

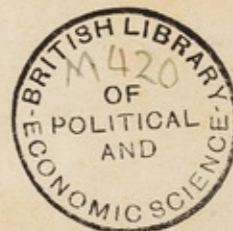
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The Rev. J. A. Owen.

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Interview with the Rev. James. Albert. Owen. M.A.
at 159 Peckham Rye. Head of the Cheltenham
College Mission in Nunhead Grove.

Mr. Owen is a man of between 55 ^{middle height} & 60. A typical
clergyman school master, with a little crooked
white tie peeping out of the top of a high
black waist coat, a half hidden turn down
white collar in place of a jam-pot, clean
shaven upper lip & chin, side whiskers, healthy
red cheeks. He has been here 4 years. Before
that he was a master at Cheltenham.
He did not at all like being interviewed: he did
not volunteer any information but answered
questions. But at the end he said he sh^d be
very glad to answer anything further if
required.

The boundaries of the Mission District are.
Evelina Rd. N.

Parish boundaries

Foundation of Mission

Character of a'hood.

Kimberley Road . E
Linden Grove . S.
Manhead Grove . W.

The mission was founded in 1890.

The Church is at the S-W end of Manhead Grove.
just outside the parochial boundary.

The ^{mission dist} parish was carved out of the parish of St Antholin at the advice of Bishop Barry an old principal of Cheltenham & at that time examining chaplain to the Bishop of Rochester.

The parish contains 4 especially poor districts streets
ie Linden Grove, Daniels Rd, Banstead S^e & Jappa-
-field Street (all lb in map). There are no slums
but the inhabitants are labourers.

There are 6000 (roughly) people in the parish:
'The balance is in favour of the unskilled'.
Their well-being depends on the amount of
work to be had & their age & the applica-
Old people are the poorest. Not want of
money so much as the public houses that
are responsible for such poverty as exists.

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Work is slackening off in the Building Trade. Mr. O expects a 'cruel winter', several of his men are already out of work. Daniels Road is the poorest street. Almost all the gravediggers in the cemetery live in these lb streets.

Duchan & Kimberley Roads are the best (pk)

Some improvement in the last 4 years: 'great rise in rents from 9/- to 12/6 or 33%' has driven out some of the poorer inhabitants & their places have been filled by a better class. The attendance at the School Board has improved to 80%. 'All proofs of more regular homes & perhaps also of the good influence of the mission.'

Families find great difficulties in finding house-room but ~~they~~ ^{children} keep on coming all the same!

Those employed.

Rev. J. A. Owen.

Rev. H. W. Wilson, assistant missioner.

F. B. Masdin B.A. a young man just finished his time at Cambridge who lives down here

Rents.

Those employed.

Church Services

Wms religious views

Owen - Sheltenham College Mission

Here I look after the Club.
Church holds. 350.

On Sunday. Holy Communion at 7. AM & 8 AM.
about 40 come - 6 or 7 to the earlier ser-
vice: two being old members who now live
elsewhere one a servant from Brockley who
is able to communicate & still be back
in time to lay her master's breakfast table.
Another comes in from Blackheath Hill.

At 11. 100 to 150. come. Very few actually from
the mission district. Perhaps one man
to 5 women. ^{in theory} The service is bright & the
singing congregational. The singing is lusty
though the music is not particularly good.
The Church is an iron corrugated building
with a large mission room at the side
of it. We are not at all high, quite the
contrary! Working men he thinks have
a strong & very often ignorant prejudice a-
gainst what they imagine to be Roman
practices. They object to pictures of the
stations of the cross & one of his best
men

Evening service

Weekday service

Buildings used.

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men was greatly offended when he saw a picture of the Crucifixion at a lantern lecture, saying that it was not right that such things should be shown nowadays.

The morning congregation is comfortable.

At 7 PM, the Church is well-filled, poorer people come, perhaps 300. More in winter than in summer when there is the counter attraction of the LCC band on the Rye.

Evening is held daily at 7.30. 'Not much good' about 6-12 come. 'I shd ^{not} myself have started it, but my predecessor left it so & I have kept it on.'

On Wednesdays at 8 is evening prayer & sermon when about 40 come, half of whom are church workers.

There were 300 at Communion last Easter.

There is the Church, holding 350.

Mission room of brick beside the Church holding 250. Though at a political meeting just before the election we squeezed in 500. & a coffee tavern & mens club at

Club & Coffee House.

Owen - Sheltenham College Mission.

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at the opposite corner of the road. This coffee tavern replaced a working men's club that failed. 'It used to be merely a place for drinking & gambling.' The present club has working men on its committee but depends for all its money upon the mission. 'If they did anything I did not like I'd shut it up at once' said Mr Owen. The coffee tavern does not pay. At the side of it is a gravelled garden with parallel bars & tables for tea in summer but the people will not come!

The club contains just under 60 members. Mostly young men of the better sort. 'The best men prefer to stay at home & the worst prefer the public house, we get the in-betweeners.'

Sunday Schools. 400 on the Books - about 320 com.

'It is here that the competition of the different religious bodies is most felt!' Mr Owen wd like not to give treats but the immediate effect he knows wd be to empty the schools. The children wd go somewhere else. 'I try that there shd be as little bribery as possible; Treats
he

Sunday Schools.

Treats he thinks are very good for the children but the mothers do think somehow that their children earn the treats by coming to school & are furious if as a punishment for mis-behaviour the child is forbidden to come. For the month previous to the treat school attendance does not count.

Visiting. Not street by street. But Mr Owen himself visits 3 or 4 hours every afternoon except Saturdays: so do his assistants & they have good district visitors as well. Mr O. talks upon general topics: religion is only mentioned if the other side begins. He wd think it impertinent to go in & at once ask to kneel down & pray as some do: he wd be very angry if some clergyman were to come in & do the same to him. He meets with very few rebuffs. As far as possible he prefers to be unprofessional for fear of encouraging insincerity.

They have a Church Army nurse paid 10/- a week. Other influences are the Salvation Army which are fair

Visiting

Nurse.

Peckham Rye religious pleasuring.

Fairly strong & a chapel in Linden Grove has a mission in the district: the LCM works with this chapel.

The people are indifferent & apathetic as to church going but they crowd on to the Rye in very large numbers to hear the LCC band or the contests between the Nunhead Christian Band & the Athletes. There is also a man with a strident voice by name Humphreys (a bookseller in Paternoster Row) who attracts 400 or 500, mostly men between 12.30 & 1.30 on Sunday mornings. 'I wish I could attract so many men' said Mrs Owen. Peckham Rye is the religious cockpit of S London. The LCC Band on Sunday evenings empties the neighbouring churches: Mrs Owen loses at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of his. There are ^{at least} ~~at least~~ ^{at least} fewer people in the last two Sundays of May than in the first two before the band has begun. The whole road is blocked with people & carriages on Sundays right up Rye Lane. On Sundays the band plays between 6 & 8.30: & on Thursdays ^{at}

between 6 & 9. They play good music but Mr O wishes they wd stop during church time.

Out relief fairly easily obtained: generally 3/6 for a single person & supplemented in kind.

Police always ready to come when asked, seem good but he takes it for granted that they are in with the publicans & hotel keepers, tho' the ex-policeman that he knows most strenuously denies it.

Drink. The cause. Wishes for legislation. Wd prevent children fetching beer. 'It is an acquired taste, why shd we train them by allowing them to sip!' Wd restrict Sunday hours & have fewer pubs. Has never seen a child drunk, or anyone under 10. Wd restrict grocers licenses. Women's drinking among the poor terrible, has seen a drunken mother suckling her child; he remonstrated with her saying it was simply beer that the child was drinking & she answered with a 'beer 'no, gin'.

Thrift: Collecting Bank. 1200 depositors.
Slate Club. 150.

Out relief.

Police

Drink.

last year at the meeting of the State Club he proposed to the committee a procession through the parish headed by a brass band ending with a service in the Church. Everyone seemed to approve. On the Day, the Band came at a cost of £2. But there were only two besides himself to make the procession or take part in the Service. A terrible fiasco! He has been told by a working man that the reason why he did not come to church was that the majority of those that did were humbugs & he was a good serious man who said this.

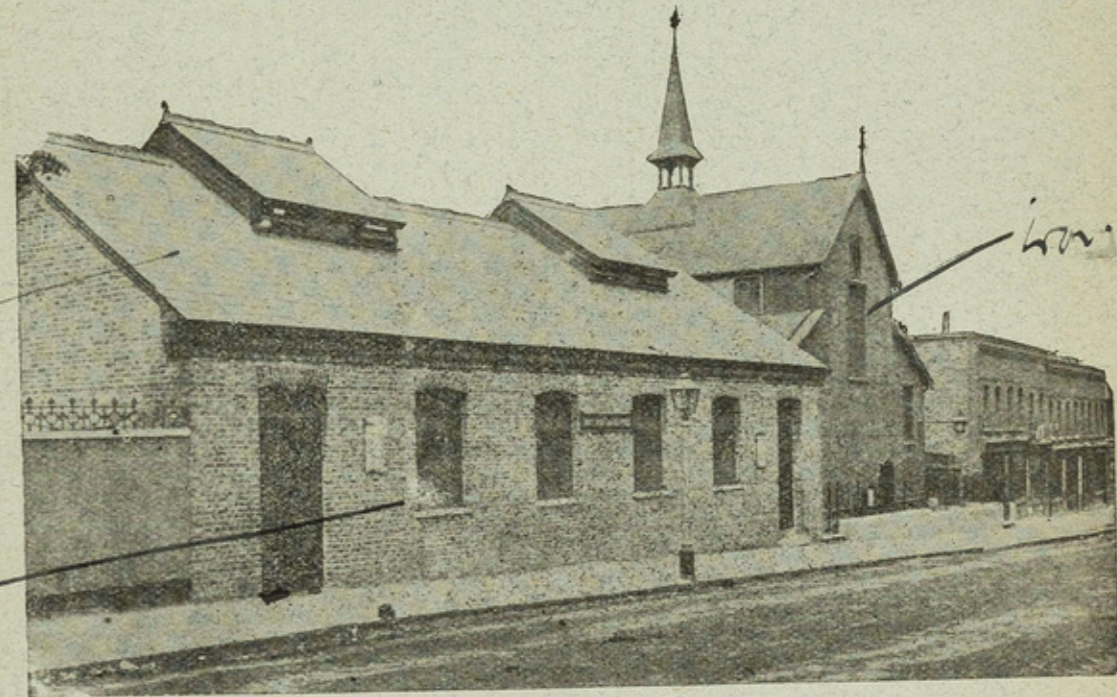
Very healthy district.

Mr. Owen does not claim to have got hold of the working class. He says all as friendly to him & he hopes he may be having a real influence for good by working steadily. There is plenty of money spent for a Poor Sick! £44 on treats: £64 on sales & entertainments: £94 on coffee & tea: £22 on clubs: £30 on summer holidays. etc etc. vid. annual report. a magazine beneath

Cheltenham College Mission Church

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NUNHEAD, S.E.



SERVICES held in the Mission Church.

SUNDAYS

7 a.m.—Holy Communion (2nd Sunday). } 40
 8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon, and Holy Communion on 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays.
 3.30 p.m.—Children's Service.
 4.15 p.m.—Baptisms and Churchings (free).
 7 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

WEEK DAYS

DAILY, 7.30 p.m., Evensong. } 6-12
 WEDNESDAYS, 7.30 Baptisms; 8 p.m., Evening Prayer and Sermon. } 40
 SAINTS' DAYS. Holy Communion, 7.0 or 10.0
 THURSDAYS, 7.0 a.m., Holy Communion.
 WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, Morning Prayer and Litany at 10 a.m.

MEETINGS, Etc.

SUNDAY, 10 a.m., Sunday School; 3 p.m., Sunday School.
 MOTHERS' MEETING, Mondays at 2.15 p.m.
 TEMPERANCE MEETINGS, alternate Mondays at 8.0.
 GIRLS' BIBLE CLASS, Tuesdays at 8.0, at the Day Nursery.
 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' MEETING, 2nd Friday at 8.0 p.m., in alternate months.
 WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS, Thursdays at 8.0 p.m., at the Day Nursery.
 BAND OF HOPE, Wednesdays at 6.45 p.m.
 CHOIR PRACTICE, Thursdays at 8.0 p.m.
 PROVIDENT CLUB, Saturdays at 5-6 p.m.
 GIRLS' CLUB, Tuesdays and Fridays, 8-10 p.m.
 WORK PARTY, Fridays at 6-7.30 p.m., in the New Mission Room.

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CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER.

- 1—Thursday. Dedication Festival. (See special notice below.)
- 4—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion at 8 and noon. Evening preacher, Rev. W. J. Conybeare.
- 5—Monday. Women's Service at 3.30. Second Limelight Lecture on Early Church History, by the Rev. J. A. Owen, at 8 p.m.
- 11—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. Temperance Sunday, Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m. Morning Preacher, Rev. C. H. Bowden, Vicar of St. Paul's, Bermondsey.
- 12—Monday. Busy Bee Sale 4—10.
- 18—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion at 8 and noon.
- 19—Monday. Third Limelight Lecture on Early Church History, at 8.
- 25—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Sermons and Offertories for the Additional Curates' Society. Evening preacher, Rev. A. J. Robertson, M.A., Lady Margaret Mission.
- 26—Monday. C.E.T.S. Meeting and Concert, at 8.
- 28—Wednesday. Monthly Meeting of Communicants at 8 p.m.
- 30—Friday. Festival of St. Andrew. Intercession for Foreign Missions. Holy Communion at 10 a.m.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL.

The Mission will celebrate its tenth birthday on Thursday, November 1st, which is All Saints' Day, exactly ten years since the day it was founded in 1890. There will be Holy Communion at 7 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 10 a.m., Children's Service at 6, Evening Prayer and Sermon at 8. The offertory will be given to the Mission Poor Fund, and the preacher will be the Rev. A. Cooper-Marsdin, M.A., of Jesus College, Cambridge, and B.D. of Trinity College, Dublin, Curate-in-charge of St. Matthew's, Borstal. After the service Mr. Cooper-Marsdin will hold a half-hour's service for men only. We hope and expect to have a really large gathering of men. The more there are in their working clothes the better. On Sunday, November 4th, the morning sermon will be preached by the Rev. J. A. Owen, and that in the evening by the Rev. W. J. Conybeare, of St. George's, Camberwell.

GIFTS.

We beg gratefully to acknowledge gifts of clothes from Southwood House and Cheltondale, Cheltenham, and 5s. from Mrs. Clitherow and Miss Holmes for material for work parties.

DAY NURSERY.

We regret that in the very satisfactory Annual Report of the Day Nursery, the names of several kind donors were through some extraordinary inadvertence omitted. We can suggest no explanation of the mistake and can only offer a very sincere apology.

BUSY BEE SALE.

Monday, November 12th, is fixed as the day of the Sale, and the Mission Hall will be open from 4 to 10 p.m. There will be a large quantity both of warm new clothing and of fancy articles. The Sale is not restricted to residents in the district, and we trust that we shall be well supported by our wealthier friends. The proceeds of the Sale will go to the Mission Poor Fund, and there is much reason to fear that next winter will be in many ways a very hard time for the poor. A Concert will be given at 8 o'clock. Admission 2d.

LECTURES IN THE MISSION HALL.

On Mondays, November 5th and 19th, Mr. Owen will give the second and third of his course of lectures on Early Church History. The lime-light views will include pictures of Rochester Cathedral, many of the other English Cathedrals and great Churches, and illustrations of historic scenes connected with Alfred the Great, St. Dunstan, and the Norman Conquest. On Monday, December 3rd, Mr. W. J. Bearne, who himself possesses a very splendid lantern, will lecture on Egypt, showing views of its Scenery, Temples, Palaces, and Tombs.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING.

There is no season of the year which gives Churchpeople a better opportunity of showing their love for the Church in which they or their children worship, and the pride they feel in its being made to look beautiful, than the Harvest Thanksgiving. This year the zeal and liberality

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of our congregation did not fail short of our usual standard, which is no small praise. We received gifts of fruit, including some splendid bunches of grapes, pumpkins of enormous size, and other vegetables, flowers in great profusion, and loaves of bread of quite prodigious size, bracken, and evergreens. Donors brought these gifts not only from the Mission district, but from a considerable distance outside the district, and they offered them for the decoration of God's House and so do not need our thanks nor care for the publication of their names. Of course, all these various offerings were indebted for their effect to the skill and taste with which they were arranged by the ladies, who gave up Thursday morning to this labour of love. The "altar," pulpit, lectern, prayer-desks, the rails, font, and windows were all tastefully decorated, and produced a beautiful effect. The Thanksgiving Service was held on Thursday evening, October 4th, when the preacher was the Rev. Gerald Richards, of St. John's Church, Wilton Place. It was a wet evening, and was also the day of the Peckham Election, so that our congregation naturally suffered. The anthem was "Fear not, oh land" by Goss, in which the solo was taken by Mr. Flecknell. The Thanksgiving Services were continued on the following Sunday.

The Thursday and Sunday offertories, amounting to £7 13s. 5½d., were given to the Mission Poor Fund.

The cut flowers were not good for much after their long exposure in the Church, but we had a large quantity of fruit, vegetables, bread, and flowers in pots, which were distributed by the District Visitors and others among the sick and aged.

SALE OF WORK.

We had our autumn Sale on Monday, September 24th, in the Mission Hall. The war seems to have affected us in this as it has in some other ways. So many agencies are collecting clothes for soldiers' families, or comforters and extra clothing for soldiers themselves, that we must expect the supply of articles for sale to fall short of what has been usual. As at the July Sale, it was not necessary, indeed it would have been scarcely right, to invite the assistance of our large band of ready and skilful workers to take part in the Sale. The task of marking the garments was kindly undertaken by Mrs. Clitherow, Mrs. and Miss Rose, Mrs. Wood, and Miss Owen. And in addition to these ladies, the Misses Daly, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Bennett helped in the afternoon at the Sale. The proceeds, including admission money, amounted to £4 6s. 2d.

C.E.T.S. MEETINGS.

We had an excellent Concert on Monday October 1st, and the Mission Hall was well filled. The chair was taken by Mr. Owen, who spoke of the words, "Woe unto the world because of offences," and said that they expressed the principle which underlay temperance work. Offences were very common, that is to say, people set pitfalls or left causes of temptation and mischief about, which worked moral ruin to others. One of the commonest of these offences was the custom of treating. It was well known what pitiful sights were witnessed in the streets of London and elsewhere throughout the country when our troops went away to uphold the honour of their country. We were all proud of what they had done, and it would be making a poor return to send them to their homes when they came back to England, helpless and humiliated under the influence of strong drink. Lord Roberts knew what an enemy to the British army strong drink was, and did all he could to encourage non-alcoholic drinking. It would be a lamentable thing that his efforts should be frustrated through the selfish and indolent stupidity of people who had no idea of showing their goodwill to a friend other than saying, "Come, and have a drink."

The Concert was arranged by Miss Owen, who played a pianoforte duet with Miss Holmes, as well as two violin solos. Miss Mabel Rose sang "The Butterfly" and "I trust you still," the latter with a violin accompaniment. The other vocalists were Mr. Marsdin and a little girl named Lily Thomas. It is needless to say that the musical and instrumental, was all much appreciated and, if only encores were permitted, several pieces would have been repeated. Mr. Owen gave two readings, and a temperance address was delivered by the Rev. W. H. Brotherton, Curate of St. Barnabas', Dulwich, who described himself as a life-long abstainer, and said that, even if it could be shown that beer and wine were nutritious, which, as a matter of fact, had not been done, and indeed it was proved that there was no nutriment in alcohol, but if it could be shown, he would refuse to give up the temperance ways in which he had been brought up, because he saw all around him such vast mischief caused by the prevailing drinking habits. He urged total abstinence upon his hearers both as a way of benefiting themselves and others. When he saw the ruin that was caused by drink and the indifference with which it was treated, he was reminded of the man who drifted along Niagara stream, disregarding warnings of danger until he found the current too strong to contend against and he was swept over the Fall. We have been

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told that love of money is a root, not the root, of all evil. The love of drink is certainly another such root.

At the conclusion Mr. Owen proposed a well deserved vote of thanks to his friends who had assisted in making the entertainment so successful.

On Monday evening, October 15th, an attractive programme and the expectation of an address from a very old friend of the Mission, the Rev. H. R. Chappel, combined to bring together a very large attendance at the Mission Room. The chair was taken by Mr. Hamilton, who, after the meeting had been opened in the usual way with prayer and singing, spoke of the mischief caused by the prevailing drinking customs. There was much open drinking, he said, and much secret drinking. The open drinking was apparent to any one who rode to the city on the top of an omnibus even as early as 10 a.m. It was very painful to see so many women frequenting the public bars. But there was also a large amount of secret drinking. Many would take a little drop of something when they had the toothache, and would continue the little drop, after the toothache was gone. He wished to leave with his hearers the solemn thought that no drunkard could inherit the kingdom of Heaven.

The Concert began with a pianoforte solo played by Master H. Loder, another pianist being Miss Bowing. Songs were sang by Miss Hester, "The Letter Song" and "Good-bye"; Miss Amy Aldous, "The Songs the Children Sing" and "In the Chimney Corner"; Mr. Lawrence Payne, "Oh, hear the wild wind blow" and "Lads in Red"; Mr. Bernard Doyle, "Ora pro Nobis" and "Whisper and I shall hear"; and Mr. T. Crickmay, "The Old Soldier." Again the stern behest printed on each bill, "No encores," with difficulty restrained the audience from requesting a repetition of several of the songs, and Miss Pearse is to be congratulated on the successful concert given by her musical friends.

Between the parts an address was given by the Rev. H. R. Chappel, who, as a temperance reformer, expressed his great dissatisfaction at the result of the elections. The party now in power opposed temperance legislation—there were too many brewers and shareholders in brewery companies among them—and there was no hope for the next six years. Some time ago on his way home from Nunhead, he passed late at night a big public not far from his home. He saw a little girl of about four who had been sent to fetch the beer, coming out of the house with a jug in her hand, from which she first helped herself, and then

helped a little baby sister of two. What was likely to be the life of those little children? And how many other little children were sent every day to the public, and by that means taught to be fond of drink. It was a selfish and wicked and cruel thing for parents to send their children to a public-house. And how degrading a thing it was for women to frequent a public. In country parts a woman who did such a thing was shunned by respectable people. It was much to be wished that public opinion in towns would also condemn such an unwomanly practice. We who care for temperance must learn to meet the wiles of the publican. He would advise the Mission to have its own Christmas Clubs, and especially he insisted that we must not be content with trying to civilise profligates and drunkards, we must also and above all to make them Christians. Temperance is the handmaid to religion.

THE BISHOPS AND TEMPERANCE REFORM.

(From the Lancet.)

It would be difficult to exaggerate the credit due to the Bishops for their interest in the promotion of legislation for effecting temperance reform. The remarkable discussions in Parliament during the late Session must have convinced the Government that both parties in the State are of opinion that Parliament has yet more duties to discharge in connexion with the "superfluous drinking" of the country. The reluctance of the Government to undertake such legislation has impressed both its supporters and its opponents. The preoccupation of the country in the present Session has been so complete as to give some colour of excuse to this reluctance, but enough has happened even this year both in the House of Commons and in the House of Lords to show that the country is in no mood to allow the results of the work of the Royal Commission on the Liquor Laws to be regarded as waste-paper. It was inevitable that there should be some difference of opinion in the Commission, but the enormous pecuniary interests involved and the popular habits of the nation were a security that no free play would be given to intemperate teetotalism desiring to treat men as children and Englishmen as Mahomedans. On the other hand, various influences have come into play in the cause of true temperance which cannot be ignored. Some great physicians and surgeons have sounded a note of warning and made it clear to all intelligent people that the present scale of the consumption of alcohol has no reason in sense or science,

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and that alcohol generates disease wholesale, physical and mental, and is responsible for 25 per cent. at least of our insanity, and for a very large proportion of our vice and crime. One of the most remarkable facts in this discussion of late years has been the significant and ominous emphasis with which our military leaders have advocated temperance and have insisted on the partial or total exclusion of alcohol from the diet of their troops in time of war. The tone of their testimony could scarcely have been more earnest if they had seen some great catastrophe due to the careless use of alcohol. We all know how disastrous the habit of drink may become in the case, say, of a medical man charged with the care of an individual life at a crisis of accident or disease. *A fortiori* is the use of alcohol fraught with peril to men who are charged with great responsibilities as are soldiers and sailors. This has been now widely recognised, and above the enjoyment of alcohol which characterises us as a nation there has risen a public opinion—intelligent, moral, and religious—which demands that alcoholism shall be restrained, and must be restrained if sanitation and social happiness are to be advanced, and if the nation is to hold its own in the new era of responsibility and competition on which all living and dominant races are now entering.

Amongst the forces which will compel politicians and statesmen to deal with the vice of drunkenness, or as the majority of the Royal Commissioners euphemistically put it, "superfluous drinking," the Bishops have ranked themselves most creditably, and they have been well supported by their own clergy and by the ministers of all denominations. They have not contented themselves with setting a good example, but in their elevated place in the Legislature they have spoken with no uncertain sound and they have succeeded in showing that in the House of Lords there is a strong feeling in favour of legislation. Since that memorable debate, in which the Bishops nearly defeated the Government, they have occupied themselves in putting into the form of a Bill, or rather of three separate Bills, their legislative proposals, based on those recommendations which were practically assented to by both parties in the Royal Commission. These Bills do not by any means exhaust the recommendations so assented to, and we miss two or three in particular to which we are inclined to attach importance. One of these would very properly give to the licensing authority full control over all "off" wine and spirit licenses, including those granted to grocers and restaurants. The demoralisation of women by the grocer's license is a matter of general belief. Little is said about the demoralisation of

the grocer's business by the introduction of the sale of alcoholic drinks, but it is very real. The groceries now play quite a secondary part in the business, and tend to recede more and more into back premises. In any new Bill full authority over this kind of license must be given to the licensing authority. It is vain to talk of curtailing the number of public-houses, perhaps at a great cost, and then to leave uncontrolled the enormous extension of the trade in alcohol which is involved in licenses for its sale granted to grocers, confectioners, and druggists. Other points which are not, we think, included in the draft Bills of the Bishops are control of the licensing of old-fashioned beerhouses, the sale of drink to children under sixteen years of age, and the employment by licensing authorities of persons of some social standing to visit and occasionally report on the condition of licensed premises. We attach great importance to this last recommendation, which is made both in the report of the majority and in that of the minority of the Commissioners. It is scarcely to be expected that the police, familiarised with the drunkenness of the street—which, by the way, all the Commissioners regard as an offence—should have a quick eye to the irregularities of publicans. It is highly desirable that there should be a certain number of men of higher position who should inspect the licensed houses of a district.

For some time past the medical journal *Health* has had a series of articles on the moderate use of intoxicating drink in their relation to health. The last article by Thomas Easton, M.D., gives the answer of science, in which the various opinions of leading authorities are quoted at length. He concludes as follows: "The dictum of science, then, on the subject of moderate drinking is by no means ambiguous. Science cannot support the plea that alcohol is a harmless pleasant beverage. It cannot support the plea of the moderate drinker that alcohol is an aid to health. But it does support the position of the total abstainer with an emphasis which it is culpable to disregard. Science shows how the abstainer can do more and better work than the moderate drinker. Science shows how the abstainer lives longer and is healthier than the moderate drinker. Science, in short, shows that the abstainer lives the normal life while the moderate drinker leads the abnormal."

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"On the embarkation of the troops many sad sights were witnessed, and much injury was done to the soldiers themselves by the carelessness and thoughtlessness of the public, and by the indiscriminate treating of the men to intoxicating drinks, flasks and bottles being thrust into their hands as they marched through the streets.

"Is it too much to hope that those who give vent to their feelings, on the return of the Forces from South Africa, may be induced to avoid the custom of making drinking one of the principal forms of hospitality, and to spend the money intended for the soldiers in some more sensible and less deleterious manner?

"I am, dear Sir,

"Yours faithfully,

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We have to thank many members of the congregation for kindness rendered by taking classes during the absence of the regular teachers on their holiday. At the same time it is well to remind the regular teachers that however willing and however efficient may be the services of their substitutes it is not quite the same thing to the children as having their own teacher present. A substitute is sometimes called upon to take a class at too short notice to study the lesson carefully beforehand, and everybody knows how absolutely essential the previous study of a lesson is if it is to make any impression on the children's minds. Moreover, it takes some time to know a class of children, and a substitute cannot tell at once which of the children have to be placed next to the teacher to make them behave, and which need the teacher's eye upon them constantly in the class and in Church if any order is to be preserved, and everyone knows that without order there is no possibility of giving any instruction. Again, a substitute can hardly be expected to do that most important part of a Sunday School teacher's work, visiting the children, especially absentees, in their homes. Certainly teachers who feel their responsibility will be absent as

seldom as possible. This seems a good time for urging upon all our teachers that they should make a point of attending Holy Communion in a body on the day which has been suggested as suitable for the purpose, the first in each month. If all would do that, there would possibly be greater heartiness and so greater success in our Sunday School work. We have the advantage of possessing a superintendent who does his work with great zeal and earnestness, who is never absent from the post of duty, and never grudges time or effort on behalf of the children and the interests of the School. All the teachers should loyally and cordially support him and save him all un necessary trouble.

[Held over from last month.]

The Sunday School Teachers' Devotional Service was held on Friday evening, October 12th, in the Mission Church, when an appropriate address was given by the Missioner on the words, "To the glory of God," which he said should be the motive and the controlling power in all Church work, and especially so in the case of Sunday School teaching, which required on the part of all Teachers zeal and devotion, patience, perseverance, and prayer.

At the conclusion of the Devotional Service the Teachers adjourned to the New Class-room for the transaction of the usual business. The Missioner presided, and there was an excellent attendance of Teachers. Those present were:—the Misses Daly (2), Owen, Dight (2), Mrs. Taylor, Misses Finn, Horwood, Heather, Ireson, Pearse, Raven Carmichael, Wray, Johnson, L. Way, M. Reilly, Nurse Storer, Mr. Marsdin, the Superintendent, the Assistant Missioner, and the Missioner, who opened the proceedings with prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Superintendent and confirmed.

The Superintendent stated that there were a few matters requiring consideration, as the Church's year would soon be drawing to its close. The first and most important item was that of the Lesson books for the use of the Teachers. It was decided that the fourth of the five years' course of lessons be used, so that eventually the entire series for the five years will have been made use of. Class Registers would all be required, and these were ordered to be procured as usual.

Some important changes in classes were desirable, the suggestions being submitted for the approval of those Teachers whose classes would be affected by the contemplated change. First, the Choir Class, which for some time has been in the charge of Mr. Marsdin in the morning only, to be under his personal care in the afternoon also. This was agreed to as being an excellent

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REPORT FOR 1899-1900.

THE Cheltenham College Mission in South London was founded almost exactly ten years ago, in the year 1890. For the benefit of those Cheltonians who have never yet visited Nunhead, we repeat, what has been so often mentioned, that the Mission Buildings are within about five minutes walk from Nunhead Station on the Crystal Palace line, and it takes rather longer to get there from Peckham Rye Station, which is reached in 20 minutes from Victoria, Ludgate Hill or London Bridge Stations, and there are frequent trains in both directions.

The Mission Buildings consist of an iron church, which holds 350 people, and to which a County Council licence, renewable every third year, is granted, a Mission Hall, which was built four years ago at the expense of the Mission, and a new Class Room, which was also built at the cost of the Mission Committee, largely aided by local effort and liberality. It was opened last Easter and is found most useful as a vestry and a room for holding classes and meetings. All these premises are held by the Mission on a lease of thirty-five years. Owing to the church being built of iron we suffer from extremes of heat and cold to an extent which many people find intolerable. But for the greater part of the year our Sunday evening services are well attended, and there is no doubt that they are very hearty. Visitors often express surprise at the congregational character of the singing, and they are very much appreciated by a large proportion of those who attend. "I should like to do something to show my love for the dear little Mission which has done so much for

me," is a remark that has been made more than once. During the long evenings the Mission Hall is used nearly every evening in the week. Once a fortnight we have a large audience, listening to the Temperance Concerts, which are always very good, and always include an address by an efficient speaker. Another evening the room is occupied with classes of little girls who are being taught sewing; they buy the materials and keep the articles they have made. The next night a Band of Hope is carried on: the children sometimes are entertained and sometimes entertain one another, and usually some information is given them on this most important subject. The next night a Girls' Club are in possession of the Hall, and have musical drill and fan and bar drill, and practise singing under Miss Owen's guidance. Last winter they learnt a Cantata, and gave a very successful concert in the Spring. On another night the Mission Hall is transformed into a gymnasium, and a Club of about twenty young fellows are taught by two distinguished O.C. gymnasts, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Marsdin, how to perform on the horse and the horizontal and parallel bars. Then on Sunday there is quite a different scene. At 10 we have morning Sunday School, followed by a Children's Service which is conducted by the Superintendent, and again at 3 the Hall is packed with our children. On Monday afternoons the Hall is occupied by the Mothers' Meeting. There is an average attendance of fifty, and once a month the meeting closes with a half-hour's service, including a short address, in the Church. Of course all this work requires a large body of helpers and workers. Anyone who sees the list in the *Mission Parish Magazine*, and we hope all our Subscribers make a point of taking it in, will see with astonishment, and probably if it is a Clergyman, with a feeling akin to envy, our long list of workers. It would be ungracious not to take this opportunity of expressing our grateful appreciation of so much zeal and in many cases of really devoted work, both on the part of District Visitors and others who assist in the parochial work, and those to whom we are indebted for the heartiness of our Church Services.

The links connecting the Mission with the College have been drawn closer this year. In addition to the two Missioners who are one a College Master for more than a quarter of a century, and the other an O.C., we now have another O.C. working with us in the person of Mr. F. B. Marsdin, who has for many years taken a great interest in the Mission, and has now on leaving Cambridge, come to reside in the District. In this connection may be mentioned a supper which was given last December by O.C.'s., chiefly Oxford and Cambridge Undergraduates, to the men who work for the Mission and who attend the church. The Chairman was Mr. John Dickinson, and the Vice-chairman Mr. Douglas Coghill, M.P., and we had an exceedingly pleasant evening.

We have this year lost the services of the Deaconess, who worked for us with great zeal for more than five years. She has gone to Charlton, and has left many attached friends in Nunhead. Her place is taken by Nurse Storer, who has been trained by the Church Army, and has already done much excellent work in our District.

One important change that has taken place during the year is the removal of the Day Nursery to other premises, just opposite the former crèche. The present house is much more commodious, there is a good garden, and the children still have the benefit of Mrs. Bell's motherly care. There are many mothers who must work every day or several days in the week, and it is much better for them to leave their children where they know they will be safe and well fed than to trust to the occasional supervision of a kind neighbour.

Last winter was on the whole a mild season, though there were two or three weeks when work was scarce. The war made many necessities dear, and the war funds affected nearly all charities. However through the kindness of some of our staunch friends we were able to relieve most of the worst cases of distress in the district. There is every prospect of next winter being a very hard time for the poor. In the summer

our great need is the means of sending sick and delicate and tired people to the sea or the country. Here too we have reason to be very grateful for the liberality which has enabled us to give a fortnight's change to ten children, and twenty-two adults, in addition to one whole family in somewhat better circumstances who greatly needed a change. Besides all this we assisted in the work of the Country Holiday Fund, and about 80 children from Nunhead had the fortnight's holiday which is arranged and partly paid for by the C.C.H.F. Committee. We also took a large party of our "Mothers" to Ramsgate, the Band of Hope had a delightful day on the Surrey Hills, and the Sunday Schools, thanks to a large College Offertory and the liberality of many Cheltonians, were given an outing to Bognor: the weather was perfect, and the children are likely to remember that day for years to come.

We are very glad to receive presents. The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge has made us a grant of five pounds' worth of books for a Children's Lending Library. Cheltondale and Boyne House send us illustrated papers when they have done with them. These give great pleasure to invalids, and during the war, the soldiers' wives, of whom we have a large number, were very pleased to see the battle pictures. Cast off clothing too is acceptable. We generally have three or four sales a year, in which we do our best not to compete with those who make their living by that trade, and the articles sold at these sales are old clothes; and new garments which we receive from the College Ladies' Needlework Guild, and partly from the Ladies' Work Party which meets in the new Class Room every week during the winter months.

An account of our Mission Work would not be complete without a reference to the Provident Collecting Bank. The District is divided into sections, each of which has a separate Collector. The Bank is open every Saturday evening and is managed by Mr. John Pollock. We have about 1,200 depositors or more and the sum deposited every week amounts on the

average to about £14. Interest at 2½ per cent. is given on all deposits exceeding 10/- and not exceeding £2.

The Men's Club has done a little better this year than last: the Mission premises are used by three Clubs of young men and lads, for one of which we procured the use of a cricket pitch on alternate Saturdays during the summer on the London Playing Fields. It is very hard to find ground for our games; for football we have so far found it impossible. This same Club has lately been admitted to membership of the Men's Club, a measure from which we hope for not only a large increase of members but the infusion of new spirit and vigour.

Unfortunately the attendance of the Church Lads' Brigade became so very slack that we found it necessary to put an end to it or at least to suspend it.

Besides these Clubs we have Bible Classes, one for lads conducted by the Assistant Missioner, and one for women and another for girls which were under the charge of the Deaconess and are now conducted by Nurse Storer.

It would be a great advantage if more O.C's. would take in our Magazine. When it was started several subscribers sent a good deal more than the bare subscription, and the Magazine was prosperous. It is not prosperous now, though it ought to prosper, if the cheerful devotion of many hours every month to its distribution and great zeal on the part of a family of our Church Workers would ensure success. It does good in the neighbourhood and it will be a misfortune if it should have to be given up.

We always cherish the hope that O.C's. working in London may come and reside in Nunhead and take an active part in their School's Mission. It is a very pleasant suburb to live in and is within easy reach both of the City and the West End. For many reasons it would be an excellent thing if we could have a Cheltonian Settlement here.

JAMES A. OWEN.

CHELTHENHAM COLLEGE MISSION BALANCE SHEET, 1899—1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance from last year ..	203 9 0	Provident Bank Expenses ..	2 17 10
Subscriptions and Donations ..	254 5 0	Curate ..	105 0 0
" from Boarding Houses ..	116 9 2	License ..	1 4 0
Offeratories and Entertainments ..	89 12 11	Missioners' Journeys and Petty Cash ..	7 3 1
Sundries ..	0 4 0	Printing, Postage and Stationery ..	12 3 6
		Gas £24 1s. 3d., less £18 10s. 7d. contributed from Nunhead ..	5 4 8
		Rates ..	12 13 8
		Rent ..	37 0 0
		Club ..	40 0 0
		Deaconess ..	21 12 0
		Caretaker ..	45 10 0
		Treats Fund ..	18 19 5
		Mr. Marsdin ..	20 0 0
		Sundries ..	3 17 2
		New Room (less local contributions)	106 1 8
		Donation transferred to Missioner ..	5 0 0
		Carried to Reserve ..	200 0 0
		Balance in hand ..	19 13 1
	<u>£664 0 1</u>		<u>£664 0 1</u>

26th October, 1900.

Examined and found correct—

A. A. HUNTER,
A. A. BOURNE.

OFFERTORY ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Offeratories—		Special Offeratories—	
First Quarter ..	47 18 6	Poor Fund—Harvest Festival ..	4 10 5
Second Quarter ..	29 12 0	All Saints' Day ..	0 19 7
Third Quarter ..	48 2 6	Christmas Day ..	3 1 8½
Fourth Quarter ..	30 5 5	Slate Club Procession ..	2 3 4½
	<u>155 18 5</u>	Easter Day ..	8 0 0
Offertory Box in Church ..	3 2 0	Soldiers and Sailors ..	6 11 9
Ditto for Soldiers and Sailors' Families Association ..	1 0 0	Box in Church ..	3 2 0
Funeral Fees per Rev. R. H. Wilson ..	1 0 0	A. C. S. ..	3 0 3
Mission Branch of C.E.T.S. ..	1 0 0	Parochial Mission ..	2 0 0
Mr. Clay's Lectures—taken at door ..	1 13 3	Diocesan C.E.T.S. ..	1 0 0
Balance in hand from last account ..	0 0 9	Mission Sunday School ..	2 4 9½
		Rochester Diocesan Society ..	3 8 0
		Propagation of the Gospel ..	2 10 0
		Hospital Sunday ..	7 5 0
		Organist's Salary ..	21 8 0½
		Hire of Organ ..	15 0 0
		Tuning ..	10 10 0
		Payment of Choir Boys ..	0 15 0
		Printing ..	6 4 8
		Cleaning Church and Club ..	7 5 6
		Coal ..	2 1 9
		Washing of Surplices ..	1 3 10
		Insurance of Church and Hall ..	1 18 6
		Mowbray, less 18½, by Sale of Parish Almanacks ..	3 11 11
		Girls' Club—Rent and Gas ..	10 19 0
		Hassocks, less £1 by Mrs. Clitherow ..	2 10 8
		Hymn Books, Music and Stationery ..	4 18 0
		Mr. Jones, Repairs and Alterations ..	10 9 10
		Lantern Lectures, £2 0s. 6d., less 17/7 Good Friday Offertory ..	1 2 11
		Water Rate ..	2 12 6
		Confirmation Expenses ..	0 10 4
		Smith, Sacramental Wine ..	0 18 8
		Petty Cash, Oil, Tapers, Small Repairs, &c. ..	7 15 11½
		"Altar" Fund ..	0 14 11½
		Mission Sunday School, in addition to Offertory ..	2 10 4½
		L.C.C. Stamp and Fee ..	0 7 6
		Gas ..	18 16 7
	<u>£164 13 1½</u>		<u>£164 13 1½</u>

JAMES A. OWEN,
JAMES W. FEARN.

POOR AND SICK FUND.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Offerteries—		Tradesmen's Accounts—	
Harvest Services ..	4 10 5	Grocery ..	9 19 4
All Saints' Day ..	0 19 7	Coal ..	10 18 9
Christmas Day ..	3 1 8½	Meat ..	2 17 3
Slate Club Procession ..	2 3 4½	Milk ..	8 13 3
Easter Day ..	8 0 0	Druggist ..	0 13 2
Christmas Gifts—	18 15 1	Cab Hire ..	1 5 0
Rev. Dr. James ..	5 0 0	Relief Given in Money ..	12 1 2
Miss Evans ..	5 0 0	Subscription to Peckham Nursing Asso-	
Mr. W. F. Maynard ..	1 1 0	ciation ..	5 0 0
Mr. Montagu Parkin ..	1 1 0		
Mr. G. G. Fruen (for special			
purpose) ..	2 0 0		
Mrs. Raven ..	0 5 0		
Miss Maxwell ..	14 7 0		
Deaconess Haselton and Miss Haselton ..	1 10 0		
Mr. B. St. J. Wynn Willson ..	0 10 0		
Mr. J. Moseley ..	0 10 0		
T. F. ..	0 10 6		
Easter Day, Box ..	1 0 0		
Dr. Abercrombie ..	0 5 0		
Bank Interest Returned ..	0 7 6		
Mr. T. B. Hamilton ..	0 1 0		
Mr. F. Prior ..	0 10 0		
George and Tricksie (Lenten Savings) ..	0 2 6		
Miss Leo ..	0 16 6		
Sale of Work Fund ..	5 0 0		
	7 2 10		
	£51 7 11		

Examined and found correct,

A. E. LEATHERBARROW.

JAMES A. OWEN,*

£51 7 11

TREATS FUND ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Offertery in Cheltenham College Chapel, June 17 18 19 5		Christmas Treat—	
Clinton Dawkins, Esq. ..	10 0 0	Women ..	1 10 11
H. H. Hornby, Esq. ..	5 0 0	Boys ..	1 14 1½
W. H. Lyall, Esq. ..	2 12 6	Infants and Girls ..	2 13 3
Miss Parkin ..	1 0 0	Girls' Club ..	0 12 1½
Mrs. Eardley Hill ..	1 1 0	"Dorcas" Tea—Shaw ..	4 0 0
Captain Swinton ..	0 10 6	Prizes ..	1 5 0
Hon. W. Thesiger ..	1 0 0	Less Mrs. Clitherow ..	2 0 0
Philipson Stow, Esq. ..	1 1 0	Miss Holmes ..	0 10 0
Miss Griffiths ..	0 5 0	Miss Clarke ..	0 5 0
Sale of Work Fund ..	2 5 7½	Mrs. Hamilton ..	0 2 0
		Miss Young ..	0 2 0
		Summer Treat—Mothers :—	2 19 0—
		Railway ..	2 6 0
		Tea ..	1 12 0
		Sundries ..	1 6 0
			0 5 0
		Less Mrs. Clitherow ..	3 3 0
		Choir Treat ..	1 0 0—
		Sunday School Treat—Boys and Girls :—	2 3 0
		Railway ..	1 12 9
		Tea ..	33 14 6
		Printing ..	13 17 3
		Sundries ..	0 7 0
			0 7 6
		Less by payment for Tickets	48 6 3
		Infants' Tea—Shaw ..	19 7 0—
		Toys ..	1 11 6
		Police ..	0 7 1½
			0 5 0—
			2 3 7½
			£43 15 0½

Examined and found correct—

A. E. LEATHERBARROW.

JAMES A. OWEN.

£43 15 0½

ASSISTANT MISSIONERS FUND.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
By Treasurer of Cheltenham Committee	..	105	0	Paid Rev. R. H. Wilson, Michaelmas to Ladyday	75	0	0
" A.C.S. ..	..	50	0	" " " " Ladyday to Michaelmas	80	0	0
		£155	0	JAMES A. OWEN.	£155	0	0

SALES AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE	£	s.	d.
Busy Bee Sale (October, 1899)	..	26	14	Expenses of Busy Bee Sale — Printing and Carriage of Parcels..	..	1	19
December Sale, including £2 5s. od., for Busy Bee ..	..	5	7	Concert Expenses ..	..	1	10
Second Performance of Nettlecoats ..	..	12	7	Cost of Materials for Work Party ..	..	1	11
April Sale ..	..	2	16	Carriage of Parcels ..	..	2	3
July Sale ..	..	3	8	Paid to College Treasurer (building New Class Room) ..	..	1	1
September Sale ..	..	6	19	Reserved for New Piano ..	..	30	16
		£64	4	Clubs ..	..	4	13
		2	8	Treats ..	..	2	10
		£64	4	Brigade ..	..	2	5
		2	8	Poor and Sick Fund ..	..	1	7
		2	2	Reserved ..	..	7	2
		6	19			10	8
		10	8	JAMES A. OWEN.	£64	4	2

COFFEE TAVERN ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Received from Treasurer of the Cheltenham Committee ..	..	40	0	Rent ..	..	50	0
" " from Treasurer of Men's Club ..	..	16	6	Property Tax and Rates ..	..	14	7
" " from Slate Club ..	..	2	0	Water Rate ..	..	2	8
Coffee Tavern. Received over Counter 160 12 3½				Gas ..	..	20	8
Cost of Provisions £108 15 10½ } 148 15 10½				Smith ..	..	2	0
Wages ..	..	40	0	Coal ..	..	2	0
Linden Club ..	..	11	16	Inland Revenue ..	..	1	6
Young Men's Club ..	..	8	16	Repairs and Sundry Expenses ..	..	1	6
Lads' Club ..	..	3	8			6	9
W. H. Bosanquet, Esq. ..	..	0	8	JAMES A. OWEN,	£94	3	4
J. A. Pruen, Esq. ..	..	5	0	R. H. WILSON.			
Oxford O.C.'s per J. M. Eldridge, Esq. ..	..	2	2				
Captain Swinton ..	..	1	7				
Sales Fund ..	..	0	10				
		2	10				

CHELTHENHAM COLLEGE MISSION YOUNG MEN'S CLUB.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Entrance Fees ..	..	1	2	Purchase of Boxing Gloves and Games..	..	0	13
Subscription to March 25th, 1900 ..	..	2	13	Rent and Gas to March 25th, 1900 ..	..	1	8
" " Sept. 29th, 1900 ..	..	3	9	" " to Sept. 29th, 1900 ..	..	2	0
Visitors' Fees, Fine, &c. ..	..	0	1	Football ..	..	0	10
Donations—Dr. Clitherow ..	..	0	10	Postage, &c. ..	..	0	3
" " Mr. A. E. Leatherbarrow ..	..	0	5	Groundsman ..	..	0	1
" " G. Standley ..	..	0	5	To Expenses of Cricket Club ..	..	3	5
" " H. Johnson ..	..	0	10	Balance in Treasurer's hands ..	..	0	17
From Sale of Flannels ..	..	0	2				
		£8	18	H. MOSS,	£8	18	7
		7		R. H. WILSON.			

YOUNG MEN'S CRICKET CLUB.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
From Treasurer, C.C.M.Y.M.C.	.. 3 5 0	Minute Book ..	.. 0 0 9
Subscriptions ..	.. 1 15 0	Advertising for Fixtures ..	.. 0 1 11
Donations—Mr. Mellersh..	.. 1 0 0	Postage ..	.. 0 5 11½
" Mr. Blyth ..	.. 1 0 0	Rent of Ground ..	.. 6 10 0
		Balance in Treasurer's hands ..	.. 0 1 4½
	<u>£7 0 0</u>		<u>£7 0 0</u>

A. GLASS,
R. H. WILSON.

LADS' CLUB.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Entrance Fees ..	.. 0 8 5	Games, etc. ..	.. 0 6 7½
Subscriptions ..	.. 1 4 10	Boxing Gloves ..	.. 0 7 3
Donation ..	.. 0 2 6	Gas, etc. ..	.. 0 8 0
		Caretaker ..	.. 0 2 6
	<u>£1 15 9</u>	Balance in Treasurer's hands ..	.. 0 11 4½

J. WAY,
R. H. WILSON.

CHURCH LADS BRIGADE.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance in hand ..	.. 1 12 10	Bandmaster's Salary ..	.. 2 0 0
By Mr. Hurst ..	.. 0 8 11	Drill Sergeant ..	.. 0 8 0
" W. L. Mellersh, Esq. ..	.. 1 0 0	Spring Board ..	.. 1 6 2
Sale of Work Fund ..	.. 1 17 2	Sundries ..	.. 0 3 0
	<u>£4 18 11</u>	Returned to Brigade Members ..	.. 0 11 9
		Mr. Gee ..	.. 0 10 0

JAMES A. OWEN.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
By Sunday School Offertory ..	.. 2 4 9½	To Mr. C. Taylor for Books ..	.. 1 12 11
Grant from Offertory Fund ..	.. 2 10 4½	Sunday School Institute for Registers, &c. ..	.. 2 11 9
Sale of Hymn Books ..	.. 0 1 10	Printing ..	.. 0 8 0
	<u>£4 17 0</u>	Carriage of Parcels..	.. 0 1 2
		Mr. Weeks for Carols ..	.. 0 3 2

T. WEEKES HOLMES.
JAMES A. OWEN.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Mrs. Maxwell ..	.. 10 0 0	1 man, 22 women, and 10 children sent away for a fortnight each to Convalescent Homes	21 14 5
H. W. Currie, Esq. (for Children) ..	.. 5 0 0	Railway Fares paid ..	2 7 4
F. Brandt, Esq. ..	.. 1 0 0	Children's Country Holiday (assisted) ..	1 3 3
Hon. Mrs. Barton ..	.. 3 0 0	Spent according to "Brooksmithite's" wishes ..	5 0 0
Miss Leo ..	.. 5 0 0		
E. J. S. "Thank Offering" ..	.. 0 5 0		
"A Brooksmithite," for a special purpose	.. 5 0 0		
Reserved in last year's Account ..	.. 1 0 0		
	<u>£30 5 0</u>		<u>£30 5 0</u>

Miss Lyall, Letter for Clewer Home.

JAMES A. OWEN.

DEACONESS AND NURSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
By Treasurer of Cheltenham Committee ..	21 12 0	To Deaconess Alice (three quarters of a year)	50 5 0
Rochester Diocesan Association (three quarters of a year) ..	22 10 0	Nurse Storer (two weeks) ..	1 17 0
Mrs. Maxwell ..	10 0 0		
Graham Maxwell, Esq. ..	1 0 0		
The Misses Maxwell ..	3 0 0		
	<u>£58 2 0</u>		<u>£58 2 0</u>

C.E.T.S. ACCOUNT.—October 2nd, 1899, to September 17th, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance in hand ..	2 11 1	Stamps and Post Cards ..	0 6 6
Subscriptions paid ..	3 18 7	Temperance Stationery ..	0 9 6
Sale of Badges ..	0 1 3	Laundress ..	0 3 6
Balance from Boxing Night ..	0 12 8	Removal of Piano ..	0 5 6
Balance from Social Evening ..	5 1 6	Portable Copper and Accessories ..	1 6 10
Linden Club, for use of Crockery ..	0 2 6	Expenses of Speakers ..	0 4 6
Balance from Easter Tea ..	1 10 0	Expenses of Lantern Lecture ..	0 3 6
Balance from Whit-Monday ..	0 13 6	Oxygen ..	0 2 0
	<u>14 11 1</u>	Hymn Books ..	0 9 3
Sept. 17th—Subscriptions ..	0 3 0	Tea Cloths and Tea Trays ..	0 4 7½
	<u>£14 14 1</u>	Programmes ..	2 1 2
		Affiliation Fee ..	0 10 0
		Gas, etc., in Mission Hall ..	1 0 0
		Balance in hand ..	7 7 2½
			<u>£14 14 1</u>

Examined and found correct—

CATHERINE R. HORWOOD.

BAND OF HOPE ACCOUNT,

October, 1899, to September, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Balance in hand ..	0 7 1	By Membership Cards, Pay Cards, Captain's Books, Prizes, Postages, &c. ..	0 17 5½
" Payments by Members and Sale of Tickets for Treat and Entertainments ..	13 9 5½	" Winter Treat (Christmas) ..	2 5 10
" Proceeds of Miss Talbot's Concert ..	1 15 6	" Lantern Slides and Gas ..	0 12 11
	<u>£15 12 0½</u>	" Bell 1½, Lock 2½, Tuning Piano 1/6, and Printing Cards for Treat 3/9 ..	0 8 3
		" Summer Treat ..	9 6 9
		" Balance in hand ..	2 0 10
			<u>£15 12 0½</u>

Oct. 1, 1900.

A. E. LEATHERBARROW, SECRETARY.
Audited and found correct—
JAMES A. OWEN.

NEW CLASS ROOM BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
College Treasurer ..	104 18 0	Messrs. Mitson & Co., Iron Builders ..	147 15 0
Busy Bee Sales and Concert (after deducting Expenses) ..	30 16 6	Mr. Beckey's Fee ..	2 2 0
Dr. Clitherow ..	5 0 0		
T. Weekes Holmes, Esq. ..	5 0 0		
Rev. R. H. Wilson ..	1 0 0		
Miss H. A. Dunn ..	0 10 6		
A.C. ..	0 10 0		
W. Beckey, Esq. ..	2 2 0		
	<u>£149 17 0</u>		<u>£149 17 0</u>

MAGAZINE ACCOUNT.—From October 1st, 1899, to Sept. 30th, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Advertisements	28 0 0	Balance due to Hon. Manager at Sept. 30, 1899	4 18 10½
Monthly Sales	19 5 0½	Mr. F. Sherlock, for Magazines and Church	.. .. .
Subscriptions	5 3 3	Monthly	51 3 0
Cheltenham Subscriptions	3 13 6	Stationery and Carriage	1 8 6
Proceeds of Concerts, per Hon. Manager	4 2 6	Postages	2 11 3
Amount due for Advertisements	11 7 0	Sundries	0 5 10
Deficiency	0 1 4	Amount due to Mr. F. Sherlock	11 5 2
	£71 12 7½		£71 12 7½

ARTHUR R. D. TAYLOR.

V. C. IRESON, HON. MANAGER.

ALTAR FUND.—From October 1st, 1899, to September 30th, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Per Rev. J. A. Owen	0 15 0	C. Barber—Cleaning Frontals and Alms Bags	0 9 0
A Member of C.B.S. Lenten Savings	0 10 0	" " Brass Hooks and Brackets for Altar	0 2 9
Box in Church, from Nov. 4th, 1899, to 10th	.. .. .	Brass Lock & Key for Altar Fund Box	0 1 4
October, 1900	0 13 11½	Polishing Liquid and Dusters	0 2 4
	£1 18 11½	Due to Sacristan, Sept. 30th, 1899	0 14 11½
		Balance in hand	0 8 7
			£1 18 11½

ARTHUR D. TAYLOR.

V. C. IRESON, SACRISTAN.

THE DAY NURSERY.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

JULY, 1900.

THE great event of this year has been the realization at last of our wish—to move into larger premises. A suitable house was to let on the opposite side of Nunhead Grove, and we were fortunate enough to secure it. Here we have a good-sized, airy front room used as a play room for the elder children, and a smaller front room, where the infants can sleep undisturbed. At the back is a delightful garden where the children can tumble about on the grass in the summer and imagine themselves country babies. Popular as our crèche has always been, especially since our good matron, Mrs. Bell, has been with us, it ought to be more popular than ever now with the additional space, and fresh air and light.

The other event of importance this year, a less cheerful one to record, is the loss of our valued Treasurer, the Deaconess, who left us in June. She has always taken a keen interest in the babies, and her business capacities have been of great use to us.

Our move has entailed a certain amount of extra expense, and several purchases for the larger rooms have been necessary. Any gifts in money or kind would be more than ever welcome. Small wooden chairs, such as are used in Kindergartens, are much wanted, also plants for a flower stand. Pink print pinafores and toys of every description are always acceptable, especially rag dolls.

We close as usual by cordially thanking our Honorary Medical Adviser, Dr. Bhabha for his continued interest in the little ones, and also the many kind friends who have helped us by gifts, and giving up their time.

The following are some to whom we are especially grateful: Mrs. Boon, Mrs. Bate, Mrs. Clitherow, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Colombé, Mrs. De Latouche, Mrs. Fagg, Mrs. Greenfield, Miss Holmes, Mrs. Peacock, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Walker, junr., Miss Warden, Mrs. Wynne Edwards.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS,

For the period June 1st, 1899, to June 24th, 1900.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Balance from last Account	17 18 8½	Rent of House used for Nursery	..	33	3 0
Subscriptions as per Lists	29 17 0	Matron and Girl (Wages)	..	39	16 0
Letting of Rooms	11 14 0	Printing	..	1	1 0
Payments for Children	53 11 1½	Gas, Coal and Wood	..	9	3 0½
				Milk	..	5	19 5½
				Grocery and General Expenses (including repairs to Nursery and Removal)	..	11	16 4
				Balance in hand	..	12	2 0
			£113 0 10			£113	0 10

Audited and found correct—

14th July, 1900.

A. E. LEATHERBARROW.

Subscriptions and Donations, 1899-1900.

Hon. Treasurer—

A. A. BOURNE, Esq., Southwood House, Cheltenham.

	£	s.	d.
Abercrombie, John, Esq., M.D.	...	1	1 0
Askwith, Rev. Prebendary W. H.	...	1	1 0
Bagnold, A. B., Esq.	...	1	1 0
Baines, A. F. C. T., Esq.	...	0	5 0
Baker, Nathaniel, Esq.	...	1	1 0
Baker, W. M., Esq.	...	10	0 0
Bateman-Champain, Lady	...	1	1 0
Bell-Raisbeck, C. W., Esq.	...	1	1 0
Bennett, E. A., Esq.	...	2	2 0
Bennett, H. G., Esq.	...	2	2 0
Bosanquet, W. H., Esq.	...	2	0 0
Bosanquet, W. H., Esq. (donation)	...	5	0 0
Bourne, A. A. Esq.	...	4	4 0
Boyce, W. F. R., Esq.	...	0	10 6
Bramwell, J. W., Esq., M.D.	...	2	2 0
Brandt, F., Esq.	...	2	0 0
Brooke, Mrs. (in memoriam H. W. G. Brooke)	...	1	0 0
Brooke, Sir Thomas, Bart.	...	5	0 0
Brooke, William, Esq.	...	5	0 0
Buckle, H. W., Esq.	...	1	1 0
Buckle, W. F., Esq.	...	1	1 0
Buller, Rev. S. R. A.	...	1	1 0
Bullock, Colonel R.	...	1	0 0
Burnside, Rev. W. F.	...	1	11 6
Carried forward	...	53	6 0

		£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	53	6	0
Cade, F. J. Esq.	...	1	1	0
Cambridge O.C's. (through J. N. Bateman- Champaign, Esq.	...	3	16	0
Campbell, Captain C. L. K.	...	0	10	0
Carrington, H. T., Esq.	...	2	2	0
Caruth, J. D., Esq.	...	1	0	0
Chalice, Rev. W. D.	...	1	1	0
Clayton, C. H., Esq.	...	1	1	0
Clayton, Rev. H.	...	1	1	0
Coghill, Douglas H., Esq., M.P.	...	2	2	0
Coghill, Norman A., Esq.	...	1	1	0
Coghill, Major C. E., R.A.	...	1	1	0
Cooke, Rev. C. J. R.	...	1	1	0
Cooke, Russell, Esq.	...	1	1	0
Cooke, Temple, Esq.	...	1	1	0
Corser, Haden, Esq.	...	2	2	0
Croker, E. J., Esq.	...	1	1	0
Crosbie, Mrs....	...	2	2	0
Dalton, Lieut-Colonel J. C., R.A.	...	2	2	0
Dickinson, John, Esq.	...	1	1	0
Dixon, Joseph, Esq.	...	0	10	6
Dixon, W. H., Esq.	...	0	3	6
Douglas, R. V., Esq.	...	0	2	6
Dyer, A. E., Esq., Mus.Doc.	...	1	1	0
Earle, C. A., Esq.	...	1	1	0
England, Major-General E. L., C.B....	...	1	0	0
Falle, T., Esq.	...	1	0	0
Ferguson, G. B., Esq., M.D,	...	1	1	0
Foster, T. Nelson, Esq.	...	1	1	0
Francis, E., Esq.	...	1	0	0
Frith, Henry, Esq.	...	1	1	0
Frith, Captain F. G.	...	1	1	0
Gardiner, C. I., Esq.	...	1	1	0
Gardner, Rev. G. L. H.	...	1	1	0
Geddes, Colonel J.	...	1	1	0
Glencross, Colonel W.	...	1	0	0
Gordon, F. F., Esq.	...	2	2	0
Gould, T. W., Esq.	...	2	2	0
Green, S., Esq.	...	1	0	0
Grogan, Mrs	0	10	0
	Carried forward	100	12	6

		£	s.	d.
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Vicar of Christ Church Camberwell.

Rev. Mr. Gilbert.

Parish Boundaries

Nov. 27. 1900.

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Interview with the Rev. Morgan Gilbert. M.A.
Vicar of Christ Church. Camberwell. at his
house. No. 14 Asylum Road.

Mr. Gilbert is a man between 40 & 45 - clean
shaven exc for whiskers, podgy face & rounded
corporation, thick lips, pleasant voice. Stated
by the Archdeacon^{Bp}? Middle height. Has been
here 6 years, coming from Taber Hill.

The parish is bounded on the N by the Canal.

- E. — Railway.
- S — Clifton Crescent.
- W — Asylum Road.

Commercial Road, Lower Park Rd Surrey
Terrace (now called Fencham St): The
Eastern portion is given over to the Corpus
Christi mission, so that the real working
boundary of the parish is Ormside St & O.K. St.
on the East.

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The population is all working class. 'Not six people in the parish keep a servant'. Trades people in the Old Kent Road are the best of & they naturally run to nonconformity. The worst streets on the N side of the O.K. Rd are Ruby St, Vaughan Place & Alexander St. all poor, eaters, labourers, gasworkers, tram & bus men. These are not quite so bad as those on the South side of the Old Kent Rd i.e. Shed Square, Cranmer St, West of Green St Andrew Rd, & Beckley Place. The former are lb in map, the latter db. The latter crowd round the monastery of S Francis of Assisi. The inhabitants are chiefly Irish & Italian. There is a regular Italian colony of ice cream & chestnut men in Beckley Place a paved court. Shed Square has not so many Irish as the rest but, esp on its W side, is equally poor; the E side has broader backs.

The poor first came here from the old market garden times when they worked in the potato fields. They did not follow their work.

See character of population.

work: others became poorer after the gas works strike in 89 when new men were imported by Liverpool via the canal to replace them. At the end the more regular men had more work & the less regular none. The main employer of the district is the Gas Company so that summer is the slack time here & winter the busy season. Nothing brings so much work as a good fog. Altogether 2000 are employed at the Gas-works. The other great employers are the London General Stables & Fran Stables, car-washers, stable men etc: the better men is the contractors & drivers being scattered over the district. Canal gives dock work at loading & unloading: Moys' timber works one of the largest employers on the canal bank. A few men work in Deptford. The women work at laundry work: at Dogsdale's large "Elephant & Castle" shirt & collar works (200 or 300 of them) & at Farquhar & Batt's potted meat & pickle works. About once in two years all the people are turned out of granages^{sheds}, the houses boarded up

Employments in the District

up, & kept shut for 3 months 'but it is at any
good, the same people crowd in elsewhere mean-
while & come back again as soon as they
are reopened.'

"There has been no poverty for want of money in
the last 3 years in the parish; mismanagement
on the woman's part & drunkenness on the
man's have been the cause of what has
existed."

The Church holds 1100.

On Sunday at 11. 250 come 'of whom perhaps
50 w^d be men': 'but a good congrega-
tion for this part of London'. They are
the fairly comfortable class, a few shopkeepers,
'people from Ethnart Rd (p. 14)': 'Distinctly
not the poor.'

At 7 PM 5 or 600 come.

At 8 AM. Communion about 20 come.

12.15. on 1st Sunday. 50 -

after evening service on 3rd Sunday 90.

"The attendance at evening communion shows the
real demand there is for this in a working
class

No want of money.

Sunday Services

Evening communion.

Over 300 Communion at Easter Day.

Church & Chapel influence.

-class District: There is no need for it where the people are well-to-do or fairly comfortable but the mothers of the poor are only really free after they have put their children to bed & they are the attendants in the evening. The Bishop discourages it wishing for a fasting communion in the morning: Mr. Gilbert wd not start it in a new parish but thinks it a great help to spiritual life where the people are poor.

Mr. Gilbert is a 'liberal evangelical': the service is bright & musical - no ritual. In Mr. G's opinion the ^{poor} like appeals to the ear & eye, & that is why high church methods & processions appeal to them. The poor like the man, & will follow him 'providing he speaks without a book', whether his opinions are high or low or broad or narrow. The lower middle like moderation in ritual & attach great importance to the sermon & incline to dissent.

In this parish the Salvation Army has a room but apart from this 'there is not a nonconformist place of worship in the place': though

Dwindling Nonconformity

just outside there are two or 3: 'all poorly attended & getting very few to their services. Occasionally an old resident like Evan Spicer will drive up for the sake of old associations but they are all dwindling. Perkins at Clifton Chapel was strong: the stipend used to be £500 now it is only £250. James at Peckham Park is 'weak' & Marlborough Chapel has but few adherents.

Weekday Services

On Wednesday nights. 80 to 100 come to service. Friday morning at 11.30. 'about 10' all church-workers.

Social agencies - vid report. Young mens. Inst. & Gymnasium: 50 members: 3 mothers meetings & clubs attached.

Mission Room Services

Buildings. Church - & Two mission Rooms. One in Lower Park Road which used to belong to the Ragged School but was given up as the B. Sch did away with necessity for Ragged School. Morning service held here for children 50 to 80 come. Evening service for adults about 60 adults. "It is popularly supposed that the poorer people

will come more freely to a mission stall than to the Church, but I have not found it so in my experience. 'The truth is that the people are indifferent & apathetic, we want of a little of the opposition of the East End to set us up'. Mr G was a curate in Stratford & after that in Tulse Hill. By the East End he meant Stratford.

The second mission room is on the Canal Bridge just inside the Gasfactory. Service here on Sunday evenings. 40 or 50 come.

He used to give regular addresses inside the Gas works to the stokers but 'stokers are a curious set of people, a father to son trade & old fashioned'. One of his curates happened to say the word 'fellow' in reference to ~~one of~~ them, innocently & politely: this was during a sermon. Stubbornly resulted, a spokesman got up & asked if he knew what he was speaking about, did he mean intentionally to insult them, he thought everyone knew that the word 'fellow' only mean a sheep stealer. Since ^{then}

Gas stokers

Sunday Schools & Bible Classes.

Visiting

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then the addresses have been given up but he still goes in & talks to the men - ^{1st} ^{2nd} ^{3rd} during the shifts as a friend & they are glad to see him.

Sunday Schools - Are the most successful feature of my Church work: the most hopeful.

11 to 1200 on the books: an attendance of 700.

There are 5 schools.

The largest of them is in Aoylen Rd. next B^d School & he has lately had to take part of the B^d school - average here 170 girls 170 boys ²⁸⁰.

On Sunday night at 7 there is a service for children only. 200 to 300 come - only a few grown-ups with them - ages 7 to 14. Very successful - has collected from them during the year \$5 in

Bible classes - Two for men. 35 to 40 (in the two).

One for women. 45 to 50.

Useful as training the Sunday school teachers.

Visiting. The whole parish visited twice in the year.

8 or 10 visitors besides for provident fund.

Very difficult to get into the houses, most have to talk on the doorstep, not because they are hostile but because it is a working class habit

General Questions.

Labit born of parlying with Tallegmen & cesters.
Nurse. none now. He found that the last spent most of her time in midwifery cases. 'Told the women I did not wish to make having children easier to them, besides they can always afford to pay for occasions of this kind'. In bad cases he sends for the Corpus Missin Nurse or pays for one out of the Nursing fund.

Charity. Sends difficult cases to COS but otherwise does not work much with them. Four years ago he gave away £96 in coal & soap. Last year only £50 "which shows the present prosperity."

Cooperation. Dalse Hill, arch parish, is affiliated with this one. They send much money & also personal help: vicar & curate come weekly to help in visiting. With the women he meets a Soldiers & Sailors wives war fund Committee or a Children's Comity St Fund. Has once spoken for one of them on Temperance but none have spoken at his meetings.

Drink & Gambling 'The great curses'. Gambling increas-
-ing. 'Beyond what you can imagine'. Rich also
now

Berling

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now thought too dull. All must bet. Women as well as men. Bookies stand about & meet men as they come to & from their work. Police take no notice. 'See the sudden life in a street after a great race has been run & the newspaper is out: note the eagerness with which the papers are read! Boys on bicycles with reams of pink paper in a cloth bag on their back, scorching through the streets: tossing bundles to little boys waiting for them at street corners: off rush the little boys shouting at the top of their voices, doors & factory gates open, men & boys tumble out in their eagerness to read the latest Special & mark the winner. 'It's not the general news that they are so anxious about! The men bet with the bookmakers but the women amongst themselves.

'A monstrous iniquity' that children should be sent for beer. 'It is not on account of the language that I object to their fetching it, they certainly hear worse at home, but because they sip & learn to like the taste of beer! If the children did not go
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the man or woman wd have to 'It's quite certain that they wd get the beer somehow'.
 He has never seen a child the worse for drink & exc one of about 9 years on Tulse Hill.
 Young women don't get drunk except on special occasions, such as Bank Holidays, marriages & funerals.

No prostitution but much living together. Perhaps less here than elsewhere because Mr. G encourages marriages by low fees. Here only 5/7. Does not marry any but those who live in his parish but people will give wrong addresses & sometimes take a room on purpose to get married here. Many young marriages of people 17 or 18 both by 1/11. He has about 40 couples on Xmas & Boxing day. 'I might make quite a good income from it if I wd take outsiders.'

Thrift. £450 just about to be paid out. 1% is allowed to depositors up to 24/6. May not withdraw before end of year. Doubts its real benefit because he notices a decided rise in

Marriage.

Thrift

in darkness after the shearing-out day. No salt boots & useful things are bought, but then how soon do they find their way to the pawnshop!

Pawnshops. a sight on Mondays & on Tuesdays after Bank holidays. 9 cases out of 10 the husband does not know that his wife pawns his clothes.

Housing. Rents high. 3/6 for one room. 2/- to 2/6 for a small one. 11/- for 3 r & kitchen in Caroline St. Buildings.

Crowding in Roby St. knows one house ^(4st) with 50 inhabitants. None more than 4 or 5 to a room. Two-roomed tenements the usual thing here.

Health. good. Gas works stinks bad for microbes! A known remedy after whooping-cough.

The average population excl. Corpus Missia dist is 10 persons per house in 1300 houses = pop 13000

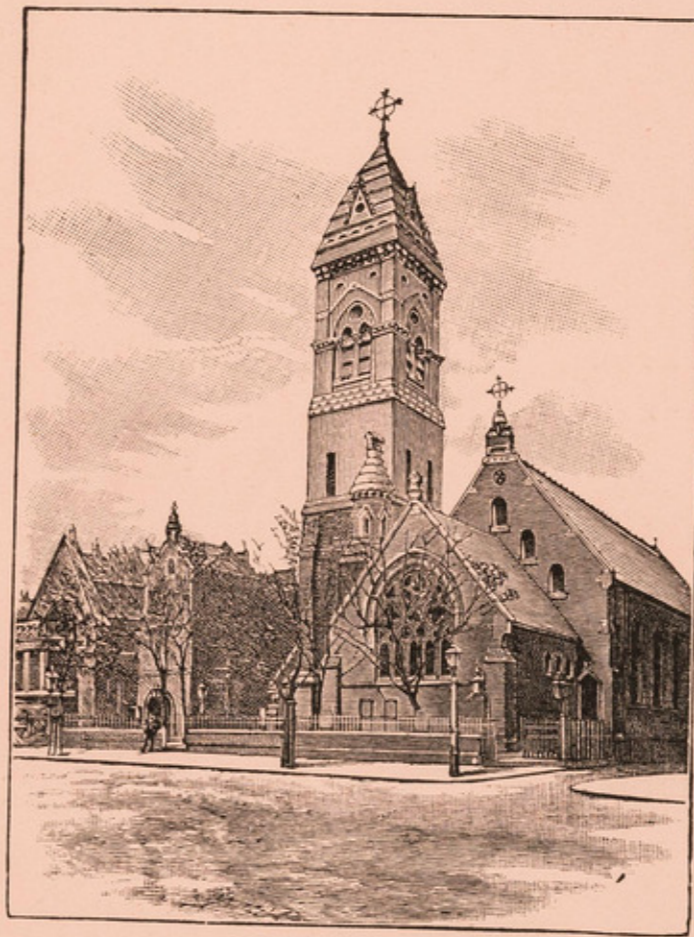
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Rev. M. Gilbert. Dist 44.

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Christ Church,
Old Kent Road, Camberwell.

REPORT
AND
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FOR THE
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TOGETHER WITH
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OF
FIVE YEARS' WORK IN THE PARISH
OF
CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBERWELL.

"Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in
the sight of men."—2 Cor. viii. 21.

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(*Trinity College, Cambridge.*)

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Mr. LOVELL, 318, Rotherhithe New Road.

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Mr. GILBERT, 483, Old Kent Road.
Mr. KEEBLE, Licensed Victuallers' Asylum.
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Mr. T. SMITH, 77, Avondale Square.
Mr. SULLIVAN, 1, Bonar Road.

Organist and Choirmaster.

Mr. A. H. GRIFFIN.

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Church Services, &c.

SUNDAY: 11 a.m.—1st, Morning Prayer, Ante-Communion and Sermon.

2nd and 4th, Morning Prayer, Litany, and Sermon.

3rd and 5th, Morning Prayer and Sermon.

3.15 p.m.—3rd Sunday in the month, Children's Service.

7 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

3rd Sunday, Evening Prayer, Ante-Communion and Sermon.

WEDNESDAY: 7.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

FRIDAY: 11.30 a.m.—Litany.

SAINTS' DAYS: 11.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Ante-Communion.

Holy Communion.

8 a.m.—Every Sunday.

Mid-day—1st Sunday.

Evening—3rd Sunday.

And on the Greater Festivals, 11.30 a.m.

Communicants' Union Meeting, 2nd Thursday in the month, 8 p.m.

Baptisms.

Every Sunday, except the 3rd, at 4 p.m.

On the 3rd Sunday at 6 p.m.

On the 2nd and last Thursdays in the month at 7 p.m.

Churchings.

Before or after any Week-day Service and on Wednesdays at 11 a.m.

Marriages.

Sundays, 9.30 a.m.

Weekdays, 10 a.m.

And at other times by special arrangement with the Vicar.

Parochial Memoranda.

Fees.

Publications of Banns, 1/6; Solemnization of Marriage, 5/6; Total, 7/-. Notices of Banns should be given *in writing* to the Vicar, or to one of the Clergy.

The Clergy attend in the Vestry at 11 o'clock on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Applications for Sittings may be made after any Week-day Service and whenever the Church is open.

About half the Seats in the Church are free.

ASYLUM ROAD SCHOOLS—Services & Meetings.

SUNDAY—Sunday School, 3 p.m.

Children's Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

A Prayer Meeting is held for Sunday School Teachers on the 3rd Sunday in the month, after the Children's Service, in the Choir Vestry.

TUESDAY—A Branch of the Children's Scripture Union meets at 7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

THURSDAY—C.E.T.S. Meetings are held on the 1st Thursday in each month, at 8 p.m.

Hon. Sec., Rev. F. G. WESTON, 20, New Cross Road.

LOWER PARK ROAD SCHOOLS.

SUNDAY—Children's Service, 11 a.m.

Sunday School, 3 p.m.

Mission Service, 7 p.m.

MONDAY—Mothers' Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Clothing, Coal and Shoe Clubs in connection with this work, deposits received during the meeting.

TUESDAY—Evangelistic Meeting, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY—A Devotional Meeting is held at 8 p.m.

Lower Park Road Schools—continued.

MONDAY & THURSDAY—Working Lads' Institute and Gymnasium during the winter months, at 8 to 10 p.m.

Instructor—Mr. P. C. JEFFERY.

Secretary—Mr. H. HAYWARD.

Meetings of the Slate Club are held here periodically. Full particulars may be obtained from the *Secretary*, Mr. J. WEST, 18, Greenhundred Road.

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CANAL BRIDGE MISSION ROOM.

SUNDAY—Sunday School, 3 p.m.

Young Men's Bible Class, 3.30 to 4.15 p.m.

Mission Service, 7 p.m.

MONDAY—Mothers' Meetings, 2.30 and 7.30 p.m.

Clothing, Coal and Shoe Clubs in connection with this work, deposits received during the meetings.

Girls' Bible and Sewing Class, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY—Band of Hope, at 6.30 p.m.

FRIDAY.—Choir Boys' Bible Class, conducted by the Rev. A. W. WOOLVERTON, 7 to 7.45 p.m.

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The Gleaners' Union meets half-yearly. Special reference to this Union and Missionary Work on 2nd Friday evening at the 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. All Members of the Union are invited to attend then.

The Provident Club—Deposits received by the District Visitors.

Maternity Society, open to all Members of the Mothers' Meetings. Application for the lending bags should be made to Mrs. JENKINS, 772, Old Kent Road.

Christ Church Parish Magazine is published every month, price 1d., can be obtained from the District Visitors, or from the *Editor*, Mr. G. G. BIDGOOD, 19, Clifton Road, Asylum Road.

Bible Classes are held as follows:—

For Young Men—Sunday, 3.30 to 4.15 p.m., at the Canal Bridge Room.

For Young Women—Sunday, 3 to 4 p.m., in the Choir Vestry of Church.

For Choir Boys—Friday, 7 to 7.45 p.m., at the Canal Bridge Room.

ADDRESS.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

It is with feelings of deep gratitude to Almighty God that I lay before you the Record of the work He has enabled us to do, not only during the past year, but during the five years of my Incumbency.

Manifold have been the tokens of His presence and blessing in the work, and to Him shall be the glory for every bit of success in the various matters that we have accomplished in the various branches of our Parochial Organisation. There has been progress all along the line, and it may not be out of place for us to take a brief review of the

Five Years' Work in this South London Parish.

The character of the neighbourhood has greatly changed since it had its existence as a separate district. It was once (within the living memory of some of our people!) a pretty, pleasant, healthy suburb, to which many of the well-to-do citizens of London resorted for their comfort and enjoyments, their rest and their home. It included within its bounds cornfields, pasture land, market gardens, and was intersected by shady lanes, the names of some of our streets, *e.g.*, Bird-in-Bush Road, reminding us of the pleasant bygone days. Now all is changed. The fine Old Kent Road remains, stretching for a considerable distance through the middle of the district, and from its breadth and carefully-tended trees is indeed a blessing to it. In place of the gardens and cornfields, labyrinths of streets with houses of every sort and kind—"streets (to quote a description of the Parish written some years back but even truer of it to-day) old, looking in the winter season very desolate and dreary, streets young and made up of the same two-storied house repeated so as to perplex the very occupiers as to which is which, theirs or another's. A large area given up to the Gas Factory, with its offices, retort houses, coke heaps and gas holders with their pleasant and salubrious accompaniments": some considerable laundries within and upon its borders and an increasing number of small factories, together with the stables of the London County Council Tramways and those of the London General Omnibus Company. Such is the district. What of its population?

"A mixed population varying in class of work, in power of self-control and in general habit of life, from a few well-to-do tradesmen, living away from their business, and an increasing number of lesser tradesmen, from the industrious and successful artisan down to the costermonger, the fish curer, the toy maker, the firewood cutter, down again to the utterly broken through vice and intemperance, the ne'er-do-well, the unfortunate, the reckless, the helpless, the very terribly suffering and poor, of whom the wonder is that they manage to live at all, and whom it is so difficult to assist and relieve." Such are the inhabitants of the Parish of Christ Church, Old Kent Road, a district not much seen because its masses of population (13,000!) lie in parts away from the main road.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Somewhat curiously, young as it is as a separate Parish of Camberwell—the District being assigned in 1837—it has had for over thirty years its second Church. The extension of the Gas Works, in close proximity to which the former Church stood, necessitated a change, and the outcome was the taking down of the original Church and the erection of the present building, which is larger and more convenient, on a commanding site in the Old Kent Road. After five and twenty years in a neighbourhood of smoke and sulphur, the interior of the Church needed thorough cleaning and brightening up, with a few simple alterations to make it more in accordance with modern requirements. This work we put in hand early in 1895 and carried out at a cost of £740 with a most satisfactory result, the improvement to the interior being acknowledged by all who see it. Since then we have, from time to time, been able to further beautify it. In the year of the Diamond Jubilee of our Queen, which was also the year of our own Diamond Jubilee, we made several improvements. Three Stained Windows (gifts of three of our oldest inhabitants) were placed in the Chancel. Two Stained Windows were erected in the Nave—one, together with a fine Brass Eagle Lectern, the Memorial Jubilee gift of our Congregation, the other the gift of Miss Louisa and Clara Butler, for so many years regular worshippers in the Church. These, together with smaller gifts, as a New Bible from our Sunday Schools, and Prayer Book from our Bible Classes, a Brass Font Ewer from our Mothers, an Oak Credence Table from the Clergy and Workers, have all served to grace and adorn our Church. The stone work of the interior, while I write, is being cleaned, which will greatly add to the general effect. The Organ, once in Gloucester Cathedral, a really beautiful instrument but which had much fallen into decay, has this year been put into thorough order, and is now being made more perfect by the addition of several new stops.

Our Congregations have steadily increased during these five years, and we are thankful to say that many of our poorer brethren

are to be seen joining us in public worship. The number of Communicants has increased each year, and we have on our Communicants' Roll some 190 names, while at our Sunday Evening Communion we sometimes have over a hundred gathering round the Lord's Table.

There have been 11,740 individual communions. We have baptized 891 children, and we have solemnized 531 marriages during these five years. These figures all show an advance in the right direction. We have held two Gospel Missions, which have yielded their increase of souls.

Our Services are bright, hearty and thoroughly congregational. The music has greatly improved under the able direction of Mr. Alexander Griffin, organist of the Alexandra Palace, to whom our best thanks are due for giving us his time and talents.

Mission Work.

We have two Mission Rooms in different parts of the Parish. In 1894 we started a Mission in connection with the Old Ragged Schools in Lower Park Road, and placed in charge of it an Evangelist of the Church Army. He and his wife, after a year of hard work, left us, and were followed by a licensed Reader from the S.P.C.K. Training College, who carried on the work thus commenced until last year, when I was able to put in charge of this part of the Parish one of our Assistant Clergy, the Rev. F. G. Weston, transferring Mr. J. Fozard to the Canal Bridge Room, opening up there another Mission Centre for the Ruby Street side of the Old Kent Road. I trust that the Mission services and Sunday Schools connected with these Rooms may be for the real good and blessing of many. It is slow and difficult work, and can only prosper by prayer and perseverance. We ask your prayers for these centres of Christian work.

Sunday Schools and Children's Services.

We have now five Sunday Schools, with about 700 children in average attendance, and a faithful band of fifty teachers: thus we are able to record a decided advance in our Sunday School work, and most grateful we are to our Superintendents and the Teachers they have gathered around them for their devoted work. We have also three Services for Children and Young People on the Sunday, that on Sunday evening in the Asylum Road School, conducted by Mr. Ernest Theobald, being especially well attended.

We have had during the past five years two Children's Missions, which we trust have borne fruit, and to which we feel, in some measure, we owe the increased interest of the children. We must not omit to mention our Branch of the SCRIPTURE UNION, which is another means of reaching our young people. A

fortnightly meeting, held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in each month, helps to keep them mindful of their promise to read regularly their daily portion.

Temperance Work.

We started a Branch of the C.E.T.S. in the autumn of 1896, and have regularly held monthly meetings through the winter months. Progress is slow as far as members are concerned, but we have had many profitable evenings, and the attendances have, for temperance meetings, been fairly good. Considering the fearful odds against us in such work as this, we must "thank God and take courage" for the results so far seen.

Our Band of Hope, under the superintendence of the Rev. A. W. Woolverton, has made excellent progress, and the attendance of boys and girls at their weekly meeting has not only kept up but steadily increased.

Our Schools.

The two School Buildings—the Old National Schools in the Asylum Road and the Ragged Schools in the Lower Park Road—needed attention. The latter had fallen into a very dilapidated condition, and early in my incumbency I saw that if we were to save these buildings they must be put in hand at once. At least £130 would be required on the lowest estimate for the necessary repairs to make the roof rain-proof and to paint the interior and exterior of the building. The floor was found so rotten and defective that there was nothing left but to have a new one, and the drains, which were also condemned, drew largely upon our resources. However, these things were overcome, and the money eventually raised by which we were able to put the buildings into thorough repair and open them afresh as a Centre of our Lower Park Road Mission.

Meanwhile, the Old National Schools were decaying more and more. The London School Board had held them as temporary schools for three years, vacating them just as I commenced my ministry here, and after paying no rent for them, leaving them much the worse for wear and tear and me a legacy of a thoroughly insanitary building, for the first thing here also the drains had to be taken in hand. Soon after the County Council condemned as unsafe the chimneys, which had to be removed and new ones built in accordance with their plans. More and more the necessity of taking the whole building in hand and thoroughly restoring it was making itself felt, more especially since these are the only rooms of any size that we have in the Parish for parochial meetings, etc. It was a matter of some £300 which had to be raised to accomplish this, and it was not until last year that we were able to carry this out,

when through the kindness of a parishioner who undertook to do all that was necessary to the interior of the rooms free of cost to us, if we found the money required for the external repairs, re-slating of the roof and painting of the exterior. This has now been done, and our recent successful Bazaar has enabled us to clear off the balance of the debt which remained. Thus in five years we have restored and beautified our Church and thoroughly put in order our two Schools. Thankfully do I acknowledge the marvellous sympathy and liberality of you all which has enabled me to carry out these things.

Mothers' Meetings.

We have three Mothers' Meetings on Mondays, which keep up well in their average attendance. We should like, however, to see a larger number of mothers present. Many would find it a profitable as well as a restful time, we feel sure, if they could only be induced to try it. Our thanks are due to Mrs. Beames, Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Theobald, Miss Howes, Miss Bateman and Miss Cheek for their invaluable help week by week.

The Young Men's Institute,

which is carried on in connection with the Lower Park Road Mission, is in a flourishing condition. We are fortunate in having so good an instructor in gymnastic exercises as Mr. P. C. Jeffery. Our Annual Display always attracts a goodly number of spectators.

One of the clergy always attends to close the Institute on the nights it meets with Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer.

Provident Clubs.

We have a Slate Club, a Coal Club, a Clothing Club and Penny Bank, besides the Provident Fund, for which our District Visitors weekly collect from the poor in their respective districts. I find that £1,797 12s. 1d. has been thus saved by our poor and returned at Christmas with a little interest in clothing, or in money. We trust by this means to encourage thrift and saving habits among our people.

While so many things and objects within our Parish bounds have been claiming our help and attention, I am glad to say that outside objects and societies have not been overlooked.

Church Missionary Society.

Each year has the interest in our Saviour's last command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," been more manifestly shown. A glance at the Statement of

Accounts will show the increase each year in the amount sent up by us to the Church Missionary Society. This last year it has reached £49 6s. 9d. This means a very great deal for a Parish like this. A large proportion also of this sum has been collected at our Sunday Schools, Bible Classes and Children's Services. Most thankfully do we record this, as also the very great interest shewn in the recent C.M.S. Centenary offerings and meetings, which, because they do not fall within the five years, are beyond the scope of this review.

The Church Pastoral Aid Society,

which has a very strong claim upon us by reason of the grants it makes this Parish, also participates in our effort to help outside objects. I am thankful to report an increase each year in the amount that we have been enabled to forward to the office. This last year we have reached the amount (£20) which in the more prosperous days of this neighbourhood the Society asked as a guaranteed sum to be returned. For years past it has ceased to ask any specified sum, leaving us free to send up what we could collect: thus we are the more thankful that at length we have reached the old amount.

Other Societies

receive their share of help—the London Jews' Society, the S.P.G., the Metropolitan Hospital Sunday Fund, the Metropolitan District Visiting and Relief Association (which helps us with our poor), the Rochester Diocesan Society (to which we also are greatly indebted for £100 a year towards the stipends of three of our workers)—these are not forgotten by us, and each year there has been an advance in the amount forwarded from this Church to them. It is for this steady advance in things material as well as in things spiritual that we thankfully recognize the flourishing state of our Church and Parish. A brief glance at the "Summary of Monies collected for Church purposes" during this period, on page 34 of this Report, will convince you of this so far as material progress is concerned.

Much of this money has been raised in small amounts amongst ourselves, though necessarily a good deal has been obtained outside our Parish, through the help of friends, and oftentimes of entire strangers, to whom I have appealed.

To raise £4,000 for various objects connected with a church involves much labour, letter writing, anxiety and time, all of which I have gladly given, but which has, on the other hand, deprived me to some extent of opportunities for regular and house-to-house parochial visitation, but I do not think the Parish has suffered. What strength and ability I have are ever at your service, and

those who know me best will give me credit for never having spared myself in attendance at our Church services and meetings, or in preaching or visiting the members of our congregation, as also the sick and suffering.

Every house is called at and every family visited in the Parish by one of the staff at least twice in the year, and a record of these visits is kept, by which means I am well in touch with all our poorer people.

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The past year has, without doubt, been the most encouraging of the five. The various balance sheets contained in this Report will show that no society or fund is in debt at the present time. Our recent Bazaar, which was held to clear off those accounts which were on the wrong side, and by which we hoped to raise £150, quite met our expectations, so that we can now claim not only to have honourably paid our way during the past year and accomplished the adjustment of our Churchwardens' Account (about which I wrote in the last year's Report), but also to have cleared off what was owing on the School Repair and Maintenance Fund, as on the Organ and Church (exterior) Repair Fund.

The Future.

One word before I close this lengthy letter about the future and our needs. A recent letter in the *Times*, signed by fifteen South London Incumbents [of whom I was one] has created a good deal of comment. "A cry from South London" reveals the painful fact that notwithstanding all the labour and effort bestowed upon trying to bring the Gospel to the homes of the poor, Christianity is not in possession in South London! In that appeal we plead for "reinforcements of Workers, of Funds, and of Intercessory prayer, to the end that Christianity, which is not yet in possession, may increase its endeavours to make South London more and more a city of God and less and less a city in which the Divine Being is an unreality." "It is for additional personal service that we plead most: let our Metropolitan suburbs send us armies of District Visitors, Sunday School Teachers, Helpers in Mothers' Meetings, Nurses, Outdoor Preachers, etc. Let those who can do so come and live among us as honorary parish workers. Let more of our younger Clergy offer for the arduous, ill-paid, but truly noble spheres of labour in our crowded and terribly poor Parishes, and thus the 'missing link,' along which increased parochial power and efficiency can run, will have been found, and so the cause of Him whose servants we are may hope to gain that saving hold upon the multitudes of struggling humanity in Southern London which it has not at present, and for the lack of which it is grievously reproached."

I can add nothing to this—it exactly expresses our need. *Who will volunteer to help us?* May Christ fill the hearts of some of those who read this Report with a deep sense of His great love to us, and then will they be constrained by that same love to do their best to bring others to a knowledge of the Saviour.

I cannot end without thanking all who have so readily, and oftentimes abundantly of their little, helped me in the arduous and anxious task both of carrying out the various schemes promoted and referred to in the review, and also of maintaining our Parish Organizations and Institutions so efficiently. No Pastor can ever have, or wish for a more sympathetic, warm-hearted and liberal people, ever willing to rally round him and assist him to the very utmost of their resources and ability, nor can I thank God enough for the band of devoted and hard working colleagues who are associated with me in this ministry. Very thankful am I to my fellow Clergy and Mission Women Workers, to the Churchwardens, Sidesmen, Choir, Sunday School Teachers and Superintendents, District Visitors, Temperance Workers, and the many subscribers to our charities and organization—especially would I thank the Rev. H. Woffindin, Vicar of Holy Trinity, Tulse Hill, and the members of his congregation for their continued interest in us, and the liberal response made by them to my Annual Appeal for the pecuniary needs of this Parish.

I ask for renewed help and sympathy in the coming year and know I shall not ask in vain, for you will remember the MASTER'S own words: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto ME."

Believe me,

Your affectionate Vicar and Friend,

M. GILBERT.

483, OLD KENT ROAD,
May, 1899.

SUMMARY OF OFFERTORIES,

1898-1899.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Page 17—Home Mission Fund... ..				81	1	2
„ 16—Church Expenses Fund				66	10	8
„ 18—Alms Fund				13	4	2
„ 20—District Visiting Society (Harvest, 1898)				3	11	0
„ 21—Sunday Schools Fund				3	17	9
—Easter Offering for the Clergy				10	15	0
—Coals for the Poor (Christmas, 1898)				4	4	2
„ 28—Organ Recitals				6	17	4
—Expenses of the Mission, February 7th, 1899				2	19	8
„ 30—Church Missionary Society	5	3	1			
„ 31—Church Pastoral Aid Society	10	6	4			
Rochester Diocesan Society	5	10	3			
„ 32—London Jews' Society	3	5	2			
Metropolitan Hospital Sunday Fund	11	18	0			
Metropolitan District Visiting and Relief Association	1	13	3			
C.E.T.S. Diocesan Shelter Home	0	8	0			
Church of England Waifs and Strays	0	2	6			
				38	6	7
				£231	7	6

CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNT, 1898-9.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance from 1897-8	0 3 2	Salaries—Church Attendance:	..
Sunday Evening Offerories	66 10 8	Arnold, Mrs.	8 12 6
Pew Rents—Reserved by Deed	5 13 7	Drapper, Mrs.	5 18 0
" —Reserved by Custom	6 11 5	Gorton, Mr.	18 7 0
Hyndman's Bounty	6 12 8	Chapman, Mr.	5 4 0
Donation for Gas from Mission Fund	1 0 0	Lighting and Warming	28 13 11
" " Communicants' Union and	..	Water Rate	2 0 0
" Organ Recital	..	Insurance	4 13 0
Rent of Land by Mr. Beal	0 7 6	Visitation Fee	0 18 0
	2 10 0	Washing Surplices	2 17 5
		Sundries for Cleaning Materials	1 19 0
		Printing—Harlow & Sons	0 12 0
		Licence—Rev. F. G. Weston	0 3 0
		Wood for Notice Boards	0 11 1
		Etheridge for Repairs	0 4 0
		New Banns Book	0 12 0
		Share of printing Annual Report	0 15 0
		Donation towards Organist's Stipend	7 0 0
		Balance in hand	0 9 1
	<u>£89 9 0</u>		<u>£89 9 0</u>

HARRY E. LOVELL,

4/4/99.

Examined by me and found correct.

4/4/99.

JOHN ROBERTSON.

4/4/99.

HOME MISSION FUND.

April, 1898, to March, 1899.

Dr.

£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Grant by Rochester Diocesan Society for 2nd Assistant Curate	25 0 0		
" Grant by Rochester Diocesan Society for Mission Woman	20 0 0		
" Grant by C.P.A.S. for Curate	90 0 0		
" " for 2nd Mission Woman	30 0 0		
" Subscriptions collected by Mrs. Beames for Mission Woman	3 14 6		
" Subscription—Mr. G. Livesey	25 0 0		
" Donations—" Worcester Lodge " Box	1 0 0		
" " Gloucester House " Box	1 10 0		
" " Marchant, Mrs.	0 2 0		
" Offerories in Church	81 1 2		
" Holy Trinity, Tulse Hill, for 2nd Assistant Curate	80 0 0		
<i>Lower Park Road Mission:</i>			
To Grant by Rochester Diocesan Society for Reader	30 0 0		
" Donation by S. M. G. Co.	2 2 0		
" Subscription—Livesey, Mr. G.	2 0 0		
" Collections at Mission Services	5 16 9		
<i>Canal Bridge Mission:</i>			
To Collections at Mission Services	39 18 9		
	1 15 9		
	<u>£399 2 2</u>		

Examined and found correct,

A. W. WOOLVERTON.

Cr.

£	s. d.	£	s. d.
By Stipend to Rev. A. W. Woolverton	140 0 0		
" " to Rev. F. G. Weston	105 0 0		
" " Miss Cheek	50 0 0		
" Harlow & Son for Printing Harvest Bills	42 1 8		
" Caretaker of Mission Room	0 8 0		
	337 9 8		
	1 2 9		
<i>Lower Park Road Mission:</i>			
By Balance due to Treasurer	55 0 0		
" Stipend to Mr. Fozard	4 3 3		
" Share of Printing Parish Report	1 1 0		
Balance in hand	56 1 0		
	0 5 6		

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£399 2 2

Dr.

CHRIST CHURCH ALMS FUND, 1898-9.

Cr.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand	1 9 10	By Mission Room—Mrs. Hale for Cleaning	1 17 4
.. Holy Communion Offerteries	..	..	13 4 2	.. 20 Pensioners for 4 weeks at 1/-	..	..	4 0 0
.. Donations:—				.. Wine for Holy Communion	..	..	1 4 6
Stuart, Mr.	..	£0	4 0	.. Gifts in Money, etc.	..	..	6 2 3
Stedman, Mrs. A.	..	0 10	6	.. E. Dodds, for Mrs. Seaman	..	..	1 7 0
Marchant, Mrs.	..	0 5	0	.. T. Turner, for Grocers' Company	..	..	4 0 0
Jeffery, Mrs.	..	0 1	0	.. Share of Printing Parish Report	..	..	0 10 6
Seaman, Mrs., for E. Dodds	..	1 11	0	.. *Balance in hand	..	..	23 11 5
Grocers' Company, for T. Turner	..	5 0	0				
Pears, Mr. A.	..	1 0	0				
Satcher, Mrs.	..	0 2	6				
Pulbrook, Miss, from Scripture	..	..	..	
Union Members, Tulse Hill	18	10	0				
		27	4 0				
.. Loan repaid	..	..	0 15 0				
		£42	13 0				

* This large Balance is owing to the unexpected gift of £18 ros. from Tulse Hill towards the close of an unusually mild winter.

May, 1899.
M. GILBERT,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
E. W. GILBERT.

£42 13 0

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CHRIST CHURCH DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY.

Subscriptions and Donations,
1897-8.

	£	s.	d.
Barrett, Mrs.	0 2 6
Brewer, Mr. A. R.	0 10 0
Butler, The Misses	2 2 0
" " (Coals)	2 7 0
Day, Mrs.	0 2 6
Dawson, Mrs.	0 3 0
Elbert, Mrs.	0 2 0
Farish, Mr. (Coals)	0 10 0
Jeffery, Mrs.	0 2 0
Kingsbury, Miss M.	1 0 0
Livesey, Mr. G.	2 0 0
Marchant, Mrs.	0 2 6
Pears, Mr. A.	1 0 0
S. M. Gas Company	5 5 0
Ward, Mrs. (the late)	0 5 0
			£15 13 6

CHRIST CHURCH DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY.

October 1st, 1897 to September 30th, 1898.

Dr.		£ s. d.		Cr.
To Balance in hand 1897..		6 17 10		
" Grants from Metropolitan Association	Visiting and Relief			36 13 10
" Subscriptions and Donations		25 0 0		9 7 4
" Collection at Christ Church..		15 13 6		0 11 10
		2 8 11		1 9 7
		£50 0 3		1 17 8
				<u>£50 0 3</u>

M. GILBERT, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.

E. W. GILBERT.

CHRIST CHURCH PROVIDENT FUND, 1898-9

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Dr.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Deposits during the year ..		419 19 6		
" Interest ..		4 11 0		368 11 6
" Depositors' Cards ..		1 8 5		44 15 6
" Discount by Mr. Parish ..		1 15 2		
" Discount by Mr. Pomeroy ..		0 0 10		9 19 3
" Discount by Mr. Snow ..		0 0 8		0 15 0
		£427 15 7		0 10 0
				413 7 0
				<u>£427 15 7</u>

M. GILBERT, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct.

E. W. GILBERT.

April 29th, 1899.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS ACCOUNT.

1898-99.

Dr.		£ s. d.		Cr.
Balance in hand ..		0 9 3		
Collections in Church ..		3 17 9		3 0 0
Subscriptions—				0 10 6
Butler, Miss ..		1 1 0		3 18 0
Butler, Miss C. ..		1 1 0		1 11 3
Gilbert, Rev. Morgan ..		0 10 6		0 1 6
Gilbert, Mr. E. W. ..		0 10 6		0 2 6
Livesey, Mr. George ..		2 0 0		0 18 6
Books sold ..		0 12 3		
		£10 2 3		<u>£10 2 3</u>

W. A. THEOBALD, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

M. GILBERT.

5th April, 1899.

EXPENDITURE.

Rent of Rooms, Gas, &c. ..	3 0 0
Subscription to S. S. Institute ..	0 10 6
Lesson Notes, Registers, &c. ..	3 18 0
B. & F. Bible Society for Bibles ..	1 11 3
Sundries ..	0 1 6
Printing Report ..	0 2 6
Balance in hand ..	0 18 6

SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT
AND
MOTHERS' EXCURSION.
1898.

By the Vicar.

	£	s.	d.
Barrett, Mrs.	0	2	6
Beames, Mrs. (Mothers) ..	1	2	0
Butcher, Miss M. (Mothers) ..	0	5	0
Butler, The Misses	1	1	0
" " (Mothers)	0	10	6
Cove, The Misses	0	10	0
Dennis, Mrs.	0	2	6
Draper, Miss	0	2	0
Gilbert, Mr. E. W.	0	10	6
Gilbert, Rev. M.	0	10	6
Harris, Mr. C. T.	1	0	0
" " (Mothers)	1	0	0
Livesey, Mr. George (Mothers)	1	0	0
Lyon, The Misses	0	5	0
Mullett, Mrs.	0	5	0
Rennick, Mrs.	1	2	0
Scott, Mrs., Sydenham, (Mothers)	1	0	0
Scott, The Misses, Tulse Hill	1	0	0
Stedman, Mrs.	0	5	0
Wilcox, Miss	0	2	6
	<u>£11</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>

By Rev. A. W. Woolverton .. 4 0 0

By Asylum Road Girls' Teachers (continued).

	£	s.	d.
McLean, Miss B.	1	1	0
Oliff, Miss	0	5	0
Pledge, Miss E.	0	6	0
Schaub, Miss	1	7	6
Wills, Miss	0	10	0
	<u>£7</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>2</u>

By Asylum Road Boys' Teachers.

Hayward, Miss Lena	1	0	0
Hayward, Miss Rose	0	10	0
Hayward, Mr. J.	0	2	6
Theobald, Mr. Ernest	1	0	0
Theobald, Mr. E. T.	1	2	6
Theobald, Mr. H.	0	5	0
	<u>£4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

By Lower Park Road Teachers.

Alcock, Miss	0	1	7
Bateman, Miss	0	5	7
Bishop, Miss	0	4	6
Brown, Miss	0	3	0
Crane, Miss	0	5	6
Fozard, Mr.	0	5	0
Hayward, Mr. H.	0	1	0
Holt, Miss	0	2	6
Roper, Mr.	0	2	6
Waterworth, The Misses ..	0	10	0
Wilkinson, Mrs.	0	6	6
	<u>£2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>

By Officers of S.M.G. Co., per Mr. Theobald 6 1 0

By Payment of Mothers .. 3 11 6

By Sale of Tickets 7 15 3

SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT & MOTHERS' EXCURSION,
1898.

	£	s.	d.
To Donations—By Vicar	11	15	6
" Rev. A. W. Woolverton	4	0	0
" Teachers—Asylum Road Boys ..	4	0	0
" " " Girls	7	18	2
" " Lower Park Road	2	7	8
" Officers of S. M. G. Company—per Mr. Theobald	6	1	0
" Sale of Tickets to Parents and Friends ..	7	15	3
" Payments by Mothers	3	11	6
	<u>£47</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>

	£	s.	d.
By L.B. & S.C. Railway (Warlingham) ..	16	2	1
" Messrs. G. Taylor & Sons (Teas) ..	17	10	0
" Doctor's Fee and Conveyance for G. Gale ..	0	12	6
" Expenses of Infants' Treat	1	15	10
" S.E.R. for Mothers to Welling	3	19	10
" W. F. Tritton for Tea	3	18	9
" Messrs. Harlow & Son for Printing ..	0	10	6
" Donation to Year Book	0	10	6
" Balance in hand	2	9	1
	<u>£47</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>

M. GILBERT, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct,
E. W. GILBERT.

CHRIST CHURCH NATIONAL AND RAGGED SCHOOLS.

Dr.	MAINTENANCE FUND, 1898-9.	Cr.
National Schools—		
To Donations for use of Rooms	£ s. d.	
" " " by Sunday Schools	1 8 5	
	3 0 0	
Ragged Schools—		
To Donations for Gas, Water, etc., by Institute	2 0 0	
" G. Livesey, Esq. (Subscription)	2 0 0	
" Grant by Ragged School Union	5 0 0	
Balance due to the Treasurer	12 12 4	
	£26 0 9	
		£ s. d.
National Schools—		
By Balance due to the Treasurer		4 15 2
" Firing		0 18 0
" Gas		5 8 7
" Water Rate		1 10 0
" Poor Rate and Property Tax		5 18 9
" Insurance		1 2 6
" Repairs to Roof, etc... .. .		0 15 0
		24
Ragged Schools—		
By Firing		0 18 0
" Gas		2 12 9
" Water Rate		1 0 0
" Insurance		0 12 0
" Share of printing Parish Report		0 10 0
		£26 0 9

M. GILBERT,
April, 1898. *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct,
A. W. WOOLVERTON.

CHRIST CHURCH BRANCH OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

Dr.	1898.	Cr.
To Balance in hand, 1897	£ s. d.	
" Collections at Meetings	0 17 3	
" Members' Subscriptions	0 7 10	
	2 13 4	
		£ s. d.
By Members' Cards		0 0 3
" Affiliation Fee.. .. .		0 11 0
" Printing		0 11 6
" Expenses of Lantern Lecture		0 5 10
" Donation for use of Schoolroom		0 10 0
" Share of Printing Report in Year Book		0 2 6
" Expenses of Social Tea		0 6 6
" Balance in hand		1 10 10
		£3 18 5

Mrs. BEAMES,
Hon. Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
M. GILBERT.

PRINTING PARISH REPORT, 1898.

Dr.

	£ s. d.	Cr.
To C.E.T.S.	0 2 6	
" Provident Fund	0 10 0	
" London Jews' Society	0 3 0	
" Church Missionary Society	1 0 0	
" Church Pastoral Aid Society	0 2 6	
" Churchwardens' Account	0 15 0	
" Home Mission Fund	1 1 0	
" District Visiting Society	1 1 0	
" National and Ragged Schools Maintenance Fund	0 10 0	
" Parish Magazine	0 2 6	
" Alms Fund	0 10 6	
" Sunday Schools' Account	0 2 6	
" " " Treat Fund	0 10 6	
" Young Men's Institute	0 2 6	
" Band of Hope	0 2 0	
" Communicants' Union	0 2 0	
	<u>£6 17 6</u>	
		By Messrs. Truslove & Bray, for printing Annual Report, 1897-8 6 17 6
		<u>£6 17 6</u>

Dr. CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBERWELL, PARISH MAGAZINE, 1898. Cr.

	£ s. d.	Cr.
To Annual Subscriptions, 1s.—58	2 18 0	
" " " 1s. 6d.—4	0 6 0	
" " " 2s.—10	1 0 0	
" Advertisements	13 9 6	
" Sale	24 14 9½	
" Binding	3 3 9	
" Balance, 1897	0 0 2	
	<u>£45 12 2½</u>	
		By Printing 41 3 1
		" Binding 3 4 0
		" Carriage 0 6 0
		" Postage 0 1 3½
		" Parish Report, Share 0 2 6
		" Balance 0 15 4
		<u>£45 12 2½</u>

GEO. E. BIDGOOD, Editor.

CHRIST CHURCH COMMUNICANTS' UNION.

	£ s. d.	Cr.
To Balance of 1897-8	1 14 0	
" Members' Subscriptions	1 14 10	
	<u>£3 8 10</u>	
		By A. E. Cooper (Invitation Cards) 1 1 0
		" Stationery and Stamps 0 1 2
		" Donation for Gas to Churchwardens' Fund 0 5 0
		" Printing of Parish Report 0 2 0
		" Balance in hand 1 19 8
		<u>£3 8 10</u>

A. W. WOOLVERTON, Secretary.

ORGANIST AND CHOIR FUND, 1898-9.

Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To Proceeds of Organ Recital (Nov. 15)	3 19 4	By Mr. C. Gawthorpe ..	15 12 6
" Ditto (Mar. 2)	2 18 0	" Expenses of Organ Recital (Nov. 15)	1 1 6
" Donation by Churchwardens for Organist's Stipend ..	7 0 0	" Mr. A. H. Griffin ..	2 7 0
" Donation by Vicar from Discretion Fund ..	5 0 0	" Choir Music ..	0 9 9
" Donation by Vicar (to balance) ..	14 16 5	" Expenses of Organ Recital (Mar. 2)	0 14 0
	<u>£33 13 9</u>	" Mr. A. H. Griffin ..	2 4 0
		" Mr. A. H. Griffin—Stipend (1½ quarters)..	11 5 0
			<u>£33 13 9</u>

VICAR'S DISCRETION FUND, 1898-9.

Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To Balance in hand ..	1 8 6	By Scripture Texts, etc., for Sunday Schools	1 10 0
" Donations—Griffith, The Misses (Croydon)	3 0 0	Prizes ..	1 0 0
Griffiths, Mr. H. (Balham) ..	1 1 0	" "Home Words" Office for Parish Almanacs	2 14 5
Farish, Mr. R. ..	1 1 0	" Crockery, etc. for Parish use ..	0 11 2
Mullett, Mrs. ..	1 1 0	" Organist and Choir Fund ..	5 0 0
" Sale of Parish Almanacs ..	3 1 5	" Balance in hand ..	0 16 4
	<u>£11 11 11</u>		<u>£11 11 11</u>

CHRIST CHURCH BAND OF HOPE.

Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To Balance ..	5 15 3	By Young Crusaders, Hymn Books, &c.	2 15 4
" Subscriptions (April 1st, 1898, to March 23rd, 1899)	12 17 7	" Donation to Parent Society ..	0 5 0
" Adults' and Children's Payments for the Treat ..	2 1 7	" Waifs and Strays ..	0 2 6
" Balance from Flower Show ..	1 18 8	" Printing of Parish Report ..	0 2 0
" Collection for Waifs and Strays ..	0 2 6	" Hire of Slides ..	0 3 0
	<u>£22 15 7</u>	" Service of Song Copies ..	0 5 5½
		" Slides from Church Defence ..	0 3 0
		" Gas—R. R. Beard ..	0 2 0
		" Toys—H. Randall ..	0 6 0
		" Balls ..	0 1 0
		" Presentation Book ..	0 1 11
		" Repayment to Member ..	0 0 3
		" Stationery and Postage ..	0 3 8½
		" Tea ..	1 17 4½
		" Tram Fares ..	0 8 11
		" Programmes—Harlow & Son ..	0 12 0
		" Entertainments and Expenses ..	0 11 1
		" Treat at Boxhill ..	10 2 8½
		" Balance in hand ..	4 12 4
			<u>£22 15 7</u>

Examined and found correct,

FREDK. G. WESTON.

May 15th, 1899.

Church Missionary Society.

CHRIST CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

Treasurer—MR. E. W. GILBERT. Secretary—REV. A. W. WOOLVERTON.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Offeratories at Christ Church—						
Ascension Day				0	4	3
Children's Sunday Evening Service (Asylum Road) ..	13	0	10			
Children's Collection in Church, July 10th, 1898 ..	0	8	7			
Advent Sunday, 27th November, 1898 ..	4	10	3			
Lecture at Canal Bridge Room, 28th November, 1898 ..	0	6	8			
Subscriptions—						
Barrett, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Barnard, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Butler, Miss and Miss C.	1	1	0			
Farish, Mr.	0	5	0			
Gilbert, Rev. M.	0	10	6			
Gilbert, E. W.	0	10	6			
Meek, Miss	0	5	0			
Mills, Mr. H. } <i>Sent direct to C.M.S.</i>						
Mills, Mrs. H. }						
Robertson, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Stedman, Mr.	0	5	0			
Stedman, Mrs.	0	5	0			
Tovey, Mr.	0	2	6			
Watts, Mr.	0	5	0			
Gleaners, per Miss Kelsey—						
Sale of Work				3	17	0
"Three Years' Enterprise"	1	11	10			
Centenary Fund—						
Miss S. B. Davis—per Rev. F. G. Weston				1	19	4
Boxes—						
Bateman, Miss	0	6	8			
Beames, Mrs.	1	5	9			
Chandler, Mrs.	0	14	6			
Denny, Miss	0	9	4			
Etheridge, Mrs.	0	3	6			
Graham, the Misses W. and D.	0	10	2			
Hayward, Mrs.	1	3	2			
Keyse, Miss A.	0	3	9			
Pummell, Mr. W.	0	18	0			
Schaub, Miss	0	11	8			
Sunday Schools, Asylum Road—						
Boys	4	12	6	6	6	6
Girls	4	0	0			
Infants	1	16	1			
Sunday Schools, Lower Park Road						
Canal Bridge Schools				10	8	7
Bible Classes—						
Young Men's (the Vicar)	0	10	7			
Young Women's (Miss Howes)	2	2	1			
Choir Boys' (Rev. A. W. Woolverton)	0	10	10			
Less Disbursements				49	6	9
				1	0	0
Total Remitted	£	48	6	9		

CHURCH PASTORAL AID SOCIETY, 1898-9.

Secretary and Treasurer - W. A. THEOBALD.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Collections in Church	5	9	2			
Do. at Children's Services	4	17	2			
Subscriptions—						
Barnard, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Beal, Mr.	0	5	0			
Beames, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Bidgood, Mr.	0	2	6			
Butler, Miss and Miss C.	1	1	0			
Chandler, Mrs.	0	2	0			
Farish, Mr.	0	5	0			
F. G. H.	0	2	6			
Friend, A.	0	5	0			
Gilbert, Rev. Morgan	0	10	6			
Gilbert, Mr. E. W.	0	10	6			
Hayward, Miss L.	0	2	6			
Lovell, Mr.	0	2	6			
Marsh, Miss	0	5	0			
Meek, Miss	0	5	0			
Schaub, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Shirley, Mr.	0	10	0			
Smith, Mr. (1898)	0	2	6			
Smith, Mr. (1899)	0	2	6			
Smith, Mrs.	0	2	6			
Stedman, Mrs.	0	5	0			
Theobald, Mrs.	0	5	0			
Theobald, Mr.	0	5	0			
Theobald, Mr. Ernest	0	5	0			
Theobald, Mr. Edmund	0	2	6			
Thorn, Mr.	0	2	6			
Watts, Mr.	1	1	0			
Weston, Rev. F. G.	0	5	0			
Woolverton, Rev. A. W.	0	5	0			
Boxes—						
Burbidge, Mrs.	0	4	3			
Burrows, Mrs.	0	2	0			
Cane, Mrs.	0	3	6			
Keyse, Mrs.	0	7	6			
Theobald, Mr.	0	4	6			
Wills, Miss	0	10	0			
Wilkinson, Mrs.	0	4	10			
Woolverton, Rev. A. W.	0	4	6			
				20	7	5
Deduct Expenses Printing						
Report	0	2	6			
Total	£	20	4	11		

Amount paid to Treasurer of Church Pastoral Aid Society,
March 30th, 1899.

Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews.

Secretary and Treasurer—MRS. JENKINS.

1898-99.

	£	s.	d.
Collection in Church, Good Friday, April 1898	...	3	5 2
Collection at Meeting, February 13th, 1899	...	0	18 9
Contents of Box at Mothers' Meetings	...	0	10 7
Butler, The Misses...	...	0	10 6
Bidgood, Mr. G. G.	...	0	2 6
Gilbert, The Rev. M.	...	0	10 6
Lovell, Mr. ...	...	0	1 0
Randall, Mrs.	...	0	2 6
Robertson, Mrs.	...	0	2 6
Stedman, Mrs.	...	0	2 6
Watts, Mrs.	...	0	2 6
Weston, Rev. F. G. (Box)	...	0	18 10
		7	7 10
Deduct Printing, &c.	...	0	3 0
Paid into the Society	...	7	4 10

Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

	£	s.	d.
Butler, The Misses...	...	0	10 6
" " Contents of Box	...	0	17 4
Remitted	...	£1	7 10

CHRIST CHURCH YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE.

Abstract of Accounts, April, 1898, to March 31st, 1899.

Dr.	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand..	..	8	16 9	By Mr. Jeffery, Instructor	..	7	0 0
" Members' Fees ..	..	8	7 4	" Hellis & Sons, for Photographs	..	3	7 0
" Balance from Institute Tea ..	..	0	3 9½	" Gas and Water ..	..	2	0 0
" Thorpe, Rev. R. O. T. (Donation to Display)	..	0	5 0	" Institute Photograph framed	..	0	2 0
" Proceeds of Display (16-3-99)	..	4	3 6	" Bussey, G. H., & Co. (Boxing Gloves and Games)	..	1	7 5
" Payments for Photographs ..	..	3	8 0	" Bussey, G. H., & Co. ..	..	0	2 9
				" Punching Ball ..	..	0	15 0
				" Printing Members' Cards	..	0	4 6
				" Gamage, A. W. ...	..	0	7 3
				" Stationery and Postage	..	0	3 6½
				" Printing Parish Report	..	0	2 6
				" Balance in hand	..	9	12 5
						£25	4 4½

Examined and found correct, June 12th, 1899.
FREDK. G. WESTON.

*FIVE YEARS' SUMMARY OF MONIES

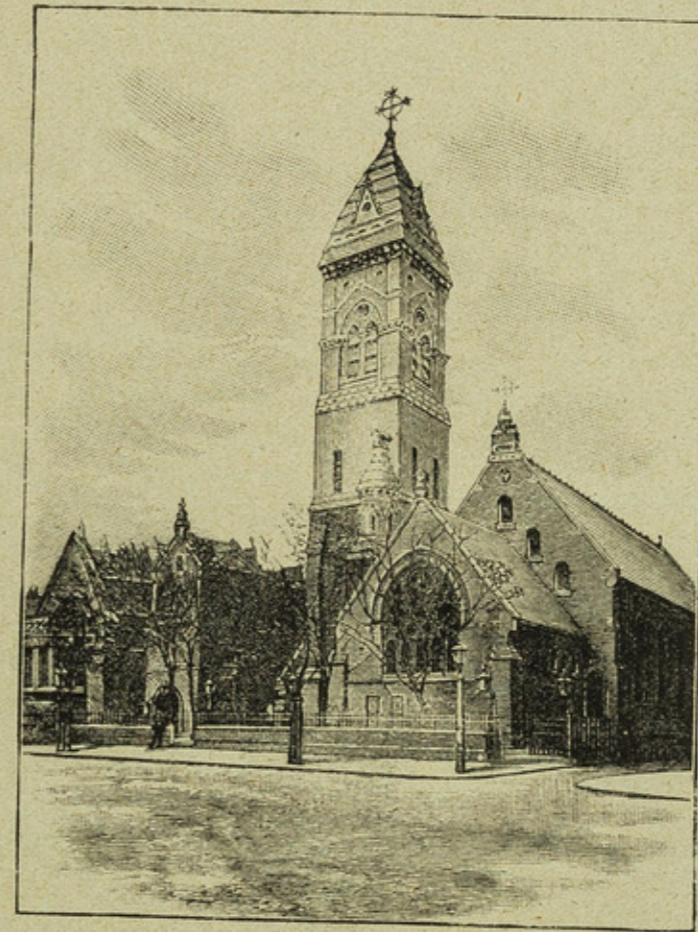
Collected for Church Purposes, 1894-99.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Church Repair and Improvement Fund (Donations) ..	528	3	11			
Schools Repair Fund (Donations)	91	7	3			
Proceeds of Bazaars for the above Funds	582	1	2			
Church Expenses Fund (Wardens' Account)	498	7	9			
Church Decoration Fund	21	10	11			
Christmas Teas and Treats	19	1	11			
Diamond Jubilee Memorial Gifts	224	9	6			
*District Visiting Society	225	6	2			
Easter Offerings for Clergy	48	6	2			
Excursions—Sunday Schools	212	14	4			
" Mothers'	10	6	9			
" Choir Boys	6	9	1			
*Home Mission Fund	694	10	8			
Nurse Fund	49	3	0			
Poor Fund	104	6	3			
Organ Repair Fund	32	7	1			
Organist's Stipend	114	16	5			
Schools' Buildings Maintenance Fund	102	16	5			
Sunday School Expenses Fund	55	17	6			
Vicar's Discretion Fund	101	2	0			
				3,723	4	3
Church Missionary Society	187	2	8			
Church Pastoral Aid Society	86	9	7			
London Jews' Society	27	5	3			
Rochester Diocesan Society	22	6	11			
Metropolitan Hospital Sunday Fund	51	5	3			
Metropolitan District Visiting & Relief Association ..	7	11	3			
Queen Victoria Clergy Sustentation Fund	4	18	0			
Society for the Propagation of the Gospel	6	16	10			
				393	15	9
				£4,117	0	0

*These sums do not include Annual Grants from Societies, nor Club Payments.

A Visit to Jumbo
and
**More About Christ Church
Camberwell**

By the
REV. EDWIN J. STURDEE



A Visit to Jumbo.

By the REV. EDWIN J. STURDEE.

AND who is Jumbo? Surely the original bearer of that name is no longer visitable? The Jumbo in this case refers to a gigantic gas-holder, which is to be found at the works of the South Metropolitan Gas Co., in Old Kent Road. The interest in these works from the C.P.A.S. standpoint lies in the fact that they are situated in the Parish of Christ Church, Camberwell, of which one of our grantees, the Rev. M. Gilbert, is the Vicar.

Before visiting Jumbo, and the works in which he has his abode, I called on the Rev. M. Gilbert. He lives in the Old Kent Road, a thoroughfare which, in point of width and in point of noise, can vie with Whitechapel and Mile End Roads in the East of London.

"At first

I Tried Sleeping in the Front

of the house," said the Vicar, "but I had to give it up. That was some time ago, and matters are worse now with the all-night tram service in full operation."

The interest in the South Metropolitan Gas Co. is heightened by the recollection of the famous strike of 1889, which, but for the energy of Mr. George Livesey, the Chairman of the Company, would have plunged half London in darkness. "How did he contrive to get men to fill the places of the strikers?" I inquired, for much has

happened in ten years, and memory needed refreshing. "The works are surrounded by a canal," was the reply. "Men were brought by water all the way, and admitted without the pickets being able to prevent it. They slept and fed at the works, and were fully protected from all outside interference." "Is not Mr. Livesey at the present time interested in social problems?" "Very much so," was the reply. "He has con-

solidated a profit-sharing scheme in connection with the workmen. The scheme includes

Two Workmen Directors,

who sit on the Board, and have a voice in the control of the Company." "Capital! and how do the trades unions like this?" "They like it up to a certain point, but Mr. Livesey does not please them altogether, because he is not in sympathy with their principles." "Why is that?" "For the simple reason that good workmen are so often driven out by the action of the unions."

It was interesting to hear that when the directors made Mr. George Livesey a present of £2,000 in recognition of his efforts during the strike, he gave the largest part of it for the purchase of a Recreation Ground for the people on Telegraph Hill. He also built the Free Library close to the church, and gave it to the parish.

"Does Mr. Livesey take an interest in the Church?" "He used at one time to be a churchwarden, but since his removal from the neighbourhood he does not serve,



THE REV. MORGAN GILBERT,
Vicar of Christ Church, Old Kent Road.
(From a Photograph by BYRNE & Co.)

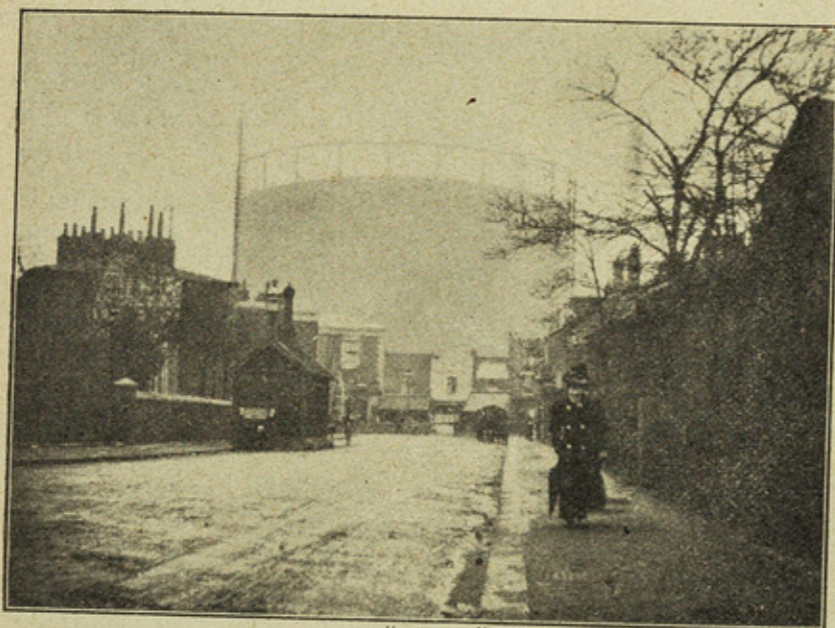
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April and May, 1899.]

though he has always been, and is still

A Most Generous Helper

to our funds." After my experience of a very different state of things in many a Lancashire parish given up to soul-less Limited Liability Companies, this account was most encouraging.

It was time for us to start on our visit. "I have asked one of my colleagues, Mr. Woolverton, to accompany us, as I must



"JUMBO."

leave shortly for a managers' meeting of one of our Board Schools," said the Vicar.

The South Metropolitan Gas Company's Works cover an area of 37 acres. There are branches in various parts of London, but the Old Kent Road is its most important centre. There is no attempt at architectural display; utility is the ruling feature. Outside the retort houses lie heaps of crushed and uncrushed coke, the former for use in dwelling-houses, or small buildings, the latter for large stoves. We entered the new retort house, and I was duly initi-

ated into its mysteries, the Vicar being quite *au fait* as an interpreter. On each side of the house are deep tubular ovens. Into these the coal is shot by means of a long shovel. So small is the opening that it requires some practice to fill the space with coal, but so skilful are the stokers that, in the words of the Vicar,

"They never Miss a Shot."

A steam car, very Juggernaut-like in

its appearance, runs on lines in the centre of the retort house. From this the coal is shot into the oven, and in six hours reduced to coke. The coke is made to fall on trolleys, and descends to the heaps I saw outside. Each oven is sealed when filled, and before being re-opened the gas at the mouth is lighted to prevent an explosion. The heat is tremendous, and some of the men work half naked.

"How much gas do you make in a day?" I inquired of an official who had joined us. "Twelve million cubic feet," was the reply.

This man seemed to be on most friendly terms with the clergy, as, indeed, are many of the employés. It was easy to see that the Vicar and his colleagues are frequent visitors at the works. "I spend several hours here every day," the Vicar told me. "It is of no use to visit the homes, for the hours of work are different at different times, but here we are sure to find those whom we want." One great feature of the visitation is the washing lobbies, where the men rest and have their food. Addresses are given from time to time, and

Much Friendly Intercourse is Promoted.

This is made easy from the fact that the men are obliged to rest half their time (about 30 minutes to the hour), on account of the arduous nature of the employment.

Perhaps I looked dubious as to the difficulty of grasping the details of the work, for the official before mentioned said jokingly, "I can assure you, gentlemen, that it is as hard to become fully qualified as a stoker as it is to take a university degree." We laughed at this, but Mr. Woolverton remarked, "No doubt it is

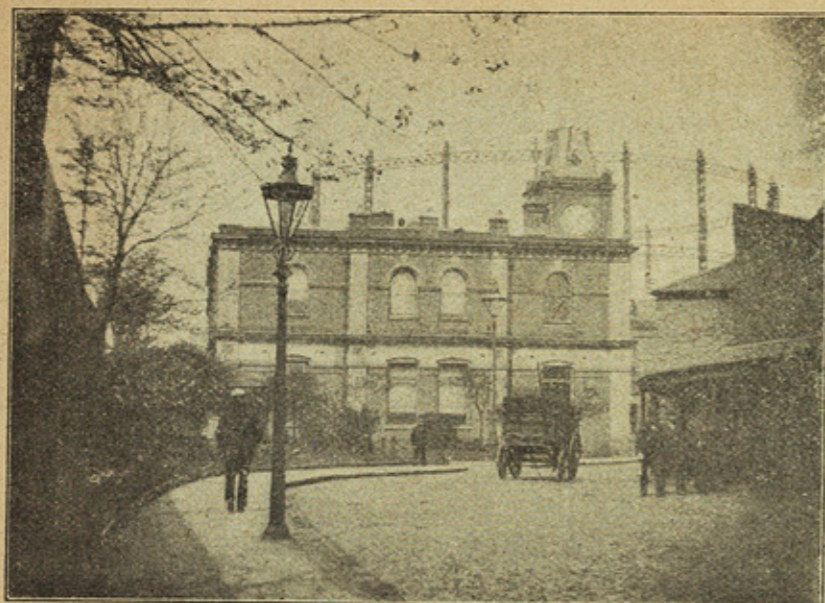
quite as hard in its way." We then learnt that the degrees of proficiency were as follows:—"Coal-wheeler, barrow-man, stoker after much practice" (I thought of the shots that never missed), "captain after six years, and as the highest post, a fireman."

"Do you know," added the Vicar, "that there are generations of stokers, and that the stokers are a distinct class. They live all over London, and comparatively few are my parishioners in the domiciliary sense." The gas passes through many processes before it finally reaches its goal at 2s. 2d. per 1,000 feet. The exhauster, the washer, the scrubber, the purifier, the meter—these were some of the terms used by the Vicar.

We left the scorching retort-house, and approached Jumbo. "What a huge gasometer!" I exclaimed. "That is the usual mistake made," said the Vicar, with a laugh,



IN THE RETORT HOUSE.

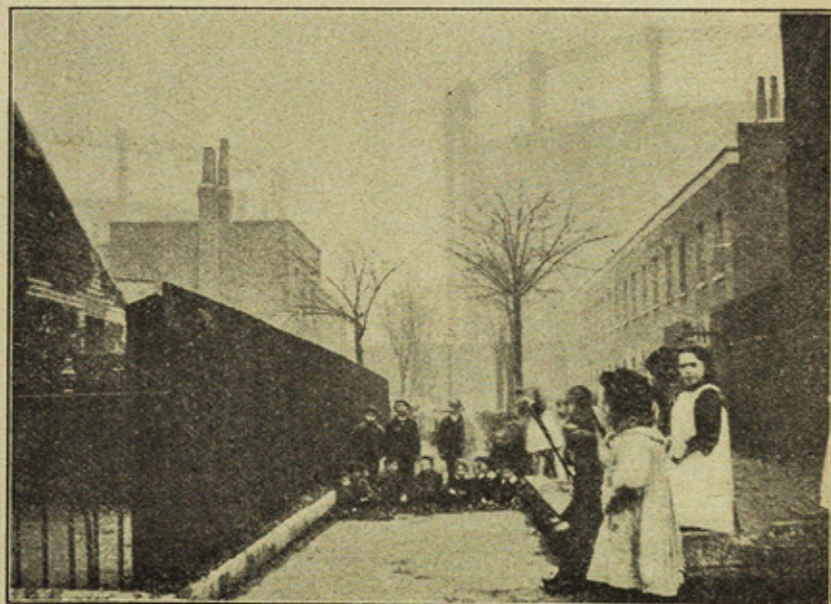


MAIN ENTRANCE OF GAS FACTORY.

"it should be called a gas-holder." Jumbo holds

5 Million Cubic Feet of Gas.

For years it was the largest gas-holder in the world, but it has lately been surpassed at Greenwich. We paid our respects to the deposed monarch, and hastened on. In one room was a perfect forest of gas meters; in another, gas stoves of every conceivable pattern, let out on hire at various prices. Whilst visiting a shop in which gas requisites were manufactured, I asked how many men were employed by the S. M. Gas Co. "I don't know," was the answer, "but my number is 1378." With the



VAUGHAN PLACE: A SAMPLE OF THE COURTS OF THE PARISH.

courtesy which is so marked a feature of these employes, the man was determined to satisfy my curiosity, and at length a printed list gave the information that

4,000 Men were at Work in

the various stations of the Company.

"Is the gas tar detrimental to health," I asked the Vicar. In reply he stated that the gas tar was the reverse of injurious. This can-

not be said, however, of the sulphur, as regards vegetation. In Vaughan Place the trees do not flourish in consequence of these fumes, and the same remark applies to other places where sulphur holds its blighting sway.



GROUP OF STOKERS, WITH THE VICAR.

compared with the longings of faith, yet to an outsider it seemed no small testimony to the power of Christian influence that the presence of three clergymen in these large works should be regarded as right and fitting, and that they should be treated on all sides with unvarying courtesy and consideration.

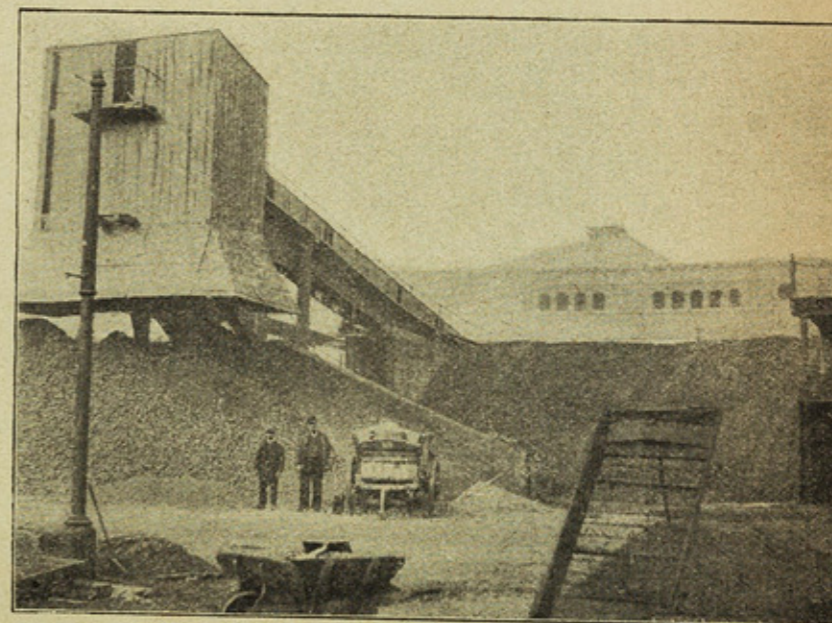
How much of this is due to the labours of the Vicar and his colleagues, I leave the readers of CHURCH AND

As we passed out of the works towards the entrance in Old Kent Road, we met a man who greeted the curate cordially. "Through me his seven children were baptized," said Mr. Woolverton. "And what about himself," I inquired. "He does not come to church as I should wish, but

PEOPLE to imagine. One thing is certain, that without the help of the C.P.A.S. the work would be crippled to an extent simply appalling.

It's Hard Work to Win the Men."

It was an honest confession, but still a depressing experience after such years of unremitting toil in this hive of industry. Nevertheless the work is not in vain, and though spiritual results may appear meagre as



COKE HEAP AND COKE CRUSHER, WITH RETORT HOUSE IN BACKGROUND.

More about Christ Church, Camberwell.

By the Rev. EDWIN J. STURDEE.

THE REV. M. GILBERT, Vicar of Christ Church, Camberwell, is a treat for the wearied interviewer. No need to toil up and down courts and alleys,

to pump information out of unwilling parishioners who suspect the very sight of a note-book; you sit back in a comfortable chair, and the Vicar tells you all that you want to know—not those dull rows of figures which reek of the committee room, but facts and touches that help to make CHURCH AND PEOPLE good reading, and to throw a halo of interest on what must ever be the dulness of work in a South London parish, where the startling statement that

Christianity is not in Possession

has again been repeated some ten years after it first shocked the consciences of the spiritually-minded.

"My trades or occupations are gas-stokers, toy makers, and fish curers," said the Vicar, by way of introduction; "then

we have a colony of Italians—and about 3,000 Irish Roman Catholics, who are cared for by the Monastery of St. Francis, close by my Mission Room."

"How is it that you have so many Irish?"

"It arises from the ancient history of the place: there was a time when the parish was partly laid out in potato gardens, and these drew the sons of Erin; the gardens have long disappeared, but the Irish remain."

"Then I suppose Christ Church was at one time more fashionable than it is now?"

"I should think so," was the reply. "In 1866 our pew rents amounted to something like £500 a year."

"And now?"

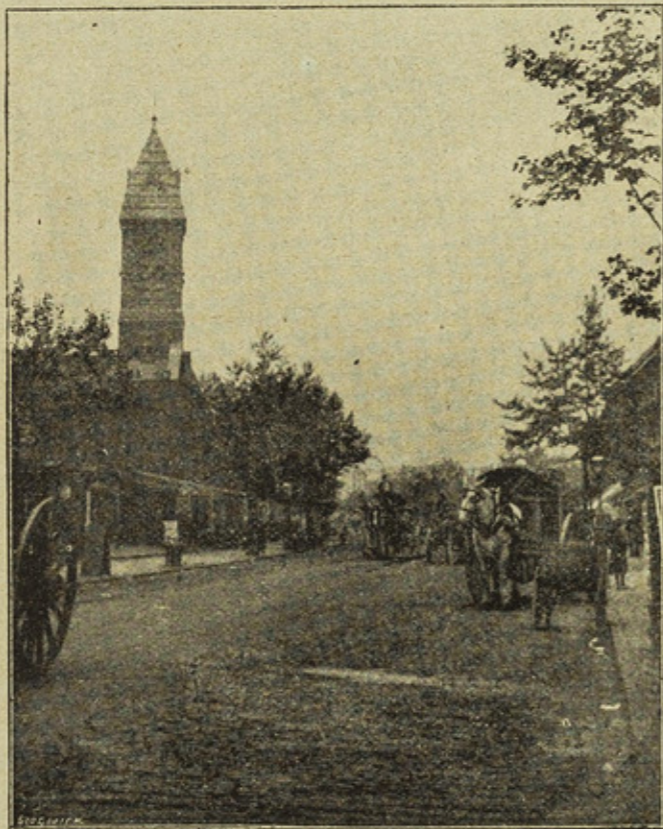
"And now they are barely £00."

"What about Sunday Schools?"

"We have three, with a total of some 700 children; to instruct these, there are between 50 and 60 teachers."

"What is your staff?"

"Two curates and myself, Scripture Reader, two Mission women and various voluntary workers. At one time the Mildmay Deaconesses were at work here."



OLD KENT ROAD, WITH CHRIST CHURCH.

"How were they liked?" I inquired.

"Exceedingly, not only on account of their spirituality, but also because of their refinement;

Our People appreciate Culture."

I record this remark, as it bears on the excellent work of Dynevor House, from which centre the C.P.A.S. hopes to send a constant supply of what some people call "real ladies" to devote their talents and

Many landlords close the houses for weeks together, put up the shutters, and make every sign of abandonment. After a time they re-open them, hoping for a better class of tenant."

"And with what result?" I inquired.

"With the result that the same sort of people re-enter, and the process of ejection and compulsory closing goes on *ad infinitum*."

What a picture this gives one of the



OLD KENT ROAD, LOOKING S.E. FROM LONDON.

opportunities to the benefit of their less fortunate neighbours.

"Tell me something about your Italian community," was my next request.

"They are men of two trades. During the summer they sell ice creams, and in the winter roast chestnuts and potatoes."

"Have you any bad streets?"

"Perhaps not, in the usual meaning of the word; but we have

A class of People who pay no Rent and live on until they are turned out.

squalor and misery of the so-called "submerged tenth" who gravitate largely towards the poorer parts of South London!

"What are your Irish experiences?" I further asked the Vicar before we started on our round.

"The Irish are looked after by the brethren of the Monastery of St. Francis, which, as I have told you, overshadows our Mission Room. For a time our meetings were much disturbed by these unruly parishioners; but I am bound to say that

the priests or brethren of the monastery did their best to keep them in order. Now and again, when a row has threatened, the cry of

'Here's Father!'

would quell the noisy spirits far more effectually than the threat of sending for the police. Latterly, however, the power of the priesthood has seemed on the wane; in fact, the spirit of defiance to authority has

The church can be seen from London Bridge some two miles away. It is a beautiful building, and has lately been carefully and tastefully restored. One of the curates took me to see it, as the Vicar had business in another direction. A glance at the interior revealed the pleasing fact that no accusation of shabbiness or neglect could be laid to the charge of the Incumbent.

"Do you know," said my guide, "that



IRISH COMMUNITY, SHOWING MISSION ROOM NEXT TO MONASTERY OF ST. FRANCIS.

invaded even the precincts of the Church of Rome."

The Vicar proceeded to inform me that

Roman Catholic Processions

were quite usual in the streets surrounding the monastery, and that no disturbance took place. I felt that thirty years ago such exhibitions would have been impossible in this country; but times have changed.

We started for the church and the gas-works, the latter of which I described in a preceding article.

the Vicar comes down every Saturday afternoon to see that all is in order for next day's services? and he thinks nothing of

Lending a Hand himself

at cleaning the church if anything has been overlooked."

The Jubilee year was turned to good account by soliciting gifts from the congregation. Stained glass windows, a prayer book and large Bible, the gift of the Sunday

School, a lectern, and various other adornments testified to the interest taken in the event, and to the readiness with which the Vicar's suggestions had been attended to.

I expressed surprise at so poor a parish doing so much for Church purposes.

"Our People rise to the Occasion,"

was the reply; "they will do anything for the Vicar."

By the way, the Corpus College Mission

"It could not be held earlier, as the shop would not be closed; the assistants sleep on the premises, and a Bible Class at 9.45 suits them exactly."

"You will say a few words at our prayer meeting this evening?" asked the Vicar when I rejoined him later on, so after a cup of tea we again plunged into the district.

"Did Mr. Woolverton tell you of the weddings?" inquired Mr. Gilbert, as we threaded our way across the noble thorough-



BEXLEY ALLEY: ITALIAN SETTLEMENT.

has its field of operation in the parish, though of the details of its work I made no inquiry, as it is not within the scope of this article.

"There is a Bible Class at this shop," said the curate, as we passed a fair-sized drapery establishment.

"What time is it held?" I asked.

"At a Quarter to Ten,"

was the reply.

I expressed surprise at the lateness of the hour.

fare of the Old Kent Road—the lung of the parish, he called it—into the narrow streets at the rear.

"He did not."

"We have any number on certain occasions, such as Christmas Day. I remember one Christmas very well. After early Communion I proceeded to the Vestry and found that twenty-one couples were to be married.

I took Sixteen and was done;

my colleagues managed the rest."

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"What hard work!" I exclaimed.

"But not so bad as some of our costers' weddings when I came."

"Tell me of them."

Thus encouraged, the Vicar proceeded.

"The first wedding I took after my appointment happened to be the wedding of a coster. I had no curate. Inside the church was a crowd; many of the men wore their hats, a few were smoking. I sternly commanded order and some show of reverence under penalty of refusing to proceed with the service.

'All right, Guv'nor,'

called out one man."

"And was it all right?"

"It was better than before; but being single-handed, I could not attempt too much in the way of discipline."

"How do you manage now?"

"Very differently. No one is admitted to the church without a ticket. These tickets are given beforehand to the contracting parties without limit as to number; by this means only their friends are admitted."

We entered the Mission Room, fairly filled for such an occasion, and a profitable hour was spent in devotion.

A tone of reverent earnestness pervades the work in Christ Church parish. The clergy (all three bachelors, by the way) live only for the people. For quiet devotion to duty and diligence in winning souls, they have few equals, even in C.P.A.S. parishes. It is over forty years since the Society began to help Christ Church.

"Our First Grant, made in 1857,

was for a Scripture Reader," the Vicar informed me. At present there are two: one for a Curate, and one for a Woman Worker.

Who can estimate the value of this steady help in encouraging and consolidating the difficult work of a difficult parish? It was a real pleasure to visit it; it will be real pleasure to visit it again, so long as it possesses its present staff of workers, toiling on manfully in dependence upon God the Holy Ghost, and seeing, in spite of many drawbacks, enough fruit to make them thank God and take courage.

Help is urgently needed for the following:—

Assistant Clergy Fund

School Buildings Maintenance Fund

District Visiting Fund

*** Vicarage Fund**

* There is at present no house or residence obtainable in the parish for the Vicar.

Donations towards the above funds will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged by the

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Interview with the Rev. F.W. Fisher, ^{Curate} Curate of S. John Peckham: at the vicarage, Springell St. out of meeting house lane.
With Mr Fisher were his Curate Rev. ^{Lt.} Woolley & his Deacons Miss?

The Rev. F.W. Fisher.

Mr. Fisher is about 40, clean shaven, slight hesitation in his speech, married, high church, was a curate in Stockwell under Escot whom he considers a "master man": Such originality as there is in Mr. Fisher's parish is copied from Escot. But a hard worker. He succeeded Rev. W.F. Scott, a very high church man with 4200 acres of his own. "I have nothing of my own." Many used to come for the loaves & fishes & had to be weeded out especially in the mother's meeting. Has been here 4 yrs.
Mr. Woolley is a young man, very good looking good features & blue eyes, pleasant manner but a natural or acquired cockney accent.

Miss

Character of the District

Fisher - S. Jude.

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Miss ? the Deaconess, dressed rather like a nun, is very pretty with a clear pink complexion, about 30 years of age, a hard pinched little mouth; lately come here from Battersea where she had the visitation of Orville Road. (86th).

The parish is pink in the map, pt^d between Mutfellie & Asylum Rd, purple in the cul de sacs east of the Asylum Rd: 46 in Leo St & Houton St. Mr. Fisher agreed with the colouring as to the degrees shown but thinks that the pt^d might be pink & some of the pink of Meeting House Lane sh^d be purple. Very few servants in Asylum Rd & a great mix^{ture} of poor in Meeting House Lane. (There is not much in it ^{pt^d} except that like the rest of Peckham ^{pt^d} of the Queens Rd all the pink is tending to purple. 86th). The worst places are Houton St & Leo St both quiet poor (in map 46). Never any rows in the street, just labouring poor, unthrifty, spend too

District employments.

Church capacity.

Fisher - Slade.

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too much a drink. Mr. Fisher says there is more
hurry & pressure in life here than in Stockwell
'people have no time to think', only enough to
work & drink & sleep. The Deaconess said that
it was quiet & prosperous as compared to Battersea,
'why I haven't seen a street fight yet'. The
curate had not seen me in two years.

The employers of the district are two (fruit salt)
mellin, Gas works, basket makers an old linger-
ing trade here, Large laundries who take
in washing for West end clubs & hotels. Many
home workers at Blouses, shirts, collars
& ties & small employers. The work is let
out to shops in the Old Kent Rd, who
sublet to small employers who again
sublet to homeworkers. Many clerks also
go with the artisans walk as
far as the Canal Bridge in the morning
& thence take a penny tram.

The Church holds 850

250 come in the morning: of whom about
30 are men including the choir. But it
used

used to be a regular 'bonnet' congregation.
5 to 600. come in the evening of whom about
100 are men.

The congregation is parochial: 'certainly not the
poorest' come. Formerly under Scott there was
a large ^{extra} parochial attendance, service was very
high then, more so if anything than now:
now they get a few who find St. James Hatcham
too low for them. The service is 'distinctly
high': processions but no excessive ritual,
vestments 'but no incense nor wafer bread':
Confession 'if wanted'; on the way, not must
principle.

He has started a Church Council of 12. These
deal with matters of Church custom - eg a
proposal was on foot to give the Vicar a cope
they decided he 'shd not wear it & he obeyed.
Mr. Fisher dislikes evening communion intensely
'Nothing to be said for it' but that it encourages
laziness: if they get up for their work why
not get up for their religion: as a matter of
fact the poorest women are those who come
to

The Congregation

Communion.

Weekday services.

Attitude of w.m. to religion.

mediatorial religion.

Fisher - S. Jude.

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to the earliest celebration."

On Sunday, celebration is at 7 AM & 8 AM: at 7
about 10 come: at 8 over 60: at 11.30 about
30.

There is weekly celebration on Tu. wed. Thurs. Fri.
mornings when 6 or 7 come most church workers.
Matins daily at 10. when about 6 come.
Choral evensong daily at 7.30 when 15 to 20 come
mostly church workers & school teachers.

He said that the attitude of the men in the
parish was one of indifference. not atheistical
but against church going, all have some
religious feeling which they testify to by
sending their children to school or wives
to mothers meeting; some peering at those
on their way to church: 'it means some
backbone if you come to church': the former
congregation was bought, now we have none
of that! No time for thought here: everyone in
a hurry. Men only care for religion ~~before~~ ~~before~~
death, not during life. Those who go thought
humbags. Church-going means temperance
but

but not total abstinence. Religion means another effort; they can't make it. Sunday for them a day of rest. A few come for the show.

Sunday Schools. 'far from good':

483 on book & a good proportion come: strict discipline enforced. The better sort of children com. About 2 are of church parents. No Church Schools. But B? School teachers are Church people & teach the children ~~know~~. I wish we had captured the schools from the first like Stough of Corpus Christi, then we shd. have church schools everywhere paid by the LSPB & with none of the financial worry that purely church schools ~~entail~~ entail!

There are 60 Sunday School teachers.

Buildings used. Parish Hall with 3 rooms in it.

Mission Hall in Lower Park Rd. used for Sunday school. Was to have a service in it but none came & it was dropped.

For societies see year book attached. Nothing is particularly successful but all are being worked steadily. The mothers meeting has fallen

Sunday Schools.

Buildings.

Church Societies.

fallen from 170 to 100: 'I am glad to say'. mothers used to come simply for what they could get. The whole tendency is to look only for the comforting elements in religion, to disregard the dis-comforting, to accept only what demands no individual effort.

Visiting: District divided up: not house to house: too much to do: get many rebuffs if you go outside the congregation but the effort is made rather to visit those outside than those inside. The poor object to letting you into the house because your call is unexpected & for visitors things must always have the appearance of being better than they really are.

Charity. Give away about £100. Work with C.O.S. Their principle the right one but un sympathetically administered. Hard cases always sent to them. People prefer to receiving help from Church than from C.O.S. 'Sometimes I think that the real great work of the C.O.S. is done: it was their mission to administer ideas: this has been done: the whole attitude of charitable bodies has been alter

Visiting

C.O.S.

altered owing to the work of the C.O.S.: its ideas being accepted, it now turns to the administration of relief & fails.

Cooperation. No direct. Clifton Chapel does good work.

In spite of his ritual Mr. Fisher was asked to the farewell meeting of their late pastor went.

Another mission in Peckham Park - small.

Culmore Rd. Mission. 'gets hold of the poorest.'

There is one chapel & 3 missions from outside chapels, in the parish.

Local Govt. Vestry good, drainage well done, streets well looked after, health good, soil gravel.

B. of Guardians: 'shocking': outrelief freely given in small amounts, 2/6 or 3/ usual with some additions in kind: used by recipient as a basis on which to claim church relief.

No proper enquiries made as to character of recipients: outrelief regarded as a right

here: no stigma attached though they wd. rather not lose their vote, but rather lose vote than lose relief. The guardians are

small shopkeepers who seem to enjoy the patronage

Cooperation other Churches.

Local Govt.

age of intemperance.

Police. very decent.

Drink. 'Everyone drinks': there wd be no poverty here were it not for drink: 'at least $\frac{7}{8}$ of what there is is due to drink. What's the remedy?' they all answered legislation. Legislation so that the state shd gain by the sale of drink & so that children shd be prevented from fetching beer & so 'hearing the shocking words & seeing the disgraceful sights that are so common in public houses! None of them had ever been in a public house 'the sight of those who stand about outside is quite enough.'

The children are seen to sip. The deaconess had once seen a baby drink but never anyone else under 16. She thinks & so do the others that the acquisition of the taste is learnt in childhood. 'Even quite respectable people send their children for beer.' Neither of the others had ever seen children the worse for drink.

Mr Fisher himself wd like to see the Pubs turned into large Beer halls with music

Drink.

seats on the German plan. At Heligoland on a visit he had been much struck at the pastor giving him a rusegoms at the 'Bier-Halle'; He does not think that the present increase of visiting the pubs by women tends at all in the Bier-Halle direction. Mr F had invited all the pub-licans of his parish to a mission but none have answered. 'We are strong & make a great point of Temperance work here.' Though women go so much 'there is still a feeling that it is not quite respectable' to do so.

Not a thrifty people.

No overcrowding. 3 room tenements usual: Rents in Birmingham 1st (par) 11/1 12/- for 6 r incl L & washhouse. Rents have risen 3/- in the last 4 years.

vid next page. for Year Book.

No overcrowding

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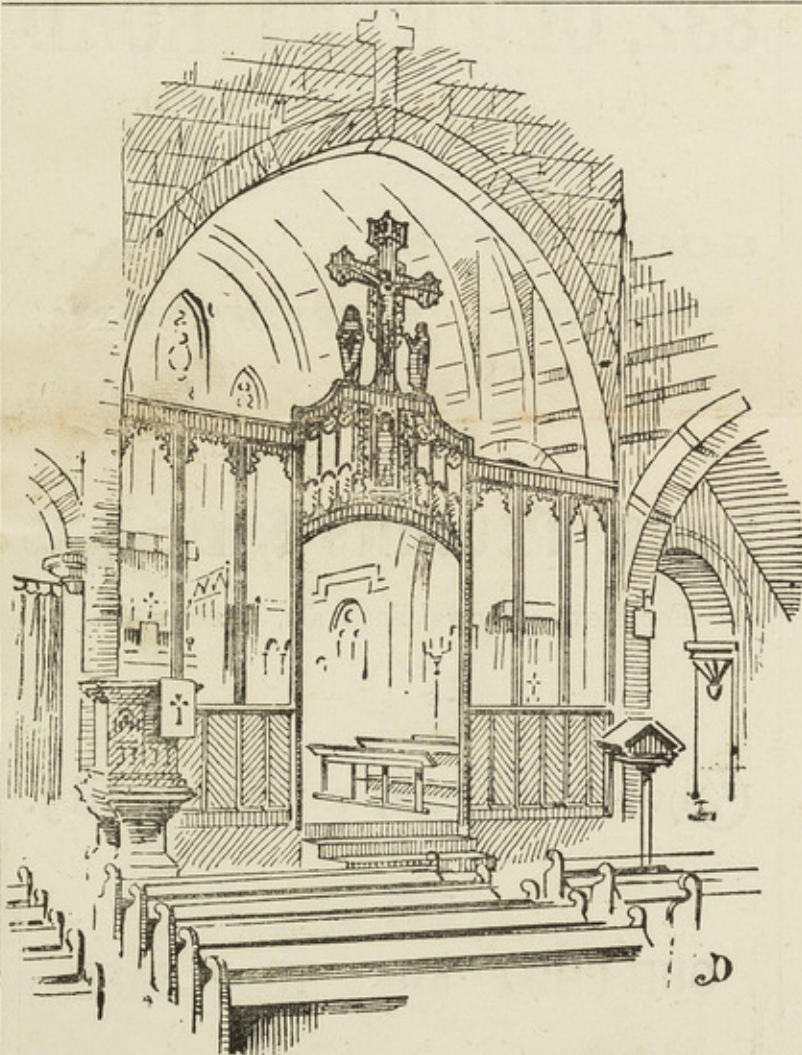
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1899—1900.



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S. Jude's, Peckham.

The Church.

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Bishop Suffragan The Rt. Rev. H. W. Yeatman-Bigge, D.D. (Southwark).
Archdeacon Ven. J. Richardson, D.D.
Vicar Rev. F. W. Fisher, M.A., S. Jude's Vicarage.
Assistant Curate Rev. L. S. Wright, M.A. do.
 " Rev. L. N. Woolley, M.A. do.
Chaplain of S.E. Hospital Rev. C. E. T. Whitfield, M.A., 11, Erlanger Road, New Cross.
Deaconess
Churchwardens Mr. F. J. Goodway, 19, Casella Road.
 Mr. C. D. Hayes, 42, Hollydale Road.
Sidesmen Messrs. E. R. Cossins, G. T. Kelly, F. C. Owen, J. F. E. Welch, F. W. G. Wheeler, T. W. White.
Church Council Ex-Officio Members, Churchwardens and Sidesmen. Elected 1900, Messrs. W. Emmett, A. Carter, A. J. C. Macpherson, T. Ellis, E. W. Blanchard, J. Hayes, W. Jenkins, P. Butler, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Goodway, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Carter, Miss Bradshaw, Miss Clarke.
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Organist and Choirmaster Mr. F. W. Goodway, 155, Dunstan's Road, East Dulwich.
Deputy Organists Rev. L. N. Woolley, Mr. Geo. Kelly.
Basses Messrs. W. Carter, A. Carter, W. Emmett, F. Emmett, H. Goodway, Langston, Nyc.
Tenors Messrs. Askew, Cossins, F. J. Goodway, Newman.
Altos Messrs. Banwell and F. G. Caspari.
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Vergers Mr. J. C. Campbell, 16, Meeting House Lane.
Bell-ringer T. Furse.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS.

Men's Meeting—Sunday, 4.15, October to March, in Parochial Hall. Sec. Rev. L. N. Woolley.
Band of Hope—Superintendent, Mr. Hunt. Treasurer, Miss E. Ellis. Registrar, Miss M. Hollyman. Thursday, 6.15.
Church of England Temperance Society—Hon. Sec., Rev. L. S. Wright.
S. Jude's Guild—Warden, Rev. L. S. Wright.
S. Jude's Working Guild—Secretary, Mrs. Goodway, 19, Casella Road; Treasurer, Mrs. Fisher, The Vicarage.

Mission Guild—Treasurer and Foreign Secretary, Mr. C. D. Hayes, 42, Hollydale Road. Home Treasurer and Secretary, Mr. E. Talbot, 5, Culmore Road.
Church Lads' Brigade—Captain,
Slate Club (Women)—Mrs. Ewer, 23, Albert Road.
Mothers' Meeting—Monday, 2.30 p.m. Sec. (1), Mrs. Fisher. Mrs. Ewer, Miss Cossins. Sec. (2), Mrs. Restall.
G. F. S.—Mrs. Sers, 130, Queen's Road.
S. Jude's Tennis Club—Secretary, Mr. A. Carter, 20, Bousfield Road.
S. Jude's Men's Club—Rev. L. N. Woolley.

NOTABILIA.

The Hymn Book used is "Hymns Ancient and Modern."
 The Psalter is the "Cathedral."

All seats free. To be free from debt, the ordinary mid-day and evening Offertory should average at least £3 at each service; the total throughout the year, including special Offertories, £9 a Sunday.

If late for the Service, it is desirable not to disturb the prayers of others, but to kneel in the aisle and wait until the singing commences.

At **Baptism** it is desirable that father and mother should both be present, as well as the Godparents, who should both be communicants. There is no fee for the Sacrament, but an opportunity is given for making an offering on behalf of the Sunday Schools.

Churchings are taken ten minutes before any Service; there is no fee, but an opportunity is given for making an offering on behalf of the Sunday School.

At **Holy Communion** kneeling or standing for those who are strong is the proper attitude during the Service (unless there is a sermon).

Banns of Marriage, with addresses and other necessary particulars, should be left with the vergers, Mr. Campbell, 16, Meeting House Lane.

For the **Funeral Service**, the use of the Church can always be obtained by members of the congregation. Fee: 1s. bell. An offering is invited for the Sick Poor.

It is earnestly desired that at all Services the whole congregation will follow carefully the rubrical directions of the Prayer Book as to kneeling and standing, and join with a "loud voice" in the praise and prayer.

Letters of Commendation will be gladly given by the Vicar to Parishioners removing to another parish.

Parishioners and members of the congregation who do not know any of the Clergy should leave their names and addresses at the Vicarage.

Notice of serious illness, when a visit from one of the Clergy would be acceptable, should be given at once in writing to one of the Clergy.

SACRAMENTS.

Holy Baptism—Every Sunday, 4 p.m.
 Every Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Holy Communion—Every Sunday, 8 and 11.30 a.m.
 First Sunday in Month, 7 a.m.
 Holy Days, 7 and 11 a.m.
 Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 7 a.m.
 Wednesday, 8 a.m.

SERVICES.

Sunday—Matins, 10.45 a.m.
 Children's Service, 3.15 p.m. Evensong, 7 p.m.
Every Week-day—Matins, 10 a.m. Evensong, 7.30 p.m.
 Children's Church at Parochial Hall every Sunday at 10.45 a.m. and 6.45 p.m.

STATISTICS.

S. JUDE'S CHURCH.

	1897	1898	1899
Population	10,000	—	—
Marriages	81	81	103
Baptisms	155	191	189
Churchings	228	227	421
Confirmees	37	33	78
Communions	4,697	5,304	6,701
Easter Communions ..	327	313	298
Christmas Communion..	224	254	325
Total Offertories ..	£288	—	—
Sunday Schools—Average on Books:			
Boys (as per Rule 4) ..	..	125	127
Girls' .. ..	..	180	—
Infants' .. ..	..	108	98
Mission School .. ..	..	70	—
Band of Hope (actual) ..	..	209	185
Applications for help, hospital, convalescent, and other letters .. ..	..	55	166

LIST OF CLERGY LICENSED TO SERVE AT S. JUDE'S, PECKHAM (BUILT 1875).

1. Curate-in-Charge, 1867-1872.—Rev. Pitt Cobbett.
2. " " 1872-1876.—Rev. Chas. John Meade, M.A., Magdalene College, Camb., Perpetual Curate, 1879-87.
3. Vicar, 1887-96.—Rev. Walter Folliott Scott, M.A., Christ Church, Oxford.
4. " 1896.—Rev. Francis Walter Fisher, M.A., St. John's, Camb.

Assistant Curates.

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| 1.—1875. Rev. Arthur John Minton, M.A. | 7.—1888. Rev. Lewis Winton, M.A. |
| 2.—1878. " Arthur Izzard, M.A. | 8.—1889. " John Biggs Denchfield, M.A. |
| 3.—1882. " Harry Morris, M.A. | 9.—1890. " Cyrus Steel, M.A. |
| 4.—1883. " John Grant Ferguson, M.A. | 10.—1896. " Charles Simmonds, M.A. |
| 5.—1886. " Austin Oliver, M.A. | 11.—1897. " Lawson Sant Wright, M.A. |
| 6.—1887. " Geo. Hy. N. Ingle, M.A. | 12.—1898. " L. N. Woolley, M.A. |

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 King's Road

Miss Andrews, 4, Lausanne Road
 Mrs. Fisher, S. Jude's Vicarage

THE REV. L. S. WRIGHT'S DISTRICT.

Lower Park Road, 79-157
 Meeting House Lane
 Nutcroft Road, 2-76
 Nutcroft Road, 1-33
 Naylor Road, 35-117
 Naylor Road, 28-102
 Lansdowne Place
 Peckham Park Road

Miss Francis, 96, Marmont Road
 Miss Cossins, 123, Asylum Road
 Mrs. Goodway, 19, Casella Road
 Miss Howard, Christchurch Road, Streatham
 Miss Carr, 169, Queen's Road
 Miss Howard, Christchurch Road, Streatham

Pennethorne Road, odd
 Pennethorne Road, even
 Commercial Road, 332-244
 Elcot Avenue
 Geldart Road
 Honiton Street
 Kincaid Road

Mrs. Smith, 27, Clifton Road
 Mrs. Restell

THE REV. L. N. WOOLLEY'S DISTRICT.

Leo Street
 Loder Street
 Newbold Road
 Staveley Road
 Whittington Road
 Astbury Road, 62-114
 Bland Avenue
 Brimington Road
 Clifton Crescent, 2-58
 Clifton Crescent, 1-63
 Clifton Road
 Culmore Road
 King Arthur Street

Mrs. Fisher, S. Jude's Vicarage
 Miss Davy, 21, Gellatly Road
 Miss A. Brattle, 36, Erlanger Road
 Miss Ponsonby, 12, King's Road
 Miss Davy, 21, Gellatly Road
 Miss Ellis, 88, Clifton Crescent
 Miss Howard, Christchurch Road, Streatham
 Miss Ponsonby, 12, King's Road

TO THE CONGREGATION OF CHRIST'S PEOPLE AT S. JUDE'S, PECKHAM.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

For the third time—at the end of my fourth year amongst you, I preface the Year's Accounts with a short letter. I feel there is much to encourage us—we are more solid, more together in our work: the Services are more valued, there is more mutual trust. We are realizing what the corporate life of the Church means: and as a consequence we are, and shall be, able to do more work for God outside the immediate limits of our Church. For the Church has a Mission to her neighbours. Never let us forget this. We must not be content while the vast majority of the parishioners neither love nor serve our LORD JESUS Christ, even if, at every service, our Church were filled to overflowing with devout worshippers. Our aim must be to bring all whom we can reach, all whom we love, under the dominion of JESUS Christ, rather than to just fill our Church. And this we can only do by bearing the Cross ourselves, and being true to our LORD and His Church, in every detail of daily life and work. And in this work everyone must bear his or her part: it is the work of the whole Church and not merely or only that of the ministers. It is our duty—it must be done cheerfully and readily. Our soldiers in South Africa teach us at home great lessons—the lessons of discipline and duty. Let us translate these into our religious life and follow our Captain with enthusiasm, and look upon life as a campaign where we are under the immediate commands of the Great General—on active service subduing the enemy—our own hearts and wills first, storming the strongholds still held by the opposing force, greed and selfishness and lust—until all own the Empire of JESUS. We want to be imperialists for Him. The title of our Church, "catholic" (one meaning of which is 'world-wide') gives us the ideal: it is for us Christians to make it a reality.

We can carry forward the idea of Christian imperialism in two directions—at home and abroad. There is this year a unique opportunity in both ways. First, at home there is the New Municipal Bill giving larger powers to local authorities, and consequently laying upon them greater responsibilities. Let us gladly welcome this opportunity, and do what we can to raise municipal life into a higher plane: it wants christianizing: it is worth the attention (which it has not yet received) of the best Christian thought and prayer: it will only find its freedom and purpose in realizing, in making real, Christian principles as applied to civic life. And then, abroad, the S. P. G. keeps this year its Bicentenary, and challenges the Church to carry her LORD'S Message far and wide: to fulfil the Master's command to Evangelize the world with a greater sense of privilege and duty than has been the case up to the present.

I cannot express in words my deep gratitude to all those who in countless ways have been associated with me in making our Church what it is. Each piece of unobtrusive work done in the name of JESUS Christ: each fervent prayer offered, each holy desire cherished, helps on that which we all have at heart, the Glory of GOD, the extension of Christ's kingdom, the well-being of our fellow men and women.

Believe me, yours faithfully,

FRANCIS W. FISHER.

S. JUDE'S VICARAGE,

PECKHAM,

June 8th, 1900.

(My thanks are due to Mr. PERCY J. HAYES for seeing the Year Book through the press.)

CHURCHWARDENS' CASH ACCOUNT, EASTER, 1890—EASTER, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To General Fund—Proportion due to Vicar	111 16 3½	By Balance due to Churchwardens ..	14 17 0
Easter Offeratories, 1900	11 8 1	Vicar, Easter, 1899	13 6 1
Donations	0 12 6	„ on account	105 13 10
		„ Easter, 1900	11 8 1
			130 8 0
Church Expenses:—		Assistant Clergy Fund	18 9 10
Rev. Whitfield's Concert	4 6 0	Organist	27 2 0
Sustentation Fund	4 0 0	Vergers	32 0 0
Baptisms	2 10 6½	Bell-ringing, etc.	20 2 0
Churchings	1 18 11½	Gas	27 3 8
Cakes and Apron Sale	1 13 11	Water	2 17 6
Boxes at Door	0 8 4	Insurance, £7 7s. 3d. (less Sec. Church Hall, £1 2s. 6d.) ..	6 4 9
Donations	1 7 6	Coal and Coke	13 3 9
Offeratories	93 12 7½	Repairs	12 6 8
		Printing, £17 12s. 7d. (less donation for Soldiers' Sunday, 7s. 6d.) ..	17 5 1
Bazaar, Proceeds of—General Expenses	100 0 0	Visitation Fee	0 18 0
Assistant Clergy Fund:—		Bread and Wine	1 17 0
Boxes	0 4 4	Clock-winding	1 1 0
Cake and Apron Sale	7 0 0	Gardener	5 0 0
Offeratories	16 6 10	Choir Expenses	0 10 3
		Year Book	0 12 6
Sunday Schools:—		Incidental Expenses, Oilman's Sundries, etc.	3 8 10
Baptisms	2 4 8½		171 13 0
Churchings	2 4 9½	Decorations	4 9 11
Offeratories	5 6 0	Old Folks' Dinner, 1898	9 14 6
		Secretary Church Hall	23 16 5
Decorations:—		Confirmation Expenses	5 12 1
Bags at Door	4 4 11	Paid on account of Balance due to Churchwardens	8 0 0
Donations	0 5 0	Offeratories, etc.:—	
		Sick Poor, 1898	10 0 0
Chancel Screen Fund:—		Do.	4 7 6
Boxes	0 8 9	Sunday School	7 14 4
Bags at Door	0 11 0	Guild of S. Jude	2 5 10
		C. L. B.	0 14 11
Choir Fund:—Bags at Door	0 19 9	C. E. T. S. (Rev. L. S. W.)	0 7 10
Altar Fund:—Offeratories	0 13 7	Altar Fund	0 3 5
Hospital Sunday Fund:—		Choir Fund	0 13 7
Boxes, Donations, etc.	0 8 0	Screen Fund	0 19 9
Offeratories	7 17 6	S. Jude's Mission Guild	0 1 0
			27 8 2
Confirmation:—Boxes, etc.	3 1 0	Special Offeratories:—	
Sick Poor:—		Widows and Orphans	22 1 0
Boxes	1 0 4	Hospital Sunday Fund	8 5 6
Offeratories	16 16 6	S. P. G.	4 17 10
		Medical Mission to Japan	4 1 1
C. L. B.:—Offeratories	0 14 11	Evan Griffith, C. E. T. S.	1 0 0
C. E. T. S.:—Offeratories	1 7 10	Rockhampton Diocese	0 15 9
Guild of S. Jude:—Offeratories	2 5 10	Mission to Jews	0 14 1
Mission Guild:—Offeratories	0 1 0	Oxford Mission to Calcutta	0 8 2
S. P. G.:—		R. D. S.	0 7 6
Bags at Door	1 8 0	Corpus Christi H. Home	0 6 2
Offeratories	3 9 10	Police Court Mission	0 2 11
		U. Mission to Central Africa	0 1 0
Widows and Orphans:		E. C. U.	0 0 11
Boxes, Donations, etc.	0 5 9	Additional Curate Society	2 13 5
Offeratories	21 15 3		45 15 6
Special Offeratories:—			
Med. Mission to Japan	4 1 1		
Additional Curate Society	2 13 6		
Rockhampton Diocese	0 15 9		
Mission to Jews	0 14 1		
Oxford Mission to Calcutta	0 8 2		
Roc. Dio. Soc.	0 7 6		
Corpus Christi H. Homes	0 6 2		
Police Court Mission	0 2 11		
U. Mission to Central Africa	0 1 0		
E. C. U.	0 0 11		
Balance due to Churchwardens	16 13 5		
	£460 4 4		£460 4 4

Examined and found correct, A. CARTER, April 16, 1900.

Assistant Clergy & Deaconess Fund—Feb. 28th, 1899, to Dec. 31st, 1899.

The sum of £105 is required annually to meet the Society's Grants. Subscribers URGENTLY needed.
Hon. Sec.—Mr. F. J. GOODWAY, 19, Casella Road, New Cross.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance March 1, 1899	8 18 1	By Stipends—Rev. L. S. Wright	100 0 0
Rochester Diocesan Society	75 0 0	—Rev. L. N. Woolley	85 0 0
Additional Curates Society	80 0 0	—Deaconess	75 0 0
Jumble Sale Committee	25 0 9	Printing	0 15 0
Offertories	22 10 6	Year Book	0 5 0
Concert, per Mr. G. T. Kelly	9 7 0	Repaid Jumble Sale	6 5 0
Half proceeds of Ethiopian Entertainment, per Mr. J. F. Goodway	3 3 0	Balance in hand	13 14 0
Proceeds of Cantata, per Deaconess May	1 5 3		
Subscriptions, Donations, etc.	55 14 5		
	£280 19 0		£280 19 0

Audited and found correct, P. J. HAYES, February 15, 1900.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS.

Ardingly	Mrs. Back	Mrs. Dalton	Mr. & Mrs. Garard	Miss Miles	Mr. Satchell
Anon (3)	Mrs. Climpson	H. J. D.	T. J. E. G.	A. J. C. M.	Mr. J. W. Smith
Misses G. and E.	" Carr	Miss Evans	Mrs. and Miss Gray	N.	E. H. T.
Ayling	" Carter	Mrs. Ewer	M. H.	Misses Nelson	H. M. T.
Mrs. Ayling	" H. Carter	Miss A. P. Ellis	W. H.	Miss Newson	Two Friends
Mr. A. Ayling	E. C.	Mr. and Mrs. Ellis	Mrs. Heaford	Mr. and Mrs. Nye	W. S. T.
" F. Alcock	K. C.	E. E.	Miss C. Humphries	A. P.	J. T.
" S. Askew	F. T. C.	Rev. and Mrs. F. W.	Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Hayes	W. E. P.	Mrs. Tomlinson
A Friend	Miss Collingwood	Fisher	" J. Hayes	Miss B. Parsons	Miss M. Tennent
R. B.	Mrs. Colvert	A. E. F.	H.	Mrs. Page	" Shingleton
Mrs. Barwick	Mr. W. H. Cossins	Miss J. S. Francis	Miss Howe	Mr. W. Pottle	Victory
Mr. R. Benham	(the late)	" Faulkner	P. J. H.	Miss Pottle	Miss Villiers
" W. Benham	" E. R. Cossins	Mrs. & Miss Foskett	Misses Jones	" M. Ryman	V.
Miss Benham	H. M. G.	Mr. C. J. Frankland	C. F. D. J.	" Rolfe	C. W.
" Bergeman	K. M. C.	Five Girls	Misses Jenkins	Saxon	F. E. W.
E. B.	E. H. C.	D E R F	K.	Miss Stevens	Mr. & Miss Wheeler
Miss Brant	S. C.	E. G.	Mr. King	" Scriven	M. W.
" A. Brattle	A. C.	Mr. Gladding	" Kelly	Mr. & Miss Swinford	Mrs. & Miss Wiltshire
" E. Brattle	M. C.	" Grey	Mrs. Lockyer	A. S.	C. W. and C. W.
E. M. E.	Mrs. R. Dolling	F. I. G. & E. M. G.	R. L. and C. L.	Mr. W. St. John	J. T. W.
Miss J. Brown	Miss Davy	L. G.	Mr. Langston	Mrs. St. John	Mrs. & Miss Williams
Mr. and Mrs. Barfoot	Mr. & Mrs. Dowson	Deaconess May	Miss J. Lowden	M. S.	Mr. W. T. White
		A. H. X.	X.		

SICK POOR FUND.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance in Hand	19 0 10	Meat	1 17 5½
Interest	0 1 7	Milk	5 2 6
S. Stephen's, Dulwich	20 0 0	Coals	4 2 9½
Donations	3 12 6	Grocery	17 12 5
Boxes in Church	0 11 1	Loans	2 0 0
Offertories	3 14 8	Convalescent	3 11 0
Private Celebrations	0 18 0	Surgical	1 11 0
Soldiers' and Sailors' Fund	0 15 0	Charity Organisation Society	2 14 3
		Relief Tickets	0 2 7
		Marriage Certificate	0 2 8
		Cabs to Hospitals	0 16 3
		Money	0 17 0
		Christmas Dinners	0 15 0
		Year Book	0 5 0
		Postage	0 1 0
		Balance in Hand	7 2 9
	£48 13 8		£48 13 8

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

President: THE VICAR.

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer: REV. L. S. WRIGHT.

Assist. Treasurer: MR. E. TALBOT.

REPORT. JANUARY 1899—DECEMBER, 1899.

The Adult Branch of the C.E.T.S. has made a steady advance during the past year. The meetings have been of a more varied character, and on the whole, with the exception of the months of July and August, have been much better attended.

During the year 26 purely Temperance meetings were held in the Schools. As a rule they were held every fortnight. They included Gospel Addresses, Lantern Lectures, and one Scientific Lecture.

The following were among the speakers:—The Revs. J. W. Horsley, A. W. Jephson (twice), W. W. Hough, C. B. Charles, F. G. Weston, W. Pheasant, and Mr. Robert Sawyer (who has lately entered into his rest, R.I.P.), Messrs. Smart and Thomson (Police Court Missionaries), Mr. Hunt, Mr. May, Mr. Hawley and the Hon. Sec.

SERVICES IN CHURCH.—1 April 19th. *Initiation Service* when nine members were admitted, and the Sermon was preached by the Rev. R. Wilson.

2 July 4th. During the Dedication Festival, when an excellent Sermon was given by Canon Barker.

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY was observed on Nov. 12th, when the Rev. W. W. Hough preached in the morning and the Rev. S. Bickersteth in the evening. Two-thirds of £1 18s. 2d., the morning collection, was given to our *Police Court Mission Work*, a lamentably small amount.

EASTER EGG TEA which netted £1 1s. 8d. was kindly arranged by Mrs. Fisher, after which an Entertainment was held and a collection made for Mr. Campbell.

Miss Bliss' Concert was held on June 7th, which netted £1 0s. 3d.

TWO SOCIAL GATHERINGS.—1 A large Social gathering was arranged by the Hon. Sec. on Jan. 11th, about 200 being present.

The expenses were not debited to the Society.
2 July 11th. A social gathering for "Strawberries and Cream" was held, when about 65 were present. (The expenses £1 6s. were met by the funds of the Society.)

MEMBERS.—There was on Dec. 31st 79 total abstaining members, and 14 general section; total 93.
ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS on the whole have been very good. On an average 80—100. 150 were present at the large October meeting, when the Rev. W. W. Hough and A. W. Jephson spoke.

SING-SONGS.—Up to Dec. 1899, these were arranged by the Society, and held on Saturday nights at the Lower Park Road Mission. Only four were held during 1899. In the future they will be run as a distinct organization.

BALANCE SHEET.—More satisfactory than in 1898, a deficit of only 18s. 5d. as against £2 3s. 7d. of the year before. The members' subscriptions have increased from £2 16s. 6d. to £4 12s.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHO HAVE SUNG.—The committee desire to thank those ladies and gentlemen who from time to time have helped by singing, and especially Mr. E. Talbot for showing the Lantern and helping in various ways. Finally the committee trust that all the members will do their utmost to further the Temperance cause in S. Jude's parish: 1 By attending the meetings; 2 By active work in influencing others to join; 3 By prayer for the work.

C. E. T. S.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Donations	1 15 2	Balance due to Treas. 2 3 7	
Members' Subs.	4 3 0	Printing, General	2 12 0
Collections	1 14 2	" Sing-songs, &c.	0 12 3
Sing-song Tickets	1 11 7	Posters	0 8 2
" Provs'ns.	1 0 8	Sing-song Provs'ns.	1 2 5
Easter Monday Tea	2 4 0	Temperance Sunday	
Miss Bliss's Concert	2 12 9	to R. D. T. S.	1 0 0
Temp'r'nce Sunday		Year Book	0 7 6
of £1 15s. 2d.	1 3 6	Hire of Hall	1 3 6
Sp'c'l Xmas Appeal,		Sub. to Hd.-qtrs.	0 10 0
per Mr. E. Talbot	1 6 6	Tuning Piano	0 2 6
Balance due to		Lantern Lec. Exp.	2 12 7
Treasurer	0 18 5	Speakers' Fees	0 19 5
		Exp. Easter Egg Tea	1 2 4
		Exp. Miss Bliss' C'ct.	1 12 6
		Expenses for Social	
		in July	1 6 0
		Hire of Piano for	
		Sing-songs, etc.	0 15 0
	£18 9 9		£18 9 9

Audited and found correct, P. HAYES, February 9, 1900.

BAND OF HOPE.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance	1 5 6½	Quarterly Teas	7 0 11
Members' Subs.	27 12 5½	Exn. Court Farm	12 7 4½
Hon. Mem.s' Subs.	1 3 6	May Queen	3 11 6½
Lantern Ent'm't	0 18 4	Lantern Shows	1 6 0
Ent. fee Expenses	0 2 8	Entry's Ex. & Hire	0 3 8
May Queen	7 8 6	Prizes	1 18 7½
Court Farm Excn.	6 13 6	Medals, etc.	0 18 6½
B. of M. Meals	0 2 9½	Mr. Goodway	5 0 0
" Almanacs	0 4 2	Sub. Bags	0 10 6
Collection prizes	1 4 0	Hymn Books	0 9 0
		Printing, etc.	0 11 9
		Sub. Year Book	0 5 0
		Affiliation Fees	0 10 0
		Lecture Fees	0 16 4
		Vis. B. of H. and	
		Speakers	0 5 4
		Music & Hire Piano	0 13 9½
		Postage	0 4 0
			36 12 4½
		Balance in hand	3 1½
	£36 15 5½		£36 15 5½

IMPROVEMENTS' FUND.

With a balance in hand from 1898 of £7 15s. 11d., this Fund was considerably augmented by the proceeds of the English Flower Garden Bazaar, held in May. Lent savings also provided a similar sum to the previous year, and the rest of the income was derived from subscriptions, interest, and other small sums. As will be seen from above account, the chief payments were the grant of £100 to Churchwardens and £49 balance due on alterations to and rebuilding of the organ, the end of the year finding the Fund reduced to 1s. 9d.

It is hoped that the present year will see a revival of interest in this Fund, as much yet remains to be done. An engine for blowing the organ is badly needed, and also some class-rooms, and soon it will become imperatively necessary to take in hand the re-pointing and restoration of the exterior fabric of the Church.

Hon. Secs., Messrs. G. T. Kelly and F. W. G. Wheeler.

Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. W. G. Wheeler.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance brought forward from 1898 ..	7 15 11	By Grant to Churchwardens ..	100 0 0
Net Profit on Flower Garden Bazaar ..	138 9 6	„ E. Ingram (Final Payment on Organ) ..	49 0 0
Lent Savings ..	7 15 10	„ G. W. Ward (Repairs to Boys' School) ..	8 0 0
Collecting-cards ..	3 11 7	„ Grants to Bazaar Working Parties ..	3 9 7
Sales after Bazaar ..	1 18 6	„ Slade and Co., Printing ..	1 2 6
Interest on 1898 Bank Account ..	1 3 1	„ Grant to Year Book ..	0 5 0
Subscriptions ..	1 2 0	„ Purchase of Lent Boxes ..	0 2 2
Offertory (Organ Recital) ..	0 4 7	Balance carried forward to 1900 ..	0 1 9
	<u>£162 1 0</u>		<u>£162 1 0</u>
To balance brought down ..	0 1 9		

Examined with vouchers and found in accordance therewith, EDGAR W. BLANCHARD, March 7, 1900.

PAROCHIAL HALL.

BALANCE SHEET for year ending Easter, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Churchwardens ex Bazaar ..	19 17 2	By Balance due to Churchwardens, Easter, 1899 ..	19 17 2
„ Do. do. ..	3 19 3	„ Amount paid in 1898 (omitted Easter, 1899) ..	3 19 3
„ Proceeds of Parochial Tea ..	12 11 8	„ Caretaker ..	23 5 0
„ Grants from Rummage Sale ..	10 0 0	„ Gas, from Christmas, 1898, to Christmas, 1899 ..	9 13 6
„ Concerts and Sundries ..	12 19 6	„ Repairs ..	2 9 0
„ Improvements' Committee ..	2 12 6	„ Water, to March, 1900 ..	2 3 4
„ Flower Show ..	2 2 0	„ Insurance ..	1 2 6
„ Girls' Club ..	1 19 0	„ Coals and Coke ..	1 18 7
„ C. E. T. S. ..	1 15 6	„ Donation to Year Book ..	0 5 0
„ Slate Clubs ..	1 10 6	„ Sundries ..	2 0 8
„ Guild of Perseverance ..	0 14 0	„ Balance in hand ..	4 14 7
„ Debating Society ..	0 10 0		
„ E. C. U. ..	0 7 0		
„ Guild of S. Jude ..	0 3 6		
„ Mission Guild ..	0 7 0		
	<u>£71 8 7</u>		<u>£71 8 7</u>

Liabilities: Gas to March Quarter, say, £3.

Examined and found correct, A. Carter, April 16, 1900.

MOTHERS' MEETING.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Cash in Hand ..	0 2 4	By Summer Excursion Rail ..	4 1 3
Sale of Clothes, etc. ..	5 12 9	Winter Tea—Groceries, etc. ..	0 16 4
Mothers' Payments to Summer Outing ..	0 11 0	—Cake, etc. ..	0 9 9
Women's Union Tea ..	0 2 6	—Milk ..	0 0 9
		Washing Table-cloths ..	0 1 4
		Mr. Campbell ..	0 2 0
		Miss Campbell, washing-up ..	0 1 6
		Rent of Room ..	0 10 0
		Year Book ..	0 2 6
			6 5 5
		Balance in hand ..	0 3 2
	<u>£6 8 7</u>		<u>£6 8 7</u>

MARY COSSINS, Hon. Treasurer.

Examined with vouchers and found correct, E. W. S. BLANCHARD, April 6, 1900.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY GUILD.

BALANCE SHEET—January 1899 to March, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1899. Jan. Balance in hand for S. P. G. ..	3 13 7	1899. Paid to S. P. G. ..	
Jan. 27. Collected at Lantern Lecture ..	0 10 6	Jan. 28 Women's Association ..	0 17 1
„ 28. Collected by Guild of Perseverance ..	0 17 1	Feb. 28 General Fund ..	5 0 0
Mar. 22. Collected at Meeting ..	0 5 3	Dec. 14 One Year's Maintenance of Pupil at Delhi ..	5 2 11
Dec. 12. Collected at Meeting ..	0 6 3	Mar. 6/00 General Fund ..	3 17 4
Mar. 3/00 Collected at Meeting ..	0 7 10	„ Paid to A. C. S., Jan. 3/99, 16s. 4d.; March 8/00, 17s. 7d. ..	1 13 11
1899. Contents of Sunday School Boxes—		Jan. 27/99 S. P. C. K. Collected at Meeting ..	0 10 6
Girls ..	£3 3 5	Dec. 16 Treasurer, Nassau Mission ..	0 7 6
Boys ..	2 1 5	Mar. 3/00 U. M. C. A. Collected at Meeting ..	0 7 10
Infants ..	0 18 2	Feb. 22/99 One Year's Subscription "Mission Field" ..	1 0 0
Mission ..	0 18 0	„ One Year's Subscription "Rochester Diocesan Chronicle" ..	1 2 6
Contents of 15 Guild Boxes (S. P. G.) ..	5 3 9	„ One Year's Subscription "Central Africa" ..	0 1 0
Contents of 7 Guild Boxes (A. C. S.) ..	1 13 11	1899. Hire of Hall for 5 Meetings:—	
Contents of Box per Vicar (Nassau Mission) ..	0 7 6	Jan. 25/99, 3s. 6d.; March 22/99, 3s. 6d.; May 10, 3s. 6d.; Dec. 7, 3s. 6d.; March 5/00, 3s. 6d. ..	0 17 6
Sale of "Mission Field" ..	0 16 0	Gas for Lantern (Jan. 25 and Dec. 12) ..	0 5 2
Sale of "Rochester Diocesan Chronicle" ..	1 8 6	Mar. 22 Gratuity ..	0 0 9
Sale of "Central Africa" ..	0 1 0	May 10 Stationery ..	0 1 0
Due to Treasurer ..	1 9 9	June 16 Year Book ..	0 10 0
		Dec. 7 Printing ..	0 8 10
	<u>£19 15 2</u>		<u>17 17 1</u>
		Balance in hand for S. P. G. ..	1 18 1
			<u>£19 15 2</u>

HOLDERS OF BOXES FOR S. P. G.:

Mr. Godbold Mr. J. Hayes Mrs. Pickett Miss Jones
 „ Jellyons „ E. Talbot Miss Brattle „ Gray
 „ C. D. Hayes Mrs. Emmett Miss Francis Miss Maddox
 Miss Ponsonby Miss Tomlinson Women's Bible Class

HOLDERS OF BOXES FOR A. C. S.:

The Vicar Mr. C. Jenkin. Miss A. Bliss
 Mr. Alcock Mr. Valiant Miss A. Ellis
 Mr. Banwell
 Audited and found correct, C. D. Hayes } Hon.
 A. Carter, April 22, 1900. E. H. Talbot } Secs.

English Church Union—Peckham and North Camberwell Branch.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Feb. 1896. To Balance ..	2 12 10½	Oct. 8/96. By ¼ of Grant to District Union ..	0 15 0
June 23 „ Collection at Meeting ..	0 4 6	June 15/96. „ Stamps ..	0 2 0
Jan. 7/99. „ „ ..	0 9 3	June 15/98. „ Do. ..	0 1 0
Apl. 6/99. „ „ ..	0 6 11	Jan. 7/99. „ Do. ..	0 1 0
Nov. 15/99. „ „ ..	0 9 3½	Jan. 7/99. „ Printing ..	0 6 0
		Jan. 12/99. „ Hire of Room ..	0 2 6
		Mar. 26/99. „ Printing ..	0 6 0
		April 6/99. „ Hire of Room ..	0 1 9
		June 30/99. „ S. Jude's Year Book ..	0 2 6
		Nov. 6/99. „ Printing ..	0 6 0
		Jan. 3/00. „ Do. ..	0 5 0
		Jan. 3/00. „ Stamps ..	0 1 0
		„ Balance ..	1 13 1
	<u>£4 2 10</u>		<u>£4 2 10</u>

Audited and found correct, W. BENHAM, January 10, 1900.

PARISH MAGAZINE.

BALANCE SHEET.

The Magazine consists of 4 pages of Church news, and also contains a copy of the "Dawn of Day" each month. The annual subscription is 1s. (post free 1s. 6d.), or it can be obtained from any of the District Visitors, Verger, and others, for 1d. each month. The circulation fluctuates at times, but the average number distributed each month is about 450.

The Editor is Mr. A. J. C. MACPHERSON, 60, Gellatly Road, who will be happy to receive items of Parochial news up to the 20th of each month, for insertion in the following month's number.

Mr. W. EMMETT, 14, Clifton Road, is the Business Manager, to whom all matters in regard to subscriptions, advertisements, etc., should be referred.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
To Cash in hand	.. .. .	1 12 2½	By Messrs. Page and Son	.. .. .	24 12 0
„ Advertisements	.. .. .	18 6 5	„ S. P. C. K.	.. .. .	8 14 11
„ Sale of Magazines	.. .. .	16 9 9	„ Subscription to Year Book	.. .. .	0 5 0
„ Annual Subscriptions	.. .. .	1 17 9	„ Postal Expenses, etc.	.. .. .	0 11 3½
„ „ „ by post	.. .. .	0 7 6	„ Balance	.. .. .	4 10 5
		<u>£38 13 7½</u>			<u>£38 13 7½</u>

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Church and Mission.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1899. Jan. 2.	To Donations:			1899. Jan. 1.	By Balance due to Superintendent	19 1 9	
	Mr. Barfoot	0 1 0			„ Printing and Stationery, etc.	0 10 6	
	„ 24. Proceeds of Concert, per Miss Coldwell	4 11 0			„ Prizes, etc.	8 19 10	
Mar. 25.	Mr. Wheeler	0 5 0			„ R. D. S. S. Union Fees	1 1 0	
	Anonymous	13 19 3			„ Year Book	0 7 6	
	Mr. W. Hunt	0 10 0			„ Lesson Book	0 1 4	
July 3.	Mr. W. Hunt	0 11 3			„ Registers	0 9 2	11 9 4
Dec. 18.	Deaconess	1 10 0			Balance in hand	3 5 2	
Nov. 21.	Floral Exhibition	2 0 0	23 7 6				
	To Offertories, per Churchwardens	2 12 2					
	„ Donation, Annual Excursion	7 16 7					
			<u>£33 16 3</u>				<u>£33 16 3</u>

Audited by ARTHUR COLDWELL, March 17, 1900.

Sunday Schools Excursion and Treat.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1899. Jan. 1.	To Balance from 1898	.. .. .	11 17 11	1899. July.	By Postage	0 4 0	
	„ Contributions, Boys	2 6 2			„ Teas	10 18 0	
	„ „ Girls	3 18 9			„ L. B. & S. C. Railway	20 6 11	
	„ „ Mission	1 8 6			„ Printing, etc.	1 3 3	
			7 13 5				32 12 2
	„ Tickets sold by various persons	.. .. .	10 7 3		„ Infants' Treat	.. .. .	2 15 4
	„ Donations	.. .. .	0 11 0		„ Donation to Sunday Schools	.. .. .	7 16 7
	„ Collecting Cards	.. .. .	17 14 6		„ Balance in hand	.. .. .	5 0 0
			<u>£48 4 1</u>				<u>£48 4 1</u>

Audited by A. COLDWELL, March 17, 1900.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH.

OFFERTORIES ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31st, 1899.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
To Balance brought from 1898	.. .. .	0 19 3½	By Payment to Churchwardens for Use of Room	.. .. .	0 5 0
„ Morning Offertories	.. .. .	1 19 9½	Do. Do.	.. .. .	0 5 0
„ Evening Do.	.. .. .	0 17 1	„ New Cassocks for Choir	.. .. .	1 7 0
„ Donation from Miss Cossins	.. .. .	0 2 6	„ Balance in hand	.. .. .	2 1 7½
		<u>£3 18 7½</u>			<u>£3 18 7½</u>

Examined and found correct, S. A. MIALL.

S. JUDE'S GUILD.

President - - - The VICAR.
 Wardens - The Rev. L. S. WRIGHT & The DEACONESS.
 Rev. L. N. WOOLLEY Mr. J. HAYES Mr. P. CHAPMAN
 Mrs. FISHER Miss EVANS Miss BRADSHAW

Object of the Guild.

To deepen and strengthen the spiritual life of its members.

Rules.

- 1.—To pray to God every morning and evening, and say the Guild Prayer every Sunday.
- 2.—To read daily a portion of the Holy Scriptures.
3. To receive the Holy Communion at least once a month, and during the Feasts of Christmas, Easter, the Ascension, and Whitsun.

REPORT FOR 1899.

During the year, 11 Devotional Meetings have been held in Church, which on the whole were very well attended, the average being 54.

The addresses were given by the following Priests:—The Revs. H. Potter, C.C. Child, H. E. Gunson, R. Unsworth, the Vicar (3), the Rev. L. N. Woolley, and the Rev. L. S. Wright (3).

From January 1st to January 28th, a daily Celebration was held as a preparation for the Mission (7 a.m. daily, except Friday, 8 a.m.). These Special Services were much appreciated. The Mission Prayer was said at each Celebration before the Blessing.

General Meetings were held on (1) March 23rd, (2) October 27th. (1) March 23rd.—At this meeting it was arranged to hold a Social Gathering, to meet the newly Confirmed. And also the question of a Daily Celebration was discussed. It was finally arranged that after Easter Week there should be a Celebration on the four week-days: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7 a.m.; Wednesday at 8 a.m. This rule is still in force at S. Jude's. Papers were printed by the Guild, informing of these services.

(2)—October 27. On the Eve of S. Jude's the Annual Meeting was held, at which the Report was read and the Balance-sheet produced.

On May 25th a Social Gathering was held, at which about 150 to 160 were present.

Total Membership.—On December 31st, 1899, the Total Membership amounted to 108 (31 men, 77 women). The weak point about the membership is the small number of men who have joined.

The Wardens feel that during the year 1899 the Guild has gained ground, but that nevertheless more of the regular Communicants should join our ranks, and thus help us by their prayers and sympathy.

The Communicants' Guild of a Church should be the greatest power for good in the Parish—a strong body of men and women who are devoted to the worship and the work of the Church.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
11 Collns. in Church	2 0 9		B'l'nce due to Treas.	1 0 2	
Don. Miss Jones	0 2 6		Sp'cl Intercessions	0 7 6	
			Guild Social	1 6 2½	
	£2 3 3		1,000 Notices, Gen.		
B'l'nce due to Treas.	1 19 9		Business	0 8 6	
			Year Book Ins'rt'n.	0 2 6	
			Expenses of Tea	0 8 1½	
			Use of Hall	0 3 6	
			1,000 Cards, Notices	0 6 6	
	<u>£4 3 0</u>				<u>£4 3 0</u>

S. JUDE'S WORKING GUILD

Meet on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 till 5 o'clock, and on Thursday evenings from 7 o'clock till 9.30 alternate weeks, for the purpose of making garments for the approaching Sale of Work. These meetings have been the means of raising a substantial sum in the past. All ladies are cordially invited.
 A. FISHER, Hon. Secretary.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
To Cash in hand	2 12 1		By Cash to Stall-holders at Old English Bazaar	2 10 0	
„ Working Party	0 10 2		„ Materials, &c.	1 11 6½	
„ Subs. by Cards	0 6 7		„ Cash in hand	0 4 1½	
„ Donations	0 16 10½				
	<u>£4 5 8½</u>				<u>£4 5 8½</u>

Audited and found correct, P. J. HAYES, Feb. 5th, 1900.

S. JUDE'S WOMEN'S SLATE CLUB.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
To Contributions & Q'rterlies & Fines	43 16 8		Sick Pay	9 12 0	
Balance Brt. Frwd.	2 16 2		Rent	0 14 0	
			Year Book	0 2 6	
			Med. Attendance	3 12 4	
			Paid to Members	31 13 0	
			Balance in Hand	0 19 0	
	<u>£46 12 10</u>				<u>£46 12 10</u>

SHARE PER MEMBER.

26 Yearly Members £1 3 | 2 ¼ Members .. £0 17 6

(Signed) WILLIAM EWER, Auditor.

ALTAR FUND.

Receipts and Payments from February 1, 1899, to May 1, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
Feb. 1/99 B'ce in hand	1 4 11		1900. May 1 Flwrs to date	23 17 8	
Ap. 30 Subs. to date	22 1 7		Candles	4 5 9	
Collections	5 17 3		Materials for Wings	1 5 1	
Donations	3 4 2		Silk & Lawn	0 11 6	
			Repairs to Cross and Cndlsitks	1 4 0	
			Flower-pots	0 10 6	
			Printing	0 5 0	
			Year Book	0 3 6	
			Sundries	0 4 6	
			B'ce in hand	0 0 5	
	<u>£32 7 11</u>				<u>£32 7 11</u>

Audited and found correct, E. W. BLANCHARD, May 7, 1900.

VICAR'S INCOME.

	1898.	1899.
From Ecclesiastical Commissioners	200 0 0	200 0 0
„ Churchwardens	105 14 5	113 19 3
„ Fees,	38 6 0	38 12 6
	<u>£344 0 5</u>	<u>£352 11 9</u>

CHANCEL SCREEN FUND.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance, 1898	35 8 5	By Payment of Instalment of £100.. ..	33 6 8
Offertory, per Churchwarden	2 10 0	„ Cutting away Stonework.. ..	4 15 0
Subscriptions and Donations	1 12 4	„ Printing	0 4 6
Alms Box	0 6 9	„ Year Book	0 2 6
Collected by Mr. Chapman	19 9 0		
Per Churchwardens	0 11 0		
			£38 8 8
		Balance, Post Office Savings Bank, Jan. 1st, 1900	21 8 10
	£59 17 6		£59 17 6

Jan. 1st, 1900, W. HUNT, *Treasurer*.Audited and found correct, P. J. HAYES, *April 9, 1900.*

RUMMAGE SALE.

These are held once a month, on the second Monday. They might be a much greater source of income to the Parish than they are, if the Congregation and friends of S. Jude's would collect from their friends for these sales old clothes, old furniture, boots and shoes. Anything is welcome. Our takings this year are just £10 less than last year. This ought not to be. We have plenty of purchasers, but seldom enough stock. Please throw your energies into this valuable branch of our work.

ANNIE FISHER.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Jan. 1 To Balance	2 19 4	Dec. 31 By Assistant Clergy Fund	25 0 9
Dec. 31 „ Proceeds of Sales and Tickets	48 10 3	„ Parochial Hall	10 0 0
		„ Year Book	0 5 0
		„ Sundry Payments for Carriage and Campbell	1 8 7
		„ Balance in hand.. ..	14 15 3
	£51 9 7		£51 9 7

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE.

ANNUAL REPORT, JANUARY—DECEMBER, 1899.

Unfortunately, the year 1899 has been a "black" year for our Company of the Church Lads' Brigade. After six years of great success, the Company and Band have practically dispersed, owing to circumstances that have caused all concerned with the welfare of the Church Lads' Brigade the greatest possible sorrow. But upon the ruins of the old Company we are gradually building up a new force. At the time of writing (Easter, 1900) we muster between 25 and 30 members.

Our drills are held on Wednesday and Friday, at Lower Park Road, at 8.30 p.m.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Collections in Church—Six Services	1 19 4	Balance due to Treasurer, 1898	2 3 1½
Donations:—Miss Horne	0 10 0	Capitation Fee	1 0 0
Miss Ellis	0 1 6	Goods, Headquarters (to deliver)	1 0 0
Mrs. Davis	0 1 6	Year Book	0 7 6
By Sale of Whit Monday Tickets	3 2 9	Entrance-fee, Band	0 5 0
Members' Subscriptions	0 8 7	Whit Monday Tea	0 16 6½
Do. do.	0 3 2	100 Cards, Notices	0 3 0
By Sale of Equipments	0 4 3	Returned to Turner	0 1 6
Towards Debt (Capt. Welch)	0 10 0	Cards and Headquarters	0 2 5
Miss Emmett (Sale of Sweets)	0 2 0	Printing "Church Parade Notices"	0 19 3
Concert (Mr. Welch)	0 6 0	Grant for Band.. ..	0 10 0
		District Headquarters, for Equipments	4 8 7
	7 8 10		
Balance due to Treasurer	4 8 1		
	£11 16 11		£11 16 11

L. S. WRIGHT, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

MISSION HALL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
By Subscriptions:—Mrs. Masters	1 0 0	Balance due to Treasurer from 1898	19 19 4
Mrs. Lockyer	0 10 6	Repairing Stove and Window	1 0 6
Miss Ellis	0 4 6	Repairs, Moore.. ..	0 3 6
By Sale of Piano	0 10 0	Cleaning Hall (January to May 10).. ..	2 17 0
By Donations:—Mr. Blake	1 0 0	Do. (to August 1)	1 16 0
Mrs. Barker.. ..	0 0 6	Gas to Lady-day	1 7 0
Nett Proceeds of Mrs. Fisher's Concert	6 14 6	Do. Midsummer	0 19 11
		Do. to December 25	1 8 6
	£10 0 0	Water Rate	0 10 0
Balance due to Rev. L. S. Wright*	21 13 7	Collins, Repairs	1 3 4
		Year Book	0 2 6
		To P. Butler, for Paint	0 6 0
	£31 13 7		£31 13 7

* Of this debt £10 10s. has been paid off by Easter, 1900.

LAWSON S. WRIGHT, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

PROVIDENT CLUB.

BALANCE SHEET, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Deposits... ..	310 12 5	By Due Treasurer, 1898	9 19 8
„ Donations	1 11 0	„ Depositors	288 0 8½
„ Interest, Post Office	1 9 3	„ Drapery (Jones and Higgins)	23 12 2½
		„ Cards, Receipt-books, etc.	1 1 1
	313 12 8	„ Year Book	0 2 6
„ Balance due to Treasurer	9 3 6		
	£322 16 2		£322 13 2

Audited and found correct, P. J. HAYES, *April 23, 1900.*ERNEST R. COSSINS, Hon. Sec., *April 17, 1900.*

THE YEAR BOOK—1898—1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Advertisements	2 11 6	By Printing (Slade and Co.)	12 0 0
S. Jude's Working Guild	0 2 6	Sundry Expenses, Postage, etc.	0 3 0
Churchwardens' Cash Account	0 10 0		
Chancel Screen Fund	0 2 6		
C. E. T. S.	0 7 6		
Children's Church	0 5 0		
Band of Hope	0 5 0		
S. Jude's Provident Club	0 2 6		
School Improvement and Organ Restoration Fund	0 5 0		
Parish Hall	0 5 0		
Rummage Sale	0 5 0		
Sunday School	0 5 0		
Mission Guild	0 10 0		
Magazine	0 5 0		
S. Jude's Mission Hall	0 2 6		
English Church Union	0 2 6		
Church Lads' Brigade	0 7 6		
Assistant Clergy Fund	0 5 0		
Deaconess's Account	0 2 6		
Sunday School Excursion	0 2 6		
Sick Poor Fund	0 5 0		
Altar Fund	0 3 6		
Guild	0 2 6		
Slate Clubs (two)	0 5 0		
Mothers' Excursion and Christmas Supper	0 2 6		
Sale of Year Book	1 0 10		
Balance paid by Vicar	2 19 8		
	£12 3 0		£12 3 0

SUMMARY OF BALANCE SHEETS.

PAGE.	FUND.	DEFICIT	BALANCE	TOTAL	TOTAL	DEFICIT	BALANCE
		1899.	1899.	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	1900.	1900.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
5	Churchwardens' Cash Account	14 17 0	.....	443 10 11	445 7 4	16 13 5	.....
8	Parish Hall	23 16 5	.....	71 8 7	42 17 7	.....	4 14 7
6	Assistant Clergy and Deaconess .. .. .	.....	8 18 1	272 0 11	267 5 0	.....	13 14 0
9	Mission Guild—Missionary .. .. .	.....	3 13 7	16 1 7	17 17 1	.....	1 18 1
9	" " General .. .. .	.....	.....	2 17 0	4 6 9	1 9 9	.....
12	Rummage Sale .. .. .	.....	2 19 4	48 10 3	36 14 4	.....	14 15 3
11	Working Guild .. .. .	.....	2 12 1	1 13 7½	4 1 6¾	.....	0 4 1¾
11	Altar Fund .. .. .	.....	1 4 11	31 3 0	32 7 6	.....	0 0 5
11	Women's Slate Club .. .. .	.....	2 16 2	43 16 8	45 13 10	.....	0 19 0
7	C. E. T. S.	2 3 7	.....	17 11 4	16 6 2	0 18 5	.....
7	Band of Hope .. .. .	.....	1 5 6½	35 9 11	36 12 4½	.....	0 3 1½
10	Children's Church .. .. .	.....	0 19 3¾	2 19 4½	1 17 0	.....	2 1 7¾
10	Parish Magazine .. .. .	.....	1 12 2½	37 1 5	34 3 2	.....	4 10 5
13	Mission Hall	19 19 4	.....	10 0 0	11 14 3	21 13 7	.....
11	Communicants' Guild	1 0 2	.....	2 3 3	3 2 10	1 19 9	.....
10	Sunday School Treats .. .. .	.....	11 17 11	36 6 2	43 4 1	.....	5 0 0
12	Church Lads, Brigade	2 3 1½	.....	7 8 10	9 13 9½	4 8 1	.....
12	Chancel Screen .. .. .	.....	35 8 5	24 9 1	38 8 8	.....	21 8 10
13	Provident Club	9 19 8	.....	313 12 8	312 16 6	9 3 6	.....
6	Sick Poor .. .. .	.....	19 0 10	28 12 10	41 10 1½	.....	7 2 9
10	Sunday Schools*	19 1 9	.....	33 16 3	11 9 4	3 5 2	.....
8	Improvements' .. .. .	.....	7 15 11	154 5 1	161 19 3	.....	0 1 9
13	Year Book .. .. .	.....	.....	9 3 4	12 3 0	*2 19 8	.....
8	Mothers' Meeting .. .. .	.....	0 2 4	6 6 3	6 5 5	.....	0 3 2*
11	Vicar's Income .. .. .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	<i>Ex Parochial—</i> English Church Union .. .. .	.....	2 12 10½	1 9 11½	2 9 9	.....	1 13 1

* Paid by Vicar.

N.B.—The above statement is a recapitulation of the receipts and payments of each fund. In many cases money of one fund is paid to another for various purposes: as, for instance, the Rummage Sale, which makes grants to the various funds. The money actually received and paid for the entire Parish work is therefore considerably less than would appear by adding together the foregoing totals of receipts and payments.

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PECKHAM, S.E.

Note on the Rev. A. W. Drew, Vicar of S. Andrew, Newlead. 75

The above had not answered our letter, and I called one day when passing his residence in Peckham ^(No. 123) Rye. Mr. Drew opened the door himself, a large man, bearded, heavy to look, ^{at} hard in the hand, snuffy in dress, with a large and crinkly nose. He remembered the communication, but had not been able to see that an answer would have been of any use, or that the Inquiry was. He had "dozens" of requests of the same kind, and was an extremely busy man. I pointed out the unique character of Mr. Booth's work; mentioned the fact that many people had thought it of very considerable use, and drew attention to the Bishop's letter. Mr. Drew was unconvinced; repeated the formula "I don't see that it is of any use", ^{but} said that he would look at the papers again, which he thought had not been destroyed, and "If I find that anything can be done, I will write". I did not, and do not, for a moment suppose that we shall hear from him, and fancy that he ^{is} rather a hopeless person. He was at one time a member of the London School Board, and I am told that he had the reputation of being somewhat impossible there, and grumpy and boorish withal.

Report on S. Mary Magdalene, Peckham. (F.A.)
Nov. 26. 00.

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On calling at the Vicarage as arranged, the Vicar, Mr. Moeran, explained that he had been at the parish for less than two years; that he had had two serious illnesses, and that from the latter he had recently returned, after an absence of ~~five~~ five months. He was still having to take care of himself, was very tired that morning, and he had arranged for me to see a curate who had charge of one of the poorer parts of the parish, and their Scripture Reader, who had been in the parish for ten years, and knew more about the poor than "all the rest of us put together". Mr. M. was a pleasant-looking and pleasant-mannered man of about 40, and he looked in very much better health than many that I have seen. But it was impossible to object to his plan, and after bringing his substitutes in, and introducing them, he disappeared.

The Curate, Mr. R.W. Clinch, was a man of about 35; medium height; uncultured manner, suggesting latent obstinacy and temper. He is probably honest and narrow; not very enthusiastic, and certainly not a stimulating personality. A sentence in the Magazine shows that he has been in South Africa; perhaps colonial experiences have roughened him, without making him breezy. Mr. Francis, a small prim man, with a good face, was, personally, more

attractive, and gray hairs, and perhaps some 55 years, secured him additional respect. He seemed a man of peculiarly sincere and simple nature, but they ^{pair} could hardly ~~not~~ be described as ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ distinguished. Mr. Clinch has some slight nervous affection that makes him move his head continually. At present it is a little thing, but if the disorder increases it will become a very serious matter.

The parish strays over a considerable area, and has its poorer bits in the neighbourhood of Parkstone Road to the west and Selden Road to the south-east. It is in the ~~esa~~ western bit that Mr. Clinch works, and both men agreed that the tendency here was slowly upwards. So also with the Selden Road bit. The bulk of the parish is "pink", and here the opinion was that conditions were stationary. In the better-off parts, like S. Mary's Road, the tendency is, slowly, downwards.

Housing throughout is very fair. Except for the best houses rents are going up, and there is the keenest possible demand for accommodation. For the most part the people find their occupation, whatever it may be, and whatever their grade in life, outside the parish, and to a great extent in the City. The chief exception is perhaps found in the number of local laundries. STAFF etc. Vicar and 2 curates; Scripture Reader; a "Mag-

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azine canvasser" whose name it may be noted is "Cheek"! In addition, there are about a dozen District Visitors, with "several districts vacant"; about 55 Sunday School teachers, ~~with~~ some six takers of Bible Classes, and a few other miscellaneous helpers.

BUILDINGS: Church (1200); Schools, (with some 880 on the registers, and an average attendance of 621;) and a parish hall holding 400.

It is in the parish hall that Mr. Francis holds his Sunday evening mission service, with an average of perhaps 60. In the Schools, Mr. Clinch has recently revived similar services, and, including ^{many} children, said that perhaps 100 attended.

In the Church, congregations are "good", "better than ever". and are put down at from 4 to 500 in the morning, with "a larger number" at night. The church is "a favourite"; "with a good record"; the teaching is evangelical, and it is the teaching that attracts. I went round to it before leaving. It is a simple old-fashioned building, with pews, which Mr. Clinch said "they seem to like". There was an atmosphere of comfort about the place and it ~~may~~ be taken for granted ^{also of the parish funds are well provided} that a kind of middle class congregation worships there, probably even in the galleries. An almost unique feature of the church to

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which Mr. C. drew my special attention, is the pulpit, which runs on a little tram-way for a distance of perhaps four or five yards. Until the time of the sermon, the pulpit stands near the chancel steps, at the north side. Then the vergier comes and shunts it forward to the very centre of the chancel ~~steps~~, an excellent preaching position, (save perhaps for the choir, who doubtless hear as many sermons as they want) but one that would make a modern High Churchman say bad words. The sermon over, the preacher descends; the vergier shuts back, and the chancel is again clear for the final benediction. Mr. C. gave me a demonstration of how the thing worked, and said that he thought there was one other like it "somewhere".

The Sunday Afternoon service for men Mr. C. claimed as "my affair". It is only held once a month, and, with some working-men, is mainly a middle-class gathering. Some 40 or 50 attend, and it is strictly a religious service.

There are two Sunday Schools, one at the Schools in Albert Road, and the other at the Parish Hall. At the former the registers only are given: Boys, 112; Girls, Seniors 67; Junior, 92; Infants, "Attendance", 120. At the Parish Hall: Boys, Register, 150; Average, 110. Girls: Register 140; average, 95. Infants; Register, 65.

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There are several Social Agencies, but none of special importance. Two or three are new, including the Young Women's Institute, a branch of the Y.W.C.A. In addition, the following are mentioned: A Literary and Scientific Society; Girls Classes "for Sewing and Friendly Inter-course"; Penny Bank, with 620 Depositors, and £300 deposits and £234 withdrawals during the year; a Slate Club, with 130 members.

For nursing a District Nurse has just been started, under the joint control of everybody in the immediate neighbourhood, Noncons, included.

Relief appears to be managed in a somewhat primitive fashion, and to be mainly in the hands of Mr. Francis and the District Visitors. No formal reports are made upon the cases helped, but when the tickets issued are exhausted they "ask for more", which seems a sufficiently simple arrangement. Not very much is given away, however, some £50 a year, with an additional £24 or so to "Widows and others" as monthly allowances. These allowances are not pensions but supplementary doles. Needless to say there is very little co-operation with the C.O.S. and while gentle Mr. Francis expressed no dislike of them, Mr. Clinch did. He failed to see what good they did, and growled the wish that they would hand over their funds to the

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Church for them to deal with. Perhaps Loch would, if Mr. Clinch asked him!

Some OTHER AGENCIES were mentioned: the Baptist Chapel, in Edith Road; a very small Friends' School, carried on in a railway arch in Albert Road, with Band of Hope etc.; another small Mission in another railway arch, in Brayard's Road -- this a Baptist one, connected with the Tabernacle. The Roman Catholic Convent was also mentioned as an afterthought, but they knew nothing about it, save that there were schools. "We ought to call there" said Mr. Clinch, grimly.

The parish as a whole was admittedly respectable, with much of the normal religious indifference. "What," I asked "apart from their work, do they do?", and Mr. Francis mentioned the "lots of theatre-going," the newish local theatre being constantly crowded apparently, and people turned away; and "of course there are the public houses". Further than that he did not get, but Mr. Clinch, who does not see eye to eye with Mr. Francis on the drink question ~~said~~ interposed with "How to live takes up most of their time, I think".

I tried them again on the question ^{as to what} the great obstacles ^{were} which stood in their way: "Drink and indifference" was the prompt answer from Mr. Francis. "Indifference" said

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Mr. Clinch, "I don't see much of the drink". "Ah" said the other, turning to me "We haven't put the Band of Hope medal on him yet; I mean ", he added rather sorrowfully, "He is not an abstainer". The other curate is, but the vicar only takes it "medicinally, isn't that so Mr Clinch"; "Yes" was the reply "Something of that sort".

In addition to the prevalence of drinking habits, especially among women, and both in the public houses and in their homes (the latter practice facilitated by the number of grocers' and off licenses that there are in the district) Mr. Francis mentioned the spread of the evil of gambling.

There is not much that is new in the working of this parish, but the interview was interesting, largely through the constraint that showed itself from time to time on the part of the two men I was seeing. It is always difficult perhaps for two subordinates to talk intimately before a third party about their own special bits of work, especially when, as in this case there is not complete sympathy on all points.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

EASTER 1899.—EASTER 1900.

	£	s.	d.
For Church Expenses	206	7	8
„ National Day School (year ending 31st March, 1900)	1,776	4	3
„ Curate Fund	176	5	0
„ Sick and Poor Fund	77	11	6
„ Easter Offering	39	13	0
„ Parochial Mission and Church Hall Fund ...	112	8	3
„ Sunday School Fund	22	6	11
„ Conversazione	9	19	6
„ Church of England Zenana Missionary Society	8	8	10
„ Men's Monthly Service Fund	9	0	3
„ Church Pastoral Aid Society	55	10	10
„ London Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews	7	2	0
„ Sale of Work	40	15	2
„ Bagot's Trust Fund	14	16	4
„ Church Missionary Society	209	2	4
„ Pew Rents	409	17	6
„ Bishop of Honduras Fund	4	8	6
„ Bishop of Sierra Leone Fund	8	8	0
„ Church Improvement Fund	32	6	5
„ Hospital Sunday Fund	42	7	1
„ Peckham Pension Society	12	0	7
„ Mansion House Fund (Widows and Orphans)	64	15	3
„ Indian Famine Fund	20	0	0
„ British and Foreign Bible Society	13	10	0
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Report of interview with the Rev. Percy Gaster, Curate and Acting-Vicar of the Parish of All Saints', Cambridge, at the Vicarage. (E.A.) Nov. 27. 00.

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The Vicar of this Parish is Mr. T.J. Gaster, but an arrangement prevails which, as his son said, would only be possible between father and son; ~~xxxxxxx~~ by it not only is the nominal responsibility of the vicar ~~xxxx~~ retained, but he is "made to feel that he is Vicar". This has been the real situation for the last nine years, but still more completely has the son been in charge for the last nine months, during which the father has been bed-ridden. He is now a hopeless invalid. His incumbency has lasted for 33 years.

The son is a man of about 38; pale-faced, with a dark moustache and foreign look. He is a very ready speaker, and a little unctuous. Is married, and lives at 51 Nigel Road. Although they have the same name as the Chief Rabbi of the Spanish and Portugese Congregation; although no other family is known of the same name, and although in appearance these two families are very much alike, Mr. Gaster can trace ~~no~~ relationship, and is not, ^{had} as I surmised but happily did not suggest, the son of a converted Jew. On the contrary, ~~he~~ thinks that his people probably came over from the Continent at the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, and were strongly Protestant many

generations ago. They are first heard of at Bristol, a port at which many of the refugees landed. "We have many of the characteristics of the foreigner, including that of having more words than we know how to deal with".

Whatever the origin of their Protestantism, it remains deeply ingrained, and All Saints is now one of most extreme centres of ~~Rx~~ Conformist Evangelicalism in South London. The black gown is still used; the evening Communion, "a beautiful custom initiated by our Lord" is still celebrated; the Psalms are read. But they are "low" in more than ritual; they are ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ ^{evangelical} in doctrine: "The old doctrine that Christ died for sinners is taught, together with the need for conversion, except", added Mr. Gaster, "for those who are born again at birth, which I think is true of some", including, it was evident, Percy Gaster.

Except in small matters, father and son are at one in matters of churchmanship, and the latter, if he were vicar, would run the parish "on much the same lines". But the wishes of the father still make themselves felt, as, for instance, in the nominal adherence to his dislike of having a choir and not paying many who sing. The result is that they have eleven little boys who sing very badly but, inconsistently, they are given a penny for every service. Another instance of the paternal influence is

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the absence of any temperance agency. "My father is not an abstainer" and never wished to start temperance work, not probably because he did not approve, but rather in accordance with his more general position of regarding the church as a spiritual and not a social agency. Thus, ~~was~~ of their relief work, Mr. Gaster remarked that it "only came by the way; ~~we~~ we look upon ourselves as a spiritual agency". The RELIEF, it may be noted, is done mainly by the visitors, who make no reports, and are just told month by month, or week by week, what they may spend, according to the state of the funds available. In '99 about £30 was given away, mainly by tickets.

The parish has a total population of about 6,200, and its general tendency ~~is~~ is downwards, except the poorest bit in Victoria Place. Here, largely through the increased rentals that are having to be paid, a better class is tending to come in. But only slowly, and there is still much drunkenness and roughness hereabouts. Sandison St. has improved, but is still poor. Azenby Square was described as being "very mixed; in one house you might find a single family and decency; and next door three families, and very rough people." I had the map before me while he was talking, and everything that he

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said confirmed its accuracy in a very marked way. He has not very much time for visiting, as he works the parish quite alone, save for a considerable staff of voluntary workers, but after nine years as curate, and a lifelong acquaintance, he may safely be assumed to know well the condition and trend of things.

STAFF etc.: As stated, the Vicar is bed-ridden, and there is no active paid worker except the curate, not even a Bible-woman. But they make their people work, and in one way or another ~~the~~ Mr.G. thought that they probably had about 100 volunteer workers, including "lots of men". The district visitors number 11.

The congregation is an eclectic one, and he spoke warmly of their liberality, denying, however, that they were well-to-do, and claiming that giving meant some self-sacrifice. "Missionary work is a special feature".

BUILDINGS: Church (800); Mission Hall (100) and two cottages, in ~~XXXXXX~~ Victoria Place; and Schools, near the Church; very good buildings (300) *gymnasium, hall etc.*

ATTENDANCES etc: Sunday morning (250); evening (500).

More seat-holders in the morning, but much the same class and to a great extent non-parochial at both services.

Communicants: total 240-250; regular communicants, 150-160, a large proportion, but not abnormally so for a

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church of this kind, with its members closely knit by the bonds of a common doctrine.

A Mission Service is held in the evening at Victoria Place, but the attendance is very small. A London City Missionary, at the ^{Collyer} Colley Memorial Schools else by, attracts many of those who might otherwise come.

Sunday Schools' meeting at the Schools: ~~REXXXXXXXX~~, Average, about 360, meeting at Victoria Place, average about 140. The aggregate register was put at 600. The smaller school is attended by the poorer children.

For Nursing, they go to either the Peckham Nursing Association or the Camberwell District Nursing Home, and never apply in vain.

The following OTHER AGENCIES were mentioned:

The Hanover Congregational Chapel, at the corner of Rye Lane.

Friends' Meeting House, in Hanover St.

Gospel Mission Hall in South Grove.

Strict Baptists in one of the arches in Blenheim Grove.

^{Collyer} Colley Memorial Schools, with its L.C. Missionary, etc. with whose work Mr. G. has nothing to do, but which he welcomed.

He gave the district generally a good name for morals

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and knew of no bad houses.

Mr. Gaster is hardly the man to win affection, and I should not expect him to make much headway with English working-classes. But he has, I think, the redeeming virtue of sincerity. The living is in the gift of Trustees and it may be assumed, I think, that the son will follow the father in this living. The latter created the parish and nominated the first body of trustees.

Note: A sentence in the Parish Report, p. 10, mentions the fact that "In the near future Victoria Place will cease to exist, and a good road with shops, tramcars and omnibuses will be found there". Some local improvement scheme is apparently being mooted, of which I have not heard.

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Application for Sittings should be made in the Vestry, any Thursday evening, after Divine Service, or by letter to either of the Churchwardens or Sidesmen. The Scale of Seat Rents for one year is 10/6, 18/-, 21/-, and 25/-, payable in quarterly or half-yearly Instalments. The Living is endowed LESS THAN £33 per annum. Very much, therefore, depends on Seat Rents.

Your attention is requested to the list of Roads, Streets, and Boundaries of this parish, on p. 15.

Everyone living in All Saints' Parish, and intending to be married, are obliged by law to cause Banns to be published in All Saints' Church.

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The **last edition** of the "Hymnal Companion," with or without Notes, may be had of Mr. Stoneham, Rye Lane, also "Golden Bells" for the Children's Service.

It is earnestly requested that everyone who attends All Saints' Church will provide himself with a Hymn Book, as the singing is thoroughly congregational.



Thirty-Third Annual Address.

ALL SAINTS' VICARAGE,
 RYE LANE, PECKHAM, S.E.,

January, 1900.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

Wishing you each and all a very Happy New Year, with every blessing from God and our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, it is my happy duty to record the completion of and payment for the invaluable Victoria Annexe to our block of School Buildings. We now have the large room accommodating 350 adults, a very large room for infants, another for young men, and a first-rate kitchen well furnished with all necessary appliances; some of the same rooms being adapted for occasional meetings, Ladies' Working Party, Scripture Union, Missionary Meetings, Prayer Meetings—in fact for each and every branch of useful work in our Parish. The whole of these rooms are well lighted and warmed,

and are already in full use. A Gymnasium is open for gentlemen at 7.30 p.m. every Thursday. The members of the Victoria Choir meet every Monday at 8 p.m., to prepare for singing at our Missionary and other Meetings, under the kind care of Mr. G. T. Willson.

On page 13 you will find a list of every department of the work, with the names of Superintendents, Secretaries, and Treasurers, to whom I request all who wish to join this or that branch will apply on the evening, and at the hour of meeting.

Thanking God above all, to Whom alone we look as the source of all goodness, I wish to give special thanks to the many workers who have enabled all this to be done. And first of all with you I thank my dear son, the Rev. Percy Gaster, who has sustained me so lovingly and faithfully in all the duty throughout the year. You know how continually he works in the Parish, visiting the sick and poor, and all who are in any affliction of mind, body, or estate. You know, also, that without my son I could not carry on the work, and therefore I *earnestly* request you all, according to your power, to support the Curate's Stipend Fund by donations or subscriptions, which may be sent into the Vestry any Thursday evening after Divine Service, and which will be gratefully acknowledged by the Treasurer, P. Winsor, Esq., 178, Peckham Rye, S.E. I trust this appeal will meet with a hearty response, for the sustenance of the Ministry is essential for God's service, and is especially spoken of in God's most Holy Word.

I unite with you in heartily thanking our Church-

wardens and Sidesmen for their very great kindness in giving up as they do so much time and careful attention to their special duties.

During the past year we have had to lament the removal by death of Mrs. Ionn, who for many years gave hearty and cheerful help; and lately of Mrs. Southerden, two of whose children are valued teachers in our Sunday Schools. And also we help by prayer Mrs. Hayes, afflicted by the loss of her husband, Captain Hayes, and Mrs. Parratt, who has lately been similarly bereaved.

Although some members of our congregation have removed too far off to continue to meet with us, we cannot forget their kindness, and in some cases the continuance of the subscriptions they gave while yet with us. This is a strong token of the reality of the Gospel work here, and it is a very great comfort to me to see the fruit produced still after severance by distance, which, however, does not dis sever Christ's people from the True Vine, nor from the sap thence derived.

Many thanks are due to Mr. E. T. Readdy, Miss Smith, and to my son Ernest, for their able superintendence of the Sunday Schools, and the many Teachers who give up time and effort on the Lord's Day for the spiritual good of some 700 young people and children entrusted to their care; and also to those who conduct Divine Service in both Schools on the Lord's Day.

As I write I am impressed by the fact that so many young and old are fellow-workers in the Gospel. It is beyond my power to name all, but by reference to page

11 you will find many mentioned, together with their places of residence; and I know they will thankfully receive aid.

We all thank Mrs. Percy Gaster and her helpers for our usual Christmas Decorations, and also Mr. Junkison, a former member of our congregation, and many others, for gifts of evergreens, and for subscriptions.

Miss Gaster is "At Home" on the first Wednesday of each month, and Mrs. Percy Gaster is "At Home" on the third Wednesday of each month; and both will gladly welcome any member of the congregation who may be pleased to call on them.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The "Victoria Annexe" was opened on June 20th, by A. Lafone, Esq., M.P., a dear old friend of mine who has helped the work here, and thirty years ago was one of the Churchwardens at St. Matthew's, Denmark Hill, in the days of the Incumbency of the Rev. Stephen Bridge, who, with Mr. Richard Dawes, was a great helper in the early stages of God's work in this Parish. The large Schoolroom was crowded, and Mr. Lafone gave a most kind address. The Vicarage Garden was open to all visitors, and a very happy time was passed.

The Sunday Schools are very largely attended. The Mission School Treat was held in them on January 20th. Mrs. Collison and many others sent oranges, tarts, &c. Prizes, or rather presents of books were made on

January 10th to the young people in the Blenheim Grove School. The Mission School is attended by 200 children, and this in addition to upwards of 450 young people in the Blenheim Grove School and in the Church on Sunday afternoons.

On July 14th we received an additional American Organ, one of the best procurable. And we thank Mr. Theodore Wade for the help at the organ on Sundays, and others who help in like manner at our many meetings on week days, both in Blenheim Grove and Victoria Place.

The Sunday School Library is under the kind management of Mr. Hawkins and Mr. E. Godber.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

Good Friday, for British and Foreign Bible Society, £5 17s. 10d.; Hospital Sunday Fund, £23 10s. 6d.

The Annual Meeting of our branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held on January 13th.

A Sale of Work held on May 5th, produced £35 for the "Victoria Annexe Fund."

DISTRICT VISITING AND MATERNAL SOCIETIES.

A number of ladies assist in visiting and relieving the poor. They speak of the Lord Jesus Christ, and also relieve the temporal needs of the deserving. There is a vacancy for one more lady. The children of our poor

have the full benefit of Services and Sunday School in the Mission Room and in the adjoining cottage. In the near future Victoria Place will cease to exist, and a good road with shops, tramcars, and omnibuses will be found there. On December 6th, a Meat Tea for nearly 200 of our poor was given by members of our congregation, under the kind care of Mrs. Percy Gaster, the ladies who assist at the Mothers' Meetings, and the District Visitors. On the same occasion the Victoria Choir sang a cantata called "The Captive Maid," greatly to the enjoyment of all, under the kind guidance of Mr. G. J. Willson.

Mr. Willson earnestly requests a few gentlemen to join the Choir. Application should be made any Monday, at 8 p.m., in the Blenheim Grove School.

We all thank Mrs. Collison for her management of the Maternal Society.

The Annual Excursion for our Sunday School children was to Ashtead Woods. The weather was fine.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Financial particulars of our Association will be found attached to this address. You cannot do too much for the Church Missionary Society. Its missionaries are sent to the Heathen and Mahometans in a great part of Asia and Africa and in "the Isles of the Sea." Medical missions are an important feature of its work.

The "Abdul-Mussihans" are a number of gentlemen, each of whom studies some portion of the Mission

Field. They meet from time to time, when one of them gives an address on that part of the world he has studied.

The "Kuchengs" pursue like methods. Let me ask more of our people to become members of these bands.

The following is a list of missionaries who have at various times gone forth from our congregation. The Rev. C. H. Coles, Warden of the Theological College, Jamaica; Rev. C. W. Johnson to the West Indies; Mr. H. T. Ford, C. I. M.; Miss Deekes (now Mrs. Fryer), Central India; Mr. G. R. Farrow, Irish Church Mission to Roman Catholics; Mrs. O. O. Williams, Assam, N. India. Pray for them and for my dear son Sidney.

Several former members of our congregation are clergymen in England.

CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

The Church Association still carries on much Protestant work throughout the country. Mr. E. B. Fitter, 168, Upland Road, East Dulwich, will give all information to any wishing to support it.

LIST OF SERVICES, MEETINGS, &c.

Services.

Every Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Every Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

There are also services for children every Sunday:

In the School-room, Blenheim Grove, 11 a.m.

In the Mission Room, Victoria Place, 11 a.m.
and 6.30 p.m.

Holy Communion.

1st Sundays after the Morning Service.

3rd Sundays after the Evening Service.

Baptisms and Churchings.

2nd Sundays, 4.15 p.m.

Every Thursday, 12 noon.

Marriages.

By arrangement (Fees, including Publication of Banns,
13s. 7d.)

Sunday Bible Classes.

For Men, 3.15 p.m., in the Victoria Rooms, behind the
Church.

For Young Women, 3 p.m. in the Church.

For Domestic Servants, 3.15 p.m. in the Vestry of the
Church.

Sunday School.

The Schoolroom, Blenheim Grove, 3 p.m.

The Mission Room, Victoria Place, 3.15 p.m.

Meetings held in the Schools.

(BLENHEIM GROVE.)

1st Sundays, 4.15 p.m., Teachers' Prayer Meeting.

2nd Sundays, 8 p.m., Mission Workers' Prayer Meeting.

Every Monday except 1st Mondays, 8 p.m., Mission
Choir.

Every Monday, 6 p.m., Children's Working Party.

2nd Mondays, 8 p.m., Ladies' Foreign Missionary Band.

1st Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Gleaners' Union.

3rd Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Men's Foreign Missionary Band.

4th Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

Once a fortnight, Tuesdays, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Ladies'
Working Party.

Every Thursday, 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mothers' Meeting.

Every Thursday, 7.30 to 9.30 p.m., Gymnasium for Men.

Every Friday, 6.30 p.m., Children's Scripture Union.

On Thursday evenings, the Churchwardens attend to
let Sittings and for any other business.

Letters and communications for the Clergy and
Wardens may be placed in the "Churchwardens' Box"
in the porch.

LIST OF ASSOCIATIONS, &c.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are due to the

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Maternal Society *January.*

Treasurer: Mrs. COLLISON,

26, Talfourd Road, Peckham, S.E.

Church Expenses *February.*

Treasurers: The Churchwardens.

- Church Missionary Society** ... *April.*
Treasurer: P. C. ADAMS, Esq.,
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- Mothers' Meeting** *April.*
Treasurer: Mrs. P. GASTER,
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- Curate's Stipend Fund** *Lady Day and Michaelmas.*
Treasurer: P. WINSOR, Esq.,
 178, Peckham Rye, S.E.
- Sunday Schools** *October.*
Treasurer: E. J. READDY, Esq.,
 42, Hanover Park, Rye Lane.
- British and Foreign Bible Society** *October.*
Treasurer: SIDNEY SOUTHERDEN, Esq.,
 75, Barry Road.
Collector: MRS. MEDHURST,
 9, Lyndhurst Square.
- Congregational Working Party** *November.*
Treasurer: MRS. P. GASTER,
 51, Nigel Road.
- Church Association** *November.*
Treasurer: E. B. FITTER, Esq.,
 168, Upland Road, East Dulwich.
- Gleaners' Union** *December.*
Treasurer: E. J. READDY, Esq.,
 42, Hanover Park, S.E.

- Scripture Union**
Treasurer: Miss SMITH,
 8, Cicely Road, Hanover Park, S.E.
- Gentlemen's Foreign Missionary Band:**
 Abdul Mussihans.—*Secretary:* T. J. ELLINGER, Esq.,
 8, Rosenthorpe Road,
 Waverley Park, Peckham Rye.
- Ladies' Foreign Missionary Band:**
 Kuchengs.—*Secretary:* Miss E. GASTER.

BOUNDARIES, &c., OF ALL SAINTS',
 CAMBERWELL.

This list will be found of great use in publication of Banns of Marriage. The law requires that at least one of the parties must reside in the parish where they wish to be married; and that in case they do not both reside in the parish, the banns must be published in **both** parishes, and a Certificate of such publication **must** be produced to the clergyman of the Church in which the marriage is to take place; otherwise the parties cannot be married. Everyone who wishes to be married and lives in the parish of All Saints', Camberwell, must cause the banns to be published in All Saints' Church; and where both the parties reside in the parish, they **must** be married in All Saints' Church whether **after Banns or by License**. It is illegal to be married except under these conditions. A **Special License**,

The district mentioned here is the
whole town.

enabling the parties to be married at *any* Church, costs Twenty Guineas.

West side of Rye Lane, from Sternhall Lane to High Street; south side of High Street to Lyndhurst Road; all east side; west side, Nos. 52 to 102 inclusive; Lyndhurst Grove, 108 to 56 inclusive; Bellenden Road, 1 to 23 inclusive; Maxted Road, 1 to 19 inclusive; Sternhall Lane, north side; Choumert Road (old), both sides; Alpha Street; Choumert Grove; Costa Street; Reedham Street; Victoria Road; Chadwick Road, south side; Blenheim Grove; South Grove; Elm Grove; Victoria Place, Basing Road, Stable Yard; also York Terrace, Basing Road; Cook's Cottages, Choumert Square; Azenby Square.

CONCLUSION.

I am sure that every true child of God will feel more and more his or her utter unworthiness in God's sight, and will more and more rely upon the merits and righteousness of Christ for salvation. Looking back on the history of my Parish, over which I have watched for 33½ years, I desire to disclaim all notion of merit, and simply to "hide myself," that Christ only may be glorified. The most holy child of God must be found by Him sprinkled with the Blood of Christ. My memory makes me speak from my heart the words we all repeat in Church: "I have left undone that which I ought to have done, and have done that which I ought not to have done." Whatever perfections there have

been were Christ's; whatever imperfections there have been are mine. When the time for going to Christ shall come I shall be able to say from my heart and soul:—

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

My love to you all in Christ Jesus,

T. J. GASTER.

To the Members of the Congregation of
All Saints', Camberwell.

P.S.—As we drew near the end of the year, it seemed as though there might be a serious deficit on the Church Expenses Fund. However, through the kindness of some friends, who gave special donations, we have finished the year without a debt. All particulars will be found in the Churchwardens' Account.

I am happy to say that there is now no debt on any department of the work, so that we may begin the New Year with a cheerful heart, trusting that God will bless the work done in His Name, as He has hitherto.

T. J. G.

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, CHURCH EXPENSES ACCOUNT, 1899.

DR.	£ s. d.	CR.	£ s. d.
Subscriptions and Donations, as per List ...	33 16 6	Balance brought forward from 1898 ...	9 18 6½
<i>Collections</i> —Feb. 12th ...	8 4 9½	Salaries ...	91 4 2
March 12th ...	7 17 11	Lighting and Warming Church ...	25 13 0½
July 9th ...	6 14 8	" " Schoolroom (proportion)	4 0 0
Aug. 13th ...	6 16 10½	Wine for Holy Communion ...	1 17 0
Sept. 10th ...	7 13 10	Fire Insurance ...	4 17 6
Nov. 12th ...	12 0 2½	Water Rate ...	2 2 0
Dec. 10th ...	9 6 4½	Visitation Fee ...	0 18 0
" 31st ...	10 6 1	Tithe Rent charge ...	0 8 9
<i>Boxes</i> —39 Sundays ...	69 0 8½	Materials, &c., for Church Cleaning ...	2 7 5½
<i>Proportions for Printing Annual Address</i> —	53 12 2½	Sundry Repairs ...	12 18 11
British and Foreign Bible Society		Printing, Stationery, &c. ...	14 16 5½
Auxiliary ...	0 15 0		
Church Association, All Saints' Branch ...	0 15 0		
Church Missionary Association ...	1 7 6		
Curate's Stipend Fund ...	1 7 6		
District Visiting Society ...	1 7 6		
Ladies' Working Party ...	1 0 0		
Maternal Society ...	0 10 0		
Sunday Schools ...	1 10 0		
	8 12 6		

CHURCH EXPENSES ACCOUNT—continued.

DR.	£ s. d.	CR.	£ s. d.
<i>Proportions of Mrs. Knight's Salary</i> —		Gardener ...	0 13 6
British and Foreign Bible Society	0 6 6	Tuning Organ ...	4 10 0
Auxiliary ...	0 12 6	Sundries ...	3 19 2
Church Missionary Association ...	0 7 0	Christmas Decorations ...	2 6 7
District Visiting Society ...	0 11 0	Balance carried forward to 1900 ...	0 14 2
Gleaners' Union ...	1 10 0		
Ladies' Working Party ...	4 10 0		
Sunday Schools ...	7 17 0		
The Incorporated Society for promoting the Building & Repairing of Churches and Chapels ...	8 4 4		
<i>Donations for Christmas Decorations</i> —			
Mrs. Collison ...	5 0		
" Missie ...	5 0		
" Winsor ...	5 0		
Miss Hayes ...	2 6		
Mrs. Hunter ...	2 6		
" Peart ...	2 6		
" S. Wade ...	2 6		
	2 2 0		
	£183 5 3¼		

January 10th, 1900.

Audited and found correct,

EDMUND S. SOUTHERDEN,
DAVID S. HUNTER,

£183 5 3¼

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS TO CHURCH EXPENSES FUND.

	£	s.	d.
A Friend	5	0	0
Airey, Mr. M.	0	5	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
Armstrong, Miss	0	10	0
Ball, Mr. W.	0	5	0
Barren, Mrs.	5	0	0
Branwhite, Mr. C.	0	5	0
"	0	10	0
Collison, Mrs.	0	5	0
Fisher, Mr. B. A.	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. E. B.	0	5	0
" Mr. W. S.	0	5	0
Fletcher, Mr. H. C.	1	1	0
Gargery, Mr. W. T.	0	5	0
Gaster, Rev. Percy	0	"	0
" Mr. W. H.	1	1	0
In Memoriam—Emily Southerden	10	0	0
Ionn, Mr. S.	0	10	0
Jones, Mr. A. A.	0	10	0
Laport, Miss	0	10	6
Leach, Mr. and Mrs.	0	5	0
Lindsay, Mr. G. W.	0	5	0
Matthews, Mr. P. W.	0	10	6
Nodder, Mr.	0	5	0
" One tenth"	0	4	0
"	0	4	6
Peart, Mrs.	0	5	0
Penhorwood, Mr. A.	0	5	0
Ralph, Mrs.	0	5	0
Readdy, Mr. E. J.	0	5	0
Shirreff, Miss C.	0	5	0
Temple, Mr. W.	0	5	0
Thompson, Mr. F.	0	5	0
Turpin, Miss	0	10	0
"	0	10	0
Wade, Miss	0	5	0
" Mr. S.	0	10	0
Ward, Mr. J. Hector	0	5	0
Winsor, Mr. P.	0	10	0
	<u>£33</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>

ALL SAINTS, CAMBERWELL, CURATE'S STIPEND FUND.

For the Year ending 31st December, 1899.

Mr. P. WINSOR, Treasurer.

DR.	CR.
Balance in hand 31st December, 1898	Curate's Stipend (paid to the Rev. P. Gaster)
Subscriptions as per List	Proportion of Cost of Printing Annual Address
Special and other Donations	Receipt Book, Cooper & Budd's Account
Collections Sunday, 14th May	Postage Stamps
	Balance
£ 25 16 10	£ 120 0 0
" 85 15 0	" 1 7 6
" 17 13 3	" 0 10 0
" 10 9 8	" 0 5 0
£139 14 9	" 17 12 3
	£139 14 9

Audited and found correct,

A. WINCH, E. B. FITTER, Auditors.

10th January, 1900.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CURATE'S STIPEND
FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Airey, Mr. M.	0	10	0
Barren, Mrs.	1	1	0
Barrow, Mrs.	0	10	0
Beer, Mr. H.	1	1	0
Bissell, Mr. E.	1	1	0
Bissell, Mr. G. E.	0	10	6
Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. M.	2	2	0
Branwhite, Mr.	1	1	0
Ball, Mr.	0	5	0
Bratt, Mrs.	2	12	6
Binyon, Mr. C.	1	0	0
Cooper, Mr. F. E.	1	0	0
Cooper, Miss E.	1	0	0
Collison, Mrs. F. H.	1	1	0
Croome, Mr. G.	1	1	0
Croome, Mr. J. F.	0	10	0
Crowth, Miss	1	1	0
Davison, Mr. H.	1	0	0
Dawes, Mrs. and Miss	2	2	0
Dawes, Col.	1	1	0
Day, Mr. T. N.	0	10	0
Dalton, Mr.	2	2	0
Eager, Mrs.	1	1	0
Ellinger, Mrs.	0	10	0
Ellinger, Mr.	0	5	0
Eagles, Mr. R.	1	1	0
Fitter, Mr. W. S.	0	10	0
Fitter, Mr. E. B.	1	0	0
Fisher, Mr. B. A.	1	0	0
Fry, Mr. C. O.	1	1	0
Fletcher, Mr.	1	1	0
Fitt, Mr.	0	10	6
Gaster, Rev. T. J.	3	3	0
Gaster, Mr. W. H.	2	2	0
Gargery, Mr. and Mrs. W. T.	1	10	0
Gater, Mr. J.	0	10	6
G. F. E.	1	1	0
Hill, Mr. T. S.	0	10	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CURATE'S STIPEND FUND—continued.

	£	s.	d.
Holland, Mr. W. T.	2	2	0
Hammond, Mr.	0	10	0
Hunter, Mr. D. S.	1	1	0
Ionn, Mr. S.	1	1	0
Isaac, Mr. T. J.	1	0	0
Jones, Mr. A. A.	1	1	0
Laport, Misses	3	3	0
Lindsay, Mr. G. W.	1	1	0
Laughlin, Mr. T.	1	1	0
Leach, Mr. and Mrs.	0	5	0
Lomas, Mrs.	0	10	0
Massie, Mrs.	2	2	0
Matthews, Mr. P. W.	1	1	0
Medhurst, Mr. F.	1	0	0
Nodder, Mrs.	0	10	0
Napper, Miss E.	1	1	0
Oakes, Mr. T. W. S.	2	2	0
Peart, Mrs.	2	2	0
Peters, Mr.	0	5	0
Penhorwood, Mr. A.	1	0	0
Perry, Mr. E. M.	1	0	0
Ralph, Mrs.	1	1	0
Reeves, Mr. H. J.	0	10	0
Rolfe, Mr. S.	0	10	0
Rumsey, Mrs.	1	1	0
Readdy, Mr.	1	1	0
Shaw, Mr. W.	1	1	0
Stilwell, Mr.	0	10	0
Shireff, Miss A.	0	5	0
Smith, Mr. W. Way	1	15	0
Smith, Mr. H. J.	1	0	0
Southerden, Mr. E. S.	1	1	0
Southerden, Mr. S. E.	1	0	0
Thompson, Mr. F.	1	1	0
Turner, Mrs.	0	10	0
Turpin, Miss	0	7	6
Treeweke, Mrs.	0	5	0
Temple, Mr. W.	0	10	0
Wade, Mr. S.	1	1	0
Ward, Mr. J. H.	0	7	6
Wildbur, Miss	0	10	0
Willson, Mr. G. J.	0	10	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CURATE'S STIPEND FUND--*continued.*

	£	s.	d.
Willson, Miss...	0	10	0
Winsor, Mr. ...	2	2	0
Wane, Mr. H. ...	1	0	0
Winch, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Younger, Miss ...	0	5	0
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	£85	15	0

SPECIAL AND OTHER DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Anonymous ...	0	10	0
Anonymous ...	0	10	6
Anonymous ...	0	2	0
Anonymous ...	0	2	3
A Friend ...	1	0	0
Branwhite, Mr. ...	1	1	0
R. O. E. ...	0	5	0
Groves, Mrs. ...	0	15	0
Gardner, Miss ...	0	5	0
Juliff, Miss ...	0	5	0
Pierce, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
H. L. ...	0	5	0
H. J. ...	0	2	6
H. ...	10	0	0
Saffery, Mr. ...	0	5	0
Turpin, Miss ...	1	0	0
Tomlin, Miss ...	0	5	0
Ward, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Ward, Miss ...	0	5	0
Younger, Miss ...	0	5	0
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	£17	13	3

25 DR. ALL SAINTS, CAMBERWELL, DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY.
Balance Sheet for the Year ending 31st December, 1899.

	£	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand from 1898	12	11	7½				
Subscriptions, as per List	17	13	6		5	14	6
Donations, as per List	7	10	6		5	11	2
Annual Sermons, January 8th	9	19	0		10	0	9½
Offertory at Holy Communion	50	7	6		0	14	7
					0	10	8
Assistance to Deserving Poor					33	1	4
Meat					0	18	8
Coals, &c.					11	0	0
Groceries					1	16	4
Bread					1	1	0
Milk					0	15	0
One Year's Rent less tax of Mission Room and Cottage to Christmas, 1899					5	7	11
Income Tax					3	7	11
Mrs. Bennett for charge of Mission Room, &c.					£89	10	3½
Gas					8	11	10½
Water					£98	2	1¾
Repairs to Mission Room							
Grant, &c., to Mothers' Meetings							
Printing							
Sundries							
Balance in hand...							

January 10th, 1900.

Examined and found correct,
ERNEST BISSELL,
G. R. NEVEY,
Auditors.

ALL SAINTS' (CAMBERWELL) DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY.
SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Binyon, Miss	0	2	6
Branwhite, Mrs. C.	0	5	0
Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. M.	0	10	0
Crowther, The Misses	0	5	0
Collison, Mrs.	1	1	0
Croome, Mr. G. E.	0	5	0
Day, Mr. T. N.	0	5	0
Fry, Mr. Charles O.	0	5	0
Fisher, Mrs. B. A.	0	5	0
Fletcher, Mr. H. C.	0	10	6
Fitter, Mrs. E. B.	0	5	0
Gaster, Rev. T. J.	0	10	6
Gaster, Rev. Percy	0	5	0
Gaster, Mr. W. H.	1	1	0
Gargery, Mr. W. T.	0	10	0
Gargery, Mrs. W. T.	0	10	0
Gargery, Mr. T.	0	10	0
Ionn, Mr. Seymour	0	10	0
Jones, Mr. A. A.	0	10	6
Laport, The Misses	1	1	0
Laughlin, Mr. Wm.	0	5	0
Massie, Mrs.	1	1	0
Matthews, Mr. Philip	0	10	6
Matthews, Mrs. Philip	0	5	0
Nodder, Mr.	0	5	0
Peart, Mrs.	0	5	0
Perry, Mr. E. M.	1	0	0
Priest, Mrs.	0	5	0
Smith, Mrs. H. J.	0	10	0
Shaw, Mr. W.	0	5	0
Thompson, Mrs. E.	0	5	0
Thompson, Mr. F. J.	0	10	0
Thompson, Mrs. F. J.	0	10	0
Winsor, Mr. Philip	0	10	0
Winsor, Mrs. Philip	0	10	0
Winsor, The Misses	0	10	0
Wade, Mr. Sidney	0	10	0
Wade, Mrs. Sidney	0	5	0
Ward, Mr. J. H.	0	5	0

£17 13 6

ALL SAINTS' DISTRICT VISITING SOCIETY—continued.

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Anonymous	0	15	0
Beer, Mr. Henry	1	1	0
" "	1	1	0
Cooper, Mr. F. E.	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. H. J.	0	10	0
Humphreys, Mr. W. F.	2	2	0
Jenkins, The Misses	0	5	0
Lane, Mrs. M. J.	0	5	0
Nevey, Mr. G. R.	0	5	0
Penhorwood, Mr. A.	0	5	0
Ralph, Mrs.	0	3	6
Shirreff, Miss A.	0	2	6
Turner, The Misses	0	10	6

£7 10 6

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNT, 1899.

DR.

Mr. E. J. READDY, *Treasurer.*

CR.

	£	s.	d.
1899. Jan. 1st.			
Balance in hand	10	8	11
Subscriptions and Donations as per list	16	3	0
Annual Sermons	8	18	2
Sale of Hymn Books	0	19	8
Balance from Treat Account	0	7	8½
Donations towards Lighting and Firing:			
British and Foreign Bible Society	0	5	0
Church Expenses Fund	4	0	0
Church Missionary Society	1	15	0
District Visiting Society	0	5	0
Ladies' Working Party	4	4	0
	10	9	0
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	£53	6	5¼

	£	s.	d.
1899.			
Lesson Books, Prizes, Hymn Books, Class Registers	11	19	1
Stationery, Postage, &c.	0	7	3
Repairs	7	8	11
Lighting and Firing	12	19	6
Attendance, Cleaning, &c.	5	10	6
Water Rate	1	1	0
Winding Clock	0	7	6
Fire Insurance	1	17	6
Proportion of Printing Annual Address	1	10	0
Sundries	0	3	7
Rent of Room, &c., Young Men's Bible Class	1	13	0
Gardening	1	11	9
Balance in hand	6	16	10¼
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	£53	6	5¼

Not including £11 Balance of Account for Repairs, held over to next year.

January 24th, 1900.

EDMUND S. SOUTHERDEN,
SIDNEY E. SOUTHERDEN, *Auditors.*

Audited and found correct.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

TO

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND, 1899.

	£	s.	d.
Adams, Mr. P. C.	0	5	0
Airey, Mr. M.	0	5	0
Anon.	0	2	6
Barren, Miss	0	5	0
Beamish, Mr. V.	0	5	0
Binyon, Mr. C.	0	10	0
Branwhite, Mr. C.	0	5	0
Brown, Mr. J. M.	0	10	0
Burleton, Mr. R. E.	0	15	0
Collison, Mrs.	1	1	0
Cooper, Mr. F. E.	0	5	0
Crowther, Misses	0	5	0
Day, Mr. T. N.	0	2	6
Fisher, Mr. B. A.	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. W. S.	0	5	0
Fletcher, Mr. H. C.	0	10	6
Fry, Mr. C. O.	0	5	0
Gargery, Mrs. J.	0	5	0
Gargery, Mr. W. T.	0	15	0
Gargery, Mrs. W. T.	0	5	0
Gaster, Rev. T. J.	0	10	6
Gaster, Rev. P.	0	5	0
Gaster, Mr. W. H.	0	10	6
Ionn, Mr. S.	0	10	0
Jones, Mrs.	0	5	0
Laport, Misses	0	10	6
Laughlin, Mrs.	0	5	0
Massie, Mrs.	0	5	0
Nevey, Mr. G. R.	0	5	0
Peart, Mrs.	0	5	0
Penhorwood, Mr. A.	0	5	0
Perry, Mr. E. M.	1	0	0
Priest, Mr. A.	0	5	0
Ralph, Mrs.	0	5	0
Readdy, Mr. E. J.	0	5	0
Shaw, Mr. W.	0	5	0
Temple, Mr. W.	0	5	0
Thompson, Mr. F.	0	5	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS TO ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND—*continued.*

	£	s.	d.
Wade, Mr. S.	0	10	0
Wade, Mrs. S.	0	5	0
Wade, Mr. T.	0	5	0
Ward, Mr. J. Hector	0	5	0
Willson, Miss Ellen...	0	5	0
Winsor, Mr. P.	0	10	0
Winsor, Mrs.	0	5	0
Winsor, Misses	0	5	0
	£16	3	0

31 DR. ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT ACCOUNT. CR.

MR. E. J. READDY, Treasurer.

	£	s.	d.
Collecting Cards	18	5	6
Subscriptions, viz.—			
Rev. T. J. Gaster	5	0	0
Rev. P. Gaster	5	0	0
Mrs. Barron	10	0	6
Mr. V. Beamish	2	0	0
Miss Brown	2	0	0
Mrs. Croome	5	0	0
Mrs. Dawe	1	0	6
Mrs. Edwards	2	6	6
Mr. H. Edwards	2	6	6
Mrs. Hammond	5	0	0
Mrs. Haynes	2	0	0
Mrs. Massie (Infants' Treat)	5	0	0
Mr. A. Penhorwood	5	0	0
Mr. Rolfe	5	0	0
Mr. H. J. Smith	1	6	0
Young Men's Bible Class	5	0	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
A Friend	3	6	0
Collection in Church Boxes	3	8	6
Collection from Sunday School Children	3	10	6
Sale of Tickets	1	11	2½
Profit on Refreshments, opening New Rooms	10	9	0
	£39	7	9½

	£	s.	d.
Printing Cards	0	7	6
Postage	0	2	0
Toys, &c.	1	14	4
Fees	0	1	0
Cost of Excursion Train	15	14	7
Contractor for Teas, &c.	18	15	9
Infants' Treat Account	2	2	11½
Sundries	0	2	0
Balance in hand, credited to Sunday School Fund	0	7	8½

Edmund S. Southerden,
Sidney E. Southerden,
Auditors.

January 24th, 1900.

Audited and found correct.

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, MATERNAL SOCIETY.

Miss YOUNGER, *President*.Mrs. F. H. COLLISON, *Treasurer*.*For the Year ending December 31st, 1899.*

CR.

DR.	£	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
To Balance	1 1 8½	Mrs. Cross, care of Boxes and Blankets	...	...	3 0 0
Subscriptions—				Proportion of Printing Annual Address	...	...	0 10 0
Mrs. Peart	0 5 0	Balance	...	...	2 11 6½
Mrs. Winsor	0 10 0				
Mrs. Collison	0 10 6				
Miss Younger	0 5 0				
Collections Christmas Day	3 9 4				
			<u>£6 1 6½</u>				<u>£6 1 6½</u>

January, 1900.—To balance

2 11 6½

January 10th, 1900.

Audited and found correct,

ALFRED PENHORWOOD, *Auditors*,
GEO. J. WILLISON,

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, CHURCH MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Rev. T. J. GASTER, *President*.Mr. P. C. ADAMS, *Treasurer*.*For the Year ending 31st December, 1899.*

CR.

DR.	£	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
Balance	...	...	3 14 10½	Proportion of Printing Annual Address	...	...	1 7 6
Collections after Sermons	...	...	11 0 9½	Printing	...	...	0 5 6
" at Children's Services	...	...	1 1 4½	Attendants at Meetings	...	...	0 18 6
Subscriptions and Donations	...	...	21 17 0	Gas and Firing in Schools	...	...	1 15 0
Missionary Boxes (General)	...	47 14 10		Postages, Stationery, and Account Books	...	...	1 9 10
" Sunday Schools	...	18 1 1½		Paid Church Missionary Society	...	...	100 12 6
" Mission School	...	2 19 11½		Balance in hand	...	...	1 16 2
			<u>68 15 11½</u>				
Collection, T.Y.E.	...	...	1 2 6				
" Centenary	...	...	0 12 6				
			<u>£108 5 0</u>				<u>£108 5 0</u>

January 27th, 1900.

Examined and found correct,

ALFRED PENHORWOOD, *Auditors*,
H. E. BARREN.

CHURCH MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION--continued.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
"A Gleaner"...	0	10	0
Adams, Mr. P. C. ...	1	1	0
Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. ...	0	10	0
Ball, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Beer, Mrs. H. ...	1	1	0
Branwhite, Mr. C. ...	0	5	0
Coles, Mr. W. J. ...	2	2	0
Collison, Mrs. ...	1	1	0
Crosby, Mrs. ...	0	2	6
Cooper, Miss E. ...	0	5	0
Fry, Mr. C. O. ...	0	5	0
Fletcher, Mr. H. C. ...	0	10	6
Fisher, Mr. B. A. ...	0	5	0
Gaster, Rev. T. J. ...	1	1	0
Gaster, Rev. and Mrs. Percy ...	0	10	6
Gaster, Mr. W. H. ...	1	1	0
Gargery, Mr. W. T. ...	1	0	0
Hendry, Miss... ...	0	6	0
Ionn, Mr. ...	0	10	0
Jones, Mr. A. A. ...	0	10	6
Massie, Mrs. ...	3	3	0
Matthews, Mr. P. W. ...	0	10	6
Peart, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Penhorwood, Mr. A. ...	0	5	0
Southerden, Mr. E. S. ...	1	1	0
Southerden, Mr. S. E. ...	0	10	6
Smith, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Temple, Mr. W. ...	0	5	0
Thompson, Mr. F. ...	0	5	0
Wildbur, Miss ...	0	5	0
Willson, Miss ...	0	5	0
Ward, Mr. J. Hector ...	0	10	0
Winsor, Mr. P. ...	0	10	0
Wade, Mr. S. ...	0	10	0
Wade, Mrs. S. ...	0	5	0

£21 17 0

MISSIONARY BOXES.

	£	s.	d.
Astlett, Miss G. ...	0	6	11
Binyon, Miss S. ...	1	1	8
Ball, Miss ...	1	0	10
Britten, Miss ...	0	14	10
Barker, Miss L. ...	1	8	0
Beer, Miss S. ...	0	15	3
Brown, Mrs. ...	6	10	0
Croome, Miss ...	0	19	5
Deane, Mrs. ...	0	19	11
Ellinger, Miss ...	1	6	2
Fairn, Miss ...	0	15	1
Fitter, Miss ...	0	6	3
Gaster, Rev. P. ...	0	15	4
Gloag, Mr. J. ...	0	7	3
Hunter, Mrs. ...	0	9	11
Hill, Mr. ...	0	11	4
Hocking, Miss ...	1	10	2
Laughlin, Mr. J., junr. ...	0	10	3
Massie, Mrs. ...	3	15	9
Matthews, Mr. W. ...	0	13	6
Monk, Mr. T. ...	1	3	1
Medhurst, Mrs. ...	0	10	11
Midgley, Miss ...	0	10	8
P. S. M. ...	7	14	0
Peart, Mrs. ...	1	0	11
Paget, Miss E. ...	0	17	8
Ralph, Mrs. ...	0	13	6
Readdy, Mrs. ...	1	0	7
Reeves, Miss ...	0	9	3
Ritherdon, Miss ...	1	1	3
Smith, Miss ...	0	5	9
Southerden, Miss ...	0	11	7
Smith, Mr. W. H. ...	0	12	6
Thompson, Miss M. ...	0	7	3
Treweeke, The Misses ...	0	12	2
Thompson, Mr. H. E. ...	0	12	4
The Vicarage Box ...	0	11	4
Wildbur, Miss ...	0	16	0
Wild, Miss ...	0	6	8
Ward, Mr. J. H. ...	0	10	0
Boxes under 5s. and odd farthings ...	2	9	7

£47 14 10

CHURCH ASSOCIATION,
ALL SAINTS' CAMBERWELL AND PECKHAM BRANCH.

Rev. T. J. GASTER, *President.*

Hon. Secretary, E. B. FITTER, 168, Upland Road, E. Dulwich.

Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.
To Balance, January 1st, 1899, in P.O.S.B. ...	16 5 1	£ 4 0 0
" " " " in hand ...	0 8 9	0 16 0
" Subscriptions as per List ...	5 10 0	
" Interest ...	0 8 0	
	<u>£22 11 10</u>	
By Remittance to Head Office ...		1 1 6½
" Expenditure ...		16 13 1
" Twelve months Church Intelligencer and Postage... ..		0 1 2½
" Balance in P.O.S.B. ...		
" " in hand ...		
		<u>£22 11 10</u>

1900.

January 1st, to Balance brought down ...

£22 11 10

16 14 3½

Audited and found correct,

January 10th, 1900.

SIDNEY WADE,
HENRY BEER, *Auditors.*

CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

ALL SAINTS' CAMBERWELL AND PECKHAM BRANCH.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST FOR 1899.

	£	s.	d.
Beer, Mr. Henry (1898) ...	0	5	0
Beer, Mrs. Henry (1898) ...	0	5	0
Beer, Mr. Henry ...	0	5	0
Beer, Mrs. Henry ...	0	5	0
Brown, Mr. J. M. ...	0	5	0
Crowther, Miss ...	0	5	0
Collison, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. E. B. ...	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. H. J. ...	0	5	0
Fitter, Mr. Walter ...	0	5	0
Ionn, Mr. S. ...	0	10	0
Gaster, Rev. T. J. ...	0	5	0
Massie, Mrs. ...	0	10	0
Peart, Mrs. ...	0	5	0
Rolfe, Mr. T. ...	0	5	0
Shirreff, Miss ...	0	5	0
Southerden, Mr. ...	0	5	0
Thompson, Mr. ...	0	5	0
Winsor, Mr. P. ...	0	10	0
	<u>£5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>

LADIES' WORKING PARTY.

Miss YOUNGER, <i>President.</i>	Miss GASTER, <i>Secretary.</i>	Mrs. PERCY GASTER, <i>Treasurer.</i>	CR.
Dr.			
1899, January.			
Balance in hand...	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions and Donations	4	15	6½
Collected at Meetings	5	13	6
Proceeds of Sales	3	11	2
Refund from Sunday School Extension Fund	43	7	4½
Discount	2	0	0
	0	4	0
	£	59	11
			7¼
			Materials for work
			Attendance, &c...
			Provisions for Teas
			Printing Annual Address (Proportion)
			Donations towards Lighting and Firing
			Expenses of Sale of Work
			Postage
			Donation to Sunday School Extension Fund
			Balance in hand
			£
			59
			11
			7¼

January 10th, 1900.

Examined and found correct.

HENRY BEER,
SIDNEY WADE, *Auditors.*

SUBSCRIBERS TO LADIES' WORKING PARTY.

Barren, Miss	Hurst, Mrs.
Barrow, Mrs.	Loveday, Mrs.
Beer, Mrs. H.	Massie, Mrs.
Benns, Miss	Medhurst, Mrs.
Binyon, Miss	
	Dain, Miss
	Dain, Miss L.
	Egg, Miss
	Ellinger, Mrs.
	Fitch, Miss
	Foulsham, Mrs.
	Gargery, Mrs.
	Gaster, Miss
	Gaster, Miss E.
	Hayes, Mrs.
	Hunt Mrs.
	Hunter, Mrs.
	Nevey, Mrs.
	Oughton, Mrs.
	Peart, Mrs.
	Ralph, Mrs.
	Reeves, Mrs.
	Ritherdon, Mrs.
	Tinsley, Mrs.
	Treweeke, Mrs.
	Willson, Mrs. J.
	Wilson, Mrs.
	Younger, Miss

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, AUXILIARY BRANCH OF THE
BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

DR.	SIDNEY E. SOUTHERDEN, <i>Hon. Secretary</i> , 75, Barry Road, Dulwich.	CR.
1899.	1899.	£ s. d.
Balance in hand ...	Proportion of Printing Annual Address ...	0 15 0
Collection at Annual Meeting ...	Attendance ...	0 6 6
Collection—Good Friday ...	Lighting, &c. ...	0 5 0
Subscriptions, as per List ...	Printing (Cooper & Budd) ...	0 11 6
Donations ...	Postage, &c. ...	0 1 6
Bible Society Boxes ...	Remittances to Parent Society ...	28 0 0
Magazines ...	Balance in hand ...	0 2 4
		£30 1 10

Audited and found correct,

PHILIP WINSOR, }
H. E. BARREN, } *Auditors.*

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS TO BRITISH AND FOREIGN
BIBLE SOCIETY.

£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Adams, Mr. P. C. (2 years) ...	Loveday, Mrs. ...
Allnutt, Mrs. ...	Massie, Mrs. ...
Ball, Mrs. ...	Matthews, Mrs. ...
Barren, Miss ...	Medhurst, Mrs. ...
Barrow, Mrs. ...	Mills, Mr. H. ...
Beer, Mrs. ...	Napper, Miss ...
Brown, Mr. J. M. ...	Nevey, Mrs. ...
Colegrave, Miss ...	Parratt, Mrs. ...
Collison, Mrs. ...	Peart, Mrs. ...
Coombs, Mrs. ...	Penhorwood, Mrs. ...
Cooper, Mr. F. E. ...	Peters, Mrs. ...
Croombe, Mr. G. ...	Priest, Mr. ...
Crowther, Miss ...	Ralph, Mrs. ...
Deane, Mrs. ...	Redrupp, Miss ...
Desborough, Miss ...	Reeves, Mrs. ...
Edwards, Miss ...	Ritherdon, Mrs. ...
Ellinger, Mrs. ...	Southerden, Mrs. ...
Fisher, Mrs. B. A. ...	Southerden, Mr. S. E. ...
Fitter, Mrs. W. S. ...	Sprules, Mrs. ...
Fletcher, Mr. H. C. ...	Thompson, Mrs. ...
Gargery, Mrs. ...	Thompson, Mrs. E. A. ...
Gaster, Rev. T. J. ...	Treweeke, Mrs. ...
Gaster, Rev. P. ...	Turpin, Miss ...
Gaster, Miss ...	Wade, Mr. S. (2 years) ...
Goodchild, Miss ...	Ward, Mr. J. Hector ...
Hammond, Mrs. ...	Wildbur, Miss ...
Hayes, Mrs. and Miss ...	Willson, Mrs. G. J. ...
Humphrys, Mrs. ...	Wilson, Mrs. J. T. ...
Hurst, Mrs. ...	Wilson, Miss ...
Ionn, Mr. S. ...	Winsor, Mrs. ...
Jones, Mr. A. A. ...	Younger, Miss ...
Laport, The Misses ...	
Laughlin, Mrs. ...	
Lomas, Mrs. ...	
	£14 17 6

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, MOTHERS' MEETING, 1899.

DR.	£ s. d.	Cr.
Balance brought forward from 1898 ...	0 2 4½	Purchases by Women ...
Stock in hand from 1898 ...	0 11 5½	Interest to Women ...
Grants from District Visiting Society ...	3 15 0	Teas ...
Deposits by Women ...	9 7 7½	Books ...
Collection for Excursion ...	3 9 9	Stock in hand ...
Balance due to Treasurer ...	6 3 10½	Excursion—Cost of Brakes ...
		" Teas ...
		Attendant ...
		Sundries ...
	<u>£23 10 1¼</u>	

January 30th, 1900.

Examined and found correct,

T. F. ELLINGER, Auditor.

ALL SAINTS', CAMBERWELL, SUNDAY SCHOOL EXTENSION FUND.

Treasurers, Mr. A. A. JONES, Mr. J. M. BROWN.

Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. J. READY.

To	£ s. d.	By	£ s. d.
Donations ...	542 8 11	New Buildings and Alterations ...	907 6 5
Sales of Work ...	224 14 8	Architects' Fees ...	53 5 0
Collecting Cards ...	116 7 1½	Furniture ...	56 8 8
Penny Bricks ...	45 5 1	Printing and Stationery ...	30 15 7
Shilling Bricks ...	41 4 11	Postage ...	5 15 8
Profit on Lectures by Vicar ...	33 1 10	Miscellaneous Expenses ...	3 11 0
Collections at Children's Services ...	14 16 10½	Cheque Book ...	0 2 1
" in Church, 1897 ...	13 7 10		
Interest from Bankers ...	20 16 2		
Donations for Furniture ...	5 1 0		
	<u>£1,057 4 5</u>		<u>£1,057 4 5</u>

January 3rd, 1900.

Audited and found correct,

HENRY BEER, Auditor.
SIDNEY WADE, Auditor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXTENSION FUND.

President, THE REV. T. J. GASTER.

Secretary, MR. E. J. READDY.

Treasurers { MR. A. A. JONES.
MR. J. M. BROWN.

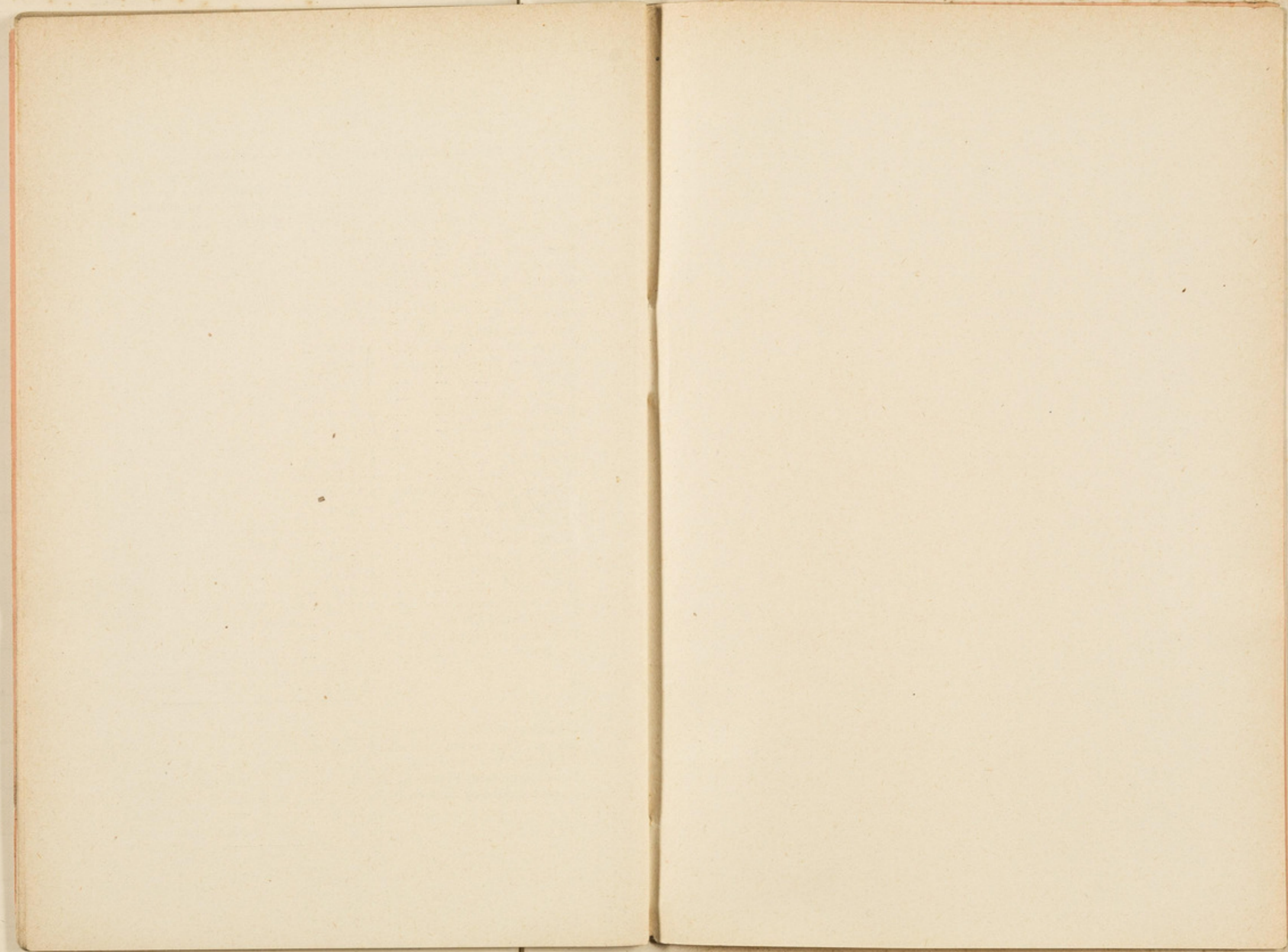
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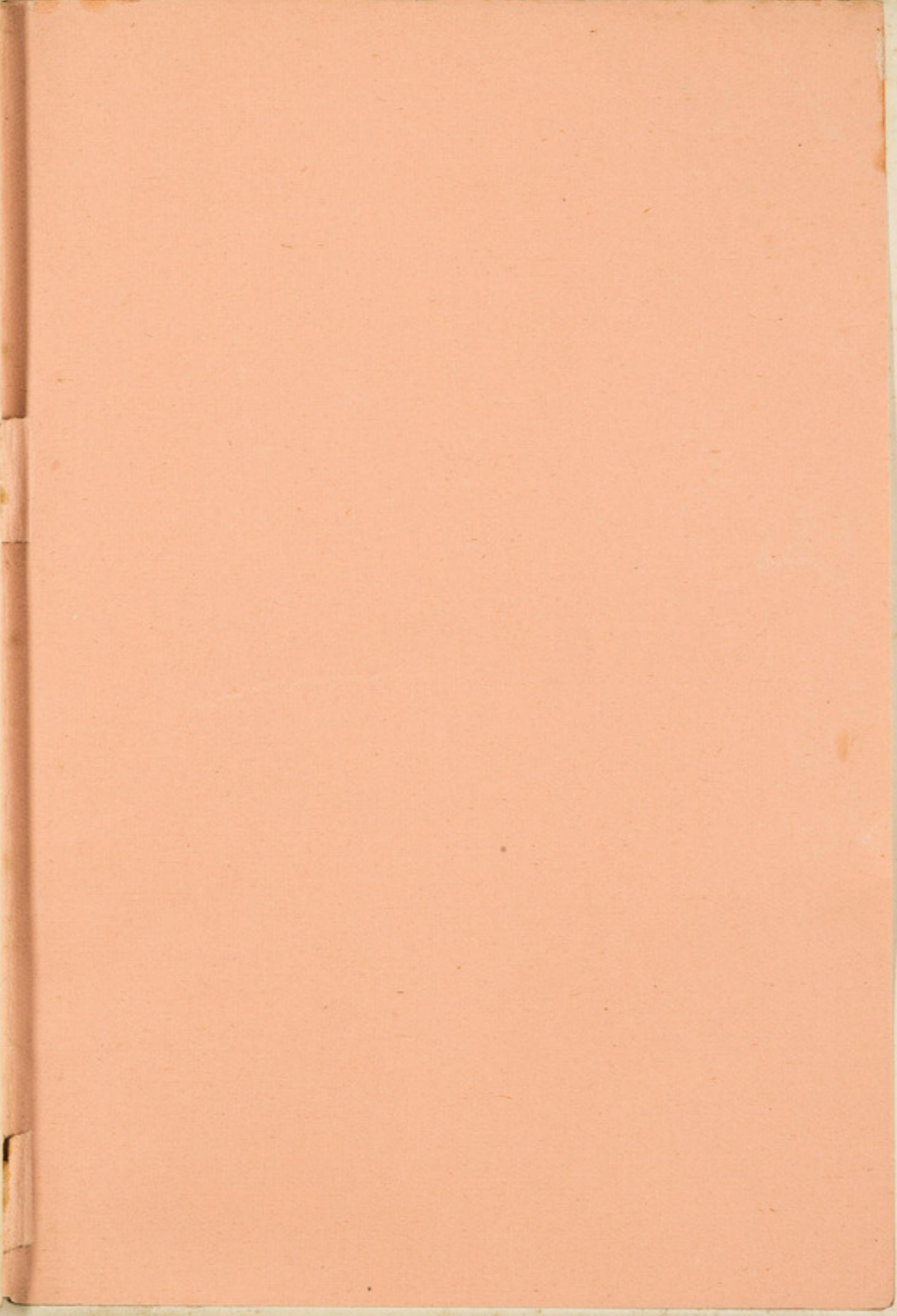
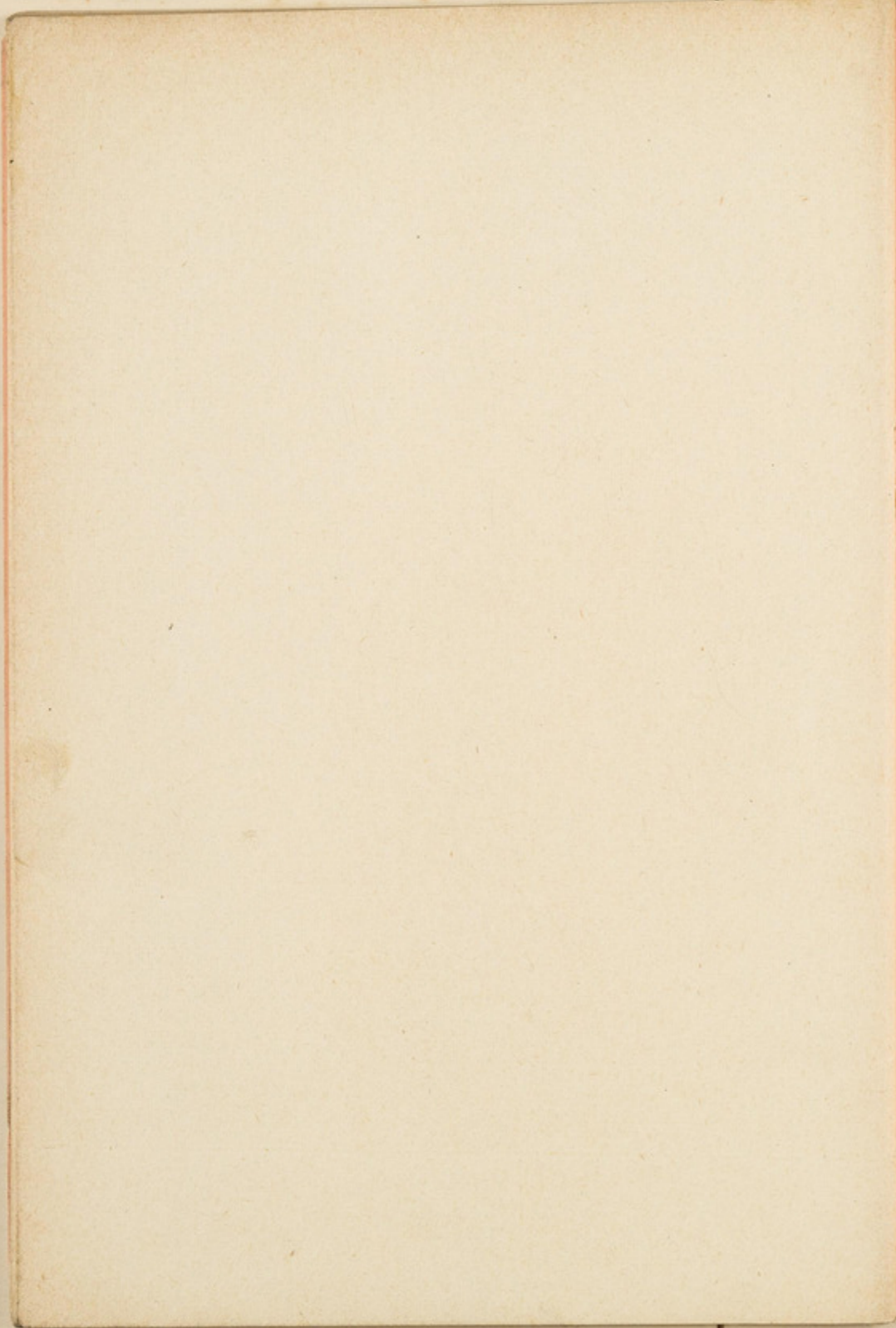
	Collected by		
	Donation.	1/- Bricks and Cards.	1d. Bricks.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Anonymous	0 10 6		
A Parishioner	0 5 0		
Bratt, Mrs.	2 12 6		
Brown, Mr. J. M.	2 2 0		
Davis, Miss	0 5 0		
Daw, Mr. J.	0 10 0		
Dean, Mrs.		0 15 0	
Eager, Mr.	0 10 0		
Ellinger, Mr. T. F.	0 5 0		
Fitt, Mr. F. E.		1 0 0	
Fitter, Miss Mary			0 5 0
Fletcher, Mr. H. C.	0 10 0		
Fry, Miss M.			0 5 0
Gargery, Mr. and Mrs. W. T.	4 4 0		
Gaster, Rev. and Mrs. Percy	2 2 0		
Gloag, Mrs.		0 8 0	
Goodchild, Miss A. M.		1 0 0	
Gretton, Miss	1 5 0		
Hammett, Mr. E. D.	0 5 0		
Hayes, Miss		0 15 6	
Lafone, Mr. A., M.P.	10 0 0		
McNicol, Mrs.	1 0 0		
Manser, Mr. W.	0 10 0		
Massie, Mrs.	5 5 0		
Matthews, Mr. P. W.	1 1 0		
Palmer, Mr. G. H.	0 5 0		
Pear, Mrs.	1 1 0	1 0 0	
Penhorwood, Mr. and Mrs.	0 5 0		
Peters, Mr. J.	0 5 0		

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXTENSION FUND—continued.

Collected by

	Donation.	1/- Bricks and Cards.	1d. Bricks.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
R. and J. C.	2 0 0		
Ralph, Mrs.		1 1 0	
Reeves, Mr. H. J.		0 11 0	
Rolfe, Mr. S.	0 5 0		
Shirreff, Miss		0 14 0	
Smith, Mr. H. J.	0 10 0		
Southerden, Mr. S. E.		0 12 6	
Spriggs, Mrs. E.	0 5 0		
Thompson, Mr. F.	0 10 6		
Tinsley, Mrs.		1 0 0	
Tomlin, Miss		0 15 0	
Treweeke, Miss	0 5 0		
Treweeke, Mrs.	0 5 0		
Tucker, Mrs.		0 5 0	
Wild, Miss	0 5 0		
Wildbur, Miss C. J.	0 5 0		
Williams, Mrs. and Daughters	0 10 0		
Willson, Miss	1 4 0		
Wilson, Mr. C. T.		0 10 0	
Wilson, Mrs. C. T.		0 10 2	
Winsor, Mr. and Mrs	2 0 0		
Winsor, The Misses	1 0 0		
Wood, Mr. A. H.	0 5 0		
Seven Donations under 5s. each	0 15 3		
Two Collecting Cards		0 3 7.	
Four Amounts collected by 1d. Bricks			0 6 0
	45 2 9	11 0 9	0 16 0
Collections at Children's Services		56 19 6	
Sale of Work Proceeds (Less Re-fund to Ladies' Working Party)		2 6 5½	
Donations towards Furnishing Rooms		37 4 9	
Interest allowed by Bank on Deposit		5 1 0	
		1 16 4	
		103 8 0½	





Note

The Camden Parish is principally in Peckham
although the Church is actually in Camberwell

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Report of interview with the Rev. Dr. O'Brien, Vicar
of Camden Church, Camberwell, at his residence, 25
Peckham Road. (E.A.) Nov. 29.00.

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Dr. O'Brien proved to be the late incumbent of
Christ Church, Somers Town, where Mr. Woods is now. A
vivid description of the Chalton St. market written by
Dr. O'Brien, is given in Book 74, p. 83, and a bad por-
trait is inserted on p. 91.

Dr. ~~xxxxx~~ O'Brien has been here for about 8 years,
and is an eloquent and affable Irishman, given, I think,
to the racial habit of exaggeration. He is a handsome
man, of good presence, and has a very good opinion of
himself. He is married; lives in a comfortable house in
the Peckham Road, near the borders of his parish, but
is thinking of leaving, and going somewhat further afield.
The noise in the road in the evenings, the shouting of
the parties returning from the theatres, the rough play
on Sunday evenings etc. are given as the reasons for the
contemplated change.

We began by talking of the district, and the doctor
broke out into lamentations over South London. He spoke
of Camberwell and Peckham very much as people do of
London in August: no one was left. The diagnosis of the
social situation did not get much further at first than
the assertion that people of position, and of income were

leaving. He even went so far as to enumerate the few exceptions that he could remember, only two or three. His own congregation comes for the most part from outside the parish and largely from the better off parts lying to the south of Peckham Road. But, socially, he was inclined to sweep them all into the net of inferiority, and said with ~~express assurance~~ assurance and as ^a confidential statement, ("Of course, I should not like such an opinion to be traced to me,") that in his congregation there was not "a lady or gentleman", "no one," he added, with a lowered voice, "that I would associate with", and then, as to clinch the matter, "or ask to dinner". Money and social position ~~count~~ count for a good deal with this interesting and amusing Irishman, and I have written the above to illustrate his real point of view so far as Camberwell and Peckham are concerned, ~~and~~ They also illustrate his habit of exaggeration, because the next day, having doubtless thought it over, and ~~having~~ talked it over with his wife ~~and~~, and been reminded that there were so-and-so and so-and-so, he wrote the following card:

Dear Sir,

I should just like to say that in all my observations as to the character of social life in this neighbourhood my remarks were entirely confined to my own parish and environs, and not to my congregation, which is composed of numbers of persons hailing from a distance and who are of a superior social status.

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His point of view, his exaggeration, and, if analysed, his inconsistency, was illustrated by his remarks on ~~that~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ the effects on South London of its geographical position. He drew me a little plan to illustrate his discovery that all the great termini of the railways that brought people from the Continent were on the north side of the Thames. South London is skipped over, and all the "culture" and educating influences of ~~xxxxxx~~ foreign countries go ~~to~~ to the other side. It is interesting to note that Mr. Mowll, some mile away, traces part of the moral decadence of the times to the corrupting influences of France, and we see that Dr. O'Brien himself, while regretting that all the theatres and picture galleries etc. are on the north side, makes it a complaint, when Camberwell does get its own theatre, that the people leaving it make night hideous in the street in which he is living, and become one of ~~his~~ ^{his} excuses for leaving it. So again, when I spoke about the local authorities of the district, he disclaimed any desire of ever having anything to do with them. He told me that a doctor, Dr. Robinson I think, one of his sidesmen, had come to him some time back, having received an invitation to stand for the Borough Council, or its earlier equivalent, for his ~~advice~~ opinion. "I have decided what I shall do" said his medical neighbour, "but I should like to know

what you say". "Have nothing to do with such a set" said Dr. O'Brien, and "Just what I thought you would say" said the other, but neither the doctor of divinity nor the doctor^{of} medicine appear to see that it is hardly the way ~~things~~^{to secure} a better type of administrator to leave ~~things~~ ~~things~~ severely alone. He is, of course, something of an aristocrat, but his blood makes him weak, instead of strong in his sympathies, and his real attitude toward his people and neighbourhood is absurdly, or painfully, (as we like to take it), inconsistent with his calling. In practice, I doubt not that he is a good neighbour enough, perhaps helped by a ~~xxxxxxx~~ and feeling of superiority in dealing with many who come to him. But of sympathy and affection for his people there was not a trace.

I had to remind him, in fact, that, after all there were people, and so far as numbers were concerned, he admitted it. Of his own parish he said that he thought they were a poorer set than in Somers Town -- probably another instance of exaggeration.

The Church, generally, in the district is in a very bad way, "dead" was a word he used, save for "a ray of light" at the Parish Church and at Camden. "The people don't go to church", and, as stated, his own congregation comes largely from outside.

Camden Church has celebrated its centenary during Dr. O'Brien's incumbency, and appears to have ^{been} founded at a time when things were ^{not} quite happy, or quite as they should be at the Parish Church. There was something of the nature of a scandal, and a section of the parishioners made independent provision for worship. Camden thus came to be built, and its first minister was Henry Melville. Dr. O'Brien's ^{pre}decessor was the present Archdeacon of Southwark, a rich man, who appears to have let things go to bits, and the church to get into bad repair. The present vicar gave me a graphic account of the condition of things when he came, and of the cheque that the churchwardens handed over to him after he had been there ^{for some months} with the remark that they thought he would find that "all right". On opening the envelope he found that it contained a draft for £10, and that all the expenses of upkeep had been deducted from the pew-rents, then the sole source of income, and very small at that. But Dr. O'Brien did not find it "all right"; started offertories, and many other agencies, and now appears to have a well attended church. The building holds some 1400, and ^{he} puts the morning average at 900, and the evening one at 1000. The proportion of men attending is large, and "there is no church in South London where you would find so many young men and young women". The galleries at the evening service ~~are~~

quite a sight. Dr. O'Brien takes a great interest in the class, largely shop assistants, and is a persona grata at Jones and Higgins and other places where they have meetings. Thus, the young people come in numbers to his church. The regular communicants he put at "at least 300".

In addition to the Church, there is a new Mission Hall, to seat 400. There are Schools, and of these the Vicar, a great hardship ~~xxxxxxx~~ he considers, is treasurer. The Schools were described as "very good".

At the Sunday School, they have 600 on the registers and 60 teachers.

The number of district visitors is going down, and of these there are from 25 to 30. The staff consists of the Vicar and 1 curate; a scripture reader, and a nurse. There is also a London City Missionary.

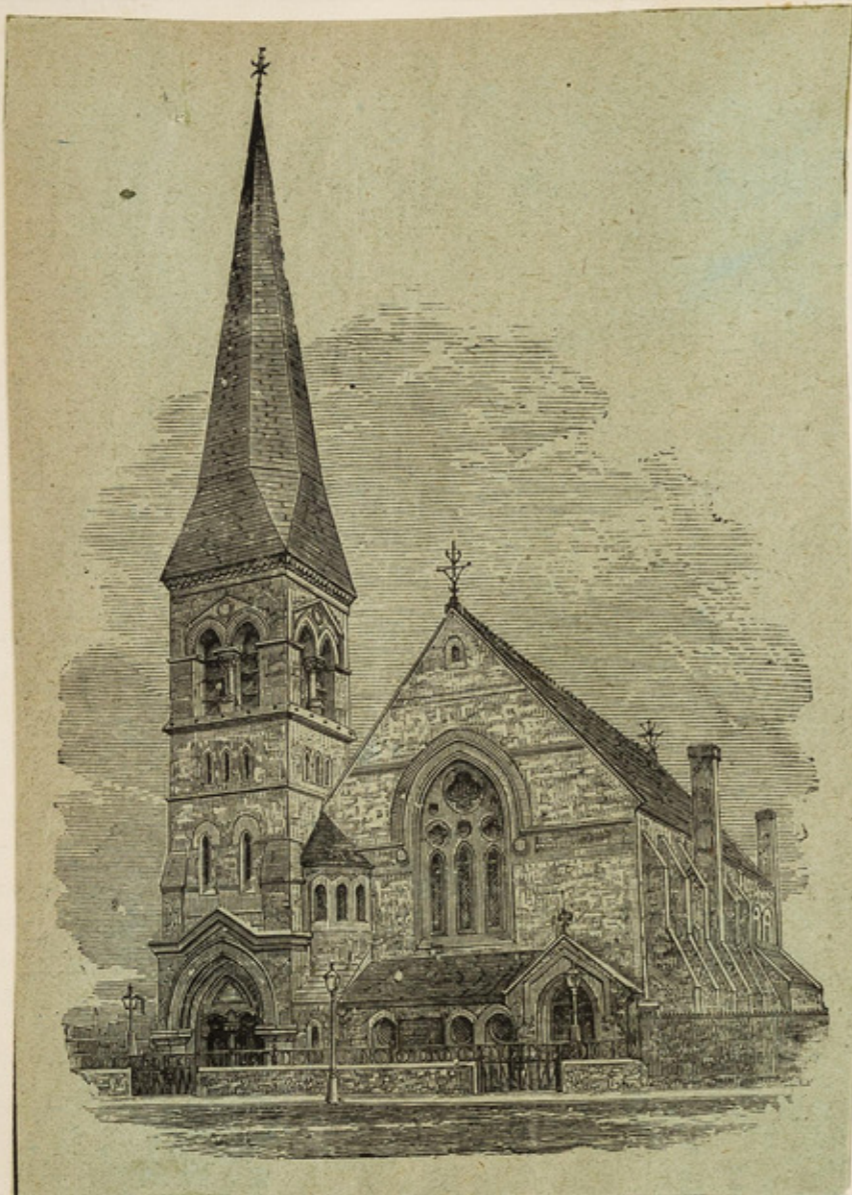
The following page from the Magazine gives a list of the parish agencies, and a somewhat longer list is given on pp. 21-22 of the booklet on the Centenary Commemoration. The main interest of this church is made to centre however in the Church, and in the Vicar. I am afraid that a good deal, perhaps too much of this report is taken up with the description of what seem to be weak points in his armour, but it must not be thought that he is a weak man. On the contrary, he is rather a strong man, and in a way distinguished. He would make an excell-

ent dean, or something of that sort, and this is what he would like to be. But instead -- Camberwell!! He was remarkably courteous and cordial, and if Mr. Booth is ever down there he would like to be told "So that I may offer him some hospitality".

Dr. O'Brien is a kind of "hon. chaplain" at Camberwell House, one of the large local private Asylums, and also knows Dr. Stocker well, the owner of the other asylum at Peckham House. He thinks that Dr. S. is a millionaire or nearly a millionaire, although he never gives more than £5 to any parochial object. No body of people in the country, according to Dr. O'Brien, is richer than the owners of these asylums, and as an indication of the way in which money came in their way he mentioned a request that Canon Fleming had made to him some time back to try and get a patient into one of the local asylums. Dr. O'Brien made inquiries, and wrote back to say that there was only one vacancy, and that the charges would come to from £3 to £400 a year. "No use" was Canon Fleming's answer, "his people must pay from £2 to £3000 a year; that is the scale on which the patient has been living, and his friends will not be happy unless some such amount ^{be} continued being spent on him now". Dr. Stocker was the purchaser

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of the late Col. North's house at Eltham, a most costly mansion, the intention at the time of purchase having been to turn the place into an asylum. This was not done, as the local authorities (the London County Council) insisted upon alterations that were considered prohibitive.



Report of interview with the Rev. W. Pheasant,
Vicar of S. Andrew's, Peckham. At the Vicarage, adjoining
the church. (E.A.) Nov. 29.00. H4
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The present vicar has been here for about 19 months and had not much to tell about the parish. The living is in the gift of the Vicar of Camden, and perhaps would have been one of those that Dr. O'Brien would have described as "dead". The present Vicar is a man of about 35, rather good-looking, tall, and stalwart. He is not, probably, a very energetic parish priest, but from this point of view I felt that I could not quite make him out, nor do I know if he is married or not. The little piece of ground in front of the vicarage, and the entrance door are suggestive of carelessness and discomfort, and the neglect of years. It was quite with surprise that I saw a stalwart young vicar walk into the room. I should add that the school children were mentioned in the course of conversation as the offenders in the garden. Perhaps they also broke the glass of the door? These are only the outside minutiae but they helped to give the impression that in this parish we have a man, fighting against odds, ~~with~~ his heart ~~not~~ not wholly in the ~~task~~ work.

The parish is almost exclusively working-class, with Fenham Road illustrating its worst bits. Layton Square was compared with it, but is obviously much more mixed,

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although some of the houses, mentioned by Mr. P., are in a very bad condition, and badly sublet. Perhaps it is not unfair to mention that when I asked the Vicar about the little group of cottages lying to the north of Layton Square, and marked dark blue on the map, he did not know of their existence.

When he came he found things in very low water, and the church with a roof that leaked. A good deal of his energy has thus been devoted to raising funds to put the structure into a satisfactory condition, and the roof of the church has been partly retiled. His predecessor had been, he said, a very able, but unpopular man, who was unsuited to a parish of this kind. I don't think that the present vicar is marked out by distinguished ability, but signs are not wanting that things are improving under his rule.

STAFF etc.: Vicar and one curate. Two Bible-women, paid for by a Church at Mickæham, to which S. Andrew's stands in some affiliated relation, but from which no personal help is derived -- only money. 18 Sunday School teachers, and a few other miscellaneous helpers. The teachers were described as being "all hard-working people" mostly working in the City -- dress-makers etc.

On the other side is the modest list of Services

HOLY COMMUNION.—Every Sunday at 8 a.m.; 1st and 3rd, 11.45 a.m. (The 3rd Sunday, Choral.) Saints' Days and Thursdays, 8.15 a.m. For Invalids also 1st Thursday, at 11 a.m.

SUNDAY SERVICES.—Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Children's Service, 3 p.m. Sunday Schools, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Bible Classes—Elder Girls, Vicarage, 4 p.m.

DAILY SERVICES.—Matins, 8 a.m.; Evensong, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS.—Shortened Evensong and Address at 8.30 p.m.

FRIDAYS.—Litany, 11 a.m.

BAPTISMS.—Fridays, 11 a.m.; Sundays, 4 p.m.

CHURCHINGS at any Service.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS.—Monday, at Parish Room, 2.30 p.m. Tuesday, Parish Room, 6.30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S HAPPY EVENINGS, Mondays, 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., Reddin's Road Board School.

MEN'S CLUB.—Tuesdays, at Parish Room, 8.30 to 10.30. *Very small*

GIRLS' CLUB.—Thursdays, at Parish Room, 8.45 p.m.

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION, Saturdays in Church, 9 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

etc. The attendance at Sunday morning was described as "wretched", sometimes not 50. In the evening the average was put at 200, and numbers are going up. At the Sunday School, there is an average attendance of from 200 to 250. The ~~Regular~~ Communicants ~~were~~ put at nearly 200, and ^{they} were described as "coming more up to the scratch than they did"! The regular communicants were estimated at from 90 to 120 different individuals. On one recent Sunday 75 had been present.

"Swarms" of Roman Catholics in the parish.

Not much relief is given, the total being put at £10 or £15 a year. Tries to co-operate with C.O.S., and with the Relieving Officers as much as possible, and feels the need of such co-operation more as time goes by.

Nothing exceptional to be said about the parish as regards Drink, Marriage relationships, Crime, or Morals.

Mr. Pheasant is Chaplain to Peckham House, Dr. Stocker's Private ~~Asylum~~ Asylum. Said that there were about 350 inmates, of all classes, payments ranging from £5.5s to as low as 15/- a week. This suggests a very different scale to that ~~as~~ indicated by Dr. O'Brien but Mr. P. no less than the Vicar of Camden thought that Dr. Stocker was very wealthy, and described him as very stingy. The work as Chaplain is light, two services in

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the week, one of which is on Sunday afternoon. They are not satisfactory, as not the least interest in them is shown by the management, including Dr. Stocker himself. Mr. Pheasant does not think that any complaint wd be made if he missed the week-day service. The only attendants who come are those who are on duty, to see that none of the patients misbehave, and they ^{former} seem as though the life had been knocked out of them by their trying work. The patients who come, on the other hand, appear to be lively enough, some of them at least, and one lady ^{always} enlivens proceedings by pirouetting in her place at intervals during the service. The stipend is £50 a year, and the post has always gone, although it need not, with the S. Andrew's living.

Report of interview with the Rev. J.W. Maunders,
 Curate of S. Chrysostom's, Hill St., Peckham. At his
 rooms 65 Moncrieff St. (E.A.) Dec. 4.00.

Mr. Norden, the Vicar of the above parish, had not
 answered our letter, and I called at his residence, ~~at~~
 41 The Gardens, intending to make an appointment. He
 was at home, and I was shown into a pleasant drawing-room.
 Mr. Norden is a man who looks 55 at least and is, as I
 was afterwards told, 43; he has been married twice; lives
 a mile or so away from his parish; has quite gray hair;
 looks fat and comfortable, and has a decided tendency
 towards corpulency. He reminded me of an elderly Mr.
 Tweedledum, and I fear that at the time I thought that he
 was amiable and inactive. The latter supposition is only
 half justified; he is by no means a drone, and the high
 esteem in which Mr. Maunders holds him is much in his
 favour. He appears to be a thoroughly kind man, doing his
 parish duty in an average sort of way, not a great
 preacher, not "great in any way" as his curate said, but
 a good average man. Mr. Norden spoke of his church as
 being a favourite, and as ~~was~~ drawing large congregations,
 mainly middle class, and largely from outside the parish.
 He strongly advised me to see his curate, Mr. Maunders,
 whose work lay chiefly among the poorer parts of the
 parish, ~~and which~~ ^{which} he appeared to think very highly ~~of~~.

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I found Mr. Maunder a strapping fellow of about 38, immensely keen in his work, but, as I learnt in the course of conversation, not yet ordained priest. His position is an interesting one, as it appears that, after nearly twenty years of business life, and after having worked for that length of time as a layman, he has just realized a long-standing wish, and been ordained deacon. He has been in the London, City, and Midland Bank, and three years ago, was appointed manager of the branch in Rye Lane. He at once attached himself as a lay worker to S. Chrysostom's, and relinquished his post about a year ago. He did not volunteer the information, but, in reply to questions, told me that he previously, instead of the small rooms he has now, had a house of ten rooms over the bank, and a salary of about £200 a year more than his present stipend. "But you can't take £.s.d. into account in clerical work". "I got used", as he said "to being called a fool, but it didn't do me any harm, and I dare say it amused them". He is a sturdy evangelical, is one of those who has "no belief in ritual", and is living within a quarter of a mile of the Bank he used to manage. He values his banking experience, and thinks that for one thing it has taught him how to talk to people. He is inclined to think that "a good many of the

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young chaps who come straight from the Universities forget that they are men as well as parsons". Signs were not wanting that he had a very poor opinion of the curate who has recently left, and whose place he has taken.

He confirmed what Mr. Norden had said about the congregations, saying that, holding 1000, ^{church} ~~the~~ was nearly full in the evenings, and putting the average at 7 or 800. In the morning numbers averaged 350. Mr. Norden's predecessor had been a failure, and when he went things had got into very low water. But the man before had been a great preacher, and the church had been crammed; it was a "preaching shop". ~~He~~ ^{Mr.} did not appear to know quite how Mr. N. had managed to get his congregation, but thought that it was largely by the introduction of good singing, and of an attractive service. It was certainly not a "preaching-shop" now. The Communicants are not numerous, at Easter some 200, and on the first Sunday in the month, perhaps 100. Mr. M. is one of those who is greatly impressed by the problem of South London, and thinks that it would be difficult to exaggerate the seriousness of the position of the Church. ^{There} Himself full of earnest and zealous purpose, his main criticism is that so few keen people are found: "There are plenty of church-goers, but very few Christians", and so in his own parish

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there are so few of what he calls "real workers", only three or four. The vicar takes the better-off section of the people and of the congregation, and there are a nurse and a Gray Lady, the latter invaluable. A lay reader is coming.

BUILDINGS: In addition to the Church, they have a Mission Room, and the Schools. The Hall holds from 200 to 250, and is a great centre of Mr. M's work. One of the two Sunday Schools is held there, with some 150 children on the register; the other, at the old day school premises, has some 300 on the register. In all they have about 24 teachers, and are gradually getting an excellent staff.

The Sunday evening Mission Service attracts from 80 to 100, and Mr. M. has brought the numbers to this figure, from 20 or 30.

In Relief they give about £1 a week, take the year through. It goes in tickets or kind, mainly through the Gray Lady and himself.

Mr. M. is full of energy, and spends much of his time in visiting: His heart is in the poorer parts of his parish, and especially in Blue Anchor Lane, Garsdale Road and Bell's Gardens! Blue Anchor Lane clearly absorbs much of his time, and he is constantly there, never once, it may be noted, having come across a Roman Catholic priest and only knowing one avowed R.C. He is immensely impressed

by the poverty and degradation of the people, but, although confronted by the "absolute indifference" of the vast majority to religious matters and by the prevalent intemperance, he is by no means despondent. He is hard at work getting to know them, and at making friends. By degrees some are rallying round him, and he is meeting with some considerable success among the rougher lads. At his "rough boys' club" he has about 120 members, and about 20 of these he is watching with special care, thinking that they are the most hopeful, and he is cherishing the hope that in a year or two he may even be able to send them up for confirmation. But this has not yet been broached. At present he has them to a special Bible Class, but this, in his own mind, is to be a preparation for the great step.

There are several other organizations under his special care besides the "Rough Boys' Club": a "Little Boys' Club", with some 40 members of the same "rough" class, and to whom he gives "a cake or a bun when they go". A "Young Men's Friendly Society" "the cuff and collar Brigade", with young clerks etc. as members. A Bible Class of respectable poor people formed among the senior members of his Mission congregation. These, with the Mission services are the definite organizations that have

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come into existence, but I expect that Mr. M's chief task is that of moving about constantly among the people (except during the mornings, which he tries to keep to himself in preparation for his ~~Ex~~ examination ~~as~~ for priest's orders) as a ~~manly~~ manly friend, zealous for the souls and for the well-being of his people. I should not have very great confidence in his judgment on general social questions. but, although his opinions might be sensational, I do not think that his actions would be, and he seemed to me to be an unusually staunch and stalwart Christian, full of grit and manliness and zeal, and, withal, of a very simple and unassuming nature. I am not surprised that his vicar should have advised me to see him, and should have spoken of his "remarkable" work. They think well of each other, and, being what they are, thereby make me think well of both. But, except that they would each scale nearly thirteen stone and are both good Churchmen, there is little similarity between the two men.

Report of interview with the Rev. F. Wernick, Vicar
of S. Mark's, Peckham. At his residence, 126 Jerningham
Road. (E.A.) Dec. 6.00.

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Mr. Wernick is a conceited little man, who thought that he was too busy to make an appointment, and so sent the accompanying form. Before this had reached me, I called, and, finding him in, had a short supplementary conversation. I think that he may be put down as a cleric of no importance -- a whipper snapper of the second degree. He is a little man, wears a pince nez, but is mostly moustache. In spite of this ferocious appendage, he is entirely insignificant, both in manner and in appearance. His present house is about a mile from the parish, and he has moved there from considerations of health. He does not look a strong man, but it was for the sake of his family that he claimed to have left the parish.

He classed his people as the "abject poor", all of whom would be found on the north side of the main road, and the separation of whom from the church is mentioned as one of the difficulties of the parish; the "poor", by which he means the wage-earning class; clerks, mostly small; with a doctor or two. The parish is getting decidedly poorer, and, although since he came, attendances have trebled, incomings remain stationary. They have had to put pew rents down, and, whereas when he came the

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dearest sets were £1, now they are only 16/-, ranging down to 10/-. And that is not the worst of it, as he said, adding with whispered emphasis, as who should make a confidential statement, "There are so many bad debts. Yes, that's the worst of it, they don't pay". Altogether, Mr. Wernick was inclined to say a good deal about the financial aspects of the work, and probably thinks a good deal about them. He has, he said, ~~tried~~ tried many things in the poorer part of the parish, but has no mission hall, and most attempts ^{of whatever kind} have failed; they are a hard people to reach. His claims are modest, however, "If we had another £50 a year, this would be a well-worked parish, ^{"he said, but"} I venture to doubt it. His naive remarks about the work of district visitors, and the difficulty of getting them, throw some light on his point of view. "You can't" he said "visit the poor without giving something from time to time; so you can't get the poor to visit the poor". But need of larger funds is, of course, not the only difficulty. He, like most others, complains of the indifference. The moral tone of the parish is not low, and immorality and drunkenness are the exception, but there is a "sort of don't care" attitude that blocks the way.

He put his Sunday morning congregation at 200, and the evening one at 700. About half the people who come

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are, he thinks, parishioners. There are about 230 communicants, but they are "very irregular". About 100, over rather than under, might be regarded as regular.

In addition to the church, which holds 1000, ~~an~~ they have the old parochial schools, in which, however, there are "I am thankful to say, no day schools".

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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?
- (b) What portion do the ministrations of the Church touch?
- (c) What persons are employed? (stating duties and whether paid or not.)
- (d) What buildings are used? (including mission rooms, schools and clubs.)
- (e) What services or other religious meetings are held, and by whom and by how many attended?
- (f) What Social Agencies are connected with the Church—institutes, societies, clubs, entertainments, meetings, &c.
- (g) What Educational Work is done?
- (h) To what extent are the people visited? (by Clergy or District Visitors.)
- (i) What arrangements are there for nursing the sick?
- (j) To what extent is charitable relief given or administered by the Church?

General Questions—

- (k) Under what other religious, charitable, or philanthropic influences do the people come?
- (l) What co-operation is there between the Church and other bodies?

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

District

S^t Mark's, Peckham, S. E.

[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.

*poor - very poor - indifferent to
spiritual life - many given to
intoxications - surroundings almost
morally -
The people are well visited -
but the results are meagre.
paid & voluntary agents.
Church - Paid Room
schools -
Church - School room
led by clergy & fairly respecting
church well attended - room poor -
The usual parochial agencies,
and Sunday School under the
auspices of the church
well visited
There is a nurse
Relief is administered
by private & other as are funds
allow.*

None

