

**Shiplake Memorial Hall and Institute.**

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THE Annual Meeting of the Shiplake Memorial Hall and Institute was held on Monday, April 23rd (St. George's Day), and was well attended. Mr. R. H. Mardon, the president, was in the chair and was supported by Mr. F. S. Simpson (Chairman of Management Committee) and Mr. E. V. Robinson, Hon. Treasurer and Secretary. The Report and Accounts for the three months to December 31st, 1927 were presented and on a proposition that they should be adopted, this was carried unanimously.

Mr. Mardon was re-elected President. All the Vice-Presidents, with the addition of General Sir Walter Campbell, were re-elected. The four retiring members of the Committee

were re-elected. Mr. E. Y. Robinson was re-elected Hon. Sec. and Treasurer. A somewhat lengthy discussion took place with regard to the laying out of the playing fields and Mr. Mardon with his usual generosity offered to give a sum equal to the donation given by the British Legion, viz.:- £100 towards this purpose.

The Tennis Courts will, be available this season, thanks again to the generosity of Mr. Mardon, who has provided netting and supports to entirely enclose courts. It is hoped that many will join and make use of the courts. The Hall can be hired privately for Dances, Concerts, etc. and it is hoped that many inhabitants of the Parish will avail themselves of its privileges and attractions by making use of it and so help to add to its deserving support.

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 3 MONTHS, ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1927

RECEIPTS		£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE		£	s.	d.	
Subscriptions and donations	...	5	5	0	Furnishing for kitchen, games room,					
Members' subscriptions	...	6	0	0	billiards room and library	...	36	6	9	
Interest on investments	...	15	14	8	Water rate	...	1	14	0	
Dances, Whist Drives, etc.	....	23	18	3	Electric light	...	9	11	6	
Billiards	... ..	13	17	6	General District rate	...	5	13	4	
Hire of Hall	... ..	5	17	0	Wages	...	26	19	6	
Christmas Draw	... ..	12	10	11	Printing	...	3	9	6	
Christmas Treat	... ..	2	6	0	Balance	...	1	14	9	
		£	85	9	4		£	85	9	4

Mr. Mardon generously paid for coals, insurance, etc., which will have to be provided by the Hall and Institute in future. But for this help we should have had a considerable adverse balance.