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The importance of prayer

There was little about the war in the magazine this month. The Rector's letter was about the importance of prayer in helping the forces.

There were two deaths: Ernest Jelley on 10th September and Henry Reynard on 25th. Pte Jelley of the Machine Gun Corps had been christened at Holy Trinity and went to Charlotteville School. His father was a stoker at the Gas Company and Ernest later worked there. He was killed in action just as a German trench had been captured. The corporal had called to him 'Come on Ern' and he replied 'I am going' as he died. His name is on the Arras memorial.

2nd Lt. Reynard of the North Staffs Regiment had been baptised in St. Mary's. His father was a cook and confectioner of French or Swiss origin, though born in London. He had a well-known shop and restaurant in the High Street. Henry went to a private school in St. Leonard's and became an architect. He married in 1915 when he was already an officer. He died on the Western Front.

John Brownrigg's window was unveiled by Capt. Morgan of the Queen's and was dedicated by the rector on September 14th.

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