

I intend to present
to the Society of Antiquaries
the following list of Inscriptions and Graves
found in the Church and Churchyard of Abinger
during the excavations of the late Mr. J. A. Gibbs
in the year 1934.

Inscriptions and Graves
in
Abinger Church and Churchyard.
with Index.

Presented by John A. Gibbs - 1934.

to Abinger Church Council

NOTE

Estimates are not yet available but contributions are being received to a Fund which has been opened to supplement (as will be necessary) the Government's liability for the rebuilding, and for providing a place for carrying on the services meanwhile. They should be sent either to Major, General, D.S.O., O.B.E., at Little Parkhurst, Abinger Down, as Hon. Treasurer, or to the Westminster Bank, London.

L. G. NEADE,

Rector of Abinger.

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All the moveables mentioned
under this heading were saved
at the meeting of the church
3 Aug 1944

Inscriptions on

Transcribed by John A. Gibbs
1933

Plate, Books, and Moveables belonging to the
Church

56. On the Lectern, at the base is carved the same inscription as that on the marble tablet (No.8) under the 3 light window in S. wall of the nave beginning "The lectern was dedicated"
57. On a brass ewer for the font
"In memory of Louisa Dean died Nov 1st 1900 aged 85."
58. On the back of the brass altar cross is embossed.
"Hanc / crucem / cum / candelabris / dedicavit / Thomas Herbert Orpen / Presbyter / in piam memoriam / filii sui dilecti / Walter/Selwyn / Orpen / qui vitam / pro patria / dedit / die sexto / Julii / A.D. MCMXVI / Anno / ætatis / XXIII^{mo} / Requiem / æternam / da illi Domine / et lux / perpetua / luceat in illum /."
59. On the bases of the two brass altar candlesticks referred to in the above inscription is embossed
On the one "O send out / thy light and / thy truth / that they may lead me /"
On the other "And bring / me into thy / holy hill and to / thy dwelling /."

71. Edwin Waterhouse of "Feldmore", Huntington St. Mary - see also p. 21.

70. On an ivory plate at the back of the smaller of two oak
chairs in the Sanctuary - "Presented to Abinger Church)
"in memory of / Edwin Waterhouse / August 1918!"

71. (x) in the new vestry was given to
the church by her husband, Mr. J. Waterhouse, but
the inscription on it has been removed.

69. see also pp 6, 28, 4 136

* ~~Rector~~ James Phelps, rector of Abinger.

The front cover of the book is inscribed "Muster Roll (for God, King & Country)
"Church of St James, Abinger. The back cover "Roll of Honour / Requiem
aeternam dona eis Domine et lux perpetua luceat eis."

67. Book of Common Prayer 18 x 12 in. bound in brown leather. On the outside
 "1850 / Abinger, Surrey / Rev. J.M.Dawson A.M. Rector / Rev. G.H. Feachem A.M. curate / Charles King, James Wooberry churchwardens"/.

68. Book of Common Prayer 11 x 9 in. bound in brown leather. On the outside
 "Abinger Parish / 1834"/.

69. In the War memorial book 8 x 5 in. bound in red leather entitled at one end "Roll of Honour" at the other "Muster Roll"

"This book of Remembrance was dedicated and laid on the Altar All Saints Day 1922 the gift of James Phelps to the Parish Church of Abinger Rector 1916-1923 Formerly Vicar of Yeovil and Prebendary of Wells Cathedral".

On the next page

"At the request of the Rev. James Phelps the following is added 'This book was laid on the Altar at the Holy Communion on Armistice Day Sunday Nov. 11th 1923 and the names read over from the Roll of Honour by Lieutenant Colonel the Rev. Charles Alexander Shaw Page M.A., D.S.O., M.C. Rector of Abinger, formerly commanding the 2nd Battalion Middlesex Regt.'"

64. Georgiana Powell - wife of Rev. J. W. S. Powell, rector of Abinger.

65. N. S. A. Carr - "King's Lea", Abinger Common. Churchwarden 1934.

66. J. A. Sebles - of "Soddards", Abinger Common from 1914: transcriber of the inscriptions in this book.

63. In "The Priest to the Altar" book 10 x 6 in. Bound in green leather and white vellum.

"To St. James Church Abinger in commemoration of the baptism of Judith Stanfield Roydell on St. Patrick's day March 17th 1929."

64. A set of 4 books bound uniformly in black leather consisting of

Lectern Bible (authorised version) 11 x 9 in.

Book of Common Prayer 11 x 9 in.

Two identical copies of "Book for the Communion Table" 11 x 7 in. containing the Communion and Marriage services.

Each one has on the outside "Abinger Church 1857" and inside "The gift of Georgiana Powell MDCCCLVII".

65. "Book of Common Prayer" with the additions proposed in 1928, bound in black leather 7½ x 5 in., has inside

"Presented by Dr. S.A.Carr July 1930."

66. In Lectern Bible (revised edition) 12 x 9½ in. bound in black leather.

"The gift of John Arthur Gibbs, Goddards. Used for the first time in Abinger Church the 6th July 1919 being the Peace Thanksgiving Day after the Great War."

60. The brass altar dish is described in Cooper's Paper mentioned below under 61.

61 ^{and set of plates}
No 1 set The Donegall plate is minutely described in Sweeney's Michael Coll. vol. 21 of 39/40
in a paper on "The Church plate of Savig" by Rev. T. E. Cooper and his
vol. 21, p. 232. A reprint of Cooper's paper is in Abringer Vestry in The
Sundry Pamphlets - book
The Hall marks are all 17th.

61 a. A silver chalice & paten. The chalice has inscribed on the bowl;
No 3 set on one side a cross; on the other "To the glory of God) and in loving
memory of) Charles Graham Helle Marsh) who entered into Rest
May 11th 1911) From his Father!" — The paten has a cross on
one side, and "G.E.N.M" on the other: both on the front of the rim.

62. Lth Col. E. F. Wright lived at "Hilloide", Abringer Common.

61 b
No 5 set. A silver chalice and paten. The latter inscribed underneath
"In memory of my husband Walter Sinclair Thomson M.A. Ph.D
Sept 14th 1940"

(No 4 Communion set has no inscription)

62 a. W. S. Orpen. see Index.

60. On the brass alms dish

Round the front "He that giveth to the Lord
lendeth to the Lord."

On the back "Presented to Abinger Church by
Mrs. M.A. Roe 1880."

217-10
no 1 set

61. On a set of 4 silver Holy Communion pieces consisting
of (1) Chalice (2) Flagon (3) paten (4) alms dish.

On the front of each "I.H.S."

Under the bases of (1) and (2) and on the bottoms
of (3) and (4)

"The gift of the Countess of Donegall and the
Earl her son to the Church of Abinger 1736"

61a - see opposite
61b " "

no 2 set

62. A silver chalice and paten - each has inscribed
on the bottom

"Sacred to the memory of my husband Charles
Franklin Wright M.R.C.S. L.S.A. T.D. J.P. / Lt.
Col. 2/5th Suffolk Regt. b. 5th June 1861 d. 2nd
November 1932. People's Warden from 1921-1932."

62a. In "The Altar Services" book $9\frac{3}{4}$ x $6\frac{3}{4}$ in. bound
in black leather

"Ad majorem Dei gloriam et in piam memoriam
Walter Selwyn Orpen qui vitam pro patria dedit die
sexto Julii MCMXVI".

58. The Rev. Thomas Herbert Oxpen lived for some years at "Mark Ash", Abinger Common.
W.S. Oxpen - see Index.

The front of the cross has "I.H.S." between the arms and the words "and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations".