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P.C. R. Machell. Old Street.

Changes in neighbourhood

Wednesday, June 1. 1898.

CP (2)

G.H.D.

Talk with Inspector Police Constable Richard Machell of the Old Street subdivision of the G or Finsbury Division of the Metropolitan Police. at The Station in Old Street.

R. Machell is a man of about 37 years of age, rather above medium height, broad, florid face, drooping moustache, stout.

It rained so heavily & constantly that it was impossible to walk round the streets.

As to the changes in the neighbourhood, Machell said that warehouses had encroached upon dwellings to such an extent in the last 10 years that the poor working class who used to live in the district had been driven elsewhere - to Tottenham & Walthamstow. Some Model Dwellings had been put up but the class that came to them was different to

Model Dwellings

Criminal Classes.

Housebreakers.

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to that which had left. In the Princess Buildings
you had the quiet poor, in the other Buildings
a class of City workers who formerly lived at
a greater distance. Among the working class that
remain there is a considerable admixture of
criminals, principally pickpockets & house
breakers who worked in either in East the City or
West London. It is also a centre for Receivers
of stolen goods. This & Clerkenwell adjoining,
may be called the 'melting pot' of London. ^{Practically all}
silver or jewels that are stolen come here for
disposal & are either broken up & melted or
dismounted & reset. The house breaker or house-
breaker is a higher class of man than
the pickpocket. Pickpockets do a little every
day but the house breaker is often a respectable
citizen for a month or two while he is making
his plans, & then ^{breaks out} has a large haul from some
house or warehouse. Macbeth knows one who
keeps a grocer's shop. Some skill is needed in
housebreaking, knowledge of policeman's beats
& patrols & habits of inmates of the way
house

Prices obtained by thieves
for silver.

Drink

warehouse or dwelling into which he means to
break: also a considerable amount of pluck.
If you are to have any chance of success in
recovering the goods stolen you must be on their
track at once. He has known things taken in
the west end to be on sale in his subdivision
within 3 hours of having been taken. Modern
silver is invariably melted & fetches $\frac{2}{3}$ a lb.
Old silver is rarely 'broken'. The difference in value
intact is worth the risk. 10/6 an oz is given for
old candlesticks. [this conversation had particular
reference to our own burglary. G.H.D.]

As to drink, the number of public houses ~~was~~ decreasing
in one block alone in the subdivision. Five had
been pulled down & replaced by warehouses.
The licenses were not granted anew elsewhere.
Among the remaining licensed houses - which
for the most part are small - the most
remarkable thing is the ~~very~~ elaborate way
in which they are being rebuilt & the high
prices that are given for them.
Drunkenness is also largely decreasing - both
among

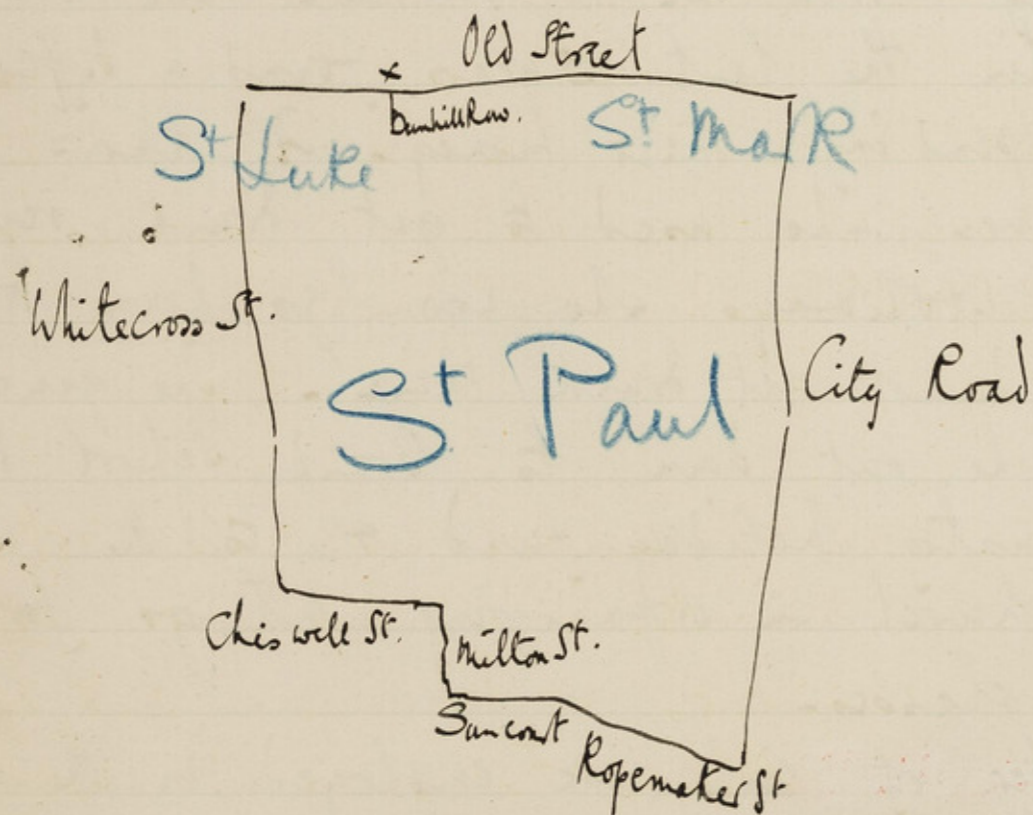
Reasons for decrease in Drunkenness

Girls employed.

among men & women. There were 200 fewer charges
~~this~~ ^{in 1897} year than ^{in 1896} ~~last~~ ~~year~~. The reason that Machell
gave was & foremost that the rough ^{drinking} class
was being driven out & that those who remained
had within the last 5 years found a different
way of spending their money. He knows now
several men who used to get drunk regularly
on Bank Holidays who now go down to Southend
instead - 'I do not get drunk there'. The general
decrease he put down to Board School training,
to the country holiday fund & to the work
of the church in organizing meetings for the
working classes.

A large number of girls are employed in the district
in De la Rue's (stamp & envelope making),
in stay making & by Bouril & in box making.
The roughest of them are Bouril's employees.
They do not live in the district but come from
Islington & Stoxton.

District covered.



Court behind S. side of Featherstone St. f.k

June 2.

Dist 5

OP 2

G.H.D

Walk with P.C. R. Mackell round district bounded on the North by Old Street, on the East by the City Road, on the South by Ropemaker St. Sun Coast, Milton St. & Chiswell St. & on the West by Whitecross St.: being part of the parishes of St. Luke, St. Mark & St. Paul.

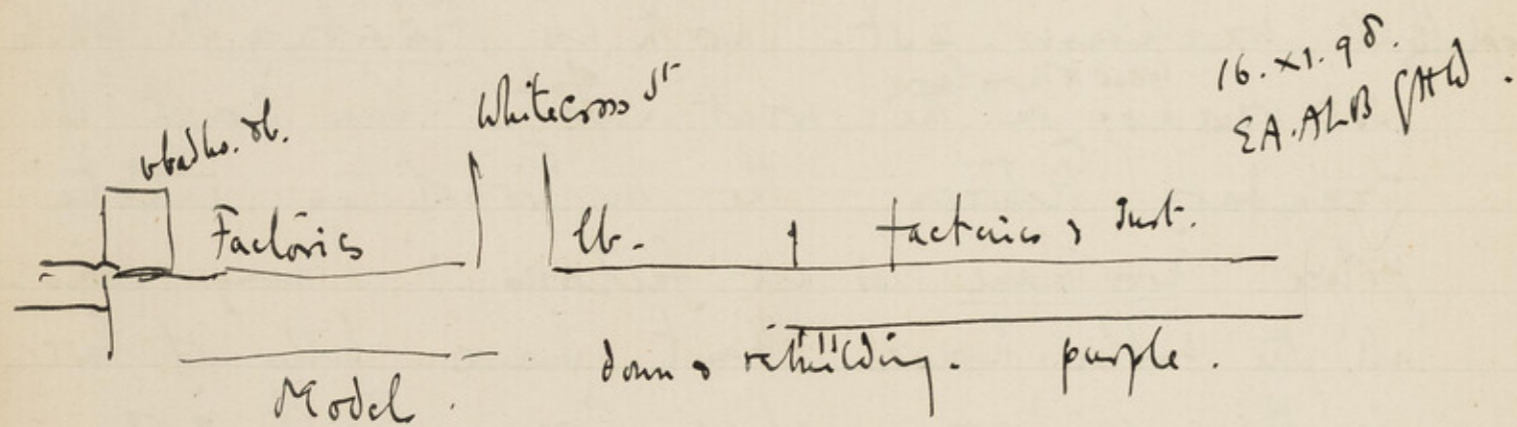
Starting at the corner of Bankhill Row & Old Street: ^{East} west along Old St. on the South side of which are Na. Tho's Buildings. all factories, no dwellings. South down the City Road. West along Featherstone St. The north side is now all 4st factories (lb in map) on the South side are Featherstone Bldgs. 4st. poor. windows broken patched & dirty - look rough but 'no trouble' to the police - lb as map. Court behind the Bldgs with a glass blower factory leading 2 to another court which has two houses, comfortable, esp. pink, not coloured in map. Industries of the street are, box show card making, umbrella stick ^{making}

Milton St

Lamb's Buildings - purple

making etc etc. East again to City Road, south, west
along Chiswell St. 4 st. shops & warehouses mixed -
wood paved. The Chaschill home for the better
class of City factory girl is here (meats etc)
S. down City Road & west along Ropemakers St.
roughly all warehouses - 4 st. north up Finchbury St. cobble
5 st. ^{west to Moor Lane} ~~west to Moor Lane~~ ^{of which} the west side is Sun Court the
boundary between the Metropolitan & City
police. Moor Lane is all factories & dining rooms -
all the public houses about have bills of fare
in their windows. above Corn Court are
Broad Arrow Ct. & Type Court - all factories.
into Chiswell St then W. to Milton St whose
west side is made up of the walls of Whit-
bread brewery, 4 warehouses on the E side.
North up Bunhill Row. whose SW end is now all
factories & factories. west along Cherry Lane
Alley to Lamb's Buildings - which has a few
dwelling houses on its E & W sides - a RC priest
living in one on the W. the rest inhabited by
warehousemen. Purple rather than the W of
map. W to Lamb's passage. The W. houses of

Bunhill Row.



Peabody Dwellings

of the map have now given way to an extension of Whitbread Brewery. I again into Bunhill Row, North part de la Rue's card & stamp factory on the West side - The Northern end of the street is all factories, (pink based in map) on the East side is Dr. Tibbles Vicarage, on the West, new buildings in course of erection for Bouril - W. along Banner St. Houses on North side, now all factories, warehouses or Inst. one of which is the Homeless Poor Asylum, founded 1819, open in the winter only - on the South side is the Loyal United Friends Inst & Lecture Hall & some houses, purple as map. S. down Baird St. to (one house on E side) to Roscoe St. all have houses. Thence South to Dufferin St. between Baird St. & Whitecross St. making the West ends of Banner, Roscoe, Chequer & Dufferin streets are great blocks of Peabody dwellings, 5 or 6 stories, prison looking, but always full 'generally a waiting list as well' in Dufferin St. on the South side, East of the Peabody Dwellings is a block of Cotes Dwellings, with

Whitecross St Market.

Prices.

Blythe Yard - lb

sheds in the yard for their barrows, tenanted by
costers only, noisy, but not rough,
3 into Enrol St at the S.E. end to the Leypian
Mission House. Whitbread Brewery is being
extended north up to Enrol St S. in to Belward
Avenue - It in map - used to be rough - now untenat-
ed & coming down to make way for more
Brewery extension - W into Whitecross St ^{June 1908}
market. St meat. scaps 2^d per lb. good
meat between 3^d & 6^d per lb. strawberries
4^d & 5^d per lb. (strawberries of the same class
were selling this day in the foys Jan road
at 6^d & 8^d per lb & in Oxford St at 10^d & 1/-)
large cucumbers 2½ & 3^d each. Spring Cabbages
4 lb for 2^d. good bacon 5^d. lettuces (fair) 4 & 6
a penny, bread 6½^d for 4 lb. (west end price
7½^d & 8^d). Street full of young men & boys
out during dinner, lounging, curious, not
buying as far as I can see, almost complete
absence of women or girls - Going south down
Whitecross St on the E side is Blythe Yard.
2 lanes, 2 & 3 st, poor costers, lb, not colouring in
F map

Innings off White cross St

Three King Court - db

Withers Place - db

Courts on S side of Old St

Tilney Court - db

Three King Court - 1 house - mess - windows broken - db. probably soon to come down for Brewery extension.

North up White cross St north of Banner St on the E side is Elizabeth Place. 9 houses, old, date 1741, 2 storied, 3 roomed houses for 9/-, belong to butcher at the entry, cotes, poor, old tenants, one woman said she had been in the same house 24 yrs, lb as map. north of it is Withers Place. 10 h., 2 st., cotes, mgher a good deal, windows broken, flowers & birds, db. rather than lb of map. like the Vinegar ground.

North into Old Street & East, on the South side is Rozley St. 2 1/2 st. asphalt paved. 16 houses - working class, no poor, purple to pink in map purple. further East is Beekford Sq. 14 houses, very rough, 'like Withers place' & the Vinegar ground, old red tiled houses, none on the South side, steep wooden staircases, wagh hanging across the Ct. - windows broken. ^{the map} East of it is Tilney Court. not coloured in map - 4 houses

closed

closed & condemned on the east side, 4 houses, 2 set tenanted on the W, shd be d blue.

General remarks

General Remarks. Note the encroachment of washhouses & factories upon the dwelling houses. The 3 rough bits in this walk are Withers Place in the NE end of Whitecross St. & Beckford Square & Tilney Place on the south side of Old Street.

Police duty.

as to police men's duties. Macbeth thinks that Fixed point duty & night duty are the two most disagreeable ~~ones~~ in a policeman's lot. Regulation of traffic though tiring is interesting & your attention always has something to distract it.

Hours

Hours of duty are.
6 am to 10 am. }
2 PM to 6 PM } for one set. }
10 am to 2 PM. } } day duty.
6 PM to 10 PM } for another }
5 PM to 1 AM for night patrols.

for point duty the hours are.

9 am to 1 PM
5 PM to 9 PM } for early points.

1 PM to 5 PM
9 PM - 1 am } for late points.

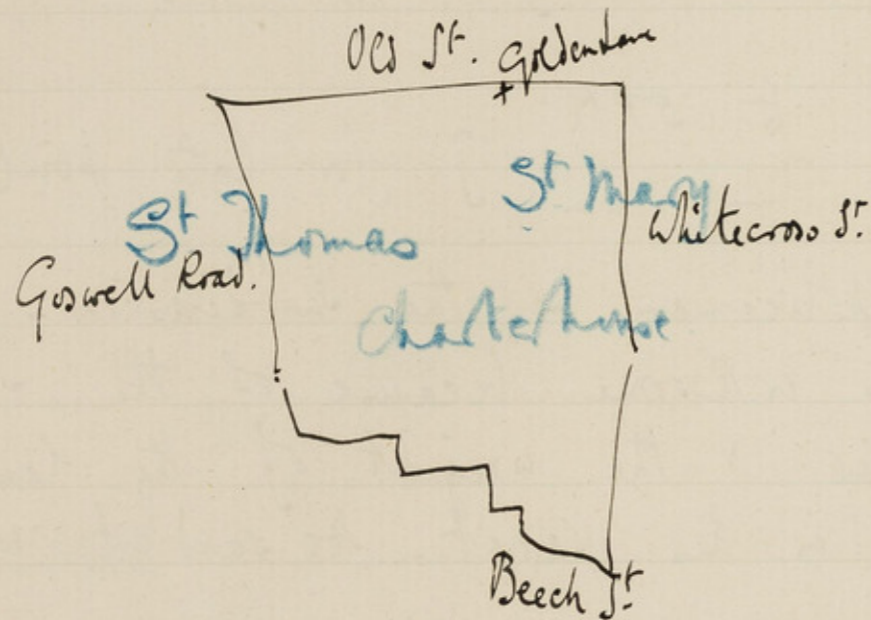
There are 168 policemen in the subdivision -

Night duty is irksome because of the sharpness of the air & the weight of the lamp that he carries in his waist. He said it weighed 1 1/2 lbs.

Machell's record.

Machell himself was a book binder before he became a policeman. As police man he began at 23 years of age, he is now 35 1/2 yrs old, 12 1/2 years in this subdivision & never in any other. The limits of age for a police-man to enter the service are between 20 & 27.

District covered.



Golden Lane.

Youngs Buildings db l²

Friday June 3. 98.

Dist 5 (2) G.H.D.

Walk with Police Constable R. Mackell round district, bounded on the North by Old Street, on the east by Whitecross St, on the South by Chiswell St & Beech St & on the west by the Goswell Road: being part of the parishes of St. Thomas & St. Mary Chatehouse.

Starting at the corner of Golden Lane & Old St. great changes. width of street trebled. Now factories & warehouses on either side of street. Many firms in dry goods line. Street used to be the same width as Central St on the N side of Old St, is at present. East along Old St. on the South side is Youngs Buildings. not coloured in map. Houses on west side only, seven in number, 2st, 3rd rooms to a house no was house, rent 7/6 (information given by one of the tenants). a narrow, smelly, flagged alley. passage only 6ft across, rough & semi-criminal inhabitants, dirty broken windows. Should be dark blue lined black. a forge on the E side.

East

Whitecross St.

market prices.

Banner St.

Banner St. 1ho at NW. - db

West side of Whitecross St.

East then South down Whitecross St. (hous 11.15). Street full of women marketing, crowd, sombre, black hats or bonnets & shawls or capes; a few dull blues or red shawls the only colours apart from the green & yellow of the livid spring cabbage & the raw meat of the butcher's shops. Houses 3st. Shops below, stalls next the pavement in the street. New potatoes 1^d & 1²^d per lb. Spring cabbage 4lb for 2^d at the North end of the street & 3lb for 1^d at the South end - identical in appearance.

On the west side are White's Yard stables - no dwellings - in map pink

South & West at Banner St. Peabody Bldg. 6st on S side, factories (Brown's boot polish) on the North side. Clearance at the NW end. One old house remaining at the corner of what was Bull court. very poor rough, most windows broken - db.

S to Roscoe St. Peabody Bldg. like the rest forbidding & prison like, colourless, but windows fairly clean & unbroken, purple as map.

S. down Whitecross St. on the west side is Warrington Place leading to mortuary & stables - no habitations

Playhouse Yard - lb

This lodging house is south of Shrewsbury Ct & is called Whitecross St Chambers. Shrewsbury Court db

Whitecross Street Chambers - black

Red Lion Market.

East side of Golden Lane.

the next on the west side of White cross St going S is Playhouse yard. factories on N side warehouses, on the south side are a few 3 or 4 storied old houses inhabited by a very poor class but not rough. lb. not marked in map. Further south past a common lodging house - criminal - thieves roost - x beds 5/- a night - 2/6 per week. to Shrewsbury Ct. 2 dwelling houses only. dirty children, wholey boots, cotes, looks db. South of it is Red Lion Market marked db. lined in map - now the only part of this character is the north side of the S. E end leading back to White cross St the roost is either down or warehouses - on the north side is Sutton's carriers yard, on the south a timber yard & some half dismantled houses - South into Beech St, west, then N up Golden Lane - This part is in the City police district, on the west side of the St is the Landome Building of the Cripple gate Institute. on the East side of Golden Lane are Angel & Porter yard - all warehouses, north of it is Lenox Place. late George yard - white faced china

Baltic St.

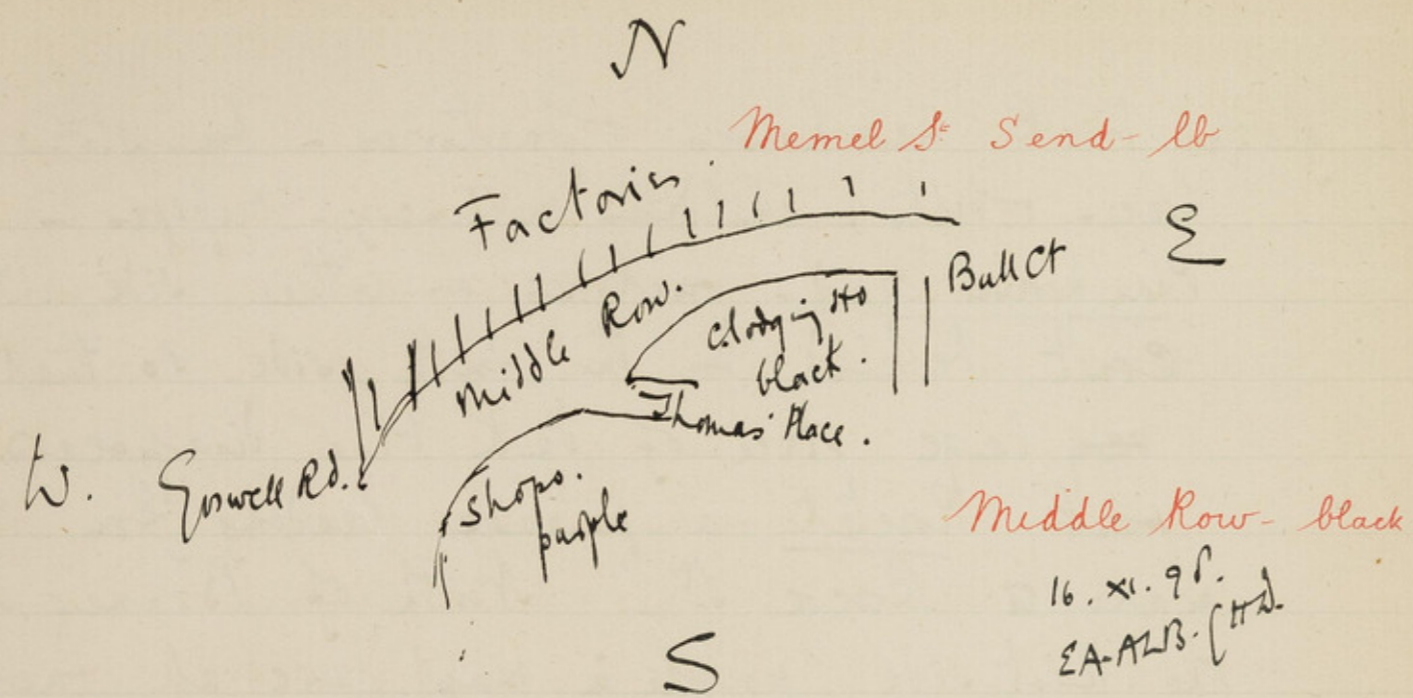
Baltic St. - lb - db l^o

a dark blue patch -

Honduras St. db l^o

Domingo St. lb

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glazed brick warehouses factories - box - straw hats -
braces belts - childrens millinery - pipes - part
Play house yard - factories on either side no
court behind on the south side so that -
very large piece of dark blue disappears -
part Rose Ct a passage leading from Golden
Lane to Rose St - North of Banner St on
the East side (purple in map) are all factories
no dwellings - The west side is equally factories
& warehouses as far north as the Board School
West along Baltic St asphalt paved, messy, mixture
of criminals & coppers, 3rd, ragged children, rather
better E than west end - as db to lb: in map
purple. (but better than it used to be said Mackell)
on the north side is Honduras St 4th: cobble
paved - bread mess in street - children well fed
but dirty - women ragged - windows broken &
patched. 'Like Baltic St' no prostitutes but
thieves - db lined rather than db of map.
West of it is Norway St 3rd. much better - doors
shut, windows clean, purple as map. West again
is Domingo St rather poorer but quiet. lb rather
- then



Thomas Place

Thomas Place - db l^e

New Court - db

than db of map. West along Memel St.
 houses on S side only - N side all factories -
 so a streak of db has disappeared - windows
 broken & patched but not rough according to
 Mackell & therefore lb. rather than db. of
 map. N into Middle Row all factories on N side
 South side has two common lodging houses -
 with 'beds for travellers' frequented by prostitutes
 & thieves - black - further west are small
 shops. & purple in character - on N side
 running to old St is Sycamore St. all factories.
 East along Thomas Place. 3 or 2 st. children very
 dirty - three of them looking insufficiently fed.
 houses both sides, thieves, squalid, ill kept,
 mess in street, smells, very rough. db lined
 rather than db & purple of map. at the
 Facing the East end of Thomas Place are
 two courts (South of the Beer house ^{Baltic R. Ct.} called New
Ct - 7 two storied houses on South side only.
 two rooms - rent 5/- labourers - narrow - dirty
 children - lb to db in map ~~to~~ purple. is the
 court that makes the continuation westwards of
 Baltic

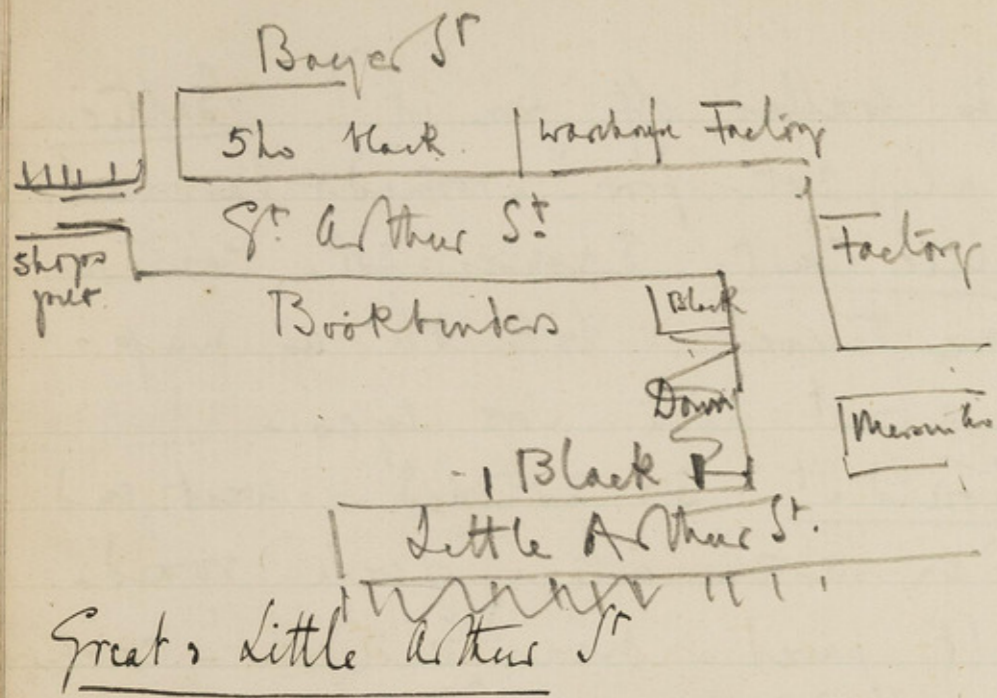
Hatfield St.

Deans Court - db

Baltic street but is walled off from it]. Baltic Place. 4 houses only, 2st. poor - 2 rooms + basement rent 5/6. Baltic Court. 8 houses - 2st. coster - looks rough - some thieves - both db as map - many children about with sore eyes - South into Hatfield St. 3 x 2 storied - west end leads out under an arch into Goswell road - narrow - asphalt paved - many ^{little} children - cricket being played actively in middle of st - airless - not quite so bad as it was - bird cages at windows in front of pocket handkerchiefs - perhaps db. rather than db lined. The East end at the Golden Lane end is all factories - behind it on the South side - not marked or coloured in map is a court called Deans Court of about seven houses. One woman in the largest of them said that the whole house was let for 6/6 a week, & sublet to her & another. She paid 5/- for kitchen & first floor room, the other tenant paying 3/- for the remaining room.

The great black patch South of Hatfield St. is

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Little Arthur St - db

Osman's Place - lb

Great Arthur St N side db

City boundary at Fann St

now all down & replaced by factories - the present streets being called French Alley & Bayer St in Bayer St. which was formerly Bell Alley there is still one house (b) tenanted on the South side - the rest are closed or down.

The west end of ~~Bayer~~ ^{St. Arthur} St. is New Court. 6 houses on the South side - all workshops except two - on North side of East end are 5 houses, 2 & 3rd inhabited by costers - 'drunken poor, not criminal' character lb. to db. in map. lb. along Little Arthur St. asphalt paved. cooler. South side all factories - four houses on North side - lb to db. in map lb. East part mission room to Osman's Place. cal de sac court. 6, 3rd houses, better than the rest - quiet, poor, washmen, some windows broken but clean - character purple to lb. in map. db. ~~East along continuation of~~ ^{East along continuation of} Great Arthur Street - The Rev. May's mission occupies spot marked black on South side - opposite - on the N side are 4, 3rd houses - rough - costers - mess db. rather than black of map. South at Fann

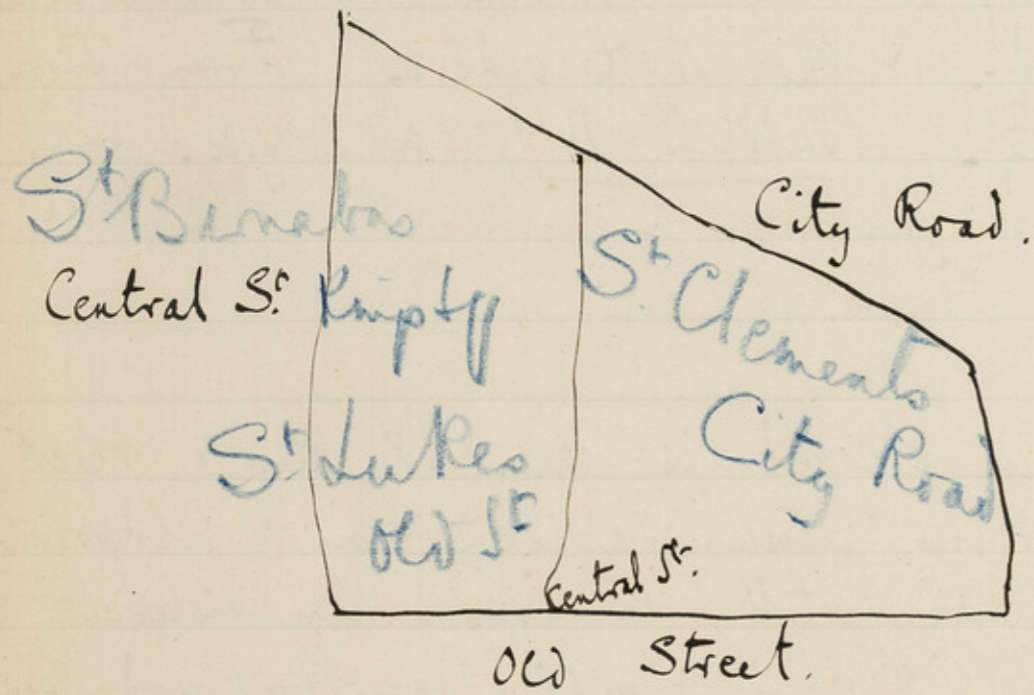
General Remarks.

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Fann St. City Boundary runs through here - Factories
Hot Water Co. on the north side of Fann St.
running between Fann St. & St. Arthur St.
is boarded up on the west side - Factories on the
east, & stoned. The south side of Fann St. is
in the 'City'. Saddles Bldg. in N side. only
a box makers factory

General Remarks.

Much has been cleared in the dark blue & black
portion that lies between Golden Lane & Aldersgate
but a good deal still remains - An airless
poverty stricken & vicious looking neighbourhood. The
growth of high factories all round it prevents
a draught & on a hot day such as this the
smells are very bad - Better than it used to
be because there is less of it.

District covered.



Streets between Old St & City Road.

Mitchell St pk

June 7. 98.

Dist V M D G. H. J.

Walk with Police constable Richard Machell round district bounded on the North and East by the City Road, on the South by Old Street & on the West by Central Street, being part of the parishes of St. Clements, City Road, St. Lukes Old Street & St. Barnabas Kings Square.

East along Old St then N up Central St. 2 or attic or 3 storied houses, narrow, asphalt paved, gets poorer as it nears Old St. ^{The road is rough} small shops with owners living above & taking in lodgers. purple as map. on the East side is Whitby Court. 3 houses only, 3 rooms each, very poor, not rough nor crowded. East along Mitchell St. broader, 3 storied houses, doors shut & windows clean, ^{police live here} rather messy. bread, paper, fish heads. Some china flower pots in windows purple to pink, in map purple. Leavis Ct. on the North side, tent for 2 rooms & washhouse 8/6, possibly a little better than Mitchell St. but the same class.

Ironmonger's Company's Property.

Langton Avenue - purple

Streets east of Central St.

Clarence Place - db

Thieves & housebreakers.

class of people, property belongs to the Ironmongers Co. the almshouses at the north end are now let as habitations like the rest. character purple to pink, in map pink. N up Norman Bldg. date on houses 1761. Ironmongers Co. arms. factories on E side. poorer at NE end. purple to pink, in map purple. to South past Paton St. 2 st. some noisy, looks poorer than other streets. put purple as map. West along Langton St. with Langton Avenue on N side 2 1/2 storied houses, newly done up, 'lodgings for single men', windows clean but children dirty - both purple - map gives db to the Avenue.

N up central St. on the east side is Clarence Pl. 2 st. asphalt, mess, rough, poor, men are labourers & the women box makers, many windows broken 2 rooms & washhouse 7/6, dark blue rather than db of map. North of it is Garden Row. 2 st. poor, with a streak of criminals, thieves & housebreakers. 'like all the streets round about here' rent for 3 r or kitchen is 7/- the east end turns south & is quieter than the rest, it looks very poor. 'used to be very
very

Clarance St.

blarence St. lb l^o

Lever Street

Lever St. E of Central St. purple l^o

Fences.

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very rough. 2 rooms here for 5/6. [these details
as to rent are obtained in each case from
women who happen to be standing at their
doors as we pass]. - Ob. as map.
N across Lever St. up Clarance St. pickpockets
& burglars working out of the district, similar
character but rather better dressed than those
in the Vinegar ground. a poor class of woman
about with holey black shawls round their
shoulders, straw hats trimmed with faded finery,
skirts frayed at the hem & lat lifted off the
ground - 'no prostitutes'. - Ob lined black or lb
~~lb~~ lined black - uncertain earnings because of
the uncertainty of the hauls & the varying
length of the terms of imprisonment.
Back into Lever St. which is better west than
East of central street; 'not so good as central
St.'; a thieves resort, cobble paved, receivers
Mackell pointed out a sweetstuff shop keeper
on the south side who had just served his
time for one offence whom he thought was
still at the old business ie 'fencing'. - On the
north

'Busters' on 'tick'

Halls Place.

Halls Place - db l²

Courts south of Leves St.

Wellington Place - lb

Johns Place - lb

Boleman's Buildings - db

North side is a coffee shop, ^{'Slopes'} where thieves are allowed food on credit & pay in money or kind. The people of Leves St. east of Central Street shd have a line of black. On the North side of the road is Halls place. 'very bad, rough, criminal'. 2nd houses - windows dirty, broken etc. - bird cages. doors open - children dirty - all to be sold on June 28th & pulled down for the erection of model dwellings. Halls place in map db, shd have a line of black added. Europa Place on the S side, is a shade better, but rough & poor, 3rd, a few criminal children dirty with holey boots & sore eyes - raphelt-pared. db as map. Wellington Pl. Shows only, like Europa Pl. houses on west side only - not shown in map, it is between Europa & Johns Place. db. Johns Pl. 9 to, 2nd narrow, flagged passage. Same as the rest. Coleman Bldg also on S side of Leves St. 5 houses, 2nd, 2 rooms 5/6. one old lady who said she had been there 24 years only pays 4/6; says her rent is not raised because she is so old a tenant - quiet - lb - not shown in map. one barefoot child. Map Halls St on the E side

Comparison with Nile St Area.

Charles Court db l²

Macclesfield Place - lb

York Place - lb

Central St W side purple

of which is Charles Court. 6 houses, 3st, rough criminal, boy with toes out of boots, & many children about who ought to have been in school - db lined black rather than db of map. North of it is Garden Court. same as Charles Ct criminal - flagged court. But its not so bad as Momeyer St (in the Nile St area) where they'd knock your head off for 2d' said Mackell. Into the York Road. rough - db as map. The north side is all Pickfords the carriers offices, stables, granaries etc. Westwards, on the north side is Macclesfield Place. 17, 2st houses, rosy, Mackell said 'very similar' but with flowers & books in many of the front windows it looks better than the rest. in map db.

W into Central St; on the E side of Central St between York Rd & Lever St is York Place. 3, 2st ho quiet poor, lb, not shown in map. N up Central St the N end, both sides alike purple, map makes W side pink. East along President St this end not so good as

SE corner of Lever and George Streets - lb

Macelesfield St.

Waterloo St.

Waterloo St W side lb l²

Burglar.

Nelson Street - purple

as the part west of Central St. though some windows show china pots in front windows this end purple rather than pink of map. N up Macelesfield St. which is lb. at the S end but db + black at the N. rough. 'like the York Rd' two, 3rd houses on the west side are common lodging houses frequented by prostitutes. The east side are all timber merchants etc. - South across York Road 9 Town Ironmonger Row. 2 or 3 st, working class, poor end to end, purple as map. East along Lever St. on the North side is George Row. four poor quiet houses at the S.W end. the rest of the street are factories, furniture, box makers etc. at the S.E corner of Lever & George Row is a poor class of Bldg. 4 st. lb. in map. purple. 2 part Waterloo St. 2 or 3 st, mixed class, some respectable, others 'West' men, i.e. burglars whose business is done in the West End. Fry's cocoa works has taken all the E side - lb. lined black on W side rather than db of map. on N side of Lever St. is Nelson St. 3 st. better built for

Batterment in Murton St.

Murton St. E side lb l^o

Ratcliffe Grove.

Ratcliffe Grove E side purple
back of Murton St

Guinness Bldg

Guinness Buildings - lb

City Road.

City R^d { between Bath & Nelson Sts pk
E of Bath St pk

for a better class than is now in them. police live here. very few poor. rents 7/6 & 8/ for 2r. tenements - purple rather than lb of map. On S side of Leves St is Murton St. It lined black in map - now better than it was - not so bad as Halls place, more like Hull St. 3 & 4 st. houses on E side only Fry's cocoa works have all the W side - rough - lb. E along Leves St past Ratcliffe Grove. which has poor, quiet houses on its west side the east side is made up of the high 5st + attic, red brick Guinness Bldgs lb. On the N side of Leves St are St Clements Bldg. 6st. tenements - 4/6 to 7/1. respectable poor, children booted, well fed & fairly clean - purple. Behind the Guinness Bldg. between the two blocks is a cement playing ground for children with a raised covered seat at the east end; airless, dark, a well: but many ch^d playing, mostly hatted, clean pinafores. East into the City Rd. between Bath St & Nelson St on the south side are the Eagle Dwellings with shops on the ground floor facing the main street. purple to pink. East of Bath St is a set of

Bath Street

Baldwin Street

workment

Baldwin St. lb. b.?

3rd lanes, red in map, now not so good, purple to pink -
Cayton St. is a little better. New Office which was
ready to Peerless St. (?). South past Peerless & Roby
streets, past two short turnings which the
north endmost is all furniture factories & houses
being pulled down. The southernmost is called
Lewington's Block 2nd, used to be brothels &
is still rough, lb. as map. West along
Old Street & North up Bath Street. 3rd.
fairly well today, shops, crowds of men & women
moving northwards for their dinners, women
with hats but no ^{jackets} coats - who mean to dine
near their work in a coffee shop & with jackets
going home. East along Baldwin St. late
Roby St. 3rd, majority of inhabitants
rough, some criminal, many thieves, very
badly cobbled paved. Coffee shop on the N side
at the East or City Rd end used as a
brothel. Character lb. barred black rather
than lb. of map. I saw Bath Bldg.
lb. as map. The Friary Radical Club on the
West side, 'a rough, low class drinking club'
said

Peerless St

Radsworth St lb

Peerless St lb b^o

St. Bartholomews Hospital estate.

Ironmonger Passage lb

said Kachell, very noisy on Sat & Sundays, no respect-
-able man w^d belong to it. N up Radsworth
St quieter better, lb. N up City Rd. & West
along Peerless St. on the N side is a new
wing of the Eye Hosp. 'like Baldwin St,
rough'. 3rd houses, working class, thieves,
girls generally at work, some poor, lb. barred,
in map lb. Buildings on the N side at West
hold a better class. purple as map.

Across Bath St. N. then W. along Galway St
3 & 2nd st, old houses, mess in st, not so bad as
Peerless street but some thieves, fairly quiet,
lb. as map. like it is Gastigny Place. on the
S side, 3rd & basement, property all round
here belongs to St. Bartholomews hospital.
W along Radnor St like Galway St. 3rd lb
as map. some small shops. S down Lizard
St lb as map, past Ironmonger St. 3rd, doors
shatter, better than the rest, newly cobbles
paved in appearance but work badly done,
purple to pink in map pink. Ironmonger
passage behind it on the S side has poor, 2nd
lb.

Bartholomew Square

King St purple

Henry St purple

Mitchell St

Mitchell St W end lb l?

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The houses at the E & west ends & workshops in the
centre - in map it is all purple. I into Rich-
mond St like Radnor & Galway Sts 2 & 3 st.
to as map. on the S side is Bartholomew
Sq 3 st. asphalt playground in centre, on one
bench back of pointed out a respectably dressed
middle aged lady eating her dinner out of a
newspaper who had been in prison 'nearly as
often as Jane Catebread'. Houses being done up -
used to be a rough spot - to as map. at the
S.E. end of the Square is King St 3 st, rather
better than ^{B. Sq} but not so good as Ironmonger-
St. some thieves, inhabitants are labourers,
packers, warehousemen - purple rather than pink
of map. S down Henry St 3 st, better than
Bartholomew Sq. purple rather than lb of map.
W along Old St North up New St 2 st. houses
being done up, better than Lizard St. purple rather
than lb. W along Mitchell St into Richmond
St 3 st. being, this is the worst end of it
'compares with Peesles St' & shd. have a
line of black added to the lb. of map.

Helmet Row.

Look up Norman St. again.

Helmet Row (S of Mitchell St) pink

Richards Place - N end - 1913

George Yard - purple

General Remarks.

N then W
Lute down Church Row 3 st. map. working class.
(this is I think the continuation of Lancaster Row)
a good deal of homework about here. poor. houses
E side only. It runs N out of Norman St.
lb. a map. Norman St. - lb. ^{in map purple} 3 st. like Church Row
G down Helmet Row. better. pink rather than
purple of map. when S of Mitchell St.

S into Old St then W, on the North side are -
Anchor Yard. 2nd ho. rough. 2 roomed houses,
no washhouse, rent 7/- lb. a map. Roby St
late Baldwin St. - 5 roomed, 2 st & basement
houses. One house only on the E side - lb. a map -
Richards Place box factory ^{tenement; messy dark} dwelling houses ^{at N end}
in map lb. ^{hardly} George Yard 2 st & attic. better.
flowers in window boxes. doors open - woman sitting
on doorstep - purple tall in map lb.

General Remarks. A very poor neighborhood with
a large proportion of thieves & housebreakers.
Has probably suffered from the demolition in
the Nile St area - & Banner St.
Streets badly cleaned & badly paved; a contrast
in

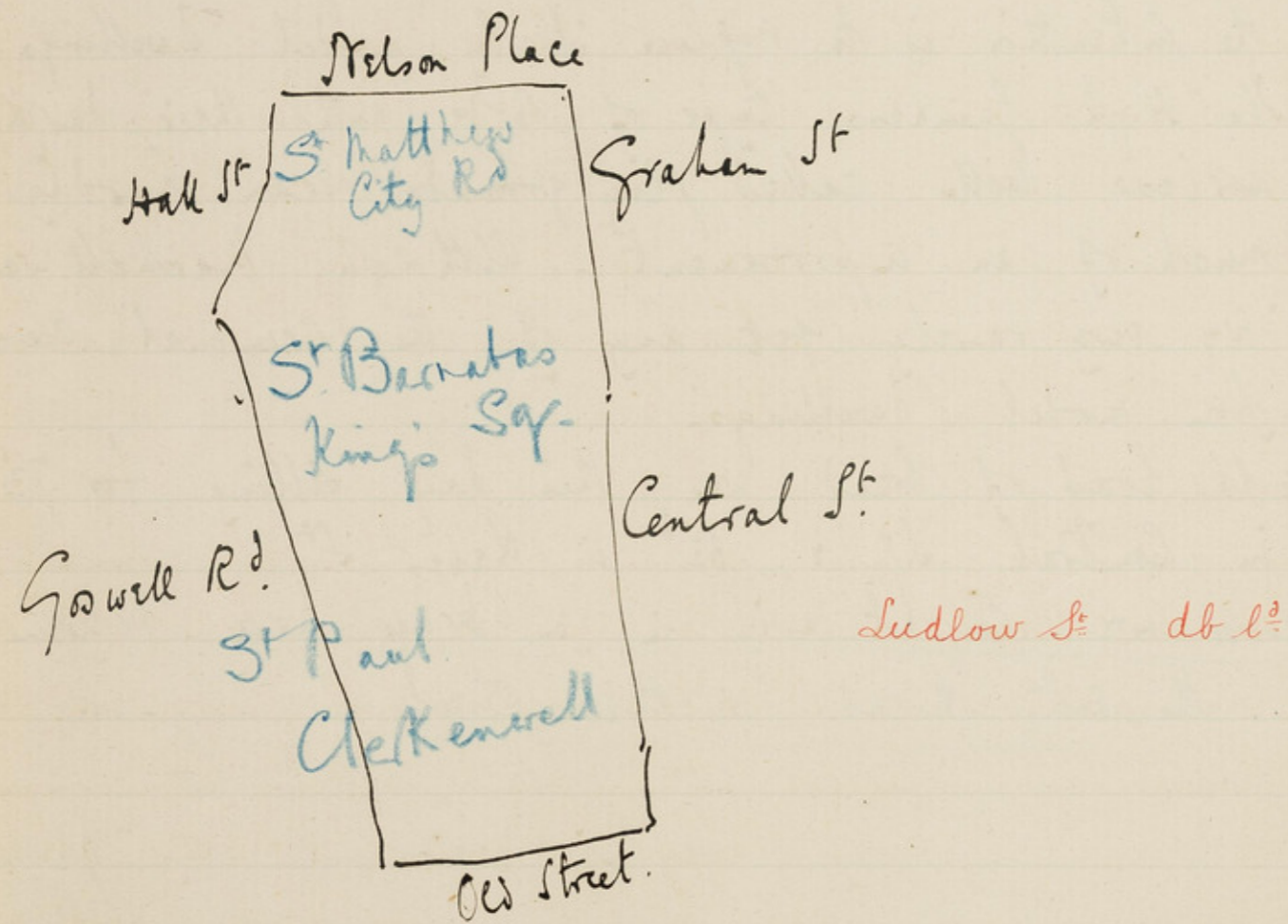
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in this respect to Shoreditch.

It is probable ^{that} much of the worst will come down when the Hullo St area is sold on June 28th & the intention is to replace it by model dwellings. The High Finness type of Bldg with their dark airless wells called play grounds can hardly be much of an improvement. Although Mackell said 'we very rarely get any of the criminal class from model dwellings.'

The 4 lb. loaf of bread was this day selling for 7¹/₂ in Central St & 6¹/₂ in Leves St.

The poor are caught as if in a trap here between the City Road & Old Street.

District covered.



Ludlow St

June 9. 98.

Dist V (2) G.H.D.

Walk with PC. Richard Macchell. round district bounded on the North by Nelson Place, on the East by Graham St & Central St on the South by Old St. & on the west by the Goswell Road & Hall street - being part of the parishes of St. Matthew City Road. St. Barnabas Kings Sq. & St. Paul's Clarendon well

Starting at the South end of the Goswell Road on the East side is Ludlow St late Willow Row. Houses on N side only. rough labourers & thieves 'van-draggers who pinch parcels from vans' a rough class of thief - houses 2 or 3 st. all doors open, windows broken & dirty, children dirty, narrow passage only 6 1/2 ft across from walls of factories on S side to house walls. rough women with bare arms standing at doors, a drinking set but 'women who keep their husbands & have to work hard' - It ^{lined} rather than lb of map. N into Gea St better class on the South side west

Bastwick St.

Seward St.

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west of Ludlow St than in the rest of the st. Houses
3st & basement. many noisy charges from this st.
in character like Bastwick St.; some fair looking houses
a mixture of poor quiet & poor rough in appearance -
children very dirty playing with horse dung in the
street - mess - 'Our Own' mission room at the
west end of st. It. rather than lb of map.

North to Bastwick St. one barefoot child.
4 st. tenements on South side, 3st on N. children
nearly all hatless; ragged; holey boots, sizes too large,
out & over trodden; a narrow st 18 ft across, windows
broken, dirty & patched with paper, all doors open,
some flowers set on window ledges & in boxes, creeping
jenny the favourite, here & there a geranium,
bread, mess, stagnant water & chickens in the
street. It lined as map. N. to Peartree St. 3st,
quiet, poor, not many living houses. Houses South
side only. Carter Paterson's yard at E end on N side
character purple to lb. in map purple. N to Seward St.
On the N side is the Parcel's post yard - which
has caused the disappearance of two courts marked
lb in map. On the S side are 6 st. model dwellings
poor

Dwellings - West block - purple

Goswell Road.

Telfer St.

King's Square

Powell St. - pk

President St. - NE end - pk

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poor, rough, a few thieves, noisy. The eastern blocks are rougher than the western; as it is to the west: in map all the many windows broken, children dirty, well fed, cement yards between the blocks (5 blocks I think) only 24 ft across. inhabitants are labourers, warehousemen, packing-case makers. At the extreme west end is an asphalt space belonging to the Bldgs used as a playing ground by its inhabitants. W into the Goswell Rd. here on the W side are the Compton Bldgs 5 or 6 stories + attic. shops on a level with the street. let to a good class. pink as map. N to Lever St. 3rd. resp. who working class, a few poor, purple to pink. in map purple. N. up Telfer St. on a lamp in the middle of the street is a notice 'Standing for 6 hackney carriages' a reminder of the past respectability of the district. into King's Square. 3 1/2 st. pink barred as map. Home for St. Bartholomew's Hosp probationers at S.E. end. In the middle a good square belonging to inhabitants & not open to the public. it'd be an advantage to the neighbour-hood if it were, though not to the square. Powell St. at S.E. end. 3rd. old ho. great many watch & jewel makers plates. pink rather than pk barred of map. President St. at

President Place.

President Place - pk

Morland St.

at NE end is like it, neither so good as the Square.
Map Devering Ln St. pk as map. cobble paved. 3st. lo.
into Rahere St. 3st. poorer. brass plates on most doors
morocco case makers, fusee chain makers etc. purple as
map. On the S. side at the E end is President place.
It is in map. only 3 houses on the W side. one man from
one of them now doing 10 years for fencing. home poor.
on the E side is a beer engine factory - pk. ^{purple} barred black
w. seen the proper colour.

N. up Central St. & west along Masons place. The North
side is all down & has been a desert of brickbats for
the last 3 years. Houses on the S side are 2st. & 2 roomed.
rough labouring class with a desk of thieves, some
doors open, right into living rooms, very messy. like
Bastwick St. Ob lined black as map.

N. to Morland St. 3 1/2 st. cobble paved. on the N side
is the large factory of the Vulcanized India Rubber
works with gas lamps outside each window for
lighting purposes, process too inflammable to have
them inside said Mackell. Character purple to pt.
in map purple. N. up Goswell Rd. past Goswell Mans
no dwelling ho. back of India Rubber factory. to Hall St.

James St purple

Cottage Lane W side purple

North side of City Road

Oakley Crescent - pk b^d

City Garden Row

City Garden Row ^{S. of Nelson Place} - lb

Graham St

Hall St v. r. r. 2 1/2 st. pk as map. like it is New Charles St as map. James St leading to Charles St is poorer. like Rakere & Moreland Sts. purple rather than pk of map. S. down Cottage Lane. 2 st. poor quiet on E side with well cared for front gardens, lb as map. W side is better & purple - in map lb. at the S end is Parkinson gas meter factory - 'employs about 200 men'.

N across the City Road. to Oakley Crescent. 3 1/2. quiet - single men lodgers. pk barred rather than red. E to Remington St 2 1/2. not quite so good as Hall & Charles St: clean windows - purple to pink in map pk. Coombes & Stavesfoot St are like it in map pk. E to City Garden Row. which is better N of Nelson Place than S of it. the map reverses this. Palmerston Bldgs. on the west side of the southern end are 6 st. pk as map - many police living in them. below the Bldgs are Vertues - the publishers' store rooms.

E to Grahan St. 3 st. like the E side of City Garden Row. windows light. doors open. lb as map. Electric light station at S.E. end. & 3 poor dwellings on E side. S. across Pickard St. 3 1/2 st. dull respect

General Remarks.

Industries of Clerkenwell.

Call money

'Busters'

ability - fishes leads & mess in street.

General Remarks.

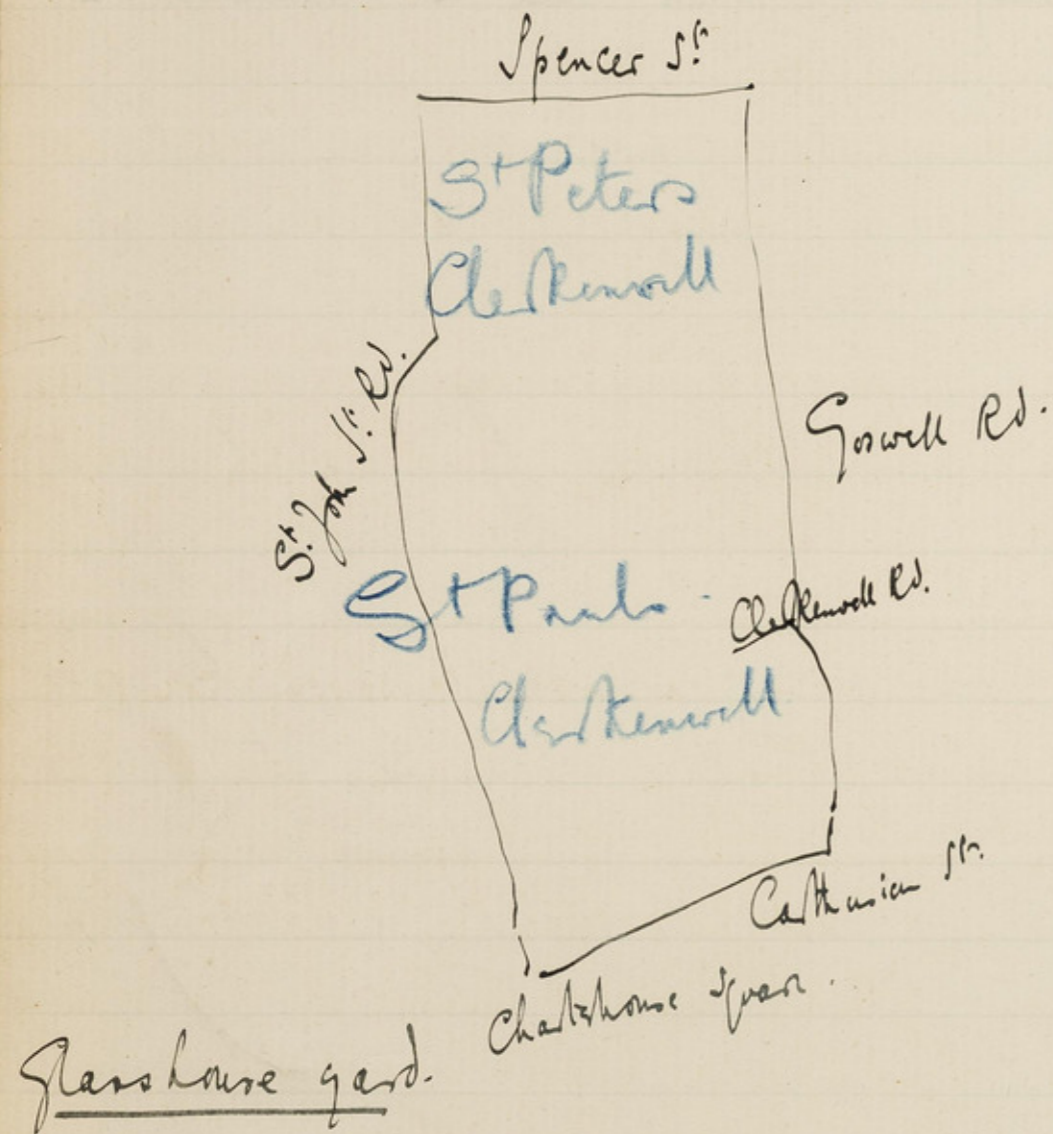
Clerkenwell, said Macbeth, is the home of the engineering, jewellery, & watch trades. It also harbours many thieves, both pickpockets & burglars. 'Tea-leaf' is the slang police word for a pickpocket but he does not know the origin of it: so is 'Buster' for the burglar. On the other hand thieves speak of the police as 'Rozzers': 'Copper' is the name given them by the respectable poor.

Very little call money is now paid. The riots of 1887 gave it a death blow. The publican as far as he knows pays nothing. They are too poor about here to be able to give away their money.

Two respectable looking men in the Spowell Road with black tail coats, bowler hats, good boots white shirts & collars, shaven except for a moustache he pointed out to me as well known 'busters'. The district was at one time more prosperous than it is now. The decline of the watch trade has made
some

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some difference. But to judge from the small brass plates
on most doors there must be a good deal of
watch & jewellery work still done in Clerkenwell -
Street's way.

District covered.



June 10. 98.

Dist IV. (12) S.H.D.

Walk with P.C. R. Mackell round district bounded on the north by Spencers street, on the east by the Goswell Road, on the south by Chequerhouse Sq. & the Chesterhouse square, & on the west by St. John St. Road. being part of the parishes of St. Peter's Clerkenwell & St. Paul's Clerkenwell.

Starting at the corner of Clerkenwell Rd & Goswell Rd. at the corner are Chesterhouse Buildings all 4 st. warehouses & factories. an asphalt paved court. S. then W to Union Place. 14 houses. built 1828. flagged court, purple bl. in map purple. Into Glasshouse yard. 2nd & 3rd. quiet poor. like Free Street, only without thieves & quietest. houses on E side only. factories on W side - Collar makers, box makers. Blind makers etc. bl. in map purple. at the S.W end are Glasshouse Chambers 5 st. respectable working class. purple as map. on the S side the stables of Harris 'the Sausage King' Rutland Ct. on the N side of the SE. end of Glasshouse

Chatehouse Square

Charterhouse Square E side pk6?

Stables - lb

S^r John's St

house yard. date over each 1734. No living houses, now all warehouses. in map purple.

Down Goswell Rd. past Black Horse yard with Frowdes. Oxford University Bible binding estab. & Ayres' games material factory. W along Carthusian St. wood paved. 3rd. warehouses. lock-up places. is everyone goes when business is done. into Chatehouse Square. large old fashion 3rd. rattle house on E side occupied entirely by the employees of Copestake's horse & Comptons a large dry goods house in Cheap side. On N side behind Cockers' Hotel are stables with horse. keepers living above. not coloured in map.

to past Pentney Court. no houses. into S^r John's Street. cobble paved. street blocked with railway carts full of sheep carcasses done up in linen bags. bacon factors, curers & drivers on either side of the road. some provision merchants. egg importers. sausage skin merchants. Joint Dock Committees warehouses. envelope & account book makers.

On the E side of S^r John St. going north is Mitre Court

Mitre Court - db

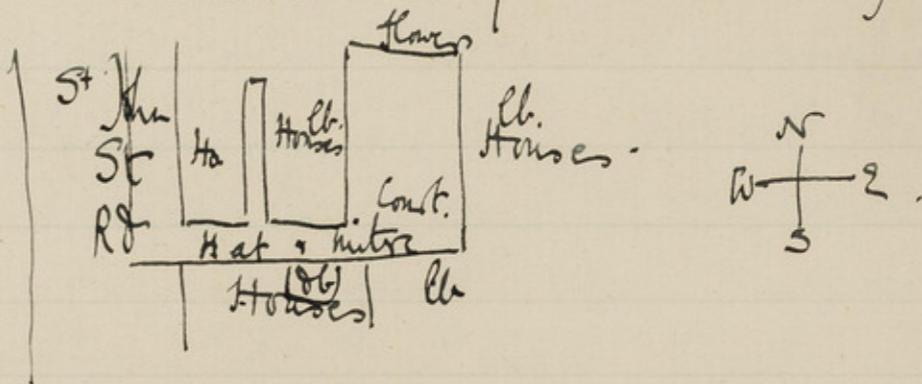
Hat & Mitre Court.

Hat and Mitre Court - db and lb

Charter Buildings in Berry St - lb

Great Sutton St

Mitre Court. not marked on any map. 3rd. houses - with 3 rooms in each. '3p. for top floor, 3/6 for the first floor & 3p. for the ground floor' said one in lab. tank. very rough poor dirty. bread lying about narrow passage with brass foundry opposite. db. north of it is Hat & Mitre Court - a shade better - children dirty but well fed.



The ~~W~~ side looks db. the east lb. homework tailors (women) living here. a black wall with flowers underneath & netted in at the N end.

N then E along the Clerkenwell Rd. - jewellers, watch & clock makers, platers, gilders - 3rd. on N side. red on map.

N up Berry St. - gilders - platers - sweep smelters refiners electrical optical scientific inst's maker. business houses - in map marked lb. lined black. across St. Sutton St. asphaltic paved. all factories

Little Sutton St.

Little Sutton St. - db

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on the N side with a few shops having boxes
living over them. in map db. lined black.
N up Berry St. on the west side are Charter Bldg
4 st. respectable working class, windows unbroken
flowers - purple - in map db. lined black. Into
Little Sutton St. at the S.W. end between Berry
St. & Little Sutton St. is a block of tenements
very rough, poor, cesters, not vicious, windows broken &
dirty, holes in the bricks. - Did not receive the
displaced tenants from the surrounding streets
because already Full' said Machell. Cheside
db to db. - 'like Bastwick street without the
thieves'. Little Sutton St. east of Berry St.
is all factories. wholesale export stations
etc. on the N. & Mark Bennett's large rag
factory on the S. This last with only walls
standing, no roof, gutted, by fire of four days
duration - Little Sutton St. E of Berry St. on
the N side is covered by an extension of
the Cannon Brewery. at the N.E. end are
5 st. Bldgs with 50 separate tenements. rather rough
poor - labourers. no thieves or prostitutes db. The
houses

Allen St.

Allen St. { E of black St. purple
 { W of church lb l^o black

Compton St.

a 4 1/2 pinner.

Wedge between Compton St. & Northampton St.

houses at the E end on the S side are equally rough
look. though both sides are a shade better
than the S.W. end - but both lb: in map.
lb lined black.

N up Clark St into Allen St. Clark St. factories
on the E side. The extension of the Cannon way
runs right up to the West side. cobbles paved.

Allen St. east of Clark St. 2 x 2 1/2 st. houses - rap.
clean quiet. foremen - pink to purple - in map
lb lined black. On the N. side west of the
Church are Paul's Bldgs. not shown in map -
'very rough, thieves' - lb lined black. children
dirty, ragged but well fed.

N up Goswell Rd & west along Compton St.
3 st. small shops, mixed, poorish, stone in wall
on the N side of west end says 'Rufford's Bldg/
1688. a coffee house on the S side offers 'rasher,
one egg, 2 slices of bread & butter & cup of tea
coffee or cocoa, for 4 1/2 - purple to lb. in map
purple - The only bit that is lb. is the
wedge between Compton St & Northampton St.
South down Compton passage. quiet. 2 st. 1820

Cyrus St.

Wedge between Bybros & Compton St. ^{N side pur}_{S db}

Little Northampton St. db

Northampton St.

Seven houses on the East side, 2 on the west. have been done up, clean well dressed child from one of them, asphaltic paved passage. purple rather than db of map.

N up Cyrus St. all Buildings on the South side. those fronting on the Powell Rd. rather better than those giving on Cyrus & Compton Streets but both pink. 6 or 7 stories. N. up Smith St.

3 1/2 st. houses done up. db to purple in map purple. West to Malta Gate Queen St. like the preceding children clean, well booted - watch, jewellers & case makers. purple as map. W. into Valetta Gate

Princess St. 2 st. asphalt. narrow. poor. quiet. messy children, clean. coal 1/2. db as map. into Little Northampton St. 2 st. poor, noisy, some windows broken & dirty - some & dirt children some fair. worse than Valetta St. db to db in map db.

N up Northampton St. 3 st houses. cobble paved. broad. 39 ft across. small paned windows, red tiled houses. like Malta St. 'if any thing a shade better' - purple to pink. in map purple.

Branswick Close.

Smith St. purple

Northampton Square.

Northampton Square pk b²

Lower Charles St. N side pk

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East along Perceval St. 3rd basement. small masters
working on own account or with 2 or 3 employees.
brass plates on mat doors. watch & jewellery
trades - small workshops in rear. prosperity
varying with prosperity of business. character
purple to pink. in map purple. Map Smith
St. - like foregoing. also purple to pink in map
lb. West into Branswick Close. two new
openings here into Smith St. (see map) 2 x 2 1/2
stoned - respectable working class. much better
now than formerly. doors open but windows clean.
cross low up. cobble paved. newly but
badly done. children clean, well fed & well dressed
shoed, one or two poor. purple rather than lb
of map. W into Northampton Square. 3 1/2 st.
Some servants kept. majority occupy whole house
lower floors used as workshop. pk barred rather
than pink of map. Square well kept open to
the public. On the west side of the square is
Lower Ashby St. Northampton Inst takes all
N side. Lower Charles St. Inst takes all
S side. 3 1/2 st. all houses with windows clean
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Mulberry Place.

Mulberry Place - lb

General Remarks.

unbroken, china pots in front windows. working
jewellers. purple to pink in map purple.
Upper Smith St. 3 1/2 st. not quite so good. lever
pallet maker. purple to pink in map pink.
Upper Arby St. is like it. 3 1/2 st. purple as
map. Upper Charles St. is like Lower Charles
St. 3 1/2 st. pink as map. Mulberry Place.
out of the South side has only 4 houses.
3 on N side. one on the South. the further end which
was used to be houses is now all down & used
as stables. character lb to ~~purple~~ ^{pink} in map lb.
N up the Jowell Road. as map. on the W
side is Jowell place. with 9, 3 storied
houses, concrete cut, quiet poor, houses
on South & west side only. lb as map.
further north is Spence's Place. lb in
map. now all down & taken up by
Liversidge the wheelwright.

General Remarks.
Note the decided betterment in all this
District. The dark blue & lb lined black has
al

Drift of population

Decrease in number of Public Houses

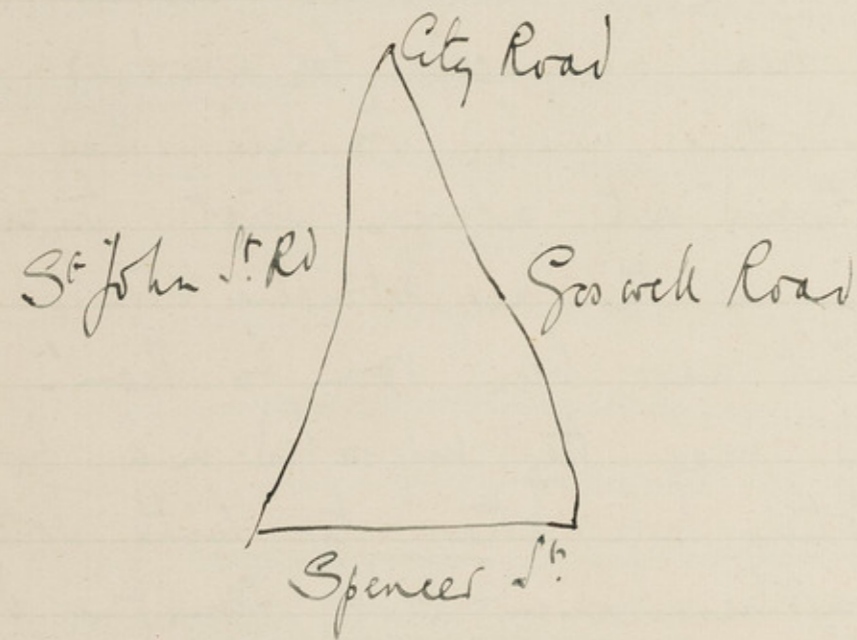
Amusements in the District

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almost disappeared from the little Sutton street area
Some I think has gone East of the Spwell Road
to the Barkwick street area. Mackell thought
more had been displaced for good & gone
West to Notting Dale. He said that those
who were turned out always first tried to
get a footing in the neighbouring streets - but
there wouldn't have been room for them. If they
found nothing near they migrated in a body
Some to Notting Dale others to South Totten. Lem.

The number of public houses were sensibly diminished
by Ed. Northampton 3 or 4 years ago when he
closed 'about a dozen of them'.

As to the amusements of the district. Those most
popular are the Second Gaff at Sadler's Wells.
The 'V T' is the Victoria Theatre of Varieties
in Pitfield St. Stoxton & the friendly leads
that take place in the public houses on Saturday
Mondays & Tuesdays. Saint Mondays were pretty
generally kept, he thought by the metal trades.

District covered.



Spencer St.

centre of jewel & watch making
& allied trades.

June 13. 98.

Dist IV (ND) S.H.S.

Walk with P. R. Marshall. round district bounded
on the North by the City Road, on the
E by the Goswell Road, on the South by
Spencer St & on the West by St. John St. Rd.
being part of the parish of St. Markles.
Ch. Kenwell.

Starting at the West end of Spencer St. 32. st. oldish house
small master, tortoiseshell & ivory workers.
gold chain makers, silvers, file & case makers. a
brass plate to nearly every front door. street
wood paved. ^{planning} N to Upper Smith St. only a
few houses. not so good as Spencer St. purple
to pink in map pink. E along Goswell Terrace
which now opens into Upper Smith St. no
thoroughfare for carts. 3rd houses. old respectable
inhab. windows clean unbroken. doors shut
steps whitened. built 1810. asphalt paved
purple to pink in map purple. N to Wyngate
St. a shade lower than Goswell Terrace. but not

A purple patch north
of Spencer St.

District XIV

Sidney St.

District XIV

with District 4
CNO

not worse than purple - 2¹/₂ st. ^{as map} h.
N to Rawstone St. 3¹/₂ st. like for well terraced.
doors shut, windows clean, steps white, working
class. - Buildings at the E end where many
police ⁽¹⁸⁷¹⁻¹⁸⁷⁶⁾ live. purple to pk. in map purple.
N up Rawstone Place. 4¹/₂ st. Bldgs. built 1854.
quiet like preceding. N end goes up 3 steps
into Buxton Street. much like the other
streets in respectability tho' poorer. quiet.
whole windows & closed doors. purple rather
than lb of map. Along up Brewer St. North
3¹/₂ st. Hermitage Bldgs at E end on South
side of road with rather a better class of inhab.
than rest of street. well paved with cobbles.
character purple to pk. - in map purple.
N up Cowell Rd. on the west side is Owen's Ct
all down - W. John Owen Row. houses on
South side only. 3¹/₂ & 4¹/₂ st. pink as map.
like the Bldgs in Rawstone St. said Mackell.
Across the Joswell Road to Sidney St. where
we touch on a small part of our Dist.
- rict XIV.

Vincent Terrace - pk

Streets between N. end of
City Road & Canal.

City Garden Row ^{n of Coombs St. purp.}
_{3^d lb}

W. along Nelson Place. 2 st. 243 st ho. }
badly mended macadam road - poor - quiet
lb as map on N side as Nelson
BWP 2 st. ^(Especially six lanes) poor. Catyard on W side
kafoot. ragged. one or two v rough ho. }
lb to db. in map lb. Nelson Place }
west of it - better. quiet. chs dirty,
well fed but ill-dressed. lb to purple in
map lb.

Nelson Buildings db

Buildings on W. side of City Garden Row - pk

Colebrooke Row.

Duncan St pk

W along Vincent Terrace. 3 1/2 st. not so good as
Nelson Terrace. police living in both.
pk rather than red of map. East part
Rockliffe St. 2 1/2 st. working class. 1859. not
so good as Vincent Terr. purple to pink in
map. purple. Down City Garden Row.
3 st. mess of paper. better N of Coombs St
than South of it. as purple to lb. map.
give it the other way about: & marks W side
of lower end pink. N up Graham St. 8 st.
small shops. purple rather than lb of
map. near Dudley St. to Graham
Alfred St. quiet broad road. old fans
ie glass, fixed windows above front doors.
pk as map. part Gordon St. 2 1/2. pk as map.
to Colebrooke Row. & Duncan Terrace. New
river runs under green grass between them.
one or two servants kept. 3 1/2 st. some with
attics as well. red as map. N into High
St. Tolington through Duncan St. 2 1/2 st. pk rather
than red of map. like Alfred St. London Fin. Bank
Co on N side. stables. South to the City Rd
then

General Remarks.

Children & beer.

Public House.

Betting clubs.

Election of a vicar.

E. part Torrans St bldg. built 1883. 290. at
N.E. end. higher police - sergeants & inspectors
living here. pr as map.

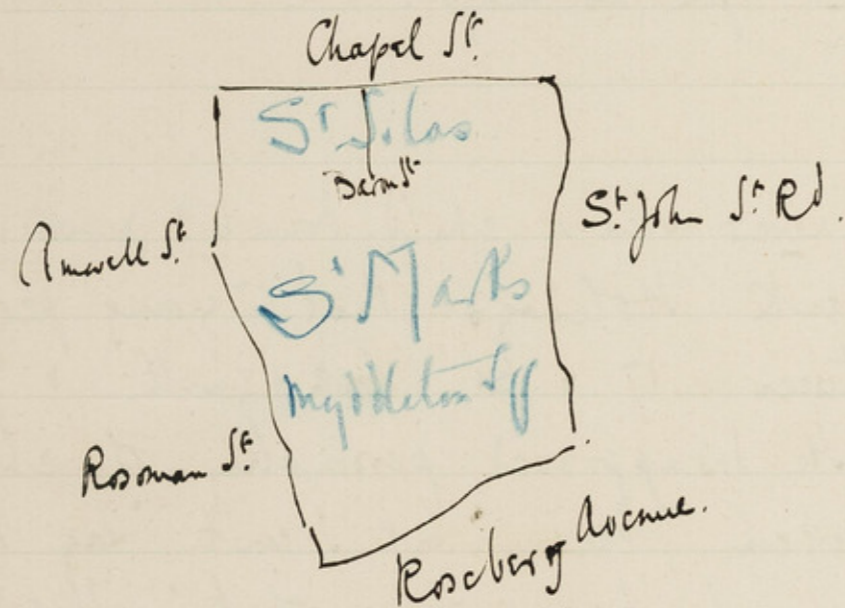
General Remarks.

Nachell has never seen a child drunk - & said it was
only on Bank Holidays that 'young people' is
those between 17 & 21. both youths & girls, got
drunk. He disapproved personally of children being
sent to fetch beer 'but I can't say that in
practice much harm comes of it.' If you stopped
the children the mother wd either go in that
the beer or fetch it herself: if she fetched it
herself she wd stop to drink in the public house.
As to public houses in the subdivision: he does not think they
are making a very good thing of them: 'there has been
so much changing of hands lately.'

Note. the chop house with a wine & beer license just west
of the South end of Torrans St has been marked
'yellow' as a restaurant.

Betting clubs - a the vicarage - known resorts in Goswell Rd &
Fenn street - raided from time to time
Street placarded for the election of vicar.

District covered.



White Lion St.

Penton Grove

Penton Grove - N side - db

Monday June 20

Dist IV. (2) G.H.S.

Walk with Police Constable A.E. Zenthon round district bounded on the North by Chapel St; on the East by St. John St. Road, on the South by Rosberg Avenue & on the West by Rosoman & Anwell streets, being part of the parishes of St. Silas Penton St. & St. Marks Middleton Square.

Starting at the corner of ^{Pentonville} Baron St. & the City Road. Map Baron St. artisans & mechanics. Zenthon himself lived here many years. cobble paved. 4th St Buildings on the E side & Rubber tyre works on West - windows clean. no clerks living here. people to pink. in map pink. Into White Lion St. Also, small shops here & these with small paned windows. bird cages at windows. one caged in the st. some windows broken. Culms large optical instr factory at NE end. houses let out in tenements: 7/1 & 7/6 for 2 rooms said Zenthon people to pink: in map pink. West, on the S side is Penton Grove. No living houses on the S side (at in map) all factories & workshops. one habitation E of B^d School.

Suffolk Place.

Charlotte

Charlotte Place - lb

Chapel Street

Monday aspect of the market.

Courts off south side.

Bradley's Buildings - lb

West Place - lb

School. 4 or 5 west of it, 3et, poor, cotes, barns & a lot potato cast in front. more likely than not to have a row here of a Saturday night. Compare with Thomas St. behind Slops Row. (which marked lb. in map). children clean. perhaps sh. be lb rather than lb. of map.

Map Suffolk St. 2 & 3et. cobble paved. small shops. an overflow of Chapel St. market. purple as map. on the W side is Suffolk Place. 2 et. flagged c. ~~unmarked~~ flowers at windows. doors open. one bare foot child. children well fed but rather dirty. windows broken & patched. note known but one or two suspected thieves - otherwise quiet poor. lb as map: ^{or lb.} into Chapel St. market - very little doing - Butchers shops closed. They only open for an hour on Monday, as we want to buy meat. Public houses full of women esp. the Chapel house. little knots of women round sellers of linoleum. The first court going east from Suffolk St. on the S side of Chapel St. is Bradley's Bldgs. not shown or colored on map. 2 houses only, 2 roomed, owner of one pays 5/6 per wk. poor - quiet. lb. Further east is West Place.

St. James' Gardens.

Emmens Bldgs
St. James' Gardens - lb

Courts off S side of White Lion St.

Fryes Buildings - purple
White Lion Bldgs - db
White Lion Buildings - lb to lb. (21.9)
Seabrook Pl - lb to par. (...)
Seabrook Place - lb

3 & 2 st. windows broken. all cotes. 'are a rough class outside but are seldom noisy or rough amongst themselves' said Zenithon. lb. rather than purple of map. East of it is East Place 2st. trifle better than foregoing. fewer windows broken & cleaner. many cotes. Some cotes are well to do but the majority live a hand-to-mouth existence & like to start afresh (ie with nothing) on Monday. purple as map. East to St. James' Gardens. called East place on map. 3st. cement paved court. very rough in character & poor. some cotes, some not. mixture of clean & dirty hatted & hatless children. same character as courts on the N side of Chapel St. some thieves. landlord in top hat & frock coat going round to collect his rent. lb. rather than purple of map.

S. down Liverpool Rd on W side are Fryes Bldgs. 3 & 2 st. purple. not coloured in map. W along White Lion St on chose S side are White Lion Bldgs. cotes & street vendors. poor windows broken. "houses. lb. rather than purple of map. west of it is Seabrook Place. poor, labouring class, purple to

The 'Angel' Public House

The Claremont Club.

purple to lb. There is no way through into Angel news at the south end. South down High St past the former Angel Tavern. 'Does more business every year'. went along Pentonville Rd. houses standing back from main road with gardens in front but becoming every year more factories than dwelling houses: front garden used as a yard. then built on: on the South side is Medcalf Place, an upper lb. house on the E side going South: but at the bottom much better, 2nd house, small front gardens owned by men earning 30/ or 35/- a week. Bill in window referring to the Clerkenwell parish vicar election 'Vote for the Rev. C. J. Parker': character purple to pink in map pink. E then S down St John St Road, a west side is Field Place, no gardens but other wise the same class as Medcalf Place. character purple to pink in map purple. ^{seems to be a small place for a factory} ^{the} St John St Road past the premises of the Claremont Club. - was raised a short time ago but still goes on in the same way: (NB this is not the Claremont Club spoken of by Mankin in Book 130. p. 51. which is

Sadler's Wells Theatre

Rosoman St.

Chadwell St pk b^o

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is in Penta St & row shut]. West along Chadwell St
3½ & 4½ staired - keep servants & let lodgings - pk
barred rather than rd. I don't know Arlington St
old houses. 30ft, small shops, curios, board robe,
a cab yard - gem cutters - small paned windows to
shops. at the bottom is the Sadler's Wells
Theatre - prices 2^d the lowest to 4th the highest for
a box - very rough audiences the better class
go to the 'Grand' in High St. two performances
at the Wells per night: on a printed notice "What
a show for such a little oof!". Into Rosebery
Avenue - pk barred rather than pink of map.
has been going up in character since 1800 clearance.
1 servant generally kept. SW. part Paradise Place
pk to pink barred, in map pink, behind it is
Hardwick news, stables, one or 2 living above -
purple rather than lb. N. of it is Hardwick
Place small ho like packing cases, front gardens,
2ct. pink as map. W into Rosoman St.
3½ & 3. working class. houses let out by room.
purple to pink, in map purple. N up Amwell
St. pk barred as map. East along River St.

Claremont Square.

which with Middleton Square, Claremont Square & the two Chadwell Streets are the most aristocratic in the subdivision. Oldish houses - good gardens behind. 3 1/2 stories with sometimes an attic - up steps to front door, area. one to 3 servants kept. muslin curtains, ferns in china pots in windows, many take in single lodgers in furnished rooms - their children go to ^{private} school in Middleton Square or to the Parochial School in Russell St & when older pass on to the Dame Owen School in the Jowell Road. Vote for Parker very prominent in the windows here. Claremont Square does not look - etc on the west side - quite so good as Middleton Square - it is a noted residence of medical students. Claremont News on the East side of Claremont Square is a broad mess tenanted by small cabmen & a carting company. Cabmen a small men letting out 2 or 3 cabs & themselves driving another - live above their stables - people as map.

General Remarks. Police constable A.E. Zenthor is a

P.C. AE Zenton

Gambling Clubs

Brothels

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a man of about 35, fair reddish moustache, middle height; has been 12 1/2 years in the service, 6 years in this subdivision: before this he was in the St. James & Kilburn divisions.

As to Gambling Clubs, he said the worst of them - the Clarendon 'Club' in Penton St. is closed, but used to be a very rough & vicious place. The others were raided from time to time but are always opened again very soon after. He had been present at the raid of the Battenberg Club; had seen the owner at the police station & heard him say to his friends that the club wd. that very evening of his conviction be open for play. It has not been raided since & he believes that play goes on there in the very same way in which it used to do before the raid.

As to Brothels, there are no avowed ones in the subdivision. He suspects one or two houses of being used as such but nothing more than suspicion at present. The hotels in the City Road he knows are used as such but those who

Drink

Drift of population

who go there have to spend the whole night in them.

Drink has decreased among men. 'Anyhow we have fewer charges than we used'. With women he was not quite sure. 'Women always let the whole world know they have had too much, where men manage to sink away home'. He suspects an increase of drinking in the quiet among women, he hears it often spoken about but knows no actual cases himself.

The rough poor who were cleared out by the Roberg Avenue improvements moved he thinks to the Stratling Dale district.

At the west end of Upper Chadwell St. is a grocer with a wine & spirit license & also a draught beer license. The shop & the draught beer place though adjoining are separate: he has separate licenses for each place so that they have been marked as two places in the map.

Ann's Place lb

Hallett's Place - lb

Rents in Green Terrace.

Lloyd Row.

Gloucester St pk

is William St 2 1/2 st. cobble paved. working class - purple
as map. further east is Ann Pl. not marked
in map. 9 houses, 2st. clean quiet, poor, lb.
I don't know Merlin Pl. 2 or 3 st. well paved. flowers in
windows. some poor. purple as map. at of it into
Rosoman St runs Hallett's Place. 2st. ch. well fed
& clean - apt to be a noisy place of a Satur-
-day night. Zenthan compared it with the
Lloyd Row streets lb. to purple. in map purple.
South down Rosoman St; a news at the SW end. one
shop. park & stables with a few living over them.
the whole purple as map.
SE up Roebury Avenue past new Vestry Hall on
S side. Connaught Place. shops on E side -
pk as map. east along Green Terrace. 3 1/2.
Small businesses in private houses. park as map
rents £50 to £60 making with rates & taxes £78
a year. or about 28/- per wk. said Zenthan.
part Gloucester St. pk rather than pk based on
map. 3 1/2. like the rest. E to Lloyd Row.
3 st. This bit has been improved by the Roebury
Avenue clearances which have let air &
light

Spa cottages

rents.

Thomas St

Thomas St lb

Rydon Crescent

Rydon Crescent pk b^o

into Spa Cottages & Thomas St. Is apt to be noisy
 'because Thomas St. comes at here to do it fighting'.
 the 6 purple. - on the N side are Spa Cottages
 2 st. 'less drunkenness here now because there
 are fewer people: children rather dirt - a woman
 living in one of the best of them said she paid
 11/- for 4 rooms & a washhouse. & Thomas St.
 3 & 2 st. 'one of the worst street in the subdivision
 but does not look any bad. well paved with
 cement. mess of papers. gets better as it approach
 the avenue. 'The home of nees - do - weels,
 thieves - shoeblacks' in map ob.

It into Rosenberg Avenue then I am Rydon Crescent.
 3 1/2 st. business houses - people living here like
 those in John St. Rd. 'rather better' - preferred.
 to park - 'a man wd rather give his address as
 Rydon Crescent than John St. Rd.' general
 servant kept.

I am John St. Rd. west along by Deltan St. 3 st.
 business houses, small employes, brass plates -
 workshops behind, park as map. I am Gloucester
 St. to Whiskin St. cement paved. inhabited by
 employes

Coburg St.

Northampton Buildings - purple

rents in Northampton Bldgs

employees of the small masters in Myddleton & neighboring streets. purple to pink in map purple. Skinner St. is map. pink. like Myddleton St. - South down Coburg St. purple on N side. The South side is taken by the great block of the Northampton Buildings which covers a piece marked 16 & 17 in the map is bounded on the N by Skinner St. on the E by Coburg St. on the S by Bowling Green Lane & on the West by Roomer St. This block is purple to pink in character. contains 468 separate tenements & over 1000 inhabitants. rents 2/9 to 4/ for 1 room. 5/6 to 6/6 for 2 rooms. 8/ to 9/6 for 3. 10/ to 10/6 for 4 r. (Details given by superintendant) - one block is set apart for rooms for single women - young or old - Notice up at the office. No rooms to let. They keep a waiting list. many ch. playing in dark, well-like spaces between the blocks. road between the blocks carried on arches to save space. inhabitants are mechanics artisans. city police. & city workers generally. The Bldgs are 7 stories high. red brick. very popular because of the greater privacy & sense of propriety that the

Corporation Row.

Corporation Row - purple

Two courts out of S. side lb

Rosoman St.

Northampton Road.

Northampton Road lb l^d

the working class have in buildings. In a hotel dwelling the man or woman is master & not so liable to be disturbed by other lodgers as in a house. S. part near with St. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$. p_R to purple. In map pink. to Corporation Row. which has two poor nameless courts in its south side. 4 houses each. 3 st. lb. (not marked in map). The rest of the st. is working class - windows clean unbroken. doors shut. messy street - purple rather than lb of map. A 'tea-pot handle maker' on the north side. Running out of it on the S side is Woodbridge St. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in character some what below Skinner & Myddelta Streets - purple to pink in map pink.

W. along Corporation Row to Rosoman street - shops on W side. Northampton Rd on E. arm of children waiting on pavement for the scraps that are sold cheap by large whole sale butchers who has a shop on the W side - pink as map. 3 st. N. then west along Northampton Road. both north & south of this road have a bad reputation - not so much for the people that live there as for those that frequent it.
Escape

Courts off Northampton Rd.

Rosoman Mews - lb

Vineyard Gardens (S of Northⁿ Road - hump)

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Escape is easy owing to the number of courts, & therefore both Ct & road are frequented by thieves, prostitutes & drunkards who do not necessarily live there. But 'it is very much better than it used to be'. In appearance the whole is of a mixed people character the courts are hardly poorer than the main Rd. They none of them look deck blue.

Northampton Rd. is 30 ft. people as map. on the North side is Northampton Row. creepers covered houses with well fenced front gardens - windows clean & unbroken. Zenith gave it the character of 'rough, noisy, abode of thieves & prostitutes' but it does not look it - in map lb. on the South side is Rosoman Mews. It in map. is now a mews with not more than 3 courts living above on the E side. lb. west of it, is Steward Place. & Locks Gardens. 2 or 3 storied. steps whitened. windows unbroken. 'a favourite spot for Sunday gambling' 'a good run for outside roughs'. people to lb in map lb. west of it again is Douglas Place. 30 ft. looks rougher than foregoing. children voted & hatted. lb as map. W. again is Vineyard Gardens. only two houses south of

Northampton Road W. end pur

Pine St - lb

Vineyard Gardens.

Vineyard Gardens lb

Chapel Place - lb

Vineyard Walk S side 19B
N - purple

South of Northampton Road on the E side, creper covered, purple to lb. in map db. but look better than the rest. nothing on W side.

West down the Northampton Rd. this end marked db lined black in the map. 'used to be very bad, now not worse than the rest': lb to purple.

Up Pine St 3 or 200. cabmen, rather poorer than Northampton Rd. Some cotes selling in Green St lb: in map db lined black.

E into Vineyard Gardens, which has Fletcher Row out of it on the E side. 2 or 300. children booted & clean-rough though in proving. 'occasional outbreaks & when they once start fighting these are ructions & no mis-take'. The spa fields artillery ground which has been open as a playground for the last 2 years has been a great help to this district - Vineyard St & Fletcher's are lb to db in map db.

Chapel Place which is the continuation northward of Vineyard Gardens is 300. cotes. chs booted & clean-lb. rather than db of map.

West along Vineyard Walk. 200 on South side rough db. on the N side are Buildings & on the South side

Spring St. lb. l² Farringdon Rd. then E at Spring St. 3rd
well paved with cobbles. but some windows broken
thieves living here. lb. rather than purple of
map. the NE end is rougher shd. be lb. the
S. Helena Place - all lb. continuation NE is called St. Helena Place. rough
windows broken. doors open. rough women wearing sack
cloth instead of stuff skirts. flowers in windows,
costers: bread in street but not much mess. lb. is better
once past the School B¹. 'just poor here'. lb. in map
it is all purple. SE. along William St. 2¹/₂. purple
as map. W along Noble St. 3rd. well cobbled paved.
quiet poor tho' noisy on Saturday nights. but
so bad as Helena Place. but worse than Chapel

Wilmington Place - lb. row. lb. as map. into Wilmington Pl. like
it. lb. rather than purple. noted for pistol gangs: girl
killed not long ago here! into Margaret St. this
end not so good as further up the hill but purple.
on the N side is Margaret Ct. 10 houses, 2nd, very
rough. like Halletts Pl. 2 roomed houses letting for
5/3 r. lb. rather than lb. of map. The court west
of it is down & shut up.

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are the Farringdon Bldg's people. It then E along
Exmouth St. 3rd. a market street. successful -
started on the recommendation of the Vestry as a
experiment. it was formerly the bus route to
the Angel. prices - bread 4 lb loaf. 6^d bacon
2^d to 8^d per lb, meat 2^d to 10^d. the lowest
price in each case being for unsavoury looking
scraps.

N up Gurdley St. jk a nap shops - West along
partly heavy traffic - ^{people} - park in ^{map} South on Easton St. 3rd.
lb. as nap - on the west side is a rough court.
narrow. 9 houses. 3rd. facing on white washed blank wall - inc
rust parts - dirty children - lb. as map. N along the Far-

➔ General Remarks.

Note the general improvement in the streets
& courts on either side of Northampton Road.
Zerthen said the former inhabitants of the
Plumbers place area (now covered by the North-
ampton Bldg) had not been able to find
home room in the district & had therefore
had to seek it elsewhere. He fancies they
have

Activity of Sanitary Authorities

Magistrates & Italians

have gone to the Notting Dale district.

The opening up of Rosebery avenue the main factor of improvement in this district.

A certain number of prostitutes living in the poor streets but public opinion wd not allow them to bring home men with them as a regular thing!

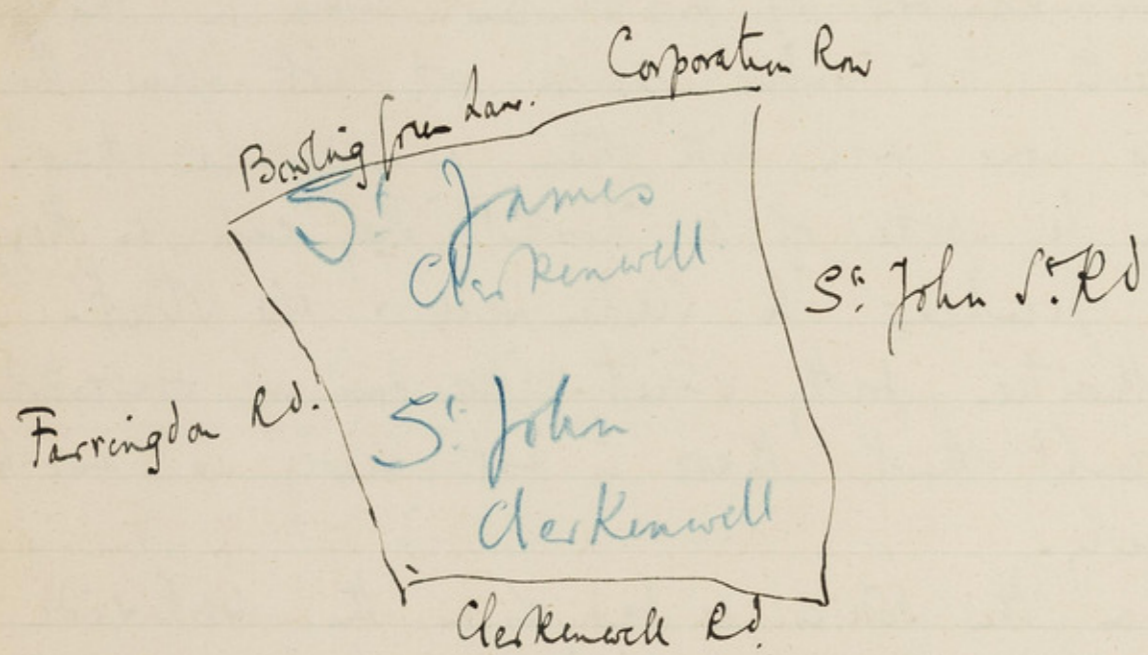
The thieves he spoke of as 'locks'. They call us Roggers a name peculiar to Clerkenwell & Old street.

Sanitary authorities pretty strict. Are down on overcrowding with result that there is not nearly so much as formerly.

Nothing on this side is so bad as on the west side of it in the Italian district - magistrates are everywhere lenient on Italians. 'So we have to give them more rope than we should others'. The result of this greater freedom is that has been to bring all the bad characters to the neighbourhood because greater license to the foreigners has been made to mean greater license to the inhabitants of the foreign quarter.

The worst bit of the North ^{empty road} ~~side~~ area is Fletchers Row; Chapel row is not worse than it.

District covered.



The Farringdon Road.

rents in Bldgs.

Thursday, June 23. 98.

Dist IV (2) G.H.S.

Walk with PC. at Zenthon round district bounded on the north by Bowling Green Lane & Corporation Row, on the east by St. John S. Road on the south by the Clerkenwell Road & on the west by the Farringdon Road, being part of the parishes of St. James & St. John Clerkenwell.

Starting at the corner of Bowling Green Lane & the Farringdon Road, on both sides of the Farringdon Rd. here are Buildings. The Farringdon Rd. Bldgs at the corner of Green Lane & below them the Peabody Bldgs. on the opposite side is a block of warehouses built on what was the site of the workhouse & below it, Corporation Buildings - all people to park in character. well supervised & housing a class of mechanics & workmen, clerks & city workers generally. no poor in them - rents 5/6 to 6/6 for 2 rooms to 8/6 for 3. East between the Bldgs into Clerkenwell Close. The west side of the close is all factories exc

St James' Walk.

Scotswood St W side lb

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dwelling houses wh are pk in character. The East side is
3½ st & attic business houses, all well-to-do, private
houses in appearance but with workshops behind -
jewellers, goldsmiths etc - park as map. on the
South side is Union Place. 6 houses, 2 st. loty children,
rough, only 9 ft between the houses - db. as map -
west of it is Warden Place. - 4 st houses in hab by
washwomen & city labourers. 'Better than Lords
Row, like Marquet St in character' said
Zentha. purple rather than lb of map.

St. Clements Green, & then N up St James' Walk
asphalt paved, 3½ st. purple as map exc at the
corner of St James St. ^(S. side) here there are two very
rough houses - db. in character - W into St James'
St. 3½ st and attic. 'like Noble St' (see preceding
interview). lb. as map. - N up Scotswood St
no living houses on E side (db in map), three only
on the west, quiet poor - in one lives a prostitute
'who walks the Cross' & lives with a man,
but never brings other men home, lb rather than
db of map. children, looked (holes) clean.
north part a large block of lb. in map. how

Conrad

Sekford St.

Woodbridge St. (S of Suffolk St.) purple

Haywards Place.

Haywards Place - pk

Suffolk St. - purple

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covered by the School Board store room. further east is the large Sch^h. built on the site of the old Coldbath fields ^{Chapin's} prison. The little block in the middle of the St. is occupied entirely by a public house now in course of rebuilding. (in map lb). East along Sans Walk. 3rd. quiet poor. lb as map. There is no cart now of any description in the Δ enclosed by Sekford St. St. James' Walk so that the Δ of map should disappear.

East to Woodbridge St. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ st. pink as map - along Sekford St. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ st. all business houses - some keep a servant. employes in the jewellery business. having 3 or 4 to as many as 12 employes. ^{pink to pk} North St. John St. then South turning west at Haywards Pl. (1834). 2nd houses on South side only. mechanics. purple to pink. in map pink. Distillery walls on N side. across Woodbridge St. which is poorer S of Suffolk St. than North of it, purple rather than pink of map. W. along Suffolk St. not quite so good as Haywards Place. but purple rather than lb of map. no cart on

Bishops Court

Aylesbury St. N. side pk

Bishops Court - db l^o

Aylesbury Place

Aylesbury Place - db

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a South side, & the big china merchant Finney at the west end on the S side. 'The largest in the world' said Zentha.

I don't know walk into Aylesbury St. then E. shops - both sides alike & pink - map marks N side pink based. on the South side is Bishops Court. 11 houses. 30 ft. 'one of the worst spots on the subdivision'. all doors open - windows dirty & broken - children dirty & pale. vagabonds Allen St & Little Latta St. would have come here naturally when they were displaced. Zentha did not know of the actual inhabitants were from there but 'they belong to the same class'. assaults on the police when they get the chance. db based rather than the db of map. out of for 2 rows East of it is Aylesbury Place 29. 20 ft houses. a common tap & dust bin in the middle of the court. houses dilapidated, children dirty. 'the sort of place that breeds criminals'. but not quite so bad as Bishops Court - old houses - window frames falling down for age & unrepair. db. not colored in map.

E to St John St. Road then South. turning west along
Froude

Jerusalem Court.

Jerusalem Court - black

St. John Square.

St. John's Square N side purple

Stewart's Place - lb

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Jerusalem Court. The blackest spot of all, you can't find it black enough 'Savages' said Zenthon. a danger to the police. 'many' the man that he had a hiding down here. now very few of the houses are inhabited. the rest condemned. Jerusalem W. at the west end built in 1884 all shut & apparently condemned though new looking. The houses marked lb. in the map should be outlined black or black. I then went along Albemarle St. 4 st. small shops with one or two foremen or workmen living above. The block on the S side between Albemarle St. & the Clerkenwell Rd. is made of Pearce's dining room & a factory. Went onto St. John Square. factories almost all round: on the N side is one house where 18 or 20 potmen live, the rest all business, watch, clock, or jewellery. Old 'Smith' the large clockmaker who refused to give us any information lives in the NE corner. West along Clerkenwell Green: on the N side is Stewart's Place - entered up steps, 6 30th houses, not rough. It is map - now purple to lb. Up Farringdon Rd. on the East side up steps also.

Fox Terrace - lb

Police & Publicans

is Fox Terrace - not shown in map. 5 lanes. 2 st.
poor. no trouble to police. lb.

General remarks. Note disappearance of poor spots in
& about the Clakenwell Close. & the rise of
'Buildings'. The 'Peabody' though prison like &
forbidding in appearance have more air & space
than those in the Farrington Rd because they
are built round a large open square. which
the others are not. Note also the houses
in the courts on the south side of Aylebury St.
As to the relation between police & publicans. Feather
said he thought the police were never paid
'or only very rarely'. In my putting my view of
the matter viz that the police were generally
paid & that it was a payment to encourage
them to do their duty rather than neglect
it & c^d hardly be termed a bribe: ~~it~~ he ad-
mitted that it was a fair statement of the
case & went on to say that beer was
hardly ever given. There even known men
paid 6^d by the publican to go away & get a

Clasemat Club raided

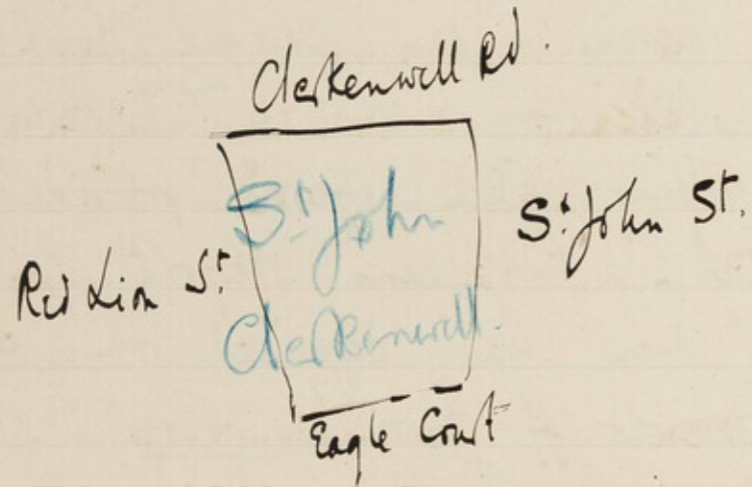
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a drink in some other house. Publicans are nowadays so fearful about their licenses. But you must be very careful when you accept money from. He admitted to having a very careful look round before he accepted any but he ^{said he} was willing enough to take a shilling when offered provided it would not be reported. Publicans report for instance yesterday only a man was degraded from 38/6 to 24/- for having borrowed of them!

Last night the Clasemat Club was raided Result a tape machine, money & 47 prisoners.

The children in the streets about here look thin & pale, more precocious & intelligent than those in Hoxton & Bethnal Green. Coal today off the cart at 4/- per cart. June 23. 98

Zentha thinks there is no difference between the manners & customs of the rough poor here or in Bethnal Green.

District covered.



Red Lion Street

Berkeley Street lb b^o black

Courts off Berkeley St.

Berkeley Court db b^o

June 24.

Dist IV (2)

G.H.S.

Walk with P.C. at Zenthon round district bounded on the North by the Clerkenwell Road, on the East by S: John Street & on the South by Eagle Court & on the West by Red Lion Street being part of the parish of S: John Clerkenwell.

Starting at the N. end of Red Lion Street 32 st. private houses, Queen Anne style, all used as business houses, with exception of a few that have foremen or managers living above; one house on the West side is a common lodging house & has many all sorts. 4th a night - street as a whole is pink as map. golders. scientific instrument makers etc. the trades carried on. East into Berkeley Street rough. windows broken. a rough set of Bluffs on South side at the corner of S: John's Lane. lb to db in map. pink. ^{one the fork by} Out of the South side going East are Berkeley Court. 30th basement. 'haunt of thieves & vagabonds'. no prostitutes. 'you find them up the King Cross End'. children dirty - all doors open

Francis Court - db l^o

A Black spot.

S. John's Lane.

rel. p. 165
Called Stratton Place. 1 house lived
in. v. poor. db. most windows broken.
two others closed.

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a few Irish 'but no colony'. dangerous for police. db. not
colored in map. East of it is Francis Ct. like the
following. cotes barrow. man with a bloodstained
bag over his shoulders containing sheep's necks
which he was going to hawk at 2^d. a lb.
children dirty, holy boots, ragged. very rough. thieves
& cotes. Police never can't come in here alone.
db. in map purple. Berkeley St. is a little better
than these two courts but there is not much to
choose & you cannot paint them much too
dark, any of them. The cotes from these courts
do this business in the Fanning Road.

↳ into S. John's Lane. really business houses. a
common lodging house of fair character at the SE
end. It under S. John's gate arch. & west
along S side of S. John's Sp. past a Salvation
Army lodging house - brings a rough poor class
together here from other districts into S. John's
Passage which leads through to Red Lion St.
no courts on either side. apparently the dark blue
↳ court on the N. side of Berkeley Street is
closed. It into Clerkenwell R. at the East
corner

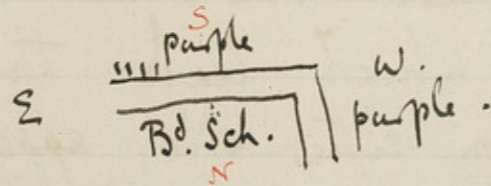
corner of Clerkenwell Road & St. John's Square - purple

St. John St.

approach to Smithfield Market.

Albion Place - purple

Eagle Court.



corner of Clerkenwell Rd. & St. John's Square is a large block of Bldgs. called Pennybank Chambers 6 stories - poor. lt to purple in map pink. W. then I down St. John St. a street of private & shops - with a few living above - some large businesses - road broad & blocked with covered vans in which were hanging whole oxen waiting for delivery at Smithfield market. pkbarred as map - on the west side is a beerhouse which is called 'the Crown Coffee House' - makes a specialty of dinners for working class - so do the puts about here. printed notices in windows 'cut from joint & two vegetables 6d' At up St. John's lane - fearful stench from a 'Gorgonzola cheese factory' on the west side. W. along Albion place. 1823. houses N side & on either side of Bd. Sch on S side - not colored in map. 3rd. flagged passage. 'like Whicker street in character' - purple to pink Out of the end of Red Lion St. is Eagle Ct. purple in map - now ~~the~~ ^{many} business houses. West down

Looks a mixed St. purple as map.
G.E.A. ALN. G.H.D.
9.XI.98.

Court off Clerkwell Green.

Houses now gone for the extension
of the Chapel. #9.XI.98.

Jerusalem Passage.

Down Benjamin St. 3 st. shops - rough - like
→ Berkeley St. lb. rather than purple of map.
tho' they don't look rough - let out in single rooms - cotes.
[Here it began to rain so heavily that we
had to stop]

June 24. 98. (continuation of above.)

South down Faulkner's Court. two houses only.
not enough of them to be rough! lb. bdb. in
map lb.

E along Berkeley St. on the N side is Stratton Place
with only one inhabited house - 30ft. very rough
in appearance. The other two houses are closed -
lb in map. into St. John's Lane, under

St. John's gate, past St. John's passage, just
N of it is St. John's Place. 3 houses on the
N side only. homework. lb. factories S & W.

across
Ecclesing
continuing N. is
Jerusalem Passage. small shops.
much foot traffic - with the exception of the
Baker's shop which is known as a rough
place

Peter Lane. Cow Cross St

Peter's Lane db b²

called Smithfield Bldg New Court. db b².
db b² agreed on - ATB. GND. GEA. p. xi. 96.
Also block behind shops, reached thro' a
passage through the shops.

White Horse Alley db b²

Stratton Place - 1 house - db

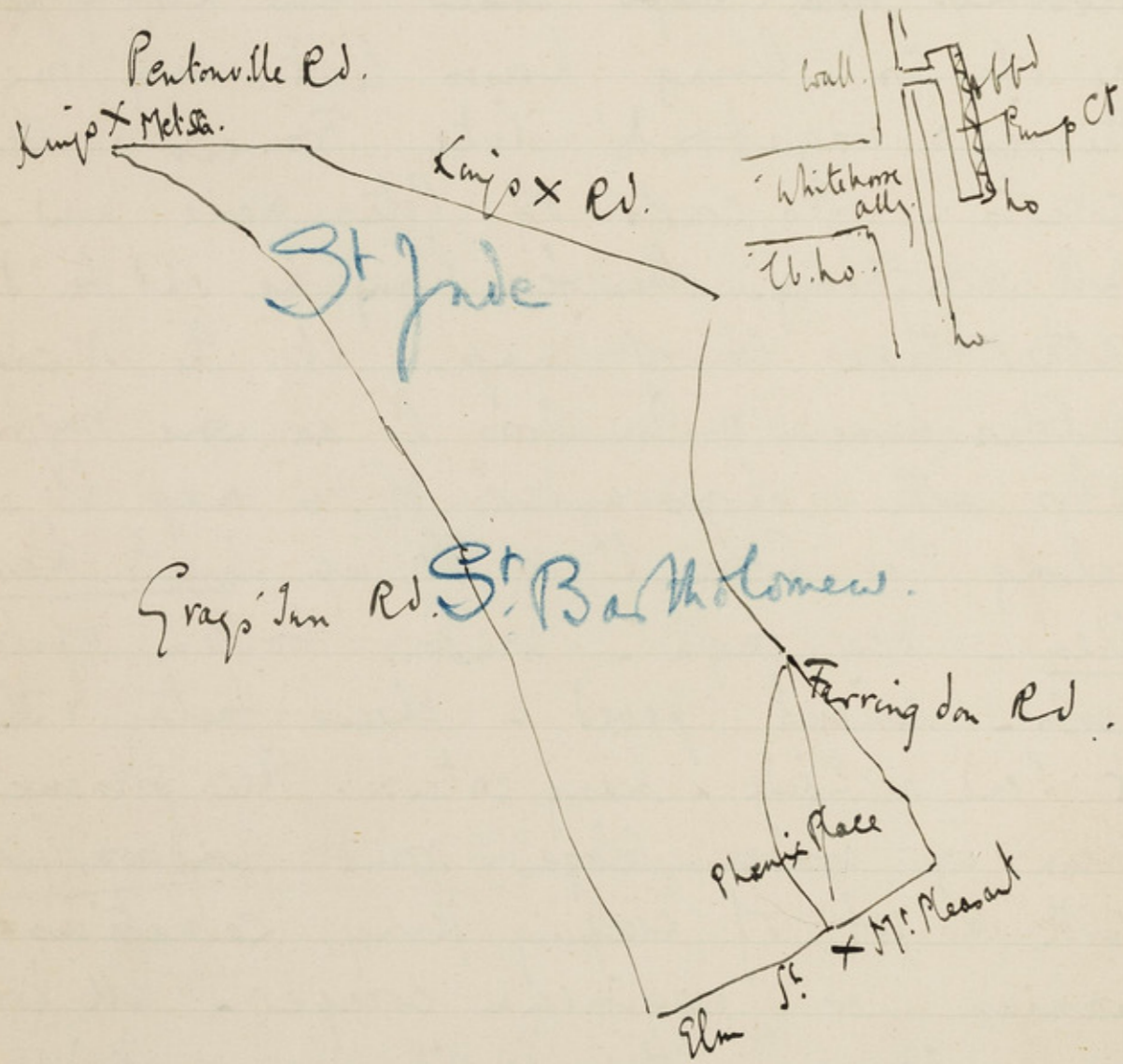
White Horse Alley & Pump Ct. rough.

With nurse Hadden into Pump Court - Irish coters - pay 3/6 per room.
rough - casual - dirty - 3rd - one room thick - steep narrow wooden stairs
db b² as map. 23. VII. 01. GND.

Pump Court db b²

place the rest is like Aylesbury Street.
along Aylesbury St. I down St John St, across
Clerkenwell Rd. S then W along St Peter Lane.
Buildings with shops under now mostly factories
one of two living houses left. very rough.
'thieves & vagabonds' like Francis & Berkeley
Courts - No courts off Peter Lane now.
all rebuilding. the few living ho. shd be db
rather than db of map. at the N corner
of Peter Lane & Cow Cross St are some rough
Bldgs. with shops under. db. in map db.
W along Cow Cross St & N up White Horse
Alley - very rough - windows broken & patched.
thieves - cement paved - cheese factory & Stench
at end on E side - many coters. their presence
shown by wooden ledges round windows each
with a pot of creeping jenny, carnations or
geranium or virginian creeper. all doors
open. In map the W side is marked purple
& the East side db. both sides shd. be
db. at the NE end of the alley is a
turning to Pump Court. which has no
other

are the houses in Whitehorse alley & Pump Ct. on the East side only.



other outlet - windows better. but Zenthon said
 all criminal class here: doors open - 3 or 4
 houses - sb rather than lb of map.

June 28. 98.

Dist IV (2)

Walk with P.C. A.E. Zenthon round district bounded
 on the North by the Pentonville Rd. on the
 East by the Kings X Rd. & Farringdon Rd
 on the South by Elm Street & on the
 west by the Gray's Inn Road - being part
 of the parishes of St. Jude & St. Bartholo-
 mew

Starting at the South end of Phoenix Place. houses on
 west side only. the east side is taken up by
 the Parcelo pat & postal manufacturing works
 on the site of what was formerly the Middlesex
 house of Correction. purple as map. N to
 Calthorpe St. 3 1/2 st. keeping a general west
 & taking in lodges. pk barred as map.
 across Joseph St. which N of Calthorpe St. is
 like

Courts off. Mount Pleasant & Elm St. Burgers Court - db

Court out of N. side of Elm Place - db

Elm Court - lb

Irish colony.

Wilson Place - db l^o

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like Calthope St. a pk barred rather than pk of map -
but less good south of it is purple of map -
large cab yard on E side of road - 200 cabs -
owner 'Hearn'. South of Wilson St. Long St.
becomes poorer again - broad & mess in St.
in character the people. at S.W. end of
Long St. is a court 'Burgers Court' not
shown in map. 2st. 2 poor houses. 5/3 for
2 rooms - no washhouse. SW down Mount Pleasant
small shops & businesses. 3 or 4 storied - purple
to pink. ~~on the~~ ^{along} the side ~~is~~ ^{is} Elm Place
on the N side of it is a ramshackle Court, 3 stories
two storied - very poor - lb to db. not in map.
& west of it Elm Court. 3st. - poor - mixed class
windows broken - birds in cages. lb to db.
into the Gray In Rd. at the corner of Elm St.
& Gray In Rd. are 5 or 6 storied - red brick
flat. fair class - servants kept. pk barred
as map - 'Some of the better class of prostitutes
& kept women also live here.'
E along Wilson St. pk as map - on the south side is
Wilson Place 3st. all doors open. houses both
sides

What is the lb. lit. No. 50
Baltholmeas Ch. bet. Long St. &
Coop. In Rd.

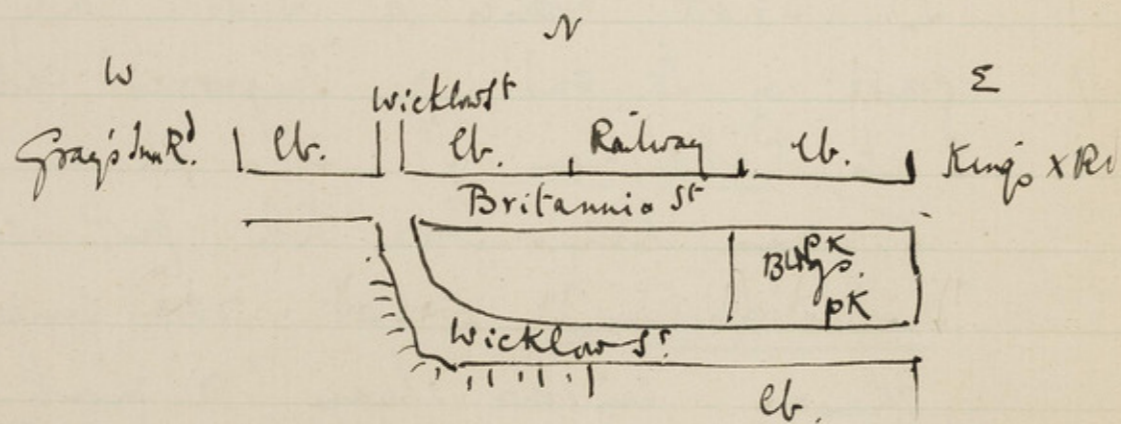
Cabitt St

Model Buildings - purple

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sides of court - wash hung across - Irish colony.
Thieves - assaults on police - 'mark it as black
as you can'. children dirty but well fed.
Some houses better - character sb-lined rather
than lb of map. 'Is worse than it used
to be'. N to Wells St. pk to pk based.
in map pk. furnished & unfurnished apt.
3 1/2 storied houses - N up Cabitt St late Arthur
St. 3 1/2 st. houses on W side only. Cabitt's Building
yard on N end & 'Improved' cab yard on E.
E to Patenham St. 2 1/2 - pk as map. East
to Coop. King's Cross Rd. part cul-de-sack.
Model Buildings - 2 st. very quiet. working
class. windows clean & most doors shut.
flowers in windows - purple rather than lb.
of map. N up Arthur St. to Ampton St.
3 1/2 st. 'servants kept in isolated cases'.
a street of lodging houses - furnished -
pk to pk based - in map pink - by Frederick St. pk.
N to Frederick St. 3 1/2 same as foregoing.
to Acton St. not quite so good as former
streets but pink - as map - the head (?) office
of

Wicklow St W of Railway - pk

Gradual tailing off in the character of streets between Ayrton St & King's station.



Leake St both sides E of Railway - lb

of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants is on the South side.

N to Swinton St. 3 1/2 st. pk as map. exc the N to end, of the Gray's Inn Rd where there is a rough 4th doo house - db.

N to Wicklow St. Whitbread's Brewery stores on the North side. houses 3 x 2 storied as purple on map. 2 of of Row marked pk in map are model dwellings - purple ~~rather~~ ^{to} pink of map. working class. police. Cabmen & cormen - no poor.

N to Britannia St. 3 1/2 st. poor. doors open. character purple to lb.

N to Leake St. New stables with rooms over on N side. purple. not marked in map. S side is quiet. poor. lb as map.

N to Field St. 2 st to & factory. like foregoing - lb as map.

N to St Chad's Place. 3 st. Buildings on N side narrow. airless - rougher - lb to db in map lb. ending at the King's X station.

General Remarks.

Note the rough courts off Leake St & Berkeley St.

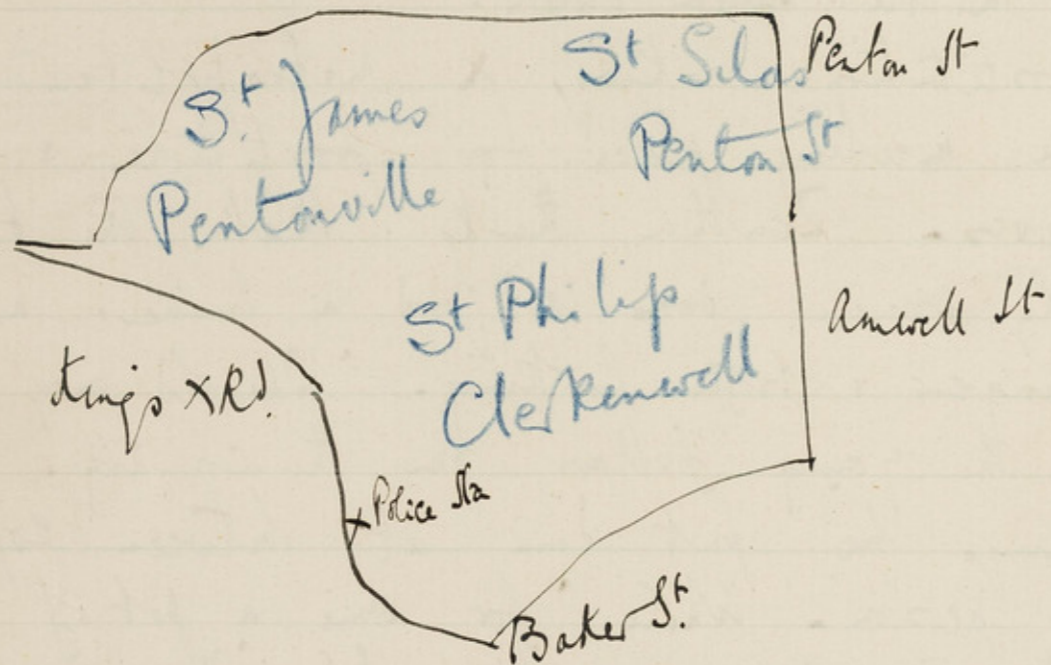
Prostitution.

Rough Places & the police.

From the map it seems probable that this worsening may be due to the neighbouring betterment of Little Sutton Street.

As to Prostitution - King's X Metropolitan Station is a meeting place for prostitutes & juvenile thieves. Zenhan thinks that the old & ugly women does a good business, as the younger & better looking. 'The old ones get hold of the young fellows from the country! Their earnings be put down at between 20s. & 1/- per person - while for some a pot of beer or 1/2 of gin is sufficient. The same women go on at the same job year after year. Speaking of the rough courts. Zenhan said. 'We very rarely go into them' - at first he said 'We never go into them.'

District covered.



{ Kings Cross Road NE side pk
 --- Corner of Seake St purple
 --- n ---

The Kings X road.

worsement.

June 29th

Dist IV

CP (2)

G.H.D.

Walk with P.C. A. E. Zenthor round district bounded
 on the North by the Northern limits of District
 IV. On the East by Penton St & Amwell St.
 on the South by Baker St & Upper Baker St.
 & on the West by the Kings X Road,
 being part of the parishes of St James Penton-
 ville, St Silas Penton St, & St Philip Clerken-
 well.

Starting at the Police station in the Kings X
 road. North to the Metropolitan Sta.
 the houses on the N.E. side part West
 St. are Buildings working class. shops
 underneath but separate from the dwelling
 purple to pink rather than pk based of map.
 On the West side of the road there are
 three very rough houses at the corner of
 Seake St. Ob. rather than pk based of
 map & thence north ward purple rather
 than pk based.

tr.

9th Percy St. both sides pk b²

The Hill district E of Kings X Rd.

Kings X Road W side opposite Wharton St. -pk

Specimen house is a pk barred St.



Granville Square pk b²
all round

repeat ad infin.

Baker St. Homes.

N up Great Percy Street. up hill eastward - all lodging houses - some several - 4 1/2 st. no difference between N & S sides of lower end. both shd be pk barred. into Percy Circus. pk barred as map. 3 1/2 + 4 1/2 st. Salong Vernon St - 2 1/2. rent \$5 + a third for rates & taxes - pk into Wharton St. 2 1/2 st. same.

In the Kings X Road here the houses on the west side are working class. a little below the level of the main road. pk rather than pk barred of maps. At the corner of Calthorpe St is Rowton House. South into Granville Square. 3 1/2 st. the west side (uncoloured in map) is not so good as the rest because the railway passes underneath. the rest is like Percy Circus - pk barred rather than pink of map. down steps W to Granville Place pink.

N up Baker St. 2 1/2 st. pk barred as maps see opp page for style of house - rents about \$44 or \$45 a year. Upper Baker

Lloyd Street.

Holford Place pk b²

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Street - a continuation on the South Side of Baker Stⁿ
past the square has 7 houses distinctly less
good than the others. pk rather than pk.
based of map. on the N side opposite is
a large luncheonery - Lloyd Square. 2 1/2. red as
map. & Lloyd Stⁿ the same. N into St Peggys
broad. 3 1/2 or 4 1/2 st. houses. pk based as map.
on S side is Cumberland Terrace. which has
the one public house of this respectable
district. used much as a club by the male
inhabitants. pk based as map.
up Holford Place. 3 1/2. ^{pk based} rather than full of map
as is also Holford Stⁿ into Holford Square.
pk based to red. in map pk based. at
N. E. end an Holford mess. houses on S side
only over stables. none on the north which
all belongs to a big jobmaster & runs
through into the Pentonville road. -
~~rather for~~ purple on S. rather than pk of map
up Bond Stⁿ as map. into mess out of
North side where live two well-to-do men one
a cottage contractor the other an importer of
funeral

The Pentonville Road

Pentonville Rd^d S. side W of Penton Place pk

Penton Place.

a Brothel

funeral horses living in the midst of their yards & stables.

North the Pentonville Rd then West past a dancing room on the S side. & the hall of a Society for the conversion of Jews, Christians & atheists! kept by a Mr Gropen. On the N side is a female dramatic club. Zantho knows nothing fixed against it but it is open all night! South down Penton Place. 3 1/2 st. purple to pk. Number 32 on

the East side is a house kept by a thief & ran as a brothel - Was watched & closed by the Vestry but is now open again - 'What's the good of it, if you shut them up you drive them somewhere else; all you can do is to prevent their becoming too much of a nuisance! S to Percy Sq. 35 st. pk to pk barred - pl. in

map. North up Weston St 2 1/2 st & all the houses on E side only. character purple to pink in map pk. Whitbread brewing stores have take the whole lot between Weston St & Dorings St thus doing away with a lot marked

Lorenzo St.

Lorenzo St. - db

Rough spot in Pentonville Rd.

Pentonville Rd. S side W end db

marked lb in map. Into Pentonville Rd
near the south side west of Penton Rd
as far as Lorenzo St. is pk rather the
pk barred of map. 3st. South down ~~York~~
~~Street~~. Lorenzo St. late York St. there
very rough houses on the W side - windows
broken & patched. noisy - young thieves.
houses 3¹/₂ st with attic - situated north of the
tram stables - db. rather than pink of map.
N. back into the Pentonville Rd. & west,
the houses west of Lorenzo St. used formerly
to have front gardens reaching to the
main road. On these fronts shops have
been built. These are noticeable here owing
to their being unattached to the houses
behind. Between the shops & houses is a
passage leading to the front doors of the
houses & the back doors of the shops. The
houses are very rough. Inhabited by very poor
& a few prostitutes living but not flying their
business here - children ragged - compare with
Halletts Place. db. rather pk barred of map.

across

Providence R.

Pollard Houses - pk

North Avenue.

criminal

Across the road west of North Stⁿ is Providence Place. fairly rough, very poor - two barfoot ch^s & ch^s generally ragged: but not vicious, no thieves living here. character lb. to sb. in map sb. House 2 storied. 2 rooms wth bath & yard for 6/ & 6/6. Nos 4. 5. 6. to be sold producing £46.16 per annum. (i.e. 6/ per wk).

Up North Stⁿ 3 1/2 st. on W side. purple on map. Pollard Houses. a large block of 5 storied dwellings put up by the Industrial Dwellings Co on the east side. 'better than Penton Place' & pink in character - map purple.

N. past Collier Stⁿ then east through North Avenue 'not quite but very nearly as bad as Jerusalem Court, like Bastwick Stⁿ or the houses in the Pentonsville road (mentioned above) vicious, thieves, ballies, prostitutes. 32 houses, 3 storied, all doors open, wash hanging across court, bird cages, some children clean. common dust hole in the centre looking like a cross mole hill of concrete. Oblined as map. into Winchester Stⁿ 3 1/2 st. widens

Collier St

Winchester cottages - purple

Southampton St S of Collier St purple

Busaco Street - lb l²

Affleck St

Affleck St purple
System of subletting.

unbroken & fairly clean. lb to purple. in map purple
S. into Collier St then ~~at~~ a mixed st.
Some lb, some db, some purple to pink - on
the whole lb as map. Collier Place on the
S side west of Winchester St 2 storied.
rent 5/6 for 2 rooms, no washhouse. rougher &
poorer than the street, flowers at windows.
db. as map. S. down Winchester St on the
E side of which are Winchester Cottages.
2 storied. 6 houses. quiet. purple to pink in
character - each not coloured in map.
across Southampton St 3 x 3 1/2 st. poorer in
centre than at either ends. purple south
of Collier St rather than lb of map.
E. part Busaco St late Wellington St 2st & basement.
asphalt paved - very rough - thieves & prostitutes.
"Some respectable people as well". Nearly as bad
as North Avenue - db to db. barred. in
map db. Affleck St opposite on the S side of
Collier St has 3 1/2 + attic, high hall houses.
let to one man who must in habit them at
1/2 per week - he sublets - 10 rooms in each house
built

Rodney St.

Cynthia St.

Cynthia St. N side lb. b.?

rough.

Hermes St. N of Henry St. purple
S lb. b.?

built as flats. some police living here. character purple to pink. in map pink. Cumming St.
 East of it is better. 3 1/2 st. pink. the East side of the street rather better than the west. into Rodney St. 3 1/2 st. purple as map. North London Working Man's Club & Institute at the north end. very respectably kept. close every night at 1, no trouble. into Henry St. runs up hill to the east. North side better than the south. as purple to lb. in map all lb. Cynthia St. like Ann St. rough. a man killed here a month ago. was very rough until some police came to live in the street. Cocoa factory on ~~East~~^{west} side employing large number of girls. There's spot. still living in the street though some have been cleared out. the ~~East~~ side lb. rather than lb. much of W side is covered by factory. across Hermes St. 3 st. 'just as bad as foregoing'. lb. south of Henry St. rather than lb. of map; on map N of Henry St. E along Henry St. on S side is Providence Place houses on W side only
 Exc

Rising Hill St.

Godson St. dt l^o

Hermes Hill - E side purple

Penton Houses - purple

except at S.E. end. poor lb.
N up Penton St. PR as map. E along ^{White Lion St.} ~~Chapel~~
St. on N side is Godson St. 2 1/2 st. not
coloured in map. 'you cant mark it black
enough'. messy. St. lined -
N into Chapel St. then West down Rising Hill
St. 4 1/2 st. poor lb. as map. out of the
N.E. end is Hermes Hill. houses on E side only.
a laundry on the N & a large book binding
factory on the S. not shown in map - note
that the whole of the N side of Rising Hill St.
is houses: even between St. Silas Church & the
Road. Lower down the Hill on the N side
of the street are Penton Houses. a court
containing 30 tenements. 3rd. cabmen etc.
better on E side than on S which runs thro'
into Rodney St. as purple to lb. not marked
in map.

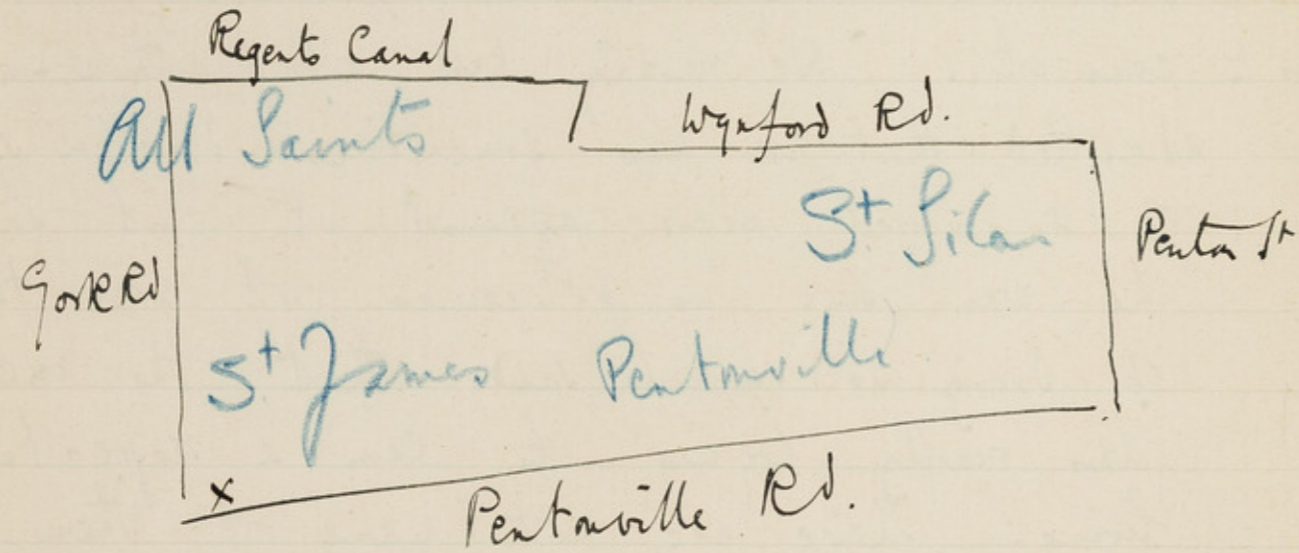
General remarks.

Pentonville Rd. divides a district that is all respect-
-able from one that is quite the reverse. the
poor

Police & Convicts.

1965
rough portion being on the N side & the pink banded
& red portion on the south. Many cabmen
live in the neighborhood of Collier St.
as to convicts. 'We rarely tell about them' - Zenther
admitted that it was sometimes done in spite
of the strict orders against it. but said
he was sure 'no policeman wd ever think
of doing so if he saw that the exconvict
was really trying to earn a respectable
living. There are not many of them residing
in the sub division. 'Many fewer than
in Hoxton'

District covered.



Crescent Avenue.

Place 15
June 30th 1898. Dist 15 CP (2) 197
with dist. S.A. J

Walk with PC. As. Zenon round district bounded on the North by the Regents Canal; on the East by Pentou St on the South by the North boundary of District N, & on the West by the York Road. being part of the parishes of All Saints, St James & St Silas.

Starting at the west end of the Pentouville Rd. Map Caledonian Rd & E into Alpha Place. rough. ably 2 houses making the E & West corners of Crescent Avenue which runs N out of it. Ob. as map. Map Crescent Avenue. 12 houses, small fronts - some carefully kept - at the N end are 9 houses running east. one or two thieves living here - but not the majority. a rough class - cabwashers etc. Ob. as map. past an overflowing dustbin & up steps N into Caledonian Crescent. same class of inhabitant as in foregoing. a few thieves - sport messy - rather rough. Ob. to Ob. in map Ob. look

Caledonian Rd.

Netherton Place - lb

Railway St.

Railway St. db l² + purple

The dividing line is rather
East of the news.

better than N. into the Caledonian Rd. - tram & bus
road - stops & a shopping street but not a very
busy one - 'like the Pentonville Rd in character.'
3 storied houses.

Map Albion St 3¹/₂ st. cobble paved. better at the south
end than at the north. purple as map. Caledonia
St. running W out of it 3¹/₂. Same. purple as map.
on the south side is Netherton Place. entered
down steps. front gardens not cared for. 2nd.
houses. rent 7/- for 4 rooms. "The two back rooms
are very small" said one woman. Children rather
ragged - windows fairly clean. lb rather than
N. of map. N then W along Railway St.
3 + 2 storied houses - marked difference between
western & eastern half of north side. windows
broken & patch & rough (db lined as map) on
western half. The eastern half like Albion St
& purple. great mess of bread, tins, meat &
paper in the street - dividing the foot from the
bad on the N side is a news occupied by man
owning his own cab. 2nd st. houses into the eastern
half. South side of road taken up by Ford lens
factory

Bird dealers.

Wharfedale Rd.

prostitutes

factory. 'Monkey brand.' E along Wharfedale Rd.
purple, as map. N up Crinan late Canal Rd. at
S.W. end are two rough houses. In ~~map~~ next
them is a mission house wh. used to be a hotel. NW
side is Flint's. great bird dealers. quails, larks etc
'often 20, or 30,000 arrive to be fattened or killed:
the plucking is done by Italian women'. Next is
the Westinghouse Brake Co shops. Into the York Road
N of the Public house, between it & Maiden Lane Bridge
is a rough common lodging house. 4th door.
E along Wharfedale Rd. 2, 3, & 4 storied ho. cobble foot.
colony of railway porters. purple as map. across
North St 2 1/2 st. railway & cabmen. like same
north & south of Caledonian Rd. purple as map.
'with a prostitute now & again; they must live
somewhere: as far as possible they keep their
means of livelihood a secret in the neigh-
-bourhood where they live'. E to Lavinia Grove
'rough sometimes but not generally; may be
a row on Saturday, right as in many of the
streets round here.' N up New Wharf Rd
only two ho. on W side. poor lb. on W side. East
day

Rough yard.

Southampton St. purple

Cumming Street

Cumming St. pink

east along All Saints St. 3 1/2 st. lb. poor. as map.
I down Winchester St. 2 1/2. railway & between
purple as map. messy streets. at SW. end is
Pictou Yard. 2st. very rough. like Railway St
& North Avenue - mess - chickens - farmer's table
on N side. In window on S side mangling at
1! per dozen or use of mangle at 1! per hour.
into the Caledonian Rd. here 3st. private houses.
E along Southam St. 2 1/2. fairly good. purple to pink
in map pink.

South down Southampton St. improved. 3 1/2 st. purple
all through. both ends are better than the centre.
map makes it light blue. Back again, N
to George St. - poorer than Southampton St.
2st. lb. as map. South down Cumming St.
'reckoned ~~as~~ the best streets about here
occasional servants. Police Chief Inspector lives
here. E side better than west. as pink
to purple. map marks all purple. There used
to be a wall across the N end, just N of
George St. now down.

N across Wynford Rd. to Little Cumming St. 2st
poor

Prostitutes in the Wyford Road.

William St purple

Prostitution.

Messy streets.

Children & Drunkenness.

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poor, quiet, lb. to purple, in map lb. E along Five Jew
Lake Regent terrace. 18. 2nd ho. quiet poor. fronts
well cared for. lb. as map. I don't know Marcell St
to Wyford Rd. 3½. 'many prostitutes living here
but no avowed brothels.' on S side is
Rodney place. 2nd. quiet poor. lb. as map.
I don't know Rodney St. on the west side of which is
Jays Buildings. is a new. stables on N side
only with owners living over. is a cabyard.
lb. to purple. in map lb.
E along Wyford Rd. past William St. 2½ -
lb. to purple. in map lb.

General Remarks.

The roughest bits in this walk are Railway St & Picton
yard. both small. Prostitution in & about Wyford Rd.
As to the profession, Zenthor thought that women took
to it not for pleasure but because of indolence. 'It is easier
than hard work' he said.

Note the messiness of the streets in this walk - bread-tins -
papers etc lying about. Little credit to the Islington Vestry.
Many cabyards, cabmen & railway men.

Zenthor had never seen a child under 15 drunk, & that only once
He said his own job to fetch beer.

Superintendent Hammond.
G. or Fairbury Division

Lieut. Col. Mansell. Chief constable

Drink

July 1.

Dist 4

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NO 2 G.H.D.

Talk with Superintendent W. Hammond of the G. or Fairbury Division with whom was Colonel Mansell Chief Constable of Number 2 District (comprising D.E.F.G.S.X.Y Divisions)

Supt. Hammond is a tall hairy scotch looking man red hair, beard, eyebrows - about 50-55 years old - speaks with great caution -

Lt. Colonel Mansell middle height, solidly, older, reddish moustache -

Both very anxious to do all in their power to help & to put the best men at Mr. Booth's disposal -

As to drink. The impression of both Col. Mansell & Mr. Hammond is that it is increasing amongst women & decreasing amongst men. In neither case said Mr. Hammond was the increase or decrease so marked as to attract his special attention. But it was sufficient to give

Drink & children.

Effect of prohibition

Dead-letter laws

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give him the general impression stated above. Drunkenness amongst children is very rare, 'very rare indeed, most exceptional'. There is a sense of fatherhood or motherhood among ^{all} drunken parents even the most drunken that prevents their giving their children drink. 'Young people don't get drunk naturally' - Very rare that they ever do so under 15 years of age & then only at holiday times - when they think it the manly thing to do.

If children were prohibited from fetching beer it w^d not mean that they did not go into the public house. He does not think they come to any harm by it. 'Publicans really are careful about children'. He will not say that they don't occasionally serve children who are under ^{at the present} 13. He is sure they do. 'It is one of those laws that sound very well on paper but are practically a dead letter because they are impossible to enforce: policemen cannot ^{always}

Good times + drink

Gambling

Brothels

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always be in a public house to see that young people are not served. Disregard of the law leads to no serious harm. He thinks a law prohibiting children from fetching beer wd. also be disregarded.

Excess of drink is found more in good times than in bad. The fact is men don't know how to spend properly more than a certain amount of money. If they get more they spend it in drink or gambling. No doubt about gambling being on the increase. Does not see how it can be stopped. About 6 clubs in the district each with tape machines. You shut one up & it breaks out again in the same or in another place. Many cabmen taken in the Clermont Club. All he expects to do in this case is to prevent the same men from carrying it on. Same way with brothels. Thinks it almost better to know where they are than to shut one up & then be uncertain as to its whereabouts until it is firmly established in another place. Col.

Monroe

Exconvicts & the police

Notting Dale

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Russell has had many talks with Bishop Barry on the subject & confesses himself fairly beaten as how to deal with it. "By law the initiative lies with the Vestry & not with the police." As to exconvicts - There is nothing in their complaints though he thinks that to enquire whether they are really at the addresses they give as often as every 3 months is a little hard on them - This is done only on receipt of any order from the Chief Office but it comes pretty regularly once in 3 months.

Col Russell suggested I shd see a Mr Morgan whom he considers one of the most experienced detectives in London - He is at Kings X police station & I arranged to meet him.

Col Russell asked if I knew the X Division - "There at Notting Dale you will find what I think a more vicious & degraded class than any ~~at~~ you have seen, 'like Flower & Dean St' in old days'."

Detective Morgan.

Violent crime decreasing

Pistol gangs.

District 4

July 4. 98.

2 G.H.D.
Talk with Local Inspector Benjamin Morgan. Detective. attached to G Division at the police station in the King's Cross Road.

Mr. Morgan has been in the service over 16 years. He looks about 40 years of age. middle height, wiry, brown beard & hair close trimmed, bright small eyes & pleasant voice. He is head of the Detective Dept. in this division & was recommended by Col. Mansell as being one of the best men at his work in London.

Crime, he said, had been decreasing all over London in the last 10 years especially crime with violence. There has been a slight recrudescence this year which has taken the form of pistol gangs. Gangs of lads get together they insult one another's lady loves & then comes trouble. The two most notorious are the Lemon Lane & the Margaret St.

Cock-horse boys.

Ponces.

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street gangs. Each connected with the tram or omnibus companies. Wherever there is a hill & extra horses are kept waiting to pull up the vehicles you find a rough set of boys who ride the horses called 'cock-horse' boys & round them in-variably gather a set of rough lads & young women. The omnibus company ^{they} pays for 15 but at least 30 ^{will} hang round the job & take their turn in riding the horses. Now & then they go out on the warpath, armed with belts studded with sharp nails, & pistols. The two gangs mentioned above are now he hopes broken up, a girl ~~girl~~ was killed in one of their en-ounters about a month ago.

The worst sort of criminal in Mr. Morgan's opinion is the 'Ponce' or bulley who lives on robbing or employing prostitutes. Some of these are English but the worst of them are Ger-mans or Dutchmen. Frenchmen are seldom ponces & where he has found them they have

Brothels

New (?)
The Brighton Hotel is one-
at the West end of City Rd. deals
with shops on either side of it
who therefore make no complaints.

Gambling

have always been 'gentlemen' to deal with.
The question of brothels is very difficult. He
sees no way out of it except by state regu-
lation. Thinks you might save the wavers
in this way but is not sure whether the
danger & uncertainty of the present system
is not a better preventive to the novice.
He shd. say that most of the hotels in
the Euston Rd. & the Pentonville City
Road were used for immoral purposes.
You can only get at them by complaints
from householders & often householders
will not complain. Then if you do shut
one up it opens again elsewhere.
There is the same difficulty about gambling
clubs. Gambling is on the increase. As a
first measure he wd. have them all regis-
tered. He believes you can trace more crime
to gambling than to anything else. They
are more difficult of conviction than any
other form of club. Most men have a
bit on at one time or another & they
never

Forms of crime - specialties.

Half the criminals of England to be
found in Hoxton, Somerton & Clerkenwell

never will give ^{witness} ~~information~~ or help the police with information

Every form of crime is a specialty. Occasionally you get a good all-round man, a man who both picks pockets & burgles but only very occasionally. Picking pockets - Busting - Burgling, van-dragging & horse stealing are each distinct branches. A horse stealer is exclusively a horse stealer: but there are a few men who combine a little of two or 3 of the former trades. Another curious thing is that these men occupy well defined areas. Within these areas they move frequently but never outside them. For instance you never find a horse stealer who does not come either from Bow, Stratford, Tottenham, the Wardsworth Road or Wyndham Rd. Clerkenwell. It wd be within the mark to say that Hoxton, Clerkenwell & Somerton include half the criminals not of London only but of the provinces. All the best thieves come from

Van-draggers.

Christening watches.

Drift of population

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from London & they will travel any distance -
He feared I shd. have a wrong impression
of many streets if I had been through
them on a race day: "then they'd see so quiet."
Van dragging is a favourite amusement in
Whitechapel & Bethnal Green. A good man
knows by the shape of the package what
it contains & whether or no it is worth taking.
Things are promptly taken to receivers who
as promptly ship them off to Hamburg or
Antwerp & all trace is lost. He spoke of
the art of 'receiving or fencing' ie so to mix
things with one another that none c'd
identify the whole.

The 'rechristening' of stolen watches is a
distinct trade in Clerkenwell - ie other faces
with other names are put on them &
then they are offered for sale.

As to the drift of population caused by
demolition & removal - he thought the
Nile Street inhabitants had moved to
Walthamston & Tottenham while it was
there

Life of a Detective

those from Seven Dials & Lisson Grove
who had gone to Notting Dale.
'The rough working class have moved out,
the skilled criminal remains.'
As to the life of a detective. He himself began
as an ordinary constable, he had some ^{special} ~~interest~~
as a plain clothes man & then was taken
into the detective department. He thinks
that every man shd have experience of
discipline first & then take up detective
work later. The complete freedom of a
detective is too much for some men if
they get it all at once.
There are great temptations & very little possible
check so that a detective shd be something
beyond a good discoverer of crime. He admitted
abuses but said it was very rare now that
detectives got up imaginary burglaries etc
to gain kudos for themselves. 'But it was
done & is still done sometimes.' 'But it's a
very dangerous game & pay is good & so are
conditions so that 'it really does not pay' to do

Police & publicans.

Police & working classes.

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do so. He thinks the police force was never so efficient or composed as a whole of such a good lot of men as at present. 'Just consider the power a policeman has & how little he abuses it'. At first he said he thought that little or no money was taken by ^{the} police from publicans. 'At times I have tried to find out about it from inspectors or constables, but they think I have been told by the Superintendent to find out on the sly' & they shut up at once.

I said I thought it was pretty general though none wd admit it, that it cd not be stopped & that within present limits it did not do much harm. Then he admitted it & agreed with 'but it wd be better if they took nothing'.

Relations of police with working classes is friendly; friendly also with criminals 'if you take them fair & square'. 'They know it's your business to take them & don't blame you for it' but 'it's dangerous to take them in what they call an underhand manner'.

Copper

Informers.

Copper's necks or copper's noses ie informers are plentiful but you must be careful how you use them.

He was a teetotaler but is now a moderate drinker. Almost forced to be by the custom of 'having a drink'. Say a tradesman helps you, you can't give him a shilling, you must say 'what'll you have' & go to the public house & drink.

Drunkenness & police.

Very little drunkenness now among the police. It has become too dangerous either to offer or accept drinks from publicans. The class of men put into public houses as managers by Companies is better than there used to be under the untied system. Managers can be moved from one house to another & are not so strictly bound by local tradition as their predecessors.

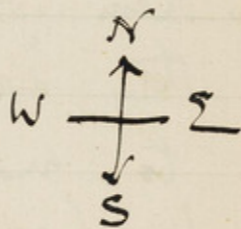
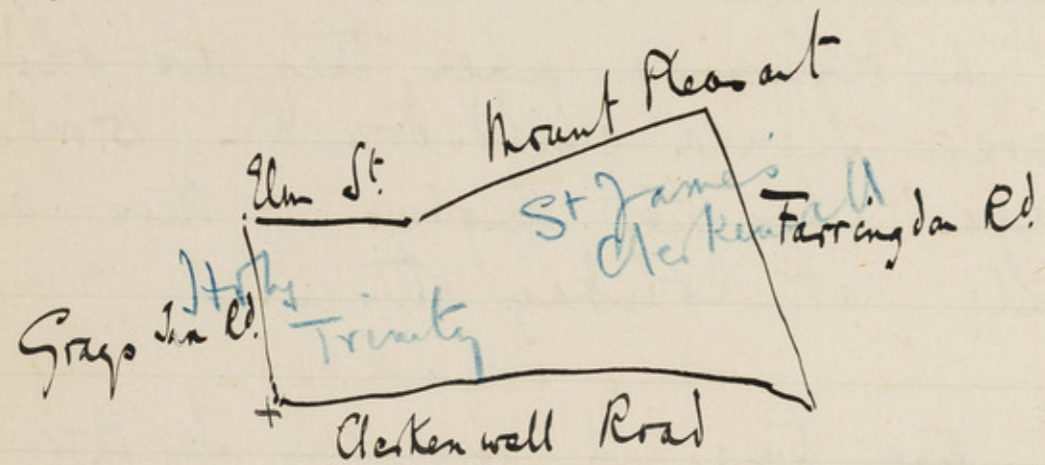
Children & beer

As to children fetching beer, he thinks it does as harm to the class of the working classes it is with the class above ie sons & daughters of clerks or men with comfortable homes that

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that there may be harm. He will never let his own
children go & thinks that if you can ~~keep~~^{prevent}
them from ever entering a public house when
they are young you will make them dislike
to make a beginning when they are older.
He has never seen a child drunk - 15 or 16
as the ages when it begins & then only
occasionally at holiday times.

Very glad at any time to give any further in-
formation in his power.

District covered.



The above to show in
map as far as the Holm
workhouse remains -

Gray's Inn Road Buildings pk 6⁷ : pk in Elm St.

Elm Street

Little Gray's Inn Lane purple

July 7th

Dist IV (12) S.H.D.

Walk with Constable J. Dampier of the E
or Holborn Police Division & of the Gray's
Inn Rd subdivision, round district bounded
on the North by Elm St & Mount Pleasant
on the East by the Farringdon Road, on
the South by the Clerkenwell Road & on the
West by the Gray's Inn Road - being
part of the parishes of Holy Trinity
Gray's Inn Road & St James' Clerkenwell.

Starting at the junction of the Gray's Inn Rd.
the Clerkenwell Road. Along the Gray's Inn
Rd. on the East side are Clovelly Mansions
5 1/2 st. well to do. many actresses & some
'kept' women. East from Elm St. more 5 1/2
st. Buildings - respectable. clerks & married
tradespeople - pink
South part Little Gray's Inn Lane houses on
E side only - 3rd. shops underneath shut.

Warner St.

Pool's Buildings - lb

(Warner St W. of Rosebery Avenue - gone)

Bath Court - db

Rosebery Avenue

Rosebery Avenue - pk

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because they don't pay purple to lb. in map
pink. up Haystack St. 3rd. better than fore-
going - cobble paved. purple as map. B! School on E side
into Rosebery Avenue. 'Buildings' on both
sides. 4 st. respectable. quiet. pink as map.
let out in flats at 12/- to 15/- per wk.

N up Mount Pleasant on the E side are Pool's
Bldgs. not coloured in map. 2st. + attic. four
houses only. windows & blinds bad but quiet
& poor. shd be lb. to Warner Street.

None now living west of Rosebery Avenue so
that the oblined black, on either side of the
st. disappears. the N comes, at the Mt Pleasant
End is coming down.

S.E. down Warner St. Bath Ct. is on the N side,
just past Rosebery Avenue. cabinet-makers,
~~the~~ Italian organ-grinders, bread & cradles in the
street - poor - lb. not ~~marked~~ ^{coloured} in map. leading to
Coldbath Green. 3½ + attic on N side. 'Building'
on South. working-class. purple. as map.

N up Rosebery Avenue. on the West side are
Bennet's & Bideford mansions. 7 storied. shops
under

Bakers Row.

Mount Pleasant lb b²

thieves.

Bakers Row - db b^d

Bath Row - db

Crawford's Passage { SW side N end db
SE - lb

Rest of block of Buildings purple

Kemp's Place - db

undereath - pk barred - some servant kept. better than Clovelly mansions in the frogs In R'd. Map Mount Pleasant. from Wames St northwards the East side is shortly to come down. Those that inhabit there was an Italian & thieves (both English & Italian) poor. character lb barred black. in map purple

Into Farringdon Rd. turning west at Bakers Row few warehouses on SE. side. 300 + attic houses on NW. windows dirty. broad about. thieves. very rough. worse than Wames St. db. barred rather than lb of map. Bath Row on the N side is better. very quiet. lb. rather than purple of map.

Crawford's Place on south side 300 houses on west side only. English thieves - all doors open. messy. db lined: at the SW. end. are factories (db in map) while the east side makes the back of corporation Bldgs which front on the Farringdon Road. Brewers men living here - poor but better than Laytall St. purple.

Out of the West side of Bakers Row south of Bath Row are Kemp's Place. Italians. rent

Courts off Baker's Row.

Caroline Place - db

Providence Place - db

No. 10. Little Saffron Hill. licensed to
sell wine in bottles 'off' is not counted.
It is not a grocery shop: only a dealer

Little Saffron Hill

Little Saffron Hill - houses on W. lb

rent of two rooms & a kitchen 5/6. - great mess.
dirty children. habitation of an ice-cream parlor.
South of it is Caroline Place. - 2 r here 5/6. enters
barrows - coloured boards. ice-cream pail. choking
the court. wash hanging across. neither of these
courts are marked on the map - Providence Place.
on the East side of Baker's Row 10 houses. 2st.
lb - quiet poor. small unceared for fronts. not
marked in map. I to Baker St. which is
here like Baker's Row i.e. disbarred.

E along Ray St. Figgis' huge type foundry on S
side - Corporation Buildings on the north - S down
the Farringdon Rd. at the corner of the Clerk
- well Rd. behind the Public House are - the
Victoria Dwellings - in character like the
Corporation Buildings higher up -
W along Clarkenwell Rd. N down Little Saffron
Hill on the E side are the Victoria Dwellings
rougher & poorer here said Sampier though
they hardly look it. but lb rather than
purple of map - on the W side are the
Station schools. Below the Victoria Dwellings
the

The Italian quarter.

S. Peter's Terrace - lb

Back Hill - W side lb: N& pk: 38 lb.

Summers Court - db

woman today said she paid 4/6
for one room. GHD. 10.11.98

Eyre Place - db

the E side of Little Saffron Hill is all warehouses. ^{packing cases} on
the W side the two inhabited houses marked db
in map sh. be lb. 'poor but employed by the
parish'. on E side is Leicester Place. houses
on South side only. all factories. looking glass
makers - so the db of map dis appears. south
of it Saffron Hill is called St. Peter's Terrace.
3st. very quiet. children pale dirty weak eyes -
lb rather than db of map.
Into warmer St. then S up Back Hill. dwelling
houses on west side only. lb as map.
West along Summers Place. 3st. cobbles paved.
thieves - very rough. constable kicked & knocked
about here last Saturday - a 'mixed lot' -
db as map - perhaps a line of black sh.
be added. Summers Ct on the S side - smelly.
→ stifling smell of wash. 9 adults & 3 children sitting out
in the narrow court. rents. 1 room 3/9 & 5/3.
W to Eyre St. Hill 'not quite so bad as Summers Pl'
but rough. db as map. 3st. shops. on the East
side are between Summers St & Clekenwell Rd are
Eyre Pl. 2st + alt. organ grinders. not rough but very poor. men
playing

Fleet Row.

Eye Terrace - db

Eye Court db

Buildings at the west end of
Cherwell Road.

playing cards. lb to db. not marked in map. now is Eye
Terrace. 3 houses. is one two roomed house the
Italian ^{padrone} said there slept 4 upstairs & 2 down,
each paying 6s per week for the right to do so.
all men engaged in ice cream trade.

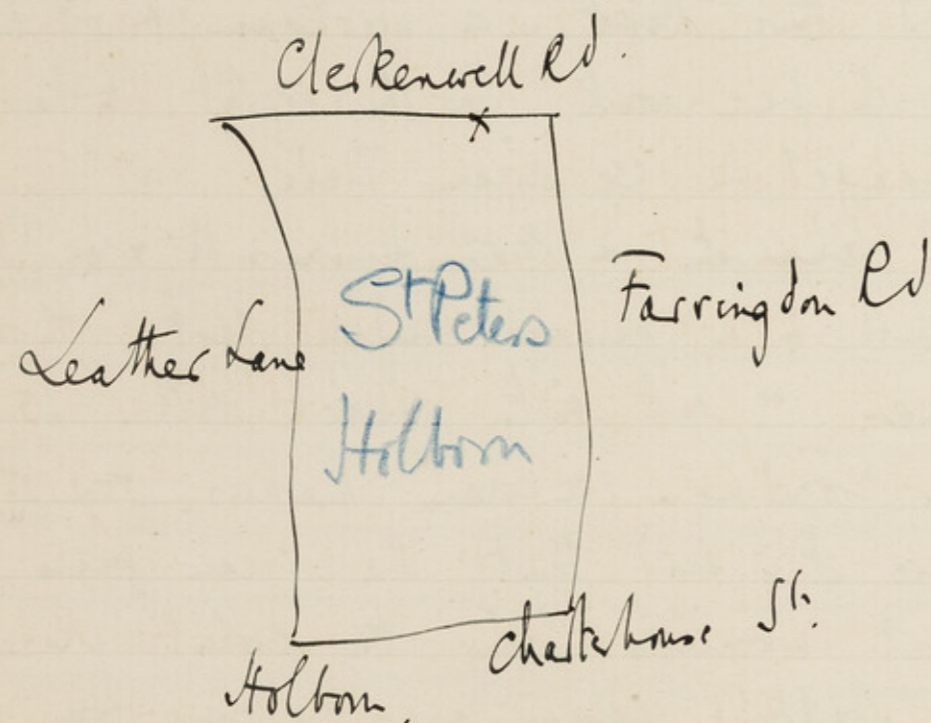
Fleet Row. behind a St of Summers Rd & on the side
of Eye St hill is a passage leading east through a
public house & out into Back Hill. 15 houses
two stories. crowding. ice cream makers. row of W.C.s on
W side. here it is said that the cream pails are
kept on hot mornings being the coolest places -
very much. 'stabbing' cases generally come from here'
pails of pea shells, children barefoot dirt, highway
of cream pails & barrels, broken eggshells, & cats.
db. to db. covered. in map. db.

On west side of Eye St Hill is Eye Court. 12 houses, 2 or
3 stories. very dirt children. ice cream sellers. db.
not shown on map.

St John Vine St. St. Andrew's Casual ward on W side. one
inhabited house on S side at West. db.

W. along Cherwell Rd. the 'Cavendish Bldgs' at the west end
are purple to pink. Pink at the junction with Roebury Av. but purple
behind. 6 st. called Gray's Inn Bldgs. ch. well booted & dressed but pale & thin.

District covered.



Hatton Y^d - lb

St Saffron Hill.

July 8. 1898.

Dist IV.

G. H. D.

Walk with Police Constable J. Dampier round district, bounded on the north by the Clerkenwell Road, on the east by the Farringdon Rd., on the south by High Holborn & on the west by Leather Lane, being part of the parish of St Peter's Saffron Hill, Holborn.

Starting at the corner of the Clerkenwell Rd and Great Saffron Hill; west along Hatton Wall. Bldg belonging to Reid's Brewery on N side - pink as map. On S side is Hatton yard stables with cotes living over, on east side only - & then only four families in the centre, very poor & very rough - windows dirty & patched. It in map pink. The west side is all factories & the backs of Hatton garden houses - marked pink barred in map. S from Hatton Wall down Great Saffron Hill all new workshops & factories on W side - quiet, working class.

Streets east of Hatton Garden.

Cross St N side - pk

a hotel.

small shops on E, purple as map. Saffron Ct on E side
all warehouses. E along Castle St no dwellings -
N up Deans St. pk in map. but now only one
house lived in on West side. the rest is schools &
factories. across Cross St down St Saffron Hill. all factories
on W side (purple in map). E side as map. into
Charles St 3 1/2 st. factories - a street of humming
scrapping & puffing. room turners. ornamental stone
cutters, engravers, steam power workshops, bicycle
makers, firearm makers etc on S side of
Charles St is Bleeding Hart yard. all factories
& warehouses. N up Kuty St. factories
wood turners & Jayell Watson & Vineys printing
factory. 'All those employed in these factories
come from a distance' said Dampier. into
Cross St. all factories exc two or so which are
lived in. S down St Saffron Hill. one house
at the S.W. end a hotel, belonging to a
man who keeps a Public house in the
country! 'Technically not more than a hotel
because those who go there must stop the
night!' W. up George Alley. to Viaduct
W.P.

Haltm Garden.

✓
Bull Inn Chambers. where?

Bull Inn Chambers - purple

Leather Lane

Buildings - quiet, retired, working class - one woman
said she paid 7/6 for kitchen, scullery & two
rooms - purple to pink in map pink.
W up Chatterhouse St. N into Edy Place.
'private property'. West down a small ^{called butyct} passage
at the back of 'Lewis Lewis' solicitors; wh
conceals a public house. to Haltm Garden
asphalt paved. Trade 'everything you c. want'
mainly dealers - character pk appeared as
as map. much dealing in diamonds & precious
stones - used to be a night patrol here, but
there is none now. Dampier thinks there still
ought to be because of the value of the property
in the houses on either side.
W along Holborn Bars - on N side are Bull Inn
Chambers. about with 18th. 4th. quiet - working
class, rather dark - purple - not coloured in
maps
N through very narrow entrance from Holborn up
Leather Lane. old fashioned houses and shops
at south end - West side as far as facade is
taken up by the extension of Prudential Assurance
Co

Prices in Leather Lane.

Bread 6^d for a 4 lb loaf

Leather Lane Buildings db l^s

who have absorbed our rebuilding the whole of what
used to be Funnels Inn. Leather Lane is a long
street market though comparatively empty at this
hour (12.20). some prices. very good cheese 3^d & 4^d
per lb. strawberries 4^d. gooseberries 2^d. Currants 2^d.
peas 6^d. good bacon 6^d & to be had for
2^d per lb. ~~meat~~ also meat scraps ^{for 3^d all} Kippen
is a pair. All mutton 2^d a pair. Robin Hood
is at the S.E. end of Leather Lane - stables -
two houses of lived in - one on N side inhabited by
a coter. & one on E. at the N.E. end of
Leather Lane just south of Hatten Wall are
Leather Lane Buildings 6^d - very rough - many
thieves - sh^d be sh lined. ^{in maps} ~~with~~ ~~map~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~area~~
across Cross St. asphalt. shops. ^{fail} wall to do - ft
as map -
to Hatten Wall. common lodging house 4^d on S side
called Rosebery Chambers. ^{with} mixed character of tenants
'a good few thieves among them' - said Sampier.

