

and lastly on "Flies and other Domestic Pests." Being All Sain Day our Chaplain gave us a few thoughts on Paradise, and the state of the blessed dead. One of our kind Sandy Hill friends gave us some music, while a fund of amusement was derived from a very youthful performer, who gave us two Kindergarten songs, and recited a poem.

THE QUIET DAY.

The fourth "Quiet Day" which has been held in Christ Church, was observed on Friday, 26th October, the conductor of the day's services being the Rev. C. Kenrick, of Peterborough. The increasing interest and pleasure taken in these quiet days was seen in the larger number present at the early service at 7.30 a.m. and the increase in numbers of those who were present the entire day, while for the two afternoon services the congregation was really a large one. It was pleasant too to find that several of those present had come from considerable distances in order to avail themselves of the spiritual help of such a day. That it was a very real help was acknowledged by all who were able to give themselves up to the influence of the day; and the very earnest, direct addresses, the fervent prayer at the close of each address, the hymns sung on our knees, and the silence of the lunch hour, all conduced to keeping up the keynote struck in the beautiful early morning address: "Alone with God." The service of preparation on Thursday evening was the only one not well attended, but that was probably because it was a new departure, and we were sorry to hear that in spite of notices, in church, in the printed programmes and in this Magazine, there were some who came expecting a service on Friday evening.

THE LATE MRS WICKSTEED.

"Mrs. Wicksteed is dead," is a sentence that has been uttered by many an acquaintance, and will be sighed by many a true friend. She who had been for forty years the wedded companion of that marvellous civil servant, Gustavus William Wicksteed, Q.C., passed away peacefully yesterday. With Kentish blood in her veins, the daughter of a Captain in His Majesty's army, she was in all respects a genuine woman of England. Modest and shy almost to timidity in company, she was self-sacrificing, bold and indomitable, when any call was made upon her motherly or wifely instincts. The petition in the glorious Anglican litany, "From sudden death Good Lord deliver us," has often passed her lips; and He granted her request, for only after seventy years of unbroken health, happiness and prosperity was her soul required of

her. Calmly and resignedly, surrounded by her children, her husband, brother and sister, she passed into the beatific presence of her God. Her heart was as soft and as gentle as her voice. No beggar turned away from her unheeded. The misshapen toy and crazy furniture, made by helpless indigence, found a sympathising purchaser at her house. A lover of flowers, her great delight was to watch the progress of her favourites when transported in the springtime from pot existence to garden life. No form of animal life was obnoxious to her; many dumb creatures were beloved. During her last moments, shortly before her death, she could yet find strength to ask her attendants whether Paul (the dog) and Tim (the cat) had been fed.

May the All-Good who has promised that the merciful shall obtain mercy pardon all her offences against Him. Mrs. Wicksteed is dead, but the bereaved husband is living. On behalf of the community, that has been made much the better for his life, we extend to him our human sympathy. May the living God who is declared to be the God of the living and of the dead, watch over him and protect him for many years to come and may nothing in his useful life become him like the leaving of it.

(Note.—The foregoing obituary on the death of the late Mrs. G. W. Wicksteed was written the day afterwards by her son and then laid aside. Mrs. Wicksteed has been dead many years, but still lives in the memory of many friends, and we gladly publish this short character sketch.—Ed.)

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

The local chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will hold their annual St. Andrew's Day services this year in St. George's Church. The services will consist of Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and evening prayer at 8 p.m. The Rev. G. Osborne Troop, of St. Martin's Church, Montreal, has consented to be the preacher at the evening service. All are invited to be present at both services, especially men.

A joint meeting of all the local chapters will be held in St. Barnabas' Church on Thursday, Nov. 15th, at 8 p.m. Several interesting addresses will be made and there will be an open discussion on points of interest to Brotherhood men and children in general. All are invited, including ladies.

THE POWER OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

The Bishop of Durham, in his preface to the recently issued Report of the Joint Board of Missions of Canterbury and York, gives the