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Dec.	11	...	Church Fund	...	5	19 9
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Jan.	1	...	Church Fund	...	4	13 2
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BAPTISMS

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

Jan.	1,	David, son of David and Mary Owen
"	8,	Ada Doris Lloyd, daughter of Samuel and Ada Louise Evans.
"	9,	John Cyril son of John and Eliza Kirtland. (Private).

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

Dec.	28,	Philip Ace and Beatrice Ellen Rees.
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BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Jan.	3,	Richard Hobbs, aged 65 years.
"	9,	Elizabeth Evans, aged 65 years.
"	13,	John Cyril Kirtland, aged 4 years.
"	19,	Mary Watson, aged 49 years.
"	21,	George Thomas Booth, aged 4 months
"	24,	Beatrice Bevan, aged 23 days.
"	25,	Mary Phipps, aged 65 years.

On Sunday, Jan. 22, Mrs Phipps, wife of our highly respected Churchwarden, passed away peacefully. She was buried on Wednesday, Jan. 25, in the Cemetery. We desire to offer Mr. Phipps and his family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

THE PARISH MAGAZINE.

The Oystermouth Magazine makes its *debut* this first day of February, 1899. We sincerely hope that it will receive a warm welcome throughout the Parish. We shall do everything in our power to make this Magazine interesting to our readers. Its object is firstly and chiefly to chronicle local Church events, and to be a means of communication between Clergy and people. By means of this publication we shall be able to make known what has been done, what is being done, and what is intended to be done, and thus Church and people will be kept in touch. We also hope to record any local news of a general character which we may think to be interesting to our readers.

The Parish Magazine will contain an interesting little publication, entitled, "The Dawn of Day," published by the S.P.C.K. It will be found to be full of readable matter. In addition there will be eight pages of local matter, two of which will be devoted to advertisements, without which the Magazine could not pay its way. We most heartily thank the advertisers for their support, and hope that the advertisements may be the means of increasing their custom.

PAYMENT.

It will save a great deal of trouble if those who can, will kindly pay the year's subscription in advance, viz:—1 --.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Should the Editor receive a sufficient number of advertisements, he will add another four pages in the next issue. Those who are anxious to advertise should make immediate application.

PARISH NOTES.

Change of Vicars—The Rev. Secietan Jones, who was Vicar of this Parish for over 30 years, resigned the living in November, 1898. He was much beloved and respected by rich and poor. It is hoped that although he is no longer Vicar, he will yet continue to reside in the Parish, so that we may not lose sight of him altogether. Mr. Jones is at present with his brother at Folkestone. We sincerely hope that when he returns, he will be thoroughly restored to health by his change.

The new Vicar—Rev. Harold S. Williams, formerly Curate in charge of St. John's, Hafod, was instituted to the living of Oystermouth in the Bishop's palace at Abergwili, by the Lord Bishop of St. David's, on Friday, Dec. 9th, 1898. Mr. Williams, read himself in, on Sunday Morning, Dec. 11th.

It is a law of the Church that every newly appointed Incumbent should, on the first Sunday that he officiates in his new Parish, read aloud the xxxix Articles, and declare his assent thereunto publicly. A document to that effect is then signed by the Churchwardens and two other witnesses from the Congregation, and preserved in the Parish Church.

After this follows the *Induction* which is generally performed by the Archdeacon, but sometimes this duty is deputed to a neighbouring Incumbent. The Induction gives the Vicar legal right to the temporalities of the living, and that is the meaning of placing the Church key in the hands of the new Vicar, and of his tolling the bell. The Archdeacon of Carmarthen inducted Mr. Williams to the living of Oyster-