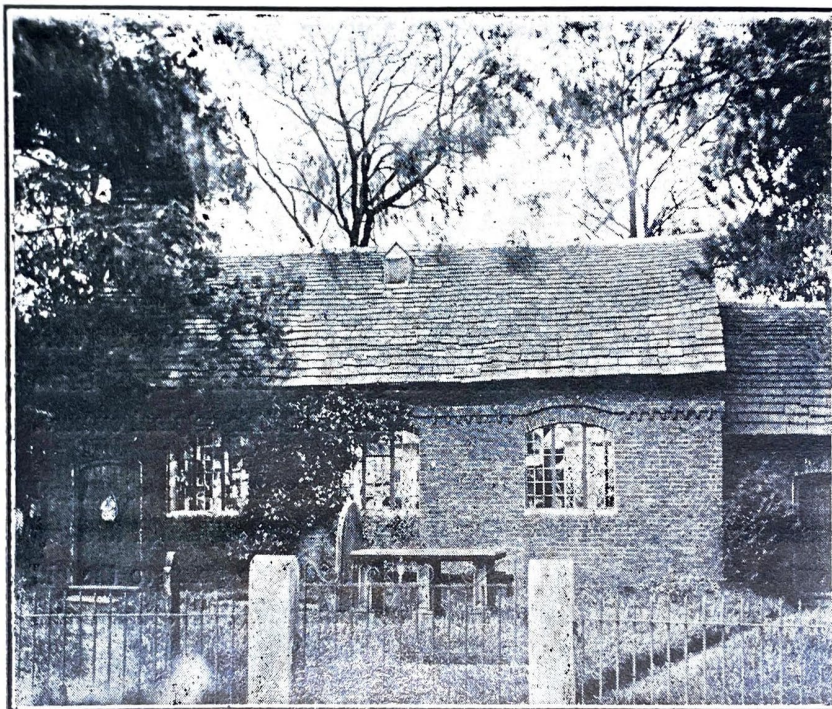


RISLEY
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RESTORATION SCHEME.

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Restoration Scheme.

The Risley Presbyterian Church has an interesting history. It dates from the passing of the Act of Uniformity in 1662. Thomas Risley, of Risley, who could not conform to the conditions of the Act, took out a licence for Richard Jackson's barn, and gathered the residents together for worship. The present Church was built in 1706, under the Toleration Act, and Risley continued his ministry till his death in 1716.

The building is one of the oldest, and perhaps the best specimen which has survived of the Churches erected during the opening years of the eighteenth century. The historic pulpit is the one used by Thomas Risley, and from which Matthew Henry and John Howe preached. The old oak pews are also the same as were occupied by the few men and women in the founder's day. Some of them are carved with the date and initials of their original owners.

An energetic local Committee, with the assistance of several members of the Manchester Presbytery, have been appointed to carry out a Restoration Scheme. It is their wish to preserve the old features of the Church, in order to keep in memory the courage and the sacrifice of those who built it.

The suggested scheme includes the renovation of the oak pews where they show signs of decay, the laying of the floor with blocks, a new system of ventilation, new heating apparatus, a drainage scheme, manse repairs, and an extension of the burial ground. The estimated cost is £500.

It is a big scheme for a small country congregation, but they are prepared to do their best. Donations have been promised by members and friends locally, and the congregation are making a united effort in support of the scheme.

Risley Presbyterian Church, Nr. WARRINGTON.

RESTORATION SCHEME.

The following constitute the Committee from the
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