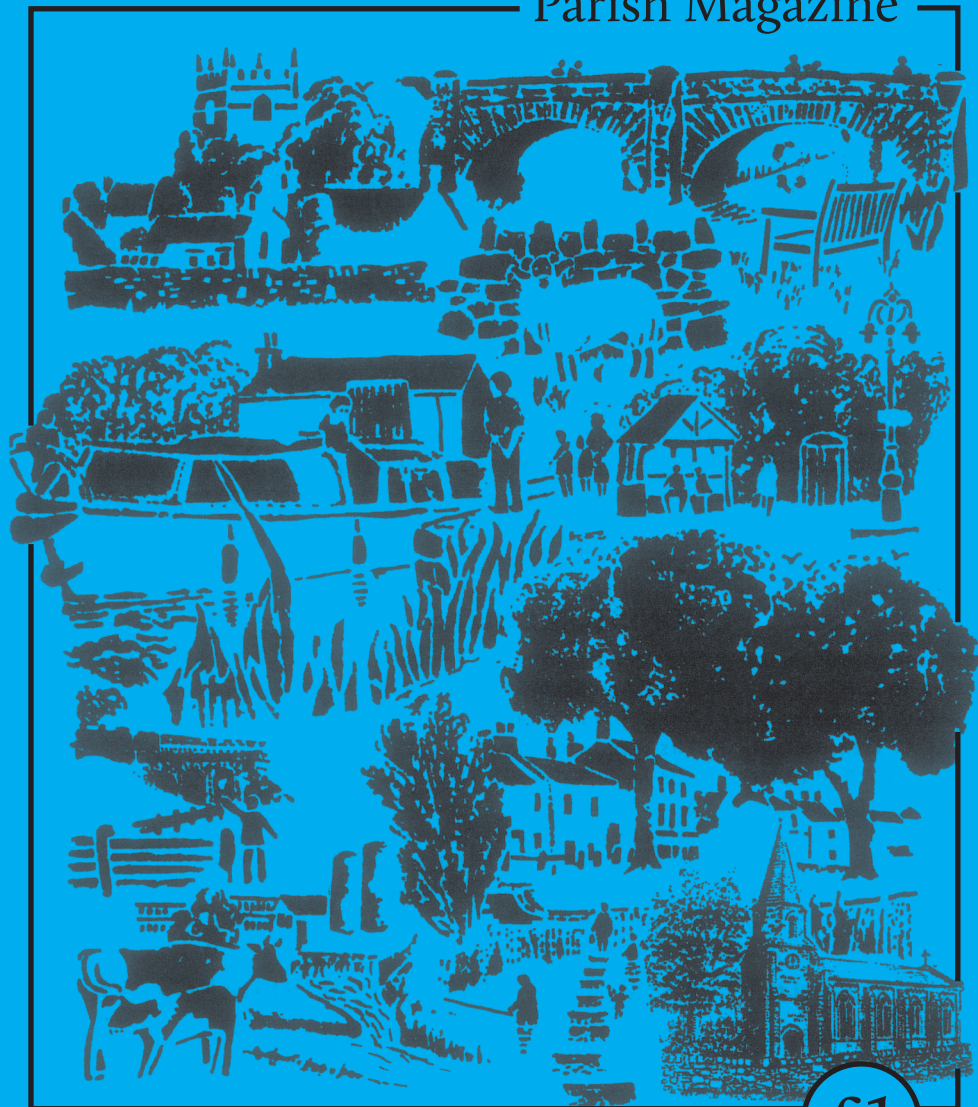


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WARDEN'S WORDS

Peter Poulter

I recently heard Keira Knightley saying how she had found it odd explaining to her young daughter that she earned her living pretending to be somebody else.

I will have been doing that this week, by the time you read this. After all, it is Panto time again (maybe just a possibility of getting a ticket, if you are quick !). But then some of my friends on the cast are not so sure that I am pretending at all. Bumble is elderly, pompous and not a little confused. Need I say more ?

Many of us find ourselves – if not exactly pretending to be someone else – at least trying to emulate those we admire, our heroes or examples. There are several people I have looked up to and tried in some measure to emulate – seen them as my models or examples. And I am sure that the effort has had some effect in making me (marginally, perhaps) a better person.

I read a story of a greatly respected rabbi, Zusya, who lay, weeping, on his deathbed. His followers tried to reassure him that, after all the good he had done, God would surely reward him. "Ah yes," he said, "I am not afraid that God will ask me why I was not more like Moses or king David – but that he will ask why I was not more like Zusya."

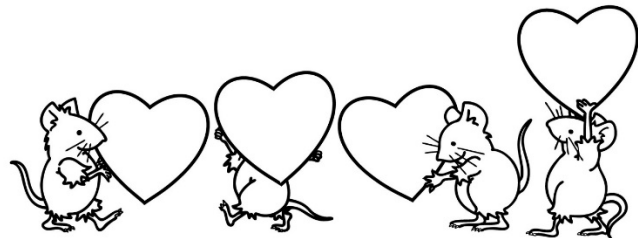
There is a verse in Psalm 139 that says to me – and to you – that I am strangely and wonderfully made. The God who made us as part of a creative loving purpose, values and loves us as the work of a skilled craftsman – made in the image and likeness of God.

I am loved and valued because I am me – not to the extent that I manage to be like Mandela or Ghandi or Mother Teresa. You are loved and valued as you.

End of ?

Ah, there is the rub. If I am made in the image and likeness of God, I am called and challenged to become what I am – not so much by modelling myself on my hero examples – but by focussing on God's example of a life well lived, the life of Jesus.

I cannot pretend to be Jesus. But I can try to model my words and thoughts and actions on what I perceive to be his values and ways of being. That will not make me someone else – just more authentically me.



DIARY FOR FEBRUARY

Coniſton Cold

- Sun 3 Feb Evensong with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 4pm, Church
Sun 10 Holy communion with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 9.30am, Church
Sun 17 Evensong with Revd Stuart Stobart, 4pm, Church
Sun 24 Holy communion with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 9.30am, Church

Gargrave

- Sat 2 Feb Village Hall Management Coffee morning. 9.30am, Village Hall.
Sun 3 Prayer book communion with Bishop David Hope, 8am, Church
Family Service, breakfast 10.15am, service 10.45am, Church
Oasis reflective worship, 6.00pm, Church
Wed 6 Parish Council Meeting. 7.30 pm, Village Hall Annex.
Fri 8 Gargrave Show annual carving buffet dance. 7.30pm, Village Hall.
Sat 9 Village Hall Management Coffee morning. 9.30am, Village Hall.
Sun 10 Prayer book communion, Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 8am, Church
Sung Eucharist, Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 10.45am, Church
Wed 13 Women's Institute. 7 for 7.30 pm, Village Hall Annex.
Fri 15 Library Film show. 7.30pm, Village Hall,
Sat 16 Village Hall Management Coffee morning. 9.30am, Village Hall.
Display of memorabilia. Pantomime tickets and Membership books on sale
Swing City Big band. Doors open 7.30pm, Village Hall. Tickets £7.50 from 01756 749235
Sun 17 Communion by Extension with Janet Turner, 8.00 am, Church
Service of the Word with Mike Maiden, 10.45am, Church
Vintage singer Hattie Bee and afternoon tea. Doors open 1.30 pm, Village Hall. Tickets £7.50 from 01756 749235
Wed 20 Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee meeting. 7.30pm, Committee Room One.
Fri 22 Picnic supper dance with Bill Johnson. 7.30pm, Village Hall.
Sun 24 Morning Prayer with Linda Wall, 8.00 am, Church
Eucharist with the Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 10.45am, Church
Broadway Fairs Flea Market & Crafts. 10am - 3.30pm, Village Hall.
Christians in Gargrave, 4.45pm-7pm, Neville Community Room, Neville Crescent. Informal prayer, worship and refreshments.
Thur 28 Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 7.15pm, Village Hall
Fri 1 March Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 7.15pm, Village Hall

Sat 2 Mar Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 1pm and 5pm, Village Hall
 Tue 5 Mar Shrovetide Supper, Church

Regular weekly and biweekly Gargrave events

Mondays:

9.30am Tai Chi Qigong, Green opposite Bollywood Cottage, riverside of War Memorial
 10.40am Tai Chi Qigong for Beginners, venue as above
 1.30pm Art Club, Village Hall Annex
 2pm Bingo, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent
 7.30pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Village Hall
 7.30pm Bell ringing, Church
 8pm Quiz, Old Swan Inn

Tuesdays:

10 am Heritage Group, Church
 10 am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner, Village Hall (term time)
 10.30am Adult Tennis Coaching and Social Tennis (weather permitting)
 11.30am Standing/Seated Pilates with Bee Faulkner, V Hall (term time)
 12.30pm Alternate Tuesdays – lunch at Gargrave Community Centre, followed by games.
 2pm Craft and Chat, Church
 2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
 2pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Mixed Ability' Village Hall Annex
 4pm Tap dancing lessons, Village Hall Annex (term time only)
 6pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Beginner Athletic' Village Hall (term time)
 7.05pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Intermediate Athletic' Village Hall (term time)
 pm Brownies & Rainbows (school term only)
 8pm Quiz Night, The Old Swan

Wednesdays:

9.15-12 Gymnastics for pre-school children, Village Hall
 9.30am Gentle Hatha Yoga, Village Hall Annex
 10 am Caterpillar Club, Church
 10.am Social tennis
 4pm Gymnastics for children over 5

Thursdays:

9am Phoenix Club, the Anchor, alternate weeks
 9.30am Water Colour painting class, Village Hall Annex
 9.50am Walking for Health, 1st and 3rd Thurs of the month, meet at Summerseat
 10am Coffee morning, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent
 2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
 7.30pm Tai Chi, Village Hall Annex (term time)

Fridays:

9.15-12 Gymnastics for pre-school children, Village Hall
 9 am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner: 'Intermediate', Village Hall (term time)
 10.30am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner: 'beginners', Village Hall (term time)
 7pm Community choir rehearsal, Church

Sundays:

2pm Social Tennis
 2pm Afternoon Tea & Games, alternate Sundays, Neville Crescent Community Room
 8.30pm Quiz, Masons Arms

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Gargrave Show buffet dance

Lisa Hall

The New Year Buffet Dance is being held on Friday 8th February in Gargrave Village Hall from 7:30pm until Midnight. A carving buffet will be followed by dancing to Dennis Westmoreland. There will be a bar and a raffle. To reserve tickets, please call Lisa Hall on 01756 749320.

Gargrave Village Hall anniversary weekend

Caroline Thompson

We have a great weekend of pure nostalgia organised to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Gargrave Village Hall. Your Village Hall was officially opened on February 14th 1959 by Col. J.C. Preston after the Coulthurst Trust generously transformed the former red brick Victorian Laundry (during the earlier 1900's the building was used as a Joiners workshop and warehouse and for a time after the last war it was a factory operated by a firm of battery manufacturers) into a social and cultural hub for the local community. The Craven Herald reported that the new venture was launched with feasting and high revels on Craven's finest sprung dance floor.

We are delighted that Gargrave and Malhamdale Library group will be opening the weekend of revels in 2019. They will be showing a comedy film produced in 1959 (more details provided under the Library news) on Friday February 15th. Please feel free to come along in 1950's dress, though this is of course optional, there will be a prize for the best dressed individual or couple. Vintage sweets will be available to buy from the Sweet cart.

The feasting begins on Saturday morning, February 16th from 9.30 am until 1 pm when members and friends of Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee will be serving bacon sandwiches, hot buttered teacakes and lots of homemade cakes. Take a nostalgic look back through the history of the Village Hall by browsing memorabilia, some kindly loaned from the Denis French collection. 2019 Membership books will be on sale and the Pantomime section will be selling tickets for their forthcoming production of The Sleeping Beauty (February 28th - March 2nd).

Favourite childhood sweets can be purchased from the Vintage sweet cart and prizes can be won in the fun raffle.

The revels continue on Saturday night when the seventeen piece Swing City big band and their female vocalist will be reliving the golden days of big band music. There will be a licensed bar and raffle with bacon sandwiches for sale in the interval. Admission is by ticket only which are available by contacting 01756 749235 /07989 585564. Doors open 7.30.p.m.



The anniversary weekend will be complemented admirably on Sunday when we are delighted to welcome former Gargrave girl, Harriet Ball. Harriet performs under the stage name of Hattie Bee and she will be singing a selection of songs from the 1950s. Hattie has performed at a number of prestigious Vintage events all over the country. Feasting of course will continue when a homemade afternoon tea will be served during the interval. Tickets are £7.50 each (includes afternoon tea) and these can be reserved by calling 01756 749235 / 07989 585564. Doors open 1.30.p.m.



All this plus a few more surprises thrown into the mix of events!

Gargrave Pantomime, 28 February to 2 March

Duncan Faulkner



Gargrave Pantomime Group Presents

The Sleeping Beauty

written by
Peter Denyer



Tickets from
The
Dalesman
Café or
from cast
members

Gargrave
Village
Hall

Adults £7,
Children &
OAPs £5
(£8 and £6
on the door)

Thurs 28 Feb Fri 1 March Sat 2 March

7.15pm 7.15pm 1pm & 5pm

2019

Gargrave Pantomime Group presents The Sleeping Beauty. Starring Grace Barnes, one of the group's long-standing young members, as Princess Beauty. After relishing her role as the wicked queen in Snow White a few years ago, Laura Lipscombe plays the villainous Black Fairy, Carabosse. I am looking forward to not being the target of the audience's boos this year. Will Carabosse's evil plans come to fruition? Or will she be vanquished by the Lilac Fairy (Claire Addis) while Prince Michael (Chris Faulkner) wakes Beauty after her century-long slumber? Well, it's a pantomime so I think we all know the answer!

Tickets, which this year are for designated seats, will be on sale from early February at the Dalesman Café or from cast members. They will also be available on Saturday 16 February at the Village Hall during the anniversary celebrations. After a sold-out matinee performance last year we have moved the Saturday evening performance earlier, so that there are effectively two matinees, at 1pm and 5pm.

Music from Gargrave Passion Play, 9 March

Duncan Faulkner

It's a good few years now since the Passion Play was performed. If you have fond memories of the music of the Passion Play you may like to come along to a performance of the Bach St John Passion in Christchurch, Skipton, on Saturday 9 March, by Pinsuti. Chorales from the St John Passion formed the backbone of the Gargrave Passion Play.



"I'm updating the 'rota notice-board' rota, rota... do I see a hand...?"

Parish magazine subscriptions

Ron Humphreys

First, thanks to everyone who has subscribed to the Parish Magazine over the past year. I am particularly grateful to our magazine deliverers for distributing a total of well over 400 magazines every month.

Subscriptions are now due at £8.00 for the year. You will probably have received a payment envelope with your February magazine; the majority of deliverers use this approach. If you are not in when your deliverer calls to collect the subscription could you please put the money in the payment envelope and return it to your deliverer by Tuesday, 19th February?

If you are paying by cheque please make the cheque payable to "St. Andrew's Church, Gargrave".

Note to advertisers – and others

Mike Maiden

The Parish Magazine has been produced for many years by Duncan and Bee Faulkner with help from others at various times. Whilst Duncan is continuing as the editor of the magazine Bee has decided that it is time to move on to other things. We all owe her our thanks for the enormous amount of work she has put into the magazine.

In the future we have arranged that a larger group of people will take responsibility for the process. If you are a regular advertiser in the magazine a representative of the group will contact you shortly to see if you wish to continue or have any alterations to your current advert. If you don't currently advertise in the magazine but would like to please make contact with Jane Dallas, preferably by email at gargravemagjd1@gmail.com or else phone 07581 733147.

We have reviewed the rates for advertising and raised them by 3% to keep up with inflation. I hope you will agree that for a magazine that achieves the circulation that ours does the rates remain good value. We know that the magazine is used extensively as a source of information and to contact trades and businesses.

Note from the editor

Duncan Faulkner

We have had an article submitted about the light above the church millennium gate. The author appears to have forgotten to add their name. Please can you get in touch so we know who you are, then we can get the article included? Thanks.



Library news

Dave Smith

As part of the celebrations to mark the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Village Hall on **Friday 15th February** we will be showing a Pathe Newsreel from 1959 together with the 1959 classic comedy "**Carlton- Browne of the Foreign**

Office" The film stars Peter Sellers as the corrupt Prime Minister of a long forgotten Island, Gallardia, and Terry Thomas plays the part of a bungling Foreign Office official sent to Gallardia to represent British interests.

For those who enjoy dressing up 1950's attire is optional with a prize for the best dressed individual or couple.

The customary Café style seating will be in place, so please bring your own refreshments. Village Hall doors open 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5, on sale at the door. Under 16s, free admission. Sorry, but following guidance, we can only allow Guide Dogs into the Hall.

On **Friday 15th March** we are showing, in conjunction with Skipton Rotary, "**Breathe**" the true story of one man and his wife's fight against Polio. A truly inspiring film. All proceeds from the evening will go to Rotary's campaign to eradicate polio.

Recent visitors to the Library cannot fail to have been impressed by the Art work adorning every free vertical surface. The work, ranging from Cats to Volcanoes, was produced by Year 2 Children and was based on the non-fiction books they borrowed during their Library visit in November.

Just a reminder to all budding programmers that the Library has a number of Microbits available for young people to borrow. Microbits are small, programmable computers that plug into a PC, laptop etc and once programmed can do all sorts of wonderful things. They have been provided by the Microbit Foundation whose aim is to encourage young people, aged 10 years and upwards, to learn how to programme computers. They are not suitable for young children.

For aspiring Programmers further information can be found at <http://microbit.org/guide/>

Lunch Club thanks

Norma Brothers

Thank you to all who have helped in any way with the Thursday lunch club and the Christmas lunches at St Andrew's Church.



St Andrew's Lunch Club

Robin and Julie Verney

As newcomers and hopefully incomers to Gargrave we are very sorry to learn that the organisers of the Lunch Club, who welcomed us so warmly and introduced us to so many friendly people, are taking a well deserved rest. We have never experienced this commitment, skill and care unstintingly given by so many volunteers for the benefit of the community before.

We learned that whatever the weather threw at us lunch would always be served!

The care given in sourcing good ingredients, tweaking recipes to make them even better, managing to cook sprouts so perfectly, serving the right size portions always with a smile, preparing the tables to look inviting and then managing the clearing up as if it was no bother at all - WOW! All this and more from this fantastic team made the whole experience such a pleasure. Thank you, every one of you, for providing such a special treat. We shall certainly miss your warm welcomes and of course the feeling we were dining at the Savoy!

We hope you can now enjoy a slightly less frenetic future. With best wishes and many thanks from us and, we guess, all the Lunch Club Members.

“Thank you, Driver! ...”

Peter Hardyman

I've heard on the grape vine how much the drivers of Skipton-bound trains appreciate the thanks that they often receive from grateful passengers alighting at Gargrave. At the end of a long trip to Carlisle or Morecambe and back, a few words are a great encouragement.

From the archives

Duncan Faulkner

Commentary on the wider state of the nation and world has long been a feature of Gargrave Parish Magazine. In January 1934 the vicar, Arthur Blunt, remarked “We have now said good-bye to a year which, from many points of view (the weather excepted) has not been a very bright one. It has been a year of anxiety both for our own country and for the world at large. The failure of the Economic Conference and of the Disarmament Conference to do what we hoped for, have been sad blows, as is also the precarious position of the League of Nations.”

He ends on a positive note which seems poignant in hindsight: “it certainly seems that the worst is over, and that there are brighter times ahead. All of which should fill us with thanksgiving, and with a determination to do what we can to help the realisation of these hopes”.

The February 1934 magazine included an invitation for members of the Communicant's Guild to a Social Evening on Shrove Tuesday in the Parochial Hall (where was this?), along with an exhortation to take part in a week of prayer and self denial at the start of Lent. Meanwhile, 33 sat down to eat at the choir and bell ringers' supper, and the numbers in the Scripture Union had grown to 230.

Craven Lawn Tennis Club 140 years old

Beth Whitley

Craven Lawn Tennis Club is celebrating its 140th Anniversary in 2019. Here is the background to “Craven's very own Mini Wimbledon”.

140 years ago in 1879 the distinguished and influential ladies and gentlemen of the Gargrave area decided to set up Craven's first, and to this day only, Lawn Tennis Club – a year ahead of the similarly minded folk of Ilkley and only eleven years after the founding of the All England Club at Wimbledon. The club is, therefore, one of the very oldest in the whole of Yorkshire.

Initially matches were played on the Gargrave Cricket Ground but then land was acquired in “The Smithy Crofts” part of the village and five grass courts were created and a pavilion erected which in 1908 had a glass veranda added. This really was a club for the local elite as tennis was a particularly fashionable new sport at the time and the list of members at that time read like a “Who's Who” of the day including as it did many of the most prestigious local addresses. Membership, in those days, was strictly by invitation only but today the club is known for being one of the friendliest, welcoming and socially active in the area. Family memberships have always been an integral part of the club and continue to be so today with several generations of some families all playing regularly. The Club feels that family memberships have been one of the secrets to the longevity and prosperity of the Club as playing together is one of the most sociable and fun ways of enjoying tennis for all ages and around half of the Club's memberships fall into this category.

Although great affluence may have given birth to the club originally, the legacy left behind from those days is a thriving club which is eternally grateful to the foresight of the original members who purchased the land to ensure it has a beautiful and permanent home for all in the local area to enjoy. Gargrave Primary School have close links with the club and the children have access to the courts as part of their PE curriculum as the club Coach also works part time at the school. The Club is rightly proud of its inclusivity and the anecdotes of the past are simply that – anecdotes.

Today the membership is open to anyone who is interested in playing tennis, to whatever standard, and of any age. There are regular junior and adult group coaching sessions available plus several social sessions throughout the week. One group, who have now all joined the club, started out as a U3A group who simply used the venue and liked it so much they joined! For those who enjoy playing competitively there are four Mixed Doubles teams, two Men's Doubles and two Ladies Doubles teams playing in the Wharfedale and Bradford Parks Leagues throughout the season. Budding talent, of whatever age, is always welcomed and several juniors play in the senior teams and are encouraged to gain formal LTA coaching qualifications to pass on to the younger ones in turn.

There have been times, over the years, when life for the Club wasn't always easy as it was closed down during both World Wars in the last century and sheep grazed on the courts and the pavilion was used for storing oats. But, each time

after conflict ended, the Club revived itself and was quickly up and running once more.

Sadly in February 1995 the original timber pavilion was burnt down due to an electrical fault and it wasn't possible to save the building. This unfortunately meant that many mementoes, photos and other items were lost for ever but not the "Tea Bell" which was discovered in the ashes and can still be used to summon players to the rebuilt clubhouse for refreshments. The replacement Clubhouse was amazingly up and running by July 1996 thanks to an enormous fundraising effort and the improvements have continued ever since.

The two original hard courts and one of the grass courts, have now become three fantastic All-Weather courts which means that play can happen almost for twelve months of the year – only the "Beast From the East" prevented play for any substantial time in 2018 and even the grass courts (though parched) were playable throughout the summer heatwave. Thanks must also go to Sport England, Craven District Council, The Craven Trust and The Coulthurst Trust for their support in enabling the latest improvements to take shape. However, the very active membership have also played a huge part with innumerable volunteer hours being offered in a huge variety of roles to complete the work.

2018 also saw a visit from the "Bright Ideas For Tennis" charity founded and run by Danny Sapsford, a former GB Davis Cup Player, which attracted players from both the club and surrounding clubs who had a chance to be coached by him on the day. The Club will be building on this association in 2019 and hosting one of their "Breakpoint 2019" events where Danny Sapsford and Robyn Moore will be playing for 12 hours per day at clubs around the country every day during June to raise money for mental health charities. They aim to hit a ball for every person in the country who is suffering from such issues. The club will be hosting on Saturday 15th June in Gargrave.

To commemorate the 140th Anniversary some members have planted bulbs in part of the grass banking to read "CLTC 1879-2019" which it is hoped will flower and provide a focal point during this very special year.

So, if you fancy a game of tennis, or have never played on a grass court, the club could be the place for you to soak up the atmosphere and dream you're playing at SW19!

Like all clubs today Craven Lawn Tennis Club have a presence online at www.craventennis.org and also on Facebook and Twitter too. Further details about the Club can be obtained from Club Secretary, Beth Whitley by emailing secretary@craventennis.org.uk or ringing 01756 749664.

WI News

Sarah Kirk

Quiz Champions

Finishing off 2018 in style, our quiz team battled with over twenty other teams and a tie-breaker to win the North Yorkshire West Federation Quiz. Congratulations to Maureen Crossley, Glenys Riley, Janet Lane, Abbie White, Jean Maxwell and Jackie Nuttall!



Champions assemble: Maureen Crossley, Glenys Riley, Janet Lane, Abbie White and Jean Maxwell.

January Meeting

Our speaker, Alan Hemsworth, invited us to take time to look back on our first meeting of the New Year. 'In Grandmother's Footsteps' was a charming memoir of his adored Grandma, a woman who bequeathed to him a rich linguistic heritage, and fired in him a passion for local dialect which continues to enthuse and fascinate him over 150 years after her birth. Always 'tattling' knitting or sewing, enthroned in her Windsor chair, his grandmother surveyed her kitchen domain. A staunch Methodist, no work was done on Sunday. Food for that day was warmed up from the day before, and although the 'wireless' was permitted nothing secular was listened to. In her later years, his grandmother had a water closet fitted on the first floor but as her rheumatism made stairs an issue; she only used it at night and continued to use the draughty two seater privy under the pear tree, as she had done all her life.

We all smiled at words and phrases we knew. 'Champion' for never feeling better, and going down from this peak through, 'grand, nicely, middling, nobbut middling, fair to middling, dowly, poorly, badly, serious and going downhill. 'Answering 'Nay lad' meant 'that the end was in sight! Given the Yorkshire native's love of economy, the two words 'Nay Lad' were also all that his Grandmother needed to say to Alan if she was disappointed. No long-winded lecture required.

Alan gave us a concise overview of the ancestry of our current dialects, remnants of languages brought by, amongst others, Angles, Saxons, Norsemen and Normans. 'Siling down' and 'teeming down' come from Norse words to rain, where as shippen, mistle and byre all come from the language of the Angles. As does the phrase 'starving to death' – perishing from cold of course, not hunger. Differences in pronunciation are obvious across the county, too, illustrated by this

exchange. Someone from North Yorkshire asks, 'Who is your father?' and the reply from a West Yorkshire denizen is, 'He's not so well.' Alan quoted a couple of lines from an old Bradford Almanac, showing the perfect union of character and expression for which we Yorkshire folk are famous. On being encouraged to admire one of Yorkshire's finest beauty spots, a woman commented: 'I don't know why they make such fuss and chatter. It's only hills and trees and watter.'

As judge of our competition, 'Photograph or memento of my grandmother,' Alan was moved and 'taken aback' by the entries. Sitting amongst their tiny, precious engagement rings, proudly displayed in silver framed photos, we saw grandmothers in all their manifestations; sepia-toned serene young women, sombre faced, black robed matriarchs, and frazzled but much loved mums. Maureen Crossley won the first prize. As a corner of the Village Hall annex was wonderfully turned into 'pop-up' museum that night and as another year turns, it seems a good opportunity to pay tribute to Pat Traves, who very skilfully and diligently acts as the group's archivist, creating a wonderful legacy for future generations to enjoy.

In her vote of thanks, Trish Richardson complimented Alan on the way he had woven his family tales, Yorkshire verse and love of language into an entertaining evening. And wisely observed that his talk had 'awakened our own memories,' and indeed, much lively, warm chatter filled the air as we all turned out into the raw January evening.

Looking Ahead

Congratulations to Janet Lane who has prepared a great line up of events, experiences and speakers for 2019. Next month we can look forward to wild tales from a former landlord of Tan Hill, the highest pub in England, and characters from the Dales will be introduced to us by the Yorkshire Dales Millenium Trust. We will learn more about the work of Horticap, near Harlow Carr Gardens. We will also enjoy an introduction to reflexology, and take a trip back in time to the 40's, 50's and 60's. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Village Hall. We welcomed five new members last year, so give us a try. No obligation to buy!

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

The first covering of snow over the higher grounds of the Pennine Hills has announced the start of winter. So perhaps it is an opportune time to reflect back over the 2018 farming year.

Without doubt 2018 was the most challenging year for some time. With the main reason being the extremes of weather of the previous 18 months, starting with the rainy season in July which continued until the spring of 2018, culminating with the Beast from the East. A combination of continuous rain and wet land plus problems with liver fluke. Many sheep in poor condition were then hit by the Beast from the East. Losses of sheep were severe. Once sheep have lost condition in winter, and livers are damaged by fluke, no matter how you feed

them, they remain weak. In many flocks, losses were the highest for years, this continued during the summer, as once the ewes are in poor condition when feeding the lambs, the weak ones are in trouble.

The drought then exasperated the situation when it came to the sales, preventing buyers from replenishing their flocks. As a consequence trade at the breeding sales was sluggish at the early sales but in fairness deteriorated as the drought continued and began to bite.

It was great to have a summer with some sunshine but rain was never more welcome. This reaffirms the old adage that the weather is always king and has more bearing on a farmer's income and morale than any other factor. Nature is a great leveller and the autumn rain on warm soil was a great help with the winter fodder situation. In Craven, not so in the rest of the country, as the normal buyers of lambs and breeding stock were conscious of the grass situation which was reflected in the sale ring. As a result prices of breeding sheep have plummeted.

The drought has hit all agriculture as all crops have been light. This in turn affects the feed prices for all livestock. Concentrates have risen steeply, as has hay and straw. This makes for a difficult winter as fodder supply is a problem.

The New Year has been kind so far with a short spell of high pressure. Farming is never easy. Long hours and a hard slog in wet and miserable weather can be the norm. But where better on Scaleber Hill (feeding the sheep?)

The view of Pendle Hill, the Malham Hills and down Skipton Valley, and gazing into the sky at all the vapour trails from Bradford and Manchester planes.

Sometimes I stand and think, and sometimes I just stand!!!

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER AND GARGRAVE – THE SAINT OF THE DALES

Captain Cuttle

Part three: Lost for words

THE time is around 1110, nearly half a century after the death of Edward the Confessor, king of England, and the resulting conquest by William of Normandy. Henry the First, William's third son, is now on the throne, but the land still is not securely in the grasp of the Normans. The throne is not even securely in the hands of Henry. Castle-building is taking place all over, massive stone structures replacing the hastily-built and mostly earthwork and wooden defences that the invaders had put up, probably using slave labour, to protect their gains.

One is Skipton Castle, placed to guard the Aire Gap, the strategic route through the Pennines to and from Lancashire.

The Norman-French lord pacing its battlements was not in a good mood. He had been presiding over his court and, as usual, it had been a frustrating experience. Arguments over land ownership, tenancy, service and rent were bad enough when they were conducted in one language. But three? Even after twenty years of ruling the area known as Craven he had not mastered the English tongue. Neither had his subject tenants and servants properly mastered Norman French.

Which left Latin, and Robert de Romille hadn't been anywhere near getting to grips with Latin, never mind reading and writing the only language common to the clerics of the Norman conquerors and some of the vanquished English. Even if he'd had the portion of Domesday Book relating to Craven in 1086, twenty-four years before, he wouldn't have been able to understand it.

What he needed was someone fluent in all three languages. A Norman wouldn't learn English because that was beneath him. An Englishman wouldn't speak Norman French because he wouldn't have the opportunity to learn it. Latin was for the educated, and Normans weren't educated unless they were priests. He also needed someone who could reconcile the concepts of land law and tradition between the native English and the usually widely differing Norman systems.

So that left him with the task of finding a clever English boy who could be educated, perhaps at the monastery of Durham, where there was a school. Perhaps at Ripon? Perhaps at York? Where was he to find such a boy in the scanty resources of Craven? Would the boy he had heard of, the son of the priest at that place called Gargrave, would he suffice?

How, he wondered, was the building of the new cathedral at Durham progressing? He had long known William of St Calais, the Norman bishop originally driving forward the construction. William was said to be the genius who organised the collection of the Domesday Book material. Why the county of Durham was not included, Romille did not know, but he could guess that William didn't want the king to realise what his territory was worth. A pity St Calais died only three years after work began on the new shrine to house the remains of the venerated St Cuthbert.

The Norman-Frenchman thought to himself: "We'll look at this boy at Gargrave and if he's as clever and obedient as he's said to be, and if the Durham monks will have him to teach, perhaps I'll take him there and see this new building for myself. They reckon it will be the glory of Christendom."

Next month: An educated guess

Heaven's reward

A taxi driver and a minister from the same village died and went to heaven. St Peter met them at the gate. He gave a kindly smile to the minister, but threw his arms around the taxi driver, and several angels rushed out to carry the taxi driver in triumph through the pearly gates.

The minister was miffed. He wanted to know why his welcome was so much less, considering he had spent his life working for the Kingdom of Heaven. 'Indeed, you did,' said St Peter soothingly, 'and you did a good job. But sadly, you came nowhere near to what this taxi driver achieved for us up here in Heaven.

'But – but – he has never preached even once,' protested the minister.

'True, but while over the years your ministry inspired about 30 people to pray with real fervour, this taxi driver inspired thousands. Anyone, in fact, who got into the back of his taxi for a drive.

MOUNT ST.BERNARD ABBEY IN LEICESTERSHIRE

Kevin Jackson

I'm enjoying reading about St. Robert of Newminster in the Gargrave Parish Magazine which is/has been written by a neighbour of mine.

By a fortunate stroke of serendipity I had stayed at the abbey for four nights at the end of September 2018 in order to undertake a joint Amateur Radio activity by the 'Aries Amateur Radio Club' MX0YHA, along with the 'Phoenix Amateur Radio Club' MXOPHX who are based in the East Midlands. Over seventy contacts were made including stations in the USA and Canada and most were rather surprised to hear us operating from a working monastery.

We made a certificate so that our contacts could download it from our website to confirm their contact with us.

I arrived home with a bottle of 'Tynt Meadow' Trappist Ale that was referred to in the final paragraph of the second article by my neighbour, so on New Year's Day I called round with a present.

It's a very small world.

Kevin Jackson, Amateur Radio Callsign MOXLT

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TOWARDS A SPIRITUAL SCIENCE!

Tony Wimbury

As explained in last month's article (Two Worlds Colliding - the secular and the sacred) every culture has what is called a "worldview"; it's how it makes sense of the world. For most people in the west it is now science, not religion, that is the dominant means by which they understand the world and themselves. Last month's article was based on the insights of the Jesus scholar Marcus Borg. This month the prevailing scientific worldview is examined from the perspective of Steve Taylor as detailed in his recent book, "Spiritual Science" (1)

Of Mice and Men!

Taylor concludes the basic tenets of the current popular scientific worldview run something like this:

- Life came into being by accident. Complex forms of life came about through randomly occurring genetic mutations acted on by natural selection. The driving force of evolution is competition or "survival of the fittest".
- Human beings are purely physical creatures, our body and brains are just sophisticated machines and computers. There is nothing more to us than physical stuff - that is the atoms, molecules and cells of our bodies and brains. As a result, there is no such thing as a "soul", "spirit" or "life force". These are pre-rational superstitions that have been dispelled by science.
- All mental phenomena can be explained in terms of neurological activity. Consciousness itself is produced by the brain to give us the subjective feeling of being "someone" who can think and feel. When our brains and bodies cease to function, our consciousness and identity will disappear.
- As living beings we are isolated, moving through space in separation to one another. We can touch each other physically or communicate through language but our sense of identity is essentially closed within our bodies.
- Matter is the primary, fundamental reality of the universe. Anything which is non-physical - such as our mind, our thoughts, consciousness and even life itself is physical in origin and can be explained in physical terms.

He refers to this perspective as "scientific materialism" and gives a couple of recent examples of how this thinking pervades our culture.

Up until the late 1990s it was common to explain certain human behaviour in terms of genes and DNA. Scientists began to speak about a gene for alcoholism, depression, criminality, homosexuality and even a "shopping" gene for women! Colloquial phrases like "Oh it must be in their genes!", or "It's in his DNA," are still used today. Not too long ago, around the year 2000, we heard much about geneticists mapping the "human genome" suggesting that genes could be responsible for the whole spectrum of human experience. However, the "human genome" seems to have faded into history after scientists found we have far fewer genes than expected. Humans have around 21,000 which is around 10,000 less than a tomato!! We also share many of our genes with other life forms. Taylor quotes one study which found we shared 97.5 percent of the same working DNA with mice!

Of course, another scientific explanatory tool has quickly taken the place of the gene now that we have entered the digital age - neuroscience! Attention has shifted away from the genome and up to the brain. It is now neural circuits that are responsible for everything rather than genes. Popular commentators now claim that different parts of the brain are responsible for different characteristics. Neuroscientists are now mapping the circuitry of the brain with the hope of explaining various behaviours including mental disorders. CBT (cognitive

behavioural therapy) has become a common treatment for a variety of mental problems. The mind is likened to a sophisticated computer which needs rewiring or reprogramming. Similarly, some mental disorders are treated as chemical imbalances within the brain which can then be remedied with drugs. Matthew Parris, the Times journalist and former conservative MP, recently reported that he could find no systematic evidence for the effectiveness of these treatments despite the billions of pounds spent by the NHS on them annually. Irrespective of their effect, it underlines the assumption within our culture that all human behaviour and experience can be explained in terms of biology, chemistry and physics. We are all just machine-like entities made up of material building blocks, of different types of atoms and molecules working together.

... .. and Other Riddles!

While there is no doubt that scientific materialism has brought enormous benefits to humanity, particularly in the west, Taylor highlights a number of the deficiencies.

- The materialist model regards consciousness as a product of the brain. After decades of intensive research and theorizing there is no convincing explanation of how neurological activity could give rise to consciousness.. There is still no clear evidence of a direct and reliable relationship between brain activity and conscious experience, notably in deep sleep and epileptic seizures .
- The central tenet of Neo-Darwinism is that natural selection has the creative power to generate new structures or features, and even new species . The standard assumption is that random mutations can slowly create more and more variety over millions of years and these build into distinct new species. Zoologists question whether this is possible, mutations only create trivial changes, they cannot create complex organs or body parts. While micro-evolution within a species is accepted macro-evolution and the emergence of different species is problematical. Sudden bursts of change as short as 1000 years can give rise to new species which doesn't fit with the idea of incremental random mutations. Perhaps it is that sort of evidence has fuelled the revival of creationism among Christian fundamentalists. An increasing number of scientists acknowledge that other important mechanisms must be at work and acknowledge that alternative theories need to be developed.
- Altruism is often instantaneous and spontaneous - particularly in crisis situations - as if it is deeply instinctive to us. This does not sit well with well with ideas that human beings are just genetic machines concerned only with survival and propagation. Why do selfish genes behave so unselfishly?
- Not least, there are the 'riddles' of anomalous phenomena such as life-changing mystical experiences, healings, near-death experiences and paranormal phenomena such a telepathy and precognition. Taylor has undertaken extensive research in some of these areas and concludes that to brush them away is as irrational as when the 16th Century church cast

Copernicus and Galileo as heretics for proposing that the earth revolved around the sun! As was suggested in the last article, science can be as much a belief system as religion!

Taylor suggests that all this shows that the popular worldview given to us by scientific materialism fails to account for too many fundamental aspects of both human experience and the material world. A future article will look at the problems this has created and looks at the alternative worldview proposed by Taylor. This offers to both explain the physical world more coherently and take account of the spiritual reality which is at the heart of so much human experience.

Acknowledgements: Adapted from (1) Spiritual Science - Why science needs spirituality to make sense of the world, Steve Taylor, 2018. He is a lecturer in psychology at Leeds Beckett university who has extensively researched and written on spiritual transformation.

GARGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel



What a fabulous Christmas we had at Gargrave Church of England School. Every child took part in 'A Wriggly Nativity' at Church. The youngest pupils led the story and the songs were so catchy we were singing them all the festive season.

Classes were singing at Neville House and at Milton House and we wished their residents and staff a Merry Christmas and New year.



Ash class visited the Luncheon group to share some of their songs. Here are a few of the class in their Christmas Jumpers.

If you are new to the area and wish to visit our school, you will always be welcome- just give us a call.

We wish everyone the best for the New Year.

NEWS FROM THE WIDER CHURCH

Bishops call for a change of tone on Brexit debate

Parish Pump

The Church of England bishops who recently met in London made the following statement:

'The bishops of the Church of England pray for national unity – and courage, integrity and clarity for our politicians. We call on the country to consider the nature of our public conversation. It is time to bring grace and generosity back to our national life.

'At the heart of the Christian message is Jesus' command to love our neighbour. This includes those with whom we agree and disagree – at home, in Europe, and further afield. We urge everyone – our political leaders and all of us – to bring magnanimity, respect and reconciliation to our national debate.

'There is now an urgent need for the United Kingdom to recover a shared vision and identity to help us find a way through the immediate challenges.

'Regardless of what happens next with Brexit, the Church of England, alongside many other churches and other agencies striving for the common good, will be at the heart of local communities; educating one million children, providing 33,000 social action projects and running 16,000 churches across the country. Above all else, we will continue to support the most vulnerable and share Christ's love with all.'

Christians in the Middle East face 'imminent extinction'

Parish Pump

Christians have been in the Middle East for nearly 2000 years, but they now face the threat of 'imminent extinction', the Archbishop of Canterbury has warned.

In a recent letter to The Sunday Telegraph, Archbishop Justin Welby told of a visit he had made about 15 years ago to the home of an elderly Palestinian Christian man in Galilee. 'Foolishly, I asked, "How long has your family been Christian?" The man gave me a look and replied, "Since about the time of St Paul".'

Yet, now Christians in the region are facing 'the worst situation since the Mongol invasions of the 13th Century', Archbishop Justin said. It is vital that these Christians in the Middle East know 'they are not forgotten by the world, or treated as an irrelevant minority, a societal optional extra, or even a threat'. Archbishop Justin called on the Government to take in more refugees.

According to the Barnabas Fund, following a freedom of information request, the Home Office has not admitted a single Christian among the 1,112 Syrian refugees resettled in the UK in the first three months of last year.

The four Christians out of 1,358 Syrian refugees recommended by the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), for resettlement in the UK were rejected.

14 February - The very first Valentine card: a legend

Parish Pump

The Roman Emperor Claudius II needed soldiers. He suspected that marriage made men want to stay at home with their wives, instead of fighting wars, so he outlawed marriage.

A kind-hearted young priest named Valentine felt sorry for all the couples who wanted to marry, but couldn't. So secretly he married as many couples as he could - until the Emperor found out and condemned him to death. While he was in prison awaiting execution, Valentine showed love and compassion to everyone around him, including his jailer. The jailer had a young daughter who was blind, but through Valentine's prayers, she was healed. Just before his death in Rome on 14 February, he wrote her a farewell message signed 'From your Valentine.'

So the very first Valentine card was not between lovers, but between a priest about to die, and a little girl, healed through his prayers.



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Cold weather

'It was so cold where we were,' boasted the Arctic explorer, 'that the candle froze and we couldn't blow it out.'

'That's nothing,' said his rival. 'Where we were it was so cold that our words came out in chunks of ice and we had to thaw them to see what we were talking about.'

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3 Feb		Family Team	Family Team	Family Team	Family Team	Family Team
10 Feb	Joyce	Rev Ian Greenhalgh	Dorothy Rishworth Mollie Blackburn	Clare Maslin	Ron Humphreys	Hugh Turner Janet Turner
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To Skipton (arrives approx. 5 mins later) & **Leeds** (arrives approx 50 mins later)

Mon-Sat 0745 0755 0902³[SO] 1150 1349 1551 1621 1645 1732³ **1816**** 1850

Mon-Sat [continued] 2019 2134 2216 [SX] 2218 [SO] 2238

Sunday 1121 1146 1346 1446 1645 1701 1846 2056 2108

To Giggleswick (arrives ~ 20 mins later) & **Lancaster**⁵ (arrives ~ 66 mins later)

Mon-Fri 0528 0902 1103 1304 1504 1814 2006

Saturday 0525 0902 1103 1304 1504 1814 2006

Sunday 0921 1107 1407 1607 1807

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Mon-Fri 0528^{2or3} **0831**** 0902² 1004 1103² 1133 1304² 1504² 1732 1814² 1901 2006² (2033⁴)

Saturday 0525² **0831**** 0902² 1004 1103² 1133 1304² 1504² 1732 1814² 1901 (2033⁴)

Sunday 0921² 0950 1107² 1311 1407² 1507 1607² 1807²

NOTES: [SX] Saturdays eXcepted, [SO] Saturdays Only. (1. Change at Skipton) 2. Not Settle; change at Lancaster for Carlisle 3. Change at Hellifield 4. Terminates Ribbleshead 5. Change at (or via) Lancaster for Morecambe.

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***Except Bank Holidays**

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M-Fri* 0820 0910 0955 1055 1057M⁷ 1155 1255 1355 1357M⁷ 1455 1555 1725 1810

Saturday 0820 0910 0955 1056M 1155 1255 1355 1455 1555 1656M 1810

Sun + B.Hol No Winter service.

To Settle (arrives ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580) and

(+)onward to **Kirkby Lonsdale** (Service 581) and (++)thence to **Lancaster** (Service 582)

Mon-Fri* 0905++ 1000 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1600 1700++ 1800++ 1900++

Saturday 0905++ 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1700++ 1800++ 1900++

To Malham (arrives ~ 25mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211)

Mon-Fri* [210/211] 1000⁷ 1310⁷

Saturday [75] 1001 1559

NOTES. 7. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave.

Public Transport back to Gargrave

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Last train from LEEDS

From Skipton (arr. Gargrave ~ 5 mins later)

to GARGRAVE

Mon-Sat 0519 [SO] 0522 [SX] 0705³ [SO] **0826**** 0856 0959 1057 1127 1258 1458
 Mon-Sat [continued] 1600³ 1727 1808 1856 2000 2027 **1949**
 Sunday 0915 0945 1102 1305 1402 1502 1602 1802 **1724**

From Lancaster via Giggleswick (arriving Gargrave ~ 66 mins later)

Mon-Fri 0648 1045 1245 1515 1745 2030 2134
 Saturday 0648 1045 1245 1446¹⁰ 1503⁶ 1745 2030 2134
 Sunday 1041 1215¹⁰ 1515¹⁰ 1715¹⁰ 1951

From Carlisle (journey time depends on route – check timetables) **BOLD=STOP PRESS**

Mon-Fri 0544² 0551 0934² 1134² 1404 1408² 1450 **1619**** 1631² 1824 1857² 2007² 2018¹¹ (2145⁹)

Sat. 0544² (0714⁹) 0935² 1135² 1335² 1404 1450 **1619**** 1635² 1824 1911² 2017² 2019¹¹ (2145⁹)

Sunday 0925 1051² 1250 1407² 1502 1607^{2or3} 1836² 1912

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From Malham (arrives Gargrave ~ 25mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211)

Mon-Fri* [210/211] 1035⁸ 1335⁸ from opp. the Buck Inn, Malham
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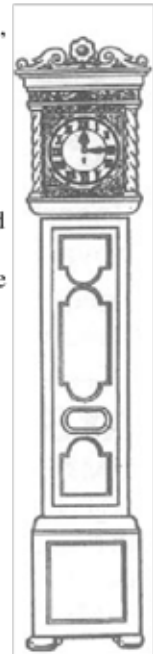
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