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Visits to Churches

District 31

18 Feby 1900.

S. Olaves - S. Saviour - Borough Market L.C.M.
R.C. Church of the Most Precious Blood
Welsh Congregationalist - All Hallows
Farm House Mission - S. Michaels
South London Mission Scovell S.
Baptist Borough Rd - S. Alphege
Christchurch (Mr Meyer) - S. Thomas
S. Pauls - R.C. Cathedral
Baptist Upton Chapel - S. Judes
Bath St. Peculiar People. East St. Mission
Presbyterian Borough Rd

Visit, to Churches in South London 18 Feb 1900

In the morning I looked in to S. Olaves at 10.30 An old fashioned stately Georgian building with great fluted columns carrying roof & galleries. high pews even in the galleries - very high down below. & some of them square, double bedded style - The centre aisle is wide and filled with benches leaving only a small passage on either side - Every preparation for crowded attendance - Do they get it? The gas was burning brightly - to warm the air before service. no one had come.

S. Saviours is quite a cathedral. There was morning prayer in the Lady Chapel which lies between the East end of the church & the street. One goes down to the level of the church from the street & one walks all along the side of this great church - entering at the far West end - The feeling is quite that of a cathedral - sight seers wandering about & provision for their interest in the way of labels - "Norman recess" "norman doorway". &c & attention is called to prospected windows - the design being placed below the window to be filled - to attract gifts.

In the "Ladye" Chapel there was a congregation of School children & a few adults.

I note there is Choral Evensong every day at 5.

Behind the Borough Market there is a a small LC mission room - nothing on in the morning - & I may say here that I did not get back over this part of the ground in the evening this day.
In Worcester St. below Southark Street is the RC Church of the Most Precious Blood. A very bare undecorated building - rough walls inside, colour washed, with, below, a red paint dado - just for utility & cleanliness - the only ornaments are a series of stations of the Cross in high relief, coloured figures - very small groups. Early mass was on - those present were the school children & perhaps 100 adults quite poor people - fairly filling the seats, & as so often with RC Churches there were more people hanging about the door & in the street - probably would go to the next service. It is noticeable that in the lowest slums round about almost every other house exposes in its window a bill announcing an 8 day mission about to be held here by the Redemptionist fathers

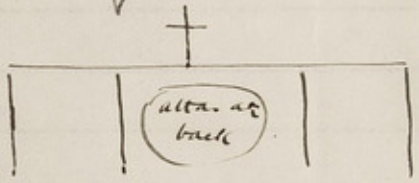
In Southwark Br Rd there is the Welsh Congregational Chapel. I did not enter – there were some people going in a little before eleven.

All Hallows Closely is very remarkable. It is a very large red brick church of the "no show outside" pattern. & one walks all round before finding the door – ~~[illegible]~~. It was quite empty & looked exactly like an R.C. place of worship – even down to the figure of a minor kind of priest or lay brother, in cassock & biretta, reading ~~[illegible]~~ a brieviary, with red & black type, in a corner – and as the children began to come in, shepherded by women garbed like nuns, the likeness only grew stronger – In one corner is a great Calvary – a cross bearing the Christ set upon rocks with a place in front for kneeling & prayer – a lot of sacred pictures one of them a veritable "Icon". looking, so

far as that went, like the Greek Ch. – But practically every detail is copied from Rome. – It is a big bare stately Church – in the centre of the choir a man was pulling at the bell. I went soon after it stopped – a good many people were coming in but chiefly children. The Service is called a "Solemn Mass with Sermon" 11.15.

Farm house Mission. I did not visit – I saw it on Saty

St Michaels to which I came next is a funny little church of the cheapest order of architecture & decoration – has a sort of home made look, but attempts everything – even a rood screen, though the rood is but a thin wooden cross & the screen a slight framework which carries it without pretense of decoration



In the morning there were 30/40 children & 10/15 adults & a fair choir. – In the Evening the place was fairly filled – 200 I daresay – & no seat being available at the

I found myself involved - having been ushered into a forward pew & past other worshippers - in a position from which escape was impossible. but I was really rewarded by hearing Mr Longsdon preach. The whole thing very real - Congregation clergy - preacher - & all he said - Simple & to the point - & not preaching down at all - It was always "we" when he spoke of temptation & sin - The morning lesson had told of Adams fall & he read it again in the evening because "so far of his proper cowed come in the morning" - that is cowed get out of bed soon enough - he added - His text was God's question to Adam "Where art thou?" - & he asks it of all of us - we are all Adams & Eves. & should not blame Adam for it - we have some knowledge & we want other things, & we all disobey & all fall - Sunday scholars & all. The Bible story might be taken as of a particular man or as of human nature - it was all the same

a simple straightforward telling sort of Sermon – but the man too evidently out of pattern with his surroundings. Before the Sermon he gave out that there would be no service on Friday – "hardly necessary to say so, as no body comes" – thought that those who had relations at the war would have liked the service which has been specially turned in that direction. In effect Mr L shrugged his shoulders over this – We sang 2 of the soldier hymns & at the end stood up to a voluntary of "God save the Queen" on the organ – It struck me as a very genuine little congregation of all classes, due to Longsdons influence.

South London Mission Scovell Rd is a room in a big block of dwellings – there was Sunday School in the morning & a little mission gathering at night – half children

Baptist Borough Rd In the morning a children service at which there were a good many adults – very nice tone. the children responded when called on – to repeat the points of the discourse

It is an upper Chamber over the School & the light streamed in from the South windows by dazzlingly behind the Pulpit. I did not go in at night. being frightened by the watchful man outside Common to Baptist places of worship. I should think there was a real congregation.

~~St Alphege~~

St. Alphege is a real high Church effort in richness of effect, with incense & a great Christ on the Cross suspended in mid air. a really beautiful effect The sexes were divided - it was mainly the School children in the Nave but there were some adults & the Church was fairly filled. In the evening the Morning service was abandoned. There was to be a Procession, I heard, at 7.15 & I returned for that - & saw it start out in drizzling rain - a small body of Choir & Clergy all in their white surplices getting very wet - escorted by men bearing lanterns

of a mediaeval type hanging from short poles – The procession gathered in the little street & made a false start with a hymn & stopped & started again & I saw them wend their way watched by 8 or 10 of the populace – Within the Church there was a small weather-bound congregation who, awaiting the return of the procession, were encouraged to occupy the time by singing a hymn. If it had been fine all would have been in the street no doubt.

Thence I returned to Christchurch Westminster Br. Road for the Mission Service & entering found a fairly full Church listening to the man who undertook the Every night mission – who with quiet unimpassioned voice appealed to those whose hearts were touched to Confess Jesus – It was a striking scene. The man in the pulpit raising his hand but hardly raising his voice & pausing

to listen for the low replies "I trust in Jesus" which came here & there from each one standing up in his or her place to say the words - or perhaps only standing up saying nothing - but catching the preacher's eye. Who thanked God, & by & by invited those who had made confession, & any others who desired to inquire further, to meet him in one of the galleries. Then came a hymn during which the movement took place - all others being requested to remain in their places till the hymn over they received the benediction. That there might be no confusion.

Nothing could be quieter - more orderly. There was not the slightest trace of hysteria - a very simple expression of faith. Yet it was catching - the impulse to say "I trust Jesus" was strong.

I had also called in at Mr Meyers Church (Christchurch) in the morning just as the Service was closing. It is a very remarkable architectural effort. More or less octagonal with roof lifted high on slender columns & with galleries opening deeply back in the spaces between. One space filled with a great organ. The pulpit a very ornate structure in fine marble. The seats are ranged every way so as to face the pulpit & the church was full. It looks best by day. but does not look ill by night. In the Evening the Congregation was streaming in.

I also looked in at S'Thomas both morning & Evening. A queer ugly church ~~[illegible]~~ with an Evangelical Service. Evening Communion. In the Evening 30/40 lower mid Class people.

At S'Pauls in the morning I saw through glass doors a quite small Congreg but the Church is pretty & in the Evening there was a good Congreg. Mostly young. working or lowest middle class. painstaking anthem.

The Roman Catholic Cathedral (called S-Georges) is an extraordinarily long building - a very light structure - light columns carrying a light roof. It looks cheap for the numbers accommodated. In the morning mass was nearly over & the seats were fairly filled with kneeling people - mixed in class up to a certain point, but mainly good middle class. It looked less real & less devout than usual with R.C. In the evening there was a very scattered congregation - rather a chilly effect - there was a chanting service going on & the dark figures of the priests far away by the altar had a strange heathen look.

The Baptist (Upton Chapel) had an excellent congregation both morning & evening looks like a very genuine religious gathering. The preaching in the morning was smooth - a smooth preaching of the gospel - It is a nice Tabernacle

St. Jude's is a Grand new Brick & Stone building with the Smartest possible Brick & White Stone interior - of most peculiar design - not like a church at all - In the Morning the Clergyman intoned a Prayer fully & there were about 75 adults & 5 children present - In the Evening there was a fair Congregation of Lower Middle Class - Perhaps 150 - & a well given Service - I got away with difficulty the door was noisy & was hushed & rebuked for my inconsiderate conduct

In Bath St. the Peculiar people have a little Chapel - I did not go in - but in the Evening Could hear the quiet voice of the Minister - little place & little comfort

In Park St. there is a Church of England Mission Connected I think with St. George the Martyr - Nothing going on in the Morning - In the Evening a poor small Mission Company -

S. Georges (Presbyterian) Borough Road.
Here a very reverend old gentleman in black gown with white lapits was preaching morning & evening to a mere handful yet the boards placarded Peoples Services & mentioned the subjects - & at 8.15 there was to be a lantern service - & passing by at that time I was accosted & specially invited in. A considerable stir & nothing coming of it -

I attempted rather too many churches & did not get to the Mes near London bridge in the evening - so must go again.

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Visits to Churches

District 31

25 Feby 1900

Cottage Place School & Mission - St John
Rounsefell's Chapel (Bible Christians)
Wesleyan Branch Mission New Cut - Salv. Army -
St Andrews - Stanford St Unitarian
Christchurch - St Peters - S/A Union St
Grove Mission - Youngs. Working Mens' Mission
St Olave - St Saviour
R.C. Church of the Most Precious Blood
All Hallows

Walk. Sunday 25 Feby 1900 16

Begining across Hungerford foot bridge & along Belvedere Road under Waterloo Bridge Rd into the poor district round about Doon St. which looks fully as deplorable as when studied 10 years ago. The school room in Cage (late Cottage) Place advertises in the house windows by lill an evening service. There was a little gathering of school children outside the still locked doors at 10.30.

S. John (Bainbridge-Bell). Matins were proceeding with a congregation of 10 - full choir & body of Clergy. The Choral Communion service is at 11.15.

Outside were signs of weddings having taken place - On the gate post is an almost obliterate notice as to the Church being open for private prayer reading or meditation every day at such & such hours.

I was not able to return for either morning or evening service. It is a large church of the classical kind.

Mr Rounsefells Chapel (Bible Christian Ch) was preparing for morning service. I was welcomed in the porch with "a hearty shake of the hand".

but could not stay - The place was held by a few young men - Congregation yet to come - A great function is advertised for next Sunday when the "Childrens day" is to be celebrated by a special service at the Vic - 2500 free seats.

Wesleyan Branch Mission new cut is closed & the place to let - not far off is a minute Salo Army place which I did not enter - one or two voices in the cheerful exercise of religion could be heard from outside -

S. Andrews is a rather nice modern Gothic church - There was a respectable middle class congrey of 30/40 for morning service - I did not see it in the evening.

In Stamford St the large Unitarian Chapel & Mission Centre seemed to be occupied by a small congregation - & gave the impression of being a mere annexe of Committee work - the Committee room forms a sort of ante-room to the Church

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In Stamford St further East is the Wesleyan Church - Here were the School Children & 1/2 dozen others. It is a very Comfortable looking place - very small but showing care & some expense in decoration - Capitals of pillars are gilt.

Christchurch is a large stately Temple of a church - with high columns & wide side aisles - At the Altar stood a tall, robed priest There were about 70 well dressed people present - mostly female - a pretentious place - In the Evening I looked in & there was a fair congreg of well dressed people

St Peters in the Morning held a Cheerful little gathering of young people - looking like Older School children - or Club girls & boys - In the Evening a very genuine congregation of "the people" - 2/300 - I like the look of this Church & its People. There is here a light wooden screen -

In Anion St. I passed a quite minute S/A place. I could hear 3 or 4 voices in the singing.
There is a very large building called Mrs Vaughans Charity. I forget what manner of charity this is.

I come now to the two missions which filled up most of my Every. The Grove mission which has a morning service I believe. but I passed by. In the Every the large upper room was well filled & with a poor class if not quite the poorest.

The speaker on the platform was giving out the notices including many requests for the prayers of the Congregation in sickness & trouble. Some anonymous some by name. I slipped away after the collection but was pursued by the missionary to be shaken by the hand & to hear the methods & successes.

He attributed success largely to the voluntary character of the work. There was a collection taken up & the amount collected last sunday was given out.

At Youngs working mens mission I spent the rest of the evening. When I reached the mission building I saw & heard approaching a religious procession all marching along. Minister first & then the music followed by the women & children & a few men. 35 or so in all.

Halting at the chapel door they doused their flaring lights & entered the mission - inviting strangers in - but I think I was the only one. There were others already inside the large square room which with about 60 people might be 1/4th filled. On the platform there were 4 men - one of whom played a harmonium

& the other 2 assisted & supported the Chairman, who was I believe the original Mr Young. He conducted the meeting but his son (who played the harmonium) preached. It seemed that Mr Young himself had thought he should be needed at the Decima St Centre but an Evangelist had been arranged for there & so he, having no other engagement came here. & he it was who had led the little procession a stout built fat faced butcher of a looking man. altogether illiterate. hardly an "H" in his language & a painfully rancorous voice. He told us how pleased he shd be to listen to his son & hoped the words might be blessed. He told us also that 3 of his children had taken to the work giving themselves to Christs work. but I suppose there were others who had not done so. It is however a family affair of brothers & children. We even

asked to pray for his wife who is ill & suffering very much -

The man struck me as quite honest but very heavy mentally as well as physically & very full of himself.

The Sec's address was a very painstaking effort - he spoke from very full notes. if indeed the whole was not written out - & I think the inspiration came from some sermon he had heard. It was on Pilate's word "Behold the man" - he described first Pilate & his position towards then the People he addressed & the aims of those who led them - & finally turned to the Man who stood there It was evidently the scheme of a great oratorical effort - without the orator.

The young man was honest - he began by saying that he had studied the Bible all week & been unable to

had an inspiration but when he sat here this had come to him. but he added that he had spoken on this subject before - & the truth was evident that he had it by him & he used it failing any other inspiration -

His father was not quite satisfied I think with the lack of the Evangelistic ring & so when the young man had done he gave us an extra quarter of an hour on the necessity for seeking Salvation - How &c &c It is difficult to understand what they think is gained by it with such an audience of habitués. It was certainly not addressed particularly to me.

The Service ended by a solo from the young man who preached - but by this time it was 9 o'clock & I slipped out.

In the morning I went on from S. Peters to S. Olave where towards the close of the service there were just half a dozen people & the Charity school children seated in the aisle. a very melancholy sight – & I finished with S Saviours It was at 12.20 & the Communion Sco^n was just ending: there were about 200 people of good middle class and of these about 20 communicated. The music is good & the Church looked very well

In the Evening I began at London Bridge but was too early for the Cathedral – I went on to the RC Church of the Most Precious Blood & found there a small but very real congreg there were more coming in & the numbers would be fully 100 finally I daresay. The Service was in English & involved regular responses which were well joined in. I am much struck with this bare Church – it is in its way quite perfect in taste & very peculiar. The stations in high relief most effective & the altar

under a curious architectural canopy four columns below & a sort of Venetian temple above

Something like that –

I also visited All Hallows – which is scarcely less remarkable – & much larger a really grand proportioned church – Also of the bare style – Here I waited till the Service was about to begin at 7 o'clock when there was quite a fair Gathering of poor people & children – There is a little cage near the

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& the usage is for those who come to take from it their books & to return them to the shelves on going out. There was a nun like sister - but the young people were not in charge of any one They seemed to belong to the Church. The whole style comes very near to the DC ways of going on - a sort of loving familiarity with the Church. making of it a religious home

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Visits to Churches

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Districts 31 & 34

11 March 1900

Congregational - (Red Shaw) York Rd
Upton Baptist Mission York St - & Hall on Oakley St
All Saints - Trinity Ch. St Mary (Lambeth)
Wesleyan Mission (Lambeth Rd.) Presbyterian Ch. Kennington Rd
St Philips - Emmanuel. Baptists - Ethelreda St.
St Mary the Less - Wesleyan Topag Miss..
Goodman Mission Lambeth Walk

Walk on Sunday 11 March 1900 in Lambeth

In the morning I began at Westminster Bridge looking in at Mr Redshaws Congregational Chapel York Rd. A very neat begalleried place of good size with a well kept appearance but there was promise of a very small gathering - 5 persons occupying the pews at a few minutes to Eleven o'clock. When I passed at night all was shut.
The mission in York Street belongs to the Upton Baptists & the Service advertised for 8 p.m was no doubt going on in the Evening but I did not enter. It is a little place with which access is obtained through an opening between the houses. The same people have another hall in Oakley St. - mainly Sunday School
All Saints a church doomed to come down for Railway Extensions "never will be missed" I should think.
The front door in Lambeth Lower Marsh is not used; the entrance is at the West end, through a dark side door out of York Street. It is a large & ornate Church & in the morning there were 3 adults & 12 children present & the Service was conducted by a young curate & young choir. In the Evening the Service was over & as I looked in a pleasant faced priest in Cassock was talking to a remnant of School Children. A mission Service at "8.30 for 9" was advertised. & I adress "for 9" might have two meanings when the time came

Trinity Church is entered very awkwardly from the East End. One slips past the chair & altar to find a seat at once in front of the congregation. It is a very ugly church. In the morning there were the School children & 100 or so of others. Mostly young women - but it made a comfortable show - I did not venture in at night.

In Lambeth Road I went to St Mary but did not go in fearing that I should be held fast. It seems a beautiful church & has a peal of bells which I heard in the tower.

The Wesleyan Mission held a congregation of better sort of working people - 300 perhaps - very genuine gathering but in the morning the preacher was stupid - an affected Yorkish man - he spoke on "Gifts into the treasury" - mainly to thank for the amount raised by a special appeal last week - £300 I think he said - but laying stress on it's not being the amount but the spirit ~~with~~ in which it was given & the proportion to means that mattered (the widows mite for instance)

In the evening The Rev W Bissell preached an advertised sermon on Pessimism - He was a terrible red faced fat bulgarian whose eloquence was of the intimate sort - taking us into confidence - His Scripture subject was David & Goliath with its lessons of hopefulness

& confidence. The Church which will hold a good many was fairly filled of the usual class - rather lower middle class perhaps than ordinary. All through my Lambeth experiences show a lower class at church than I have seen elsewhere. There was nothing at this mission to compare to the enthusiasm in the Central & northern Wesleyan missions.

The Presbyterians in Kennington Rd seem to be a very small body. It is a gloomy little place & in the morning was quite empty - 10 or 12 people. In the evening 30/40 perhaps.

S. Philips was occupied in the morning by about 100 well dressed people - the best dressing I saw any where. It is a large bare gothic church. I heard in the morning part of a sermon on the symbolism of baptism. In the evening the Church looked very well & there was a congreg of 150/200 including some children. quite lower mid class. I heard a painstaking sermon on Gethsemane & prayer. The preacher was giving them his best & I think he was listened to. Efforts seem to be made here to enliven the people. On the church door were advertisements of a concert including comic songs & a farce by a dramatic club to come off in the Boys sch room tickets 6d.

Emmanuel is a nice small church. I missed it in the morning seeing only the schools & institute. They have a

means: service at 3.30 in the afternoon & when I went in the evening I found 150/200 lower mid class nearly all women (with some children) - a young man was preaching in very halting fashion on the text "My son give me thy heart".

The Baptists of Ethelred St (late Regent St) seem a hearty little body. In the evening I thought there were 150/200 - in the morning not quite so many. Genuine simple lower middle & working class. An elder standing up in his place was giving out notices while the preacher in the pulpit was preparing his sermon - a collection was taken up & then I left.

St Mary the less had in the morning a small but very earnest working class congregation - there were about 50 of whom I think 13 stayed for the Communion. I heard the end of the sermon - by a young curate on resisting the devil. It is a large spready church - ugly light architecture & very bad for hearing in. In the evening the congreg was more numerous (about 200) of the same kind very interesting as being genuine working class & earnestly religious in tone - mostly young people showing I thought strong religious feelings - The bare wide ugly church is much against them.

Wesleyan Topaz St Mission seems to be a sunday school only on Sunday - no religious meeting but a good deal going on in the week.

Mr Goodmans Mission in Lambeth Walk was brightly lighted up at 6.30. the Shop windows & the door way plastered with Coloured placards bearing texts on Salvation & bills announcing the 25th anniversary of Mr Goodmans coming here The Service was to beat 7 oclock - but I heard a brass band down the street & thus moved to be Mr Goodmans Company - some 12 performers carrying a flare lamp unshaded on crossed bamboos & borne aloft by two men to light all the rest.

They ceased to play & marched to tap of drum till they halted in the main street at the corner - Then they turned up again & after that Mr Goodman addressed the gathering crowd - a lot of children & some women & finally a few men also. He filled up the time till 7 saying no doubt what he had said a thousand times before. A fine big man - strong & bearded. He spoke on Salvation - & drink - & betting - & not dragging others down & appealing to them rather to "join us" in dragging people up. He wandered on but there was life to it - He ended with the usual appeal to come inside - but no one did. except these new ones.

I was handed the leaflet herewith on observation of the Sunday & it reminds me that on the Lambeth Public baths being the hill of the Sunday league & in the lobby as I passed a Concert was going on. So I laid my Shilling & walked to the front The place, which is large, was full, though not crammed, of a regular popular middle Class audience listening while I was there to a lady who sang nicely - this was to be followed by a trio & there were preparations for a magic lantern & hand bell ringing &.

The people were very orderly & enjoying themselves quietly - & so far as that goes there is perhaps no more hope than a religious service.

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240th Thousand.

"LAMBETH WALK MISSION." &c.
WILL YOU COME
TO A BRIGHT
GOSPEL
Held every Sunday Evening
AT SEVEN O'CLOCK
GEO. GOODMAN, MISSIONARY

ONE DAY'S REST IN SEVEN.

IN England, the people rest one day in seven. When the labourer wakes on Sunday morning, he does so to enjoy a whole day's rest from his hard toils.

It is not so in France and many other European Countries. There every trade is carried on during Sundays as on week-days. There the people have no set day of rest. Life is one continued round of toil, broken only by an occasional day or half-day's holiday.

Think, ye sons of toil, how large a portion of your life is made up of your Sundays—

1 Day in every 7 Days is
1 Week in ,, 7 Weeks
1 Month in ,, 7 Months
1 Year in ,, 7 Years
7 Years in ,, 49 Years.

So that the English Working Man who has **toiled 49 years has** enjoyed 7 years of Sabbath rest. Suppose he had been compelled to work seven days a week during those 49 years, what a weary life his would have been! His frame would be worn out long before its time, and his existence would be shortened by some years.

Suppose the employers of labour were to combine, and demand that their men should work on Sundays and week-days alike—work seven days a week (as they do in France) for the wages of six days—such a combination would be one of the most cruel that could be suggested. The promoters of such a scheme would be justly called tyrants, trying to trample on the rights of Working Men.

Now, we beg to inform the Working Classes that organized efforts are being made, which, if successful, will deprive many thousands of persons of Sunday rest, and prove a deadly blow to the liberties and happiness of the toiling millions of Great Britain.

There are certain men who want to open the Museums, the Crystal Palace, and all similar places throughout the country on Sundays. These places cannot be opened on Sundays without depriving the attendants of their day of rest; and if some places of amusement are opened on Sundays, all similar places will in self-defence open on that day; and the opening of such places of amusement on the Lord's Day will necessitate the opening of numerous shops, will increase Sunday labour on our Railways, Steamboats, Cabs, Omnibuses, &c., *and the sacred character of the Sabbath being thus destroyed, the employers of labour in warehouses and factories, stimulated by competition, would soon require their men to work on Sundays, till gradually the day of rest would become a day of toil.*

Mr. Thomas Hughes, late M.P. for Lambeth, when addressing his constituents, said: "He would not vote for opening the British

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Visits to Churches

District 34

18 March 1900

Wesleyan Mission Vauxhall Walk - Caine Hall
S. Anselm (Mission Ch) / Moffat Institute
Baptist Upper Kennington Lane. S. Peters
R.C. S. Anne's Mission Ch. S. Mark
Congregational Christ Claylands Rd - Dolney Hall S/A
Wheatsheaf Hall (Caine). S. Anne
United Methodist Free Church

Walk - South Lambeth. 18 March 1900. CA
(Sunday)

It was a morning walk only - the weather sunny though cold - In the evening rain & sleet set in & I did not go out.

Crossing Vauxhall bridge opposite the Tate Gallery I visited first the Wesleyan mission in Vauxhall Walk at corner of Ionathon St. It lies back from the road & there were some young men at the entrance - but I think no service till evening when the bill said there would be a bright service at 6.30. There seem to be good buildings & work going on.

Caine Hall in Vauxhall St to which I came next seemed absolutely dead - I tried going up the stairs to the room above where I supposed the advertised service would be going on - but either nothing was going on or I did not find the right door - I saw no one & heard no sound - "Service for young people 10.45" was on the notice - & at 7 pm for adults - It is a poky sort of place

St Anselm Up Kennington Lane is a mission ch of S Mary the less Sunday school was going on - quiet & orderly. This precedes a regular service at 11.30 - with Holy communion one Sunday in the month - Evening service 7.

Moffat Institute Esher St advertised services at 11 & 7 to be conducted by Mr James Mogg - The Hall is a good size & was unoccupied - beyond it lies a committee room (the vestry in fact) & here the service was being held "2 or 3 gathered together" it looked like, abandoning the larger room.

Baptist Church Upper Kennington Lane. Looked quite dead. Windows through which stoves had been thrust. There was a notice that the Services morning & evening would be in the Lecture Hall at the back. So perhaps the Chapel is to be repaired. But at the back I could neither see nor hear any sign of the 11 o'clock service. It was then 11.30

St Peters. Very high ritual. Vestments & altar lights men on one side. women on the other. a beautiful Gothic Church. I think there were about 40 men to 80 women & a full Choir. Middle & possibly lower middle class people

RC St Anne's Mission Ch Harleyford Road is run in connection with large schools & in an upper Chamber. the whole top floor, an oddly shaped room with a good deal of space. there were a large number of children in front & at the back the seats were filled with adults, some men but mostly women. All quite poor. I could not properly see the children but but could judge there were many by the volume of sound from their voices in the responses. It was the end of the Service when there is a litany in English. the Priest & congreg in turn. all kneeling The place is of the simplest character. as I stood up I could see what seemed a table covered with a white cloth. It looked just like the preparation for the

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Lords Supper in Non Conformist places. but whether it was the altar I cared not make out. The tone was extraordinary reliqious for such a building & such primitive arrangements. The total numbers present were quite large.

S. Mark Kennington Park is one of the big portico'd Churches. very ugly inside. but with a pleasant homeliness. Georgian flat roofed Church with low pitched galleries, well filled with a good parochial congregation, mostly lower middle class & a number of big school boys in a uniform dress. Struck me as a genuine affair

Congregationalist Claylands Pl. Rev. H. Hewlett a gay man of American style, who was going out a string of notices before his Sermon. He did it all in the very familiar style of appeal. New Schools were to be opened - there was to be a last meeting in the old building which they were to clear out. & a new spirit was to be thrown into the work at the new place - & they were to entertain the London Missionary Soc one day & were to make that a success.

It was a fast moving Congregation. not full. of lower middle class chiefly - I slipped out before he began his Sermon. He did not attract me at all. At 6.30 he was preaching (a series of Sermons) on the life of Christ & an after meeting for Prayer, Praise & testimony would be held

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Bolney Hall out of Dorset Road is one of the very tiny Salv. Army places. Service was going on. Stalwart singing of a few voices. I did not enter.

Wheatsheaf Hall is as charming as Caine Hall is the reverse. & the Sunday School Anniversary is always a charming service. I think they are giving two Sundays to it. at any rate this was one. The Hall is the perfection of a Mission Hall. red brick & brown wood. ample floor space & gothic roof. It was filled with the brightly dressed children & a fair number of parents & other adults & a special preacher occupied the pulpit & preached to the children. The wall behind the pulpit & choir is filled with a large bright fresco picture of an Eastern cornfield with wheat sheaves &c. I do not know if it was meant to represent Christ & his disciples. but if it was the Conventional was abandoned for the realistic.

St Anne. High ritual. a moderate sized church with about 50 adults & as many children. 1 man with the girls. all very reverent. A business like building. People of all classes from poor to rich

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United Methodist Free Church. I saw the Congregation out. Very old working class entirely. A very nice congregation lingering lovingly about. I went inside & saw them greeting each other there. This must be a very real religious body.

I did not find any chapel at the north end of Wandsworth Rd where marked on the map near the railway.

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Visits to Churches

25 March 1900

District 32

Haddon Hall Baptist Mission - Lansdown Pl. Ragged Sch & M
Kent St Sunday School - St Stephen.
St George the Martyr - Colliers Rents Mission
Charter House Mission - St Pauls
Wesleyan S. London Mission - Long Lane.
RC Church of St Joseph - Melior St Mission - Arthurs Mission
St John - & its Mission Church
St Mary Magdalene Bermondsey -
Young's Mission Decima St

Walk on Sunday 25 March 1900 – Bermondsey – CB

I made my way along the New Kent Road from the Elephant to Bermondsey New Road & confirmed the impression gained 10 years ago that this is the most destitute bit of London – nowhere else does one see such a combination of low life and pinched faces & poverty stricken trading as in the Bermondsey New Rd on Sunday morning – and the glance I had at the strip of London between Tabard St & the parish boundary only strengthened my conviction that here we touch bottom in London –

In Bermondsey New Rd close to the boundary, lies the Greenwalk, Haddon Hall Mission – a considerable affair. The schools at the back are rebuilding & held meanwhile in the Board School. There are services at 11.30. & 6.45 – I was too early in the morning – the caretaker was sweeping out, but in the evening, though it was 5 minutes before the time the hall was rapidly filling with adults – male & female – promising quite a good congregation of poor folk. There seemed to be a genuine life about the place. [I gather that it is affiliated to the Beckenham Sq. Chapel] – no – to Tabernacle Passing up the strip towards St George's I came to the Lansdown Pl. Ragged School & Mission

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& next to it, & I think belonging to it the Dudfield Memorial Hall - foundation laid by Lord Compton - no sign of life. but a notice that there would be an adult service at 8.30.

I passed also the "Kent St. S. School" a terribly abandoned & desolate looking place - all in disorder & no sign of life. adult service notified for 8 p.m.

Then I came to St. Stephen which is a quaintly beautiful church built in the shape of a Greek cross with a big chandelier hanging in the middle. altar &c in one arm. galleries in those to right & left - & perhaps also opposite the altar - The altar was very simple. There were only a handful of children in the church for morning service. I did not get this way at night.

Going on I came to the Arcadia Mission Hall near Globe St (Warren Pl.) a wretched little affair. Service 7 p.m. All these missions look hopeless.

At St. George the Martyr there was a very respectable morning congregation well filled up with children in body & galleries - a very nice tone. Service was over when I passed at night. It is of the ugly & comfortable style of last century architecture

Colliers Rents Mission there was Sunday School on - but no notices of any kind - suggests "give it up"

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There seems to be another mission near here but I did not find it. I however came upon the Charterhouse mission building which is quite remarkable. Entering one descends a number of steps to the basement floor level & finds oneself in a striking & lofty church over which none the less are the Club rooms. It is divided into nave & aisles by brick columns & lofty arches & there is an apse end behind the altar similarly arranged but with gothic windows & painted glass. I have not succeeded in giving the idea correctly. The effect is really very good indeed.

The church is wide & seated with wooden chairs & besides its architectural beauty is decorated with a crucifix (small) & figures of saints & pictures hanging round - Arundels &c. all in good taste. The altar is elaborate with candles & embroidery & the service high. In the morning there were school children & young men & young women. all behaving well - Priest in his robes at altar - acolytes - choiristers &c. In the evening it was my last call. I arrived while the sermon was on - Preached by a stranger who when he had done his part rushed off to catch his train - while the congregation sang a hymn & collection was made.

& we then sang another hymn for the Procession, which wound slowly round the Church in true R.C. style. No one could have told it was not so. With Priest in splendid robes all complete. The Sermon was quite an effort & attention listened to though the interest was not quite sufficient to stop coughing. It was doctrinal & somewhat dry. On the power of the will of man to defeat Gods purpose, leading up to the scheme of Salvation & to a recognition of the part played by the Virgin Mary in it & Her consequent adoration of her. She was taken as Example of Complete Sub. mission to the will of God. & he said as Christ was the New Adam so she was the New Eve. The hymn we sang was a hymn to B.V. Mary the Mother of God. I think the People liked it. There was a very good gathering of working class & poor People. The Missioner (Mr Vyvyan I suppose) slipped out of his robes & came to bid us all good night as we left

S. Pauls is very dull & dirty. a great contrast to Charterhouse Mission (which is S. Hugh's) but I suppose as up & repairs are being undertaken which are doubtless needed & may extend to brightening the interior. The Gym

showed signs of weddings - masses of confetti as the little paper discs are called - & one coned trace them to the neighbouring house in Snowfields whence the party had doubtless come - In the Church were School children & a few adults - the effect was earnest and melancholy - In the Evening I heard painstaking preaching to a very small Congregation - Up hill work I think.

Before turning up to the Charter house mission I visited the Wesleyan Mission - Long Lane - Here there was a typical Wesleyan Congregation - not the poor - It is a good sized building & was very fairly filled - a large mixed choir in gallery behind the minister who standing up while we sang a hymn, led it in the way they do - a youngish man full of his position - The singing was full but awfully slow in time - I did not get here in the Evening - I see a large Hall is being built for the Wesleyan So London Mission to be a centre of the work a star corner.

Passing from St Pauls into Snowfields & crossing Weston St into Melior St I entered the RC church of

25 March (6)

St Joseph which was quite full, School children & adults every seat & a crowd standing at the back. It was at that period of the mass when the principal priest being busied at the altar the congregation keeps singing in a quiet way all kneeling with a very devotional effect. But meanwhile another big priest took the opportunity to walk the centre aisle with a book looking right & left & ticking off those who were there or not there I suppose. The people were working class down to the poorest. In the Evening a quite young priest was reading the lessons to a fair but much smaller congregation, all adults & there were not so many poor. I was struck with the fact that the portion of the Gospel read was the same as in the Church of England for the day – the miracle of the 5000. –

Melior St mission had notice of a 7 p.m. service & in the morning I heard a few rather strident voices singing a hymn. There was no life about the Evening Service. few were there, I think, & a dull service as it sounded. I did not go in

Arthurs mission has no adult service & the children come at 11. 3. & 7. I did not see by what door they came in. all looked shut.

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At S. John in the morning, there was a good congregation of children & young people - all poor & very reverently behaved. This seems to be a successful high Church. What I saw & stayed out was a regular service of the mass - well tho' not sumptuously given. After the Priest had com-municated for us all - doing every thing in the most proper way - 4 of the congregation. 2 men & 2 women passed up to receive the sacrament while the congregation sang. All was very well done - & except for the 4 who went up one could hardly tell it from the R C Celebration. The Sermon of which I heard the end was on the reverend treatment of the body of Christ &c The Church has a large Crucifix & is also decorated with pictures. In the Evening there was a gathering of adults - quite fair numbers - of lower middle to working class. Not so poor I thought as the younger people of the morning - a different section. As I passed this Mission Church in Tooley St the bell was ringing loudly & some women were going in there was to be a lantern service I think - at least the sheet was hung up - this was about 7 oclock

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In the Evening I called in at S. Mary Magdalene the Parish Church & found there a good congreg of lower middle & working class - in both body & galleries - including both sexes - There was a painstaking choir & the whole was satisfactory in its way - an ugly but comfortable Church

I failed to find the Mission in Decimus S. ⊕ (late Edwards S.) which I think the Youngs run & I saw nothing of the Congregationalists of Union Chapel who now use the Bermondsey Town Hall. On the whole Except as regards the Greenwalk Haddon Hall mission I got a very unfavourable impression of their work. - (I dont know what I meant by this as Haddon Hall is Baptist)

I noticed that the Sunday League advertised a lecture on "Family Life in Savage Countries" for a Sunday Entertainment at the Town Hall

⊕ It is a little place with "Working men's Mission" on lamp over door - a little beyond the new Wesleyan buildings

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Visits to Churches

1st April 1900

District 41.

Walworth R. Baptist – Cabarivers Mission
Surrey Tabernacle. S. John the Evangelist
~~Browning Hall~~ – Richard S. Mission (Baptist)
Strict Baptists East S. S. Mark
Sutherland Congregationalists. S. Peters
Wellington Sch Mission – RC Church & Schools – North S.
Pembroke Mission – Locksfields Mission
Lady Margaret S. Matthew – New Kent R.
Spurgeons Tabernacle

Interesting accts of Communion

Walk on Sunday 1st April 1900

By bus to Elephant & Castle. There is a place of worship marked in Steelman St which I did not find, but opposite the Walworth Rd ~~Baptist~~ Church is the Cabdrown Mission which my map marks on the other side of the road a good deal further. I looked in at this little mission in the Evening about 6.45. there were then about a dozen small children & half a dozen adults making preparations. It is the smallest kind of a mission Hall. Then must be two Catmens Missions. The one I went to (see intention) is as marked.

* This is probably the Methodist New Connexion Hall which is about 50 yards south of the Baptist & on other side of the way

Walworth Rd ~~Congregationalist~~ Baptist Church is comfortably arranged & at 10.50 for the 11 o'clock Service it seemed clear that a pretty good congregation was expected. Pews supplied with papers of some kind liberally distributed. In the Evening the people were there a quite large though not crowded congregation. Comfortable in every way - Middle class people. The pastor, a middle aged or elderly man was reading a lesson from St John & did so in a realistic way speaking the words of Christ to his apostles as he might suppose Christ had spoken them - which gave the impression & was intended I suppose to give the impression that they were ipsissima verba but in truth they were some of the most disputable portions of the Gospel according to St John

Walk (2) 1 April.

At the Surrey Tabernacle in the morning I found a congregation rapidly streaming in a little before eleven o'clock. Mr Dolbey is the Pastor & I should judge he has a very nice sort of people as his flock. I was kindly welcomed. The Tabernacle is a bright light structure - very perfect in its way. The simplicity of the Baptist Churches without an Organ or Choral Gallery - nothing but the hall & the pulpit - the congregation & its Minister - is perfectly exampled here & has its charm.

I did not go in the evening

St John the Evangelist has rather peculiar architecture very pointed gothic arches miserable light double iron columns - a lighted altar gives a high Church look but I do not suppose Mr Jephson is very high - In the evening the effect was very bright - In the morning I was before service time which is 11.15 & only 3 or 4 persons were there - In the evening though not by any means full there was a good show - lower middle & perhaps working people of which a large proportion were young women

Browning Hall has an 11 o'clock service mentioned on the board but there did not seem to be anything of the kind & a sort of caretaker whom I asked said the 'adult school' was going on & women have taken me to

Walk (3) 1 April

The adult school on the board is for 9.30 - but there may have been some change - The "People's Song at 7" took place right enough & by that there were no people. I was there a few minutes before seven & when I entered there were 3 or 4 people seated in the body of the Hall. These gradually increased till there may have been 30. The Hall is large & more suited for secular than religious purposes. There is a great platform with rows of chairs & a grand piano - & at one side was perched the table of the minister of the song service decked with flowers - At about 7 a young man in lay attire went up on the platform & seated himself by the table - while another young man shifted things about a little. I do not think any one else was expected & I slipped out convinced that the religious side of Mr Herbert Stead's work is not important -

Another mission marked on York Street I could not find & I went on to East St where is the Richmond Mission of which the foundation stone was laid by one of the Princesses (by proxy). Mr Aldrich is the Mission

& the week except for an Evangelistic Service at 8 o'clock is entirely for Children. There was a large Every Sunday School or Children Service. A quite nice Mission Hall.

Opposite is a Baptist Chapel - probably a Strict Baptist Community. It is a nice clean little place & in it were about 30 nice Middle Class people - lighter & brighter looking than Strict Baptists usually are. The Congregation followed with their Bibles as the Minister read - He was a young man & read very well. This is a small affair but good in its way. At night I only saw bright shining windows. I did not enter -

In the morning I passed along East St to St Mark's & may here note that the whole market was full of men walking about & some women & Children too. There is no look of poverty here - & what was offered for sale was almost all of the fancy or luxury order. Of flowers there was a great show & a great business done in very small bunches - 2d I think - but they may have cost 1d possibly - & in addition masses of fresh spring flowers were offered. I remember it was Eas

that 10 years ago I saw a man selling bunches of flowers - those were summer flowers in big bunches crying "now who's for this - only a "pot" - (meaning 4d) for the bunch. The buttonholes of today were more elaborate - very showy flowers indeed.

S. Mark at the corner of Walworth road is a broad beamed solid church with very narrow aisles - just passages between the row of columns & the outer walls. There were in it in the morning a scattering of children mostly well dressed, especially the girls with hair all hanging down crimped & fluffy. The Parson was reading the lesson in a very painstaking way for its own sake rather than for his audience I thought

The Sutherland Congregational Church had a very small congregation. middle class - mostly young men & women. It was a touching service - very genuine religious fervour & a very beautiful Prayer. The minister a youngish man - this was in the morning I did not pass by in the evening

Walk (6) 1 April

St Peters is a quasi Classical building - rather ugly both inside & out - in the morning there was a very small congregation mostly young women of better class I thought - but I only looked in through the glass doors.

The Wellington mission consists of a rather pretty Gothic Chapel & a large hall filling in the corner. In this Hall they seem to have after noon services for working men & I saw notices posted about - mostly in the windows of houses - announcing a lenten set on the ordinary mans sins - This Sunday morning there was nothing going on at 11 30 or so. The Chapel seemed to be left in charge of a few boys who were larking about in the door way - There is a nice altar with linen covers for things of beauty - & there are pictures hidden by linen curtains - In the Evening all these covers remained on - I suppose only to come off on grand occasions. The Evening Service was most extraordinary. It was like the Service at some brother hood only attended by some 30/40 mostly children in addition to the "brothers" & their choir.

no surplices were worn. When I came in the head brother in a sort of gown of black stuff - hardly to be called a cassock - was kneeling at the head of the centre aisle facing eastwards & lifting hands & voice in prayer - all kneeling decorously - later we sang & he faced round & stared at me - A queer shabby looking 'brother' looking just as Catholic as he could look

Thence across East 5th to an RC Establishment which is chiefly schools. But a church has been made in the basement - a very homely place which when I went in the morning was filling fast with mostly young working class people each raid a penny as he or she entered 5d change given for a 6d. In the evening there was I think a mission service - or at any rate the mission was to begin tomorrow morning & the young priest was giving out notices about it & adjuring every one to come - those who were free to the mass each day at 9 o'clock - & those

who had to go to work by then he invited to come at 7 or 8 - Every one was to come every morning & pray to for the Sermons for it was certain that one or other of these Sermons contained the words God intended to touch their hearts & unless they came to hear one Gods purpose might be frustrated He also mentioned the rewards of indulgences the value of which they would not exactly know till they died but he showed how great store the church set by them - rewarding in this way Good & punctual attendance - 10 years & (I think) 7 times 40 days in addition might be secured & he repeated it would not be till they died they would know the value of this - They were also to try to influence others bringing them to the Mission & for each effort of this kind there would be another 40 days Earned. He was very light over this & often made his hearers laugh. He told of some Mission in the north of England & of seeing an old man in the street who he knew to have

been in church who being asked why he was not in church replied he was looking after the house - but on going to the house the priest found 3 women there & they it seemed stayed at home to look after the old man. The house, the priest said, would not run away - nor the old man & if he did they could easily replace him! much laughter. But he passed from point to point & streaking of the blessings to be gained by those who came said that they should ask these from their dear Lord when he was still on the altar before "they put him back in the shrine" - When these preliminaries were over & he began his sermon the little place was quite full.

Pembroke Mission is rather hidden away. It is a basement church fully half underground very ill kept outside & not smart within. Looks as though hampered for lack of money. I suppose it was intended to build the proper church over this one but that may never be done now. I did not get there at night, but in the morning

there were only about 20 young people of lower middle class male & female - units "got hold of" I suppose. There was also a considerable body of clergy & choir. I slipped out but was pursued & asked if I was looking for any one! Consequently I did not venture in the loing & I also wanted more time for Mr Meakins Rockfields Mission which was out - coming out as I passed in the morning. Evidently a considerable number of people. In the Evening Mr Mathewman was the preacher the subject (to suit the day) was "Playing the Fool" & the text was Sauls outburst against himself as to his relations with David. The story was told racily & vigorously & hit his audience to perfection - a full audience of working class people - body & galleries all practically full though not exactly crowded but any one coming in had to have his seat found. The building is arranged on the Wesleyan plan with ~~[illegible]~~ a large orchestral galley behind the minister whose place was in the centre of the platform - not in a pulpit

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There was a string band & an effort to make the music a feature - but not very successful except when the Mathewman himself gave a solo - he sang very well. There was a stout lady who did another verse & the remaining two - first & last - the congregation did all together. It is a hearty genial sort of thing - quite successful in its way & really catering for the people's religious tastes.

The Lady Margaret Rodney Row is a stout red church in which in the morning I heard some good quiet preaching to about 40 adults & a few children contrasted to the front by roping off the back rows of seats. There was a rather full body of choir & clergy. In the evening there was a very considerable congregation of young people both sexes - many quite poor & all working class. The music was exquisite. They have an organist who plays beautifully & some one sang (I thought it was the same man but it seems hardly possible) doing the solo part very well

The congregation sang with the choir in the chorus. It was the end of the Service The priest who had stood at the Alta facing East - turned round & held up his fingers in the proper way while giving the benediction & then the clergy filed out preceded by the Cross which the Congregation - though they might be remained silently kneeling & the Organ played a voluntary. This solemn ending is one of the best parts of the High Church Service.

Hurrying along the New Kent Road I came to St Matthew not yet out in the morning. It is a light Gothic Church with iron columns of triple shafts carrying a high pitched roof & side aisles An attractive Church. It is one of those which has a light Gothic screen in wood. There was a good many Congregation - middle class people. They were just being dismissed. Before the closing a Cantata was being given "after every Service" of which I annex the Programme

Walk (13) 1 April

It was quite well done - done like a concert the conductor standing at the head of the centre aisle on some sort of a stool. The Church was not so full as the music deserved Half full perhaps - but it is a good big Church. I concluded Morning & Evening with Spurgeon's Tabernacle. In the morning I only encountered the congregation coming out & slipping past them found myself in the huge basement room which at present is used - pending the completion of the building above. It had been full or nearly so. a warm human atmosphere of clean people was what was left - In the evening I came upon the communion service (1st Sunday in the month) & it was to me a revelation. I do not now know if the plan adopted here obtains in all Baptist Churches. I entered at the very moment of the breaking of bread. What I saw was this large place in which hundreds of people were seated in dead silence - it was 3 parts full - while before us in a sort

of alcove brilliantly lighted - I suppose it must have been the platform suitably arranged - was a long table set out as one sees the last supper in old pictures no one on the near side of the table - the saviour in the centre & the apostles right & left - Mr Spurgeon occupied the central position - the others were I suppose his deacons in front between the table & a railing a rock coated men moved about deftly adjusting plates & the bread was handed about. Then Mr Spurgeon &, they all, rose & he said the accustomed words - after breaking of bread - this is my body &c - forthwith from behind where they had been seated there appeared some 20 or perhaps 30 men to whom were given silver plates containing cut up bits of bread & they moving down amongst the people gave to each member - they evidently knew the members & omitted me & others - there were indeed lots of children who were passed over

Walk (15) 1 April

Then back these men went & deposited the plates & it began again - again the deacons & the pastor were seated & again they themselves partook of the cup & the pastor rising said the usual words & again the men from behind came forward & 20 or 30 cups were given them & they came amongst the congreg as before - no more words were said. Each member took his bit of bread & eat it & passed the plate on - or drank of the cup & passed it on, like a loving cup -

Again they returned who had brought the cups & themselves partook last - & finally they came with the collection plate which too was passed to members only.

When this was done - & partly too during it - we prayed - & a hymn was sung - there is no organ - & the voices swelled up from the congregation & finally Mr Spurgeon spoke of the opening of the Tabernacle on 20 Sept & the £ 4000 needed &c & made his jokes. It was a strange medley I think the people were all middle class but they looked poorer than in the money

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Visits to Churches

5 May 1900

District 33

Rotherhithe &c

Gealing St Mission – Davis' Railway Arch Mission –
Holy Trinity R.C. – Percy Mission (Dockhead)
Baptist Church (Abbey St.) Christchurch (Bell)
Baptist + Sha Road (N. Stock)
St James – Congregationalist Jamaica Rd (Rosier)
St Crispin & Mission Hall Cherry Garden
Mission Hall Paradise St (Miss Barclay) – "The Ark" Church.
Christchurch (Barclay) – Prim Meth. (Peatfield)
Seamens Mission Paradise St
Salvation Army (Lower Rd) – Wesleyan (Liagitt & Ritson)
All Saints. St Winifreds – Maynard Rd (Congreg.) (Philips)
Free Church (Richardson)
Free Methodist – L.C.M. – St Lukes (all in Deptford)
St Barnabas – Baptist Drummond Rd – Presbyterian (Murray)
Congregational Southwark Park – St Katharine

Very interesting

Sunday 5 May 1900 67

I have spent the whole of today at Rotherhithe. Beginning at Dockhead I went up Gealey St. & entered a little missin there, which goes by the name of the street, of which I think Mr Alex Brown is Supt. The woman in charge said they did not get many children in the morning before 11 - it was then 10.15 & she was getting things in order. There is a good service in the evening. I had at first supposed that it was Mr Davis' missin but that is one way further on. The 'telescope' church being a railway arch. Here there is nothing on in the morning - the notice board gives S. Sch 3 & 6.30. Open air service 6.45. Gospel Serv. 7.30 On the board was the notice of the R.S.U. meeting at Queens Hall 7 May - Countess Brassey - Marquis of Northampton &c 7 p.m. doors open 6.30

Returning to Dockhead I went to the RC church of The Holy Trinity in Parkers Row. It was on about 10 o'clock Mass, & the church was fairly full. Children seated in the centre at the front & adults at sides & behind; but many, both adults & children, were standing at the back - waiting to take their seats - meanwhile the priest standing at the altar rail was going his address which was aimed entirely at the children who sat at his feet. I overheard him pretty well speaking as he did in the easy almost familiar style they use. He referred to the blessed Virgin Mary as chosen of God for her high office, & then naturally went

influence in heaven - all very simply - & passed on to St Joseph who had been selected as foster father & who, working for his living as a carpenter, had supported both Mary & her son - Doing his duty - & again he referred to the influence he could not but have gained. And then he turned his discourse to the practical lesson for his hearers, most of whom would have to earn their bread with their hands - honest work would be approved of God - It is a fair sized Church in the "poor" Catholic style

Percy Mission Dockhead was tight shut - an impenetrable looking door - with a few children hanging about looking as though S Sch was expected - There was a notice of a "Fraternal" Miss Annie Ryall soloist This is a very little place at best.

Baptist Church Abbey St was already open & some people about. It is a neat church though dark - the Service would be at 11 o'clock - The motto written up was "Seek the Lord Early & ye shall find him" or something like that -

Christchurch (Mr Bell) was not open Early, but I looked in at about 11 o'clock. It seemed quite hopeless - I saw the beginning of the Service in a quite empty church a foolish looking procession of clergy & choristers filing in

Baptist Shaftoad (Mr Steele) is a tiny place - the back part of a small house made into a little hall - some people were & a their eight there

There is a Temperance Hall under the railway at Spa Road, where I gather from a rather ancient & deplorable notice board that the Bermondsey Christian mission holds a Gospel meeting. Nothing was going on in the morning.

At S. James I watched at Eleven o'clock the gathering of a genuine congregation. The whole thing had a very religious tone - the entry of the Clergy in ostentation - the whole very simple & nice. though the numbers would not be great. A kind welcome was extended to me - & on the organ an agreeable voluntary was played - In the afternoon I was at the coming away of the mens own which was advertised in large white letters pasted on red stuff - the placard being on the Churchyard rails - The service was over - there had been 15 or 20 men - good religious minded working class people & as they went out each put his penny in the box at the door. There is no enthusiasm of excitement in this kind of "mens own". It leads to deepening rather than widening Church influence. S. James Church yard is an open space & is beautifully decked with flowers - there is a peripatetic guardian

& on a fine Sunday, such as this was at the time, (4.30) there were swarms of children playing about. There were also 2 christenings to be taken as soon as the Mens service was dismissed.

Congregationalists Jamaica Pl (Rosier) had a very small respectable gathering - 20 to 30 & choir singing away - I merely looked in. The Church outside has been recently dressed & looks bright with fresh paint.

St Crispin.

Here too I entered empty with a passing look in. The Street is to the East Side & so the door by which one most naturally enters causes one to face the Screen. There were very few of them - Mostly young I thought. There is a Mens service at 3 pm - & I see that Mr Richards of the Free church took it last Sunday. Mr Wallace of St. Crispin is Evangelical - a weak sort of man. Mr Richards (whom I was talking to him later on) told me, that his audience there was swelled by some of his own young men - of which he disapproved. St. Crispin has a Mission Hall in Cherry Garden with a S. 15 Service - notified by a written out placard - not attractive or successful looking. There is a Mission Hall in Paradise St. which I take to be Miss Barclays - but nothing was moving in the way - The windows carried bills - "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ & thou shalt be saved" & "How shall we escape

if we neglect so great salvation". - & a "musical meeting" every Tuesday at 8 was announced.

"The Ark" is the ~~funnest~~ funniest little place imaginable. a church of minute dimensions in a back garden. The minister was boundy away in his sermon at 9 or 10 persons - at most. The R C have their schools in Paradise St & perhaps some kind of church also. but I could not find it. The only evident legitimate entrance is that of the Girls Schools.

Christchurch (Bardsley) was tight shut at 10.30 but showed after 11 o'clock a quite genuine but small & strictly mid class congreg. They have a men's hour at 3.15. but I was not in time to see who came to this. It is a rather pretty quaint church - dark wood - beamed roof.

The Primitive Methodists - Deatfield - I could hear from outside a voice breaching earnestly. I dont suppose he had many hearers. It sounded as being empty.

Another Paradise St Mission is a branch of the Seamens mission. I could hear hearty singing of a small earnest body. There is yet another mashed on my map which I did not find.

Lower Road is rich in churches -
First at the corner comes the Salvation Army building - There was a very small morning gathering & I came across the outdoor work in the after noon - when 5 or 6 salvationists were pouring the gospel forth over the heads of a little circle of very small children. This was in Mary Church St.
Nearly opposite is the Wesleyan Church at which Mr Scott Lidgett & Mr Ritson officiate I heard part of Mr Lidgetts sermon which was interesting - It was very carefully considered & probably not above his almost purely middle class audience - He preached on the living Christ the same while living & after his resurrection & to day - They hold a P. S. A at 3.15 I saw the end of this. There were about 70/100 all told - 12 were in the orchestra - mostly women & all members of the regular congregation I showed think. The morning congreg was larger - 200 Perhaps I did not go in in the evening.
All Saints looked almost empty. The priest knelt with his back to the congregation - Eastward position - on the altar steps. It seemed a dire failure.

I missed The Free Church on my way along the road, my attention being drawn from its very modest entrance by the great placard announcing the "Men's Own" to be held in the Town Hall opposite. & so I came to All Saints & the little church opposite the name & nature of which I forget & I walked on & came upon St Winfreds - a spick & span little place with notices as to the Schools & Gospel Services - all stamped with originality - there were some bright looking young children about Maynard Rd. Congregationalists (Mr Phillips) are having a special 15 day mission by a Mr Forbes I did not go in - There were the usual signs of people hanging about in the door way, which seem to go with efforts of this kind.

I then enquired & turned back & reached Mr Richardson's Free Church just as the congreg was coming out - I edged my way against the stream & judged there had been a sufficient though not quite full congreg. The place when filled up (as it was at night) holds 1100 Mr Richardson says - & it looks like that.

The Congregation seems to be entirely work
Class - not of course the lowest - but I saw
little that I should call middle - save lower
middle - though no doubt there was some.
In the evening evening there was a good deal.
& I think it very possible that Mr Richardson
draws some Church & Chapel goers who do
not like to abandon them on Sunday
morning but feel free in the evening. Of the
attraction of Mr Richardson's Service there
can be no question -

I spent most of my time over this church.
After seeing the many Congregations out & looking
at the Cheap Commodious hall in which they
meet (the benches of which were being arranged by some of the young men for Sunday
School in the afternoon) I was accosted by
a scrubby vulgar little man who welcomed
me & on my showing my interest asked if
I was in 'Christian work.' I asked if Mr
Richardson would take the evening service - he had
told me that "Lady Hope" was to talk to the men -

at the Town Hall at 3.15 _ and he then said he was himself Mr R & then I disclosed myself as Mr CB _ & we talked a little.

I spent my time till 3.15 in two attempts to find my way round the dock side of which the first was so complete a failure that I found myself back in Lower Rd. opposite St Luke having been twisted round into Grove Rd. where I passed the Free Methodist Church _ a neat sort of building. St Lukes is very attractive with a round ash ended Church & a lot of greenery in the Church yard _ There is also a very compact well built L C M hall opposite the end of Junction Rd _ in perfect order (unlike most missions) I saw also the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Lower Rd _ & before my excursion I had looked at St Barnabas (a small rather mean looking Ch of E) & the Congregationalist Church opposite Dept for St. which though small seems to be alive.

After lunch I made another attempt to cross the dock & this time reached the Thames at St Georges Stairs & took boat & was rowed past the new dock

to the neighborhood of Holy Trinity - whence I walked looking at the various churches by the way - all round the Surrey Commercial docks to St Mary's Church - & so to the Town Hall by a little after 3 o'clock. The men were streaming in - & inside a hymn was being sung by the choir - so I entered & took a seat & saw the place filling up - packed pretty close with men who if not all working class were mostly so - all well dressed. the man on my left was evidently the mate - or possibly Captain - of a ship. An earnest religious minded man who responded very readily. the hall were young men - but then most men look young to me now.

Revd Wm Richardson's assistants gave out the first hymn, & Richardson himself, very smart with white silk slip-knot tie & frock coat, then came in ushering Lady Hope & her husband Wm Denny - I presume she is "Lady Hope" in religion - The Lady & her husband

seem to go about on this kind of work & I daresay are well known in Christian circles - There was an ovation of hand clapping when they assumed their places. There came in also the soloist - a Miss Winter - a still greater musical swell - Mde Lyndon had failed through illness. She was to have been special to the occasion. Miss Winter comes by the month & assists at any service - She sang very nicely both afternoon & evening -

Mr Richardson showed at his worst in the afternoon - a smug little man - ready with his small jokes & apt to be-plaster his gospel guests. Denny is a worthy rather slow sort of grey bearded scotchman - Lady Hope a graccan. - Smiling middle aged woman plainly used to addresses of this kind - Mr Richardson had told me she was particularly 'good with men' - but when it came to that it was very poor stuff & I wondered whether the hearty applause

led by Mr Richardson, was male politeness or religious enthusiasm – I hope for the mens sake that it was the former.

The forms of a religious service are maintained though not much of the spirit remains – hymn – prayer & lesson follow in proper order – & the lesson was the story of Zacheus & the climbing into the tree & on this subject the lady spoke – making (to suit her purpose) a desperate sinner of the poor little man –

Mr Richardson presided & conducted the whole meeting in a friendly free & easy style – no doubt he is liked & he well may be.

This service over I just looked in at Mr Lidgetts & S.A & Mr Coulthards mens own as already mentioned & then went into the hash which was alive with children & then later, after tea taken at a coffee house – where I heard a man explaining to a mate that drink cost him

15/. a week but he could not stand being a bloody teetotalar — He was then enjoying "1/2 a cup of tea & a slice" — After sustaining myself in the same way I returned to the park & thence to Drummond Rd where there is Mr Burleighs Baptist Chapel which seems to go in for something much lighter than usual with this body. "Popular lecture on "Village Life in Palestine — Illustrated by numerous Oriental costumes 12 persons appearing in costume — Tickets 4d" — Also Wednesday Evenings for the people by the Rev Burleigh the subject being the "Pilgrims Progress — but with "Solos". P.S.A. with vocal & instrumental music & short addresses — & the Sunday Evening Services are advertised to include a series of Sermons & "a book — a seat — a welcome" — "will you be there". Not at all Baptist style — but the fashion of the neighborhood. The windows & walls of private houses are ~~[illegible]~~ filled with such notices in Every Street

The Presbyterian Church — T.S. Murray, pastor, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ advertises a popular cantata the Flower Queen for 16/17 May — ticket 4d S.Sch choir — "proceeds for building fund".

While the Southwark Park Congreg Church advertises

"Britannia & her Court" an operetta to be performed by the junior choir & children of friends tickets &c & St Katharine puts out a bill for "Vocal & Instrumental Entertainments in the Mission Room Eugenia &c - Henry Smiths Banjo & Madoline Orchestra & Concert Party Tickets &c."

St Katharines is very high. I looked in before every service - It is a handsome red brick church with large shan dark beamed roof - & the interior is decked with pictures some of which are quite beautiful - altogether a beautiful church.

I reached the Free Church again a little before the time of service (6.30) & the place was already almost full. I however got a good ~~place~~ seat being accommodated by the closing up process that goes on after the seats are apparently filled. Both sexes were fairly represented & all ages - & all except the lowest class. When quite full the place holds 1100 (as does the Town Hall for the mens meeting) This is an essentially religious meeting - the meeting

of a Congregation of people for mutual support & the worship of God - People of the neighbourhood mostly I should suppose - people who come every Sunday Evening. Mr Richardson demanded more asking for regularity at the morning Service also & urging the claims of the Early (10 oclock) prayer meeting & the week night prayer meetings on Monday & Saturday. The 'Gospel' Character of the meetings - the object to bring sinners to salvation - that is others rather than themselves was indeed more than once put forward but the whole tone & aim of the service as conducted by Mr Richardson went towards the sustaining of a religious life. The contrast between this Service & that of the men's own was most marked & extended to every part - the conducting with its silly jokes - the unreality of the prayers - the choice of the hymns. One of these an awful thing with the chorus "What a wonderful Saviour" culminating in "What a wonderful Saviour is Jesus" with the tune like that for "Oh poor Robinson Crusoe who made him a Coat from an old Manny Goat I wonder how he cared do so

And Lady Hope though meaning well did talk sad stuff.

Mr Richardson's conducting of his own Evening service is quite a different thing His choice of hymns was admirable. the reading from the Bible (which many of his people followed in their books) very effective & leading up to his Sermon in which he was not afraid to rise to eloquence. And the prayers were strong simple genuine utterance.

[By the way he prayed that Lady Hopes words might be blessed to the men who had heard her speak that afternoon — & I believe he really thought them far more important than his own. He said to me afterwards that he did not understand why they came thronging after hearing to this Evening Service — but I did]

He had read a chapter from Job — in which Job in his despair cries "where shall I find God" — & he followed by David's utterance in the Psalm "where shall I fly" "If I take the wings of the morning" &c — & in these opposite

utterances he spoke. He gave us his best never descending to the supposed level of his audience. the simple language he uses is his natural language & as I say, he was not afraid of eloquence. He strikes me as far above the level of the Y. Assembly Hall & I shoud think that if the truth were known he left it & started on his own ale because he could not sit and theirs ways. This seemingly vulgar little man earning his living as an employee of the Western Telegraph Co & doing his daily work in the City. is able to devote his Sundays & week nights so as to have become a really great spiritual force.

I believe there is usually a prayer meeting after the evening Service but this being the first Sunday in the month there was the "Lord's Table". The members & others wishing to partake were directed to take their seats in the Centre Any others who desired to remain as spectators were to sit at the sides. I remained at the

side & Mr Richardson in the short interval came to talk to me. Afterwards he sent one of his assistants to invite me to the other part & I joined them for this celebration. which was very reverently carried out & partaken by some hundreds. 300/400 I should think. There were 6 silver plates with the bread & 6 large goblets. ~~the Chairman~~ Mr R sat at, & stood behind, the table. Speaking the accustomed words of blessing & before giving to the Congregation prayer was offered. this is fully to two members of the Congregation. there being 8 in all with Mr Richardson on the platform. Then the 6 who served took the plates & the goblets in turn, & in silence passed them. that is they were passed from hand to hand till all had partaken & then returning to the table they themselves partook & Mr Richardson himself the last.

Torrents of rain had fallen during the evening. the sound on the zinc roof was almost a roar.

So far as I saw all left on foot. I think the congregation comes mainly from near by.

In my walk I did not specially seek or traverse the low streets but I saw something of them. Nothing new. The day was hot & in the afternoon very fine & the people were in the street. Bradda St. (late Queen St. I think) is an ample looking place & altogether the part near Paradise St. looks as bad as ever. Passing round the new front the people were gathered in some number at the end of Western buildings being amused by a musical performance on the forecastle head of a sailing vessel in the dock. the bowsprit of which overhung the road.

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Rotherhithe &c

Congregational Church (Billing) Rotherhithe Lower Rd.
S. Katharine - Cornburg Mission. Olafield Rd Mission.
Baptist Church Burch Rd. (called Medway Place ch & schools).
S. Winifred's Mission - S. Barnabas - Maynard Rd. (Congregationalist)
All Saints - Mr Richardson's Free church -
S. Crispin - Christchurch (Bardsley).
S. Pauls (Deptford)
Clare College Mission - Baptist - Drummond Rd.
Seaman & Boatman Mission - Mission in Paradise St. -
Jamaica Rd. Congregationalists.
S. James - Holy Trinity R.C. (Dockhead)
Railway Arch Mission (Davis)

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The bus I got into at Tower Bridge took me to the corner of Lower Road & Hawkestone Rd. & after looking in at Mr Billing's Congregational Church a neat & compact little place which was being arranged for service, I went to St Katharine's & found 'Matins' proceeding with half a dozen women & some children - school boys - The choral celebration follows at 11.15 & I was back in time to hear the end of this - Music beautifully given by the choir assisted by about a dozen young women who sat in the front row & were conducted from the choir - by one of the clergy I suppose who from a corner stall succeeded in doing this while yet for the most part facing the altar where, the while, the officiating Priest attended by his acolytes, Master of the Ceremonies. Those present by way of congregation seemed of exactly the same class as comes to Mr Richardson's Free Church - just the people. but there were fewer males -

Before going to Mr Richardson's church I passed by the Cowley Mission & the Deptford Rd Mission These are practically both in Cowley St - & are both Free Missions "Gospel Services held here" so & so is the legend on each - Mr Reynolds belongs to the former.

I also passed by a little Baptist church & schools in Bath Rd. (called for some reason the Medway Place Baptist Ch. & Schools) - They seemed all alive in a small way - some nicely dressed women were hurrying in -

At St Winifreds (which I have never ventured to enter feeling sure that I should not easily escape) there were children hanging about & later, when I did look in, I caught a glimpse of a lot of nicely dressed children listening to a gospel address.

St Barnabas, Plough Road - has a very pretty interior - better than the outside had led me to expect. There was no one there except Sch. Ch & their teachers, but the choir were singing away lustily. The way services are maintained is really wonderful.

Maynard Rd Congregational - where Mr Forbes finished his mission last Sunday was probably quiescent. It was very empty in the morning - the singing painstaking & conscientious.

All Saints was not open when I passed first & later I was scared from entering by the verger standing on the steps -

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At the Free church I found a number of others who coming late were waiting in the passage of approach for the end of a prayer. – When ended we all went forward & found seats. but the legitimate seats were pretty well filled up. – mine had been left vacant because a pillar interfered with the sight of the pulpit – never the less my eye met that of Mr Richardson early in his sermon when he was looking round – before the sermon we had some singing – mainly performances of the Childrens choir for it was the Sunday School Anniversary Service. & the collection, urged a good deal, was for the schools. There can be no doubt that these people like the R C come to give not to receive, though what they give is in pence. The appeal for generous giving was strongly made. – Mr Richardson seems to look mainly to his own people to support the work. He preached, rather eloquently, on

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Jesus Christ & Children, taking as his text "I will that not one of these little ones should perish" – "whoso offendeth" &c. It was powerful & uncompromising – it only seemed doubtful whether the children present would be any the better for being made so much of. In the congregation there were more children than usual – but other ages & both sexes were fairly represented – & they were mostly lower middle or working class – They looked a trifle better class than I thought as I saw them assembled last Sunday – a good many fine decorated headgears among the women & a proportion of tall silk hats among the young men – but these were behind the fashion, & so probably were those of the young women – but very smart they looked – It may be that to have become "a bit respectable" as Mrs Richardson said was the case – is enough to account for this degree of smartness I had a greeting with Mr Richardson (who invited me to dine but I declined) & proposed to introduce me to the medical officer of health (Mr Shaw?) but Mr S slipped away & I saw no more of him escaped.

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I filled the lunch hour by taking the direct road across the docks to Trinity Parish. the docks were gay with bunting because of the King of Sweden's visit. He had attended Service at the Swedish Church but had left before I arrived there. I heard from the Caretaker of Trinity Church yard who had hoisted the flags on the top of his Church tower in honour of the King & also of the Capture of Kroonstadt. He was a very loyal man - an old soldier I think He referred to Majuba -

I cannot make out that there is any Church where the map marks one behind upper Globe Dock. & the RC place in Holy Trinity (near the parish Church) seems to be a sister hood - no way in to their little church that I could see

At S. Crispin the mens service seems occasional, & this Sunday there was a children's Service - for which the children were assembling before the door opened while the bell was ringing. I entered in the Evening. It is a very long & rather large bare Church & though there were a good many present

the effect was 'empty' rather. It is a Low Church Service & an Evangelistic hymn book is used - compiled specially for outdoor & evangelistic services - The congreg^n sang heartily but the lack of a reverent spirit was shown by two girls who carried on a whispered conversation all through the prayers - & on my looking round merely lowered their voices still further - as if that would fully meet the case - They were quite at the back - as I was too.
Outside the Church was a notice warning "any person throwing stones or trespassing (on the lit of grass) that prosecution would follow - on the whole one feels that this form of religion fails to touch the heart

At Christchurch (Mr Bardsley's Church) I attended the "men's hour" which I think expresses something more definitely religious than "men's own" or "P.S.A." I was ushered to a rather prominently front seat but fortunately was not known & only shared the common handshake at the end. An organ voluntary was played "by Mr S. John" & by 3.15 80 to 100 men of all ages & classes (to be found in the neighbourhood) down to the tramp were gathered. I thought the ~~proportion~~ gamut of the classes much the same as at Mr Richardson's "men's own" - but the effect was to show greater variety as the numbers were so much smaller.

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Previous to the meeting from 3.10 to 3.15 there was a good deal of passing in & out through the curtain beside the pulpit which screens the vestry & just at 3.15 several men, evidently leading Church members, emerged. The service is a second effort & throughout a downright Low Compromising religious Service. The clergy were in full force Mr Bardsley was followed by I think 4 other men, on the staff, in white surplices - they filed in & we all stood up till they took their places. Above all this there was something genuine & honest & there in I suppose lies Mr Bardsleys power - He is not afraid of his own convictions - But otherwise he is so heavy that it amounts to stupidity & I kept on wondering how the men could stand it - His whole conduct of the Service - the notices - the prayers - the sermon were all stamped with the same thing - I have sought in vain for a word - it's not pompous nor is it exactly pretentious though it shades that - not patronising because nothing of the kind was meant - but was at once superior & stupid & lacked all lightness of touch. The service consists

of Hymns, Lesson, Prayers & Sermon. Two of the hymns were given as solos by a lady who stood in front of the organ gallery - behind the congregation. The prayers began with a liturgical appeal & response & were specially launched in the direction of the war. The war too came in to the address to deliver which Mr Bardsley moved into the pulpit. The subject was advertised "owning up" - & was very heavily treated. But the men come & put their 1d in the plate. (Last Sundays collection was 7/9½ I think or thereabouts ~~2~~ 5 The annual excursion was announced to Herne Bay 2/3 Each if I remember right). I suppose Mr Bardsleys honesty of purpose is what gives him his power & his hard work - During the service 2 Christening parties entered the church & were seated at the side to wait. An occasional baby's cry was heard. This is perhaps typical of the man's simple straight ways. In the evening there was a full church, way & galleries all looking full. I was there just before the Sermon & after paying to the plate I slipped out - having other churches to visit. I cannot believe Mr B could ever be anything but dull in the pulpit. I daresay he may be a pleasanter man out of it. At any rate he succeeds the congregations he gets is a proof of it.

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Between 4.15 & 6.30 I explored Deptford renewing my acquaintance with the High parts to the East of the High St & looking in at St Paul's which is a remarkable building inside & out & in its situation. Painted "picture" glass in the round East end. great round white columns carrying the roof & between them deep galleries. The body of the Church filled with pews all dark pews in shining wood. I think there had been an afternoon service but it was over. I saw the position & texture of several other places of worship but them doors, including those of the large RC Church, were all shut.

In the evening I passed by Clare College Mission & at 6.30 the bell began to ring. I supposed for a Scotch service. No one was yet there except a woman caretaker who came out to chivvy away some noisy children who had slipped in through the open gate up the Garden passage alongside of the Hall. The Hall a big lofty Gothic place rather beautiful with a simple altar at the end & chairs on a plain wood inlaid floor. best mission style

Then I passed on to the Baptist Church in Drummond Road - where they were singing the first hymn & I stayed for the reading & exhortation that followed. Mr Burleigh is a young scotch man with a real gift for this - He read the story of the man healed of an infirmity he had suffered for 38 years & applied Christs offer to him to Christs offer to us of which it might be considered typical. "Wouldest thou be healed?" it seemed a matter of course - what else was he there for? But we who come to church do we really want anything? So Christ asks first & simply "Wouldest thou be saved?" His language was singularly simple & effective I compared it with Richardson on the one hand & Barnsley on the other to Mr Burleighs advantage

Almost next door to Christchurch is a branch of the Seaman & Boatmans mission. One of the sadly small mission Halls & in it the usual stalwart little band of Scotch - singing harsh & loud - & praying for everybody - they may be honest & earnest - or they may be cadgers. I could not say - I liked better

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the look of the Mission in Paradise St. also small but a pleasant looking gathering.

Jamaica Road Congregationalists (Mr Rosier) had a fair number in the evening. 150 or more including children. It has a really excellent choir who performed while the collection was taken up. – I gather that the music is a strong feature here

St James's large church was very empty. Mr Coulthard does not succeed in getting the people. Christchurch (Bermondsey) was out or coming out & made more show in the street than I had expected.

Holy Trinity (R C) was crowded to the doors. I just managed to squeeze in & knelt among a lot of children & others while a great sacred procession passed round the church. I know not what the cause was but the show was a delight to a church full of poor people & children – especially children. Perhaps it answers to the Protestant S. Sch Anniversary.

Probably this was "the first Communion" It was probably the Festival of Fore Guild. No: first Communion would have been in the morning

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In the procession were a large number 70 or 80 girls covered in white muslin veils - girls of all ages - some quite little things who walked backwards & strewed flowers in front of the priest under the canopy who carried the host - The canopy being supported by 4 high looking men -

I waited to see the congregation come out - the people seem to be there by families & were of all classes (Sermon day) but especially the poor - They looked well fed - better fed than dressed - & this I think is characteristic of the RC (Irish) poor.

Finally I finished this most comprehensive review of religion in this neighbourhood by hearing the Gospel address at Mr Davies' Railway Arch mission in Goding St. Mr D was not there himself but was often referred to in the notices that preceded the address - Mr Osborne delivered this ( ) thing (that was his name)

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The place was full - 250 people I should think - mostly lower class people - from quite poor & cadging perhaps up to lower middle & even a few middle class patrons - they were appealed to as those whose duty it was to spread the gospel & to help in every way those not so well off as their selves - & a special claim was made for the Sunday School treat - not more than 1/3rd of the children could find the money for it themselves & unless more went it could not be done at the price - They wanted the children of their school to have everything that those of other schools got - & appealed to the members. I suppose this always means appealing to patrons finally & that. that is the financial basis but those present did not come to get but gave their pennies so far as they went -

The singing was hearty & the brass band

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which served as orchestra, was very powerful numbering 24 performers - This band is the Central force & I gather that it helps other Peoples services when required - as well as marching about in connection with the air work -

The address (of which I forget the subject, was painstaking & rather laboured) began at 8.35 & ended at 9 - Some began to slip out when the hour was reached & the Preacher hastened to a conclusion - The final hymn was sung in the confusion of a general break up of the party. There is much roughness & little reverence about this religious service - it is homely & the people seem to like it - I think they persuade themselves that they are doing Gods work

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Baptist Mage Pond Chapel - Old Kent Rd
Wesleyan Oakley Place - Marlborough Congregational
✓ Christchurch (Old Kent Rd)
Baptist Mission Park Rd
Franciscan Ch. Lower Park Rd - Baptist Ch. Upper Park Rd
✓ S. Andrews - Methodist Free Connexion
S. Luke (Chapman)
James Grove Baptist - East Surrey Grove Mission
Mission Hall Sumner Rd Baptist
All Saints - S. Marks - United Girls School Mission
S. George (Trinity Mission) Cottage Green Baptist
Zion Chapel Methodist New Connexion

Sunday walk - 20 May 1900. (102)

I took tram to the corner of Albany Rd & Old Kent Rd. Here there is the Baptist Mage Pond Church - moved no doubt from Bermondsey. It was an anniversary service & I remember Mr Davis' band (Gosling St Mission) was promised to help them. I saw & heard it playing at a street corner not far away. The morning service had not begun but there was a look of activity & the building for a Baptist Church is rather remarkable - well proportioned high pitched Gothic with a large organ in the rounded apse end behind the pulpit
A lantern lecture was advertised for Tuesday In the evening I was again a little early - a good middle class congregation was gathering. This place is stamped with prosperity.
One street further on is the Wesleyan Oakley Place Chapel. It extends from Oakley Place to Coburg St - a very dull looking place outside but in the evening when I looked it was filling with very bright hatted ladies and Here they had the 5 Sch anniversary (when girls are

naturally to the fore). I was informed by the polite man in charge (who had noticed me "taking notes" in the morning) that they had had 1000 there in the afternoon including children - a Combined Service having been arranged with Mage Pond & Marlboro' Chapel (Congregationalist) for the occasion. I imagine that all three are thriving & friendly "causes".

Marlborough Congg Chapel is a little further along Old Kent Rd. The pastors name is Wilkins - or Wilkinson & the subject of his every discourse was placarded.

The building bears a Stone tablet Commemorating the Martyrdom at St. Thomas a water Old Kent Rd of John Penny M.A. 29 May 1593 "He died for liberty of conscience".

They have a P.S.A here at 3 p.m.

Christchurch some way further - beyond the Canal - is a beautiful double barrelled Church & there was a very fair congregation in the morning. The effect of the architecture & painted glass was by good you have to go all round to find the entrance - & then force a door.

I returned to Park Road on the right hand side is the Park Rd Mission (Baptist) - a shop mission. Service of some kind was proceeding I heard the harmonium prelude - probably a children's service.

The Franciscan Church in Lower Park Rd advertises an open air procession with "benediction in the covent garden" & sermon. Programmes & rosettes may be had - & the preachers & subjects for the day - every & many were also announced attendance seemed desired rather than insisted on & the congregation both many & every looked it - mixed in class - few poor - & not many in all. It is rather a large church & there are two great coloured figures - the virgin on one side & some saint on the other. In the evening Father Vicent - a monk with rope round his waist - entered the pulpit but I did not stay to hear his sermon on "Time" - (The procession ended in a riot being attacked by protestants from the Baptist Church I think.)

In Upper Park Rd there is a Baptist church of which Mr Frank Janes is pastor. It is a solemn

fronted rather pretentious sort of tabernacle outside – but inside was bright & friendly with plants & flowers & a decorated pulpit and girls hats made it look gay. In the Evening it was still more so. It was here, also, the Sunday School anniversary – always a great occasion – when the children provide a special choir all dressed in their very best. They seem to be lower middle class people. The pastor is a young – rather too serious & full of himself young man – both morning & evening I heard him read & expound. In the morning it was about the rich who were not likely to enter the kingdom of heaven – he got through by laying much stress on it being the rich "who relied on their riches" who went wrong. In the Evening the Church was full –

S. Andrews Glengall Rd is under serious repair & a very uncomfortable service was proceeding with a small congregation amongst scaffolding poles. To keep going at all shows some pluck.

There is a chapel of the Methodist Free Connex. at about corner of Hill St. & Commercial Rd. It seems a small affair - there are schools below - & a gospel service is advertised for Tuesday Evenings.

St Luke was my principal occupation lodg & I will leave that story to the last.

James Grove Baptist seems to be alive tho' probably in a small way - Their lamp hanging outside has suffered - having a stone through it. From within the chapel I could hear the resounding voice of the preacher - The pastor here is Mr F Tolhurst.

East Surrey Grove Mission. Seems to belong to All Saints - The bills put up outside were for the Liberal Unionist assoc - & for a meeting of Wormans labour - showing rather strong political proclivities - I did not enter I could hear in the many a quiet voice preaching.

In Sumner Rd there is a small Mission Hall connected I think with the Baptists Rye Lane Ch.

When I passed this after 9 o'clock. Home ward bound - a service was being held outside - to the usual audience of children gathered round to hear the playing & the singing -

All Saints has a Club & Parochial Hall just at the Bridge over the Canal - they have a debating Soc &c

The Church itself is a beautifully proportioned modern red brick (inside & out) structure It has a round apse with very beautiful glass - & a shining mosaic altar & a great Cross suspended from the roof - It looks very high. In the morning I heard the later portion of a slow heavy Sermon on the knowledge of God - in support of a collection in aid of the Soc: for "Propagation of the Gospel". but knowledge not enough - we have to do the will of God &c. In the evening the Service had not begun - a few people were assembling:

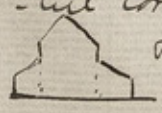
St Marks is half a church or barely that. Entering from Trafalgar Rd by Waite St one sees ~~the [illegible]~~ the last end & there is a door which opens onto what if all were finished might be a side chapel. The choir were completely screened off & before me lay the truncated body of the church in which were 10 children & one young woman - a girl friend of one of the servers of the altar as I afterwards saw - & a verger who by & by brought me a prayer book & found me my place & pointed me to the board above the pulpit were the hymn numbers were posted - It was a solemn choral celebration & all was beautifully done - intoning - organ singing &c ending with the forming up of the clergy & choir headed by the cross - & the usual putting out of the lights upon the altar - after which the altar server came down to shake hands with the girl who besides myself & the verger represented adult humanity. The 10 children were very well behaved - the smaller ones kept sweetly in order by those a little older - the veder ones kneeling devoutly

What there is of the church is well pro-
-portioned

If it were finished & decorated - it might cost £10000 or more - the effect would be very beautiful even magnificent perhaps But this poor church is hard & fast aground at present - The blank end of the church leads one out past the Schools into Long. Croft road the boundary of the "New" Estate where the United Girls School Mission is established. In the centre of this crowded patch there is a vacant piece of land on which the Mission premises are to be built & at the side of this two houses knocked into one provide a Hall & class rooms which at first served for everything - indeed they began with one house - but now is used for Schools & & the services have been transferred to a little Tin church behind the settlement house (in Albany Row I think). I saw no service here The work is mainly among children & girls - The numbers of children in the block is something extraordinary - the houses are 3 storeys & a family or more on each floor (3 rooms) - I saw the crowd gather to see a Temperance Lodge procession - with band & banners, collecting

money for the Borough Eye Hospital - which is rather an eye opener as to the uses to which band & banners may be put, no doubt for "a consideration". The procession rested for a few minutes at a corner, leaning their banners against the walls & then starting again streamed through some of these streets - accompanied by all the children while the women sat in the windows or stood in doorways & the men leant & lounged about -- The lodges represented included the "John Burns" Lodge & the "Princess of Wales" Lodge with great banner portraits of each - Each banner had two pictures but in many instances I only saw one of these. I saw Christ & the woman of Samaria. Christ suffering little children to come to him - A picture of the Public House & coffee tavern in juxtaposition being a street scene - the title of the first "the bad intent" & of the second the "good intent" The one leading (as the picture indicated by forcibly, to misery & rags & the other to every advantage of food & raiment - shining success & top hats - In the corner were little pictures - one of

Father Christmas warming his hands at a blaging fire - the other an alegorical figure in summer sunshine with a sheaf of corn lying on her lap - Another & the most popular & most torn picture contained a forcible representation of a drunken man clinging to a lamp post - while a good templar wearing the scarf of the order was trying to persuade him to abandon the PH to the right & come over to the Cocoa Rooms on the left.

St Lukes is Mr Chapmans Church. When I dined to meet him on Tuesday he mentioned that his subject for Sunday Evening was to be "In his name ye shall raise the dead". a difficult text. I thought I might see what he made of it. When I passed in the morning I found a fair morning congregation of 200 more & was struck with the beauty of the music to which all listened standing - they were mostly women & appeared middle class. The church is irretrievably ugly & commonplace - but commodious & business like. It is of this type  & holds a good many on the flat of the floor. It is for the most part undecorated.

In the afternoon Mr Waldron held his men's Service at 3.30 - organ voluntary 3.15. The organist is excellent - a real musician as I found out still more during & after the Evening Service. The men came in from 3.15 to 3.30 & sat all over the church - the fact being that Mr Waldrons voice is (as Mr Chapman had said) "an open air voice". Where I sat it was even difficult some times to find the word in the sound - The gift of an open air delivery seems to lie in a very flexible mouth with the power of making it open downwards at one corner.

Mr W is not a pleasing personality to me & his Sermon (on the Bible) was regular Victoria Park 2½d Stuff. - I could not but be amazed at the audience he obtained & perhaps he does better sometimes - or else their taste is low. It was not easy to estimate but I think 90 to 100 men may have been in church. They were of all classes - that is there were some poor working men but the bulk were clearly of the lower middle class - the better side of it mostly.

He quoted "not every one who cryeth Lord Lord shall enter in to the Kingdom" as against Tuft hunting!

The Moody & Sankey hymn book was used (as seems to be customary) - but the men could not sing well enough with no one to lead them - so the hymns did not go well & I should suppose that the Organist was in despair.

At the end of the Service Mr Chapman appeared in ordinary dress (Mr Waldron wore a surplice & cassock) & from the Chancel step spoke of the Mafeking Celebration & his intention to sing the national anthem as a hymn of praise & thankfulness to God for brave mens safety & brave mens deeds - at the end of the Evening Service to which he hoped they would come. I don't think many of them did for in the Evening (as in the morning) the Congregation was almost entirely female.

In the Evening I heard a good deal of the Service - exquisite music both Organ & Choir & perhaps a front rank of girls voices.

The congregation stood up but did not sing. Except in the hymns. when they say they joined in well. In fact it is a musical service for a music loving Congreg. -ation. After the service a large number sat in their places for the exquisite voluntary which lasted some time. He played again a very beautiful thing. Bach I suppose. Sounded like a gavotte but may have been written for Church use. a beautiful dancing measure.

In the afternoon when Mr Chapman spoke I still more as he passed down the aisle I suppose he would certainly see me & I thought what I could say of the effect Mr Waldron had produced in me. However he had not seen me. So all was well. In the evening I stayed till the music ended & then by the time a few left I spoke to Mr Chapman & was able to say that he had managed his difficult text very well. He had cut it short

taking only the last words "raise the dead" & throwing aside the idea of special miraculous power turned to that of the breathing of spiritual life into what he hoped we would Excuse his calling "deaders"

His sermon had the usual faults of extempore work - sometimes wandering, weak twaddle - & at other times powerful & even eloquent. It had the good quality of suggesting how much better it might have been.

In the "dinner room" I visited Greenwich which looked extraordinarily well - & in the tea interval I wandered down to St George by the Canal & saw a great party of happy children in the garden of that church. & playing upon its classic steps I glanced also in passing at Cottage Green Baptist Chapel - Pastor Burros - a considerable place & the little Zion Chapel of the Methodist New Connexion in Neate St.

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Visits to Churches

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Districts 32 & 33

S. Augustine. S. Anne.
Plymouth Brethren Camilla Rooms – Salv. Army –
Baptist Lynton St. – Unitarian Fort Rd.
U. M. F. Ch. Upper Grange Rd.
S. Luke's S. Mary Magdaline (Old Rest Rd.)
S. George's Hall (Flanagan)
Haddon Hall (Baptists)
Manor (Kay Dunn)
Baptist (Ilderton Rd.) – S. Bartholomew
S. Philip's (Avondale Sq.). Prim Meth Mission S. James Rd. –
Wesleyan John S. Mission
Pilgrim Fathers Ch.

very interesting account of a conversion.

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My main object to day was to see something of Mr Flanagan's work but I was disappointed as he was away - whatever it may be with him, without him his church is not of much account -

I was early & after noting the times of the services at 'S. George Hall' (Flanagan) I went on to S. Augustines & thence to "Manor" - Mr Kaye Dunn - U.M.F.Ch. which was finally my pièce de résistance & shall be left to the last. S. Augustine is wide & stately church in the modern style with round stone columns & red brick interior. I was there before the morning service & read the notice of those for whom the Prayers of the church were asked - & separate a long list of men in africa - on the first list were written against some names "recovered" & against others "at rest". & on the other here & there the record "Killed" so & so - & in one case it was noted that this had happened before Prayer was offered. At 11 o'clock, when I returned, I found the church with a large number of school children & others of better class & some 20/30 adults & a few more coming in. Finally in the evening at 7 before the bell ceased ringing

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It was amusing to find this in the Box in S. Augustine Church

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INCOME, 1899.

	£
General Income	12,721
Special Funds (including £5,000 from the late Duke of Westminster)	6,500

GRANTS made by or through the Society during the Year.

A.—UNDER OBJECTS I.–III. (inclusive)—

		£
20	Missionary Clergymen	3,040
56	Assistant Curates	2,460
15	Deaconesses	495
39	Scripture Readers	1,192
82	Mission Women	1,591
212	Agents.	£8,778

B.—UNDER OBJECTS IV.–IX.—

		£	s.	d.
4	Endowments	800	0	0
6	Sites for Churches, Mission Buildings, &c. ...	765	3	4
23	Churches, School Churches, and Mission Buildings...	2,379	10	0
2	Parsonages	400	0	0
4	Repairs in Special Cases to Ecclesiastical Buildings...	215	0	0
4	Churches	105	0	0
43	Grants.	£4,664	13	4

The late Duke of Westminster's gift of £5,000 has been distributed as follows:—For the new Churches of St. Bartholomew, Battersea, St. Cyprian, Brockley, and St. John, Waverley Park, Nunhead, £1,000 each. For Churches in the Deaneries of Woolwich and Lewisham, £2,000.

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1. **Because**, as Mr. Charles Booth, in his book "Life and Labour of the People in London" (Vol. ii., p. 32), has said, in comparing the poverty of different parts of the Metropolis, "**South London at every point takes the lead in this miserable competition.**"

   In **Northern** Central District there are 43 per cent. of poor in population of 225,330.

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   But in particular areas of the Southern Central District the figures are much higher, *e.g.*:—

Bermondsey	56 per cent.
Southwark	68 „
St. Stephen's Parish, Southwark	81 „

2. **Because** there great tracts, inhabited by "neglected humanity," have been deserted by the very classes who in other cities stand shoulder to shoulder with their poorer fellows in matters of citizenship.

3. **Because** few of the large employers, who come in the morning and go away in the evening, and fewer of our commercial companies, admit responsibilities to the neighbourhoods where their toilers dwell, except sometimes in the case of things temporal. **Hence** to provide for the spiritual help of these districts becomes more difficult every year—resources diminishing, poverty remaining or increasing, and the burthen pressing ever more heavily on the Clergy.

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Besides these two classes of places, there are the oldest parts of the Diocese, such as are included in the Deaneries of Cobham, Gravesend, and Rochester, especially the great centres of work for national defence at Woolwich and Chatham.

From 1878 to 1899 (inclusive) Grants were made by or through the Society as follows:—

ARCHDEACONRY OF ROCHESTER.

		£
Deaneries.	Cobham, £650; Gravesend, £1,152; Rochester, £11,463 ...	13,265
	Greenwich ...	18,124
	Lewisham ...	7,536
	Woolwich ...	18,957
		£57,882

ARCHDEACONRY OF SOUTHWARK.

Deaneries.	Battersea ...	27,473
	Camberwell ...	23,080
	Clapham ...	1,477
	Kennington ...	4,695
	Lambeth ...	4,905
	Newington ...	13,128
	Southwark ...	29,845
		£104,603

ARCHDEACONRY OF KINGSTON-ON-THAMES.

Deaneries.	Barnes ...	4,484
	Beddington ...	5,668
	Godstone ...	1,220
	Kingston ...	2,326
	Reigate ...	740
	Streatham (including Wandsworth and Earlsfield)...	17,413
		£31,851

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I again looked in. There was a very nice Congregation seated awaiting the beginning of the Service. they seemed quite parochial. middle & working class people. There seems a genuine religious feeling here.

St Anne in Thorburn Square seems more exclusively a better class congregation - but there were signs of a popular wedding on the pavement. It is a squat spreading low roofed comfortable sort of church. In the morning there were 20/30 adults & some children with them - all of better class. There was a pleasant homely, family feeling about it. In the Evening the same effect was made - a moderate evening congreg of fairly well to do women & children with some half dozen men - I heard the lesson very nicely read & music followed which seemed ambitious. In Camilla Dorms "The Gospel of the Grace of God" is preached." in the Evening. There seemed to be children there in the morning.

Salvation Army were going through their outdoor effect in the street next to that in which their Hall is - There were 3 men & 4 women & a few

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Children gathering round & a man or two leaning against their garden gates or a woman at door or window. They had a brave flag & a big drum & the women had tambourines. They shouted at large, inviting to the hall & announcing a man from Africa who coned till about Mafeking. Finally to tap of drum they marched off singing "I love Jesus hallelujah" &c to a good nigger tune. Their little hall (empty till they arrived) had hung up in the place of honour a horrible big nosed portrait of the General

Lynton S. Baptist (Strict) I did not take it is a neat very quiet place. Keeping itself to itself.

The Unitarians have a church in Fort N.° D. D. amos minister "pro tem". Outside chapel were noted the subjects for the month. (1) Where do we stand" (2) What is truth (3) Wanted men & (4) (today) Sunday school anniversary which last is a plan adopted by all except the established churches. The parents being drawn in with the children by pride in them.

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with the Anniversary there was to be a "Flower Service" which is always popular. Next door to the Unitarian Church & seemingly connected with it is the "Bermondsey W. M. Institute Library &". "First Garden Party 31 May & 30."

I passed by the U. M. F. Church Upper Grange Rd a nice well kept Church of some size from which proceed the sound of hearty singing from a fair body of people on Sunday morning.

S. Luke's Bermondsey in the morning had much more of a congregation than either S. Anne or S. Augustine & it consisted distinctly of "the people" 100/150 of all ages together. The lesson was read in a popular style with dramatic effects of voice. In the evening there was quite a congregation, hearty & parochial & seemingly of all classes. The Church is decorated with pre-Raphaelite pictures. A rather nice Church.

S. Mary Magdalene Old Kent Road shows signs of pushing work. There were special mission services & a working class mission style of congregation in the morning. All kinds of things advertised. Mission address to Children 3 p.m. Open air in Street leading to Church at 8 p.m. &. There were signs here

of a peopers weeding or two on the pavement. I did not get here in the Evening. I rather suppose ~~that~~ that the place represents a galvanized Evangelical success of a kind but not with very deep roots.

Behind the church - but walled off from all access on that side lies a queer little Square which really must form part of the poor area served by the Pembroke mission. This Square was bright with Mafeking decorations. Cords had been strung across & across with innumerable Coloured paper streamers.

St Georges Hall (Flanagan) was my last place in the morning & I arrived in the middle of Mr John Bailey's sermon on "Jesus wept". He is a professional preacher & singing Evangelist - a grey bearded man with twinkling eyes & much facial expression. Extremely well pleased with himself & his own Eloquence which was laid on very thick - His point was the manliness of tenderness of feeling & he drew illustrations from battlefields ancient & modern. Eloquence such as his is a pure manufacture & of it seems to me no spiritual or intellectual value whatever. In the afternoon he was to take the P.S.A with "Songs of the Sea" & in the Evening he addressed the children. Mr Flanagan being away he had been engaged to fill the till

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At the close of the morning service he gave notice of that for the afternoon hoping in the usual heavy pleasantry which prevail. that sleepy afternoon would not prevent them attending. He took the trouble to come & speak & sing & the least they could do was to come to set & listen - & then conscious of Queenstown he added nicely that he should be so glad to see them - Other notices were given out in very homely fashion by one of the Committee or what ever the organization is who spoke of "our pastor" being back again next Sunday. They seem to do badly without him & next Sunday I must see how they do with him.

The Hall that Flanagan has built travelling 35000 miles & preaching I know not how many times to raise the money, is very nice indeed. Does him great credit. It is the best thing of its kind I have seen - Excellent in design & finish roomy & significant. Even beautiful in its way & perfect for hearing in. In the morning there were a fair number of people perhaps 150 very cold mainly of the serious working class - with School Children in the galleries - The seats are allotted a card with name slipped in - but the rightful proper

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people were not all there - For the P.S.A a rather better class seemed to be coming - including some very smartly dressed women & children. It looked to me as though it drew from other places of worship - people who came to enjoy Mr Bailey's singing - I did not stay for this but it was evident that there was going to be no kind of a crowd. So far as popularising of religion goes there was clearly nothing whatever in it. Again in the Evening there was a fair gathering of people mostly above working class - no crowd - nothing popular about it. The impression I got was of a genuine working class nucleus & the attraction from other churches probably of afternoon & Evening religions gad about - & not at all of the poor whom they seek & pretend to reach. But I must see how it looks when Flanagan himself is there. In the Evening Mr Ritson was to preach (he is I suppose the minister of the Wesleyan Church in Holy Trinity Rotherhithe) in favour of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (with a collection). Previous to the Evening Service there was an out door meeting

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at the corner opposite - preceded by a prayer meeting in the vestry of those about to join in the outdoor exercise - "to get the Ammunition ready" the young Committee man said borrowing from the S.A. ~~[illegible]~~ I heard the singing of the little circle consisting of the young man & 2 others like him & some 10 or 15 girls. I think all these were from the church & there were one or two older women joining in & some few passers by & the usual gathering of children. Any one stepping near was handed a paper with the hymns. I suppose there would be prayers & an address of the usual S/A style - The brass band also was out in the streets marching. I think part of it had been at the afternoon service of song - & in the evening it marched up full strength. 22 or 23 with a big drum & forming in a ring in front of the Hall played a last tune before turning in. The effort is enormous - the result apparently nil.

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It was a lovely Evening & all the outside open air workers were about - At the end of Bermondsey new road were the Haddon Hall Baptists - about the same numbers but a solider & older set than the Primitives. Their numbers were swollen from time to time by the arrival (evidently) of members of the Congregation coming a little before service inside began - responsible members of the mission not the working class people (who do come) nor the outcast kind at all (who don't). There were some loud hymns - I do not remember exactly but I think there were some horns to make the tune - a young man delivered an address to an imaginary audience of poor men with only one coat to their back (I was the only male being in a coat but I kept a little away & he did not look at me - his was an abstract gage). He told these imaginary persons that salvation was for them just as much as for those who attend the tabernacle - & now was the acceptable time - & that damnation was also for them if they rejected the proffer

He hammered away at this till I thought
Even his approving friends got a little
sick of it - It was all horribly unreal.
Manor Mr Kay Dunn's Church U. F. M.
proved much more satisfactory. It is a very
Commodious building of the round about style
with deep galleries. I should think it finds
seats for as many people as possible in the
Space & without any pretence at beauty
is Comfortable & well polished looking.
Behind this are Cage schools which were
quite full of children in the afternoon.
I attended the Men's Service at 3. pm
arriving before 3.30 while music was going
on - There was no one in the galleries but
scattered over the body of the Church were
about 60 men & there were 12 in all on
the platform including Mr Kay Dunn & 3
musicians. Mr K D sat at a table to
preside & in the pulpit over his head was
the lady soloist - Miss Richards - The men
were for the most part of the Serious working
man type or lower middle class - The ladies'
Songs were loudly clapped & so was any Sentiment

in the address that called for it. Still the forms of a religious service were on the whole observed. The lesson from the Bible was read – or, badly – by one of the men on the platform – Mr K D presided – the men knew the hymns & joined sing – In this respect it was a great contrast to the hopeless effort at Mr Walkers Mens Service at St Lukes last Sunday – but the address did not pretend to be religious at all. It was however contentious – It was on the minority report of Lord Peels Commission – advocating the acceptance by teetotalers of the half loaf that might be got & attacking their folly in refusing what might have been obtained a graduation up from Mr Gladstone. At the end a man got up to ask a question but was ruled out as nothing in that way is allowed. He boiled over with indignation on the side walk afterwards & poured out his woes that it was not the teetotalers but the Church party who blocked Mr Gladstone's action – attacked Mr K D roundly – 'it was not the first time' – 'he knew nothing of what he was talking about' – 'it

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"was the last time he (the Speaker) would attend" &c &c. But my 3 hands were held up against Mr K D's view of what should be done expressed in a resolution put from the platform. Is this religion?

The men however are no doubt religious enough & it was fully recognised that this was an inner circle - a little brotherhood in its way. What they showed as to [illegible] at what station was mentioned as not yet fixed - some excursion or walk Mr K D would arrange & give out next Sunday & he spoke most earnestly about how they should be or appear more effective - that instead of scattering themselves all over, they should pack up close to the platform - it had a much better effect - that was what the women did for their special meeting - & they could hear something from the women & then we had the usual kind of joke about what he told the women - & then jokes against the women which they receive [illegible]

& then as to open air work he spoke (quite among themselves) of the wily dodges that were needed to attract public house loafers or passers by - that they should form a solid ring - not too large & excite curiosity - put a girl in the middle - not standing on anything to raise her - & let her sing & then the men would want to see her & come up to the ring - or other girls would push in & the men would follow the girls they always did - great laughter - or (on some other plan) the girls would follow the men they always did still more laughter. This class of joke is the staple of the "brightness" introduced into "P.S.A.'s" & "men's owns" generally except in the Ch of England & even there the Ditchfield stamp of man sinks sometimes to them.

In the evening Mr Kay Dunn is the minister of a church, though still dressed in a grey round about suit.

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He advertises the subjects of his Sunday
Every discourses, his bills are posted every where & calls his sermons "Talks to toilers" & on the last Sunday
of the month it is always "To those in
doubt - being simple straightforward proofs
"of Christian facts" - "Fine Choir - organ & orchestra
"Hearty hymn singing - a simple service all
"can enjoy" A "Peoples Lawyer" attends, alternate Mondays & for whitmond, there was a double programme of entertainments - & a Flower Service & Flower Social

The church was practically full of a
quite popular audience - more lower middle
than working class - but consisting of both &
I should suppose a real congregation of people
coming regularly to hear Mr Kay Dunn. The
service is attractive - the whole tone highly
religious. Mr Kay Dunn has a gift of simple
direct language both in his prayers & his
sermon - a certain fearlessness, & sureness
of himself & his audience - He dealt with
the resurrection from the dead & did it
very well - making the most of the usual
rather misleading analogies. It was not
the strength of his arguments but the simple
direct way he had of putting them that
made the sermon effective. He is still a young
man - under 40 I suppose

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After leaving 'Manor' in the afternoon I walked through part of Southwark Park & on down to S. Bartholomew's a district in which I do not remember ever to have been before. It is a big red Church - seeing rather high - over the vicarage door on the Stone lintel was a Text to the effect 'Open your doors to all who seek' &c

The Baptist Church Alderton Rd is solid & slate coloured -

I then went on to S. Philips Avondale Sq which is a rather charming low pitched spreading rustic style of church set in the greenery of trees & grass & seats amongst the walks - all very pretty - On my way I passed also a little Primitive Methodist Mission in S. James Road - a very wee place set back from the road - soon left for the large church of the good time coming - A bazaar was advertised with Phonograph &c

And finally in the evening after Mrs Kay Dunn's Service was over I returned to

Bermondsey New Road & went in to the Wesleyan Mission in Leroy St. (late John St.) which still bears the name of the Kent Rd. School on the Building but which the Wesleyans call 'John St. Hall' - being an annex to the Meeting Church. Here they have a Sunday School and at 7 "Sunday Nights for the People" - It is a very dreary desolate looking place & in the room there were just a handful of Cheapen in one corner - I doubt if many of "the people" come on Sunday night but when I got there the service was over & an after Prayer meeting was on being conducted with the direct aim of saving a certain young womans Soul - the poor creature was prayed for & at & suitable hymns were sung & efforts made to create the atmosphere needed to bring the desired result - to me all very dreadful - horrible of me perhaps to study it in cold blood - The Enthusiasm was very forced - not real except in a few

of the kneeling women - one of whom prays for a long time aloud but in an almost inaudible tone - not real at all with any one of the men. There were 3 of these one a noisy blatant person who practically conducted the proceedings - prayed loudly & at length - suggesting & leading the hymns & generally pushing things along - Then there was the man who actually had the young woman in hand & who from time to time spoke to her - kneeling beside her - & reported progress "our Sister is very near conversion - thank God" & - this being responded to by other ejaculations from others present. The young woman herself was not kneeling but sat rather stolidly I thought. However when the man thought the time had come for it he beat two other women who sat down on each side of her & at length led her off between them - like tame elephants a wild one - to the inquiring room - & then

this strange service soon was brought to an end. The third man who normally presided sat at a desk on the platform & said nothing - except that once when the blatant man had appealed for aid in prayer & no one was ready with anything - this man evidently thought it his duty to step into the breach & did so in a rather formal way. I doubt if his heart was in the affair.

A very bright contrast to this scene was the open air service outside the Church of the Pilgrim Fathers. A sheet had been hung over the big door or some how on the front of the Church which is set at a curious angle by Buckingham Square off the New Kent Rd. A very effective "pitch". I seen the crowd singing from the words thrown on the sheet jumped off my homeward bound tram & joined it - a well pleased well dressed crowd gathered I

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Suppose from the thousands walking past this lovely Evening - many coming from other Services (like me) - others just out on pleasure bent - but liking to make out the hymns & join the swell of the voices in the open air - There was a leader who gave out the hymn - tho' this was not needed - & conducted generally & would perhaps preach later - & there was a harmonium & some wind instruments. He said they could not always have a lantern (nor always a fine Evening I thought) but they meant always to have the open air Service - no doubt following that in the church which we have heard is now in low water - having lost its Endowment. It is a beautiful church by charmingly situated - facing the angle of the Square on one side & having a little public garden between it & old Kent road on the other.

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Saturday walk

2 June

District 32.

Bermondsey new R. & the Taboard S. district

Saturday walk. 2 June 1900

Bermondsey New Rd district. I wanted to satisfy myself as to the comparative evidence of this district for poverty &c &, with an interval at the Star Music Hall in Abbey St, spent the whole day walking about over it. I did the Tabard St area thoroughly & also the poor parts north of Long Lane & East of Bermondsey New Road. Two things impressed themselves strongly (1) the immense amount of demolition already built over in the Tenement blocks & standing unused at Star Corner & on the East Side of Bermondsey New Rd. (2) the fearfully crowded low type of the rest. I am confirmed strongly in my view that this is the poorest bit of London & as where do children so abound. The Boscoll St Schools are a notable centre.

I was also struck with the vigour of Bermondsey New Rd as a market. I think people come to it from further off than formerly. but it is also true that this poor district has lots of money to spend. The scene at the stalls & the shops that line the road was intensely busy from 6 to 12 o'clock & is busy again (with a lower class) on Sunday morning

Saturday (2) 2 June 140

The buyers on Saturday included many poor figures - but more that looked hearty & happy enough - It was more in traversing the streets & penetrating into the courts that I saw the signs of drink, sickness and starvation. The Butchers were selling good pieces of meat freely - the green grocers doing an active trade in new potatoes - green gooseberries & green peas as well as cabbage & rhubarb - many bought mint for their lamb. The stall of summer hats & artificial flowers was crowded round by girls picking out what they wanted - "6½ & 2d, 8½ the lot" remains in my mind as the summing up of a bargain for a white chip hat & some white tulle to trim it with - but most of the girls bought artificial flowers & were very particular about shades of colour - Opposite was the usual scene of second hand garments handled over among a crowd of the poorest middle aged women - mothers - This almost silent trade - for hardly a word passes - the article held up (horrid looking garments of all kinds) a price named - no bidding sold or not sold - & if not back on the heap & another held up to view - This may be seen elsewhere

too - the place I have noticed it most, besides here, is in the Chapel Street market near the Angel Islington - where again there is a mighty poor population -

The boot shops were a remarkable sight. It takes time to buy boots - you have to try them on - & the customers went in rows seated till served - that looked like money spending. I did not see any renovated boots selling at all. The shops selling womens clothes were also crowded with those waiting to be served.

As the night grew on I did not see that the buyers looked poorer - but the stalls were beginning to be cleared - Only there is the usual sight of poor people buying ready cooked food - not more of this than elsewhere The market is too far from many of the homes for that -

The public houses were busy where Crammed - lots of the women turned in with their purchases to drink a glass of beer Sometimes ready & liked - sometimes in Social

parties sometimes alone. nothing of the nature of "drink" in the shape of intoxication - nor did I see it with the men either. I hardly saw any one that was drunk - Probably more would be seen at closing time & what I did see was just at the last about 11.30 when I took my tram in the Old Kent Rd - there was some staggering & some gay dancing on the side walk.

Outside Abbey St the Barber shops showed great activity - It is remarkable that except the cook shops which sell slices of pork or pudding to carry home in paper, there was no possibility of getting anything to eat at all in most of the streets - & such coffee shops as did remain open had evidently practically finished their business. Supper is not what they aim to supply - That service is taken up by the peripatetic stall & is by them done very well - I patronised two - & was well served - Everything supplied good of its kind - fully as good as at the coffee shops

The Star Music Hall in Abbey St. gives 2 short performances on most nights but has one long one for Saturday - no re admission allowed & the place only gradually fills up as the Evening goes on - I heard 3 singers - a lady Serio comic I suppose - a young man low-comic both in costume - & a big shirt fronted man with a red-white-& blue tie patriotic.

Then an acrobat, turning somersaults with daggers held to his throat & heart &c. & finally, the great piece of the Evening, a comic sketch with much rough pantomime style of fun & a good many characters - the plot being that the will of a rich deceased, the reading of which was the first scene, left the property to any of his relations who had never felt the soft passion of love. A remarkably innocent boy turns up & the fun consists in efforts to entrap him into kissing somebody or other - all attempts fail & he is awarded the fortune - As an interlude two waifs & strays in rags sing & lie down to sleep & are harshly treated by one of the rich mans

relatives – &, this was noteworthy, a policeman comes in & after looking this way & that produces a hunch of bread (his supper presumably) & in a shamefaced way gives it to the children & slips off amid great applause

It was also remarkable that in the Patriotic Songs Buller was made much of & Lord Roberts left out although some of the audience called for him –

There were very few above working class in the audience. Even in the reserved stalls at 1/6. which were the dearest seats.

On Sunday (3 June) I was again through & through Bermondsey Rd – The Sunday market there is most remarkable – & the stamp of poverty is over all The old clothes & old boots are beyond anything elsewhere – & the Butchers selling ~~[illegible]~~ the last of their meat – At one o'clock there are throngs in the street – I think this is a greater market centre both on Saty & Sunday than 10 years ago

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Visits to Churches

3 June 1900

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Baptists (Haddon Hall)
Wesleyan So. London Mission. Chapel Place Long Lane
S. Andrews (New Kent Rd). Ch of Pilgrim Fathers
S. George's Hall (Flanagan)

a very interesting account.

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Whit Sunday – 3rd June 1900

I gave today mainly to Mr Flanagan but before the morning service at his St George's Hall I walked through Bermondsey New Rd at the near end of which there was a small Salv. Army group with a hard voiced earnest pallid man shouting the need of salvation before we die. There were about 12 of themselves men boys & women with musical instruments. The speaker was more forcible & real & less conventional in what he said than usual but he had no outside audience. Another S/A group conducted by women was at the further end of the street – still smaller – & with low voices – quite as effective perhaps or at least not less so.

The end of Bermondsey New Rd next the Old Kent Road is a very favourite pitch & I suppose its occupation at certain times by certain bodies is understood. The Haddon Hall Baptists followed the salvationists & occupied the stand till nearly 1 o'clock with harmonium & what amounted to a regular service at the same time as that in their Hall closely. They had brought out a party of the school children to sing & at the end 12.30 or so there was a considerable gathering round them – but the street swarmed with people. Earlier before the idlers were out – or those home bound from other services – they spoke & sang to the air. The address at the end was a by a plain sailor looking man on the dangers of damnation – as Baptist addresses usually are. "The Secretary" closed the service with prayer

Inside Haddon Hall there were about 70 lower middle & working class - mostly the latter. I heard (at 12 30) the tail end of an Earnest discourse (the Service begins 11.30). There was no collection but a box was held at the door for offerings.

On my first round I began with the Wesleyans Mission in Chapel Place Long Lane & saw Mr Hopkins enter the pulpit. There was no sign of anything but the smallest kind of a congregation of respectable folk mostly women - more would come in later - but there is here no popular element in the morning & neither morning nor evening do the people come from the immediate neighbourhood. I believe.

I went from there through Weston St. to S. Andrews Kent Rd & found there a great empty ugly church - a handful of women & children being the morning congregation

I also looked in at the Church of the Pilgrim Fathers. which was practically empty

At Mr Flanagan's morning service there were about 100 adults - not more. & perhaps as many children including those from the schools in the gallery. The choir consisted of 1 boy & 10 girls or young women in the lower row & 5 men above - & there is a large organ played from the side.

on the "rostrum" in front of the organ & singers gallery there is a piano at one side & in the centre a reading desk & a handsome arm chair. The arm chair is occupied by Mr Flanagan at his left side sat the young man who conducts the open air service – in the evening another man (the Secretary) sat at his right hand – Below the rostrum on the chapel level is a table which usually holds a little font but in the evening was spread for the Lords supper & covered with a white cloth The organ gallery fills a recess. at either side on the floor level are doors to "ministers vestry" on one side & "stewards vestry" on the other – above on the level of the side galleries are doors to the class rooms behind – There are a number of rooms & in the notices of the meetings room number this or that is mentioned – up to no 5 I think. no 3 must be a large room. It is a very complete & perfect mission church – the main hall seems to me the best thing of its kind in London

In spite of the rather small numbers the singing – being well led & every one singing – was hearty & good Mr Flanagan conducted with slow deliberation He has a soft beautiful voice & kept it subdued nearly all the time. The hall is admirable for hearing in – even through the roar of the traffic & I think that was shut off later as I did not notice it any more

he had a remarkable sermon on the Pentecostal gift. For the lesson he had read of Christs ascent into heaven & of the return of the little band of his followers to the room in which they had been accustomed to meet & to their usual occupations. to await the fulfilment of the promise. the coming of the Holy Ghost. He spoke of the time for prayer & the time for waiting. The certitude that came to accepted prayer. Spoke of George Muller with the thousands of children depending on him for their food & how he arose from off his knees & to bed in the assurance that his prayer was answered & that the money would come. & spoke of his own need & prayer for £100. in the vestry. & nothing more to do but break the seal of the envelope that brought the money.

Then he went on to speak of the coming of the Spirit upon us in these days. & of the experience of the Soul that transcended all argumentative Evidence as to Christs resurrection from the dead & the promised presence of the Holy Spirit on earth. He spoke of recent meetings he had attended at Manchester. & elsewhere when the Spirit was with them in power to the salvation of many souls

& he prayed it might happen here today. Why should it not? But the occasion was not propitious - everything as dull as lead - although he made great efforts to excite the feelings which his peculiar faith so glorifies. After the sermon (& collection) we had a missing hymn & he broke it in the middle at the most rousing verse which we then sang again & again - the minister leading with out stretched arms - ecstatically.

I do not doubt Mr Flanagan's enthusiasm earnestness & honesty - but he must find it difficult to sustain such a level - & I should suppose he must have bitter disappointmated feelings. He seems to me a sad & weary man. It is evident that his doctrines do not touch the people. for the dress he has the power to give them Corea hands, be more attractive. Not only has he a singularly beautiful voice but he has real eloquence of language. the pictures he gave from the Bible Story were in the highest degree vivid & interesting. He deserved a larger audience. They were mixed lower middle working class - just a grade above the Baptists.

Sun 3 June

In the afternoon for the P.S.A. there were about the same or perhaps rather more adults but not many children. I thought the middle class element was ascendant - but the working class were also present - sitting rather at the back - at this meeting all seats are free - I took it (& so did Flanagan) that the people were regular religious Church going people. He read to them the story of Martha & Mary when Martha was cumbered with much serving & afterwards referring to it in his address he said he supposed we all knew our Bibles & knew where it came from - we ought he said so to know our Bibles that what we was read we could say at once in what book & what chapter it was to be found. & this is addressing a "P.S.A for the people". The service was preceded by a musical performance by a string band with conductor & piano - 12 performers - & we had several pieces from them & also some solos from Miss "Polly Hambly" who sat on the rostrum between Mr Flanagan & the Piano. The music & songs were quite good & the whole service very agreeable

body of speaking Sunday afternoon - but as a popular religious movement entirely inoperative - & if they get the money with that idea it is certainly a false pretence.
I cannot now remember much of Mr Hanafins address - He started with Mary's choice of the better part - describing the whole scene at Bethany - the worn & tired Christ - the dusty Sandalled feet - the refreshing water & the simple meal - the cup of tea if they drank tea in Palestine then - All told in his slow deliberate way & exquisite voice - & then he passed on to the other scene of the resurrection of Lazarus & those words which were repeated now by every grave side - "I am the resurrection & the life" - & then he passed on - I remember now - to the scene with the woman of Samaria "A person of no character at all" from whom he this time asked the hospitality of a drink of water - We are told we must not preach high doctrine to the people. But Christ did. to Martha & Mary & now to this woman. Speaking words destined to revolutionise religious ideas & break down every barrier - "The time is coming

that is". "God is a spirit, & those that worship him shall worship him in Spirit & in truth". And he read the whole of that beautiful passage.

There is an ugly side to Mr Flanagan - an ugly Irish side - which comes out from time to reference to local or contemporary questions. He is pro-boer & "agin the Govt." generally & quite unnecessarily nasty remarks with which I thought his audience did not sympathise dropped out occasionally as such, but most of all during the Xmas Service. He also does not shrink from self advertisement. He told the story, that was during the Morning Service, as an instance of the moves of Gods spirit, of his finding the soft spot in the hardened heart of a criminal of 22 years standing - whose career he detailed - by putting his arm round his neck & mingling his tears with those of the softened ruffian, for whose maintenance in the right way we were invited to pray. Who is I think a recent trophy & at present safe in hospital.

Perhaps Mr Flanagan falls between two or more stools. His Irish radicalism & violence of language might attract some - his belief in the miracles of faith

others - While the beauty of his scriptural
exposition - his remarkable eloquence &
use of all the advantages of music and
even his self advertising & advertising of
all who help him may draw others - who
may find both the violence & the exaltation
too strong for their taste.

The Evening Service was preceded as
usually the set down gathering opposite - A
foolish little exercise enough - but satisfying
I suppose to those who do it. The congregation
was similar in character to that of the morning
& afternoon but more numerous & more distinctly
middle class. Including a scattering in the
galleries there may have been 200 present
perhaps 250 - The choir was the same as
in the morning - with one more girl I think -
I suppose the congregation is reinforced by
people from other churches - the proportion who
stay for the Lords Supper was quite small.

The Sermon was on Cain & Abel's Sacrifices & the reasons why Cain's was not
accepted - The soft sweet voice & quiet
manner

was replaced now by loud stern tones & powerful action as the preacher denounced the attempt to evade the realities of life & sin & judgment by altars decked with flowers. Rough stones piled - & fire & smoke & the blood of the beloved fruitling of his flock, to appease his God, & set right that which was wrong - distorted throughout nature by Mans sin & fall - Such was the accepted sacrifice.

It is characteristic of Mr Flanagans method that he described these altars as standing side by side - not twenty feet apart - we were made to realise them by his action - on this side or on that - and between them a cleavage - a gulf - which to this day divides all human life.

Again, I do not think he carried his audience with him. He comes before had a better chance among the Baptists. I believe his failure is due to his attempting an impossible combination.

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S Saviour. Norwich. C1. 99. Canon Thompson
Rector. 1 Curate. 2 Paid readers. 4 Visitors + S. Sol 7.
Cathedral Church. Will Lady Chapel. Schools Mission Hall
8 am 11 am 7 pm } ornate in morn.
150. 500 } more strangers fewer parish
Mission Service in Red Cross S } Every Sunday — Holy Communion
Weekly attendance } Shared responsibility
Day Sch 442 } S Sch 350.
best attendances
Social agencies small in direct connexion
But there are others of wider area

Almt 55. Tall dignified. Black hair. handsome face. Pleasant expression but not sharp. Irish style of Negro speaks with Irish brogue. Parish Mod: high
not doing much local work now — no visitors. Does care for the Poor — got a Cathedral Curate. Hitchcock
Workers. does practically nothing — Have to be begged from Curate Just Come. C.O.S.
Visited 18.125 Feb CD.

(31) 2

Wesleyan. Grove Mission. C11. 141. Weston
Hon Sup. Hon Secs.
Mission Buildings 2 stories + basement.
Each floor a hall 250/300. basement 3 or 4 small rooms
Clean comfortable + fresh appearance. Mixed congn
Sunday Service 10.45 + 6.30
" School 9.45 230 + 6.30 — nearly 400 ch.
Casual Poor mission 3 Bible classes.
Mothers meeting — Clothing — Coal + Club
Penny Bank — Dr Trope — Slate Club
Mutual Improvt. Cricket Foot Ball &c — Sorry we can do what they like So long as they behave themselves.

Prime of life — picture of health — round glowing manly beaming Smile + White Trotter Coat Vest — Jolly Good fellow + Smart Successful business man. Argyle
much giving — Income. Similar to Younger but more Money — Brewery helps. C.O.S.
Non discriminate — accounts not to be C.O.S
Visited 25 Feb. Evening Service full of worthy clean people. CD

(31) 2

L C M. Borough Market. C11. 69. Hitchcock
Preacher 3 days + Mass + 3 to Market Wards.
237 Visitable families. 3000 Men Singing in Market
Sketch as mission Room. Hours 99 — Adults above
Sunday Gospel Service generally Crowded — Open air work
Bible class in winter 27 adults
Mothers Meeting 110 on books.
Wednesday Gospel Service Hall ready 23 men lessons Women
Band of Hope 193 ch Temperance Lodge 47 men
Attendants chiefly raised from Gallery.
Nearly workers including 8 of his own family
No relief except Soup Kitchen in winter

Magnificent specimen of an Old Man. Big Broad massive head — Mass of White curly hair — Beaming face. Apostle
Visited 18 Feb. an out of the way place — Nothing Special on the morning CD.

(31) 3

RC. Ch of Most Precious Blood. C11. 165. Newton Abbot
Near Tower Hill — very short handed
Church 800. Schools 600.
3 Masses. 5/900 Morning 250 ch. Vespers 150.
Easter Day 5/900
Boys Club 60. League of Cross.
R. Catholics have just 2 Locks dis Over — no aggressive work.

Perhaps 35 — not distinguished in person or manner but of Good Commonsense type from bigotry. Above
Knew nothing of Miss Hills work — had heard of her.
Do not see much. C.O.S. 6 or 11. a RC Lecture. C.O.S
Visited 18+25 Feb — CD.

(31) 4

S. Peter. Sumner St. C1. 199. Corbett.
Near. Curate. Sc. readers. Mass. 2 Mission women
Church 600. Parish 2000 600 Schools 170. teachers.
Morning 60/80. Evening 150/200 — Bible class parishioners
deal mainly with the respectable set
Communicants 150 — Easter 110 — Average since 1887
2 Mothers Meetings. Provident Club. Self Help Club
Y. M. S. — Young Men's Soc — Slate Club. Penny Bank
Entertainments in winter. Good music appreciated
Day + Sunday Schools — Mission Service 20.

Above 40 or 45 in appearance — Small bearded Celt headed. Blue eyes — Light Hair. Straight person. Good head. Above
(attendance also stated at 200/300)
not doing much — Hitchcock
Practical — Good. Sound — most sensible man they have. COS
Visited 25 Feb. Morning cheerful gathering of Young People. Evening Genuine Workman Congregation 2/300. CD.

Kings Court Mission. St Saviour's. Blackgrove — a Polish man — given up Cricket — Small affair COS

(31) 4

All Hallows: Southwark C1.83. **Oulthy**

3 Clergy & Clewer sisters (12 wkrs 7 wkly hear)
Church (nominal 700 actual 300/600) beautiful building. Sir Gilbert Scott arch.
Mission House - Club rooms - Hire Board Schools
Attendance. 11.15. 200/400. Wkly class - Boys less.
S. Schools. Roger over 1000 - all the Ch & some others
Good & attractive schools - Parish Com.n 300.
Clubs - Myth boys - the myhurst - Girls also myth
Factory girls home Nelson Sq. 60 girls (Clewer)
Church Lads Brigade - religion not obligatory
Confession publicly arranged for
Whitsun Day falls on May 21st Masses 6.30. 7.15. 8.9 with Procession at the Solemn mass and at Evensong 11.15 *

Perkins 45. Clean shaven rather well - Gives impression great contrast to Mr Longsdon - but both men are hard-working - & both Smoked Pipes. Does

Dean apparently no - 7 or 8 sisters - hours friendly & easy. Near & Curate tho' they regard him as a heretic. Coles

Screwing up - the sisters the apparently. C.O.S

Visited 18.1.25 Fels - large low cathedral looking building - Congregation of very horsey Caucasian - seemed to belong. CA

(31) 5

L C M. Shaftesbury Memorial Hall (Union St) C1.45. **Colen**

Mission Hall 150. Classes from Workers (Union St)
25 to 30 Voluntary Workers - Open air work Summer
Children Service 11. a.m. 100 - great increase
S Sch 3. p.m. 400 on books - Band of Hope
Ragged Sch 6. avge 150.
Gospel Serv 7.15 - 100. - Wednesday 40 Sat 12/16
Mothers Meeting 300 on books - Hall full
Girls Sewing - Youths Class (Tabernacle)
Children Dinners in winter -

Dark & Stuffy 45/50 - Unpleasant - Atmosphere Cannot - hard working - Apathetic

(not marked on my map - Not seen CA)

(31) 6.

Pr. Methodist. Surrey Chapel (Blackfriars Rd) C11 193. **Parr**

2 Ministers - Sister of the People - Number of Recognised Workers
Chapel - Lecture Hall & Sch 1000 - 4 Class rooms. Institute (Club)
Services 11. 200 adults 7. 600/700 adults - the People
S. Sch 300 ch. 10 & 3.
Ch Mission Serv. 6.15 - 475. attend 700 on register.
Sunday afternoon Brotherhood - 100 attend - 3.30
Workers P.S.A. 60 attend - Noble class 100 Young Men
Brethren meeting - Monday 100. attend
Fellowship classes 120 (Mens Institute - 50 boys - Mon. practice Char Bus Society 7 to 11.
Slate Club 120
Boys Brigade 50. Girls Institute 70 - Horse Club 40
Womens Medical Class 40 - Gymnasium Boys 60. Ladies 20
Sat night Pleasant Temperance 400 (9 months)
Social Song, Concerts, entertainments or lectures &
Band of Hope. Cricket Club. Cycle Club 50
S. Sch on Sat for Indigent Blind. 400/200 -
District Visiting - & Parents of Children & Sick Class.

Active lively Enthusiastic Wide awake & with all Level headed & sincere - the right man. Does

Goes very hard active mission COS
Tries to do the work well - Keen on registration. COS

Not visited CA

(31) 7

S. Michaels Lane S. Borough C1 63. **Kingston**

Vicar - Curate - Nurse - 2 Bible Ladies
Church - Mission House
Sund. 6.30. 8 am 11 am 7 pm & 6 pm a School.
Monday & Saty 8.30 am & 7.30 pm
Tuesday 8.30 - 8 -
Wednesday 11 & 8. 3.45. & Evensong
Thursday 8.30. 9.30. - 6 -
Friday 8.30 11.30 8 pm
S. Sch. 11.45 & 3. Ch Service 6 pm
Church Lads Brigade Noble class
Mothers Meeting - Women Social
Clubs - Lads, Girls. Working Men
Entertainments in winter

about 40 - and a great talker. Does

Vice Chairman of C.O.S - thought well of by Committee. COS

Visited 18 Feb - a funny little quite Church. Church-yard full in evening - Skinner religious worker - CA

Came to "virgin soil" in working hours & well. Not to clash too much with the Church - Clergy. (Sch master)
The highest open - Assistant Curate fellow Bad. Cambridge Blue

(31) 8

St George the Martyr C1. 25. Somerville

Rector. 2 Curates. 2 Scripture readers 2 nurses. 7 Missionaries
Church Schools. 2 Mission rooms. + 10 Teachers
Services 8. 11. 6.30. + daily at 9.30 & 5.
Morning Cong 200. Evening 600 - largest unbribed
very few Parishioners - a refuge against High Ch
poor not at all - 60 & 30 would be great attraction
Temperance work a feature - No of Hope in connection
Parish schools almost full. 3d fee. Parish Ch
Sunday Sch. 600. Short staff of teachers.
Through visitation - large bible class - 1100 families

not much over 30. Pleasant General mass of
Aspect Common sense - Broad Evangelical Bible
not here long. Miss Rusk Catechises young. very capable COS
Visited 25 March. respectable morning congn. nice tone CB

(31) 9

Baptist, Borough No C11. 17. Poole Connor

Pastor + 2 Assistants - 130 volunteers including 55 Teachers
Chapel 700. Schools 400 + deacons + Elders
Services 11. & 6.30. Thursday Morning 200/300 Evening.
+ at 8 A.M. and 3 P.M. in Summer. Indoor + outdoor
to get hold of fresh people - 180 members + 80 probationers
A few of the workers come from a distance - but
most quite Congn from ½ mile radius - Evening Classes
Meetings for study every. Ch Endeavour. No of Hope &c
Mothers meeting 100/150. Gymnasium for young men + women
Clothing Club - Women & Girls' classes. Library.

Slightly built - youthful looking - Attell
Very many of same sort
Worked up as a mission - Pearson (39)
Visited 18 Feb. Children's Service in morning with a good many
adults - nice tone - did not seem at night. Seems a real Congn. CB

Good feeling among Free Churches - in front of Meeting Place
not connected with Mr Somerville - rate their Children

(31) 9

Presbyterian Ch Boro' No C11. 148 —

Church 850.
Services 11. & 6.30. Thursday 8 P.M.
Communicants 57. Sabbath Scholars 78
District visiting - Tract distribution
Y.P.S. of C.E.

Pastorate vacant
very nearly filled. Pearson (39)
Visited 18 Feb - a nice gentlemanly & intelligent looking
young Deacon - CB

(31) 9

South London Mission. Scovell No C11. 207. Arnold

all voluntary. Expense 3/ a week to rent each day
Mission Rooms very plain
Gospel Services. Sunday Schools. Mothers Meeting
Singing classes. Christian Endeavour. No of Hope
Sewing classes. Prayer Meeting. Sick visiting
Free meals clothing &c. Excursions. Income £205/300

Hon Sec - Grill Cook in the City (began as barman)
Chief workers here by affection. Aves

(31) 9

Camden Mission. Earl St. C11. 211 Portill

Missions & Volunteers (L.C.M.)
Mission building.
Services Sunday & Thursday - 60 a Sunday
Mothers Meeting 150 members - Good Kitchen
Happy Evenings. Concerts &c. Good Temperance Lodge
Sunday Sch - 60. Coal Club &c Blanket Club

Miss Rose Portill has only been here 4 months
has been a rescue worker in the neighbourhood. Aves
Gone a little professional.
Poor opinion of the late Missions. Does Good seems to be
more congn. COS
Visited 18 Feb. nothing on in the morning - Seems a good small
mission enthusiastic CB

(31) 10

Farmhouse Mission. L.C.M. C11. 219. Parker.

near Red Cross St.
Room holds 150 - Main work open air &
as preaching in Congn
Mothers Meeting. No of Hope. Temperance. all
paid, all good - Visiting the chief thing

A seaman in earlier life now about 40 - tired
look - face pasty face - coarse & untidy - careless
in address, talk - an honest flabby man Aves
One hand the same CB

(31) 10

Congress Mission. Collier Rents C11. 189 Cook

worked by London Congregational Union - 12 Workers
Hall 300. Below 160 - 240 - Summer Aud 700
Sunday Services in English - Boys Bible Class
Weekly Social Evenings Mothers Meeting

This Mission is on Kent St + Dorset Square, used to be in Portman (32)
Tall long limbed woman about 45 - Cabinet Superior
not much done - rather Methodistic COS

not seen - Visited 18 Feb CB

(31) 11

St Alphage Lancaster. St Southmark. C1. 23 Mackrell — Helping during transition — about 45 — Secretary to some clerical Soc. Given Share time here — Not attractive to all — Large Sunday — medium to meeting Delf Infirmary. Missed by Anglicans

Minister

No definite information

Things gone to pieces & in state of transition

See report for long list of agencies

Extremely high — have massive iron opposite & try to get the Chancel given by gifts — good congs. not from Parish — take mean sat away because of Church D.T. Secretariat — Marlton

Same reason given with strong storm. Berlins visit — Caine

Given a bad name for Ritualistic entanglements — Mr Mitchell

Has been awful both in Spread & Calcutta time Sallie resigned because of death 1871 COS

Visited 8 Feb CA

(31) 11

LC M. Friar St Norwich. C11. 119. Caine

Music Hall transformed short — 150 —

50 helpers meeting temperance Committee of 20 & 8 S.S.

Gospel Service 7. open air 6 & 8 p.m — Sat Prayer.

Incompetency, pull in winter — last Sunday (July) 75.

Sunday school 3 p.m 150/100 — Not Lot. old cloth.

Mothers Meeting 50/33 + another 40 to be run by a lady.

Penny Bank 86 — safe for hot Aggr. & Books

Noble Class 40

Gospel Temperance 100 (in Summer)

Monday treats Give & 100 —

Start this about 35 — full face small moustache — puffy unhealthy looking — reserved at first. talkers free, late. Anglican

(31) 13

LC M. Library St Norwich. C11 187 Cannon

Hall holds about 80 — part of an old house — not pt

Gospel Meeting Sunday & Wednesday Evenings. 35 Summer 40/50 Winter

Open air meetings — various helpers.

Share sharp featured. Elderly — heavy moustache & hair turning Grey — Somewhat shabby accent — not prepossessing ready of speech & original in manner & thought Anglican

Visited — an interesting Visit CA —

(31) 13 Miss Welman

Hope Mission Friar St. C11 83 Miss Marlton

Mission a light airy Bldg 2 years old.

Hall 200 & 2 other Large Rooms & Caretakers apartments

Sharp Workers — One & teachers.

Young men from Regents Park Chapel Connected Services

Hope to get some from their Christian Band. 100.

Sunday Sch — 80 Sunday Sch. 50 Summer

Thursday 8.15 Gospel — Open air. 80/100 Winter

Mothers Meeting 20 Monday. 70 Wednesday

Girls Sewing Class 60 — Christian Band. 20

Working Girls Sewing 20 — buy material & Make

Visitation of the Parish by the two women

Charitable Relief from Miss Marlton Brother

Miss W is secretary — sharp features head dressed — no longer young —

Miss M tall old Lady — pallid Features. good

Very nice woman & good work done — relief too easily COS

(31) 14

St Paul. Westminster Road. C1.185 de Carteret

Vicar. 2 Curates. Scr Reader — 2 LCM. 2 Missionaries

Church 1000. Hall 250. Institute 200. Cocoa Rooms Club room

Services 11 — 80. 3.30 (Dean) 6.30 80 — 250 (increase) some poor.

Daily 5 p.m & Thursday 7 p.m —

Moderate low Church —

Assisted by 12 ladies from the Settlement (mixed from various Church Workers) — & 8 others from Tulse Hill

35 or 50 — good type of mod Evang. Work hard and in difficult parish Anglican

a good not very easy man. COS.

Visited 18 Feb — small Congn in many — very poor in Neighbourhood — mostly Navvy. Working & Lower mid Class. genuine CA

(31) 15

Baptist Wpt on Chapel. C11. 1 Williams

Minister. Many Volunteer Helps — 12 Visitors 60 S.S.

Chapel 800. Schools below. Mission Hall & Schools at Oatley & a second Mission Hall. Mr S

Sunday 11. & 6.30 S.Sch 500. M 105. E 295

Sermon. 600.

Mothers Meeting 80 — Library Soc Cricket Cycling

600 Members

5D. bright personality & a preacher. sub Holy Anglican

active visitation — de Carteret

in good condition. Vicar (Sw)

Visited 18 71 Excellent Congn both morning & evening lower very genteel — a nice Tabernacle CA

(31) 15

R.C. Bishop of Southwark – C II. 225 Name – Title "Southwark" – a rather young Bishop aged
no one can make friendships
no local details

(31) 16

L.C.M. Lockbee St Blackfriars – C XI. 23. Wheatly – Thickest man of 50. Pleasant Ashell
difficult for helpers here.
Mission Hall 150. 2 R rooms
Service Sunday Eve. 30/40 – Children Thirty 120
3 Services Good Temperance Leagues

(31) 16

Wesleyan Mission: New Cut – C III. (Report)

(31) 15+16

R.C. St George's Cathedral – C XI. 1. Keating – An older man than the Bishop – 55 fully. Inexpertise practical speech than ordinary.
6 clergy + school teachers. 40 Nuns at Convent
Cathedral (2000) School Chapel. Workhouse Chapel. 2 Schools
5 Masses. 1600/2300 – Vespers 300 at 4 to 1200 Mostly Adult
Early duties 3000 – All same classes as masses. Adult
St George's Hall – Lectures – Club rooms. Home for boys
Soc. St Vincent de Paul. St Elizabeth – Nursing District. Leagues
Visiting & sick calls –

(31) 17

St Thomas' Westminster Dr N. – C I. 163. Dansey Hyde – Wilful Protestant – Study substantially furnished
Stands first and last Protestant Church from me in Shipperdesse – but brought out in Spanish
Has Social Agencies – about
Numerous Services – of missionary character
Vicar + 3 Curates. 3 LCM. 4 Mission Women
Church 1035. Church Room. St Thomas' Hall
Mission Room + Mission Room
Mothers Meeting. S. Schools – Open air work
Sung Parish communion Bright with Sound of the Gospel
Long years –
Attendances small but congregations – Mostly from
without of town middle class. Not from parish
S. many 80/100 – Sung 200/250 – 3 missions
aggregate 200 or so – Children Services.
45 Scholars 530/450 – 120 Communicants

very difficult to get Co-operation from C.O.S.

Visited 15 Feb. Sweet ugly church. Evangelical Services. Long communion – In Surrey 30/40 Towns mid class hopeless. CH

(31) 17

London Medical Mission – Lambeth Marsh – C II. 93. Owen. – A busy man. Latter rapidly & gets through his work quickly. – Sympathetic – does not preach much. Ashell
Medical Institution Attached with St Giles' Dispensary. Surg + 8 nurses
Mission Shop. Dispensary, Long hall. Waiting room. Surgery & Casualty rooms
Convalescent Home. Holiday Home.
Enormous number of cases treated – visit to
open daily. Chair of Temperance Service before treatment
Monday Penny Bank – 7.30 p.m. – Mens Meeting Mission 8 pm (30/40)
Tuesday Patients 10 a.m. Wednesday Factory Girls 8 pm (100 in
Thursday 4 – 6 – – 6 – daily Accounts 10. a.m. audit
Come from 1/2 mile radius – some from further. – All Sects here
Dentist one day a week – Work growing rapidly
Bible Women needed –

very useful – Nassaulagh

(31) 18

St Jude's Stepney Dr. – C I. 173. Pitchford – Perhaps Dr – thickest Gaseller – Small Minded – Unimpressive aged
Vicar. Curate. Sc reader. 6. Bible visitors rather hopeless. C.O.S.
New Church 600 (rear) 600 (rear) Schools
S. many 130/200. Sung 400 – Communicants roll 100
S. Sch 450. Day School 500. Crypt party 800 next
The regular machinery' – Temperance Soc. Band of Hope
Mothers Meeting Penny Bank. Savoy class. Gleaners Union
Mission Services – Open air services
Visiting Rooms – Cases of distress known unless deliberately hidden
Evangelical –

Visited 18 Feb. Mean rows – Stuck Spars – Red & White patterns many. 15 Adults 15 Ch. Sung perhaps 150. Service well done. CH

No room choke – Vacant Corner of the Tabernacle – a good many R.C
Portion of Chinese in South London notorious – welcome Savoy Centre of activity, hyper Evangelical – Missions & Address. with approval

(30) 18

Christ Church - Blackfriars Rd C1 117. de Fontaine
Rectr 2 Curates. Streets Nunry & 2 Adams Girls 60/557 &c
Church. Small Mission Rms - Schools (good Range) Albert Institute - Board Schools found
Servs. S. 11. 15 (Choral) Matins 10.30. Evening 7.
200. (Lord Mayor from outside) 450

Various Guilds & Bible classes - Mens Club - Girls Club
Gymnasium & drill classes - Choral Soc
Mothers Meeting - Band of Hope
Communicants 360. Parish 218
Scholars 700 attendy.

50 or more. Rector of Southwark & Kensington - Square built - Sturdy body & mind - decided manner to be dominating - great energy & activity. Aves

dislikes other workers. C.O.S
Judged weak in Matters. Parish Committee in hands of Rector. COS
Rector reliable but antagonistic. Mr Mayer co-operates COS

Visited 25th Feb. - large stone temple high Catholic - protestant in body 70 mostly well dressed females - in body fair congy all well dressed. CB

(30) 19

Blackfriars Mission - Unitarian. C11 107. Allen
& St Stanfords Chapel
Mr A owns, has - a good band of volunteers 25 557.
Substantial buildings - Square gallonies Chapel
Large School Room - good vestry &c. Electric light &c
Servs 11. & 7 - Small congregations - not satisfactory
Male decent worthy hopes - Young class will not come
S Sch 200. 10 & 3. Mothers meeting - Provident Dk. Free Lyceum
Social & Pub Union - Unitarian class - Young Women Class
Happy Evening for working Men & Women (Saturday).
Unity Temperance Soc Band of Hope &c
Classes for drawing. Shorthand, Sewing, Calisthenics & Vocalists
Sermon College - Visiting & Charitable Relief as needed - carefully

Dark short Elderly bald & bearded, black turning grey - Slow of speech & manner. Not attractive Argyle
Well organized. COS. Provident Colletty. COS
Visited 25 Feb - CB.

(30) 19

Worthy Mrs Mission Collingwood St C11 239. Young
Never the whole of his time & is Salaried. New Cut
Large Block of Buildings - 2 Assistants. Yorks. Walmsley Decima S Mayer
Thos Cotton Chulan Rd Come to Hugo's Service &c
Alban to S. Sch - 130 in Come to the Street
Church Members 235 - all poor working class
Meet at Rev Broadley - Entrance by Testimony &c
Soup Kitchen well patronised
Gospel Service Sunday & Thursday, Evening - not well attended
Mothers Meeting. Penny Bank - Clothing Club
Gospel Temperance. Band of Hope

about 45 - unprepossessing - face repulsive in repose low brow. Cropped hair - lower half of the Upper - Eyebrows, Lips, mouth & Jaw - but improves on acquaintance. Aves.
Drew a fine dear from the parish. Asked S Andrews Companion of his in discouragement Charity - St Fontaine
Drawn long & dark countenance. Seemed hard heart of many. Asked good deal of many Married - Relig unaware - Nothing Shady. COS
Visited 25 Feb. CB

(31) 20

Home Mission - Holland St. C V. 59. Tegart
Boys Home - Youths Institute. Med. Mission & Holloway Sec
Orphanage at Ramsgate - Little Wanderers Home Greenwich
in all 270 boys - 150 at Southwark
Servs 11.30. & 7. Open airs 3-5 & 6.
Medical Mission Night Tuesday at 8.

Mr Mr 7 & Mrs Mrs Town - Large well furnished Respectable Great contrast to rest of Friday - Many 50 - friendly reception - but manner of a busy man - no time to spare - Aves
Mr Holloway a dapper Accountant -
Drew Good Looks. Colds. L C M
Drew a fine dear from the parish - Asked S Andrews
Dislikes Orthodoxy of Mr Fontaine
Drawn a good many ans, might let me know what they are doing Night Classes, Bible Readings &c Sing me. & assembly &c ans Asked & Declined - Made Copy often & took a Sch. Reader - Shall follow
Started Mission with a good deal of Mrs Mrs Carolyn Rev. Corbett Knew little but very Dear Spinner. COS. We should send the Report COS

(31) 21

S Andrews - Lambeth. C1. 141 Aspland
Vicar. 2 Curates. 2 Scr. Readers & C.A. Mission Women & 2 Bible Women + 50 Members of Ch. Work + Communicants
Church (badly placed). Mission Room. Coffee Schools
Buildings inadequate but contains the great support -
Servs 8. Ann Mayer Meeting Vestry - 10. am S Schools
11. Morning Serv 6.30 Evening. 8 Communion in Summer
50/60. 300/400. Mission Service in Schools
Many Parochial - Some from High Churches &c.
This is the Extreme of Low Ch. Black Gown - Sober Congregation
Total Communicants 250
S Andrews Brotherhood Rooms. Celebrations 70. Result of imitation of Mr Mayer's P.S.A. - but Church Helpers
Successful Gospel Temperance - for Temperate Drinkers -
S. Sch 600 Day School 1000
Small Social Agencies & Parochial Lectures - Open & Close
Systematic Visiting House to House - Non respondents Mill Mayer
Parish Nurse Medical Examinations &c
Choir men Young Communicants

about 40 - Call them Sunday Cheeks - Sallow. Mixed Hair & Moustache - Bright Eyes pleasant Smile - Dressed in Loose, fitting Jacket of Temperance cut - Master

Shook hands highly off by Wheeler L C M
Has hand Committee - Worked rather on Old Systems Has Haggard - Robin Dunn - Consoles with Mr Tegart COS
Visited 25th Feb. Nice Modern Gothic - Many Day 300 & Many Class rooms - CB

no Chapels in the parish. Wesleyan nearby Central Hall

(31) 22 Bainbridge

S. John Evangelist Waterloo Rd. C. 1. 7. – Bell
Vicar. 2 assistant priests. 2 Lay readers. 15 District visitors. 2 Scripture Readers. Missn Woman
Church 1800. Mission House & Institute Hoxton St. Mission
Service. 8. 10.30. 11.15 (Chapel) 6.30. at Institute 8 p.m.
(80) (300) or in Ch. yards
Children Service Schools 11. am. Chapel 3.15.
Holyrood Waterloo Rd. 2.15 –
Matins & Evensong daily. 150 Communicants.
Day Schools 600. Sunday School 320.
Mothers meeting. G.F.S. Ch. Lads Brigade. Penny Bank.
Mens Club. Lads Club. – Lads drill. Boys Classes &
Rochampton Clubs for Girls of rough Class.

Abt 35. Yearly athletic Sports – Dances in cycling costume
Smoking an often smoker's pride. Baxter

Very high since Mr R. came – two Sisters in Priory & Allen visiting
Processions round district carrying big brass cross – fees 9d to
Church – Choir to Mothers meeting for Temperance advantages Wheeler
Co-operates – fairly satisfactory visns. C.O.S.

Visited 25 Feb – CB

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(31) 23.

Noble Christian Ch. Waterloo Rd. C. 11. 27. Ransefell.
Mr R & a Sister pass – 50 Volunteers (32 55 7)
Chapel 450 Schools below. 8 Class rooms.
11 am 200/350 Mission Room Queen Sq. Three Victoria Hall
Church membership 210 increased from 139.
Mothers meeting – Slate Club (250). Children May Time 200
Saturday Concert (Temperance) Girls Myst. Alternate weeks
S. Sch. 250/200 – not the poorest – work nice
Prayer meeting Monday – Preaching Thursday. 8. & 8.30
Much visiting done – a good deal of feeling

Stone front. Coloured Surplice yesterday am. Askell
does not work here Wheeler
Relig not large. Roles as a rule. Cases sent to COS likely to
occasion three lately. COS
Visited 25 Feb CB

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(31) 24

L C M. Cape St. Messrs Hall C. 11. 175. Wheeler
Work carried only a Committee – 7 volunteers. (16 55 7)
Hall (130 L & Cottage with 3 class rooms.
Every Service 50 in winter less in Summer for Shaws.
S. Sch. 200 in winter – Open air began by Neighbourhood
Chr. Endeav & Y. of Hope – Sewing Class
Girls Club (in winter) & Boys Brigade & large Penny Bank

tall thoughtful 50/55. Askell
Described by Bainbridge Rest as a nuisance.

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(31) 24

Wesleyan Ch Stamford Street C. 111. 103. Cooke

(See Interview in District 34 – St Mary Lambeth)
very small affairs. C.O.S.
Nothing big great Nonsh for (34)
Visited 25 Feb. School chapel & Mr Day others – Small
Comfortable carefully decorated places CB

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(31) 25.

All Saints. Lambeth Lower Marsh C. 1. 43. – Lee
Vicar. Curate – few others. No Mission Leaders
Church – to come down
4 Services & Sunday – also Wed. Th. F. Sat & Saints days
many with than 60. Every 150. – Manchioness – for Communion
S. Sch. 120/120.
Excellent Day Schools – Come down

Dressed in cassock – no biretta – Inclines to Ritualism –
Grey hair – keen eyes – a little stiff at first but genial
Asks

Very high – practically empty – Reckless.
no help. C.O.S
Visited 11 March – largest ornate – 3 persons there for
Morning Service – to come down for Marking. CB

(31) 26

Congregational Ch York Rd C 11. 57. Rekshaw. Elderly man whitening hair & beard. Quiet musical voice
Minister & 25 volunteers. Short of workers. Pleasant manner. Arnell
Free Church 1000 - Schools below. Lecture Hall
Sundy 11 & 6 30. Respectable W.M. & tradesmen " Has been very low. up a bit now. Benson (34)
Evening Cong 190/200. Membership 120 - Move much. Helped by dinner hour opening & concert given this
S. Sch. 300 on books - Short of teachers. Visited - 11 March CB
2 Mens Bible classes 70 members - Women Smaller
Ch. Endeavour Junior 40. Senior 30. Mental recreation class
Mothers meeting 30/35. Rd of Hope 70
Gymnastic Classes - Young men & boys - Young women & girls
Dinner Hour Concerts (in School room 1 to 2 o'clock)
Much visiting Systematic under Free Ch Council

(S. George's Parish)

(31) 27.

S.A. Newington Corps C X 1. 143. Pinnock Quite youthful looking - full face large Samuel Lyon
Working Sugar handed & bridging moustache - Sturdy & vigorous. Arnell
Hall - an old Chemical School holds about 200
Corps numbers 70 Soldiers with 30 local officers
& 14 band - of whom 7 leaving
Usual meetings on Sundy - Evening the best 100/150
Children Meetings Morning & afternoon 50/20 & 40
Week Evening 50 to 90 - 5 open air on week days
one midday at Elephant - a new thing - have got quite
200 people mostly men -

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Work of the Churches

District 32

(32) 1

S. Olave. Southwark. CVII. 157 Bristow

Rector + Curate –
Old Church. No congregation
Curate of Sunday and animation pending a
readjustment of work with S. Saviours

Perhaps 60. Pay has a handsome upstairs with
distinguished appearance + extremely agreeable. Aves
many chances all right COS
Quite dead. Livingston

(32) 1.

RC. Our Lady of La Salette. Melon S. CVI. 59. Nuckley

2 Priests + a nurse – no volunteers for district
Church + Schools
120 come to mass (5 masses) + same number Sats.
Schools get materially all the Ch – Official Schools
Social effort confined to choir recently started for young fellows
to read Chemistry + P.R. at night 60 members
Slate Club. Share out £1300 at Christmas

about 45 perhaps thought looking younger than bright. Well
clean shaven. Mostly he not fat. Comfortable chatty person
open conversation by "It's jolly cold this morning. will you smoke?" Neale
Hopeless COS
a good many Romans + Roman open when sick but otherwise keep alone
many of them practically lapsed. Wyman
sees little of them. Great Irish boys make annoyance – Cowley
Visited 25 March – Cram full in morning of Church + poor folk.
Victoria + smaller Cap in Society. CA

(32) 3

Mission Hall. Melon S. CVI. 109. Cowley

RCm – + volunteers – 12 S. Sch leaders.
Hall (23 by 13 room + Caretakers apartments
all after noon work.
S. Sch. + Adult Bible class 3 p.m. – also open air Service
Open Service 7 p.m. (about 100 attend)
Prayer meeting Tuesday 8 p.m. – + open air
Mothers Meeting 9d. Cripples Pastor 40
Sewing class. Penny bank. Nurse of Hope Gymnasium
Entertainments. Entertainments by choir –
Soup Kitchen on large scale. Distinct for Mission
Visiting by RCm – Not much relief – mostly to sick

Sharp business man of 40 – fair pleasant face of
some force –
Arkell
Visited 25 March – Small + dull affair CA

(32) 4

Arthurs Mission. Shorefields – CX1. 93 Hoyland

Workers from Tabernacle
Large Hall 400 + several smaller rooms.
affiliation to R.S.U. Whole work among very poor people
Sunday Ch Service 11. Schools 3 + 7 – Av 120 / 200.
Prayer meeting 6.30 + 8.
Young men's Bible Cl 7. p.m –
Week meetings Ch Sundays. Nurse of Hope – Nurse Lyons
Working meeting (Sewing) Cripples band.

Smelling over middle age – not very well educated
a very worthy, heavy weight – used good at running a
Gymnasium –
Aves
devotes almost entirely to Children. Cowley
Visited 25 March – No adult Services – Not open door to be found CA

(32) 4

S. John Horsleydown. CVII. 95 Hewlett

Vicar. 2 Curates. Mission Lady + 40 S Sch teachers
Church. School room – Destry Hall – quite inadequate
Regular High Ch services. Sundays + Thursdays.
Mission Services at the Church Thursday 8 p.m
Morning + Evening Cong. 150. Com.ns 230 – 180/200 at Easter.
Congregation very Specially affected by Saviour Service
S. Sch. 500 – Mothers meetings. Monday + Thursday
Clubs. Young men + Boys. Young Women + Girls
Nurse of Hope. Penny Bank –
Night classes + Guilds

Something over 40 – Short Square, Plain, Black hair + beard
bald – dresses in Cassock
Baxter
Occasional co-operation – Over ruling not well administered. Stretch. COS
Is only non con on the Committee. COS
"A bad Church" (i.e. high) Thwaites
urge the Congregations.
Visited 25 March – interesting Cong – devout + interested – Young men
Proper in Morning – clean + Father Lay here in Society – CA
Lantern Service Mission Church Tooley St.

(32) 5

Congregational – Union Chapel, Horsleydown CVI. 47. Livingston

Income very hard year. 400 to 500 in (Trade) 140 teachers +
Old Chapel demolished by S.E. Services held in School room until
Schools at Bond School. Pending reconstruction
Sunday attendance Morning Small – Membership 160
Sunday School 500. Nurse of Hope 150.
Mothers Meeting. Provident Clubs –
Great tract distributed on Sunday –

Elderly – tall, Stout, Gray hair + Whiskers – heavy rather
Dumpling – Looks like Brewer or Tradesman – Clay around
+ Messy – had to let him talk himself out.
Baxter
On friendly terms with the two nearest (Aristes + Hewlett).

(32) 6

Anchor Mission (Connection with Union Chapel) CVI. 223. Thwaites

Anchor Hall
S. School. No Sunday services
Monday Prayer meeting very bad, attend 2
Wednesday Service for adults few attend
Thursday service for Guilds Clean 100.
Ch Sdeans. 17. Nurse of Hope –

about 26 – A good young man. thoroughly Sound + Good
but weak + ineffective.
Baxter

Only the RCm and any good in the district –

(32) 7

S. Paul's Ripley St. CVII. 131. Bowden

Vicar - 1 Curate. Missioner woman - Grey Lady - Deaconess dist visitors &c
Church schools. Club rooms &c
3 adult & 1 Ch. Services on Sunday + 2 daily
attendance then & each Sunday every week and full 200
Children services very popular.
S. Sch 203 - Social Clubs. Young men & young women
Weekly intercessions -

perhaps 48. reminded of Normanton Jackson
somewhat younger. less scholarly & kindly - but sensible & cultured & temperate - both have gone - Aves

heavily opposed co-operation. COS

Quarrelled with the workers he found - Americans & fashionables. Harrison
Miscellaneous ministrations

Visited 25 March. Dull & dirty - Church repairs outwardly
many coy. School Children. Sorry very small CJ

(32) 8

Charles House Mission Tabard St. CVII. 73 Vyvyan

2 Clergy. 2 Deaconesses. (boys home) 70 handicrafts & some sea cadets &c
New building. Large Church - ground floor. hall & Club above
old building. 4 shops in Tabard St. church in college.
another old building Boys Home & Club -
Sunday Services 200/300 S. Sch 3 Bible Cl. 500 Cl.
Sunday morning. 7. 8. 11. 40. & Choral after
Week day 7. 8 pm 40/50 adults. mostly all comers
Mothers Meeting Band of Hope. Gymnasium 150 Communicants.
Clubs &c
Slight slow increase in numbers

37 - tall thin pale clean shaved. fair hair. like Early portraits of Card. Newman - the same type of mind Baker

Personally Sympathetic & Co-operative but has his measures. refers COS
Conspicuous instance of a double conscience & utters Sabbatic
a worn pallid, hard worker but his ritualism in dress not adapted to the Middle Highlows
Visited 25 March - original Tractarian Church. high ritual & ceremonial CJ

(32) 10

Wesleyan Mission S. Lambeth CVI. 91 Hopkins

Chapel Place Long Lane
2 clergy - 3 sisters & about 150 workers.

S. morning 400. best morning congn in S. Lambeth - all members
S. Congn. Larger & more mixed - about 600

3 Mothers Meetings. 150 each. Mutual Improvement Soc 55
Band of Hope 150 Ch. Sadans 70 Slate Club 200 -
Brass band doing excellent service. (non Church goers)

about 40 - Not out in repute fails to reproduce his pronounced hooked nose but yes & the rest like Baxter

Known in the Circuit. Harvey Cambridge Pro
Corresponds with Peter Thompson. Weekly postcard at Clarendon from
COS point of view. Nothing. Fine mind. COS
Have a good Congn but Methodist now given the district Sutton LCM
Wesleyans far the most active. Dodge

The Wesleyans are very active & their adherents to be found on all the Church
Considerable influence mainly due to fine music & Children Lillian Vyvyan
Visited 25 March. Morning. Typical Wesleyan Congn. CJ & wife & 3 sons
We to the aggressive Missions (e.g. Flanagan) quite out of it. Methodists of
C/E have no Stage there. fail to grasp Upside Leaving. Hopkins

(32) 11

LCM. Long Lane Mission Crosby Row CVI. 151. Beaven

Old Wesleyan Ch 500/600
50 members. Sunday Congn 250
S. S Chool. 200/300 in attendance 240 By allen
Mothers meeting largest in neighbourhood Blanket Tract club
Christian band. Band of Hope. Sewing Class
Mutual improvement. Girls drill. Clubs. Library
Social meetings. Cricket & bicycle clubs.
Goose Club &c

Strange little man thin pale anaemic. red hair large starry eyes - by birth & education LCM - Baxter

(32) 11

LCM Westow St. Mission Hall CVI 179 Hannon

Missionary & 6 Sec leaders. Lived by the mission
Little Hall (100).
No many services. Sunday about 60. Weekday 17
S. Sch about 60 - Gospel Temp 40.

About 45. Small. Evasive. but improved as he went on. Somewhat rough peasant Aves

(32) 12

S. Mary Magdalene Bermondsey CVII 47. Lewis

5 Clergy. 3 Scr Readers. 3 Bible women. 3 Mission Readers
17 Assoc. Sisters. Paid assistance. 10 Lay helpers. 7 district visitors
5 Factory Girls Institute. 4 Lady workers. Girls Club &c. 1 Paid woman
20 Band of Hope workers. 15 (a great staff of many workers)
80 S. Sch teachers

Parish Church - Mission Ch - 2 Mission Rooms - Club rooms &c
Clergy House. Lady workers home - Factory girls club
Day Schools - Board Sch used -

Sunday 6 Services or congregations
many 200. Sunday 600 - (Also given as 750 total present)
Weekdays 11 Services. Mothers, choir & Readers
150 present
Mission Ch. Sunday 2 Services 170 mothers children
Weekdays 7 services 160 adults, 80 children
Mission rooms. Sunday 3 services 1100 & 750 Ch!
Medical Mission. 2 meetings. 54 allen
Sunday & Day Schools - Women clubs - Labour agency
1000 640 Social evenings. Concert lectures

40 or a little over. tall thin brown hair. Small Cobden
moustache - pale skin cadaverous - plain & unadorned - dressed
in Quaker dressing Gown

Newman unmistakable human. frankly at first not so keen. Aves COS

strong high type of the Rector of Bermondsey - Cooley

Complete reserve within the district. Elliot

a grand man - Harrison

Visited 25 March. good lower and mixed class Sunday congn CJ

(32) 13

Mission Hall Tedley St. Dockhead CVI.107. Bryan - not seen - sent in report - Mr Brown is Secretary. Management vested in a Committee

Sunday. Ch. Serv 11 a.m. Gospel Serv 7 - Open and S.15
S. Sch 2.45. " " Thursday 8.15.
Mothers Meeting - Band of Hope - Adult Christian Band
S. Sch Christian Evid - G. F. S. - Girls Sewing class
Penny Bk discontinued - Library. 200 vols.
Fellowship 22 members.

free meals holidays to COS
visited 5 May COS.

(32) 13

The Grange Mission The Grange - CVI 123 Russell - about 50 men with trifles of pay - pleasant free manners - decent appearance. Ashell

30 Voluntary workers - most of them with the Mission
Hall behind College (100).
Mission Serv. Sunday evening - Monday Tuesday Young.
S. Sch Mon. afternoon Young
Noble Classes. Young Christian Ad Open air Christ Band
Mission Choir. Dorcas Benevolent - Girls Sewing Penny Bk
Library - Visit Systematically - Relig Controls
Indirect Influence patronage

does a little - not agonies on the ground. Lelliott

(32) 12.

Mission Decima S. Bermonds, S.E. CVI.239. Young. Interviews in District 31.

Failed to find this place in Decima (late Edwards) St. & 25 March.

(32) 14

L.C.M. Dr Schools abbey St. CVI.155 Lelliott. Gruffish veteran 50/55 - Still bright eyes practice Ashell

few helpers. but speaks highly of the few -
Uses Dr Schools Abbey St. Hall 200 -
Services not well attended - Mission Service about 40 - Thursday evening 30
Average Congregation - May 150 - about 40 - Thursday evening.
Visits 700 families. gets round in a fortnight - also Workhouse
& tannery (men) & ten other factories - girls - 30 - boys - all
S. school (Southwark - S. Sch 300) - Band of Hope - Musical drill
Open air in abbey St in Summer

Other mission & men working in the neighborhood are - Hitchcock in Tannery St. under the Rector - Anderson Bermonds Rd Rd - Knott Tooleyes Rd (now with Mission of Normandy) - Lee (Secretary Lelliott) & Osborne assistant Vicar of Lelliott -

(32) 14

Oxford Medical Mission. 143 Abbey St. CX1.103. Barclay. Straggy fellow of 30 about - Tidy & rather slow
& Stanfield. Hon. Med. Sup (not in Master) dependable & well groomed. well accented & well intentioned.
Team work Medical with religious aim "If we can put the idea of God into their hearts" Aves
Club for men & boys being started. Band &c

(32) 15

S. Stephen Southwark CVII.13. Boag - between 50 & 60 clean shaven - fair hair blue eyes
Vicar. Curate, 2 Mission Women 2 nurses (1 for Church) medium height. Short untidy awkward shy. Naxla
Church - Schools
H.C. Choral Morning Service / Young
7.30 Mass 10-11 - 11 - 6.30 & 7.30 Boys many in vest
very small attendances - Noble classes
Sunday School 255 attendance - Band of Hope
Mothers Meeting. Sewing class - Naught Club.
Institute - Gymnasium - 975
Free dinners for Ch. twice a week Dec to May
Free Supper & entertainment in winter.

very poor parish "not much" says he cannot work a COS town
from many free dinners - COS
weak - gets scarcely any to church - but the nurse a great blessing Sellers
Visited 25 March - quantity beautiful clothes out, a handful of
Cream in many. COS

(32) 16

Christian Community Tabard St. CX1.29. Boston - Slim thin featured 40/50. dark hair short whiskers
Mr & Mrs B. Mission sisters & 7 clerks & 20 volunteers Active nervous temperament - not strong - Ashell
3 St houses in Tabard St. with Hall 200. 4 class rooms
& 2 houses G. Dover St for residence & offices. & kitchen
S. Sch 3 p.m. Ch Service 6.30 250/300 Children -
all rooms full -
adult service 8 p.m. avg 50. Sometimes 70
only Monthly man - Coast breakfast in progress 180/150
Girls Sewing class - Boys Brigade 200/40 & 70 others
Mothers Meeting 40/50 - Band of Hope
Convalescent Holiday homes Southend
& 3 weeks camp for boys in Summer

(32) 16

Ragged Sch & Mission Lansdown Pl. CX1. 113 { Allain - well set up well dressed young man - fine stephan features, easy cultivated manner. one of the best we have met
2 C M (Hall) Volunteers Phillips - his colleague - older abt 35 - coarse mould he will not work well
large Hall 400/500 2 Smaller Halls, 2 class rooms (Ragged Memorial)
Sabbath School 3 + 6.30 - using the larger
Service for adults 8 to 9.30 (Mr Hall) (30/40)
Prayer meetings follow - leaders Elder Scholars
Girls Club. Boys Club. Girls own - Boys mans own (Gospel Meeting)
Sewing class. Band of Hope - ½d Sassers at Boys Club
Factwork class ~~Tuesday class~~ free Supper - Girls Club
Cripples. Band (40) & Cripples Parlour. Bible classes & free dinners for Children
Adult Bible class -
(Coster discontinued because of Larking)

Visited 25 March - Small signs of life. CDS

(32) 17

LC M (as above) CX1. 131. Hall Solid family man. clear skin. about 42 Aver

no hall of his own uses the above

(32) 18

LC M Keats' School Amicable Mews CV1. 231. Sallis above LC M averys - Cheery Pleasant fellow whose visits are likely to be welcome. Hackney. Baxter.
Mr Sallis responsible for adult work only
An old agency of 100 years standing
Service Sunday & Thursday - both very bad, attended 30 at the most -

Visited 25 March. abandoned derelict looky place. CDS

S. School 600/400 - Band of Hope 80 - Girls Social Service & Junior recreation meeting for boys. Ch Sundays Friday free Childrens Supper 800 come & thronged winter free dinners daily -

(32) 19

Holy Trinity Trinity Sq. CV11. 147. Curry about 50 Getting bald - beard & moustache - Spectacles
Rector. Curate - Mission Woman - Lay helper - all hand Greylady (4 days) 2 Ladies (1 day) 2 & 3 visiting respectable, workers for years closely with Committee but has left it on the Institution
41 S. Sch. teachers & others - Strike - Curate still comes. very earnest. CDS
Church & Crypt for S Sch. Clubs &c - Day Schools.
Mission Chapel 200/250. Just acquired (used also as a Mission) for Clubs &c
Services at Church 8. 11. 7
10 am 65 Afternoon 100/120 Sunday 90/150. 150/300.
Daily many Mayors 3 to 6. Wednesday afternoon (women) 25/40
Wednesday Soiree. 10 to 30
Bible class Lads 21. Young women 15.
2 Clubs. 45 & 80. Lads lower class the more numerous
2 - 25 + 80 Girls Young women
Church Lads Brigade 23/45 - 2 Bands of Hope 140
2 S. Schools 500 - aver. 2/3 to 3/4
Day School 500. Boys Girls Infants
Penny Bank - Provident fund - Mothers meeting & Service
Cricket & Swimming Clubs - Winter debating Soc & Entertainments

one of the best among the clergy - Daily Cambridge Hours

(32) 20

Prim Meth. S. & Londa Mission CV1. 75 Hanagan (See photo in the report - active. fluent fellow -) Baxter
Chapel & Parsonage - just moved to the did not preach so highly - big mistake in making the hall so like a chapel Nicholson
New Premises Olaterton Pl. ____ Lambeth.

Visited 3 June & 27 May.

(32) 20

S. Andrew CV11. 1. Troysdale 50. wavy hair quiet voice & manner - rather deaf - has had rheumatic fever & been ordered to give up work. heart affected Aver
Vicar. Curate. Scr. Reader. 2 Ch. 2 Bible women 2 deaconesses
4 asst Visitors & 45 S Sch teachers &c & Nurse
Church (766) 2 Halls & 4 Class rooms (1000 Ch.)
Morning. Evening Many attendance used to be better
150/200. 400 Small Mission Services & Hall.
S. Sch. 500 - Bible Classes 200 - Lays Mothers Meeting
Soc. Union Band 540 Ch Institutes. Temperance Soc. 500
Choral Soc. Lectures &c

Great hopes of Mr Johnston (who replaces Troysdale) about to receive living of Cave - resign to have Slate Club & a Sign of Grace & work Mr J all happiness & Benedictions. CDS

Visited - 3 June

(32) 21

Methodist New Connexion 1st Lond. Circ. CVII 167. Nicholson — about 50. bald. brass tiges with mg. dark hasty eyebrows. Keen glance. Uprooms. Some humour. COS

Brunswick. Sion. Victoria. Islington. Walworth N.
cont: (32) (42) (45) (41) (47)

all except last have separate schools
Memberships + Congregations small. except at Brunswick where there are 160 members + 120–165 congregation
See back notes for further details

dong quiet good work. Trumbale

(32) 21

Salv. Army. Borough Corps. CVI. 243. Salter — Dark little man between 30 & 40. Ashcell

61 Newington. —

Salter + his wife. 34 local officers. 12 Soldiers. 12 Juniors
Hall. 230. a Converted Shop. Corps Members 76. 172 Juniors
usual meetings for adults 7. 11. 3. 7
afternoon + song 100 a piece — total for week 450
week night excellent many new attended. Special attention on Monday
last Monday "Drunkards home" Conversions.
Open air 4 nights — 3 on Sunday. — Usual Club meetings
Corps Cadet Class. 4 young people training for officers
This is a new plan —

(32) 22

St Matthew. New Kent Rd. CVII. 167. Cadman — "Same age as Bowling Style." walks along the broad platform of life fairly easily, specially without great stress. COS

Near. Curate. deaconess. 2 lay readers. 2 lay agents
50 S Sch teachers. Magazine distributors
Church 800 Mission Hall (adjoins) 300. + SCHOOL
Morning (Meeting Choir) 120. Evening. 300. 200/500 Communicants
Mission Hall Services for the deaf + dumb
Evening Social agencies — Small Mens Club.

new has joined committee. very friendly. Answered the well COS type as an 800 on Committee

Visited 1 April. Light iron Collegiate Gothic. attractive Good Morning Congn. + in Evening a Cantata CB

(32) 22.

Congreg. Maberly Memorial. CX. 85. Fuller — Looks 20 years older than his portrait. Baxter

Pastor. Deaconess. Managing Committee.
+ Large Hall 2 School rooms. Institute
Sunday Services 200. PSS 80. Young Ladies 300

an eclectic Congregation + Philanthropic Work in Mission Room in Webber Street — Cadman

S School 200. Bands of Hope 200. Slate Club 300.
Mothers meeting 60. Temperance Soc 80. Loan Soc 300
Literary Social 60. Institute 60. Orchestra Soc

(32) 23.

The Lady Margaret. Chatham S. CVII. 27. Robertson — Quiet, middle life. rather tall thin. Sallow + unhealthy looking. Black hair + beard. Sweetness. Scholarly, not strong face. Baxter

S. John. College Cambridge. Mission. Study. Pupil. 13 clergy. Mission to Mind having work. Single handed. Pleasant + sympathetic. Position Church. Parish. Room + Hostell with 2 Clubs 100 in all. Congregation big scale — magnificent Church space
S. many. 50/60. 3/4 Members. Society 200. mainly women
most adult Church goers are communicants. Parishioners
Mens club. Boys Club. Girls Club. Gymnasium. Mothers meeting
all quite small on strict Church lines
No S. Sch but Children's Services with Catechising 150/200
Parents dislike these as not lasting long enough
Children grow from who not wanted there. Sch is to be reopened.

visited 1 April. a Stately Church. many old & aristocratic. Evening. Considerable Congn. Young people. many quite West End working class. Music Exquisite. CB

Dissenters are, go for the hospital cases. which become the battle ground for the Sects.

(32) 24

Wesleyan Mission Lochsfield. CVI. 135. Meaken — For Appearance see portrait (Page 153) Axes

Morning Pr.

Sunday many 2/300. Society about 1000 — Members 500
Sunday afternoon for the Poor in the Town Hall
In winter meetings in the Public Baths.

Many of these influences are the result, now, Forster. Smaller must Co-operate — Gives large COS

They have Services in the Town Hall with a brass band & that sort of thing. Spurgeon's Secondary, to a degree. Ainsworth

Seriously Seem to touch the Masses. Pell

Wesleyans the most active — Many Mission Rooms kept for Public Meetings with approved Helpers in raising money by fairs &c

Mentioned with approval. Helpers in raising money by fairs &c

Meaken was a man of means — Nicholson

Visited 1 April — Considerable numbers in many & Practical full at night — many Wesleyan services CB

Must take much notice of small folk like us. Harraway

Active among Children to get Sunday School — Charges of bribery & Poor people from Church. Robertson

Successful in Walworth — but the new system more difficult. Social Servant. young clean cosy — Evangelical. Orphan Wesleyan — Rectory Nr. Alresford. Hampshire. All Saints Lodgell

(32) 26

S Mary Magdalene Oakfield Nr CVII. 179. Pitt
Dear. Curate. 2 Mission women. 70/80 volunteers 8 choir 50
Church. Schools. Small Hall - need for Mission Ch
Sunday 11. (200) 6.30 (400) Wed. 8 communicants 25 Large Hall
Bible Church congr. with Class & Parochial.
Mothers Meeting. Noble classes men & women
Temperance meeting (100) Band of Hope - 9.75 (60) Church Lads Brigade
Day & Sunday Schools - Continual growth.
(Relays) (800)
Systematic visitation.

about 35. rather remarkable looking - Wretched little body
Crowned with a Sticky head. Skull large. great shock of hair - lower part tapering away to a weak point. Baxter
Houlden says he must help those who come to church. COS
was a worthy man.

Visited 27 May

(32) 27

Congreg. Pilgrim Fathers Ch. Hewish Nr CVII. Docker

Church 1100. & Schools.
many (by train) cong 500/600 - Membership 200
S. Sch. 500. Band of Hope 300/400.
Strong Ch Endeavour - Help myself & help one another Soc

a worthy Docker 40. tall thin Sallow. Much hair & beard
Spectacles - friendly & sympathetic. talkative to a fault. Baxter
Himself friendly but at command of his deacons has with them. COS
Gone down hopefully Pitt

Visited 3 June & 27 May.

(32) 28

Dapool. Hadaa Hall Mission CVI. 13. Olney

Mr Olney & his brother with band of worthy men to help
Hadaa Hall 650 Large School 450 & class room
11. 15 (120) 6.45 (400/500) (Tolerably full) week every well sat arranged.
Sunday School. 900/800. Mary & Eastern - Service 6.30
Open air Services. Many & Young & Sandy.
Bible classes. Prayer meeting & 125 good attendance
Mothers meeting. Dorcas Soc &c
200/200.
No Social agencies - Visitation by 35 Tract distributors
Night Services - Plenty of singing.

dark slim Energetic man 30 & abt - Agnell.
Goes largely in Tracts - large mothers meeting always a Tea. Tract
must be given - more friendly later. COS
They believe any cant tale - Ainsworth
most noticeable offshoot of Tabernacle. Pitt
Gets most of his Bible Class - Lelliott

Visited 25 March. good Cong. poor folk. genuine. CH
3 June & 27 May.

Seem little of other churches - St Mary has a mothers meeting closely
the Churches do encouragement & do not actively oppose the mission. Mrs
Wesleyan & Congregational & Primitive Cong. Com. some intercourse
between the Wesleyan & themselves - Olney.

(32) 28

Wesleyan Mission (Leroy (a lobby) St).

no report

Visited 27 May

(32) 30

St Luke. Grange Nr CVII. 111. Ainsworth
Dear. Curate.
Church 650 - Mission room -
11. 6.30
Cong. nearly full daily 9.30 & 8 p.m.
Sunday Schools 600 Ch 40 teachers
100 of Ch. Myhost class have School to themselves
Children Service 11. & 6.30
Mothers meeting - Penny Bank - Nr of Hope
Dorcas Soc. Girls Guild. Church workers Guild
Bible classes &c

62. downstairs first time after 3 months influenza
seemed scarcely fit. but loves an & kept on 2 hours
long winded - leaving hasty impression Baxter

Is on Committee. a regular member. Conversing with doctor. COS
as a communicable amount of visitation in - Hall

Visited 27 May

(32) 36

United Meth. Free Ch. Mt Grange Nr CVI. 205. Hall
4th Circuit - 3 Ministers & 1 Evangelist for 6 Chapels
Grange Chapel. 250. Schools 400 - 20 Sch. Teachers
11. 6.30 30 other workers
Hayfield. 100. Church members 110.
S Sch 250/200.
Mothers Meeting. Ch Endeavour
Young Men & Young Women Guilds.
Reason Temperance - Mission band.

Myself a little man. 50 to 60 years but looking 45. Acute Soc
Eyes beneath shaggy brows. Sharp features. Agnell

Visited 27 May -

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Work of the Churches

District 33

(33) 1

Central Church. Abbey S. Nicholas. CXII.139. Bell
Vicar. Curate. Scr. reader. Mission woman. 2 LCMs
Church & mission rooms adjoining (was once Sat School)
Morning 50 Sunday 120 } Evening all Communicants.
Wednesday (Prayer) 15 to 20
Young mans Institute. Sewg & Dinner Rooms of Hope.
Frequent Intercessions. Guild carried on 2 years but faded
Mothers meeting 80 to 100 attend.
Large S. Sch. 400. Ch 35 Teachers.

about 65. Rather tall. Getting feeble. Not in good health. Courteous in manner. Moves in Society with London men of Business. Men of Parliament. Over
a very nice man & a gentleman, passed over a poor man. Walsh
Friendly. Miss COS mans for Supervisor Cases. Our relief unscriptural. Visited for no System. Toynbee COS
Visited 5 May

no other relig. con. agency in the Parish. Particulars in Abbey Sq. doing nothing. Bell

Sedley St (33) 2a

Bermondsey Baptist Sch. Mission. CXIII.57. Davis
LCM - & a Sewing Committee
Hall & Schools
Sunday Prayer Meeting. 7 to 8 am.
Open air 3-4.15. & 7-7.30 pm
Indoor Service 7.30-9.
Monday Open air 7.30. Prayer meeting Thurs } 8-9.30
Saturday " 7.30. Workers meeting }
Blue Ribbon Temperance meeting Monday 8-9.45.
Mothers meeting. Nursing Hope. Girls Sewing class.
Sunday School 300/240. 20/16 teachers
Afternoon Service - Harvest festival - Social Concert
Summer Treat. Country Homes - Work among Cripples
Free Breakfasts

LCM.

Rather a rough man - Welsh. Old fellow with most genial of manners. Baxter
Visited 5th & 13 May.

(Orchard St) (33) 2

Percy Mission (London Street Mission) CXIII.95 Buston
Mr & Mrs Buston (Mrs B professional Singer) Committee
Hall & Schools -
Gospel Service 7. p.m. Open air in Summer 6.30
Prayer meeting or Open air 8.30
Morning (70) & Afternoon (110/120) School & 110-120 in afternoon)
Mothers Meeting (70) Maternal meeting (20)
Chr Endeavour - Womens Harbour. Nt of Hope
Lectures &c -

Rather a weak vessel - & in some trouble with former cares & debts. Baxter
Visited 5 May

(33) 2a

RC. Parkers Row Dockhead. CXIII.249. Marnane
5 Priests. 35 Sisters of Mercy - Teach Poor } & others
5 Masses on Sunday - attendance from 1200 avge
1500 Early Mass - (including 200 children) actual Communicants
Sunday Some Children - Confraternity of the Cross 200. Nightingale 200
Soc Vincent de Paul - 2 Men Clubs
Confraternities & Guilds.

Irish. Over med height. Delicate in appearance. Pleasant Cultivated - took the lead in Conversation - Aaa
Very nice man - Toynbee COS
visited 5 May & 13 May

(33) 3

St Simon. Jamaica Rd. CXII.113. Coldbath.
Vicar - 2 Curates. 2 Lay Mission agents. 4 Ladies. 2 Bible women
High Church. Schools. Boys & Girls Schools -
& 3 Mission Halls.
attendance at Services 100 in May 200 Sunday (Counted)
Day & Sunday Schools Complete. 650 day. 452 Sunday Sch
An Independent Mission which used to be worked
St Simon is now worked by the Lady in Charge of it
in a friendly but detached way.
Nursing Work -

Yorkshire man - very little of priest & tendency to keep out his office - Shuckburgh writes him V. Rev C. - CA
Lots of missionary work going on - Welsh
Estimable Churchman, but not representative. Bell Must be a active Barclay
Has Parish Committee uses Case papers but for Case Poverty. Toynbee COS
Visited 5 May & 13 May

(33) 4

Dockhead Ch. Abbey St. CXIII.121. Figg.
Minister & deaconess - 3 Visitors. (10 Sick Visitors)
Church (400). School (250). Weekly
Service 11 & 6.30. 7 Communicants. Who
(50) 20/30 - 5 have lived. 1 moved out
Week day meetings Small - Membership 140
Mothers meeting 40/50 Ch Classes. Nt of Hope (150)
Deaconess. Visits - & tracts are distributed
Fatherless Children Society

Smart middle aged man - pleasant manner. Cobbett
Doing nothing. Bell
visited 5 May

(33) 5.

Congre Ch. Jamaica N° CXIII 151 Rosier Called at Office. dark middle aged man. with
Minister & 40/50 voluntary workers. S Sch open air & Sunset Prac. Healthy district. 20s Chemist — Asbell
Chapel (old) 600/1000. School 600 + Class Rms
"finest set of buildings in Normandy"
Services 11. 6.30. Prayer Meeting Monday
150 (almost) 400 (about) - week night. Thursday
Always Some Fresh faces - about 200 members
S School abt 300 (decently dressed) - Band of Hope
Mothers Meeting - Pleasant Sat Evening (a new effort) (400)

visited 5 May + 13 May

(33) 4

Part N Baptist Ch Marlboro (Hall CXIII 103. Steele - Replies Courteously by card + fills in form.
Minister one (formerly a county Hall)
Church 300 - Licensed School also
Membership 38 - attendance under 100.
S-Sch 143 Scholars + 8 Teachers.

visited 5 May

(33) 6

Mariners Mission Jamaica N° CXIII 25. Couch Has been ill wrote + encloses a report written
No paid Missionaries - Not settled income - Some lady helpers especially for us -
Distribute Literature by Ships - Visit the Men - How I do
them what good we can -
Enclosed the Simple work as related we are engaged.

(33) 6

LCM Novel N° district. CXIII 15. Knott 50/60. medium height. Mongrel features, grey + ban
visits his district Mons. 4 times a year + workshops Smallmans + Workshops. Assistant
Holds a Service on Thursday in S Lucia Mission 12-18 pm
by Missionary of Mean. Small attendance
Join with Mr Elliott + another LCM for outdoor work
alternately in each district.
Have Some Meetings but these only like to attend
meetings in main Streets - Shrink from Country -

(33)

S. Crispin. Southwark Ch N° CXII 37 Wallace A poor Specimen - a middle aged Clerklist - a
Vicar - no Curate. Lay Preacher Diocesan. Income man of average height. Small eyes moustache - puffy
300 Subscriptions. 18 S Sch Teachers complexion - Civil
Church 750. Mission House 300 -
Morning 60/70 Evening 300 Communion 100 / Early Com
Sunday Night Mission Service 8 pm
S. Schs. 250/300 - Various Men's Bible Class
Y.W.C.A. - C to E. Mothers Meeting
Working Mens Club 50 Mothers Meeting. Coal + Club

one of the parochial Ministers a weak man - Pitches into
by his own workers Together COS

Visited 5 May + 13 May.

Stepney Th. German. Baptist Sch CXIII 134. Simple Has Sec. Last Report for 1898. with Letter.
Mission. Manresa Rd. Jamaica N°
Managed by a Committee - Bible Classes
Afternoon + Evening S. School - followed by Gospel Service
Attendance 250
about to recommence out door Services
Day School 153/113 - Children's Prayer Meeting
Christmas Dinners - Robin Dinner - Tea &c
Summer treat - West Minster Budget & Gifts of Visitors
Mothers Meeting Band of Hope. G FS.
Evenings for the People —

Said to be active, to Command a considerable amount of
influence by Lay Helpers. Wallace

(33) 8

Christ Church Union A.* Rotherhythe CX II 79 Nandle about 45 average height. Quiet con
Vicar. Curate Sc Reader. Messr. Brown. Morse dressing. attractive from transparent Eng Ch
Church & Schools. College Hall. Room Aves
Morn Cong. Average 200. Evg 400
Mens P Sch (Evg a year) 60
Working Mens Institute. Young Mens Society. Club.
Daily S. Schools. Band of Hope. 375. CBTS.
Mothers meeting. Union. Church Lads Brigade
A great deal going on

Warm appreciation. Bell Mutual Dean
works hard + does get hold of the people. Nicholson
The most active. Mr Farlane does get the people down for Aves.
Mrs Nicholl always on the alert. Mr Farlane
Great relief. Joynes
Active Baxter
Has adopted Case papers. Finds it difficult to work
Quite the rich parish we have to deal with. Toynbee
COS
Visited 5 May. 13 May.

(33) 9

R.C. S. Joseph's Paradise St. CX III. 1.— Haynes
Own Sisters of Im. Conception Rotherhithe — Newton
2 Churches & Schools —
Mass attendance 1100/1200 — Parish Duties. Hard —
More Social effort than Usual —
League of the Cross 70 — Boys Club — Boys Brigade —

Father Haynes is English about 35. Tall thin
Plain untidy Somerset like Anglican Curate
Father Newton is younger but Stronger
Doing a good work. Has the respect & liking of the parish. A good man
The R.C never give relief — get the money from the people
Poor Parish — Great Little Very Many

Baxter
Nadsley
Joynes

(33) 10

The Cork Church. Paradise S. CX III. 77. Joynes

Talk thin Church featured. Elderly Man almost bald
Thin grey hair & beard. Clerical Collar. Deliberate Speech
Aves

The ash hoar 200 — No other room
Services 11. 6.30 Small in May about 100 altogether
S Sch 200 & 20 teachers — Church members 46
Parents meeting Wed afternoon. Service Th & Sat Prayer

Visited 5 May

(33) 10

Mission Hall. Paradise. CX III 183. Nardley

Middle aged Lady. Best intentions but not strong
of any Strength of character or attractiveness. Baxter

Miss A. Bibb Woman Th & Sc.
Hall. 300.
Sunday Evg Service Conducted by Miss Nardley 40/50
Mothers Meeting. 130
Some Religious Concert & Gospel Addresses — Hall of Congregation
There must be other things but they are not noted

Complaints of Miss Nardleys work. Will wearing herself to shreds
Nardley
Visited 5 May
Not on good terms with Mr Nardley — Nardley

(33) 11

Princess Meth. Rotherhithe & Deptford CX III. 221 Peatfield

about 38. See portrait — but he looks less clerical & severe
by his grey tie in Slippers & Smoking. Aves

23 Preachers. 1 Local Trial 4 Helpers.

Rotherhithe.	Deptford	New Cross.
Hall & Schools	Hall & Schools	Hall &c
M. 571 & 200	M 511 & 150	M 12 & 60/80
S. Sch 120/100/15	Sch 200-16	S Sch 60/70-11
Open air 6	Open air 6+8	open air 6+8

Various week day meetings at one or other —

Visited 5 May

(33) 11

Seamen's Boatmen Mission CX III 133 Spencer

Superintendent — handed us over to Member of Committee
who furnished a report
Baxter

A total of 208 Services, 52 Week night Prayer
meetings & 52 Services for the young — thro' the year
As well as open air —
Thornsby S. Sch
Inter Community — Free Lance Pr

Visited 5 May

S. Mary Rotherhithe (33) 11. Beale — No interview
with S. Paul Pauls Lane
Work very — Bell (Mutual Dean)
Friendly & very helpful. Toynbee COS

(33) 12

Holy Trinity Rotherhithe CX11 101. Selby-Hole about 60. tall, thin grey hair Beard - but sad
Vicar & a few visitors - The Sch teachers take Services also with back to light - impression of kindly face Baxter
Church - Schools - Parish room wanted.
many 60 Sun 120. 25 Communicants Monthly, but few cards sent up. Toynbee COS
S. Sch ch 125 workers -
visiting for collecting Savings Bank
Soup Kitchen

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(33) 12

Wesleyan Bermondsey Settlement CX111 85 Rotherhithe Scott Lidgett 12 class leaders 24557
2 Ministers - 6 Local Preachers 12 Assistants 2 Nurses & Ladies
Southwark Park - Silvan Street - Chapel Schools Workers
(1000) (240)
S. Many 12. Sun 400 2 Many 24 Sun 120
App PSA 185/100 Members 405.
Increasing.
S Sch 300/200 S Sch 150/100
Slate Clubs - Mothers meetings - Nurses Lectures
Boys Girls Social Clubs. Wesley Guild
Concerts &c

about 40 - Quiet forcible reserved - Stalwart
build neckhead Physique - deep voice. Moderate. Close
Cropped hair - Impatient manner Aves

Poor attendance Compared to Mechanisms for chapel. Lea
have the Meeting in school, I thought Rude -

Lotts ashamed at Scott Lidgett when he thinks down all he
can to damage the Church - Selby-Hole.

Lidgett a hard worker not much Optimism - with all
his go to all other - puts success of Settlement before Principle
Toynbee COS

visited 5 May

Armstrong branch of Christian Ch. representation in district
Rotherhithe

Lutheran - Rickety Row. Barman no interview

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(33) 13

Seamens Chapel Deptford S. CX111. 247 Clarke wrote with copy & report
run by Seamen's Mariners Friend Society
Sunday Services, Sunday School, Nursing Home &
weekly night meetings for adults Concerts weekly
Sailors Bargemen (here today & gone tomorrow) have
been invited frequently, give a hearty welcome
Vessels have been visited

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(33) 12

All Saints. Rotherhithe CX11 125 Makeham 40. Shy quiet Reserved but Pleasant Kindly
Vicar - no curate. 6 Sisters 40 S Sch Teach Clean shaven, becassocked - but not extreme Baxter
Church Parish room High Church - things have run down with him Morris
Many 60. Sun 200 Communicants 200 Has a big Lon Society - with Compulsory Communion - Toynbee
S. Sch 300. 70 to 85% in attendance Night School COS
Large Loan & Slate Clubs.
Mothers Union - Girls Guild - Boys Guild visited Sunday & 12 May

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(33) 13

Clare College Mission CX11. 63. Pridie Little man. dark closely Shaven Quiet Voice
2 missions. 2 Lady Women & S Sch's. Somewhat of Tobacco - but he has appearance of ascetic
Church 300 - Parish room 150 (must use) hire a Local School Wears Cassock - 32 years old Aves
large Congregations especially in Sunday
250 Communicants Increasing New man - Cooperates Toynbee COS
S. Sch 400/300 - Boys Rifle Class
Mothers meeting 120. Mens Club 25 Boys Guild 20 Visited 13 May
Girls Guild 120. Working Girls Club 20
Womens Help Soc 40 Penny Bank
Slate Club - Provident Club.
Sunday Kitchen
Sociables

Lower Road (33) 14

Free Church Rotherhithe CXIII. 2q Richardson — about 40 thickset well dressed. Strong features fair hair close cut moustache beard — Arkell

Hornsey & 2 deaconesses — probably own 200 volunteers

Main Hall 1000 + an entrance Hall — 1 house

Have Townhall for Mens Own (Shorter, Brothers)

Services 10 A.M. Prayer 11 A.M. for Christian (Large Congregation) (8 A.M. 11 A.M. 7 P.M.) Townhall 3.15 Mens Own 8.15 Prayer Service (Extraordinary) 6.30 Gospel & 8 P.M. Open Air in Summer

S Sch 10. 1 2.45 —

Numerous week day meetings — Membership 651. Mens Own 1100

Christian Band 130 Band of Hope 300

Bristol Temperance — Slate Club — X Man devotional Band. Normal Club 850 Harvest Festival 300 — Large number 50 — a good market maker, religion by Jesus. Lee Only Chapel which answers. a few hostile open places where you can believe anything or nothing — People go to be amused Russell

Choir & orchestral Band. — Public House Brigade — Women at home 500 / 300 — Sunday big here — The big thing. very large connection among men — does a lot of work among poor. work mainly among better artisans — as a speaker has the knack — is bright — simply fair as good — Nandsley

The plan that draws the people. Get the hall full. Mr Farlane

More than 1000 in Mens own. The big thing for the less thoughtful. Mission

Visited 5 May & 13 May

(33) 15

S. Winefreds Mission CXIII 199 Morris — 40 Single. not strong man. Much unemployed & needy. Satisfaction — no Sat Shipmans about here Ayes

No Paid workers. Except Scripture all done by themselves a good working helper.

Large Hall (350) recent acquired — Institute —

11 a.m. Ch. Service 250 (Children in Institute) } Large Hall

2.45 S. Sch 350/300

6.30 Gospel Service (Prayer meeting 200/300)

11 am Adult Service 40-50 } Institute

3 pm Boys Class. Young men (Women — Women full always taken by Women)

6.30 Church Service

Band of Hope — Boys Society. Young Mens Soc

Slate Club 100 —

Popular High Class entertainments

Visited 5 May & 13 May

(33) 16

United Meth. Free Ch. Albion St CXIII 27q Tomson — not 30 yet. unmarried. med. height dark moustache face. looks the Student. — Ayes

Minister Dr for Helpers

Church 250

S. May Conf. 20 Soc 80/100.

S. Sch 120/110. 8 Teachers

(not seen.)

(33) 16

Salv. Army Lower Rd Rotherhithe CXIII 24. Parris — Might frank young man — under 30. Superior to ordinary type of officer in sheeks manner & education Corbett

Week Cooks 16 Local officers — Band of 13. Cartridge

55 Soldiers 13 recruits

Hall 450 Small room.

Usual 4 meetings — very Poor, attended. Evening the best nearly 100.

Week Evenings 15 or 16 — depend on open air meetings — 3 on Sunday, almost a week long in winter

Children's meetings are the best — 70 on Wed. 50 on Mon. Think of giving up adult meeting Sunday, age & have Children

Don't see little. Mr Farlane!

Slumhunt in Rotherhithe Tolly — just a handful. Rare and man a waterside labourer Pigg

Visited 5 May

Lady Gowan Mission Hawkstone Rd CXIII — no interview

(33) 17

S. Barnabas. Rotherhithe CXII. 2q Russell — about 60. Grey hair & beard. shaved upper lip. Coarse Common face Baxter

Mean. Mission woman 2 or 3 visitors & 10 S. Sch 7 — Church

Many Coy 50. Evening 150. Communicants 45

Schools (day) 290 — Sunday 140

Mothers meeting — Church Lads Brigade

Penny Bank.

Rather old & been there 20 years — no good so far as C.O.S. is concerned — Non Parish. Toynbee C.O.S.

Visited 5 May & 12 May

A chapel all in low water. Russell

Congregationalist Maynard Rd — Phillips. not seen

Visited Thursday 13 May

(33) 17

Congreg. Southwark Park Chapel CXIII.169. Nelling
Mr Nelling from his Sermon (+ more)
Church 600 - 30 members - usual services.
S school 140 scholars 14 teachers. No of Hope

Wrote a short note - "not for publication".
Has been here 30 years + writes like an old man.

visited 5 May + 13 May.

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(33) 17

Methren old Mission Pl Chapel CXIII 151 Leeche
70 brethren meet here -
"Breaking of bread" S. Morn. S. sch in afternoon 90/100
Gospel Service in Even 100/150 - Children + adults
(Band distributed) Welcomes a few outsiders
Mothers meeting -

Short, fair, about 50. Dress neat - manner good but distrusting in manner in Church. Atkell

? visited 13 May (called Pabbril)

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(33) 18

Baptist Church. Nash Pl. CXIII 147. Clatworthy
Not for workers
Had formerly the old chapel now used by the Methren + the Deputies but the Schools for their Services
Seats 200 - including gallery used only for school real accommodation 120.
S. Morn. 28 adults - boys 60 - 50 members
S School 197/166.
Sec. Ch Endeavour 33/24 (14 male professions recently)

about 40 quiet reasoning - dark thin. Average height Talks deliberately + thoughtful - with no emotion Atkell
Black frock coat. Thin arm holds Church Tea

? visited 13 May (Same impression as the above)

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(33) 18

St Katharines Rotherhithe CXII 17 Lee
Mean. 1 Curate 2 Sisters, 1 Lady worker. 16 volunteers
Church - Schools mom + 28 Sol teachers
High Services - Numerous Communions
S. Schools - Mothers meeting. 150 + 200
Guilds + communicants classes
Adult temperance. Band of Hope 346
Mens Institute 165 - Boys Club - Women Type Band
Lads + Boys Drill Club - Slate Club. Penny Bank
Children Annuals - Social Gathering - Sunday Concerts
Activity due to Mr Lees Predecessor Mr Johnson)

40 or a little over. Small, dark clean shaven, Superior of foreign Merchant Service extraction Maxted

High Church + not representative. Note Mens Mean not so well attended as formerly - mostly young people Mr Farlane
Note by Atkell In walking over district Suspension to Jas has many houses but 2 Rs bills in window -

visited 5 May + 13 May

Only one small mission run by Mr Atkins an excellent person. Lee

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(33) 18

Mission Hall. Comby Pl. CXIII 113 Reynolds
MR + volunteers - no one dies - Committee of 12
Passage + Parlour make a hall (70) - lobby Cosy
Mr R lives upstairs above the Kitchen
S. Sch 100/80. Young mens Bible Class - 16
Gospel Service S. Comy - often full. av 50
Mostly women + very little - hard to get men
week day meetings.
Band of Hope (122)

Slight man 40/50. Neatly dressed well spoken Good representative of better artisan - Atkell

visited 13 May

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(33) 19

L C M Hall Comby Pl. CXIII. 69. Mr Farlane
Mission + 8 teachers - workers hard to get
Groundfloor - hall 50/60 + another room
S. Sch afternoon 130 on books
Gospel Service Comy. about 50.
Band of Hope - Bible class
Mothers meeting 50 on books - Penny Bank
Person from knowledge neighbourhood
Visits regularly + is well received

Sturdy general Kelt of about 50. Close Cut light hair + Beard - Keen eyes + Scotch accent Atkell

visited 13 May

(33) 19

S. Augustines. Lynton Rd. Nth Kensington CXII. 1. Stuart

Church & Schools
many Cong. 40/50. Evening 300/400. 200 Communts
many non parishioners. (some from S Anne.)
S. Sch pry to spoil, fallen in numbers from 600 to 400
teachg not good enough
Visitation thorough - visitors all parishioners
working & lower middle class - much more satisfactory than Ladies - Collect for Dom Missions & are not chartered as to relig.

60. tallish - rather stout - rather Coarse heavy face grey hair & beard. Was (Baxter) in hall in attendance this old woman was taught & assistance & was promptly resigned to be interred by us.

a mos. Mr Walsh a hard working man - minute man. Loaded mgln
Hardly representative. Changes her mind - story of persons here this Sun
Yes little Cooperation - one relig society accurate Nell R. Sea
Typhoea Cos

Visited 27 may

Concentration of Chapels in this Parish. Active Good people Stuart

(33) 20

Presbyterian Ch. Southwark Pk Rd CXIII. 23. Murray

Minister. My paid. 24 office bearers. 45 S. Sch T. 10 Teachers
Chapel (intended for School) 320. + 4 rm Ho
Sunday mng 100/120. Evening 350 (full). 200 Members
S school. 458/332 - more than 12 teachers mos.
Gospel meeting (60). Mothers Meeting 80/60
Ch. Endeav. N. of Hope Prayer meeting
Slate Clubs. Leaders & other Clubs

Alber 40 thoughtful. Human - wife called & stayed with him - he calls her. Mamma &c in trouble has "my Curate" Alber
Dear Good fellow. Has a fair congn Richardson

Visited 5 may

(33) 20

Baptist Ch. Drummond Rd. CXIII. 171. Nunleigh.

No one paid except minister - 80 workers including 40 S.S.
Chapel 670 -
Services 11. & 6.30. 2/300 many. 500 Evening.
distinct Congregation. Husbands & Workmen in many rows at night.
S.S. Men & women. aver 300. has been larger
Monday Prayer meeting. Thurs. Service (150)
Ch. Endeav. Soc (50) - Tract Soc. Visit - 1500/2000 calls a week
Gospel Temperance - N. of Hope (Temperance not strong)
Mothers Meeting very successful (60)
Mutual Improvement & Recreation - young men. Cricket &c

Mid-aged Scotchman. Massive forehead, bald in front - dark moustache - suspicious at first - but very friendly. Arbuthnot
fair Congregation. Richardson

Visited 5 May & 13 May.

(33) 21.

United Free Meth Ch. (South Bermondsey Mission "Manor" Gallywall Rd.) CVI. 29. Olsson.

Minister. Scotch many Volunteers. 45 SS. 25 Workers
S. Many 150. Evening 250. Mens Class 150.

S school 600/. 40 SS Ms - many Choir. Children Service
Ch. Endeav. Juniors. Y. M. Y. W & Mutual Improvt
Mothers Meeting - Band of Hope
Happy Evenings for Tired Toilers.
Holiday Fund. Slate Clubs
& other activities.

little man. perhaps 35 - at one time N.S. teacher & even then an active preacher. Aver
Lively, bushy man. Murray

Visited 27 may

(33) 22

St. Anne. Bermondsey CXII. 45. Walsh

Work. Single handed for 30 years. Grant in aid with Bible Reader & Mission woman from the staff.
many Cong. 20/30. Evening 100/150. 1 Evening to Men only (40/50 Communicants)

S. Sch. Aver 600.. 25 teachers
Band of Hope - no distinct Institution

Mrs Walsh represented her husband - middle aged Mission. but Mother loyal to husband & keen for her Children Aver
Mr W. came later. Baldish Grey. Side whiskers & moustache. Irish Cork & Minister Manner -
St Anne Hoxton Condition - many of the Parishioners come from Shoreditch old & active & energetic, provided with a large Evangelistic staff. The work is very Parish - Stuart)
old & old fashioned & active - no good - Toynbee Cos
Visited 27 may

(33) 72

Bethel Baptist Ch. Leyton Rd. CXIII. 162. Dale

Chapel (600); Membership 60 (& more than 40)
2 Services Sundays
Monday Prayer meeting. Service Thursday
S. School. 180 - 16 Teachers Children from 2 to 20.

Bright Pleasant Simple little man - said what he had to say quickly & without Cant Baxter

Visited 27 may

SHD 15.11.01
GW 21/3/01
C.A.

pls. i + 6.

Work of the Churches

District 34

(34) 1

Holy Trinity - Lambeth (Carlisle St) C IV. 87. Lovegall

Near 3 Churches - Lay Readers - Deaconess - Miss Emma Hermann 11 Curates 9 asst Mrs. + 27 - 55 teachers (4 Mrs)

Church - 2 Schools - Hall badly wanted

S. Morning 100 - Evening 2 / 300 - all parochial (except Trin.)

Communicants 1911 260 regular - Town Char

S. Sch 495 / 360 - Service High not Sticious

Complete visitation - Clothing club - Relief Committee

Relief by committee - D.V. + C.O.S. - adequate Pleb. £100

Work: Boys Club - Brigade Club. Girls Club (60)

Junior Work - Band of Hope (120) Church Lads Brigade (80)

Guilds Young men + Women &c. - Penny Bk - Coal Club

Day Schools - Sunday Schools -

Tabx St Mission Hall - Mothers Meeting -

Not so attractive + good looking - Weaker version of Alfred Lyttelton - talked cleverly for an hour or more but agreeableness rather than energy & devotion

His deacons attend C.O.S. committee - he is rather Stansfeld Walker. C.O.S

Visited 11 March 1909 - very ugly church - Entered awkwardly from vestry end - had the clergy + choir - to many sch. ch + 100 + 30 mostly young women - a fairly comfortable class C.J.

(34) 1

St Mary - Lambeth C IV. 69. Reeve

Rector + 3 Curates - Nurse. Noble woman - lady deaconess 35 S.S. teachers District visitors - not systematic - Committee

Church 800 - Morning 400 - Evening 600 | 3 Schools (300 in each) - Clubs - Stansfeld House old vestry hall for mothers meetings &c - poor Spanish man - Parish Com. 400

Lowest in winter

S. Sch 450 / 350 - Excellent Day School

Deaconess Social apparatus - Clubs the most destructive

Boys Club - leaky pits 80 juniors - 250 Scouts - some married

Hornton Club - Varsity lads 14-20. 130 gymnasium Bath billiards + boxing - classes + games - Cricket football &c

Barnes Club men 150

Church brotherhood 4/500 on register. Seniors age 260

Rescue Home - Service held in house in Stamford St Trafalgar

Seen in his Study - large bare pleasant room - like the late Archbishop Benson resuscitated - Coote

not so keen as he might be on social matters

a curate on C.O.S committee - Mr Wood one idea of him 26 a gentle hearted man - Walker. C.O.S

Visited 11 March - beautiful church with peal of bells C.J.

Curate Emery is a Brewer - from Reeve Holy Trinity Platelands Nasby Stamford Times

(34) 2

Wesleyan Ch. Mission - Lambeth C III. 103. Cook

Minister + Visitors &c

Chapel recently - Canterbury Hall used meanwhile

Many day Schools. Every 500 / 600 Constantly growing

Small S. Sch of old members children - Mission Sch 40 / 500

a good aged Congregation - with transition of type of class

about 60 - Intelligent face - White hair beard - Looks weary + worn - Portrait in report - Baker

Visited 11 March - Morning Congn. better working class Evt. - Evening fuller - More middle class for a special advertised sermon. C.J.

doing good work but with a lot of illness. Goodman

(34) 3

Presbyterian Kensington Mr C III. 39. Milne

Minister - retired - 20 S.S. teachers 16 visitors

Church 300 + 2 small Mission

Morning Congn. Small - Evening 200 - falling in Summer

Many people from distant & others from distance mostly Scots in connection

S. Sch - 200 attend decently, about 120 poor

Wednesday Service 40. Tuesday Happy Evening 150 / 200

Ch. Endeavour 25 / 30 - Mothers Meeting 70 / 80

S. Sch Institute. 1 Night boys - 1 Night girls. Each week

A number of Clubs Connection with Happy Hours.

Goose Club (155) Coals - Coats &c Lowest east Kensington no bonus

Church membership 150.

Visit the district systematically + continuously

Silent manly little Scotchman - Shrewd Methodical Keen Scot of humour - Abundant Energy Asbell

Visited 11 March. Seems to be a busy small body. A gloomy little place quite empty on Morning 10.11 / 2 - Every 30 / 40 Brothers. C.J.

(34) 3a + 4.

Harlesden - Christchurch C III. 79. Turner for Meyer

Remarkable Church (2500)

Many 1800. Every full - Many Strangers Visitors

P.S.A. 700 in books - Average attendance 800. Institute &c

S. Sch - 5000 Scholars 400 Teachers

Nonconformist Soc - Lambeth to London Rd

Endless branches of work

See also interviews with Mr Hanson (34) 3a. Southward Lambeth Mission

Mr Meyer private Secy - a discursive talker - heaps of matter on his huge undertakings. Baker

Sometimes meets Mr Meyer visitors & several of them young men have been drawn away to Christ Church - Selby

Speaking of Mr Meyer "what an excellent man he ought to be a churchman - he's too good to be a non conformist - Edwards

My for the greatest influence - Organisation so Complete as to make it apparent to others. Cook

Congrs drawn from all South London - Hainbridge Bell

Meyer doing Excellent work but his people might be one keen what they are doing towards overlapping - Aston. Standard

(34) 5.

Emmanuel. Lambeth. CIV. 35. Lilly
Vicar 2 Curates 2 missn women. Nurse
Church (600) 3 services + S. Sch teachers + a few others
many 80 - Soc 200/300 + 60 in missn room
many more than 30 come occasionally
Communicants 150
S. Sch 400 - Usual Social agencies - no religious test.

about 45 - quite undistinguished - light hair light eyes - voice tenor, tone warm. Baxter
relief does pretty well - not large funds to deal with. Walter COS
Visited 11 March. Nice Small church. 150/200 town middle class
Soc. nearly all comm + some Church. CD
* 3 L C M working in the parish - against the ch though Lilly in Evangelical - has remonstrated.

(34) 6

Wesleyan Mission Torrington St. C III 151. Deeley
Circuit minister. Superintendent - S. School teachers + Volunteers mostly Connected with Lambeth Chapel
Membership Connected with the Chapel
Soc. Service on Sunday 30/40.
S. School 140/120 - 25 teachers.
Y. M. Bible class 12. Y. W. Bible class 14.
Band of Hope Juvenile 55. Senior 35.
Mothers meeting 30. Girls Sewing 12. 2 Social classes.
Prayer meeting + Band Practice Thurs.
Service meeting Mon. - Musical circle (Girls) Sat.
Penny Bank. Foot ball club.

An old gentleman of 70. Carries his years well - is bald. Wears sheepskin. Close coffee beard. Gilly flower Knot, uneducated specimen of Methodism
active + pious. Lilly
Visited 11 March. Seems to be one a Sunday School + Mission - no Sunday Service.

(34) 7.

St Philip. Kennington Pk. C IV. 129. Steer.
Vicar. Curate. 4 Scripture readers
Church (960) Mission Room (70) Schools (700)
many 300. Soc. 700 - (Low Church Service)
many parochial - the better class -
Easter Communicants 100.
Day Schools 2° 3° + 4° fees. Good class of children
Sund. Sch 450/350
Prayer Meeting. Temperance 8th Penny Bk
Mothers Meeting.

about 32. dignified ecclesiastic - + ordinary Sunday (Tuesday) motive. Lofty tones - Aves
anxious to work well - wants regulation committee. but others not necessary for Lambeth. Walter COS
Good opinion of Lady Marjoribanks. Will the settlement here.
Visited 11 March. Many about 100 well dressed people. The best dressed seen. Large Gothic Church. Looked well at night. Cong 150/200 including some Russians. Quite Low. Middle Ch.

St James Kennington Pk. P. (34) 7 not seen.

(34) 7

St Mary the Less. Princes P. C IV. 99. Bromfield
Vicar. Curate Seamen missn woman. 4 Scripture readers
St Mary (1500) St Anselm (Mission Ch.) St Saviour
School rooms - Clubs &c. -
St Mary. many 200 Soc 200. Moderate ritual
St Anselm. n 65. - 67. (Chosen week)
St Saviour. 30
Easter Communicants 150/180.
Day School 1382. S. Sch 718 (nos less)
Mens Bible class 13. Woman 20. Boys Guild 42.
Mothers Meeting 120. Girls (Friendly) 30. Girls class 22
Temperance Soc 45. Youths institute. 100. Musical 25

An old man - Shave, unshaven cadaverous - in convalescence - but talkeen well & free. Aves
well conducted. COS
Creeping along. Goodman
Visited 11 March - In many small but dear earnest working class Cong. - about 50 - of whom 12 stayed for the Communion - A large Steady class boys band for hearing - Dr Soc Cong men numerous & some Rich - genuine work class + Tamerly Fellows - mostly young people CD
St Anselm visited 18 March

(34) 8

Baptist - Regent Ch. Ethelred St. C III. 75 Henderson
Minister. 18 sch teachers
Chapel 580. - School - Mission Room Lecture Hall
62 members - 189 scholars.

Young man who cares share no time. Ashdell
a failure. Goodman
do little - Lilly
Visited 11 March a hearty little body. In the Soc 150/200 in many not quite so many
Genuine Singer Lower middle + working class CD

(34) 8

LCM
Mission Lambeth Walk C111. 21. Goodman
Missions & large number voluntary workers - Mass bars 18
Mission a 170 Sittg - Seating fixed & flexible
from a light hall Seating 130 - Upper rooms for Bands
Sunday 7.30 Prayer meeting with Hall Bishops
10 am Distribution of tickets to open air Services in Lambeth Walk
6 pm Open air with Brass Band
7 pm Bright Gospel Service in Hall
8 - Open air Service at Prince Rd
Monday Boys Band Practice. Tuesday Prayer Praise & Testimony
Wed. Gospel Temperance. Thurs. Fellowship - Choir Practice
Friday Police Temperance - Sat. - Pleasant Evening
Benevolent Soc - Bread & Tea - Mothers'
Cricket Club - Brass Band
No S. Sch - Leaves the Children to the Ragged School

Wearing 50 but upright as a young man - Tall broad & handsome Musician. Picture of many with Orders

Visited 11 March 1900 - Brass Band - No Strangers seemed - Bright Mission Premises Ch

(S. Peters)

(34) 9

Moffatt Institute Esher St C111. 183. Brand
Matron. Mission Woman + LCM - but not much Missionary
Primary object to provide healthy recreation + the S. Sch -
Sunday Services - Many (Parker 20) Boys 90/100.
S. Sch 700/500 36 Teachers - 1/2 Sent for Comfy Holiday
Mothers Meeting - Band of Hope - Boys Brigade - Girls Guild
Men's Class Men + Women - Penny Bank - Flower Mission
Night School (Clean Girls - do for Men Women - Arranged before
Dinners for the Sick - Penny Dinners for Children
Main work the Meeting of Amusement for young People

Man of 25 - Builder - Thin in brick + appearance
Jumpy & nervous - Aves

Spends too much in free dinners + treats for poor. COS

Visited 18 March. Ch

(34) 10

St Peters Upper Kennington Lane C1V. 1. Denny
Vicar. 3 Curates. 10 Sisters. 12 Dist Mn.
Church - Schools - Club room (Parish room wanted)
Usual High Ch. Services -
Choral. 190 - Boys 220 - Communicants Guild 200 m. 193 f. 300
Intoning, Responsal - no alterations (vile music & vile chants)
Confirmation 42 & 35 -
Day Schools 1250 of Parish Ch. many quite rough
S. Sch 700 - (S many all in to Church for a celebration)
Social activities Small

Looks 30 - says he is 46 - of the Cheshire order - medium height
inclining to stoutness - healthy type - blue eyes - fair curl hair - jolly
smiling face - frank genial manner - dresses in cassock. Naked

Very high - Brompton
46 a clever Bachman
will have nothing to say to us. Miami Ragg. Sch. Soc
Well worked. COS

Disease absolutely dead - Baptist Chapel next church might be
bought for £2000.
Visited 18 March. Very high - Guild not crowded. CD

(34/10a)

Kennington Hall Mission. 4th Kennington Lane C111 225. Thos
A quality of 18 at the most - a phenomenon softly - Naxton
Any nature, unsophisticated work - Mans

(34) 11

St Marks Kennington. C1V. 117 Darlington
Vicar - 2 Curates - 2 Lay readers - 2 Lay Readers Nurse Protestant
Church 1600 - Iolita St Marks 300 - Mongrell -
Many 700. Boys 1200.
Sunday Mission Services quite lively Classes & more men than formerly
Numbers affected by Summer. LCC bans it
Mission Services S. Boys 30/40. & 60 Girls (Ch Army)
S Schools (2) Mothers Meetings (3) Maternal Soc Penny Bk
Institute Sews (25). Girls Club (35). Needlework Soc G.F.S.
Lodging Soc (105). Temperance Societies (Two) - B. of Hope (three)
Young Men's Institute - Boys Club Cricket Eng Band - Boys Lending Library
Slate Clubs (three) - Goose Club (160)
Day Schools.

Very Man - Popish in appearance - not dressing well
somewhat heroin - dishevelled in hair & mind Aves

They have boys here in boys house - & mothers meeting & they
take the same activity & knowledge of the people COS.

Visited 18 March. Well filled Narrowhal. CD

(34) 11

LCM. (Congregational Camelhall) C111. 57. Jackenson
Hall at back of 2 houses - 200 - 2nd Hall 120 - 3 Class Rooms
Missionary 160 Volunteers - 15 Visiting
Sunday 10. Mass Meeting. 10.45 Ch Service. 6.30 Prayer 7. Service (120)
(100)
8.15 after Ann
S. Sch 200 Mothers Meeting (30) B. of Hope (200 Dismissed)
Mens Slate Club 50 | Womens Slate Club (60) Penny Bk
Wednesday Cookery

well dressed thickset 40/45 - reddish beard - good head
face - Manly Features - Cultured & genial - Hard Constructive mind
Recently little Protestant place called Camelhall. Pious, Politicians
Aves
Askell
Seem no religion with it at all - Denny

Visited 18 March - dead to many CD.

Baptists Brunstall - not very much.
Tertiary and a good deal but not successful. Sister had left.

(34) 10a

St Peters parish

Prim Meth. Kennington Circ. C111. 195. Bowles
Only minister for Vauxhall & Kennington - with Lay helpers
See Dean for Services & number of members
Worthy of Small Space
Vauxhall (Wes) | Kennington
m. 80. | m. 60 & 20
S. Sch 70 | S Sch 150/160

Young & working man of the Shoreditch "Bow things". Aves
Form very correct but not London -

(34) 12

Congregational Clayland Rd. C111.121. Hewett

Church (not Congl)
many. 200 Congy 450. all lower middle & upper well dressed prosperous Comfy Mn
S.Sch 450 –
Mothers meeting } fine new schools
Usual Social agencies. Total Abstinence Soc. very few
large slate Club. mainly non church goers.

Nottm 35 (see portrait in book C11) Baxter
Visited 18 March. CD

(34) 12

United Methodist Free Ch. C111.155. Noble
6 Chapels in circuit

Miles St.	Stockwell	Southville
136 members	225 members	40 members
S.M. 80 S.S. 165	S.M. 130 S.S. 260	S.M. 20 S.S. 65
S.Sch 340/260	S.Sch. 260/220	S.Sch 70/60
Chapel Sold	Congvg Grey ash	Congvg Grey ash

to be built further one – same class of people at all three lower middle & some working class.
1 Clapham Park Rd. has one, just been acquired
2 others are outside London (Hemel Hill & Streatham)
Chr. Endeav. N° of Hope. Gymasium (2) Chapel Club
+ Sally Corps entertainments at each Chapel

32 or 50. Quiet decent fellow. Hasty faced. Clothes Tweed. Note Sundays off since Xmas (Ind) Aves
Visited 15 March 1900

(34) 13

S. Anne. So. Lambeth C IV. 139. Morris
Vicar. 2 Clergy. deaconess (nurse). 15 Scripture. 33 55 Yard.
Church. Clean Trust School. Chapel 60' from both & 6
many 100 Congvg 3/40. (8 am 40/50). 3/40 Common (285 Easter)
S.Sch 500/400. + a "Sally Sunday Sch" 150. for N° 5 Sch Ch
Social Agencies not numerous
Men's Inst for working Lads (25). Ch Lads Brigade
Slate Club. Collecting Talk.

Perhaps 38. Rather tall & stirring. Dark. Clean shaven. Aves
Speaks his logic for his worth. COS
Visited 18 March. CD

all local hopes & friendly terms with Church. Morris

(34) 15

Congregational
Wheatsheaf Hall. S. Lambeth. C111.1. Caine
Work voluntary – very busy, superintends no Sunday –
Membership "Christian Union" 340. all working people
Sunday 7.30 Prayer (10) 10.30 Prayer (10) in vestry
– 10.30 Children's Service (100) 11 (100) adults
– 7 pm (600). Open air 8.15. 250
S.Sch 250. Mothers meeting 100. N° of Hope 350
Total attendance nearly 200 – System of Phoenix 40
Slate Club 250. Ch Endeav 50. Christian Union 30?
– a Comm 250 – Penny Bank 150?
Friendly Society meetings +c

A big full bodied old gentleman. Deaf. Set manner. Twinkling eyes. Grey hair & beard with some brown left. Aves
Wheatsheaf Hall just notorious parish very active. Goes Sat & preaches Sotheby
Terribly Political. Mr Caine says constantly obliged you may state on the floor of politics. Still they are sincere. Edward
A very "watered gospel" but very active. S.Sch – PSA & Sam Smith to talk to them – Morris
active & generous influence COS
Visited 18 March 1900 CD.

(34) 16

R.C. St Anne Hanley proN° C111.161. Brown
2 Priests – no other help
no church now – but one is to be built
500/550 Comes to Mass on Sundays.
Easter duties 900 visitors fabulous
Schools 585 – nearly all the R.C.'s are poor
Boys Club – small but Excellent

Of uncertain age – 25–45. Probably nearer 45. Baxter
R.C.'s not numerous. Father Brown an excellent man. Geary
Father Brown excellent. Morris
Zealous & temperate work & generally active COS
Visited 18 March. CD

(34) 16

All Saints So Lambeth C IV 49 Edwards

1 vicar 3 Curates 185 S Sch Teach. 3 Colors Bris + 50 others
All Saints + S Augustine + 2 Missn Rooms + Large Institute
All held by Canon E.

(1080) (500)
All in every respect
in daily. Much
fewer in morning.
200/500
Every Communion 190.
The people wont come to worship
hopes to be will not dance
Early many Service. Thursd 5.30
for railway men - flowers given
180 men + 180 women Communicants - non communicants - + don't become so
S. Sch 3500 - use Board Schools.
1000 from the Parishes - mostly Christ Church Clapham
3 large mothers meetings - Band of Hope 400.
Temperance Soc weak. Boys Brigade most hopeful
Systematic visiting. Long formal Known

Every Service.
Almost Empty
50 at most
Crammed on Treats
for entertainment
(Temperance Cause)

Treats cost £320

Canon Edwards Wealthy Men 50. tall thin Sallow
Grey hair - Good Eyes Pleasant Smile Courteous. Baxter

Canon has not been St Barnabas - before Mr Sotheby's time relations
were much strained - used to preach in Church - the Canon
drawn from where he came - Baxter on Sotheby's Evidence.

(34) 18

Presbyterian. Trinity Ch. C III. 143. Mc Ewan

Pastor + Assistant - Large voluntary Staff. Paid Missionary
Church (Large) Lecture Hall - Mission Hall (400)
well filled Morng + Every. 1000 Each time. 631 Members
Mission S. Morng. 100. Every Evening 300 at Mission 162 -
S. Sch. Trinity 219/155 - 25 Teachers (15 Men)
Mission 458/345 32 "
Work Congregational in best sense -
S. Morng Fellowship Meeting - Weekly Service. 50/100
Young Mens Society. Christian Soc.
Occasional Sacred Concerts &c Temperance work
Mothers Meeting - Coal Market Treats &c

Old Man - Good + Staunch specimen of "Moderates"
of the free Kirk - Aged

(34) 19

St Barnabas So Lambeth C IV. 21. Sotheby

Near 2 Curates Deacons. 2 Lay Visitors 12 District. 4 Sisters
St Barnabas + St Silas (Mission Ch). Ch Mon Class Mon
Morng + Every 250/300. S.D. + 100/150 S.S. 2 Services &c
Every Week Prayer Communion 300. + 100
Infant day School 140
Sunday Sch 500
Social Agencies Usual Character - not very Common
Visiting Houses to house in Parish Parts.

50 fully. Short Undistinguished. Gray hair Beard. Floral
Friendly, genial - but uneasy talker. Baxter
well worked C.O.S.

Stockwell

(34) 20

Baptist Ch So Lambeth Rd C III. 137. Murrell

Ministers + Volunteers
Church opened by Simpson 1866. School + Class Room
(1000) Sermon, 11 + 7.
Variously attended Church, Mod Ch. Membership open
Flourishing Sunday School work 400.
Library Ch. Services. Mothers Meeting - &c Public classes

Ashes are not to call but Mixed Pleasant +
Courteous - a Cultured Elderly Man. Baxter
a Literary man quite above the heads of the People - his
Chapel almost empty Sotheby
once full in Mears - Edwards.

Wesleyan Ch Studley Rd C III 215. Thorpe

Trust well off for workers. Mission Room full, So
Chapel (a Recent) 1000. Scholars + Class Rooms
Morng Cong. Agreed to get. 250 Good (Woman Cooking)
Every 400/500 - 18 Class Meetings.
Weeknight under 40. + Complete.
Monday Every Social 50 or more -
Mothers meetings for the Poor. Usual times
Membership 226 Increasing now.

Middle aged man Short Rounded beard Industrious - a few
Grey hairs among the Black - Axtell

(34) 21

S. Stephen. So Lambeth. CIV. 163. Grundy — over 40. bearded. fair hair. blue eyes. quiet gentle unworldly look. devoid of attractive Powers. — Baxter
Albert Sq.

Church hopelessly undermanned. not was a curate.
morning. middle cl. Every larger & poorer.
Mission Services (now in abeyance) have been held in mission Hall
Day Schools 700
Sund. Schools 500
Magazine shows more going on than might be expected
But social work impossible for lack of help

(34) 22

Railway Mission. Wandsworth Rd. CIII. 205. Hawkins — Short slight. looks 26/28. probably older. — Arkell
Ord. Sund of Thomas St.

Missionary & a Committee of ladies who visit. fully 40 helpers
Iron building. 400.. 180 members. most workers.
12 Services in the week.
Gospel 7 pm Sunday the principal. get full & 100 would be men
S. Sch (Rymers Ch) 160. 110 m. 120 ev. prize system
Open air Serv. 11 a.m. deliver aand wills &c
Womens Bible Cl. Choir & orchestral Bd. Martis.

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Work of the Churches

District 41. 42

(41) 1

S. John Walworth Larcom St. CIX 17 Sephton
Vicar. Curate. 2 lay workers. 2 LCM 2 or 3 Volunteers
Church - Schools - Institute
Many Coy varies from 5 to 700. Coy from 15 to 200
300 Communicants roll - 35 from institute without Communion
over 1000 Baptisms & many marriages
S. School 550 Aggs - Penny Bk for Ch.
S. Johns Institute (80) 2 Slate Clubs 130.
Loan Club 500 - Must borrow or pay 1/- Shareout
Day Schools

accustomed to interviews - stood in front of fire & made a speech -
Baxter
Friendly. Sends representative - Toynbee COS
Distrusts him - looked at as parish must has failed - Hadley
Particularly active but not deep by anything religious work
Hanna
Advertises for Curate who wears collar & mackintosh boots - must pass about Church Gossip - Miller
Visited 1 April - a good shell though not full in Coy - Bright Church - very modern architecture - CB
Grey
Under Primary at Jonah's & Victorian -

(41) 2

Strict Baptist. Surrey Tabernacle CX 125. Dolbey
Only person surplice & stole Chapel keeper. Deacons &c
Chapel Vacitics 1500 - but not seat so many
Services Lords day 13/11 400 & 6.30 (41/600) fair proportion of young people but most of Sunday Church
Monday Thursday 7. P.M.
A Sunday School by members of Coy in 2 Schools
No Clubs - Missions or Societies - nothing Educational
No systematic Visiting -
Benevolent Society by lady members dividend of £70/80

About 40 walks under medium height - Shave Hardy
Moustache & beard closer in Small 2 St rather hard face
GHD
Visited 1 April. Congr. Streaming in more very prosperous. CB.

(41) 4

Baptist. Walworth Rd. CX 11 Mills
Pastor. 2 Bible Women - City Missions. 100 Volunteers (teachers)
Church
Many 200/500. Coy 1000 on Sundays. 500/700 Others
500 Members of whom 100 Compulsory attendance
Social work Centres in Victory Hall Working Men's Institute
Sunday Schools at Chapel & Victory Hall. 1500

50 or 60 - Pleasant & genial - unflattering portrait in Ch Manual - Healthy Manner. Trustworthy
Baxter
Friendly but from below. Toynbee COS
Is alive. Sephton
Visited 1 April - Bully Boy Gorgon ordinarily Deputies in Ch many & quite large strange not Canadian in Sunday Middle class house. CB

(41) 5

LCM. Music Hall Tooley St. CX 215 Tomkins
Remself & 7 Schoolteachers
Room Boys 80. & another room for infants
from pm 2 Collays
S. School - 50 - Five Services fairly full
many poor women
Week night Services. Bd of Hope &c

Abt 50. med height - dark hair & hair - leather Conductor most extraordinary -
Ashell

(41) 5

St Marks Walworth CIX. 87 Forster.
Vicar - Curate 2 Musical W. 1 Greyfriar, afterwards visiting + 10. 15 Sch. teachers
Church & Hall
Many Coy 30 - Sunday 100/200. Communicants 184 Easter
Social work on Smallest Scale -
Large Mothers meeting (120) the only thing
Occasional gatherings highly attended
S. Sch - Many Boys 20 Girls 30
- afternoon - 83 - 86 Infants 60

Just n 50. thoughtless short Hair Latter by like the Lord Chancellor -
Baxter
On Committee - Sunday all day. COS
Singled out for Special praise. Richards. King & Queen Sq Soc
Visited 1 April. Solid brick beamed church. Many Services & scattering of children - neatly well dressed - CB

(41) 7

Congregationalist - Browning Hall CX 143 Stead + Bryan
Warden & Sub warden & their wives. Docents & many others
Large Small Hall. Class rooms &c
Sunday Services 11 a.m. attend 70/200.
Programme the usual - See page 165.

In appearance & character like his more famous brother but less of a Giant - Bryan is a worthy man & original Lecturer & Manager - but Educated & an MA of Oxford.
A active but scarcely a religious Leader. Rotherham (Late Magnate)
Had a meeting - Scarcely any one there. Mr Stead has not Lord Richard's power of a good head. Mr Stead more Practical than Saint & Mystic - Bryan Mystical & Gallery - Toynbee COS
Children go in large numbers to Browning Hall - Richards. Ky Quay Sch.
Boys a good deal but I don't like them much. Sephton
Too much Tea Gossip & Cant over things
Has had a great deputation of influence on S. Marks. Forster
Talk of their influence not the work done
Worth in no sense religious - Milward
Relies too much on questionable methods Mackeny
Mr Stead a very nice man. Chief Commissioner by Night & Day others remain in long but on committees make it more - Grey

(41) 9

Strict Baptist Church East S. Walworth CX 227. Steele. no ministers – one here a short time Ashdown Parker &c

Chapel holds 400. Small congn
Strict declined in recent years. 107 members.
Small S. Sch. 180/200 with 16 teachers
Usual week-day agencies – C.E. 40 N. of Hope 100

visited 1 afternoon. Nice clean little place. Pew is also 30 nice middle class people. Many services. Mighty shiny ministers at night. CB

(41) 9

Calvinist mission. Walworth Pl. CX 195 Coombs

"Saved Calvinist". Member of Tabernacle. Follows Little Hall (100) (2 C.M. Mr Hall Committee Good Temperance)
Many services as good in number as the evening ones – about 30 most Calvinist organised but S. Sch. 30 at one time 60 – but drawn with gifts
Monday N. of Hope 50. Cleaning of Sun: shop-keepers
Wednesday Gospel Temperance – Sat, Mayor Meeting

Seen with several others "Saved Calvinist" Baxter
Pleasant earnest cheery fellow.
visited 1 Afternoon – Smallest hall of the places CB.

Mission (Branch of Yonge) CH. 24, 529

(41) 10

R.C. Church of Sacred Heart Walworth CX. 37 Oakeley.

2 Priests – no Sisters – Roman Catholic Mission
Schools with basement Chapel
S. Many services 800/900 attend
Schools 700 –
No social work

Nuns of the Sacred Heart of Mary Immaculate
St Mary de Pazzi Mulady Victoria
} Members uncertain

one of the few English priests who have not let the work has special place of mission – not seen 40. Baxter
visited 1 afternoon – Chapel, Schools – Chapel in basement – House place well filled many people CB

(41) 11

St Peters Walworth CIX. 1 Horsley.

Vicar – Curate. Nurse. Deaconess. 40/50 volunteers.
Church & Schools. Crypt used for special purposes
4 services on Sunday & 1 week 247 agencies, take & working.
S. many 160. Evening 300 – Communicants 110. All improved.
Day & Sunday Schools 400 –
Religious advice Children's meeting. Penny Bank
Temperance Soc. Entertainments. N. of Hope

about 54. Tall. rather handsome Simpson type. Huge beard – Baxter
on Committee – usually comes when he has a grievance. rather Conservative – likes to work for himself. Tryphena COS
Distrusts him – looked at as parish priest has failed. Daily active but not doing any definite religion with Harrison
visited 1 afternoon – quaint classical rather ugly – big small congn in many mostly young women of better class. CB
worth remark as L.S.A. Deathman Grey

(41) 12

Congreg Ch Walworth Dr CX 99 Keeson

Minister & deaconess. 700 & 80 volunteers (31 Sub-teachers)
Church 800 Hall – class rooms
Many Congn various lectures – Soc. 300/450. March 192
S. Sch regular 425. More 300 including Public classes –
Mothers Meeting 1 Club attached. Total abstainers Stalwarts
Lodging House mission – Y.M. Christian Soc. – Open air work
Library 500. Gymnasium. Cricket Football &c
Meetings & lectures 1st & Saturday night Temperance 350

about 40. Sturdy with round healthy face & moustache & appearance of Country man – capable, not enthusiastic Active a Guardian – not known about COS. Tryphena
not a great friend – but we are excellent friends & often travel together. Horsley
visited 1 afternoon very small mid class congn – mostly young Teaching services. CB

(41) 13

Wellington College Mission. Chapel CIX. 147. Mackeson

2 clergy – 4 lady residents at St Magdalen House & others
Mission Room & Hall – S. Schools
Matins 7.15. HC 8 & 10. Evensong 7 p.m. Communicants
18/20 150 80/140 140/160
S. schools at present in the melting pot.
Children League – Perseverance class. Public class.
Mothers meeting –
Men's Club. Boys club Girls club
Manners farms for Ch holidays

33 – plain but pleasant cheery shrewd face. Baxter
on Committee – friendly, probably active – Tryphena COS
more effective than most parishes because work is real. Daily Canon Mac
visited 1 afternoon rather mostly Gothic church & large Hall at Hall after noon service for men – Church rolling in many of its long services with aisles by 30/40 small children "Mothers" Union CB

(41) 14

Missn Richmond S. Walworth CX.91. Hows. — Seen at his place of business. — I seemed busy
Resident. 2 Scripture - Volunteers all — I shortly time for calling the Hall (Secretary) Barker
School Mission Guides
Mission Service - Sun. 100/150
S. Sch. afternoon & Evening - Thursday school & service
Bible reading assoc. Pure Literature Soc
Mothers meeting & Crèche - Servants register
Evangelists assoc - Ch. Endeavr Soc. Y. of Hope
Townsend St S. Sch. Christmas Dinner fund
(da Earl Dº)
see CX 21

(41) 14

S. Army Slum-post. Jh Smith CX 225 —

Meetings are held on Sunday & week Evenings
both in open air & in Hall

(41) 14

S. Stephen Norwood Rd CIX 187. Lenfott — 45/50. full fleshed florid moustached, clean shaven
Vicar. Curate - Lady visitor - 12 assistants 25 Sch Teach. hair getting grey - sleepy manner - no sign of person of interest
Church 700. Parish Hall drawn a fine district for entrance Kensleigh of his parish - redeemed by planed generally Cos
S. 11. 6.30 - Daily Evening - Sermon on Thurs. strange secretive man - no touch probably cake Toynbee COS
70/100. 250/300 - Early Com. 120 - Numbers not increasing
S. School 516/552 Children's service - Y. of Hope
Bible Classes - (that for men in abeyance)
Sculpture Union - Young men guild - Young women guild

(41) 15

All Saints Surrey Sq CIX. 65 Harrison — 40 - tall well made - rather handsome - grey hair
Vicar. 2 Curates 2 Bible Scripture (Sisters) 1 Lady (Miss Neeley from Cos) clean shaven Baxter
5 or 6 Lay visitors 15 S Sch Teachers In Sympathy with COS & methods he appears one man better to be
now work with Harrison - Toynbee
Church & Schools
S. Evening about 100 adults. Sociy 200/250 - Communicants 140 — has done not a lot of injury. All right when Mr Dodgson
all parishioners ready was there but this Mr Harrison were ashamed of him
Social Work on smallest scale - occasional Social gathering with his Confession class to Christ. They buy the Church
Mothers Meeting. Small young men Club. Savings bank & with Crosses & Sunday Prayer to consecrated Icons Barry
S. Sch 450. the rest Sisters Shoreland System -

(41) 17

Rents the College Mission Walworth CIX 139. Mulward — 30 or just over. tall thin unhealthy clean shaven
2 missioners - Some ladies unhealthy looking - Mean & slovenly unpleasant looking man
mission buildings & though comfortable - unpleasant & almost repellant Baxter
Sunday. 8 12 & 7. Church service 11.45. Morning 11.30 a new comer - all at sea - things in a muddle. Toynbee
S. Morning Cong very large - 400 every 100 who leave over the month more effective than most parishes because new - Daily Evening
Communicants about 90 S. School 230 given a lot of pecuniary help. Starkey LCM
Bible Mothers meeting - Coal & Clothing. Women's Club class visitors 1 absent - rather hinder work, a bass voice
Church Lads Brigade in many about 20 young people from this class - CO
Boys Club - Girls Club

(41) 17

LCM. Parish St district CX 205. Starkey — in the 50's Grey & slightly bent - Speaks rapidly & is
rather nervous Atkell
no Mission room - Open air Meetings & help others visits the parish systematically - Mulward
Coming in East S. Sunday morning.

(41) 18

People's Mission Torrens St CX 121. Vernall — Sent Card. We did not see him
Hall 150 & smaller Room - Attendance not over 40
S. Sch 240/280 - Total abstainers & Women Meeting &c

(41) 19a

Surrey Sq Mission old Kent Rd CX 46. Povey — 50 or more Negroes - Creeps on all day talking about
about 70 workers all members of Tabernacle the mission work is obviously the central interest. Baxter
S. Services not large attendance - Sunday School
Numerous lads & ex inmates
Mothers meeting - Slate Club - Total Temperance &c

(41) 18

S Mary. Newington Kennington Pk. CIX 193 Palmer. Tall with white hair. clean shaven face full of purpose - most attractive
Rector 4 Curates 3 Grey Ladies. 4 missn Ws 1 Lay reader + 2 Visitors &c
Church - + S. Gabriel's (Chapel of Ease) 5 years ago my antagonistic now friendly. Sixth Curate
S. Mary. 25m. Even. 350/600. large staff of visitors & Bible women in constant visitation
All. Gabriels - Morn 40/50. Even 130/140. Parallax Tooting 605
National Schools.
Sunday Schools - Band of Hope. Temperance Soc
Guilds + Societies - Bible class. 48 ♀
Dr Lawne Pastor 80/90 working Lads.

(41) 19

Metrop. Tabernacle Newington CX. 1. Dunn a cheery pleasant old fellow. Anxious to do all he can
Influence of Tabernacle felt to 3m. extent - Roberts (Congregat)
Evening ministerial Services held in basement
Mr Dunn friendly & prepared to help. Considerable amount of Soc work - Christmas gifts & Pensions
Seat 1000 morn & 2000 even - New Chapel seats for 3000
Membership 4000 - was 5000 in Sherman's time - Wards are Influence of Tabernacle is felt. They have a mission hall near Hornsey
fewer so than before having settled down elsewhere
S. Schools 1200/1400 - + 10 Bible classes 30 teachers Tabernacle + Wesleyan (Meadow) only dissenting body then Our Father
Besides these there are affiliated Missions. 21 Halls Influence of Tabernacle is felt - Bell
seating 5640 - 150 Scripture Readers + 25 S schools. 676 teachers Tabernacle will get off shoots in the Chief dissenting influence Harrison
+ 8/900 Scholars - Apart from this mission does not touch the Poor Poster
Hadan Hall. CVI 13. (32) 6.28 Like Exclusive ways Palmer
Richmond St. CX. 91 (41) 3.14 A bad time before the Tabernacle Minister resigned. Drew
Jamaica St. CX. 121 (32) 6.29. like £20.000 a year. Left off shots Top - Mullet
Albany Pastel. CXV. 61 (42) 2.6 Strong body of Baptists due to part influence of Spurgeon Name
Surrey Sq. m CX 49 (41) 3.17 visited 1 April morn + Even 083

Evening at Tabernacle there are 3 mothers meetings 150/200 each
John Ploughman Temperance Soc. Band of Hope. Newspaper Club. Coals
House Mission -
No systematic visiting but 700 Tract distribution.
Communion fund = 1000 a year devoted to "our own poor"
Large, sent in pensions to aged members.

Worship Mens Mission Amelia St. CII. 239. Young (I see no mention of this at C.II. 239)
Gone?

Methodist New Connection CVI 167 Nicholson see District (32) S. 21
Chapel Coulsdon Rd.

Methodist New Connection CVI 167 Nichols. see district (32) S. 21
Chapel Kingsgate St.
(all saints Parish)

(41) 20

St Paul's Wandsworth Dormouse Sq. CIX. 169 Greig Suffering slightly from influenza - Spoke in a vigorous manner but
Wesl. 4 Curates. Names & Stations of Readers. Ch Army Captain - 5 Bible a day attendance invalid - Advises marriage with elder Age
Church 850 | 2 Mission - Alexandra St Mat | Schools 100 - 120 Teachers Has his own relief Committee - large connection 800 - Congn Tooting
Morn 150/200. Even 500. Mission 150 - (Same class) Becoming almost as high as St Augustine - rented quite a
Wandsw Sunday Schools 1300/1250 - Day Schools 800 Stronghold of Church Principle - Hearty
Alexandra Hotel - 2 Mothers meetings
Mission Manor Place + Dormouse
Church Lads Brigade -

(41) 22

S. Agnes Kennington Pk CIX. 115. Holland

near. 3 curates. 4 Sisters. 8 Lay visitors
Church. fine block of schools. Mission Hall
7. 8. 9. 11. 7 p.m. & Sunday 7. 7.30. 8. 8 p.m. Crowded, full in many parts. 50 very. holds 1000
many Cong. drawn for convenience. area. mostly Clapham Rd etc - so far as not parochial - young poor & more men as numerous as women & who do not more so
Parish Communicants 400 -
Day Schools 600 - teaching as definite as in the Ch. & no other there.
Sunday Schools 580.
Mothers meeting. Thrift agencies - numerous guilds

40 or less - tall thin. black hair - unshaved poor. Unmen - Refined well cut face. No trace of asceticism - Imagery from perambulator. been married. Baxter

very few cases. had collection for C.O.S. Meeting of garden to discuss question. Toynbee C

Church full but nearly all upper & mid class people from Clapham & Streatham. Sisters visit but were not known. Headley

Little sympathy with the extreme party of a church. Holland was attracted, a congregation with the big drum of Clapham Road. Grey

(41) 23

Mission Lonsmore Rd. CX 173. Grant

Sunday School 140. Small Band of Hope. Mothers meeting at 3. Young Service. "Very few attend"

Seen more particulars with reference to the Lothian Road Chapel. Out 35.

(41) 23.

Kings Own Mission. Royal Dr CX 69. Headley

Female Evangelist. References to "Christian Converts" of neighbouring churches. The Mission Hall is the mission - 2 Sisters
Sunday 11.30. 30/40 Christian workers. Sunday 250 at service. Small number usual
Sunday School. Band of Hope
Slate Club. Penny Bank

49 & looks it - thin to cadaverousness - Keen intelligent expression. Thick strong hair, stands like a brush. Weird looking & might be taken for a Confucian or Quaker ancestor - subtle potter Baxter

Belongs to no recognised sect. Runs an opposition to Church. Holland

(41) 25

All Souls. Grosvenor Pk Camberwell CIX 45. Bell

2 Clergy. 3 resident ladies. 5 ladies from outside
3 Local Lay visitors. 24 Sisters. 17 Ch. Communicants
Church & Schools - Greatly want a hall.
Sunday 60/100. Evening 250/300. Communicants 250/194 (Guild 155)
Congn. Parochial & mostly Artisan
Mothers meeting (80) Band of Hope 120. Cricket Club
Mens meeting on Sunday - never yet more than 12.
Sunday Sch 370 - these own 10 or 12 pupil teachers.

45 rather Plain & Industrial looks. bald. black hair (Dead) Baxter
Fairly friendly. Seems aggrieved case - has own views on Toynbee
Great revival in Mr Bells church. Miller

(41) 26

Wesleyan Ch Camberwell Rd CX 177. Harvey

Known as Walworth Wesleyan
Ministers. See of State Club. Band. Many Volunteers
Church. old & new school - many class rooms
Sunday Services. Sunday 500. Week night 50. Bible class 100
Class meetings 250. Sunday School 350/400 on Register
Literary Soc. 200. Young Mens Mutual Circle 20.
Slate Club 2100. Girls Institute 100
Mothers meeting. Bands of Hope.
Boys Brigade. Swimming. Gymnasium

Thin Middle aged man 30/45. Clean shaven. Eye for slight mannerisms. Quiet cultured thoughtful manner. Fond Shakespeare. Attendance of Students. Ashell
Sunday representation - mostly ignorant. Enlightened. Toynbee
does fairly well. Bell

(41)

Baptist Chapel - Arthur St. Camberwell Gate CX 221. Elvey

Chapel a centre for the young - business men & women drawn from all round but mostly now from South
Chapel 800 - Schools & class rooms -
Sunday Services 11 & 6.30. fairly full in Evening & sometimes Crowded
membership 550
Sunday Sch 450 Scholars 32 teachers.
Meetings nearly every night.
A Mission off the Albany. No workers by the young men - An important Baptist Church. Fairly above 3rd in this district

Note by Ashell. Mr E refused interview - an able young man settled here 6 years -

Belongs to more South London (42)

S. John the Divine - S. Michaels Mem Ch.

Several Clergy of S. John the Divine
See District (35) 1-2

(42)1
Methodist
Bereaford Mission Hall Crown S. CXV 95 Parsoe
about 24 workers assist Camberwell assists mostly from Bereaford St.
Hall 100 - Smaller room 40
work in outlying areas chiefly - rather too near a
place to allow the parents
S. Sch 3 pm - Smaller than Soc'y 6.30 - 90/100 S
Thursday Sewing class for girls 40 30/40 visitors
afternoon Bible Lesson in day Schools other in Lambeth
Wednesday Senior mens class for singing
Children allowed to play. Receive Magazine for regulars
Most come from Sultan St. Block -

with him Mr Tolhurst - well known for many years a good many changes in town more by despair in the part Nell

Camberwell

(42)2
Camberwell ragged School Avenue Rd CXV 31 Kirk
about 60 workers mostly connected with Ch Ch Brixton
Sunday Services Conducted by Mr K. 20/30
Sunday Schools - Children's Services
Boys Brigade - Youths Club - Mothers Meeting
Penny Bk - Labour Loan Soc'y - Men Clubs
Open air meetings - Temperance Soc'y

Secretary of R. S. U.

Dear Good People - Make out with heading - Moments method of working - Books of St John

Brixton

(42)3
Free Salvationists Avenue Rd CXV 117 Clarke
Number 130 all being workers - brass band 8/10 / 40
Hall 300 - very much out of the way
Go in for outdoor meetings, caring wide circuit
Sunday 10 2.30 6 p.m. outdoor
11. & 6.45 indoor
Many meeting for Christian get about 100 -
full in Sunday all working people - many boys.
usual week Sunday Evangelistic Service is not
held - They are for their own people only who
alone come even Stangers only S. Sunday.
Monday Educational - at present about same Lecturer.
Tuesday Band Practice. Workmens Open air in Hall
Thursday Band of Hope. Friday Bible Study.
Sat Social Meeting
or M. W. & S. 50/70. or 100 for interesting subject
Prefer these to "philosophical" & thoughtful meetings
Bible Study for Elevated leader least attended

talk & dark about 45. Talks readily without reserve holds position in some City Dressers Company. Thinks business people into religion with

Attlee

(42)4
S. George Camberwell Trinity Coll. Miss CXIV 13 Appleton
Area 8 workers. 2 Missions. 3 Assist' Curates. Clergy 3 Scripture
District visitors. S. Sch teachers 4 - a Strong Org.
Church 2 Mission Buildings Cambridge House
Lots of activities.

See reports &c

about 60 - good looking but not distinguished - hard working but not of great power. Opportunities not brilliant not tactful, able to kindle enthusiasm. Thoughtful careful Christian, but of no great intellectual power - Simple minded - Acc.

Cambridge House regarded as something of a failure - Difference in Churchmanship - Robertson - S Margarets

Area to have Committee to Organise Clubs, but barely known in Area - The two Missions work in harmony & are a Week in Parishes - Mr Grubb hates us. Symon CCS.

Visited 20 May 1911 CA

Brixton

Other agencies mostly Baptist - Spring from Tabernacle - Spurgeon

(42) 5
Baptist Ch. College Green. CXV. 129. Burros. Young married man about 30 - Aves
Pastor only paid agent - many volunteers.
Chapel 400 - good school room
S. morning. 150/200 Every. 350 - & sometimes packed. Visited 20 May 1900. CB
Good working class with lower middle -
Run on Congreg. not mission lines.
SSchool 600/500.

(42) 5
L C M. District Shampton Rd. CXV. 103. Pagington An intelligent honest minded man with
Edmund S. Hall wider interests & more active brain than
Hall in Edmund S. belongs Denmark Pl Baptists most L C M - Small - not strong physique Aves
Has S. Every service 50/60 2/3 women
Hall low & badly ventilated holds 100.
Self help soc - a loan soc. Mr P. Chairman

(42) 6
Albany Instit & Mission CXV. 61. Webb about 35 - tall fair blue eyes - becoming bald
looks like a grocer assistant Baxter
Begin each Sunday by prayer meeting & again
before afternoon School & after adult Every
service
S. at 11. for children at 7. for adults.
Mothers meeting Band of Hope
Free meals. Gymnasium. Cricket Club
Slate Club &c

Meth New Connexion CVI. 127. Nicholson
Chapel neatest Visited 20 May 1900. CB

(42) 6
St Luke's Camberwell CXIV. 99. Chapman 43. medium height Spare thin. getting bald
clean shaven - face bland of ascetic saint &
Very active organization. Piccadilly rake. Immaculate dress Baxter
unusually well organized & successful - Baily. Cambridge Hs
but not a man to see - does not as himself justice - large man
service conducted by Mr Waldron who never shrinks from
being vulgar Baily
Visited 20 May 1900 CB

Baptist Chapel James Grove. CXV. 135. Tolhurst not seen Pastor only settled a short time
Small church seats 360. membership 45
usual services -
Sunday School appears to have grown since
the Pastor came - beginning of 1899. 203. scholars
& 21 teachers
Visited 20 May 1900 - seems to be alive in a
small way - hamp had a had a stone thought
The sound of the preachers voice could be heard
from within CB

(42) 8

All Saints · North Peckham CXIV. 57 Finlay
Vicar. Curate. Mission woman 3 lay readers. Old mission hall
Church 790 - Mission Hall 200 - Parochial Hall & Club room
Morn Cong. 200 - Even 1/600 - Mission Hall. 70/80
Practically all parishioners.
2 S. schools. 900/750.
Club 110 members - self supporting (rent free).
Boys Bk. Slate Club.

about 45 - fat - rather dull-looking - thick neck - double chin - narrow low thick cranium - fallen cheeks. Asks

Visited 20 May 1905 - Church beautifully proportioned
Fine Arch across front - great cross suspended

(42) 9.

Baptist
Summers Rd Mission - Peckham CXV 111. Freeman
about 30 workers mostly from Ayle Lane Baptist Ch - under Mr Dan Challis.
Mission premises a house & shop - seat 80 - Class 120
Children Service 11. am - S Sch 3. (200/150)
" 7 PM about 50.
Adult Service also 7 PM 40/50
Nancy Hope 80/90. Girls Club recreation 70 (20)
Woman Bible class.
Gospel Service Lodgers 130 workers.
Prayer meeting a sat). open air Wilson S. regular

Smart young looking man - Notable in the 30s. Out Coloured by trade - interviews took place in back room Asks

Baptist. East Surrey Grove

not seen
NB Now a Chap & mission Hall.
(14)

(42) 10

St Marks - Camberwell. CXIV. 31. Goodacre
Vicar 1 Curate (another part time) - Bible lady - a few visitors (without pay)
Church big half furnished - 1/500 - Another 700 room 300
Congregation very small.
Morning 12. Evening Mission 100 - 20 monthly Communion
S Sch. 240 - has suffer from Sch. Sc mission
Not much going on

A very tall man - Imposing figure in cassock - long flowing beard - deep voice - touch of melancholy (?ill) eye - Asks

Visited 20 May 1905 - CB

(42) 11

United Girls Sch Mission CXIV. 75. Veasey
2 Missions - 7 ladies - Many volunteers
No regular morning Service for adults - 8 o'clock celebration (20)
Evening Service averages 200 adults.
Place rather a Children Church.
2 Mothers Meeting. Mothers union - Woman Bible Class.
Evening Girls Club - Mens Class - Ladies Class - Orgnsd.
Large Sunday School.
A great deal going on

Small close shaven man - nervous intense - reads hot of Ecclesiastic type (with which he has worked) not, I guess Asks

Visited 20 May 1905 CB

(42) 12

Wesleyan Ch Oakley Pl CXV. 21 Wenyon.
Ministers 60/70 workers including 40 Sat mostly young
Chapel 1060 Schools below 400
Services 11. 6.30 - 600 to 700 attend - most Sat Service.
Rep respectable people - Tradesmen Clerks &c &c artisans
S Sch about 400. Nancy Hope 300/400
Wesley Guild 170 - Choral Soc. Gymnasium
Mothers meeting - Work for Albany Street &c
Slate Club 400. Prayer meeting 40. Circuits & Sch

Stout - Red face - Grey hair - Grey beard - Spectacles - Asks

(42) 12

Grange Road Baptist Ch (Oakley Rd) CXV. 1. Walkers
Minister has Guild 50 volunteers 25 Tract 130 SSch
Chapel 1000. 2 Halls - Class rooms Vestry
Services 11. - 6.30. Mostly people & Tradesmen 240 Members
(400) (600) half young people - District in which
Matters affected by advertising - not of the aggressive class
Not magnificent - Not drawn from other Churches - Quality people &c
S Sch Evening Both class 400 - Nancy Hope
Strong Choral Soc (115) Mutual Improvement - Mothers meeting

Clear headed bright eyed young man - fine forehead - conspicuous from lack of hair - better than his photo Asks

Strong. Keen

(42) 13.

S. Philip Accrington &c. CXIV. 1 Leary
Incr. 2 curates. Lay Reader. Bible woman. 12 visitors &
Church (600) mission room
Service 11. & 7. many free seats. Sociy pts to read, full
Communicants roll 80
S. Sch 3/400
Mothers meeting 80. Other things a small scale
So a Butcher

Old man rapidly becoming decrepit. tall thin much bent. grey hair & beard. Kindly pleasant scholar & evangelical Baxter
Workers. Some C of S
A hard working man but no, yet small attendance. Wilkins

visited 27 may.

all dissent worked politically against the Church. Leary

(42) 13

Marlborough Chapel Offerton. CXV. 69 Wilkins
Ministr. 150/60 Volunteers
Chapel 700/800. School room at back with class room. Class room built adjoining house as Church Room.
Sun. Serv. 11. & 6.30. - Membership 400.
Town not big the Methodists gathering small. Chief members in many - larger & poorer in Sorry.
Large S. Sch 600 - 1 Bible classes 130 members
Week night (loadmen) 60 in Summer 40 in winter
Ch Endeavr Strong 60/70 members. Night 100
Open air meetings - Corner of Marlborough Rd
Numerous well sustained Social Agencies.
Mothers meeting (from Love Feast?) 60/70 women. and Club
Slate Club 200. Musical Improvt. Arranges lectures &
Reading Soc: 30. Magazine distributed
Sick Visit once or twice a week for about 10 weeks 1
Helps about 200 families with groceries &c at Christmas.

Well built man 35/40 massive head & shoulders. Square
Strong clean shaven face Ashton
Strong. Leary

Surrey Chapel Mission. S. Jarrow. Q.? C11. 205 - Lapsed 30

No special notes

visited - 27 may.

(42) 14

S. Bartholomew. Bankwell Rd. CXIV. 41. Richards
Incr. - Curate. Lay helper. Mission woman. Nurse 240/55 V
Church & Parish 10000 - Institute much needed & also
8. 10.30. 11.15. 3 & 7 pm mission hall needed for East End of
may 100/150. Low 300. parish in hot cut off by Ry
Communicants 250 - Mean service 120
S. School 800 - Band of Hope
Mothers meeting - Penny Bank - Women Slate Club
Mens Social Club. Slate Club. &c

(35 S. Sch teachers)

Nearly 40 - Father refused delicate jaw. Ecclesiastical appearance
Shy reserved - uncertain voice. High Church Baxter
exceedingly high but not so extreme now. 2 Curates. One Mission
station of respectful courtesy, but not intimacy. Clergy seem
to have cold [illegible] Invalid wife more room than most. Their
the Workers Sympathies. People do not come for instruction

visited 27 may

(42) 14

Baptist Ch. Hulme Rd. So Normans. CXV. 69. Howe
Pastor + about 200 voluntary workers (47 SSch 20 Ch)
Chapel 780 - 1 Mon Mag. 130 for school Ch
Service 11. & 6.30 - Week Soc. Mond & Sat
300 - 500 - open air & Thurs 80
12 adults
S. School - many & open air 69/550 - 130 infants
Church membership 250 growing at Bonsall
Children Service May & Oct. 2 Xmas clear.
Christ. Endeavr. Junior 60 Senr 30 -
Visitation in 3a districts - tracts & report

Quiet clear headed man of 30/40. Thoroughly steady worker. Remarkable Knowledge of neighbourhood Ashell

There is no Congregt Ch in the Parish which is. My Ross Stacey has captured a few may elsewhere from the Sunday Schools. Richards

Visited 27 may.

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