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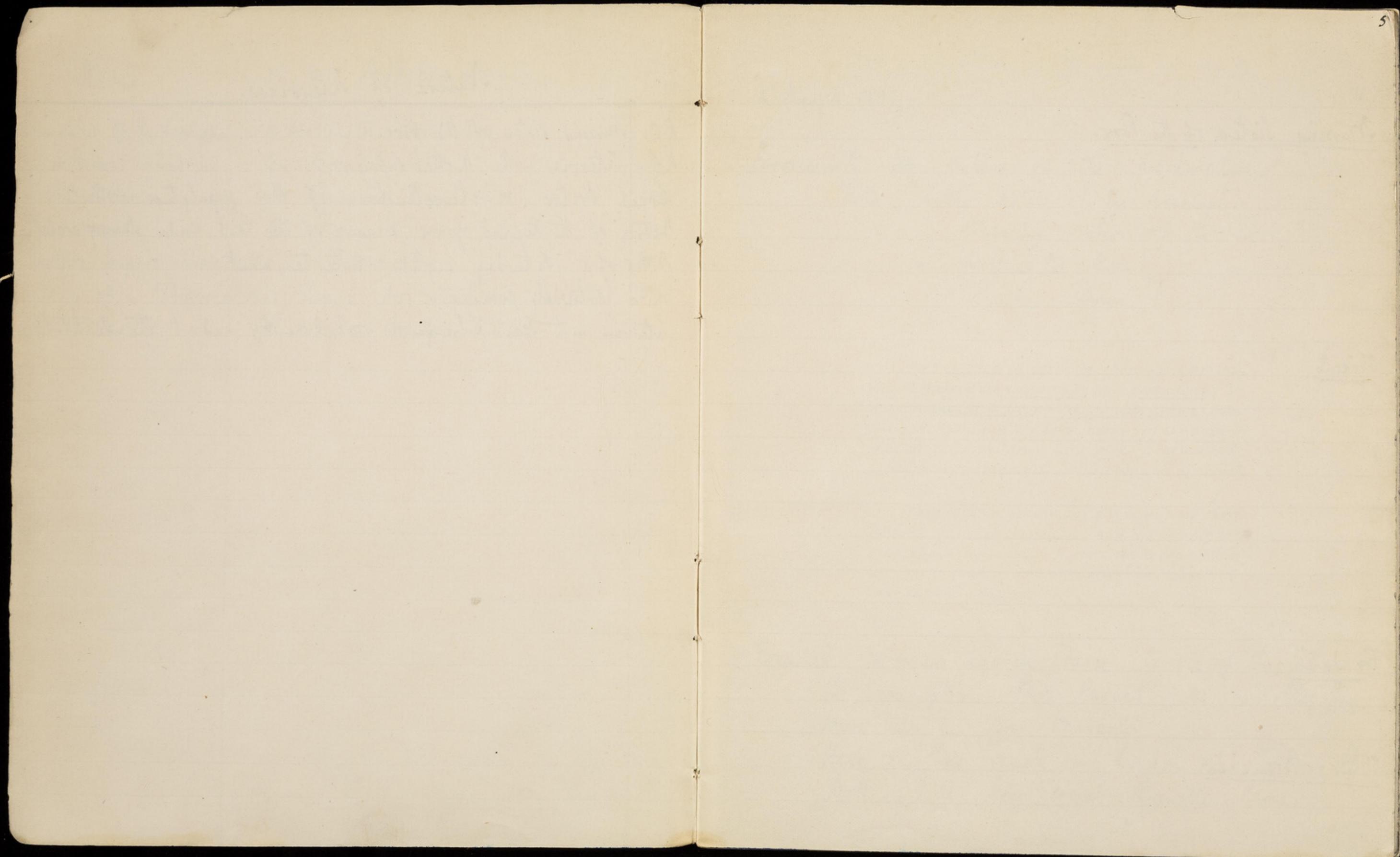
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Nursing Sisters of the Poor.

Objects.

Foundation.

Other Branches.

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In May 4. 1897.

Interview with two sisters of the Assumption
Title. "Little Sisters of the Assumption
Nursing Sisters of the Poor."
14. Wellington Road.
Brompton Bow. E.

THE LITTLE SISTERS of the ASSUMPTION devote themselves exclusively and gratuitously to nursing the Sick Poor in their own homes both day and night. They take charge of the home and of the children, and make themselves practically the servants of the poor and of their families.

They will not receive any payment from their patients, not even their food; and the poorer the cases appealing to their charity, the more certain are they to have immediate attention, whatever may be their religion.

Founded 30 years ago in France by one of the Fathers of the Assumption Père Pernet. 22 houses altogether. Have been in Bow 17 years. Have another branch in London at St James Sq. Notting Hill. Siège social. Grenelle Paris.

Propaganda work - nil

Much Catholicism in Bow.

Character of the population

But little shifting

General poverty

Two cases described.

No active religious propaganda. Nurse irrespective of creed: only answers questions asked.

Great many Catholics in Bow. "Great many Catholics among all poor people." Many Irish but not so many as in Notting Hill.

Population less degraded than in Notting Hill or Spital fields two districts which the elder of the sisters knew well: nor are the people so dirty. As a whole the Bow population is respectable & not so poor as the districts surrounding it. As a pop. it is a very steady one, loth to shift. Remaining the same houses for years. Some general poverty.

Of this more perhaps than the average. Two special cases lately under their notice. One that of a defunct solicitor's wife & daughter living in two rooms - very respectable, room well furnished - daughter gave music lessons. no outside appearance of poverty. were called in by the down stairs lodgers - found both wife & daughter dying of starvation - had been too proud to confess their poverty to downstairs neighbours. confessed to not having eaten
meat

Ignorance in Now.

Novel reading for girls

Chief industries

meat for years - lived on bread & vegetables - at last these failed.

The other the case of an artist's ^{his} wife & daughter family who applied to them for help. Found all children ill from positive want of food.

They find ~~to~~ many people unable to read, especially parents. Notice few or no books. Of newspapers they would say 'Lloyd's Newspaper' was the most popular. Mothers complain to them that girls & boys waste their time & candles over reading - 'Novel reading makes girls lazy' the dictum of one mother. Have themselves remarked that a girl who had got hold of a novel would seldom put it down before it was finished.

Chief industries in the district or in which the poorest are employed are

Match works

Rope works.

Tailoresses

Doctors

Soap works.

The poorest & roughest are the dock labourers
Great number of Bryant & May's match girls

Match-girls - their character

Saving & Burial clubs.

Police

Doctors

Crowding

Catholicism

"A wild, giddy & very ignorant lot" of whom a great many are Catholics. "More wild than wicked." Have often nursed for phosy jaw. Less of this disease now than formerly. Borney tried to do good to these girls: ad mit prayers to their works.

Few of the poor here save except for Burial Clubs. Most do that. The Prudential Globe have special collectors for funeral insurance.

Police a very steady lot. Some black sheep as in all large bodies. But they spoke very highly of the many are R Cs. about six ^{mt} of the Bow force being so.

Doctors: more than enough of them. Cant think how they all live. Are found not af in the main streets but in the back streets as well.

Crowding chiefly in the streets off Devons Road. three or 4 families in each house containing only 3 or 4 rooms.

Franklyn Street especially crowded.

Catholicism making great way in Bow. Two or 3 hum

Reason of their success

Out relief

Nurses.

Training to be a sister

hundred conversions in the last two years.

"All the most ignorant are Roman Catholics" slipped out from me of the sisters

"Romanists Catholics said to be more self-sacrificing than Protestants". sister put their greater success down to this fact.

Out-relief granted freely in Bow. Sisters approve of it. keeps the home together. Work house disliked intensely by the poor chiefly owing to their loss of independence consequent on going into it. Infirmary not much liked but people actually like to go into the Hospital.

Nursing - There are district nurses but the sisters do not often see them. District nurses come for an hour or two at most. Sisters on the contrary sit by all day & even all night with their patients they send the ch^o to school, cook the husbands dinner etc. No protestant ^{nurses} sisters in Bow exc 'Guinness'

There are only 12 sisters in the home now.

Sisters are trained for a year in Paris under certificated English nurses.

On entering the order they are generally between 18 &

Postulants

Novices

Professed sisters

marriage

People to be seen

Drunkennes.

Very willing to give any further help.
we'd be glad to see anything about
themselves before it was printed.

18 and 26 years of age. They are Postulants
for a period of 3 months to a year.

Novices, for 2 years, & make yearly vows.

ie vows to remain at least for a year.

When they make 3 year vows & later 5 year
vows. After that they become Professed sisters
& make a perpetual vow.

Sister wondered how many people would marry if
they had so long to think and consider about it
beforehand, yet they all became Professed sisters
who had once begun.

Marriage - the girls in the neighbourhood marry
between 18 & 20 years of age & the men
between 20 - 22.

Not much vice in Bow.

Father Thompson & Sister Edmund at the Catholic house
in Bow Common - corner of gale street
Franciscans - should be seen - so shd. Dr. Sullivan
of 30 Campbell Rd.

Drunkennes - 'The one lane of the East' has not got worse
in Bow. 'League of the Cross' has been started for
children and is successful.

Home of Marie Auxiliatrice.

Objects

Quot from Cardinal Vaughan opinion
of the East End

Methods of work.

Girls rec. irrespective of creed.

Building without funds

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Tuesday. May 4th 1897.

Madame Marie Lem

The Mother Superior of the Home for Factory and Working
Girls - 24 Bow Rd. E. in Bromley

Home founded 1891 under auspices of Card. Vaughan.
& conducted by the Sisters of Marie Auxiliatrice.
to bring about the "material & spiritual improve-
ment of the working-girls & women in the East
End - in the English "China" of the Catholic Church"
by means of.

1. Sunday meetings for amusements & ^{assistance} the
"Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament."
2. Night school - needle work - 3rs - Xmas doctn
3. Mothers meeting. 'emigration in trouble, consid-^{of possible} ^{faith}
4. Girls received & trained as servants. (5p per wk)
5. Distribution of food & clothing
weekly sacks of broken bread received from
West End restaurants & shops.

They receive girls irrespective of creed.

Have 7 now.

Are building a new home : no funds : subs all
volun

Sources of income.

The mother house
Conversions to Rome.

voluntary. Money borrowed to build - Cost of new building as estimated over £1000.

Washing taken in - Plain sewing done for Great End shops chiefly on ladies underclothing. - French lessons given 2/6 per hour. + music lessons. Beg at markets. Evening classes well attended.

The mother house at Paris Rue de Montreuil. founded 1854 by Mlle de Soulas. Home for consumptives at Villepinte 22 conversions 1895.

Gave reports of work done from 1892-96.

Weekly distributions of food to neighbouring poor. Visits to families of those girls they receive.

Very willing to help & to give any further information in her power.

The Distribution of Charity
by Home for working girls

Conversions

St Anthony's Bread.

On the 15th of February the Sisters were unexpectedly honoured by a visit from Cardinal Vaughan. Being a Thursday His Eminence paid a visit to the Mothers assembled at the weekly meeting and said a few kind words to them all. Before his departure our Cardinal, combining as he well knows how, dignity with genial simplicity and paternal affection for those of his flock, placed a £5 note in Rev. Mother's hand, saying "I received this money to-day, take it and buy something for those who are starving." Then blessing us he departed, leaving a ray of sunshine in the hearts of all. With this money Rev. Mother bought 30 pounds of tea in half-pound packets, bread, sugar, meat, etc., and for at least two nights many a family in the district was (thanks to the Cardinal's charity), prevented from going supperless to bed.

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At the beginning of 1896 Cardinal Vaughan most graciously consented to preach a charity sermon in aid of our Home; the day was fixed for the 26th of January at The Oratory, Brompton, the Oratorian Fathers having most kindly lent their beautiful Church for the occasion. The congregation was very large and the sum of £45 5s. was collected at the High Mass; we consider it a great act of charity on the part of our beloved Cardinal to condescend to plead the cause of us the smallest and most unworthy of his flock, and we are deeply touched by his great delicacy; it encourages us even more than ever to work to the utmost of our power to help him by spreading the faith as far as we can amongst his poor and bringing fresh members into the One True Fold of Christ. Last year we had 22 conversions; most of these converts continue to practice their religion very faithfully and conscientiously, and others are now being prepared for baptism. His Eminence has deigned to visit our little Home several times in the course of the year and has shown much kindness and given us many proofs of his paternal protection.

We do not know if our benefactors are aware that the distribution of St. Anthony's bread takes place at our Home; we shall thankfully receive all offerings in the way of money which are then distributed in bread, etc., to the Saint's clients; this good work has found great encouragement in France from its commencement. St. Anthony's clients have discovered therein a most efficacious means of rendering favorable unto themselves this heavenly wonder-worker. May England also experience, before long, similar blessings derived by the same means, and may the bread charitably given to the poor, obtain for everyone who gives it, through St. Anthony's powerful intercession, the True Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, our Lord. There is a large statue of St. Anthony in the Convent parlour, and a box to receive alms on one side, with a lamp constantly burning on the other, or prayers said and Novenas made according to the intentions of the sender.

Among those of our benefactors who helped us this year in a very

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Dr. Sullivan

A list of the poorest streets
in Bow & Bromley.

May 5. 97.

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Dr. Sullivan . 30 Campbell Road. 14 years a doctor
in this & the surrounding neighbourhood.

Poor Streets in Bowley
Franklyn St. vbad. drink - poverty. } W
Hancock Rd. } (School B^d Block)
Priory St.

Drank Friday night to monday in Franklyn St & then their
run is finished.

Bakers alley . off the High St. Bowley. vbad } W.
High St. Bromley . dreadful lane.

Devon St. 3 X

Stratfield Rd. }
Eggleton Rd. }
Egling Rd. }
Holden Rd. } X
Morris Rd. }
Walter Court. v. }
Peter St. }
 } nearly all these are off
 } Devon Rd. All in a heap
 } together.
 } Pop. v. respectful to strangers. esp
 } to top-hatted people.

Donald St. & Thomas St. culdesac off } X } near Devon
James St. } X } St.
 } X } in Bromley.

The badness of the Devons Rd district

Industries in the District

Drunkenness on the increase.

Irish Catholics the worst offenders

An irreligious Catholic worse than
an irreligious Protestant

Poor Sts in Bow.

Welling Ln Rd. esp the latter half. R.1

Arnold Rd. R.1

Quickett St. R.1

Intm St. R.1

Blackthorn St. S.2

Whitethorn } Bow Comm. also off. Devons Rd.
Finn St. } 'about as bad as they make them.'

Violet St. Rd.

All in the Devons Rd. ^{district} are bad. on the left hand side ^{ie to the} before
reaching the Comm they are all very poor.

Most of the men & children in these streets are in Soap,
match, rope factories or are dockers. They majorly
drink. Women every bit as bad as the men & often
worse.

Has lived in the neighborhood 14 years & thinks that
if anything it is on the increase.

The very worst people who come over here are the
Irish Catholics & their families. Police do much good
among them. Those who go to mass & confession are all
right but those who do not are far worse, oh far
far worse than the Protestants who don't attend to
their religious ^{duties} districts. Poor have increased very much
in

Influences for good. The Ekardon Nursing Assoc

The cost of doctor visits

Chief illnesses in Baw.

Multitude of doctors

Early marriages

Drunkenness

Immorality

in Bawly but not so much in Baw.

Ekardon Nursing Association has done an enormous amount of good. Without them he does not know what the District would have done. 10 yrs ago he could get 1/6 per visit & not mind taking it. Now people expect medicine & daily attendance for 3/6. Ekardon Assoc distributes charity even & will give just what the doctor orders. a week.

Diphtheria, scarlatina, measles, whooping cough, bronchitis esp. cholera, pneumonia are the chief diseases. Great deal of stomach, liver & kidney diseases of which beer is the main cause.

Great many doctors here. He has been an assistant in Poplar Forest Gate, Bawly - has another surgery there.

Marriages are pretty well all early. Boys of 18 & girls of 16 not at all uncommon. are a fearful evil. crowds of children. the man strikes after a time & leaves the woman.

Great many requests for drunken women overlaying their children on Saturday nights. Very often not even censured by the coroner.

Much immorality. Parties always cohabit before marriage. it is the rule - the other is the exception. Most
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Fathers Ryan & Coker.

Splendid effect of religion

Catholics more energetic than protestants

Praise for the Rev. Hall late curate of Alhallows.

Police

young men are bounced into marriage by irate parents when they find their daughters as in the family way. There is some little sense of shame about it - if the young couple always moves to a different neighbourhood to become parents. A different parish is an unknown country.

Father Ryan a splendid man done much good work. writes Mrs. Sullivan names. 26. Campbell Rd. so is Father Coker.

Religion splendid for the people - no matter what it is as long as they attend to it.

Catholicism on the increase. The Little Sisters convert people merely from admiration for their self-sacrifice. All priests favour energetic any other ~~person~~ ^{person} than the Protestants.

Rev. Hall a protestant curate at Alhallows used to do a deal among the poor - a splendid worker. anyone does a deal of good who will do constantly to people when they are bad. ^{peculiarly} often influence the whole of later lives of drunkards in this way.

Sees a good deal of the police work. Says it is very good. They are a thrifty good lot. Don't stop reason with fighters - warn them shantly & see them.

Charity

Out-door relief.

Amusements

Not much shifting among the poor
exc to dodge the tally & vaccination men.

in an mediated after ward.

Charity - E London Nursing Assoc in conn with Bromley Church. The St Vincent & Paul Soc. for poor R's but not to deserving cases - nothing for down hands. Nursing sisters of the poor help much in confine-ments. bread & bed linen. milk.

Good deal of out-door relief. generally 3/- per week. people too fond to go into the house though often it wd be much the better if they did. Must get a recommendation from parish doctor before being relieved. Relief not given easily.

Must people like to go to the Eastern Empire has never been himself but from the men he sees outside when he passes he wd not think the entertainment very elevating

Not much shifting among the poor. Not nearly so much as in other parts of London. Wonderful how they stick though sometime they just dodge the tally men & vaccination men a bit. all the better go as soon as they can afford it. About 6 tally men in this road a v good road.

Noisy nights Friday to Saturday

The ^{Boat} ~~Boat~~ ^{poor} illiterate.

The class above the poor.

House property owners in the district

Newspapers usually read.

Friday to Monday nights are the noisy noisy
nights in the Devon Rd. district. Monday to Friday
is quiet enough.

'Majority are illiterate simply'. No school in bank the
up fairly well but they dodge them. Good many
who don't know how to read or write.

The class above the poor are mechanics, railwaymen, patens.
engine drivers esp. NLR & GER men. Trades people.
middle class people are pretty comfortable - they own most
all their things in house property.

Mr. Selby the undertaker owns a lot of house property: so do
Hains the builder at end of Devon Rd.
Roby. the grocer. in Bow Rd. & Miss Roby.

Mrs. Joyce. 104 High St. - Call on her.
Mr. West, Rope manuf. Co. prob. carried more ready cash
than any inhabitant of the East End.

Newspapers read by the poor. Titbits. Penny Dreadfuls.
Gilly Sloper. Has never seen a daily paper in a
poor house. Hardly ever sees a book in a poor
house.

Good done by infectious diseases act

Reading of the mechanic class

Rents in Devons Rd. District

The earnings of East End doctors

Infectious diseases act has done a lot of good.

But no report is made unless a disease breaks out.
This he has done so 4 or 5 times.

Many of the mechanic class get the daily papers, D.C.
& 'People' & 'Reynolds' on Sundays. Might some
times find a man reading a history of England.
The mechanic does not read the penny dreadful.

Rents in Devons Road Dist. = 6 to 9 or 9 of year
house of 6 rooms - some little gardens esp. in Row.
2 families in each house. a garden a great help
to a family.

Glad to see result before printing.

Go see the ^{matron} Dist. Nurse in Back alley.

He himself hopes to clear £1000 this year from his
practice in the neighbourhood. Those doctors who are just
getting along clear £150. Very important to know your clients,
also to wear a top hat. His largest fees he gets from clients in
Forest Gate some of whom pay as much as 5/- per visit.

Miss Cairnie. East London Nursing Society

The Stepney Green Division of Nurses

Foundation.

Object

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May 5th

Miss Cairnie. 43. Stepney Green. Matron of the Stepney Green Division of the East London Nursing Society - on an introduction from Lady Almina Hobart-Hampden.

Stepney Green Division has nurses in

- 1 Hackney Wick.
- 2 Bow. 7 St Saviour's Poplar.
- 3 North Bow 8 St Dunstan's & St Faith's Stepney.
- 4 Bromley 9 St Matthew's Stepney.
- 5 All-Hallows. Sevens Rd. 10. St John - Limehouse
- 6 Bow Common.

East London Nursing Society, established 1868. Affiliated to the Q-Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. in January 1891.

Object - to nurse the Sick Poor of East London in their own homes by means of trained, resident nurses.

Assistant Ladies

The Bethnal Green Division

39 nurses employed in all

Cases nursed

Occupations of heads of families

Funds.

Seems improbable
(taken from their printed
Report. (H.D.)
impossible all the
same C.A.

Each nurse has an assistant lady attached to her who agrees to be responsible for all the food necessary for her nurses patients.

The Central or Bethnal Green Division under Miss Largent. 49 Philpot Street. Commercial R.E. has also 10 nurses

There is a 3rd Division with 19 nurses. making 39 nurses in all.

4276 cases nursed in 1896 of whom 1967 were women. 734 men & 1575 children

Of the occupations of heads of families in many of the cases ^{male} 1108 were costers. Of the women heads. 145 were charwomen & 115 needlewomen.

Funds derived from Subscriptions, Donations, City Companies & Church offertories.

Income & Expenditure

Introductions given

Character of Bow pop.

Cost of Doctors

Bad Streets in Bow & Bromley.

Total Ordinary income £3019. 8. 9
Total ordinary expenditure £2909. 1. 5

She gave introductions to all the nurses in her districts saying they w^d know almost more than anyone about the character & life of the people

Great many poor Romanists in Bow. Great many doctors too who are almost all Irishmen - a notable fact. No nurses they don't attempt to convert but they do work in with the Church of England. Very seldom have any Rec houses.

Ordinary doctors fee is 1/6 including medicine. Though there are some who will give advice & medicine for 6^d. All poor like being given medicine & expect one bottle of it to cure them. For long cases with one visit a day the charge is 3/6 to 5/7 per week -

Franklyn St. w^d be about the worst road in Bow & Bromley. All the Devon Rd & St Leonard's Rd district is very poor.

Bad drunk & early marriages are the curse of the poor

Marriages - Public Houses.

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poor. The number of public houses in the poorest
quarters a scandal; temptation everywhere.
Girls generally marry between 18 & 20 or younger
ages or two later.

The Eastern Empire Music Hall on a Saturday night

Prices of seats.

Hours of opening

House full.

June 11th

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H. W. Parr. Secretary & Librarian of the Bow & Bromley Institute.

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Postal failures

Institute's supporters.

Entertainments.

People come now from Forest Gate, Leytonstone, & the latter class now attend the classes here. The Institute has been meant especially for those in the Box shops of the North London Railway. But they don't seem to care for it. Institute is self supporting except for some assistance from the City Parochial Association & they receive grants from the Science and Art Department. It is in a poor way financially just now.

Majority of the men in the classes are working men. It is a condition in the agreement that 50 of the NLR apprentices join the classes here.

Entertainments during the season given 26 times being on Saturdays & Mondays - the season being from ^{end of} September to April. There is an organ in the large hall which cost upwards of £1200 by Snidley & Foster of Sheffield. This was paid for by subscription. In 1874 Organ recitals were started for the working classes at which a charge of 3^d 6^d was made per seat. It is claimed that the Institute is the "Father of Organ Recitals" inasmuch as since their establishment here they have

Organ recitals

Audiences.

Match girls not of them.

have become popular all over the Kingdom. The same charges still obtain & anyone may come in by payment. "The recitals have been the talk of London, you might say of the world." "We have had the finest players in the world here": Mr. Best of Liverpool, Dr. Spark of Leeds; Gillman of Paris, Dr. Pease of Glasgow etc: who are all paid a nominal sum for their services.

The recitals take place on Saturdays at 8 P.M. during the season.

The Hall when packed will hold about 1000 people but have had 1350 there.

On Saturdays generally the average is 700 to 800 people. Out of the 800 we are paying of late years the recitals have become common People's Palace; Albert Hall Queen's Hall etc.

For performances like the Messiah: they charge 2/ or 1/ per seat. Factory girls never come. "It is a little above their station this Institute they would feel uncomfortable in it." Bryant May's girls don't live in Bow. They live in

Payment of teachers.

Number of students.

Future of the Institute

in Mile End & Bowley.

Different arrangements for paying teachers. Some are paid by salary & some by share of the fees. Some by salary & fees. Science & art classes are principally paid by salaries. French & languages paid by share of fees.

Have no difficulty in finding teachers.

Classes usually held in the evening though they have 2 on Wednesday & Sat afternoons. for civil servants

Usual hours for classes between 6 to 9.30 P.M.

"Splendid work has been done at this Institution." Have had 1500 students. Lectures there were 1200 ^{exactly 1196.} of whom about 400 are women. - All are adults.

Institution is only closed on Sundays & Bank Holidays and Diamond Jubilee Days.

Building to be taken over by the Peoples Palace from the first of next month. The work here will always be

The advent of the Jews in B.W.

Membership

Paid servants of the club.

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be more theoretical ^{then} practical. It is a question of finances.
The neighbourhood is going down. Rich people have
moved out. Their place has been taken by Jews
"who are as good as anybody." Drake's square is for
the most part occupied by them. Formerly the neighbourhood
extensively supported the institute.

Of the two sides here the teaching side has been more successful
than the entertainment side.

Cost of membership is 7/6 175/- per year. Have had 1040
members + 900 for a long time but it has gone
down this last few years. Chiefly on account of
people moving out of the neighbourhood. Now
they have only 450 (Mrs. he did not want this to be known).

"On many occasions there has been entertainments given here
entertainments worth fully 3/- where the public has
been admitted for a shilling: the Institute has been
of great value to the neighbourhood."

4 paid servants of the Club.
viz. H.W. Parr. The Assistant Librarian. J. Toll free

a charwoman & a lad. ^{ie madags}
On members nights. (when members are admitted free: they
are not admitted free to the Saturdays) they have extra
paid ticket takes & money taken: & the same
thing on Saturdays.

Classes & their attendants. 1896-7.

Classes & their attendants.

Terms of Subscription.

Lending Library.

Reading Room.

Classes.

The expenses of the Institute from Jan. 96
to Dec 31. 96

£	2224	8	11	of which
£	713			was spent on concerts
£	711			Salaries of teachers
£	36			on the library
£	46			Newspapers etc
£	611			on Salaries & maintenance

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

§ EVEN and Sixpence per Annum or Four Shillings per Half-year, entitling Members to Free Admission to Body of Hall at Concerts, Entertainments, and Lectures, given every Monday during the Session, the use of the Library, Reading and Chess Rooms, and reduced rates to the Evening Classes.

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Half-yearly Tickets are issued to expire on the 30th June, and 31st December only.

Members' Tickets are transferable to any member of the same family for admission to the Concerts and Entertainments.

Class Students are admitted to the Monday Entertainments at half-price.

THE LENDING LIBRARY

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THE READING ROOM

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