they were unable to attend, unless it was absolutely necessary, and he did not think it was. A verdict of "Accidentally drowned" was returned, the jury expressing their sympathy.

The jury handed back their fees, to be given to the parents, and Mr Luke White contributed a sovereign, the total amount subscribed being £2 11s 6d. In addition to this, other subscriptions had been voluntarily made in the district during the week-end, and one gentleman collected about £2 on the sands on Sunday.

The funeral of Martha Alice Webster and Hannah Mary Webster took place on Monday in Hunmanby Cemetery. The children of the third, fourth, and fifth standards of the Reighton Board School attended, the girls in white and the boys each wearing a band of crape.

As the bodies of their playmates were being borne out of the house to the hearse, the children sang the hymn, "Safe in the arms of Jesus." It was a touching scene, at which even strong men were moved to tears.

The children, two by two, marched in front of the cortege over the two miles of country road to Hunmanby. There was also a large following of adults, and the number of followers increased as the solemn procession drew nearer to Hunmanby.

The service in church was conducted by the Vicar. The Reighton children sang at the entrance the hymn, "Rock of Ages," and little companions of the deceased carried the coffins into the church.

In addition to Mr and Mrs Webster, Mrs Taylor (Leeds) was present, and Mrs Ackroyd, the grandmother, whilst Mr Luke White showed his sympathy by attending. In Hunmanby the shops were closed and blinds drawn.

The scene at the graveside was indescribably sad. Here the school children again sang, and many wept bitterly. The two graves were side by side, and so numerous were the wreaths that the cavities were almost filled with them. Amongst the wreaths were several of wild beach flowers contributed by the children of the village.

One elderly woman touched a sympathetic chord in her hearers' hearts when she remarked on how often the bereaved mother would be reminded of her loss. "Aye," she said, "you know, she'll oftens open t' drawers and see t' things 'at belonged to 'em." The unconscious translation of an immortal utterance of one of the oldest and greatest of poets was classic in its brevity and force, and it might well set the listeners on thinking.

The above article appeared in the Hull Daily Mail of Tuesday August 26th 1902. My thanks to Sarah Hutchinson of Bridlington Library for finding it for me.)

The dangerous condition of the West End of the church has caused much anxiety of late, and has made the necessity of immediate restoration assume a threatening aspect. I am able to announce that the patron, H Strickland Constable MA, has promised me £100 towards the restoration, the cost of which is estimated at £300. Any contributions, however small, will be thankfully received and placed in the York City & County Bank in the name of the Treasurer, the Rev C S Booty RD.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am – 6s 9½d. September 7 Trinity XV – Matins 4s 5d, Evensong 2s 4d

November

‘The Harvest Festival on October 15th fell on one of the few fine days of the month. Though flowers were not plentiful at this late season, we had enough with the use of a greater quantity of corn and wheat and barley than usual. The change was really an improvement, and seemed to speak of an abundant Harvest though a late one.

‘The decorations and their beauty were due to the skill of Mrs Crowe and daughters and Mrs Sparrow. The time and labour spent must have been amply repaid by the appearance of the little church when well lighted for Evensong and filled with an attentive and reverent congregation.

‘An eloquent sermon was preached by the vicar of Filey and an Anthem ‘I will feed my flock’ was very well rendered by the Choir assisted by several members of our usual congregation. For this year only the offertories were given to the church restoration fund as every effort must be made to commence work in Spring.’

Donations to the Restoration Fund

Church Box	£8
Rev Charles Johnstone	£20
Arthur Machin Esq	£5
Harvest festival	£1 10s

Towards current Church expenses I have received from Mr J Potter of Speeton the sum of 5s.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am – 4s 8½d. October 4 Trinity XIX Matins 7s, Evensong 2s 6½d.

December

‘ I myself never saw our Parish Church with the Tower standing, but from all I hear, the Tower, despite its architectural shortcomings, was much

appreciated by the Parishoners. The Architects, who have surveyed the Church with the object of making fresh plans, have one and all declared that the Church was never originally built with a Tower, but that one was added of red bricks upon the narrow arches still standing, as supports, in the ruined West end. This restoration was probably effected in the Reign of the third George. In those days competent and learned Architects, such as those who now take an interest in Ecclesiastical Architecture, were not employed in small country churches like our own. Therefore the restorations which took place from time to time were often disfiguring and quite out of keeping with the rest of the building. In the case of our own church, the slant of the present roof has at some time been altered, as may be seen from the different slope of the Chancel roof. All these things give the Architects food for reflection before they decide on the plan to be followed, and I am glad to say that I believe the Tower will be replaced as nearly as possible on the old lines.'

Burial

November 14th Thomas Appleby, 73 years.

1903

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(There was no Reighton parish magazine for January)

February

'On Monday evening, December 29 1902, the children of the Sunday School were invited to the vicarage and all received presents from the Bran Tub. Their mothers and other friends accompanied them and an enjoyable evening was spent from 6:30 to 9pm.

'It was a great pleasure for Mrs Wynne and the Vicar to see how much the little party was enjoyed by all who were present.

' Unfortunately the annual Christmas Treat and Entertainment could not be arranged, but I trust that it may not be missed another year.'

I am pleased to say that I have received from G Lloyd Graeme Esq¹⁶ the sum of £10 towards the Church restoration fund. This has been placed in the bank.

Offertories (January)

Four Sundays at 8 am – 2s 5½d. January 4th Sunday after Christmas, matins 5s 5d, Evensong 2s 2d.

Burial

January 7th Walter George Temple, 2.

¹⁶ The Lloyd Graeme family lived at Sewerby Hall near Bridlington.

(February)

Four Sundays at 8 am – 3s 2d. February 1 Epiphany IV Matins 6s 3d, Evensong 2s 6d.

March

February 25th is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. The vicar asks people to consider why we observe the forty days of Lent.

We are all sinners and Christ died to save us. He went into the wilderness and fasted for forty days and nights. We are asked to give up something to help us realize the Saviour's sacrifice, even if it is only some dainty, a few pence or, better still, some fault.

A short sermon would be given after Evensong every Friday in Lent.

Burial

January 31 Anne Jefferson, 76

April

'It may be of interest to many parishoners to hear that Messrs Broderick & Walker, the architects, have sent in the plans and estimates for the restoration of the West end of the Church. The cost is to be £500. This is greater than I expected, but I trust that the good work which has already met with such generous support will not fall through for lack of the required sum. I would remind you that every little helps.'

Alice Piercy, who has long been a great help in the Sunday School and Choir, is now leaving home for the first time. We shall miss her greatly, and every good wish goes with her to her new sphere of work.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am 3s 10½d. March 1 Lent 1 Matins 6s 7d, Evensong 2s 3d.

Baptism

March 9th Agnes Mildred, d/o William and Betsy Pinkney

May

On Easter Day the church was most beautifully decorated and never before have we had such a profusion of white bloom. Flowers were sent by Mrs Danford, Mrs Parry (Devonshire), Mrs Sparrow and from the Priory, Shrewsbury. Mrs Crowe and daughters and Mrs Sparrow we have to thank for their skilled work in arranging them. The singing of the children was excellent, and our Easter joy was enhanced by the thought that Good Friday had been well observed and all its services well attended.

Restoration Fund Receipts

A Bosville Esq

£5

Lady Amherst of Hackney

£20

York Diocesan Church Extension Fund	£50
Anonymous	£30

Mr Crowe and Mr Hall have been re-elected churchwardens and the accounts have been found correct with 9s in hand.

The Offertories of Easter Day were devoted to the debts incurred for repairing the roof of the Nave which was greatly damaged in the gale, also repairs of the Stove which was sent to Messrs King & Co, of Hull, from whom it was purchased about Christmastime 1898.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am – 2s 9d. Easter day, April 12th, 8 am 3s, Matins 5s, Evensong 3s ½d.

(There seems to have been no Reighton parish magazine for June)

July

‘This time last year all thoughts were turned on National Events, for these notes are being written in the month of June, close upon the longest day. At this time in 1902 Thanksgiving Services were being held in every town and village for the Proclamation of Peace. Then came the Coronation Day with its disappointment and, under all, deep thankfulness that our Ruler was spared to us¹⁷.

‘And now a year has flown by, during which we, as a nation, have much to be thankful for: Peace, law, order, power and Empire, all these come boldly to the front but, the greatest of all, Religion, lingers in the background.’

(Unimportant religious omission)

The vicar had received a further donation to the restoration fund from Miss Clarke of Filey of £5, which had been placed in the bank.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am 3s 8½d
June 7th Trinity Matins 6s 1d, Evensong 2s 2d

Baptism

May 24th John Ernest s/o Thomas and Edith Mary Walton

August

‘Mr Crowe, having kindly offered the use of a wagon at the beginning of August, I hope to have the Sunday School Treat one day in the first week of the month. Mrs Wynne and I will be pleased to see all children of the Sunday School and their mothers, also the grown up Choir singers at our

¹⁷ See note 15.)

Treat. We shall go to Filey and, the weather being favourable, I hope a happy day may be spent.'

Offertories

Five Sundays and St Peter's Day at 8 am – 6s 11½d

July 5th Trinity IV Matins 3s 6d, Evensong 3s 6½d.

I have received a second donation of £10 for the Church restoration fund from Col Lloyd Graeme.

Baptisms

July 5th Henry s/o George and Emily Whiting

July 5th Donald s/o Robert and Edith McClurg of Speeton¹⁸

July 12th George William s/o William and Annie Ellen Woodhead

July 19th Margaret Alice d/o Edwin and Martha Ann Smith of St Bartholomews, Bradford.

September

'On August 5th we had our Sunday School Treat to Filey. The day was one of the finest we have had this summer and a merry start was made from the Vicarage at about 11 o'clock. The wagon horses made a gladsome picture in their holiday trappings, and had a prize been offered for the best decorated horses and wagon on the road that day I think Reighton would have come to the front. Tea was served out of doors, picnic fashion and needs no praise of mine when I say that Mrs Piercy prepared it. Thanks to the kind help of Mr and Mrs Gannon we were enabled to secure all that was required for the tea and equipage close at hand. Thirty two sat down on the grass bank fronting the sea at 3pm and later in the day the children enjoyed games and races until the sun began to fall and all thoughts turned to the pleasure of the homeward journey.

'Miss Danford and her cousins the Miss Jephsons assisted Mrs Wynne throughout the day and were most kind in helping to amuse the children. Mrs Danford and Mrs Sparrow were good enough to send in subscriptions towards the treat.'

'A contract for the restoration of the West End of the parish church has been signed by Mr Kilvington of Nafferton. The cost of building the lower stage of the Tower will be £404 5s 2d. Towards this I have £320 which leaves about £80 to be made up for this first stage of the work. Mr Kilvington proposes to work the whole of the stone this winter and to begin the restoration in the spring. The Rev F E Powell, vicar of Sewerby, has promised to preach for our Harvest Festival this year. The date is not fixed but will be announced in good time.'

¹⁸ Robert McClurg was the master of the school which served Reighton and Speeton, starting in the post in January 1903. Later he became a churchwarden of Speeton church. His parents in law are buried in Reighton churchyard.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am – 3s 9½d

August 2nd Trinity VIII Matins 12s 6d, Evensong 5s 5d.

October

I am glad to be able to announce that through the kindness and interest of those who have helped to raise money for the Restoration of the Parish church I have placed £12 16s in the bank.

An Excellent Dramatic Entertainment was given on Wednesday September 16th in Filey in the Victoria Hall under the superintendence of Mr P Lloyd Graeme, assisted by Mrs Hancock and Misses Armytage and Booty. I am deeply grateful to all who assisted. The Rev A and Mrs Cooper, Mrs Heard and Miss McCallum. The Miss Myers-Beswicks of Gristhorpe lent sweet music and much interest, and Miss Katherine Martin sang charmingly between the acts. Mr Hugh Pankyn made us feel lively with some excellent banjo solos, accompanied by Miss Danford. The whole affair was a brilliant success.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am 4s 8d

September 6th Trinity XIII Matins 8s 6d, Evensong 4s.

November

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service was well attended by Parishoners but few friends from any distance were able to attend due to the rain and storm. The service was not wanting in heartiness combined with reverence. An impressive sermon was preached by the Vicar of Sewerby and the singing of the small choir of treble voices was supplemented by the congregation. All the ladies who kindly decorated the Church for the Great Festival had worked with such success that one is led to say 'Practice makes perfect' and each year beats its predecessors.

Offertories to the Restoration Fund

Philip Lloyd Graeme

(proceeds of the Filey entertainment) £4 12s

Miss Maria Lloyd Graeme £1 1s

Rev C Johnstone £3

Harvest Festival 14s 10d

Church Box £5 10s

Offertories

Five Sundays and Harvest Festival at 8 am – 6s 5½d

October 4th Trinity XVII Matins 6s 1d, Evensong 3s.

December

Advent is now approaching and a short address will be given after Evensong on every Friday. A few now regularly attend Friday evening

services which are at the convenient hour of 7pm. The church is within a very reasonable distance for all who live in the village.

The Annual Christmas Tea and Entertainment will be held in the first week of the New Year. Mr Nathaniel Coleman is to have the entertainment in his barn and Mr W Crawford is to lend his barn for the tea.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am – 3s 3½d

November 1st Trinity XXI All Saints Day Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 2s 6d.

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January

‘As all local notes have to reach the printer by the first post on December 30th, I shall be obliged to hold over an account of our Christmas Tea and Concert until next month.

The church was prettily decorated for Xmas Day and the services were well attended. On the Sunday after Xmas a carol was sung after evensong by the children of the Choir:- “A Virgin most Holy”.

I have received £1 10s 0d , a further donation to the Filey Concert Fund.

Offertories

Four Sundays and Xmas Day at 8 am: 4s 3d

December 6th, Advent II: Matins 7s 3d, Evensong, 3s

Xmas Day: Matins 9s 3d

Marriage

December 5th Robert William Barker Chadwick to Eleanor Crawford

February

“There is truth in the old saying “ All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.” Believing this, and seeing that in Reighton there is much work and little play, it has been my endeavour since I came amongst you, to supply a little amusement and recreation at Christmas.

A social gathering such as our annual Tea and Concert cannot but help to promote that feeling of goodwill (which in spite of all dispersions,) continues to reign at this Holy time. It would have been quite impossible to carry out our entertainment, and to meet with the success and satisfaction it afforded, had not everyone come forward with all the kindness and help that was so ungrudgingly given.

We have no schoolroom, or public room in Reighton, a serious drawback in any village – however, Mr Coleman and Mr Crawford kindly lent us their barns – Mr Hall lent us wood and gave time and labour to the erection of the platform; Mr Maplesden fully earned his title as the “handy man” and was untiring in his skilful work from first to last. Mrs Rickaby of Gristhorpe Hall, lent a powerful oil stove which gave the Concert Barn quite a cosy appearance, helping to light up the stage and bring out the bright colours of the hangings which covered the walls. Last, but not least, we must thank those who lent their chairs, for certainly without them all would have been a dead failure.

Mrs Piercy’s name is enough to ensure an excellent tea, and as 112 partook of the feast she provided at the modest sum of 6d per head, I need not add how fully her efforts were appreciated.

The Concert commenced at 7 pm and the tickets sold at the door paid for all expenses connected with the entertainment. The following programme was gone through and finished before 10 pm:-

Concert, Reighton, December 30th 1903

Part 1

- i Carol – Waken, Christian Children – The School children
- ii Pianoforte duet – Overture, Le Barbier de Seville (Rossini) – Mrs and Miss Danford
- iii Vocal duet – The Last Milestone – Miss B and Mr H Coleman
- iv Song – Asthore – Mr Davie (Gristhorpe)
- v Song with violin obligato – La Seranata (Baaga) – Mrs Forster
- vi Song – Daddy – Miss A Piercy
- vii Violin duet – Rev C S and Miss Ida Booty
- viii Song – The Skipper – Mr H Coleman
- ix Song – Angus Macdonald – Miss Bertha Coleman
- x Dialogue – The Geese – The Misses Crowe

Part 2

- xi Pianoforte duet – Mazurka des Traineaux – Miss Booty and Miss Danford
 - xii Song – The Village Blacksmith – Mr Mc’Clery
 - xiii Violin Solo – Les Murmurs du Rhine (Burgmuller) – Miss Ida Booty
 - xiv Vocal duet (Balfe) – Excelsior – Miss B and Mr H Coleman
 - xv Song – The Star of Bethlehem – Miss Lottie Hall
 - xvi Song – Four Jolly Smiths – Mr Parkinson (Gristhorpe)
 - xvii Song – Rothesay Bay- Miss A Piercy
 - xviii Song and Chorus – Auld Lang Syne
 - xix Play: “The £100 Prize”
- Characters: Miss Darlington – Mrs Wynne
Mabel Primrose – Miss Booty
Elsie Barker – Miss Ida Booty
- God Save the King.

On January 6th, through the kindness of a lady who is interested in Reighton, Mrs Wynne was enabled to give the Sunday School children a Christmas Tree. The children with their mothers assembled at 5:30, and as there were three sets of presents for each, the tree was kept lighted until 7 pm, when all went home highly pleased with their pleasant evening. Miss Danford was most kind in assisting to prepare the tree and dispense the presents. The tree itself, a very pretty one, was given by Mr Crowe.

I received subscriptions from Mrs Danford, Mrs Sparrow and Miss Isabel Jones towards the Christmas festivities and tree for the Sunday school.

I have received since the last issue the sum of £3 anonymously, "From a lover of Reighton" for the church. It has been placed in the bank; also £1 – Hackness surplice fees – and 5s from two Reighton friends. Whoever our anonymous friend may be, we offer him sincere thanks for this, his second donation. We feel deeply grateful for his help towards the restoration of this ancient Church.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 3s

January 3rd, 2nd Sunday after Christmas: Matins 3s 6½d, Evensong 2 2½d

Baptisms

January 3rd Robert s/o Robert William and Eleanor Chadwick

Omitted in December:-

November 15th 1903 Edward Wilson s/o Harry and Eliza Margaret Temple

November 15th 1903 Annie Mary d/o Thomas Robert and Ellen Bird of Graffitoe

Burial

January 5th Robert Chadwick aged 12 hours

March

'We shall be in the third week of Lent when these words reach you. I trust the solemn season may not pass unheeded by those who make a practice of attending Divine Service on Sundays, but that an effort may be made to take advantage of the Friday evening service at which a short address will be given.

Mrs Wynne hopes that during the last three weeks in Lent, on March the 9th, 16th and 23rd, to hold a Mothers' Meeting in the Vicarage Schoolroom, when she will read an address and those who attend will be asked to do some needlework. The garments made will be sent to one of the Church of England Homes for Waifs and Strays. The meetings will commence at 7 pm.

On Wednesday the 9th the subject will be "Prayer and Truth".

On Wednesday the 16th "Conversation".

On Wednesday the 23rd "Sunday Schools".

Mrs Wynne will be pleased to see any parishoners who care to come.

A confirmation will be held at Burton Agnes on April 19th to which candidates from Reighton will be taken. All who wish to be confirmed kindly send their names in to the Vicar.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 3s 9d

February 7th, Sexagesima Sunday: Matins 6s 2d, Evensong 2s

Baptism

February 7th Gwendolen d/o Charles Robert and Ada Roberta
Anderson

April

Lent is over and Easter with its joy and brightness has come once more.

In the Greek Church, Christians meeting one another at this season, use for a greeting these words: "CHRIST IS RISEN". We in England seldom make outward sign of our religion, and more and more, we see people shrink from confessing the Faith that is in them, but we may all carry these words in our hearts, as the joyful message which comes to all, "CHRIST IS RISEN".

Through Lent the services have been attended more regularly than in the past: we have also endeavoured to keep the Holy Season by a small sacrifice of time. This has been cheerfully given by those who have helped at the "Mothers' Sewing Meetings" for "Waifs and Strays". The young people have been punctual and diligent at their confirmation classes, and in practicing an anthem for Easter Day.

The work of re-building the West end of the Church has already been commenced. The stone is being cut in the Churchyard, and about the middle of April, the old walls will be pulled down. We are still £50 short of the required sum for the first part of the work, and when this is completed, £150 must be raised for the tower. Any trifle, however small, towards the good work will be gratefully received.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 4d

March 6th, Lent iii: Matins 7s, Evensong 2s 9d

Baptism

March 13th Harry s/o Harry and Eliza Noble of Grindale

May

'On May 12th, Ascension Day, the services will be:-

Holy Communion, 8 am

Matins, 10 am

Evensong with sermon, 7 pm

I beg all to try and attend some of the services on this day, one of the greatest Festivals of the Church.

At the Confirmation held at Burton Agnes on April 19th, by the Bishop of Hull, ten candidates from Reighton were presented:-

Ernest Clubly

Leonard Maplesden

Harry Pudsey

William Jesse Maplesden

Frank Chapman

George Pudsey

Mary Ethel Evison

Eleanor Diana Chapman

Florence Timms

Edith McClerg (Mrs)

Mrs Wynne has received the following letter from "The Church of England Homes for Waifs and Strays":-

"Clarendon House

Hull

April 2nd 1904

Dear Madam,

Will you please accept our best thanks for the clothing we have received for our children, also please convey the same to the Mothers who made them so beautifully and tell them they are most useful garments and thankfully received. At present we are much in need of pinafores and petticoats, so they have been specially welcome.

Yours sincerely

ELEANOR ATKIN

Matron"

I am deeply grateful to an anonymous benefactor who has sent to the Rev C S Booty, our treasurer, a contribution of £12 towards the Church Restoration Fund. This now leaves the sum of £38 to be raised from the contract now in hand.

Offertories

Five Sundays, including Easter Day at 8 am: 8s 9d

The offertories for April 3rd, Easter Day, and the whole of the accounts for the past year will be published in next month's issue.

Burial

April 21st Henry Whiting, aged ten months.

June

"On Holy Thursday I was rejoiced to see many present at our bright evensong. At the Holy Communion at 8 am there were three present. On the first Sunday in May there were 23 communicants, including some of the newly confirmed.

The Church Restoration work is making excellent progress in the hands of Mr Kilvington, though the severity of the weather has made his task an arduous one. Many days it has been almost impossible to stand against the gales, and the cold has been very trying to the workmen, so exposed is the position on which our Church stands.

A beautiful sketch in water colours of what the Church is to be when finished, has been hung up inside: few can fail to be pleased with the desired effect.

I have most thankfully received these further donations to the Restoration Fund:-

Hackness surplice fees (per Rev C Johnstone) £2

"From a Mother" for the Church £2

Arthur Stephenson Esq £1

The amounts received for Church Expenses have been entered monthly during the past year, and with the addition of 15s taken from the Church Box 3 Sundays in August 1903 the total comes to £7 9s 11½d

The expenditure £6 11s 11d as follows:-

1903		£	s	d
May 3 rd	A Crawford		10	
May 7 th	Carriage of store to and from Speeton		3	
August 22 nd	Oil can and lamp glasses		2	3
October 1 st	Church Insurance		10	
October 9 th	J Anderson, cleaning	1	12	
October 22 nd	Mr Hall, oil for 1902		13	9
November 16 th	Fuel for stove	1	8	9
April 2 1904	J Anderson	1	12	
Balance			18	½
		7	9	11½

Offertories

Four Sundays and Ascension Day at 8 am: 6s 8d

May 1st, Easter iv: Matins 8s 3d, Evensong 2s 3d

Baptism

May 1st Edith Ethel d/o James and Edith Barr

Marriage

May 14th Charles William Bullock and Louisa Elizabeth Elliott

July

“ One of the first Sundays in August, the Rev C R Bramley, M A, Vicar of St James', Scarborough, will preach morning and evening in aid of the “Society for the Propagation of the Gospel”. Hitherto the pressing need of placing our Parish Church in a state of safety and preservation has compelled me to withhold all our offerings for that one most important object. I must still remind you that nearly £200 is required for the completion of the Church Restoration. Since the last issue of this magazine I have received from Miss Prescott 10s. From the Rev Coleman Ivens, Vicar of Boynton, 10s for the Restoration Fund.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 7½d

June 5th, Trinity 1: Matins 4s 5½d, Evensong 2s 5d

August

Mr Bramley, I regret to say, is unable to fulfil his engagement here on August 14th.

I have arranged for my duty to be taken on August 12th, Trinity xii, by the Rev E Thwaites and I hope to be away for a holiday from August 15th to the 27th.

The Sunday School Treat is fixed for Wednesday August 3rd. Mr Crowe has kindly lent his wagon, and altogether our party will number about 40. I hope, and it is intended to spend a pleasant day at Filey, having tea out of doors, as we did last year.

The Church is making excellent progress, and I am thankful to say that the Restoration Fund has not been standing still either. I have received the following contributions since last month's issue:-

	£	s	d
A Friend	2		
Mrs Robert Crowe	1		
Robert Crowe Esq	1		
A Lady	2	10	
Mrs T M Kelsall	1	1	
Offertory St Peter's Day			8

Offertories

St Peter's Day and four Sundays at 8 am: 6s 11d

July 3rd, Trinity v: Matins 11s 8d, Evensong 2s 7½d

The Service on St Peter's Day was well attended and a most interesting sermon preached by the Vicar of Muston.

September

'Our Sunday School Treat was given on Wednesday August 3rd, which was one of the most perfect days of a beautiful summer. Punctually at 11 am, Mr Crowe's wagon started from the Vicarage, filled to its utmost capacity. Forty was the number invited, and all accepted, but four were prevented from going. Filey was reached before one o'clock, when the party dispersed, each to follow his own fancy – shopping, bathing, visiting – which terminated in a sort of "hide and seek" game. This filled up some time and caused mild excitement, which concluded in the satisfied remark "All's well that ends well," for everyone turned up at 3:30 for tea which was served on the grass above the beach.

Miss Danford and Miss Ida Booty were most kind and energetic in their help throughout the day and without them the games which amused the onlookers as well as the children, could not have been so successful and enjoyable as they proved to be. A start was made for home about 6 pm, and as they jogged merrily along the winding road from Filey, the parishoners of Reighton must have felt a thrill of joy and pride, as they saw, for the first time, the new tower of their church, which, though still unfinished, already makes a landmark on the hillside, that the traveller must mark long ere the little village itself is reached. I received kind contributions towards the treat from:- Mrs Danford, Reighton Hall, Mrs Sparrow, Mrs Kelsall.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 3s ½d

Trinity x August 7: Matins 17s, Evensong 4s 7d

October

'We are now looking forward to our Harvest Festival on September 27th. This year it should indeed be a bright and thankful one, for I have not heard a single dissentient tone as regards the quality and quantity of the ingathered crops. Our offerings at the Services will be given to the Restoration Fund, for, until the Belfry is added, we shall not hear our old church bells. I am sure we all miss them, and no effort must be spared to collect the much needed £200. I have received towards it the following sums:-

Captain and Mrs Thresher £1

An Offertory, Boynton Church 9s

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 8s 2d

September 4th, Trinity xiv: Matins 10s, Evensong 2s 2½d

Burials

August 21st John Arthur Moore of Scarborough, 7 days

September 14th George Pudsey, 53 years.

November

‘As it is necessary to try in every possible way to raise money for the continuation of the Church Restoration, Mrs Wynne hopes to have a Jumble, or as some would call it, a Rummage Sale towards the end of this month. Bills will be sent round with the date and full particulars in good time. It is hoped that purchasers, besides spending a little money in the good cause of restoring their Parish Church, may also benefit themselves for they will find at the Sale many useful articles at and exceedingly moderate price.

This year the Harvest Festival was exceptionally bright and hearty. The Vicar of Hunmanby’s sermon contained some interesting reflections. He told us that he had spent many days in the lands that lie just across our North Sea. There the people are far less richly blessed with the fruits of the earth than we, in our more favoured clime, and still, the fervent expression of their gratitude leaves open the suggestive question, “Does our thankfulness for the blessings we receive lose or gain in comparison with theirs?” To most of us this question left a thought not lightly forgotten. The decorations were tastefully carried out by the ladies of the congregation, their lightness and simplicity shewing that great care and attention had been given to the work.

The singing was quite congregational with the exception of the anthem “Praise the Lord,” (Simper), the solo, “Thou visiteth the earth,” being sung by Mrs Sparrow with much devotional feeling. The offertories during the day came to £2 3s. I also received the sum of £2 from Miss Somerville of Gristhorpe towards the Restoration Fund. Both sums have been placed in the bank.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 3s 1½d

October 2nd, Trinity xix: Matins 5s 2d, Evensong 4s.

December

‘This year Christmas Day falls on Sunday. There will be Evensong at the usual hour, and Carols or an Anthem will be sung. I trust that all will make an effort to be present at one of the Services of this great Festival. They will be as follows:- Holy Communion 8 am, Matins and Holy Communion 10:30 am, Evensong 6:30 pm.

We hope to have our Christmas Tea and Entertainment at the Speeton and Reighton Board School, the Managers having kindly promised us the use of the room¹⁹. Posters, with further particulars will be put out later on.

A Friend has kindly collected the sum of £7 5s for the Restoration Fund. I am sure all in the Parish will join me in feeling very thankful to those who have so generously helped in the work of restoring this ancient Church.

Since Easter the contents of the Church Box have come to £4 15s 9d. This has been placed in the Bank, with the exception of 8s 9d, which was paid for cutting out the new path round the Tower.

Offertories

Four Sundays and "All Saints Day" at 8 am: 4s 10½d

November 6th, Trinity xxiii: Matins 5s 2d, Evensong 3s 6d

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January

'A Happy Christmas and a Merry Christmas. We may feel that we have had both. A happy Christmas in that the services on that Holy Day were well attended. The early dawn saw many kneeling at the Altar there to greet the heavenly Babe whose birth year by year brings us glad tidings and a deep joy that through all the ages overcomes the stress of daily life and pierces through every cloud of sorrow.

'Some new gifts to our church were used for the first time on Christmas Day. The whole of the sanctuary has been laid with neat red tiles, and a wide stone step supports the oak railings, the wall all round being painted. A beautiful kneeling carpet has been worked for the step, and two new kneeling mats. The old table has been replaced by a massive oak altar. The above mentioned gifts came from four donors and one must note the great improvement in that part of the church which ought to be first and best.

'For Christmas decorations chrysanthemums and arum lilies given by Mrs Danford were used for the altar. On the font Mrs Crowe had placed a white cross and festoons of ivy. Mrs Danford covered the pulpit with holly wreathing relieved by a star of white flowers and crimson tulips.

'The children sang an Anthem somewhat in the form of a carol at Matins and Evensong 'We Bring You Glad Tidings'. Its very simplicity and the fact of the children's voices predominating made it acceptable.'

'From Lady Amherst of Hackney²⁰ I have the promise of £25 towards the £200 to be collected for the completion of the tower.

¹⁹ They are unlikely to have refused, given that several of the school board members were also churchwardens.

The merry part of Christmas was a Boxing Day concert. The following programme was carried out with many encores. Best thanks are given to the kind friends who faced the inclement weather in order to provide pleasure and amusement in a small country village.

PROGRAM

1 Carol The Children

Part One

2	Piano duet 'Pau Pukeewis'	Mrs and Miss Danford
3	'Camptown Races'	Christy Minstrels
4	Song	Miss B Coleman
5	Violin solo	Miss Ida Booty
6	Song 'You and I'	Mrs Forster
7	Song	Mr H Coleman
8	Song 'Oh Dear, What Can The Matter Be?'	Mrs Sparrow
9	Birds Song and Chorus 'Beautiful Star'	
10	Song	Mr Smith

Part Two

1	Piano duet 'Hiawatha'	Mrs and Miss Danford
2	Violin solo	Miss Stables
3	Violin solo	Miss Ida Booty
4	Song	Mr H Coleman
6	Song	Miss G Coleman
7	Song	Dr Forster
8	Song 'She Wore a Wreath of Roses'	Mrs Sparrow
9	Song	Mr Lowish
10	Play 'That Piece of Silk'	
	Characters	
	Mrs Marsh Marigold, an elderly lady	Miss Danford
	Miss Veronica Speedwell	
	and Miss Daisy Chaine, her nieces	Miss S Crowe and Miss L Radford
	Mrs Crosston, a landlady	Miss Booty
	Rose Champion, a maid	Miss Ida Booty

God Save the King

'In the death of Mrs Piercy²¹ not only the parish of Reighton loses a friend, for to a wide circle in all the country around Mrs Piercy had endeared herself by her thoroughness in the duties she performed, and in her warm and affectionate disposition, which won the esteem and respect of everyone. Our deepest sympathy is given to her husband and children in their hour of sorrow.

²⁰ Mary Rothes Margaret Tyssen-Amherst, 1857 – 1919.

²¹ Landlady of the Dotterell pub.

'We often see in obituary notices 'No Flowers by request'. Looking at the mass of lovely flowers that covered Mrs Piercy's resting place, one could not help feeling that here indeed they were but eloquent tokens of heartfelt sympathy, and that they came as the last tributes of affection for one of whom it is said 'She never refused an act of kindness to anyone'.

Offertories

Five Sundays and Christmas Day at 8 am – 7s 2d

December 4th Advent II Matins 9s 1d, Evensong 2s 2d

Christmas Day Matins 10s 1d.

Burial

December 2nd Alice Piercy, 53.

February

A very successful Jumble Sale was held in Mr Crawford's barn on 28th November. The room was crowded and as soon as the doors opened the stalls were besieged by eager purchasers. A few braved the weather and walked from Speeton, otherwise it was parishoners. They can congratulate themselves on securing some bargains and in raising £9 7s for the church restoration fund, which was placed in the bank the next day.

All who want their parish magazines binding are asked to take them to the vicarage at once, to remove the staples and write the owner's name on the first page.

I have received £2 from one who sends it 'For the Church Restoration Fund, from Beta'.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am – 5s 1d

January 1st First Sunday after Epiphany Matins 9s 1½d, Evensong 2s 9½d.

Marriage

January 17th Thomas Chapman to Ada Marshall

March

The solemn season of Lent falls exceptionally late in 1905. Of late years Easter and spring have come to us hand in hand and the breaking up of the long Winter has helped us to 'Rejoice' as we celebrate the Resurrection Morn. This year the days will once more be long and spring will once more have brought its glad message before the Lenten fast is over. There will be Friday evening services during Lent with a short sermon and some special mission hymns in which all can join.

April

'The Vicar and Mrs Wynne invited the choir (which practically means the children of the Sunday school) to tea at the vicarage on Tuesday February

28th. Several ladies kindly helped in the numerous games which made up a pleasant evening. This treat was given as a reward, and also as an encouragement for diligent singing in the Church Services. The music rendered is very simple, but without it we would all miss that Spirit of Praise and Thanksgiving which stirs the heart in true worship.

'I am glad that 'The London Mission Hymnbook' which we have been using on Friday and Sunday evenings during Lent is appreciated. On Easter Day, April 23rd, (I am typing this on April 23rd 2013. LB) we hope to learn a new Anthem.'

Offertories for February and March

Seven Sundays at 8 am 16s 6d

February 5th, fifth Sunday after Epiphany: Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 6d

March, four Sundays at 8am 5s 4d

March 5th, Quinquagesima Sunday: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 4s 1d.

For the Church restoration fund I have received from 'Hackness' £2 10s.

Baptisms

February 5th Jessie d/o William and Harriett Wilson

February 5th Lilian Mary d/o Arthur and Grace Anderson, of Hunmanby

March 11th Enos Oliver s/o William and Betsy Pinkney

March 16th Ernest William s/o John and Maria Artley of Speeton Grange
(private baptism)

Marriage

February 18th Henry Chew Marshall and Alice Hall

Burials

February 28th Ann Piercy, 88

March 19th Ernest William Artley of Speeton Grange, 5 weeks

May

'Easter Day, April 23rd, dawned fair and bright; the sunshine was gladdening. At the Early Celebration there were fifteen communicants, and at twelve o'clock, after Matins, there were seven. The services were well attended, and the church decorations, owing to the quantity of spring flowers, were more elaborate than usual. A number of choice hot house flowers were given for the Great Festival, and the art displayed by those who arranged them was notable.

'At Evensong Simper's anthem 'He hath done Wonders' was sung: the bright soprano solo 'Why seek ye the living among the dead?' being taken by Mrs Sparrow.'

The Easter vestry meeting was held on Tuesday April 25th. Messrs Crowe and Hall were re-elected churchwardens. The church accounts were audited and found correct as follows:

Receipts amounted to £10 – 1 - 1½

Expenses 1904

April 14	Mr A Crawford for church gate	3s 6d
May 3	Mr Hall for church gate and oil bill for 1903	18s 3d
May 27	Mrs Anderson, extra cleaning	1s 6d
September 20	Paraffin oil from February 1903	7s 6d
October 8	John Anderson, church cleaning	£1 12s
October 5 th 1905	Church insurance	10s
January 27	Paraffin oil	4s 6d
April 11	John Anderson, church cleaning	£1 12s
April 11	Mr Piercy, church fuel	9s 9d
April 11	Paraffin oil	3s
April 15	Mr Hall, chairs repaired and stove fitting	£1 10s
April 24	Simpson, plumber, for the roof	8s 6d
Balance in hand		4s 10½
Total		£10 – 1 - 1½

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am and Easter Day: 10s 9d

April 2, Lent IV: Matins 6s 5d, Evensong 2s

Easter Day: Matins 13s 5½d

Baptisms

April 16 Lily d/o Robert William Barker and Eleanor Chadwick

January 13 Katherine d/o Hutchinson and Clara Pudsey, private baptism

January 22 Beatrice d/o Hutchinson and Clara Pudsey, private baptism
We regret this was omitted in the last magazine.

Marriage

April 22 William Henry Smithson of Grindale and Mary Elizabeth Gullen of this parish

June

‘On St Peter’s Day, June 29th, our Patronal and Dedication Festival, the services will be Holy Communion at 8 am, Matins at 10 am and Evensong at 7 pm. For the last named service I hope to secure a special preacher. I appeal to all parishoners to try and attend a service of the Dedication Festival. The old Parish Church belongs to you all. There you bring children to that ancient font that they may be made ‘Children of God and inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven’; from the Church doors some go forth united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony to begin a new life and fight the world’s battle side by side; and lastly in the quiet churchyard rest the quiet dead, many of their names long forgotten, but the old church was theirs too and perchance they loved it well. So with all these thoughts to draw us to it let us assemble ourselves in God’s Holy House on St Peter’s Day and give Him thanks for all the blessings he bestows.’

The American organ in the church has just been tuned and thoroughly repaired. It was, sadly, in need of this. The offerings of St Peter's Day will be used to defray the expenses occurred.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 2s 2d

April 7 Easter II: Matins 6s, Evensong 3s 1d

Baptisms

December 4 1904 Florence Sarah d/o John Thomas and Sarah Ann Tennison

May 14 George Bird s/o John and Mary Ann Smith of Graffitoe, Hunmanby

July

'About the end of July we hope to have our annual Sunday School and Choir Treat to Filey.

'The restoration of the remaining portion of the Church tower is still to be accomplished. I have received two contributions since our last issue, but to any friends who feel included to send small sums for this object I feel very grateful. I am sure that all parishoners must long, as I do, to see the bells rehung and to hear them again. At present we have, with the £2 promised by Lady Amherst, about £30 towards the £200 required to complete the restoration.

'The old Baptismal Register being filled up, I have purchased a new one at the cost of 12s 6d; 7s from offertories and 5s 6d from a Friend.

'The old Register dates from 1813. It is interesting to note that the first and last entries in the old book are as follows:- No 1 1813 April 18th John s/o John and Mary Pudsey of Reighton, labourer, (signed) George Smith, Vicar of Reighton. The last two entries are as follows:- No 799 January 13th 1905 (privately) Katherine d/o Hutchinson and Clara Pudsey. No 800 Beatrice d/o Hutchinson and Clara Pudsey, labourer, Reighton, (signed) J Matthew Wynne, Vicar.

'There are seven entries in the new register. Since I came to Reighton there have been seventy nine baptisms, the first being September 10th 1897, George and Harry, twin sons of Henry and Emma Pudsey.'²²

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 12s 11½d

June 4th Sunday after Ascension: Matins 8s, Evensong 2s 4d.

Baptism

June 18 Annie d/o George and Emily Whiting

²² This register is now at the East Yorkshire Archives, Beverley, Ref no PE78/3.

Received for the Restoration Fund

Miss Isabel James of Shrewsbury £1 – 1 – 0

A Friend (collected) £2 – 3 – 4

August

On St Peter's Day there was a good congregation at the evening service. The offertories during the day amounted to 11s 6½d, about half the sum required for the repair of the organ. The Vicar of Sewerby preached an eloquent sermon. It has often been my privilege to hear the magnificent view – which spreads before the traveller as he enters this village – praised; also the nearer glimpse of Filey Brigg from the north door of the church. Few can gaze on the play of light and shade across the great valley, and the blue line of the coast hills stretching away towards Whitby, without uttering an involuntary exclamation of delight. Certainly we at Reighton should feel the force of the ideas emphasized by Mr Powell as he impressed on us the beauty of the earth, which is God's work; and how He would have the Temples made with our hands be such that we may worship Him in the beauty of Holiness.



The View over Filey Bay from Reighton Churchyard



The north door of Reighton church, inside and out.

From 'A Lover of Reighton' I have received £3 for the restoration fund. I wish I knew our kind benefactor to thank him for I am sure that this is not the first time he has helped us in the great work before us. From Mr R W Hoyle of East Hardwick I have also received 10s for the same fund.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 7d

July 2 Trinity II: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 6s

Baptism

June 28 Florence Annie d/o William and Margaret Pudsey of Scarborough

Burial

June 21 Gwendolen Anderson, 18 months

September

On Wednesday August 2nd we had a fine day for our School Treat; in fact the weather showed every favour for which one could wish. Our party reached Filey about noon. All dispersed to seek their own pleasure independently until 3:30 when we reassembled for races and games at the usual place. Absence from home prevented the presence of several friends who in past years have shared the amusements and helped to make merry with the little ones. However, many of the elder members of the party stepped boldly into the breach and the children were delighted to give them a foremost place in all the old games which were played with increasing energy until tea time. This meal was nicely provided by Messrs Semadini who had prepared for forty: only thirty seven were present. At 6pm the wagon, kindly lent by Mr Crowe, started on its homeward journey. I think I shall be right in saying that we all much appreciated the gay trappings of the team that drew the wagon. The bright effect of the gaily decorated harness had not been obtained without considerable time and trouble, which was given most willingly.

Quiet and out of the way as Reighton is, it seems to possess some attraction for the dwellers in towns to judge by the numbers of visitors there have been this summer. The church services have been well attended, and how thankful I am to write that each month I have been able to note that our little church is not forgotten in its great need. Offerings for the restoration sometimes reach me from unexpected quarter. A Mr Thomas Swales, who was born in Reighton²³ and had not revisited the place since childhood, has sent 5s, he having casually heard from a visitor who spent a month here this summer, that nearly £200 is wanted; also I have received: From a Parishoner £1, From a Friend 10s.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 13s 4½d

August 6 Trinity VII: Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 3s 6d

²³ Thomas, son of John and Elizabeth Swailes, farmer, baptised 27th November 1831.

Baptisms

July 30 Nellie d/o Thomas and Ada Chapman
August 2 Norman Sydney s/o Charles and Esther Cooper of Speeton
August 7 Ethel Florence Bertha d/o William Thomas and Caroline Elliott of Scarborough

October

It has been decided that offertories at Harvest Thanksgiving on September 21st will go to the church restoration fund. Offerings will also go to local hospitals.

The annual Ruri-deconal Conference to be held in the Holy Trinity Parish Room, Bridlington on October 19th at 7:30 pm. A paper will be read by Alfred Houldsworth Esq on the subject of 'The Parson's Freehold'.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 13s 11½d

September 3rd Trinity XI: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 2s 3½d

From a good kind friend I have received £10 for the restoration fund.

Marriage

July 29 William Hood Chapman and Annie Elizabeth Lawton

November

'The records of the year 1905 would not be complete were the Harvest Festival omitted. It was held on September 21st, St Matthew's Day. The Rev C B Booty, Vicar of Rudstone, preached a most interesting sermon which was listened to with rapt attention by the largest congregation I have seen in the Parish Church except on one notable occasion, that being 'The Memorial Service' in memory of our late beloved Queen.

'The decorations were most effective, font, pulpit and reading desks lending themselves as they do to the decorator's art. The deep recesses of the windows too were most tastefully filled with a profusion of flowers.

'Mrs and Miss Crowe, Miss Danford, Miss Booty and Mrs Sparrow are the ladies to whom we are indebted for this beautiful work. Gifts of flowers were received from Mrs Danford and Miss Piercy, and vegetables were sent by Mr Maplesden and Mrs C Anderson. The music went very nicely, and being simple and well known, the congregation joined very heartily throughout.

'The Rev C Hollyer, Curate of the Priory Church, Bridlington, read the lessons.

'Offertories of the day amounted to £2 18s and were given to the church restoration fund. The contents of the Church box were also sent to the Bank, being £4 10s. I have received the sum of £2 from A B C for the same cause with much gratitude.

'Miss Danford has gone to Egypt for the winter; her help will be much missed at Christmas in getting up some of the amusement for the village at that Festal Season.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am: 4s 1d

October 1 Trinity XV: Matins 3s 8d, Evensong 3s.

Baptisms

September 15 William Cecil s/o William Henry and Mary Elizabeth Smithson (private baptism)

October 15 Charles Henry s/o Harry and Elizabeth Margaret Temple of Bridlington, formerly of Reighton

Burial

October 16 Rachel Bilton 77

December

During advent there will be a shortened form of evensong every Friday at 7 pm with sermon.

We hope to have our annual Christmas Treat and entertainment this year. Full particulars will be published later on and handbills distributed. All who wish to come to tea and concert would much oblige if they would purchase tickets beforehand. These can be obtained from the Post Office, Mrs Marshall's shop and the Dotterell Inn. Anyone who buys a ticket and cannot attend can have their money back on production of the ticket.

Mr McClurg, Master of Reighton and Speeton Board School, says he is very satisfied with the results of the Report of the Transfer branch department of the Yorkshire Penny bank for the year ending July 1905. Between the two villages there have been 1,150 deposits, the amount deposited during the year being £28 13s 11d.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 4s 6½d

November 17th Trinity XX: Matins 5s 10½d, Evensong 2s 1½d

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January

'The old year is fast running out and the New Year will be young and untried when these words reach you, bringing my good wishes to all in Reighton for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Christmas Day falling on a Monday, our decorations were not as elaborate as usual and had to be put up on Sunday after Matins, but thanks to Mrs Danford and other friends we had quite a wealth of white flowers so the

Altar and Font looked beautiful on Christmas Eve. A carol 'Come Christian Men, Rejoice' was sung at the end of the service.

A beautifully worked 'fair linen cloth' and a handsome brass Extinguisher have been presented to the Church this Christmastide by the Misses Jephson.

I have also received from E. F. G. the sum of £1 16s for the Restoration fund.

Our next number will contain an account of the Christmas Tea and Entertainment which, judging by the sale of tickets today, the 27th of December, looks to be a success.

Offertories

Seven Sundays and Christmas Day at 8 am 11s 3d
December 3rd, Advent Sunday: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 2s

Baptisms

December 24th Ivy d/o Charles Robert and Ada Robertson
December 24th Wilfred and Alfred ss/o Alfred and Betsy Sellers

Burials

December 5th Katherine Pudsey, 11 months
December 27th Wilfred and Alfred ss/o Alfred and Betsy Sellers

February

'The Tea and Concert on the 28th of December 1905 passed off very well and the weather was most favourable.

In spite of a good sale of tickets for the tea and more door money for the Concert than usual, the Tea and Concert were not a success financially as the following account of receipts and expenditure will show.

For the Tea, tickets to the value of £2 2s 6d were sold. Ten shillings worth of tea tickets were also purchased and given to the members of the Sunday School so one hundred and twenty five sat down to the excellent tea provided.

For reserved seats and entrance to the concert £1 2s 6d was taken. When the expenses have been paid, this sum leaves a deficit as may be seen.

	£	s	d
Removing piano		3	
3 days' labour: Mr Maplesden		6	
George Watson		2	
A Crawford		1	
Leonard Maplesden		1	
J Ealbeck		1	

Mr Hall for wood	2
Parafin	9
Piano tuning	5 3
Mr Webster: cartage of platform from Hunmanby	7
Total	1 9 0

There being 4s in hand from a previous concert, it has been used to help towards the above expenses still leaving a balance of 4s on the wrong side.

Our thanks are offered to any who kindly helped in any way.

Mrs Danford kindly gave 10s towards the entertainment which was expended on the children's tea as mentioned. Through the kind gift of another lady the Sunday School children were also given a Christmas present of 1s each for singing in church.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8am: 6s 6d

January 7th, first Sunday after Epiphany: Matins 4s 8d, Evensong 2s 10½d.

Baptisms

January 7th Frances Evelyn d/o Harry and Eliza Noble of Speeton
 January 14th George Watson s/o John Isaac and Anne Elizabeth
 Moare of Scarborough

March

'During the solemn season of Lent there will be the usual short sermon on Friday evenings. The 'London Mission Hymnbook' will be used as last year.

Our congregations on Sunday evenings during the Winter have been very good; this leads me to hope that some of those who have been regular in their attendance through the stress of winter weather may be able to attend a few of the Friday evenings during Lent.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 4s

February 4th, 5th Sunday after Epiphany: Matins 4s 3d, Evensong 4s 3d.

Baptism

February 11th Gladys Mary d/o James and Eva Barr

April

'Easter Day falls on April the 15th so the magazines will reach you just at the end of Lent and before the HOLY WEEK and GOOD FRIDAY, April 13th.

I feel deeply thankful to be able to say that my Church people have attended the Friday Evening Services this Lent most regularly, seldom have we met with less than a dozen adults as well as all the children of the choir – God willing another Lent I may be able to arrange for some special preachers to address you at these services.

This will be a bright and happy Eastertide for me, for I shall be able to look back on the forty days of Lent feeling that we have humbly tried to observe them in so much that many have exercised self denial and shown perseverance in coming to God's House to kneel in prayer and seek Divine help for life's journey along that narrow path so hard to tread.

The 'London Mission Hymnbook' has been very much appreciated on Friday and Sunday evenings – in afterdays I think some of the parents may recall the pleasure it has given them to hear their children singing with all their hearts 'Tell me the Old Old Story'.

It is true that the vices have not had the time or the opportunity to gain that excellence found in trained, paid choirs, but all do their best and sing heartily and, after all, that is the first point to be considered.

The latter part of the Communion Service with the 151st Psalm sung to Redhead's music, has been taken every alternate Friday evening.

On March 7th Mrs Mary Gullen, the oldest inhabitant of Reighton, was laid to rest at the age of 83. Her funeral was largely attended by many relatives from a distance. Hymn 264 was sung in the church and 231 at the grave.

I regret that the completion of the West End of the Church remains at a standstill for want of funds.

Some effort must be made to raise the needful £200.

I find that the architect's fees for the present work amount to £24.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s

March 4th, Lent 1: Matins: 6s, Evensong, 3s 3½d

Burial

March 7th Mary Gullen aged 83.

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'On Sunday February 25th the steam trawler 'Peace', of Grimsby, came ashore during a dense fog nearly opposite to Buckton Hall. The members of the Brigade were called out at about 3 am and under the command of our chief coastguardman, Thompson, proceeded with the rocket apparatus etc, in drenching rain to her assistance. We believe this is the first time the present members have been called out, and great credit is due to them for the ready response they made to the call of duty.

May

'This year the services on Good Friday and Easter Day were specially well attended. This must add to the true joy which Easter brings to all our hearts.

The Church was made beautiful by a profusion of flowers and the usual willing Church workers carried out the simple decorations so efficiently that it is said that the little church had never looked so well before. All the flowers were gifts, and I am sure that our most grateful thanks are here expressed to all who so kindly remembered the Easter season by helping in this way. A quantity of Arum lilies; and white tulips with hyacinths were very effective, while the spring flowers such as daffodils and primroses brightened the windows and every dark corner.

The children of the choir deserve great praise for their attentive and hearty rendering of the Musical parts of the service. The Psalms were exceedingly well sung at Matins and Evensong.

A chalice veil (hand worked) of finest lawn bordered with lace has been given by a lady for the service of the altar.

On April 7th the Easter Vestry was held. The old churchwardens were re elected and the accounts passed.

Receipts for the year, as already published in the magazine including, as usual, contents of the Church Box three Sundays in August came to £7 12s 11d.

Expenditure as follows:-

1905

		£	s	d
June 7 th	Towards a new Baptism Register		7	
October 2 nd	Church insurance		10	
October 5 th	John Anderson- church cleaning	1	12	
	Extra for path		1	
October 23 rd	Mr W Piercy – church fuel	1	5	6

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January 13 th	Mr Dale, church oil	9
March 8 th	Gravel for path	2 6
March 15 th	Mr Barr, cinders 5/-, coal 1/2	6 2
April 7 th	John Anderson – church cleaning etc	1 12
Total		6 5 2

Offertories

Four Sundays and Maundy Thursday at 8 am – 11s

Easter Day: Matins 11s 2d Evensong 3s

For the Restoration Fund I have received 10s ‘From a Friend and Well-wisher in the North Country’.

Baptism

April 8th Wilfred s/o William Hood and Annie Elizabeth Chapman

June

On June the 9th, St Peter’s Day, our Patronal and Dedication Festival, there will be a sermon at Evensong and a special preacher, whose name will be announced later on. Will all make a special note of this and endeavour to be in church that evening?

Services for St Peter’s Day will be:

Holy Communion	8 am
Matins	10 am
Evensong	7 pm

The offertory will be for repairs and tuning of the American Organ that may be necessary during the year.

For singing attentively on Easter Day the little Choir Singers and younger members of the Sunday School, were each given a small book, as a reward, on Low Sunday.

I shall be glad of a few plants from any of the parishoners for the little flower border near the Church Porch, as I feel sure they will like to keep it looking bright and well kept.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 5s 4d

May 6th, Easter III: Matins 4s 9d, Evensong 4s

Speeton

We record with greatest pleasure the purchase of a Harmonium during the past month for use in the old church. This is entirely due to Miss

Fenwick²⁴ in the first place for collecting subscriptions and to the friends who gave such a ready response to her appeal. We offer our best thanks to all who have helped with the good work. The Harmonium was used for the first time at the afternoon service on Sunday May when Hymns Ancient and Modern were also introduced.

July

To complete the tower of the Parish Church and re-hang the bells is an urgent necessity. In the autumn of 1904 the work of restoring the West End as it now stands with its unfinished tower had to be suspended for want of funds. For what has been done during the past eight years Reighton has to thank many kind friends in the neighbourhood, not forgetting a debt of gratitude to all who have generously helped in the good work, but whose names are unknown to us. To raise money for the Restoration Fund it is proposed to hold a Concert and Entertainment early in August, about the second week, but further particulars will be given in the Magazine for that month.

The Sunday School treat will, I hope, be given early in August as usual.

For the Restoration Fund I have received from A Bosville Esq £10 and from Miss Isabel Jones (Shrewsbury) £1. These sums have been placed in the York City and Country Bank to the credit of the Treasurer of the Fund, the Rev C S Booty, Vicar of Rudston.

Offertories

Four Sundays and Ascension Day at 8 am: 8s 4d

June 3rd, Whit Sunday: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 3s 1½d.

Baptisms

June 3rd Ellen Elizabeth d/o Francis and Emma Robson

June 17th Harold s/o Maurice and Hannah Mainprize

August

'St Peter's Day 1906 must be noted for the dedication of a brass Altar Cross, the gift of one who has already been very generous to the Church.

Our Patronal and Dedication Services were unusually well attended this year and at Evensong the Vicar of Bempton preached a very impressive sermon which was much liked.

The singing of the children showed that their full attention had been given to their work and the anthem 'O How Amiable' by Simper in which the solo was taken by Mrs Sparrow.

In aid of the Church Restoration Fund there is to be a concert of August 9th. It is to be held in Mr Parker's Motor Garage close to Hunmanby Station. There will be a short play at both afternoon and evening

²⁴ The Fenwicks had Speeton Manor Farm.

performance. Afternoon tea will be provided at which MRS KENDAL has kindly consented to preside; she will also make a short opening speech. The concert will be under the patronage of MILDRED LADY BOYNTON, Mr and Mrs Lloyd Graeme, Mr and Mrs Bosville and the Rev and Mrs Mitford. There are trains from Hull and Scarborough which will suit the afternoon performance at 3 pm and the evening performance at 7:30 pm.

I shall be glad to receive contributions for the afternoon tea on Thursday August 9th from all who wish to help the Fund, in the shape of bread, butter, cream, cakes etc. The tea has already been promised.

For the Restoration Fund I have received:

Mrs Myers-Beswick	£2 2s
Miss Henrietta Somerville	£1
Mrs Jones (Shrewsbury)	£1 1s

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 5d

July 1st, Trinity III: Matins 7s, Evensong 4s

Baptism

July 1st Eliza Margaret d/o William and Ellen Woodhead

September

‘Once more, on July 30th, we were favoured with a beautiful day for the Sunday School Treat to Filey.

Forty sat down to a good tea at Messrs Semadini’s and after that races and games filled up the time that was left until the start for home at 6 pm.

Miss Danford, Miss Ida Booty and Miss Harrison assisted Mrs Wynne. They joined in all the games and added greatly to the day’s pleasure by the help and interest they took in everything. Some of our friends were unable to be with us this year, Reighton being so full of visitors.

The wagon horses were gaily decorated and I am sure we must feel grateful to Mr Crowe for so kindly lending us his wagon.

The concert on August 9th at the Rosedale Motor Garage, Hunmanby, was far more successful than we even hoped it might be, and word can never sufficiently thank all those who have so kindly helped on the restoration of this ancient Parish Church.

To Mrs Kendall we owe much of the success attained. At one tea table she collected £6; doubtless her opening speech appealed to the audience, for the tea at her table assumed an extraordinary value.

The musical part of the programme was much appreciated, and the play seemed to go off well and afford amusement.

In the evening Mr Wallace, who we have to thank for lighting the stage and garage with acetylene gas free of charge, gave several amusing recitations in place of some of the performers who were unable to be present.

We must thank Mr and Mrs Parker for all their unfailing courtesy and help. We also wish to acknowledge the kindness and goodwill of all in Reighton who contributed to the tea in money and otherwise. That part of the entertainment was most effectively managed by Mrs Sparrow. The cakes etc which were left, sold for 12s.

The idea of having a Concert was first started in June and since then we have realized the sum of £50 8d. Of this £27 9s 2d was made by the Concert, including cheques sent for tickets not used and from friends at a distance.

The other sums have been mentioned in the magazine and already placed in the Bank for the Restoration.

From Col. Lloyd Graeme I received the sum of £5 which, although placed in the Bank, was too late for insertion in the August magazine, and also £3 from a lover of Reighton. The total expenses of the concert came to £4 15s.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s 2d

August 5th Trinity VIII: Matins 10s, Evensong 4s

Baptisms

August 5th William s/o John and Mary Ann Smith of Graffitoe

August 12th Grace d/o Robert William Barker and Eleanor Chadwick

October

Our Harvest Festival was held on St Matthew's Eve. The church was very crowded but very few strangers were present. A stirring sermon was preached by the Vicar of Haxby; he noted that it is the custom to attend Harvest Festivals, but reminded his listeners, in a tone of lamentation and remonstrance, that there are other and greater Festivals than these, which the church keeps but which few feel inclined to observe.

The decorations were most beautiful. Many of the flowers came from members of the congregation who literally stripped their gardens to aid in the adornment of the church. All the usual church helpers devoted the whole of Wednesday to their willing task and each year seems to develop fresh skills in their art.

As is fitting, the choicest blooms were placed on the Altar, where the new Brass Cross, dedicated on St Peter's Day, stood out from a background of beautiful lilies.

On this occasion the choir was moved into the chancel to prevent any crowding round the font. The simple music was rendered most effectively, and the children did full credit to their teaching. The anthem was a new one 'Rejoice in the Lord' by C.A.

The offertory is to be given to the improvement of the seating in the church which has already been carried out by fixing the chairs and placing small book stands on each.

I have received 10s more for the concert fund for tickets, and 15s from the Mayor of Bridlington for the same fund.

For the Restoration Fund £5 from Rev Charles Johnstone, Vicar of Hackness. All has been sent to the bank.

In the next number the contents of the Church Box for the year will be stated.

The amount of the offertory for St Peter's Day has been omitted. It came to 16s 7d and was given towards the cost of re-seating the chairs, which came to £1 18s.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 10s 11½d

Harvest Festival (at 8 am?): 3s 6d

September 1st, Trinity XII: Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 2s 6d

Harvest Festival £1 6s

Speeton

The Vicar's request that the Harvest Festival this year should be marked by a special effort was most heartily responded to by the congregation. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion and the good taste displayed in the grouping of the carious plants in the chancel as, also in the arrangement of the window ledges, was especially noticeable. Sunday afternoon, September 23rd, was the date of our Festival, and we think we are correct in saying that the congregation was the largest there has ever been in the church. The special preacher was the Rev Francis E Powell, Vicar of Sewerby, to whom we offer our best thanks for so kindly coming over.

It was a matter of regret to the Vicar that he was unable to be present owing to his having to take the duty at Grindale that afternoon.

The offertory was a splendid one and amounted to £2 18s 5½d (87 coins). The Vicar desires to make all who helped to make the Festival such a marked success – especially the band of workers who worked so hard with the decorations. It was most cheering to feel that he has the confidence and support of the congregation.

May God's blessing be upon us and our work now and always.

John F Wilkinson

November

For the last eight years it has been the custom in Reighton to have a public tea followed by an entertainment in Christmas week.

This may be continued if it is found that a sufficient number of the parishoners are in favour of it and that they will attend a meeting to consider the subject some time in this month.

It is suggested that a small Committee be formed. Hitherto the affair has been a loss financially, but, as it has been so largely patronised and has certainly yielded a fair amount of innocent pleasure, it is hoped that a good many may attend the meeting and arrange things of a footing that will yield universal approval.

For this year the contents of the Church box came to £3 11s. The sum has been sent to the Bank for the Restoration Fund.

The contribution to the Concert Fund by the Mayor of Bridlington was 5s, not 15s.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 1d

September 1st, Trinity XII: Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 2s 6d

Marriage

September 22nd Frank Hood to Bella Grace Chapman

Speeton

On Tuesday night, October 2nd, a disastrous stack fire took place at Mr Wilson's farm. Threshing operations had been going on during the day and it is thought that the fire originated from the threshing machine.

December

Advent Sunday falls on December 2nd. According to our usual custom there will be a shortened form of Evensong with an address each Friday in Advent at 7 pm.

We hope to have the usual Christmas Tea and Entertainment. All particular will be given in good time. Mr Crawford has kindly lent his barn for the tea.

On Wednesday evening October 14th a very well attended meeting was held at the Vicarage schoolroom to consider the offer of "The East Riding Nursing Association" to include Reighton. It was declared by a show of hands that for the present no one wishes to become a member, but as the offer will remain open to all until June 1907 it was explained that between now and then that anyone may join by paying the yearly subscription of 2s and so enjoy the benefits offered.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 5s 2d

November 4th Trinity XXI: Matins 4s 8d, Evensong 2s

Baptisms

October 28th Cicely Alice Ann d/o James Thompson and Sarah Ann Mason

November 2nd Laura Ellen d/o Hutchinson and Clara Pudsey.

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Reighton Vicarage 1907

January

'The old year 1906 gave us an ideal Christmas day as far as intense cold goes. We had bright sunshine too, a hard frost and only snow was wanting to make it quite what English people love at that season.

'The Church was prettily decorated and the singing was unusually good, for which we must thank and praise our little choir. There is one note of regret that must be sounded: the congregations during Advent and on Christmas morning were not what they might have been.

'To all we wish a happy and prosperous New Year and may God help all to serve Him better in the coming year than in the past year.'

Offertories

Four Sundays and Christmas Day at 8 am: 7s 1d.

December 2nd Advent Sunday: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 3s.

Christmas Day 9s.

Marriage

November 28

George Mainprize to Fanny Pudsey

Burial
December 9th Ivy Anderson 12 months

February

'Considering the very severe weather after Christmas and particularly on December 27th 1906 we may say that our Concert at the School House was a success. It was intended that any surplus after the payment of expenses should be used for the purchase of a stage curtain. For many years we have been indebted to the Vicar of Muston for the use of his curtain – now it seems we must make some fresh effort to secure one for Reighton for the cost of this entertainment has left but a small margin as shown here.

Platform	6s
Oil	9d
School cleaning	2s 6d
Labour	4s
Piano tuning	7s 6d
Total	£1 – 0 – 9

The following programme was successfully carried through.

Part 1

Carol 'Waken Christian Children'	The schoolchildren
Pianoforte duet	Mrs and Miss Danford
Action Song 'Little Gypsies'	The schoolchildren
Song 'The Storm Fiend'	Mr H Coleman
Song 'Always'	Miss Piercy
Violin Solo	Miss Ida Booty
Song 'If I Only Knew'	Mrs Sparrow
Song 'When the Birds Go North'	Miss Garbutt
Recitation	Mr H Ford

Part Two

Skiping Song	The schoolchildren
Duologue 'You don't Know these Things'	Messrs Ford and Johnson
Song 'There were three old men of Ware'	Rev J Fisher Brown
Song 'The Rossary'	Mrs Sparrow
Song 'The Bedouin'	Mr H Coleman
Comic song	Mr H Ford

Play 'Mr Fitzwiggins' Will' by K E Wynne

Characters

Mrs Juniper	Miss Sybil Crowe
Mrs Mumbles	Mrs Garbutt
Mrs Spendler	Miss Fisher Brown
Laura Liza	Miss Crowe
Nurse Goodall	Miss Danford
Mr Scribbenshaw	Mr Bernard Johnson

Alfred Robinson Mr Marcus Fisher Brown
Dick Fitzwiggan “
Mr Crawlem Mr Cyril Fisher Brown

God Save the King

Messrs B Johnson and H Ford gave us something quite fresh and amusing in their humourous dialogue. Their efforts to amuse the audience were warmly appreciated.

Owing to the inclement weather and so many being laid up with colds and influenza we have had to put off our usual Evensong for the last three Fridays.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 3s 2d

January 6th Feast of the Epiphany: Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 7½d

Burial

December 31 1906 Thomas Hogg 76

March

‘The Sunday School and Choir were invited to tea at the Vicarage on Tuesday January 29th. About twenty little guests sat down to tea and a very enjoyable evening was spent in games.

‘Mrs Sparrow, Miss Crowe and Miss Danford gave Mrs Wynne valuable assistance at promoting the different amusements. At eight o’clock oranges, sweets and crackers were distributed and as ‘Good nights’ were being said the children showed their satisfaction by giving hearty cheers for all those who had promoted the evening’s enjoyment. Kind contributions to the above treat were received from Mrs Sparrow, Mrs Danford and Mrs Kelsall.’

‘For the terrible Famine now prevailing in Russia a house to house appeal to all parishoners had resulted in our being able to send the sum of 14s 6d to the ‘Zemstvos Famine Relief Fund’ opened by Messrs Samuel Montague & Co, 60 Broad Street, London. It is to be entered ‘From Reighton’. The printed papers distributed told us that one Russian man can be kept alive for one month on 3s. This is terrible, and we can only hope that our little contribution may help those who are in such dire need and necessity.

‘Every Wednesday during Lent a working party will be held at the Vicarage from 7 to 8 pm. All are invited to attend. The useful garments made are for a ‘Sale of Work’ which it is proposed to hold in August for the Restoration Fund.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 5s 4½d

February 3rd Sexagesima Sunday: Matins 5s, Evensong 2s 9d.

Baptism

December 27th 1906

Francis Richard s/o Frank and Bella Grave Hood
(private baptism)

April

A confirmation is to be held at Christ Church, Bridlington on the 14th of April. Eight candidates from Reighton hope to be presented for the holy rite.

'We have now passed the fourth Sunday in Lent, known as 'Mid Lent', 'Refreshment Sunday' or 'Mothering Sunday'. We can now say that the evening congregations have been very good on Sundays but it is a matter of regret that so few have found themselves able to attend Evensong on Fridays during the Holy Season. Another year we must try if a different evening and hour would prove more convenient to our church people.'

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 5s 3d

March 2 Lent II: Matins 3s 5½d, Evensong 2s 8½d

May

On Monday March 14th eight candidates from Reighton were confirmed at Christ Church, Bridlington by the Bishop of Hull. They were: Ada Roberta and Charles Robert Anderson (man and wife), Mabel Harrison, Hilda Hall, Florence Fanny Evison, Florence May Maplesden, Holland James Wilson, and Arthur Crawford.

The services of Good Friday were very well attended, so it follows that all those who came on that solemn day, with love and reverence to join in the Commemoration of our Lord's Passion, should also come with praise and thanksgiving in their hearts on happy Easter Day.

There were twenty communicants at the early celebration and six at that after matins. The church was quite crowded in the evening for we had not only our usual congregation but many friends from neighbouring villages.

The decorations are always beautiful in this church because we have such skilful worker, who all excel in the art of decoration which is to the labour of love. Many gifts of flowers came from a distance and Mrs Danford's usual gift of Arum lilies for the Altar were exceptionally fine this year.

A new fair linen cloth for the Altar, exquisitely worked and given by two friends, was used on Easter Day.

The working parties, held at the Vicarage every Wednesday evening during Lent for a future Sale of Work in aid of the Restoration Fund, seem to have been much liked as the average number present on each occasion was from eighteen to twenty. 'Mrs Heritage', a book by F E Reade author of 'Clary's Confirmation' proved most interesting. We here thank all those

who so willingly came forward to help in a good cause and hope they may be able to attend again a few evenings in May to complete their handiwork.

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 4s 2d

Easter Day: 8 am 6s 3d, Matins 11s 6d, Evensong 5s 4½d

April 6th Easter I: Matins 3s, Evensong 4s 6½d

Baptisms

Easter Day Gladys May d/o Frederick and Mary Jane Skelton

April 12th Frederick s/o William and Hannah Hood (private baptism)

June

On Tuesday April 2nd the annual vestry meeting was held and the same churchwardens re-elected. The accounts were audited and passed.

Expenses 1906

April 18	Mr Hall, balance on bill of 1905	7s 9d
May 10	Mr Dale of Bridlington for paraffin oil	4s 6d
July 20	Church chairs repaired at a cost of	£1 18s
	Paid	£1 1s 5d
	Balance on the above paid from offerings on St Peter's Day	16s 7d
October 1	Church insurance and postage	10s
October 6	John Anderson: church cleaning	£1 12s
October 15	Book stands to chairs	£1 6s
November 23	Mr Burr: cinders and coals	£1 14s

1907

February 28	Carriage of the lamp to Hull	1s 3d
March 23	Mr Dale: paraffin oil	9s
March 25	Mr Barr: cinders	2s 6d
April 3	John Anderson: church cleaning	£1 12s
Total		£9 5d

Receipts came to £8 10s so we are 10s 5d in arrears.

Sums sent to the restoration Fund

Mr Rickaby	£1
'A Lover of Reighton'	£3
H. C. R.	£5
A Thank Offering VT	10s

Any gifts for the Sale of work in August will be gratefully received.

The Vicar and churchwardens wish to make it known that there will be no more burials from outside in the churchyard of Reighton.

Offertories

Five Sundays and Ascension Day at 8 am: 8s 4d

Easter V: Matins 5s 6½d, Evensong 1s 6½d

Baptism

May 19th Whit Sunday Eleanor Elizabeth d/o Harry and Eliza Margaret
Temple of Bridlington.

July

Although as yet, June 19th, we have had no summer weather, it is time to think of that essentially Summer event, the School Treat. All being well, and the weather favourable, we hope to go to Filey at the usual time, the last week in July or the first week in August.

The sale of work for the Restoration Fund will keep all busy until the end of August about which time it is proposed to hold it in the Vicarage Garden. Programmes will be issued in that month and anyone desirous of giving their help or something for the Jumble Sale will be gratefully acknowledged.

Restoration Fund Receipts

The White Cottage 10s

Rev G Halse 10s 6d

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 10d

June 2nd Trinity I: Matins 5s Evensong 3s

Baptism

June 17th Eveline Elizabeth d/o Isaac and Amy Ward of Foxholes

August

Our Patronal and Dedication Festival was held on 29th June. Rev J S Poole, assistant Curate of Holy Trinity Church, Bridlington preached for the first evensong. He gave an interesting sermon on the life and character of the great Apostle. The collection after the service came to 8s 6d which will be given towards the tuning and restoration of the American Organ used in the Church.. There was a celebration of Holy Communion on St Peter's Day at 8 am.

The 28th and 29th of August are the dates fixed for a Sale of Work in the Vicarage Garden. There are to be two needlework competitions, one for articles of which the material is not to cost more than 1s, the other for bags of all sorts, the materials costing no more than 6d. For both these competitions prizes will be given.

Games of Golf or light and ring, croquet for prizes, music and a play will all help to provide an afternoon's amusement. The stalls of needlework

and fancy work will be under cover in a room leading into the garden. On the second day, August 29th, there will be the same amusements and a substantial tea at 1s followed by a good Jumble Sale, which we hope may be as successful and well patronised as the one we held two or three years ago. Posters and programmes announcing the names of the ladies who will judge the needlework competitions, and also giving a table of trains to and from Speeton and Hunmanby and the conveyances which will meet these trains will be published early in August.

We earnestly beg all friends who would assist us to raise the last 3100 needed to complete the tower and re-hanging of the bells to patronise this sale of work by coming to Reighton on the dates Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th August.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 4d

July 7th Trinity VI: Matins 5s 4d, Evensong 4s 3d.

Baptisms

June 21st Freda May d/o Alfred and Betsy Sellars

June 23rd Arthur Sawden s/o William and Harriett Wilson

September

‘On Tuesday August 30th we had our Sunday School Treat to Filey. We have been there for some years in succession and this is the first time that the weather has not been perfect: even on this occasion the inconvenience of a short shower lasting about an hour and a half, only led to the thought that we were fortunate in having a day this year that left many hours fine enough for enjoyment.

‘The routine was broken by a change from the usual mode of making the journey. This year Mr Crowe, who has always kindly lent his wagon and fine cart horses, thought it undesirable for so many young children etc to face the dangers of the road with young horses, so he provided a char a banc from Humnanby. This not proving adequate to the numbers, the Vicar had to charter a large brake as well, so about forty five started out from Reighton for the day’s outing.

‘An excellent tea was partaken at Messers Semadini’s, and the usual amusements on the sea front followed. Mrs Sparrow, Miss Danford and Miss Ida Booty helped Mrs Wynne by joining in the games which went off with great spirit. All reached home safely about 8 pm and expressed themselves well pleased with the expedition and the efforts of all who helped to make it successful.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 10s 4½

August 4th Trinity X: Matins 10s 10½d, Evensong 4s 2½d

Baptism

Rosemary d/o Harry and Elizabeth Noble of Speeton.

October

'What feelings of thankfulness and joy. What a relief from anxious hopes and many fears when August 28th dawned bright and fair with a cloudless sky, no wind and full promise of brilliant sunshine. This was the date fixed for a Summer Fete and Sale of Work in aid of the restoration of the Church.

'As was fitting, the day commenced with a celebration of Holy Communion, with special intention to ask God's blessings on our work.

'Solemn thought arise when one thinks of the centuries through which this building has stood as a witness to faith. Fancy can picture even Norman knights in armour passing beneath the arches which stood then as they stand now, again one wonders how the little lonely church escaped the rough usage of Cromwell's soldiers? Without doubt the dwellers of Reighton much have loved their Church and cared for it greatly. We can see the quaint old time figures assembling on Sundays and Holy Days and meeting outside after Service to concern themselves with the upkeep of the edifice.

'God grant that this present work of ours may live as long and that worshippers in ages to come may show equal zeal in their care of God's Holy House.

'At 3pm most of the good friends from Scarborough, Bridlington and Filey who had promised to help us had arrived, and to the lively strains of the Vicar of Filey's string quartette, which took up its place on the lawn, business began. The stalls were arranged in the Vicarage Schoolroom. Mrs Danford held the Fancy stall where all pretty things were to be found, including some art treasures, a picture by George Clausen ARA, and several beautiful watercolour sketches including one of the church with its unfinished tower. This was given by Mr C Hazlewood Hartley, an artist at present living in Reighton. Miss Lucy Radford, Miss Ida Booty and Miss Norah Fisher-Brown assisted Mrs Danford.

'Mrs Sparrow presided over the plain work stall. With her were Miss Danford and Miss Anne Jephson.

'Mrs Crowe with Mrs Woodcock had a charmingly decorated fruit and vegetable stall which was largely patronised.

'To the Misses Crowe and Miss Garbutt fell the arduous task of dispensing afternoon tea. The amateur waitresses were taxed to the utmost in satisfying the demands made on their dexterity. Another most active saleswoman was Miss Nellie Coleman who took charge of the bran tub and plied a busy trade the whole afternoon.

'The shilling competition afforded much interest, there being no less than 33 entries. All the articles sent in were so excellent the work of judging them was not light. It was kindly undertaken by Mrs Bosville; she was assisted by Mrs de Freville. The first prize was awarded to Miss Dorothy Mitford for a baby's bonnet. The second went to Marcus Fisher-Brown for a book rest.

'In the bag competition the above mentioned judges give the first prize to Mrs Sellars and the second to Mrs Pudsey. Nearly all the competing articles were sold at once.

'Miss Radford arranged a croquet tournament which lasted through the afternoon. She was rewarded for her efforts by carrying off first prize.

'Two small concerts of twenty minutes duration were much enjoyed. The delightful singing of Miss Fox charmed the audience while the instrumental music of the Misses Jephson and Miss Ida Booty accompanied by Mrs Danford was much appreciated. Mrs Clayton's songs too were much liked. Our thanks are here given to all who so kindly helped to make the afternoon a social as well as a financial success. The only expense incurred was that of printing: for that Messrs Dennis and Holloway charged £1 9s 9d. The sum of £53 4s 9d was been placed in the Bank which includes several donations, amongst them £5 from Mrs Lloyd Graeme and £1 collected by Mrs Kelsall. We now hope to begin building in the spring. The Jumble sale, which was to have been held on August 29th, had to be postponed until Martinmas on account of an outbreak of measles in the village. Full particulars will appear in the November magazine.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am 10s 7d.

September 1 Trinity XIV: Matins 10s, Evensong 3s 2d.

Baptisms

August 23rd George Robert s/o George and Fanny Mainprize

August 26th Muriel Dorothy d/o George and Dorothy Kemp

Marriage

August 31st John Newlove to Sarah Chapman

November

'Thinking and speaking of our Harvest Festival beforehand this year, we could not do so in a very hopeful strain. The late date, October 17th, brought the idea that flowers would be very scarce and the weather, in all probability, highly unfavourable. Thankfully we can say that both of these fears were unnecessary. Tuesday 16th was glorious as we decorated the little church in brilliant sunshine.

'Gifts of beautiful flowers came in, with the result that when darkness fell all the workers were thoroughly satisfied, feeling that the Harvest decorations of 1907 were quite as effective, if not more so, than on previous occasions.

'Mrs Crowe and daughters and Mrs Sparrow must be thanked for the whole work. Mrs Danford sent beautiful lilies for the Altar as well as the Pulpit.

'The singing was very hearty and thoroughly congregational; all the well known hymns were sung with a good will.

'The Vicar of Bempton, Rev John Wilkinson, preached. The keynote of his sermon was impressive, viz that although we are now in daily touch with the amazing wonders of Science, God's boundary line remains inviolate: 'Thus far and no further'. Man's ingenuity cannot conquer the mist and fog which this year has suspended the end of the Harvest work on the coast, in such Cliffside villages as Reighton, Speeton and Bempton. In a similar way, one day's fog checked the triumphant progress of one of the greatest wonders of the present day, that giant steamship which has brought a voyage across the Atlantic down to four days.'

Offerings taken at services on October were to be dedicated to the repair of the American organ. They came to £1 6s 0d.

Posters will be issued at the end of the month announcing the date of the Jumble Sale which will be held in Mr Crawford's Barn during Martinmas week. There will be a large quantity of good things for sale at a very low cost. We should draw attention to some excellent men's clothing.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am: 4s 4d

October 6th Trinity VI: Matins 10s, Evensong 2s 8d.

Baptism

September 20th George Robert, s/o William Henry and Mary Elizabeth Smithson.

December

(Here I have omitted two paragraphs of purely religious matter relating to the 'Call' of the church, which have no relevance to life in the village.)

'Try to attend Evensong on Fridays in this month at 7 pm when special addresses on the Advent season will be given..

'For the Church Restoration Fund I have received £5 from Rev Charles Johnstone and 5s 6d from Mr Lund of Routh. Both sums have been placed in the Bank to the credit of the Vicar of Rudstone, who so kindly acts as Treasurer of the Restoration Fund.'

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 6s 4d

November 3rd Trinity XIII: Matins 8s, Evensong 1s 5d.

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List of vicars of parishes near Reighton taken from a list in the front of the book.

Sewerby, Marton, Grindale and Argham	Rev F E Powell
Rudstone	Rev C S Booty
Muston	Rev Fisher-Brown
Burton Fleming and Fordon	Rev G E Park
Kilham	Rev H Nicholson
Hunmanby	Rev E Mitford
Flamborough	Rev H W Rigby
Wold Newton	Rev L Jones
Filey, Gristhorpe and Lebberston	Rev A N Cooper
Reighton	Rev J M Wynne
Burton Agnes, Harpham, Gransmoor, Haisthorpe and Thorneholme	Rev C H Coates
Boynton, Carnaby and Fraisthorpe	Rev C Ivens
Bempton and Speeton	Rev J F Wilkinson
Luttons Ambo	Rev W Sparrow

January

'A very Happy New Year to everyone in Reighton.

'Christmas is over, the weather having been bright, while later came a slight fall of snow which seemed to give satisfaction to old and young as being seasonable.

'We had very beautiful flowers for the Christmas decorations of the Parish Church, very large white chrysanthemums and arum lilies. The Pulpit was wreathed with quantities of variegated and red berried holly from which shone a bright red panel, on which was placed a star of white flowers, emblematic of that Eastern star which led the Wise Men to Bethlehem, the birthplace of the Holy Child.

'On November 25th the Jumble Sale came off. There was a good attendance which resulted in the sum of £22 being added to the Restoration Fund.

'We find that the cost of finishing the Church Tower will be more than anticipated, so a further effort to raise money will be necessary. Working parties will be held at the Vicarage during Lent to help the Restoration Fund.

'The Advent Services were well attended.

'We hope to give a Concert and Entertainment towards the end of January. Particulars will be issued soon.

Offertories

Five Sundays and Christmas Day at 8 am: 9s 4d

December 1st Advent Sunday: Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 2s 10d.

Christmas Day: Matins: 7s 3½d

Baptisms

November 24th

James Henry s/o James and Eva Barr

November 24th

George Alexander s/o James Henry and Mary
Ellen Wyles

February

‘On December 30th the Sunday School and Choir were given a Christmas Tree in the Vicarage Schoolroom. A merry evening was spent and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.’

‘Mr Kilvington, the contractor, has received instructions from Messrs Brodrick & Walker, the architects, to complete the restoration of the West End and Tower of the Parish Church by June 22nd.

‘The sum needed for this is £210, towards which we have £175 in the bank. The architects’ fees have not been paid: they amount to £24. This leaves about £60 to be raised. I have received from L C £1 for the Restoration Fund.

‘A Lady has kindly offered to have the damaged bell recast in memory of a Friend. It has been sent to Messrs John Taylor & Co, Bell Founders, of Loughborough and is to be returned in May.’

‘We hope to have a concert in Mr Crawford’s barn on February 6th.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 4s

January 5th Sunday after Christmas: Matins 6s 3d, Evensong 1s 8d.

March

‘On Monday January 27th Miss Mary Booth Hall, second daughter of Mr Henry Hall, joiner and Vicar’s churchwarden, was married to Mr Herbert Lund of Eckington. The wedding took place at 11 am and the day was one of bright sunshine. A large congregation assembled to witness the ceremony. The hymn ‘O Perfect Love’ was sung as the bridal party entered the church, Psalm 128 was chanted as it passed into the chancel, and Mendelssohn’s Wedding March was played at the conclusion of the service.

‘Miss Hall was an earnest churchwoman and a member of the Choir. We shall miss her in Reighton as she was a general favourite and carried away, besides a great number of nice presents, the hearty good wishes of all her friends.’

'Below follows a programme of the Concert in Mr Crawford's Barn on Thursday February 6th. The prices for admission were: front seats 6d, second seats 3d.

Programme

Part I

1	Pianoforte duet 'Mazurka'	Mrs and Miss Danford
2	Songs 'Three Little Kittens' and 'Little Mousie'	The Schoolchildren
3	Song 'There Let me rest'	Miss Piercy
4	Violin Solo 'Intermezzo'	Mr Hudson
5	Character Song 'The Mill Wheel'	Miss Evelyn Cranswick
6	Song 'Asleep on the Deep'	Mr Hudson
7	Magic Lantern Views	Mr George Piercy

Part II

1	Pianoforte duet 'Danse Orientale'	The Misses E and M Cranswick
2	Songs 'Rosalie the Prairie Flower' and 'Nelly Bly'	Girls and Boys
3	Character Song 'The Rag Doll'	Miss Evelyn Cranswick
4	Violin Duet	Messrs Hudson and Rayler
5	Song 'In the Valley Where the Bluebirds Sing'	Mr Hudson
6	Song (with Chorus) 'Come Back to Me'	Miss Piercy
7	Duologue 'A Stony Heart' by K E Wynne Characters Miss Maria Stone Miss Lucy Lively	Miss Danford Miss Sybil Crowe
8	Phonograph Recital	Mr Kemp

God save the King

'Once again we were fortunate in having beautiful weather. Our thanks are especially due to those who came from neighbouring villages to help us.

'Little Miss Evelyn Cranswick delighted the audience with her songs which she rendered with great taste and finish, but a charming simplicity as well.

'To Mr Hudson and Mr Rayler we are indebted for some good instrumental music and several songs which Miss Maude Piercy accompanied extremely well.

'The Little Reighton Singers sang most creditably. We hope to hear from them again in more ambitious parts.

'Miss Piercy's songs were most pleasing and her brother's magic lantern slides, which showed many specimens of bird life in the Highlands, Deer stalking and various natural history objects were full of instruction as well as interest.

'In the Duologue Miss Danford and Miss Sybil Crowe greatly amused the audience; both ladies acted with great spirit. A beautiful phonograph recital, kindly given by Mr Kemp, brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

'The sum of £1 8s 6d was taken at the door. The expenses came to 7s 6d. The proceed will be used for the purchase of a stage curtain.'

'Mr H Strickland Constable has given £20 to the Restoration fund. The generous gift reduces the sum still required to £40.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 3s ½d

February 2nd Epiphany IV: Matins 7s 2d, Evensong 3s 4½d

Baptisms

January 12th Annie Jane Susannah d/o John and Mary Ann Smith (private baptism)

January 26th William s/o Frank and Bella Grace Hood

January 26th Ada Mary Chapman d/o John and Sara Newlove (received)

January 26th Francis Richard s/o Frank and Bella Grace Hood (received)

Marriage

January 27th Herbert Lund and Mary Booth Hall

April

'To secure the correct tuning of our church bell it was found necessary to send the second bell to Messrs John Taylor & Co of Loughborough. Their report of the last bell sent is that it is of inferior quality to the first and damaged bell, so they urged its being put in thorough repair before the bells are re-hung. After receiving an estimate, of their charge for this work, namely £10, the Vicar and churchwardens have given them an order for a complete restoration of the second bell. Towards the sum named £6 10s 0d has already been promised by kind friends.'

'A large contingent from Reighton helped to form the audience at the Council Schoolroom of Speeton and Reighton on the evening of February 10th when the Vicar of Sewerby gave his extremely interesting lantern lecture on the work of the Church in lands over the sea. I trust that our sympathy with the great Pan Anglican Thank offers may be practically shown when the result of the collecting envelopes distributed in this parish is made known at Whitsuntide.

‘Of the sum collected in the room, the lecturer decreed that, expenses being deducted, half should be credited to Reighton.’

‘Easter Triumph, Easter Joy’

‘Sin alone can this destroy.’

‘Easter Day falls on April 19th. Let all remember their Easter Communion.’

‘For the restoration fund I have received from ‘Anon’ the sum of two guineas.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s ½d

March 1st Quinquagesima Sunday: Matins 7s 7d, Evensong 2s.

May

‘Although the weather was very wild with frequent storms of snow, hail, rain and violent never ceasing wind, we had an unusual supply of flowers for the Easter Festival.

‘The church windows were lined with moss which made a natural background for a wealth of primroses, daffodils and wallflowers.

‘The pulpit was also studded with primroses. The font, surmounted by a floral cross, was one mass of white, while the alter vases were filled with stately arums and the sweet scented lily of the valley.

‘Much labour was expended in the work of decoration and our most grateful thanks are here offered to all for their gifts of flowers and most willing help in beautifying God’s House for the greatest Festival of the Christian Year.

‘At the early celebration on Easter Day a chair for use in the Sanctuary was dedicated together with two new alms bags. All these were gifts from two ladies of the Parish.

‘The chair is of solid oak. The workmanship reflects great credit on Mr Hall of Reighton by whom it was made.



One of the beautiful old oak chairs

'I am glad to say that the Lenten Services and those on Good Friday were well attended.

'We regret that it has been necessary to close the Sunday School for the last three Sundays as so many of the children have been ill.'
 The same churchwardens were re-elected and the accounts were audited. Receipts for the year came to £9 1s 0d and expenses came to £8 10s 3d.

Church Expenses 1907

October 4 th	Church insurance	9s 11d
October 7 th	John Anderson – church cleaning	£1 12s
October 24 th	King & Co – new burners for the lamp	14s 9d
October 31 st	Barr - 2 tons of cinders, ¼ of coal and cartage	£2 5s 3d
December 2 nd	Dale – church oil	7s 6d

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March 17 th	Barr – extra cinders	9s 2d
April 4 th	John Anderson – church cleaning	£1 12s
April 20 th	Dale – church oil	6s
April 20 th	Gravel for the church path	3s 3d
April 20 th	1907 deficit re-paid	10s 5d

TOTAL

£8 10s 3d

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 9s 4½d

April 5th Lent V: Matins 4s 6d, Evensong 3s 3½d

April 19th Easter day: Matins 10s 3d, Evensong 4s 1d

June

‘The bells which have been re-cast and thoroughly repaired in every way have now been returned and are standing in the Vicarage ready for use. I am sure that every parishioner will rejoice to know that soon we shall hear them again after their long and enforced silence. Their tone will now be very different from what it has been for so many years. For one reason, the smaller bell had a large piece completely chipped out of it and the larger was very much out of tune: now they are correctly tuned and more powerful, the tower will be higher and being on such an eminence it is possible they will be heard for many miles in the wide valley which the view from Reighton on its heights commands.

‘Mr Kilvington has commenced work and we hope that all will be completed in early July.

‘In the next number of the magazine a complete list of the funds contributed for the restoration of the Parish Church since I began to collect for the work in 1898 will be published as well as payments made for the same by the Rev C S Booty, Vicar of Rudstone.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 4d

May 3rd Easter II: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 1s 10d.

July

Copy of the Treasurer’s Pass Book for the Reighton Church Restoration Fund

RECEIPTS

1898

November 21st £8 – 5 – 0

December 24th £6 – 11 – 0

TOTAL £14 – 16 – 8

1899

January 1st Balance £14 – 16 – 8

January 10th £94 – 16 – 7

November 10th £8 – 9 – 10

TOTAL £118 – 3 – 1

December 31st Interest £2 – 15 – 0

1900

Balance £105 – 18 – 1

April 20th £2 – 2 – 6

April 27th £3 – 19 – 6

July 20th £2 – 2 – 0

August 11th £2 – 10 – 0

October 24th £1 – 0 – 0

November 5th £5 – 0 – 0

November 9th £7 – 1 – 6

December 31st Interest £1 – 1 – 0

TOTAL £130 – 14 – 7

1901

January 1st Balance £33 – 14 – 7

July 3rd £1 – 0 – 0

July 3rd £1 – 0 – 0

August 16th £2 – 5 – 0

October 11th £4 – 0 – 0

December 28th £1 – 1 – 0

Interest £0 – 12 – 0

TOTAL £43 – 12 – 7

1902

January 1st Balance £74 – 15 – 1

September 26th £8 – 0 – 0

September 27th £20 – 0 – 0

October 16th £5 – 0 – 0

October 16th £1 – 10 – 0

December 31st Interest £1 – 4 – 0

TOTAL £79 – 6 – 10

1903

January 1st Balance £74 – 15 – 1

January 10th £10 – 0 – 0

April 1st £25 – 0 – 0

April 14th £30 – 0 – 0

May 25th £5 – 0 – 0

June 4th £5 – 0 – 0

August 1st £60 – 0 – 0

August 4th £1 – 1 – 0

September 19th £11 – 0 – 0

September 19 th	£1 – 16 – 0
October 9 th	£3 – 0 – 0
October 16 th	£11 – 17 – 10
December 31 st Interest	£3 – 18 – 1
TOTAL	£244 – 7 – 11

1904

January 1 st Balance	£244 – 7 – 11
January 13 th	£2 – 15 – 0
January 14 th	£3 – 0 – 0
March 17 th	£12 – 0 – 0
May 12 th	£4 – 0 – 0
June 17 th	£25 – 0 – 0
July 2 nd	£4 – 12 – 0
July 27 th	£6 – 0 – 0
August 27 th	£1 – 0 – 0
September 5 th	£50 – 0 – 0
September 28 th	£4 – 3 – 0
October 29 th	£3 – 18 – 9
November 1 st	£5 – 3 – 0
November 1 st	£25 – 0 – 0
November 2 nd	£2 – 2 – 0
December 5 th	£9 – 7 – 0
Interest	£4 – 5 – 0
TOTAL	£406 – 13 – 8

1905

January 1 st Balance	£199 – 5 – 7
January 10 th	£2 – 0 – 0
February 22 nd	£2 – 10 – 0
July 8 th	£7 – 15 – 0
August 19 th	£1 – 15 – 0
September 16 th	£10 – 0 – 0
September 23 rd	£7 – 8 – 0
November 1 st	£2 – 0 – 0
December 23 rd	£1 – 16 – 0
December 30 th	£1 – 4 – 0
TOTAL	£235 – 13 – 7

1906

January 1 st	£16 – 2 – 0
January 2 nd	£1 – 10 – 0
January 15 th	£10 – 0 – 0
January 23 rd	£2 – 2 – 0
June 30 th Interest	£0 – 4 – 0
July 24 th	£2 – 0 – 0

August 4 th	£5 – 0 – 0
August 18 th	£28 – 0 – 4
September 15 th	£5 – 10 – 0
October 27 th	£3 – 14 – 0
December 31 st Interest	£0 – 15 – 0

TOTAL £74 – 17 – 4

1907

January 1 st Balance	£74 – 17 – 4
April 27 th	£4 – 0 – 0
May 11 th	£5 – 0 – 0
June 8 th	£0 – 10 – 0
June 26 th	£1 – 0 – 6
June 29 th Interest	£0 – 19 – 0
August 17 th	£2 – 2 – 0
August 30 th	£48 – 13 – 9
October 12 th	£8 – 17 – 0
October 19 th	£0 – 10 – 0
November 10 th	£5 – 0 – 0
December 7 th	£21 – 5 – 3
December 31 st Interest	£1 – 0 – 0

TOTAL £173 – 14 – 10

1908

January 1 st Balance	£173 – 14 – 10
January 27 th	£21 – 0 – 0

TOTAL £194 – 14 – 10

EXPENSES

1899

September 29th Henry Hall £15 – 0 – 0

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March 23 rd	Henry Hall	£69 – 3 – 0
May 21 st	Hennings	£7 – 7 – 0
July 2 nd	Henry Hall	£3 – 15 – 0
October 22 nd	King & Co	£1 – 2 – 9
December 19 th	Henry Hall	£15 – 11 – 6

1901

Nil

1902

January 29 th	Henry Hall	£3 – 5 – 0
August 13 th	Henry Hall	£1 – 6 – 6

1903

Nil

1904

January 26 th	Hudson	£4 – 14 – 6
May 31 st	Simpson	£2 – 13 – 7
May 31 st	Kilvington	£200 – 0 – 0

1905

February 28 th	Kilvington	£150 – 0 – 0
October 20 th	Kilvington	£69 – 7 – 0

TOTAL		£219 – 7 – 0
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1906

These sums do not include the money collected for a new stove or a gift of £10 which was expended on a new oak Reading Desk, Chair and Lectern.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 8s 6d.

June 7th Whit Sunday: Matins 11s 8d, Evensong 3s.

I have received two sums of 10s and 5s from fiends for the second bell.

The sum of £2 has been collected by envelopes for the Pan Anglican Thank Offering and have forwarded this to the Diocesan Treasurer.

August

‘A service for the Dedication of the new West End and Tower of the parish Church of St peters Reighton will be held on Tuesday August the 4th 1908, Evensong 7pm. The sermon will be preached by the Venerable Archdeacon Mackarness.

‘For any of our friends who may wish to attend this dedication service we give the following list of trains and impress upon them that Hunmanby is the station to arrive at from both Bridlington and Scarborough. Conveyances will meet the trains at that station.

From Bridlington

Hunmanby: arr 6:14 pm, dep 8:59 pm

From Scarborough: arr 5:47, dep 9:8 pm’

Offertories

Four Sundays and St Peter's Day at 8 am: 6s 3d

July 5th Trinity III: Matins 8s, Evensong 6s 9½d

Baptisms

July 12th Annie Jane Susannah d/o John and Mary Ann Smith of Graffitoe, Received.

Please note we hope to have a Public Tea and Sale of Work in aid of the Church Restoration Fund later this year. There is a deficit of £40.

September

'August 28th 1908, one of the most perfect summer days of the year, saw us once again on the road to Filey for the annual Sunday School treat. The start was made about 10:30 so our destination was reached in good time when everyone scattered until the tea hour of 3:30. At that time the whole party of 43 assembled at Messrs Semadini's where an excellent tea was given by the Vicar. Mr Crowe kindly chartered Mr Paul Smith's conveyances for the journeys to and fro.

'After tea games and races, for which some nice prizes were given, took place on the sea front. The Misses Booty and Miss Danford kindly assisted Mrs Wynne in carrying out the day's programme with which one and all expressed themselves highly satisfied.

'Some of our friends were unavoidably absent through home duties which are specially numerous at this time of year when Reighton is full of visitors.'

'On August 4th Archdeacon Mackarness dedicated the new West End and bells. It was a day of great thanksgiving and rejoicing. There was a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 am and evensong at 7 pm when a large number of clergy were present:

'Rev C H Coates R.D., Rec C Booty, rev J Fisher-Brown, Rev G Powell, Rev Howarth as well as many other friends who have long taken a lively interest in the restoration of our Parish church.

'As our Choir is greatly reduced through so many having gone away, we have to thank all who came forward and so ably assisted on this occasion: Mrs C Anderson, Mrs A Crawford, Mrs Maplesden, Mrs Mainprize, Mrs Nicholson, Mr C Anderson, Mr A Crawford, Mr Evison.

'The Archdeacon gave an earnest and beautiful sermon which was listened to with great attention by a large congregation. The offertory, including several sums sent by those who could not be present, came to £19 14s 6d, leaving a deficit of about £20 which we hope to raise by a public tea and sale of work as mentioned in the last magazine.'

August 19th – received from a Friend for the Tower restoration: 5s.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 1d

August 2nd Trinity VII: matins 9s 3d, Evensong 3s.

October

'In a small village the unavoidable absence of one or two persons often upsets a well arranged plan: the circle of workers being small the least break destroys the machinery for the time being: but we may be consoled by the fact that this very dependence one on the other makes a firm unity, and when obstacles have been surmounted and a goal won, universal satisfaction repays all the trouble and hard work. These thoughts lead on to the fact that we shall not be able to have the Public Tea, Sale of Work and Entertainment until early in November.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 2d

September 6th Trinity xii: Matins 8s Evensong 4s

Baptisms

September 6th George s/o Harry and Elizabeth Margaret Temple of Bridlington

September 13th Kitty d/o John Thomas and Sarah Ann Tennison

November

'Our Harvest Festival was held on September 30th. It was one of the many perfect days which have marked this autumn. There was a large congregation and the service was very hearty. The lessons were read by Rev J Fisher-Brown, Vicar of Muston, and the sermon was preached by Rev F Howarth, Curate of Filey.

'Again we have to thank all the friends who so kindly helped with the singing, and who made time to attend a practice for the same. The decorations were in the hands of Mrs Crowe and Mrs Sugden were quite equal to what we have had in past years.

'If our little Church has been pronounced 'beautiful' when seen on ordinary occasions, it can be imagined that tasteful and delicate decorations add to the charm. The gleaming lights on the Altar falling on the white Frontal and choice flowers stand out well behind the massive chancel Arch, and form a picture which cannot fail to raise appreciation. The offertories, which came to £1 0s 6d, were devoted to the organ fund, our instrument still being under repair.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s

October 4 Trinity XVI: Matins 4s 8½d, Evensong 3s 6d

Burial

October 3rd George Temple aged 2 months, of Bridlington

'The contents of the Church Box for the Restoration Fund came to £2 12s 6d for the year.

'Some needlework sold for £1 17s 6d in aid of the debt still owing for Church Restoration.'

December

'The Sale of Work' and Jumble sale passed off very well on November 19th, but we were not fortunate in the weather, cold heavy rain falling at intervals through the day. The same reason may account for the public tea not being so crowded as at other times.

'In the evening a Concert and Play were given in the new Vicarage Room, which was used for the first time on this occasion. The following programme was successfully gone through:

Part I

Pianoforte Duett 'El Capitan'	Mrs Sparrow and Mr Chamney
Song 'I Know Two Bright Eyes'	Mr Sugden
Glee 'O Who will o'er the downs so free'	Glee party
Song 'If I Built a Bridge for You'	Mrs Sparrow
Duette Pianoforte 'Stephanie Gavotte'	Mrs Sparrow and Mr Chamney
Coon Song	Mr Chamney
Glee 'Sweet and Low'	Glee party
Song	Dr Foster

Interval 10 minutes

Part II

'A Mild Joke' – Farce in three Acts by K E Wynne

Characters

Mr Joseph Titivate	Mr H C Hartley
Ferdinand Merrivale, his nephew	Mr Sugden
Rupert Merrivale, his nephew	Mr Sugden
Mrs Wideawake	Mrs Sugden
Araminta, her daughter	Miss Sybil Crowe
Lucy, her daughter	Miss Olive Cranswick
Lady Appleblossom	Mrs Sparrow
Miss Appleblossom	Miss V Cranswick
Selina Boxham, a servant	Mrs J Cranswick
Ann Serrum, a servant	Miss Crowe

Scene: A Room in the country house of Mrs Wideawake

God Save the King

‘The sum of £2 14s 7d was taken at the door which, added to the proceeds of the Sale of Work and Tea resulted in a total of £11 17s 7d. From this a small amount was deducted for expenses.

‘We must here thank kindly all who so kindly helped in the hard work of getting up an Entertainment and Sale of Work during this inclement time of the year, but it is a great satisfaction to know that we have obtained a substantial sum towards wiping out the Architect’s Fees for the Church restoration.

‘The usual addresses will be given on Friday evenings during the Advent Season.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 10½d

November 1st Trinity XX: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 3s 3½d.

Baptism

November 15th Annie Elizabeth d/o John and Sarah Newlove

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January

‘To all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.’

Offertories

Four Sundays and Christmas day at 8am: 10s 2d

December 6th, Advent II: Matins 6s, Evensong 3s 2½d

Christmas Day: 11s

‘On Christmas Day 1908 the Church was prettily decorated by Mrs and Miss Crowe. There were a good number of communicants: this shows that church people remember the true joy of Christmastide and do not allow the religious side of the Holy Season to become completely merged in the many pleasures and duties claimed by the world at this time.

‘Mrs Crowe is having a Theatrical Entertainment in the Vicarage Room on January 12th. We may here say that the Vicar and Mrs Wynne who have had the room altered and made capable of holding about 150, are amply repaid for the expense incurred by the satisfaction expressed.

‘Now we shall be able to have many of the functions that help to enliven country life, but which hitherto have been a dead letter in Reighton for want of a room of any description.’

Burial

November 24th George Gullan, 76

February

'We here give a programme of a most successful Theatrical Entertainment given in the Vicarage Room by Mrs Crowe on January 12th

Programme

'Country Cousins'

A Comedy in one Act by Mrs W H Cranswick

Tom Thistledown	Mr H Hartley
Major Fitzboodle (a gentleman of fashion)	Mr C Sugden
Mistress Farthingale (a lady of fashion)	Miss Sybil Crowe
Mistress Thistledown	Miss May Crowe
Prue – niece to Mistress Thistledown	Mrs C G Sugden

Scene: Kitchen in Mistress Thistledown's house

Time; 18th century

Interval – 15 minutes

Piano duet 'La Trigane'	Mrs Sparrow and Mr E C Chamney
Song 'If only I Knew' Lehman	Mrs Sparrow
Pianoforte duet – Schubert	Mrs Sparrow and Mr Chamney
Violin Solo	Miss Ida Booty

Part II

'Turn Him Out'

A Farce in one Act by J Williams

Characters

Nicodemus Nobbs	Mr H Woodcock
Mr Mackintosh Moke	Mr C G Sugden
Mr Eglantine Roseleaf	Mr E C Chamney
Julia, Moke's wife	Mrs G C Sugden
Susan, maid of all work	Miss Sybil Crowe

Scene: The Interior of Sunflower Cottage

Time: The Present

God Save the King

'The room was well filled in the afternoon, many kind friends coming from a distance to encourage local talent. The musical items and afternoon tea were given in the interval.

'In the evening there was a repetition of the above Matinee programme, when the room was very crowded. Our thanks are due to Mrs Crowe and the whole company for a most delightful evening's amusement as well as the substantial sum realized. The following figures speak for themselves.

Total receipts	£7 3s 9d from which
Purchase of chairs	£3 15s 0d
Expenses	£1 2s 7d
Church Restoration Fund	£2 6s 2d

‘It is with much thankfulness that I note that the congregations at our Evening Services have been exceptionally good of late.’

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 3s

January 3, Sunday after Christmas: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 5s 2d

March

‘The 24th of February will be Ash Wednesday, the first of the forty days of Lent. I ask all those who come to church on Sunday evenings to try and attend a weekday service during the Holy Season. There will be Evensong every Friday, with the addition of a short sermon and some Mission Hymns.

‘Mr Strickland-Constable’s tenantry, as well as others in Reighton are thankful to hear that he is gaining strength after his serious accident in the hunting field, and hope to hear soon of his recovery.

‘Much regret has been felt at the departure of Mr, Mrs and Miss Danford from Reighton Hall where they have resided for the last eight years. They always took a great interest in the life of the village, and in the restoration of the Church which they were glad to see finished.’

Offertories

Two Sundays at 8 am: 2s 3d

February 7th, Septuagesima Sunday: Matins 6s 7d, Evensong 3s 1½d

April

‘This year these notes will, I hope, reach you before GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 9th. The services that day will be Matins with sermon at 10:30, Litany 3 pm and Evensong with sermon at 7 pm when The Story of the Cross will be sung.

‘EASTER DAY APRIL 11th. After the solemn season of Lent when all our thoughts are turned to the suffering and Passion of our Blessed Lord, what joy the very word Easter brings to the heart!

‘His Resurrection our eternal Hope.

‘I trust that all communicants will be present at the celebrations on Easter Day.

‘Now that the debt on the Church is fully paid any contributions sent to me will be devoted to the thorough repair of the fencing around the churchyard. Later on, when the above is completed, our thoughts must be

turned to the chancel; its roof and repaving as well as an East Window of stained glass.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s

March 7th, Lent II: Matins 7s, Evensong 3s 4½d

Baptism

February 19th Reginald s/o Alfred and Frances Stead

Marriage

February 27th Watson Pudsey and Annie Elizabeth Hodgson

May

Offertories

Four Sundays, including Easter Day at 8 am: 8s ½d

April 4th, Palm Sunday: Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 7½d

April 11th, Easter Day: Matins 10s, Evensong 2s 10d

'Eastertide has been more beautiful than for many past years.

'The services in our Church on the Great Festival were well attended, the number of communicants on Easter Day being twenty five.

'Mrs and Miss Crowe, Mrs Sparrow and Mrs Sugden were responsible for the decorations and, as we had a quantity of white flowers and a fair amount of primroses and daffodils, their efforts met with full success.

'A handsome Chalice Veil and Burse²⁵ of white silk cloth richly embroidered with gold, have been worked and given by a parishioner, and were used for the first time on Easter Sunday. A new set of Prayer Books containing Hymns Ancient and Modern was another gift which came into use of the same day.

'The congregation joined heartily in the singing which helped to make a bright and devotional service.

'On April 6th two candidates from Reighton were presented for confirmation at St Martin's Church, Scarborough: George and Thomas Evison, father and son. The candidates were confirmed by his Grace the Archbishop.

'The Church accounts for the year have been audited and found correct by our churchwarden Mr Crowe. The receipts, including what has been placed in the box by visitors on seven Sundays came to the sum of £8 15s 6d and the expenditure, as given below, to £7 8s 7d.'

²⁵ A bag for taking collections.

Expenditure

October 6 th	John Anderson for cleaning etc	£1 – 12 – 0
	Path and extra work	£0 – 1 – 0
November 24 th	Mr Barr – 2 tons of cinders, 1 cwt coal and carriage	£2 – 7 – 10
March 26 th 1909	Mr Barr – extra cinders	£0 – 10 – 0
March 30 th	Mr Dale – church oil	£0 – 10 – 6
April 5 th	John Anderson – church cleaning etc	£1 – 2 – 0
April 26 th	Church insurance	£0 – 9 – 6
	Church insurance	£0 – 5 – 0
Total		£7 – 8 – 7

Baptism

April 11th Doris May d/o William Henry and Mary Elizabeth Smithson

Burial

April 6th Francis McKenna, aged about 40, of no fixed abode (Wolds ranger?²⁶)

June

‘The Vestry meeting was held on Tuesday April 29th when Mr Robert Crowe and Mr Henry Hall were re-elected as churchwardens.

‘The churchyard is now well fenced and a new hedge has been set within the wooden rails, which it is hoped will soon grow up and fill a long felt want as for many years the churchyard has needed thorough repair.

‘The cost of the abovementioned work will be given in the next magazine, and a small sum which remains from the restoration Fund will be devoted to it.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 1d

May 2nd, Easter III: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 2s 3d

July

‘The cost of the new Church hedge and fencing will be £9 5s.

‘A few notes from an old Church terrier, or map, which was copied in 1777 from a still more ancient one (still in existence)²⁷ and presented at a Primary Visitation of the Archbishop of York will, I am sure, be of much interest. Of the Church fencing just repaired it says ‘ITEM: The Church fence is repaired by the Vicar, every householder allowing him one penny at Easter towards the expense of the same’.

²⁶ Wolds Rangers were itinerant farm workers who roamed the Wolds in search of work. See Harry Reffold’s book ‘Pie for Breakfast’.

²⁷ Now at the East Yorkshire Archives, Beverley, catalogue no: PE 78/12.

‘Again note some of the quaint old customs which connected Church and Parish. ITEM: On St Bartholomew’s Day the Vicar receives one penny for every foal, one penny for the first swarm of every beehive, also Tithe honey when the bees are taken. Ducks, geese and turkeys are titheable on old St Bartholomew’s Day. ITEM: The Vicar receives on Good Friday three eggs for every hen, and two from every dick, and at Easter two pence from every communicant.’ I may here end with saying that one of my parishoners was so interested on reading these quaint notes in the old Church record of Reighton that he gave me 2s 6d for the new fence.

‘In the next magazine we shall say some thing of the School Treat for which I hope we may have warmer weather.’

Offertories

Four Sundays and Ascension Day at 8 am: 14s 8d

June 6th, Trinity Sunday: Matins 8s 10½d, Evensong 4s 3½d

August

‘The Rev J Fisher Brown, Vicar of Muston, preached at evensong on St Peter’s Day. There was a good congregation, all being from Reighton.

‘The Collection came to five shillings and will go towards paying off the debt for repairs of the American organ.

‘The Sanctuary has been much improved by the addition of some side curtains which extend to the alter rails on either side. These were given.

‘The school treat to Filey will be early in August, as usual, and we must hope for fine weather after the wet months of June and July.

‘It is a pleasure to find that the number of Sunday School children is quite up to average, but we will miss some who have been with us of late years as many of the young folk have left home for service.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 15s 4d

July 4th, Trinity IV: Matins 7s 6d, Evensong 3s 4½d

September

‘This year our Sunday School Treat to Filey was given on the Bank Holiday, August 2nd.

‘After a week of thoroughly wet weather following two months of incessant rain and cold wind, we had a fine day. Quite a large party of children and their mothers started from the Vicarage at 10:30. The day was passed in the usual way, a good deal shopping, pony riding and driving about until tea, to which forty two sat down. Our numbers were much the same as in former years but we miss many who have grown up and gone into service, leaving their places to be filled by younger children.. Mrs Sparrow and Mr and Mrs Hartley kindly helped in the games and races after tea, until a

start was made for home at about 6:30. To the kindness of Mr Crowe we are indebted for the use of the largest brake.

‘The village has been unusually full of visitors this summer, and in church many strangers have been seen, but they do not make up for the absence of familiar faces unable to be present through their labours for the comfort of visitors.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 13s 7½d

August 1st, Trinity X: Matins 11s 9½d, Evensong 4s 6½d

October

‘Most Harvest Thanksgiving Services this year will be late on account of the exceptionally cold and wet summer of 1909.

‘A friend has presented to the Church a beautifully worked Alms Bag mounted on a brass handle. On one side is a Latin Cross, on the other fishes (three in number), the emblem of St Peter, to whom this church is dedicated. The Alms bag was used for the first time on September 5th, Trinity XIII and, as it may be seen below, the evening offertories greatly exceeded the usual sums. This is a reason for great thankfulness as the insurance of the Church had to be raised since the complete restoration of the West End.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 15s 3d

September 5th, Trinity XIII: Matins 11s 6d, Evensong 18s 2d

November

‘These notes have to reach the Editor before October 20th, so we cannot include anything of the Harvest Festival in them.

‘Since the departure of our summer visitors we have had an influx of four footed friends who make their appearance in church almost daily at Divine Service; but more especially when the lamps are lit and the Church is warm. The said visitors are newts of all sizes and ages. They begin their perambulations directly the service commences much to the delight of the boys and the terror of the ladies of the congregation.

‘Though quite harmless, no one cares to eject them unless they are wrapped in paper or a handkerchief. This leads to the idea we might copy our forefathers who (as we read in the account of the Church Congress at Swansea) used ‘Dog Tongs’ to turn out the stray dogs who followed their masters to Church. In Reighton we might resort to ‘Newt Tongs’.

‘I may add that the little animals come out from the old foundations, and seem to enjoy light and warmth.’

Baptisms

September 26th James William s/o Watson and Annie Elizabeth Pudsey

September 26th Jane Annie Hodgson d/o Watson and Annie Elizabeth Pudsey (Received)

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 5d

October 3rd, Trinity XXII: Matins 7s, Evensong 2s

December

'The Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Thursday October 21st were well attended. The preacher was the Rev C Hutton Coates, Rector of Burton Agnes, and Rural Dean who gave an excellent sermon. The lessons were read by the Vicar of Muston.

'We must thank our many friends in the village for gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables, and Mr Barr for the beautiful little hanging basket ornament, made of this year's corn, and hung over the Font in the new arch of the West End.

'The singing was hearty and congregational, and we must not forget to thank all those who came forward to help and may really be looked on as a reliable and supplementary choir, always kind and willing to assist in any special occasion. The decorations were in the hands of those who for many years have been responsible for their well known success, and although flowers were scarce, the Church looked as beautiful as in the past.

'The contents of the Church box for this year amounted to £2 5s 6d and will be devoted to Church expenses.

'There will be a short address at Evensong on Fridays during Advent.'

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 4s 10d

November 7th, Trinity XXII: Matins 2s 5d, Evensong 3s

'The offerings of the Harvest Festival, which came to £1 3s, have been sent to the Lloyd Hospital, Bridlington.'

(Please note that neither the East Yorkshire Archives nor Bridlington Library has a copy of the Parish Magazines for 1910.)

1911

January

'Christmas morning rose bright and cheerful, but before the full dawn a good number of communicants were in the Church for the great service of the day.

'The darkness of the Nave threw out the light on the altar, which was beautifully decorated with a profusion of white flowers – sent by a friend – a hymn was sung at this early celebration.

'The Font and the rest of the Church was appropriately decorated for the joyous season, and we wish to thank the church workers for their kind help.

'At 8 am the offertory came to 5s 2d, at Matins to 10s.

'I hope all the parish of Reighton will accept my hearty good wishes for the New Year.

'I would ask you to remember this plea, that in the daily round of work and pleasure that may fall to our lot, each of us in the coming twelve months of 1911, the Services of Holy Church may not be neglected.

'The little Martinmas Jumble Sale was a success, bringing £4 4s 9d. This was more than enough to provide Christmas presents for the Sunday School, so what is left will be used for the same purpose on a future occasion.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 3d

December 4th, Advent II: Matins 4s 7d, Evensong 2s 8½d

Marriage

November 25th

James Chapman and Ethel Morgan

Burials

November 11th

Elizabeth Chapman (late of Reighton) aged 53

November 25th

Sarah Trowell aged 47

February

'On January 4th the vicar and Mrs Wynne entertained the Sunday School children and their parents, as well as other friends at a Christmas party in the Vicarage room.

'About the same number as last year, 100, sat down to tea at 6:30 pm.

'Later on, the tables being cleared, all looked towards the stage curtain to see what amusement lurked behind it. When it drew up a very massive plum pudding, composed of brown paper but quite realistic, was displayed. The Vicar commended it to the notice of the audience, asking our friend, Mr Hartley, who represented a 'chef' with three assistants, also in costume, to dispense the seasonable dish, which was filled with Christmas gifts.

'Many presents for the Sunday School and Choir were in this was quickly distributed.

'We must thank Mr Hartley for making the plum pudding, and his assistants, Joseph Ward, John Joppling, and John Tennison for their expeditious waiting.

'The next time the curtain drew up, a conjuror held the boards, and we were given an hour's delightful amusement. Professor Hubert of Scarborough was very clever and showed some excellent sleight of hand. His entertainment brought a happy evening to a close, and on Mr Crowe's kind proposal all gave a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs Wynne.

'Each child was given an orange and a packet of sweets as they left the room.'

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 4s 2d

January 1st, First Sunday after Christmas: Matins 5s, Evensong 3s 1d.

March

'The solemn season of Lent commences on Ash Wednesday March 1st.

'Every Friday during Lent there will be a short address at Evensong and one of the Litanies of Penitence will be sung.

'Reighton has not escaped the prevailing epidemic of measles, therefore the Sunday School has been closed for four Sundays.

'A confirmation will be held at Burton Agnes on April the 5th. Any who wish to be confirmed are asked to send their names in to the Vicar at once – no candidate should be under the age of twelve years.'

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 4s

February 5th, Epiphany VI: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 3s 2½d

Baptism

February 12th William Morris s/o Morris and Hannah Mainprize

Burial

February 3rd Sydney Pudsey, 11 months

April

'I hope that the magazines may be given out on Monday April 3rd. The preceding Sunday will be Passion Sunday, the last but one of the five Sundays of Lent.'

(Omitted here is a paragraph of purely religious interest concerning 'What is Lent?')

‘The offices on Easter Day, April 16th, will be at the usual hours. I beg all to remember their Easter Communion.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 4s 8d

March 1st, Lent 1: Matins 5s 6d, Evensong 4s 3d

Burial

March 7th, at the Cemetery, Bridlington: Emily w/o George Whiting of
Bridlington – late of Reighton – aged 35 years

May

‘On Good Friday the services were not so well attended as heretofore, illness and absence from home of some of our friends being, no doubt, the cause.

‘On Easter Day the number of communicants at 8 o’clock was larger than ever known.

‘The Church was filled with a quantity of choice flowers for the great festival. Arum and other lilies, white tulips, azaleas, the sweet scented lily of the valley, and Lenten lilies: with all these the whole of the sacred edifice from altar to font, was beautifully decorated.

‘We here wish to thank all who so kindly gave these lovely flowers.

‘On April 5th five candidates from Reighton were confirmed by the Archbishop of Hull. Their names were:

Lydia Louisa Wilson

Lilian Clubley

Lilian Mary Crawford

Emily Phyllis Wilson

Elsie Shepperd

‘These all made their first communion of Easter Day.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s 5d

Easter Day: 11s 8½d

April 2nd, Lent V: Matins 4s 6d, Evensong 2s 4d

April 15th, Easter Day: Matins 6s, Evensong 10s

Baptism

April 16th Bella Nesfield d/o James and Ethel Chapman

June

‘June 22nd being the day of the Coronation of their Majesties King George V and Queen Mary, there will be special thanksgiving services in the

parish church: Holy Communion 8 am, Matins with sermon and special hymns 10:30.

‘A committee has been formed by the chairman of the Parish Council, Mr N Coleman, and subscriptions collected for a free tea and sports on the Coronation Day. Full particulars will be issued later.’

‘It is with deep regret we have to note the death of little Alice Pudsey who died on Easter Monday after a short illness of only three days. She was a bright, clever child, and her loss is much felt in the Church and Sunday School, for though only seven years old, she was quite a good little Christian. She knew the Creed, Venite, Te Deum and all the responses off by heart, and was never more happy than when singing in the choir.

‘Her favourite hymn in the Sunday School was 340. She would repeat with eager joy the words of the second verse:

“We know that his love will never wax cold
To the lands that He feeds in His earthly fold.”

‘May we not find comfort ourselves with the other lines of this hymn she so loved to sing?

“Alleluia, they sing like the children bright
With their harps of gold and raiment of white
As they follow their Shepherd with loving eyes
Through the beautiful valleys of Paradise.”

‘Much sympathy is felt with the whole family at their sad loss.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 5s 6d

May 7th, Easter III: Matins 6s, Evensong 2s 4d

‘On Easter Tuesday Mr R Crowe and Mr H Hall were re-elected as churchwardens and the accounts for the year audited. The receipts including the money put in the Church box on Sundays came to £8 9s 1½d. The expenditure was as follows:

1910

May 14 th	Memorial Services	2s 6d
May 19 th	Extra cinders	1s
June 11 th	Grass cutting	1s
December 24 th	Fire shovel	6½d
November 9 th	G W Piercy: coke and quarter coal	£2 6s

1911

April 8 th	Paraffin	12s
April 11 th	John Anderson	£1 12s

March 24 th	Church insurance	15s
	Clerk's insurance	5s
Total		£7 10s
Balance in hand		19s 1½d

Baptism

May 1st Kenneth George s/o George Waud and Emily Kate Piercy

Burial

'Suffer little children to come unto me.'

April 16th Alice May Pudsey, 7 years

July

'All will be pleased to mark that Coronation Day was fine in spite of many forebodings. In the Parish Church there was a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 am and at 10:30 the Litany, with special Collects, Coronation Hymns and a short address. The services were well attended, though not crowded as on a former occasion. The bells, strange to say, have to account for some of this. They began cheerfully at 9:30 and after a rest struck up again, but too late for those whom they misled at first. In the afternoon everyone assembled in Mr Coleman's field for the sports and we here give a list of the winners in the races and different competitions. Nine bonfires were visible from Reighton vicarage at 10 pm, the wind had gone down and the night was still and warm.

List of Prize Winners

Flat Race – lads over 16: 1. R Hood 2. H Hood 3. W Wilson

Flat Race – lads under 16: 1. Fred Crawford 2. J Ingman 3. J Young

Flat Race – boys under 13: 1. Kirby Coleman 2. H Woodhead 3. J H Shepherd

Girls under 10: 1. Elsie Hood 2. Kathleen Coleman 3. Jessie Wilson

Boys under 10: 1. J Ward 2. Alfred Wilson 3. George Ward

Boys under 8: 1. George Woodhead 2. W Speck 3. Alfred Pudsey

Married Men 30 - 40: 1. W Mainprize 2. George Watson 3.

Married Men 40 – 50: 1. Paul Cook 2. Walter Crawford 3. E Wood

Married Men 20 – 30: 1 Mark Skelton 2. George Mainprize 3. E Wood

Girls over 14: 1. Florence Croft 2. Elsie Shepherd 3. N Read

Sack Race: 1. James Mainprize 2. Fred Maplesden 3. James Chapman

Bicycle Race: 1. Herbert Thornton 2. Dick Hood 3. Alfred Witty

Obstacle Race – Married Men: 1. W Mainprize 2. G Mainprize 3. W Smithson

Potato Race: 1. Watson Pudsey 2. W Smithson 3. Frank Hood

Obstacle Race – Single Men: 1. H Thornton 2. Dede Hood 3. Alfred Witty

Married Women (pig catching): Mrs Smithson

Fowl Catching (girls etc): Emily Wilson, Cissy Trowell, Gertie Ward, Mrs M Skelton, Mrs Cook

Consolation Prize: Jo Chapman

‘Tea was given to married women, toys to all the children. A splendid free tea was given in Mr Coleman’s barn. All the children were given Coronation Mugs. After tea Mrs Wynne was asked by the Committee to give away the prizes. It was very nearly dark when this was finished. After a hearty vote of thanks to her, and cheers for the King and Queen, the National Anthem was sung by all. The total amount collected came to £16 15s.

‘The Sunday School Treat to Filey will be held, as usual, about the end of this month.’

Offertories

Ascension Day and four Sundays at 8 am: 7s

June 4th, Whit Sunday: Matins – 6s 2d, Evensong 2s 1d

On May 21st, 5th Sunday after Trinity, collections were made for the York Diocesan Fund. 6s 2d was sent to the Treasurer.

Baptisms

May 28th Eva d/o John Thomas and Sarah Ann Tennison

June 4th Nora Evelyn d/o William Henry and Mary Elizabeth Smithson

August

‘A very handsome new Prayer Book for the reading desk has been presented to the Church by Rev Reginald Hill of Scarborough. The last one was given in 1890 by Alderman Ward of Filey.

‘Mr Hill took the services on July 2nd, the vicar being away for a short holiday. Mrs Sparrow kindly played the harmonium for Mrs Wynne, our little choir sang with its usual success and good will under her lead.

‘Although the weather has been beautiful this summer, Reighton has not been so full of visitors as last year.

‘The School Treat to Filey will be written about next month.’

Offertories

June 22nd and three Sundays at 8 am: 6s 4d

July 9th Trinity IV: Matins 4s 6d, Evensong 3s.

Speeton



Speeton Church in 1912

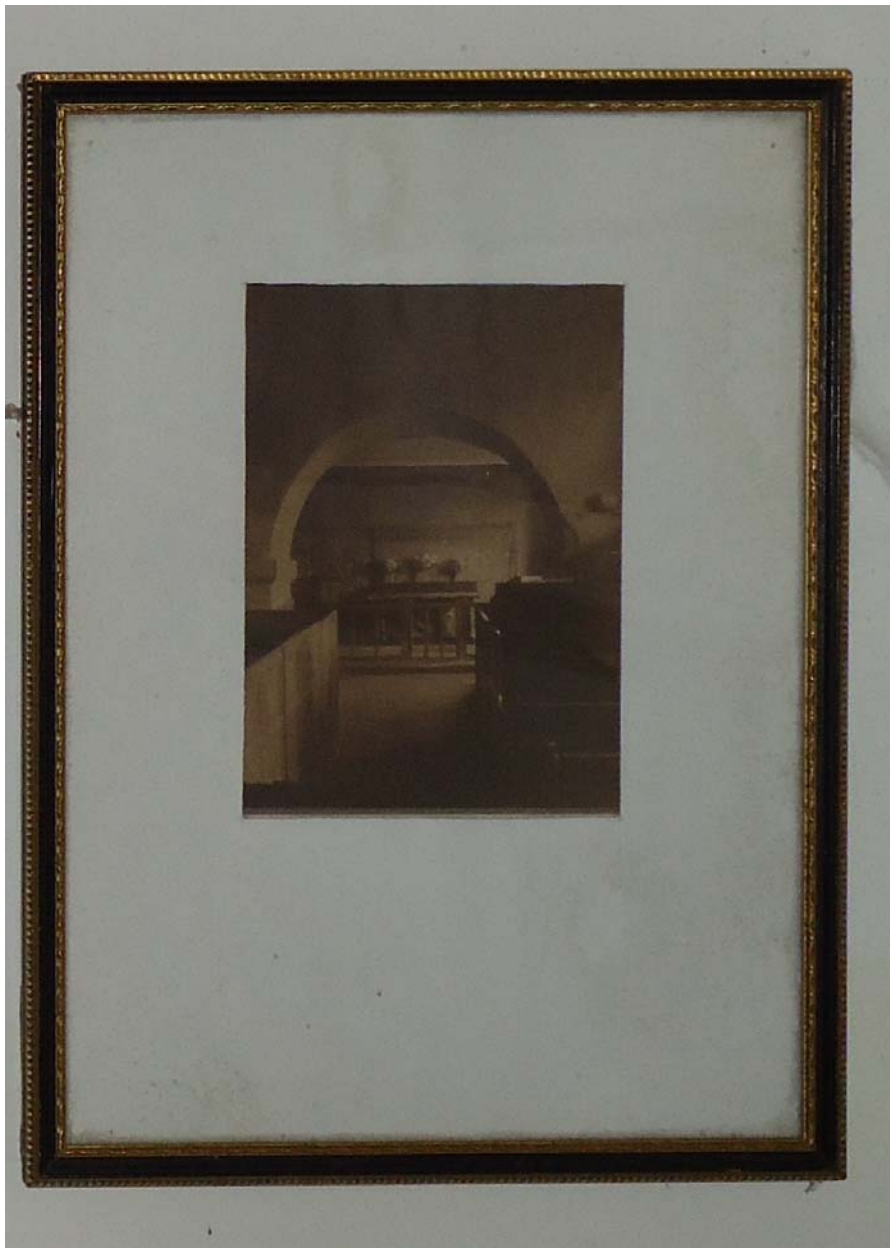
'Restoration of the Church

'We announce with great satisfaction that this long needed work has now begun and we hope to have it completed during the present month of August. Mr Amos Gardam of Bridlington, who did the restoration work at Bempton church so well, has secured the contract. We had intended to repair the roof only, but the suggestion was made that we had better 'go through with the work' while we were at it, so we have decided to do so and have given orders to re-seat and re-floor the interior and to have other necessary improvements carried out.

'We appeal to ALL FRIENDS for funds to help us with this work, so that the reproach of having a dilapidated church may be removed from our midst and the ancient church of St Leonards, Speeton, may by our united efforts be made a fit habitation for Our Father's true and reverent worship. Contributions will be gladly received by the vicar and by the churchwardens Mr Plews and Mr McClurg²⁸, Speeton.

'Due notice will be given as to the reopening of the church for service.'

²⁸ Robert McClurg, master of the local school.



An old photograph of the interior of Speeton church
September

'Wednesday July 29th was a glorious day for the Sunday School Treat to Filey. Starting at 10:30, Mr Crowe's wagon with its team of beautifully decorated horses was filled with a crowd of happy children. This was followed by an equally crowded rully and brake.

'An excellent tea was given to the whole party of about 60 at Mr Scotter's café and all expressed themselves much pleased with the good fare provided.

'A few races on the green for the children brought a very happy day to its conclusion and home was reached about 8pm.

'We are most grateful to Captain Blossie for 10s and two other friends for 7s.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8am: 6s 10d

August 6th Trinity VIII: Matins 14s 9½d Evensong 6s

Baptism

August 10th Ernest Ronald s/o Ernest and Rachel Ellis Sellars.

Speeton

'The work of the restoration of the old church has progressed very well during the month and we feel certain that everyone will be pleased when they see the improvements that have been effected. The Bishop of Hull has very kindly promised to come and preach at the opening service which has been fixed for Tuesday evening, September 5th at 7pm. The offertories will be given to the restoration fund which stands at present as follows:

Amount previously acknowledged	60 – 0 – 0
Collected by Mrs Dunn of Bempton	2 – 1 – 6
The Vicar	8 – 2 – 6
Miss Artley	0 – 9 – 0
In the box at the Church door	12 – 6
TOTAL	71 – 5 – 6

The Vicar has also received £5 from an old friend of Speeton to provide for a new dossal and altar frontal. Miss Cameron is giving two brass flower vases and a cross. Dr Pride, Rector of Bridlington, has given an oak reading desk and lectern combined, and Mr Amos Gardam of Bempton has given a carved pew front for the chancel. Further funds are still urgently needed to complete the work. PLEASE HELP US.'

October

'Our Harvest Festival is fixed for Tuesday October 3rd. The vicar of Folkton, the Rev J Fisher Brown, will preach.

We shall be most grateful for any flowers and especially some fruit and vegetables as we wish to send a nice basketful to the Lloyd Hospital as we did last year. The offertories during the day will go to the same. This year we hope to have an anthem, there are so many children who sing so well, and take a pleasure in so doing, it is well they should lift their voices in Psalms of Praise and Thanksgiving. Their part in the anthem will be taken from the psalms. The services on October 3rd will be: Holy Communion 8 am, Matins 10 am, Evensong 7 pm.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 9s 7d.

September 3rd Trinity XII: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 3s 2d.

Speeton

'Reopening of the Church

We were favoured with a fine night for the reopening of Speeton Church on Tuesday September 5th. Friends came over from Bempton, Bridlington and Reighton and together with 'our own folks at Speeton' filled the little edifice to overflowing. Punctually at 7 o'clock the service commenced with the singing of the hymn 'Lift the Strain of High Thanksgiving'. The vicar said the prayers, the vicar of Sledmere read the special lesson and the Bishop of Hull preached the sermon, speaking from the words 'Mr Father's House': St John ii, 16. The Bishop said they had done well to restore that ancient and interesting house of God to something of its former perfection. One hardly knew for how many years that church had stood out on those cliffs as a silent witness of God's presence, and in another sense of God's presence with them in their homes, and at their work. That church to some of them had been a centre of interest, drawing them to God and leading them to offer themselves to Him etc. As one who had gone out into the country, along the coast, he had seen so many instances where old church buildings were renovated. That was so in cases like the magnificent buildings in Beverley and in villages like Bempton and Speeton. If they thought of that building as the House of God, let them use the church with reverence remembering that 'This is the House of God, this is the Gate of heaven'. And there was no superstition in speaking with reverence of the church as a House of God. That church has been restored and made fit for the worship of God and they gathered there as the children of the One Great Father, the King of Kings, feeling that they were in a holy place, in the house of their Father.



Notice in Speeton church

'During the singing of the hymn 'All People that on Earth do Dwell' the collection, which amounted to £2 10s was taken. The Bishop then pronounced the Blessing and the service came to a close. Mr William Gibson, in the place of Mrs McClurg, kindly presided at the harmonium, and several members of the Bempton church choir went over and helped with the singing. The various improvements that have been effected met with the approval of all who saw them.

It was a great pleasure to all of us to have Mrs Robert Crowe (late of Speeton) with us on this memorable occasion.



Plaque commemorating the 1911 restoration of Speeton church

Church Restoration Fund

The vicar returns his grateful thanks for the following amounts received during the past month from:

S J Chadwick Esq, Dewsbury	£5
Albert Osgerby Esq, Bridlington	£1 1s
R McClurg Esq, Speeton	£1 1s
William Wilson Esq, late of Speeton	£5
Mrs McGrath, late of Bempton	5s
Miss Annie Wilkinson, late of Sutton	5s
Miss Dudley, Bridlington	13s
Collection of A Friend	£2 1s
Collected by Enoch Artley	5s 6d
Collection on September 5 th	£2 10s

'The Harvest Festival Service was held on Thursday evening, September 21st when a large congregation assembled in the old church.

'The Harvest Hymns were heartily sung and all seemed to enter into the spirit of the Festival Service. The Rev J Ll Davies, Vicar of Sledmere, preached a practical sermon and was listened to with marked attention. The vicar took the prayers.

'The church had been tastefully decorated by some members of the congregation to all of whom our best thanks are given. The offertory went to church expenses and came to £2.'

November

'Our Harvest Thanksgiving services on October 3rd were well attended. The church, as usual, was beautifully decorated and we have to thank all who helped, as well as the donors of flowers and vegetables. Of the latter there was a good selection which was tastefully arranged in two of the windows, surrounded by dried bracken which made an excellent background. The sum of £1 3s (as well as all the vegetables) was sent to the Lloyd Hospital, and the Vicar of Folkton preached, and the lessons were read by the Vicar of Hunmanby.

'The music, though simple, went well – Mr Sparrow taking the solo in the Anthem 'I Will Feed My Flock'.

'We must not close without giving very hearty thanks to all who so kindly helped with the singing. The children were most diligent and attentive, their singing being quite praiseworthy.

'We hope to have a Jumble Sale in Martinmas week as usual, the proceeds going towards Christmas presents for the Sunday School and Choir.

'In the year 1910 the church box from Easter to the Harvest Festival, exclusive of Sundays, yielded the sum of £1 12s 8d, in 1911 £1 18s 6d. This is in hand and will be devoted to the upkeep of the church. The stove chimney has had to be entirely removed. The cost will be mentioned in the next magazine.'

Baptisms

September 24 th	William s/o Thomas and Ada Chapman
October 1 st	Mabel d/o Richard William and Eleanor Ann Thomas of Hunmanby Moor.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am 6s 1½d
October 1st Trinity XVI Matins 6s, Evensong 3s 4d

Speeton

'We record with deep regret the death of Mr William Plewes, who passed away on the afternoon of Monday September 25th. He had been in failing

health for a couple of years or so and unable to get about. He was appointed a churchwarden by the late vicar Mr McGrath and continued under the present vicar up to his death. He was always ready to help forward any good cause and will be much missed in the village life of Speeton.

'We tender our sincere sympathy to Mrs Plewes and family in their bereavement.

'The Funeral took place at Bridlington Cemetery on Thursday afternoon, the 28th inst and was largely attended.'

December

'On Sunday November 5th a fierce south west gale blew all day long. Many of those in church must have been thankful when the terrible gusts shook the doors and made it difficult to hear, that we have a new strong tower which we know to be a 'Tower of Strength' and fine enough to stand against the fury of the winds for centuries.

'With this new West End and Tower is associated the name of Robert Kilvington, builder of Nafferton. The news of his death only reached us on Saturday. All in this place who had known him were sorry to hear of it. We believe that his work on the restoration of this church was the last of many similar undertakings, all carried out with that thoroughness of which he had just reason to be proud.

'We regret to announce the death of Mrs Walton Crawford of the Glebe Farm. She had never been strong but the fatal termination of her brief illness – only three weeks – was, to many, unexpected and caused much sorrow in the village. We offer our sincere sympathy to her husband and young daughter. She was laid to rest on Sunday October 22nd. Many friends and relatives from a distance attended the funeral and brought quantities of white flowers which completely covered the grave.

'Mrs Fanny Crawford belonged to one of the oldest families in the place²⁹ and will be greatly missed.

'There will be a short sermon at Evensong every Friday during Advent.'

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 4s 5½d

November 5th Trinity XXI: Matins 8s, Evensong 4s 5½d

Burial

October 22nd Fanny Crawford w/o Walton Crawford, 48

²⁹ Fanny Marshall (23) d/o James Marshall, m Walton Crawford (23) s/o Matthew Crawford, November 28th 1887

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

The Vicar acknowledges and thanks:

Amount previously acknowledged	£98 8s 6d
Sir Tatton Sykes, Bart	£10
Mr Sykes, Huddersfield	£1
Miss Mayfield, Hull	10s
Dr Prickett, Hull	10s
Rev Charles Johnson, Hackness	£2
Mr William Burdass, Speeton	£5
Mr Valentine Prudhon, Speeton	£5
Donald McClurg, Speeton	£1 1s
Mr G Butterworth, Speeton	£1 2s
Mrs William Plews, Speeton	£1 1s
'A Friend'	5s 6d
Total	£123 18s

'We want £160 to clear the debt off. Two friends have offered to give £5 each if the sum can be cleared by the New Year. So Friends from afar and near please help us to do this.'

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January

'On Sundays, November 19th and 26th the Sunday School was closed on account of an outbreak of scarlet fever in the neighbouring village of Speeton. For the same reason the Jumble Sale, which was to have been held in Martinmas week, was postponed. We hope to have it later on when the date will be made known.'

'To all parishoners we wish a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.'

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 11d

December 3rd, Advent Sunday: Matins 6s 9d, Evensong 3s 2d.

Baptism

November 27th Alfred s/o William Hood and Anne Elizabeth Chapman

Speeton

'The exceptionally wet Sundays we have had during December have been very trying and naturally the congregations have been very small in consequence, but we are hoping to see an improvement this month.'

Church Restoration Fund

The vicar acknowledges and thanks gifts in response to the appeal in last month's magazine.

Amount previously acknowledged	£123 18s
'Anonymous'	£3 3s
Hon Harry Lawson	£2 2s
A Friend	£5
A.W.	2s 6d
Total	£134 5s 6d

'We want £160 before we are clear, so will those Friends who have not yet sent their contributions please do so and help us rub off the balance.

February

'Our Christmas Services were very well attended, especially that on Christmas Eve and the early celebration on Christmas morning. Thanks to the kind gifts of flowers received, the altar and font were beautifully decorated, but evergreens were scarce. The singing was very hearty, the well known Christmas hymns being taken up by all: it was indeed a pleasure to hear the old church filled with the sound of praise and thanksgiving, so many meeting in God's Holy House to render Glory to the New Born King.

'On Wednesday December 27th the Vicar and Mrs Wynne gave their Christmas Party in the Vicarage room. An excellent tea was provided by Mrs Piercy, and when due justice had been done to the good fare the Christmas presents were distributed. Professor Hubert, the conjuror, gave an hour's entertainment which was much enjoyed. Three hearty cheers for Mr and Mrs Wynne brought this pleasant evening to a close.'

Offertories

Five Sundays, Christmas Day and January 1st at 8 am: 8s

Christmas Day, Matins 6s 3d

January 7th 1912, Epiphany I: Matins 7s 1d, Evensong 2s

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

'The Vicar acknowledges with grateful thanks a special grant of £10 from the York Central Diocesan Fund.

Amount previously acknowledged	£134 5s 6d
Special grant	£10
Total	£144 5s 6d

We want £16 yet before we are clear, and I hope our friends who have not yet done so will help us to raise this.'

March

'During the solemn season of Lent will our church people try to attend the Friday evening services at which a short sermon will be preached and hymns from the London Mission Hymn Book will be sung.

'The Diocesan Surveyor, Mr Walker, is preparing an estimate for the cost of a new chancel roof, which has become a crying necessity: we hope the work will soon be commenced. Further particulars will be given next month.

'The serious illness of our Parish Clerk, Mr John Anderson, causes much regret and sympathy. He is very much missed at his post, and we all trust that he may soon be able to get about again, though he may not be able to work as he has in the past.'

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 3s 11d

February 4th, Septuagesima Sunday: Matins 6s 8½d, Evensong 3s

Baptism

December 21st 1911 George Watson s/o Watson and Annie Elizabeth
Pudsey

Marriage

February 12th John William Clements and Lilian Anderson

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

Previously acknowledged	£144 5s 6d
Mr and Mrs Robert Fenwick (late of Speeton)	£2 2s
Sir Alexander MacDonald of the Isles	£2
Total	£148 7s 6d

We still want £10 odd before we are clear of debt. Friends who have not done so please help us realise this?

April

'The Jumble sale on Monday February 19th was most successful. Over £6 was raised and this will be given to the Sunday School expenses such as treats, presents.

'The attendance at our Lenten Services on Friday evenings has been exceptionally good this year. We hope to sing an anthem 'He is risen' on Easter day when services will be as usual on the great Festival.

'During Lent we have had some very pleasant working parties at the Vicarage on Wednesday evenings for a Sale of Work, to be held in the

summer to help the re-roofing of the Chancel. We are most grateful to all who are so kindly interesting themselves.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 7s 8d

March 2nd, Lent II: Matins 7s, Evensong 3s 8½d

Baptism

February 18th Emily Annie Isabel d/o Harry and Elizabeth Margaret
Temple of Bridlington

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

The vicar acknowledges and thanks

Previously acknowledged	£148 7s 6d
Miss Charlton on Durham	£1
Total	£149 7s 6d

'The last £10 takes a lot of asking for. Won't some of the well wishers of the old Church at Speeton (who have not yet done so) send us something please, to help clear off the debt?'

May

'Fine weather for our great Festival of Easter made our hearts glad. Our services were well attended, particularly that of Holy Communion at 8 am.

'Beautiful flowers, bright music, even a simple anthem at Evensong, all bid us Rejoice – for 'The Lord is Risen'.

'On Friday night, March 29th, at about 11 pm our old Parish Clerk, John Anderson, passed to his rest.

'He was greatly esteemed and liked, and his loss is much felt in the village. The funeral took place on Tuesday April 2nd.

'The church accounts for the year were audited and passed by Mr Crowe, churchwarden, on April 15th and may be seen as follows:

'The receipts with a balance of 19s 1½d came to £9 2s 8½d. This includes the offerings placed in the Church box on all Sundays during the summer.'

Expenditure

1911

September 21 st	Sweeping brush	2s 9d
October 7 th	John Anderson Church cleaning	£1 12s
	Extra	6d
October 26 th	Large lampshade	6s
November 6 th	Mr G W Piercy, church fuel	£1 15s 6d

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February 28 th	Mr Dale, Bridlington, paraffin oil	13s 6d
March 19 th	Mr G W Piercy, church fuel	£1 3s 7½d
March 28 th	Church insurance etc	£1 0s 7½d
March 30 th	Mrs John Anderson, church cleaning	£1 12s
Total		£8 6s 6d

Offertories

April 7th Easter Day at 8 am 7s 7½d, and three Sundays at 8 am 6s 1d

April 7th, Easter Day: Matins 8s 1d, Evensong 4s 1½d

Burial

April 2nd John Anderson aged 73

Speeton

‘Mr William Burdass desires us through the pages of the magazine to express his grateful thanks to all at Speeton who so readily and willingly assisted to get the mastery of the large rick fire at his place on Friday April 12th. Had it not been for their help the damage (bad as it was) would have been much more serious.’³⁰

Church Restoration Fund

‘The vicar received the following letter in response to his appeal in last month’s Magazine, and is much touched by the same.

‘Reverend Sir

I see in the Church Monthly you are making an appeal to clear the debt off Speeton church. I have much pleasure in sending you a Postal Order for 5s. I should have liked to have doubled it, but I am only a working man and have to contrive, but for the sake of the old church, which I am sure required repairs, I give it freely. I remember attending one Sunday in it some 45 years ago with a friend of mine who came from Speeton.

Trusting you will soon get the amount required, I am, Rev Sir, yours truly

A M’

‘We are more than pleased with this letter and express our best thanks to A M for his practical help and sympathy.’

Previously acknowledged	£149 7s 6d
A Bridlington Friend	£1

³⁰ A stack fire in William Burdass’s yard quickly spread to a stack in William Plewes’ yard. As both were of straw they quickly burned up. A number of ewes and lamb who were in danger were saved by women and children who also helped to pump and carry water. The fire was put out by Bridlington Fire Brigade. (See William Sellars’ Diary available online)

A M	5s
Total	£150 12s 6d

‘We want £10 still before we are clear. Will some others please follow A M’s example and send us something?’

June

‘The new Chancel roof is to be finished by the last week of this month. The opening service is to be held on Friday June 28th, the Eve of St Peter, to whom our Parish Church is dedicated. The Venerable Archdeacon Mackarness will preach on that occasion. Evensong will commence at 7 pm.

‘On Thursday May 9th Mrs Fred Skelton and her four little daughters left Reighton to sail for Canada and to join Mr Fred Skelton who went there last year. They will be much missed by all their Reighton friends as well as their grandparents, Mr and Mrs Waites. All prosperity be with them as settlers in His Majesty’s overseas dominions.³¹

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 9d

May 5th, Easter IV: Matins 9s 3d, Evensong 4s

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

‘The vicar acknowledges with grateful thanks three donations during the past month. The last few pounds take a lot of asking for!!! But we shall keep on asking until the debt is wiped off.’

Previously acknowledged	£150 12s 6d
A Follower of A M	5s
Rev W A Pearman (second donation)	10s
Mrs Wright	2s 6d
Total	£151 10s

July

‘In this month’s magazine we may speak of the chancel as completed. At present the work is progressing in spite of most unfavourable weather.

‘We shall hope to have the usual Sunday School Treat to Filey sometime during this month.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 11s 10d

June 2nd, Trinity Sunday: Matins 11s 4d, Evensong 4s 9d

³¹ February 10th 1900: Frederick Skelton, 21, labourer of Hunmanby, s/o Charles Skelton, farmer, married Mary Jane Waites, 20, of Reighton, d/o William Waites, labourer.

Marriage

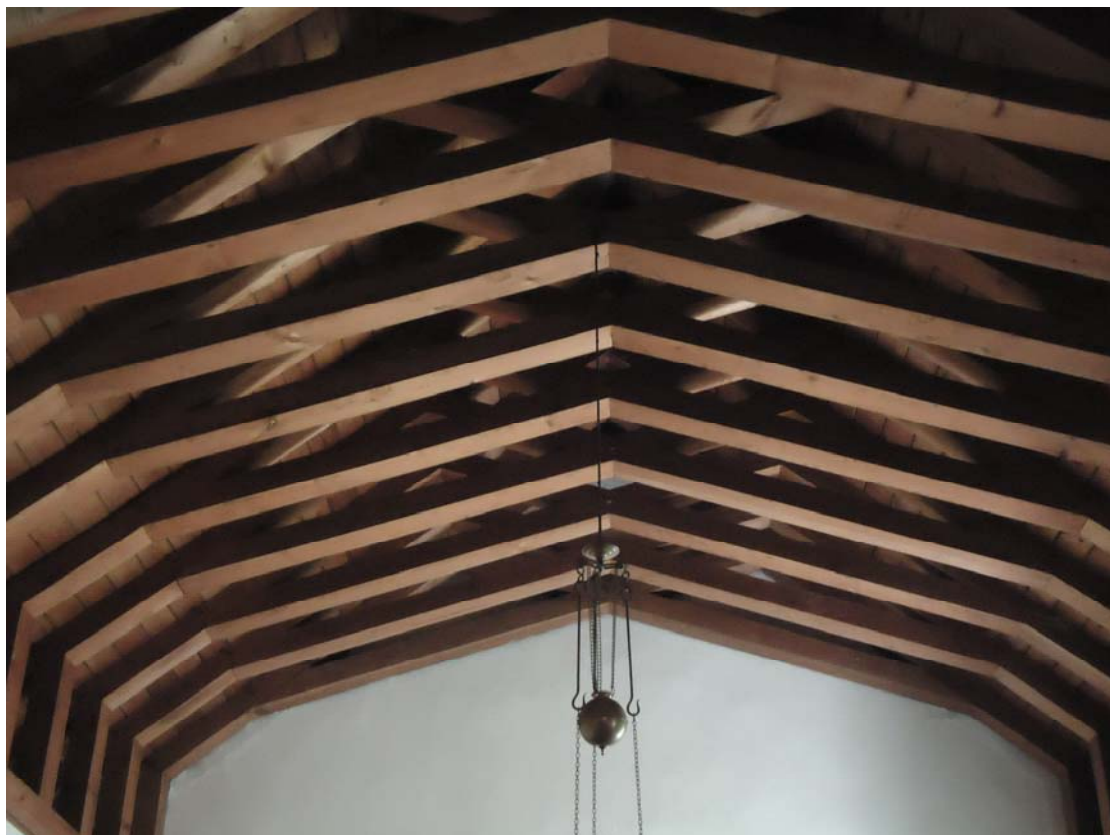
June 1st

John Botteril Smithson and Caroline Elizabeth Trowell

August

'On the Eve of St Peter, to whom this Parish Church is dedicated, the Chancel was reopened for Divine Service by the Archdeacon of the East Riding. He preached on 'Church Membership' and his sermon was listened to with great interest by a large congregation composed entirely of parishoners.

'The slight raising of the Chancel roof is an improvement to the whole church, not only in the way of sound, but also by throwing into greater prominence the fine old Norman arch of the chancel. It makes the view of the building, as seen on entry, far more striking than it was with the plain old boarded roof, which seems to have been put up in 1826. The queer little windows, which the architect says date from the thirteenth century, have been left untouched. The offertory, which came to £4 13s 5d, is for the Restoration fund.



The chancel roof at Reighton



The roof of the nave of Reighton Church

‘We hope to have a Sale of Work for the same object about the middle of August. Printed notices of the same will be sent out later and, we hope to see many of our friends at Reighton vicarage as on former occasions.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 11s 6d

July 7th, Trinity V: Matins 11s Evensong 5s

Speeton

‘The new windows recently fixed and the additional west window are a great improvement to the old church and we ask for more subscriptions in order to pay off this extra expense incurred (£10 is wanted). We were compelled to have this extra work done as the frames of the old windows had perished badly, hence after a heavy rain the church was always flooded.’



An old photograph of the interior of Speeton church

Church Restoration Fund

'We acknowledge with best thanks the sum of £5 5s from the Rev C Hutton Coates (Rural Dean).

'Our sympathy is offered to Mr William Sellers on the sad loss he and his family have sustained by the death of his wife.'

September

'The account of the Sale of Work will have to stand over until the next month as the 20th is the date on which Parish notes must be sent to the printers.

'A bad gloom has fallen on our little village and wide felt sorrow is felt through the sudden death of Harry Piercy. His bright disposition, and the cheerful way he bore his affliction as a cripple from infancy, endeared him to all. He was a skilful driver, and one always felt safe when Harry held the reins: no doubt he had a seizure of some kind which occasioned the fall which caused complete loss of memory on the night before his death by

drowning – a death which he would never have contemplated had his poor brain been in normal condition.³²

‘Lord in all pitying, Jesu blest,
Grant him Thine eternal rest.’

‘The Sunday School Treat to Filey took place on Tuesday July 30th. We had a fine day and about 64 sat down to an excellent tea at Scotter’s Café. The children enjoyed races on the green to wind up a very pleasant outing.’

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 8s 2d

August 4th, Trinity IX: Matins 5s, Evensong 5s 5d

Baptism

August 14th Kathleen Isabel d/o George Waud and Emily Kate Piercy

Burial

August 15th Harry Horsforth Piercy, aged 27

October

‘In spite of a very unsatisfactory day as regards weather, our Sale of work on August 20th was quite a success.

‘We feel indeed much gratitude towards the many kind friends who came from a distance and so heartily and liberally helped us through an undertaking that at one time of the day appeared hopeless.

‘First of all the business of buying and selling went forward briskly. A little later Mr Cooper’s string band and the thought of tea lured all to the vicarage room, where tea was enjoyed while the music from the stage was heard to greater advantage than in the garden as had been intended.

‘Tea over, Miss Hankes and Miss Danby delighted an appreciative audience with that excellent duologue ‘Cheerful and Musical’ and so the time passed until the close of a very pleasant afternoon leaving us with (including the offertory of St Peter’s Day and some donations) £34 11s 6d.

‘The patrons’ two thirds added to this has once more placed the parish Church free of debt.

‘We must not close without a word of thanks to the young people who, regardless of the weather, carried on the ‘Olympic Games’ steadily, and left only regretting that there was no time to compete for all the prizes on the list.

‘We hope to have our Harvest Thanksgiving Services towards the end of October. The date cannot be fixed at present. The preacher will be the Vicar of Filey.’

³² Harry Piercy was found drowned in Crawfords Pond, Reighton on 13th August 1912.

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 17s 6d

September 1st, Trinity XIII: Matins 9s 9d, Evensong 2s 4½d

November

‘The last few weeks of fine weather have enabled the corn to be gathered in, but the quality had so far deteriorated during the wet summer that no amount of sunshine during the late autumn days could improve it. The same may be said of the ordinary vegetables of everyday use. We find but sorry specimens of the homely cabbage, potatoe (sic) and turnip tribe, yet for all this, when we meet for our Thanksgiving Service on October 23rd we shall feel that there is much, very much, to be grateful for.

‘The path carried round the church is a great improvement. We hope to have it asphalted later. It will keep the foundations of the building drier.

‘Last year at this time a spinning cowl was put on the church stovepipe. In less than a year the stress of the weather, wind rain and salt sea air have reduced it to scrap iron. The pipe has now been raised and a zinc elbow cowl put up. We must wait and see how it braves the winter storms.’

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 7½d

October 6th, Trinity XVIII: Matins 10s 2d, Evensong 4s 5d.

Speeton

Church Restoration Fund

‘The vicar acknowledges the following donations with grateful thanks:

Mr William Burdass (second donation)	£5
Mr Lee (Hunmanby)	£1 10s
Total	£6 10s

December

Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service on October 23rd was largely attended. The Vicar of Filey preached an eloquent Sermon, which was much liked. None of the usual harvest Hymns were sung, but those appointed for use in a year such as 1912, when there has been a deficiency in the crops, were chosen.

‘What our Father does is well
Though He sadden hill and dell
Upward let our praises raise.’

'An anthem of Barnaby's 'O Lord how manifold' was nicely sung. The offertories for the day came to £1 5s and were sent to the Lloyd Hospital, Bridlington.

'On Sunday November 10th the body of an unknown man was found on the sands. He was buried on Wednesday November 13th in the north side of Reighton Churchyard where many shipwrecked sailors have been laid to rest in consecrated ground beneath the shadow of the Church on the hill. On these sad occasions we are brought to realize more fully the comfort and beauty of our Burial Service, and though we leave the stranger there in his nameless grave, we was laid there as 'Our Brother'.

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 11½d

November 3rd, Trinity XXII: Matins 6s 6d, Evensong 2s 9½d.

'There will be an address as usual on the Fridays in Advent at Evensong.'

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January

'A Happy New Year to all.'

'The old year brought several changes to Reighton, amongst them the loss of our old Parish Clerk. His place, as Sexton etc, has been filled by Mr George Mainprize, whose wife has undertaken the work of church cleaning.

'The chancel has been further improved by a tiled floor; the old brick floor was well worn, and was the only part of the church, except the new West End (in which the old cobble paving is retained) which had not been laid with tiles. The cost will be defrayed from a fund in hand from the offertories of 8 am.



Tiles on the floor of the chancel in Reighton Church



The interior of Reighton church showing the cobbles paving the area at the foot of the tower, and the font.

'It is to be regretted that the Advent Services on Friday Evenings have not been better attended, but, after all, the village is small and many who have been wishful to come, have doubtless had reasons to prevent their so doing.'

Baptism

November 24th Harry s/o George and Fanny Mainprize

Offertories

Five Sundays at 8 am: 7s 1d

December 1st Advent Sunday: Matins 9s, Evensong 2s 10d

Speeton

'We had a Service on Christmas Day at 2:30 pm and were delighted to have such a good congregation. The Christmas Hymns were most heartily

sung and the service throughout was in keeping with the joyous Festival. The old church had been tastefully decorated by Mrs McClurg and Miss Cammeron. We thank them for their thoughtful care in so doing and also Mr Prodham for his kind gift of evergreens.'

Baptism

December 15th Francis Arthur s/o John Henry and Annie Plewes of Speeton

February

'Though late we must give our Christmas notes.

'There was a good number of communicants at the early celebration on Christmas Day.

'To those who knelt there in the early dawn, perhaps the memory of the gleaming altar, the pure white flowers, the simple hymn may be one that will often rise before them, and with it the thought that these outward symbols, our poor offerings to mark the glory of the Saviour's lowly birth, are a help to the spirit of reverent devotion that we bring to the great Service of the day.

'We have given grateful thanks to those who sent flowers for the festival.

'On January 2nd the Vicar and Mrs Wynne gave their Sunday School a tea, also presents and some merry games followed.

'The children thoroughly enjoyed their evening and we thank the ladies who helped to make it so enjoyable. The little ones as they left for home, gave hearty cheers to show their appreciation.'

Offertories

Six Sundays at 8 am: 5s 1d

Christmas Day 5s 8d

Baptisms

December 22nd Albert s/o Thomas and Mary Jane Trowhill

December 22nd Doris d/o Thomas and Mary Jane Trowhill

March

'The exceptionally severe storms of February 1913 have led us who live in these coast villages, especially on the heights, to value old buildings and to realize that were it not for the thickness of the walls few of them would withstand the fury of the elements. Tiles may be stripped and the gales leave plenty of damage to show where they have raged, and still the old places stand and seem to remind us that, as they defied the winters of a century and more, they may still be trusted.

'Those who built them knew what a gale on the east coast meant.

'Now our new West End and Church Tower completed in 1908 is in a terribly exposed position, and Reighton must always remember that the great vibration in the tower during these storms must cause a slight loosening of the mortar and cement from year to year.

It would be a good thing to have a fund for the upkeep of the parish Church. The offerings left by summer visitors in the Church box will be well spent on this object.

'The services for Easter day March 23rd will be as in former years.'

Offertories

Six Sundays at 8 am: 7s 10½d

February 2 Quinquagesima Sunday: Matins 10s, Evensong 2s 10½d

Baptism

February 9th John Henry s/o Charles and Ada Ethel Braithwaite

Speeton

We publish the Balance Sheet (herewith) of the Church Restoration fund, from which it will be seen that there is still a balance of £17 10s 6d owing before the whole debt is cleared off. This was entirely due to the fact that we had to have another window out at the west end of the church, and all the other windows repaired due to defective frames and glass in addition to the first contract work. We shall be very grateful for further help in the way of subscriptions to enable us to pay off this debt. J. F. W.

Speeton Church Restoration Fund

Balance Sheet

Receipts

By subscriptions etc as published in the Parish Magazine	£162 5s 0d
By Balance due to the Treasurer	£17 10s 6d

Expenditures

To:

Amos Gardam as per contract	£157 11s 6d
Bank Interest	£1 10s
Asphalting	7s 6d
R Platt & Sons	7s
Postage and Sundries	£2 10 s
Amos Gardam - second contract for window at west end of the Church and filling in all windows with Cathedral glass	£17 9s

Total	£179 15s 6d
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John F Wilkinson. Hon Treasurer

April

'On Good Friday the Services were well attended. Easter day was remarkably wild and stormy but a large number of communicants received Holy Communion at the early celebration.

'Gifts of lovely flowers and the kind work of church people all served to make the Church beautiful and bright for the great Festival; the reverent care bestowed on the decorations was most noticeable.

'Primroses and moss from the cliffs filled the windows and made a setting for the Lenten lilies in the background. As usual the altar and the font only showed white flowers.

'We thank all our friends for their unfailing kindness and interest in our little church.

'In addition to the flowers special gifts we must thank for this Easter are: two sets of altar candlesticks much needed, and 5s towards the Easter offertory for church expenses.

'After the storms of the day had abated there was a large congregation in the evening, all joining heartily in the singing.

'The vestry meeting was held on Wednesday March 26th, the same wardens were re-elected, the accounts for the year audited by Mr Robert Crowe, the Parish Church Warden.

'The total receipts as entered in the Magazine each month came to £10 15s 8d. This includes the contents of the Church box on eight Sundays in the summer. The expenses for the year are as follows:

Expenses 1912

October 8 th	Mrs Anderson, church cleaning	£1
	James Reid, bell ringing	12s
November 1 st	Mr G W Piercy, church fuel	£2 10s 5d

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January 13 th	Messrs Taylor & Jones, church stove	£1 13s 9d
March 19 th	Mr Pashby, paraffin oil	11s 6d
March 22 nd	George Mainprize, sexton, church cleaning	£1 12s
	Church insurance	15s 6d
Total		£8 15s 2d

We have a balance in hand £1 15s 6d

'Mrs Wynne hopes to have a Jumble Sale about the end of April, the proceeds to go to the Sunday School and Choir fund.

'We wish to state that the West End of the Church and Tower, the work of the late Mr Robert Kilvington (one of the best church builders of the day) is in perfect order.'

Offertories

Six Sundays at 8 am: 8s 11d.

March 2nd Lent IV: Matins 8s 6d, Evensong 3s 3d.

Easter Day at 8 am: 4s 8d, Matins 9s 6d, Evensong 5s

Burial

March 24th Smith Atkinson, 77, of Speeton

May

'On April 6th, the second Sunday after Easter the services were taken by the Rev Reginald Hill of Scarborough, during the Vicar's absence for a holiday.

'In spite of the cold wintry weather the congregations were good.

'We shall miss Mr Dall's boys from Reighton Hall School for a few Sundays during their holidays, and shall be glad to see them back for the long summer term.'

Offertories

April 6th Easter II: Matins 8s 6d, Evensong 5s.

Speeton

'We record the death of Mr Smith Atkinson and Mr Charles Winson (late of Filey). Both passed away after long and trying illnesses patiently borne. In both cases death came as a happy release and we know that they have been 'called to higher service'.

'We thank those friends who have interested themselves in obtaining another Harmonium to replace the one recently in use.'

June

'For several reasons the Jumble sale had to be postponed, but we have gained by the delay as more things have been kindly sent to Mrs Wynne.

'Watson Pudsey, an old member of the Sunday School and choir, has obtained work with his brother in Australia. He sails on the 22nd inst. His wife and three small children hope to join him later, meantime Mrs Watson Pudsey has gone to live in her native village of Nafferton. All good wishes follow their new venture.'³³

³³ Annie Pudsey never did join her husband in Australia. In October 1916, when living in Perth, Australia, Watson Pudsey joined the Australian Tunnelling Corps and was then sent to France in June 1917. In January 1918 he was given a fortnight's leave which he spent with Annie in Nafferton, during

Offertories

Five Sundays and Holy Thursday at 8 am: 10s 9d

May 4th, Sunday after Ascension: Matins 8s Evensong 3s 6d

Baptism

May 4th Samuel s/o Harry and Elizabeth Margaret Temple of
Bridlington

Speeton

'In order to clear off the debt on the Church we are holding a small sale of work in Mr William Burdass's garden on Thursday June 12th. Mrs Pride of Burlington Rectory has kindly promised to come over and open the same for us. The ceremony will take place at 3 pm.

'There will also be a Public tea in the Marquee from 4 pm onwards, and in the evening there will be a Jumble Sale.

'We ask all our friends to come over and help us with their Patronage to clear off the debt.

'Gifts towards the sale or the Tea will be most acceptable and should be sent to Miss Cammeron, Speeton, or Mrs McClurg, Speeton.

'Don't forget to come on Thursday June 12th.'

July

'June 29th, our Patronal and Dedication Festival, falls on a Sunday this year.

'In 1912 on this date the chancel was reopened after re-roofing and dedicated by Archdeacon Mackarness.

'Since then the floor of the chancel has been re-laid with red tiles and soon we hope to have all the church paths asphalted.

'The Jumble Sale for the Sunday School and Choir Fund was very successful bringing in, with a small donation from a friend, the sum of £6 12s 9d.

'We hope to have our usual Sunday School Treat to Filey early in July. Further particulars will reach you as to the date etc when all arrangements have been made.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s 10d

June 1st, Trinity II: Matins 7s 1½d, Evensong 2s 2d

which time she conceived twins, Blanche and Doris, who were born in the autumn of that year (a son, George William, had been born in 1911). Watson Pudsey died of influenza in October 1918 and is buried in the cemetery of St Sever, Rouen.

Speeton

'What a splendid day we had for our Sale of Work! In fact the whole affair was splendid throughout.

'Splendid Workers !
Splendid Enthusiasm!!
Splendid Company!!!
Splendid Result!!!

'We cannot mention everyone by name who helped us. We wish we could, but space does not permit, but we ask all to accept our greatest thanks.

'By their efforts the debt on the restoration of the old church is now cleared off and we have a small balance to the good.

'It was voted by all to have been one of the most enjoyable days ever spent in Speeton. We had some old friends with us: Mrs Robert Crowe, Mr and Mrs Robert Fenwick and Miss Fenwick, whom it was a real joy to see again in our midst. Then the way in which our friends turned up from Bridlington, Bempton, Reighton, Carnaby, Hunmanby, Etton, North Burton (Burton Fleming), Sledmere and other villages round – why it was just grand of them all and we appreciate their goodness in coming more than we can say.

'The sale was held in Mr Burdass's Granary and 3:15 pm was the time fixed for the opening ceremony. Prompt to time the Vicar called on Mrs Pride to declare the Sale open and gave her a cordial welcome to Speeton.

'Mrs Pride in a charming little speech declared it open and also gave a substantial cheque to the funds. Mr McClurg then proposed a vote of thanks to her for coming over which was seconded by Mr Burdass. After these speeches the Vicar's little daughter, Joan, presented Mrs pride with a lovely bouquet of flowers which she asked her to accept and 'Thank you very much for coming to Speeton to open our Bazaar' – (Loud applause).

'Tea was served in a Marquee (kindly lent by the Vicar's brother) from 4 o'clock onwards, and later in the evening the Jumble Sale was well patronised.

'We thank our Nonconformist Friends for their kindly help and cooperation. Also Mr Hall of Reighton and friends from Bempton for the loan of tressels and tables.

'We conclude by once more thanking everyone who helped in any way but our special thanks are due and given to our good friends Mr William Burdass and his cousin, Miss Cammeron and their house party, also to Mr and Mrs McClurg and Miss Fenwick. And we congratulate with deep thankfulness all concerned upon the splendid success of the Sale of Work and Tea at Speeton on Thursday June 12th 1913.

'Quite a red letter day in the annals of Speeton.'

Balance Sheet
Sale of Work at Speeton

Receipts

Stalls	£34 15s 6d
Subscriptions	£9 19s
Sundries	6s
Total	£45 0s 6d

Less Expenditure £4 10s 7d

Balance – credit to church £40 9s 11d

Expenditure

Sewing materials	£1 17s 1d
Chivers & Co	5s
Monkhouse & Glassock	5s
Carriage of parcels etc	2s 10d
Stamps	2s
Meat	9s
Hams	19s 2d
Sundries	10s 6d
Total	£4 10s 7d
Balance	£40 9s 11d

£45 0s 6d

August

‘The August Magazine notes are due before July 28th, and we have not yet had our Sunday School Treat to Filey. The lateness of the hay harvest this summer has caused the delay, for we must wait for Mr Crowe’s wagon which he always kindly lends for the occasion.

‘The church paths are now finished; no one can help thinking this work is an improvement for in all weathers it is possible to walk right round the church and enjoy the beautiful view. The cost of labour and material came to £4. We hope to defray a good part of this from the box at the end of the summer. The deficit will be made up by a friend.’



The View over Filey Bay from Reighton churchyard

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 6s 7d

July 6th Trinity VII: Matins 9s 1d Evensong 3s 3d

Baptism

June 29th James Leslie s/o John Botterill and Caroline Elizabeth Smithson

September

'On Tuesday July 22nd we had our Annual Sunday School and Choir Treat to Filey.

'The morning was dull and threatening, and rain fell to 9:30 when, in spite of these drawbacks, the children with their Mothers and friends began to assemble. A start was made at 10:30, Mr Crowe's wagon with its finely decorated horses leading the way followed by a brake and a rully all closely packed.. The weather, though cold and without sunshine, favoured the expedition and we escaped the long threatened rain. All scattered and amused themselves until 3:30 when we met at Scotters Café where a most excellent tea was provided for 68.

'Later on races on the green by the sea front were much enjoyed and a pleasant drive home brought a happy day to an end. All expressed their thanks and pleasure.

'The children attend the Sunday School with great regularity and make good progress in the lessons they are taught. Also singing in church for which they really deserve praise.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 12s 9d

August 3rd Trinity XI: Matins 7s 4d, Evensong 2s

October

'This year you only have to cycle not far away, say, from Reighton through Rudstone and Kilham to Lowthorpe, and all the way as you pass through lanes and along high roads you will be surrounded by cornfields; the fields are full of corn for the rich Harvest is in different stages as you glide past the great fields mile after mile.



Fields between Reighton and Rudston

'The beauty and the wonder of it, the spirit of thankfulness and joy it evokes; oh, it is good to feel this and think how true our Harvest Thanksgivings ought to be. There is so much grumbling and complaining in everyday life, but, with it all here is a sight to make the heart of man Rejoice.

'Since writing these notes our Harvest Festival has been fixed for Tuesday September 30th. There will be an early celebration of Holy Communion at 8 am, Evensong at 7 pm. The preacher at that service will be the Rev G Lucy, Vicar of Boynton.

'The offertories will, as usual, be given to the Lloyd Hospital, Bridlington.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 11s 1d

September 7th Trinity XVI: Matins 10s Evensong 4s 2½d

Speeton

'During the past month great improvement has been effected in the interior of the church by the fixing of new Altar Rails in the Sanctuary. The woodwork and railings round the exterior of the church have also been repainted. This, we hope, concludes the restoration work necessary.



Part of the altar rails in Speeton church

'We desire to thank the kind donors of a beautifully worked Alms Bag for use in the church.

'All of us at Speeton were much shocked by the tragic death of Mr Prodhams and our heartfelt sympathy is extended to his bereaved family.'³⁴

Burial

September 8th In Sherburn Churchyard, Valentine Prodhams (of Speeton) aged 39 years.

November

'We had a beautiful day for our Harvest Festival on Tuesday September 29th and a large congregation for Evensong with bright simple music in

³⁴ Valentine Prodhams was found dead on a railway line near Grantham, having apparently fallen from a train. (See William Sellers' Diary)

which all joined. The little church was tastefully decorated as usual. We have to thank Mr Maplesden and Mr Ward for splendid gifts of vegetables, Mr Crowe, Mr Clubley, Appleby, Mainprize, G Mainprize, Pearson, Sparrow and Miss Jones for flowers, Mrs Hill for grapes for the Altar, Mr Walter (sic, should be Walton) Crawford for corn, wheat, barley etc.

'We regret that illness prevented the Vicar of Boynton from coming to preach. Our kind friend, the Rev A N Cooper took his place and his excellent sermon was much liked. The offertories for the day, £1 11s 6d were sent to the Lloyd Hospital, also the vegetables, which the Matron says were most acceptable.

'The contents of the Church Box since Easter (not including Sundays) came to £2 16s 3d which goes to the cost of asphaltting the Church paths. The balance has been given, as promised, by a friend.'

Offertories

Four Sundays at 8 am: 9s 6d

October 5th, Trinity XX: Matins 9s 6d, Evensong 2s 9½d

Marriage

October 11th at St James' Hull, John William Clubley of Reighton,
and Grace Stark.

Speeton

'The Harvest Thanksgiving was held on Sunday afternoon October 12th and the Rev G K Wilkinson came over and took the service and was the special preacher. He has told us how much he enjoyed the service and we are sure all at Speeton are glad to hear him again. The church had been decorated in the usual good taste which one is certain to find at Speeton. We thank all who helped to do it, also all who sent gifts of corn, fruit and flowers. On the following Sunday morning we had a Festival Service with Holy Communion and an appropriate address given by the Vicar.'

December

'December, the last month of the now old year 1913. That last month holds one, nay, the greatest in every year – Thursday December 25th 1913 is Christmas day.

'Beyond the holiday little is now made of the day: the religious observance of it has ceased to be of great importance; still there is an improvement even in this small village, for all communicants made a point of attending the early celebration of Holy Communion on Christmas morning, and the Church is not devoid of worshippers at Matins for the children all come, and that is a great point gained.

'Let us then look forward with joy to this Holy Festival, and remember the lines in that old hymn for Christmas.

“Light and life to all He brings
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild he lays His glory by
Born that man no more may die
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth.”

‘The Vicar and Mrs Wynne hope to give a Christmas Party to the Sunday School children and their mothers in the New Year at the earliest date possible.

‘We hope that all who can will attend the Advent services on Friday evenings. There will be a short sermon as usual.’

Offertories

Three Sundays at 8 am: 5s 3d

November 2nd, Trinity XXIV: Matins 10s, Evensong 2s 9d.

Speeton

‘We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mr and Mrs Enoch Artley who kept their GOLDEN WEDDING on Tuesday 2nd November 1913. We all wish them every good wish and hope please God that they will still have many happy years of wedded life together.

‘Presentation to Mr Enoch Artley. A very pleasing little function took place on Sunday November 23rd after the Morning Service when the Vicar, on behalf of the congregation and himself presented Mr Artley with a very handsome Prayer Book bearing his name in gold letters on the outside, and the date November 25th 1913 printed on a fly leaf in letters of gold was the following inscription:-

“Presented to Mr Enoch Artley by the Vicar and congregation of St Leonards Church, Speeton, in recognition of his faithful service as clerk over forty years and to commemorate his Golden Wedding.

R McClurg

John F Wilkinson, Vicar

William Burdass”

‘Mr Artley was very much delighted with his present, and at this sincere token of the esteem in which is held by all of us at St Leonard’s church. But over forty years service at one church certainly deserves recognition. It was a great pleasure to all of us to show honour where honour was due.

J F W’