

October,

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# THE SEVENTH CENTENARY OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI.

## GUILDHOUSE FESTIVAL

(Preliminary Notice).

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Seven hundred years ago, at sunset, on October 3rd, died St. Francis of Assisi — "the most Christlike of Christians"—and we propose throughout October this year, to hold a Festival at the Guildhouse to glorify his memory, and to consider his life and its meaning for us.

The Festival will take place at the GUILDHOUSE, ECCLESTON.

SQUARE, S.W. 1. The following arrangements have already been made:—

#### FIRST WEEK.

- Oct. 3rd. Rev. James Adderley will preach on St. Francis.
- Oct. 4th. Lecture on "St. Francis and the Creatures".
- Oct. 7th. Lecture by G. K. CHESTERTON, Esq. (if in England).
- Oct. 9th. Conference on the Franciscan doctrine of Voluntary Poverty.

The Very Rev. FATHER CUTHBERT, O.S.F.C.

Principal of the Franciscan House of Studies,
and author of Life of St. Francis of Assisi.

Miss Margaret Bondfield,

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Miss E. Gurney-Salter, M.A.,

and others, will take part.

FATHER ANDREW,

STEPHEN HOBHOUSE, Esq., and

NOEL BUXTON, Esq.,

will be present.

### SECOND WEEK.

Oct. 10th. Rev. W. Hudson Shaw will preach on St. Clare.

During the week a Franciscan Exhibition will be held, and Lectures given by Dr. Seton (Hon. Sec. of British Soc. of Franciscan Studies), The Rev. W. Hudson Shaw, Dr. Percy Dearmer, and others.

Oct. 16th. Conference on Franciscan Ideals in relation to Art and Learning.

#### THIRD WEEK.

Oct. 17th. Miss MAUDE ROYDEN will preach on "St. Francis Preaching to the Birds".

Oct. 19th, 20th and 21st.

The Guildhouse Players will present some of the Little Plays of St. Francis, by LAURENCE HOUSMAN. (Mr. LAURENCE HOUSMAN has written two new plays on St. Francis, which he is kindly allowing the Guildhouse Players to produce for the first time).

Oct. 22nd. Lecture by Miss EVELYN UNDERHILL on "Jacopone da Todi and Angela of Foligno".

Oct. 23rd. The Children's Festival of St. Francis.

Preacher: Rev. W. Hudson Shaw.

Oct. 24th. Miss Maude Royden will preach.

Prints from Assisi and a selection of books relating to St. Francis and his time will be on sale at the bookstall during October, and the following books are already on sale:—

"LIFE OF St. FRANCIS", by Hon. & Rev. James Adderely.

"St. FRANCIS POVERELLO", by Laurence Housman.

"THE LITTLE POOR MAN OF ASSISI", by J. O. Dobson.

There will be a loan collection of books in the Library.