

The Rev. J. B. Somers Carwithen, to whose memory there is a tablet in the south chapel, held the perpetual curacy with that of Frimley from 1810 to 1832. He was an authority on church history, author of a history of the Church of England, and delivered a Bampton Lecture on Brahminism. There is a tradition that during his incumbency the parsonage house was haunted by the ghost of a dead child, which used to wail at night in the most fearful manner; and would not cease until the Bishop of Salisbury was prevailed upon to come and lay it.

There are only two references of interest concerning the church in the Dean's Visitation Book during this period.

“ 1813. Ordered that the small bell lately fallen down be sold and the money appropriated to the repair of the church.

1818. Ordered that the singers be excluded from within the Communion rails. That a place be appointed for them near the font and that the church fence be repaired.”

In 1836 the County of Berks became part of the Oxford diocese, and in 1846 the Dean's peculiar of Sonning ceased to exist.

The heath continued the haunt of the Broom Squire and the gipsy, who, even after the Inclosure, camped undisturbed on the moors to the north of the village. But a change was coming over the face of the country in the fir plantations which began to cover the formerly bare heath.

*(To be continued).*

GREAT FAWLEY CHURCH.—I wish to add a few particulars to the account of the Church at Great Fawley, Berks, by R. C. Price, in the January, 1915, number of this Journal. Mr. Wroughton's mother, Mrs. Blanch Wroughton, shared with him in building the new Church. The centre arch, the south side of the Church, and the two half pillars built against the west wall, were brought from the old Church. The old pewter communion service is preserved—in a glass case—fastened to the wall near the vestry door. I have been told that the old Norman font was buried beneath the new one in the present Church.—B. C. WROUGHTON.