

Hanne History Group

AGM 2017

Tonight's Agenda

- Chairman's Intro and Annual Review
- Treasurer's Summary
- Website overview
- Forum
- Election of Committee
- Talk: 'From the Pages' *Andy Roberston*
- Drinks

Chairman's Review

- **Talks 2016-2017** –Sadler's Oxford balloons - Pendon – Local Recusants –Alfred Williams – Abingdon Monk's map- Westgate Dig
- **Visits 2017-** Stonor - Denchworth - Pendon – Buckland - Clarke's Mill
- **Projects**
 - 1. Archaeology
 - 2. Website
 - 3. Marion !
 - 4. Neighbourhood Plan West Hanney Character Study
- **Holmes Visit**
- **Michaelmas Fayre 2017**

Walks and talks



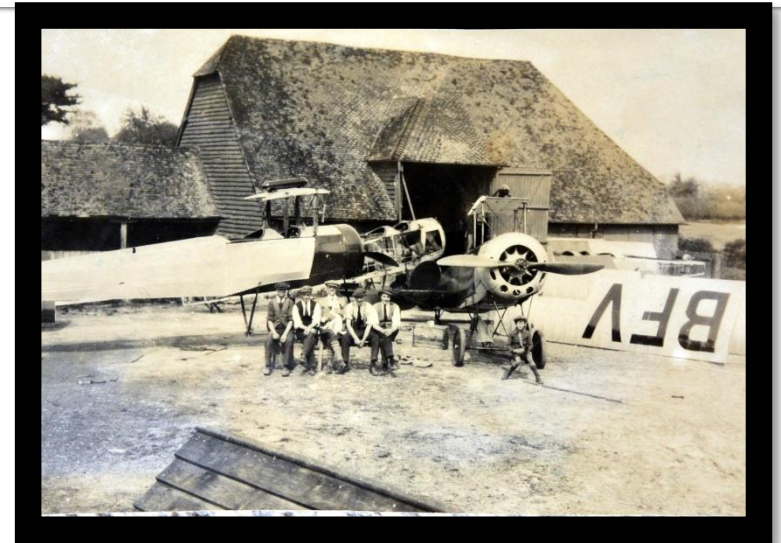
Talk and tour –Pendon Museum



A second Holmes arrival, 101 years later – John Holmes' grand-daughter Alison Mc Gahey

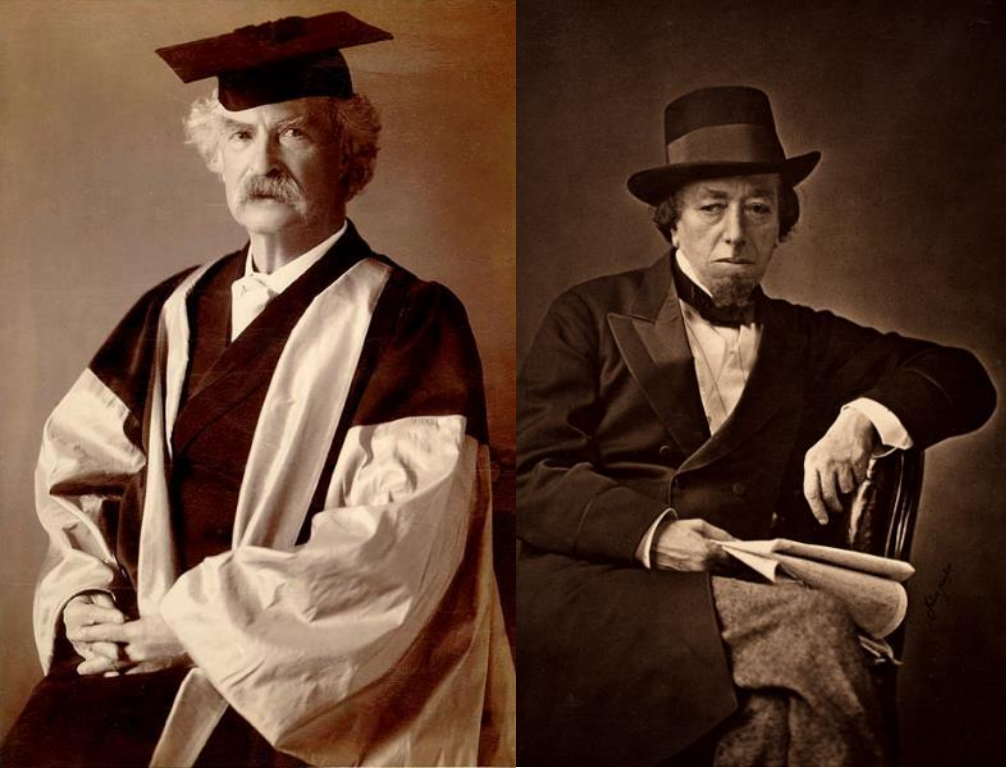


Some of Alison's Album



Treasurer's Report

- Finance 2016 / 2017
- Finance 2017 ...
- Membership



Lies, damned lies
and statistics
... Mark Twain
... Clemens ...
... Disraeli ...
all lies!

Treasurer's Report

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3 Breakdown General fund

Subscriptions, 46 members	460.00
Visitors	48.00
Sale of books	35.80
Transfer from "Visits"	26.00
Interest	2.51

Income	<u>572.31</u>	572.31
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Six speakers	305.00
HWM Hall	126.00
Hanney News Subscription	12.00
Subscriptions to Oxford LHA	13.00
Copying	1.00

Expenditure	<u>457.00</u>	457.00
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Excess income		115.31
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Treasurer's Report

3 Breakdown Visits

Income		684.00	684.00
Expenditure	Five visits	605.00	
	Transfer to General fund	26.00	
Expenditure		631.00	631.00
Carried forward			53.00

Treasurer's Report

3 Breakdown Archaeology

Income	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Finds expert	100.00	
Equipment	<u>481.73</u>	
Expenditure	<u>581.73</u>	581.73
Deficit		-581.73

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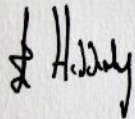
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To the Committee of the Hanney History Group

I have reviewed the attached accounts of the Hanney History Group for the year ended 31 July 2017 and confirm that these accounts correctly reflect the entries in the accounting records for that year.



John Hedderley

17 October 2017.

Treasurer's Report

Proposals

- The accounts have been formally reviewed and confirmed, so I propose that the accounts be adopted.
- The Committee proposes that the annual subscription be increased to £12.
- I propose that the visitor fee remains unchanged at £3 per evening.

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But this is history ... and

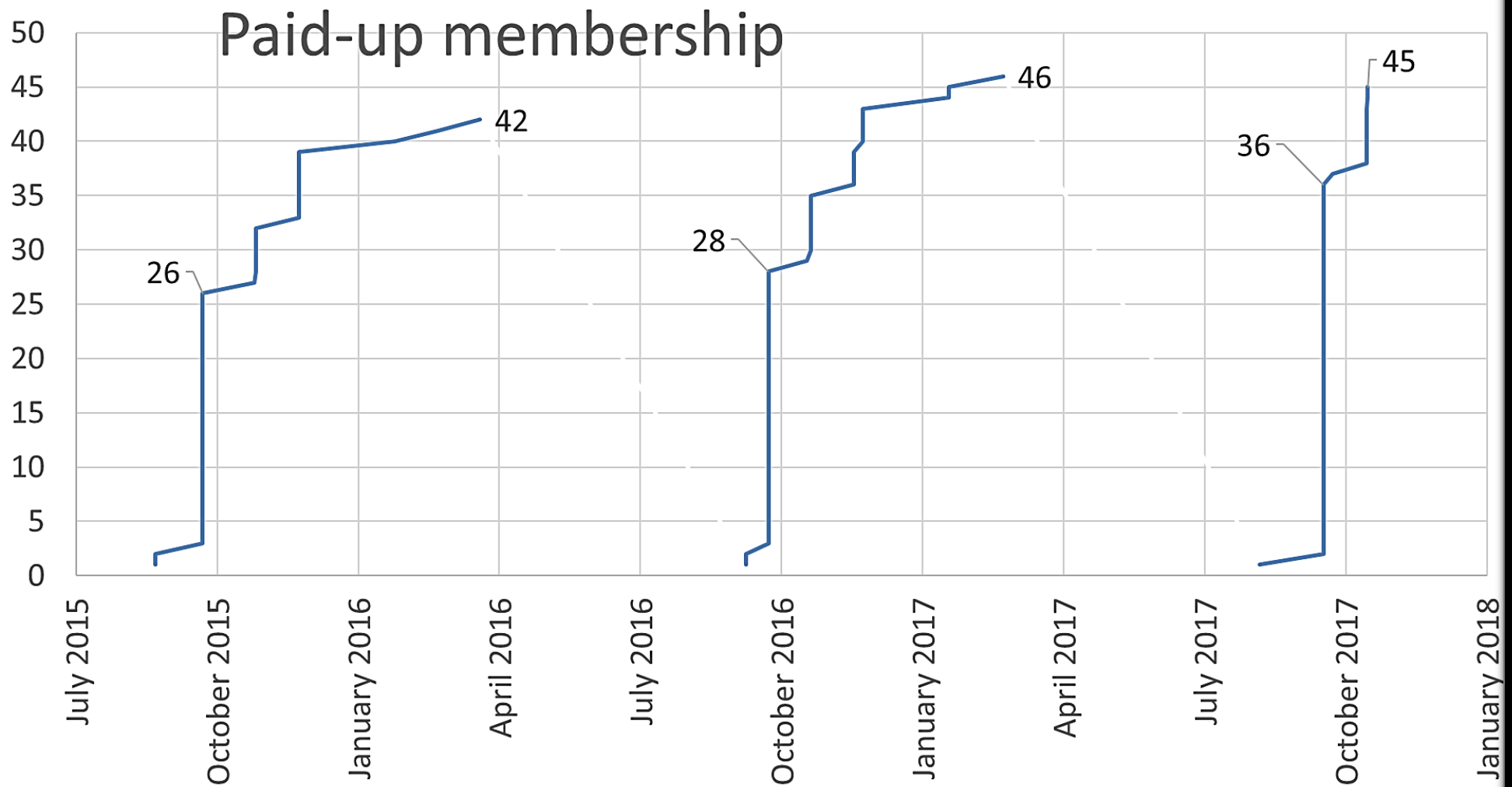
History is Bunk!

See the current position ...

Treasurer's Report

05 November 2017	General Funds			Visits		Archaeology			World War 1	Total
	in out			in out		in out				
31 July 2017	1594.81			75.00		65.55			90.15	1825.51
General funds										
Subscriptions, 45 members	538.00									
14 visitors	42.00									
Transfer from "Visits"	70.00									
HWM Hall	144.00									
Sale of books	15.00									
East Hanney Parish Council		150.00								
West Hanney Parish Council		75.00								
Two speakers	70.00									
Visits										
Mill & Sackhouse 2017				20 25						
Transferred to general fund				70						
Totals	676.00	890.00	214.00	-75.00	20 95	0.00	0	0		
balance	2270.81			0.00		65.55			90.15	2426.51
change	676.00			-75.00		0.00			0.00	601.00

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer's Report

Website Benefits

- Accessible village history
- Gallery of 'Then' and 'Now' photos
- History Group Activities & Programme
- Catalogue and Storage of Group Archive
- Archaeology and Local History Finds and Event News
- History and Genealogy Queries answered
- Maps and Local Walks
- Geology and Ecology Data
- History of significant buildings
- Links to other useful sites

Website Structure Proposals

Section Heading	Main Topics to be Included
About Hanney History Group	<i>Who we are and what we do: Links to other history sites.</i>
News and Events + Contact Us	<i>Incorporating News, Talks Programme, Walks and Projects + Suggestions and Questions</i>
Archive	<i>History group files and records Genealogy and family history</i>
Picture Gallery	<i>Hanney and area – Then and Now scenes. Group activities. Temporary exhibitions</i>
Explore Hanney	<i>Local History, Archaeology, Architecture and Buildings, Village Maps and Walks</i>
Join	<i>Explain the benefits of membership, costs, contact details</i>

Members' Forum

- Ideas – Talks, Walks, Projects?
- Volunteers!
- Questions?
- Value?
- Other issues?
- The committee??

From the Pages

Village Life in the late 19th Century
from the pages of Hanney's Parish
Magazine

Andy Robertson

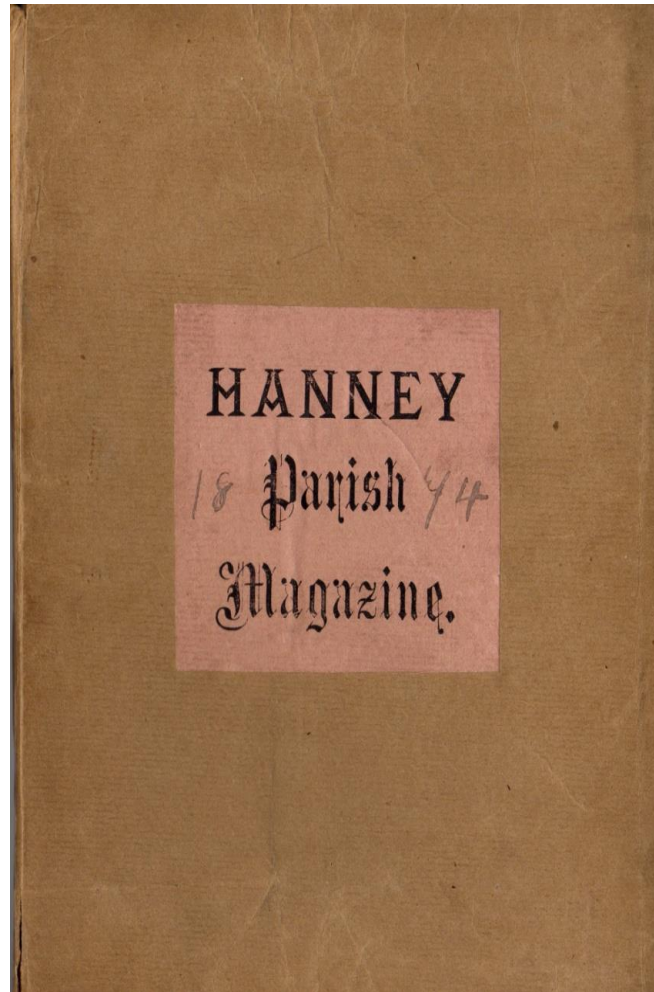
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HANNEY Parish Magazine from 1874



19 Parish Magazines from 1874 to 1895 (On the table at Hale Cottage)



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Hale Cottage



Charles Aldworth - 1

16.Hale Cottage, Mill Orchard

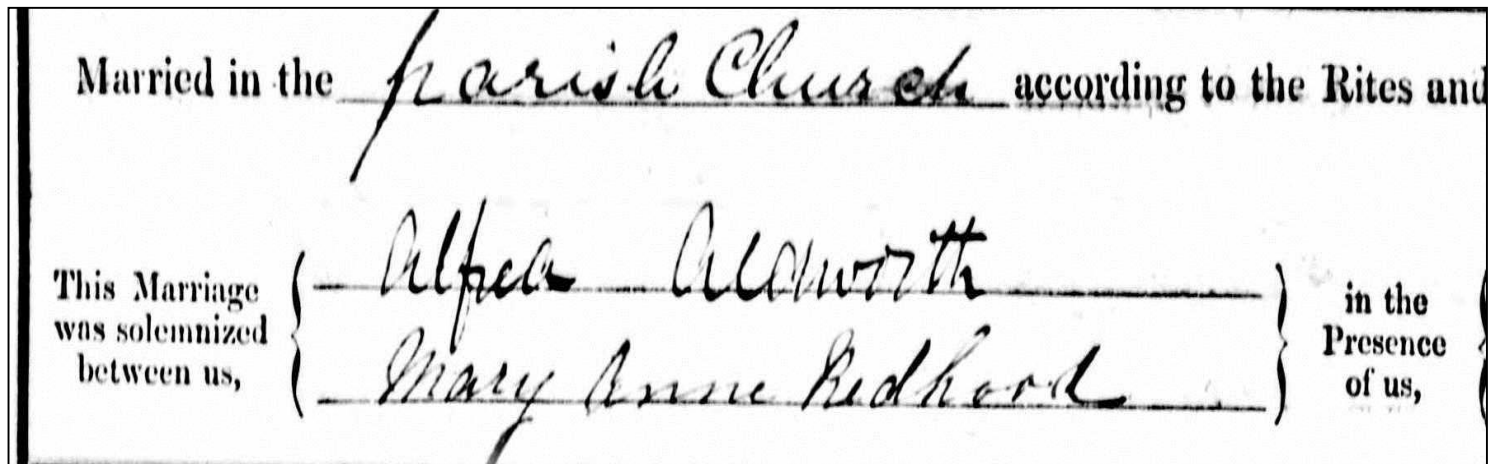
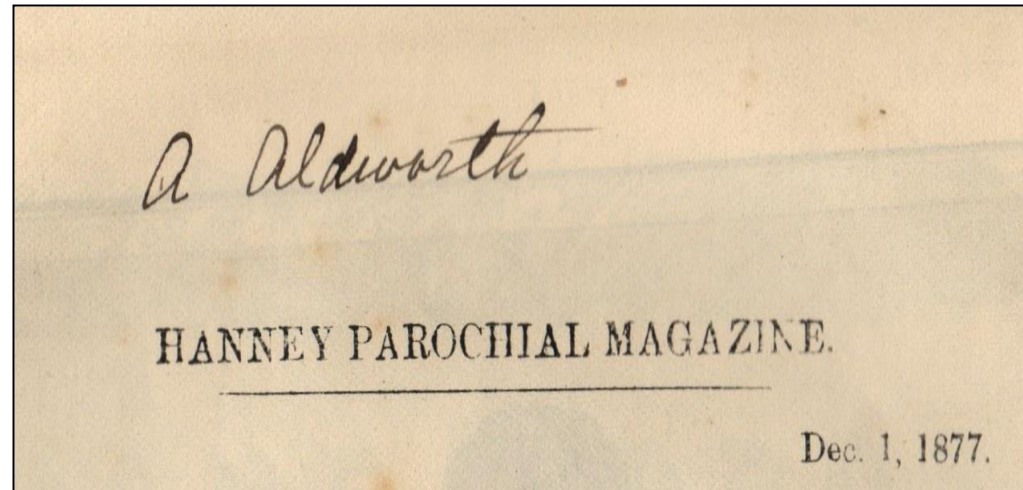
In the late 19th century, Charles Aldworth ran a carpenter's business here which also included the making of coffins. In the 1930s Mrs Short who took over from her husband as Headmistress at the village school, lived here.

Charles Aldworth - 2

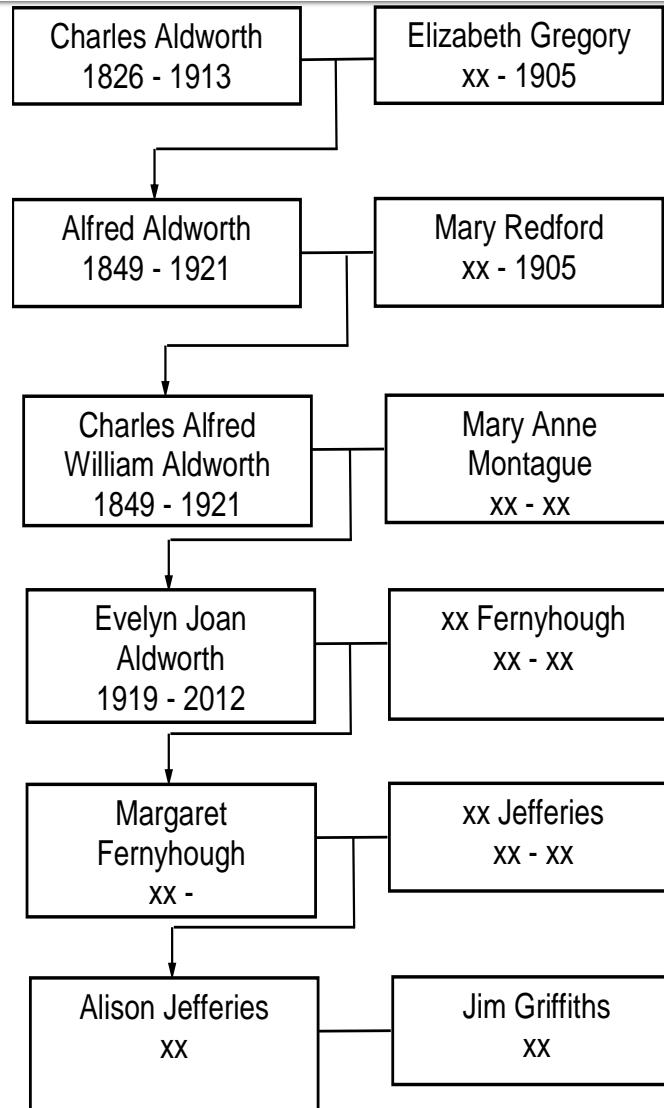
East Hanney also had two sets of sawpits, a very ancient means of sawing large pieces of timber. There were sawpits on the village green and also in Mill Orchard, where a modern house of that name stands. These pits belonged to the **Aldworth** family. In 1881 Charles Aldworth a carpenter who had come from Wantage in the 1850s, took over **Charles Robey's** business. Charles Aldworth lived with his son Thomas at **Hale Cottage**, his other son lived with his family at **Mill Cottage**. In 1881 the business employed six men including the sons and two boys in the workshop. They were a respected firm working for both the church and school. They also made coffins and Alfred Aldworth is remembered as 'doing a beautiful funeral'. There were big wood yards next to Hale Cottage. Charles and

Alfred Aldworth - 1

And Charles' eldest son Alfred collected Hanney Parish
Magazines!



Alfred Aldworth - 2



Alfred Aldworth - 3

PASSED BACK TO HANNEY BY
THE LATE MRS EVELYN
FERNYHOUGH (NEE ALDWORTH)
WHOSE RELATIVES LIVED IN
HALE COTTAGE. IT WOULD
HAVE PLEASED EVELYN TO
HAVE THESE CONTRIBUTED TO
THE HANNEY ARCHIVES.

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Introduction - 1

To the Parishioners of Hanney.

DEAR FRIENDS,—

It is intended to introduce this publication as our Parish Magazine. It is not only a very cheap but a very useful and interesting monthly messenger. You can see for yourselves. I wish for the people's own sakes that it may find its way into every house in the parish. Every month there will be added a local page giving the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials of the preceding month, notices of meetings, services, and other parish matters.

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According to its general title—"Home Words for Heart and Hearth"—it is, I think, well calculated to make the family *Hearth* all the brighter, and the *Hearts* that gather there all the warmer. Its words are truly "Home Words," and I am sure it would be a good thing if its friendly and cheerful "words" were heard and welcomed in every "home" in this parish.

Take it in yourself, reader, and try to get others to do the same. About one hundred and eighty thousand copies were sold monthly last year,—so it must be worth having.

Bound up at the end of the year, it forms a very nice volume; and a very handsome case for binding it is sold at a cheap price by the Publishers.

And now just a word in conclusion. Published, as this January Number is, thus early, it is almost too soon to talk about the "New Year;" but still it is the *January* number, and though we cannot tell who may live to see that month, yet I will write this wish on its cover for all its readers,—“May the New Year be a happy one to you all,”—marked with God's goodness and mercy to you, and with your gratitude and praise to Him!

I am, dear friends, yours faithfully,

J. MACDOUGALL, VICAR OF THE PARISH.

THE VICARAGE, NOV., 1874.

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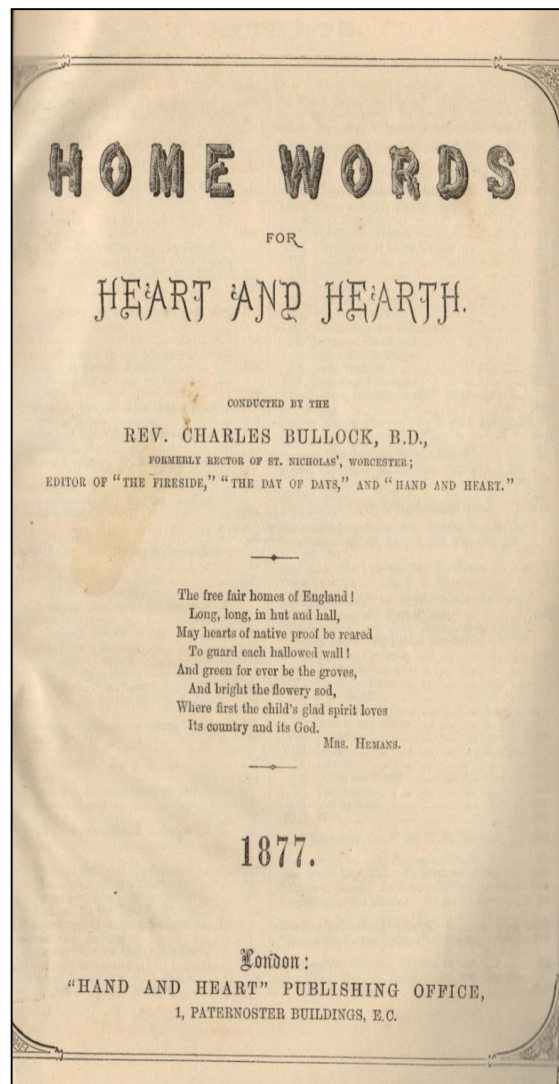
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Front Page



Hanney Page – January 1875

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Thomas Aldworth and Richard L. Wheeler were appointed paid monitors : Mr. C. Aldworth's bill, for new class-room, ordered to be paid.

The next meeting will be held Feb. 4, at 6 p.m.

CONFIRMATION. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese will hold a Confirmation, (D.V.) at the Parish Church, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 3 p.m.

LIBRARY. The Vicar proposes to open a Parochial Lending Library on Tuesday, Feb. 23. Books lent out twice a week, on Tuesdays & Fridays : terms on application.

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Highlights (1874 – 1879)

- **School**
- **Church & Temperance**
- **Village**
- **Good News**
- **Bad News**
- **Accidents**
- **Weather**

School

- The school was examined by Rev Tomlinson, who reported “The examination was very satisfactory ...Arithmetic especially is very well taught” (1875)
- The Diocesan Inspector examined the school. His report says – “the School has passed well ...all divisions seem well ...the discipline is excellent...one point that requires attention is spelling.” (1877)
- An entertainment was given in the school-room by Professor Omri, consisting of juggling trips and ventriloquism. “His card tricks were wonderful!” (1879)
- A resolution was passed “That those parents whose children attend school irregularly shall be required to pay double fees.” (1875)
- Mrs Gibbs has been fined, by the Wantage Magistrates, for refusing to send her children to school. (1878)
- A photograph of the School has been taken with the Vicar, Master, Teacher and 90 children. (1879)

Church & Temperance

- A concert of Vocal and Instrumental music was given in the School-room towards providing a fund for purchasing a new clock for the Church. Proceeds amounted to £7 12s. (1878)
- Special St Andrew's Day services were held at East Hanney and West Hanney. The congregation at East Hanney was very small, at West Hanney very fair. (1876)
- Subscribers to "Home Words" wishing to have their year's numbers bound are requested to send them to the Vicarage. Price for binding 1s 2d. (1879)
- The Temperance Room is now open for the use of members every evening after 6 o'clock, except Sundays. It is supplied with periodicals, newspapers, and provided with desks for those who wish to improve themselves in writing etc. The subscription is one penny per month. (1877)
- At a meeting held at the "Crown" Messrs Dormer and West were appointed Overseers; Mr H Bettridge was appointed Guardian; and Mr D Dandridge, Waywarden. (1877)

Village

- The Vicar proposes to open a Parochial Lending Library. Books lent out twice a week, on Tuesdays & Fridays. Terms on application. (1875)
- We hear that a society of handbell ringers has been formed in our parish and a set of 12 bells purchased, the pleasing tones of which it is hoped will, from time to time, help to enliven the long winter evenings. (1876)
- During the past two months £13 8s has been received into the Savings Bank, and £1 11s 11d paid out. (1879)
- Flower show will be held on Tuesday August 3rd. The Wantage Brass Band will play on the grounds and other amusements provided. Admission 6d (1875)
- The Horticultural Show was held at the School and was very successful. The Judge pronounced it the best village show he had ever attended. (1875)
- The Horticultural Show was held. The day was very fine. The Judge pronounced the show, especially the vegetables, one of the best ever seen in Hanney. A Drum & Fife Band gave great satisfaction. £9 17s 0d was distributed in prizes. (1879)

Good News

- Through the liberality of Mr Jackson of London 19 tons 8 cwt of Forest coal were distributed to the poor at West Hanney, at 8d per cwt. (1877)
- Harvest Thanksgiving Service held. Offertories amounted to £4 10s 8d, of which £2 8s 8d was donated to the Radcliff Infirmary [not Berks?] (1878)
- The annual Christmas gifts of Poor's money, beef, mutton, pork etc were distributed. (1878)
- The Hanney Foresters Benefit Club held their annual feast at the "Crown" on Thursday in Whitsun week. Headed by the Wantage Band the members walked in procession to the Parish Church where prayers were read. After, the procession, headed by the band, they went round calling at farm houses where they were liberally (*in some cases, we fear, too liberally*) supplied with beer. (1877)
- Grove Glee Party gave an entertainment at the Schoolroom, Denchworth, which was very well attended. Mrs Albert Booker most kindly lent her piano and Mrs Armstrong played accompaniments throughout. The proceeds were most kindly handed over for distribution amongst the poor of Denchworth and Grove. (1879)

Bad News

- Sad intelligence brought that Fanny Dawson had been taken out of the canal at Grove Bridge, drowned, with a handkerchief tied around her eyes and mouth. An open verdict was returned at inquest, as there was no evidence whatever of violence and no motive could be assigned for her committing suicide. (1877)
- The infant child of John Faulkner was found dead by its mother's side. The Inquest verdict was Death from Convulsions while Teething. (1877)
- Since our last publication Mr Joseph Fisher has been suddenly taken from us. From a Post Mortem it appears that the cause of his death was tubercles on the brain. He was mostly unconscious during his illness, and we trust he did not suffer much. He was greatly respected for his gentle, unobtrusive manners, and his loss is deeply regretted. (1877)
- Henry Boyce, a journeyman blacksmith in the employ of Mr Charles Cox, East Hanney, was found dead in bed. An inquest returned a verdict of "Accidental death from concussion of the brain caused by falling down stairs". (1879)
- Inquest held on the body of Sarah Dormer, who died in a fit on Sunday Dec 16. Her clothes caught fire, but were extinguished by her daughter. Verdict returned was that she died suddenly by the visitation of God. (1878)

Accidents

- Mr Dandridge was sitting on the bridge watching the moving of some timber into Charles Aldworth's orchard, when, a horse was frightened and dreadfully crushed his leg. (1877)
- A serious accident happened to Emma Mace. Her arm was caught in a threshing machine on Mr Joseph Lyford's premises and severely fractured. She was taken the same day to the Oxford Infirmary where it was found necessary to amputate above the elbow. (1878)
- A Sad Accident occurred. George Akerman's little boy James, aged about 2 years, went to see the flood in the road, when he fell into the water with his face downwards. The other little fellow ran immediately to fetch his sister, but before she could reach him, life was extinct. (1875)
- Two accidents have occurred to children since our last publication. Edith Faulkner had her feet severely burnt by upsetting a benzoline lamp. Mrs Stroud's child fell into the pond at West Hanney and would have drowned, but fortunately Mr H Barrett saw and pulled her out. (1879)
- Two more fires at Hanney during the past month. One at the wheelwright's shop occupied by Mr A Booker, which was completely burnt down to the ground. The other at Mr Bosley's, which fortunately was discovered in time to prevent much damage. Two more fires occurred in the neighbourhood in the same night, one at Steventon and the other at Drayton and they are supposed to have been caused by an incendiary. It is proposed to purchase a number of buckets to be kept by the Policemen. (1879)

Weather

- Christmas Day was observed as usual, being ushered in by the band of carol singers and the midnight peal. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance at Church was not large. (1877)
- The meeting of the Temperance Society was deferred until the next full moon, owing to the weather. (1877)
- The third Annual Horticultural Show was held in the Schoolroom. Unfortunately the day turned out very wet and, consequently, the attendance was small. The Show itself was a complete success. The articles exhibited, especially the vegetables, being pronounced superior to those of former years. (1877)
- The School-treat, which was to have been given on the same day as the show, was postponed in consequence of the wet weather to the next day. (1877)
- The Members of the Hanney Cricket Club commenced playing a match with a Wallingford team on Whit Monday, but, owing to the wet weather, they were compelled to give up after the Hanney side had been in once and the others not at all...(1879)

Current Prices

Item	£	s	d	Current £
Concert of Vocal and Instrumental music for Church Clock (1878)	7	12	0	593
Price for binding Parish Magazine (1879) Received into Savings Bank for two months (1879)	13	8	0	1,045
Admission to the Flower Show (1875)	0	0	6	2
Flower Show prizes distributed (1879)	9	17	0	768
Harvest thanksgiving donation to Radcliffe Infirmary (1878)	2	8	8	190

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What Next?

- Was there anything like this before 1874?
- Do we have copies after 1895?
- What happened then?
- *Digital* archive – AR will continue?
- Link from proposed web-site to digital archive
- *Physical* archive?

...and Finally

Hanneys' 1st Advertisement - 100 years before Hanneys News!!

- Mr T Stroud, West Hanneys, begs to inform the inhabitants of Hanneys and the neighbourhood that he is prepared to undertake all kinds of painting, glazing, and paper-hanging etc on the most moderate terms for cash. (December 1879)