



St Peter's Blackland

Blackland Church Refit 1907

Abridged Specification of Works to be carried out at Blacklands Church

From: C.E. Ponting F.S.A. Architect, Marlborough

1. To remove the plaster ceiling from the underside of the oak roof of the Nave and plaster between the rafters in the same way as the Chancel roof has been done. To remove the slates and cover the nave roof with boarding, felt and stone tiles.
2. To remove the slates from the roofs of Chancel, bell-cot, porch and Vestry and cover with stone tiles.
3. To erect an oak screen of the design submitted to support the roofs between Nave & Chancel, in place of the deal arch boards now existing. (there is no stone arch.)
4. To remove the deal seats from Nave, Aisle & Chancel and put new seats of oak according to the design submitted; the Aisle seats being altered in position as per plan.
5. To remove the defective floor boards under the seats of Nave and Aisle and lay a floor of wood blocks on a bed of cement concrete.
6. To re-arrange the seats in the Gallery to make the spacing more commodious, as shewn on the plan.
7. To remove the existing deal pulpit and substitute a new one of oak, of the design submitted.
8. To remove the present communicant's railing and put new railing of oak, of the design submitted.
9. To remove the existing glass from the east window and substitute new of the design submitted.
10. To remove the Ground around the outside of the walls and lay a surface gutter of cement concrete, with drains to carry away the water to the low ground on the east as shewn on the plan.

11. (Added by the Rector) To erect an oak reredos and panelling round the Sanctuary of the design submitted.

Inscription for 1907 east window (from back of postcard)

In honour of Christ Crucified and in everloving memory of Emily Treacher Treacher who died Feb 8. 1906 and whose body rests in St. Mary's Cemetery Bathwick, this window is dedicated.
Jesu Mercy

Communication between O.A. Holden and the Diocesan Registry re the new East Window, June 1907

Blackland Church Wilts
dated 13th Feb 1907

Extracts from a letter from A S Marshall Hall of Castleton, Claremont, Cape Colony, South Africa & eldest son of the late Mr Marshall Hall who inserted the stained glass in the East window of Blackland Church in memory of his father.

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of Jan 21st last & beg to thank you for your courtesy and consideration in communicating with me on the subject. I entirely agree with you as to the garish effect of the colours in the stained glass window inserted in the Chancel of Blacklands Church in memory of my Grandfather. Further, I think that your second suggestion * viz to place a brass plate close to the new window with an inscription worded in the sense you propose, is an excellent one to which I am very pleased to agree. It might be well to incorporate in the inscription some such words as "with the consent of the family of the late Dr Marshall Hall", but this I leave to your judgement.

Yours sincerely
A.S. Marshall Hall

(* the suggestion referred to is that stated in the supplementary paper B sent with the application for Faculty).

I certify that the above is a true copy of the letter received by me from the said A.S. Marshall Hall

O.A. Holden
Rector of Calstone cum Blackland
June 29th 1907

Supplementary Paper B re the old east window - written by O.A. Holden and including excerpts of letter to him by A.S. Marshall Hall

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The new East window is to replace one erected to the memory of a Mr Marshall Hall: it has no subject in the 2 lights but is simply a kind of pattern work of very crude colours & in several places the colour is wearing away.

The consent of a representative (grandson) of Mr Marshall Hall's family has been asked (though the window was it is believed erected without Faculty) & gladly given on the condition, which we willingly accept, that a small brass plate be affixed in the wall near the window stating that -

This window takes the place of a window erected to the memory of (then follow the inscription on the old window which is -)

Marshall Hall M D Natus XVIII^{me} die Feb AD MDCCXC

Obiit XI^{me} die Aug AD MDCCLVII

it is proposed to bury the glass of the old window.

Letter concerning the proposed new Organ

Calstone Rectory, Calne, Wilts

July 2 07

Blackland Church

Dear Sir

I am sorry I omitted mention of the organ – We hope to be able to purchase a small “positive” organ which occupies no more floor space than an ordinary sized harmonium. It is the Positive Organ Co's Pattern 40 price £70 – dimensions width 4ft 7½ in: depth (including keyboard) 2ft 7in: height 7ft 7in. You will find on the plan of the Church in the gallery section the place of the present harmonium & the proposed place of the new organ: the harmonium, which has done duty for 40 years and is of very little value it is proposed to place in the School at Calstone.

The East window is being given by W.B. Treacher Esq of Blackland House & the Reredos by the family of the late Mr H Ward of Blackland Manor Farm.

I shall be in Salisbury on Tues & Wed next week for various meetings & could come & see you if there is any further information you need.

Yrs Faithfully

O.A. Holden

(To) A.R. Malden Esq (Diocesan Registrar)

Proclamation for Major Faculty issued 13th July 1907

Faculty granted 6th August 1907

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