

Upper Lane
 Whitnall & Hartwell
 July 195

Sir, I am instructed by the
 Undersigned Gentlemen, Residents &
 Ratepayers, & representing the wishes of
 nearly all the Parishioners, desire to
 call the attention of Lady Carmarvon
 to an act of great injustice on the part
 of the Curate-in-Charge & his newly
 organised Committee of the Church School.

Will you kindly lay before her
 Ladyship the following facts:-

- (1) The Curate-in-Charge has been in
 Whitnall about 4 1/2 years, & Church
 work has not advanced one bit, but
 otherwise, it cannot do so under
 a Curate whose almost every action
 promotes strife.
- (2) The Schoolmaster has been here nearly
 15 years, & it is admitted by all, has
 performed his duties to the satisfaction
 of everybody, except perhaps the Curate.
- (3) Immediately after the advent of a
 new Vicar, the Curate, by his overbearing
 conduct, drove the Schoolmaster from
 the Church & Sunday School, & actually
 turned his children from the door,

refusing to admit them to service.

- (4) One of Her Ladyship's tenants,
 Mr. Robson, who had been Church-
 warden for a large number of years,
 resigned the office in August, as he
 said no one could possibly work
 with the Curate - Mr. R. Simpson
 then took office, which he held, under
 two years, & now a third is in office.
- (5) On March 22nd a new Committee
 was elected, to manage the School.
 The Parishioners knew nothing of
 this till it was done.

On the Committee are two men
 small ratepayers, who are directly &
 primarily interested in carrying out
 the Curate's wishes.

There is also Mr. J. Dorkhead, a
 Political Decentist, who on doubt
 does harm to the Church in his present
 support of the Curate's actions, which
 he formerly has severely criticised.

- (6) On March 30th the Schoolmaster received
 three months notice to leave his School.

The Vicar states that there is
 no complaint against the Schoolmaster,
 the ostensible reason being re-organisation
 of the School.

(4) A large & influential
deputation waited upon the Vice
to ask for a withdrawal of the
Notice, but without success -

(8) The re-organization Scheme is
calculated to force a School Board
upon us at an early date; to avoid
which Her Ladyship has largely
contributed, & we have on more
than one occasion voluntarily subscribed,
but, in the present instance we
oppose whatever has been made to the
Parish.

(9) The Schoolmaster has 7 children, &
we think it not only a great hardship,
but an injustice both to him & the Parish.
& we appeal to Her Ladyship to use
her influence to reverse the decision of
a Committee who do not represent
the wishes of more than a dozen
people in the Place.

I am Sir
Yours Respectfully
Haddock

Mrs S Watson. S Dicks
H Clark. E Duvous. A Taylor
G Farnsworth G Lilethorpe.
A R Lowe H Simpson. A Smith

W. Wright.