

## EDITORIAL

The South West continues to be the focus for SBG activity and interest: the *Winefred* reprint launch at Seaton is reported on by Becky Smith in this issue, and there is an SBG musical drama at Kingsbridge taking place while these pages are 'at press'. But with our Society's major event of the year occurring at Horbury, we look forward to an enlarged concept of Baring-Gould territory. News comes of research being done into Grace's family, and we hope to publish the fruit of that when it has been completed.

This issue contains the longer of the two newspaper articles on SBG's ministry and authorship at East Mersea, referred to in the piece, 'Spills and Thrills of Bookhunting'.

On page 8 there is a 'teaser' - a member has sent in a copy of the title page of *Dartmoor Idylls* to which has been pasted a newscutting. It is pretty clear that the reporter concerned was not in court - and made no attempt to check his facts. Edward Sabine was SBG's third child (his cousin of the same name had died two years earlier). But was SBG travelling with him at the time, perhaps regaling some story and distracting the driver? Does anyone know more about the incident here reported? Hatch can be found on the road map just east of Basingstoke on the A30. At that stage of his life Edward was running a successful business and living in London (Dickinson p.87).

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