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Interview with Rev. M. Tweddell, St. Saviour's, Paddington.

Mr Tweddell is a tall, thin, rather saintly looking man of about 55: gray hair: clean shaved: ~~ag~~ aquiline nose: though he was not arrayed in a cassock his whole appearance is sacerdotal. In manner he is courtly, cordial, and confidential.

Mr T. gave me a copy of his book published two years ago "Fourteen Years in a London Parish". As it is a well-bound volume I have placed it with the papers, but it gives so full an account of the work at St Saviour's and, read between the lines, such a complete picture of Mr T. that it is necessary to add little to it.

Mr T's parish until recently was largely unbuilt over owing to some dispute between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (to whom the land belongs) and the Charity Commissioners (I think). But the land to the north of Sutherland Avenue is now rapidly being

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built-
over, mostly with good middle class houses and Flats: but much to Mr T's. disgust they are building a new Board School near the northern part of the parish, which he fears will have a prejudicial effect on the new district. Except in the mews there is no poverty in the lower part of the parish, but to the north there is a good deal in Kilburn Park Road one side of which forms the boundary line of London and the parish. The southern streets are still well-to-do, but certainly less so than they were: rents have fallen. (Mr T. pays £120 for his house in Warrington Crescent which was formerly rented at £150) - and the district is rapidly becoming a Jewish preserve. Mr T. estimates that quite half the houses in the parish south of Sutherland Avenue belong to Jews and whenever a Christian family leaves their place is taken by Jews.

Particulars as to Services will be found in the parish Magazine. The church holds 1500: in the morning it is full: in the evening about 2/3rds full. The Communicants number quite 1200 and

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On Easter Sunday am over 600. The congregation is almost entirely well-to-do people and Rev T. "doubts if there is a Christian household in the parish which is unrepresented". (In saying this Rev T. was evidently thinking only of the rich). Considering the large Jewish element and the fact that he "is surrounded by strong parishes" Rev T. is proud of his large congregation and communicants' roll, which he says is almost entirely parochial. He tells us how from his book he came to an empty church, and he says that he has not drawn people away from other parishes but has simply "got back his own" who had strayed to other pastors. This has been the result I gather mainly of very persistent visitation: Rev T. spends almost every afternoon in calling on his rich parishioners (the work among the poor is left mostly to the curates): at first such calls were purely social and very irksome, but now Rev T. has a recognised position in almost every household: "I have baptised confirmed married and buried them" he said "so that now I seldom go to a house without finding something

to say that will be of use to them; the fact is that Rev T. with his distinguished presence, his courtly bearing, his sympathetic manner, and his genuine kindness is a very typical society priest, and is now doubt a most welcome visitor, especially among his female parishioners.

Though Rev T. devotes himself chiefly to the rich I don't think the poor of the parish are neglected. They are thoroughly looked after by the curates, the Bible woman and some 20 District Visitors, probably not too judiciously as Rev T. is evidently a lax administrator of Relief, which is given through the visitors tickets: but then is a Relief Committee once a week. Rev T. loudly complains of the great difficulty of working with the C.O.S. and is especially hurt that they should consider it necessary to enquire into cases which are recommended by the Clergy. Though Rev T. does little work among his poor parishioners he is I imagine, in a rather patronising way, sympathetic with them, and popular among them: he showed me with pride the clock mentioned in his book, presented by Coalowners and spoke of "the greatly increased respect which is

shown to the clergy when they meet one in the streets" compared to the state of things when he first came, when, even in the Church School there was a tendency to look upon them as intruders.

The Day Schools have 550 children in attendance, and, like many others, Mr T. emphasized their importance in the parochial organisation, not only as insuring definite religious instruction, but as bringing the Church easily and naturally into touch with many of the poor parishioners who otherwise could only be seen with great effort or not at all. "I would rather give up anything than the Schools" said Mr T., who therefore carries on constant war against Mr Lyulph Stanley and "unnecessary Board Schools".

As I have indicated Mr T's relief is probably rather weak. The amount spent is about £100 a year: let in addition to this there is the Soup Kitchen run at a loss, and the Dispensary where advice is given for nothing. Mr T. desired to emphasize the fact that all were relieved irrespective of creed: only last week they spent

£3 on the Deacon of a dissenting chapel. "I need scarcely say" said Mr T. "that if the Church was disestablished I should retain only those who were communicants at my own church". The fact that the Church looked after the material wants of dissenters as well as her own people ought, Mr T. thought, to be more clearly recognised by their ministers. This was said with some resentment at the fact that his neighbour Dr Clifford had referred to him as "spending all his time in running along to Mattins and Evensong". However Mr T. said that he and Dr Clifford were quite good friends: but of the work of the non-conformists generally he had a poor opinion: while admitting that the members of non-con churches were often a pattern to so-called churchmen he said "that in the course of 30 years ministry in London he had never met a dissenting minister on agent visiting in the homes of the people: even those who go to chapels come to us for all their material wants". Mr T. went on to say that "the Church made no attempt to proselytise" and asked me whether

that was not the conclusion that I had arrived at: I ventured to suggest that "Sisters" were probably not always ~~free~~ free from suspicion; and with the ~~objet~~ object ~~of~~ lesson of St Augustine next door to him Mr T. agreed that "very likely that was so".

I went through our general questions shortly with Mr T. but he knew little or nothing about them, and said "we clergy are the worst people to whom you can come for information of this sort: we are so completely taken up with church work that we have no time for anything outside".

In spite of his sacerdotalism and his touch of vanity I liked Mr T. He is such a perfect gentleman and so pleasant, and to this no doubt he largely owes his success. But though in appearance he reminds one of them, he is ~~very inferior in~~ of much less vanity character ~~to~~ than men of the ascetic sacerdotal type, Wainwright, Stanton, or Eyre. There are certainly no outward signs in his surroundings of

any great- ally denial in his life. He is married
and lives in a large house handsomely furnished.

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Sundays.—11, 3.30 (Children's Service), 4.15 (Litany, except on 5th Sunday), and 7.

Week-days —Daily at 8 and 5.30. Address on Eves of Saints' Days at 5.30. Fridays, Intercession, 12.30.

Holy Communion.—First Sunday in the Month, 7, 8, and Mid-day.
Third „ „ 8 and Mid-day.
Other Sundays, „ 8.
Thursdays and Holy Days, 7.30.
Extra Celebrations on Great Festivals, and in Holy Week.
(Mission Room), Second Sunday, 8; last Sunday, 7.

Baptisms.—On First Sunday at 3.15; on Third Sunday at 3.45. Any week-day at 5.30 (with notice).

Churchings.—Immediately before any service.

Clergy.

Rev. MARSHALL TWEDDELL. M.A., Vicar, 13, Warrington Crescent.
Rev. F. W. PARKER, B.A., 78, Warwick Road.
Rev. M. B. HEATON, B.A., 78, Warwick Road.

The Clergy can be seen at the Church after any of the Daily Services.

Churchwardens.

W. Sedgwick, Esq., 52, Warrington Cres.; W. Urquhart, Esq, 107, Portsdown Rd.

Notices of Weddings and Banns to be given to Mr. Walker, 35, Lanark Villas, or at the Church.

There are 500 Free Seats. Every seat unoccupied, in the Morning, when the Venite commences, and, in the evening, when the Psalms commence is free to anyone.

Classes, Meetings, Institutions, etc.

Vicar's *Communicants' Class*, in Church, last Friday in Month, 12.
Vicar's *Communicants' Class*, in Church, last Monday in Month, 8.30.
Youths' Bible Class, in Church Vestry, Sundays, 4.15.
Girls' Bible Class Infants' School. Sundays, 3.30.
Communicants' Association; for information or cards of membership, apply to Clergy.
Teachers' Instruction Class, Church Vestry. Every Tuesday, 11.15.
Ladies' Working Party, at 13, Warrington Crescent. Wednesdays, 2.
Mothers' Meeting, in Mission Room. Mondays, 2.30.
Mothers' Union (S. Saviour's Branch). *Hon. Sec.*, Lady Wood, 8, Castellain Road.
Temperance Society (Children), in Boys' School. Every Thursday, 6. Boys' and Girls alternately.
Vicar at Home to Gentlemen of the Parish, at 13, Warrington Crescent. First Sunday in month, from 4 to 6 p.m.
Day Schools, Boys, Girls, and Infants, corner of Shirland Road and Formosa Street. Mornings, 9; Afternoons, 2.
Sunday Schools, Boys, Girls, and Infants. Mornings, 9.45; Afternoons, 3.
Parish Library, Mission Room. Mondays, 4.15 p.m.
District Visiting Dispensary. Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m., at 78, Warwick Road.
Parish Kitchen, Mission Room. Soup, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 12 to 1.
Foreign Missions Association, in connection with S.P.G.
Church open daily for private devotion, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

N.B.—As there are certain periods of the year when the above Classes, Meetings, etc., are not held, this List should always be read in connection with the Monthly Calendar on opposite page.

Monthly Parochial Calendar.

1898. **DECEMBER.** **31 Days.**

1	Th	Holy Communion, 7.30. C.E.T.S. (Girls), 6.
2	F	Intercession, 12.30. Sunday School Teachers' Annual Meeting, 6. Choir Practice, 8.30.
3	S	
4	*S*	*Second Sunday in Advent.* Holy Communion, 7, 8, and mid-day. Holy Baptism, 3.15. Vicar at Home, 4—6.
5	M	Holy Communion (Invalids), 12.0. Mothers' Meeting, 2.30.
6	Tu	Teachers' Class, 11.15. District Visitors' Meeting, 12. Missionary Meeting, 8.15.
7	W	Working Party, 2. Evensong with Sermon, 8.15.
8	Th	Holy Communion, 7.30. C.E.T.S. (Boys), 6.
9	F	Intercession, 12.30. Choir Practice, 8.30.
10	S	
11	*S*	*Third Sunday in Advent.* Holy Communion, Mission Room, 8; Church, 8.
12	M	Mothers' Meeting, 2.30.
13	T	Teachers' Class, 11.15. Relief Committee, 12.
14	W	*Ember Day.* Holy Communion, 7.30. Working Party, 2. Evensong with Sermon, 8.15.
15	Th	Holy Communion, 7.30. C.E.T.S. (Girls), 6.
16	F	*Ember Day.* Holy Communion, 7.30. Intercession, 12.30. Sale, 2.30—9.30. Choir Practice, 8.30.
17	S	*Ember Day.* Holy Communion, 7.30. Sale, 2.30—9.30.
18	*S*	*Fourth Sunday in Advent.* Holy Communion, 8, and mid-day. Holy Baptism, 3.45.
19	M	Mothers' Meeting, 2.30. Vicar's Communicants' Class, 8.30.
20	Tu	Teachers' Class, 11.15. Relief Committee, 12. Address at Evensong.
21	W	*S. Thomas, Ap. M.* Holy Communion, 7.30. Evensong with Sermon, 8.15.
22	Th	Holy Communion, 7.30. C.E.T.S. (Boys), 6.
23	F	Vicar's Communicants' Class, 12. Choir Practice, 8.30.
24	S	
25	*S*	*Christmas Day.* Holy Communion, 6.15, 7, 8, and mid-day.
26	M	*S. Stephen, D.M.* Holy Communion, 7.30.
27	Tu	*S. John, Ap. Evan.* Holy Communion 7.30. Teachers' Class, 11.15. Relief Committee, 12.
28	W	*Holy Innocents' M.M.* Holy Communion, 7.30.
29	Th	Holy Communion, 7.30. C.E.T.S. (Girls), 6.
30	F	Intercession, 12.30. Choir Practice, 8.30.
31	S	Mid-night Service, 11.15.

ADVENT.

When this number is in the hands of our readers, we shall have already entered upon the season of Advent. Although this season may not impose so rigid a rule upon social life as that of Lent, it nevertheless behoves us to bear in mind that it is a penitential season, and that, as good church-people, we should take care, in the doings of our social life, to avoid whatever is inconsistent with the solemn thought of the second Advent to Judgment with which our minds should be specially occupied at this time, or whatever clashes with the penitential character which the Church always attaches to those periods which are immediately preparatory to the most important and joyous festivals.

The season of Advent is a time when devout people must desire to increase the frequency and earnestness of their attendance on the outward means of grace provided in public worship. In every parish we ought, at this time, to see an increase in the congregations both on Sundays and week-days, and especially in the number of those worshipping, and seeking sacramental grace, at the altar. For, in view of the second coming of Christ to judge the world—a prospect which we can face hopefully only in the strength of the death of the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world—where, while waiting for that coming, can we find greater comfort, or give a more fitting expression to our hopes, than at the altar of Christ where we "do shew the Lord's death *till He come?*" How can we more fittingly evince our gratitude for Christmas truth than by giving some additional time at this season to private devotion and preparation, so that we may partake more frequently of the Blessed Sacrament—a means of grace which constitutes one of the highest blessings that have flowed from the Saviour's Incarnation and Birth ?

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The Vicar will preach on the Sunday mornings throughout Advent, and will also preach a Course of Sermons on the Sunday evenings, on "Advent Thoughts suggested by the Parable of the Ten Virgins."

The Rev. F. W. Parker will preach a Course of Sermons on the Wednesday evenings, at 8.15 p.m.

THE APPROACHING CHRISTMAS SALE.

Our Annual Sale is now drawing near. It will be held in the Boys' School, on Friday and Saturday, December 16th and 17th, from 2.30 to 9.30, each day.

For the guidance of those contributing articles, or money for the purchase of articles for sale, we give the following information:—

Contributions to the "Refreshment" Stall, which will provide Tea and Coffee and light refreshments, should be sent direct to Mrs. Cholmeley, 19, Hamilton Terrace.

Contributions to the "Groceries" Stall should be sent direct to Mrs. Newton, 9, Warrington Crescent.

Contributions to the "Cooked Meats" Stall, which will provide joints, poultry, game, hams, tongues, etc., should be sent direct to Mrs. Hasluck, 37, Warrington Crescent.

Contributions to the "Cakes" Stall should be sent direct to Mrs. Graham Smith, 154, Sutherland Avenue.

Contributions to the "Sweets and Flowers" Stall should be sent direct to Mrs. Marcy, Clifton House, Clifton Gardens.

Contributions to the "General" Stalls, including Clothing for the poor, fancy-work, fancy articles, pottery, etc., should be sent to Mrs. Tweddell, 13, Warrington Crescent, not later, if possible, than a week before the Sale. Contributions to the *other* stalls, being of a perishable character, should be forwarded to the various stall-holders on the day before the Sale.

Messrs. Welford & Sons, Limited, have very kindly consented to provide a "Dairy" Stall.

The Sale will be made additionally attractive by entertainments, which will be given each afternoon at 4 p.m., and each evening at 8 p.m. Mrs. Thoresby Jones has very kindly undertaken to provide both afternoon entertainments, and that on Saturday evening, and Mr. Percy Underhill, of Warwick House, the Friday evening entertainment.

An Exhibition of our Church Embroidery (including the new white Altar Frontal) will be held in one of the Class-rooms. In another Class-room there will be a "Fine Arts" Exhibition.

It will be seen from the programme we have sketched that every effort is being made to render the Sale this year, not only profitable, but additionally interesting and attractive, in view of its having become a recognized occasion for a pleasant Annual Gathering of parishioners and friends. We hope, therefore, that our friends will come in troops, and stay with us each day as long as they can.

S. SAVIOUR'S FOREIGN MISSIONS ASSOCIATION

(In connection with S.P.G.)

A Meeting will be held in the Boys' School, on Tuesday, December 6th, at 8.15 p.m. The Vicar will preside, and an Address will be given by the Rev. Leonard Dawson, sometime Missionary in the Diocese of Qu' Appelle. Mr. Dawson is not only an effective speaker, but having had practical experience of Missionary work abroad, and now holding an important official position in the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, he has had exceptional opportunities of acquiring a wide and intimate knowledge of Foreign Missions, and is sure to have something to tell us worth hearing. We hope, therefore, that we may have a large audience to hear him. Nothing is more calculated to impress us with the dignity and catholicity of our Communion, than hearing about her work and responsibilities beyond the limits of our Island, and extending to all parts of the earth.

PARISH NOTES.

At the time of going to press, three out of the four Parish Entertainments arranged for this Autumn have taken place. They

have, each and all, fully sustained the high standard of excellence which these Entertainments have reached of late years in our parish. Although, not exceptionally favoured by weather, the audiences have been large throughout, and thoroughly appreciative of the performances provided for their entertainment. We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Barry, Miss Newton, and Mrs. Woodrow Cross, as well as to those ladies and gentlemen associated with them, for their most kind and able efforts. We tender them our grateful thanks.

The Annual Entertainment given by the "Infants" to their parents and friends, took place in the Boys' School, on October 27th. As usual, the room was crowded to its utmost capacities; and amongst the audience we were glad to see a large number of parents, for we welcome any evidence of the interest taken by them in the educational work we carry on for their children. The programme was made up of those quaint and pretty performances which Miss Richards knows so well how to provide, and which were calculated to bring out to the best advantage such elementary accomplishments as are within the scope of infantile powers. The Vicar presided, and, in giving away the prizes, took occasion to mention the contemplated structural improvements in the Infants' School Buildings: an announcement which appeared to give much satisfaction to the parents who were present.

The recent accident sustained by Mr. Newman, the headmaster of our Boys' School, has evoked much sympathy in the parish where he has worked so long, and is held in deserved respect. We are glad to know that he is making very satisfactory progress, and will soon be able to resume his duties. In the meanwhile, the School is being well looked after by his competent assistants.

The Vicar commenced, on the last Friday and Monday in October, his newly formed Monthly Classes for Communicants. The attendance was very encouraging, not less than 150 in all having been present at the two instructions. We hope the attendance may go on increasing still further. We may take this opportunity of mentioning that as the last Friday and Monday in December fall in Christmas week, the classes this month will be held in the previous week, *i.e.*, on Monday, December 19th, at 8.30 p.m., and on Friday, December 23rd, at 12 noon. The Vicar would feel greatly obliged if those who attend these classes would kindly take their seats nearer the front.

A Service, in connection with the various branches of C.E.T.S. in the Rural Deanery of Paddington, was held in our Church on the 17th of last month. An earnest Sermon was preached by the Rev. Ewart Barter, sometime Vicar of Hanwell. We were glad to see a goodly number of our own people present, but the attendance of those from other parishes was miserably small, and certainly did not testify to any very active interest being taken in Paddington, in the cause of temperance.

The parish is shut in by Railway and Canal and is known as "Soap Suds Island". "That's our sobriquet" said Mr L.

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Interview with Rev. G. W. Lawson, St Thomas', Kensal Town.

Mr Lawson is a man of 50 or over: exceedingly diminutive, about 4 ft 6 in. in height: just like a little Bantam fowl. Gray hair and side whiskers: self-satisfied in appearance and manner. He has been here for 11 years, and is the first Vicar of the parish which was carved out of St John's Kensal Green.

Mr L. had got his curate Mr Bucke to meet me. He began our interview by supposing that I came from "the General".

The parish is exclusively working class and a great deal of it ~~ry~~ very poor, especially Great Western Place, Bosworth Road, and parts of Middle and West Row. The prevailing industry is Laundry work: in parts of South Row every house is a Laundry, and throughout the parish they are numerous. Those not engaged in Laundries are mostly labourers and costers. The prevalence of

laundries leads to the presence of a large number of loafing men who live mainly on the earnings of their wives: it is a saying in the district that "to many an woman is as good as a fortune".

Of Buildings there are only the church and the Mission Room: these were built by Mr Lawson. After our interview Mr Bucke took me over the church, a simple but effective building of red brick.

Of Workers besides those mentioned in the Report there is a City Missionary, 7 Lady Workers and 25 Sunday School Teachers, but of the latter the Curate told me there is the greatest difficulty in getting a sufficient number.

For Services see Report.

The congregation on Sunday morning is about 200 in the evening from 400 to 500. Mr L. claims that in the evening they are exclusively his parishioners and therefore all poor. He is a man of sanguine temperament and

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would certainly be inclined to our state. His opinion is that the people "are very fond of their church." Asked however as to the actual proportion who attended he suggested in a tentative way 1 in 20, and admitted that the bulk of the people were really indifferent though friendly. The usual answer is "I dont go myself but I'll see that the children come." There was however the usual remark "They all come to us when they are in trouble".

The communicants are about 160 and there have been as many as 97 at an Evening Communion. "The poor like an Evening Communion" said Mr L.

The Social agencies are of the smallest:- practically nothing but a Mother's Meeting and a Band of Hope. "Your work Mr Lawson" I said "is I suppose mainly spiritual?" "Yes" he said "that's what we aim at, and we use all these things to build upon and bring them on to the church" with an air as if his

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Organisations were as numerous and important as those of St Dunstan, Stepney.

The Sunday School has about 600 children. Mr L. is of opinion that most of the children in the parish go to some Sunday School.

A house to house visitation is aimed at, and this is mainly the work of the Curate, who informed me, ~~which~~ as I can well believe, that he was no good in the pulpit, for though a good creature he was of the type who inevitably drift into the church. For what it is worth I imagine his visiting is very thorough and persistent. There are besides five Lady Visitors and Mr L. though his visiting is not systematic is constantly about in the parish.

Figures as to Relief will be found in the Report. It is given only by the Clergy, through tickets mainly. There appears to be no system and

no real inquiry. "We are willing to give to any case of real need" said Mr L. "but I set my face against anything in the nature of pensions". Of the C.O.S. he "hears the worst account" and has no dealings with it.

Of other religious agencies the R.C.'s are numerous and active. The Non-Cons are said to be insignificant: and there is a Miss Thompson working a Medical Mission in Kensal Road.

Of our general questions Mr L. had nothing to say but on Drink, as to which the report was bad, and Health which was good on the whole but affected by the terrible smells from the drains, which are defective.

Mr Lawson is a cheery kind hearted little mortal and probably as his curate said "full of fun": indeed I should be immensely surprised, supposing one asked a parishioner for an opinion of

him, to hear any other verdict than "a funny little man". I am sure therefore that neither he nor the church, though possibly popular in a way, can have won the "respect" of which he talked. His work indeed is not important, ~~tho~~ though he ~~talked~~ spoke as if "St Thomas" had made a great stir in the world. I have compared his appearance to a Bantam Cock and he is inclined to crow like one.

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Clergy.

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Rev. H. E. Bucke, *Curate*, 240, Ladbroke Grove, W.

Churchwardens.

Mr. G. J. Hitchcock, 100, Blenheim Crescent, W.

Mr. Alfred Burgess, Board School, Middle Row, W.

Organist (*Voluntary*).

Mrs. Cooper, 20, Hyde Park Place, W.

Choirmaster.

Mr. F. J. House, 66, Clifford Gardens, Kensal Rise, W.

Scripture Reader.

James Glenn, 30, Adair Road.

Bible Woman.

Miss Bacon, 1, Hormead Road, W.

Caretaker of Mission Room.

Henry Shrives, 19, Barfett Street.

St. THOMAS', KENSAL TOWN.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Sunday Services - -	Morning at **11.0** a.m. Afternoon at **3.15** (*on the first Sunday in the month for children and young people.* Evening at **7.0** p.m.
Week Days - - - -	Wednesday Evening at **8.0** p.m.
Holy Communion. - -	2nd Sunday in the month, **11.0** a.m. 3rd ,, ,, ,, **8.30** a.m. 4th ,, ,, ,, **7.0** p.m. Special occasions **8.30** a.m.
Holy Baptisms - - -	2nd Sunday in the month **4.15** p.m. Also before and after the Wednesday Evening Service.
Churchings - - - -	Monday Morning **11.0** a.m.; also on Wednesday Evenings.
Sunday School - - -	Morning at **9.45**. Afternoon at **3.0**.
Bible Class - - - -	For Young Women, at Mission Hall at **3.0** p.m. For Young Men at the Vestry at **3.0** p.m.
Mothers' Meeting - -	Every Monday Afternoon at **2.30**, conducted by Mrs. P. V. Smith.
Temperance Meetings	Band of Hope for Boys and Girls, every alternate week on Friday night, **6** to **7**. Adults—2nd Monday in the month, **8.0** p.m.

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PADDINGTON DEANERY.

DEAR FRIENDS,

Once again I am permitted in the Providence of God to send out our Annual Report, and in doing so I have to acknowledge like Nehemiah "the good hand of our God upon us"—both in the progress of the work in our midst during the past year, and in the generous aid sent to us both from individuals and also from those richer Churches which have so kindly befriended us.

Difficult as the work always is among our crowded poor, it would be ten times more difficult—nay, it would be simply impossible to carry it on at all—without such extraneous aid and sympathy extended to us. It does the poor good, and softens feeling to know that the rich are their friend, and that they do sympathise with them in their troubles, and cares, and spiritual needs. And for this cause I am deeply indebted to such Churches as the Mother Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, and St. Jude's, S. Kensington, and also "The Kensington Fund.' for their most kind and helpful aid.

The Congregations have been good throughout the year, especially in the evening, and the number of Communicants continues to show a steady but quiet increase year by year, while the Weekly Offertory (about 25/- a Sunday from the pence of the poor) shows that they are not unmindful of the Christian duty and privilege of giving according to their means

for God's Service, and for the advancement of His work at home and abroad.

The Sunday Schools are flourishing, the children attending having more than trebled their number, and made it necessary for me to hire three rooms in the Middle Row Board Schools, the rent for which is provided by the Bishop of London's Fund. For our devoted band of about 26 teachers, I am deeply grateful, and trust they may be permitted to see "much fruit that may remain" to their labours. But we sadly need more teachers; the size of our classes would astonish many of our well-to-do parishes.

Our large Mother's Meeting of about 150 members is doing a good and noble work under the fostering care of Mrs. P. V. Smith, assisted by Miss Gertrude Bullock; and likewise the Women's Help Society so ably carried on by Mrs. Shearme, Mrs. Vernon Smith, and Mrs. Merchant. Who can tell the leavening influence which these women may exert in their homes and in the Parish through the blessing they themselves receive at these meetings.

During the Winter we tried to reach *the men*, with Special Services for men only, on Sunday afternoons. These were well attended, and it was a great pleasure to see the men join so heartily in the Services, and listening with such attention to the addresses given to them.

During the hot Summer we have sent away, through the kind help of Mr. G. C. Bompas, about 80 of our poor ailing children into the country, in connection with the "Children's Country Holiday Fund" for a fortnight's rest and change. It was almost as great a joy to the parents to see their poor

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children going away into the pure air of the country for a fortnight, during the School holidays, as it was to the children themselves.

But now we have to look forward to the future; and there is one special appeal which I should like to make to our many kind friends of the past. We are anxious to build on a piece of vacant ground attached to the church a cottage, containing accommodation for a Caretaker, and also a Room to be set apart for our kind lady workers, many of whom come from a distance, and have no place for either refreshment or rest. If this could be provided they would be able to stay much longer, while others would be willing to come and help us both on Week-days and Sundays, if only such a room were provided. It would also be of great use to us for Bible and Confirmation Classes, etc.

For this purpose we require about £400. A *Committee* of Ladies who are working amongst us has been formed to further this scheme, and any contributions would be gratefully acknowledged by the Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. P. V. Smith, 116, Westbourne Terrace; or by the Hon. Treasurers, Mrs. Edward Shearme, 18, Cleveland Gardens, W.; and Mrs. Vernon R. Smith, 7, Strathray Gardens, South Hampstead.

Commending this and all our work to your generous sympathy and aid.

I am, yours faithfully,

G. W. LAWSON.

October 10th, 1898.

Church Expenses for the Year

ENDING EASTER, 1896.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
By Weekly Offertories at Church	84	5	8
,, Collections for Special Objects	9	14	0
,, Interest on amount in hand for Repairs, per Charity Commissioners	6	1	0
Deficit Balance	7	1	9
	£107	2	5

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Salaries, Cleaning Church, Ringing Bell, Blowing Organ, etc. ..	19	17	11
,, Coal and Coke	2	15	11
,, Gas	12	3	0
,, Water Rate	1	17	10
,, Insurance	4	1	6
,, Washing	2	19	8
,, Repairs and Reduction of Debt	23	16	11
,, Choir Master	15	0	0
,, Easter Offering to Vicar	7	10	0
,, Bishop of London's Fund	1	14	0
,, Hospital Sunday ..	4	0	0
,, C. M. S.	2	7	6
,, Scripture Readers Society	1	12	2
,, Sunday School	3	11	0
,, Penny Bank	3	15	0
	£107	2	5

G. J. HITCHCOCK,
ALFD. BURGESS, } *Churchwardens.*

Mission Room and Parochial Expenses, October 1897 to 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Mrs. P. V. Smith	10	0	0
Do. discount off Sales of Magazines ..	2	4	0
Mrs. Shearme	2	2	0
Mrs. Vernon Smith.. ..	2	2	0
Miss Roget	5	0	0
Miss Thornton (Croydon)..	2	0	0
Sir George Williams ..	1	1	0
A. W. Powell, Esq. (Harrow)	1	1	0
Mrs. Thomas	0	10	0
St. James', Paddington ..	10	0	0
St. Matthews', Bayswater ..	21	5	11
St. Luke s, Chelsea ..	3	0	0
St. Jude's, S. Kensington ..	5	0	0
Kensington Fund	5	0	0
Proceeds of Lantern Lecture	0	7	0
Rent of Room from various Clubs	7	19	0
	£78	11	11
Balance	4	14	4½
	£83	6	3½

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Caretaker and Cleaning ..	26	11	0
Gas	12	7	6
Coal and Coke	1	3	6
Rates and Taxes	3	0	8
Insurance	0	15	0
Washing	0	12	9
Printing	8	13	6
Postage and Stationery ..	5	9	11
Youths Gymnasium and Club	1	7	0
General Parochial Expenses	12	19	9½
Repairs (Lucy and Gibbs)	8	7	8
Balance from last year ..	1	18	0
	£83	6	3½

Audited and found correct,

G. J. HITCHCOCK.

Relief to Sick and Poor, 1897-98.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Miss Thornton (Croydon)	2	0	0
Mrs. Denham	0	10	0
Nurses of St. Marylebone Infirmary	1	1	0
Mrs. Mary Smith (Chelsea)	0	1	6
Mrs. Romer	0	2	0
Miss Haldane	1	0	0
R. F. Measor, Esq ..	1	1	0
St. Luke's, Chelsea, Part Offertory (per Rev. Gerald Blunt)	3	0	0
Do. Young Men's Bible Class (per Rev. Canon Chapman)	1	0	0
Do. Members of Choir	0	14	0
St. Jude's, South Kensington, (per Rev. Preb. Eardley Wilmot) ...	5	0	0
Metropolitan Visiting and Relief Association ..	15	0	0
Additional	10	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	7	2
	£40	16	8
Balance	2	4	6
	£43	1	2½

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Grocery	12	4	8
Meat	7	18	1
Bread, Milk, etc. ..	4	10	10
Coals	1	18	9½
Clothing	2	3	0
Aid in Cash	11	4	4½
Special help to suffering families after destructive fire in the Parish	2	0	0
Balance brought forward	1	1	5½
	£43	1	2½

Examined and found correct,

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For the Living Agents in the Parish.

SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1897, to 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Grants from—			
St. James', Paddington, (per Rev. W. Abbott) ..	10	0	0
Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, "Poor Parishes Aid Fund" (per Edward Martin, Esq.)	10	0	0
St. Luke's, Chelsea (per Rev. Gerald Blunt) ..	1	10	0
Do. Young Men's Bible Class (per Canon Chapman)	1	0	0
Do. Members of Choir	0	10	0
Rev. W. Wayte	1	0	0
St. John's, Paddington (per Rev. Gilbert Karney)	2	2	0
Mrs. Manley Smith ..	1	0	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
	28	2	0
Deficit Balance	1	13	7
	£29	15	7

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Payment to various Living Agents in the Parish, including Curate's Aid	15	10	0
Deputy Organist	5	0	0
Helpers at Penny Bank ..	1	13	0
Scripture Reader, Band Master, etc.	6	11	8
Balance from last year ..	1	0	11
	£29	15	7

Audited and found correct,

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THE CHOIR.

This is a voluntary one, the only paid official being Mr. F. J. House, the Choir Master.

The boys however, as a reward for good behaviour and regular attendance, receive a little gratuity at the end of each quarter, which is a great stimulus, and enables us to keep a better hold upon them.

We are deeply indebted to our kind lady voluntary Organist, Mrs. Cooper, for her able and efficient services; and for the hearty Congregational music which we have, and which it is her aim to foster.

Last year we were compelled to appeal for aid for the renovation of the organ, and I am thankful to add that through the kindness of a lady this has now been done and paid for.

Choir Fund, Sept. 29th, 1897—1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Mr. Linscott	0	10	0
Mr. Tamblyn	0	5	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
Mrs. Grant (Croydon) ..	1	1	0
St. James', Paddington ..	1	1	0
St. John's, Paddington ..	1	1	0
Proceeds of Concerts in Mission Room	4	10	0
Kensington Fund (per Wyndham Gibbes, Esq.)	2	0	0
Balance ..	2	0	9
	£13	8	9

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Twelve Cathedral Psalters	0	10	6
Surplices	0	13	6
Gratuities to Choir Boys at Christmas	3	3	6
Do. do. at Easter ..	2	12	0
Do. do. at Midsummer	2	15	3
Do. do. at Michaelmas	2	4	0
Music and Incidental Expenses	1	10	0
	£13	8	9

Examined and found correct,
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Sunday School Expenses.

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
Offertory in Church on July	2	12	6
Do. at Children's Services	1	6	6
St. Jude,s, S. Kensington (per Rev. Eardley-Wilmot)	5	0	0
C. A. Whitmore, Esq., M.P.	0	10	0
Isaac Williams, Esq. ..	2	0	0
Mrs. P. V. Smith ..	4	0	0
Mrs. Shearme	1	0	0
Mrs. Merchant	0	10	0
Mrs. Burt..	1	0	0
Mrs. Shireff	1	0	0
Sunday School— Girls' and Teachers' Payments	3	2	2
G. E. Cruikshank, Esq. (Superintendent) ..	5	0	0
Boys' Payments ..	2	16	0
Parents' Payments ..	2	11	0
Balance in hand from last year	2	1	5
	£35	9	7

Expenditure.

	£	s.	d.
Lesson Books Registers, and Table of Lessons	0	19	19½
Sunday School Prizes ..	2	14	2
Bible, Hymn Sheets, &c.	2	14	2
Incidentals	0	11	8
Printing	0	18	0
Sunday School Treat to Bricket Wood (423 Children, 48 Adults)..	29	8	9
Infants' Treat in Mission Room	1	11	10
Deficit Balance	2	3	5½
	£35	9	7

Examined and found correct,

G. J. HITCHCOCK.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REV. G. W. LAWSON, *President.*

MRS. G. W LAWSON, St. Thomas Vicarage, St. Charles' Square, Notting Hill, W., *Hon, Sec.*

	£	s.	d.
Collected at Annual Sermons	2	17	6
Collected at Meeting ..	0	2	6
Per Sales of Work, etc. ..	8	0	0
	£11	0	0

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS—

Bucke, Rev. H. E ..	0	5	0
Lawson, Rev. G. W. ..	1	1	0
Lawson, Mrs. G. W. ..	0	10	6
	£1	16	6

MISSIONARY BOXES—

Bacon, Miss	0	4	10
Batty and Train, Messrs.	0	6	5
Clark, Mrs.	0	0	9
Faber, Rose	0	4	6
Fisher, Mrs	0	12	9
Franks, Mrs.	0	2	7
French, Miss	0	3	0
Glenn, Herbert	0	2	3
Hall, Violet	0	3	2
Herbert, Mrs.	0	1	3
Hunter, Mrs.	0	1	10
Jefferies, Mrs.	0	3	2
Jefferies, Mr. and Mrs., Jun.	0	3	8
Lawson, Olive & Gwendolen	0	7	6
Lelong, Mrs.	0	0	8
Lee, Family of Mrs. ..	0	10	0
Newell, Nellie	0	1	1
Shrives, W. and F. ..	0	1	7
Somers, Mrs.	0	3	9
Sunday School (Boys) ..	1	13	7
Sunday School (Girls) ..	2	11	11
Sweetman, Mrs.	0	2	5
Wotton, Mr. and Mrs. ..	0	2	3
Young Women's Bible Class	1	7	9
Youths' Bible Class ..	0	4	5
Smaller Sums	0	2	9
	£9	19	10

SUMMARY.

	£	s.	d.
Collections and Sales of Work	11	0	0
Subscriptions	1	16	6
Boxes	9	19	10
	22	16	4
Share of "Our Own Missionary" for North Paddington	10	0	0
Total ..	£32	16	4

ZENANA MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Treas. and Sec.—MISS MARY BULLOCK.

D. W. U. Sec.—MISS FRENCH.

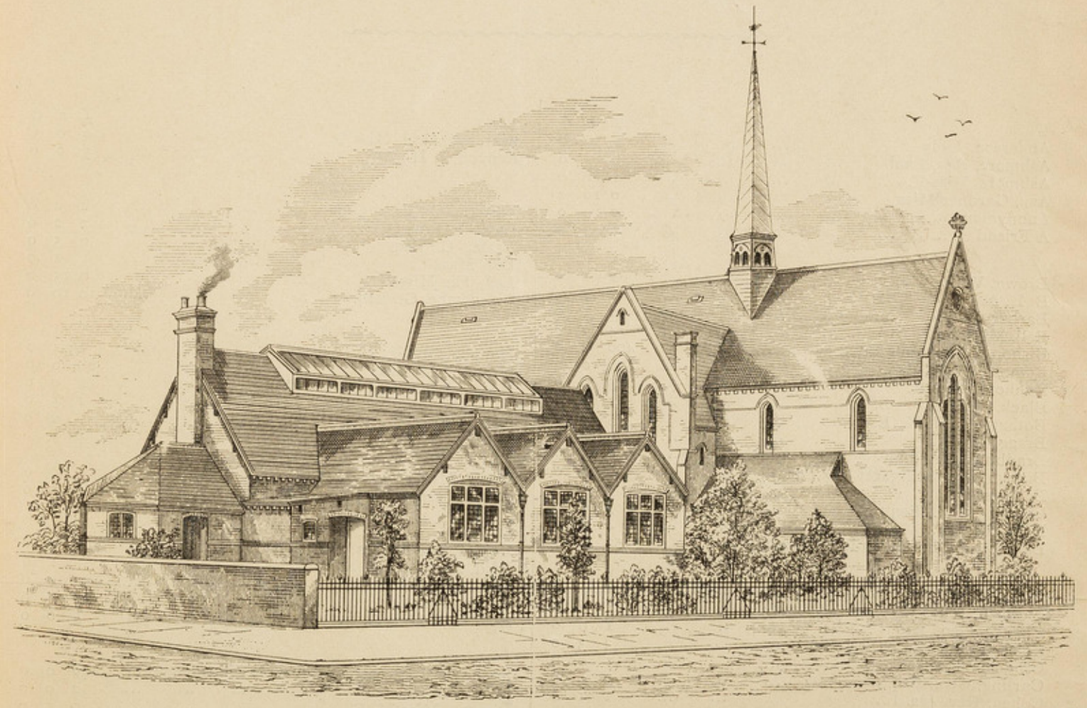
	£	s.	d.
Box—Mothers' Meeting	0	9	0
Daybreak Workers Mission	0	5	3
	£0	14	3

PARISH OF

St. Thomas', Kensal Town.

(IN THE RURAL DEANERY OF PADDINGTON AND CIVIL PARISH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA—PART IS IN NORTH KENSINGTON.

(Vicar: Rev. G. W. LAWSON.)



ST. THOMAS' MISSION ROOM & CHURCH.

Holy Trinity Paddington. Rev. S. J. Pilkington.

Form A. – The Church of England.

Life and Labour of the People in London: INFLUENCES.

(Mr. CHARLES BOOTH'S Inquiry.)

QUESTIONS to be asked in each parish as to the work of the Church:—

(a) What is the general character of the population?

Well to do class; Jews; Greeks; Coachmen; domestic servants; Shopkeepers; Lodging House keepers and Caretakers.

(b) What portion do the ministrations of the Church touch?

Some of all classes except the Jews & Greeks who have places of worship &c. of their own.

(c) What persons are employed? (stating duties and whether paid or not)

Clergy, District Visitors, & Sunday Sch. Teachers (Vergers, Church cleaners, & Church Secretary ~~[illegible]~~ all being paid except Dist. Visitors & Teachers.)

(d) What buildings are used? (including mission rooms, schools and clubs.)

Church; Vestries, & 3 schoolrooms.

(e) What services or other religious meetings are held, and by whom and by how many attended?

Sunday & week-day Services at the Church, attended by both rich & poor; but chiefly the former & in large numbers. Children's ~~Services~~ at the Sunday Schools.

(f) What Social Agencies are connected with the Church – institutes, societies, clubs, entertainments, meetings, &c.

Girls Friendly Soc: Women's Working Soc: Temperance including Band of Hope; Mothers' Meeting; Mothers' Union; Provident Clubs for Young & old; Libraries.

(g) What Educational Work is done?

The usual course of elementary education by a large staff of Teachers in Boys', Girls' & Infant Schools. No. of pupils about 600.

(h) To what extent are the people visited? (by Clergy or District Visitors)

In addition to constant visiting by the ~~[illegible]~~ Clergy the District Visitors make weekly house to house visits amongst the poor.

(i) What arrangements are there for nursing the sick?

When necessary Nurses are obtained from neighbouring Nurses' Institutions.

(j) To what extent is charitable relief given or administered by the Church?

Help is afforded, after due investigation, by a Relief Committee co-operating with the Charity Organization Society, & is distributed through the District Visitors.

General Questions—

(k) Under what other religious, charitable, or philanthropic influences do the people come?

There are other places of worship, religious societies, & social clubs in the parish, & those who do not come under our own influence may attend these.

(l) What co-operation is there between the Church and other bodies.

Practically not any.

Remarks with reference to the district are invited on—

(I) Local Government (including Poor Law administration)

(II) Police

(III) Drink

(IV) Prostitution

(V) Crime

(VI) Marriage

(VII) Thrift

(VIII) Health

(IX) Housing and Social Condition generally

No special remarks is needed on these matters as they would be similar to those of most west end parishes.

I do not think an interview with your Secretary would be necessary but if you think otherwise I shd. be happy to see him any morning.

S. J. Pilkington

District Holy Trinity – Paddington (W.)

[Where possible, a comparison should be made between Past and Present.]

NOTE.—It is not intended that this Form should be filled up, but it may be found useful for making notes preparatory to an interview.

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Report of interview with the Rev. J. White, Vicar of S. Peter's, Paddington, at the Vicarage, Elgin Avenue. (E.A.) Jan.5.99.

Mr. White is an Irishman, about 60 years of age, getting stout, proud of his Schools, but not giving the impression of being a particularly energetic parish priest. He has his son as one of his curates, and appears to rely upon him a good deal for some of the work, especially with young men. Mr.W. has a strong anti-High Church bias and has perhaps a touch of the Orangeman in him. But he is far from being dour; he sees things too easily on their humourous side for that. He has no particular distinction, and his parish is in the same way rather free from features of special interest. A good deal is done, some on a considerable scale, but all is of an ordinary type. The poorest part of the parish, that lying round Amberley Road, is in the charge of Mr. Graham Thwaites, who appears to be a kind of priest-in-charge, but who is still licensed to Mr. W. The latter did not know much about this poorer part, and Mr. Thwaites should be seen. The following particulars do not include this poorer bit.

About one third of the people of S. Peter's are described as "better middle-class and gentry", and the rest as clerks and artisans. There are no slummy people, although

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some poor, such as cabman and painters. Goldney Road was mentioned as being one of the poorest parts.

The page from the cover of the magazine gives particulars of the staff and a list of the various agencies. In addition to the clergy etc. mentioned, there are 8 or 10 District Visitors, and about 50 S.S. teachers. More of the latter are badly wanted, and he said that if they were forthcoming, he could double his school, although there are already some 600 on the roll, and an average attendance of about 450. His sanguine estimate is perhaps partly due to the fact that on the Sunday afternoon of New Year's Day t there were 1000 children in the church.

For BUILDINGS they have the church(holding 942); the parish room under it; the schools; and a Young Men's Institute. The last is for young fellows between 15 and 23, and has a membership of 80.

For the SERVICES see the cover. The Sunday morning congregation is from 3 to 400; in the evening the place is "very full" and from 8 to 900 come. He found the Church pretty empty, but now he thinks that things are fairly well in hand. The proportion of men in the congregation is on the increase; depends a good deal on the curate, "I think" and I afterwards found that he is happy in having a son

acting in this capacity. They have a good choir and good music. Monthly communicants average "over 100". They have a Communicants' Union... In the summer open air preaching is undertaken.

For SOCIAL AGENCIES see cover. The provident Fund was, he thought, the most practical thing they had.

But the SCHOOLS are splendid; they "are the proud part of my work". There are 900 children on the roll. VISITING appears to be fairly well carried on. For NURSE they go to the QUEEN'S Nurses. CHARITY appears to be a small affair.and direct relief to amount to about £15 a year. But he thought they had "about enough". "We give Xmas dinners, you know". They refer doubtful cases to the C.O.S. who are "first rate at detecting". Relief generally he tries "to keep down; it is easy to make poverty".

Among OTHER AGENCIES he mentioned the Methodists in Sutherland Avenue; a"sort of a Baptist place" in Shirland Road; Dr. Clifford makes himself felt, and "draws"; while there is a R.C. church near in Harrow Road, with some of its members living in his parish. Of the extreme churches near he mentioned S. Mary Magdalene and S. Augustine's. He thought that on the whole the former was the more extreme of the two, but he "does not know what either of

them will do in the present emergency when the Bishops interfere. At S. Mary's there is a little chapel, underground, he understands, in which the sacrament is reserved; they go in for the worship of Mary, and in fact "everything".

Mr. White is the Chaplain of the Workhouse and Infirmary. He praised the POLICE, but said that there were perhaps not enough of them and they "suffered from boys"! DRINK is"bad enough"; he fears no improvement has taken place, and mentioned the prevalence of excess among women. He detects and suspects little prostitution or cohabitation nor does he think that it is a neighbourhood in which there are any kept women living. There are a good many artistic folk (musical) whose Sunday is their holiday, and he regrets the amount of Sabbath-breaking that goes on -- Sunday parties etc. The district is very healthy... HOUSING is bad in Goldney and Chippenham Streets, and there is a good deal of subletting, with many families living entirely in the basements. This he regrets, but does not think that the rooms are of the kind that it is illegal to use in this way. As throwing light on the character of some of the dwellings, he mentioned an answer he once got from a little child to the question "What is a home?" "A dark room, Sir".

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Asked as to whether the district had any local life of any kind, he was inclined to think not. Paddington folk are not given to reading or to keen interest in political or social questions, any more than to those of religion. Perhaps they are more "public-house centred" than anything else. They are fond of amusement.

Mr. White is perhaps well suited to his neighbourhood, in the sense, that is, of not finding himself unhappy in a somewhat easy-going part of London. He is not the kind of man to try and force on people the things that are not wanted. But although not of exceptional activity or power, he is a man of considerable bonhomie, likely therefore to make people feel friendly all round and unlikely to do any harm.

Parish Services, Meetings, &c.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH,

ELGIN AVENUE, W.

REV. JAMES WHITE, *Vicar*,
The Vicarage, Elgin Avenue.

Assistant Clergy :
REV. J. WHITE, M.A.
REV. A. W. FREEMAN, B.A.

Lay Assistant :
MR. D'ALBERTANSON, 20 Oakington Road.

Bible Woman :
Miss COX, Institute, 7 Chippenham Road.

Churchwardens :
Mr. W. J. EVANS, Glencourt, Brondesbury Park, W
Mr. W. SEARLS, 19, Bradiston Rd., St. Peter's Park

Sidesmen :

Mr. BONNER	Mr. E. J. POSTON
,, CHAPPELL	,, RICHARDS
,, JOSLIN	,, SAUNDERS
,, LANDERGAN	,, SPICKERNELL
,, LOWLES	,, VEY

Organist :
Mr. SIDNEY SCOTT F.R.C.O., 5 Elgin Avenue.

Verger :
Mr. J. W. HARPER, 10, Rundell Road.

Hours of Service—Sunday, 11 and 7. Wednesday 8 p.m.

Special Services as announced from time to time.

Holy Communion—Every Sunday morning, 8 a.m ; 1st Sunday in Month after Morning Service ; 3rd. and 5th. Sundays after Evening Service.

Holy Baptism—Every Sunday at 4.0 p.m.

Children's Service—On the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the Month at 3.30 p.m.

Churchings—Before or after the Services, except when the Holy Communion is administered.

Choir Practice on Friday Evenings at 8.

Application for SITTINGS should be made to the Churchwardens ; and NOTICE OF BANNS OR OF WEDDINGS should be given to the Verger 10, Rundell Road.

The "PARISH ROOM" is under the Church.

The "INSTITUTE and MISSION HOUSE" is at 7, Chippenham Road.

The "SCHOOLS" have two entrances ; one in the Goldney Road the other behind 7, Chippenham Road.

Devotional Meeting. Monday evening, at 8.15, in the Parish Room.

Bible Classes each Sunday for *young men* at the Institute, *juniors* at 3.0 p.m. and *seniors* at 4 p.m. and for *women* in the Institute, at 3.30 p.m.

A Mothers' Meeting is held in the Parish Room, on Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30.

The Juvenile Branch of the Scripture Union meets for Girls, on Tuesday evening at 6.30, in the Parish Room.

ST. PETER'S SCHOOLS for Boys, Girls, and Infants, (nearly 900 children are on the books), meet on weekdays at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS at 9.45 a.m. and 3 p.m.

St. Peter's Institute (Branch of) Church of England Young Men's Society, 7, Chippenham Road—The Gymnastic Club meets during the Winter months on Tuesdays for practice, on Saturdays for instruction. Juniors 6.45 p.m. ; seniors 8 p.m.

In the Summer months Cricket and Swim Clubs are formed.

The Secretaries will gladly give full parti

A Ladies' Working Party for Missionary objects meets every Wednesday afternoon at the Vicarage at 3. An Annual Sale of Work is held early in December for Mission purposes.

The Provident Fund, to receive Contributions from a Penny to a Shilling, and return with small bonus in orders for goods at the end of the year, is open every Wednesday, at 12, in the Girls' School room.

The Penny Bank is open every Tuesday at 12, at the Institute.

The Needlework Society, furnishes the Subscribers with tickets entitling the person to whom given, if in St. Peter's Parish, to receive work to do for which a shilling will be paid on completion.

The St. Peter's Band of Hope in connection with the Church of England Temperance Society is held every Thursday, at 6.30 p.m., in the Goldney Road Schoolroom, except during the Summer months.

The Clergy will be glad to have the names and addresses of any who wish to be visited, candidates for confirmation, and of those who desire to help in our work.

Considerable expenses are incurred in carrying out the above works, and Contributions, either general or special will be gratefully received by the Vicar.

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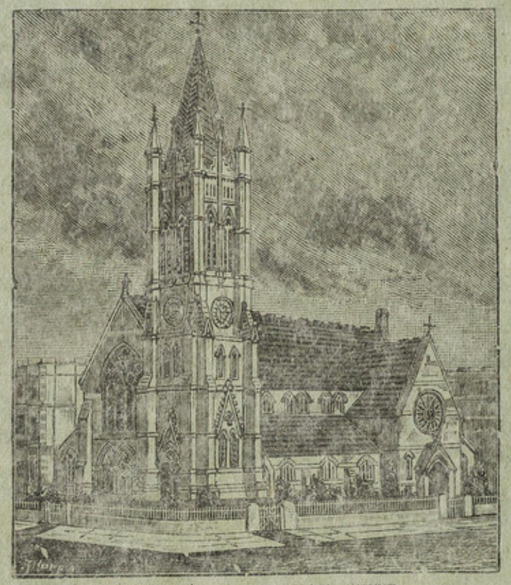

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Report of interview with the Rev. Ralph Williams, Vicar of S. Luke's, Kilburn, at the Vicarage, 227 Ashmore Road. (E.A.) Jan.15.99.

Mr., or rather Dr. Williams (he is an LL.D.) has been in his present parish since it was formed, 22 years ago, and has seen the population go up from 4 to 10,000. The people are mainly employed in the City or more central London: clerks artisans etc. etc. All the newer parts of the parish, like Ashmore Road itself, are built for two families, very much like the Savernake Road and adjacent property in District 19. Queen's Park has attracted many of the better people from the parish, and the older part, that lying E. of Salisbury Road, has gone decidedly down. In place of the better class that it is losing or has lost, it is said to be attracting the sweepings from more central London. Dr. W. fears that the same decline will be noticeable before long in the newer and still better parts of the parish. Many of the worst bits of the parish are in Willesden and outside the London boundary. On the other hand, other and newer parts of Willesden are attracting the good people, just as Queen's Park has done. The houses are new and fresh, and exert their normal attractiveness. But it does not last very long, and if the people are not cleanly, it is the old story of the contest between

the pig and the parlour, in which the pig is sure to win.

The district suffers from its newness, and the migration is partly a consequence of this. The place has no roots, and as an area has not won its way into the hearts of its occupants. In consequence, as soon as anything comes along in the shape of a new street or anything that is residentially more attractive or advantageous, off they go, with less ado than thay would in an old-established n'hood.

BUILDINGS: Church (800); Day Schools (Full; average 600 Mission Hall (holds 60 to 70).

STAFF: Vicar and two curates; Scripture Reader and Nurse a few District Visitors; 40 S.S. teachers.

ATTENDANCES ETC: For Sunday School see page from Report. Church on Sunday: Morning at 11 -- about 250 and 200 of the elder children. About 150 of the younger attend a sepate service. Evening -- 6 to 700; church, fairly well-filled. No difference in status of morning and evening congregations. Some considerable number come from a distance. The children of the S.S. belong largely to non-attendants. Often says that although parants like their children to come under what they feel to be a good influence, the success of the S. S. depends largely on the liking of the parents for a quiet time.

Regular Communicants -- 80 monthly; Easter -- 160.

(3)

Services are moderate, choral. Others of the district are very much like it, except S. Augustine's, which is exceptional in Kilburn. (I think that Dr.W. himself inclines to the moderate Broad Church position).

The church is "free and open", and on this point the Vicar commented. He is doubtful as to how ~~they are~~ it is going to work out. Is not exactly prepared to advocate a reversal of practice, but thinks that the open and free plan is by no means realizing expectations. The working man, for instance, does not "stream in "because the churches are free; there is a vast amount of wandering from church to church, and this is apt to be increased by the free sittings; and, finally, the offertories suffer. His own is mainly a "copper collection", averaging about £3 a week. The future of the poor parishes o London that are situated like his own in parts of the Metropolis that have no association with need in the public mind is, he thinks, a very serious question. He was once at Christ Church Stepney, and his experience is that in East London there ought to be no difficulty about funds. But in Kilburn, and many other similar districts, it is quite otherwise. Kilburn" for instance, connotes wealth in the public mind.

SOCIAL AGENCIES: several, but not ambitious; see page from Report.

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There is a parish NURSE. VISITING is done largely by the scripture reader. A few district visitors. Very difficult to get good ones, and very difficult to get any, if you dont let them give tickets. Requires a good deal of moral courage to go, and not to give. Relief he tries to keep under; gives to the sick; not to the out of work. Tries to be discriminating, and probably succeeds above the average. The '97 Report shows about £20, but this is below the average.

Foe EDUCATION, there arethe schools.

As regards OTHER AGENCIES, there are no others in the London part of his parish. In the Canterbury Road (Willesden there is a Baptist Chapel; believes it is not successful. Near the parish, and the most active and able to command the most money, is the Presbyterian Mission in Granville Road, connected with Dr. Gibson's church.The Methodists are active in Fernhead Road. There are very few R.Cs, they being "not at all strong in the neighbourhood".

In speaking of the difficulties of work in the district Dr. W. mentioned the drink; this is "appalling";a common vice among women. The Canterbury Arms recently changed hands for £50,000, and he is told that the same amount has been refused lately for the Falcon. The Chippenham, not far away, was sold not long ago for £90,000.

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The Ecclesiatical Commissioners are the chief owners of the district. The weekly takings at the Chippenham are said to be £600 a week, a figure that Dr. W. does not think very far beyond the truth, as an expert to whom he quoted them, and whose bias was not towards exaggeration, replied, "Well, I should say about £450". And the people who spend this money are those "who come pestering the life out of you for blankets and so forth". In his own experience Dr. W. has nearly always found that drink "is at the bottom of distress".

(Note: In connexion with the above high prices for public house property, it is worth observing that no licensed houses are allowed on the adjacent Queen's Park estate. Local conditions might be worth investigating as an instance of how Local Veto would tend to work out in adjacent areas adopting a different policy with regard to "the trade".)

There are no brothels in the parish. A certain amount of co-habitation is found, but on the whole the n'hood fairly good in this repect. No crime. Health fairly good. Gambling rife, and an increasing vice. Dr. W. had a Working men's club, but thought that the time had come for closing it, when he found that the members were in the habit of adjourning to the public house over the way to settle up their winnings and losses over cards played in the club premises, and which were allowed on the strict understanding that no money passed.

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Dr. W. notices with a mild regret the decline of religious observance. "It is the exception now for people to go to church or chapel regularly". There is, however, he thinks but little positive unbelief, and practically no atheistic propaganda.

Dr. Williams is a man of perhaps 55, with a pale thoughful face, and in intellectuality and liberality o view, I think above the average. But he is getting a bit tired, is perhaps even ~~x~~ near the disheartened stage, and is now hardly robust enough for his work. He should probably be move both for his body's and his soul's sake, but his influence should make for reasonableness, independence, toler tion, and goodness of life while he remains at S. Luke's.

ST. LUKE'S, KILBURN.

SUNDAY.

DIVINE SERVICES at 11 and 7. For children at 3 o'clock, twice in each Quarter.

~~SPECIAL SERVICE for members of the Temperance Society~~ (and others), ~~first~~ Sunday in the month, at 4.15, during the Winter months.

HOLY COMMUNION—

First Sunday in the Month	- - -	at 11 a.m.
Third ,,	,, - - -	at 7 p.m.
Last ,,	,, - - -	at 8 a.m.

(and at other times after Notice in Church).

BAPTISMS and CHURCHINGS ~~the Second and Fourth~~ Sundays in the Month, at 4 o'clock.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE in school at 11.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS for Boys, Girls, and Infants, at 10 and 3.

BIBLE CLASSES for young Women, at the Mission House, at 3.15. For young Men in the Choir Vestry at 3.

PARISH LIBRARY at the Mission House, at 4.15.

DAILY.

DAY SCHOOLS for Boys, Girls, and Infants, at 9 and 2.

~~INFANT NURSERY at the Mission House, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.~~

MONDAY.

MOTHERS' MEETING at 2 o'clock.

MISSION SERVICE at 8 o'clock, in the Mission House.

~~DRUM and FIFE BAND, in the School, at 8 p.m.~~

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' MEETINGS, first Monday in the Month, at 8 p.m.

TUESDAY.

CHILDREN'S PENNY DINNERS, at the Mission House, at 12.30.

TEMPERANCE MEETINGS, First Tuesday in the Month at 8.

WORKING MEN'S SOCIETY MEETINGS (during the Winter) at 8.

DORCAS SOCIETY, at the Mission House, the third Tuesday in each Month, at 3 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY.

BAPTISMS (Notices to be previously given), at 7.15.

CHURCHINGS, at 7.45.

EVENING PRAYER and SERMON, at 8.

CHOIR PRACTICE, at 8.45.

~~MR. RICHARDS' GREEK CLASS, at 9 p.m.~~

THURSDAY.

ADULT PENNY DINNERS at the Mission House, 12.30.

PARISH LIBRARY, 6.30.

~~FRENCH CLASS, at 7.30.~~

FRIDAY.

CHILDREN'S PENNY DINNERS, at the Mission House, 12.30.

SERVICE IN CHURCH, Advent and Lent, at 8 p.m.

CHOIR PRATICE, at 8.

SATURDAY.

BAND OF HOPE at 3 o'clock.

PENNY BANK at 6.30.

WORKING MEN'S SOCIETY SOCIAL GATHERINGS at the Mission House, 7 to 10.

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Infants ...	105	3635	67	130	4599	85				25	964	17
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Girls ...	235	8722	164	270	9752	184				35	1030	19
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January, 1898.

M. MILNER, *Hon. Sec.*

ST. LUKE'S, KILBURN,

EVENING RECREATION SOCIETY.

NINTH SEASON, 1898-9.

Syllabus

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....Programme....

1899.		Tickets.
Jan. 10	"The Reformation—what it was and what it was not," Lecture (with Lime-Light Lantern Views) by Mr. J. H. Starky, of the Church Committee for Church Defence and Church Instruction.	6d. & 1/-
,, 17	Concert, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Wood.	6d. & 1/-
,, 24	Concert, arranged by Miss Joslin.	6d. & 1/-
,, 31	Concert, with Tableaux Vivants, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cullum.	6d. & 1/-
Feb. 7	Temperance Society Meeting.	Free
,, 14	Concert, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. T. Bates.	6d. & 1/-
,, 21	Concert, arranged by Dr. J. Anderson-Smith.	6d. & 1/-
,, 28	*(Arrangements not yet completed).*	6d. & 1/-
Mar. 7	Temperance Society Meeting.	Free
,, 14	"Tom Sawyer" *(Mark Twain)* Humorous Recital by Mr. Wm. Greig. Musical Interludes arranged by Mr. R. E. Martyr.	6d. & 1/-
,, 21	Concert, under the direction of the Hon. Secretaries.	6d. & 1/-

All meetings commence at 8 o'clock.

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The Committee and Officers of the Society desire to express their thanks to those Ladies and Gentlemen who have kindly assisted them during the present Season.

Jan. 28th 1899

Interview with Rev. R. Jamblin, St Paul's, Paddington.

Mr Jamblin is a man of something over 50: intelligent face, something of the Chamberlain type: began life as a Schoolmaster. Mr J. has been here for 7 years

The parish was cut off from Holy Trinity in the time of Daniel Moore, who kept all the rich and gave up all the poor: there was however an understanding that Holy Trinity should contribute towards expenses: this they did for some time to the extent of about £500 a year, but they now plead lack of funds, and give nothing

The parish is poor and always getting poorer: abutting as it does on the exceedingly poor and degraded district round Clarendon St it gets the overflow from there and is in other ways contaminated by the proximity. For this reason Hampden St and still more Brindley St have gone

down and are exceedingly poor. The better part of the parish on the other side of Harrow Road is now purely working class, as a rule three families in each house.

The literature of Mr J's parish is voluminous, and it is not necessary to add much to it. The parish I imagine from having been rather sleepy is now most actively worked, spiritually and socially. But so far as the influence of the church is represented by Mr J. I have my doubts as to its being more than superficial. Mr J. was exceedingly cordial and friendly, ~~but~~ and I criticise him with a good deal of doubt and diffidence. Some men one feels certain about: not so Mr Jamblin: but I incline to the idea that he is of the type of Parry of Bromley, though of a rather different school of thought. Such statements as "The place positively hums with work" and "We've got the best musical service in Paddington" made with quick decision certainly suggest the Parry type. But the fact that

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So excellent a man as the late General Moberly was "a devoted friend and supporter of St. Paul's during my term of office" makes me doubt whether my estimate of Mr J. is just:

As to the services Mr J. gave the morning numbers as about 250 the evening from 500 to 600: nearly all these he says are his own poor parishioners. Mr J. showed me the record of communicants, coins etc on Sundays lately. The actual number of coins taken on Sundays varies from 400 to 550 and the total offertories average from £6 to £7. - (In this matter Mr J. contrasted his parish with the neighbouring St. Mary Magdalene: "they call themselves a poor parish" he said "but it's all rot: their offertories are over £30 every Sunday which shows that it is not the parishioners who use the church") - The number of Communicants on the roll is about 400 and on Easter Sunday 313

The church is run on moderate High Church

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lines. "Just before I came here" said Mr J. "there was evening Communion and if you take an interest in these matters you know what that means". Mr J. claims to have completely altered the character of the services and teaching with the loss of only a few adherents and the accession of ~~many~~ many more. However like many others I think he sighs to go further than he has gone. "Speaking of St Mary Magdalene" he said "Their people are tremendously keen." "That" I said "is usually the case with such extremely advanced churches." "Yes" he said "extremes engender enthusiasm: the 'via media' may be safe, but it's terribly dull."

The branch of his social work of which Mr J. is most proud and probably with justice is the Relief work though he is not responsible for the lines upon which it is run. There is a Relief Committee founded and still worked by a Mrs Charles and worked entirely on C.O.S

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lines. This Mr J. says is the first of all Parochial Relief Committees

Mr Chas Booth

Form A.—The Church of England.

Life and Labour of the People in London: INFLUENCES.

(Mr. CHARLES BOOTH'S Inquiry.)

QUESTIONS to be asked in each parish as to the work of the Church:—

(a) What is the general character of the population?	(a) artisan, labouring & Railway — down to charing and the unemployed.
(b) What portion do the ministrations of the Church touch?	(b) the greater part — at some time or other
(c) What persons are employed? (stating duties and whether paid or not)	(c) 3 clergy — Considerable No. of unpaid DV's all ladies
(d) What buildings are used? (including mission rooms, schools and clubs.)	(d) Church — Schools — mission House
(e) What services or other religious meetings are held, and by whom and by how many attended?	(e) 20 services a week. Bible Classes for men — women.
(f) What Social Agencies are connected with the Church - institutes, societies, clubs, entertainments, meetings, &c.	(f) CEMS ~~YMCS~~. Gym: Prov: Clubs Savings' Bank Library. CETS. mothers' mtgs.
(g) What Educational Work is done?	(g) Schools — day 650 Sunday 400 clergy attend 4 times a wk to teach
(h) To what extent are the people visited? (by Clergy or District Visitors)	(h). Constantly
(i) What arrangements are there for nursing the sick?	(i) Miss Perssé — Mayfield & Padd Nursing Assn
(j) To what extent is charitable relief given or administered by the Church?	(j). £238.
General Questions—	
(k) Under what other religious, charitable, or philanthropic influences do the people come?	(k). (1) religious — no chapel in the Parish. (2) charitable — (3) philanthropic. COS. Padd: Benevolent Assn
(l) What co-operation is there between the Church and other bodies.	l. an agreement between S Paul's Rel. Con & Poor Law Guardians & COS.
Remarks with reference to the district are invited on—	
(I) Local Government (including Poor Law administration)	(1)
(II) Police	(2)
(III) Drink	(3) curse of the place
(IV) Prostitution	(4)
(V) Crime	(5)
(VI) Marriage	(6).
(VII) Thrift	(7).
(VIII) Health	(8) very healthy neighbourhood.
(IX) Housing and Social Condition generally	(9) — sanitary arrangements very unsuitable. Houses not intended for occupation by several families. Basement not fit for human habitation.

District S Paul's Paddington

[Where possible, a comparison should be made between Past and Present.]

NOTE.—It is not intended that this Form should be filled up, but it may be found useful for making notes preparatory to an interview.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Services.

SUNDAY—

Holy Communion on the
1st Sunday in the Month, at 7, 8, & 12.
Every other Sunday at 8 and 12.

The 12 o'clock Celebration is plain on the 1st and 3rd Sundays; on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th, Choral.

Mattins and Sermon at 10.45.

Children's Service at 3.30.

Guild Service on the 2nd Sunday at 4.15.

Evensong and Sermon at 7.

WEEK-DAYS—

WEDNESDAY—Mattins and Litany at 11, Holy Communion 11.30.
Evensong and Sermon at 8.

THURSDAY—Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

FRIDAY.—Mattins and Litany, 11.

HOLY DAYS—Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Mattins at 11. Holy Communion 11.30.

ADVENT AND LENT—

Mattins daily at 11, and Evensong at 5, except on Wednesday, when it is at 8.

Holy Baptism.

ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS at 4.15, except on the 2nd Sunday of the month, when it is at 5 o'clock; at other times by special arrangement.

Churchings.

ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS and before or after any Week-day Service; at other times by special arrangement.

Marriages.

Notice of Banns, Marriages, Baptisms, and Churchings, should be given to the Verger, who is in attendance whenever the Church is open for Divine Service.

St. Paul's Parish,

(POPULATION NEARLY 6,000.)

ON the South side, includes all houses in the Harrow Road from the Lord Hill Bridge to the Lock Bridge, with all streets on that side leading down to the railway.

On the North side it includes all houses in the Harrow Road from Westbourne Terrace North to Holy Trinity Schools, and such as are enclosed in a boundary formed by two lines drawn from those points and meeting at the corner of Westbourne Square—these two lines being (1) Westbourne Terrace North, and (2) part of Westbourne Park Crescent and part of Ranelagh Road.

Vicar:

THE REV. ROBERT JAMBLIN, M.A., S. John's College, Cambridge. 21, Westbourne Square, W.

Assistant Priest and Precentor:

THE REV. J. ARTHUR BEAUMONT, M.A., S. John's College, Cambridge.
1, Delamere Street, W.

Churchwardens:

DR. GRAVES, 14, Chichester Road, W.
MR. F. W. WARREN, 44, Portsdown Road, W.

Sidesmen:

MR. CARPENTER.
MR. FORD.
GENERAL GILLILAN.
MR. HORSEY.
MR. G. J. HYNES.
MR. LAWRANCE.
MR. LEWIS.
MR. MASLEN.
MR. MUSSON.
MR. PATTINSON.
MR. PAYNE.
MR. TOOGOOD.
MR E. T. WHITAKER
MR. WHITE.

Organist:

MR. R. W. TAYLER, 60, Barclay Road, S.W.

Assistant Organist:

MISS BRENDA KINGSFORD.

Members of the Choir:

MR. BENNETT.
MR. CLARKE.
MR. COLLYER.
MR. ELLIOTT.
MR. ENGLEMAN.
MR. HANDOVER.
MR. HARLING.
MR. T. HARRIS.
MR. G. B. KEBBLE
MR. RADFORD.
MR. A. SMITH.
MR. A. V. SMITH.
MR. E. W. SMITH.
MR. THOMPSON.

ALSO 16 BOYS AND 3 PROBATIONERS.

Verger—MR. FERRARO, 37, Senior Street.

Sacristan—MR. W. WEBB.

Servers—MR. CLARENCE DAVIES, C. MASLEN, MR. QUEKETT, JUN., W. MORGAN.

TEXT FOR THE YEAR:

"HE is thy LORD GOD, worship thou HIM."

Psalm xlv. 12 (*Prayer Book Version*).

PASTORAL LETTER

To the Residents in S. Paul's Parish, the Worshippers in S. Paul's Church, and all others who are interested in its welfare.

JANUARY, 1898.

MY DEAR FRIENDS AND PARISHIONERS,

ANOTHER year has passed away, and again it becomes my pleasant duty as Vicar of the Parish to lay before you a slight record of the work and progress of the year, and a complete statement of our financial affairs.

The conditions of the Parish and its population are not such as to lead one to expect the startling and pathetic stories which those who labour in the East end are able to record. Ours is simply a work of continuous, plodding effort, quite free from glamour and excitement, and almost untouched by romance.

New Road and Gates.

During the year one very great improvement has been effected. After a long and wearisome delay, caused by the remarkable slowness of

the London County Council in their building operations, we have obtained our approach to the Church direct from the Harrow Road. A very handsome pair of wrought iron gates has been erected on the frontage by Ames & Garrard, of Paddington. The Bishop of London came to preach on July 25th at a special service arranged for the 18th Middlesex Volunteers, and was kind enough to dedicate at the same time the new road and gates. No doubt this will be a great help to the Church. People can see now in passing that there is a church there, which they could not do before, and the approach is more convenient to many members of our congregation.

Chapel Screen.

Inside the Church one notable improvement has been made. When the faculty for the side chapel was granted the Chancellor stipulated that it should be enclosed by some sort of screen. We had no funds at the time for such a purpose, but by means of the Penny Card Association (see page 28) we have at length been enabled to carry out part of the Chancellor's suggestion. An exceedingly beautiful wrought iron screen has been erected between the side chapel and the chancel by the same firm that made the outer gates, and an old friend of the Vicar has most kindly undertaken to pay the cost of a low screen of similar design and workmanship to separate the side chapel from the aisle.

The cost of the screen already erected was estimated and provided for in the account of the Penny Card Association in last year's Blue Book.

Our best thanks are here rendered to the donor and to all those who have subscribed to the Penny Card Association.

Church under-staffed.

Handsome gifts have also been made to the Church by the Misses Moberly, Mrs. Moberly of Sidcup. Miss Warren, and other friends of S. Paul's.

At the time I am writing this letter, my colleague the Rev. J. A. Beaumont is away in the south of France, ordered there by his medical adviser on account of a general breakdown from overwork; so I am left for the time alone at the busiest period of the year, and am suffering myself too from the same cause. Each of my colleagues in succession has broken down in the same way and been obliged to depart. This has made it quite clear to my mind that we ought to strive at all cost to obtain the assistance of a third priest. There is far more work here than any two men can do. And what time have we for study? Yet we are expected in the pulpit to be fresh and vigorous, and to deal with the problems that now perplex men's minds. I have already been negotiating with several gentlemen for the second curacy, and hope soon to be successful.

Café Chantant.

During the last autumn a Café Chantant was held at the Paddington Baths Hall, which was attended with very great success, and realised a profit of £180 Of that sum £60 has been given to the Organ Fund; £10 has been transferred to the General Fund; and the remaining £110 will be

devoted to the payment of a second curate, which will be a very distinct advantage to the Parish, if we are fortunate enough to get the right man.

The Church.

In regard to the congregations and services and mission work of all kinds, we see signs of progress, though the development in some cases is disappointingly slow. The music of the Church is now at a very high standard, and that is largely owing to the zeal of my colleague who, as Precentor, is solely responsible for that department of work. Our services in Church have increased in number, so have our baptisms, confirmees, communions, and communicants. Roughly speaking, there is a general increase of 10 to 20 per cent.

National Schools.

Our Schools continue to maintain their high reputation. The "Excellent" report has been awarded to them in every department, secular and religious. We have had also a liberal grant of £60 from the Paddington Church Education Board, to pay for re-pointing and painting the exterior of the Schools, and for external repairs generally. The work has been very satisfactorily done by one of our own parishioners. So that in every respect the Schools are now in a perfectly sound and satisfactory condition. We have received £157 on account of the Special Aid Grant.

A little explanation, however, is necessary in regard to the present condition of the accounts. The deficit last year was £109. This year, in spite of the Special Aid Grant of £157, the deficit has increased to £187. It is proper that some explanation should be given. The Special Aid Grant was ear-marked, and given for certain special purposes, and one of these purposes was the increase of teachers' salaries. Teachers' salaries have increased £105; various internal repairs and equipment have amounted to £55; so that the whole of the £157 is extinguished by these charges. Not only has the £157 thus disappeared, but the deficit has increased by £78. This is accounted for by other special expenditure. By the epidemic we lost £40; we had to engage a male instead of a female teacher for one standard that required greater strength, which cost us another £25 (prior to the Special Aid Grant); and subscriptions are £7 less. These items almost completely cover the increased deficit. And in addition to that we have arranged that one of our Head Teachers shall be paid by fixed salary, and not by proportion of grant, which makes an apparent, though not a real difference of over £40 in the current year's expenses.

I trust this explanation will make it clear to everyone who takes the trouble to study our School Accounts. I am not seriously disconcerted by the magnitude of the deficit, because, although it is large, I consider the finances, like the School, are in a healthy condition, and in time will right themselves.

Sunday Schools.

My only trouble about the Sunday School is that the morning attendance is not what it should be. We have a capital staff, and the School is in thorough working order. I can testify that the children are receiving sound instruction in the Christian religion.

Mr. Musson has this year taken upon himself a great part of the expenses of the Boys' School, by means of a public entertainment. The account will be found on page 31.

Relief Committee.

I desire to record my hearty appreciation of the work of the Relief Committee. We have in Mrs. Charles an honorary secretary who is unusually gifted and experienced, and who is devoted to the work.

General Moberly.

There has been no more faithful or devoted friend and supporter of St. Paul's, during my term of office, than General Moberly. A man of large experience, a chivalrous gentleman, the beau ideal of a Christian soldier, he was my constant adviser and most ready helper, and, I am proud to say, my honoured friend. And he has been most suddenly called away to his rest—nay, may we not say to higher activities? His only idea of rest was variety of occupation. Apparently incapable of weariness, he was always ready to serve his Master wherever there was Christian work to do, whether in the Church or in the countless schools of London, or in society. His face and figure were well known all over London, and wherever he was known he was loved and honoured. His services to the cause of education were, one might almost say, of national importance. For the system of dealing with defective children which he alone introduced has been adopted in many of the large towns in England, and will doubtless in time find universal acceptance. How he will be missed in

the Church, where his eloquent reading of the Holy Scripture was a constant help and delight to his hearers, and in the Parish, where he always seemed to bring cheerfulness and strength, no words can convey. It is with the deepest sense of personal sorrow and loss that these words are written. We need not pity him, for he died as he would have desired to die, in the discharge of duty. He lived and died a good Christian, and we may with perfect confidence leave him in the loving keeping of our heavenly Father.

It would be extremely unfitting that such a life as his should pass away and leave no standing memorial. I have already consulted his family as to what their wishes would be on the subject. They recall with unerring certainty his great and earnest desire to see S. Paul's Parish in possession of a public hall or Parish Room. He had himself subscribed for this object. He was a member of a committee that some time ago was formed for carrying it out, and it was, I am assured, constantly in his thoughts. But, indeed, we all know for ourselves that this was the case, and their more intimate knowledge only confirms what we were well assured of. Nobody, however, in any case would proceed with a memorial that was distasteful to them or not in accordance with his wishes.

The form of memorial which we selected with the entire approbation of the family is a public hall or Parish Room, which shall be called the "Francis John Moberly Memorial Hall." We have little doubt that this will commend itself to

the public mind, and we shall appeal with perfect confidence for generous support. We, as a congregation, should also desire to see some record of his services in the Church in which he so constantly worshipped. This further memorial, however, will not interfere with the other, but will be complementary to it.

At the same time we have neither the right nor the desire to monopolise the whole of the ground. And if there are others who wish to support another form of Memorial, there is no reason on earth to prevent it. But I do plead earnestly for public support for the project which I here propose. No parish is properly equipped without a Parish Room. And we have plenty of disabilities besides this to contend with. So we make our appeal for public support.

I ask for a continuance of your earnest prayers that the work of Christ may prosper in our parish, and that His Kingdom may be continually enlarged.

Believe me to be,
Your faithful servant in Christ Jesus,
ROBERT JAMBLIN.

A FEW STATISTICS FOR 1897.

(*a*) *Services in Church*—
On Sundays 254, on week-days 420 (exclusive of all occasional offices, baptisms, &c.) Total 674.

(*b*) *Sermons*—
123 preached by Parochial Clergy (exclusive of addresses at Children's Services, &c.)

(*c*) *Baptisms*—133.

(*d*) *Confirmees*—35.

(*e*) *Holy Communion*—

	6 a.m.	7 a.m.	8 a.m.	10 a.m.	12 noon.	Total.
Number of Celebrations	4	18	130	1	98	251
„ Communicants	49	294	2463	11	1283	4100

St. Paul's Church, Paddington.

Churchwardens' Yearly Statement of Accounts to March 25th, 1897.

Received for the Services of the Church—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand				10	9	2¾
In the Offertory and Alms Boxes				197	7	0¾
Donations—						
Miss Dunn (Choir)	1	0	0			
Dr. Wall (Curate Fund)	1	0	0			
„	2	2	0			
				4	2	0
Special Offertories—						
Easter Offerings	28	9	11¾			
Bishop of London's Fund	15	4	9			
Hospital Sunday Fund	29	10	5¼			
Society for Propagation of Gospel ...	9	16	2¾			
School Treat	1	2	3¾			
Christmas Day Offertory for Poor ...	10	18	1			
S. Paul's Day Schools	9	18	1			
Guild of S. Paul	2	14	4¼			
Pensioners' Excursion	1	16	6			
Indian Famine Fund	7	10	4			
Church of England Temperance Society ...	3	5	1¾			
				120	6	2
Curate Fund				38	6	4¼
Organ Fund—						
Donation, Rev. W. Iorrow	5	0	0			
Proceeds of Entertainment	17	16	6			
Offertories	52	13	0¾			
				75	9	6¾
Balance due				34	19	1¾
				£480	19	5¾

Expended on the Services of the Church—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Repairs and Decorations				25	2	10¾
Insurance				8	0	9
Water Rate				1	7	0
Gas				21	0	2
Coals				9	1	6
Choir—						
Organist	45	0	0			
Choir and Music	49	12	10¾			
Tuning, &c.	4	0	0			
				98	12	10¾
Salaries				48	3	4
Vestry Expenses				3	6	8
Wine for Holy Communion...				2	16	0
Printing, Stationery, &c.				9	2	0
Cleaning Church				9	9	2
Laundress				6	11	5
Special Offertories				120	6	2
Grant to Society for Propagation of Gospel ...				5	0	0
To Supplement Curate's Stipend...				37	10	0
Organ Fund				75	9	6¾
				£480	19	5¾

Audited and found correct, ARTHUR SMITH.

St. Paul's National Schools.

Committee of Managers.

THE VICAR, *Chairman.*

MR. BUCK.	DR. GRAVES.
MRS. CHARLES.	MR. HANDOVER.
GENERAL GILLILAN.	MR. F. W. WARREN.

REV. J. A. BEAUMONT, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*
MR. HERBERT COWELL, *Hon. Treasurer.*

REPORT.

Mixed School.—"The teaching in all subjects, the tone and the discipline, and the general management of the school, reflect the greatest credit upon Mr. Bennett and his staff."

Infants' School.—"The infant school is very pleasantly and efficiently disciplined, and the instruction throughout is marked by intelligence."

Balance Sheet for 1897-8.

INCOME.	£	s.	d.
Government Grant ...	487	10	0
Fee Grant	236	5	0
Special Aid Grant	157	0	0
Paddington Estate	68	15	5
Paddington Church Education Board	60	0	0
School Pence	60	15	7
Drawing Grant	13	8	6
Sale of Needlework ...	1	7	6
Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, Poor Parishes Aid Fund	10	0	0
Advance by Vicar	20	0	0
Voluntary Subscriptions...	70	2	6
Offertory	11	2	6
Use of Rooms	20	5	9
Balance overdrawn, January 31st, 1897	186	17	1
	£1,403	9	10

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d
Balance overdrawn, Feb. 1st, 1897	108	19	10
Salaries—			
Teachers	398	4	8
Assistants	399	11	10
,, (Art. 68) ...	114	0	0
Pupil Teacher	21	7	6
Monitors...	12	11	0
Books, Apparatus, and Stationery	71	19	9½
Fuel, Light, Cleaning, and Caretaker	110	7	10
Repairs and Furniture ...	115	4	7½
Rates, Taxes, & Insurance	8	15	7
Prizes	5	16	6
Repayment of Vicar's Loan	20	0	0
Instruction of Pupil Teachers	4	4	0
Bank Charges	2	15	7
Miscellaneous	9	11	1
	£1,403	9	10

Audited and found correct.
ARTHUR SMITH, 394, Harrow Road.

Sunday Schools.

OPEN AT 9.45 A.M., AND 2.45 P.M., AT St. PAUL'S SCHOOLS.
CHILDREN'S SERVICE IN CHURCH AT 3.30.

BOYS' SCHOOL.

Superintendents (*m*) Mr. E. C. MUSSON, M.A.Camb.
(*a*) Mr. STAMP.

Teachers:

1st Class	(*m*) Mr. ELLIOTT		5th Class	(*m*) Miss WILLIAMS	
	(*a*) Miss KINGSFORD			(*a*) Mr. J. PATTINSON, jr.	
2nd ,,	(*m*) Miss C. J. [MUSSON		6th ,,	(*m*) Miss A. BISHOP	
	(*a*)			(*a*) Mr. SMITH	
3rd ,,	(*m*) Miss HORT		7th ,,	(*m*) Miss H. HUGGINS	
	(*a*)			(*a*)	
4th ,,	(*m*) Miss BISHOP		8th ,,	(*m*) Miss M. WALL	
	(*a*) Miss WILLIAMS			(*a*)	

9th Class—Mr. W. MORGAN.

Choristers: Mr. CLARENCE DAVIES.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Superintendent—Miss GRAVES.

Teachers:

Bible Class ... ... Miss BENINGTON.

1st Class	(*m*) Miss MUSSON		5th Class	(*m*) Miss WALTON	
	(*a*)			(*a*) Miss TUCKER	
2nd ,,	(*m*) Miss BEESLY		6th ,,	(*m*) Miss HICKS	
	(*a*) Miss GREEN			(*a*) Miss WAREHAM	
3rd ,,	(*m*) (Vacant)		7th ,,	(*m*) Miss HOLMES	
	(*a*)			(*a*)	
4th ,,	(*m*) Miss PAYNE		8th ,,	(*m*) Miss BURNE	
	(*a*)			(*a*)	

INFANTS' SCHOOL.

Superintendents (*m*) Miss BAKER.
(*a*) Miss D. DODD.

Teachers:

	BOYS.		*GIRLS.*
1st Class	(*m*) Mrs. BEAUMONT	1st Class	(*m*) Miss K. BAKER
	(*z*) Mrs. COLLYER		(*a*) Miss E. GRAVES
2nd ,,	(*m*) Miss SKUSE	2nd ,,	(*m*) Miss M. GRAVES
	(*a*) Miss QUEKETT		(*a*) Miss E. SMITH
3rd ,,	(*m*) Miss LOVE	3rd ,,	(*m*) Miss PATTINSON
	(*a*) Miss A. PIPER		(*a*) Miss F. WELLER
4th ,,	(*m*) Miss SCALES	4th ,,	(*m*) Miss BUCK
	(*a*) Miss ANDERSON		(*a*) Mrs. LONG
5th ,,	(*a*) Miss BAYFORD	5th ,,	(*m*) Miss BACHELOR
			(*a*) Miss E. BROWN

Babies ... Mrs. KELLAND.

Mothers' Meetings.

A MOTHERS' Meeting is held at the Mission House every Monday, from 2.30 to 4.15. Superintendents—Mrs. Tuckey and Miss Bostock. An Evening Meeting, conducted by Mrs. F. W. Warren and Mrs. Jamblin, is held in the Infants' School Room, on Mondays, from 7.30 to 9. Some interesting and profitable book is read at each of these Meetings, and they are closed with a short address from one of the Clergy, and prayer. There are about 200 members in all.

Coal and Clothing Club

DEPOSITS not exceeding 1s. for each person are received at the Mission House on Mondays, from 12 to 1, by Miss Bashforth. Interest at the rate of ½d. in the shilling is given at the end of the season. Orders on Tradesmen are given out on the first Monday in November. There are 224 members.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCT. 31ST, 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Members' Subscriptions ...	141	18	6
Interest on Savings' Bank Account	2	3	8
Further Interest made up from Vicar's General Fund, page 32	3	7	0
	£147	9	2

Expenditure	£	s.	d.
R. O. Davies	61	0	3
Evans and Jarman ...	53	6	0
Rudd	21	0	5
Lawrance	4	18	5
Millard	4	6	2
Peters	2	7	11
Printing Cards	0	10	0
	£147	9	2

A. BASHFORTH, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct,
ROBT JAMBLIN, M.A., *Auditor.*

The Parish Library.

Librarian and Treasurer—Miss WARREN.

THIS is held in the Infants' School Room, and is open on Monday evenings from 6.30 to 7.30. There are in it, after weeding, over 800 volumes. The subscription is 1d. per month. Gifts of Books or Donations to purchase them will be welcomed by the Treasurer.

The following is the Balance Sheet for 1897:—

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
The Misses Moberly	0	4	0
Members' Subscriptions	0	16	3
	£1	0	3

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Carriage, &c.	0	1	4½
Balance in hand	0	18	10½
	£1	0	3

LAURA WARREN, *Hon. Treasurer and Librarian.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct, ROBT. JAMBLIN.

January 14th, 1898.

Bible Classes

ARE conducted on Sunday Afternoons at the Mission House by—

(1) Mrs. Yool, for Men, from 3 to 4.

(2) Miss Hylton Scott, for Women, from 3.30 to 4.30.

(3) Miss Isabella Campbell, for Young Men, from 3 to 4.

(4) Mr. Atwell, for Lads, from 3 to 4.

St. Paul's Church Parochial Relief Committee.

Chairman—The VICAR.

Vice-Chairman—The REV. J. A. BEAUMONT, M.A.

Dr. GRAVES.
Mr. F. W. WARREN.
General GILLILAN.
Ex-Officio.

Miss BASHFORTH.
Miss D. DODD.
Miss DUNN.
Miss HYLTON SCOTT.

Hon. Secretary and Acting Treasurer—
Mrs. CHARLES, 17, Orsett Terrace, W.

Hon. Consulting Physician—

THE Relief Committee has now been in existence twenty-one years. The work of the past year has been notable for the increase of support given to special cases. This is very satisfactory, for it shows that individual interest has been aroused, and that rich and poor are brought into personal touch; moreover, it is not the rich alone who contribute: regular weekly gifts have been offered by those to whom life implies daily work for daily bread; and it is to these donors, as well as the richer ones, to whom the Committee offer grateful thanks.

One aged couple who are largely supported by their only child, a daughter, have had an extra sum raised for them from two kind friends, who knew and respected

them in better days. A boy has been helped to make a new start in life away from idle companions, through a valuable agency for finding employment for lads. A woman was assisted through an illness of many weeks by an allowance made up from five sources, and was then helped to go to the country for change. These and many other instances show what can be done by combination—adequate relief has been afforded, while the methods of enquiry adopted have prevented money being given to unworthy persons.

The Thrift organisations, and especially the Savings' Bank, show an increase in the past year. It is hoped this will be maintained in 1898.

Statistics for the year ending Christmas, 1897.

Total number of Families assisted	69
Number of Grants in Pensions	23
,, ,, Convalescent Cases	8
Dismissed as undeserving	9
,, ,, cases for Poor Law	5
,, ,, not requiring relief	2
,, ,, otherwise ineligible	6
Applications withdrawn	4
Number of separate applications	302

C. E. CHARLES, *Hon. Sec*

St. Paul's, Paddington, Parochial Relief Committee.

Dr. ACTING TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1897. **Cr.**

	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand	6	6	7
Donations, for which see pages 34 to 36			
(*a*) To Pension Fund .. 13 8 6			
(*b*) To Special Cases .. 133 8 3			
(*c*) Unappropriated .. 73 11 6			
	220	8	3
From Hospital Sunday Fund	2	2	0
Offerings to do. from Patients	0	1	9
Refunded by former recipients	1	12	3
	£230	10	10

	£	s.	d.
By Grants in Pensions	178	12	2
,, ,, in Sickness	21	0	4
,, ,, for Surgical Appliances	2	5	6
,, ,, for Maintenance at Homes, and Travelling	2	1	6
,, ,, to Pensioners' Treat	0	12	10
,, ,, for Outfit	0	19	5
,, ,, for Repairs	0	4	6
,, ,, for Employment Agency Fee ..	0	10	0
,, ,, as Loan	2	0	0
,, Orders on Tradesmen	13	14	0
,, Paid to Hospital Sunday Fund	0	1	9
,, Postage, Stationery, &c.	1	4	3
,, Printing	0	13	6
,, Balance in hand	6	11	1
	£230	10	10

C. E. CHARLES, *Hon. Sec. and Acting Treasurer.*

The above Account examined with vouchers and found correct.
HELEN DE LEVANTE, H. TUCKER, } *Auditors.*

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St. Paul's Parochial Savings' Bank.

Trustees—The VICAR and MRS. CHARLES.

BALANCE SHEET,

For Year ending December 31st, 1897.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance at P. O. Savings Bank ..	21	7	10			
,, Interest for 1896 ..	1	2	7			
	22	10	5			
*Less total interest deducted towards deficit ...	2	16	5			
				19	14	0
,, Deposits received during 1897				148	8	10
				£168	2	10

	£	s.	d.
By Withdrawals repaid to Depositors	145	14	11
,, Balance at P. O. Savings' Bank ...	19	4	7
*,, Deficit, due to initial and current expenses by Books, Cards, Printing, &c.	3	3	4
	£168	2	10

*The total expenses of the last four years have been £5 19s. 9d., which is being gradually repaid by Post Office interest.

C. E. CHARLES, *Hon. Treasurer.*

The above Accounts examined with vouchers and found correct.
January 8th, 1898. K. H. SCOTT, *Auditor.*

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District Visitors.

Brindley Street.

1	Miss J. Houseman	Nos.	2 to 12
2	,, J. Houseman	,,	14 ,, 26
3	Mrs. Collyer	,,	28 ,, 32
4	,, Collyer	,,	34 ,, 36
5	Miss Beadon	,,	38 ,, 48
6	Vacant.	,,	50 ,, 62
7	Miss I. Campbell	,,	1 ,, 11
8	,, I. Campbell	,,	13 ,, 25
9	Miss Duncan	,,	27 ,, 35
10	,, Duncan	,,	37 ,, 49
11	,, Duncan	,,	51 ,, 65

Alfred Road.

12	Miss Holt	Nos.	2 to 10
13	Miss D. Dodd	,,	12 ,, 24
14	Vacant	,,	26 ,, 38
15	Mrs. Tuckey	,,	40 ,, 48
16	Miss G. Houseman	,,	50 ,, 62
17	Vacant	,,	1 ,, 13
18	Mrs. Williams	,,	15 ,, 25
19	Miss Williams	,,	27 ,, 39a
20	Miss Bradley	,,	41a,, 47
21	,, Bradley	,,	49 ,, 57a

Waverley Road.

22	Mrs. H. Cowell	Nos.	2 to 14
23	Vacant	,,	16 ,, 28
24	No Visitor	,,	30 ,, 44
25	Miss A. C. Lake	,,	48 ,, 62
26	Miss Dodd	,,	1 ,, 17
27	Mrs. Hastings	,,	19 ,, 29
28	No Visitor	,,	31 ,, 43
29	Mrs. Petley	,,	45 ,, 53
30	Mrs. Hastings	,,	55 ,, 77

Hampden Street.

31	Miss Stapylton	Nos.	2 to 14
32	,, Stapylton	,,	16 ,, 26
33	,, Stapylton	,,	28 ,, 34
34	,, Stapylton	,,	36 ,, 50
35	Vacant	,,	52 ,, 62
36	Vacant	,,	64 ,, 70
37	Vacant	,,	72 ,, 84
38	Vacant	,,	1 ,, 17
39	Miss D. Musson	,,	19 ,, 25
40	,, D. Musson	,,	27 ,, 35
41	Vacant	,,	37 ,, 57
42	Vacant	,,	59 ,, 73

Marlborough Street.

43	Mrs. Tomkins	Nos.	2 to 14
44	,, Collyer	,,	16 ,, 28
45	Miss Warren	,,	30 ,, 50
46	Miss Bashforth	,,	52 ,, 62
47	,, Bashforth	,,	64 ,, 70
48	Miss Warren	,,	1 ,, 19

Orchard Street.

49	Mrs. Aldersey	Nos.	1 to 7
50	Miss Barton	,,	2 ,, 8

Waverley Terrace.

51 Vacant

Alfred Place, Jonson Mews, and Westbourne Park Crescent Mews.

52 No Visitor.

Westbourne Terrace North.

53 Mrs. Bevan

N.B.—The Vicar would be grateful to any Ladies who would kindly volunteer to fill up some of the vacant sections mentioned above. There is, moreover, a large part of the parish unprovided with District Visitors, which does not appear in this list. The need is very urgent. Districts may be allotted of such dimensions as to suit the convenience of those who are willing to work.

St. Paul's Branch of the Y.M.F.S.

President—THE VICAR.
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer—Miss ISABELLA CAMPBELL.

OUR Branch of the Y.M.F.S. is doing good work. It is not only useful in itself, but is a centre of usefulness. The Cricket Club and Swimming Club are both worked by it. Its members also fill two large Bible Classes, which are in charge of Miss Campbell and Mr. Atwell. Our great desire is that a second Priest or a young Deacon should be added to our staff of Clergy, with a special aptitude for dealing with lads and young men. There is all the organisation ready, and a considerable amount of material for the building up, without much difficulty, of a very important work.

ASSOCIATES.

Rev. J. A. BEAUMONT.
Mr. BENNETT.
Mr. CARPENTER.
Mr. ELLIOTT.
Mr. HERRING.
Mr. B. KINGSFORD.
Mr. A. SMITH.
Mr. STAMP.
Mr. WEBBER.
Miss A. G. WILD.

Balance Sheet for 1897.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand	5	2	4
Mr. Kingsford	0	2	6
Miss I. S. Campbell	0	10	0
Mr. F. B. Jackson ..	0	15	0
Miss Wild	0	10	6
Surg.-Col. Turnbull	1	1	0
Mr. A. Smith	0	2	6
Gen. Gillilan	1	0	0
Mr. Handover	0	5	0
— Atwell	0	5	0
Rev. J. A. Beaumont	0	5	0
Swimming Club, per T. Jackson	1	0	10
Cricket Club, per A. Fletcher	0	10	1
Billiards, per Mr. Carpenter	1	0	4
Subscriptions	2	11	5½
Collections	0	4	6
From Vicar (page 33).. ..	0	10	6
	£15	16	6½

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Y.M.F.S. Annual Subscription	0	10	0
Swimming Club	1	0	10
Cricket Club	2	14	6
Y.M.F.S. Annual Competition at Petersham	1	4	11
Repairing Billiard Table ..	2	10	0
Christmas Entertainment, 1896	1	6	11
ditto 1897	1	10	0
Papers and Magazines ..	1	7	10½
Social Evenings ..	0	14	4
Repairs and Sundries ..	0	16	8
Balance in hand	2	0	6
	£15	16	6½

I. S. CAMPBELL, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Examined with Vouchers and found correct,
ROBT. JAMBLIN, M.A., *Auditor.*

St. Paul's Gymnasium.

Hon. Secs. and Treasurers—Mr. J. PATTINSON, Jun., & Mr. T. JACKSON.

The Gymnasium is a continued success. Mr. Grace is still the Instructor, clever, pains-taking, and most careful of his pupils. The same officers continue to manage its concerns, and that is itself a useful experience for them. Mr. Pattinson still watches over it, and is ever ready with advice and help. The lack of a Parish Room alone prevents a large increase of membership. More honorary members are wanted, and occasional visits from them at the practices on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8 to 10 will be much appreciated.

BALANCE SHEET, SEASON, 1896-7.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
1896.			
To balance from Season 1895-6 ...	3	0	0
,, Hon. Members' Subscriptions ...	3	11	0
1897.			
To January Display ...	3	13	1
,, April Display ...	4	10	9
,, Members' Subscriptions	4	13	11½
From Vicar (page 33)..	0	10	6
	£19	19	3½

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
1896-7.			
By Instructor's Fees .	11	18	6
,, 2 doz. Dumb Bells	0	9	6
,, January Display...	1	5	6
,, April Display ...	1	9	0½
,, Printing ...	2	4	0
,, Stationery & Telegrams	0	3	7
Balance in hand...	2	9	2
	£19	19	3½

J. T. PATTINSON, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Vicar's Fund.

This fund was commenced in 1894, in view of the smallness of the Vicar's stipend, to meet the wishes of those who were prevented by one cause or another from taking sittings in the Church. It has not grown to very large dimensions, but it forms an acceptable addition to the Vicar's income.

One of our Sidesmen, Mr. Pattinson, 223, Harrow Road, W., acts as Treasurer, and will be happy to receive further subscriptions. See page 36, col. 4.

Account to December 31st, 1897.

	£	s.	d.
Miss Dodd	2	2	0
Mr. F. B. Jackson	3	3	0
Mrs. Thompson...	3	3	0
Dr. Wall...	6	6	0
Mr. E. T. Whitaker	2	0	0
Mr. T. C. Wright	2	2	0
	£18	16	0

Special Contribution to Curate Fund.

Dr. Wall...	2	2	0

Guild of S Paul.

Warden—The VICAR.
Sub-Warden—The ASSISTANT PRIEST.

THIS Guild is open to all whose names are on our roll of Communicants. It is intended to be a special help to the newly-confirmed. For their benefit associates are enrolled, to whose care a certain number of members are entrusted by the Warden. The objects put before members and associates are:—

(1) *Prayer*—especially intercessory prayer.
(2) *Holy Communion*—to be regularly received with due preparation.
(3) *Work*—some definite work to be undertaken for Christ and His Church under the direction of the Clergy.

There are at present 12 Associates and 108 Members, 120 in all.

Balance Sheet for 1897.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896 ..	2	14	6½
10 Offertories ..	2	16	11
Collected at Social Gatherings.. ..	0	19	7½
	£6	11	1

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Social Gatherings ..	2	4	3
Balance in hand ..	4	6	10
	£6	11	1

LAURA WARREN, *Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct,
ROBT. JAMBLIN, M.A., Auditor.

January 14, 1898.

St. Paul's Branch of the C.E.T.S.

President—Rev. J. A. Beaumont, M.A.
Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Collyer. *Hon. Treasurer*—Miss Bashforth.

(I.) Adult Section.

There are now 84 Members of the St. Paul's Adult Branch, 38 in the General, and 46 in the Total Abstinence Section. There have been twenty meetings during the year. Addresses have been given by Mr. Wyatt, Police Court Missionaries, etc. Deputations have been entertained from St. Matthew's and St. James'. Meetings are held on alternate Thursdays.

ACCOUNT FOR 1896-7.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
By Members' Subscriptions ..	3	5	7	To Affiliation Fee ...	0	10	0
,, Donation, General Gillilan	2	0	0	,, Books, Programmes, Music, & Printing .	7	14	0
,, Do. Rev. J. A. Beaumont ...	0	10	0	,, Social Gatherings, Refreshments, &c. .	6	7	11
,, Sale of Programmes	4	6	11	,, Sundries	0	8	6
,, ,, Tickets ...	0	14	9				
,, Choir Subscriptions	1	19	7				
,, Vicar's General Fund, page 32 ..	2	3	7				
	£15	0	5		£15	0	5

A. A. Bashforth, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct,
J. A. Beaumont, M.A., *Auditor.*

(II). Band of Hope.

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer—Miss Warren.
Workers—Miss Peters, Miss E. Graves.
Visitors—Mrs. & Miss Collyer, Mrs. East.

The Band of Hope is making good progress. There are now 85 Members. The average attendance is about 60.

BALANCE SHEET *for Year ending December 31st, 1897.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Gen. Gillilan	0	10	0	Affiliation Fee ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Charles	0	10	0	Magazines	0	16	7½
Miss E. Baker ...	0	15	0	Entrance Fee for Competition ...	0	2	9
Admissions	0	4	0	Badges, &c.	0	3	10
Magazines	0	13	5	Cards	0	2	6
Miss Warren	0	5	0	Professor Verlini ...	1	1	0
				Balance in hand ...	0	5	8½
	£2	17	5		£2	17	5

Laura Warren, *Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct,
Robt. Jamblin, M.A., Auditor.

January 14th, 1898.

S. Paul's Provident Club for Men.

President—The VICAR.
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer—The ASSISTANT PRIEST.
Medical Officer—Dr. GRAVES.
Acting Sec.—Mr. B. W. MORRIS. *Assistant Sec.*—Sergt. BROWN.

THIS Society receives subscriptions at the Boys' School, on Monday evenings, from 8 to 9 p.m. The Subscription is 7d. per week, and the advantages are:—

(1.) Free medical attendance.
(2.) In sickness, 10s. a week for eight weeks, and 5s. a week for five further weeks.
(3.) A levy of 1s. per member in case of death.
(4.) A share in an equal division of the surplus at the end of each year.

Men in good health, from 18 to 40, are eligible as members. There are about 130 members.

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1897.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896				5	13	1
Subscriptions ..	£190	15	2			
Entrance Fees ..	0	16	6			
Cards	1	4	2			
Fines	3	5	2			
				196	1	0
Interest from Savings Bank..				1	10	1
				£203	4	2

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d
By Sick Payments:—						
1 Ballard, H. ..	1	6	8			
2 Brooks, O. ..	1	5	0			
3 Brown, H. ..	0	5	0			
4 East, T. ..	1	6	8			
5 Everett, C. J. ..	0	10	0			
6 Fulbrook, A. ..	0	11	8			
7 Fulbrook, J. ..	1	13	4			
8 Fulbrook, S. ..	0	6	8			
9 Gardiner, G. ..	0	16	8			
10 Gorringe, G. ..	2	15	0			
11 Kingston, W. ..	0	16	8			
12 Lapham, H. ..	0	8	4			
13 Mason, A. E. ..	1	16	8			
14 Robbins, G. ..	0	10	0			
15 Stokes, G. ..	1	16	8			
16 Way, E. ..	1	10	0			
17 Woodman, G.	0	15	0			
				18	10	0
Printing Cards ..	1	0	6			
Cash Book	0	7	0			
Doctor's Book ..	0	2	0			
Club Book	0	1	0			
Stationery	0	1	2			
				1	11	8
Secretary				3	3	0
Secretary's Assistant . .				1	11	6
Medical Officer ..				26	13	0
St. Paul's, for Gas and Firing				2	2	0
Auditor and Accountant .				2	2	0
Dividend to 123 Full Members at £1/2/6½, and three ¾-Members at 16/11				141	3	5
Balance in hand				6	7	7
				£203	4	2

Examined with Vouchers and found correct—EDW. T. WHITAKER.

St. Paul's Provident Club for Women.

President—The VICAR.
Hon. Treas.—Rev. J. A. BEAUMONT.
Hon. Secs.—Mrs. PADDAY and Miss WEBB.
Medical Officer—Dr. GRAVES.

THIS Society receives subscriptions at the Mission House, on Mondays, from 4.15 to 5 p.m. The subscription is 5d. a week, and the advantages are:—

(1.) Free medical attendance.
(2.) 5s. a week during sickness for 10 weeks.
(3.) A levy of 6d. per member in case of death.
(4.) A share in an equal division of the surplus at the end of each year.

The dividend for 1897 amounted to 14/-.

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1897.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
To Balance from last account	3	0	1
,, Subscriptions, Fines, &c.	65	5	6
,, Interest on P.O.S.B. account	0	9	0
	£68	14	7

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
By Sick Payments ...	16	0	10
,, Medical Officer ...	11	13	0
,, Printing Rules, &c. .	0	10	6
,, ,, Balance Sheet	0	6	0
,, Dividend to 52¾ at 14/-	36	18	6
,, ,, 4 ,, nil.	—		
Balance in hand ...	3	5	9
	£68	14	7

Examined with vouchers and found correct,
ROBERT JAMBLIN, M.A., *Hon. Auditor.*

Foreign Missions.

S.P.G.

Miss DODD, *Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.*

It is pleasant to see that there is no falling off in the amount of our contributions, but rather a slight increase.

Miss Dodd has been most indefatigable in her work, and much of the credit for what we have done belongs to her. There is an increase of £3 on the total.

ACCOUNT FOR 1897.

	£	s.	d.
Special Offertory	9	10	4½
School-room Meeting		17	0
From general offertory	5	0	0
Dr. Wall	1	1	0
Mrs. Craven		3	0
	16	11	4½
21 Boxes over 5s. each	12	1	5½
33 Boxes under 5s. each	3	4	6½
	£31	17	4½

Penny Association.

During 1895 a Penny Association was formed of which two branches actually commenced work. There was, and is, very much to be done towards beautifying and improving our noble church, and the offertory barely suffices for the mere current expenditure. It was thought that many persons, not only those who belong to St. Paul's, but also friends at a distance who might be interested in its welfare, would be willing to collect weekly pence from kind-hearted subscribers to help us to do what was in our mind.

The first branch (A) was to provide means for beautifying the sanctuary and altar; the second (B) for improvements in the body of the church. Miss Warren is the Hon. Sec. of the former, Miss Isabella Campbell of the latter.

We can now point with satisfaction and delight to the work which has actually been accomplished through these penny cards. A wrought iron screen of beautiful design and excellent workmanship has been placed between the chancel and the side chapel; and this has called forth a generous offer from an old friend of the Vicar's to place a screen of similar design and workmanship at the back of the side chapel, separating it

from the aisle. The only difference is that this screen will be kept down to a lower level than the former so as not to impede the view. The violet frontal mentioned in our last Blue Book has been completed and duly dedicated to its sacred use during the past year. There are other improvements, much to be desired, which will be taken in hand as funds are provided.

A (SANCTUARY) ACCOUNT FOR 1897.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions ...	8	12	0	Deficit from 1896 ...	2	16	2
				Altar flowers	2	0	0
				Balance in hand ...	3	15	10
	£8	12	0		8	12	0

Examined and found correct,
ROBT. JAMBLIN, *Auditor*.

The Collectors are—Miss Mary Stapylton, Miss Bertha Cooper, Mrs. Rowlatt, Miss Coker, Miss Peters, Miss Warren.

B (CHURCH) ACCOUNT FOR 1897.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand ...	2	1	6	Balance in hand ...	13	3	9
Penny Subscriptions	11	2	3				
	£13	3	9		£13	3	9

COLLECTORS:—Mrs. Jamblin, Miss I. S. Campbell, Miss J. Houseman, Miss Coker, Mrs. Kay, Mrs. Biden, Mrs. Wall, Miss D. Musson, Miss A. G. Wild.

Organ Fund.

OUR last Blue Book contained some description of the rebuilding of the Organ, and of the expense which had been necessarily incurred. It will be interesting, as it is important, to record the condition of the Fund at the present time. It is on the whole a satisfactory record, for there is less than £150 now owing, and for this admirable result we have to thank many kind friends who have shown us the greatest generosity.

St. Paul's Organ Fund—Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Assets.	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions & Donations already acknowledged	329	18	3¼
Do. from Vicar's General List	48	13	0
Interest on P.O. Savings Bank a/c.	0	17	7
Total	379	8	10¼
Deduct—			
Payments made on Liabilities	356	16	3
Balance in hand	£22	12	7¼

17th February, 1898.

Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
Messrs. Norman & Beard, for rebuilding ...	406	0	0
Messrs. Ames, Garrard, & Co., for Gas Engine	110	0	0
Printing circulars	2	16	0
Cheque book and postage	0	5	3
Messrs. Watkins & Watson, Opinion on Engine	0	10	6
Do., Repairs to Gas Engine	5	0	0
Total Liabilities	524	11	9
Deduct—	£	s.	d.
Paid on a/c. to Messrs. Norman	238	4	6
Paid to Ames, Garrard, & Co.	110	0	0
Printing circulars	2	16	0
Sundries as above	5	15	9
	356	16	3
Liabilities to be met ...	£167	15	6

G. J. HYNES, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Sunday School (Boys).

MR. E. C. Musson was good enough to arrange a public entertainment in April, 1897, in order to provide funds for certain special expenditure in connexion with the School which he superintends. The effort was successful, and the profits have been used, so far as required, for the special purpose for which they were collected, while the part still remaining has been judiciously spent to relieve the General Fund. Hearty thanks are due to Mr. Musson and his friends for their kindness.

Special Sunday School Account (Boys), 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Net proceeds of Entertainment, including a donation of a guinea from Col. Blundell, M.P., C.B.	6	7	3
	£6	7	3

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Expenses of Children and Teachers to Sunday School Institute Festival, Crystal Palace, Music, Fares, Teas, &c.	3	6	9
Mr. Elliot, for part of training Choir ...	0	15	0
S. School Lessons for 1897-98 (boys and girls)...	1	2	5
Prizes (boys)	1	3	1
	£6	7	3

EDWD. C. MUSSON.

General Account Balance Sheet for year ending Dec. 31st, 1897.

Receipts.	£ s. d.	£ s d.
Balance in hand		6 18 5½
Donations for Poor and Mission Work :—		
General List, page 36, col. 1 ..	329 5 4	
Bishop of London's Fund for Rent of Mission House ...	20 0 0	
Mission Woman	3 15 0	
		353 0 4
Donations for National Schools :—		
General List, page 36, col. 2 ..	70 2 6	
Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, Poor Parishes Aid Fund ..	10 0 0	
Paddington Church Education Board	60 0 0	
Paddington Charity Estates ..	68 15 5	
		208 17 11
Donations for Church, Choir, Vestry, &c., page 36, col. 3 ..	56 13 9	
Donation for Y.M.F.S.	0 10 6	
Donation for Gymnasium.. ..	0 10 6	
Donation for S.P.G	1 1 0	
		58 15 9
Donations for Clergy Fund, page 36, col. 4		20 18 0

Expenditure.	£ s. d.	£ s d
Poor and Mission Work :—		
Children's Holiday Fund ..	1 0 0	
Relief Committee for the Poor, page 18	220 8 3	
Sundries	1 4 6	
School Treasurer, for Gas and Firing at Parish Meetings	11 5 0	
Sunday Schools	23 13 4	
Y.M.F.S.	1 1 6	
Needlework Society	2 2 0	
Coal & Clothing Club, page 14	3 7 0	
Parish Magazine	7 1 4	
C.E.T.S., page 24	2 3 7	
Mission House, Rent £40, and Expenses	62 1 2	
Mothers' Meetings	1 17 3	
Mission Woman (3½ months)..	8 10 0	
Printing Blue Book, January, 1897	7 10 0	
General Printing	0 15 6	
		354 0 5

National Schools, as per contra..		208 17 11
Church Fund :—		
For Organ	48 13 0	
For Vestry	5 0 9	
For Choir &c.	3 0 0	
Y.M.F.S.	0 10 6	
Gymnasium	0 10 6	
S.P.G.	1 1 0	
		58 15 9
Clergy Fund—Vicar	18 16 0	
,, Curate	2 2 0	
		20 18 0
Postages, Stationery, &c. ..		3 7 8
Sundries		0 1 2
		646 0 11
Balance in hand		2 9 6½
		£648 10 5½

£648 10 5½

Examined with vouchers and found correct.

William Bennett,
Auditor.

Summary of Subscriptions and Donations, 1897.

Subscribers' Names.	1 Poor and Mission Work.	2 National Schools.	3 Church Organ and Vestry Fund, &c.	4 Clergy Fund.	5 Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance from 1896	...	...	...	...	6 18 5½
Anon.	1 2 0	...	...	...	1 2 0
Atwool, Miss	2 7 0	...	...	...	2 7 0
Baker, Miss	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Bannatyne, Mrs....	...	2 2 0	...	...	2 2 0
Barton, Miss	2 0 0	...	...	...	2 0 0
Bashforth, Miss	0 6 6	..	...	...	0 6 6
Baylee, Miss	1 6 0	...	...	...	1 6 0
Beaumont, Mrs.	...	0 10 6	...	...	0 10 6
Bennett, Mrs.	0 19 6	...	...	...	0 19 6
Bennett, Mr. Curtis	5 5 0	...	...	...	5 5 0
Bible Class (Mrs. Yool's) ..	...	...	2 9 9	...	2 9 9
Borrow, Rev. W....	3 0 0	...	2 0 0	...	5 0 0
Bowring, Mrs. (the late) ...	8 15 6	...	...	...	8 15 6
Buchanan, Major	...	...	0 10 0	...	0 10 0
Burness, Mr. R E	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Bradley, Miss	3 10 0	...	...	...	3 10 0
Bacon, Mr.	...	0 10 6	...	...	0 10 6
Buck, Mr.	...	0 10 0	...	...	0 10 0
Café Chantant	10 0 0	...	...	...	10 0 0
Campbell, Mr. W. H. ...	10 0 0	...	...	...	10 0 0
Charles, Mrs.	9 14 4	1 0 0	...	...	10 14 4
Choir (St. Paul's)	1 6 0	...	...	...	1 6 0
Cobb, Mr. F.	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Collyer, Mrs.	1 1 0	...	...	...	1 1 0
Carpenter, Mr.	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Cowell, Mr. H.	...	2 2 0	...	...	2 2 0
Clarke, Mr.	...	0 10 0	...	...	0 10 0
Davis, Mr. (per)	10 0 0	...	...	...	10 0 0
Davies, Mr. R. O.	...	...	1 1 0	...	1 1 0
Dodd, Miss	...	...	...	2 2 0	2 2 0
Droop, Mrs.	10 10 0	...	...	...	10 10 0
Druce, Mr.	3 3 0	3 3 0	...	...	6 6 0
Dunn, Miss	14 9 0	2 0 0	...	...	16 9 0
Evans and Jarman, Messrs. ...	...	...	2 2 0	...	2 2 0
F., Mrs.	9 0 0	...	...	...	9 0 0
Fardell, Sir George, M.P. ...	...	1 1 0	1 1 0	...	2 2 0
Friend, A	...	...	1 0 0	...	1 0 0

Subscribers' Names.	1 Poor and Mission Work.	2 National Schools.	3 Church Organ and Vestry Fund, &c.	4 Clergy Fund.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Frost, Mrs.	2 2 0	1 1 0	2 2 0	...	5 5 0
Frost, Miss	2 2 0	1 1 0	2 2 0	...	5 5 0
Gillilan, General	6 6 0	5 0 0	...	...	11 6 0
Gillilan, Mrs.	1 6 0	...	...	...	1 6 0
Graves, Dr.	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Handover, Mr.	...	0 10 0	...	...	0 10 0
Homewood, Mr.	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Harris, Miss	1 4 0	...	...	...	1 4 0
Harvey, Mrs.	...	...	0 10 6	...	0 10 6
Hellings, Mrs.	0 13 0	...	...	...	0 13 0
Herrick, Mrs.	2 18 6	...	...	...	2 18 6
Hewson, Miss	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Hoare, Mrs.	3 2 0	...	...	...	3 2 0
Hoghton, Mrs.	0 13 0	...	...	...	0 13 0
Houseman, Miss...	...	2 2 0	0 10 0	...	2 12 0
Horsley, Mrs.	1 19 0	...	...	...	1 19 0
Jackson, Mr. F. B.	2 2 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	...	16 6 0
Y.M.F.S.	...	...	0 10 6	3 3 0	
Gymnasium	...	...	0 10 6		
Jeaffreson, Mrs.	0 5 0	...	...	...	0 5 0
Jones, Miss E. C.	2 12 0	...	...	...	2 12 0
Kershaw, Mrs.	5 0 0	...	...	...	5 0 0
Lake, Miss A. C.	1 5 0	0 10 0	1 10 0	...	3 5 0
Leadam, Dr.	3 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	...	5 0 0
Long, Miss	4 0 0	2 0 0	4 0 0	...	10 0 0
Low, Mr. A. F.	2 2 0	1 1 0	...	...	3 3 0
M., J. W.	8 0 0	2 0 0	...	...	10 0 0
Maynard, Misses	30 0 0	...	...	...	30 0 0
Meyerstein, Mrs	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Moberly, General (late) ...	1 0 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	...	3 2 0
Moberly, Miss	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Moore, Prebendary	...	2 2 0	...	...	2 2 0
More, Mr. C. J.	2 0 0	1 0 0	2 0 0	...	5 0 0
Morgan, Mrs.	...	0 5 0	...	...	0 5 0
Mahony, Mrs.	...	0 5 0	...	...	0 5 0
Newton, Mrs.	1 1 0	2 2 0	...	...	3 3 0
Padday, Mrs.	1 0 0	...	...	...	1 0 0
Paddington C.O.S.	42 16 11	...	...	...	42 16 11
Pattinson, Mr.	5 0 0	2 2 0	...	...	7 2 0
Pearson, Mr. O. H.	1 0 0	...	...	...	1 0 0
Peck, Mrs. W.	2 0 0	...	...	...	2 0 0
Phillips, Miss E....	5 0 0	...	...	...	5 0 0
Pilkington, Rev. J. G.	2 2 0	2 2 0	...	...	4 4 0
Powell, Capt.	...	...	0 10 6	...	0 10 6
Prescott, Rev. G. F.	2 10 0	...	...	...	2 10 0
Provident Club, Men's ...	2 2 0	...	...	...	2 2 0
Puddifoot, Miss	1 10 0	...	...	...	1 10 0
Pugsley, Miss	1 8 6	...	...	...	1 8 6
Pugsley, Mr. W	2 0 0	...	...	...	2 0 0

Subscribers' Names.	1 Poor and Mission Work.	2 National Schools.	3 Church Organ and Vestry Fund, &c.	4 Clergy Fund.	5 Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Parents	...	0 5 6	...	..	0 5 6
Ricardo, Mrs.	6 6 0	...	...	...	6 6 0
Rudd, Mr.	...	...	0 10 0	...	0 10 0
Sandars, Miss	...	...	1 0 0	...	1 0 0
Sanderson, Rev. J. ...	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Scott, Miss Hylton ...	1 6 3	...	...	...	1 6 3
Smith, Mrs.	0 6 6	...	...	...	0 6 6
Smith, Dr. P. V.	1 0 0	1 0 0	...	...	2 0 0
Spink, Mrs.	0 19 6	...	...	...	0 19 6
Stapylton, Miss	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
St. Stephen's Offertory...	1 3 3	...	...	...	1 3 3
Sunday School Treat ...	7 6 4	...	...	...	7 6 4
Smith, Mr. A.	...	0 5 0	...	...	0 5 0
Tingey, Mr.	...	0 5 0	...	...	0 5 0
Taplin (per the late Mr.) ...	0 10 0	...	...	...	0 10 0
Turnbull, Mrs.	3 0 0	...	3 0 0	...	6 0 0
Tucker, Mrs.	...	1 0 0	...	...	1 0 0
Tomkins, Mr. S. W. ...	...	...	1 1 0	...	1 1 0
Thompson, Mrs.	...	...	...	3 3 0	3 3 0
W., Mrs.	0 1 6	...	...	...	0 1 6
Waldene, Miss	1 18 9	...	...	...	1 18 9
Walker, Mrs.	4 0 0	...	1 0 0	...	5 0 0
Wall, Dr.	1 1 0	...	2 2 0	8 8 0	12 12 0
S.P.G.	...	...	1 1 0		
Warren, Mr. F. W.	2 2 0	1 1 0	...	...	3 3 0
West, Mr. E. W.	1 18 6	...	...	...	1 18 6
West, Mr. W.	2 6 6	...	...	...	2 6 6
Whitaker, Mr. E. T ...	...	...	...	2 0 0	2 0 0
White, Mrs.	1 14 0	...	15 10 0	...	17 4 0
Wild, Mr. J. A.	5 0 0	3 0 0	1 0 0	...	9 0 0
Wild, Miss A. G. ...	...	1 0 0	...	...	1 0 0
Wild, Miss	2 12 6	0 10 0	...	...	3 2 6
Wingfield, Mr. E. ...	...	1 1 0	...	...	1 1 0
Wood Mrs. Henry (per) ...	4 10 0	2 10 0	...	...	7 0 0
Wright, Mr. T. C.	15 15 0	3 3 0	...	2 2 0	21 0 0
Yool, Mrs	1 1 0	3 3 0	1 1 0	...	5 5 0
	329 5 4	70 2 6	58 15 9	20 18 0	486 0 0½
Grants from :—					
Bishop of London's Fund ...	20 0 0	...	...	...	20 0 0
	3 15 0				3 15 0
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S. Paul's, Harrow Road.

Proposed Mission to be held from Jan. 28th to Feb. 8th, 1899.

CANON LESTER, Rector of Lexden, Missioner.

LETTER FROM THE VICAR TO THE PARISHIONERS AND CONGREGATION.

My Dear People,

A Mission is to be held, God willing, in our Parish early next year. The Bishop of London desires, as you will see by his letter, a copy of which is sent to you, to express his deep sympathy with us in this work.

A Mission is a course of Special Services, with addresses and sermons to all, intended to arouse the careless and to strengthen those who are already in earnest.

The Rev. Canon Lester, who has had great experience in this special work, has promised to conduct the Mission, and he has the express sanction of our Bishop.

We want you, one and all, to serve God better. A Mission is simply a time set apart for making an earnest effort to do this, and experience teaches us that God does grant great blessings at such times.

We ask you to put such questions as these to yourselves—"Am I content with myself as I am? If not, may I not gain some help from the Mission? May I not learn some things I don't know? May it not help me to make a fresh start, to fight better against my besetting sins, to resist temptation better than I have done?" If it does any one of these things for us, we shall be thankful for the Mission. But you must understand that it is a beginning, not an end. It will not put everything right at once, but will set you in the way of putting things right. It will give you new and higher interests in life, a deeper insight into spiritual things, a more earnest desire for the glory of God and for the benefit of our fellow-men.

We wish particularly to avoid any excitement or sensation. We want the work to be very simple, very real, and, above all, very practical; everything connected with it marked by true earnestness and deep reverence. It must depend wholly for its success upon the power of the Holy Spirit, and for that blessed gift we must depend much on prayer.

I ask you, then, to remember the coming Mission, and to use the short form printed below frequently in your prayers.

Your faithful servant in Christ,

ROBERT JAMBLIN, *Vicar.*

A Short Prayer for the Mission.

Almighty God, who in Thy tender love towards mankind, didst send Thine Only Begotten Son to seek and to save that which was lost, bless the Mission to this Parish, to the conversion of sinners and to the strengthening of the faithful, for the Glory of Thy Great Name, through Jesus Christ Our Lord.—Amen.

TO BE TAKEN AWAY.

S. Paul's, Harrow Road.

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Twelve Days' Mission

FROM

JAN. 28th to FEB. 8th, 1899.

MISSIONER:

Rev. CANON LESTER,

Rector of Lexden,

And Warden of the Church Parochial Mission Society.

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Rev. ROBERT JAMBLIN, M.A., *Vicar.*

BURT & SONS, 58, DORCHESTER RD., W

JANUARY 28th TO FEBRUARY 8th, 1899.

"Come, for all things are now ready."

S. Paul's Church.

MISSION SERVICES.

Saturday, Jan. 28th,	8.0 p.m.—Introductory Service and Reception of the Missioner.
Sunday, Jan. 29th	8.0 a.m.—Holy Communion. 10.45 a.m.—Matins and Sermon. 12.15 p.m.—Holy Communion. 3.30 p.m.—Children's Mission Service. 5.0 p.m.—Evensong. 7.0 p.m.—**Mission Service.**
Monday, Jan. 30th Tuesday, ,, 31st Wednesday, Feb. 1st Thursday, ,, 2nd Friday, ,, 3rd	8.0 a.m.—Holy Communion. 3.30 p.m.—Instruction. 6.0 p.m.—Children's Mission Service. 8.0 p.m.—**Mission Service.**
Saturday, Feb. 4th,	8.0 p.m.—Quiet Hour.
Sunday, Feb. 5th	7.0 a.m. } Holy Communion. 8.0 a.m. } 10.45 a.m.—Matins and Sermon. 12.15 p.m.—Holy Communion. 4.0 p.m.—Address to Men. 5.0 p.m.—Evensong. 7.0 p.m.—**Mission Service.**
Monday, Feb. 6th Tuesday, ,, 7th	8.0 a.m.—Holy Communion. 3.30 p.m.—Address to Women. 6.0 p.m.—Children's Mission Service. 8.0 p.m.—**Mission Service.**
Wednesday, Feb. 8th (*Thanksgiving*)	8.0 a.m.—Holy Communion. 3.30 p.m.—Final Instruction. 6.0 p.m.—Children's Thanksgiving Service. 8.0 p.m.—**Mission Thanksgiving Service.**
Thursday, Feb. 9th	8.0 a.m.—Holy Communion.

Throughout the Mission, the usual Week-day Services will be held:—

Matins at 10.0, except on Wednesday and Friday, when it is at 11.0.

Evensong at 5.30.

Holy Communion on Wednesday, at 11.30 a.m.

The Church will be open for Private Prayer all day.

ROBERT JAMBLIN, *Vicar.*

Rec'd West 23/8 Lords 23/3

Rev. R. J. Knowles –
St. Lukes, Lauriston Rd., Paddington.

I did not write because I had nothing special to Communicate. My parish is chiefly filled with lodging houses. No special form of labour. I am at home 10 a.m. if you think an interview necessary R. J. Knowles

St Lukes Paddn

Interview not thought necessary.

Jan. 1899

Outer West 23/6 Work 23/3

Interview with Miss Margaret Tillard pro Rev. Mr. R. Neligan, St Stephen, Westbourne Park.

The letter from Miss Tillard on the following page will explain why she was seen in the place of Mr Neligan.

It is to be regretted that Mr Neligan was not seen as Miss Tillard's written report is rather arid, and she had little that was of value to add to it in conversation, as her acquaintance with the work of the church, outside relief, is only superficial.

Miss Tillard has lived in the parish for 15 years: during that time there has been a downward tendency in the letter streets, and rents have fallen, many houses being empty. Lately however houses have let better, and this Miss T. attributes partly to the activity of the church since Mr N. came in 1894, and to his popularity. (Mr Rigdway too at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, thought that houses let

letter in a parish where the church was active and popular).

Miss T. spoke in the highest terms of Mr N. With all classes he is most popular, and his influence over men is very great, the number of men at early communion on Sunday being remarkable. He has too done a great work among the shop assistants of Whiteley and others in Westbourne Grove, and many of these attend the services.

Mr N. was a ~~ex~~ curate at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate and is no doubt of the same school as Mr Ridgway. He refuses to be labelled with any party name.

On the question of Relief Miss T. who is a well known member of the C.O.S. council took a less strict view than I expected. She said that as the almoner of a church fund she was prepared to help cases which on a C.O.S. committee she would refuse: that the C.O.S. ~~had~~ was free to disregard the souls of its applicants, and could write off cases which the

the Church was bound to consider from another standpoint. Still so far as methods go Miss T. who has the sole control of the Relief, works entirely on C.O.S. lines.

Speaking of Dr Clifford Miss T. said that he was "intensely political" and she thought that his influence was political and social more than religious. He is ~~too~~ also strongly anti Church but has been friendly to Mrs N. personally, and offered the use of rooms for the Church schools during repairs.

In the neighbouring parish of St. Mary Magdalene Miss T. thought that two of the curates were more important men than the Vicar Mr Pleaden. Mr Passmore is a preacher who is greatly run ~~of~~ after; but the man is Mr Dixon, "a really splendid fellow".

A.B. Friday at 2.30

8 Sunderland Terrace
Westbourne Gardens
W

Jan 20th

Dear Mr. Booth.

Mr. Neligan (Vicar of S. Stephens Paddington) has been away to Cronne this morning, as he has had a slight operation. Before he left he handed over the paper of questions &c. to me, Mr. Gyer sent him as Vicar ~~for you~~, & asked me to arrange to see you. Mr. I have been waiting to do, until I could get all the information, I thought needful. I am the

Sub of Manager of the Relief
work of the Parish - "Hon Sec:
Of the S. Stephen's Visiting Society"
I am styled - I as a P. Law
guardian for Paddington also
I have a good deal of
information I hope we may
before me - I can arrange to
Dine next Week if you like.
Wednesday - or Friday afternoon.
if you will name the hour -
It is curious I should come
in contact with your work -
again, in another part of
London - W. Heligan

did not know this when
he asked me, and thought
I could give most information.
It will be a pleasure to
me to renew my acquaintance
Yours very truly
Margaret A Tillard.

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S. Stephens Paddington

This parish is mainly composed of Middle Class - Lawyers - Doctors - Clerks - Business Men - Retired Officers - &c &c - There are also a great many Artisans, & respectable Working People - The what may be termed Poor Class does not exceed 1200 -

There are a great many Lodging & Boarding Houses - & a great many of what were Middle Class Dwellings in W. P. Road have been turned into Tenement Houses - a not altogether desirable thing as the Sanitary arrangements in some instances are totally inadequate -

The Ministrations of the Church touch all portions of the Population - There is a Staff of 4 Clergy - Vicar & three Curates - District Visitors Lay Reader - District Nurse -
Parish Guild - Day & Sunday School Day & Sunday School Teachers -

The Schools have been lately rebuilt thro' the efforts of the Vicar & Congregation at a cost of about £11-000 - & are large fine buildings — Boys - Girls - & Infants —
There is also a Mission Room & Clubs —
~~There are~~ The Services of the Church are very fully attended on Sundays — There are also Indoor & Open air Services held by Members of a Parish Guild - Church of England Temperance & Band of Hope Meetings —
There is a Guild of young men practising Parish work - C.E.T.S. Band of Hope - Gymnasium Swimming - Cricket & Football Clubs - Reading Rooms in Parish Rooms - for Social intercourse with

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the young men - ~~C.E.T.S. &c~~ Girls Friendly Society - Mothers Meetings - Girls Club - Provident Club - Ladies Social Meetings for the young people in business in the W. Green Shops —

There is house to house visitation of the Clergy - & Weekly Visitation of the poor by D. Visitors - the parish is divided into 3 Districts for which each of the Curates is responsible —

There is a district Mundo available when required under the Superintendence of a Lady resident who has been a trained Nurse —

There are excellent Schools - Boys - girls - & infants the same Standard as Board School - ~~& Evening Continuation Classes~~ —

Relief is given thro' district Visitors - A Lady is in charge of the relief Money - Hosp: & Convl Selection &c - There is not much relief given as needed - but cases are fully helped when need is required - all cases not personally known are referred to Charity Organisation Society -

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The Westbourne Park Chapel - Dr Clifford - has a large influence on the young people in business - There are Ministry Extension Lectures & many Educational ~~prop~~ courses held there - The houses of business also some of them have various Clubs for their Employés -

There is also a Presbyterian Church -

Friendly intercourse - but not much distinct cooperation -

The Paddington Board of Guardians administer the relief very carefully - there is not much out door relief given & every case is very carefully considered on it's merits by the Board Weekly -

~~The Vestry is~~ Of the Vestry there is nothing particular to say - nor of the Police -

There is not I should say anything particular as to drink – The neighbourhood is a fairly quiet one – & S. Stephens is considered ~~[illegible]~~ by the Police a rather moral parish – & I am given to understand has improved of late years – & there is not much crime – of marriages – it is difficult to say – there not being a crowded population – the marriages are not as a rule – I sh^d imagine quite so early – as in some districts – but there is perhaps almost as much improvidence in them – Thrift it is endeavoured to inculcate – there is a Provident Club & the D. visitors are enjoined in every way to endeavour to inculcate saving rather than giving –
There is an excellent Provident Dispensary Club in Harrow Road to W. some belong –

The health is generally pretty good but there are notably one or two exceptions of places where illness has prevailed but as the sanitary

arrangements have been seen to, by the Vestry it has therefore been better of late — & of the housing I sh^d say there is nothing greatly to complain — tho' some things one might desire to see better — The social condition of the poor in this parish I should say ~~[illegible]~~ is good but of course might be distinctly better.

I should say that there is a distinct improvement ~~[illegible]~~ during the last three years, owing to the vigour & energy ~~[illegible]~~ thrown into the work of the Parish, & to the untiring efforts of the Vicar —

Signed
Margaret A Tillard
Hon Sec: S. Stephen's Visiting Society
For Rev Mr R Neligan

January 21. 1899 —

PARISH OF

S. Stephen, Westbourne Park.

Annual Report,

1897-8.

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HENRY C. HARDCASTLE, Esq., Jun.,
8, Pembridge Crescent, W.

By a resolution passed at the Laymen's Meeting on March 23rd, 1896, it ıs unanimously resolved that Mr. Hardcastle's receipt should be full acknowledgment behalf of all Hon. Treasurers of the various Funds.

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S. Stephen's, Westbourne Park.

CLERGY.

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F. St. B. HASKETT-SMITH, 5, Westbourne Gardens.
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R. A. BENNETT, 6, Westbourne Park Villas.
W. W. BOURNE, 15, Addison Crescent.
J. BRADSHAW, 38, Kensington Gardens Square.
G. E. CARPENTER, 11, Leinster Square.
F. COBB, 18, Westbourne Gardens.
J. R. FOX, 18, Talbot Road.
F. L HAINES, 2, Alexander Street.
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Col. HUNTLY, 7, S. Stephen's Road.
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SERVICES, CLASSES, &c.

SUNDAYS:—EVERY SUNDAY—7 a.m., Holy Communion.
8 a.m., Holy Communion.
3 p.m, Children's Service.
7 p.m,, Evensong and Sermon.

FIRST SUNDAY IN MONTH—11 a.m., Matins, Holy Communion, and Sermon.

SECOND AND FOURTH SUNDAYS—11 a.m., Matins, Litany, and Sermon
12.30 p.m., Holy Communion.

THIRD AND FIFTH SUNDAYS—11 a.m, Matins and Sermon.
12.30 p.m., Holy Communion (Choral 3rd Sunday).

HOLY DAYS—8 a.m., Holy Communion.
11 a.m, Matins. 11.30 a.m., Holy Communion.
5.30 p.m., Evensong (Choral) with Address.

WEEK DAYS:—DAILY—8 a.m., Matins (except Wednesday & Friday). 9 a.m., Children's Service. 5.30 p.m., Evensong.

WEDNESDAYS } 8 a.m., Holy Communion.
AND FRIDAYS } 12 noon, Matins and Litany.
THURSDAYS—12 noon, Holy Communion.

HOLY BAPTISM—SUNDAYS, 5 p.m. FRIDAYS, at 12 noon. HOLY DAYS, 11 a.m.

CHURCHING OF WOMEN—Before or after any Week-day Service.

YOUNG MEN'S CLASS—Sundays, 3.15 p.m, in the Parish Room.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CLASS—Sundays, 3.30 p.m, at 20, Kensington Gardens Square.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—9.30 a.m., and 3 p.m.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLASS—Wednesdays, 4.15 p.m.

The Vicar gives Bible Readings, or Courses of Instruction, on Wednesdays, at 12 noon.
The Vicar can be seen at the Vicarage on Thursdays, from 10 to 12 noon, but at other times only by appointment.

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S.P.G. (*W.M.A.*)—Mrs. Harvie, 45, Princes Square.
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Ladies' Home.—E. Carpenter, 11, Leinster Square.
Altar Flowers and Decorations.—Mrs. Neligan.
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To the Parishioners and Members of the Congregation.

S. STEPHEN'S VICARAGE,
EASTER, 1898.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

In future, I hope the Parish Report will be in your hands by the end of February or early in March each year. At the Laymen's Meeting, held on March 30th, 1898, it was resolved that the financial year of the parish should close on January 31st of each year. The reasons for this alteration of date have already appeared in the Parish Magazine for May of this year, and so I need not recapitulate them here. It will be enough to say that, owing to our National Schools year closing on January 31st, we cannot make our parish year run, as might be wished, from January to December. Further, the Report next year will contain accounts, in some cases, for only nine months.

Statistics.—The Communions made in S. Stephen's show a healthy growth in the use made of the chiefest of "the means of Grace." For the year 1897-8, the number is 14,318.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered four times to adults, and 71 times to infants. During the year we presented 77 persons to the Bishop for the rite of Confirmation. There have been 57 marriages in our Church.

Schools.—The account of the work of our Day Schools is worthy of our careful attention. Specially would I commend to your attention the interesting and useful comparative table that the Managers have drawn up.

The work connected with our Schools has grown enormously during the past few years. To successfully "run" large schools, such as ours now are, needs much thought and care. I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to the Board of Managers for their constant and [illegible] care of our Schools. No one not on the Board can understand the many details which have to be carefully considered by the Managers. In their work, the Managers gratefully recognize the valuable assistance given by the Head Teachers and their Assistants. We owe much to the Teachers of our Church Schools. They deserve the sympathy of interest; and I hope more members of the Congregation will pay occasional visits to our Schools. Such visits are an encouragement alike to teachers and children, and they tend to emphasize that which is one of the great points in the Voluntary School system: personal touch

On the Board of Managers we have had two important changes: Mr. Harvie, after 14 years of office as Hon. Treasurer, has resigned owing to his acceptance of the post of Vicar's Warden. He continues as a Manager and has generously allowed himself to be appointed Hon. Solicitor to the Schools. Mr. Harvie is succeeded by Mr. Vanderzee—a gentleman whose knowledge of the Education Code will prove of inestimable benefit to the Schools.

Col. Huntly has undertaken the duties of Correspondent and he will be assisted in the work by Rev. W. M. Snook, who has so efficiently done the work of Correspondent for the past two years.

The daily children's service at 9 a.m. continues to be the success it has been for the past three years. The benefits arising from this service are many and widespread.

The dedication and opening of the New Schools by the Bishop of the Diocese, on October 30th, 1897, was a "red letter day" in our parish annals. Then the conditional gift of £500 towards the debt; the ready response to the Managers' Guarantee Fund; the splendid donation "in memoriam" of £1,750, to *complete* the *original* plans—how shall we best record all these things? One way is quite clear: tell [illegible]

like £10,000 come for GOD's work in our Schools *in answer to Prayer*. Two and a half years ago we began, as a parish, to pray for the Schools. From that date onward the money kept coming in. May this fact increase our faith and enable us also to strengthen our brethren.

Towards the end of this year Mr. Bennett and I hope to issue duly audited and complete accounts connected with the New Schools. They do not find a place in the Annual Report. I should like to put on record however, here, some tribute of recognition of Mr. Bennett's hard work. Upon him has fallen all the labour of keeping the accounts of the Enlargement Fund. My work, as his co-Treasurer, has been purely nominal. Mr. Bennett keeps all the books, publishes all lists of donors, and so forth. We all owe him sincere and grateful thanks.

The Sunday Schools continue to go on steadily. The average attendance improves; of course it is vastly smaller than in the Day Schools, but the reasons for the difference are good and causes me no anxiety.

Assistant Clergy Fund.—Mr. Howard's return is apparently satisfactory; but, as a matter of fact, this fund was overdrawn some £70 within a week or so of the closing of the financial year. You will notice what Mr. Howard says about the need of limiting the staff to two Assistant Clergy. Of course it is not so costly to get extra help when it is wanted, as to have a third permanently; but it is not altogether the best plan, however, there is no other possible of adoption. In consequence of the many visitors to London staying near our Church during August and September, it is necessary now to engage extra help during those months. This means extra expense; but we must incur it.

The sources of the income of this Fund are three:—(1) Percentage of gross Pew Rents, (2) Ten whole-day offertories, (3) Subscriptions and donations. I do wish we could get some of the hundreds who so readily avail themselves of the ministrations in this parish to help in maintaining the funds upon which those ministrations depend. I am glad to say that we have somewhat improved in this respect, on the whole; but a vast deal yet remains to be done. Sometimes our Sunday offertories are pitiable when compared with the crowded state of the church. The Churchwardens and Sidesmen tell me, from time to time, of the way "the consistent stranger" is consistent in refusing to give one penny towards the support of the parish and church. It is a distasteful topic to dwell upon, but there are things that need saying, however distasteful. I touch upon this topic now in the Report in the hope that it may fall into the hands of those who neither take seats in the church, nor do one single thing to support the parish. Perhaps, if there be any such who read our Report, they may be induced to reflect upon duty to GOD in the light of common honesty.

Organ and Choir Fund.—The marked improvement in the music of our church during the past year deserves recognition here. Our Choir-master (Mr. Taverner), and Organist (Mr. Hart), are to be warmly congratulated on the result of their excellent work. The best way we can show our further appreciation of their work and that of the Members of the Choir, is by providing sufficient funds for efficient music. With two exceptions the gentlemen are voluntary Members. The boys are paid small sums quarterly. I should like to see this fund in receipt of, at least, £250 a year. Even then we should be paying very little for a thoroughly good Choir.

By Mr. Woollcombe's resignation of the post of Hon. Treasurer of this fund, a good friend of the fund resigns office. When Mr. Woollcombe undertook the office in 1894, he found a debt of £150 on the funds. His returns for the past years show how admirably he has financed this fund. We are all grateful to Mr Woollcombe for his hard work. He hands over the fund to his successor, Mr. Bradshaw, in a hopeful financial state.

Parish Room.—We have now, at last, got a small but permanent Parish Room, at 99, Westbourne Park Road—a portion of the premises that had to be acquired for the Schools Enlargement Scheme. The Churchwardens have undertaken the expenses of maintenance and so the separate account under this head disappears: it is now included in Church Expenses. I hope that you will not forget this additional burden on the Churchwardens when paying your subscriptions to Church Expenses.

Young Men and Lads.—We are quietly trying to keep in touch with our Young Men and Lads by means of a small club room, at 99, Westbourne Park Road, for S. Barnabas' Guild; the Parochial Athletic Union managed by Rev. W. M. Goggs and Mr. Walter Hardcastle, and the S. Stephen's (F) Company of 1st Vol. Cadet Battalion, King's Royal Rifles, under Major Holden and Captain Lord. One day, please GOD, we shall have a fine Club and Institute in our parish. The foundations for it are laid, but I think we must wait a little before we undertake a general subscription for this work. I have put it among our "wants" in case any individual member of the Congregation might like to undertake the work of fitting up the premises in our possession.

Business Houses.—Until our Club or Institute is thoroughly well started, there can be but small hope of getting into touch with the male portion of the many thousands of Young People in the Business Houses in our parish. The employers of labour in our parish do not see their way to a definite association between their Business Houses and the parish in which their Young People live. We may regret this fact (for my part, I sincerely regret it), but we have to accept it. Therefore, our work as a parish among the Young People in the Business Houses cannot yet take very wide scope

However, Mrs. Neligan has endeavoured lately, with some success, to get into touch with the Young Ladies in the Business Houses in this parish. In this good work Mrs. Linnell, and the Misses Harvey, Sewell Read, Forster, and Simpson, kindly and efficiently help Mrs. Neligan.

On Sundays a Bible Class is held. On Friday Evenings a Social Gathering takes place. On Saturdays a Ramblers' Club makes excursions to places of interest.

Please GOD, as time goes on, the parish will gradually give evidence to *all* the Young People in the Business Houses in our parish, that the Church of England, by her parochial system, is the National Church, and so considers the needs and welfare, both spiritual and material, of all her children in every class of life.

Churchwardens' Account.—Here I am glad to note there is a substantial increase over last year of about £220. This is partly accounted for by the offertory on the occasion of the New Schools being opened; but the Churchwardens inform me that, notwithstanding there is a marked improvement in some of the offertories, *e.g.*, Assistant Clergy, Hospital Fund, &c., there is a regrettable decrease in the offertories for Church Expenses. Now that this fund has to pay for the Parish Room, and that it makes the Church Care Committee regular grants, a sum of about £550 per annum is needed for its efficiency. The value of the Church Care Committee is self-evident. You will find a return concerning it on page 19.

The Sick and Poor Fund is wisely and beneficially administered by the Visiting Society. All cases for relief are carefully investigated and the Churchwardens make liberal grants where needed. It costs more to do this relief work as we are doing it, than formerly. But you may be satisfied that the work is well done. The Churchwardens assist in pensions to deserving aged persons, pay expenses for sending persons to Convalescent Homes (perhaps the very best help possible to give a wage-earner), spend £5 or £10 if it means the rescue of some young person in bad surroundings, or, saddest case of all, to save a girl from ruin and despair. It is in ways like these that the Churchwardens disburse the funds you intrust to them for Sick and Poor.

Personally, I should like to see the Organ and Choir Fund separate offertories disappear, and, in their place, additional offertories for Church Expenses to appear; then, perhaps, the Churchwardens would make an annual grant to Organ and Choir Fund. I know the Churchwardens are considering the matter; it is for them to decide.

The change in the method of obtaining funds for the Sunday Schools and Choir Excursions has been explained in the Parish Magazine for May. I do hope it will meet with your generous support.

The labour of keeping so many separate accounts must be very real. I think you all recognize with me how much sterling work our Churchwardens do for our parish. It is a proof of their financial ability that they close their accounts without any liabilities.

Parochial Hon. Treasurer.—Our good friend, Mr. Henry Hardcastle, continues to discharge the onerous duties of this office. I only voice the sentiments of all the various Hon. Treasurers of parochial funds, when I say that we are most fortunate in having such a methodical and careful General Treasurer.

Again I ask Members of the Congregation to make their subscriptions to ANY parochial fund

payable to Mr. Hardcastle (see fly-leaf for form of subscriptions). In the schedule of subscriptions at the end of the Report there appear only the names of those friends who pay their subscriptions through Mr. Hardcastle: to add names would only create confusion. I trust all our kind supporters will accept this explanation, should they find their names omitted from any particular fund account.

Guilds.—In a quiet healthy way our Guilds develop. We have now in S. Stephen's Guild 211 members. The past year has seen the development I always looked forward to: smaller Guilds out of S. Stephen's. We now have the Guild of S. Mary, and the Guild of S. Barnabas. The former consists of Ladies who undertake the care of the Altar, Festival Decorations, and so forth, with a few Communicants who engage specially in the work of Intercessory Prayer. The latter Guild consists of the Servers and Janitors and some other Young Men Communicants to whom is given the privilege of certain definite work in our parish.

Gifts.—Set of Stoles.—A Communicant. Two Banners.—A Member of S. Stephen's Guild. Processional Cross.—The Communicants. Two Corporals.—Mrs Arnold. A Corporal.—A Communicant. Green Pulpit hanging.—Mrs. Huntly. Oak Litany Desk.—A Communicant. Two Hymn Boards.—H. C. Hardcastle, Junior. Sanctuary Carpet.—A Communicant. A Glass and Silver Flagon.—Thank-offering. Some Altar Vases.—A Communicant. Set of Markers.—A Communicant. Copies of "Te Deum" (Stainer in A and in E flat, and Stanford in B flat), and of "Holy Spirit, come, O come" (Martin), "Lead Kindly Light" (Stainer), "I am Alpha and Omega" (Stainer).—E. C. Harvie. Copies of "The Jubilee Anthem" (E. J. Hopkins).—E. Macrory, Q.C. Copies of "Ye Holy Angels bright" (Richards).—The Vicar. Pictures for the Schools.—Mrs. Houghton (in memoriam the late Gen. Houghton), A. T. Bolton, Mrs. Trott (in memoriam), W. A. Hart, Miss Connolly, Mrs. Pinnock, J. Empleton, W. Puddifoot. Flags.—The Earl of Meath, Miss Tillard. Harmonium.—Miss Carpenter.

Wants.—New Cassocks for the Boys of the the Choir. An extra set of Stoles. Two or three Pianos or Harmoniums for the National Schools. Some Clocks for the Class-rooms in the Schools. New Psalters for the Choir. Chairs and Tables for Schools and Parish Room. About £500 to complete and furnish S. Stephen's Club.

The Churchwardens.—After five years' service Mr. Webb-Bowen resigns his office as Vicar's Warden. He is succeeded by Mr. Harvie—a known and trusted friend of S. Stephen's. Mr. Webb-Bowen was Vicar's Warden when I came amongst you in 1894. He has been my good friend ever since, and I am glad to know that, as a Sidesman, we shall continue to have his help. I am grateful to Mr. Webb-Bowen for all his work as Vicar's Warden, and I am doubly grateful to him for his constant friendship ever since I came to the parish. In fact, the two Churchwardens I found here in 1894 have been very real and sincere friends to me. I hope Mr. Haskett-Smith may not be leaving London; but I rejoice that you, anyhow, elected him as People's Warden again at the Easter Vestry this year.

Thanks.—In conclusion, I desire to offer my cordial thanks to the Assistant Clergy, the Churchwardens, Sidesmen, Hon. Treasurers of the various Parochial Funds, School Managers, Day School Teachers, Sunday School Superintendents and Teachers, Visitors, Choir and all our Workers, for their loyal and efficient help through another year.

My constant prayer is for you and yours, that GOD may bless you each and all in "your going out and coming in" and that His Holy Name may be glorified by the lives of those who worship in S. Stephen's Church.

Your faithful servant for Christ's sake,

M. R. NELIGAN.

These Accounts are printed in same order as List of Hon. Treasurers for Parochial Funds.

ASSISTANT CLERGY FUND.

Hon. Treasurer—C. W. HOWARD, 109, Gloucester Terrace, W.

The Treasurer begs to submit statement of accounts for the year ending March 31st, 1898.

A small but satisfactory improvement in all branches of income is to be noted, the most substantial advance being in the item of "offertories," which shows an increase of nearly £20 over last year. Unfortunately, however, the fund is not sufficiently supported to admit of its providing for more than two curates and the occassional help rendered by additional Clergy.

There is an item in the "Payments" to which the Hon. Treasurer particularly calls parishioners' attention, viz.—Bank Charges. These are practically interest on temporary Loans which have necessarily been incurred to meet the periodical calls on the Fund. Still further aid, by those who so generously support this Fund, is asked, to avoid such indebtedness in the future.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Balance from year ending March 31st, 1897	6	4	7
Vicar's Contribution	70	4	11
Offertories	210	9	3
Subscriptions and Donations	87	2	0
	£374	0	9

PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.
Stipends of Assistant Clergy	307	10	0
Fees to Additional Clergy	20	2	5
Bank Charges.....	2	4	10
Balance to 1898-99, at London County Bank....	44	3	6
	£374	0	9

THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT for the year ending January 31st, 1898.

MANAGERS.

Rev. M. R. NELIGAN, *Chairman.*
Rev. W. M. SNOOK, *Correspondent.*
E. C. HARVIE, *Treasurer.*

R. A. BENNETT.
W. W. BOURNE.
T. W. S. BOWLBY.
COLONEL BUTTANSHAW.
G. E. CARPENTER.
F. COBB.
F. W. COCK, M.D.
MISS CONNOLLY.
W. T. EVANS, M.B.
Rev. W. M. GOGGS.
F. St. B. HASKETT-SMITH.
J. A. HATTERSLEY.
COLONEL HUNTLY.
MRS. LATHOM-BROWNE.
LOFTUS LONG.
E. MACRORY, Q.C.
W. PUGH.
C. S. READ.
H. H. SPILLER.
MISS TILLARD.
G. Y. VANDERZEE.
R. WOOLLCOMBE.

REPORT, 1898.

The Managers in presenting their Annual Report to the subscribers are able to show great progress and efficiency in all Departments of the Schools. For the second time consecutively these Schools have earned the "Excellent" grant.

S. Stephen's Schools have undergone great expansion during the past year. In October, 1897, the new buildings were opened by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. They are now

capable, according to the Education Department, of providing accommodation for 240 boys, 246 girls, and 240 infants, making a total of 716 places.

Boys' School.—This School has been entirely transferred to the new buildings. A rapid increase in numbers has accompanied this change, and the Head Master is maintaining a high average attendance of scholars.

The average attendance for the year 1897-8 is 181, showing an increased average of 28 over that of the year 1896-7, while the increase in average attendance for the 1st month of the new school year, now commenced, is 45 in excess of the same period in 1897, and 60 in excess of the same period in 1896. The number of boys on the roll is now 244, and, in comparison with the corresponding period of last year, it shows the substantial increase of 40 boys.

The Diocesan Inspector reports:—"The style of the boys' answering shows that work of an influential character has been done; in all divisions there is general thought and very orderly answering. Evidently the method of teaching in this school is of spiritual advantage."

H.M. Inspector reports:—"Since the last annual inspection the boys have been transferred to the new buildings, which are in every way satisfactory and suitable. All the instruction is marked by intelligence and care, and the boys are in excellent order."

Girls' School.—This Department has also had a very bright and successful year. The average attendance has gone up considerably, and we hope for still further increase. The quarters of this Department have been transferred from their original room (now forming part of the Infants' School) to the old Boys' School and Class Rooms, also to one of the Class Rooms in the New Buildings. This arrangement is much appreciated by the Teachers.

The number of children on the roll is at present 230, being an increase of 39 on the corresponding period of last year. The average attendance, for 1897-8 is 158, as compared with 139 for 1896-7.

The Diocesan Inspector reports:—"All Divisions have been well taught. In Division I. there is not quite enough grasp of facts in the Bible subjects, but the explanatory part is careful and correct; the repetition is excellent. In Division II. there is clear and definite Church teaching. In Division III. there is much general and interested answering. In Division IV. the Creed should be learnt before the Commandments. Very good work has been done with pains."

H.M. Inspector reports:—"The condition of this school, both as to order and attainments, is highly satisfactory. The English of the higher standards is only fair. Needlework throughout the school deserves special praise."

Infants' School.—This excellent Department has also enlarged its borders by occupying, in addition to its former room, the Girls' old School-room. The number of children is rapidly increasing, the number on the roll at the present time being 183, against 142 at the corresponding period of last year. The average attendance is 20 in excess of last year.

The Diocesan Inspector reports:—"In Division I. good and painstaking work has been done. The answering was general and accurate, and the children seemed very interested in what they did. In Division II. the repetition was especially good, and the Bible subjects were well known. A little more should be done in the way of interesting the children in Division III.

H.M. Inspector reports:—"This is a very good school. Something, but not enough, has been done since my last visit to diminish the excessive cold of the class-room. The Managers are, I understand, fully aware of the necessity of improvement in this matter."

Finance.—The Schools are in a very fair condition financially, considering the heavy, yet necessary, expenses incurred through their large expansion. The Managers have only been able to accomplish this by care and forethought, and by the help of the Special Aid Grant. The Government Grant earned this year is over £60 higher than that earned last year, and this is distinctly a matter of congratulation to the subscribers and supporters of the school. But the Managers appeal for *more annual subscribers*, no matter how small their contribution may be. Could not everyone do something in this way, in order to help in maintaining that educational and religious work so nobly begun in this parish?

SCHOOL STAFF.—BOYS' SCHOOL.

Head Master.—Mr. A. HOWARD TAVERNER.

Assistant Masters.—Mr. D. SYKES, Mr. E. S. KNOWLES.

Mistresses.—Miss F. AMOR, Miss EVA TINSLEY.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Head Mistress.—Miss SKELTON.

Assistant Mistresses.—Miss J. MURPHY, Miss GLENISTER, Miss J. WHITEHORN.

Monitress.—Miss VIOLET DICKSON.

INFANTS' SCHOOL.

Head Mistress.—Miss E. CHADNEY.

Assistant Mistresses.—Miss E. KNOWLES, Miss M. HARNDEN.

STATISTICS.

School.	On Books Jan. 31st, 1898.	Average Attendance, 1897-8.	School Pence, 1897-8.	Government Grant, 1897-8.	Fee Grant, 1897-8.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Boys...	220	181	41 16 8	(185 10 6) (13 11 6)	90 10 0
Girls...	191	158	33 8 2	174 1 0	79 10 0
Infants	226	122	Nil.	106 14 0	61 0 0
Totals	637	462	75 4 10	479 17 0	231 0 0

A Comparative Statement of Receipts and Payments of the National Schools, for Four Years.

RECEIPTS.

	1894-1895	1895-1896	1896-1897	1897-1898
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Education Grant	287 5 6	280 13 6	360 2 0	402 3 0
Fee Grant	165 7 6	171 12 6	205 0 0	206 5 0
Subscriptions	109 15 0	101 11 0	100 17 6	128 14 6
Church Collections	65 4 10	78 19 4	75 18 6	63 18 7
School Pence	72 16 10	69 3 1	65 13 0	75 14 10
Aid Grant	—	—	—	99 0 0
Other Sources	70 14 6	78 11 5	71 19 10	73 7 3
Overdrawn Balance	235 17 4	306 10 6	352 5 10	361 6 9
£	1007 1 6	1087 1 4	1231 16 8	1409 19 11

PAYMENTS.

By Balance overdrawn	235 17 7	235 17 4	306 10 6	352 5 10
Head Teachers	313 6 8	317 10 0	306 0 0	340 0 0
Assistant Teachers	278 19 4	287 8 1	396 11 0	467 17 10
Apparatus and Stationery	88 9 6	103 9 6	84 19 4	39 3 9
Fuel, Lights, and Cleaning	30 2 2	43 4 6	47 19 7	64 11 1
Furniture and Repairs	19 5 5	46 16 9	23 6 6	94 2 0
Other Payments	41 0 10	52 15 2	66 9 9	60 19 5
£	1007 1 6	1087 1 4	1231 16 8	1409 19 11

ACCOUNT OF THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OF S. STEPHEN'S SCHOOLS,

For the Year ending 31st January, 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
To Annual Grant from Education Department	402	3	0
„ Fee Grant	206	5	0
„ Paddington Charities Estates	56	1	9
„ Voluntary Contributions { Private Individuals	119	19	6
„ Voluntary Contributions { Societies	8	15	0
„ Collections in Church	63	18	7
„ School Pence	75	4	10
„ Drawing Grant	11	9	6
„ Use of School Rooms	5	16	0
„ Aid Grant	99	0	0
„ Balance	361	6	9
	£1409	19	11

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
By Balance on February 1st, 1897, overdrawn	352	5	10
„ Salaries of Head Teachers	340	0	0
„ „ Assistants	440	7	10
„ „ Articled Pupil Teachers	21	10	0
„ „ Monitors	6	0	0
„ Books, Apparatus, and Stationery	30	3	9
„ Fuel, Light, and Cleaning	64	11	1
„ Rates, Taxes, and Insurance	18	11	2
„ Furniture and Repairs	94	2	0
„ Caretaker's Wages	19	15	6
„ Prizes	10	0	0
„ P.O. Savings Bank's Stamps	2	0	0
„ Pupils' Fees, Whitelands' College	1	8	0
„ London Diocesan Board of Education	2	9	6
„ Bankers' Charges	6	6	11
„ Cheque Book	0	8	4
	£1409	19	11

(*Signed*) EDGAR C. HARVIE, *Treasurer*, 1st *February*, 1898.
(*Signed*) G. Y. VANDERZEE, *Auditor*, 4th *February*, 1898.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Hon. Treasurer—F. Lyndhurst Haines, 2, Alexander Street, W.

Girls' School.

Superintendent—Miss Carpenter.

Teachers—Mrs. Neligan, Mrs. Turnbull, Misses Campbell, Cruttenden, Vernon Davys, Elstob, Ellis, Fenwick, Forster, A. Forster, D. George, G. Hart, D. Hart, M. Harvie, Read, Skinner, J. Skinner, Smith, C. Smith, M. Smith, E. Thompson, Wintle, Woodman, A. Yolland.

Number on Books, 150.
Average Attendance: Morning, 54; Afternoon, 86.

Boys' School.

Superintendent—Rev. W. M. Snook.
Assistant Superintendents—Miss Lathom-Browne, Mr. H. Favell.
Teachers—Misses M. E. Lathom-Browne, Bolton, F. Diddams, M. Diddams, Whelan, E. Neale, Dixon, Messrs. Van Neck, W. Smith, Paddison, P. Harding.

Number on Morning Books, 74. Average Attendance in the Morning, 50.
„ „ Afternoon „ 97. „ „ „ Afternoon, 70.

Infants' School.

Superintendent—Miss L. Ffennell.
Teachers—Misses K. Bolton, Bake, L. Day, Flood, Lawrence, Norman, Paliney, Richmond, Severs, Stokes, Westlake.

Number on Books, 114. Average Attendance, 86.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance	10	8	5
Subscriptions	4	18	0
Offertory	9	17	9
	£25	4	2

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Pinnock, Caretaker	1	5	6
„ Miss Ffennell	4	0	0
„ National Society and Sunday School Institute	3	6	5
„ Burt, Printing	3	4	6
„ National Schools	7	15	0
Balance	5	12	9
	£25	4	2

FOREIGN MISSIONS FUND.

Hon. Treasurer—B. Ince Webb-Bowen, 26, Kensington Gardens Square, W.

The amount of money we give to Foreign and Colonial Missions can hardly be regarded as satisfactory. There have been certain causes to account for the small sum we give this year. Next year, we must endeavour to do better.

BALANCE SHEET: *January 1st—December 31st, 1897.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward from last account	8	2	2
Subscriptions	49	14	3
Offertories	62	16	4
Interest	0	7	8
	£121	0	5

Payments.	£	s.	d.
Society for the Propagation of the Gospel	44	19	10
Church Missionary Society	33	6	3
Church of England Zenana Mission	2	10	2
Dublin University Mission to Chota Nagpur	13	2	7
University Mission to Central Africa	0	16	7
Bishop of Grahamstown Mission	0	8	10
Oxford Calcutta Mission	1	17	0
British and Foreign Bible Society	3	10	6
Guild of S. Paul in Japan	1	18	0
Archbishop of Cape Town Fund	1	6	0
Bishop of Dunedin Fund	3	17	6
North China Mission	0	11	0
Ada Leigh Homes in Paris	5	15	0
Bishop in Jerusalem Fund	0	11	9
London Missionary Studentship Association	3	14	6
Expenses	0	11	4
Balance	2	3	7
	£121	0	5

21st March, 1898. Examined and found correct, Basil Richard Woollcombe.

HOME MISSIONS FUND.

Hon. Treasurer—H. F. Shipster, 87, Kensington Gardens Square, W.

This account shows an increase of over £70 on the previous year, and is so far encouraging.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
1897.			
Apr. 1. By Bank Balance	0	1	9
1898.			
Mar. 31. „ Offertories	391	13	7
„ Subscriptions—			
Bishop of London's Fund 6 8 6			
Sundries 0 5 0			
	6	13	6
	£398	8	10

Payments.	£	s.	d.
To Bishop of London's Fund	45	1	11
„ Church of England Temperance Society—			
Parochial Adult Branch £6 1 0			
„ Juvenile Branch.. 6 1 9			
London Diocesan 6 18 11			
	19	1	8
„ Homes for Waifs and Strays	0	18	11
„ Young Men's Friendly Society	12	1	2
„ East End Mission to Jews	9	14	7
„ Missions to Seamen	7	3	6
„ Children's Hospital, Paddington Green	13	0	0
„ Parish Nurse Fund	7	4	0
„ Church Army	10	10	0
„ Paddington Refuge and Home	2	3	8
„ Hospital Sunday Fund	160	0	8
„ Durham Missions (Canon Body)	15	8	10
„ Society for Rescue of Young Women	5	0	0
„ Volunteer Cadet Company	2	1	5
„ Queen Victoria Clergy Sustentation Fund	46	16	0
„ Church of England Soldiers' Institute	5	7	8
„ Bath Preventive Home	10	0	0
„ National Society	2	12	8
„ Kilburn Mission to Jews	9	2	0
„ St. John's Foundation School, Sons of Clergy	5	19	2
„ St. Paul's Church, Paddington	1	3	3
„ St. David's „ „	2	0	0
„ St. Andrew's „ Fulham	5	11	0
„ Balance in hand	0	6	9
	£398	8	10

ORGAN & CHOIR FUND.

Hon. Treasurer—J. BRADSHAW, 38, Kensington Gardens Square.

Mr. Woollcombe having resigned the Treasurership, Mr. Bradshaw very kindly consents to take his place, and has been duly appointed as from 1st April, 1898.

The Choir Funds are, as last year, out of debt, and subjoined is a summary of the amounts from the 1st of April, 1897, to the 31st March, 1898, shewing a balance in the hands of the Treasurer available for Choir purposes of only £12 2s. 0d., which is less than last year; and inasmuch as salaries and other amounts have to be paid during the first week in April, the Choir Fund once again practically commences its financial year with a deficit.

In addition to this the Choir cassocks and surplices are still in a very bad state of repair.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance at Messrs. Cocks, Biddulph & Co., brought forward from last account—			
Representing balance of Donations to Organ Improvement Fund .. £8 17 5			
Representing balance of Donations to Choir Funds 18 18 10			
	27	16	3
Cash by Annual Subscriptions	64	2	0
„ Churchwardens for Offertories	116	15	8
„ „ towards Organist's Salary	20	0	0
	£228	13	11

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Paid Salaries to the Organists and Choirmaster, Gentlemen of the Choir, Choir Boys, and Organ Blower	170	15	11
„ Organ Expenses, Repairs, Tuning, &c.	11	14	0
„ Repairing Cassocks and Surplices, and washing Surplices	16	14	6
„ New Music and Stationery	6	12	7
„ Sundry payments	1	17	6
Balance at Messrs. Cocks, Biddulph & Co.—			
Representing balance of Donations to Organ Improvements Fund £ 8 17 5			
Balance of Choir Funds 12 2 0			
	20	19	5
	£228	13	11

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

(ADULT BRANCH.)

COMMITTEE.

THE VICAR, *President.* Rev. W. M. GOGGS, *Clerical Superintendent.*

Miss CARPENTER, *Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.* THE ASSISTANT CLERGY AND LAY HELPERS *Ex Officio.*

Mrs. NELIGAN, Miss L. FFENNELL, Miss LATHOM-BROWNE, Mr. PINNOCK, Mr. TUCKER, Mr. WHEELER.

BALANCE SHEET: *January 1st—December 31st, 1897.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance in Hand	3	9	8½
Subscriptions and Members' Payments	2	7	2
Share of Offertory, Temperance Sunday	6	1	0
By Lectures and Entertainments	6	14	8
	£18	12	6½

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Printing	2	15	3
Use of Room to December 31st, 1897	2	0	0
Affiliation Fee	0	10	0
Lectures and Entertainments	4	12	0½
Hire of Pianos	1	2	6
Share of New Piano	1	0	0
Lime-light Apparatus	1	10	0
Stationery	0	4	0
Games and Utensils	0	7	2½
Magazines	0	2	0
Conference Tea	0	5	5
	£14	8	5
Balance	4	4	1½
	£18	12	6½

Examined and found correct—LILY FFENNELL.

Number of Meetings held, 36.

BAND OF HOPE.

COMMITTEE.

THE VICAR, *President.* Rev. W. M. SNOOK, *Superintendent.*

Miss LATHOM-BROWNE, *Hon. Sec.* Miss M. E. LATHOM-BROWNE, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Mrs. NELIGAN, Miss CARPENTER, Miss BARCLAY, Miss BOLTON.

The numbers on the Books keep up well, 138; with an average attendance of 100 at the meetings. In May, 1897, the children and helpers gave an Entertainment to parents, and handed over £2 12s. 4d. as a contribution to the New School Fund.

At the Annual Exhibition and Competition for the United Bands of Hope for Paddington, our members were successful in winning seven prizes in the Industrial Classes.

At the Examination on the Syllabus issued from the London Diocesan Centre, five of our members did excellent work.

Six scrap-books were made at the meetings, and caused much pleasure in S. Mary's and Paddington Children's Hospitals, and S. Monica's Home.

The following ladies and gentlemen help at the meetings—the Misses Bolton, Carpenter, Barclay, G. Hart, Diddams, Smith, Vernon Davys, Bowly, Cruttenden, and M. Harvie, Messrs. H. Favell, and W. Smith.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
By Members' Pence	2	3	9
„ Subscriptions for Treat	0	8	0
„ Proceeds of Entertainment	4	10	7
„ Churchwardens' Offertory	6	1	9
„ Winter Entertainment, December 5th	0	10	2
„ Donations	0	7	0
„ Exhibition Fees from Members	0	2	3
„ Sale of Medals	0	2	1
„ Teachers' Subscriptions	0	19	0
	£15	4	7

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Speakers	0	3	0
„ Expenses of Treat	6	16	3
„ Schools Enlargement Fund	2	12	4
„ Hire of Schoolroom	0	18	0
„ Expenses of Entertainment	0	7	6
„ Calisthenic Rings for Drill	0	5	7
„ Exhibition Fees	0	2	7
„ Accounts to C.E.T.S. Office	1	12	8½
„ Lantern Nights	0	12	0
„ Education Syllabus	0	2	8
„ Affiliation Fee	0	5	0
„ Building Platform	0	5	0
„ Coffee and Calico	0	3	5
„ Stationery and Postage	0	7	4
Balance in hand	0	11	2½
	£15	4	7

PAROCHIAL ATHLETIC UNION.

Hon. Treasurer.—W. HARDCASTLE, 8, Pembridge Crescent, W.

It is hoped that the efforts made by the P. A. U. may tend to keep our Young Men and Lads together. But until we have a good Club or Institute we cannot hope to do very much in this direction.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
By Balance from 1896-7	2	3	3
„ Parochial Subscriptions (per H. C. Hardcastle, Esq.)	14	4	0
	£16	7	3

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Swimming Club	2	2	0
„ Gymnasium	5	8	3
„ Cricket	4	7	6
„ Printing	1	19	0
„ Cash in hand	2	10	6
	£16	7	3

Examined and found correct, HENRY C. HARDCASTLE.

PROVIDENT FUND.

Hon. Treasurer.—Mrs. SOAMES, 14, St. Stephen's Square, W.

The number of Depositors was rather less owing to the fact that many of the children who formerly brought us their pence now put them into the Penny Bank in our Schools. It is, however, very encouraging to find that a much larger number of Adults are glad to put by a little, through the Agency of the District Visitors.

BALANCE SHEET: *January 1st—December 31st, 1897.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Deposited during Year	178	3	8
In hand from Cards, 1896	0	2	9⅓
By Sale of Cards, 1897	0	12	4
Interest given by G.P.O.	1	12	6
By Cheque from Churchwardens	5	1	1
	£185	12	4½

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Withdrawal during year	18	0	3
Paid out December, 1897	160	3	5
Printing	0	18	0
Stationery	0	2	3½
Interest paid	6	8	5
	£185	12	4½

THE PARISH NURSE.

Hon. Treasurer—Miss DAVIDSON, 20, Alexander Street, W.

It will be noticed the Subscriptions and Donations towards this fund amount to the same as they did last year, in spite of the appeal made in our last Report. It is *greatly* to be hoped that the next twelve months will see the Subscriptions and Donations towards this most useful charity increase; some increase, in fact, will be absolutely necessary if the services of our present Nurse are to be retained, for the institution from which she comes (the Marylebone and Paddington Institute for District Nurses, 4, Randolph Road, W.) cannot send us a Nurse unless £25 per year can be guaranteed, and even this is a lower figure than is usually taken.

Nurse Hastings has only been working in our Parish since the beginning of February, but her services are already much appreciated, and she herself is much liked by our sick folk; she was not even at first an entire stranger to her patients, as she has been sent to our Parish by the Paddington Green Children's Hospital out-patients' department. It would, therefore, be a pity if the Parish had to dispense with her services owing to lack of subscriptions.

It is much to be regretted that Nurse Inglis was not allowed to go on nursing in this Parish after the beginning of June, as she was so greatly beloved by her patients. The alteration was owing to a change of the arrangements made with a neighbouring Parish two years ago. For some time it was found impossible to secure the services of another Nurse, hence the visits accounted for are few.

Many thanks are due for gifts of old linen from Mrs. Cooper and Miss Douglas; these have been of immense benefit; *old linen and old calico* are always required in large quantites. Thanks are also due to other ladies for medical necessaries, and old clothes for babies, night-shirts for men, and other garments.

Subjoined is a summary of the work done since March 31st, 1897.

18 Patients.
204 Visits paid by Nurse and Superintendent.
4 Patients died.
8 Nursed till well or greatly recovered.
1 Sent to Convalescent Home.
1 Left the Parish.
4 still on books.

BALANCE SHEET—*From April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1897	0	5	3
Subscriptions and Donations	14	4	6
Interest from Post Office	0	0	5
	£14	10	2

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Head Office for Nurse	0	2	3
„ Miss Periss (Matron)	14	5	0
Balance in Hand	0	2	11
	£14	10	2

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

Branch Secretaries—Mrs. NELIGAN and Miss MEASOR.

The League in our parish does a quiet and useful work. From various causes the children held no sale of work in the past year. One will probably be held during the year 1898.

BALANCE SHEET: *January 1st—December 31st*, 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Associates' Subscriptions	1	12	0	Balance due to Hon. Treasurer	0	4	10
Members' Cards sold	0	2	6	Magazines	0	14	8
Magazine Subscriptions	0	17	0	Postage of ditto	0	7	4
	2	11	6	Cards	0	1	10
Due to Hon. Treasurer	0	6	0	Postage	0	8	10
				Caretaker	0	4	0
				Paid into Central Fund	0	16	0
	£2	17	6		£2	17	6

THE PARISH MAGAZINE.

Hon. Treasurer—H. H. S. PYNE, 21, Aldridge Road Villas, W.

It is very satisfactory to be able to announce a small profit of £1 17s. in the accounts for 1897, particularly as the year started with an adverse balance of £10 14s. 3d. This is chiefly due to an increase of nearly £10 in the advertisement revenue. This improvement is being fully maintained in 1898. Subscriptions fell off slightly, but are again improving. The printing bill is again slightly lower than that of the previous year.

BALANCE SHEET: *January 1st—December 31st*, 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions for 1897	23	17	2	Balance for 1896	10	14	3
Sales of Magazine, Sermon on Athanasian Creed, and Parish Almanac	22	1	5	Printing and Copies of *Church Monthly*	73	16	6
Advertisements	34	9	0	Commission	1	11	0
Share of Proceeds of Jumble Sale	2	0	0	Postage, Stationery, &c.	0	8	10
Churchwardens' Grant	6	0	0	Balance	1	17	0
	£88	7	7		£88	7	7

S. STEPHEN'S BRANCH OF GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Presiding Associate—Mrs. NELIGAN, The Vicarage.

Branch Secretary—Mrs. HOVIL, 103, Sinclair Road, W.

8 Working Associates and 7 Honorary Associates. About 80 Members and 40 Candidates.

Four Social Meetings for Members are held during the year. A Bible Class conducted by Mrs. Broadbent is held every Sunday afternoon, at 3.30 p.m. at 20, Kensington Gardens Square.

GENERAL FUND,

FROM NOVEMBER 1st, 1896, TO OCTOBER 31st, 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896	9	13	10	Half of Members' Subs. Paid to Central	1	9	4½
Interest from G.P.O.	0	6	0	Branch Subs. to Diocesan Fund Paid to Central	0	5	0
Subs. Working Associates	1	10	0	Percentage on Branch Funds Paid to Office	0	4	3
,, Honorary Associates	1	0	0	Books for Presentation	0	2	3
,, Members	3	0	9	Use of Schoolroom	0	3	0
Donation, Miss Tucker (for Tea)	0	2	0	Expenses of three Social Evenings and Summer Excursion	2	18	2
,, Miss Thompson (for Tea)	0	2	0	Stationery and Stamps	0	3	6
Proceeds of Christmas Sale of Work	2	5	6	Associates' Journal, one Year	0	1	1
Associates' Donation to Paris Lodge	0	6	6	Grant to Registry	0	2	6
Subscriptions to Jubilee Gift	0	13	0	Donation to Paris Lodge	0	6	6
				Subscriptions to Jubilee Gift	0	13	0
				Donation to Schools Re-Building Fund	2	5	6
				Balance in hand	10	5	5½
	£18	19	7		£18	19	7

SICK FUND.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896	3	16	6½	Balance in hand	4	9	9½
Members' Subscriptions	0	13	3				
	£4	9	9½		£4	9	9½

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY—CANDIDATES' CLASS.

Superintending Associate: Miss CONNOLLY, 33, St. Stephen's Road, W.

Assisted by Mrs. COOPER, 20, Westbourne Gardens; Miss M. LATHOM-BROWNE, 1, Talbot Road; and Miss THOMAS, 43, Pembridge Villas.

The Girls' Friendly Candidates meet in S. Stephen's Infants' Schoolroom every Thursday, at 5 30 p.m., for needlework, the object being to teach them to make useful garments of any pieces of material kindly contributed, or new garments of material purchased from their fund, or given by friends.

The work is afterwards sold at very low prices to the parents of the children, and any remaining garments to friends for charitable purposes.

With the money thus received the work is again carried on. A tea is given before the class is closed for the summer holidays, when prizes are awarded.

The work with the elder Candidates (who being in service or otherwise engaged are unable to attend the needlework class) is conducted by Miss Thomas, assisted by Miss M. Lathom-Browne. They meet at intervals, a kindly interest is thus maintained.

REPORT OF G.F.S. CANDIDATES, 1897 to 1898.

45 Members and

7 Probationers,

30 of these, new members of the needlework class.

27 Elder Candidates,

10 of these, new members.

4 Admitted as members of the G.F.S.

BALANCE SHEET: 1897 to 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896	0	19	4
Result of Sale of Needlework done by the Candidates	2	10	2
	3	9	6
The Post Office Savings Bank	2	12	7
	£6	2	1

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Paid for Material	1	3	9½
Expense of Candidates' Tea	0	14	2
Gratuity to Mrs. Pinnock	0	3	0
Paid for Use of Room	0	2	6
Subscription to G.F.S. Registry for Servants	0	2	6
Donation to Re-Building Fund, St. Stephen's Schools	1	0	0
Balance (£2 12s. 7d. in Post Office Savings Bank)	2	16	1½
	£6	2	1

THE WORK SOCIETY.

President—The Vicar.
Committee—The Misses Day, Mrs. Hattersley.
Hon. Sec. & Treasurer—Mrs. B. W. Day, 27, Leinster Square, W.

There is no occasion to make many fresh remarks on this Society, as its usefulness is well known. As the accounts will shew, it is in a satisfactory state, and has been the means of providing work for many necessitous cases throughout the past year, in addition to those who have received tickets through the Visitors. Orders for plain needlework are much desired and the Hon. Sec. wishes again to thank all those who have so kindly helped the Society either by purchases or subscriptions.

BALANCE SHEET; *January 1st, 1897—December 31st, 1897.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand	2	16	9
Per Sale of Needlework	52	5	4
Purchase of 210 Tickets by Sick and Poor Fund	15	15	0
Subscriptions and Donations for Tickets	4	14	6
Subscriptions and Donations for General Fund	1	19	6
	£77	11	1

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Paid for work done	27	18	4
Materials	40	8	3
Expenses, Printing, etc.	2	11	2
Balance in hand	6	13	4
	£77	11	1

HOME MISSION WORKING PARTY.

Hon. Treasurer—Miss Lathom-Browne, 1, Talbot Road, W.

This Working Party continues to do good work. The number of members keeps up well. Some have left us this year, but in their places we welcome seven new members. We were able to send away 250 garments as Christmas gifts to poor churches. The Meetings take place every alternate Thursday, from October to June, at 3 p.m., at Mrs. Lathom-Browne's house, 1, Talbot Road. The following is a list of those Parishes where garments were sent:—

All Saints', Mile End, E.	20
S. Bartholomew's Bethnal Green, E.	20
S. Mary's, Plaistow, E.	20
S. Stephen's, Battersea, S.E.	20
S. Stephen's, Walworth, S.E.	20
S. Luke's, Camberwell, S.E.	20
S. Columba's, Hoxton, N.E.	20
Holy Trinity, Marylebone	20
S. Andrew's, Kensal Town, W.	20
S. Paul's, Harrow Road, W.	20
S. Clement's, Notting Hill (Band of Hope)	20
S. Stephen's, Paddington (Christmas Sale)	20
Latymer Mission, per Rev. J. W. Atkinson	12
To Members of the Work Party for deserving cases	8

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
By Subscriptions from Hon. Members	3	6	0
,, Subscriptions from Working Members	4	2	6
,, Donations	0	4	0
,, Balance from 1896-7	0	10	10¼
	£8	3	4¼

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Materials	7	12	1⅝
,, Stationery and Stamps	0	2	6
,, Carriage of Parcels	0	7	6
,, Paper and String	0	1	6
Due to Treasurer, 2¾d.	£8	3	7⅜

VISITING SOCIETY.

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer—Miss Tillard, 8, Sunderland Terrace, W.

There is but little to record of any very special work this year.

Another mild winter, and no great slackness of work, has prevented special distress of any kind. There has been a good deal of illness, which has caused much use for Hospital and Convalescent Letters, and the Hon. Sec. would be specially grateful for any out-patient Brompton Letters, and also for some to the Sea-side Convalescent Homes.

District.	Visitor.
101—109, *Westb. Pk. Rd.*	Mrs. Beasley, 14, Sunderland Terrace.
111—115, ,, ,, ,,	Miss Lawrence, 3a, S. Stephen's Crescent.
117—125, ,, ,, ,,	Mrs. Cooper, 20, Westbourne Gdns.
127—137, ,, ,, ,,	Miss Thomas, 43, Pembridge Villas.
Richmond Mews	Miss Pugh, 8, S. Stephen's Square.
Richmond Mews West	Miss Carpenter, 11, Leinster Sqre., and Mrs. Reid, 2, Northumberland Place.
8—15, *Victoria Place*	Miss A. Yolland, 14, S. Stephen's Square.
1—7 ,, ,,	Mrs. Linnell, 28, Colville Square.
16—25, ,, ,,	Mrs. Turnbull, 9, Powis Square.
28—29, ,, ,,	Mrs. Percival, 61, Westmoreland Road.
26—27, ,, ,,	Miss Walker, 5, Talbot Road.
Westbourne Pk. Villas	Vacant.
Alexander Mews	Miss Dixon, 31, Talbot Road.
Westbourne Pk. Mews	Mrs. Bolton, 22, Westbourne Gdns.
3—11, *Pickering Place*	Miss M. Smith, 33, S. Stephen's Road.
12—24a, ,, ,,	Miss Connolly, 33, S. Stephen's Road.
Other Numbers	Miss Hooper, 18, Monmouth Road.
Richmond Road	Miss Barclay, 3, S. Stephen's Cr.
Botts Mews, 1a & 2a, *Victoria Place*.	Miss Russell Skinner, 1, Alexander Street.
Empty Houses	Lady Euphemia Sinclair, 59, Inverness Terrace.
Parish Nurse—The Matron, 4, Randolph Road, W.	
Hospital and Convalescent Letters—Miss Tillard, 8, Sunderland Terrace.	

CHURCH CARE COMMITTEE.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Macrory, 19, Pembridge Square, W.
Assistant Hon. Secretary.—Miss Russell Skinner, 1, Alexander Street, W.

In May, 1897, a Committee of Ladies was formed to take charge of the cleaning of the Church, which was not being done in a satisfactory manner. The following ladies kindly consented to serve on this Committee:—

Mrs. Ackland.
Lady Burdett.
Mrs. Harold Gray.
Mrs. Hardcastle.
Mrs. Harvie.
Mrs. Haskett-Smith.
Mrs. Huntly.
Mrs. Neligan.
Mrs. Robinson.
Miss Weston.
Mrs. Arthur Young.

And the two ladies who act as Hon. Sec., and Hon. Asst. Sec.

Meetings of the Committee were held and various reforms instituted with excellent results as to the cleanliness of the Church.

It will be an assistance to the Committee if members of the Congregation who find their pews not properly cleaned, would communicate with the Hon. Sec. of the Committee.

The plan in operation is: two members of the Committee are appointed for each month to inspect the Church on Saturday mornings, see that the cleaning has been properly done, and pay the cleaners.

Twice a year the Church is closed, in April and September, for special cleaning. On these occasions extra help is obtained.

The expenses attending this necessary care of the interior of the Church amount to about £56, annually.

It would be a very great help to the general tidiness of the Church if the members of the Congregation would be so very kind as to look to the condition of the Hassocks and Cushions in their Pews. Many of these are in the last stage of existence: the stuffing comes out of the bottoms of the Hassocks and litters the Pews after they have been all cleaned on the Saturday, and thus causes a great deal of unnecessary labour. It would also be a great improvement in the Church if the Hassocks and Cushions were of a uniform character, and if any member of the Congregation who would wish to have new Hassocks and Cushions would kindly communicate with either the Hon. Sec. or Assistant Hon. Sec., either of these ladies would undertake to see such wishes carried out at as small a cost as possible.

[Extracts from Report sent to Subscribers.]

THE WESTBOURNE PARK LADIES' HOME,

ESTABLISHED 1870.

REGISTERED AS A PUBLIC INSTITUTION.

President.

Rev. M. R. NELIGAN, M.A.,
Vicar of S. Stephen's, Westbourne Park, W.

Trustees.

Rev. T. B. HARVEY BROOKS, M.A., The Rectory, Solihull.
WARREN PUGH, Esq., 8, S. Stephen's Square, W.

Committee.

Mrs. HARVEY BROOKS, The Rectory, Solihull.
Mrs. T. B. HARVEY BROOKS, The Rectory, Solihull.
Lady BURDETT, The Lodge, Porchester Square.
Miss CARPENTER, 11, Leinster Square, W.
Mrs. B. W. DAY, 27, Leinster Square, W.
Mrs. EVANS, 41, Lancaster Gate, W.
Mrs. BROCK HUNT, 20, S. Stephen's Square, W.
Mrs. MACRORY, 19, Pembridge Square, W.
Miss MANISTY, 19, Kensington Court Mansions, W.
Mrs. MORANT, Harrow Lodge, Winkton, Hants.
Mrs. NELIGAN, S. Stephen's Vicarage, Westbourne Park, W.
Mrs. PARTINGTON, 16, Pembridge Square.
Miss PUGH, 8, S. Stephen's Square, W.
Mrs. P. V. SMITH, 116, Westbourne Terrace, W.
Mrs. SOAMES, 14, S. Stephen's Square, W.
Miss YOLLAND, 14, S. Stephen's Square, W.

Hon. Secretary.

Mrs. FRANCIS COBB, 18, Westbourne Gardens, W.

Assistant Hon. Secretaries.

Mrs. R. FULFORD, 50, Westbourne Gardens.
Miss LONGDEN, 50, Westbourne Gardens, W.
Miss L. CAMPBELL, 11, Leinster Square, W.
Mrs. COOPER, 20, Westbourne Gardens, W.

Hon. Treasurer.

G. E. CARPENTER, Esq., 11, Leinster Square, W.

Hon. Chaplain.

Rev. B. W. DAY, M.A., 27, Leinster Square, W.

Hon. Surgeons.

G. T. PHILLIPS, Esq., 28, Palace Court, W.
F. W. COCK, Esq., M.D., 1, Porchester Houses.

This Institution was established in 1870, to provide a Home for elderly Gentlewomen in reduced circumstances whose means are too slender to support them without such assistance.

Exemptions from rent, taxes, servants' wages, and payments for kitchen fire, cooking, etc., are the advantages offered by the Home.

The Ladies furnish their own rooms, provide their own board, and pay a small weekly sum of sixpence each for attendance.

At the present time four houses, Nos. 2, 4, 6, and 8, Shrewsbury Road, Westbourne Park, constitute the Home. The three latter were purchased in 1894, and connected together, and put in substantial and decorative repair, the purchase-money and the expenses incidental to making them suitable for the Home, being paid out of the money received from the sale of the old premises, and a sum of £500 raised on mortgage. Full particulars relating to these transactions will be found in the Report and Accounts for 1893.

With a view of increasing the accommodation, and therefore the usefulness of the Home, the Committee in July, 1896, purchased at the Auction Mart No. 2, Shrewsbury Road, being the fourth house comprised in the block of four houses in which the Home is situated. To enable them to do this, the Committee were obliged to raise £500 of the £600 of the purchase-money by a further mortgage, and this was deemed by them the right course to adopt, as it has always been considered desirable that this house should be acquired, if possible, and had the opportunity of the sale been missed, it might never have occurred again.

Each of the houses contains four sets of apartments, *i.e.*, Bedroom and Sitting-room, and ladies are allowed to share their rooms with a relative or friend of their own sex, subject to the approval of the Committee.

There are at the present time thirteen ladies receiving the benefit of the Institution.

The qualifications for admission are:—

1st.—The social position of a "Lady" in the ordinary acceptance of the term.

2nd.—That she be a member of the Church of England.

3rd.—The possession of a guaranteed Income of not more than £50, and not less than £20 per annum.

Also in filling up a vacancy, preference is given to a candidate who has been for three years resident in Paddington.

The expenses of the Home are met by voluntary subscriptions and donations, and by two annual Offertories at S. Stephen's Church, Westbourne Park, and one at Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, and in consideration of the latter, the Vicar of Christ Church is entitled to nominate a lady for one set of apartments.

The hope that was expressed in the Report for the year 1896 has been fully realized, and the Fourth House has been opened for the benefit of an increased number of ladies, and is now full and in good working order.

The happy event is entirely due to the kind and generous response to the Special Appeal which the Committee addressed to their Subscribers last Autumn, for funds to enable them to undertake this increased expenditure.

The sums received for this object up to the 31st December last amounted in the aggregate to £113 17s. 6d., of which £80 7s. 0d. was in Donations given by Subscribers or obtained by them from their friends, and £33 10s. 6d. increased Annual Subscriptions in like manner given by Subscribers themselves, or new subscriptions by their friends.

In the Report of last year it was stated that an increased income of nearly £100 per annum would be required to meet the annual expenditure of a fourth house.

Up to the end of last year £33 10s. 6d. additional annual subscriptions for this purpose had been received. Since then and the publishing of this report, donations and further subscriptions and promises have been received, bringing the amount up to nearly £60, leaving therefore only another £40 to be provided for the current year.

It is perfectly clear that at the present time no money can be set aside out of income, therefore help must come from outside. The outside means appear to be generosity of friends, either by gifts or legacies, and help from other parishes, appeals through the Press, entertainments, and the generous help of some of the City Companies. As to the latter, Subscribers being themselves of a City Company, or having friends on the Court of any of them, are urged to put forward the claims of the Ladies' Home.

As to help from other parishes above referred to, it must be borne in mind that the Ladies' Home is not for S. Stephen's Parish only, quite the contrary, it is for English ladies generally, with preference given to applicants resident in Paddington Parish, so that S. Stephen's, Westbourne Park, and Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, in giving annually their offertories one Sunday in each year, are most generous supporters of the Home, and take on themselves a burden which other Churches should help bear, and particularly in Paddington, and Subscribers having the opportunity and influence are asked to put this before the Clergy of other parishes.

The request for current newspapers and periodicals has been met by the kindness of several friends, and especially so by Mrs. Morant, Mrs. Lowther, and Mr. Bennett; and the Committee are glad to perceive that a kindly interest is taken in the welfare and happiness of their ladies, outside their own immediate circle.

The cordial thanks of the Committee are due to Miss Pugh for her generous gift of £10 towards the cost of the stair carpets and oil-cloth required for the new house; and also to Miss Longden for the gift of a much required book cupboard, towards the cost of which Mrs. Morant and Mrs. Cobb likewise con-

tributed; and finally they must express their gratitude to the gentlemen who, in various ways, continue to give skill, time, and labour in promoting the welfare of the ladies, and in furthering the general prosperity of the Home.

In conclusion, the Committee would express their trust and hope that the blessing vouchsafed to them in the past, by the success attending their labours, may mercifully be continued with a still richer fulness in the year on which they have now entered.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1897.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1896	17	11	4
Subscriptions and Donations for 1897, as in First List	147	5	6
Special Subscriptions and Donations to assist in adapting and putting in suitable repair No. 28, Shrewsbury Road, for the purposes of the Home, being amounts received up to the 31st December, 1897, as in Second List:—			
Donations £80 7 0			
Subscriptions 33 10 6	113	17	6
Church Offertories—			
St. Stephen's, February 7th (33 9 6 / 0 2 6)			
,, July 18th 26 2 4	59	14	4
Christ Church, Lancaster Gate	45	5	8
Ladies' Payments for Attendance	16	11	0
Rent received from Tenant of No. 2, Shrewsbury Road	15	3	0
Rent for Telephone Pole	1	1	0
Fees, per G. E. Carpenter	0	4	6
Amount of Payments in excess of Receipts	26	11	7
	£443	5	5

Payments.	£	s.	d.
Ground Rent for Nos. 2, 4, 6, and 8, Shrewsbury Road, less Income Tax	38	13	4
Four Quarters' Water Rate for Nos. 4, 6, and 8, Shrewsbury Road, to Michaelmas	7	19	0
Four Quarters' Parish Rates for ditto to Xmas	39	1	8
Do. Income Tax for Nos. 2, 4, 6, and 8	1	13	4
Do. Gas for Nos. 4, 6, and 8	13	15	8
One Year's Insurance on Nos. 2, 4, 6, and 8	2	5	0
One Year's Interest on Mortgage of £500 at 4 per cent. on Nos. 4, 6, and 8 (less Tax)	19	6	8
One Year's ditto upon similar Mortgage on No. 2	19	6	8
Repairs during the year on Nos. 4, 6, and 8	22	3	5
Housekeeper's and Servants' Wages	112	0	0
Charwoman's Wages	1	14	3
Coals	24	3	0
Sundry small Household Expenses, disbursed by the Hon. Secretary	8	5	9
Printer's Accounts	10	8	0
Cheque Book and Banker's Charge on Scotch Cheque	0	4	8
Messrs. Blackett's Account for adapting No. 2, Shrewsbury Road—New Drains, Repairs, and Decorating	222	5	0
	£443	5	5

Audited and found correct, Benj. W. Day.

ALTAR FUND.

Hon. Treasurer—Mrs. Neligan, The Vicarage.

The Hon. Treasurer again desires to thank many kind friends for the continued kind support given to this Fund during the past year. It will be seen that this year the Annual Subscriptions have *increased* more than double, while the special donations for Festivals have largely *decreased*, with the exception of those towards one item (Altar hangings, etc.) In last year's account an item of £12 appeared for the new Dossal. It will be seen that a few pounds more have been expended, and that the item has been entered again in this year's account. The amount put down last year was on estimate. When the work was completed and a few other improvements made, the amount came out as now stated.

The Annual Subscriptions do not quite cover the expenses for the daily altar flowers. But as they increased last year, it is hoped that they may increase this year also.

All charges for Altar linen, repairing and cleaning veils, etc., are now defrayed by the Altar Fund. Therefore, small annual subscriptions are much to be desired.

The care of the Altar and all the Church work has been entrusted, with the Vicar's approval, to the Guild of S. Mary.

BALANCE SHEET: *April 1st, 1897—March 31st, 1898.*

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
By Balance	12	1	9
,, Subscriptions	13	16	6
,, Festival Decorations	12	10	6
,, Sick Communions (per Clergy)	3	15	0
	£42	3	9

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Altar Vases (daily)	15	1	0
,, Festival Decorations	9	7	10
,, Altar Hangings, Improvements, and Linen	16	12	0
,, Balance	1	2	11
	£42	3	9

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

(paid through Parochial Hon. Treasurer as per schedule, pages 26—28).

	£	s.	d.
National Schools	86	8	6
Assistant Clergy	79	7	0
Organ and Choir	57	10	0
Men's and Boys' Club	14	4	0
Parish Room	2	17	0
Parish Nurse	14	4	6
Work Society	3	10	6
Sunday Schools	4	18	0
Home Missions	9	3	6
Foreign Missions	24	14	0
Church Expenses	19	1	6
Altar Fund	8	16	6
Ladies' Home	36	0	6
	£360	16	0
Payment for Report	1	18	0
	£362	14	0

Total received for year ending March 31st, 1898.

Note.—In addition to this amount of Subscriptions, the sum of £8 3s. was received as Donations for Schools Re-building Fund through Parochial Hon. Treasurer. This amount was transferred to the Hon. Treasurers of that Fund, and has been acknowledged by them.

Note—*The amount of money accounted for in this Report is upwards of* **£3,500.**

Churchwardens' Accounts.

(1.) OFFERTORY ACCOUNT.

APRIL 1ST, 1897, TO MARCH 31st. 1898.

Appropriation.	1897 Credit Balance.	Offertory.	Donations.	Total Receipts.	Expenditure.	April 1st, 1898. Credit Balance.	April 1st, 1898. Debit Balance.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Church Expenses		262 6 4	124 7 5	386 13 9	491 13 5		104 19 8
Organ and Choir		116 15 8		116 15 8	116 15 8		
Sick and Poor		107 17 9	2 10 0	110 7 9	110 0 11	0 6 10	
Assistant Clergy		212 13 10		212 13 10	212 13 10		
Churchwardens' Fund	6 11 11	108 16 0	0 10 0	115 17 11	115 17 11		
Church Improvement Fund	1 3 3	63 12 4	6 0 0	70 15 7	32 4 11	38 10 8	
Altar Gifts	5 5 7	8 10 4		13 15 11	8 12 0	5 3 11	
National Schools		68 16 6		68 16 6	68 5 4	0 11 2	
Sunday Schools		9 17 9		9 17 9	9 17 9		
Choir and School Treat		16 8 9	2 12 0	19 0 9	20 6 3		1 5 6
Parish Room		28 0 3		28 0 3	26 18 5	1 1 10	
Ladies' Home		55 16 1		55 16 1	55 16 1		
Parish Nurse		7 4 0		7 4 0	7 4 0		
Hospital Sunday Fund	9 12 1	150 8 7		160 0 8	160 0 8		
Children's Hospital		13 0 0		13 0 0	13 0 0		
Bishop of London's Fund		39 2 4		39 2 4	39 2 4		
Church of Eng. Temp. Soc.		19 1 8		19 1 8	19 1 8		
Waifs and Strays Society		0 10 0		0 10 0	0 10 0		
Young Men's Friendly Soc.		12 1 2		12 1 2	12 1 2		
Church Army		10 10 0		10 10 0	10 10 0		
Mission to Seamen		7 3 6		7 3 6	7 3 6		
Durham Mission	9 15 10	5 13 0		15 8 10	15 8 10		
Society Propagation Gospel		28 3 1		28 3 1	28 3 1		
Jerusalem, Bishop in		0 11 9		0 11 9	0 11 9		
North China Mission		0 11 0		0 11 0	0 11 0		
Chota Nagpur Mission		10 6 5		10 6 5	10 6 5		
School Re-building Fund	26 5 1	169 10 7		195 15 8	181 16 6	13 19 2	
Lon. Mis. Studentship Asso.		3 14 6		3 14 6	3 14 6		
East End Mission to Jews		9 14 7		9 14 7	9 14 7		
National Society		2 12 8		2 12 8	2 12 8		
Kilburn Mission to Jews		9 2 0		9 2 0	9 2 0		
Capetown, Archbishop of		1 6 0		1 6 0	1 6 0		
Volunteer Cadet Corps		2 1 5		2 1 5	2 1 5		
Q.Victoria Clergy Sus. Fd.		46 16 0		46 16 0	46 16 0		
Ada Leigh Homes		5 15 0		5 15 0	5 15 0		
Bath Preventive Home		10 0 0		10 0 0	10 0 0		
Dunedin, Bishop in		3 17 6		3 17 6	3 17 6		
Church Eng. Soldiers' Inst.		5 7 8		5 7 8	5 7 8		
Oxford Calcutta Mission		1 17 0		1 17 0	1 17 0		
S. John Found. School		5 19 2		5 19 2	5 19 2		
University Mis., Cen. Africa		0 16 7		0 16 7	0 16 7		
Padd. & Marybn. Resc. Soc.		2 3 8		2 3 8	2 3 8		
S. Paul's, Paddington		1 3 3		1 3 3	1 3 3		
S. Andrew's, Fulham		5 11 0		5 11 0	5 11 0		
S. David's, Paddington		2 0 0		2 0 0	2 0 0		
£	58 13 9	1653 6 8	135 19 5	1847 19 10	1894 11 5	59 13 7	106 5 2
					1847 19 10		59 13 7
					£46 11 7		£46 11 7

We have examined the foregoing accounts with the Churchwardens' books and vouchers, and certify them to be in accordance therewith.

F. LYNDHURST HAINES, G. Y. VANDERZEE, Hon. Auditors,

April 5th, 1898.

F. ST. B. HASKETT-SMITH, B. I. WEBB-BOWEN, Churchwardens.

(2.) CHURCH EXPENSES ACCOUNT, 1897-98.

Receipts.	£ s. d.	Expenditure.	£ s. d.
To Offertories	262 6 4	By Balance, 1896-97	67 18 0
,, Churchwardens' Fund	52 18 11	,, Salaries	81 0 0
,, Pew Rental Loan	50 0 0	,, Gas	49 11 1
,, Subscriptions	21 8 6	,, Electric Light	14 3 10
,, Balance, 1898-99	104 19 8	,, Coal	11 2 0
		,, Water	2 2 0
		,, Organist	20 0 0
		*,, Debenture Interest	15 0 0
		,, Loan	50 0 0
		,, Insurance	4 0 3
		,, Benson	4 4 0
		,, Burt & Sons	36 2 6
		,, Cutts	3 15 10
		,, Hall's Account	25 5 5
		,, Wine	16 4 0
		,, Bickers	5 12 6
		,, S.P.C.K. and other Publishers	16 14 6
		,, Church Cleaning Account	50 0 0
		,, Tucker, Candles	1 17 10
		,, Electric Repairs	3 16 6
		,, Fees, Cheque Book	2 16 8
		,, Henderson	2 10 0
		,, Sundries	7 16 6
	£491 13 5		£491 13 5

*In 1888 a sum of money was raised by debentures for removing the Galleries and otherwise improving the Church.

(3.) CHILDREN'S OFFERTORIES.

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Waifs and Strays	0 10 0	Hospital Sunday Fund	12 9 8
S.P.G.	2 2 11	Queen Victoria Clergy Sustentation	0 18 6
Children's Hospital	13 0 0	Sunday School Treat	0 12 6
National Schools	8 14 5	Sunday Schools	0 10 0
C.E.T.S.	1 1 9	Chota Nagpur	10 6 5
Bath Preventive Home	3 17 9	Parish Nurse	0 9 0
Assistant Clergy	12 9 2		£69 18 3
Organ and Choir	0 14 9		
Volunteer Cadet Corps	2 1 5		

SCHEDULE OF PAROCHIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1896, TO MARCH 31ST, 1897.

(ONLY THOSE SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID THROUGH THE PAROCHIAL HON. TREASURER ARE HERE ACCOUNTED FOR.)

	National Schools.	Assistant Clergy.	Organ and Choir.	Men's and Boys' Club.	Parish Room.	Parish Nurse.	Work Society.	Sunday Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Expenses.	Altar Fund.	Ladies' Home.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Abercrombie, Mrs.	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 6	..	..	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	..
Abercrombie, Miss	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Abercrombie, Miss M.	5 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ackland, Mrs. R. C.	0 5 0	0 10 0	..	0 2 0	..	..	..	..	0 2 6	0 2 6	..	..	.
Anderson, Mrs.	1 1 0	..	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Anonymous	..	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 0 0	..	..	..	..
Anonymous	..	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arnold, Mrs.	2 2 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 5 0	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Ballard, Miss	0 5 0	0 10 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	..	..	0 10 0	0 2 0	..	..
Banson, A. J.	0 5 0	0 10 6	0 10 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 10 0	0 10 6	0 2 6	0 5 0
Barclay, Miss	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Barclay, Miss C. E.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6
Bennett, R. A.	1 1 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bolton, Mrs.	1 1 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	2 2 0	1 1 0	..	..
Bolton, Miss	2 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	..	..	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bolton, Miss K.	0 5 0	..	0 2 6	..	..	0 2 6	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..
Bourne, W., and Mrs.	2 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	2 0 0	2 0 0	1 0 0	0 5 0	2 0 0
Bowerman, R. J.	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bowlby, T. W. S.	1 1 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Brand, Miss	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 2 6	..	..	..
Broadbent, Mrs.	1 0 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	..	..	0 10 0	..	0 10 0	..	2 2 0	..	..	..
Brodie, Miss	..	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bryans, Miss	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Buttanshaw, Col.	2 2 0	0 5 6	0 10 0	0 5 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 6	..	1 1 0
Caithness, Countess of	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 6	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cameron, Mrs. C.	1 1 0	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	0 10 0
Campbell, Miss L.	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	0 2 6	..
Carpenter, G. E.	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 0	1 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 10 0	..	1 0 0	..	0 5 0	1 0 0
Carpenter, Miss	1 0 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 2 6	..	..	..
Clayton, Miss	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0	0 10 0	..
Cobb, F.	1 1 0	2 2 0	2 2 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6
Connolly, Miss	1 1 0	0 5 0	..	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	0 10 6
Cooper, Mrs. F.	1 1 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..
Cracroft, Mrs. H.	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 2 6	..	0 2 6	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	0 7 6
Creed, Miss E.	2 2 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..
Cresor, T. J.	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Cruttenden, Mrs.	0 10 6	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 2 6	0 10 0
Cruttenden, Miss	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cumming, Mrs.	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..
Davidson, Mrs.	2 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Davidson, Miss	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..
Davoren, Mrs.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Day, Mrs.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0
Deane, Miss	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0
Deane-Drake, Miss	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Ellis, Mrs.	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..
Evans, Dr. W. T.	1 1 0	0 10 6	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fagan, Mrs.	0 10 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..
Forbes, Mrs. W. N.	0 10 6	0 5 0	0 10 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 5 0	..	0 3 0	..	0 5 0	0 10 6	..	0 10 0
Gilbertson, Miss E. M.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	1 1 0
Gordon, C.	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..
Gordon, Mrs.	2 2 0	2 0	1 1 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	1 1 0
Goring, Miss	0 5 6	0 5 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0
Green, Mrs. and Miss	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 2 6	0 2 6	..	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	0 5 0
Green, Miss Augusta	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..	0 5 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Griffith, Miss E. de B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0
Haines, F. L.	1 1 0	2 2 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	..
Haines, Mrs.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Hardcastle, H. J. C.	1 1 0	0 10 6	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Harrison, Miss F.	0 10 6	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Harvie, Edgar C.	..	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0	..	..
Hart, John	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..
Harvie, Miss Lizzie	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Harvie, Miss Marion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..
Haycock, Miss M. (the late)	2 2 0	0 10 6	0 10 6	..	..	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	..	2 2 0
Howard, C. W.	..	1 0 0	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Huntly, Colonel	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kendall, Mrs.	1 0 0	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kerr, Mrs. Hunter	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kitching, Rev. W.	1 0 0	1 0 0	0 15 0	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	..
Lathom-Browne, Misses	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 2 6	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lawrence, Miss	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	0 10 0	..	..	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 0
Lewis, Mrs. Waller	..	2 2 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Limond, Mrs. C.	0 5 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..
Limond, Miss M.	..	0 10 6	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Long, Loftus	2 2 0	2 2 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	1 0 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 10 0	0 10 0	1 0 0	0 10 0	0 10 6
Lyall, Mrs.	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Macrory, E., Q.C.	2 2 0	2 2 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	..	2 2 0
Macrory, Mrs.	1 1 0	2 2 0	1 1 0	..	..	0 10 6	..	..	0 10 6	..	0 10 6	..	1 1 0
Manisty, Miss	1 10 0	1 10 0	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 0 0
Mason, Misses	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0
Matthews, Mrs.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..
Menzies, Mrs.	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Middleton, Miss C.	2 0 0	3 0 0	5 0 0	2 0 0	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	2 2 0	1 7 6	..	2 0 0
Middleton, Mrs. (the late)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 0 0
Murphy, Miss E.	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Murphy, Miss Mary G.	..	0 10 0	0 5 0	..	..	0 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	0 2 6	..

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Murphy, Miss S. M.	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	0 10 0
Neligan, Rev. M. R.	1 0 0		1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	1 1 0	..	..	1 0 0
Notten-Pole, Miss F. van	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0
Pascoe, Miss M. P.	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..
Percival, Mrs.	..	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0	..	..
Pole, Lady	..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pollock, Mrs.	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0
Protheroe, Miss	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Protheroe, Miss A.	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pugh, Warren	5 5 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0	..	..	..
Pugh, Miss	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Quincey, Miss	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ramsden, Miss	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..
Read, C. S.	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 6	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 6 6	0 5 0	0 10 6
Robin, Miss	0 10 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	0 5 0	..
Shepherd, Miss	0 10 0	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 6	0 10 0	..	..
Skinner, Miss Russell	1 1 0	1 1 0	1 1 0	0 10 6	..	0 10 0	..	0 5 0	..	1 0 0	1 1 0	0 15 6	0 5 0
Smith, Mrs. A.	1 1 0	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Smith, Miss M.	..	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Spring-Smyth, Mrs.	1 1 0	2 2 0	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0	..	..	..
Soames, Mrs.	..	2 2 0	1 1 0	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Steer, Miss C. R.	0 2 6	0 10 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 2 6	..	..
St. John, Miss F.	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Strachan, Misses	..	..	0 10 6	..	..	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 1 0
Tabor, Mrs.	..	0 5 0	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 10 6	..	0 5 0
Thompson, Miss	0 10 0	0 10 0	..	0 10 0	..	..	1 1 0	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..
Tomson, Mrs. W.	1 1 0	0 10 6	0 10 6	0 10 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	0 10 6
Tucker, Miss C.	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 10 0	0 10 0	1 0 0	..	..	..
Turrill, Miss	0 10 0	0 10 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	0 10 0
Walker, Miss M. G.	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Webb-Bowen, B. I.	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0
Woollcombe, R.	1 1 0	0 10 6	1 1 0	0 5 0	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	..	..
Woollcombe, Mrs.	..	0 10 6	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wright, Mrs.	..	..	1 1 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yolland, Miss Annie	..	0 10 0	1 0 0	..	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	0 5 0	1 1 0
Young, A.	5 0 0	5 0 0	3 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 19 6	2 0 0	1 0 0
Total ..... £	86 8 6	79 7 0	57 10 0	14 4 0	2 17 0	14 4 6	3 10 6	4 18 0	9 3 6	24 14 0	19 1 6	8 16 6	36 0 6

In addition to this amount of Subscriptions £8 3s. has been received for the Schools Re-building Fund, and for payment of the Report, £1 18s.

I find this parish is in Dist. 22.
Taken with 23

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Interview with Rev. G. F. Prescot St. Michael and All Angels', Market St., Paddington.

Mr Prescot is a man of just 70. He has been Vicar of this parish since 1864, and was here as Curate when the church was built in 1861

Of no one that I have interviewed have I less impression than Mr Prescot: even as to personal appearance I should not be sure of recognising him in the street as the day was dark and he sat with his back to the light in a gloomy study ~~at the~~ on the ground floor at the back of the house, and beyond the remembrance that he was clean shaven and florid in complexion, and fairly tall and massive I have no impression of him. In manner though gravely courteous, and without the faintest touch of ~~the~~ either the dread or the dislike of being interviewed which a few clearly show, he was extraordinarily reserved and reticent, and answered each question in ~~a deep~~ the fewest possible words, and in a

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deep but rather pleasant voice

The parish is very small, only about 3000 inhabitants: these with the exception of a few shop keepers in Praed St and lodging-house keepers in Cambridge Terrace are all poor, but the tendency since Mr P. first knew the district has been upward certainly in orderliness if not in wealth: when he first came Market St bore a very bad name for roughness: in the last ten years however he thinks there has been no change.

The church was the first in this neighbourhood which had a fine musical service, and was for many years full: but with the attractions offered by Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, St Saviours and St Mary Magdalene it has suffered and no longer draws a full well-to-do congregation in the morning as it used to do: it is however still well filled in the morning. Quite apart from the fact that other churches have drawn off some of his people Mr P.

thinks that the neglect of church going among the rich has greatly increased: many now do not go to church at all and very few go two times on Sunday: he noticed too the effect on church attendance of the bank and holiday and the bicycle. As to the poor they attend well in the evening, when the congregation is about 400: as regards their attitude it is one of indifference, and in this respect Rev. P. sees no change in 40 years: their attitude now is what it always has been, quite indifferent.

I don't fancy the social work is of any importance. Like a good many others Rev. P. has tried Men's and Boys' clubs and given them up for want of efficient workers. He spoke of the Temperance work as fairly successful and of the recently formed Boy's Brigade with hope

The Day School has about 600 children, mostly of a better superior class to the Board Schools, many being the children of tradesmen.

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In the Sunday School are about 250.

In Mr P's return it will be seen that he puts Relief at £200 and upward: apparently it is a good deal upward as he said that no doubt his District Visitors of whom there are 10 gave a good deal privately. Asked on what principles relief was given he said "I fear we work on no principles: my visitors don't like harsh methods." A good deal is given in pensions, though Mr P. "does not like the system": "many of our pensioners" he said "would be much more comfortable in the House if they could be induced to go in".

Of the other religious agencies Mr P. mentioned particularly the Boatmen's Mission where the L.C.M. is very active. He is friendly to the church and even circulates the Church Magazine, "but he likes to get the people to his own place; and he does so too".

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As Rural Dean Mr P. said that the Church generally in the Rural Deany was much more active and aggressive than when he came. He mentioned particularly Christ Church Lancaster Gate (Mr Ridgway) St Saviour's (Mr Twiddle), St Mary Magdalene (Mr Bleaden) and St Matthew (Mr Stuart)

Form A.—The Church of England.

Life and Labour of the People in London: INFLUENCES.

(Mr. CHARLES BOOTH'S Inquiry.)

QUESTIONS to be asked in each parish as to the work of the Church:—

(a) What is the general character of the population?	Various trades & occupns — carmen, cabmen, mechanics, charwomen
(b) What portion do the ministrations of the Church touch?	many of all — but not enough
(c) What persons are employed? (stating duties and whether paid or not)	only Clergy & District visitors — 10
(d) What buildings are used? (including mission rooms, schools and clubs.)	Schools & parish room for classes &c
(e) What services or other religious meetings are held, and by whom and by how many attended?	only services in Church — congregt. chiefly poor Sunday Evening say 400
(f) What Social Agencies are connected with the Church — institutes, societies, clubs, entertainments, meetings, &c.	Benefit Societies — Temperance meetings weekly, with freqt. entertns. music recitation &c.
(g) What Educational Work is done?	National & Sunday Schools — bible classes male & female young & old
(h) To what extent are the people visited? (by Clergy or District Visitors)	very generally
(i) What arrangements are there for nursing the sick?	in urgent cases nurses are procured.
(j) To what extent is charitable relief given or administered by the Church?	to considerable amount — £200 & upwds. annually.
General Questions—	
(k) Under what other religious, charitable, or philanthropic influences do the people come?	Besides of Church — Baptist Chapel — Boatmen Chapel (nonconformist) Temperce. Socies. C.E.T.S. & Baptist. mothers meetings
(l) What co-operation is there between the Church and other bodies.	none
Remarks with reference to the district are invited on—	
(I) Local Government (including Poor Law administration)	outdoor relief very rarely given — tho' it seems a desirable & economic forming of Poorhew relief to those beyond age of hardwork.
(II) Police	a good deal abounds
(III) Drink	a good deal — but several houses of ill fame shut. more mt. be done
(IV) Prostitution	
(V) Crime	
(VI) Marriage	not a great many.
(VII) Thrift	— Hans is Providt. Dispensary — Benefit Socy. — Burial Club — Provident fund for Scholars & families.
(VIII) Health	General health of district very good — healthy gravelly soil
(IX) Housing and Social Condition generally	some of houses very bad, but general type fair. Parish greatly improved since 1861 when Church was built.

District S. Michaels Paddington

[Where possible, a comparison should be made between Past and Present.]

NOTE.—It is not intended that this Form should be filled up, but it may be found useful for making notes preparatory to an interview.

S. Michael & All Angels', Paddington,

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JANUARY, 1899.

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3-30 p.m., Litany. (1st Sunday, Short Evensong).
7 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

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5 p.m., Evensong (Choral on Festivals).
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11-30 a.m., Matins and Litany.
8 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

Fridays, Litany, 12-30.

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New Year! What an impulse the words
within us! We dream of new plans, of
ng on a fresh stage of life, with purposes
promise. Here is another grand opportunity
ed us by our long-suffering Father of
ng how loyal we can be to Him. Often in
ears we have made resolutions, but with a
barren result. Let this closing year of the
enth century see a real change and improve-
in us, and find us more prayerful, more
us of God's Word, more frequent in
unions, more liberal in alms, more interested
e spread of the kingdom of Christ. The
ct is bright, if we do not cloud it with our
ings and half-heartedness. "If God be for
o can be against us?"

KALENDAR FOR JANUARY.

Circumcision. 1st Celebration at 7. Litany, 10-15. Short Evensong and Baptisms, 3-30. Sunday Prizes.
Temperance Tea and "White Rose Minstrels," 8-30, Girls' School.
Guild Meeting, 8-30, Parish Room. Band of Hope Tea, 5-15.
District Visitors' Meeting after Service.

Epiphany. Celebrations, 8 and 11-30.

I. Epiphany.
Temperance Meeting, 8-30, Girls' School. Members' Evening.
Band of Hope (Boys), 6-45.
Band of Hope (Girls), 5-45.

12	Th	Sunday School Treat. Evensong, 3-30.
13	F	Hilary, Bp. and Con.
14	S	
15	S	*II. Epiphany.* Baptisms, 3-30.
16	M	Temperance Meeting, 8-30, Girls' School (Mr Fernley and music).
17	T	Band of Hope (Boys), 6-45.
18	W	Prisca, V. and M.
19	Th	School Repetition Concert, Café Chantant, at Paddington Baths.
20	F	Fabian, Bp. and M.
21	S	Agnes, V. and M.
22	S	*III. Epiphany.* Vincent., M.
23	M	Temperance Meeting, 8-30, Girls' School. Concert by Miss Parker.
24	T	Band of Hope (Boys), 6-45.
25	W	Conv. St. Paul. Celebrations, 8 and 11-30. Band of Hope (Girls), 5-45.
26	Th	
27	F	
28	S	
29	S	*Septuagesima.*
30	M	Temperance Meeting, 8-30, Girls' School (Mr Saunders and music).
31	T	Band of Hope (Boys), 6-45.

The Clergy attend at the Vestry to consider applications for relief, hospital letters, etc.,
At 10 a.m. on Monday, The Vicar.
At 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Rev. J. R. Dummelow.
At 10 a.m. on Friday, Rev. W. L. Clarke.

PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY & WORKERS OF S. MICHAEL'S.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast ordained Pastors to serve in the sacred ministry of Thy Church, look favourably upon those whom Thou hast placed in this chosen portion of Thy flock, and grant unto them that light and grace which are needful for the guidance of those whom Thou hast committed to their care. Together with them bless and prosper the efforts of all who with them work for the good of souls, and grant that the precious fruit of eternal life may be brought forth, which shall make Thy faithful ones here like those who glorify Thee in Heaven. Amen.

CRIPPLE BOY.

Miss Prescott is anxious to keep a cripple boy from S Michael's District one year longer at the Blackheath Cripples' Home, in order to perfect him in a trade. The cost is £15 a year, and the father promises £5. Gratefully acknowledged: Miss Crosse, 5/-; Mrs Dunbar, Kilburn, 10/-.

MISSIONARY ITEMS.

(a) *S. Michael's Missionary Union*, for promoting interest in all Missionary work, and collecting money for any Missionary object, Members undertake (1) to give or collect something, and (2) to pray for Missions. Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Miss M. Prescott, 76, Cambridge Terrace.

(b) *S. Michael's Branch of Ruridecanal S.P.G. Association.* Treasurer, Miss M. Prescott.

(c) *S. Andrew's Waterside Mission to Sailors and Emigrants.* Work Society—organized by Mrs Spooner, 1K, Hyde Park Mansions.

(d) *Women's Association in connection with S.P.G.* Treasurer, Miss Hayes, 74, Cambridge Terrace.

(e) *S. Paul's Guild for Tokyo, Japan.* Hon. Sec., Miss Gardner, 10, Warwick Crescent, W.

(f) Funds needed for *Zanzibar Hospital.* Treasurer, Miss Hayes, 74, Cambridge Terrace.

(g) *London Diocesan Missionary Studentship Association.* Grants are made to students at S. Augustine's College, Canterbury, where fees and expenses amount to £60 a year. Several young men are wanting help. One lady of our congregation has promised £30 a year. This has been assigned to a Paddington student, who is doing exceedingly well at the College. The Vicar will gladly answer any questions.

N.B.—The Ruri-decanal S.P.G. Meeting will be held on February 9th, 1899, at the Paddington Baths, Queen's Road. Chairman, Sir T. G. Fardell, M.P.

PARISH WANTS.

District Visitors. Several greatly needed.
Sunday School Teachers.
Temperance Workers.
Western General Dispensary Tickets (none left).
Convalescent Home Tickets.

Contributions would be welcomed for the following:—

1. Altar Flower Fund.
2. Schools.
3. Organ Repair Fund. £155 deficit.
4. Church Expenses. Funds low at this season
5. £20, Annual Payment for Epileptic Woman.
6. Parish Fund for various objects.
7. Poor Fund (overdrawn).

ST. MICHAEL'S LIFEBOAT.

Our Lifeboat stationed at Kessingland ha become utterly useless, and worn out. Th Royal National Lifeboat Institution has placed new boat in its place. We are sorry for th inevitable. Henceforward contributions will b asked for the General Fund of the Institution which is invaluable in the aid which it affords t ships in distress. Received this year, £9 17s. Hon Sec., Mr. Kebble, 28, Star Street.

S. MICHAEL'S NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

The grant which we expect from the Specia Aid Fund will be less than last year, as it is con sidered that some other Schools are more needy This is a reminder that our friends should stan by us with undiminished aid. But if they do, w shall be as vigorous as ever.

The Balance Sheet at the year's end showed deficit of £38 14s. 6¾d.

WOMEN'S DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

London House, 32, S. James's Square, S.W.

President—The Bishop.
Vice-President—Mrs Creighton, Fulham Palac S.W.
Chaplain—Rev. C. T. Ackland, S. Anne's Vic age, Highgate Rise, N.
Secretary—Mrs Romanes, 18, Cornwall Terr Regent's Park, N.W.
Representative for S. Michael's Parish—Miss Flower, 14, Norfolk Crescent, Hyde Park.

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A Meeting of the General Committee of Association was held at Sion College on Decem 1st to discuss the preliminary arrangements the Women's Meetings to be held in connec with the Church Congress of 1899. Mrs Creigh

said she thought the usefulness of an organization like the Women's Diocesan Association was proved on the present occasion. The Bishop had wished to be able to communicate with all the women workers in the Diocese, and he was able to do so through the Association. It had been decided that, instead of having several Meetings for women in different parts of the Diocese, it would be best to concentrate our efforts and use the Albert Hall, which will seat 10,000.

After some discussion, it was decided to hold two Meetings for women and girls on the same day, one being in the afternoon and the other in the evening. It was announced that admission would be by ticket only; that the seats would be numbered, which would prevent crowding into any one part of the Hall; and that a certain number of tickets would be given to each parish.

Further particulars will be announced nearer the time.

WORK SOCIETY, 14, OXFORD MEWS.

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BIBLE CLASSES, &c.

On *Sundays.* For *Men*, 4-30, 62, Market Street (Sister Frances).
For *Young Women*, 3-30, 62, Market Street (Sister Margaret).
On Fridays. For *Women*, 3 p.m., 62, Market Street (Sister Margaret).

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Mothers' Meeting, Mondays, 2-30 p.m., at 62, Market Street.

PARISH NOTICES.

1. Candidates for Confirmation are requested to send in their names at once, so that the Classes of Instruction may be arranged.

2. The Hon. Secretary of the Missionary Union would be glad to receive all subscriptions at once, as the accounts will be closed on January 2nd.

3. Sunday School Treat, January 12th.

4. Repetition Concert, January 19th. Tickets sold for benefit of School Fund. Apply to Mr Brady, 66, Market Street.

WANT WORK.

Medical, Surgical, and Monthly Nurse	Mrs.	Parker, 93, Star Street.
Monthly Nurse...	„	Newton, 14, Sale Street.
Dressmaking.....	„	Thorogood, 8, Star St.
Needlework	„	Ballantyne, 28, Market St.
„	„	Oates (shirts), 28, Star St.
„	„	Knight, 27, Sale Street.
Upholsteress	„	Goddard, 3, Newlan Row.
Cooking	„	Couchman (job), 30, Tichbourne Street.
„	„	Barber, 15, Star Street (charing).
„	„	Cumnor, 34, Star St.
„	„	Phelps, 57, Market St.
„	„	Taylor, 4, York Row.
„	„	Lamb, 63, Star Street (charing).
„	„	Weatherly, 8, Star Street (nursing, charing).
Charing	„	Cumnor, 4, York Row.
„	„	Harvey, 9, Cambridge Mews.
„	„	Montgomerie, 7, York Row.
„	„	Hobbs, 4, James' Place.
„	„	Pearman, 8, Bouverie St.
„	„	Harvey, 12, York Row.
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„	„	Wilmot, 3, Newlan Row.
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„ ...	„	Short, 25, Market St.

S. MICHAEL'S GUILD.

The monthly meeting of the Guild took place in the Parish Room on Tuesday, December 6th. There were present the Warden and 11 members. After the office the Warden read I. Thess. v. 1—11,

St. Paul dwells on the uncertainty of the time of our Lord's coming. Many have thought it hard that we do not know when we shall be summoned to depart this life, that we may be prepared to meet our Lord. But it is in mercy that God has hidden from us the day of our death; it is to spur us on to be always ready, to be always abounding in such works as shall please Him. Suppose that a man were to know that he must die at Michaelmas, he would think there was plenty of time now to prepare for death. Easter was a time when our thoughts were turned to our Lord's sufferings and Resurrection, and we were withdrawn for a while from the contemplation of earthly things. At Easter he feels inclined to put it off till Whitsuntide, and then that a month will give him plenty of time, and so on till the last. He makes the mistake that he will be able to lay aside his sins when he chooses. But it is very hard to give up the things we love. Habit makes us cling to them the more, and weakens our power of resistance. The only way to deprive death of its terrors is to realise the unseen world, and to be diligent in overcoming our sins and in abounding in such works as shall prove that we are God's loving children. St. Paul puts a motive before us for this diligence—"Ye are all the children of Light," that Light which is God Himself, who turns our darkness into day. As we have received Light, so ought we to be Light bearers, guiding others on the right way and leading them to be partakers of the Divine Light.

The Warden read some pastorals from the Bishop of London. The Bishop was desirous that a Committee should be formed in every parish to help forward the Queen Victoria Clergy Fund and the Church Defence Association. He was also anxious for the success of the coming Church Congress in London next October; that workingmen should be induced to take an interest in it; and ladies, many of whom belong to the Women's Diocesan Association, should promote its success by explaining its objects and urging people to attend the meetings in the Albert Hall and other places.

The Warden reminded those present of the approaching Confirmation, and asked them to influence others to prepare for that Holy Rite.

Mr Parker was unable to be present at the meeting of the Guild through illness, but expressed his willingness to audit the accounts of the Burial Club should no one else be found to do the work.

The meeting concluded with prayer and the Benediction.

BAND OF HOPE.

The Treasurer acknowledges with thanks following donations:—Miss Lang, 10/-; Miss M Baker, 2/6.

The Girls' Band of Hope will meet Wednesdays in future.

The Secretary announces the follo Meetings:—

Wednesday,	January	11th	(Girls), 5-45.
,,	,,	25th	,, ,,
Tuesday,	,,	10th	(Boys), 6-45
,,	,,	17th	,, ,,
,,	,,	24th	,, ,,
,,	,,	31st	,, ,,

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WESTGATE-ON-SEA.

The new buildings have been open some They are convenient, comfortable (shall w luxurious?), and the sooner weakly people subscriber's letter of admission, the bette them. Westgate air has a most invigor power, and perhaps they may learn a lesson o worth learning while they are there. If a our richer friends has £500 to spare, that would just pay off the debt remaining, alas! Building Fund. Treasurer, Vicar of S. Mich Paddington.

OFFERTORIES Nov 20TH to Dec. 11T

	£	s
For Poor	13	0
,, Church Expenses	39	8
,, East London Church Fund	2	1
,, Missionary Studentship	7	3
,, Juvenile Mission	0	8
,, Clergy Ladies' Homes	29	15
	£91	17

MOTHERS' UNION.

Forty-seven members attended the Meeti Dec. 14th, when Mrs Malden, the District Sec for the Paddington and Bayswater Branch Mothers' Union addressed those present, remi them that the St. Michael's Branch was one earliest formed, having been started in 1891 she was glad to see how the numbers had inc

since she last spoke to them in the Parish Room, which they had quite outgrown. She hoped they were trying to be good examples in their parish, a real help and blessing to the place in which they lived, that their neighbours might take notice of their happy homes and be encouraged to join the Union. Their cards of membership were not intended to be hidden away in a drawer, but put where they could see them and be daily reminded of the rules.

It is hoped that the Christmas Treat will be held February 9th.

There will be no Meeting in January.

BOYS' BRIGADE.

Drill begins on Wednesday, January 4th.

The Treasurer acknowledges with best thanks:

	£	s.	d.
General Lowndes	5	0	0
Rev. G. F. Prescott	2	0	0
Friend of S. Michael's (at 6d. a week)	1	6	0
Mrs Crofton	2	0	0

The Gymnasium begins on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

Nov. 21. An address was given on "The duty and responsibility of members of Temperance Societies," with special reference to the influence which may be exercised by members of the Church of England Temperance Society. After briefly referring to the motives which lead people to join the Society, the speaker founded his remarks on the words of the pledges made by those who join the two sections of the C.E.T.S. Dealing first with the total abstinence pledge, it was pointed out that this promise dealt chiefly, if not exclusively, with the individual; and, though it was inferred that total abstainers would seek to spread their principles, the pledge did not directly bind them to be actively aggressive against drunkenness in others. But it was to the pledge of the general section that attention was more particularly drawn. The speaker deprecated the attitude taken by some total abstainers towards members of the general section, and condemned as unjustifiable the exaggerated language sometimes used of moderate drinkers and the unwisdom of alienating these latter, by *intemperate* speeches, from the work of temperance reform.

Passing on to the definite consideration of the G.S. promise, it was shown that a direct responsibility was laid upon the members to take an active part in the suppression of intemperance and the removal of causes leading thereto, in addition to their duty to set an example of temperance in their own lives.

Though the use of strong drink may not be regarded as a sin, nor any merit attached to the abstaining from it, it was contended that the liberty granted to the members of the general section in the use of alcoholic liquors was not by any means to be construed into licence: the rules of the Society, supplementing the pledge, restricted their use to meal times only, and moderation was defined to mean necessity, and not indulgence, the great object in view being to acquire self-control over the appetites, the subjugation of the inclination to the will, the flesh to the spirit.

In the work of the Temperance Society the speaker insisted that all could take some part in a greater or lesser degree, for none were without influence, which they were constantly exercising for the most part unconsciously, for good or evil. If, in a prayerful trust in God's grace, we lived our lives true to our high Christian calling, it must follow that our example and effort would not be without their influence for good and help on the Temperance cause.

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Nov. 28. An admirable Lecture, entitled "A Modern Pilgrimage to Royal Edinburgh, Staffa, Iona, Lindisfarne, and the Abbeys and Cathedrals of Scotland," was given by Mr B. Crosland, from S. Augustine's, Kilburn, illustrated by 150 lime-light slides. A large audience assembled to hear the lecturer's graphic description of the many scenes and objects of interest visited during the pilgrimage, the first halt being made at Carlisle, the old border Capital. Then Melrose Abbey was shown, Mr Crosland reciting the lines from Scott's "Lay of the last Minstrel," during which some sacred verses were softly sung behind a screen with pleasing effect. Edinburgh came in for a large share of attention, but the goal of the pilgrimage was sacred Iona, famous as the home of the Celtic Missionaries of the early centuries of Christianity. The views were not only eloquently described, but additional interest was created by the recitations and amusing anecdotes, freely interspersed throughout the Lecture. A novel feature was the introduction of Scotch airs and sacred pieces appropriate to the scenes depicted. The Vicar proposed a vote of thanks to the

lecturer, who, in replying, generously acknowledged the indispensable help of the gentlemen who worked the lantern, and of the ladies (Misses Hinch, Nash, and Smithson), who kindly provided the music and songs. A collection was taken during the interval in aid of the C.E.T.S. Boys' Shelter, amounting to £2 5s. 0d.

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Dec. 5. The members of S. Michael's Guild joined the members of the Temperance Society to hear a Lecture by the Rev. H. W. Hussey on the "Catacombs at Rome," illustrated by lantern slides, an account of which will be found in another column.

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Dec. 12. The last Quarterly Devotional Meeting for the year was held in S. Michael's Church, when three total abstinence members were solemnly admitted, and received their badges. After the service of admission an address was given by the Rev. — Dixon, from S. Mary Magdalene, Paddington, taking for his text the words of S. Paul to the Galatians, "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." The work of the Temperance Society must be done in the spirit of Christ: moral and economic reasons, good as far as they go, are not sufficient to raise men and women from the sin of intemperance—the Christian principle is sympathy. Those who think they are in no danger of yielding to temptation in the matter of drink can join the Society, because their help and sympathy are needed. Those who have been enslaved, and are striving against their sin, can, by joining the Society, influence and strengthen others, who, seeing their changed lives, are encouraged by their example to desire to live better lives.

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The annual Christmas Tea will take place on Monday, January 2nd, 1899, at 7.30. Free to members.

A CAFE CHANTANT

will be held on Thursday, January 19th, at the Paddington Baths, from 3 to 6 and 7 to 10, in aid of the Police Court Mission and Juvenile C.E.T.S. work.

Tickets can be obtained from Miss M. Prescott, 76, Cambridge Terrace.

ORGAN FUND.

There still remains a sum of about £140 deficiency on the Restoration Fund of the Organ. We should like to be able to send a good part of that debt to the builders.

BAPTISMS.

Nov. 20...Albert Walter White.
20...William James Savage.
20...Elsie Laura Hermann.
20...Florence Emily Titmoss.
23...Nellie De Vere Pike.
23...Dorothy Rose White.
Dec. 18...Henry Charles Codling.

MARRIAGE.

Dec. 10...Arthur Thomas Sutton to Amy Jane Blackall.

DEATHS.

Oct. 4...Susannah Harris, 35, Cambridge Terra
5...Charlotte Sarah Constance West. 13, Oxford Terrace.
9...Frances Elizabeth Brunetta Herber Oxford Terrace.
15...Edmund Taylor, 24, Oxford Terra
22...Florence Ada Catherine Foynes Star Street.
Nov. 3...Richard Carne, 31, Oxford Terrac
8...James Thomas Allen, 15, Star S
8...John O'Shea, 100, Star Street.

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Westend 23/4 Work 23/2

Interview with Rev. W. H. Bleaden, Rev. J. Dixon and another curate, Mr Howell, St Mary Magdalene, Paddington.

Mr Bleaden is a man of 45: tall, clean shaven: high thin face: aquiline nose: dressed in cassock. Mr B. has been here for just over 5 years.

Mr B. had got to meet me his senior curate Mr Dixon who has been here for 5 years. I should not like to say that Mr B. is a cypher in his own parish: quite possibly from the spiritual point of view his influence is considerable: but ~~the~~ parochial organisation and social work is mainly in the hands of Mr Dixon, and it was he who did nearly all the talking: indeed except ~~in~~ on questions connected with church attendance Mr B. referred everything to Mr Dixon. Mr D. is I think an older man than his vicar, probably almost 50: bald, with small side whiskers turning gray: a fine, attractive spiritual face, but distinctly ~~not~~ not of the common high church type: his

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appearance and dress - (no cassock) - suggest rather the Broad church, and I should be surprised to hear that he is quite so extreme as his church, which is I believe the most advanced even of the High Churches in the neighbourhood.

A second curate was present, Mr Howell I think but I did not catch his name: he said little.

The parish seems to have changed a good deal since our map was made: the red and yellow has gone down: nearly all the red streets are now let in tenements to a great extent while Westbourne Sq. (yellow on map) has four Boarding Houses, and it is rapidly becoming impossible to let the houses for private residence. Clarendon St. the dark blue street - (~~and~~ the longest street in London without a turning out of it) - has, owing to the vigilance of the sanitary authorities, greatly improved in the last six months: the whole of one side has been placed under the Lodging Houses Act, and is

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constantly inspected with the result that a good deal of overcrowding has been abated, but it is still a regular warren, and according to Mr Dixon is tenanted largely by two sets of tenants on the Box and Cox system. Possibly less poor but certainly more criminal than Clarendon St are Cirencester St and Desborough St, which swarm with criminals, some of them burglars, but more lads of from 15 to 20, most of whom have been at Truant Schools or Reformatories and have been sent back ~~seven~~ "seven times worse devils than when they went." : in Woodchester St too the criminal element is strong. Senior St and the streets off it are rather better. Mr D. thought that a criminal street or a criminal gang did not to any great extent contaminate a neighbourhood, as the criminals are exceedingly cliquy. Throughout all these streets there are many prostitutes and though perhaps there are few houses which could be prosecuted as brothels the Furnished Apartment system is

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common, and until recently there were on the north side of Clarendon St alone 17 houses which were practically brothels.

The people in these streets all describe themselves as Labourers: there are no artisans. A very large number of the women do washing

For services, workers, Buildings etc. see Parish Magazine.

The church holds about 900: in the morning it is full, in the evening nearly if not quite full. There is no pretence that any large proportion of those who attend the church are parishioners. The Communicants on Easter Sunday are just ~~a~~ under 1000

~~At~~ The Sunday Evening service at St Martins Chapel is always full, about 150: these Mrs D. says are all or nearly all parishioners, or when not actually parishioners have been so, for here stress was again laid on the point that as soon as under church influence people became respectable they left the parish and moved to Kensal Town: a

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Good in any direction of the large number who belong to the large friendly clubs in connection with the church are now no longer in the parish. The D. thinks that there is no unwillingness on the part of the people here to come to church; he believes that they could fill a mission chapel of any size, and that such difficulty as exists is merely a matter of clothes, though here at their mission services both men and women often come in almost rags. In any case the D. describes the people as tremendously responsive to the efforts of the church "they are full of gratitude, respect, and love".

Of the social work that connected with Temperance was described as the most vigorous. This again is under the control of the Vicar. There was not a week he said that they did not take pledges from confirmed drunkards.

The clubs are not large or important. The D. said he did not much believe in "men's Clubs" and repeated the remarks of so many high churchmen

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"It leads to nothing: they don't come to church".

The Day Schools are large 1200 to 1300 children. They draw all the poorest from a considerable area: indeed it was said that the neighbouring Board School in Shirley Road always managed to pass on rough children to them. The Head Master Mr Pratt is said to be a remarkable man, and a great local influence.

Sunday instruction on Sunday including Bible classes, are about 600. A very large proportion of the children in the neighbourhood go to no Sunday School: indeed at the time of afternoon School the streets swarm with children fetching beer.

For list of district visitors see Magazine. On the whole the visiting is thorough: each visitor makes a yearly visitation as far as possible from room to room, but when the people are so packed and so constantly shifting a good many

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are missed.

A Nurse is now obtained from the Paddington Association. There was until recently a Parish Nurse.

The Relief here as in many of the neighbouring parishes is worked through a Relief Committee on strict C.O.S. lines. Mr B's predecessor had spent huge sums on Relief without any effect. Mr B. and Mr D. claim that ~~the ...~~ as the result of the new system numbers of people have been really rescued from poverty and permanently reclaimed. They admit however that it would be difficult to carry out their policy without a sympathetic Board of Guardians and an efficient C.O.S. Committee. As in the neighbouring parish of St Paul there is a sealed agreement between the Guardians and the Vicar that they will not interfere with one another's cases.

When the revolution was first made there was great difficulty with Sisters and Visitors, but

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they are now on the whole working loyally on the system.

Of other ~~x~~ religious agencies there is only one in the parish a so-called Church of England Mission in Lincoln St but really started on "No Popery" ~~lines~~ lines in opposition to the church: its main supporters are known Non-Cons. All attempts at cooperation even for exchange of relief lists have failed, and charges ~~were~~ were made of gross ~~bribery~~ bribery, soup tickets packets of tea and so ~~on~~ on to all who attend services. Mr D. said "They dont go for the halt the lame and the blind: it is our respectable people they try to draw away".

On local Government Mr D. spoke well both of the vestry and the guardians. The poor streets are constantly cleaned, the sanitary inspection is constant and efficient. Mr D's only complaint against the vestry was that ~~&~~ its employes were often underwing loafers, while deserving poor

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men were not taken on.

The policy of the Guardians is all against out relief.

The police are exceedingly friendly and helpful, but "much too friendly with the publicans". The district too is greatly undermanned.

Drink is of course "our great curse," especially among the women. Mr D. mentioned too that drink was very prevalent among girls of from 15 to 20. The old women mostly drink gin or 'Satin' as they call it.

Mr D. is keen on the law forbidding children from fetching beer: he says that he frequently sees them sipping in the street.

He objects strongly too to the early morning opening for the ostensible sale of Hot Coffee: the favourite drink ~~is~~ at this time is a cup of Coffee with "three of Rum"; and some houses sell more spirits between five and eight than at any other

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time in the day. The Houses are used largely during these hours by women as well as men.

Prostitution is very rife, the worst offenders being married women, usually with the cognisance of their husbands

Of Thrift owing largely to the efforts of the church there is a good deal. 1000 depositors in the Bank with £500: 782 in the Sick Club: 700 in the Goose Club last year, which closed the clubs at ~~many~~ many of the Public Houses.

Youthful Marriage is very common and in 85 p.c. of the cases "marriage has been anticipated". Mrs D. thought it took place eventually not so much from a sense of virtue as from the necessity of having "marriage lines" in order to get relief during confinement.

Most of the couples Mrs D. thinks are

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married, but exchange is not uncommon. Incest is not unknown; in Clarendon St a brother ~~[illegible]~~ and sister have lived together for 11 years and had six children, of whom 3 are living: the arrangement however meets with severe disapproval ~~in the~~ from the neighbours.

Health on the whole is good, and Housing ~~&~~ better than might be expected though there are at least four houses in Clarendon St which should be demolished.

This I think is a strong parish where the church really makes itself felt. It is a curious parallel to St Alban's Holborn. There is the same advanced doctrine and ritual: the large congregation drawn from outside; the Sisters responsible for Mission work - (there are seven Wantage Sisters here); the Vicar to some extent overshadowed by his curate, and himself probably not a strong man. —

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SERVICES:

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Holy Eucharist ...	...7, 7.30, and 8 a.m.
Children's Missa Cantata	9.15 a.m.
Morning Prayer	10.30 a.m.
Solemn Eucharist	11.15 a.m.
Litany and Baptisms	3 p.m.
Catechism	3.45 p.m.
Solemn Evensong	7 p.m.

Festivals.

Holy Eucharist ...	7, 7.30, and 8 a.m.
Missa Cantata	11 a.m.
Morning Prayer	10.30 a.m.
Solemn Evensong (and on Eve) ...	8 p.m.

Daily.

Holy Eucharist ...	7, 7.30, and 8.30 a.m.
Morning Prayer	8 a.m.
Evensong	8 p.m.

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Girls, West Memorial Schools, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Superintendents, SISTERS.
Infants, Cirencester Street, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Superintendents, SISTERS, and Miss RICHMOND.

CLASSES.

Communicants' Classes. Women, Monday before First Sunday in Month, St. Sepulchre's Chapel, 7.15 p.m.
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(ii.) First and Last Sunday, after Evensong, St. Martha's Chapel.

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Calendar for February.

Date.	Day.	Festivals, Etc.	Special Services, Etc. (*In Church and Chapels*).	Meetings, Etc. (*Not in Church*).
1	W	Vigil. *Fast.*	S.E. and Sermon, 8. Vespers of the Blessed Sacrament, 9.	
2	Th	**Purification of Our Lady.**	L.M., 7, 7.30 and 8. **High Mass,** 11. S.E., 8.	
3	F	St. Blasius, B.M. *Abstinence.*		
4	S			
5	S	**Sexagesima.** *Commem. of St. Agatha, V.M.*	St. Anne's and Perseverance Guild, 4.30.	St. Dunstan's 1st Order, 5.
6	M			District Visitors' Meeting, 11.
7	Tu			
8	W		Parochial Intercessions, 12.	
9	Th			
10	F	Anniversary of Rev. R. T. West's Death. *Abstinence.*	**Solemn Requiem,** 11.	
11	S			
12	S	**Quinquagesima.**		St. Dunstan's 2nd Order (Sen. Div.), 5.
13	M			
14	Tu	St. Valentine, P.M.		
15	W	Ash Wednesday. *Fast.*	L.M., 7, 7.30, 8 and 11. Sermons, 5.30 and 8 p.m.	
16	Th	*Fast.*	Vespers of the Dead, 9.	
17	F	*Fast.*	L.M., 11. Sermon, 11.30.	
18	S	*Fast.*	Requiem, 7.30. (G.A.S.)	
19	S	**1st in Lent.**	Confirmation, 3.	St. Dunstan's 2nd Order (Jun. Div.), 5.
20	M	*Fast.*		
21	Tu	*Fast.*		
22	W	Ember Day. *Fast.*		
23	Th	Vigil. *Fast.*	S.E. and Sermon, 8.	
24	F	**St. Matthias, A.M.**	L.M., 7, 7.30 and 8. M.C., 11. S.E. and Sermon, 8.	
25	S	Ember Day. *Fast.* *Fast.*		
26	S	**2nd in Lent.**	C.C., 7.15 and 9.	St. Dunstan's Brothers' Chapter, 5.
27	M	*Fast.*		
28	Tu	*Fast.*		

N.B.—Notices for insertion in the Calendar must be sent to Mr. A. C. Driver, 153, Sutherland Avenue, before the 20th of each month.

EXPLANATION OF CALENDAR.

Abbreviations.—L.M., Low Mass. S.E., Solemn Evensong. M.C., Missa Cantata. A., Apostle. B., Bishop. C., Confessor. D., Deacon. E., Evangelist. M., Martyr. P., Priest. V., Virgin.

OUR LORD'S SUFFERINGS.

We are now passing from the joyous times of Christmas and Epiphany to the penitential season of Lent, which leads on to Good Friday and the Cross. We must therefore turn our thoughts to the Sufferings of Our Lord.

In the Apostles' Creed, after we have expressed our belief that Our Lord was "Conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary," we go on at once to say that He "Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried."

Here then is a gap of thirty-three years. All Our Lord's holy Life on earth; all his miracles, sermons, parables, acts, and words of grace and mercy are quietly passed over in the Creed. Must not a Christian believe in these? Yes. But do not forget that the Creed was meant to be *learnt by heart and often said*. It would never have done to make a long Creed. It must be as short as possible, so as to be easily remembered and often repeated by all.

And so the Creed contains only the bare facts of our Faith: is just a framework, so to speak, of the things we *must* believe to our souls' health, which we can fill in for ourselves. That is why the Creed takes a leap, as it were, from Our Lord's Incarnation to His Atonement. They are the two great Facts which we must believe to be saved. And the one leads to the other. For Our Lord was born that He might die for us.

We say that He *suffered*. The Jews looked for a Messiah who should suffer. The Prophet Isaiah called him a "Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." (Is. liii. 3.) And God gave them types or pictures of a suffering Christ: as Abel, who was murdered: Isaac, stretched beneath his father's knife: Joseph, cruelly treated by his brethren: the Brazen Serpent on a pole: the different animals slain for sacrifice. For God had willed that He should suffer. St. Peter says in the Acts that He was delivered "by the determinate counsel and fore-knowledge of God" (Acts ii. 23).

"Suffered" in the Creed means those last sufferings which ended in His Death. But before those last sufferings, He suffered all His Life. And when we say He suffered, we mean that His Human Nature suffered. His Godhead did not: for God does not suffer. Our Lord's Human Nature had two parts, a *Body* and a *Soul*. In each of these, Our Lord suffered.

First, He suffered in His Human Body. The moment He was born, He suffered the cold and hardness of a manger-bed. On the eighth day of His Life He suffered the pain of Circumcision. All His Life He was poor, had no home of His own. In the desert, He suffered hunger. He often suffered the weariness of hard work. Again, He suffered in His Human Soul. He was sorely tempted by Satan in the wilderness. In this His Soul suffered. For He felt to the full how hard it was to do God's Will when tempted. He suffered also the scorn and hatred of the Jews, the very people He had come to save.

He suffered the unbelief and hardness of heart even of His own chosen disciples. And all His Life he suffered the weight and horror of the sins of all the world.

But it is with those last sufferings which ended in His Death that we have now to do. These sufferings we say happened "*under Pontius Pilate.*" Why should the name of such a man be put into the Creed? For two reasons. First because the name of Pilate fixes the *time* at which our Lord suffered. Judæa, where the Jews lived, belonged to the Romans. The Emperor of the Romans was Tiberius Cæsar. Cæsar had governors under him who managed the different parts of his Empire. These governors had the care of the tribute, or money paid to the Emperor by the people who lived in the parts which they governed. Now the Governor who managed Judæa was Pontius Pilate. He held power of life and death. That is to say, he could sentence to death any person he thought deserved it. The Emperor had given him this power to help him to keep the Jews in order: for it was well known that the Jews hated their Roman masters, and were always ready to rise against them. It was by this power that Pilate gave up Jesus to be crucified. And thus the *time* of Our Lord's Death is fixed, by the mention of Pilate in the Creed.

Another reason for the mention of Pilate's name. It was at Pilate's word that Our Lord was put to death. Pilate knew quite well in his heart that our Lord was innocent. Three times he asked the Jews what evil Our Lord had done. Three times he declared that Our Lord had done nothing worthy of death. His own wife sent to warn him to "have nothing to do with that just Man" (St. Matt. xxvii. 19). He himself openly washed his hands of the blood of Christ. When Our Lord hung upon the Cross, he would not alter the words he had written, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews." His conscience, such as it was, told him plainly that our Lord had done nothing wrong at all, had not in any way broken the law.

And yet he gave up Christ to be crucified.

Why did Pilate do this? Because he was a coward. There was good in him: but it was stifled by cowardice. He knew what justice and

mercy were. But the people were raging and crying out for Christ's death. If he did not do what they wished, they would perhaps make trouble for him with the Emperor. And he knew that he did not stand well with Cæsar, who had found fault with him very sharply once before: nor with the people, whom he had treated harshly and cruelly from the first. So through weak fear he wilfully gave up the Son of God to be crucified.

It is said that Pilate afterwards lived for years on a mountain in Switzerland, now called Mount Pilate: and that he was driven by remorse to drown himself in a lake on its top. But be this true or not, he suffers a much more terrible punishment. This punishment is the mention of his name in the Creed, bound up with the murder of Christ. For nearly two thousand years Christians have declared before God and man, that "Jesus Christ suffered under Pontius Pilate." Thus it is made clear, in the Creed, with whom lies the chief guilt of the death of the Son of God.

And yet we must be pitiful, in thinking of Pilate. We must not forget that he tried, though feebly, to do what was right. At any rate he was better than the brutal Jews who cried out for the blood of their Redeemer. They had their types and their prophecies, which should have told them what they were doing: but Pilate had nothing of the kind. Our Lord Himself in mercy said to him "He that delivereth Me unto thee hath the greater sin."

And now what were the "sufferings" spoken of in the Creed? These are called the *Passion* of Our Lord. Passion does not mean merely anger or strong feeling. In the Creed it means "suffering." Our Lord's Passion lasted from Maundy Thursday night till three o'clock on Good Friday afternoon. I have not room to tell you of all the bitter and awful things which He suffered. I will not, therefore, enter into an account of the Agony in the Garden; the Betrayal; the dragging before Annas, Caiaphas, and the Jewish Council, and the trials before Herod and Pilate: the denial of St. Peter, and the desertion by the disciples. You may read of these things in your Bible, or in a Life of Christ. I will only say this: that whatever pain and death can do to hurt a human body, whatever scorn and shame can do to wound a human heart, were borne without complaint by Jesus Christ. Jew and Gentile, Priest and People, King and Judge, wreaked their mad hate upon the Lamb of God. He had come unto His own, and His own received him not. They scourged Him, struck him, mocked Him, spat upon Him, crowned Him with thorns. They made Him carry His Cross up Mount Calvary, till He fell beneath its weight. They tore the garments from His gaping wounds. And last of all they nailed Him to the Cross.

The death of the Cross was the most painful form of death. The weight of the body tore the pierced hands and feet, and the blood poured from their wounds. All the limbs were stretched as on a rack. A burning thirst followed the loss of the blood. Slowly the body grew weaker and fainter, until death came at last; but this was often not till after many hours of sickening agony. It was the *lingering death* that made the Cross so terrible. Sometimes the poor body lingered on alive for twelve or even sixteen hours. Jesus Christ, when He died on the Cross, felt the horrors of death as no man has ever felt them; or can feel them.

Some people think that Our Blessed Lord hung upon the Cross in a a sort of dream, too rapt in prayer to His Father to feel the full pain of death; or that His Divine Nature in some way lifted His Human Nature out of Its pain. This is not so. Pain and death were no easier to Him because He was God. Nay, they were harder for Him than for us, because our human nature is coarse and hard, and His, being perfect, was keenly alive to pain. And besides the pain of body, there was the pain of mind—the shame. The Cross was looked upon by the Jews as the basest form of death. With them, a person hanged upon a tree was accursed. It was not a Jewish death at all. It was a Gentile death, the death to which their criminals were commonly put by the Romans. Thus, in hanging on the Cross, Our Lord must have endured a shame terrible beyond anything we know or understand.

But, worst of all, Jesus Christ suffered upon the Cross, in some strange way, the *wrath of God*. He cried out "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" Now God the Father did not forsake God the Son. That could not be: for the Father and He are one. But Jesus Christ felt at that hour what God's anger against sin really is. As He hung upon the Cross He was Human Nature, bearing God's curse on human nature's sin. God the Father was not angry with God the Son, but with Human Nature. This anger Jesus Christ felt and bore upon the Cross, just as if God's Face were turned from Him. He felt what it was to be forsaken of God: and bore what lost souls must bear, shut out from Heaven.

"But" (someone may ask) "how can we get good by the sufferings of the Son of God? He was innocent, we are guilty. How can the death of an innocent Person save the guilty from their sin?" Jesus Christ was not punished *instead* of us. Man was punished *in Him*. He *is* Man—has taken Man into Himself. We, who are baptised, and so have become members, parts of His Body, are made "partakers of His sufferings." God is *Perfect Justice*. Therefore every little sin that has ever been committed in the world must be justly punished. Therefore, as every man has sinned, every man must suffer the just punishment for all his sin. And he must suffer it himself. It would not do for another man to suffer it for him. The innocent may not suffer for the guilty. It would not be Justice. But God is also *Perfect Love*. And he has shown His love by taking into himself every man who has been joined to Him by Baptism. Therefore every man who has been so joined (if he continue so joined) is saved from sin, by that Death which *Humanity* bore once for all in Jesus Christ upon the Cross. He is enabled by the Sacraments to take the Death of Christ, and *make it his own*.

Never say, then, "I shall not be punished, for Jesus Christ bore it all instead of me." You will be punished, for you will die. But if you are a faithful Christian you will not *die eternally*, thanks to Jesus Christ. Not because He did anything instead of you. But because you have been made a part of that New Humanity Which bore the saving Death upon the Cross. It is quite right to say "Jesus Christ died for me." But that "for" means not "instead of" me, but "on my behalf." Adam sinned, and in him the whole human race. Jesus, the Second Adam, died and rose again, and in Him the whole human race (if they will) die to sin, and live again to God. Now, the punishment of sin, which God threatened to Adam, is Death. How then are Christians saved? for do they not die like other men?

Yes. But there are two kinds of Death. There is *Temporal Death*, the death of the body, which all must undergo. There is also *Eternal Death*, the death of the soul, which only those suffer who die in sin and hatred of God. This latter is another word for Hell, which means being shut out from God's Presence for ever. It is from the Eternal Death that Christians are saved, by union with Jesus Christ. Temporal Death all must undergo: for it is the certain fruit of that sin which all have wrought. But it is so robbed of its horror and sting by the death of our Blessed Lord, that the death-bed of a Christian is often a calm and beautiful sight. He does not die in the dreadful struggling way in which people sometimes die who know not Christ. He falls asleep in Jesus, knowing that he is safe, and that the Son of God has by His Blessed Death stript Death of all its real power. And, after death, he is "in the hand of God." Nothing can come near to harm him. God takes care of him, and teaches him, and trains him, "until the Day of Jesus Christ."

All this is done by the Power of the Cross. Perhaps you understand better, now, why the Church sets so much store by the Holy Cross. It is the sign of our salvation. It has been used by Christians in all ages. The Cross (or Crucifix, which is a Cross with the Figure of our Blessed Lord upon it) is to be seen everywhere in churches. St. Paul says "God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Gal. vi. 14).

C.E.T.S.

Tuesday, December 13. A Meeting was held in the Lower Schoolroom, Clarendon Street, the Rev. J. Dixon in the chair. The Messrs. and Misses Bond gave an entertainment. There was a good attendance, and three pledges were taken.

Tuesday, December 20. An Address was given by Mr. Marshall, the Police Court Missionary. The attendance was smaller than usual.

Monday, December 26. The usual Boxing Night Entertainment, commencing at 8 p.m., was held in the Lower Schoolroom, which was crowded. Miss Bianca Davies and Mr. Russell Davies gave an amusing little duologue, the Misses Kershaw acted a short piece, Miss Sears gave several songs, Miss Gillillan played the piano, and Mr. Harrington the violin, and the evening was brought to a conclusion by several songs sung in character by Mr. Alban Dixon and Mr. Sturrock, which evoked much applause.

Tuesday, December 27. The usual monthly committee meeting was held, followed by the Devotional Service in St. Martha's Chapel, with an Address by the Rev. J. Dixon. Three members received their medals, and the Intercession Office of the C.E.T.S. Prayer Union was used for the first time, at the conclusion of the Service. Only twenty-five members were present, as it was a wet evening.

Tuesday, January 3. The usual half-yearly Temperance Tea was held in the Clarendon Street Schoolroom. The tables were tastefully decorated by Miss C. Leney, and some 50 members sat down. The Vicar and Mrs. Bleaden,

the Rev. J. and Mrs. Dixon, the Rev. T. H. Passmore, Mr. Pugh, and several other friends of the Society were present, and assisted by carving and pouring out tea. The company afterwards descended into the Lower Schoolroom, where an amusing little farce, "Old Gooseberry," was acted by Mr. Alban Dixon, Mr. Walter and Mr. Geoffrey Hett, and Miss May Hett. Some of the audience indeed were so carried away by the spirit of the play that they eagerly corrected the deaf old gentleman when he made a wrong guess at the remarks addressed to him, calling out "No, he did not say that, it was this." Several people remarked afterwards that they believed they had never laughed so much before, and the only fault they found with the performance was that "it did not last longer." Three pledges were taken at the end of the meeting.

Tuesday, January 10. An amusing short piece was acted by Miss Underwood, Miss Bourne, and Mr. Alban Dixon. The vagaries of "The New Woman," and her reformation by means of a cleverly devised plot, gave great entertainment. The Rev. H. Roberts, of St. Matthew's, Marylebone, afterwards gave a short address on our duty as members of the Temperance Society. Taking as his motto "Do to others as you would they should do to you," Mr. Roberts showed how even those who are staunch teetotalers may do harm to the cause of Temperance by exaggerated language, or want of charity and patience in dealing with others. The Rev. J. Dixon thanked Mr. Roberts for his address, and gave notice of a speech by Mr. Kirby, Police Court Missionary, on the following Tuesday, and another later in the month on Sunday Closing, saying it was endeavoured to provide not merely entertainment but instruction at these weekly meetings. Two pledges were signed, and a member transferred from another branch.

Tuesday, January 17. A Meeting was held in the Lower Schoolroom, Clarendon Street, the Rev. J. Dixon in the chair. Mr. Kirby, Police Court Missionary, gave an address urging members to help and encourage others who might be slipping from their ranks, speaking of the terrible ruin, both mental and physical, caused by intemperance. The Temperance Choir sang two or three hymns.

WOMEN'S DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The notice of the course of Lectures on Industrial Law, for the Tuesdays in January, came too late for insertion in our Magazine. There will be two in February.

February 7.—Miss de Chaumont (Lady Sanitary Inspector for Kensington) on "Public Health Acts."

February 14.—Mr. McKenna on "Employers' Liability and Workmen's Compensation Acts."

The Lectures are held in the Jerusalem Chamber, Westminster, at 4 o'clock. Entrance through the Cloisters. All who are interested in the subject will be welcome.

The Women's Diocesan Association is responsible for the London Banner for the Church Congress, and is collecting the funds for it. Subscriptions will be gladly received towards this fund. Mr. Kempe will design the banner, and we may be sure it will be worthy of this great Diocese. *Hon. Treasurer*, Mrs. Allen Whitworth, All Saints' Vicarage, Margaret Street.

During the Church Congress there will be two Women's Meetings in the Albert Hall on October 9th (Monday of Congress week); the one in the afternoon will be for mothers, the one in the evening for girls.

Tickets will be distributed through parochial representatives. On an average fourteen or fifteen tickets will be distributed to each Parish. The seats will be arranged so that all persons coming from the same parish will be able to be together.

GOOSE CLUB ACCOUNT for 1898.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Members' Subscriptions ...	359	14	7
Surplus goods sold ...	16	6	6
	£376	1	1

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Meat, Poultry, &c. ...	165	9	3
Cakes ...	26	5	0
Grocery ...	124	10	0
Potatoes ...	35	0	0
Carriage, ditto ...	4	13	0
Added to Stock ...	2	9	6
Labour, &c. ...	7	3	9
Printing ...	3	11	0
Postage, &c. ...	1	11	8
Returned to defaulters ...	0	18	2½
To balance in favour ...	4	9	8½
	£376	1	1

The above is a statement of the Goose Club accounts for the year 1898. We are glad to record a balance of £4 9s. 8½d. in favour of the club. This is encouraging, as the goods gave general satisfaction, especially the joints of beef supplied by Mr. Craddock, of Craven Terrace, and Mr. Warren, of 516, Harrow Road. Taking all things into consideration, it has been our largest and most successful year, and with the exception of one lady who complained that her turkey had no breast in its back, and another who wanted her goose for New Year's Day, there was not a single complaint.

The first subscription night for the present year will be Monday, April 10th. Now that the Club has assumed such a size and popularity, it has been found necessary to make a few extra rules, and it has also been suggested that an entrance fee should be charged to non-parishioners, but this has yet to be considered. The number of members will be limited to 1,001.

MAGAZINE ACCOUNT

for Year ending December 31st, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
To balance in hand January 1st, 1897 ...	2	1	6
To sale of Magazines	33	0	7
Received for Advertisements ...	29	4	0
Collected by Miss Triscott	6	16	9
Contribution, School Treasurer ...	5	0	0
Do. Goose Club	2	0	0
Do. Temperance Society ...	1	0	0
Received for Block Advertisement ...	0	5	0
Deficit, December 31st, 1898 ...	18	6	8
	£97	14	6

	£	s.	d.
To Printing	78	1	6
Dawn of Day	15	3	9
Expenses	2	16	9
To Postage, &c.	1	12	6
	£97	14	6

The above is a statement of the accounts of our Parish Magazine for the year ending December 31st, 1898. and we regret to show a deficit on the year of £20 8s. 2d. This is due mainly to two causes. (*a*) A decrease in the number of subscribers (last year the sale of magazines realised £40 7s. 5d., this year £33 0s. 7d.). (*b*) The extra expense of printing, as there has been a larger amount of condensed matter (In 1897 the production cost £77 12s. 8d., in 1898, £93 5s. 3d.)

The latter we have remedied, and have entered into a contract with Messrs. Burt & Sons, for 24 pp. at a fixed price, but we must ask our readers to assist us to remedy the former by (1) Taking the magazine regularly, (2) Inducing their friends to become subscribers, (3) Sending us from time to time interesting matter, (4) Dealing if possible with those tradespeople who advertise in our pages.

It has been suggested that our magazine should contain a list of people such as mechanics, handymen, charwomen, and needlewomen, requiring employment by the day. It often happens that householders prefer engaging a man for a small job, instead of going to a large firm, and it is this want which we shall try to supply.

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

To St. Mary Magdalene's Missionary Association for the Universities' Mission to Central Africa for 1898.

	£	s.	d.
Miss Bullock	0	10	0
Miss Calrow	1	0	0
Miss Hallett	0	5	0
The Misses Magnus Johnson ...	1	0	0
Warren Pugh, Esq.	1	1	0
Miss Shackel	0	5	0
Miss A. Thompson	0	5	0
Miss Elsie Thompson	0	5	0
C. T.	0	6	6
Pupil Teacher per Miss Calrow ...	0	1	0
	£4	18	6

Collected for "Children's Fund" of the C. A Mission, by the Sunday School Children of St. Mary Magdalene's, the sum of £6 3s. 6d.

Miss MAGNUS JOHNSON, *Treasurer.*

ST. GEORGE'S CLUB DEBATING SOCIETY.

3rd December, 1898.—Mr. B. Wild read a paper on the Dissolution of the Monasteries, at the close of which the following motion was carried with but one dissentient voice (Mr. Johnny Wilson). "That whilst recognising that the monastic system in England needed reform, yet this House condemns the annihilation of the same."

17th December.—Mr. E. H. Hammond moved "That this meeting approves the proposition of His Imperial Majesty the Czar, advocating the reduction of the excessive armaments of the Nations, as a measure not only most beneficial to the world at large, but also as leading to the great cause dear to the heart of all true Christians viz., the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ."

Mr. A. C. Driver moved the following amendment:—"That this House is of the opinion that peace can best be preserved by retaining the present armed forces of the Powers, and that disarmament, or any restriction of numbers, would be most inadvisable, considering the attitude of the States to one another."

The amendment was, after discussion, carried by a majority of four.

31*st December*.—The Rev. C. H. Crymes read a paper on "Old Customs."

14*th January*, 1899.—The following members gave readings:—Messrs. Agate, A. Bell, McGillivry, Tisdale, Handover, and Rev. T. H. Passmore.

THE CHRISTMAS TREATS.

The main feature of the Christmas Treats was the play, "Puss in Boots." Among the performers were Miss Mabel Marriott, Miss Ethel Marriott, Miss M. A. Bleaden, Miss Dolly Bleaden, Miss Hilda Bridgland, Miss Dorothy Goulden, Miss Dorothy Bell, Miss Violet Foley, Miss Matthews, Miss E. Matthews, Mr. A. Dixon, Mr. Sturrock, Mr. R. Nourse, Mr. Robins, Mr. Matthews, Master Bleaden, Master Cyril Bleaden, Master Twisaday, Master Driver. The Stage Manager was Miss A. Metcalfe, to whom all thanks are due for the pains taken in the production of the play. The play, we believe, was greatly appreciated on all the five occasions of its performance. The last was a subscription night.

TREAT FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Thompson	0	10	0
Mrs. E. Cooper	0	5	0
Mrs. Douglas	0	10	0
Miss Neame	0	5	0
Lady Cloete	0	10	0
Mrs. Barnes	0	5	0
Miss Mildred	0	2	6
Mrs. Simpson	0	10	0
Miss H. Markby	0	5	0
Anon., per Sister Superior	0	5	0
Mrs. Twisaday	0	10	0
Collected by Mrs. Twisaday	1	0	0

ST. GABRIEL'S GUILD.

The Annual Treat for the members of the Guild of St. Gabriel was held on Wednesday, January 12th, in the lower Schoolroom, Clarendon Street, and was attended by 58 boys, who seemed thoroughly to enjoy the entertainment provided for them. It consisted of a very interesting Magic Lantern exhibition, most kindly given by Mr. Friend, illustrating two stories read by Miss Francklin Borrow, and numerous artistic and comic slides, after which hearty cheers were given for the Vicar, the Rev. J. Dixon, Mr. Friend, and Mrs. and the Misses Borrow. The Chaplain, the Rev. J. C. Howell, was unfortunately unable to be present. The proceedings terminated with a distribution of gifts from the Christmas Tree, contributions to which were kindly sent by Mrs. and the Misses Borrow, Miss Burlton, Mrs. Larchin, and Mrs. Palmer.

SENIOR BOYS' BAND OF HOPE, ANNUAL REPORT.

The Committee have the pleasure of presenting a decidedly satisfactory Report for the year 1898.

The membership has risen to 120, and the attendance at fortnightly meetings averages 40, which, though not as high as might be wished, is yet fair, considering the large proportion of members whose business hours last until late in the evening.

The educational side of our work during the past year has been represented by a lecture on Alcohol, with experiments, two interesting papers by members, addresses by Mr. Newman, Police Court Missionaries, and Mr. Harper, two Reciting Competitions, and six short lectures by our own Committeemen on the Temperance Syllabus for the year. In the examination on this Syllabus our candidates gained the second place among all London Branches, in spite of having no co-operation from the Senior Girls' Band of Hope.

Two deputations have been sent to other Branches.

The entertainments of the year have included two teas and a supper, a treat for examination candidates, hand-shadows and juggling, a dramatic entertainment by Mr. Campbell, and five concerts by Miss Pritchard, Miss Slark, Mr. Cooper, Miss Williams, and the Temperance Society of St. John's, Kensal, also an amusing sketch acted by our younger members.

At the Annual Meeting, January 4th, much sympathy was expressed for Miss C. Leney in her recent illness, which for some time deprived our Band of Hope of its chief helper.

Votes of thanks were passed to all who held office in 1898, specially to Mr. E. J. Holder, the indefatigable Acting Secretary, and to Mr. G. Vickery in his rather difficult work as Assistant Treasurer.

The following members of Committee for 1899 were elected:—Mr. E. J. Holder, *Secretary*; Messrs. H. Smith, H. Holder, S. Holder, G. Vickery, S. Budworth, A. Sargent, S. Haward, W. Pipkin, G. Revere, A. Smith, W. Green, C. Tregear, J. Hills, H. Oliver.

TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward	1	8	11½
Members' Payments	3	2	6
Entertainment proceeds	0	14	6½
Donation, Miss Boys	1	11	6
	£6	17	6

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Affiliation and Central Fee	0	3	6
Lecturer, Cards, Badges	0	8	10½
Refreshments for Entertainers on six occasions	1	2	4
Supper and two teas for Members ...	3	16	9½
Printing 500 Posters	0	12	6
Balance in hand	0	13	6
	£6	17	6

MR. REEKS.

As we go to press, Mr. Reeks writes to ask us to say how much he enjoyed meeting so many old friends at the Conversazione arranged for him and Mrs. Reeks on Wednesday, January 25th, and how grateful he is to the Vicar and all those who conducted the gathering.

THE CRIB.

This beautiful portrayal of the scene of Bethlehem was keenly appreciated by all, if we may judge by the great numbers of people who continually made devotional resort to it. It had, as might be expected, a very special interest for the children. We subjoin an account of the expenses attendant on it:—Expenses: Carpentering and Decoration, £3 14s. 9d.; Messrs. Harris Jones, for Figures, £5 5s. 0d.; Total £8 19s. 9d. Collected, £8 3s. 0d.; Box in Church, 12s. 6d.; Total, £8 15s. 6d., Deficit, 4s. 3d. This deficit will be made up by the sale of the very excellent photographs of "The Crib," which have been taken by Mr. Frank Bell, of 22, Delamere Terrace. These are really beautiful pictures. Whatever surplus profit arises from their sale, will be devoted to the Crib for next year.

THE LIBRARY.

The Children's Department of the Library has been started under the care of Mrs. Clark and Miss Calrow. A Meeting with regard to the Parochial Library was held on Monday, January 16th, at which it was settled that the catalogue should be revised, and the Library opened later on. Mr. Howell was made Librarian, Mr. A. C. Driver, Hon. Sec., Mr. S. Handover, Hon. Treasurer. The remainder of the Committee consist of Messrs. Tisdale and Alfred Bell, and Mrs. Twisaday and Miss A. Driver.

ST. GEORGE'S CLUB.

This Club will hold a Social Evening on Monday, February 13th, for the reunion of the young men who attend, and are interested in, our Church.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT.

ALPHA.—You suggest that there should be a Column of Correspondence in the Parish Magazine, in which questions or remarks might be submitted to be answered. This would certainly be likely to prove useful. We have suggested it ourselves on a former occasion; and will now once more state that any questions, which any of our readers would like to send to the Magazine, shall be answered in the next issue if possible.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS.

FREE BREAKFASTS—	£	s.	d.
"Sennowe"	1	0	0
Mrs. Pratt	1	0	0
Misses Hewson	0	10	0
Mrs. Nourse	0	5	0
K. M.	0	5	0
Mrs. Harrison	0	5	0
Miss Prichard	0	2	6
J. C. B.	0	2	6
Miss Afra Borrow	0	2	0
Miss Ward	0	2	0
E. H.	0	2	0
Anonymous	0	2	0
Miss E. M. Breeds	0	2	0

HALFPENNY DINNERS—	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Hilliard	0	10	0
Miss Calrow	1	0	0
Miss Lake	0	2	0
Miss Milner	0	5	0
"Sennowe"	1	0	0

Funds are much needed to enable these dinners to be continued.

ST. MARY MAGDALENE'S CHURCH SCHOOLS.

THE NEW FUND FOR 1899.

£500 MUST be raised this year.

SUBSCRIPTIONS MAY BE MADE PAYABLE MONTHLY, QUARTERLY, OR HALF-YEARLY.

WE beg to offer our hearty thanks to all those who have filled in and returned the subscription forms, etc., and a full list of subscribers will be found below; but as the number who have responded is not above 100 persons, we fear there must be many who have yet to send in, and, perhaps, the best thing is just to append the names of the Treasurers again, and to hope that they will quickly relieve the anxiety of the Managers by writing to the Treasurers at once.

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When Payable.	Name.	Amount. £	s.	d.
Amount in November Magazine		2	2	0
	Mrs. Lay	0	10	0
Jan.	Mrs. W. B. Morris	1	0	0
	Miss E. L. Gilbertson	1	1	0
	Misses Mabel and A. M. Smith	0	10	0
Jan.	Miss F. A. Kilgour	1	1	0
	H. Gundry, Esq.	2	2	0
Mar.	Mrs. Bullock	3	0	0
Feb. and Aug. ...	Mrs. R. B. Harrison	1	0	0
Monthly ...	Mrs. Gifford	1	4	0
Jan. and July ...	Miss Key	2	0	0
Jan.	Miss Fuller	2	2	0
Quarterly ...	C. W. Driver, Esq.	10	10	0
Lent	Miss E. M. Burlton	0	2	0
Jan.	Lieut.-Col. St. Aubyn	1	0	0
Quarterly ...	Chas. E. Lovell, Esq.	2	2	0
April and Oct. ...	Miss Alice Hall	1	0	0
Jan.	Miss Calrow	2	0	0
Jan.	Mrs. Astley Cock	2	2	0
Quarterly ...	Miss A. Johnson	1	0	0
Jan.	Mrs. Kershaw	2	2	0
Jan.	Mrs. E. D. Marriott	3	3	0
July and Oct. ...	Mrs. Jenkins	0	10	0
Feb., Mar., Aug., and Nov.	E. Bridgland, Esq.	4	4	0
Jan.	Miss E. M. Gibson	0	10	0
Quarterly ...	Miss A. M. Smith	0	10	0
Jan.	Miss E. Kendall	0	10	0
Jan. and July ...	Miss A. C. Terry	0	10	0
Jan.	Mr. H. Snow	3	3	0

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Amount in Nov. Magazine	6	14	6
Miss E. E. Orlebar ...	0	10	0
The Church Box	0	8	4
"B"	0	5	0
J. C. B.	0	10	0
Miss Mary Bugg	0	10	0
Mrs. Hall	1	0	0
Thankoffering	0	10	0
Miss Halfhyde	0	5	0
Mrs. Smith	0	10	0
Mrs. Clark	5	0	0
Miss Colman	1	0	0
Mrs. Gwyn	5	0	0
Miss A. M. Cooke ...	1	0	0
Wm. Whiteley, Esq. ...	5	5	0
Wm. Pheasant, Esq. ...	2	2	0
The Duke of Newcastle ...	10	0	0
Miss B. A. Ripley ...	0	5	0
Miss E. V. K. Ripley ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Douglas	1	1	0
Miss Hall Dare	2	0	0
	£44	0	10

BOXES.

	£	s.	d.
Amount in Nov. Magazine	2	17	8
Mrs. P.	0	18	4
Anon.	0	3	5
	£3	19	5

SUBSCRIPTIONS.—*Continued.*

When Payable.	Name.	Amount. £	s.	d.
Jan.	J. J. Lightfoot, Esq.	1	1	0
Jan. and July ...	J. Martin, Esq.	2	2	0
Jan. and Aug. ...	Miss R. A. Russell	0	10	0
Jan. and July ...	Lady Tancred	12	0	0
Quarterly ...	Miss E. F. Bell	1	0	0
Jan. and July ...	Mr. H. E. Friend	2	2	0
Jan. and July ...	The Duke of Newcastle	5	0	0
Jan.	Mrs. J. Pemberton Ripley	0	10	6
Jan.	P. Badcock, Esq.	10	10	0
Jan.	Mrs. Douglas	1	1	0
Jan.	Miss Neame	1	1	0
Jan.	Misses de Rougemont	5	0	0
Jan.	Misses Magnus Johnson	2	2	0
Jan.	Mrs. Clarke	1	0	0
		£97	9	6

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Amount in Nov. Magazine	6	11	0
Mrs. Borrow	0	2	6
Mrs. Driver	0	10	6
Mr. G. Lovell	0	6	6
Mrs. Gifford	0	6	0
Mrs. Borrow	0	2	6
Miss Salwey	0	5	0
Miss A. M. Smith ...	0	5	0
C. W. Driver, Esq. ...	1	11	6
Miss Borrow	0	2	6
Miss C. M. Matthews ...	0	2	6
Miss A. Johnson	0	5	0
Miss Ryan	0	5	3
	£10	15	9

TOTALS TO DATE.

These figures are made up to and including January 20th, 1899.

	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions . .	97	9	6
Donations . .	44	0	10
Half-crown Fund . .	0	5	0
Boxes . . .	3	19	5
1898 Subscriptions . .	10	15	6
	£156	10	6

THIS LIST WILL BE CONTINUED FROM MONTH TO MONTH.

THE VICAR HAS A FEW AMOUNTS TO ADD NEXT MONTH.

It is better to voluntarily support the Church Schools than to HAVE to pay a heavy School Board Rate.

BAPTISMS.

"As many of you as have been baptised into Christ have put on Christ."

Dec. 22. Frances Christina Shapley.
Annie Beatrice Scarsebrook.
„ 23. Frank Edward Sandford Giles Rendell.
„ 29. Charles Thomas Stewart.

Jan. 1. George Henry Paradise.
Herbert Henry Moggridge.
„ 10. Jane Emily Packer.
„ 12. Alice Louisa Sutton.
Lily Wymes.
„ 15. Phœbe Ethel Bumpus.
Ernest Thomas Leach.
„ 17. Minnie Louisa Florence Wells.
Henry Rose.
„ 19. Charles Henry Scarborough.
Rose Elizabeth Bull.
Lily Bignell.

MARRIAGES.

"What God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Dec. 25.—H. Smith to E. Brown.
F. F. Fraydenland to M. Wallhauser.
G. Cheeseley to E. M. A. Prime.
A. S. Howe to L. E. Potter.
W. Terry to E. Squires.
W. Austin to K. A. Brealey.
G. H. Date to F. A. Towers.
H. R. W. Lowe to A. Coleman.
„ 26.—M. Fitzgerald to S. Dillon.
Jan. 15.—A. Tomlin to K. Floyd

FUNERALS.

"Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them."

Dec. 30.—Henry Charles Vickery.
Jan. 5.—Charles Costell.
Aeddan Donnithorne.
„ 9.—Maria Hindle.
„ 13.—Winifred Alice Boley.

LIST OF DISTRICT VISITORS.

Clarendon Street.
Priest—Rev. J. Dixon.
Sister—Sister Constance.

3 to 15 Mrs. Richards.
17 „ 33 Vacant.
35 „ 45 Miss Neame.
47 „ 69 Vacant.
71 „ 79 Miss Mildred.
81 „ 87 Miss A. Borrow.
2 „ 10 Mrs. Jenkins.
12 „ 24 Mrs. Clarke.
26 „ 38 Mrs. Twisaday.
40 „ 50 Mrs. Twisaday.
52 „ 66 Miss Hacon.
68 „ 78 Miss Hacon.
80 „ 100 Mrs. Jenkins.
102 „ 116 Miss Gilbertson.
118 „ 128 Miss Neame.
130 „ 114 Miss G. Burlton.

Woodchester Street.
Priest—Rev. T. H. Passmore.
Sister—Sister Florence Emily.

1 to 9 Miss Heaven.
11 „ 19 Mrs. Howse
21 „ 39 Sister Florence Emily.
41 „ 45 Miss A. Metcalf.
47 „ 59 Miss Minchin.
61 „ 69 Vacant.
71 „ 79 Miss A. Metcalfe
81 „ 85 Miss E. Coleman.
87 to 93 Miss E. Colman.
2 „ 18 Miss Lee Warner.
20 „ 28 Vacant.
30 „ 40 Miss Burlton.
42 „ 60 Miss Coleman.
62 „ 70 Miss Ritchie.
72 „ 84 Miss E. Breeds.
86 „ 102 Miss E. Breeds.

Senior Street.
Priest—Rev. J. C. Howell.
Sister—Sister Martha Tozer.

1 to 8 Miss Key.
9 „ 16 Miss G. Coward.
17 „ 20 Vacant.
21 „ 25 Mrs. Friend.
26 „ 39 Mrs. Marriot.

Dartington Terrace.
1 to 8 Vacant.
9 „ 13 Sister Martha Tozer.
14 „ 17 Miss Whish.

Ranelagh Road.
Vacant.

Oliver Mews.
Miss Lipscomb.

Delamere Crescent.
Miss Shand.

Wesbourne Terrace North.
1 to 43 Sister Martha Tozer.

Hasborough Street.
Miss Hewson.

Emily Street.
Miss Lake.
Miss E Lake.

Philip Terrace.
Mrs. Passmore.

Stalham Street.
1 to 8 Miss D'Ombraine.
10 „ 15 Miss Lee Warner.

Blomfield Place.
Vacant.

Chichester Place, *Chichester Road*, *Chichester Mews*, *Chichester Street*—Vacant.

Cirencester Street.
Priest—
Sister—Sister Agnes Emma.

1 to 19, 21 „ 35, 37 „ 45—Vacant.
47 „ 59 Vacant.
61 „ 75 Miss Lipscomb.
67 „ 87 Miss D'Ombraine.
89 „ 97 Vacant.
99 „ 109 Miss Mortimer.
2 „ 20 Sister Agnes Emma
22 „ 50 Miss Young.
42 „ 58 Miss C Leney.
50 „ 66 Mrs. Borrow.
68 „ 82 Miss C. Leney

Desborough Street.
1 to 9 Sister Agnes Emma.
10 „ 17 Sister Agnes Anne.

Cirencester Place.
Vacant.

Cirencester Mews.
Sister Agnes Anne.

Saint Mary Magdalene, Paddington.

BALANCE SHEET AND ABSTRACTS

OF THE

CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

FOR THE

YEAR 1897,

WITH

SUPPLEMENTARY ACCOUNTS

OF THE

RELIEF OF SICK AND POOR, &c.

WILLIAM H. BLEADEN, *Vicar.*
CHARLES W. DRIVER, } *Churchwardens.*
JAMES G. WOOD, }

January, 1898.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Rev. W. H. Bleaden, *Vicar.*
Mr. P. Badcock.
,, E. Bridgland.
,, Chas. W. Driver.
,, Herbert E. Friend.
Lt.-Col. W. Louis.
Mr. E. D. Marriott.
,, Warren Pugh.
,, H. Snow.
,, C. E. J. Twisaday.
,, B. Wild.
,, James G. Wood.

The Accounts for 1897 have been prepared on the same lines as those for 1896, except that the Choir Expenses are now included in the "Services Account" instead of appearing in a separate account. The occasion for the Choir expenses account, in fact, ceased with the Choir College, while it never formed a complete statement of the cost of the musical rendering of the Services. All the items of such cost are now, however, collected under the head of Choir Expenses in Abstract A.

During the year a sum of £1,000 £3 per cent. Debenture Stock has been generously placed in trust towards providing in perpetuity a portion of the stipends of the Assistant Clergy. This, with the sum received from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, provides a stipend for one Priest. For the rest of the staff of Assistant Clergy there is no endowment whatever. It is hoped that this will be borne in mind when the Sundays occur on which collections for stipends are asked for.

A legacy of £50 was also received during the year, and applied towards the cost of external painting and repair, which forms a considerable item in the expenses.

While it is satisfactory to observe that, in place of a deficit of £91 0s. 8d. in respect of Current Expenses with which the year began, it closed with a balance in hand of £31 3s. 8d., it is to be noted that this surplus is due, first to the two unexpected receipts just mentioned; and secondly, to the reduced number of the Clerical staff during a considerable part of the year.

The actual receipts in Church for current expenses amounted in 1897 to £1,373 7s. 6d., as against £1,474 4s. 3d. in 1896.

There has also been a large saving in the cost of the Gas in the Church, the expense in the last three years having been respectively, £68, £57, and £31.

While, therefore, the Committee acknowledge with thankfulness the efforts already made to meet the expenditure, they wish to impress on the Congregation the necessity of continued and increased effort in the future. The thorough cleaning of the walls and roof must be undertaken at an early date. A Sub-Committee has been appointed to consider the probable cost of such work, and how it can best be effected.

There is also an outstanding liability of £118, to repay a loan to provide the cost of tiling the Crypt floor in 1895.

Attention is again called to the Supplementary Account of the Relief of Sick and Poor. For this purpose more than £220 has been provided beyond the Church collections. This object, and also the special objects mentioned on page 10, as well as the Redhead Pension Fund, all require further support.

St. Mary Magdalene,

CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

BALANCE

RECEIPTS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance in hand January 1st, 1897—		
Stipends	9 13 8	
Sick and Poor	8 12 1	
Miscellaneous	150 19 10	
		169 5 7
Receipts during the Year		
For Services (Abstract A)		1,054 19 1
,, Stipends (,, B)		492 12 3
,, Sick and Poor (,, C)		181 16 6
,, Miscellaneous (Abstracts D and E)		625 10 1
Deficit on Services		5 11 11
		£2,529 15 5

Balance in respect of Current Expenses—	£ s. d.
Balances in hand, as per contra, on Account of Stipends and Sick and Poor	36 15 7
Deficit on Services as above	5 11 11
Nett Balance in hand	£31 3 8

Paddington.

FOR 1897.

SHEET.

PAYMENTS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Deficit for Services January 1st, 1897	124 13 5	
Less Balance in hand for Choir	15 7 0	
		109 6 5
Payments during the Year—		
For Services (Abstract A)		951 4 7
,, Stipends (,, B)		490 7 8
,, Sick and Poor (,, C)		165 11 3
,, Miscellaneous (,, D)		615 15 11
Balances in hand—		
For Stipends	11 18 3	
,, Sick and Poor	24 17 4	
,, Miscellaneous	160 14 0	
		197 9 7
		£2,529 15 5

ABSTRACT A.—SERVICES OF THE CHURCH AND CHAPELS.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Collections in Church and at St. Ambrose	921	6	5
,, Church Box	5	10	1
Marriage Fees (towards Verger's Salary)	9	17	6
Donations towards Mr. Redhead's Pension	21	5	0
Paid by Schools for Gas (including £5 1s. 5d. in respect of 1896)	21	17	5
,, ,, Insurance	7	8	2
Donations towards Lighting Sanctuary Lamps	17	14	6
Legacy per Executors of the late Miss A. L. Chauncy	50	0	0
Deficit	5	11	11
	£1,060	11	0

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d
Deficit, January 1st, 1897	124	13	5			
Less Balance in hand for Choir Expenses	15	7	0			
				109	6	5
Church Officials				136	14	0
Choir Expenses—Organists' Salaries	130	0	0			
Choir Men (Professional)	30	8	4			
Choir Boys	43	8	0			
Cornet (Easter)	2	2	0			
Music, Advertisements, and Stationery	10	7	0			
Water for Engine	30	18	7			
Organ Blowers	2	12	0			
Tuning Organ	4	13	6			
Expenses of Room for Choir Practice	2	16	0			
Tuning Piano for ,, ,,	0	9	6			
				257	14	11
Mr. Redhead's Pension				110	0	0
Altar Wine, etc.				22	3	2
Candles				22	8	9
Oil for Sanctuary Lamps				17	9	1
Washing Surplices, etc.				26	5	2
Cassocks and Surplices				6	13	5
Materials for Cleaning, and Charwomen				29	7	7
Coals and Coke				10	13	10
Gas				74	5	5
Repairs—External Painting and Repairs	86	16	9			
Mortuary Chapel	7	4	6			
Coal Shoot and Bunker	3	10	6			
St. Ambrose's Windows	0	17	6			
New Marble Step to Sanctuary	18	0	0			
Altar Candlesticks, Repairs and Re-gilding	13	3	0			
Organ	7	7	0			
Organ Engine	2	5	0			
Gas Burners	2	13	6			
Keys of Chancel	0	3	9			
St. Sepulchre's Window	1	5	0			
General Repairs	4	10	1			
				147	16	7
New Work—Curtain and Fittings	6	8	6			
Step Ladder	0	17	0			
Door Spring	1	17	9			
Gas Stove for Vestry	7	4	6			
Temporary Pulpit and Sounding Board	10	9	9			
				26	17	6
Hassocks and Mats				3	12	10
Insurance				32	1	9
Printing, Stationery, and Stamps on Cheques				13	4	10
Churchwardens' Admission Fees				0	18	0
Diocesan Education Board Fees				3	9	6
Expenses of Sunday School, Prizes, etc.				9	8	3
				£1,060	11	0

ABSTRACT B.—STIPENDS OF THE ASSISTANT CLERGY.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand, January 1st, 1897	9	13	8
Ecclesiastical Commissioners	116	0	0
Penny Association	51	9	0
Dividend on Stipends Trust Fund (half year)	14	10	0
Collections in Church	305	13	3
Donations per Vicar	5	0	0
	£502	5	11

ABSTRACT C.—SICK AND POOR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand, January 1st, 1897	8	12	1
Collections in Church	146	7	10
,, Church Box	9	17	5
,, for St. Anne's Home	4	13	7
,, ,, Convalescent Tickets	20	17	8
	£190	8	7

ABSTRACT D.—MISCELLANEOUS.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balances in hand, January 1st, 1897—						
Church Cleaning Account	141	10	1			
Foreign Missions (Zanzibar)	0	13	0			
Children's Hospital Cot	8	16	9			
				150	19	10
Collections for Foreign Missions (Abstract E)				41	2	1
,, ,, Home Missions (,, ,,)				43	13	1
,, ,, Temperance Work (,, ,,)				14	5	7
,, ,, Hospitals, etc. (,, ,,)				115	15	10
,, ,, Guilds and Societies (,, ,,)				102	16	11
,, ,, Schools, Treats, etc. (,, ,,)				1	10	6
Easter Offering to Vicar				128	0	10
Balance of West Memorial Fund, per the Treasurer, to be devoted to new stairs for Crypt				152	5	3
Further Donations to same object				26	0	0
				£776	9	11

THE ASSISTANT CLERGY.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Stipends of Assistant Clergy	490	7	8
Balance in hand	11	18	3
	£502	5	11

SICK AND POOR.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Paid towards relief of Sick and Poor (see Supplementary Account, pages 12 and 13)	165	11	3
Balance in hand	24	17	4
	£190	8	7

MISCELLANEOUS.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	b.
Paid to Treasurers of Foreign Missions, Balance of 1896	0	13	0			
,, ,, ,, ,, (Abstract E)	41	2	1			
				41	15	1
,, ,, Home Missions				43	13	1
,, ,, Temperance Societies				14	5	7
,, ,, Hospitals, etc.				105	8	8
,, ,, Guilds and Societies				102	16	11
,, ,, School Treats, etc.				1	10	6
Easter Offering				128	0	10
Messrs. Handover & Son, Cost of Crypt Stairs, Gate, and Fittings				176	15	3
Gas Bracket for ditto				1	10	0
Balances in hand—						
Church Cleaning Account	141	10	1			
Children's Hospital Cot	19	3	11			
				160	14	0
				£776	9	11

ABSTRACT E.

Details of Collections for

SPECIAL OBJECTS,

Included in the Miscellaneous Account (Abstract D).

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
FOREIGN MISSIONS—		
Diocese of Zululand	0 16 7	
,, Nassau	4 16 8	
,, Grahamstown	0 6 8	
,, Wyoming	6 7 4	
,, Lebombo	4 10 3	
Universities' Mission to Central Africa	1 11 10	
Poona Mission	5 10 9	
Oxford Mission to Calcutta	3 12 9	
Zanzibar Mission	6 13 0	
S.P.G.	6 16 3	
		41 2 1
HOME MISSIONS—		
Bishop of London's Fund	23 13 0	
Kilburn Mission to the Jews	6 17 7	
Clergy Sustentation Fund	13 2 6	
		43 13 1
TEMPERANCE WORK—		
Spelthorne St. Mary	7 14 10	
C.E.T.S.	6 10 9	
		14 5 7
HOSPITAL AND FAMINE RELIEF—		
Hospital Sunday Fund	39 8 8	
Children's Hospital Cot	10 7 2	
Convalescent Home, Ascot Priory	24 19 0	
Indian Famine Relief	41 1 0	
		115 15 10
GUILDS AND SOCIETIES—		
Embroidery Guild	0 14 6	
Waifs and Strays	3 7 6	
Church Penitentiary Association	5 15 3	
St. M. M. Home	29 2 11	
St. Dunstan's Guild	17 4 1	
St. George's Club	0 10 1	
St. M. M. Church Institute	2 4 1	
Women's Help Society	4 12 1	
National Society	11 14 7	
E. C. U.	0 13 1	
C. B. S. (Altar Fund)	19 10 3	
G. A. S. (Paddington Branch)	2 5 0	
,, (General Fund)	5 3 6	
		102 16 11
SCHOOLS—		
Sunday School Treat	0 10 0	
Schools	0 10 6	
Children's Breakfasts	0 10 0	
		1 10 6

RESERVE FUND.

This Fund, amounting to £633 12s. 10d. (subscribed in 1882, to provide temporarily for the deficiencies from time to time in the Funds of the various Parochial Institutions, until the same could be met by funds specially appropriated to such purposes) stood, on December 31st, 1897, as follows:—

	£ s. d.
Advanced to the Treasurer of St. M. M. Schools	606 0 0
,, ,, ,, ,, Institute	25 0 0
Balance at Trustees' Bankers	2 12 10
	£633 12 10

[OVER.

SUPPLEMENTAL ACCOUNT.

RELIEF OF SICK AND POOR.

RECEIPTS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance in Sisters' hands, January 1st, 1897		12 12 5
Paid by Churchwardens towards Relief of Sick and Poor generally (Abstract C)	140 0 0	
Paid by Churchwardens for Convalescent Tickets (Abstract C)	20 17 8	
" " " St. Anne's House (")	4 13 7	
		165 11 3
Per Vicar		28 5 0
Per Sisters—For General Fund	22 4 1	
" For Special Cases	72 8 8	
		94 12 9
Soup Kitchen—Subscriptions	10 8 6	
" Recipients' Pence	8 7 6	
		18 16 0
Half-penny Dinners—Subscriptions	18 2 0	
" " Children's Pence	1 9 8	
		19 11 8
Children's Country Holiday Fund—Subscriptions	19 2 6	
" " Parents' Payments	24 10 6	
		43 13 0
		£383 2 1

PAYMENTS.

	£ s. d.	
Relief in Money and Food	45 4 11	
" by Weekly Allowances (Special Cases)	110 8 0	
" Dinners and Beef Tea	11 10 9	
Bills Paid to Baker	0 6 2½	
" " Grocer	10 2 7	
" " Milkman	15 0 11	
" for Wine and Brandy	0 17 11	
" " Coal	0 16 9	
Convalescents' Expenses	21 11 0	
Part Rent of St. Anne's and Parish Room	45 0 0	
Gas, Coals, and Rates of Parish Room	14 15 3	
Printing, Stamps, and Stationery	2 11 6	
Interest on Clothing Club	24 3 8	×
Soup Kitchen Expenses	16 13 7½	×
Half-penny Dinners Expenses	18 17 10½	×
Expenses of 137 Children in the Country	42 6 11	×
Balance in hand	2 14 2½	
	£383 2 1	

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To the District Visitors, Parishioners, Members of the Congregation, and Friends of S. Mary Magdalene's, Paddington.

IN handing to the District Visitors and others the following Rules and Suggestions, I wish to point out that we are trying so to organize a good work which has been carried on for some years, with a view to make it more efficient. We must not forget that this branch of our work is God's Work, and as such it must "be done decently and in order."

In drawing up these Rules I have endeavoured to follow out the best traditions of this Parish and to work in also such experience as has been gathered in other Parishes.

The Relief Committee exists for the following reasons, that:—

(*a*) We may "bear one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ."

(*b*) Our fellow parishioners who need relief, may be, so far as is possible, relieved on uniform principles.

(*c*) Relief may be given in whatever form seems to be, after due investigation and full consultation, (i) sufficient, (ii) appropriate, (iii) permanently beneficial.

(*d*) The co-operation of (i) relatives, especially children, (ii) charitable agencies, may be secured.

(*e*) Thrift and self-help may be developed; the overlapping of charity checked; imposture and mendicity prevented.

That relief should be administered on uniform principles, and in an organized way, is admitted by all who have any experience of such work. But this is so little understood and recognized by many *too kind* people, who never refuse a penny to a beggar, though they often forget to subscribe to the organized charities of a parish, that it seems desirable to point out clearly the necessity for the greatest care in relieving distress.

It is often said that Relief Committees are hard, and give much unnecessary trouble in asking for information.

In view of such criticisms, I would draw attention to the opinions of experts in such matters.

The Bishop of Bedford, whose authority on such a point can hardly be disputed, says, "I am persuaded that a quarter of the money now contributed for the relief of the poor in the East End would suffice, if only there existed real co-operation among the distributors of Charity.

Again. "Let the philanthropist be made to understand," says Chalmers ('on the sufficiency of the Parochial System'), "that, for the purpose of doing aught like substantial or permanent good, something more is necessary than to compassionate the poor – he must also consider them; and let him learn at length that there is indeed a more excellent way of charity than that to which his own headlong sensibilities have impelled him."

Again. Mr. C. S. Loch, who is a prince among Charity Organizers, says "Charities given to the multitude are altogether wrong. To be beneficial, charity must adjust its means to the wants of the particular case, and not leave that case till it has effected a cure."

In the pamphlet describing the actual results of the working of the Relief Committee in our adjoining parish of S. Paul's, it is stated that in two years the number of families relieved has been reduced from 600 to 190, and as the amount spent in relief has remained the same, it is clear that before the Committee began working the relief given was far from sufficient, those who really required it getting too little, while many who did not require it were pauperized by small doles.

Then as to the principle that the relief should be "sufficient, appropriate, and permanently beneficial," nothing can be more certain than that the effect of small, uncertain gifts of money or food, is to demoralize and pauperize the recipients, for they can never calculate on what they have to get, whereas a sufficient sum given at the right time may enable a man to recover himself and be independent of future help. Hence the necessity for the full investigation which the Committee require. It must be

remembered too, that gifts in money and kind form a very small part of the relief which can effectively be given to the poor. A great deal of assistance is given by letters to various Charitable Societies, by finding work for people, by communicating with friends and relations, and in a variety of ways where a single person would find it difficult to do much, but where a Central Committee, consisting of several workers, can generally afford prompt and suitable assistance.

And lastly, a Committee can do much to prevent the overlapping of charity, which is one of the great faults of indiscriminate giving. The same person often gets relief from more than one source; and thus relief which would suffice for two or more cases is unnecessarily given to one. This as well as imposture and mendicity can only be successfully checked where relief is given from a central body, which keeps proper records, and only gives relief after careful inquiry. To be really generous we must be strictly just, and it is not just to be helping those who are not honestly striving to help themselves; or fail to help, where we can, those deserving of help in time of need.

I do not expect the Relief Committee to be infallible, but I trust them to do their best on the lines indicated above, and I earnestly ask for a loyal co-operation on the part of all our District Visitors and the charitably disposed members of our Parish and Congregation.

In conclusion, I would ask for increased support to our Sick and Poor Fund, both in money and in kind. All Hospital, Convalescent Homes, and Charity Letters should be sent direct to me (which will be duly acknowledged in the *Parish Magazine*) so that these may be distributed through the Relief Committee.

W. H. BLEADEN,

Vicar of S. Mary Magdalene, Paddington,

RULES

1. The Committee shall consist of the Clergy of the Parish, and at least six members appointed by the Vicar.

2. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Vicar, or one of the Parochial Clergy appointed by the Vicar. The duty of the Chairman shall be to preside at all the Meetings of the Committee, to see that all Minutes of Meetings and records of cases are duly entered, and a correct statement of the Sick and Poor Fund kept, together with a record of all relief given, whether in money or kind.

3. The Vicar shall appoint one of the Members as Almoner of the Committee, who shall be responsible for the distribution of relief granted, and in urgent cases to give immediate relief. An application on behalf of the person or persons so relieved shall be laid before the Committee at their next meeting, together with a sanction for such immediate relief given. [It is expected that the number of cases considered "urgent" will be reduced to a minimum, and that relief so given will be only what is *absolutely* necessary].

4. The accounts of the Committee shall be kept by a Treasurer appointed by the Vicar, and audited annually. A Statement of Funds in hand should be made at each meeting so that the Committee may not make grants which are unable to be met.

5. The Committee shall meet at the Church Institute on Tuesdays and Fridays, at 12 noon. Three shall form a quorum.

District Visitors are cordially invited to attend in support of their applications.

Applicants for relief may be required to attend.

6. Relief may be given through the District Visitors in:

(*a*) Gifts of money.

(*b*) Gifts in kind.

(*c*) Orders on the Soup Kitchen, or on private residents who have offered help in food, and by dinner tickets.

(*d*) Orders for wine, spirits, &c., *on medical certificate only*.

(*e*) Letters for Hospitals, Convalescent Homes, Surgical Appliances, &c.

(*f*) Work Society tickets *to widows only*.

(*g*) Employment, where possible. (A list of persons requiring employment is kept at S. Anne's House, 34, Delamere Terrace).

7. Applications for relief *must* be made upon printed forms, to be obtained at S. Anne's House, 34, Delamere Terrace, or at the Monthly Meetings of the District Visitors.

Whenever a second application is made about a case, it is to be made on a "further application" form. Evidence of thrift should be given before a further application is made.

8. Application forms must be filled in by one of the Clergy, District Visitors, or for Districts where there is no Visitor, by a Sister, and they must be left at S. Anne's House not later than 11.30 a.m. on the day of the Relief Committee Meeting.

All who wish to assist residents in S. Mary Magdalene's Parish are asked to communicate with the Committee, so as to prevent any overlapping of charity.

9. The decision of the Committee shall be communicated without delay to the District Visitor, to whom also the relief granted shall be forwarded as soon as possible for personal distribution.

10. All applications shall be filed, and all cases, with all the information relating thereto, registered.

In order that the work undertaken by the Committee may be understood, they venture to state that:

(*a*) Relief will not be given by loans, for rent, debts, or funeral expenses; because help given in these forms has not been found usually beneficial.

(*b*) The amount of ordinary relief in money for food and fuel, exclusive of rent, will be calculated, more or less, according to the following scale:—

Single Adults	3/6	a week each.
Two or more Adults	2/6	,, ,,
Children, according to number and age, up to	1/6	,, ,,

(*c*) The following cases are less eligible for relief:—

1. Ordinary out of work cases, without illness, without prospect of work, and without evidence of thrift.

2. Those who are without, and have no prospect of getting, the necessaries of life. It is kinder to leave such cases to be dealt with by the Poor Law Guardians, who in Paddington do their work thoroughly.

3. Cases of chronic sickness, unless a pension can be raised.

4. Those who have relatives able and unwilling to help them.

5. Those whose characters are undermined by drink, imposture, &c.

The following aids to thrift are recommended by the Committee, and District Visitors are requested to urge all parishioners to join one or more of them:—

The S. M. M. Collecting Savings Bank.

The S. M. M. Men's Sick and Benefit Society.

The S. M. M. Women's Sick and Benefit Society.

For further particulars and papers as to above apply to S. Anne's House, Delamere Terrace.

Feb. 13th 1899

I visited St Mary Magdalene yesterday morning. It was a lusterous showery morning not favourable to churchgoing. When I reached the church at 10.45 Matins was on: the female side of the church was already almost full but on the male side there was only a sprinkling. Matins was decently and reverently given with full choir and organ not merely run through for the sake of compliance with the law as at St Alban's or St Michael's Shoreditch. High Mass began at 11.15 – (In the Magazine it is called Eucharist: but in the announcements in the church the word 'Mass was always used) – Mr Bleaden was the ~~ce~~ celebrant, Mr Dixon ~~an~~ Deacon, and Mr Howell subdeacon, all of course arrayed in the correct vestments. The service was of the usual advanced character, all the 'six points' and several extra ones, but in some respects less extreme than St Alban's, the whole of the English Communion Service was ~~add~~ audibly given, beyond hymns nothing was added (except of ~~th~~ course the private devotions of the ~~pri~~ priests), and three communicated besides the priest.

I have now however attended a number of High churches of every shade of Highness, and though there are considerable differences in the ritual, in all essentials the service is the same in every case, and is far more like the Roman than the English service as it was.

As a service the Mass at this church was much less beautiful than at St. Albans, the music being very inferior.

During the Mass the female side was full, the male side well filled but not full. The congregation was socially very mixed and I should say certainly not rich: among the men certainly were a good many obvious working men, and top hats were the exception: among the women the signs of dressiness were unusually few, and the impression was of lower middle and working class. The demeanour of the people was reverent as it always is in these extreme churches as far as I have seen them.

The sermon was preached by Mr Passmore, of whom I thought but poorly, and soon ceased

to listen to him.

At the conclusion of the service he sang the following in defiance of his bitterness and all his works.

FAITH OF OUR FATHERS.

FAITH of our Fathers! living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word;
Faith of our fathers! Holy Faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Our Fathers chained in prisons dark
Were still in heart and conscience free:
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee:
Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our Fathers! Faith and prayer
Shall win our country back to thee;
And through the truth that comes from God,
England shall then indeed be free.
Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our Fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife:
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Where Ritualism Reigns.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN, PADDINGTON.

A "REQUIEM MASS."

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Yesterday being the anniversary of the death of the late vicar of St. Mary Magdalen's, Paddington, Dr. R. T. West, a "Solemn Requiem Mass" for the repose of his soul was sung at that church at eleven o'clock a.m. It cannot be said that the "Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper," destitute, as it is, of even the smallest hint of a prayer for the dead is very appropriate for such a purpose, but no doubt the celebrant supplied what is lacking by his private use of a service which is appropriate, namely, the Liturgy of the Mass. Publicly, the Book of Common Prayer was adhered to, except as regards the Epistle and Gospel, which were taken (I think) from the Communion Service to be used at the Burial of the Dead in the first Prayer-book of Edward VI. But I understand that the Bishop of London has sanctioned the use of that Epistle and Gospel for "requiem" celebrations, so that, if there is any illegality in their use, he must be held responsible. The "Benedictus" and "Agnus Dei" from the Mass were sung, the "Agnus Dei" being worded as is appointed in the Missal for Requiems, i.e., "O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest." The service otherwise followed closely on the lines of that at St. Michael's, North Kensington, previously described.

SIX LIGHTED CANDLES

stood on the gradine of the communion-table; the three officiating clergymen wore the Mass vestments of celebrant, deacon, and subdeacon, the color of the chasuble, &c., being black or very dark purple. Incense was ceremonially used at the times directed in the Missal; the communion-table, the unconsecrated wafer and chalice, the celebrant, the other clergy, the acolytes, the choir and the congregation were all censed in their turn. The Gospel was sung with exactly the same ceremonies as it would be in a Catholic church—in fact, the ceremonial of the Mass was completely carried out. And that the Liturgy of the Mass was privately made use of I have no doubt at all. If the gentleman who asked how I knew it was used at St. Alphege, Southwark, could have seen the clergymen saying the "Preparation" at the foot of the communion table steps, beating their breasts and turning to each other at the "Confiteor," and so on, I think he would agree with me that if it was not the "Preparation" from the Missal that they were saying, it was

A CURIOUS COINCIDENCE

that they should have used precisely the same gestures at precisely the same times as they would if they had been saying it. The same remark applies to the Offertory prayers and to the Canon. One can hardly be expected to believe that a clergyman would carefully go through all the outward actions of the Canon if he were not saying the words. The surprising thing is that Ritualists do not see that by this use of the Liturgy of the Mass, they belie their own contention that the Anglican Communion Service is sufficient in itself from a Catholic point of view. Imagine a Catholic priest interpolating another Liturgy into the Mass!

At St. Mary Magdalen's there is another practice which has been forbidden by the collective Anglican episcopate--namely, reservation of the Sacrament. Ritualists have been declaring in the *Times* that they only want to reserve the Sacrament for the sick, and that any statement that they wish to reserve it for adoration is a libel. It is, therefore, interesting to note that a chapel has been specially built in the crypt under St. Mary Magdalen's for the reservation of the Sacrament. This chapel is elaborately decorated. The communion table is divided from the rest of the chapel by a painted and gilded screen. Behind the communion table is a reredos profusely painted and gilded, in the centre of which is a crucifix, and above the crucifix an image of the Blessed Virgin Mary standing on the moon and surrounded by stars. There is a large wooden canopy over the table, from which is suspended a hanging pyx, in which the Sacrament is reserved. That it is reserved for purposes of adoration is sufficiently evident, and that it is so used to a very large extent may be ascertained by anyone. At present the chapel is undergoing alterations, but when these are finished it will repay a visit. It may be noticed that it is practically impossible to reserve in both kinds in a hanging pyx.

Report of interview with the Rev. A. Scott, Vicar of S. Mary's, Paddington Green. (E.A.) Jan.18.99.

Mr. Scott has been at S. Mary's for 14 years; but is not, perhaps, the sort of man to get a very intimate knowledge of his people. He said little, and everything had to be dragged out. But he is a good enough fellow, although he may have missed his vocation.

He has a population of about 10000; slightly declining, in spite of increased congestion. This is explained by the slight increase of non-reisdential buildings, warehouses etc. About one third of the houses were, he thinks, originally built for the middle class, but these are steadily getting into the hands of those who let lodgings, and many are now sublet unfurnished. The remaining two-thirds of the houses of the parish were originally intended for an artisan class, and they are still thus occupied, with a tendency for the best of them to leave the district and go further out. The greatest retaining influence is the demand of the G.W.R. and the convenience of living near. This is important locally. The general tendency is downwards, however, and many of the houses are wretched.

The Church here is not a striking success, but it at least has a man at its head who is perfectly honest. His staff consists of himself and two curates; one scripture-

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reader; and a few voluntary workers: 6 district visitors; 30 S.S. teachers. He objects on principle to having people to help in any way who do not worship with him; example is so bad. But in any case he has great difficulty in getting people to come and help. He is inclined to think that ladies are less ready than of old to undertake quiet work of a personal kind; they always seem to want to "be Hon. Sec. of a branch, never mind what sort of branch, so long as øx it is one." He is quite appalled at the number of branches that there must be. But he admitted also, and here was the touch of attractive human nature coming out, that his difficulty in getting workers might be partly his own fault:"perhaps I am not very attractive".When he said this he was, but he would probably be trying to work xø with, and method and organization are neither of them gifts with which he is highly endowed.

BUILDINGS: Church (799); Schools (free; prosperous; about 470 in average attendance; "about the oldest public elementary school in London."); a parish room rented.

SERVICES on Sunday at 8,11,3-30 and 7. At 11 about 200 come and the same number in the evening. Easter communicants 82. Attendance parochial. A mixed class; decent folk. About 2 or 3 times as many as used to come 15 years ago; the last

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incumbent had been here 40 years. Sunday School: about 2-300

Social agencies dont amount to much: a Band of Hope and "a sort of institute for boys" were mentioned. He ~~xxx~~ has a low opinion of the use of adult temperance agencies, saying that they were apt to atract either the old women who came to everything or the men who needed no repentance.

Relief appears to come to about £75 a year. Friday morning is the relief day and you might think that you were at an old Abbey gate " the poor flock so". But they dont get much, and he thinks that they have at least cleared the church of those who used to come for the loaves and fishes. There were a good many of these when he came, and, I fancy, not many besides. Visiting, I gathered, was not systematically attempted, but they were, he thought, sure to hear of cases of any kind needing attention.

The POLICE he praised. He had no black marks against any of the pubs. Crime is sporadic. There is not much prostitution in the parish; some women live within its precincts and Praed St. is their walking ground. Cohabitation not very uncommon; forced marriages occasional.

I asked about the other places in his parish and he wanted to know if I wanted him to slander them, and on my suggesting that he should give his opinion about them he

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declined. But he gave it more or less, and mentioned the Catholic Apostolic Church who he thought were rather strong; they have a beautiful building; are excellent people. The Salvation Army uses the chapel originally in the hands of the last mentioned. They are not doing much. There is a Welsh Church, with a Church of England Service. The L.C.M. has a school etc. Never friction with any of them.

Mr. Scott is a man of perhaps 45; tall, and rather handsome. He has an eccentric manner, and perhaps exaggerated his angularities during the interview. I never felt quite sure when the moment would come when he would get out of patience and swear at me. But he never did, and when I left he let a kindly heart find expression in a confession of eccentricity: "I am a strange man, I know, but am really very pleased to have seen you."

Interview with the Rev. W.P.Legg, Incumbent of S. Simon's, Paddington, at his rooms 83 Saltram Crescent. (W.2.) Feb. 21. 9.

Mr. Legg is a young Low Church parson who has charge of what is at the moment a district of the London Diocesan Home Mission. By this summer it will be a full ecclesiastical parish. At present everything is carried on in a temporary iron building, but the new church is nearly ready. The parish will be formed of two bits taken from S. Jude's and S. John's, 6000 from the former and 1000 from the latter. The people are clerks; well-to-do artisans; railway employees of various grades etc. No very poor. All the district the growth of the last 10 years or so. People very migratory, as is common in new parts. A great neighbourhood for children, so many young married people. Very few old people, the parish in fact new all through. Practically all the houses are built for theclass that has come to live in them, that is for those who want a small flat of three or four roomsto a family. This is the case, for instance, in Saltram Crescent. The people were said to be very friendly, but things are still in a small way, and there does not seem to be a large connexion with any section of the local adult population.

The iron church (holding 250) has to be used for everything, and not only inconvenience and cramping result but a loss of reverence at the ordinary services; nothing

of the nature of affection for the day and place of small things appears to be inspired. But Mr. Legg is himself not an inspiring person.

ATTENDANCES:.on Sunday mornings (100); on S. evenings (full); the same class of people on each occasion. Regular Communicants (70); a Communicants' Union just being formed (54 members); at Easter from 70 to 80; many away at that time. Evening Communion the largest (from 40 to 50); this once a month. Once a month at 8 a.m. (16); and once a m month at mid-day (25). Sunday Schools large; Register, 270; Average, 220.

WORKERS:-- Two clergy; 16 S.S. teachers; total of helpers, 30.People friendly. SOCIAL AGENCIES at present unimpott-ant, only "things like" Bands of Hope, Working parties etc No room for much. Children are being turned away from the S.S.

Very little CHARITABLE RELIEF; about £2 or £3. SM Ex-pects that more will have to be raised to meet the needs of the poor part lying E. of the Malvern Road. This part has hardly been touched yet.

VISITING as far as possible. Finds it difficult to get upstairs in the sub-let houses. But it is a hopeful district; the people are friendly and are rallying to the cause; they are generous according to their means, and a great expansion in all directions is anticipated

when they get into their new Church, The "tin tabernacle" is a great obstacle. The £4500 wanted for their new building, as far as it will at present be built, has been raised.

Among other agencies Mr. Legg mentioned a flourishing Wesleyan Chapel, and the Primitive Methodists. The Church Extension Sisters have a big High School close by the Church, but they are not much in evidence. The school not thought to be very successful. A great local deficiency in School accommodation has obliged many parents to send their children to this school who would not otherwise have done so, but a new Board School at Essendine Road will relieve pressure. The theology of the Sisters said to be rather alarming and minatory, frightening to the children, who are generally taken away when they get about 9 or 10 years of age.

(Note: I passed the School after leaving Mr Legg; it is called the "National High School, Saltram Crescent"; the fees are, for girls 10/6; for boys, 10/6; and for infants, 6/-. The building is large; it looked rather forbidding, and a few broken windows and an appearance of partial use did not suggest a greater prosperity for it than Mr. Legg had led me to expect.)

Mr. Legg, as stated, is hopeful, but he complains, like most other people of much indifference. He is com-

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paratively free from one hindrance -- the drink. Excess is not a local vice, and there is no public house actuall within the borders of his parish.

Mr. Legg is a man of perhaps 32; he has been in the district since '94; he belongs to Ridley and has the demerits as well as the strength of that centre of evangelical training. He is fairly intelligent and dependable, but un-prepossessing in appearnace, even common-place, and slow and sleepy in manner.

March 11th. 1899

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Interview with Rev. Sidney Bott, St. Jude's, Kensal Green.

Mr Bott is about 50 years of age: short, spare, bearded: pleasant, bright, intelligent face. We originally wrote to Mr Bott in January, and he replied in a rather unpleasant letter that we had chosen a time which we must have known would be most inconvenient, but that he would write in a few weeks and make an appointment. As he did not write he was written to again and an interview fixed. I had accordingly anticipated a rather unfriendly reception. Mr B. however was most cordial and anxious to be helpful

Mr B. has been in this parish for 22 years.

The parish contains about 20000 inhabitants: of these the majority are on the Queen's Park Estate of the Artisans' Dwelling Co. Neither here nor in the rest of the parish has there been any

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change in character to speak of in the 22 years that Mr B. has been here: the people are, as they were, nearly all of the best artisan class, the pick of the working class of London. Just at present however there is some tendency for the best of the people to move further west to Kensal Rise, where they can buy their houses which they cannot do on the Queen's Park Estate: this tendency is however more marked just outside the parish. Mr Faraker Mr B's neighbour, complains that all his best people are going to Kensal Rise.

In Mr B's parish with the exception of a few laundry workers, there are none really poor: and though there are a number of laundries in the parish the majority of the workers live outside.

Mr B. has two curates and 5 other paid workers.

Of voluntary workers there are about 120, all parishioners. Mr B. has never had any

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difficulty in getting workers but "he looks upon it as the first duty of a clergyman to get workers from among his people." There is a Church Council which has been in operation for 20 years, at first chosen by the Vicar, but now elected by the Communicants from among themselves: their power is very slight and they know it, but it gives a vent for grumbling, and has on the whole been a great success.

For services see Magazine.

The church holds 750 and looks nearly full morning and evening: probably the number at both services is about 400: there are in addition 150 at the evening service at the Institute of exactly the same class as those at the church: all working class ~~and all~~ and all parishioners.

The parishioners as a whole are "peculiarly moral and religious": but a large majority of them are chapel goers. "Those who do

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not go to some place of worship sometimes are quite the exception". By this Mr B. meant a good deal more than attendance at a Harvest Service or on New Year's Eve: he implied that church or chapel going was looked upon as a duty and was habitual rather than the reverse.

But though the ~~bu~~ bulk of the people are chapel goers they are quite friendly to the church: this no doubt is due to the fact that Mr B. is a pronounced low churchman, and is on the friendliest terms with the Non-con. ministers.

There are no Day Schools. The Sunday School has slightly over 1000 children, and all the Non-con. Sunday schools are ~~all~~ well attended: in fact Sunday School attendance is almost universal, the only deterrent being the late Sunday dinner.

Of Social work there is very little, nor does Mr B. think it is wanted. "The people have

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comfortable homes and are very fond of them" said Mr B. "most of them stop at home in the evening" Concerts and entertainments given by the Church are poorly attended, though Mr B. admitted that when the Hall was let ~~for~~ for Benefits etc. and a concert of the Music Hall type was given the Hall was crammed

There is systematic visitation from house to house by District visitors, nearly always kindly received, though the people are at first rather stand offish and hard to thaw; but when once they are known they are wonderfully warm hearted. In all relations of life however their characteristic is independence.

Relief is on the smallest scale: none is really required: the only item for Relief ~~is~~ I can find in the Report is £2.16.11: but Mr B. said that perhaps £25 was given in the course of the year. Mr B. is a strong adherent of the C.O.S., but is cautious about urging their doctrines

in the parish as they tend to make the church unpopular. Though there is no necessity for relief Mr B. said "if I were to begin giving it I should have them all round me like a swarm of bees".

Of other religious agencies far the greatest influence is Mr Forster, the Congregationalist. The Fernhead Road Wesleyans have also done excellent work in the past but the last minister let things down a bit: but they have a great following in Queen's Park.

The parish is in both Paddington and Chelsea: in both cases the work of the vestries is thoroughly efficient.

As for the Poor Law Paddington is "quite excellent", Chelsea not so good, but not bad. Mr B. is against out relief

Police: very good.

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As to drink the parish is exceedingly sober. In Queen's Park there are only off licences and in the rest of the parish only one on licence. Mr B. does not doubt that the sobriety and morality of his parishioners is largely due to this fact; he admitted that the public houses on the borders of the Queen's Park Estate were unusually valuable and prosperous, but said that drunkenness among his parishioners was almost unknown. The Queen's Park people of course make much use of the off houses, and many of them keep a cask of beer.

Prostitution is not rife but has increased lately in the Harrow Road since 'The Flora' a large new public house was opened.

Crime there is none.

Health is fair but not so good as it ought to be considering the character of the people. There are constant epidemics of ~~fever~~ fever and

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Diphtheria : diseases seem to spread with unusual rapidity

Rev Bott is & I think an unusually good specimen of the Evangelicals : active, intelligent, with a great fund of common sense

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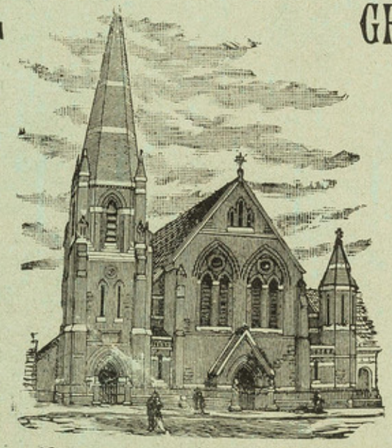

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