

Queen Victoria Golden Jubilee Celebrations 1887

At Seend Divine service was held, a jubilee tree planted, and dinner and tea provided for the villagers, with rustic sports afterwards.

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The Jubilee Oak.

In consequence of this tree having died, it was the unanimous wish of the Jubilee Committee that another one should be publicly planted by Mr E C Schomberg; therefore on Monday afternoon he planted a fine tree, supplied for the purpose by Mr Mould of the Nursery, Devizes. Mr Schomberg in a few introductory remarks referred to the great success of the Jubilee rejoicings in Seend, the only regrettable circumstance being that the oak planted by Mrs Cochrane (who had now left the parish, and whose loss they all felt to be almost irreparable,) had succumbed to the dryness of the summer, and hoped that this tree he was about to plant would resemble the "Brooke" in Lord Tennyson's well known lines,

"Men may come, and men may go,

But I go on for ever."

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