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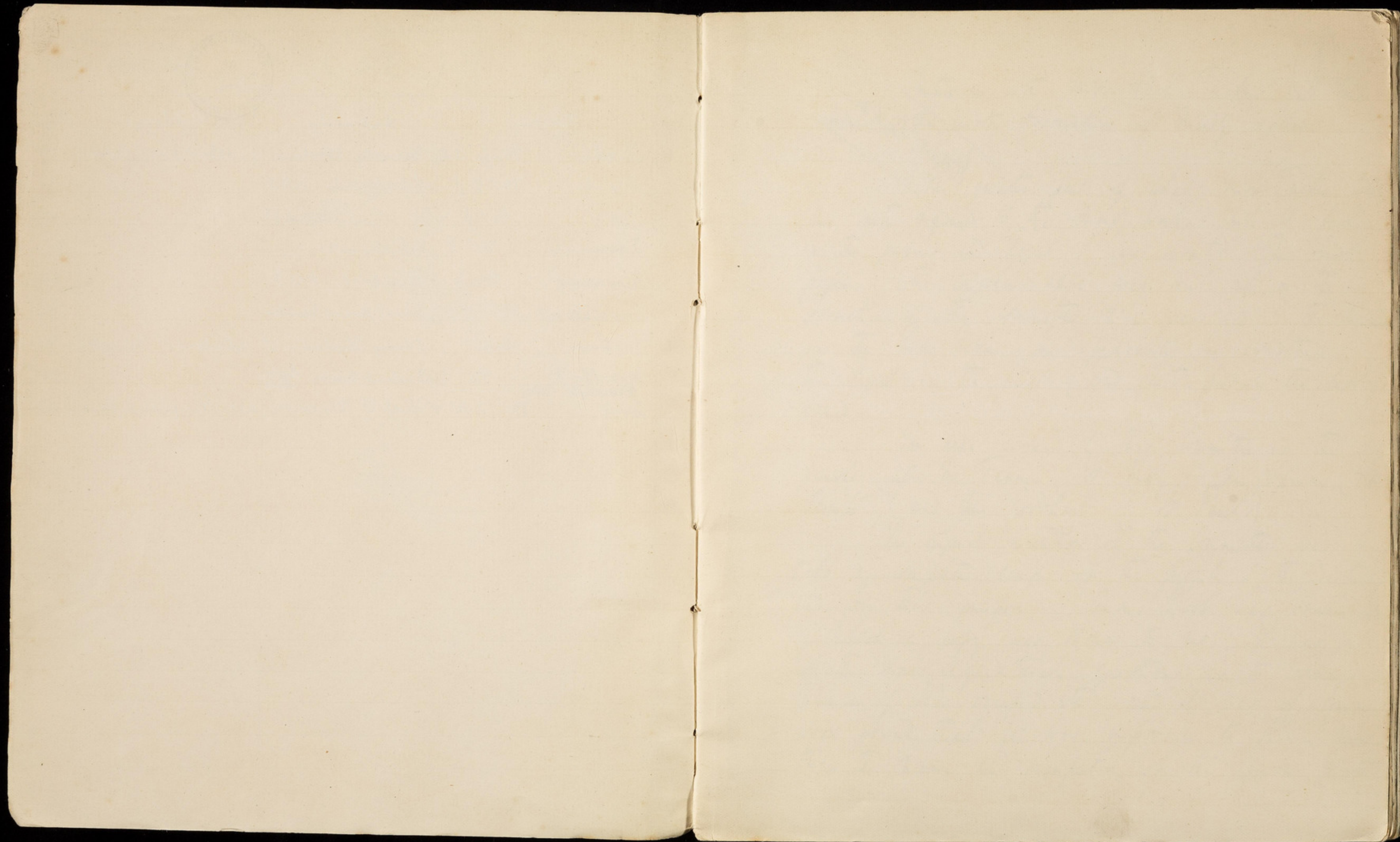
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District	Name	Capacity	M420 Address	Page
b	Tucker Miss Ad	Friendly Workers	94 Albert Road, Dalston	19
	Clarke M ^r G. J.	Schoolmaster Bath St		31
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March 15th.

Interview with Miss Adah Tucker and Miss
Harris, Haggerston Association of Friendly Workers. (2)

The greater part of what Miss Tucker told
me with regard to the Friendly Workers will be found
in the papers and Report I have inserted. The first
paper is the circular which was sent out on the
formation of the Committee 2 1/2 years ago: the second
is the last paper for applicants for assistance:
the Report is the first (and quite probably the last)
issued.

The area covered by this Committee is the
parishes of St. Thomas (St. Mary), St. Stephen (St.
James) and St. Goodrich (St. Paul's).

The original intention of the Committee was to
take a complete census of the people in the district
and for this purpose a Census Book was drawn up
of which a copy was shown to me: it was full
of the most inquisitorial questions as to earnings,
number of beds occupied etc, and it was of course
soon found that it was impossible to fill in more
than the name and occupation of the person visited.

so that the whole object of the visiting (i.e. that people should be known before they apply for relief) broke down and the Society has been obliged to take to the last paper like that of the C.O.S. "Indeed" said Miss Morris "we have approximated more and more to the C.O.S."

The staff of the Committee has consisted of Miss Tucker the Secretary and Miss Morris who is the one doing work, and is paid (Notice that the expenses considerably exceed the amount spent in relief). I am told that they have visited my house in the area and distributed the Guide and Information Pamphlet, and as far as possible filled in the Census Books, though what use the Census is in its present shape form I could not discover.

But though the methods of ^{regain} the Committee have approximated more closely to the C.O.S. they have kept the line of being much less strict in administration and have helped many cases which the C.O.S. would no doubt refuse. The objection to the C.O.S. now is not the expense which is admitted to be necessary but its cast iron rules and lack of sympathy.

She may have read
other books

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Miss Morris, before working for the Society,
had been a District Visitor and told me that
her work as a Friendly ~~Visit~~ Worker had convinced
her how foolish she had to be; swayed only by
sentiment, and always being taken in from want
of enquiry.

Perhaps the most remarkable incident in our
interview was that the first thing Miss Tucker
said to me was "Is Mr. Booth writing a book?"
She evidently confused Mr. Booth in some way with
the Salvation Army and had obviously never heard
of 'Life and Labour'. Then in fact is a woman
acting as the head of a Committee to deal with
poverty who has never read or studied a word in
connection with the problem she has to deal with.

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HAGGERSTON ASSOCIATION

OF

* FRIENDLY WORKERS AMONGST THE POOR. *

IN CONNECTION WITH

THE SCHEME OF THE MANSION HOUSE COMMITTEE.

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London, 189

DEAR SIR OR MADAM,

We earnestly ask you to read this letter carefully, and having done so, we trust you will then give our Committee such co-operation and practical sympathy as it may be in your power to extend to them in their united effort to grapple with work of such an important and extensive character as that which they have undertaken.

We may briefly describe how the work originated a couple of years ago, and in doing so condense some valuable statements made from time to time by Mr. HENRY C. BURDETT, the Chairman of the Mansion House Executive Committee.

Early in 1893, the then Lord Mayor, Sir Stuart Knill, summoned a Conference at the Mansion House of the titular heads of the churches and religious communities in London and various representative laymen, to consider how far it was possible to secure the following objects:—

- 1.—The union of all religious organisations in each district, for the purpose of grappling with poverty by systematic visitation, and avoiding overlapping.
- 2.—The formation of an inter-denominational representation committee in each district, with the members of Parliament and the London county councillors, or some other representative laymen, as chairman and vice-chairman respectively, to organise and direct the work in the manner best adapted for the district.

A committee was appointed to discuss these questions; and, after much deliberation and correspondence, it formulated a report, which embodied the following resolution:—

"That this conference, representing various religious communities, is of opinion that the best way to discover and meet the sufferings of the poor in London is by concerted action of all the religious and benevolent agencies in the several parishes; and, therefore, suggests that some such mode of co-operation as has worked successfully in North Kensington, under the name of "The Friendly Workers among the Poor," should be formed as opportunity may serve in the different districts of London, by central committees representative of all denominations."

The committee further reported, as the result of their enquiries, that it was possible in many districts of the metropolis to secure the co-operation of all the religious and charitable agencies for the relief of poverty in the metropolis.

On the 12th of December, 1893, another meeting of the conference was held at the Mansion House, under the presidency of the Lord Bishop of London, to consider the report of the committee. A resolution was then passed empowering the committee to take steps in conjunction with all the religious and benevolent agencies in four areas other than North Kensington favourable to the present attempt, with a view to the establishment of the necessary machinery for carrying the Friendly Workers' scheme into operation at once.

In pursuance of the last-mentioned resolution, negotiations have during the present year, been opened in various quarters with the view of securing four areas other than North Kensington, in which an attempt may be made to establish the scheme advocated by the committee.

The Mansion House Executive Committee is most representative, and embraces, as members, Henry C. Burdett, chairman, The Right Rev The Bishop of Stepney, The Very Rev. The Chief Rabbi, The Rev. J. F. Kitto, The Rev. J. Clifford, D.D., The Rev. J. Monro Gibson, D.D., The Rev. R. F. Horton, The Rev. E. E. Jenkins, G. W. Potter, M.D., Edwin P. Smith, A. A. Longstaffe and L. S. Bristowe, hon. secs., and Edgar Speyer, treasurer.

The results of the preliminary negotiations have been very encouraging; and the committee have now selected three areas, viz:—Spitalfields, Haggerston, Soho and Drury Lane. Chairmen and Hon. Secretaries for these areas have been appointed and the initial work is now being rapidly pushed forward. To those who would like to understand in detail the entire Scheme we heartily commend two pamphlets, one is entitled "The Cure of Poverty," by Mrs. C. G. Furley Smith, and the other "The Problem of the Poor in London," by Mr. Henry C. Burdett. Both pamphlets are most interesting, practical and sympathetic, they can be had at The Scientific Press, Limited, 428 Strand, W.C.

Briefly, the outline of the Scheme is this:—The portion of Haggerston we intend to work at present will comprise a population of about 25,000 persons. It will be worked by a District Committee representative of all the religious denominations within the area. This Committee has just been formed, and will meet at St. Mary's Institute, Mansfield Street, every Tuesday evening, at 5 o'clock.

The object will be to obtain a census of the population in the autumn of each year, and to acquire full knowledge of the needs of the poor in our area, and of their circumstances and character. This knowledge we hope to obtain through an organised body of Friendly Workers. Our efforts will be directed towards relieving the *deserving poor*. Our special aim will be to provide work, and assist in such a way as to enable them to become independent.

We will work through existing institutions. We wish to utilise such to the very utmost: to supplement, not to supplant any charity or organisations now working. Each society, hospital, and board of guardians will be left free to do its own work in its own way.

We hope to prevent overlapping, to adapt assistance to the necessities of each case, and detect imposture.

Mr. Burdett has very strikingly said that charity must do four things:—

- 1.—*Relieve worthy need promptly, fittingly, and tenderly.*
- 2.—*Prevent unwise alms to the unworthy.*
- 3.—*Raise into independence every needy person, where this is possible.*
- 4.—*Make sure that no children grow up to be paupers.*

To accomplish this, it will at once be apparent that there must be close and regular intercourse between charitable workers. Our Office and Committee will afford opportunity for such intercourse. It will be a main object with us and our Friendly Workers to know the poor personally and as friends, and so to win their confidence, that in the time of trouble they will naturally turn to our Workers, and know they will get sympathetic and just treatment.

Money is *valuable and needful*, but it does not do everything! It is machinery, but without hand, heart and brain behind it, the most finely polished machinery is of little use! We therefore lay special emphasis on the fact that by our Friendly Workers we hope to prove to the poor that in these they will find genuine friends, to whom they can turn in the hour of anxiety, and who will gladly *take trouble* to give them advice, and seek for them information which *they* themselves could not possibly obtain.

Many a poor man and woman needs a little kind brotherly or sisterly advice and sympathy, which no money could bestow; Alms are good but can never take the place of a heart of love.

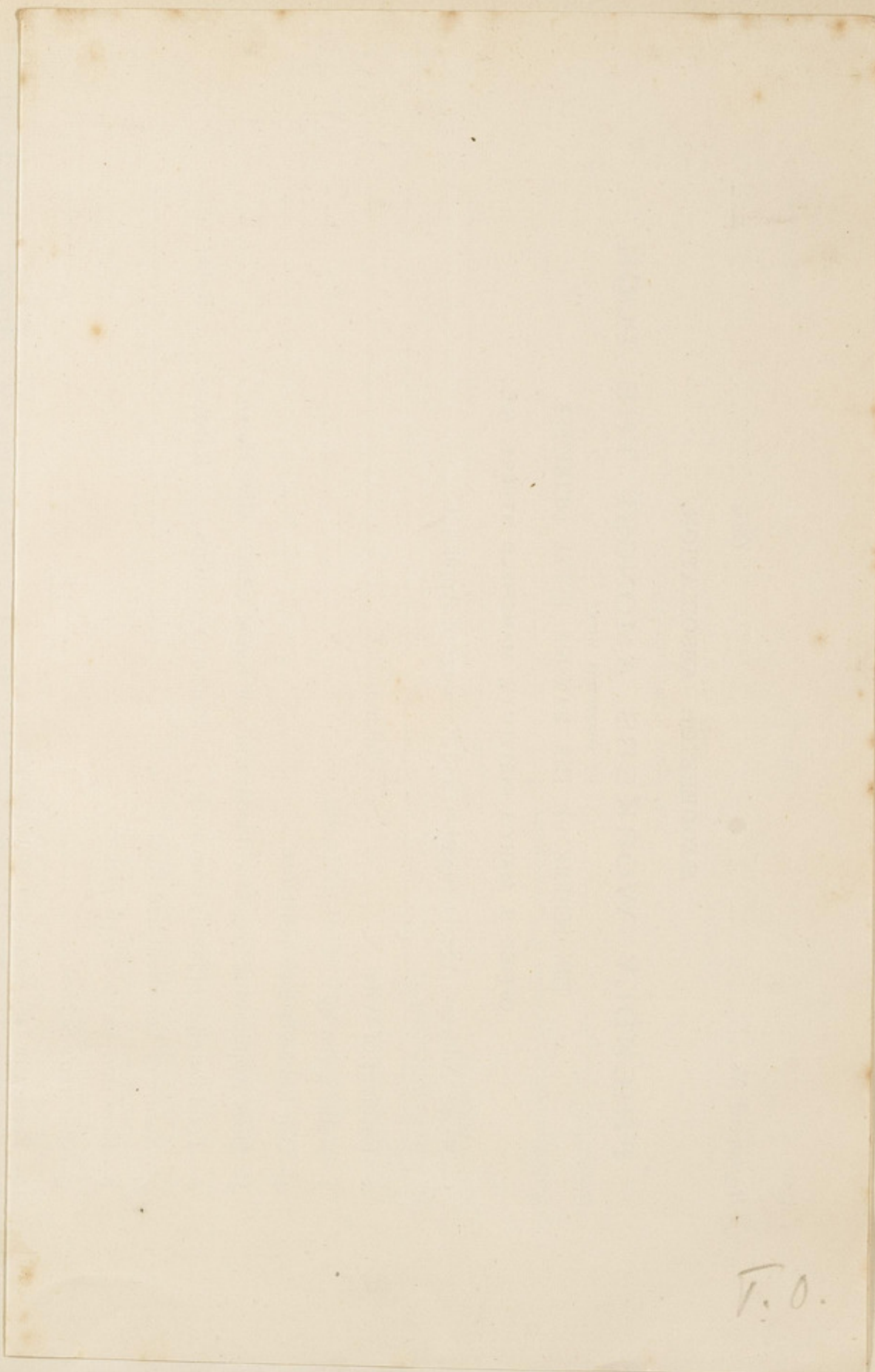
We ask your fullest sympathy, your support and your interest in this large burden of work. Give us a little of your time, your thoughts, and your means, the one if not the other. Friendly Workers we need, Gentlemen as well as Gentlewomen, and other tactful workers, who will by careful forethought contrive and plan so as to *spare a little time for the Poor*, their wants and their needs. Offer us your kind services, and you will soon find "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

We hope some of our Committee may soon have the pleasure of calling on you, but if delayed, please pay us a visit at our Office.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

R. EDEN HOPE, *Chairman*

A. TANNER, M.A., *Treasurer.*



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Registered No _____

Case _____

HAGGERSTON ASSOCIATION
OF
FRIENDLY WORKERS AMONGST THE POOR,
IN CONNECTION WITH
THE SCHEME OF THE MANSION HOUSE COMMITTEE.

OFFICE—S. MARY'S INSTITUTE, MANSFIELD STREET, N.E.

- 1—Name, Address, Age, Occupation, and Earnings of Applicant _____
- 2—Earnings of Wife _____ Children _____
- 3—Relief given by _____
- 4—Can Relatives give assistance _____
- 5—Does Applicant belong to a Benefit Club, or Burial Club? Give Name _____
- 6—Total Receipts of family from work _____ Pension _____ Club _____ Relatives _____ Relief _____
- 7—Nature of Tenement and Rent _____
- 8—Rent due, Debts, Pawn Tickets _____
- 9—Children's School _____
- 10—Present or last Employer and Address _____
- 11—How long in last three Situations _____
- 12—Cause of leaving _____
- 13—Marriage Certificate _____
- 14—Name and Address of Landlord or Agent _____
- 15—Complaints to whom made and result _____
- 16—Nature of Relief desired _____
- 17—What other work could Applicant do _____
- 18—References _____
- 19—Recommended by _____
- 20—Visited by _____

Relief pending decision of Committee _____

Remarks _____

DECISION OF COMMITTEE.

Date _____

Signed _____

Chairman.

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REPORT
OF THE
HAGGERSTON BRANCH
OF
FRIENDLY WORKERS AMONGST THE POOR
TO
31st December, 1897.

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HAGGERSTON ASSOCIATION
OF
FRIENDLY WORKERS AMONGST THE POOR.

(POPULATION OF AREA, 25,000).

IN CONNECTION WITH
THE SCHEME OF THE MANSION HOUSE COMMITTEE.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE EXAMPLES OF CASES
DEALT WITH.

Poor woman, aged thirty-six, applied to Association for assistance, as her husband had suddenly developed signs of insanity. Advised her what steps to take, and set in work the parish machinery. Ultimately the man was taken to Claybury Asylum. This occurred in the depth of winter, and therefore the Committee helped the woman and four little children (one a cripple) for several weeks, by contributing towards rent and support. Eventually work was procured for the woman, who is now able, thanks to the timely assistance of the Society, to maintain herself and children.

A young widow, five children. Had small shop, outgoings considerable and profits so small, had got into debt with tobacconist and other dealers. Society succeeded in getting two of the children into Homes. They granted 5/- to buy more stock, and advanced 10/- for same purpose. The loan is being repaid regularly, and, being relieved of the burden of two children, is now able to maintain herself and other children.

Man, thirty. Recovering from severe attack of rheumatic fever. Needed change of air before he could possibly be fit for work. Got him into Convalescent Home by the sea, paid railway fare, arrears of insurance, and contributed 10/- a week for three weeks towards support of wife and four children. Man returned restored to health, and able to resume work. Was very grateful and thankful for the help given.

Case of man, aged seventy-eight. Cabman for forty years. Now affected with rheumatism, unable to mount box. For last twelve months of life wife supported the home. At her death the only resource appeared the Workhouse. The Committee interested themselves in the case, and obtained from brother 2/6 a week, also a 1/- a week from a niece. The Association gives 1/- a week, and have obtained subscriptions from their

friends amounting to 3/- a week, making a pension of 7/6 a week. The gratitude of the poor man saved from the Workhouse repays all efforts made on his behalf.

Case of highly respectable young married man, aged thirty. Formerly kept a small shop for the sale of curios. A fire occurred at adjoining premises whereby his stock was destroyed. The loss fell entirely on the poor man, as he had not insured his property. Helped with a loan of £2, and gave him 10/-. He has already paid off £1 of loan, and has succeeded by the help before mentioned, to maintain himself and wife.

A cripple, only walks with crutches. Required a surgical instrument—practically a steel leg. Society obtained estimate for cost of instrument required, viz, £6 10s. They obtained half the amount from the Sunday Hospital Fund, contributed £2, and made a loan to man for balance. The appliance proved a success, and man now able to work and maintain himself and family. This is a case where, had the Society not given the necessary assistance to the man, he would have become an inmate of the Workhouse.



SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

From January 1st to December 31st, 1897.

	£	s.	d.
T. W. Paulin, Esq.	21	0	0
Messrs. Mann, Crossman and Paulin	5	5	0
T. Huntley, Esq.	2	2	0
The Rev. A. Tanner	1	3	3
The Rev. H. W. Goodhart	1	4	0
R. Eden Hope, Esq.	1	1	0
Mrs. Hope	1	1	0
H. Jones, Esq.	1	1	0
A. M. Torrance, Esq.	1	1	0
P. Arlow, Esq.	1	1	0
S. Hope, Esq.	1	1	0
R. Davies, Esq.	1	1	0
W. Dale, Esq.	1	1	0
W. Weatherley, Esq.	1	1	0
Dr. Garrett Anderson	1	1	0
J. Lowles, Esq., M.P.	1	1	0
Collected by M. A. Tucker	1	1	0
A. Hamilton, Esq.	1	0	0
The Hon. Shaw Lefevre	1	0	0
Miss Chippendale	0	11	0
H. Hibbard, Esq.	0	10	6
Dr. A. Greenwood	0	10	6
Miss A. Tucker	0	10	6
G. Crisp, Esq.	0	10	0
O. Kanoff, Esq.	0	10	0
Miss Hopwood	0	10	0
G. Field, Esq.	0	6	6
The Rev. F. Spencer	0	5	0
A. Hopwood, Esq.	0	5	0
H. Michell, Esq.	0	5	0
Miss Taylor	0	5	0
A Friend	0	5	0
Miss H. M. Smith	0	5	0
Sister Florence	0	4	2
Miss Hawkins	0	3	0
J. Heley, Esq.	0	2	6
Miss Waye	0	2	6
A Friend	0	2	6
	£51	9	11

SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR PENSIONS.

	£	s.	d.
W. G. Titterton, Esq.	5	4	0
R. Eden Hope, Esq.	2	12	0
Mrs. Hope	2	12	0
H. Jones, Esq.	2	12	0
T. Huntley, Esq.	2	12	0
The Lady Frederick Cavendish	1	6	0
The Rev. C. Harris	1	6	0
T. Johnston, Esq.	1	6	0
T. Bowers, Esq.	1	6	0
Mrs. Beavis	1	6	0
The Misses Tucker	1	6	0
C. Barfield, Esq.	0	13	0
A. Edmunds, Esq.	0	13	0
G. Croxford, Esq.	0	13	0
A. L. Haynes, Esq.	0	13	0
	£26	0	0



STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

From 1st June, 1895, to 31st December, 1897.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mansion House Grants	...	281	15	Rent	...	51	13
Donations and Subscriptions	...	77	3	Office Furniture	...	7	17
Portions of Special Subscriptions for Pensions	...	9	15	Stationery and Printing	...	17	2
Repayment of Loans	...	35	8	Salaries	...	158	9
Crossley Fund	...	6	10	Census Work	...	3	0
Bishop Andrew's Charity	...	5	0	Postages, etc.	...	6	5
Various Payments	...	20	4	Loans	...	60	6
Cash refunded by E. Speyer	...	20	16	Relief	...	122	7
				Pensions	...	8	9
				Crossley Fund (as per Contra)	...	6	10
				Bishop Andrew's Charity	...	1	0
				Mrs. Cook	...	10	6
				Maurice Girls' Home	...	1	0
				Balance at Bank	...	2	6
	£456	13	4		£456	13	4

Poverty.

Religious Affairs.

March 10th.

Interview with Mr. S. J. Clarke Board School. CD 2

Mr. Clarke is one of the Schoolmasters recommended to us by Mr. Sauty. He is an interesting and unorthodox man, and I was with him for a very long time, but I fear with a very poor result for our purposes, as I could not get him to talk much to the point.

The neighbourhood of the school, where he has been for 24 years, gets he thinks distinctly poorer, but at the same time the population, owing to the extension of business premises, is decreasing, and the parts which remain getting more crowded. The parents of children in the school are almost entirely of the labouring class. The poverty is of course largely caused by drink, but Mr. C. thinks equally by insanitary housing; most of the property belongs to a few men.

The church and the Wesleyans are both very active. Mr. Perry, the new Rector of St. Luke's, is a charming man. He hears all the children

Education.

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in the school belong to some agency connected with
a church or chapel, Sunday School or Band of Hope
etc.

The attendance at the school is only just
over 70 p.c., and Mr C. is convinced that nothing
could raise it to any extent: the mothers in many
cases must keep the children at home to help them.

The children almost without exception leave school
at the earliest age possible and go into the first
thing that offers itself, many into a trade.

Mr C. is a tremendous believer in object
lessons and kindergarten work for children of this
rough class and carries them right through the
school in defiance of the Inspector: he says that
most of them are not at school long enough
to learn the three R's efficiently, and that it is
much better instead of wasting too much time in
endeavouring to drive them into them, to give them
lessons which will develop their intelligence, leaving the
arithmetic to take care of itself.

In the same spirit Mr C. and still
more Mrs C. who is mistress of the Infant

Charitable Relief.

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School. think that more time should be devoted to manners and morals, and with this in view more power should be given to head teachers, and the status and prospects of assistant teachers should be improved. At present most of them look upon their work as task work to be got through.

Mr C. though describing himself as an advanced Democrat is of opinion that the effect of 25-years education on the manners of the people "is much smaller than we have a right to expect."

Here as at other poor schools a great deal is done in Denials and Boats.

Walk cut me

See also [BWK. LIV. p. 123]

March 24th.

Interview with Mr J. Litt, Wenlock Road Board School. (2)

Mr Litt was mentioned to me by Mr Santley in connection with Curtain Road Board School. He was there for 5 years till 2 months ago when he went to Wenlock Road, which is an run down school in the poorest part of Hoxton.

At Curtain Road Mr L. got all the children from the Norfolk Gardens and Philpotts area which though poor and even to some extent criminal is less so than Hoxton. However at both these schools there are gangs of criminals, and at Curtain Road Mr L. was instrumental in getting them broken up. Apart from the big criminals there are in Norfolk Gardens a number of loafers always hanging about the Norfolk Home who are on the borders of criminality. The criminal gang in a school Mr L. says is nearly always led by one big boy who has usually been trained by an old criminal. The head exercises an extraordinary terrorism over the other members of the gang: parents have told him of their boys being drawn in though apparently hating it: when they

hear the whistle of the leaden outside the house they
 turn deadly pale, but seem unable to resist the summons.
 Most of the thefts of these gangs are committed in
 shops. These criminal boys though often extraordinarily
 sharp in some ways are ~~very~~ nearly always exceedingly
 diffident backward in learning, even when they attend
 school regularly, as they did at Lintain Road.
 Mr L. does not think that the reading of pensions
 penny dreadfuls about Jack Shepherd and Pease has
 anything to do with the juvenile criminal, who ~~too~~
 has seldom advanced far enough to read them.

Both at Lintain Road and Wombourne Road there
 is a great deal of squelch proof, due almost entirely
 Mr L. thinks to improvidence: there are times when
 nearly all these people earn a lot of money, but they
 save none. Mr L. noticed the large amount of
 money which even the poorest children have, more than
 he had at their age: they are incessantly going
 to the numerous music halls in the neighbourhood,
 and the amount they spend in sweets is prodigious:
 at Lintain Road Mr L. used to send two monitors
 round the school yard daily to pick up all the

paper in which ~~sweet~~ had been wrapped.

In connection with the frequenting of Music Halls Mr L. noticed the lack of open spaces in London. There is nothing nearer than Victoria Park with the small- that- boys cannot be induced to play cricket or football and naturally spend their evenings in the streets and Music Halls.

Mr L. has been under the L. S. D. for 17 years and was originally at a school in Hackney Road, so that he knows this district well, and says that on the whole there has been an enormous improvement in manners and morals. Mr L. notices this especially in the school: originally the schools were a perfect hell, incessant rows and fighting with the boys: now the discipline is perfect even among children of the worst class: ~~also~~ the legislation of corporal punishment by under teachers has been most beneficial. The relations with the parents too ~~are~~ ^{are} now wonderfully friendly: they have come to look on the schoolmaster as their friend, and tell him all their troubles in the most confidential way.

A point in which there has been little improvement outside the school is the use of bad language: but

for this the home influence is responsible: mothers speak with such freedom upon their children: the sort of thing they will say to him when they bring up a transient will be "We brought the little b— up for dirt, and if 'e don't come up for I 'ope you'll give 'im a b— good 'iding." Mr. L. thinks too that the increasing prevalence of factory work for girls has led to a coarsening of language among women.

Mr. L. noticed an increasing lack of parental control: parents so frequently pleading inability to manage their children, or send them to school: so much is this the case that he says it is exceedingly common for the father ~~to~~ to give a boy $\frac{1}{2}$ a day to induce him to attend school.

Booth at Curtain Road and Wenlock Road Dinners and boots have been given. The Dinners at Curtain Road were free but Mr. L. would much have preferred that there should have been a small payment and tried to get Mr. James Pass to cooperate with him in $\frac{1}{2}$ dinners. Mr. Pass however only cared about numbers and much preferred to get 120 free dinners than 50 at a halfpenny: Mr. L. thinks it is characteristic

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of the clergy generally to like to be able to admit
that they are so many for dinner: it helps in the
wrong letter.

In the Lambeth Road District the influence of the
religious bodies & was of the slightest, though there is
evidence a majority of the children went to Sunday School.
Mr L. however has rather a poor opinion of the
Sunday School as an influence, chiefly owing to the character
of the teachers, who he thinks are wholly, rather poor
creatures, and incapable both of any real teaching, and
of keeping discipline, with the result that Sunday School
is scarcely at all a spiritual influence.

Mr L. spoke of Miss Anna Norton as doing
very excellent work among the poor & in the neighborhood
of Warlock Road.

Mr L. agrees with the clergy that the
alienation of the working classes from religion is
mainly due to indifference, but also attributes it partly
to the indiscriminate administration of charity, it being
impossible to attend a place of worship without coming
under suspicion of begging. That an ^{annual} ~~annual~~ ^{annual} ~~annual~~
is given in one way & another Mr L. is convinced.

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He has often been told by parents "that you can
always get along in Scotland without doing any work."

The disposition of women to attend places
of worship was readily taken from Mr L. attributed
largely to the greater monotony of their lives and the
fact that they were at home all the week.

Mr L. spoke of the Working Men's Clubs
in Haggerston as a very evil influence especially those which
call themselves Radical, though he himself is a Radical.

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Interview with Mr Harry Lawson, West
Road Board School.

Mr Lawson is one of Mr Santy's schoolmasters mentioned by him as a Socialist. Mr L. asked me to meet him at Holy Trinity Vicarage (Mr Cartmel Robinson), and our short interview was chiefly interesting as throwing light on Mr Robinson's work.

I had sent Mr L. a copy of our Form E. and when he came he said "Really I don't know half so much about these things as you do and all I can do is to say something about the influence of this church". Mr L. it appears is a pronounced Agnostic and before he knew Mr Robinson looked upon all parsons with dislike: however their socialism has led them together and they are now bosom friends. Though Mr L. does not go to the church he speaks in the warmest terms of Mr R.'s work, who is adored by the men in the parish. His influence however is social rather than spiritual: he has made all the men in the neighbouring factories socialists but not-

Christian Socialists, at any rate they do not go to church, except occasionally when Mr R. is speaking on some special social subject. And yet Mr L. recognizes that with Mr R. his religion is the root of the whole matter: "he believes it all just like a Calvin" said Mr L. Mr R. gives away an enormous amount in charity; as to the result Mr L. is very doubtful but he is convinced it is done without any ulterior motive, simply from goodness of heart: "it is probably very demoralizing" said Mr L. "but until we have Socialism what can one do."

(For Mr L's opinion of the churches before he knew Mr R. see page 90 and onward in his book "In England Now", articles reprinted from The Nation and elsewhere)

The only other subject Mr L. discussed was education as to which again he referred me to passages in his book and especially the article on "School Ranting Unks". Mr L. is quite hopeful about education unless teachers have smaller classes, and are given greater opportunity to teach morality and humanity at the expense if necessary of the

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then R's. Mr. parent he says a schoolmaster can
only exercise any influence on pupils by getting them
alone to his home. Many boys he has seen debased by
the present system of education: the sole use they make
of their power of reading being to read the filthiest
literature from Hologwell &c. Mr. L. is convinced too
that the use of filthy language in the streets is
growing.

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Interview with Miss Simonds, Shonditch C.O.S.

Miss Simonds recently succeeded Mrs. Bernard Desangues as Sec. of this branch of the C.O.S., but has been working with the Committee for 3 years. I saw her about 2 weeks ago to arrange an interview: meanwhile I found she had applied to several members of her Committee for information on certain points and she gave me their written replies of which I copy the important parts.

Mrs. Desangues says:-

~~say that it~~ concerning local government. I should say that it is enterprising, conducted with true business instinct, and grandiose.

Concerning education that its influence is entirely good as far as it reaches, but that there are a considerable number of adults who have received it altogether - are "no scholars". Also that the S.D.O.'s are by no means successful in getting the children into school.

Concerning Thrift there is none worth mentioning except the Friendly Societies and Savings Banks etc.

Churches and Schools.

Concerning Housing and Social Condition Improvements
in Bethnal Green and Whitechapel have been bad for
Shoreditch. Also the better class tend more and more
to move out to Hackney. What "models" there are in
Shoreditch I think to be distinctly worse than the
average house. Much of the population is also
being displaced by city warehouses spreading into
Finsbury. I am afraid that without the map at-
hand I cannot say as to attractions. But Portsmouth
H. ought certainly to be coloured quite differently in
its two halves: the City Road end as black as
possible, the other many degrees of colour better.

Mr Nicholson, Chairman of the Committee and a
Guardian writes as to the Poor Law:-

"The administration of the Poor Law in
Shoreditch is steady and rather more strict than in
most London Unions in the matter of out-relief. The
District is an interesting one at present as owing to
the pulling down of houses and clearing of different
areas the character of the population is rapidly

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changing. A few years ago there were many streets
in which the houses were occupied by one family only but
lately this is completely changed and it is probably true
to say that the greater number of houses are let out
room by room and the rents of these show a tendency
to rise. The consequence of this is that the population
is being steadily crowded into a smaller area and is
also becoming poorer. At present this has not
produced much effect on the number of paupers, but
this number is rising slightly. The infirmary has
been of late overcrowded and the Guardians have had
to provide extra accommodation. The children are sent
to the Cottage Homes at Hornchurch in Essex and
the Guardians are now arranging for a home in
London for in and out children similar to that
provided by the Kensington Guardians.

With regard to the able bodied in and out the
Guardians have on many occasions endeavored to
obtain powers to enable them to deal more strictly
with this class but up to the present have been
unsuccessful. They have also done all they can
to have the inspection of the schools transferred to

the Education Department.

Constant work is made of certified homes and convalescent-homes in suitable districts.

As to relief Mr. Nicholson says:-

"There are 22 churches in the parish whose average income for charitable purposes varies from £30 to £70. The charities administered by the Trustees for the parish amount to between £700 and £800. The C. O. S. spend about £1000 in relief of all sorts including pensions. Of the non-conformist charities we know nothing.

Mr. Dolan a member of the Committee writes:-

"Police efficient. Drunkenness and disturbances at public houses very much less of late years and number of charges arising therefrom much fewer. The Temperance movement seems to have received a check the last few years, owing somewhat to the action of the leaders with which people interested in the work became dissatisfied. The work therefore so far as the present adults are concerned has not made the promised progress, but the work among the young seems

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to be very widespread, and of a lasting character, but
the improvement will not be very apparent until the boys
and girls of to-day grow up to be men and women.

The evidence of Thrift so far as membership
of Friend Societies furnishes it is very considerable
and increasing. The C.O.S. action in massing up
upon people the wisdom of joining Friend Societies has
done something to do with the increased membership, but
at all events the number of members and amount of
funds have been materially augmented in recent years.

To the opinions of these members of her committee
Miss S. was not prepared to add much that was
material. With the exception of the parishes of St. Mark
(Mr. White) and St. Andrew's (Mr. Moore) she thought
that all were worked with vigour. As to the spiritual
results of their work she knew nothing, but expressed
it as her private opinion that the unquestioned failure
of the churches to get hold of the working classes was
due mainly to the spread of education which had
enabled the intelligent artisans who had working class
opinion to form reliable opinions on religious matters: the

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What is that "they have brought Christianity into
believe and found it wanting"

April 4th.

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Interview with Mr T. W. Junstreet

Mr. Junstreet is a School Board Visitor who, hearing of our inquiry through a Schoolmaster, wrote to me asking if he might give evidence. Fearing that he might have some idea of payment in his mind I rather tried to choke him off by a chilly letter: however he turned up, and proved to be a young man rather afflicted with "cacoethes loquendi" but at the same time with a good deal of real knowledge on some of the points we are investigating, and with a very genuine interest in our work for its own sake.

Mr. J. has been under the Board for 2 years and during that time has been in 5 School Board divisions: for 3 years now he has been in the Hackney Division, and is at present in the poorest part of Hoxton, the district including Britton's Hill St. etc. His wife is a Mistress in Roper's School.

As to religious influences Mr. J. gives the usual account of utter indifference among the mass of the people. He has himself been to nearly all the churches

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in Hoxton and has found them either empty or full
of people who live in other districts. Cardinal Robinson
for instance often attracts large numbers to his church,
especially when he has some star preacher, but one
Sunday Mr S. had the ~~curiosity~~ curiosity to follow the
people up as they left church and found that almost
without exception they walked down into City Road when
they branched off right and left to their middle class
quarters. Mr S. himself attends Mr Kelly's church
(Ch. Ch) which is almost empty: this is partly
accounted for by the fact that it is a penance to
hear Mr Kelly preach. Christ Church does very important
work among the children, but does not keep them as
they grow up. Far the best filled church in the
district is the Wesleyan Mission in New North Road:
but here as at most of the churches many who come
do so from living: Mr S. was for two years in
St. George's and regularly attended St. Peter's: he
agrees that Father Wainwright is ~~a~~ an excellent man,
but describes the living as parish, and is of opinion
that in spite of the activity of the church "it is
one of the worst living parishes in London": he then

told me a number of instances (giving the names) of regular attendants at St. Peter's whom he knew to be leading immoral lives, one of them a servant in the Church House who was "lazing on" with a workhouse official, and ultimately had a child by him. Mr. S.'s experience however convinces him that the habit of religious observance as often as not has little or only the most transient effect on the life: with the bulk of the so-called religious people their religion is only a superficial emotion.

Mr. S. is convinced that when the working classes take to religion of their own accord they always go to Wesleyan churches and that such success as the High Churchmen have gained among them is due almost entirely to their tremendous energy and activity.

As to the poverty of Hoxton Mr. S. mentioned Hoxton Market, Norfolk Row, the Mile End, Green St., Turner's Place and Horn Walk as the worst places: but most of the poverty arises much more from "a bad use of means" than from lack of them: drink of course was mentioned as the most prominent cause of poverty and Mr. S. gave a very bad account of Hoxton in this respect.

Monday he says is given up by more than half the people to visiting and drinking in the Public Houses, by the women especially. But in addition to drink Mr. S. emphasized the foolish expenditure of often respectable people on all sorts of pleasures and luxuries and on this point he was full of stories about the "flash funerals", the wedding festivities, the trips to the Forest, the Public Hall and friends' heads. As to the funerals he instanced a widow whose husband earned high wages and whose insurance money was £34: yet last Friday, a fortnight after his death she was penniless though full of pride in the fact that she had had three coaches and that all her seven children had been rigged out from top to toe in black and down to the black band handkerchief, "which" said Mr. S. "they are taught to hold to their faces in a becoming manner during the funeral: then they come to school and boast about the fine funeral their father had." As to the wedding he instanced a highly respectable widow who had kept out of debt with a great struggle for a year since her husband's death but was now in terrible difficulties owing to having borrowed £5- from a loan society for festivities at her daughter's

wedding. The expenditure on Music Halls and Theaters in Khonditeh Am J. says is enormous; so-called "Excursion Clubs" are common, the money being often spent in this way instead of excursions: it is a common thing for whole families, when that is in answer to go off to a Music Hall, and if expostulated with they will say "Oh, we've got the money now, but don't know how long we may have it." In fact they live entirely in the present. The only people who keep clear of the Music Halls are the religious people who ~~are~~ on this point are tremendously strict and Am J. (who has nothing familiar in manner or appearance) is convinced that in this they are right and regards the Music Hall as one of the worst influences among the poor: at the best Music Halls there is nothing but ~~insane~~ ^{insane} suggestions, boogie, the broken's march etc. while at the worst the whole performance is positively insane: on this point Am J. is balanced. The House in Hama St. a hall open only twice a week when out of 34 hours 30 he says are disappearing, though the audience are respectable looking men and women.

As to charity - Am J. said "those who had-

and it's from his. how to get it, and succeed often than the need of it.

Of the local government of Shondita Mr. J. has rather a poor opinion on the ground that while going in for numbers of progressive facts they neglect their more important duties: the roads and open spaces being the worst kept in London.

As to education Mr. J. thought that morally the generation who had been through the schools were worse than the older generation: especially he instance the filthy language of children, and a general looseness of life and talk which has certainly increased since he went to school. The failure of the schools in these matters he attributes to the teachers of whom, with exceptions, he has the poorest opinion: they care scarcely at all about the welfare of the children: see nothing of them in their homes, and even when they do work for the school out of hours (e.g. dinner, swimming, classes etc) do so as often as not from selfish motives: they tell you quite frankly that "it pays." The teachers generally are the children of artisans and living as they do in a different social stratum they suffer from "bored

Lead," and think much more of their social position in the suburb in which they live than of the welfare of the children in their school. On the whole Mr. F. is of opinion that the influence of the schools "is towards knowledge, but not a wise use of it."

Mr. F. emphasized the foolish way in which the poor feed their children, and the still more foolish way they treat the illnesses which result from the bad feeding: their sole idea is to rush to the doctor and get a bottle of medicine to dose the wretched child: they have a profound faith that a doctor's medicine will cure anything and will take no steps as to cleanliness or rational diet. The doctors have to, and confess that they have to, pander to them, and have often told him that it is useless to attempt to treat these people in a rational ~~and~~ manner.

Mr. F. admitted that he took rather a pessimistic view of the people "but" he said "I see them as they really are: they don't expect to get anything out of me, and behave upon me exactly as they always do: the clergy only see them at their best."

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District 5

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Captain Jackson. The Officer in charge of the
Salvation Army Corps, at the Grecian Theatre, Shepherdess Walk,
City Road.
Seen at 41 Prebend Street, Islington. N.
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Captain Jackson is a dark man with
heavy mustache. About 35 years of age, ~~stuffy~~
and energetic but coarse and unsympathetic
face.

The district worked is bounded by the
Central Street, The Canal (altho they go north of it
occasionally to Prebend Street) St John's Road &
the City boundaries.

"Coster and thieves" was the Capt's
description of the people about Nile Street.

The Grecian Theatre holds 2000 people.
& the Billiard room forms a small hall
(180) where the children's meetings are
held.

Captain & lieutenant paid, 27 bands-
men, 36 sergeants and 23 junior officers.

The Corps numbers 174 soldiers &
recruits and 120 junior soldiers.

The meetings held are similar in character & number to those at other corps. On Sunday Kneedrill at 7 am; Holiness meeting at 11 - about 100, mostly soldiers; 2.30 Free & easy about 100 & 8 pm. Salvation meeting, 250 to 300. People attending the evening meeting are a mixture - some very poor & rough; ~~if~~ some of their soldiers belonged to this class but are now better off - were in the 'skeleton' army.

The Sunday school has about 180 children on the books & an attendance of 164. 23 classes. Meeting in evening for children, into which they pack 200 to 300 youngsters. The rough children from Nile Street district. At the last distribution of prizes, they gave 23 Bibles as prizes & of these 20 went to the Nile Street area. gave Bibles because, 'they can't pawn them.'

Three open air meetings are held every Sunday, and one every week evening except Tuesday & Friday. See plan on next ~~page~~ page

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The Salvation Army,
GRECIAN CORPS, CITY ROAD.

OPEN-AIR
Meeting Places.

For April, 1898.

Meetings for adults are held each week evening at 8 PM & for children on 4 nights each week; the latter including fretwork, sewing & patchwork and musical drill

The Captain & Lieutenant visit daily and they have visiting sergeants to visit the recruits &c. Now organising a Lodging House Brigade to visit the Lodging houses

Give no charitable relief but send people needing relief to the Head quarters of the Social
ring

WEEK-DAYS.

April 1...Friday, 8-0, Holiness Meeting
 „ 2...Saturday, 7-15, City Road Bridge
 „ 4...Monday, 7-30, Radnor Street
 „ 5...Tuesday, 8-0, A. Ward
 „ 6...Wednesday, 8-0, Islington (S. D. results)
 „ 7...Thursday, 9, 7-30, Peerless Street
 „ 8...Friday, 8, Good Friday. Meetings Hol-
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 „ 9...Saturday, 7-15, Wenlock Street
 „ 11...Monday, 7-30, Sturt Street
 „ 12...Tuesday, 8-0, B. Ward
 „ 13...Wednesday, 7-30, Taplow Street
 „ 14...Thursday, 7-30, Baldwin Street
 „ 15...Friday, 8, Holiness Meeting
 „ 16...Saturday, 7-15, King Street, Bath Street
 „ 18...Monday, 7-30, Shaftesbury Street
 „ 19...Tuesday, 8-0, C. Ward
 „ 20...Wednesday, 7-30, Galway Street
 „ 21...Thursday, 7-30, Underwood Place
 „ 22...Friday, 8-0, Holiness Meeting
 „ 23...Saturday, 7-15 Rahere Street
 „ 25...Monday, 7-30, King Street
 „ 26...Tuesday, 8-0, D. Ward
 „ 27...Wednesday, 7-30, Taplow Street
 „ 28...Thursday, 7-30, Turner's Place
 „ 29...Friday, 8-0, Holiness Meeting
 „ 30...Saturday, 7-15, Cropley Street

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 Please remember your Cartridges.



SUNDAYS.

April 3...10 a.m., Hall-street, Lever-street
 „ 2 p.m., Allerton Street, Nile Street
 „ 6 p.m. Dame Street
 April 10...10 a.m., Turner's Place
 „ 2 p.m., Golden Lane
 „ 6 p.m., Hoxton Church
 April 17...10 a.m., Central Street, Lever Street
 „ 3 p.m., Fairbank Street
 „ 6 p.m., Prebend Street
 April 24...10 a.m., Brunswick Place
 „ 2 p.m., New Charles Street
 „ 6 p.m., Bookham Street

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 Knee Drill, Every Sunday at 7 o'clock.

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Wing. Send a good many women to the Women's
Social Dept: women who walk the City Road and
Upper Street.

They were making progress. Has enrolled
24 fresh soldiers since he came 5 months
before. and have collected more for the
Self Denial Fund than ever before. £77 of
which the children collected or gave £25.

Here as elsewhere the financial burden
on the corps is very heavy. They have to
raise £11 a week to pay expenses, rent
alone being £7 a week so that Capt. Jackson
is not sorry they are going to leave the
Grecian in September. He would be glad
to leave at once if they had a suitable
place but this seems difficult to get. Staff
Captain Pickering told me 7 months ago that
they were negotiating for a place in Goswell
Road but this Capt. J. tells me has fallen
through. The Grecian is evidently a
white elephant to the S.A. They are hampered by
various restrictions e.g. the band may not play
in the building nor within 200 yards of it.

Mr George Mountford (Hon Sec) & Mrs Howell, District Visitor connected with Hoxton Hall, Hoxton Street, N.

GLT 25/4/98

Hoxton Hall was originally a Music Hall & notwithstanding many alterations, still betrays its origin. It has two galleries and seats 900 to 1000 people. It was the centre from which the Blue Ribbon Army propaganda in London was started & there W^m Noble carried on his temperance work for many years. There is a smaller hall below (250) & two other small rooms.

The Friends have only taken over the Mission between 2 & 3 years ago and are now adapting it to their lines.

Mr Mountford is a middle aged business man & has not been connected with the place long. He came from Brompton Fields, where he held some office in connection with the Adult School.

Mrs Howell is a tall stately woman, probably 45 to 50. Thin long hands & strong regular features. Has been here 18 years and has an extremely good

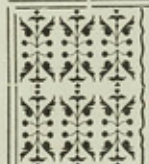
good knowledge of the place & people.

The district they work specially is the streets leading into Hoxton Street, between Kingsland Road & St John's Road. We went over these on the map. Mrs H. makes Wilmer Gardens & Essex Street the worst. The latter (marked l. blue) has gone down very much. She has found 13 families in a house. Ivy Lane is better than it was, and so is Wilkes Place. Barton Court (black) retains its reputation. "Not a respectable family in the place". Vice &c "covered by vegetables". She was waiting in one of these houses. Whilst there a girl came in for some watercress, then a woman ~~she~~ pulled it out from under the bed; another for a haddock; this was on the bed & a third came for a bag of coke - taken from under the bed. Ware Street is still & ^(purple) has been for years, bad. Mrs H. makes it quite as bad as the Louisa Street & Watson's Place.

The people have changed greatly by removals. Very few families remain in the same streets as 10 years ago. In Bacchus Walk, there are only ~~to~~ 4 families remaining of the older inhabitants. New comers of same type or poorer.

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For meetings see this programme




HOXTON HALL,

HOXTON STREET, LONDON, N.

MONTHLY PROGRAMME,

APRIL, 1898.



SUNDAY. *Average 35*

Men's Adult School - 9 to 10.30 a.m.
Friends' Meeting - 11 to 12 a.m. *Small*
Gospel Meeting - - - - - 7 p.m.

April 3rd. RICHARD H. SMITH and BARRINGTON WHITLOW. *Average 120*
" 10th. Mr. J. E. CLARK.
" 17th. Sacred Service of Song, "The Galilean," Peel Mission Friends.
" 24th. REGINALD A. SLADER.
May 1st. ERNEST C. FRY.

Sunday Schools - - - - - 3 p.m.
Girls' Guild Pleasant Hour - 3 p.m.
Men's Bible Class - - - - - 3 p.m.
Children's Meeting - - - - - 6 p.m.

April 3rd. Friends Mission Church Monthly Church Meeting at the close of Evening Meeting.

Also held 3 open air meetings on Sunday.

WEDNESDAY. *Small.*
Meeting, 8.30 p.m. *Chiefly workers*

THURSDAY. *100 to 200 according to programme*
Meeting, 8.15 p.m.

Place Choir, conducted by CON.

Chairman, Mr. E. BROWN.
Lecture on "Water and its
Mr. A. CHARNOCK.

Chairman, Mr. ROSS.
Mission Brass Band will
platform.

Mrs. HOWELL will preside.
Orchestral Society will enter-
ductor, Mr. G. BERNARD.

Chairman, Mr. W. STANTON.
and Working Men's Mission
occupy the platform. Conductor,
Mr. J. CHAPEL will preside.

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MONDAY.

Women's Meeting, H.O.A. Soc., 8.15 p.m.

- April 4th. Mrs. ROBERTS.
- „ 11th. Easter Monday, Bank Holiday (no meeting).
- „ 18th. Mrs. HOWARD NICHOLSON.
- „ 25th. Mrs. DAVIS and Friends.

Girls' Guild Social Circle, 8.30 p.m.
(Lockhart's, 1st floor.)

TUESDAY.

The Girls' Guild of Good Life.

THE PARLOUR MEETINGS are held every Tuesday Evening at 8 p.m. The President and Workers will gladly welcome old and new members. Pass Cards for the half year, One Penny.

- April 19th. Public Entertainment: Cantata, "Sherwood's Queen," by Members and Friends. Conductor, Mr. SHEEN.

WEDNESDAY.

POPULAR PLEASANT

- April 6th. Miscellaneous En People's Club
- „ 13th. Holloway Gospel Conductor, Mr
- „ 20th. Special Gospel Te Chai
- „ 27th. Special Demonstr the Jubilee of ment, under the and East Midd Choir of nearly Songs, Action Conductor, Mr. Mr. D. W. PA mences at 8 p. a seat.

Average about 100

Mission Committee April 6th,

THURSDAY.

- Band of Hope Meeting (Large
- Bible Class (Lockhart's, 1st
- Girls' Guild Musical Drill Clas

100 members pay 1/2 a allowed to bring friends.

FRIDAY.

Small.

Prayer and Praise Meeting, 8.30 p.m. chiefly workers

SATURDAY. 100 to 200 according to programme

Gospel Temperance Meeting, 8.15 p.m.

- April 2nd. The Basing Place Choir, conducted by Mr. H. BACON.
Chairman, Mr. E. BROWN.
- „ 9th. Illustrated Lecture on "Water and its uses," by Mr. A. CHARNOCK.
Chairman, Mr. ROSS.
- „ 16th. The Central Mission Brass Band will occupy the platform.
Mrs. HOWELL will preside.
- „ 23rd. The Leonard Orchestral Society will entertain. Conductor, Mr. G. BERNARD.
Chairman, Mr. W. STANTON.
- „ 30th. The Kingsland Working Men's Mission Band will occupy the platform. Conductor, Mr. WIRTZ. Mr. J. CHAPEL will preside.

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Women's Meeting, H.O.A. Soc., 8.15 p.m.

- April 4th. Mrs. ROBERTS.
 „ 11th. Easter Monday, Bank Holiday (no meeting).
 „ 18th. Mrs. HOWARD NICHOLSON.
 „ 25th. Mrs. DAVIS and Friends.

Girls' Guild Social Circle, 8.30 p.m.
 (Lockhart's, 1st floor.)

TUESDAY.

The Girls' Guild of Good Life.

THE PARLOUR MEETINGS are held every Tuesday Evening at 8 p.m. The President and Workers will gladly welcome old and new members. Pass Cards for the half year, One Penny.

- April 19th. Public Entertainment: Cantata, "Sherwood's Queen," by Members and Friends. Conductor, Mr. SHEEN.

WEDNESDAY.

POPULAR PLEASANT EVENINGS, 8.30 p.m.

- April 6th. Miscellaneous Entertainment by the Young People's Club from Peel Mission.
 „ 13th. Holloway Gospel Temperance Choir. Conductor, Mr. PUNCKER. Chairman, Mr. STANTON.
 „ 20th. Special Gospel Temperance Meeting. Chairman, Mr. JOHN T. RAE.
 „ 27th. Special Demonstration in connection with the Jubilee of the Band of Hope movement, under the auspices of the Hackney and East Middlesex Band of Hope Union. Choir of nearly 100 selected voices: Part Songs, Action Songs, Choruses, etc. Conductor, Mr. F. T. CUTTING. Pianist, Mr. D. W. PATE. This meeting commences at 8 p.m. Come early to secure a seat.

Mission Committee April 6th, at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY.

- Band of Hope Meeting (Large Hall), 7 p.m.
 Bible Class (Lockhart's, 1st Floor), 8.15 p.m.
 Girls' Guild Musical Drill Class (Lower Hall), 8.30 p.m.

100 members pay $\frac{1}{2}$ a week. Once a month allowed to bring friends. Attendance then 250.

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Come in their best every day dress.

Sunday School. Average Attendance \$410 in afternoon
500 on Books. S.S.U. Return gives 32 Teachers.

Children's Meeting in evening averages 200. Poorer than
afternoon children

The Women's Help one another' Society on Monday
has an attendance of about 100 & a slightly larger
membership. Working women who cannot attend
mothers' meetings. It has a Sick Fund, "Rainy Day"
Fund, Maternity Society, Nursing Band, Public House
Visiting Band & Clothing & Coal Club, in connection.
All are total abstainers & pledged to help each other. As
an example, Mrs. H. said that 6 women were
ill a little time ago. She could not visit them all.
She called for volunteers & 20 offered. One woman
had "4 babies", & they looked after her entirely. One
went & did her washing, another washed the
children, another had the baby to mend &c.
Have a quarterly tea for which they pay 6^d.

The Girls Guild of Good Life is another special feature.
The members are drawn from the rough factory class,
boxmakers, artificial flower makers etc. At the weekly

FRIENDS' ADULT SCHOOL,

Hoxton Hall, Hoxton Street, N.

President: REGINALD A. SLADER. Vice-President: WILLIAM NOBLE.

We give you a

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meetings, they are taught sewing, knitting, drawing,
painting, reading, writing, carving, music, cooking,
bookbinding & other useful things.

There are 427 girls in membership, the average attendance being 126, the attendances at the sectional classes being the largest on record. The Registrar has paid 482 visits to absentee members, and 1,192 visits have been paid by the Visiting Committee of Girl Workers, who try to keep in touch with irregular members.

The Social Circle, to which young men are admitted on specified conditions, has proved to be of much service, not only to the Guild, but to the general work at the Hall.

Much visitation is done. In connection with the "Women's Help one another" Society 2900 visits were paid last year. Also in connection with Girl Guild (see above). Mrs. Howell gives nearly all her time to this work, visiting those who sign the pledge (502 pledges were taken last year) & also from house to house occasionally. Have also a number of visitors, who take the notices of meetings round.

Mrs. H. does a good deal of nursing and they have in the H. O. A. Society women who are qualified nurses & these assist. Also send to the Nursing Institution in Lion Square and "find it very useful".

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HOXTON HALL,

134, HIGH STREET, HOXTON.

FESTIVAL

DEMONSTRATION,

In connection with the

JUBILEE OF THE BAND OF HOPE MOVEMENT, & The
22nd. Anniversary of the Hackney & East Middlesex
Band of Hope Union.

Wednesday, April 27th, 1898.

CHOIR OF **100** VOICES.

(Members of Bands of Hope.)

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE

PART SONGS, CHORUSES,
Descriptive, Action, and Jubilee Songs,
INCLUDING
"THE JAPANESE FAN," "The SONG OF THE FLOWERS,"
AND "FOUR-&-TWENTY BLACKBIRDS."

Conductor, Mr. R. S. WALKDEN. Pianist, Mr. D. W. PATE.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Chair taken at 7.30 by

E. AISBITT GIBSON, ESQ.,

Supported by Vice-Presidents of the Union and other friends.

Admission Free.

Children not admitted unless accompanying Adults.

Collection in aid of the Fund to erect a Jubilee Memorial Building.

COME EARLY TO SECURE SEATS.

FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS SEE LARGE BILLS.

Men & Women of Hoxton, support the movement which seeks
to ensure that Boys and Girls shall become Sober Men and Sober
Women.

"PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE."

JUBILEE OF THE BAND OF HOPE MOVEMENT.



PATRON: HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

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Charitable Relief "Very little indeed." Have no special fund but the women have a collection amongst themselves but only open the box once a month as amount is so small. Only give where they know - and then for special reason. This is the only Friends Mission at which ~~also~~ nothing appears in the accounts under any form of relief.

Other religious agencies were not mentioned except St Columbas', which lately has given so many treats & drawn children from their Sunday Schools.

Marriage. Good many people living together unmarried. Mrs H. has had 3 couples married with her own wedding ring.

Police. If we want help, we give them 4/-.

Drunk. Not much change. A drinking neighbourhood, but Mrs H. does not believe there is more drinking amongst women altho' she hears it from platforms.

The Mission has not increased in numbers lately. The Friends devoting their energies to the

To the

Friends' Mission Church,

HOXTON HALL.

It is my desire to become a Member of your Church, and I hereby apply for admission.

Name

Address

Signature of Proposer

Visitors appointed—

BASIS OF MEMBERSHIP.

"Belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal Saviour, and the evidence of a desire to follow Him."

* This space is left for any remarks the applicant may desire to make.

re-organisation so that now they are on a sounder basis. A Mission Church was formed last November, now numbering 30 members, the basis of membership being "Belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal Saviour and the evidence of a desire to follow Him."

So far the temperance work has been the chief work & they still reap the fruits of Wm Noble's work, people coming from a distance to sign the pledge.

Mrs Howell is an excellent woman & her influence no doubt accounts for the flourishing condition of the women's & girls work.

Mr Mountford has not been here long & knew comparatively little of the work. He however was quite familiar with Benhill. We had a chat about the men's class there. He attributes its success to the influence of Mr Braithwaite & Mr Baker, coupled with a feeling of gratitude in the men for help received & probably a sense of favours to come. "Why Mr Braithwaite has obtained situations for over 30 of the men." "A short time ago he asked 25 of them to a 7 am breakfast at his house & they all came."

Visitors' Report.



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We have seen

on application for Membership and

recommend that the application be

Signatures
of Visitors. {

Mr J. W. Cook. ⁶/₆ 205 + 166 Kingland Road.
 Door LV

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 12/5/98

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Mr Cook is the Supt of Shap Sheet Mission, and the interview with him was sought in that capacity. He is also treasurer of the Shoreditch branch of the Protestant Alliance and is connected with some other missions, so that Shap Sheet is only absorbs part of his energies. He is a fair, wiry man of about 40. Active of body and alert of mind, he speaks with a rapid decided tone. An exceptionally strong character, saying whatever he thinks without hesitancy or mincing his words. I ~~thought~~^{should} think he was a very effective platform speaker. His views on the ritualistic propaganda are very strong and he constantly went off into a tirade against it, while talking of Shap Sheet, so that most that follows about the Alliance was interjected into the account of Shap Sheet & I ^{had} constantly to recall him to the point where he digressed. He had seen Mr Cuff before meeting me, & was told that "it was alright" & as the interview proceeded he was remarkably frank.

although at first he had suspicions that the priestly party were trying to get information, hence reference to "Mi Cuff". "They are so artful" he said. Has spent his life here. Went to school at Horton Academy, Horton Street.

The district worked from Shop Street Mission is roughly speaking the block rectangular block bounded by Kingsland Road, the Canal, Fleet Cambridge Street, Hackney Road & Harwar Street. South of that block the Mission in the Railway Arch & the Wesleyans work, whilst on the other side of Kingsland Road, Coopers & Horton Hall's work.

The streets in this area differ but slightly. poor working class would describe them all, except Laburnum Street. This is very much worse than the others & is as bad as Wilmer Gardens. It has gone down very much during the past 10 years. It is the poorest. "People always have to be supplied with soup tickets". Many of the parents are criminals, whilst the lads form gangs, which fight in the street. The Laburnum St gang figured in the police reports a little while ago. He ascribes the low condition

condition of these people to the 'clerical interest', ¹¹⁹ ~~which~~ ^{they} "will give them a loaf but don't lift them out of it."

The Shop Street Mission consists of the Soup Kitchen on the ground floor and a hall above. The latter seats 107 people. They also hire the Shop St Board School on Sunday for morning, afternoon & evening S. School.

Have no paid workers but about 30 voluntary teachers.

Sunday School (B. School) in morning, afternoon & evening. About 500 on the books, with average attendance of about 60 in morning, 220 in afternoon & 220 at night. P.S.S.U. Report gives attendance at 33, 177 & 160 but Mr C. says they have increased.

Bible Class for Rough boys (Sunday) About 30 between 14 & 18. Have difficulties with them until they know that you know them & could 'spot' them. They think "he would be sure to lag & put me away".

Gospel Service (6.30) to which they get about 50, mostly women, mothers of the children. Mr C. gives a ^{new} ~~lea~~ _{now}

now and then & they come to the place. He ¹²¹ is just going to have a social tea to try and get the people. A regular war appears to be raging between the Mission & the high churches around. The clergy & their visitors tell the people the place is not consecrated & warn them against sending their children or going there. They get hold of the people & get the children away and then we get them back. Give them people doses of bread, blankets &c. The people say to him (Mr. C.) "We will try to get in but we must not let Sister Mary see us." They are very kind & e.g. in giving to the people altho' they like the Mission services for to the others to retain their doses. ^{on the same lines!} Mr. Cook's tea is an attempt to counteract these tactics.

On Monday, (7.30) the Band of Love & Service meets. 80 to 100 of the rough lads attend & about 6 teachers are there. It ~~appears~~ is very rough & noisy at times and they have to be very strict & occasionally turn some out but they always want to come back.

Other meetings are:

Bible class. Monday (8-30)

Band of Hope (Tuesday) Senior & Junior. About 50
and 120.

Dorcas Society (Wed)

Preaching Service (Thursday) 20 to 30.

Whilst on Saturday, tea meetings or other special gatherings are held. "It is the only night I have free".

Tract Society visits the district. Goes into the houses & takes the invitations to the people in their rooms. Any sick cases are also visited.

They have a Benevolent Society to which the teachers contribute whatever they can per month. Then if any child is badly clothed or ill, the teacher can apply & the article needed is bought & made and given to the children as a present by the teacher. It is a small thing however - £10 to £12 a year. Whatever else is given is done personally & I think Mr Cook & his wife do assist sick cases considerably.

*(Miss Mary)
Sp. H. Tinner's opinion that "from the time since I was the
Misses have more are in force!" LIII. p. 10.

The Soup Kitchen is quite distinct & is supported by contributions from various sources. Mr C. promised to give me a report but omitted to do so.

For the sick children of the School, there is also a fund subscribed by the children. Blankets &c are loaned at Confinements by the Nurses Society.

As for the Nursing Home in Nichol Square, Mr Cook does not send to it. It is supposed to be unsectarian but there are a number of ladies connected with the churches & they always hear of any cases at once. Mr C. evidently believes that the nurses & the church ladies work together.

Of the other religious influences apart from the Anglican churches which will be mentioned later, Mr Cook mentioned the Queen's Road Baptist (Rev Snelgrove) as "going on fine" Farwell, the Congregationalist, Mr Wood, Minister of Wesleyan & Mr Cuff, as the most vigorous workers. Mr Beacomore's Mission in Water Street has some out & out workers & is doing good work. Also mentioned the Dysdale Street Open air -
Evangelistic

Evangelistic Mission, a band of men of different denominations who for 15 years have held open air services under the railway arch there at Drysdale Street.

Rev. J. H. Maddock, the Wesleyan, is also doing good work.

I think pauperism is increasing and this is attributed to Church influence, which has shoved the poor down further.

Police Does not believe there is a better and more temperate & Christian lot of police than those in Shoreditch. Believe 3 out of 5 in this district are abstainers. Mentioned Mr Rylands (?) the policeman, who is going over Hoxton with Mr Duckworth as the "biggest temperance man in this district".

Prostitution is nothing like so bad as it used to be. From Shoreditch Church to St. Clements was a regular walk for them. Ware Street is still very bad.

Crime has not increased. Petty thefts. Health is better owing to activity of sanitary authorities who have had nearly every street 'up'.

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The Shoreditch Branch of the Protestant Alliance which by the way (Mr C. said) is supposed to be the strongest in London, was started in 1894 as a result of a series of lectures at Shoreditch Town Hall by R.C. priests. Mr Cook got up to reply at one of these lectures & the Protestant Alliance subsequently arranged a series of lectures in reply.

During the first year conferences and lectures were arranged and a large number of members enrolled, the subscription being fixed at 4/- a year.

Most of the leading non-conformists appear as members or supporters but none of the clergy. Messrs Cuff, Snelgrove, Whittles, East & other ministers are vice presidents.

The Second Report of the Branch (annexed) and the handbills referred to (also annexed) give much ^{of the} information that Mr C. gave during the interview. See next page for these.

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SHOREDITCH BRANCH.

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SECOND
ANNUAL REPORT

— 1896. —

Presented to the Subscribers and Friends at the Annual Meeting held at Willow Street Chapel, on Monday, May 11th, following the Annual Sermons given in the same place on Sunday, Morning and Evening by Rev. JAMES WHITTLES and Mr. W. H. TAYLOR, and in the Afternoon by Mr. WALTER WALSH, Presided over by Mr. J. J. HUNT.

"We won't give up the Bible, for pleasure or for pain,
We'll buy the truth, and sell it not, for all that we might gain;
Though men should try and take our prize, by guile or cruel might,
We'll suffer all that men can do, and God defend the right."

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MEETINGS

During Quarter Ending March 31st,

FOR

Instruction on Romish Questions.

1898.	D.V.
JAN. 26th,	Address by Rev. JAMES WHITTLES, Subject:—"Rome and the Bible."
FEB. 23rd,	Address by Rev. M. E. FARWELL, Subject:—"The Dangers of Protestantism."
MAR. 23rd,	Address by Mr. E. WIDDOWSON, Subject:—"Romanism."

At the close of each Address there will be opportunity for conversation.

Commence at 8 o'clock prompt. Side Entrance at Shoreditch Town Hall.

NOTE.—Any Member can have invitation Cards from the Local Secretaries or from Treasurer or President to admit a friend.

N.B.—The Executive are relying on the General Committee making the above meetings a success by attending themselves and bringing their friends.

MEMO.

*Local Secretaries and Executive Meetings at
16, Wharf Road, N.*

1898.	
JAN. 5th,	Local Secretaries.
13th,	Executive.
FEB. 2nd,	Local Secretaries.
17th,	Executive.
MAR. 2nd,	Local Secretaries.
17th,	Executive.

NOTE.—We hope every Member of the above will attend these meetings.

Dear Friend,—

Kindly Address all Correspondence relative to the work of the Branch, or forward any item touching the Romish Movement in this District to your Local Secretary (see next Page), or to our President, who will lay it before the Executive immediately for consideration at their next meeting.

Ever faithfully yours,

THE EXECUTIVE.

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Rev. JAMES WHITTLES, Free Methodist Chapel, Willow Street, Finsbury.
Rev. R. MAURICE SNELGROVE, Queen's Road Baptist Church.
Rev. C. D. DOUBLE, Harvey Street Presbyterian Mission.
Rev. M. E. FARWELL, Pownall Road Congregational Church.
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A Committee of Thirty Ladies and Gentlemen with the following as an
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Mrs. W. H. TAYLOR & Mrs. A. POTTS, (Women's Section).

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12, Crowland Road, Stamford Hill, N.

MEMORANDA OF SECOND ANNIVERSARY.

THE Second Anniversary was commenced on Saturday evening May 9th with an open air Protestant Demonstration parading the District, in which two Brass Bands took part.

On Sunday, May 10th, 1896, Sermons and an Address was delivered in the United Methodist Free Church, Willow Street, Shoreditch, kindly lent by the Trustees.

11.0 a.m., the Rev. JAMES WHITTLES, pastor, Subject: "Rooted Up." Text, Mathew xv., 13. Scripture Reading before Sermon, Mathew xv., 2 Thes. ii.

3.0 p.m., Address by Mr. WALTER WALSH, Subject: "Reasons for Opposing Ritualism." Scripture Reading before Address, 1 Timothy iv., Mr. J. J. HUNT in the Chair.

6.30 p.m., Mr. W. H. TAYLOR, President, Subject: "The Protestant Angel in Heaven." Text, Rev. xiv., 6-7. Scripture Reading before Sermon, part of Psalm cxix.; Ephes. iv.

Monday, May 11th. Tea and Public Meeting, 6.15. Tea was provided in the Schoolroom at which 72 Members, Friends and Speakers sat down. At 7.45 our President proceeded to the platform accompanied by General Sir ROBERT PHAYRE, G.C.B., Rev. Dr. HAMILTON, Messrs. JOHN KENSIT, G. L. MICKLEBURG, (Church of England); Pastors W. CUFF, PHILLIP REYNOLDS, and G. L. COLLINS (Baptist); Pastor JAMES WHITTLES, Mr. E. WIDDOWSON, and J. J. HUNT, (Free Methodist); A. H. GUINNESS, Esq., CHARLES HASTINGS COLLETTE, Esq., Rev. C. STIRLING, M.A., Messrs. JOB WILLIAMS, T. W. COOK, C. W. BRABNER, and F. WATSON. A well-known hymn was heartily sung, and prayer offered by Rev. C. STIRLING. The Chairman then gave utterance to a few but very important and appreciative remarks. The Secretary, Mr. FREDERICK WATSON, then read the Report. (See Page 5.)

A. H. GUINNESS, Esq., Secretary of the Parent Society, moved the following Resolution:

"That this meeting gratefully acknowledges the goodness of God in sustaining the operations of this Shoreditch Branch of the Protestant Alliance during the year now past, and Resolves that the Report now read be adopted, printed and circulated under the direction of the Committee."

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General Sir ROBERT PHAYRE, was called upon to second the same. Before so doing he read correspondence which the Secretary had received from Lord ROBERT MONTAGU with a donation of £2; Surgeon-Gen. Partridge, £2; Miss H. M. DEAKIN, of Sheffield, £5; also Telegram from T. A. DENNY, Esq., with a promise of £5, each one regretting inability to attend. The General then seconded the Resolution, which, when submitted to the meeting, was unanimously carried.

The Treasurer, Mr. T. W. COOK, then read his Financial Statement, and the Collection was taken.

The Rev. Dr. HAMILTON moved the second Resolution :—

"That the present attitude and work of nearly the whole of the so called 'priests' of the Church of England in Shoreditch is that of Romanist. Such treachery, introduced into what should be sacred soul-saving work is to be deplored and repudiated by every honest Christian man and woman; as by taking Protestant pay to help them to do the work of the apostate Church of Rome, they are imperilling the moral, spiritual, and commercial safety and prosperity of this our beloved Country, for whose Liberty and Freedom from Ecclesiastical bondage and control our Forefathers suffered the loss of all things even to ignominy and death; and that this Meeting pledges itself to do its utmost to maintain for ourselves and our children an Open Bible with the liberty of conscience and speech so dearly bought for us by such Protestant Reformers, as WYCLIFFE, LUTHER, TYNDAL and MELANCTHON, and such Martyrs as LATIMER, RIDLEY, BRADFORD, HOOPER and many others."

The Rev. JAMES WHITTLES seconded the Resolution, which was supported by Rev. W. CUFF, Rev. PHILLIP REYNOLDS, Mr. JOHN KENSIT, and was carried with acclamation.

Mr. C. W. BRABNER moved the Third Resolution :—

"That the hearty thanks of this Meeting be accorded to the President for presiding, to the Trustees of Willow Street Chapel, to the Speakers, including Preachers, Mr. WALTER WALSH and all who have rendered help so as to make the Second Anniversary a success."

This was seconded by Mr. E. WIDDOWSON, supported and put to the Meeting by Mr. G. L. COLLINS, and unanimously carried.

Rev. JAMES WHITTLES closed this successful and memorable meeting with prayer. A prayer sent us from Rev. Dr. GRITTON, of Trinity Chapel, Devonshire Road, we hope has been been answered :—

"May the Saviour of all men, specially of all those that believe, be in your midst with saving power for Romanists, Protestants, and sinners of all sorts. God Save England."—J. J. GRITTON.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

To our Members, Subscribers and Friends.

THE Committee in presenting its Second Annual Report of the Shoreditch Branch of the Protestant Alliance do so in the name of God, for they have again and again gone "with boldness to the Throne of Grace" and sought that divine guidance of His Spirit in the attempts made to maintain our blood-bought Liberties and the cause of Truth as it is in Jesus, our Lord, during the year now past, in this district known as the "Rural Deanery of Shoreditch."

Immediately following the Election of Officials and Committee our 1st Lecture was delivered on July 16th, 1895, by Mr. JOB WILLIAMS, Subject: "The Confessional Unmasked," to an overcrowded school-room of men. (See page 10.)

October, 1895, your Committee's attention was drawn to a public announcement of a three months' Ritualistic adventure in the church of St. Columba, Kingsland Road. They were neither alarmed nor fearful, as it was clear the Shoreditch Protestant Protest had been effective. This Ritualistic effort we understood as an indirect cry "the Church, the Shoreditch Churches are in danger," and a host of full-fledged Romanisers from all quarters, comprising Canons, Bishop, Principals, and a few so called "fathers" came and delivered a course of 16 lectures. Not one of this number was delivered by any of the local clergy.

The Committee issued an important Circular to the Non-conformist Ministers of Shoreditch with a programme of lecturers' subjects, which gave our Protestant Pastors an opportunity to direct the attention of their hearers to what was going on in their midst.

See two page bill annexed giving particulars of lectures at St. Columba. The Faith of Christendom

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September 11th, 1895. Our Second Members' Meeting was held at the Shoreditch Town Hall when a most interesting and instructive paper was read by Mr. W. BULL, entitled: "Refreshing Echoes of the Past."

November, 1895. Two of our number, namely Mr. T. W. COOK ("Protestant Contingent") and Mr. KENSIT, attended a Shoreditch Conference of clergy, called by the Rural Dean at the Shoreditch Church Vestry, at which the Lord Bishop of London was present,—and "peppered" the whole assembly which was "speechless." (See pages 10 and 11.)

December 11th, 1895. A Third Members' Meeting at the Shoreditch Town Hall, when Mr. C. W. BRABNER re-delivered an address by Dr. CLIFFORD, M.A., entitled: "The Renewal of Protestantism." A Resolution acknowledging the value of this Address, to be forwarded to the Rev. Dr. CLIFFORD, was carried.

The early part of the year 1896 this district was threatened with the Ritualistic processions nuisance parading our streets. Your Committee, however, were equal to the occasion, scattering broadcast leaflets headed, "Lent," "Good Friday," &c., &c., the result of which, we rejoice to say, opened the understanding of many who hitherto had thought that these Ritualists were "trying to do good," but are now convinced of their evil practices; and a good number of our Members, with Members of the Protestant Defence Brigade under Mr. JOHN KENSIT, conducted vigorous open-air meetings as a protest. (See page 12.)

The Women's Section have held several Meetings in the Town Hall, the outcome of which is that the Branch has determined to form a Circulating Library as soon as a central and convenient room can be secured. Books in support of our work will be thankfully received by any of the Officers. Already 20 Volumes have been promised.

Tracts and Leaflets, &c., have been freely though carefully circulated throughout these Ritualistic parishes by our friends and members, with very satisfactory results, namely, that children have been transferred from "priestly" schools to those schools where they are taught from an Open Bible; and one of our Nonconformist Pastors has been written to by one of the sacerdotalists protesting against the heretical work we are doing.

The Committee desire to remark that they feel greatly indebted to the Branch Treasurer, Mr. T. W. COOK not only for a continued advance of funds; but that he with a liberal hand has printed and circulated many thousands of leaflets to parents in Shoreditch. He having lived and worked in the district for more than 25 years, feels greatly interested in the maintenance of Protestantism, and this Literature has been read with good results following.

The Committee in conclusion, remind the Members that their Subscriptions are now due, and hope that each one will endeavour to secure additional Members—Subscription 1/- upwards. Also we have a goodly number of a Pamphlet by Mr. JOB WILLIAMS, entitled: "The Power of the Keys." Every Preacher of the Gospel, and every Bible-class Teacher should read it; can be had on application to the Branch Officials, 1d. each, post free 1½d. As a leading Protestant paper, your Committee recommend "The Protestant Observer," which can be had on application to the Branch Secretary, 1/6 per annum post free.

The Speeches delivered at the Conference of Nonconformist Ministers in the Shoreditch Tabernacle, January 1895, are in manuscript, and ready to be printed as soon as funds are forthcoming.

The material facts in connection with the purifying of the water of Jericho,—1 Kings, ii., 2,—combined and contrasted, are suggestive to the mind of the spiritual condition of this district; for if our readers will only visit the Churches of England for themselves doubtless they will be convinced that there is reason in the interest of the children to raise a cry in the language addressed by the men of Jericho to Elisha the prophet of the Lord, and say,—“The situation of this district is pleasant, with a multiplicity of buildings erected for Worship, but, in too true a sense, the water is nought and the ground is barren.”

The Rural Deanery of Shoreditch comprises Twenty-one Churches of England, and we only know of three that are really Evangelical. The following tabulated statement indicates the *supposed* strength of Protestantism in these Shoreditch Churches, but when it is remembered that of the total cost, a mere fraction is all that can be truly said to be devoted to Protestantism, and the rest is surreptitiously used to build up Popery in our midst, this should rouse the people to mournful indignation!

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Rural Deanery of Shoreditch. Rural Dean—Rev. SEPTIMUS BUSS, LL.B., Vicar of St. Leonard's Shoreditch. Ruri-decanal Meetings at Shoreditch Vicarage on Wednesdays, February 26th, May 27th, September 16th, December 16th, 1896.

No.	Benefice.	Incumbent.	Curate.	Value.	Population	Church Accomdn.
1	Shoreditch, St. Leonard.	Septimus Buss, LL.B., 1881.	L. H. Winton, M.A. 1894; F. Rice, B.A. 1895.	£600*††	9,077	1,200
2	Holy Trinity, Old Nichol Street, Bethnal Green.	Arthur Osborn Montgomery Jay, M.A. 1886.	H. B. Williams, 1891.	200	3,092	450
3	St. Agatha, Finsbury Market.	Freeman Crofts Wills, M.A. 1871.	...	200†	1,679	250
4	St. James, Curtain Road.	Alfred Joseph Buss, B.A. 1884.	W. Harris, M.A., 1893.	300*	3,778	400
5	St. Mark, Old Street.	W. B. White, B.A. 1887.	H. W. Gresswell, M.A. 1893.	300*†	3,089	620
6	St. Michael, St. Mark's Street.	H. M. M. Evans, M.A. 1891.	Y. V. C. Griffiths, B.A. 1893; F. Pearks, 1894.	300*†	4,334	800
7	Haggerston, All Saints, Livermere Road.	F. E. Spencer, M.A. 1887.	E. Hounslow, 1889.	450*†	7,908	1,500
8	St. Augustine, York St.	John Nelson Burrows, M.A. 1880.	E. S. Maltby, B.A. 1894.	300*†	6,490	940
9	St. Chad, Nichols Sq.	Wm. Robt. Sharpe, M.A. 1863.	W. B. Rumaon, B.A. 1894.	300*†	6,461	800
10	St. Columba, Kingsland Road.	J. A. LeCouteur, M.A. 1894.	H. C. Williams, 1891; R. Atkins, B.A. 1892.	300*†	6,720	900
11	St. Mary, Brunswick Street.	Alfred Tanner, M.A. 1885.	W. T. Gorman, B.A. 1895; D. J. Cameron, B.A. 1895.	330*†	6,110	1,000
12	St. Paul, Broke Road.	Hugh Wilkinson Goodhart, M.A. 1891.	F. W. Goodban, M.A. 1889.	400*†	7,602	1,200

13	St. Stephen, Goldsmith Row.	George Morris, M.A. 1865.	S. E. Cottam, M.A. 1895.	345†	6,180	600
14	Hoxton, Christ Church, New North Road.	Hy. Plimley Kelly, M.A. 1860.	J. H. Ireland, M.A. 1893.	360*†	6,734	1,000
15	Holy Trinity, Shepherdess Walk.	Jacob Cartmel-Robinson M.A. 1891.	G. F. Crowther, M.A. '95.	300*†	6,520	700
16	St. Andrew, Canal Road.	H. N. Moore, B.A. 1895.	H. Hirst, 1895; E. E. Nickisson, 1895.	300*†	7,365	1,000
17	St. Anne, Hensworth Street.	Wm. Michl. Puttock, 1875.	W. H. Kingdon, 1893.	350†	4,007	700
18	St. John the Baptist, New North Road.	G. P. Pownall, B.A. 1864.	T. Dugard, M.A. 1895; H. Pattison, 1895.	500*††	18,462	2,000
19	St. Mary, Britannia St.	N. J. Devereux, B.A. 1881.	H. E. Bird, 1895; W. M. Hackett, M.A. 1895.	300††	8,508	500
20	St. Peter, Hoxton Sq.	J. L. E. Hooppell, 1895.	D. J. Evans, 1894.	300*†	5,495	600
21	St. Saviour, Penn Street.	Neville Dundas, 1891.	C. W. Coles, '94; A. V. A. Scott, B.A. '95; A. Evans.	350*†	7,874	830
	Shoreditch Workhouse and Infirmary.	Chaplain—T. Hodgson, 1891.		200		

(The foregoing items are taken from "The London Diocese Book, Church Calendar, &c.," 1896). Signifies that there is a house of Residence. † Signifies that the Incumbent receives a grant from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the stipend of a Curate.

IN THE RURAL DEANERY OF SHOREDITCH THERE ARE

21 Churches of England, Incumbents receiving ...	£7,285 0 0 per annum.
*16 Curacies (Value, say, £50 each) ...	800 0 0 "
+22 Additional Grants from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the stipend of Curate—say £50 each ...	1100 0 0 "
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We print the following which was received by the Branch Secretary in connection with our Second Anniversary, because of its distinct statement which is applicable to some 18 of these churches mentioned in the list given on pages 8 and 9.

Bella Vista, Parkside, Beckenham.

May 8th, 1896.

Dear Sir,—I do indeed give you my heartiest sympathy in your work. May your meeting be greatly used to awaken people to the urgent need of resisting to the utmost the demands of Rome. If England is not prepared to give to Rome the domination she demands, it is obviously absurd to be always making concessions. (Charity to false teaching is treachery to God.) I am sorry I cannot be with you. I enclose cheque for £2 towards your work.

W. P. PARTRIDGE.

Some Encouraging Results.

Among those who attended the Lecture by Mr. JOB WILLIAMS, on July 16th, 1895, was one of the Shoreditch "priestly" bachelors who prior to the lecture asked permission to take his seat on the platform, "as he had come expressly to reply at the close." Mr. WILLIAMS welcomed him, but your Committee refused him a seat on the platform, offering him a comfortable seat with those who had come to hear. Doubtless he did hear something from his own authors, which could not but make him reconsider his position, providing that any disposition to do so was left in him. However, no sooner was the Lecture over than a goodly number of men arose and in manly manner asked questions. Satisfactory answers were given, and the place rung again with applause; but not a word from this "cleric;" yea, he "was speechless," and at the earliest convenient moment he buttoned up his coat, gathered up his papers and book, &c., and made his exit. The lecturer did not spare bachelor "priests" whose ambition is to become anglican "fathers."

In our First Annual Report, page 5, we reported that our Treasurer, Mr. T. W. Cook, met the Romish lecturers, face to face on their own platform at our Shoreditch Town Hall, and in this our second we report that Mr. T. W. Cook also met the Lord Bishop of London, the (? R) "catholic Rural Dean" and the clergy of Shoreditch face to face at the Deanery as follows:

"Peppering the Bishop."

An incident occurred a few weeks ago, says *The Ventilator*, in its issue of January last, which, if it had not been inexpressibly sad would have been indescribably comic:—

"We gather from a report in the *Hackney Express and Shoreditch Observer* that on Friday, November 29th, 1895, the Bishop of London

paid his annual visit to Shoreditch,—his Ruri-Decanal visit,—and invitations to clergy and laity were issued to meet his Lordship at the large Vestry of Shoreditch Church. The subject for conversation was announced as "How to deal with children who have passed through the Elementary Schools," and we learn that about 100 persons assembled on this auspicious occasion to meet his Lordship and to discuss the important Question involved in the announced subject, which, according to the report already referred to, was gone through very satisfactorily.

"But this evidently 'rosy' report concluded thus:—'Mr. JOHN KENSIT was present with a strong Protestant contingent and peppered the Bishop with endless queries in regard to Protestantism; but he was promptly suppressed by the Rural Dean and ruled out of order by the Bishop.'"

In connection with this "report" the following letter was inserted in the same paper, signed by "The Contingent," which was no other than the Treasurer of the Shoreditch Branch, Mr. T. W. Cook:—

"Sir,—Will you favour me with space to correct an error in your report of the evening meeting of the above Conference, namely, 'that Mr. JOHN KENSIT was present with a strong Protestant contingent, and peppered the Bishop with endless queries in regard to Protestantism, but he was promptly suppressed by the Rural Dean and ruled out of order by the Bishop.'"

"In the first place the 'strong contingent' was one person only, Mr. KENSIT alone accompanying me. This can be fully borne out by the two churchwardens sitting in the same seat, who as you say, assisted in comfortably seating the audience. Next, the remark as to peppering the Bishop with endless queries on Protestantism is scarcely accurate description or comment upon what took place, for after a personal reference to my own work among both young people and adults in the parish for over twenty years I remarked upon the omission from the speeches of the Clergy present of any reference to the teaching for the children's souls, but for their bodies only. This in my judgment being so important a point to overlook, I asked, 'Does my Lord know that the confessional is set up and taught as the only means by which to secure the forgiveness of sins in some Churches of our parish? that papers headed 'confession' were given to children as well as adults having certain forms of sin mentioned thereon with spaces for answers to be written in whether or no those sins had been committed; such papers to be then taken to the 'priest' who after hearing the confession will absolve. Those papers I told my Lord I had in my pocket.

"I said further Does my Lord know and approve of the rosary being used in certain Churches in the parish as a help to prayer, and I showed one of these rosaries that had come from one of our Churches and which had been so used. I further said, Does my Lord know that the children here are taught that at the ringing of certain bells at the Churches they are to lift their hats and say 'Hail Mary' in honour of the Virgin Mary, and I asked was not this real Popery?"

"This was the so-called peppering of the Bishop with endless questions on Protestantism, which I thought was not so much to do with Protestantism as with Ritualism and Popery. May I add that the Rural Dean did not attempt to suppress what I had to say, for my remarks, imperfect though they were, were listened to quietly till I had done, and not one of the Clergy present attempted to say a word to justify themselves or to deny the accuracy of my

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statements but acted like the man who got into the feast without the wedding garment,—they were speechless.

"If any one says this is not correct, it will be better that the Bishop be respectfully asked to say which is right, this version of my statements, or that you supplied in your paper.

"After my address my friend Mr. KENSIT rose to speak, but was objected to by the Rural Dean, sustained by the Bishop, who intimated that another opportunity might be offered, for which Mr. KENSIT expressed his thanks. —I am, Sir, THE "CONTINGENT."

"Yet these men," remarks *The Ventilator*, "charged to their faces before their Bishop with conniving at and teaching rank Popery, are still taking the salaries provided to pay men to support and teach the Protestantism of the Reformed Church of England: and, says The "CONTINGENT," not one of the clergy present attempted to say a word to justify themselves or to deny the accuracy of my statements but acted like the man who got into the feast without the wedding garment,—they were speechless."

Further comment on this significant incident is needless.

Collapse of Ritualistic Processions.

During Lent it was intended to parade the streets of Hoxton each week by a procession from St. Columba's Church. On their appearance, with raised crucifix and the swinging of incense at the image thereon the Vicar arrayed in red, thus provoking the parishioners and the Jews in particular, they met with severe opposition, and instead of turning out four times during Lent, three nights they deemed it most prudent to stay at home, and it was not till Good Friday evening that they made their second appearance, with cross (*minus* image) and incense, choir boys and the men, and the vicar all arrayed in white. Though the procession was not so provoking yet the opposition was more intense, and but for the extraordinary force of police, the laundress might have been made busy by the great need for the washing of garments which would have been necessary.

The Educational Bill, and the Shoreditch Protest.

December 10th 1895, and May 19th, 1896, meetings were held in the Town Hall, at which resolutions were passed condemning the Bill of the Government as a "Raid on our Board Schools," and demanding its withdrawal till it had been submitted to the people of England. Although these meetings cannot be claimed as directly Protestant work, they were promoted by one of our workers, and five of the speakers were our Vice-Presidents. Though this district is flooded with sacerdotalists and sacramentalists in whose sectarian interests the "Dead Bill" was

promoted not one of them made an appearance to speak in support of the Measure.

A National Protestant Party.

Though not distinctly the work of the Shoreditch Branch Alliance, the Committee feel pleasure in giving prominence to the vigorous principles embodied in the proposal for a National Protestant Party provided by the Protestant Voter's Pledge given on pages 14 and 15, emanating as it does from one of their comrades on the Shoreditch Executive, and having been sent broadcast through the Country from this Shoreditch centre of Protestant activity. The Committee urge our Members to study the paragraphs of the Pledge and earnestly to advocate the out-and-out Protestant Principles therein contained, with a view to influencing their neighbours not only to approve the same but to obtain adherents, supporters and workers in this all-important Cause.

A most notable and monitory fact indicated by the Clergy-List on pages 8 and 9, in the judgment of your Committee, is that nearly the whole of the Shoreditch Clergy have come into this District within the last 10 to 20 years, and that the Popish-Ritualistic developments which have taken place have been thrust upon the people by these new-comers as though by general agreement! This is, however, just how Jesuits do their work and effect their insidious purposes; and this ominous agreement alone should be more than sufficient to open the eyes of the thousands of our too-trusting fellow Protestants to the fact of the presence and activity of these crafty "gentry."

But that is not the worst of it. The people have resented the thrusting upon them of this Popish-Ritualism by neglecting church-going to an awful extent; so that while our 21 so-called Protestant Churches afford accommodation for some 18,000 people to gather for Worship, about two or three of the buildings would comfortably accommodate the whole of the average congregations! Yet nearly £10,000 per year is absorbed in producing the farcical "shows" at these Churches, their unmitigated contempt for which is exhibited by our people *in absenting themselves therefrom*, thus indicating the rebound from Popery which lands the people in irreligion wherever the wicked Apostacy gets a footing!

Your Committee feel too, that such a fact as this should be pondered more than it is by our Nonconformist Ministers. It is not the first time that the point has been definitely brought under their notice by your Committee: WHAT ARE THEY NOW GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

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The PROTESTANT VOTER'S PLEDGE.

For Our God, Our Hearths, Homes, and our Country.



A PROTESTANT PARTY FOR PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNTRY.

I, _____
of _____ in the _____

Division of the Borough of _____ do
Hereby make Solemn PROMISE that I will NOT henceforth VOTE or
WORK for any Candidate,—for Local Boards,—School Boards,—County
Council,—or for a Seat in Parliament,—who will not Pledge himself in any of
the above-named, or other Public Positions or Offices to which he may aspire
and become Elected, to manfully stand by, Maintain, and help to
Advance the

PURE BIBLE PROTESTANTISM OF THE ENGLISH REFORMATION;

INCLUDING THEREIN,

- The Maintenance of the Principles of the Bill of Rights of 1688, holding fast to the Protestant Succession to the Throne of these Realms;
- The Undoing of the Damage to Protestantism caused by the Surrender to Roman Catholics under their false and fraudulent Oaths and Promises, by the Passing of the Emancipation Act of 1829, and the Endowment of Popery thereby;
- The Exclusion of Papists from English Seats in Parliament, and from Governmental positions under the Crown; for the simple reason that no

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PAPIST CAN BE TRUE to the Interests of a Protestant State inasmuch as his avowed principles, teachers and teaching is a dead-blank opposition to National Liberty and Prosperity, both Commercial and Moral;

Revoking the Maynooth and all similar Money-Grants or Payments for the teaching of Popery; no Money-Grants to Roman Catholic Schools unless earned under public examination and public control;

The Refusal, also, to Permit so-called Irish "grievances" or affairs in Parliament or elsewhere to further jeopardize and hinder much-needed English Legislative Progress and long-delayed National Social Reforms;

And the holding in Proper, necessary, and reasonable Control all men, women and things, the well-known and avowed aim and purpose of whom and which,—either personal or relatively, secretly or openly,—is the Damage or Subversion of the Protestantism of these Realms; which has been, is, and still shall be our Defence and Safeguard, so long as it is Honourably Maintained in its Purity, Simplicity and Strength!

And for the better Securing of these my Deliberate Convictions and Purpose I further PLEDGE myself that henceforth,

PROTESTANTISM SHALL BE THE BASIS OF MY POLITICS,

and that I will not support any Political Party in the State to the injury of Protestantism, which is, under God, the Source of and Guarantee for our National Greatness. And further, I will make every effort possible to me both by Moral Suasion and the use of every Constitutional and Legitimate means at my disposal to Persuade and Win my fellow-Voters and Citizens to the endorsement and acceptance of these My Convictions and the voluntarily taking of and subscribing to this My Pledge.

SEEING that the Success and Prosperity of PROTESTANTISM ensures the Benefit and Blessing of all men everywhere, and that Popery everywhere guarantees the very opposite, I Hereby Pledge my determined Opposition to Popery and everything Popish, whether of English Ritualists or of Rome; and I Pray God to Help Me in This My Resolve.

In Witness Whereof I Hereto Sign my Name,—

This _____ Day of _____ 189

NOTE.—The holding of this Protestant Pledge is quite in keeping with working in wisely-directed efforts for the promotion of Municipal, Sanitary, Social, or Temperance Reform inside or outside Parliament; any instalment of either of which or ought else, would be of doubtful value in the absence of a healthy, vigorous Protestant Administrative Control.

Copies of this Protestant Voter's Pledge may be had of C. W. BRABNER, at the Office of THE VENTILATOR, 150, Kingsland Road, N.E.—1d. each, 50 2/6; 100 4/6. Payments with Order.

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Beside the papers issued by the Alliance, Mr Cook has issued a number of leaflets, the first of which was "Have I made a mistake". This & others are given amongst the papers. A local paper called the "Ventilator" is also distributed freely in the district, one copy I have, guarantees a circulation of 7000 & Mr C. says that now they are printing 15000 of which the bulk are used locally.

From one of these I append a statement showing the ritual used at the Shoreditch churches. At 3 of these churches, St Chad, St Augustine and St Columba the "Sarum use" is employed e.g. "they go as far as they can go".

In opposition to these practices Mr C. has been very active - "we must oppose them" says he, and this the more as they tried to get the children from their school. In this connection he issued the bill on next page. ~~13~~

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7	All Saints, Livermere Road.	F. E. Spencer, M.A. 1887.	E. Hounslow, 1889.	450*†	7,908	1,500	7
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14	Christ Church, New North Road.	Hy. Plimley Kelly, M.A. 1860.	J. H. Ireland, M.A., 1893.	360*†	6,734	1,000	14
15	Holy Trinity, Shepherdess Walk.	Jacob Cartmel-Robinson M.A. 1891.	G. F. Crowther, M.A. 1895.	300*†	6,520	700	15
16	St. Andrew, Canal Road.	H. N. Moore, B.A. 1895.	H. Hirst, 1895; E. E. Nickisson, 1895.	300*†	7,365	1,000	16
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I.—Incense used.

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V.—Vestments: Coloured or Linen.

The foregoing items are taken from "The London Diocese Book, Church Calendar, &c," "Tourist Church Guide, 1896-7," and "E.C.U. Directory, 1896."

From "THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND ALMANACK."

E.C.U. stands for English Church Union, which was founded in 1859, and is pledged to work for the restoration of Eastward Position, Vestments, Lights, Mixed Chalice, Incense, and Unleavened Bread in the Communion Service of the Church of England! (*Church Union Gazette*, vol. vi., p. 202.) It has officially advocated, in its Annual Report for 1878, the "restoration of visible communion" between the Church of England and the Church of Rome.

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C.B.S. stands for Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament. It admits both lay and clerical members. A secret "Intercession Paper" is circulated amongst the members every month. The chief objects are the propagation of belief in the Mass and the Real Presence, together with advocacy of Fasting Communion, Prayers and Masses for the Dead, and the Reserved Sacrament.

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Speaking of St Andrews, Canal Road, Mr Cook said that was a 'high' church but the late vicar was imprisoned for indecent ^(sodomy) behaviour with two boys. The scandal was so great that the church was allowed to become evangelical to live down the odium. The congregation was dispersed & this is the reason that the church is not well attended now.

As to Shap Sheet, the clerical party have tried to get the Hall & have bid against them & the rent has been doubled. Mr Cuff asked Mr C. to take it to defeat the machinations of the other party.

St Columba is one of the most advanced and nearest churches to Mr C. is the one he seems to have attacked most & they have replied by bills - embodying their idea of the Church" such as "Where is the House of the Lord"? followed by the answer "The parish church of St. Columba". They ~~can~~ get the children to confess giving them papers with a catalogue of sins and asking them if they have done "all sorts of naughty things even adultery" & then say the priest will absolve them.

Spoke highly of Mr Lovelidge, St Philips, who gives lectures against popery, and rather contemptuously of Father Jay, who prides himself on being able to "send a man to sleep for ten minutes" with a blow. He is a pugilist.

Mr. Cook is a very interesting man. Not guarded in his language but evidently absolutely sincere and earnest in his beliefs. As I came away he took me to his other shop to get the papers & we went into a room upstairs, which he has fitted as a little mission room & has kept for mission purposes during the whole time he has been in business. Asking about the expenses, he said that the teachers gave ¹/₂ a week to Shop St & he gave the rest. God had prospered him in his business & he did not mind giving back his portion.

