

Aberdour and Dalgety Parish Church.

No. 25

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1952

MINISTERS:—The Revd. D. W. RUTHERFORD, M.C., B.D., The Manse, Aberdour.
The Revd. J. W. KERR, 30 Saxe-Coburg Place, Edinburgh.

Session Clerk—Mr T. M. Patterson, M.A., South House, Seaside Place.
Clerk to the Congregational Board—Mr J. Dawson Macfarlane, C.A., Braefoot, Easter Aberdour.
Treasurer—Mr C. J. Kerr, J.P., National Bank House.
Proclamations Officer—Mr H. Cecil Lyon, Park View, Park Lane. ✓
Organists: Aberdour—Mr J. Gillespie, Ardene.
Dalgety—Mrs Machin, Wayside, Aberdour.
Beadles: Aberdour—Mr Lawrence Moir, Sands Houses.
Dalgety—Mr Harry Moyes, Ardmohr.

TIMES OF SERVICE.

/// *Aberdour*—In St. Fillan's Church and St. Colme's Church alternately, at 11 and 6.30. (A notice is put up each week outside the Parish Hall saying in which Church the Services are the following Sunday).

Dalgety—Every Sunday at 12.30.

Primary Sunday School—St. Fillan's Hall, 12.20 p.m.

Senior Sunday School—Alternating according to the Church in which the service is being held, at 12.20 p.m.

Dalgety Sunday School—Dalgety Church, 11.30 a.m.

Junior Bible Class—St. Fillan's Hall, 12.20 p.m.

The Young People's Fellowship—St. Fillan's Hall, 7.45 p.m.

Woman's Guild—St. Fillan's Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 2.45 p.m., and on the fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. //

THE MANSE,
ABERDOUR.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

This is the first copy of our Quarterly in its new form, and it is hoped that though only half the size we shall be able to continue to convey the news of the congregation.

Perhaps the event I should mention first is the departure of Mr A. R. Milne, our Session Clerk, to take up duty at Manuel. As a congregation we are very happy at his promotion, but we are indeed sorry to lose one who has served the congregation so well. Mr Milne was meticulous in all he did as Session Clerk, and we owe him a great debt for all the work he put in on the many committees for the welfare of the congregation. The Kirk Session sought to express that debt when at one of its meetings it presented Mr Milne with a wallet of notes, and through Mr Lamb and others conveyed our best wishes to Mr and Mrs Milne in their new life at Manuel.

Mr T. M. Patterson, of South House, Seaside Place, was unanimously elected his successor. We are glad to have a person with Mr Patterson's qualities and capabilities to undertake the responsible and exacting duties of Clerk, and we assure him of the warm goodwill of the congregation. His district in Humbie Terrace has been taken over by Mr R. C. Lyon.

The winter activities of the Choir were brought to an end on Easter Sunday when, under Mr Gillespie, it rendered the cantata "From Cross to Crown." It was a memorable evening of praise and thanksgiving and a fitting climax to the conscientious work of the choir. May I say that our choir members are to be congratulated on their regular attendance. I am sure they compare favourably with any in the country. They are a happy band, and it was natural that, though some rain did fall, their outing to Glen Lyon was a great success. Singing began and ended in Aberdour: an excellent meal was had at Coshieville Hotel, and the scenery surpassed expectation.

The Woman's Guild Assembly Echo Meeting was held this year in St. Fillan's Church. Guild members came from parishes throughout the Presbytery of Dunfermline and Kinross. After the opening devotions, members gave their reports and thus conveyed to the Guild at large the information regarding the work of the Church at home and abroad. Afterwards the company wended its way, by kind permission of the Ministry of Works, through the Castle grounds to have tea in the hall. Just previously our own Guild had a day at Dumfries. In good weather the journey was made by Lanark; a visit was paid to Sweetheart Abbey; and a return made by Moffat and Kincardine. Everyone enjoyed a very happy excursion.

The Young People's Fellowship Concert is now old news but it raised £40 for their adopted niece, Morag, and other needy causes. The Fellowship outing had Crieff as its destination, and as usual the young people climbed "a mountain," the Knock, from which they saw the beauty of the surrounding hills in the setting sun.

The Sunday School trips this year met with varied weather. Dalgety enjoyed a day of sun in the grounds of Ardmohr, which Mr Wilson had kindly put at their disposal. Aberdour, on the other hand, having planned a day in one of Mr Stirling's fields near St. Bridget's Kirk, had a day of rain. A short bus run and a scamper in the hall did much to relieve the gloom. Sunday, 29th June, was the day of the closing of the Sunday Schools and the prize-giving. Flowers and produce brought by the children decorated the churches and were afterwards distributed to the sick and elderly and to the Northern Hospital, Dunfermline.

At some of the outings mentioned it was possible for us to have Mr Kerr, our new assistant, with us. It gives us great pleasure not only to listen to his ministrations on a Sunday but to have him associate himself with us on such occasions.

Through the offering on May 25th, for the Memorial to the late Dr John White, we were enabled to send the sum of £10 towards this praiseworthy object.

As you read this letter most of you will be in the midst of the holiday season. May you, through your holidays, be refreshed in mind and body, and may God's blessing rest upon you and yours.

Yours sincerely,

DAVID W. RUTHERFORD.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me."

4th May—Janet Lesley Sells.
24th May—George Marnock.
14th June—Robina Christine Genge.

MARRIAGES.

"What God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

6th June—Allan C. M. Rodger to Marion Y. Nicolson.
7th June—Gordon S. Nisbet to Sheila W. Muir.

DEATHS.

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

1st May—Mr Haldane, Silver Sands Cottage.
14th May—Mrs Spence, c/o Mrs Inkster, High Street.

ACCESSIONS.

BY PROFESSION—Audrey P. Baker, Aberdour Hotel.
Kathleen M. Craig, Home Park.
Mrs Janet B. Graham, The Glebe.
Alexander Masson, Humble Terrace.
Anne Stuart, Seaside Place.

BY CERTIFICATE—Mrs D. Clarke, The Banks Cottages.
Mr W. Graham, The Glebe.
Mr and Mrs H. Myles, Croftgarry Cottages.

DISJUNCTIONS.

Mr Walter Crowe, "Rossmere," to Milngavie.
Mrs John Campbell, c/o Clachaig, to Murrayfield.
Mrs Saunders, Humble Terrace, to Leven.
Mr and Mrs Wm. Marshall, Donibristle Gardens, to Melrose.
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Mr and Mrs A. R. Milne, Station House, to Manuel.

Miss Sheila Milne, Station House, to Manuel.
Mr and Mrs J. Moyes, Viewforth Terrace, to Australia.
Miss Janet Findlay, Cowdenbeath, to Horton.
Miss Rena Anderson, Home Park, to Blairmore.
Capt. Anderson, Home Park, to Blairmore.
Mr and Mrs Nicol, Scotswalls, to Buckhaven.
Mrs Roberts to North Queensferry.
Mrs Ward to Kinghorn.