

STORIES FROM THE RICH PAST OF OUR PARISH

Taken from a news paper which unfortunately is not named.

Our longest serving rector was Henry L Owen who served from 1852 to 1884. He was especially loved by the children of the parish. During his rectorate he performed 1701 baptisms, 302 marriages, and 644 burials. The weather on the day of his funeral June 3, 1884 was most unfavourable. Multitudes of people gathered from outside districts to pay their respects to a friend and true comforter in time of trouble. In the hand of the deceased was a paper which he requested be placed with him in his coffin containing the words "BE KIND TO THE CHILDREN" which was his last farewell to the little ones, with whom he was a great favourite.

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