

## Jubilee tree demise

HATHERN. Diamond Jubilee.— At a meeting of the committee of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee fund, held in the Charity school, Mr. Samuel Davenport presiding, it was resolved that the balance of £4 should be spent in the planting of an ornamental tree on the Round Bank, the planting to be of a public character at as early a date as possible.

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**A JUBILEE TREE.**—At a recent meeting of the Jubilee Committee it was decided to expend the balance left from the festivities in planting a tree on Derby-road, and enclosing it with iron palisades, the tree chosen being chestnut. The ceremony took place on Friday afternoon, when there was a large gathering of parishioners, including Messrs. Samuel Davenport (chairman of the Jubilee Committee), Fred Fuller (chairman of the Parish Council), S. Smith, W. Randon, T. Allcock (hon. clerk of the Parish Council), G. Randon (treasurer of the Jubilee Committee), J. Bowley (secretary), E. Charles, J. Rossell, H. Simpkin, F. Keetley, and many ladies. Mr. Davenport planted the tree, the care of which was accepted by Mr. Fuller on behalf of the Parish Council.—Mr. Allcock, in moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Davenport, referred to the energetic and capable manner in which he had carried out the arrangements for celebrating the jubilee, and also the planting of the tree.—Mr. Randon seconded the motion, which was carried, and Mr. Davenport responded.

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A rather amusing incident came before the Hathern Parish Council on Monday evening. It was reported that the chestnut tree lately planted in recognition of her Majesty's long reign, and which at the time was handed over to the Parish Council as the property of the parish, had, according to all appearances, succumbed. During an amusing debate as to what should be done, it transpired that the tree had not been paid for, and one of the councilors remarked that in the face of the tree not having been paid for there could be no wonder at its passing away.

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