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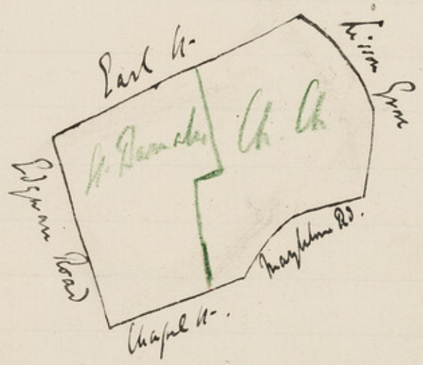


Carlisle St.

Miles Buildings - purple

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Dec. 13th. 1890. Dist 21.

Walk with Police Constable Sowton round District bounded on the North by Earl St. on the East by Lisson Grove on the South by Chapel St and Marylebone Road and on the West by Edgware Road, two parts of the parishes of St Barnabas and Christ Church

Starting at the corner of Earl St. and Edgware Road East to Little Earl St: one house only: light shop.

East to Carlisle St. which has on the West side is lined with blocks of model Dwellings known as Miles Buildings which front too on to Bell St. Sowton said that the blocks south of Carlisle St were known as Bowman's Dwellings that all alike are ordinarily Miles Buildings &c built by the Improved Industrial Dwellings Co. The blocks north of Carlisle St are rather better than those to south, but all are inhabited by respectable wage earners: pink

Manning Place

Suffolk Place

Devonshire St

Devonshire St – lb



in character. Opposite the Philosophy the 3 st. houses in Carlisle St are looking sadly dilapidated, and have apparently felt the influence of the dark blue at their back: they are light blue in purple rather than pink.

Back to Manning Place: 2½ st: paved thoroughfare: broken windows: open doors: drink sodden women at doors: groups of dirty children at back end looking pitch on a brazier over an improvised fire: very poor, mostly one roomed people: dark to light blue in character.

North to Suffolk Place: ~~Exactly~~ similar in build and character to Manning Place but a shade worse: a lot of dirty women at the doors watching an altercation between a lady and the School Board Officer who alleged that "our Eliza" had not been at school for a fortnight. A good many drunken rows in these two streets mostly due to the women. Suffolk Place remains dark blue.

North to Devonshire St: 3½ st: houses. The north side west of Nisson St is wretchedly poor and filthy: all the signs of dark blue which de-

Remarks. On the south side there are signs of improvement: some of the houses near Carlisle St. have been done up, the stucco renewed and repainted an asthetic green but many of the houses are still no better than dark blue. Back of Lisson St. to the street improvers: on the north side are some small shops which look more prosperous than most of them in the side streets: the south side is a good deal mixed, and should probably be lighter rather than dark blue. The dark blue patch backing on Duke St. has gone.

North to Devonshire Place: 2 and 3 sts: nearly all one roomed people: costers' barrows and filth about: hateful women at the windows: very rough and drunken: as bad as Nightingale St. and even viler in appearance. Dark blue lined as black.

Back to Duke St. now entirely taken by Spencer Thorne and Boldero: no one living there.

West to Lisson St.: north of Bell St. this is taken up by the backs of the 2 sts. of models Lisson St. Residences on the west. Christ Church Residences

Devonshire Place

Lisson St.

Lisson St: N of Bell St - lb

Ranston St.

Ranston St – pk

on the east. Both are old dark and gloomy: South said the inhabitants are mostly quite poor: they should I think be light blue rather than purple. South of Bell St the street is more mixed: 3 st. houses with some small shops: purple to light blue. At the south end is a Salvation Army shelter backing into Bourne St.: on this side beds are let at 2d a night and it attracts numbers of loafers and beggars.

East to Ranston St. (late Charles St.): at the north end are two large tenement houses facing on to Devonshire St.: similar to Residence in Dorset St.: light blue in character. South of these the street has been demolished and rebuilt with model 2½ and 3½ st. cottages which belong to and are managed by Miss Octavia Hill & S. H. D. and others called Hanover Cottages and St. Botolph Cottages: red brick, tiled gables etc. South pass the rents are 4s/6 for the smaller cottages. No indications of poverty: quiet in character.

William St. { E W purple pk

William St.

East to William St.: also demolished and now in process of rebuilding: East side completed: 3½ st. red brick artisan flats: three rooms for

George St. - pk

Shroton St. - pk & pk b.d.

Shroton St.

Stafford St.

Stafford St. E. side pk b.d.

12 : the same bitt shops under building on each side. Poor in character.

Each to George St. : also rebuilding in style similar to William St. : poor.

North to Shroton St. (late Stephen St.) : this too is completely demolished and rebuilt : on the north side 3 f.r. tenements much as William St. : poor. On the south side are now middle class Flats Henrietta Mansions with rents of about £50 a year : people keep servants : good in character.

This group of streets, especially Hanover St. and Shroton St. were exceedingly rough but the inhabitants who were cleared out by demolition have none of them returned.

South to Stafford St. : on the East side north of Great James St. is a large 4 f.r. tenement-house adjoining Henrietta Mansions : purple in character. South of Great James St. the street has undergone a complete and unbroken transformation : without any outward appearance of rebuilding the houses have gone from purple to red : the old 3 f.r. houses which had reached the poor tenement stage have been built-

Grove Mews - purple

Lisson Grove

Lisson Grove pk bs

Great James St.

Great James St - pk

Bell St.

Bell Street - pk



out at the back and each floor has been made into a flat for the middle class rents from £30 a year upward.

East to Grove Mews which has been rebuilt and is now used by tradesmen for their carts: pumps to paint rather than light blue.

East to Lisson Grove: mixed shops and 3/2 st. houses with front gardens. Red to paint.

West to Lisson Cottages just north of Great James St.: three 2 st. double fronted cottages: light blue as map.

South to Great James St. which on the north side is almost entirely rebuilt with flats and shops under them: pink in character, except at corner of Bradford St. where there is an unfinished block of flats of superior class. On the south side Great James St. is 3 st. shops, many lit. in tenements over: pink to purple.

West to Bell St.: on north side Bell St. Buildings (entrance under archway) pink rather than purple: on west of Carlisle St. is brick Buildings with shops beneath. On south side Bell St. is as

Burne St

South of Great James St: pink to purple.

South to Redland Mews: Datum here poor and filling than most of the Mews in the neighbourhood: the Corpn Company have part of it: purple on map.

East to Burne St: 3 sides: narrow asphalte paved: poor and rough: light line on map. At the south east end adjoining Edgware Road Station is the other, and unfortunate side of the Salvation Army shelter beds 4d a night. It has been largely used lately by ranks employed in making the Great Central Rly, a very rough lot who have led to many drunken rows in the 'Rose and Crown' the Public House almost opposite. Opposite Edgware Road Station is a row of shops: pink on map.

At the north west of Burne St is Vine Cottages: three 2 St cottages: two occupied by Italian ice cream men: their barrows in the court. Light to dark blue.

South to Chapel St: shops of rather poor class: pink on map. At the corner of Lisson St is a coffee shop long used as a hotbed, but now

Chapel St

Providence Place

Providence Place - lb

Sun Cottages - lb

Harmon St.

Union St.

Union St. - lb



it was prosecuted some time since and attempts to carry it on respectably have failed

North to Providence Place (east of Mission St.) a quadrangle of 2 st. cottages with gardens in front: rabbits, pigeons etc: small houses very squalid: light to dark blue. In this court we came on a squad of sweepers of Mangeltown parish resting from their labours (about 11 a.m.): they were a sorry looking lot.

North to Sun Cottages (also west of Mission St.): five queer little double-fronted 1 st. cottages. Light blue in character.

East to Harmon St.: 2 to 3½ st. houses: very poor and dirty especially opposite the church: mostly one room people. Open doors, yards, children: drink. sodden women. Dark blue as map. At the corner of Union St. is The Shaftesbury Mission and shelter for women: attracts the lowest class: much used by prostitutes: admission (2d).

East to Union St.: 3 st.: mixed shops of the poorest class and dwelling houses: not quite so squalid as Harmon St. but very poor: dark to

Highworth St. - db

Hereford St.

Edgware Road.

General Remarks



light blue. A drapers corner between Shaw and wife going on outside Public House at corner of Harrow St.: large crowd: violent and filthy language.

East to Highworth St.: 3½ St.: Much as Harrow and Union Sts.: patched windows, open doors, dirty etc: dark to light blue.

South to Hereford St.: 3½: better than the previous streets but very mixed: some pink, but not a few indications of dark blue: purple to light blue in character.

South to Whitcham St. facing the railway: ~~blue~~ 2 St. with a small block of 3 St. flats in centre. Some poor light blue houses at East end: but otherwise purple to pink in character.

West to Edgware Road: good class shops throughout: red as usual. The market which is a feature of the road just north of Chapel St. is only allowed at night.

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General Remarks

This, with the preceding walk - (Book 13 & Page ) - completes the Lisson Grove area.

Surveying the district as a whole it augurs still remains exceedingly poor. Indeed north of Devonshire and south of Bell and Great James St. it is scarcely little if at all altered in appearance or character but for the Great Central demolition. The only changes in character which are possibly indicated in these two lists are a downward tendency in the main thoroughfares coloured pink on the map, and, more ~~doubtfully~~ doubtfully, a slight upward movement in the dark blue streets: but with certainly a smaller black element except in Highbridge St. and Devonshire Place, which remain as bad as ever. Some think that there is greater poverty, and to this he traces a great decrease in drunkenness and consequent disorder: though he admits that there is among the population a much larger element of teetotallers from conviction, who are not only law abiding themselves, but are active in rescuing their less sober friends from drunken rows, and conveying them more or less quietly home.

But whether the movement be up or down this area certainly contrasts more unfavourably with any other poor district that I have surveyed with

the police (E.S. Easton on Portland Town). The
indications of poverty and vice are much more
numerous and glaring. The quietude which has prevailed
elsewhere has given place to a good deal of street-life,
and that of generally of an unpleasant character:
almost every public house has had its contingent of
loafers on corner-pavements; in street after street I have
seen dirty and loathsome specimens of womanhood
either sheltering along with heads wrapped in shawls,
(and sometimes with a beer can) or gossipping at
the doors, or hanging out of the windows: quarrelling
and bad-looking lads have been a not uncommon
sight, who obviously have been done on honest day's
work: children who ought to have been at
school have been playing in the streets: the mews
have been conspicuous for filthy dung heaps and
pools of putrid water in their broken pavement:
both in mews and often in streets the costers barrow
has been a frequent object: bowls in streets or
wells or mews have been peeking at the scattered
days and nights: in the side streets the filthy
stucco which forms the exterior of the lower floors

of the most of the houses – (and which is very commonly painted a dark chocolate colour) – is filthy, broken, scrawled with innumerable drawings and hieroglyphics in white chalk: the pavement upon both sides is unpaved like fields on the passage walks, and similar broken places: except in Ryeman Road and Church St. the shops have generally been of a poor character, while in the side streets they have been squalid in their unattractiveness. I do not wish to say that these signs of poverty and vice have been confined to these general districts only that they have been much more common there in other poor districts which I have examined with equal care. One rather conspicuous exception there has been to rather general signs of great poverty – and this has been the children whom I have seen in the streets: they have generally been fairly clad well shod, and healthy looking though often dirty. I am inclined to think though that in a district such as this one does not see the most specimens of childhood: certainly I have had glimpses of some very poor ragged looking little things peering at me from behind the white blind, anaemic,

Scrofulous ophthalmic - the sort of children who are condemned to almost perpetual imprisonment by the absence of books.

None of these unpleasantly ~~conspicuous~~ conspicuous signs of great poverty can extended to the thoroughfares from Edgware Road to Lisson Grove; but these, though still miserably respectable are (with the exception of Great James St.) - tending to a lower level

As to buildings - the prevailing types are two: in the broader streets, ~~xxx~~ than running both north and south and east and west, the houses are generally of 3 or 3½ storeys, of dingy dirty brick sometimes with stucco on the ground floor: in these streets there is generally a small railed space in front, sometimes with an area, sometimes without: in the side streets and courts two storied houses or cottages prevail, generally with a brick upper floor and stucco below: these are nearly always flush with the pavement. In all streets alike the "backs" are of the smallest, and the sanitary arrangements I imagine inadequate.

The houses are of common old, and there is no indication that they were originally badly built: in this respect they compare favourably with Hackney Wick or Highgate New Town: but they have seen their day and are now deteriorating in many cases scarcely fit for habitation even if occupied by a class of tenant who treated them better.

Of the "Models" in the district Miles Buildings are well built but with quite insufficient space and air about them: they are therefore gloomy and forbidding. The Buildings in Hanbury Street are older and less well built: the demolition however of one side of the street for the Great Central has given them ample air and light. The Buildings in Dorrson St are of the worst type: dark, gloomy, insanitary.

Some of the above remarks as to poverty or the character of the houses apply to that part of the district between Dronsheim St and Great James St which has recently been rebuilt or is now rebuilding. Here both buildings and inhabitants are of a totally different character to the rest of

the Iron with the exception of Police Buildings.
I have noticed also that the people displaced in this area and by the Great Central clearance are no longer to be found in the Grove or in Shenchiff Gardens: Some think that most of them have gone to Kensal Rise, Kilburn, and Child's Hill.

Of common lodging houses we have passed four or five: with the exception of the one in Little Iron St. Some has spoken of them all as quiet and decent.

Some has I think pointed out three working mens' clubs - two in Bell St.: both these are of rather doubtful character, and one of them has once been raided.

Throughout the main streets there are a number of small Coffee Shops: the majority are respectable but all those which at nights are used by prostitutes: as I have said one has been closed, and at least one other prosecuted. Some says there are certainly fewer prostitutes living in the district than there used to be, but many promenade about Edgware Road Station.

As to drink - it is said the great sin of the district especially among the women who are much worse than the men. The publicans with the possible exception of one make every effort to conduct their houses respectably.

As to crime - there is a good deal of domestic brawling, and of petty theft, for which lads are mainly responsible. There are no "high class" thieves in the district, none of the type met with in Hoxton or St. Anne's.

Except in the very poorest streets the roadway has generally been well kept: in that respect there is none of the filth which one sees for instance at Hackney Brick.

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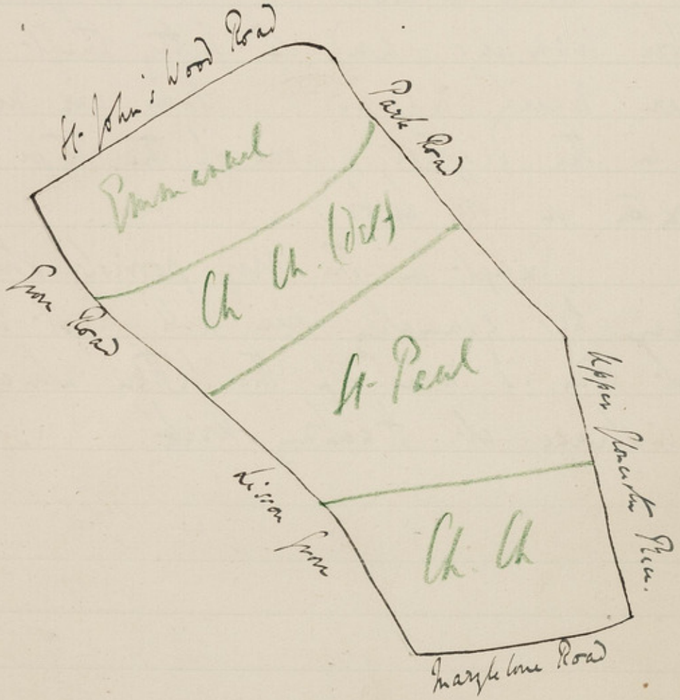


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Wednesday. Dec. 14th. 1898. Dist. 21

Walk with Constable Sowter round district bounded on the north by St. John's Wood Road on the East by Park Road and Upper Glocester Place, on the South by Marylebone Road and on the West by Lisson Grove and Grove Road being parts of the parishes of Emmanuel, Christ Church and St. Paul.

Starting at the corner of Lisson Grove and Marylebone Road West to Harewood St: there are now no residences on the West side: on the East side is the new Great Central Hotel which extends East to Great Quebec St. now to be called Great Central St. North of Marylebone Road. The Hotel takes the whole of Glocester Mews: behind it is a new street on the site of Malcomb Place fronting the terminus which takes Harewood Sq. and Blandford Mews West to Harewood Place: pric £1/2 st. houses, let in furnished apartments and tenements: pric

Lisson Grove

Byron St - purple

Sherlock St

Blandford Sq

Blandford Square - pk

hand as map.

North to Johns Yard : a mews, all cobbs. very ill paved : dirty : light blue as map.

North to Hazer Place : 2 st houses with front gardens : best working class : pink as map.

North to Little Union Place : two houses only : pumpkin as map.

Lisson Grove South of this point is mixed shops and 3½ st houses mostly let in tenements : pink as map. Just North of Little Union Place is Portman Buildings a large modern block of models of good class : pink as map. They front on to Broadley Terrace.

East to Byron St : 2 st : some signs of poverty : a rather doubtful pink.

East to Sherlock St : 3½ st : all let in tenements : a good pink as map. The east side of the street has been taken down and the road widened by the gas Central Ry.

South to Blandford Sq : the east side has gone for the gas Central : the large 4½ st houses on north and south are still standing but have

Sherburne Place - lb

Broadley Terrace

Bridport St. - purple
Brand St. - purple



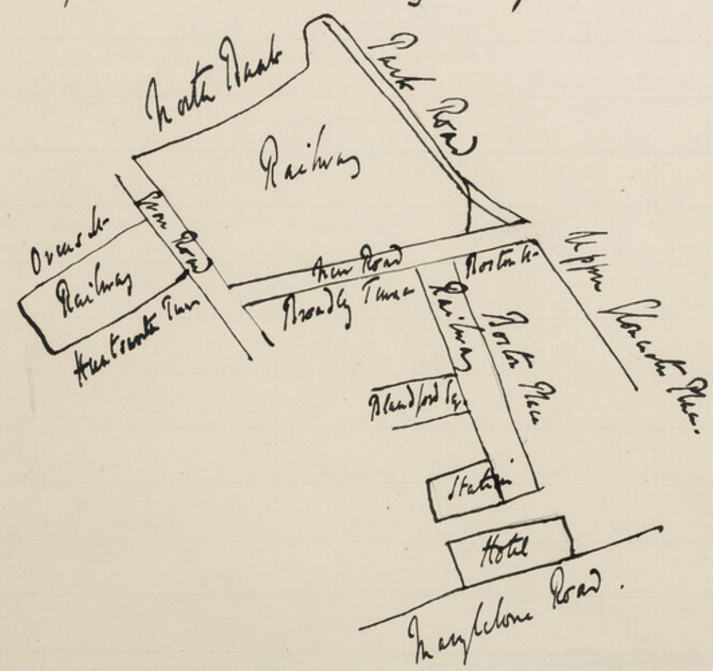
lapsed from yellow to pink or purple: there is indeed great difficulty in letting them at all and "anything here comes in". During the summer the Railway Co. opened the square to children.

North to Sherburne Place: 2 st: mostly small shops: no longer a through fare, the Railway having taken the whole of Dorchester Place and one side of Dorset Place. Purple to light blue in character.

North to Bridport St., Brand St. and Broadley Terrace: all 3 fr st: These were good middle class and artisan streets: but the great Central took them and all the old tenants left with compensation: since then they have been "let-anyhow": for a long time they were inhabited largely by navvies at work on the line, a very rough lot. The work being nearly over most of them have gone, and a quieter lot have taken their place. They are now purple in character, Broadley Terrace being a shade better than the other two. The north side of Broadley Terrace is gone and the northern end of the two streets. Here is the great new road made by the Company over their line: it-

Great Central demolitions

Runs from Lisson Grove - leaving the south side of St. John's Place - to the junction of Upper Gloucester Place and Park Road. The houses on the southern side are left - but north of the road to Lisson Grove is gone up to North Bank with the exception of Nile St. and the houses facing on Park Road, i.e. from Road, East side Omega Place, Boscobel Gardens, Bute Place, Boscobel Place, Alpha Road, Alpha Place, Acorn Gardens, Iron Gardens. The following map shows the characters roughly



S. John's Place - purple

North Bank

St. John's Wood Road

Oak Tree Place - lb
Fairlop Place - lb
S. John's Wood Rd - red

West to St. John's Place: only two houses left: on south side: purple rather than light-blue of map.

North to North Bank: detached and semi-det. villas in gardens: those at the west-end are respectable but the small semi-det. villas at the east-end are & universally inhabited by prostitutes, and have been for years, sometimes one, sometimes two in a house: things are conducted very quietly: the houses are not known as in any sense as brothels, though at one time some of the larger houses here and in Lodge Road were open brothels, but these were suppressed: about five houses on each side both here and in Lodge Road have gone for the Railway.

North to Lodge Road: similar in build to North Bank but more respectable, though some prostitutes here too at east-end.

The Mews in Oak Tree Road &c:- Oak Tree Place and Fairlop Place are light-blue rather than pink of map.

North to St. John's Wood Road: villas in gardens: some down at east-end for railway.

Park Road

Park Rd red & pk bl

Hill St - purple

Boston St - pk

Boston Mews - lb

Balcombe St

Upper Park Place - pk

yellow to rd.

Back to Park Road: villas in gardens: always a rather doubtful yellow and now probably rd.

Of the roads out of Park Road the first is Vining Villas 3½ st.: furnished apartments: rd on map: and a small bit of Dome Gardens: pic 3½ st. houses: rd on map.

South to Hill St: 2 and 3 st.: some small shops: pink to purple in character.

South to Boston St: 3 st.: small shops: pink to purple.

South to Boston Mews: dirty and poor: light blue rather than purple.

West to Balcombe St: 4½ st.: mixed stock of furnished apartments and tenements: pink on map.

Back to Bishops St (late Edward St): 3 and 3½ st.: better north than south of Upper Park Place: purple to light blue.

Upper Park Place: small shops: pink rather than rd. One almost dark blue house next to Hunter north Mews.

Huntsworth Mews - lb

Dorset Sq

Dorset Mews - lb

Taunton Mews - lb

Boston Place

General Remarks



East to Huntsworth Mews : cat yard : light blue rather than purple.

East to Upper Gloucester Place : 4½ st : rears all furnished apartments of good class : red as map.

South to Dorset Sq : 4½ st : yellow as map.

South to Dorset Mews : light blue rather than pink.

North to Taunton Mews : off Balcombe St : light blue rather than pink.

West to Boston Place : north of Upper Park Place 2 st. houses : purple to light blue in character. South of Upper Park Place stables : light blue to purple. West side down for facing.

South to Marylebone Road : 4½ st : into long front gardens : red as map.

General Remarks.

The changes in this district - which are confined almost entirely to the area between the railway and Marylebone St - are due to the general

accidental cause of the demolitions for the railway: there is no reason to suppose that their stock and Wandsworth Sq would otherwise have fallen in the social scale: except in the mews most of which are light-class as people rather than pink I do not observe elsewhere any signs of decay. The district is a complete contrast to disson Sqm: there is present no doubt in Dorset Place Devonshire & and Hunterworth Mews but for the signs of squalor which are so common in disson Sqm. But for the prostitutes in North Bank the district is quite respectable, and is perfectly quiet.

Discussing the question of prostitution with South with reference to North Bank: he said that there was many more prosecutions of disorderly houses than there used to be: but he thought of anything the number of women in the streets had increased

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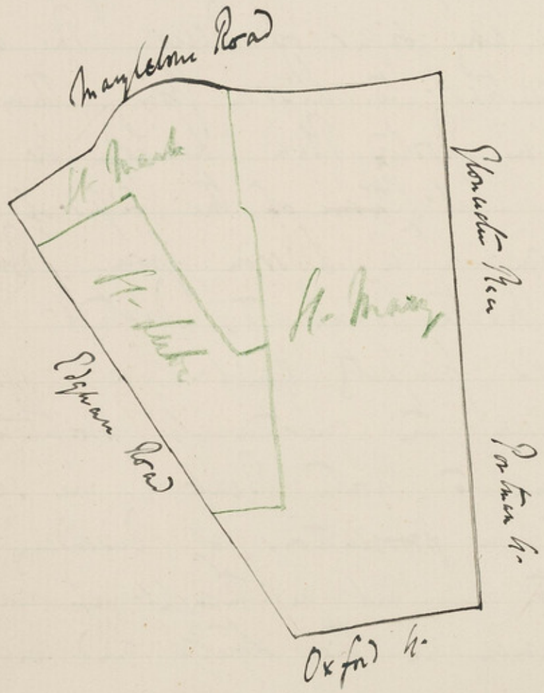


Hyde Park Mansions - red

Oxford & Cambridge —"—"—

Watson's Mews - lb

Homer Row - purple



Western 22

Thursday, Dec. 15th and Friday, Dec. 16th. 1892. Dist. 22:

Walk with Police Constable South round district bounded on the north by Chapel St. and Marylebone Road, on the east by Gloucester Place and Portman St., on the south by Oxford St. and on the west by Edgware Road, being the parishes of St. Mark and St. Luke, and part of the parish of St. Mary.

Starting at the corner of Edgware Road and Chapel St. east to Hyde Park Mansions and Oxford and Cambridge Mansions: blocks of flats, some of the finest in London: yellow to red.

South to Marylebone Road: 3/4 st. with front gardens; paint as map.

South to John St.: 3 st.: shops and tenements: paint as map.

North to Watson's Mews: light blue rather than pink.

North to Homer Row: 3/2 st.: fair working

Homer St

Freshwater Place - purple.

Seymour Place

Seymour Place - pk.

class but showing tendency to decay: purple to pink.

East to Homer St: 3 to 3½ st: some small shops: much as Homer Row: purple to pink. At the south west end there is a large block of ~~flats~~ Dwellings, facing on to Cranford St called Cranford St. Dwellings: on the opposite side a clearance has been made for a similar block.

West to Freshwater Place: a small court of 3 st. buildings with diminutive open space in front: largely inhabited by Irish women: light blue to purple.

East to Little Harcourt St: one tenement pink as map. Backs on Stingo Brewery.

North to Harcourt St: 3 to 3½ st: shops and tenements: pink as map.

East to Seymour Place: a very long street coloured purple on map and is coloured as a whole is still probably purple: it is poorer in the middle than at either end and should probably be pink: north of Cranford St and South of Upper George St it is a mixture of shops and tenements with a few genteel apartments. At the north east end is The Church Army Coffee Shop ~~and~~ doss, Scotch says,

Wilton St-

Circus St-

Circus Mews- lb

Wyndham St-

a splendid trade.

East to Upper Place : queer little 1 st. houses. light blue or buff.

North to Warwick St- : 2 to 2½ st : light blue or buff.

Similar is Warwick Place to the west. Here there streets form a decent little light blue colony.

East to Circus St- : 3 to 3½ st : mixed, some houses very poor : others well-to-do : pinks to pink. On the east side is the "Circus Lodging House" : quiet : it is located in what was once a Dancing Saloon.

East to Circus Mews : not marked on map : 4 tenements : coffee houses : light to dark blue.

East to Wyndham St- : mixed better and lower middle class : pink on map. At the south west end is new block of flats, Byzantine Mansions and at the south east York St- Ladies Residential Chambers, both facing to York St-. Red in character.

East to ~~Park~~ Knox St- (late John St- North). 3½ st : slight signs of deterioration : pinks to purple.

Gloucester Place

Crawford St-

Crawford St – pk bd

Montague Mews North - purple

Wyndham Mews - lb



East to Great Quebec St: 4½ st: shops and tenements: print ex map.

East to Salisbury Mews and Bourne Place: 2 tenements only: impossible to print.

East to Gloucester Place: 4½ st: to the south the houses are occupied by one family and are yellow, but north of Crawford St there are many lodging and boarding houses and it is portland red.

West to Little Dunraven St: a mews with a few stables: light blue ex map.

West to Upper Montagu St: 4½ st: lodging houses: red ex map.

North to York St: 4 st: shops, mostly let off floors: print ex map.

South to Crawford St: 4 st: mostly shops of good character: red to print.

South to Montagu Mews North: Cabs and living stable: purple rather than print.

West to Wyndham Mews: Cabs: light blue rather than print.

West to Wyndham Place: 4 st: lodging houses: red ex map.

Croydon St.

Croydon St. - purple

Horace St. which "Cater Bay"

Horace St. - db



West to Segmore Yard, out of Segmore Place: a mews: cabs: light. like as map.

West to Croydon St.: 2 and 3 st. Mixed shops and tenements: poor: some one roomed dwellers: one dark blue house: light. blue to purple.

South to Upper Dorset St.: 3½ st. Mixed shops and tenements: some prostitutes living here, but quite quiet: purple as map.

North to Tooley Court, (south out of Crawford St.): only one tenement, a mews. Thames Army Depot on west side.

West to Shouldham St.: 3½ st.: purple as map.

West to Molyneux St.: 3½ st: purple as map. On west side is a Common Lodging House. decent and quiet.

West to Horace St.: on west side 4½ st. dwellings of the richest type with two small cottages beyond them: on the east 3 st. houses little if at all better than the Dwellings: the houses only extend about half way down the east side. This street is known to the police and inhabitants

as "Cato Bay": it was originally Cato St. notorious for the Cato St. Conspiracy early in the century: it used to be an awful place, but Souter says it is now much better and gives the police little trouble: the inhabitants he says are wretchedly poor. In spite of Souter's opinion there are many signs of drink & not of crime: broken patched windows, filthy curtains, women who are obvious drunkards. At the south end of the street was an evicted 'home' consisting of a bed a small table, one chair, and five pictures: it would, Souter said, be conveyed to the Stone Yard and stored till the owners claimed it. When I paid the street a second visit there, the doctor knew it was gone. At this time there were many children in the street; as usual they seemed far better than the women I saw: fairly clad and shod. On Souter's report the Black Line would go from Horace St.

West to Rennham St.: 3 to 3½ st.: purple as map.

South to Queen St.: 4½ st.: a few shops: power east of Rouldham St.: pink as map.

Queen St.

Little Queen St. - purple

Queen's Terrace - purple

Brown St.

Moore St.

Moore St - lb

Stourcliff St

Stourcliff Street - purple



South to Little Queen St. : 20 dwellings on west side on south of Hartford Place : on east side 9 H. : light blue rather than pink.

East out of Little Queen St. is Queen's Terrace : 4 H. Dwellings : light blue rather than pink. Some prostitutes and semi-prostitutes (i.e. girls who have trades doing the day living here.

South to Hartford Place : 4½ H. : tenants and furnished apartments : pink on map.

East to Brown St. : 3 H. : shops and tenements : purple to pink.

West to Moore St. : 2 H. on north side : on south side lab yard and 3 tenements on : quiet decent people : no signs of squalor except in one house on south : light rather than dark blue.

South to Upper George St. : 3½ to 4½ H. : some private, some lodging houses : red on map.

South to Bird's Mews : pink on map.

South to Stourcliffe St. : 4 St. : working class tenements : some prostitutes : pink to purple. The ground plan of our map is wrong here. There are no inhabitants in the list of the streets which runs south of from Upper

Upper Berkeley St.

Upper Berkeley St - W of Seymour Place - red

Bryanston St.

Bryanston Street - red

Grape St. on the east side.

South to ~~the~~ Upper Berkeley St.: 4 1/2 st. Mixed street of private and lodging houses, the latter at the west end. Whereas in the poor streets which run eastward from Edgware Road the tendency is to improve at the west end, with the rich streets we find the opposite tendency, and most of them at the west end have many lodging houses, all of a good class. Upper Berkeley St. is probably red west of Seymour Place: the rest yellow on map.

South to Hampden Gurney St.: mainly mews and terraces: only two or three tenements: pink on map.

South to Seymour St.: as Upper Berkeley St.: yellow to red.

South to Bryanston St.: some private houses but more lodging houses and private hotels: red rather than yellow. On the south side the Synagogue has become "The First Church of Christian Science".

Cumberland Mews to the south is at present uncharacterised. It is a private mews.

Great Cumberland Place

Old Quebec Street - red

Portman St: S of Bryanston St - red

Montague Mews South - purple

East to Great Cumberland Place: yellow as map.
East to Old Quebec St: many lodging houses: red to yellow.
East to Portman St: lodging houses south of Bryanston St: should be red. Yellow to north.
North to Berkeley Mews: pink as map.
West to New Quebec St: 4 shops of fair class: pink to red.
West to Quebec Mews: pink as map.
West to Great Cumberland Mews: pink as map.
North to Wyndham Mews (late North Cumberland Mews): pink as map.
East to Homewick Mews: pink as map.
North to Montagu Mews South: carts and cabs: light blue rather than pink.
East to Montagu St: 4½ st.: yellow as map.
West to Alexton Yard (south exit of Upper Seo. St). a mixed mews: purple to pink.
West to Bryanston Place: stables facing on Upper Seo. St.: not coloured on map.: pink.
North to Bryanston Mews: mixed private and trade: pink to purple.

Byrneston Sq.

General Remarks



Yard. to Byrneston Sq. : yellow as map.
Yard. to Montagu Mews West. (late Byrneston Mews West.) : pink as map.
Yard. to Montagu Sq. : yellow as map.
Yard. to Gloucester Mews West. : mixed mews : purple to pink.
Yard. to Byrneston Mews East. and Byrneston Mews West. : both pink as map.

General Remarks

A very mixed district : great wealth and great poverty side by side : the two dwellers in Byrneston Sq. could almost throw a stone into Horace St. Judging from our maps there is very little change either among rich or poor : there is now rather too much yellow, but this I fancy was a mistake in the first instance as Old Quebec St. for instance, has for many years been a lodging street. At the other end of the scale the two dark blue streets Moore St. and Horace St. seem to have improved, the one in actual material comfort, the other morally & the possible loss

of dirty black lace. Another feature of the district which seems to indicate is that a good many of the houses are showing signs of decay and are being given over to cabs and livery stables: this might seem to indicate less wealth in the yellow streets but the more probable explanation is that it becomes less and less necessary for people to keep a carriage in order to be in the social swim.

Except in Hoxton St. which is a typical Germanic bit of London from out of its place, I have seen scarcely any signs of squalor. In the numerous purely streets to the west of Seymour Place there are indications of a good deal of poverty, but mostly of the genteel respectable kind.

I discussed with Sutton the question of betting, which he says is constantly on the increase; though the working man always loses in the long run and the bookmaker thrives: but it is exceedingly difficult to catch the bookmaker, and when caught to get a conviction.

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Interview with Superintendent Dodd of the S. division of Police.

Supt. Dodd is a man of about 50: tall, rather handsome: gray hair and moustache. Exceedingly courteous, pleasant and almost cultivated in manner, but drops his th's freely, and is frequently ungrammatical in his speech.

The S. division comes the largest area of any in London, going as far north as Finchley. Of our districts it includes the whole of 20 and 21 and a ~~small~~ part of 18, viz the part bounded on the East by Chalk Farm Road, High St. Camden Town, Prince of Wales Rd. and Sygmore St.

This part of London is on the whole wonderfully law-abiding and gives the police little trouble. Ireland especially as to the women which on our map has a large element of

Black Notes to the Jim Dodd thought that there was now no protection for the black; the people were poor and drink too freely but there is no crime there, and no prostitutes: there is no comparison between this area and such streets as Dorset St. and Great Pearl St: it is miles above them. Indeed little Georg St. on the other side of ~~Euston~~ Hampstead Road is in everything rather worse than Hatton St: the one has gone up, the other gone down.

Questioned as to what becomes of those who are evicted from such areas § demolition or the extension of business premises, Jim D. thought that most of them went outside London to Edmonton, Tottenham etc: he does not think that they form such evil colonies in their places as in London, partly because they are scattered and mixed with a decent population, & partly because they have more air and space and have a better chance of living human lives: he is all for the policy of breaking up and scattering bad areas.

As to drink - there has been a great decrease of, not perhaps drinking, but certainly drunkenness: "go and look at Hampstead Heath on Bank Holiday" said Mr D. "and compare it with what it was 20 years ago: or walk in the streets on Saturday night." As to the alleged increase among women it is not a fact: the true way of putting it is that drink has decreased among men but not among women, or at all events not in the same degree. As to children and young people they scarcely drink at all, but Mr D. would welcome and believe that publicans would, by legislation which would prevent parents from sending children under say 13 for drink. The giving of treats to children is a most uncommon practice, only resorted to by publicans whose trade is at the lowest ebb.

The modern publican is of a totally different type to the men of 20 years ago with his white hat and black band and his bull dog: the dressed prize fighter type. The publican now is usually well educated, and a very respectable and a keen man

of business, who can keep his own accounts in proper order. It is fully evident that it is to his interest that the law should be strictly observed in his house, the danger of any infraction is so great: quite apart from the police there are often always watching for him to trip, and he will do all he can to prevent the serving of drunken men: nearly all the drunken men one sees in the streets have got drunk in clubs; not that drunken men and women are not served in public houses, but it is usually in a crowd when the liquor is passed back to them by some friend. I hinted to Mr D. that in the course of our enquiry he often heard allegations that the police were in the pay of the publican: he admitted that there might be cases but denied that it was a common practice. Expressing himself however in rather guarded language. "I assure you that there is nothing for which you can call bribery." Even if the publican paid the constable, he said, it would be of no avail in case of illegal conduct, as it would be necessary to to

with the superior officers up to and including the superintendent who knows well the character of every house in his division. Even admitting a substratum of truth in the allegations it would be futile to take the supervision of licensed houses out of the hands of the police: unless you paid salaries enormously greater than those of the police you would not get a class of men who would be less susceptible to temptation. "Tell me this," said Mr D. "you would then get a body of men who would do the work much more efficiently than it is done now."

As to prostitution - there are a good many prostitutes in the southern part of the division, especially about Albany St: ("you will always find that the women cluster about Barracks" said Mr D.) but they are a rule live in their own rooms and cannot be touched by the police. Actual brothels there are few. As to the policy of prosecuting brothels - the police, under the initiation of the local authorities, are at present very active, but

P. S. On the question of prostitution Mr Dodd noted that though there was no real decrease in the number of women yet it is less on the surface than it used to be: "when I was a constable in the East End" he said "I used to see the couples standing two or three deep outside a house waiting for their turn to go in."

it is simply like "displacing water." Nothing will ever decrease prostitution except regulation which would act as a protection not only to the virtuous man who is now solicited in the street but also to the virtuous girl: if you want to decrease it "you must treat it like small pox or any other infectious disease, isolate it."
A very large proportion of girls who go wrong are led astray by meeting an old pal in the streets: "Sally Smith who is a good looking girl out of work with her boots down at heel and her clothes of the poorest meets Jenny Jones dressed up to the nines, and it's "why Jenny, wherever did you get that clothes"? Jenny explains how she got the clothes and it is more than likely that Sally follows her example: for this reason much more than as a protection to the male Mr D. would isolate the prostitute.

No to clubs - there are no notorious gambling or disreputable clubs in this division. At Blackheath however there is a great deal of street betting, and how to deal with the bookmaker is a much

stiffer question than how to deal with the publican: the present method of small fines is quite futile: indeed & admitting the men and his "pitch" it actually increases letting: here again, recognising gambling as inevitable Mr D. is almost inclined to recommend a policy of licence and control but does so with much more hesitation than in the case of prostitution: "it might be a great failure": "but if you are going for suppression you must send the lookmakers to prison: he would like that".

Crime, and especially crimes of violence, is decreasing: the population is becoming more orderly and less brutal. As to criminals - Mr D. has a ~~theory~~ theory that they are recruited to quite a wonderful extent from abnormally short and small men: men in fact whose stature is a bar to their success in other walks of life.

District covered.

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Walks with Police Constable Waterman round district bounded on the north by Regent's Park, on the east by Regent's Park Portland Place and Regent St. on the south by Oxford St. and on the west by Park Road Upper Gloucester Place Gloucester Place and Portman St. being the parishes of St. Marylebone, St. Cyprian and St. Thomas and parts of the parishes of Holy Trinity and St. Paul's.

Starting at the corner of Oxford St. and Portman St. north to Granville Place: 5½ St.: yellow to ~~as~~ map.

North to Portman Mews South: pink as map.

North to Portman Sq: 4½ to 5½ St.: yellow as map: as the residence of a Royal Duchess is the most fashionable ~~the~~ square north of Oxford St.: probably the only one which is still really fashionable.

George St-

North to Portman Mews South : pink as map.

North to George St- : 3½ d. : Mixed shops and furnished apartments : red as map.

North to Keir's Place : 3½ d. : narrow, gloomy : small houses : good artisans and lower middle class : pink as map.

West to Little George St- : 2 H. houses on each- Mews on west- : pink to purple in character.

North to King St : 4½ d. : shops &c. for the most part- : red as map.

North to Gloucester Mews West- : pink as map.

North to Dorset St- : shops and furnished apartments : probably pink based rather than pink of map.

North to Clay St- : a Mews : cabs and livery stables : light- blue on purple rather than pink.

East to Spring St- : this street- was said was very rough : it is now completely rebuilt with costly flats, Montague Mansions, running back

Dorset St-

Dorset St - pk bd

Clay St purple

Spring St-

Spring St - red

Crawford St-

Spring Mews- purple

Durweston Mews - lb

Bickenhall Mansions

Bickenhall Mansions - red



into Clay St- and Dorset Mews : rents from £50 upwards. Red in character

East to Dorset Mews : none untenanted : backs of shops in Baker St-

North to Crawford St- : 4½ st- : shops : red to pink.

North to Spring Mews : cabs : light-blue rather than pink.

East to Upper Spring St- : 4½ st- : much as King's Place : pink as map.

East to Durweston Mews : cabs, fowls etc. light-blue rather than pink.

North to York St- : 4½ st- : all lodging houses : red as map.

The whole of the block north of this, bounded by Marylebone Road, York Place, York St- and Gloucester Place has been demolished and rebuilt with two huge blocks of 6½ st- flats, Bickenhall Mansions, as yet incomplete : no doubt red in character. York Mews which they have displaced bore a rough character

North to Alsop Mews : the south side

New St. Mews

New St. Mews lb & purple

Glentworth St.

Park Lane - lb

Regent's Park Terrace



is almost unoccupied but for the Horse Dogs' Brigade on the north are 3 and 2 st. houses including St. Gyles's Home for the Aged: purple as map.

North to Little Park St.: 2 and 3 st.: purple as map.

North to New St.: 4 st.: small shops and tenements: pink as map.

North to New St. Mews: the roughest Mews on the ground: gives a good deal of trouble to police: lights blue rather than purple. The pink patch at the north end is a block of models: purple rather than pink.

East to Glentworth St. (late Park St.) 3½ st: very mixed: purple as map.

East to Park Lane: 2 st. on west: mews on east: possibly lights blue rather than purple.

North to Park Road: shops and lodging houses: red to pink not yellow of map.

North to Albert Terrace: yellow as map.

East to Harrow Mews: pink as map.

East to Harrow Terrace which with Mews Place, Clarence Terrace, Cornwall Terrace, York-

Sussex Mews - purp.

Alsop Place - pk b.d

Cornwall Mansions - pk b.d

Cornwall Mansions

Mews B C & D - purple

Portsea, Marylebone Road has on the north Ulster Place on the north and Harley Place on the south: red as map.



Terrace Brunswick Place York Gate and Park Square, is pink yellow as map.

West to Sussex Mews: mixed cats and private: purple rather than pink.

South to Clarence Mews: pink as map.

South to Cornwall Terrace Mews: pink as map.

Opposite on the other side of Alsop Place is Cornwall Mansions a block of gloomy flats: pink to red: pink on map. The pink patch on the East has gone for extension of Madame Tussaud's.

East to York Terrace Mews: pink as map.

In York Terrace East of York Terrace Mews are Mews B, C, and D not marked on map: strange old places with galleries round: yard like the courtyard of an old Inn. C Mews is pink, B. and D. purple in character.

East to Park Sq. Mews: pink to purple: pink on map.

West along Marylebone Road past Harley

Portman Mansions

Portman Mansions - red

East St. Buildings

East St Buildings - pk

Houses now a Convent with Chapel built in garden, to Nottingham Terrace: 4½ st.: Lodging houses: red as map.

West to York Place: 4½ st.: all Lodging houses or schools (Bedford College): red as map.

The corner, Eastward between ~~York~~ York Place and the Workhouse is transformed. East St. now runs straight through into Marylebone Road, and David St. is gone: new on each side are large blocks of good middle class flats, Portman Mansions; red in character. York House North (late David House) is left, but with only one tenement. The whole of the people here is therefore cleared away on the East side, and on the West about 2 yds of the way to Paddington by a few 3 st. houses left in tenements being left at the Southern end: pink to purple in character. ~~Next~~ Houses of similar character, with shops below, continue South in East St. between Paddington St. and Dorset St.: South of Dorset St. and there on both sides are large blocks of Models, East St. Buildings, with shops below on either side: very gloomy and with no court in back: pink to purple in character.

Baker St.

West to Baker St: good class shops tri-angular: red as map.

Between East St and Baker St. Dean Forte Mews West: light blue pattern then pink; Dorset Mews and Blandford Mews: both pink as map; but on the west side both these mews are now almost given up to business premises for shops in Baker St. while on the east the tenements are only scattered.

South to Blandford St: 4 st: shops, mostly letting alone: pink as map.

South to Kendall's Mews: unoccupied on west: on east two green old-fashioned houses, family shops &c: purple to pink: purple on map.

Also south out of Blandford St is a small unnamed court: one 3 st house only: squalid and dirty: light blue as map.

South to George St: shops and apartments as before: red as map.

South to Adam St: 4½ st: lodging house with a few tenements: red as map

South to Baker's Mews: pink as map.

George St.

Somerset St.

Oxford St.

Gray's Inn Rd.

South to Lower Berkeley St.: 4 1/2 and 5 1/2 st.: yellow as map.

South to Seymour Place: pink as map.

South to Lower Seymour St.: Mixed dwellings and lodging houses with a few shops and business premises: red as map.

South to Somerset St.: 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 st.: lodgers and shopkeepers, servants etc. Red as map.

~~South~~ to Orchard St.: 4 1/2 st.: shops: red as map.

South to Oxford St.: good class shops throughout: red as map. (As a matter of fact I imagine that few of the shopkeepers live in Oxford St.: the upper parts are either (1) unfurnished or (2) furnished & the shop assistants, i.e. Marshall and Snelgrove or (3) by a caretaker or (4) let out as chambers.)

Back to Duke St.: 3 to 4 st.: shops: red as map.

North to Gray's Inn Rd., west out of Duke St.; mixed round three sides of a quadrangle: 3 st.: at west end "Gray's Inn 1767".

James St.

Out of ~~Gray~~ St on west is Gray's Yard: one house [illegible]: light to dark blue. At the end of the Yard is a Mission with Lodging House attached.

Grays Yard - db
James St - pk

Gee's Court



very low and rough: a great many Irish: a good many American vows: most of the doors open but few broken windows: light to dark blue: dark blue on map.

Back to Gray St.: on north side large double fronted houses once yellow: now let in tenements light blue to purple: on south ½ st. houses next to Board School: purple as map.

Back to James St.: 4 st.: shops of fair class, but mostly let alone: pink to purple, purple on map.

South to Barrett St.: mixed 4 st. houses and block of model at extreme south east corner purple as map. The Buildings which are lower than the rest of the street are coloured on the map as part of Gee's Court.

South to Reid St.: S.P.O. now takes the west side: east side 3 st.: pink as map.

Back to Gee's Court: 3 st.: two Common Lodging Houses: one on west, one east. Oxford Chambers and Court Chambers: both fairly clean according to Watchman: but the whole court is

Christopher Place

Welbeck St.

Marylebone Lane

Marylebone Lane - pk

squalid and grimy: three women of the most debased type standing at doors: one of them, said waterman, one of the most notorious prostitutes in the division: light to dark blue lined black.

North to Christopher Place: a narrow paved court with Brewery S. E. on either side and some old 4 st. houses: shops on the lower floor of the Brewery: badly built and no backs: rather difficult to see properly owing to narrowness of court: waterman said people very poor: probably light blue as map.

North to Wigmore St.: shops: red as map

East to Welbeck St.: 4½ st.: mostly doctors, chambers and apartments: red as map.

West to Marylebone Lane: mostly small shops but quiet above: waterman said very poor, but no great signs of poverty except between Hentwick Mews and Bulstrode St.: pink to purple: purple as map.

West to Jason's Yard: three houses only, small shops: purple as map.

Mandeville Place - red

Manchester Sq

Spanish Place - red

South St

West to Mandeville Place: Nats Private Hotel, Nursing Institute: red rather than pink.
West to Duke's Mews: pink to purple: pink on map.
North to Manchester Sq: doctors etc: yellow to red. Hertford House at the north end, now being turned into a public Gallery: it backs right on to George St.
North to Spanish Place: 4½ H: red to yellow: the R.C. Chapel has been rebuilt and white on the north side of George St: on its site is Spanish Place Mansions, a block of good flats
East to Jacob's Isle Mews: now mainly business premises, but a few tenements: pink to purple
North to Manchester Mews: two tenements only: light blue to purple.
North to South St: 4 H: shops: no better than Bland and St: of which it is a continuation, usually pink rather than pink-banned of map.
South Mews to the north is now taken by an Electric

Light Ho., and unoccupied.

West to Manchester St: all lodging houses and hotels: under map: at the back and at the corner of Dorset and Seth St is a new block of flats Manchester Sq. Mansions.

South through Manchester Sq to Hendon and Bentinck St: 4½ st.: lodgings: and business as map.

North to Bentinck Mews: One tenement only: pink rather than light blue of map.

North to Bulstrode St: 4½ st: furnished apartments: and as map.

West to William St: 4 st: let in tenements: purple to pink rather than light blue of map.

West to Thayer St: shops and lodging houses: pink as map.

East to Cross Keys Mews: two tenements only: purple rather than pink

South to Bulstrode Mews: cabs: coals: sheep heaps: light blue to purple rather than pink.

William St - purple

Thayer St

Bulstrode Mews - purple

Little Parlour St.

North St.

Paradise St.

North through High St. to Little Parlour St.
3½ & 4½ Rough, poor, a good deal of drink, said waterman, but no sign of Shadow: probably light blue or mauve but might be purple.

North to Great Parlour St.: 3½ St.: much as Little Parlour St.: light blue to purple

West to North St.: 3½ to 4½ St.: much better on East than West side: East should be pink, West possibly purple or mauve. North Great Parlour St. and North St. have large Public Houses in the centre of their West sides, a most unusual thing in small Eg. streets even in these licence ridden districts, when licensed houses except at the corners or in important thoroughfares are nearly always Beer Houses or Stores

North to Paradise St.: Dist: shops and tenements: no better than Great and Little Parlour St.s: one very bad house purple to light blue. Facing down North St. is the Ossington Coffee Tavern built to resemble a Public House.

North of Paradise St. the ground plan or colouring of the map is so wrong: there are

Paradise Place - lb

Ossington Buildings

Ossington Buildings - purple

Ashland Place - purple

Northumberland St-

Northumberland St - red

Nottingham St - pk bd

two alleys to the north one Paradise Place: 3 st: dirty and poor: fowls about: should be light blue. This goes round into Frotto Passage which leads to Ossington Buildings marked pink on the map: built in 1880: mostly people in good regular wages: probably pink but shows signs of poverty.

West to Ashland Place: 3 st: small shops: purple rather than light blue. The burial ground ~~Porta to Paddington St~~ abutting on Ashland Place is now an open space: at one time it had a number of stalls but they were so much used by prostitutes of the lowest type, (as at Spitalfields) that they have been taken away.

North to Paddington St: 4 st: shops and tenements: pink as map.

North to Northumberland St: tenements houses at southern end: pink as map. North of Nottingham St blocks of flats, Albert, Northumberland, Osborne, and Lewisham Mansions, red in character.

East to Nottingham St: 4 1/2 st: tenements

Bingham Place - pk

Oldbury Place - pk

High St. Marylebone

Beaumont Street - red



and lodging houses: pink as map.

North to Bingham Place (late Northumberland Mews): was very rough: now rebuilt with small houses: should be pink.

Back to Nottingham Place: 4½ st: Plate. red as map.

East to Oldbury Place (late Nottingham Mews): this now opens into Nottingham Place as high St: it is built like Bingham Pl: should be pink, instead of light blue.

South to Great Woodstock St: 4½ st: tenements and furnished apartments: pink as map.

East to High St: prosperous shops and Public Houses throughout: the great shopping thoroughfare of the poor streets in the neighbourhood to whose inhabitants Oxford St is only a show. Costers stalls run end on South St on Saturday nights. Red to pink as map.

East to Beaumont St: 4½ st: furnished apartments: Lunatic Home etc: red rather than yellow.

East to Devonshire Place Mews: mixed

Harley St.

Park Crescent Mews West - purple

Devonshire St.

private and cabs: pink to purple: pink on map.

Exit to Devonshire Place: 5-1/2 st: no horses and few ~~carry~~ doctors: yellow as map.

Exit to Devonshire Mews West: pink as map.

Exit to Harley St.: 4-1/2 to 5-1/2 st.: mainly doctors, often two in a house: yellow to red.

Exit to Park Crescent Mews West: mostly cabs and trade: rather rough and troublesome to police: has a Public House to itself, not an uncommon thing in the Mews of this district. As a rule the Mews Public Houses are resorted to mainly by gentlemen's servants, but this one is of rougher character. This mews is purple or light blue rather than pink.

Exit to Park Crescent and Portland Place: both yellow as map.

West to Devonshire St.: 4-1/2 st houses at East and West end: furnished apartments and doctors: red as map.

North to Devonshire Mews North: purple

Beaumont Mews - purple

Weymouth St-

Little Marylebone St-

Wesley St-

Wesley Street - lb



to light blue rather than pink.

South to Devonshire Mews East and Cape of Good Hope Mews: pink as map.

West to Devonshire Mews South: pink as map.

West to Upper Wimpole St.: means all doctors: Yellow Red

West to Upper Wimpole Mews: pink as map.

West to Beaumont Mews: only East side occupied: rather mixed: purple to pink: pink on map.

South to Weymouth St.: 4½ st.: shops, Hospital, Nurses Home, lodging houses: red on map.

South to Little Marylebone St.: 4½ st. houses with two new blocks of working class flats: strong signs of poverty: pink to purple: purple on map.

East to Wesley St.: 3½ st.: people rather rough and troublesome, but few signs of squalor: doors all closed, no broken windows: light blue rather than dark on map.

New Chesterfield Street - purple

Great Marylebone St.

Westmoreland Street - purp.

Little Woodstock Mews - purple

Wimpole St.



South to Great Chesterfield St. : 4 1/2 st. : much as little Marylebone St. : purple to pink : pink on map.

South to New Chesterfield St. : 3 1/2 st. : stone paved : a little but not much better than Great Chesterfield St. : pink to purple : pink on map.

South to Great Marylebone St. : 4 st. : shops and flats : red to pink as map.

North to Westmoreland St. : 4 st. : shops and tenements : better or same than last : pink to purple : pink on map.

East to Little Woodstock Mews : mixed : pink to purple : pink on map.

South to Westmoreland Mews : has Buildings on west side : purple to pink : pink on map.

East to Wimpole St. : 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 st. : ale doctors : red to yellow.

East to Wimpole Mews : pink as map.

East to Weymouth Mews : pink as map.

South to New Cavendish St. : 4 1/2 st. : many doctors : yellow to red.

Cavendish Sq



South to Duchess Mews : pink as map.
South to Duchess St : 4½ st : yellow as map.
West to Mansfield St : 4½ st : yellow as map.
West to Mansfield Mews : pink as map.
West to Harley Mews North : pink as map.
West to Marylebone Mews : pink as map.
South to Queen Anne St : 4½ to 5-½ st : mainly doctors : red to yellow.
South to Little Welbeck St : a Mews on north : 3½ st on south : pink as map.
East to Harley Mews South : pink as map.
East to Queen Anne's Mews and Dean's Mews both pink as map.
East to Chandos St : mainly doctors : yellow to red. On west side are buildings of a Medical Society.
East to Cavendish Place : doctors again : yellow to red.
East to Regent St : silk shops : red as map.
West to Cavendish Sq : large new flats at corner of Chandos St, yellow in character : but otherwise signs of decay : one of the big

North of Henrietta St. is Milk Hill Place: north side back of Debenham and Freebody: south a Mews with two tenements: pink on map.

Vere Street - red

Chapel Place - pk bd

Old Cavendish Street - red

Holles St.

Holles Street - red



houses now a Convent: Sir Rudhen Clark's house still used: and most of the other houses seem up to doctors: Yellow to red.

South to Henrietta St.: 4 sts to S-St.: large number of doctors: yellow to red.

West to Stratford Place: 4½ sts: now largely doctors: yellow to red.

East to Vere St.: shops: red rather than yellow.

East to Chapel Place: S.P.O. opposite Church: on east side Cossins houses: red not yellow.

East to Old Cavendish St.: 4½ sts: all Cossins houses and interiors. Red not yellow.

East to Cavendish Mews: a block of Buildings on north side inhabited by shop assistants: pink on map.

East to Holles St.: as Old Cavendish St. red not yellow.

East to Phoenix Yard: only a few tenements: many interiors premises: pink on map.

East to Praed St: shops, and new block of dwellings on East: Red on map.
East to Old Castle St: shops: red on map.

## General Remarks

In taking a survey of this district as a whole it divides roughly into four bits:.
(1). The area north of Hackfalcon Road. Here, but for the wrong colouring of Park Road which has been yellow, there is little or no change, unless it be a change for the worse in New St Mews. This borders with the neighbourhood of Glentworth St and Park Lane is no doubt doomed to rapid extinction, & it is on the Portman Estate where the policy is to get rid of the poor.

(2). The area bounded by Gloucester Place Hackfalcon Road, Baker St, and Oxford St, with the exception of the Mews and Portman Sq, - which is yellow - this is entirely a middle class district, and but for demolitions, remains as it was. Here as the replacement of York Mews and Spring St by huge

blocks of the middle class flats in spite the general
inferiority of the Portman posing mentioned above: these
have ~~the~~ supplanted the only poor areas in the district.

(3). The area bounded by Marylebone Road, Baker St,
Oxford St, and the line of Welbeck St and Beaumont
St. Though with a sprinkling of good shops, lodging
houses, and flats this is essentially a poor district;
but except in Spa's bounds ~~and~~ and to a less degree
in Spray's Buildings the degree of squalor are few:
it is one of those districts I imagine in which
the crowding is more pronounced than the poverty,
for throughout the rents are very high. It may be
that I have seen them under the unfavourable condition
of clouded skies and dark wintry days, but
the poorer streets in this district seem to me
unusually gloomy and forbidding; the streets are
narrow, backs are non-existent; nowhere are there
small two-storied houses which let in the sun,
while Earl St and St Christopher's Place with their
huge blocks of buildings are as unsightly as any
streets that I know; now are Ossington Buildings,
off Paradise St, much more attractive. In this

district again the poor are gradually being eliminated, partly by the increased use of them for business premises and warehouses, partly again by the Portman policy, i.e. in the north of Edgware Rd, Northumberland Mews, and Bottle Lane Mews. Apart from these demolitions and rebuildings the district I think is scarcely changed during the last ten years. It is poor, crowded, and judging from the number of licensed houses in High St. inclined to drink to excess.

(4.) The area between Beaumont St. and Wells St. and Portland Place. The chief feature here is the omnipresence of the doctor: I should think four houses out of five are inhabited by doctors, and as on many doors there are two plates, and sometimes even four there must be many more doctors than houses: externally they show every sign of prosperity, but one cannot walk up and down these streets without some doubt as to how it is possible for so many consultants, most of whose names are quite unfamiliar, to make incomes sufficiently large to be worth the

yellow tone of the district: one is inclined almost inclined to suppose that, like Mark Twain's famous islanders, they must "gain a precarious livelihood" by attending to one another's ailments. The doctors are not confined to the yellow streets: they are found largely too in the red streets, Melbeck, Weymouth and Devonshire: and it is only the fact that in these streets furnished apartments are also found which has induced them to rest. In this district a good deal of rebuilding is in progress or has recently taken place, now in the length of a street, but in isolated houses scattered throughout the streets: the new houses are of the most ornate character, similar to those which have been built on the Grosvenor and Cadogan estates: in all their glory of red brick, and terra cotta, and elaborate carvings, and mullioned windows, and gables they show up the dinginess of the bare walls with holes in them by which they are flanked. In the streets running north and south these new houses are of the same height as the old four four to five storys, but in the cross streets, Devonshire and Weymouth, have been built some

pretty double fronted two story houses always at the heads of mews, which need no doubt to abut on the thoroughfares.

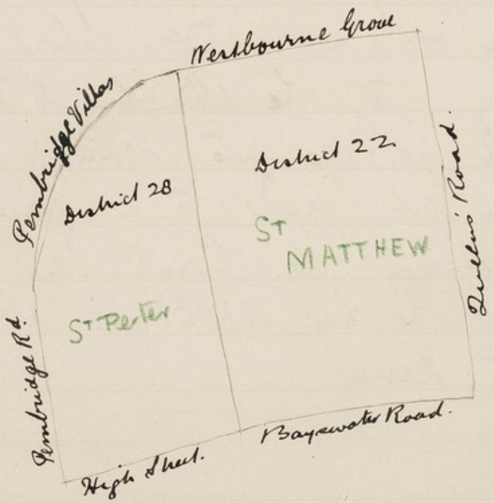
The only other feature worthy of note in this district is the apparent decadence of the streets between Oxford St and Cavendish Sq: but this I think is the partly to wrong colouring, as they have always within my memory been mainly streets of lodging houses. They are now however even more business streets, Lewis and D. st. Evans having taken more than half of the west side of Holles St and Old Cavendish St.

Police constable Wakeman is an excellent fellow. He is retiring in a few months having been in the force for 25 years, all spent in this subdivision. He therefore knows the district unusually well. His verdict is the usual one of a great improvement in the people from a police point of view: less rowdiness and much greater amenity all round. On Christmas night he was on duty nearly all night, and saw scarcely any drunken people, and none so drunk as not to be able

to walk: ~~Ten~~ twenty years ago things would have been very ~~different~~ different

On the question of prostitution - Waterman thought that there were fewer houses used openly as brothels ~~but~~ and on the whole fewer women on the streets: there is however a great increase of what I have previously called semi-prostitution i.e. the habitual or occasional street-walking of girls employed in the day: this is attributed to the fact that girls will not go into service: the free life of the modern girl leads to a great deal of license and immorality: so strongly does W. feel on this point that he has insisted on all his own girls going into service

District Covered.




yellow

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22/7

January 8th 1895. District 22.

Walk with Inspector King round district bounded on north by Westbourne Grove, East by Queen's Road; South by Bayswater Road & High St. Notting Hill & West by Pembridge Road and Villas. being part of St Peters parish in District 28 & St Matthews parish in District 22.

Started at corner of Ossington Street & Bayswater Road. North up Palace Court. 4 to 6 storied modern red brick flats, with basement; west side backs on Ossington Street. Yellow. - not marked on map.

West along Moscow Road. North side partly cleared. Few poor looking houses, 2 & 3 storied, delapidated, near Greek Church at Corner of St Petersburgh Place - a fine red brick building with dome. Purple rather than pink of map. South side taken by Aylesbury Dairy Coy.

South down Chapel Side (No thoroughfare) Four st. bldg on West; 2 upper floors occupied as dwellings. Remainder stables with dwellings about. Mostly employees of the Aylesbury Dairy Coy. Gloomy place - Looks purple rather than pink of map

S along St Petersburgh Place. East side, mostly 3 stories & basement

basement, stuccoed fronts. Some better detached houses on west side. Red as map. Jewish synagogue on E side & St Matthews church on west.

Bayswater Road (Ossington St to Queens Road) Modern 4 & 5 storied flats & mansions, some with basements overlooking park, Yellow as map except a few shops near Queens Road - Red Orme Square. Old fashioned mansions, look dingy as if people out of town - blinds drawn &c. Yellow as map.

N. up Bark Place. Modern flats - 4 st. & basement. on W. side to Backway - Yellow - not on map.

W & N to St Petersburgh Mews. Rooms above stables on both side near Moscow Road. Pink west side to LB east.

W. along Moscow Road. Pembridge Mansions - Red brick 6 floored flats. Working class - look poor but probably pink. East of flats all north side is cleared north up to Queens Mews[x], and ~~except~~ east to Salem Road. Few badly kept shops & private houses (3 storied) to Queens Road. Purple rather than pink. South side - shops (2 & 3 storied) poor class - Pink as map.

Salem Road (or Place) (Map) Three 3 storied houses on east side Purple to LB. Purple on map.

Elizabeth St. (South from Moscow Road) W. side 2½ storied, neat stuccoed fronts: E. side 3 floors. not so well kept. Lodging houses & working class. Pink to red as map.

1 Bayswater Road

Bark Place - yellow.

S. Petersburg Mews - pk

Pembridge Mansions - pk b[d]

[x] Said to have been bought by Whiteley.

Orme Court Mews – pk

Elizabeth Place – lb
Poplar Place – lb

Poplar Square – lb

Holmes Cottages – lb

S. Vincents Place – purple

Queens Road,
W Bayswater

Tenements – purple

E. past Caroline place to Orme Court Mews. Room over stables: neat. Pink, not marked on map.

Back + up Caroline Place. 2 storied cottages, gardens in front. Purple to L.B. Purple on map.

Elizabeth Place. One 2 storied house, West of Caroline Place L.B.
East to Poplar Place – mixed types of house. 3 dark blue 3 storied houses on east side. Remainder 2 floors, some with separate doorways for each floor. Quiet now but formerly gave police trouble – L.B Blue rather than purple of map

South to Poplar Square, 4 small one storied, 2 roomed cottages, gardens in front: L.B. not marked on map.

Still south down Poplar Place to Holmes Cottages (2) reached by a small door at end. L.B. Was a throughfare here to Queens Road – closed by Holmes.

Back + north up Queens Road. St Vincent Place at corner of Bayswater Road. 2 3 storied houses + 2 smaller. Small white curtains. King recognised a woman entering one house as having been locked up a few weeks previous. Pink to Purple.

Queens Road. Shops 2 storied. Much worse class of Property on West than east side (3 + 4 storied)
North of Baths is Whiteleys. Red as map.
Tenements at back of No 35. (5 families) built on garden by Holmes. Purple.

Kensington Gardens Square

Kensington Gardens Square - red
(N. part only)
all red.

Kensington Gardens Square all high dingy stucco houses with
Princes Sq.
Leinster Sq
5½ or 6½ storeys.

many boarding houses
Esp on S side of Princes Sq.
many doctors also. Have gained
by the opening of the Electric railway
but the boarding houses were in al-
-ready & they will probably not
revert to private ownership.
G St W. 11. III. 02

Queen's Mews - pk

Ilchester Gardens - red

(Princes Sqare) all red.

Leinster Sq. red.

W to Douglas Place. Few shop assistants living above premises on north side. Place used to stand 4 load vans by Whiteley & Dobbs. Pink as map

W along Westbourne Grove. South side large shops (4 floors): no resident until close to Kensington Gardens Sq; then some are occupied. Red to Hereford Road:

S. to Kensington Gardens Square. Large pretentious houses, 4 floors & basement: pillared porticoes; stuccoed fronts. Some are being turned into flats. Yellow on map: probably Red.

Leinster Gardens (E & W from the South side of the Square). 5 floors, 3 with bays, basements. Yellow on map. Red

S to Queen's Mews. Rooms above stables, both sides Coachmen - Pink as map.

S. from Leinster Gardens to Ilchester Gardens. 5 floors & basement - similar type of house to west end of Leinster Gdns. Red rather than Yellow & pink as map.

N & W to Princes Square. 4 floors & basement Looks dull & dirty. Seven houses to let. Red rather than Yellow of map

N. to Leinster Square. 4 & 5 floors & basement. Better than Princes Sq. S. row go back on to the Gardens & N. row face them. Red to Yellow.
Yellow on map.

Garway Road

Leinster Yard - lb

Ossington Street

Ossington Street - pk

Ossington Yard - purple.

E & N to Garway Road. (3 & 4 storied) private houses;
3 shops near Westbourne Grove. Well to do people. Red.
No. 15 was a disorderly house: closed after 6 weeks.
Watched by police on ~~request~~ complaint of neighbours.
Monmouth Road (S out of Westbourne Grove). Mixed
Varied houses; mostly 3½ storied: some larger.
Private occupant & some business: Red or P. & Red
Red on map.
Hereford Road. West side mostly shops (4 floors).
East side mostly residences. 4½ floors; some detached.
Red as map.
W. to Leinster Yard. Stables & storehouses with
people living above. L.B. not marked on maps.
Flats are being built at West corner of Hereford Road and
Moscow Road. Face 4 poor shops in Moscow Rd. Pink.
S to Ossington St. West side only. Face backs of
Palace Court. 4 floors & basement; few shops
near Moscow Road & 2 storied houses near
Bayswater Road. Working people & lodging houses.
Pink to P. ink to Red.
At north end is Ossington Yard. Lovely stables
with 3 tenements over. L.B or purple. not marked on map.

Victoria Grove Mews - purple

Summary



At south near Bayswater Road on West is Victoria Grove Mews 2 two storied houses & stables with room over. Pink to Purple.

This completes portion of walk in Booklet 22. It is continued in Book 13. O. p.1.

The noticeable features are the clearances in Moscow Road and the deterioration of the squares in the north, Leinster, Princes & Kensington Gardens Sq. The prevailing type of these ~~houses~~ is the heavy fronted 4 & 5 floored dwelling, which estates agents delight to term a 'mansion' or 'desirable residence'. Many are to let and they are gradually being converted into flats. ~~With~~

With the exception of Poplar Place & the cottages near it, there is no real poverty. This part however seems to have shared the general decline in the district. Moscow Road (Mr King says) has improved by the clearances, whilst there is little poverty the crowding in the poor street appears to have increased ~~on a short~~ & has enabled men like Holmes to crowd people into very undesirable dwellings.

Parish of Christ Church.



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Dec. 15 & 16. 1898 Dist. 22 22/6 G.H.S

Ride round district bounded on the North by Bishops Rd: on the East by Porchester Terrace & Leinster Place, and Devonshire & Craven Terraces, on the South by the Bayswater Rd & on the West by the Queens Road.

Starting at the east end of Lancaster Gate.

Lancaster gate - yellow as map. N up Craven Craven Terrace - shops. red as map c.s on the West are Lancaster & Craven Terrace Mews. pk as map. private car w. up Craven Hill. yellow as map. up the hill to Craven Hill Gardens. 4½ + 5½ storied houses. Dingy houses. not so good as Craven Hill but just yellow as maps. into Leinster Terrace. shops at southern end. red as map. on the East side is c.s Cleveland Mews. private car. some of the houses have built in their stables to the house & made a billiard room of them - pk as maps. N. up c.s Leinster Terrace Gardens.

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Leinster Mews - purple



E along. Queens Gardens. 5½ st. many for sale. y as map N to
Cleveland Square. 5½ st. many to let. y. as map. E to
Leinster Place. more red on N than map. shops. W to
Porchester Terrace. detached, begardened houses. yellow as
map. W. along
Porchester gardens. yellow as map N up.
Porchester Mews South. call P. Garden Mews. pK as map. W to
Inverness Terrace. yellow as map N then
down Queens Road.
Leinster Mews. on N side. bet Queens Rd & Inverness Terrace.
shy carts. purple rather than pK - Welford dairy carts.

General Remarks.

This walk concludes the Paddington subdivision
of the Paddington or F police division. the
boundaries of the subdivision being.

E [ Maida Vale from Sutherland Avenue.
  [ West side of Edgware Road to the Uxbridge road.
S [ the North side of the Uxbridge Rd to the Queens Rd.
W [ the E side of the Queens road to Westbourne Grove.
  [ N side of Westbourne Grove to Richmond Rd.

Dist bet Talbot Grove & Westb. Grove.

going down



E side of Richmond Rd. to Talbot Rd

N of Talbot Rd. to Shrewsbury Rd.

E of Shrewsbury Rd. to Westbourne Pk Rd.

S of Westbourne Pk Rd to Porchester Rd.

N of Porchester Rd to Ranelagh Rd.

S of Formosa St. to Warrington Crescent.

E of Warrington Crescent to Sutherland Avenue.

As to the Subdivision generally Inspector Knight said that in the red district between Talbot Rd & Westbourne Grove. hardly any live in the whole house to themselves: all streets much alike: not much to choose. One servant is usual, two servants frequently found. more than that rarely. The Neighbourhood is going down.

The housowners are retired shopkeepers & widows. Some old army men he thinks - none are rich but he does not suspect any hidden poverty

Their tenants & lodgers are- clerks & skilled artisans. who go into work daily by rail. Many from

West

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Westborne Park Metropolitan District railway station.
but principally by omnibus: From a little before 8 until 10.30 the omnibuses are crammed.
Of Victoria Place (& of the Richmond Rd) he said it had got worse in the last 2 or 3 years owing to some inComers from Kensal Down. Now it is nothing like so good as Pickering Place. (in map both are pink).
Of Kildare Terrace. retired army men. houses let to single lodgers. Porchester Square. doctors.
There are no gambling clubs in the subdivision with the exception of one on the south side of St Stephens Square which used to prosper but is now waning & gradually dying a natural death.
As to the Mews. the tendency he said was to give up keeping carriages. their place in the mews are taken by a poor rather hard drinking class who earn regular low wages as doorkeepers, cab washers etc & live over the stables.
No ticket of leave men in the subdivision. Notting dale Kensal New Town, Lisson Grove & Stoxton provide the men & this sub-division

- decision the material. Stated to be the burglars playground.
but for the last 3 years they have been very quiet.
When they come they come in twos rarely singly
or in gangs.

Mill St. - N of Conduit St. - pkb.



Notes of a walk with P.C. Gunn, in the district bounded by New Bond St, Oxford St., Regent St., and Conduit St. forming part of the parishes of St. George's, Hanover Sq., and Hanover Chapel. (E.A. Jan. 30.99.

Started from the Vine St. Police Station; into Piccadilly (W.); passed

Stabbrook Court, between Burlington House and Old Bond St.; non-residential, locked at night, a cul de sac. N. up

Old Bond St: (right side); residents getting fewer and fewer; caretakers the rule, owing to increasing demands for office and business accommodation. Churchill Chambers, therefore, an exception to the general rule of the street. Red as map. E. up

Conduit St: 4 and 3 st. houses; mainly, with less show, a street of retail business like its celebrated neighbour, Bond St. Red, as map. Bisecting it is

Mill St: S. end: Tailors' Institute; offices etc; one house was a respectable massage establisment; looks private, but present use unknown, nothing against it. N. end: very quiet, shops etc. A restaurant on W. side; at S.W. corner, in Conduit St. is the Coach and Horses, much used by tailors who have their sittings or workshops near. From P. to pk. barred at N. end. On E. side is Mill Passage; non-residential; closed at night, but can be opened by police, who pa-

trol, to see if doors are closed; Gunn has never found people in at night although door can be opened by anyone who knows the trick; no key required. N. up

George St: 4 and 3 st. houses; offices; shops (a few); chambers etc. etc. Residents becoming fewer and fewer; old class of occupier that lived near his business "getting further and further away", and very few private houses now, perhaps not more than four or five N. of the Church, and hardly any Limmers' Hotel at S.W. corner; S. of it. Colour red as map. Back into New Bond St. veterinary stables passing South's ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~; a few of his employees, including the resident vet: -- the "house surgeon" as they call him, on hospital analogy; yard private. W. into

Maddox St: a good deal of rebuilding here, of particular houses; mostly business now, and, of course, lots of tailors; much change during last ten or twelve years; now compared with Conduit St. Red as map. Again into New Bond St. passing Dollars' yard, very much like Souths' and occupied in the same way. Needs no separate colouring. At 51, is a small private hotel, Brooks', now called also a restaurant; this a recent change of which Gunn knew nothing. E. into

Brook St: Again the characteristic change of the n'hood; two or three doctrors left, but nearly the whole st. now occupied by business premises, offices etc. Red, as map. Into

Hanover Square: becoming less and l

Hanover Square - red





less and less residential every month, I think" was Gunn's remark. Except in two blocks of chambers there are hardly any private houses now; any number of Societies, which run to agriculture, bibliography, or medicine, for the most part. The Zoological is also here. The S. George's Club, the Oriental Club, and the New County Club, for ladies, is now being fitted up. Omitting all colour for the S. George's Club, and the Oriental, and for Harewood House, now the home of the Royal Agricultural Soc. the rest of the Square sh ould go from yellow to red.

Hanover St: very much like Conduit St. red as map. S. is

Pollen St: business premises encroaching here, but most of the street still occupied; respectable working class; tailors, shoemekers etc. A public house here; bric a brac shop etc. Leave pink, as map. The street has a quiet name.

Princes St: again very much like Maddox St; Princes Chambers with a good class of people living in them an exception to the character of the street. Red as map. The Old Brunswick Yard (named after the Hotel that stood at the S.W. corner of Princes St.) has one or two stables in it, but is put to a miscellaneous use; only one or two stable employes living here; closed at night; need not be coloured.

Verreys, or Princes Yard: only two or three carmen living there.

Swallow Place - W side - pk

Harewood Place - red





mainly used as store rooms and out buildings of Verreys -- stores etc. The place is rather a wilderness, and is overshadowed by the new buildings in Regent St. Salviati's etc. erections that Gunn is told are to be the style of "the new Regent St." Running N. near the E. end of Princes St. is Swallowxx Place: nearly all absorbed by Jays'. On E. side are the back of his Regent St shops and some of the workrooms above; on the W. side are his stables etc. and above, the assistants live. The Princes St. Chambers reach back some distance, but following our practice there should be some pink instead of red in the middle of the W. side. N. is Swallow Passage: leading into Oxford St. the residential part of which is represented by the buthcer and the provision dealer whose wares dominate the passage. It should be left red, as map.

Harewood Place: bears eloquent witness to the changes in this n'hood. The two large private houses on W. side are empty, and of forlorn look; they are in the market, and there is little doubt but that they will be rebuilt. On the E. side are Harewood House, already mentioned; then some Chambers and a Bank at the Oxford St. corner, both of these standing on the site of the stables of xxx Harewood House. The gates that used to be at the Oxford St. end of the Place

Tenterden St. - red





have been removed, but the woman with the fruit stall who used to stand just outside them has taken up her stand in the Place, on the W. side. The yellow goes out. Colour for the W. side is doubtful, but two-thirds of the E. from the N. should be red, leaving Harewood House uncoloured.

Tenterden St: the part running E. and W. is mainly taken up by the Oriental Club, fronting the Square, on the S, side, and should be uncoloured there. On the N. side there is one private house; a firm of milliners; Meyers; the Royal Academy etc. Colour red. Back by Brook St. into New Bond St again: passing Derings Yard; stables in the N. half still, but being rapidly absorbed by Miles (tailors) for work-rooms etc. gates closed at night. Should not be coloured.

Dering St: 3 and 4 st. houses etc. on N, side are two or three houses occupied by respectable working-class; one is a coffee house, the proprietor of which does a large trade in taking coffee to the various shops where tailors work, to Poole's etc. This N. side of the W. end of the st. shd be left pink, as map, but the S. side, with a public-house etc. should go from pink to red. The same street, running N. and S. is having the W. side taken up a great deal by the Bond St. places of business-- Bensons etc. etc. but there are still three or four houses occupied as of old, including

two coffee houses. All quite reppectable. What occupants there are are working-class, and if coloured it should be pink, as map, but should better be left uncoloured. On the E. side businesses are also encroaching, Laurie and Marners etc. and about a third of the colour should be omitted from the S. end. The ~~xxxxxxxx~~ houses still occupied are respectable, and remain pink. The present character of the street is a considerable improvemnt on that of the past. 75

On the E. side is a yard from which there used to be a back entrance into the Noah's Ark public house, recently re-built with good frontage in Oxford St. No one lives in the yard, and some work shops in it are at present unoccupied. It is probably awaiting a good deal of rebuilding, and much of it at the moment is in rather a chaotic and tumble down condition. Into

Oxford St: looking through the window and admiring the frieze of the "Noah's Ark" tiles of the animals going in two by two and ~~xx~~ turning down Falcon Passage: a cul de sac, and now entirly work rooms; used to ~~be~~ have 5 little houses on W. side; occupied by mechanics; low class; noisy. Is not coloured on map. Oxford St red, as map. Down

Regent St: red as map, to

Maddox St: E. end; very much like the W. end; mainly busines

tailors etc. etc. Chambers said to be increasing here, with rebuilding, it being common to provide for shop on ground floor, and perhaps work-rooms in basement, and chambers above. But the prevailing character of the strret is business, and it is still red, as map. On the N. side is

Masnn's Arms Yard: Fewer people living here than formerly, and in this sense, "going down"; Y.W.C.A. premises take up some part of the W. side; no entrance here, but instead there is a back entrance to the Mason's Arms public house -- a v very dingy approach, and of a kind that Gunn tells me is becoming rarer; not liked by the bench, and quite rightly too. The Yard respectable, and remains pink, but with less colour.

This corner of S. George's is improving structurally, partly owing to rebuilding in good styles of business premi-es, and partly to the closing and demolition of courts and corners where there used to be small tenemnts occupied by a rather rough population. The police have therefore less w

work to do. Gunn agreed that it might be said to resemble the part lying immediately S. of Oxford Street, and E. of R Regent St, in its general structure, but to be of a higher grade. The City, or non-residential business element is certainy conspicuous in each. Socially, apart from the fact that there are fewer really poor and rough, the district is still going down, the only check to this being found in the provision of chambers. But it has almost ceased to be a district in which private houses, occupied by private families, are found. Those who are still in it are nearly all professional men, and are mainly doctors. But the trend of these, as of the other residents of a past time, is steadily westwards. The whole district was, he said, practically free from disorderly houses.

The increasing value of land for business purposes is illustrated in many new buildings by the deep basements that are built and fitted as workrooms: "people try and go as far down as they can". Almost without exception the streets are well-built, and new houses are common. These are invariably for shops, offices, warehouses etc. never exclusively to live in, although as stated, it is not uncommon to put chambers in the upper floors. Many of the new erections are ornate in style, but nothing tawdry is being put up,

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nor is anything tawdry shown in the vast majority of the shops: solid masonry, solid wood-work, solid plate-glass and solid prices prevail.

Notes of a walk with P.C. Gunn in the area bounded on the E. by New Bond St; on the S. by Bruton and Mount Streets, on the W. by Park Lane, and on the N. by Oxford St. forming part of the parishes of S. George's, Hanover Square & St. Marks.

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Little Bruton St: no occupants on W. side; on E. old houses, projecting second storeys; working-class, pink, as map, but corner at N. end now taken up by Savory and Moore's, colour stops therefore at lower point. W. to North Bruton Mews: some re-building; new stables, but general character the same. Pink as map. Back S. to Bruton St: red extended 7 or 4 houses further on S. side, to mark the invading shops; for the rest yellow, as map. W. to Berkeley Square: two or three houses rebuilt, including Lord Rosebery's; yellow, as map. At N.E. corner is Jones St: (no houses; no colour) leading into Bourdon St: starting from Davies St. on S. side are (1) stables, etc. (2) back of Thomas' Hotel; (3) Home for Fallen Women, believed to be connected with "some church"; and (4) stables, Met. Shoeing Co. premises, and again stables. Much new building, but, omitting for Thomas', the Home, and the Co. the colour, pink, remains. On the N. side are the Chapel of Ease, of S. George's; S. George's Bdgs: small rooms, 6/- and 7/- for two and 8/6 and 9/- for 3:

and Grosvenor Buildings, larger rooms; all quiet, respectable. Colour pink, as map. To the E. is

Bloomfield Place: S. side Bloomfield Bdgs; dark, but much improved; rents like S. George's. Pink as map. On N. side Grosvenor Club premises; colour goes out.

Grosvenor Mews: narrow part running N. into Grosvenor St. has the G. Club on E. side, and colour therefore goes out. No change on W. side here, nor along N. side of the Mews, running E. and W. On the S. side are the large buildings connected with S. George's Church-- Dispensary, Institute, Baths etc. Behind them lies the Kitchen of which the Rector told us, but of which Gunn appeared to know but little, and which it was clear gave no trouble through attracting an undesirable assemblage of men. Apart from the block of Institute and connected buildings, the whole of the mews remain pink.

N. up

Little Grosvenor St: 3 st.; shops etc. coffee shop; working-class. Pink as map.

Grosvenor St: "about the same"; one or two business signs have crept in towards the E. end. Yellow, as map, with the red bit at the extreme E. end, where the short unbroken line of sho

Brooks Mews - yellow

Davies St Brook's Mews to Brook Street yellow

Mount Row N.E. corner of Carpenter St. - pk

Buildings - pk

Mount Street - yellow

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is, a shade longer. N. up

Davies St. to Brook St: small shops "going down", as far as Brooks' Mews; red, as map. N. of this point Claridge's new place takes up all space between the Mews and Brook St. on E. side, and Brook St. Mansions on W. Red to yellow here.

Brooks' Mews: much improvement in stabling, but the only change in colouring from the extension of the hotel, which now forms a large square block, running from Brook St. to the Mews. Less p. therefore on N. side.

Three Kings' Yard: stables; many new; pink, as map.

Davies St: S. of Grosvenor St. shops as above; red as map.

Mount Row (W.) improved; mainly stables, but a new block of dwellings at N.E. corner of Carpenter St. This corner, therefore, becomes pink, like the rest of the Mews.

Carpenter St: itself remains pink and red, as map, except that the Buildings at the N.E. corner change this half of the E. side to pink, as mentioned.

Mount St: practically re-built; elaborate red-brick; shops below; flats above, as far as S. Audley St. Query red to red yellow barred. Site of Work-house now occupied by S. George's Vestry. Carlos Place now ends at S. end with a curving sweep to E. and W. new Coburg Hotel premises occupy all S.W. curve. Mount St. W. of S. Audley St

Carlos Place - yellow & pk.

S. Audley St. Mount St. to Adams Mews } yellow





S. Audley St. also re-built, but without shops; large house and"mansions"; red to yellow.

Carlos Place: (St. on map); E. curve, oppposite the Coburg, like Mount St. without shop fronts; [redacted] red to [redacted] yellow [redacted]. W. entrance to ~~Mount~~ Mount Row widened, and red bit, including a dairy, gone. Instead stables belonging to corner house of Grosvenor Sq. colour pink. like bit on W. side. Yellow remains.

Adams Mews: rebuilt on S. side; stables; pink, as map, except that the Coburg takes up more of the S.E. corner. N. up

S. Audley St: re-built in style of Mount St. on E. side as far as Adams Mews; query red to yellow barred here; the rest of the street to Grosvenor Sq. red and yellow, as map.

Upper Grosvenor St: 3 to 5 st. houses; yellow as map.

~~Grosvenor Square~~ Grosvenor Square: very little re-building; yellow, as map. S.W. to

Reeves Mews: much improved; Duke of Westminsters stables here. Pink, as map.

Park St: (from Mount St. N.) E. side: re-built and widened to Reeves Mews. Yellow to Upper Grosvenor St. From this point to Upper Brook St. shops and private houses; query leave y. to Northop St. and red above. Upper Brook St. to Lees Mews, old. "apartments" etc. yellow to red or yellow barred. N. of Lees Mews rebuilt; good houses and mansions as far as North Row. Yellow, as map; then stables; ~~yellow as map~~ y. & pk.

W. side: y. at S.W. corner goes out; houses taken down, and space taken in to enlarge the Duke of Westminster's grounds

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From U. Grosvenor St. ~~xxx~~ to U. Brook St. shops; query v. to red or v. barred. U. Brook St to Green St. shops continued for the most part; query same change, as S. of Up. Brook St. N. of Green St. rebuilt; yellow as map. S. and W. to

King St. Mews: no change; pink, as map. Opposite and E. is

Northop St: 3 st. with attics and basements; "apartments"; houses mainly let to valets etc. and servants the lodgers too as a rule. Saw a ~~xx~~ maid-servant going in to one house Query from pink to pink-barred. E. is

Blackburne Mews: a little rebuilding; still nothing but stables; pink as map. N. into

Upper Brook St: no change; yellow, as map. N. into

Shepherd's Place: buildings on W. side; shops; working-class; pink, as map. Colour should go out on E. side.

Lees Mews: Shepherds' Place Buildings at N.W. side; the rest stables; pink, as map. One of the many signs in all this neighbourhood of the influence of the Duke of W'minste in the fact that the Hertford Arms, abutting on Park St. can only be entered from the Mews. W. into

Woods Mews: stables; pink, as map. W. into

Park Lane: little change N. of Mount St; the two or three big new houses are S. of Mount St. Y. as map.

Norfolk St:3 and 4 st. houses, with basements, except on E.

Oxford St corner by Marble Arch - pk.

North Row - E of Park St - pk



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side, N. of Green St.; rebuilt here. large houses of red-brick and stone. All yellow, as map.

North Row:(W. of Park St.) purple at each end goes out. the small houses they indicated have given way to make the extra space now left at the backs of the new houses in Norfolk St. and Park St. The pink,(stables,) remains, and the yellow. N. into

Oxford St: the corner of yellow goes out; nothing there but Lord Hillingdon's stables; pink. About half the space was occupied by two houses that have been pulled down.

Hereford Gardens:large 4x 5 st. houses, with attics and basements; yellow, as map. Down Park St. into

North Row: between Park St. and S. Audley St; quite altered near N.W. corner a small square of stables has been built for the houses of Hereford Gardens, and nearly opposite on S. side, a new broad opening has been made into Green St, with stables on E. side, and the backs of the new Park St. houses on the W. In North Row itself, only two or three houses now occupied; mainly taken up by premises used by Oxford St. firms. All the purple therefore goes out; pink for the stables as above. E. of N. Audley St. purple goes out on S. side; pantechnicon premises etc.

N. Audley St - W. side - yellow





on the N. side, four houses; small shops; "respectable work ing class"; leave purple, as map, but the colour should not reach to either end, as the buildings here are not occupied

Green St: largely re-built; large houses. Yellow as map.

Note that the line is broken on N. side, a little E. of Norfolk St. by the new opening from North Row, mentioned above.

N. Audley St: Rebuilt and rebuilding on W. side, and widened; like Mount St. Query red to yellow [barred]. E. side, as before; shops etc. red as map. E. is

Providence Court: mainly stables; new on N. side; pink as map. The Court has been widened and opened at E. end. S.E. to

George Yard: stables on S. side; pink, as map. Emerging N. from George Yard, we are in the middle of the blocks of d dwellings belonging to the Artisans Dwellings Co, which, omitting Duke St., now take up much of the space in Balderston, Lumley, Thomas and Gilbert Streets. The lettings run from 2 to 5 rooms, and the rents from 6/- to 11/6. All the blocks are full, and there is always a waiting list; it takes about a year to get in. In one of the blocks Gunn was living, and in another his Superintendent "In this n'hood you can get nothing like the convenience of these blocks outside them, at a reasonable rental". The space shown on the map between Brown and Hart Streets is laid out as an open space, and was given for the purpose by the Duke. The

Duke St - yellow

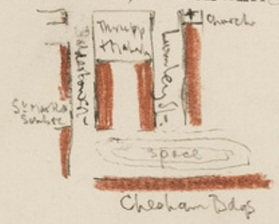




people of the district have dubbed it "Little Grosvenor Sq." Gunn appeared to take a genuine pride in the improvements of this spot, and can remember it 15 or 16 years ago, when it was a network of slums in which a special police patrol had to be on duty.

Balderston St: W. side; pink as map, but the line should be broken by the Schools of S. Mark's, which run out to this street, E. of the Church itself. E. side: Thrupp and Maberly (carriage-builders) have taken about half the block N. of Hart St, their premises running through to Lumley Street S. of these premises the Buildings begin. Pink.

Lumley St: At N.E. corner is the Deaf and Dumb Church. (1870) The rest, except Thrupp's premises, Buildings: pink.




Duke St: something like Mount St. again, but the buildings older; query from red to v. barred. The new King's Weigh House Chapel has been built on E. side, just N. of Robert St. and the buildings, a good block, run through to Thomas St. The money for this Chapel etc. came from the sale of the old place that stood in Finsbury Circus, just W. of Moor

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Fields R.C. church. E. is

Thomas St: rebuilt; W. side: from N. end, shops and flats; to the new Weigh House block; purple to pink, and the pink at corner, N. of Robert St. goes out. S. of Robert St. Artisans' Dwellings; pink. Below these are four old houses standing at the moment but doomed to speedy demolition. Purple as map. E. side: Shops etc. at N. end; query red. Then Artisans' Dwellings, and spaces for building. Pink, as far as built; l.b. and purple go out.

Gilbert St: W. side: S. end; 7 old houses; p. to pk. bd. The Artisans' Dwellings, pink, to the Oxford St red line. E. side S. end: big corner house in Brook St. now takes in all space to Cock Yard; then Hanover Schools, and N. of Robert St. Artisans' Dwellings again; pink. The Mews shown on map have disappeared.

Robert St: E. of Gilbert St: Hanover Schools and S. Anselms Church on S. (This is the church that was moved from the W. side of Regent St. where Salviati's new ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ buildings are.) On N. side the Electric Lighting Station stands at the E. corner, and W. of that are Artisans' Dwellings, the side of the street being about equally divided between the two.

Davies St (N. end to Brook St.): ~~xxxside~~ the top end is being

Thomas St - pk (part)

Gilbert St - pk & yellow

Robert St - pk (part)

Davies St (N. of Brook St.) red (pt)

widened; the W. corner is vacant for Electric Railway Station; S. of this point are new shops and chambers; letting badly; too near the Electric Lighting Station; pink to red. Between Robert St. and Cock Yard are S. Anselm's Church and the Vicarage; the rest red as ~~xxxx~~ map.

Cock Yard:pink on S. side, as map; stables.

Davies' Mews: No occupiers on S. side; pink still on North.

Brook St: from W. end to S. Molton Lane and Avery Lane, yellow as map (This portion of the st. includes Claridge's, Buckland's Hotel, and Sampson's (tailors). The rest of the St. to New Bond St. as marked, red. S.E. is

Avery Row÷ shops etc.; rag-shops, cloth-workers etc. pink, as map. In Brook St. E. of Avery Row is

White Lion Yard:not shown on map; tradesmens stables; tenements at end; pink, if coloured. N.W. up

South Molton Street:4 st. houses, mainly; shops etc. "apartments" common;little change; red, as map. Along the S.E. is

The Haunch of Venison Yard: Workshops, warehouses, stables, etc. etc. 2 or 3 occupants only; the yard a twisting wilderness; colour goes out. N. into Oxford St. and E.as far as

Sedley Place:narrow; no traffic; nearly all workshops, except one house near Woodstock St, North side. Colour on S. side here therefore goes out.

Lancashire Court - lb



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Woodstock St:3 and 4 st. houses, with basements; shops etc. etc. On W. side, upper floors generally occupied; working-class; pink, as map. On E. side, upper floors almost all work-shops etc. colour here goes out. The E. continuation Blenheim St:4 st. houses; shops etc. occupants mainly working class. Pink, as map. Down Bond St. to Brook St, on S. side of which is

Horseshoe Yard:rebuilding on S. side; only a caretaker living here. Back into Bond St. and S. turning W. into Lancashire Court: (not named on map) On the right is a rag-shop occupied, and further down on the same side are two other houses, also occupied. The only spot that need be separately coloured however, is the W. side of the passage running N.W. on the map. Here are three or four houses, at the N. corner; 3, 4, and 5 storied; sub-let; poor; "respectable"; pink to l.b. The pink on the E. side of this passage should go out.

The walk thus ends with a spot of light blue, the only one revealed. Nor is there much purple. There has been one big patch of pink, but for the most part yellow has held its own. The great personal influence has been that of the Duke of Westminster, showing itself in the re-building of

of much good residential property; in the re-planning of some of the streets, especially in the N.W. portions of the area covered; and, most widely known, in the abolition of many of the licensed houses. The last sign is most noticeable in the Mews, in hardly any of which are public-houses now found, and in Park St, in which there used to be several and into which now only one house directly opens. On the whole the district has greatly improved, and the improvement is still going on. A liberal policy as regards spacing noticeable in the light space at the backs of many of the large new houses,(e.g. in Norfolk St. and Park St ) is apparently being accompanied by an enhancing value of the ground actually covered. Signs of this are seen in the greater size of many of the new houses, and in the Mews we see it perhaps in the constuction of most of the new stables with the stalls in the first floor, while in Mr. Sam Lewis' Gunn mentioned that his carriages were let down by a lift and kept underground! Further E. we had seen other aspects of the same economy of space in the construction of good work-shops underground, instead of leaving this part of the premises as of old, available simply for storage or lumber, or cellars; and occasionally we had come across a grill room or restaurant underground after the fashion of the City.

Although the practice of jobbing has become so much commoner in recent years, the signs of it are hardly traceable in this district, and a remark by Gunn to the effect that "there was only one jobber now" in the whole of the Grosvenor Mews was significant. The fact appears to be that the small jobbing masters have gone under, in the competition with the big men. Almost the whole of the Mews here have been occupied by private stables, and, in fact, "there are fewer jobbers on the ground than there used to be", to quote Gunn's words.

No public-house was condemned for being badly managed, no house was pointed out as having been, xr or as being use as a brothel. A clear bill may be said to have been given to the whole district both as regards drunkenness and other forms of vice. It is probale that he is correct in saying that disorderly conduct is quite the exception, and that professional immorality xxxxxxxxxxxxx does not find a local habitation here. Property is too valuable either for the accommodation of the rich, or for that of their retainers, and, whatever truth there may be in the charge against luxury and wealth that they connote demoralization, they take care not to sow the ugly seed at their own doors. And further afield, the bad blood of the luxurious gets mixed up, save in a few

centres perhaps, with that of poorer and less leisured classes, making it an extremely difficult task to prove exceptional extravagance, exceptional demoralization, and exceptional profligacy against any single section of the community. For good as for ill, all are probably pretty much in the same boat--- the same proportions even in all probability making for righteousness or for social decay in almost every class.

Grafton St part running E to W. -red

Dover St red

Albemarle St S of Stafford St - red



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Starting from Old Bond St. we turned W. down

Grafton St: a good deal of new building on both sides; some shops or offices in part running E. and W. No 7 (Harcourt's old house now in occupation of Madame Lili); query from y. to yellow-barred. The part of the street running N. and S. still yellow, as map. A good many of the houses to let.

Dover St: a mixture of private houses and private hotels, modistes, photographers etc. query from y. to yellow-barred.

Stafford St. shows no signs of change; mainly 4 st. houses; shops; red, as map.

Albemarle St: N. of Stafford St. yellow as map. S. of this street, now a mixture of hotels, shops etc. query from y. to yellow-barred. Running W. into Bond St. is the

Royal Arcade: not marked on map; shops; no bad name as a loitering place; red. Down Bond St. into

Piccadilly: N. side, red, as map, to Berkeley St. and yellow beyond, except perhaps E. and W. of Half Moon St, where there are now shops on the ~~xxx~~ ground-floors. If shown the colour should be yellow-barred.

Bolton St - all yellow

Clarges St - yellow

Half Moon St - yellow

Whitehorse St pk b[a]

Ducking Pond Mews - pk



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Stratton St: little change, except at N. end, where new flats have been built, with entrances also in Curzon St. Yellow, as map.

Bolton St: No change; yellow, as map; query change the red to yellow-barred.

Clarges St: like Bolton St; leave red, or change as suggested to yellow-barred, as far as Curzon St.

Half Moon St: No change; very much like Bolton and Clarges Streets; query red to yellow barred.

Whitehorse St: colour only where marked on map; shops, very much the same in character as those in the Market above; from red to pk-barred. Running W. is

Shepherd St: 3 st. houses; shops; lodgers above mainly servants; pink-barred, as map. To the S. is

Carrington St: 3 st. houses; no shops; cul-de-sac; retired servants the chief occupiers of the houses, and servants, as in Shepherd St., generally the lodgers taken in. Pink, as map. A little further W. is

Ducking Pond ~~xxxxxx~~ Mews: stables, mainly occupied by tradesmen. A good many occupants, and should be coloured, except on the left side of the entrance, along the straight bit of which is a line of workshops -- painters etc. On a wall is an inscription "The Ducking Pond - June 7.1775", supposed to

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mark its original site. Colour pink, as map. N. up West Chapel St: 3 st. houses; shops as far as the Chapel; no change here; private houses opposite the Chapel have gone down, and look rather forlorn. Pink-barred, as map. E. to Market St: with its passages right and left; very much like Shepherd St. and West Chapel St; decent shops, the butchers, poulterers and game-dealers being especially laden with stock; the whole aspect one of busy thriving, very much as one would see it in a provincial town. Few signs that this is a kind of shopping annexe of wealthy parts. No crowded streets here, but plenty of people to give the impression of prosperity, and ~~m~~ no poor discernible. Pink-barred, as map. N. into

Curzon St: S. side: red as map, shops etc. to Clarges St. E. of this point, there is only one shop~~x~~, and the street, on this side then becomes private and residential, with the exception of Harvey's Hotel, to the end, that is, to the new flats mentioned as having beeh built ~~x~~ at the N. end of Stratton St. Query from red to yellow. W. by Lansdowne
x
4 storeys; red-brick.

Passage into

Berkeley St: yellow, as map, but N. of this point very littl colour left, the Bath Club, the site of the new Empress

Curzon St - E of Clarges St - yellow

Hay Hill - yellow

Barlow Mews - pk (part)





(ladies) Club and Dover St. business firms taking up most of the space, now coloured pink. About 90 feet of it is left to the N. -- stabling. The rest should go out. S.E. is Dover Mews: no change; pink, as map. N. and E. to Hay Hill: yellow, as map on N. side; on S. side an enormous block of flats, red-brick mansions 6 or 7 storeys high at S.W. corner are just being finished, and should be coloured yellow. The S.E.cprner mx is at the moment cleared, for building, purpose unknown. N.E. along South Bruton Mews:no change, except towards N. end, on E. side, along most of which the back of the Grafton Galleries runs. Here, therefore the colour should go out, but where the Galleries stop two or three shops have been opened - refreshment rooms etc. and should be left pink at this point as map.

Galleries

A little to the E. running out of Bruton St are Barlow Mews: the Grafton Galleries take up the W. side, and on the E. side only a small portion (see plan) is occupied The Mews are made up mainly of back windows, but at the point coloured there are some stables, with people living over them. Pink. When we were there, about 50 Italian waiters were waiting for an engagement, presumably for some special

function impending, at the Grafton Galleries.

Asked whether the Shepherd's Market district had a bad reputation of any kind, Gunn said that there were no complaints, ~~ex~~ and that the people living there were a very respectable set. It was "too far from Piccadilly" (meaning the E. end of it) to become a centre of undesirable resort. As regards disorderly housesgenerally, he said that the S. George's Vestry "was very hot on them". He has always adhered to his early statements that so far as his district is concerned these places all lie to the East of any ground that he and I have covered together.

Brick Yard - pk

Down St - yellow

Park Lane - S of Brick St - red



Notes of a walk with P.C. Gunn on Feb. 2.99, in the area bounded on the W. by Park Lane, on the N. by Mount St., on the E. by Berkeley Sq, Curzon St., Chapel St. West, Brick St. and Piccadilly, forming part of the parishes of Christ Church and St. Georges.

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Starting along Piccadilly, we turned N. at Brick St. to Warmouth Mews: lying N. of Hertford House; no change; pink, as map. W. along

Brick St: stables, shops, private houses, etc. etc.; rather a cheerless annexe of a wealthy neighbourhood; the chief occupiers, its retainers; pink, as map. On the N. side, E. of Down St. is

Brick Yard: private stables; at the moment untenanted, but not occupied by a poorer class than all the other mews of the district; from l.b. to pink.

Down St: S. of Brick St. new flats, "very expensive", on both sides nearly all the way; in addition Post Office, and two or three shops only; xxxxx from red to yellow. N. of Brick St. the yellow part, as map, but the pink part has been rebuilt; a couple of shops; from pink, to red. On W. side is

Dyson's Yard: N. side pink, as map; and S. side y. as map.

Park Lane (to Brick St.) On E. side, N. and S. of Dysons Yd. and Grantham Place, new chambers; between the yards a carriage shop, vet. etc. here, therefore yellow to red, else-

Little Stanhope St - W. side - red



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where yellow, and pink as map.

Grantham Place:stables; pink, as map. W. down

Hamilton Place:no change; yellow, as map, and pink, for stables of

Hamilton Mews: where also, no change; pink, as map. N. to

Hertford St: no change; yellow, as map. N. to

Little Stanhope St: On W. side; private houses; lodgings; servants kept; pink-barred, to red. ~~x~~ E. side:poorer, no change; pink-barred, as map. Behind, near N.E. corner, are two 2 storey cottages. Pink. E. along

Carrington Mews: no change; Curzon Schools; Carrington Mews Buildings on N. side "1877"; all pink, as map. W. along

Market Mews: (called Street on map);no change; pink, as map.

Pitts Head Mews: no change; pink, as map.

> Many of the houses round being empty, the Mews often had a rather deserted look; most of them were vilely paved with rough cobbles; all were scrupulously clean.

Great Stanhope St: with the big new house of that lost angel of fimance, Barney Barnato, at the S.W. corner; still unoccupied, and being much altered ~~by~~ for, Gunn said, one of the Sassoons. Otherwise little or no change in the street; yellow, as map. N. into

Tilney St:with one new house in it; all yellow, as map.

Deanery St: just the same; yellow, as map. To the E.

South Audley St. South Street to Mount Street yellow

South St. (E of S. Audley St.) yellow & red

Aldford St yellow & pk.

Site of Streets Buildings - yellow & pk



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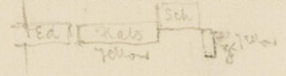
Deanery Mews: pink, as map; no change.

South Audley St:yellow, to South St. as map. From South St. to Mount St. rebuilt, after the style of Mount St; red to yellow-barred.

South St: yellow, red, and pink(for stables) as map. On N. side, W. from Farm St., new flats have been built; then the new Higher Grade Schools of S. George's, and W. of these more new flats.  The second of the big new houses in Park Lane (? Beit's) is between South St. and Aldford St. N. is

King's Mews: a good deal re-building going on here; still stables, and pink, as map.

Park St (between South St and Mount St): E. side, re-built and re-building; very large"mansions" or houses; W. side unaltered; yellow, as map.

Aldford St: greatly altered; two-thirds of S. side now stables; pink, as plan.

Streets' Buildings: have gone; stables on W. and mansions on E. the opening, widened and improved.

Portugal Place:(now Balfour Place; thought by Gunn to be part of the Liberator estate, and the name to savour of Jabez); re-built; mansions; yellow, as map.

Chapel Place South - red

Farm Street : pk, yellow + uncolored.



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In S. Audley St. on the E. side

Chapel Place North: pink goes out; site now occupied by new public library. The outlet ~~to~~ from the gardens(public) running behind the houses of the S. side of Mount St, as far as the R.C. chapel here.

Chapel Place South: rebuilt on S. side; part of Goode's premises, I think; pink to red. The red spot, a single house, 3 storeyed, remains. E. to

Farm St: The red spot on the N. side appears to mark the public houses; W. of this the ground is clear, as in map, but the pink houses, just to the N, of Waverton St., and lying a little back from Farm St. have been demolished. To the E. of them however, and not marked on map, are some stables, "Archibald's Buildings", familiarly known to the police from their proximity to the Punchbowl, as Punch's Bdgs. These should be marked pink. The rest of Farm St is as in map, except that a large red brick building has been put up just E. of the R.C. chapel. It is connected with the Chapel itself, but whether the presbytery or not, Gunn did not know, and there was no indication. As we passed a woman left with bread and food tht she had evidently been for. She looked poor, and was noticeable as giving a sign of poverty and dependence that the district taken as a whole is surprising-

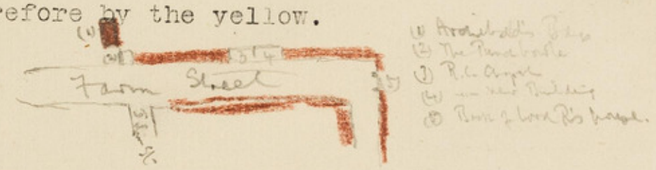
Charles St - extreme NW - red

Curzon St: S side W of Chapel: yellow





ly free from. At the E. end of the street Lord Rosebery's new house comes right through, and the line of pink should be broken therefore by the yellow.




Hill St:yellow, as map.

Hays Mews:(the N. part called "Street" on map, but all really the mews); all pink, as map.

Charles St: all yellow, as map, except the extreme N.W. corner house, which is a quaint wooden faced place, belonging (on W. side) to Chapelow's the builders.

John St:yellow, as map.

Waverton St:yellow and pink, as map, but the latter colour, indicating a few 3 st. houses; "lodgings";ought to be about half as long again as it is on map. To the S.W. is

Red Lion Yard:small; stables; pink, as map.

Chesterfield St:yellow, as map. and

Curzon St.W. of the Chapel, ought to be ~~rm~~ yellow on S. as well as on N. side, instead of red. The houses are smaller than those on the N. side, but they are, it appears, all in private occupancy.

Chesterfield Gardens:yellow, as map.

Curzon St. - N side E of Queen St. - yellow





Seamore Place: that quiet backwater of the rich, perhaps the yellowest of them all. Near the S.W. end of Curzon St.

Derby St: on the E. houses let in lodgings of a second-rate description; pink-barred, as map; on the W. stables, pink, as map. Up Queen St. to

Lambeth Mews: pink, as map, and out to the N, end of

Clarges St: chambers, but not so good as those S. of Curzon St. Red, as map.

Curzon St: there are single shops E. and W. both of Queen St. and of Clarges St, and perhps two houses let in apart-ments of an expensive kind. In the main the houses are, like those on the S. side, W. of the Chapel, in the hands of private and wealthy occupiers. Except, perhaps, for the spots where the fo ur shops are, from red to yellow.