



Date

Ellingham

Kirby Cane

1897	<p>Rev William Gerald Aston.</p> <p>Reginald Pumfrey (7) wrote two letters to Captain Trim of the Children's Corner of the Weekly Telegraph, and had the letters published.</p>	
1898	<p>WD & AE Walker launched Albion. This wherry was carved built to avoid damage to its sides when in the locks on the Waveney up to Bungay.</p>  <p><i>O.S. map 1882 - 1884</i></p> <p>Village sale raised £36-16-2d towards new school desks and the following year the Great Eastern Railway Co donated £10 to school expenses.</p>  <p>Annual Primrose League (an organisation for spreading Conservative principles in Britain, founded in 1883) fete at Ellingham Hall. H Rider Haggard enjoyed the wonderful variety of entertainments, but not the speeches.</p>	<p>Cornelius Bradnum died aged 70 at Great Yarmouth.</p> <p>William Rees (alias Paulet) was arrested for forgery of bills and attempting to defraud the London Joint Stock Bank of £669 and bigamy (to Nellie Thomson, 20, of Kensington.). He was sentenced to 8 years penal servitude and in 1901 was in Dartmoor Gaol, where he had claimed he was an ostrich feather merchant.</p> <p>Canon Johnstone Hamilton Acheson, rector aged 62 (Honary Canon of Chester).</p> <p>Mrs England and Miss Strickland both gave three months notice from the school, remarking in the log how all the village had been most kind to her and her family "with the exception of one person." Mona Blanche Murray became schoolmistress (previously at Little Fransham where she became a Certified teacher) assisted by Mrs Alice Holland (former servant from the Rectory, and recently married to Charles).</p>
1899	<p>Church roof repaired. A new pulpit reading desk and seats of best English oak, a chancel screen. A black and white marble chancel floor.</p> <p>Ellingham Hall commemorated the Boer War Battle of Spion Kop ("Lookout Hill") in which Col Martin Smith's grandfather fought in the East Surrey Regiment, by the planting of a wood on the Ellingham Estate at top of Wardley Hill. He was one of the few survivors of the engagement and received the DSO.</p>	<p>Mrs Holland's husband died.</p> <p>Laurence Baldry (born 1888 in Ellingham) deaf, dumb and disruptive at school. He was moved to the Quay School, Great Yarmouth, became a carpenter, married.</p>

