

of your being able to do so
this autumn which the
air is still mild and
summer like

Your presence would
be specially welcome
as there is much discussion
going on about the date of
some graves lately discovered
which some hold to be
Saxon & some British - the
name no one of any real
authority is settling the question
- They are on the little
island churchyard of Stungroft
- You may remember my
telling you about it some time
ago. An effort is at last being
made to do at all events enough
to prevent further decay - If we
could only have

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PLAS LANTFAWR
HOLYHEAD

September 3/92

Dear General Pitt Rivers
I cannot thank you
enough for the fresh
volume you have sent
of the excavations
- The last one is so
specially full of interest

and I value all your
works. and the
possession of them

most particularly -

- I am so glad

to see your portrait
in it. Do you

mind sending me
a copy of the photograph
from which it was
done if you happen

I have one to spare -

- I wish you had
ever been able to carry
out your intention

of coming here. Is
there any chance

a little enthusiasm
I wish on your presence
would create, we
might get it roofed
in before another
writer -

I enclose a little explanatory
Sketch and the
particulars that

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have been printed
and if you can help
us by exhibiting interest
or getting a few subscriptions
it would be very kind

- I hope you are
the better for going
abroad -

Yours sincerely
W. Deane

LLANGWYFAN CHURCH.

The ancient Church at Llangwyfan having been permitted to fall into a most lamentable state of ruin, a survey has been made of the structure by Messrs. Arthur Baker and Harold Hughes, Architects, of Bangor, to ascertain what repairs would be required to preserve it from further decay.

The slating of the roof has entirely disappeared together with some of the timbers. Those which remain are much worn, and from their exposed condition, are in peril of being blown away. The walls are generally in a good condition, but would require slight repair. The windows have been blocked up with masonry at a recent date, and the door lies in the Church off its hinges.

It is proposed to repair the existing roof timbers sufficiently to hold them together without any alteration or additions to them. To protect the building with new slating, any fresh wood-work required for this purpose to be as simple as possible and independent of the old work. To fill up cracks in walls, and repair them where absolutely necessary. To re-hang the door and to unblock the windows, fitting them up with shutters, this being thought preferable to reglazing as the latter would involve reconstructing some of the masonry.

The cost of these repairs is estimated at £82.

The church in its present state consists of a single aisle, but the north wall is pierced by an arcade of three arches built up, which formerly opened into a north aisle destroyed early in this century. From the details it would seem that the greater portion dates from late in the 15th century, though a close examination would suggest that certain portions of the masonry belong to a much earlier period, probably as early as the 11th or 12th century.

The church stands on a small island formerly approached from the mainland by a causeway of which little remains. The churchyard occupies the entire surface of this island, which stands about twelve feet above the shore, and as exceptionally high tides and winter gales eat away the face and are assisted in their work of destruction by rain and frost, human bones are continually falling on to the beach and being washed away by the sea. To prevent this work of destruction proceeding further, a substantial sea-wall should be built entirely round the island.

Any funds would first be devoted to the immediate repairs required to protect the church against the storms of the coming winter, and such further amount as could be obtained to the protection of the churchyard.

Subscriptions should be sent to

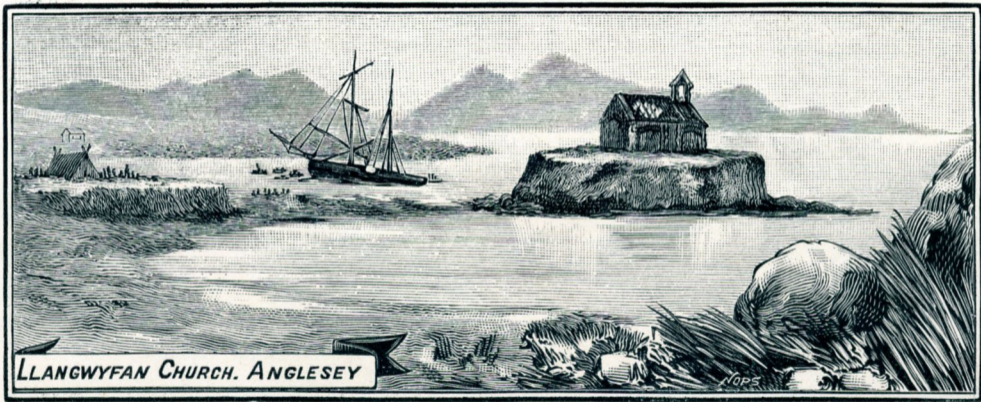
The Rev. Canon RUPERT MORRIS,
RIVERSIDE, CHESTER,

Or to Mr. WILLIAM GARNETT,
BRIDGE STREET ROAD, CHESTER.

LLANGWYFAN CHURCH.

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