

How well do you know your county?

1. Which bowling innovation was first introduced into cricket at the match between Leicestershire and Middlesex in July 1900?
2. Leicester artist C Reginald Dalby is best remembered as the original illustrator of which popular series of children's books?
3. What is the name of the famous World War II code-breaking operation in which Beaumanor Hall played a part?
4. Dorothy L Sayers' detective novel *The Nine Tailors* was researched at which world-famous Leicestershire company?
5. Which famous engine steamed into Rutland on 3rd July 1938 having just set an all-time steam traction speed record?
6. Measaham-born Astronomer Royal, Sir Frank Watson Dyson, introduced which familiar sound to the BBC radio on 5th February 1924?
7. Which Leicestershire town's fair was mentioned in Shakespeare's *Henry IV, Part II*?
8. Elgar composed his work *Memorial Chime* for the opening of which Leicestershire building?
9. Which children's undergarment that became a household name was first launched in 1908 by Symington's of Market Harborough?

Answers to the above can be found in *A Leicestershire and Rutland Quiz Book* by Joyce Lee and Jon Dean (S.B. Publications 1996) and also on page 29

Magee had already begun, however, to look beyond the Church congresses. He acknowledged that ideas about the Church had begun to change, so that it was no longer thought of 'as an ecclesiastical corporation but as a divine family no longer as a mere department of state, but as a part of a kingdom having its own conditions of citizenship, its own laws, its own forms and conditions of life',²³ and looked forward to the day when a 'central and general assembly by the Church of England will yet be the completion of her present growth of representative institutions'. He asked the question too as to 'whether congresses, having done their work in the past, might not give place to other Church assemblies, the formation of which they have so largely stimulated'.²⁴ By 1886 there was a lay house in the Convocation of Canterbury, though York did not follow until 1892, and the Congresses gradually ceased to have their earlier influence. They continued into the twentieth century - there was another held in Leicester in 1919 - but it was generally agreed that they were both 'more edifying and more boring'.²⁵

References

1. *The Church in Victorian Northampton*, edited by V. A. Hatley (Northampton Record Society, 1992), xv-xvi.
2. The quotation comes from the minutes of a ruridecanal meeting at Frant in August 1863. O. Chadwick, *The Victorian Church*, Vol. II (1860-1901) (London: SCM Press, 1970) p.359.
3. *ibid.*, p.362.
4. J. C. MacDonnell, *Life and correspondence of W. C. Magee* (London, 1895), II, p.120.
5. 'Bishop W. C. Magee and the Town of Leicester 1868-1891', G. T. Rimmington to be published in *Midland History* (1998).
6. *Leicester Journal*, 1 October, 1880.
7. *ibid.*, 17 September, 1880.
8. George Robinson had not been baptised until 1870, when he was almost thirty-three years old. An engaging personality with an 'earnest, gentle manner', he was an elected representative at the Ruridecanal Conference in 1873, and was vicar's churchwarden at St. Matthews's from 1883 until his death in 1886 at the age of forty-nine years. See W. C. Ingram, *The steps of a good man*. Sermon preached in St. Matthew's Church, Leicester, May 23, 1886, in memory of George Alfred Robinson.
9. *Leicester Journal*, 17 September 1880.
10. *ibid.*, 24 September 1880.
11. *ibid.*, 17 September 1880.
12. D. M. Thompson 'Lightfoot as Victorian Churchman' *Durham University Journal*, January, 1992. It is interesting to note that Francis Robinson, vicar of St. Peter's, Leicester, preached a sermon on Trinity Sunday, 1881, which was obviously based upon Lightfoot's lecture. In it he claimed that each Church party 'contributes an important element of truth to the Church of our time'. See F. W. Robinson, *How the three Schools of Thought in the Church 'work together for good'*. (Leicester, 1881).
13. *The Official Report of the Church Congress held at Leicester 1880*, edited by D. J. Vaughan (Leicester, 1881), p.645.
14. *Life and correspondence of W. C. Magee*, MacDonnell, Vol. II, p.213.
15. Leicestershire Record Office DE/1919/3 (Leicester rural deanery minutes), 5 May 1869.
16. *The Nineteenth Century Church and English Society* Frances Knight, (Cambridge, University Press, 1995), p.63.
17. *Leicester Journal*, 24 September 1880.
18. *The Victorian Church*, Chadwick, Vol. II, p.346.
19. *Official Report of the Church Congress... 1880*, pp.94-96.
20. *ibid.*, p.110.
21. *The Victorian Church*, Chadwick, Vol. II, p.363.
22. *Official Report of the Church Congress... 1880*, p.21.
23. *ibid.*, p.22.
24. *Leicester Journal*, 1 October 1880.
25. *The Victorian Church*, Chadwick, Vol. II, pp.363-4.