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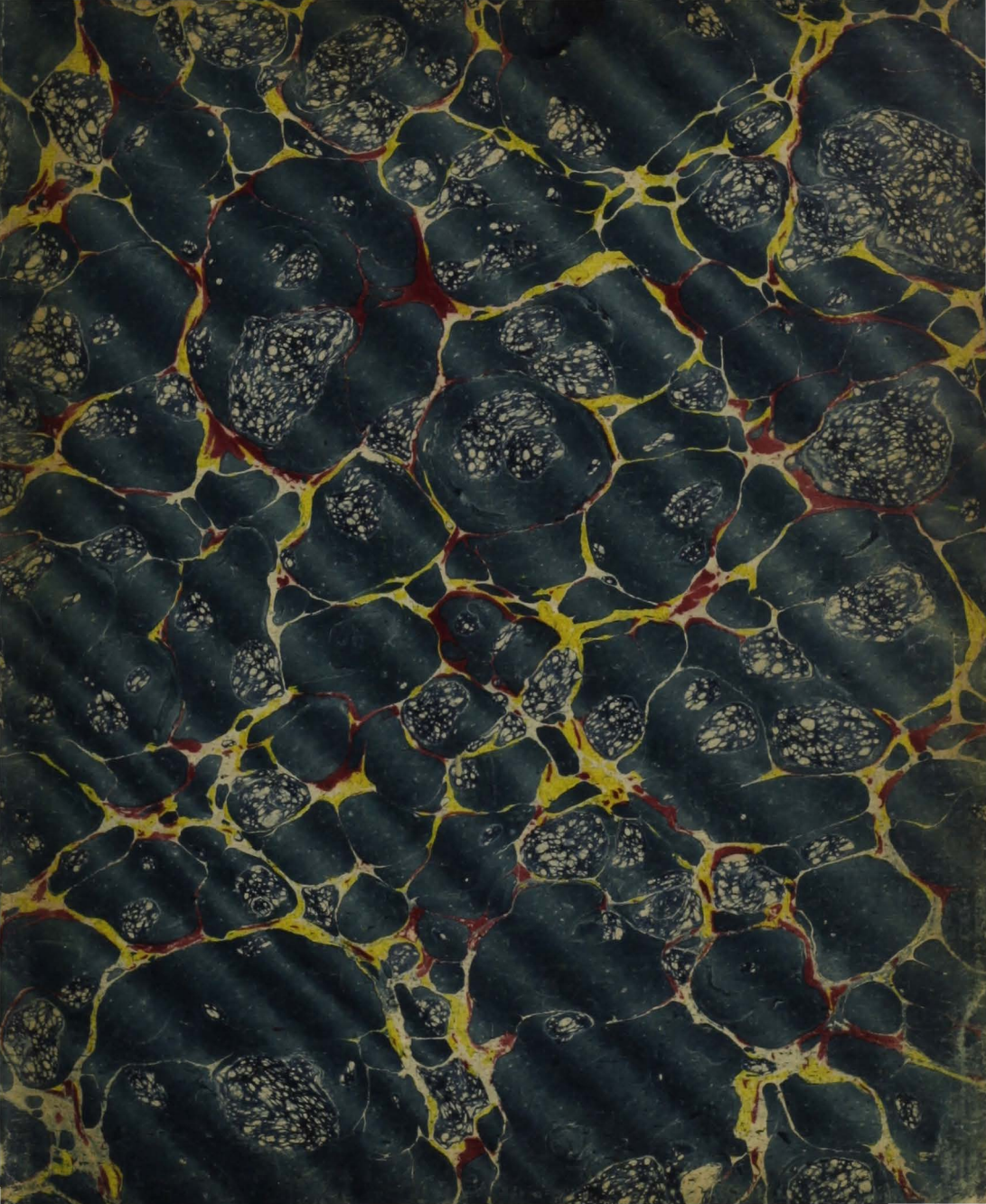
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Executive Committee
of the
Fabian Society
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to

4 Jan 1895

Executive at Office 3 March 1893. -

Present Wley (in chair), Shaw, Peace, De Mattos, Mrs. Sandham
Bland, Hammill, Oakesholt, Wallas

Absent Dell, Masingham, Griffith, Webb, Olivier, Spauling.

1. Minutes of last meeting confirmed. Minutes of Group-Secretary's meeting read.
2. New Tracts. Poor Law leaflet. 100 proofs ordered.
Eight Hours. Review by Macrote
brought up & referred to Webb.
3. Executive Attendance Roll. agreed that a note may be put
in news explaining De Mattos absence with Red Van.
4. Summer Course. Letter read from D.G. Ritchie declining
to lecture. agreed that Wley take lecture on Suffrage,
& that the General Annual Meeting be held in Essex
Hall on April 21st -
5. Hammill & Newcastle D. L. P. Draft repr of Shaw adopted
6. Proposal re Groups & Exec. Deferred till New Executive.

7. Alteration in Rules. After discussion it was agreed that decision sh^d. be deffered & the Committee be discharged. - -
8. Labour Exhibit at Agricult. Hall. Agreed that Hammill send particulars to Sec. & that he ascertain cost of a book-stall.
9. Agreed to send Hawks to Bolas for his gift of books.
10. May Day Demonstration. Preliminary Com^{ee} reported that a deputation had waited on them from the Legal Eight Hours Demonstration Com^{ee}. Hammill stated that the London Trade Council was taking the matter up, & it was agreed that Sec. write ~~it~~ to say that we are informed that the L. T. C. is taking up ~~the~~ the matter & the F. S. will leave it in their hands.
11. Agreed that Shaw draft letter to Gladstone to accompany list of M.P.'s who promised to vote for miners Eight Hours Bill.

12. Correspondence.

S. Maund, + Re Cooperative News. approved.
E. Purser re membership. Tell him we can't afford
1/- members.

F. W. Hays, suggesting Tract on Socialism. Noted.

R. Chalmers
Dr. + Mrs Cullen } Resignations. accepted.

B. Hill, asking to be excused subscription. No.

Asher + Co. offering Tract on German State Pensions
Take 50.

Chester F.S. Notifying New Society.
Moore James Re Chicago Exhibition etc.
Bacup F.S. asking lectures.
etc etc.

Sidney Webb

Executive at Office 10 March '93 at 5.30 pm.

Present Mr. Sandham, Welt (in chair), Griffith, De Mattos,
Hammill, Shaw, Sparling, Gakeshot, Bland
Pease, Olivier, Uter, Wallas

Absent. Masingham. Dell.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. New Tracts. Eight Hours. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee}.
3. May Day Demonstration Com^{ee}. Letter read stating that the L.T.C. w^d. send delegates to the Legal Eight Hours & Com^{ee}, & it was thereupon decided that Shaw, De Mattos, & Pease attend as delegates.
4. Publishing Com^{ee} reported that they had adopted Dr. Watts' amendments to Tract 19. Resolved that there be no change in the name of it. -
5. Labour Exhibition & Lit. Stall. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee}.
6. Gladstone & Muir's Eight Hours. List of Members pledged to it reported ready & handed to Shaw.

7. Chicago Exhibition. Sec. reported that foreign m^r attend. matter adjourned.

8. Accounts & balance sheet to end Feb. presented. - Resolved that outstanding bills be paid & the Country Lecture Fund be drawn upon if necessary.

9. Purge. The following members who had failed to subscribe since 1891, or to reply to three circular letters, the last intimating their expulsion at end Feb. were ordered to be removed from the list.

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| Austin Podmore | A. E. Pain | A. E. Pope |
| Wm. Partridge | C. Sielerson | J. Child |
| Dr. A. S. Kennedy | J. S. Stapleton | W. Livingston |
| T. H. Jackson | Mrs. Stapleton | W. A. Jones |
| John Hepple | G. Cummins | F. W. Swale |
| H. Hill | W. Sinclair | A. G. Hirstwood |
| W. Hill | C. Merrifield | |
| H. Sinclair | G. W. Pollard | 28 in all. |
| A. G. Wiggins | G. Shepherd | |
| Percy Greenstreet | Capn. Dimean | |
| A. S. Lake | W. Lightfoot | |

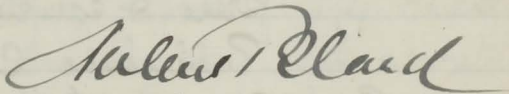
10 The following were elected members:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Miss Ellen Batten, 52 Lothian-rd., North Brixton	Amy Clifford and Edith Linnett
Miss Cecilia Clifford, 11 Fitzroy-street, W.	" "
W. J. Ellis, 63 Frampton Park-rd., Hackney	E. B. Bishop and W. Harland
F. F. Evans, Buckingham-house, Finsbury-park, N.	Edith Garland & H. Limebeer
W. G. Wort Hales, Guildford-cott., Guildford-rd., Kingston, Portsmouth	J. R. Macdonald
John C. Kenworthy, 6 St. Andrew's-road, Plaistow, P.	H. G. Wilshire and W. H. Utley
Mrs. Lorrain, 30 Anne's-grove, Bedford-park, W.	H. H. Sparling and E. McEwen
Edward Marsden, 17 Heath-avenue, Halifax	J. Arthur Worsnop
Charles Turner, 19 Cornwall-road, Stroud Green, N.	P. R. Pratt and E. R. Pease
W. J. Williams, 30 Noble-st., Leigh, Lancashire	J. Hope Allen
Alfred J. Wyatt, M.A., 5 Carlyle-road, Cambridge	H. F. Maidment

11. Guardians Comtee. Resolved that it be called with Group Sec's mtg. -
12. Proposed advt. of Tracts 14, 23, 20, & 44 approved.
13. Agreed to let the Typewriter on hire to Utley at 15/- per month.
14. De Mattos proposed ~~two~~ hour approved.
15. Correspondence
at out lamp on S.D.F. Re lectures. Write to Shaw Hammill & Steele direct. -

Correspondence (cont'd)

- Gilles re Seidel : No action.
- Mrs Barston } Resignations accepted
- W. Dyche } Resignations accepted
- Dr. Pan Jones. } Resolved that he be ~~be~~ excused
- W. S. Godfrey } Re Jersey & Lecture Tour. Wait
- Bradford F.S. } till he come to London.
- Liverpool F.S. } Re J. L. P.
- } Sending their Tract 1
- } &c.


 Dec 17-1893

Executive at Office on March 17th at 5.35 pm.

Present. Bland (in chair) Pease, Shaw, Sparling,
Mr. Sandham, Oakeshot, Wells, De Mattos
Wallas, Hammill, Griffith, Utley, Oliver.

Absent Massingham Dell.

1. Minutes of last Mtg were confirmed.

2. New Tracts. No 44 Pea Pot Law Reform.

Sec. reported 10,000 ordered + Steres. Approved.

Revisé No 29. Wallas reported sent to
press, + sample page to be prepared for
Publishing Com^{ee}.

Eight Hours Day Bill after debate + report
from Pub. Com^{ee}, decided to hold
over, + not press forward to be ready by
May 5th

Com^{ee} declined to report present a

3. Bland reported that he did ~~not~~ ~~agree~~ ~~with~~ the tract
on the Labour Party. prepared by a committee of which he
~~was a member~~. Griffith + Hammill reported that
a ~~the~~ Tract was ready, + they desired to submit
it in MS. to a meeting of the Society. —

after debate it was arranged that a members meeting should be held on April 14th: & that Griffith or Hammill sh^d: give notice of a motion proposing the printing of the tract, to be submitted after circulation of proofs to another meeting before issue.

Agreed that the tract be referred to Shaw, Gakeshott, & others previously. -

4. Eight Hours Dem^o: Com^{ee}. - De Mattos & Pease gave report. ~~Agreed that 10/- be granted for preliminary expenses.~~ Agreed that Secy send a delegate, if possible, to the meeting on ~~Friday~~ ~~with~~ Sunday next, with a watching brief. -

5. Gladstone & Eight Hours Bill for Miners. Shaw reported nothing done, & it was decided that no further action is necessary. -

6. Joint Com^{ee} of Soc^l: Societies. Shaw & others reported. Agreed that Webb be delegate in place of De Mattos, absent. Agreed to grant of 10/- for preliminary expenses. -

7. Fred Henderson. Matter debated + debate adjourned.
8. Blackpool F.S. Letter read re clause prohibiting free speech in B. Improvement Bill. Sec. ordered to send copies to each aid from newspapers & M. P. O. to the utmost.
9. Amendments to rules. It was agreed to propose amendments providing 5/- Entrance fee, providing for alteration of Basis, &c &c. And further that any amendment relating to method of election of Executive be left to individual members. -
10. De Mattos's proposal to take tea with the Liberal Secy at Barrow was adopted.
11. Resignation of Joseph Burgess was accepted with regret.
12. Sec. reported no agenda for Group Sec. Mtg. + it was resolved that it be not held.
13. Agreed to sell copies of the Natⁿ News. -

14. Sec. ordered to remind the Chancellor of Exchequer that he had not replied to our letter.

15. Correspondence.

J. Mackie given vague promising subscription, agreed to continue his membership.

Newcastle, on. T. J. L.P. Provisional repr.

T. Pennington Ashton F.S. re L.P.

re

re

Noel Griffiths

Executive at Office on Friday March 24th

Present, Griffith (in the chair) Mrs Sandham, Shaw, Cakeshott,
Peace, Sparling, Hammill, Bland, Wallas, Oliver,
Utley, Webb

Absent, Delli, Maessingham. Lecturing, De Matteo.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. The Publishing Committee reported in favour of double justification for Tract 29; adopted. —
Also on Circular re Fabian News, to the effect that most Societies recommended an enlargement of it. They recommended that each Society sh^d. receive two copies and any others at a charge of 7^d. a dozⁿ ^{two copies}. — Also that the subject of an increase of size be deferred till ~~not yet~~ the autumn. Report adopted. Thirdly that (subject to future alteration) Anarchism be a 2^d. Tract.
3. Delegates from the Joint Com^{ee} reported Manifesto adopted. Agreed that it be considered at the Private Meeting on April 14th, before the Labour Tract.
4. Fred Henderson. Sec. reported Pinciman's Resolution withdrawn.

5. Finances. Sec. reported cheques wanted £80. Bank Balances £120. Ordered to be paid. -

6. Ballot Papers. Agreed that the retiring Exec. be elected, & also that the voting be by crosses, & not crossing-out.

7. Eight Hours Demonstration. Samuel's report ~~not~~ read. Hammill reported that the L.T.C. intended to organize one itself. Agreed to write to the Executive Comtee that we cannot send delegates on this ground, to the interim Committee.

8. Easter. Sec's. proposal to close on Easter Sat. & Tues. adopted

9. Ten following were "purged", viz:-
 a. L. Leake J. Laidler a. H. Burn
 E. M. Shepherd J. H. Dew
 a. Mattison L. S. Fraser

10. Letter read from Chicago Worlds Congress accepting papers offered. Agreed that Miss Brooke be asked to write on History & Work of Society & Wallace on Bibliography

Correspondence.

Re Blackpool Imp. Bill. From Home Office, Cairne,
Buxton, Acquith, &c.

Dublin F.S. donating 10/-

Hull F.S. re additional agricultural statistics. Advice to
read current no. Economic Journal, to write Commissioners
Leland Revenue, Lewellyn Smith, & W. Fines

A. C. H. Graham, asking Quidⁿ 10000 no. 44. Refers 5%
over cost, & permit to advt. on 4th page.

De Mattos on Want of organisation at Barron
Miss Burton, Notices of Motions. Inform her she is too
late for April news.

Walthamstow F.S. Re Libel. Advise them it is waste of
time.

Hershall asking organisers & lecturers. State that
Sparling may go on May-day.

W. S. de Mattos

Execution at office on Friday, April 7th.

Present, - Webb, Br. Watts, Utley, Gakeshott, Shaw,
Olivier Wallas Hammill, Bland Pease.

Absent Bell, Massingham, Mrs Sandham.
Lecturing - Sparking.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Tract 44. Secretary announced first edition completely sold out, & that he had ordered a second edition of 5,000 copies. Approved.
3. Socialist Joint Committee. Agreed that the delegates for next Thursday be the original five.
4. Eight Hours Demonstration. Letter from the London Trades Council inviting the Fabian Society to take part with them on condition,
 - (1) That representation on the ^{numbers} Committee be proportional to

(2) That Subscriptions be proportionate to numbers.

(3) That the back debt of £52 be recognised as a liability.

Secretary reported he had attended the meeting. That a Committee of 12 was proposed; - 5 L.T.C., 4 Legal Eight Hours, 1 F.S., 1 S.D.F., 1 M.R.F., & that the General Secretary had been appointed by the L.T.C. as delegate to the Legal Eight Hours Committee on Sunday. Secretary's action approved & Secretary appointed delegates to the Society to the L.T.C. Committee

5. Draft Annual Report adopted with amendments. Oliver to complete. No census of Local Societies to be made.
6. Balance Sheet Agreed to put in Tilletts Fund.
7. Annual Meeting. Agreed that Oliver be chairman.

8. Rivets Meeting Ap. 14th. Agreed that
Atley be chairman, and Shaw
introduce the Joint Socialist
Manifesto.

9. Southern Group. Secretary authorized to
call a meeting of members.

10. Correspondence.

Miss Forster on a Fabian Lecturer in
America, & "fair American."

H. A. Mercer re Shop Hours Bill
prosecutions. Reply that S.L.C.
prosecutes for London, and, so far
as known, the Common Informer
elsewhere.

Bradford F.S. asking re Corporation
land. Tell them to send exact
details.

Bradford Labour Club, asking grant
of tracts. Refuse, but offer to
sell at 8 1/2

Birkenhead F.S. asking grant - declined

and suggest open air meetings.

Blackburn F. S. announcing dissolution.
notify in "news".

William Partridge asking for reinstatement
agreed.

Sir William Harcourt replying to letter
noted.

H. Halliday Sparling
Chair, 14. 4. 93.

(10)

Executive at Office on Tuesday 14th April 1893. -

Present Sparling (in chair), Shaw, De Mattos, Wley, Galesworth,
Mr Sandham, Olivier, Griffith, Wallas Webb Pease
Absent. Bell, Massingham, Hammill, Bland.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Socialist Joint Committee. Delegates reported that the Draft Manifesto had been finally approved & awaited confirmation of the Societies. Agreed that Pease sign it as Secretary, & five others as the delegation.
3. Eight Hours Demⁿ. Pease reported his action as delegate: that the Society w^d have a platform: that he c^d not attend on Tuesday next. Agreed that Hammill be asked to be delegate: and list of speakers adopted. Webb to be chairman.
4. ~~Tea following~~ Vestry Election. Agreed that Olivier & Pease prepare draft ~~and~~ leaflet, that a circular be issued to the Groups urging them to activity & to report progress. -

5. Election of members. The following were elected, S. D. Shallard being ~~ordered~~ ordered to stand over sine die

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Miss Edith Julia Bain, 96, Guilford-street, Russell-square ...	H. W. Massingham and H. W. Macrosty.
William Baxter, Fordingbridge, Hants ...	General Secretary.
Mrs. E. Garnett, 24 John-street, Bedford-row ...	E. D. Hartley & Margaret Hartley [Morgan-Browne]
Miss Mary Hargrave, 4 Endsleigh-street, W.C. ...	Eleanor W. Allen and L. E.
George Edward Meek, 64 Cavendish-place, Eastbourne ...	General Secretary.
Henry Stewart Penny, 155 Hubert's-grove, Stockwell ...	F. V. Conolly and F. K. Ritchie.
<u>Sidney Dillon Shallard, 162 Lambeth-road ...</u>	<u>E. R. Pease & W. S. de Mattos.</u>
Mrs. Beatrice Webb, 10 Netherhall-Gardens, Hampstead ...	Sidney Webb & Graham Wallas
Archibald J. White, 5 The Crescent, near King's-street, Leicester ...	Frank W. Galton.

6 Southern Group. Sec. stated that he c? get no reply from Group Sec. about re-organisation. Ordered to go ahead. -

7. Sec. announced Town projected for Sparling & Park.

8. Hull Dock Strike. Decided not to propose a fund.

9. Local Societies & Literature. Sec. presented account of amounts paid for Tracts by Local Societies during year. ~~Shaw agreed to deal with matter.~~ Referred to Publishing Committee

10. Correspondence.

Dulkeinfeld - F.S. forming.
Henshall, re collapse of locals & want of an
organiser: re also his retirement.

~~Sodipate Jos.~~

Southampton F.S. asking lecture

Jarrow "
G. H. Owen "Waked Truth" lecturer asking to be
employed - Reported cracked. —

J. F. Oakes to B.

Executive at Office 21st April 1893. -

Present Oakeshott (in chair) Bland, Hammill,
De Mattos, Olivier Pease W^o: Sandham, Shaw-
Sparling, Webb, Wallis Utley.
Absent Dell, Masingham Griffith

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Olivier reported for Socialist Joint Com^{ee}. Agreed to
take 2000 Manifesto at Trade Price, & 5000 if there
be a material reduction.
3. Eight Hours Demonstration. Hammill reported that
he had informed the Com^{ee} our contribution w^o probably be
£5. & that we w^o undertake to provide platform guards for
the whole lot of platforms. Agreed that Sec. write the
Com^{ee} that we will contribute pro rata but if there be
a deficit, we will probably pay up to £5. - Further
that Pease be delegate. - It was also agreed to
write to the Hammersmith Socialist Society asking them to
send two speakers who sh^d also be Fabians to our
platform in the Park. -

4. Vestry Elections. Olivier reported tract not ready. agreed that he prepare it for next year with Wallas.

5. Agreed that Chairman move adoption of report & balance sheet, that Gen. Sec. introduce alterations to rules. - Further that Chas. Turner's suggested vote of urgency be opposed.

6. Letter re Stormthwaite Mills & Fabianism to Kendal Mercury, drafted by Shaw & Olivier was read & ordered to be sent. also copies to Sundaer Chronicle, Clarion & Workmans Times.

7. Publishing Comtee reported in hand proposed ^{scheme for} local editions of Tract 5. - Further that Tract 29 was in proof. that Wallas was appointed to take charge, & that a circular asking for advt. was about to be issued. also that they had declined to advertise in the Christian Worker.

8. Correspondence:-

W. F. Heal sending 1/- & resignation. accept both.

Mrs Webb declining to speak at 8 Hours Demⁿ

Buxton, Caine, & Asquith, thanking us for puff in "News"
Fairweather, re Sittingbourne Guardians. apply to Alfred Ball.

Correspondence (cont'd)

Kenworthy, re Country Tour for Morrison Davidsons. Send
list of local Fabian Societies.

Clifton + Bristol F.S. re failure of work & asking autumn
lectures. Send encouraging reply.

Ashton F.S. re probable reconstruction of Society.

Wolverhampton F.S. asking tractor 7 May - send
T. H. Muggidge.

South Australia F.S. Gloung report & donation.

Edham F.S. re Mining Royalties.

Liverpool F.S. papers.

Miss Skerritt. re Zurich Conference. Say we will send
if we can get cash.

W. Scudamore, Report from New York.

Webb, suggesting grant to Ghent Corp. Society
Send Bound Tracts &c.

D. Gosting, grant of 100 Tracts. Sell at 1^d.

W. Clarke, Journey to America.

By Bernard Shaw
28/4/93.

New Executive Committee

elected

21 April 1893.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:
1893-1894.

HUBERT BLAND.	JOS. F. OAKESHOTT.	GEORGE STANDRING.
MISS EMMA BROOKE.	SYDNEY OLIVIER.	W. H. UTLEY.
MISS MARY CAMERON.	EDWARD R. PEASE.	GRAHAM WALLAS.
FRED HAMMILL.	G. BERNARD SHAW.	SIDNEY WEBB.
W. S. DE MATTOS.	HALLIDAY SPARLING.	ERNEST E. WILLIAMS.

HON. TREASURER:
HUBERT BLAND.

GENERAL SECRETARY:
EDWARD R. PEASE.

Executive Committee at 276 Strand Friday 28 April 1893.

Present Shaw (in chair) Miss Brooke, De Mattos, Williams
Olivier, Miss Cameron, Utley, Sparking, Peace
Oakeshott, Wallas, Bland.

Absent Standring (printing News) Webb, Hammill.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Socialist Joint Committee. Utley reported that 5000 of 1st Edition wd be printed, & that 1000 c? be delivered on Wed. - Final proof wd be ready on Sat.
3. Eight-Hour Demonstration: - Sec. reported that he had arranged with De Mattos to take his place as delegate. ~~Sec~~ De Mattos reported proceedings at Com^{ee}, & was appointed for next delegate. Agreed to grant up to 10/- for expenses. Agreed to decorate as before with evergreens, & that Miss Burton Miss Newcombe, Miss Friend, & Miss Hargrave be asked to assist. Miss Brooke, & Miss Wooten to be asked to send evergreens.
4. International Labour Congress at Zurich. Agreed to put a par. in the News suggesting donations towards delegate expenses of £10.

4. Eight Hours Demonstration. Agreed to send 20/- to the L. T. C. Com^{ee} on account of grant. -

5. Agreed that Executive continue to meet as before & that the rotatory chairmanship continue. -

6. Moved by W. S. de Mattos, seconded by H. H. Sparling & unanimously adopted: That the resolution (Minute No 6) passed on 3rd October 1892 respecting the banking account, be, & hereby is, confirmed.

7. Publishing Committee. Agreed that Sparling, Olivier, Standring, Shaw, & Peace be reappointed as the publishing Committee.

8. Publishing Committee report was adopted as follows:-
Stockport F.S. Grant of £ 500 Tract 27 & 100. ~~£~~ No 37 for Pickethall's contest

9. Advs. in Tract 29. Letters from Putnam on advs, & from Methuen offering £ 1.5/- for a page. Ordered to decline the latter.

10. Report made that Wilshire had offered no Pirated Humbolt

Press works for sale at a profit. Ordered to decline offer.

11. Proposed tract on Socialism + Electoral Policy. -
After debate referred back to publishing Committee with suggestion that a leaflet on the Perfidy of the Government be prepared.
12. Agreed to ask Verinder to ~~not~~ address a private meeting of the Society in June on the methods of the R. L. R. L. & their work in agricultural districts.
13. Standing order re Delegates from Groups.
Agreed that Wallas bring draft to next Exec. -
14. Aged Poor Comⁿ. Secy reported that Mr Alfred Ball of the L. C. B. had informed him that evidence was wanted from the Progressive side; Agreed that Harold Cox & Miss Augusta Brown be invited to give evidence, & Dr. Parr, & J.W. Helphs be sounded on the subject.
15. Southern Group. Sec. reported that W. Edwin was willing to be Secretary & that a Nitig w^d be called.

16 Annual Report. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} to ~~for~~ make verbal amendments & see through the Press

17. Veety Elections. It was resolved to issue a manifesto for publication in newspapers &c. Foulger, Fenton, Turner, & Webb were appointed a Com^{ee} with Pease to prepare manifesto & submit to publishing Com^{ee} -

18. Offer of Webb of papers for Chicago Congress. Referred to publishing Committee.

19. Correspondence Classes. Agreed to tell Ritchie & Wallas that as so few answers were sent in they ~~can~~ had better stop work. -

20 Correspondence.

- Ashton F.S. announcing reconstruction.
- Nottingham F.S. a request for Publ: Cand. adjourned.
- Sowerby Bridge F.S. reporting progress.
- Edinburgh F.S. on Miss Conway & handing prof Manifesto.
- Middleton F.S. re heresies of Major Edwards.
- H. Barnard asking opinion on registration of Titles for Land.
Reply we think it w^d give no letter title.

20. Correspondence (contd)

Central Finebury R.C. Corresp. with Morgan Brown
Hines, asking re Miss Macmillan. Agreed to pay expenses
Mrs. Pitz re Hull Strike. Say we can't authorise collection
Canon Shuttleworth refusing to speak at Labour Day Dem.
A. J. Marriott, asking Secretary for Progressive Assocn
W. Partridge asking re Histon Goldsmiths Coy.
~~E. H. Davies~~ asking Refer to Barron & Rev. Jephson
E. H. Davies asking standard work on Wealth Statistics
answers Mulhall.

E. T. Marriott Resignation. Accepted.

Wells offering gift of Coopⁿ & Trade Unionism
to be sent to members. Accepted.

H. Halliday Spurling
Chair 5/5/93

Executive at Office 5 May '93.

Present Sparling (in chair) Shaw, Pease, De Mattos, Olivier
Miss Brooke, Hammill, Well, Wallas, Standing
Williams, Utter.

Absent. Bland, Miss Cameron, Oakeshott.

- 1 The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Joint Socialist Com^{ee}. Utter reported that the chief incident was an objection to additional signatures to Manifesto made by Council of S. D. F. - Agreed that our delegates back the Com^{ee}, but do not press unduly for additional signatures.
3. Eight Hours Demonstration. Sec. reported that Bulloch, & Munciey had been appointed H.S.S. delegates. ~~Agreed~~ De Mattos reported Com^{ee}, & handed to Society 5/- fees of Committeemen.
- 4 Group Delegates Standing Order. Wallas reported not ready. Agreed to take at Group Sec. Mtg.
5. Sec. reported Mr. Stanton Blatch going to Chicago. No action.

6. West Nottingham, (adjourned debate) Agreed to write that we will bear in mind to get candidate if we can.

7. Publishing Com^{ee}. Oliver read minutes of last meeting.
Tract on Electoral Policy. Agreed that it be discussed at Group Sec. Mtg on Friday, Shaw to open.
Well's Chicago Papers. Agreed to type & send to H. D. Lloyd.
Revise No. 29. Revise handed to Standing.
Teetey Elections Manifesto. Shaw reported forgotten.
Tract 1. Order for 5000 approved.
Tract 10. 10000 in stock. Referred to Group Sec. Mtg.
Tract 5. Op. - Amendments referred to Well to report upon to Pub. Com^{ee}.

8. Aged Poor Com^{ee}. Letters from Well & Miss A. Browne read. Also from Mr. Albert Ball (L. G. B.). Sec. reported that Mrs. Stanton Blatch is willing to go. Agreed to write Ball that the witnesses suggested are not presenting a case on behalf of the F.S. —

9. Sparling reported on his tour in Lanc. & Cheshire &c. Agreed to make up an hotel guide with aid from Smart. Agreed to put a par in news re operair

meetings, and to prepare draft form for use of lecturers on tour. Last referred to publishing Committee.

10. Correspondence

Northampton. New F.S. - Shaw agreed to lecture.
Jarrow F.S. Report.
Stockport F.S. Report of Pickethall's failure
British Museum. Asking Tracts. Send set, but state that they are sent already.

Maziere Irvine, Reporting expected return to England
J.L.P. asking affiliation Fees. Write presume sent in error.
E.C. Sayers protesting against N.L.C. Com^{ee} Election circular.
Write not sent by order of Com^{ee} -

Resignations
Hires

E. W. Bookley & Miss Burrows. Accept. suggested lectures at Oxford.

Parisian Economic Progressive Society. Asking Exchange Tracts approved.

A. W. Carlisle on a young lady. Noted.
W. Slingsby Godfrey, Offering to lecture. Decline.

11. Suggested pact on Mining Royalties Com^m, referred to Publishing Committee.

W. H. Ukey

Executive at Office 12th May '93

Present, Utey (chair) Williams, Pease, Sparling, Shaw,
Blonds, Miss Brooke, De Mattos, Standing,
Webb, Hammill Oliver Wallas.
absent. Miss Cameron Oakeshott.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report approved viz: inter alia,
advertisement of manifests on our Tracts.
Printing of 16 pp. report, + separate slip of local F.S.o.
3. Tract on Mining Royalties. Utey was appointed to
report on Blue Books. -
4. Publishing Com^{ee} Miss Brooke was appointed a member.
5. Accounts to 30 April were presented + adopted.
6. Secy reported \pounds 3.17.5 received for Tracts sold
at demonstration of wh. about \pounds 2.17.2 was for manifests.
7. Agreed that the Secy prepare scheme of distribution.

of Mrs. Webb's Paper on Coopⁿ + T. Minimum, & that the
Pub. Com^{ee} consider its republication as a Tract.

8. "Standing Order" on Group Delegation. Wallas reported
it was not prepared & it was agreed that the
matter be not discussed at the Group Sec. Mtg
this evening.

9. Sec. reported the Southern Group re-constituted
with W. Edwin as Secretary. Also the
resignation of the Poplar Group Sec. A.C.H. Graham
& election in his place of W. Godfrey.

10. Open-air Lectures. Agreed that Shaw,
De Mattos & Williams be a committee
to prepare scheme for this, & that it be discussed
at the Group Secretary's Meeting tonight.

11. Private Meeting. Sec. reported that Verinder accepts
invitation for June 9th. Agreed to hold
it at Barnardo's Lun.

12. Miners Eight Hours Bill. Sec. reported that he

had list of M. P.'s who sh^d. have voted for
the measure & did not. Agreed that he get
it completed with "Paris", & that a circular be
prepared to send to 1. The members themselves.
2. To the local F.S. or other correspondent.
3. To the local Paper. -

13. Correspondence.

Calagou Junr. Liberal Club, asking Tracts. Send a few.
W.S. M. Knight, re Horfield F.S. &c.
John Howden sending sub^s of £25.
Edinburgh F.S. sending eight hours Leaflet.
W.S. Godfrey renewing offer to lecture. Refuse.

14. ~~Letter~~ J. F. Runciman. Letter to Secretary Read.
Reply drafted & approved, & ordered to be signed
by W. H. Wile as chairman, demanding apology,
failing wh. action w^d. be taken affecting his
membership.

15. Letter to Webb from Prof. T. S. Will read. Agreed to
send parcel of Tracts. -
W. S. de Mattos

Group Secretarys Meeting at Office # 12 Mar. 93.

Present. Sparling (in chair) Miss Brooke, Shaw, Pease.

Groups	Central.	Mrs Fagan
	S.W.	F. Wheeler
	S.E.	—
	S.	T. Runciman
	N.W.	Miss Bllecher
	N.	—
	W.M.C.	W. Edwin
	Hampstead	Mrs Pritz
	Hackney	—
	Hammersmith	T. Bolas & Mrs Dell
	Poplar	—
	Croydon.	J. W. Straughan

1. Minutes of 24 Feb. were confirmed.
2. Sec. reported that the Standing Order on Group Delegation was not yet drafted & subject was deferred.
3. Shaw opened a Discussion on the Electoral.

Policy which was followed by a discussion,
& no decision was come to.

4. Tract 10. Agreed that each Group see, take copies,
& recommend to his group. -
5. London Book-Box. F. Whelen took it for the
S. W. Group.
6. Vestry Elections discussed. J. W. Stangham reported
the election, by show of hands only, of Mrs. H. E. Williams.
The poll was not yet decided.
7. Open-air meetings. In the absence of De Matos
no decision was come to.

Peter Pringle Pratt

Chairman 20 Oct '93

Executive at office 19th May at 5.30 pm.

Present. De Mattos (in chair) Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Peace, Olivier, Standing, Shaw, Sparking Wallis Wley

Absent. Gabeeshott, Webb, Bland, Hammill, Williams.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed & of the Group Sec. meeting were read.
2. Olivier reported on proceedings of ~~Lab~~ Publishing Com^{ce} as per minute book. In respect of French Congress Reports, it was agreed that Standing bind them & make a proper charge therefor.
3. Wley reported that he had read ~~and~~ Report on Mining Royalties & it was agreed that he draft a scheme of a tract thereon, wh. may form one of our private lectures.
4. Standing Order on Group Delegates. Wallis reported he considered himself discharged. agreed that he be reappointed to draft proposal.
5. Smoking at Executive. Agreed that it cease.

6. Scheme of Executive Representation on Groups. Secretary brought forward scheme as approved by the Group Sec. Mtg. After prolonged debate, it was resolved after a division to proceed to the next business.

7. The following candidates were elected members, except E. J. K. Mantz whose seconder could not vouch for his socialism. Sec. ordered to write to Bartlett asking if he is sure that Mantz will make a useful member, ~~that~~ is a good socialist, + in that case requesting him to get another seconder: -

Miss Helen Chisholm, 82 Regent's Park-road, N.W.	Edith Bell and Alys W. P. Smith
Joseph Clayton, 21 Ascot-avenue, Pontefract-lane, Leeds	Percy Dearmer and W. A. Morris
J. S. Fletcher, 9 Westfield-crescent, Bradford	Benjamin Wilson
<u>E. J. K. Mantz, 71 Rahere-street, Goswell-road, E.C.</u>	<u>W. W. Bartlett and G. Patterson</u>
Thos. Pennington, 188 Margaret-street, Ashton-under-Lyne	General Secretary
Mrs. May Sparling, 8 Hammer-smith-terrace, W.	H. H. Sparling and S. M. Allen

+ Not elected - X

8. Newcastle I.L.P. + Hammill's Candidature. Reply read from I.L.P. + Letter from N.C. F.S. - Agreed in Hammill's absence to adjourn to next week.

9. S.S. Group. Letter read from Griffith resigning his post of group Sec. Gen. Sec. ordered to get successor.

- 10. N. W. Group. Letter read from Sec. 7 handing resolutions of Group against issuing a tract on Electoral Policy, + suggesting that a woman be sometimes chosen chairman for the Lectures. Agreed that the letter be courteously acknowledged.
- 11. Letter read from Mr. Albert Ball pointing out that it w^d. be better if our Witnesses for the Aged Poor Commission were official representatives. Reply ordered that one suggested these names because Mr. Ball stated evidence was wanted.
- 12. J. F. Purniman - Letters read, one of which contained a full apology. Agreed that it be accepted.
- 13. Open-air Lectures in Parks. Report of De Mattos, proposing that Groups sh^d. undertake to arrange lectures in Hyde, Regents, Victoria, & Finsbury Parks was approved, & Sec. 7 instructed to act hereon.
- 14. Country Open-air Tours. De Mattos proposed report on same, & himself with Wley & Gen. Sec. a Com^{ee} to arrange same + report.
- 15. National Workmen's Exhibⁿ at Agricultural Hall. Agreed to

obtain information re lectures, debates etc. -

16 Correspondence :-

Glasgow F.S. re Socialist Rambling Club

S. L. R. L. ask: quotations for Tract 19. Ref: to Pub. Com^a

R. Russell on methods of election

H. Hutchinson, etc etc.

W. S. de Mattos

Executive at office 26 Mar 1893

Present De Mattos, in chair, Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron,
Sparling, Williams, Shaw, Gakesholt, Pense, Olivier,
Wter, Hammill, Wallas
Absent: Webb, Bland, Standing. -

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Tract on Mining Royalties. Utley reported not ready.
3. Standing order, Group. Delegation. Wallas reported not ready.
4. Hammill & Newcastle. Letters read from J.L.P. & F.S. Hammill stated that he should not in any case accept money from H.H. Champion. Agreed that Sec. write J.L.P. to this effect, & add that the present Ex. Com^{ee} confirms passage in former letter re giving Hammill all help in their power. Also that he write W/C F.S. that the Exec. will be glad to sign ~~and~~ a memorial of supporters, but they must see ~~any~~ the document before their names are attached hereto.
5. Clifton & Hatfield F.S.S. - Sec. reported interviews with Sec.

6. National Wakefield Exhibit. Hammill said he had no informⁿ.
7. Fabian Red Van. after debate Utley gave notice that at next meeting he will move that de Mattos be authorised to write H. Hutchinson on the subject. —
8. Gaheshot reported on visit to Bouillon of the Ligne Democratique des Ecolles in Paris, & that an article on the F.S. w^d appear in the Temps. Agreed to send set of tracts. —
9. Socialism & Churches. Secretary described suggested agitation wh. was unanimously disparaged.
10. Country Open-air Tours. Sec. reported for Com^{ee} that they advised tours in (1) Cleveland & the north, (2) Lancashire & Cheshire & (3) Birmingham & Potteries: that a ten days tour sh^d. cost about £7. — Agreed to take matter in hand, with the following lecturers De Mattos (June) Shaw (Aug) Oliver (end July) Macdonald, Martin & perhaps J.W. Wood.

11 Correspondence.

Halifax F.S. announcing re-organisation.

Mrs Amy Scudamore Re progress in N. York.

W. Edwin re grant for S. Group Postage.

Agreed to send 25/- + advise Group Fund.

G. Wallas. agreed to put H. Norman on free Press List
+ grant re: Tracts + 1/- Essays.

Rochdale F.S. asking re Lodging Houses (Municipal)
Enquire of Glasgow Imp. Trust. Housing Com^{ee}
of L.C.C. re. -

Evelyn Brooke

Executive at Office 2 June 1893.

Present, Miss Brooke (in chair) Miss Cameron, De Mattos
Shaw, Sparling, Standing, Pease, Webb,
Gakeshot, Hamnill, Bland, Wallas, Oliver
absent Utley, Williams.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Tract on Mining Royalties. Utley, absent.
3. Standing order on Group Delegations. Agreed that it take the form of an interpretation of the Rule by the Executive, ~~and~~ that it state that no group send delegates to organisations extending beyond the group area, & that Wallas bring draft to next Executive.
4. Oliver gave report of publishing Comtee which was approved, in particular, the recasting of Tract 7, & the sale of 40000 Tract 19 to the G. L. R. L. at 5/- per 1000. It was agreed that a small advt. be included in Tract 19.

- 5. Agreed to buy a carpet per Mrs. Sparling at not more than £2.0.0. -
- 6. National Workmen's Exhibition Lectures. Letters read from Shipton & Steward, saying nothing was settled at present. Agreed that it stand over.
- 7. Open-air in London Parks. Sec. announced that a course was being arranged for Sundays in Regent Park.
- 8. Miss Cameron reported on political work in Chelsea
- 9. Zurich Congress. Letter from H. Hutchinson read, promising to supply funds for a delegate. Agreed to send at least one delegate, & Shaw, if possible, to be that one.
- 10. Fabian Red Van. Agreed that De Mattos write Hutchinson, that money be ~~not~~ not obtained for this purpose unless it can be obtained for no other.
- 11. Socialist Joint Com^{ee}. It was reported that 5000 more manifestos were ordered & that the Com^{ee} were in favour of more cooperation in lecture tours.

12 Country Lectures Proposed.

Wolverhampton Dioc.

Miss Euid Stary Approved.

Golcar S. Board

J.R. Macdonald or De Mattos -

Bond Holding in North. Approved.

13. School Board Campaign.

Agreed that a Com^o be formed to prepare (1) Tract (2) Leaflet (3) Course of lectures for Society + then for Clubs. -

The following were nominated :-

Lepson, Martin, Holding, W.A. Morris, Standing
Headlam, Lowerison, Wallas, Mrs. Mallet, Mrs
Pitly, G. Turner, Miss Martin, + Peare as Sec.
add Danks.

14 Correspondence:

John F.S. Giving Report.

Tottington F.S. Do. Write Snake + send Tracts.

Stockport F.S. Do.

Mannd Worcester, Re sweating in Tailoring Trade.

Webb's reply also read + approved.

W. S. de Mattos

Executive Com^{ee} at Office on 9th June '93

Present De Mattos (in chair) Miss Brooke, Oakeshott, Webb, Shaw, Standing, Pease, Wallas, Utey, Olivier, Williams.

Absent. Bland, Hammill, Miss Cameron, Sparling.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. Mining Royalties. Utey reported not ready.

4. Group Delegation. Wallas brought draft proposal. after amendment, it was agreed that the following be published in the next News, viz: -

Enquiry has been made as to the interpretation of the clause in Rule 3 which states that the Executive Com^{ee} shall appoint all delegates to represent the Society. The Executive Com^{ee} wish to say that they do not interpret the rule as forbidding the appointment of a London Group of delegates to any body concerned with local affairs, & not extending in scope beyond the Group area; but that on bodies dealing with matters of import to the whole metropolis, or of general concern, the Society & not a group will if necessary be represented, & in that case the delegates will

be appointed by the Executive.

5. Joint Committee. They reported, in addition to report in minutes of last meeting, that a resolution was adopted inviting each member of the Com^{ee} to contribute an article to "Justice".
6. Joint Com^{ee}. Resolved "That our delegates be instructed to move that an agenda paper be sent to each member of the Com^{ee} 10 days before each meeting, & that except on matters of routine or detail our delegates be instructed not to vote on any resolution which has not appeared on the agenda paper". Also that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the J.C. -
7. Chicago Congress. Webb reported that he had been asked to send a paper on the Eight Hours Day. Agreed that he write it (with revisions & paste) & it be sent on behalf of the Society.
8. A paper that Shaw report for the Executive on the Electoral Policy had to the meeting tonight.

- 9. Defaulting subscribers. Sec. 7 ordered to draft second circular + submit to publishing Com^{ee} -
- 10. Olivier reported for Publishing Committee; recommending: -
 Tract 19. That 50,000 be printed. agreed.
 stating That no information as to progress of 'Women Tract' was to have
 + proposing That Stanning be appointed sub. editor of Fabian news. agreed.
- 11 New Tracts. Agreed to print 15000 No 5.
 5000 Anarchism
 + 29, to hurry up Sparring by p.c.
- 12. The candidates were elected as follows, except C.W. Heasman, + Geo Rhodes held over. The Sec. was instructed to write to such of them as had not paid an entrance fee. -

+ not elected

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Tom W. Corbett, 76 Tybridge-st., Worcester	Sam. Maund.
Charles W. Heasman, 276 Sydney-road, Stoke Newington	J. Mackie Niven and R. Steele.
Miss Margaret Heath, Faraday-road, Acton, W.	Dora Foster and John Glasse.
Wm. Henry Kenney, Inland Revenue, Melford, Suffolk	General Secretary.
Rev. John F. Matthews, Moss-villa, Audlem, Cheshire	General Secretary.
Ralph J. L. Pinnock, 2 Landseer-road, Upper Holloway	D. W. McQuire and J. T. Kent.
George Rhodes, 1 Leathwell-road, St. John's, S.E.	A. W. Barneveld and B. T. Hall.
Chas. W. Rixon, Tisbury, Wilts.	H. A. White.
A. Richards Roland, 48 Manor-rd., Stoke Newington, N.	H. Oakeshott & J. F. Oakeshott.

Elected 23 June

Elected 16 June

13. Entrance Fee. Agreed that Sec. draft gummed label for fixing on the nomination forms notice of this.

14 Correspondence

Chester F.S. - Report of 3 months progress.

Newcastle-on-Tyne F.S. - Report of progress.

Hull F.S. - Report of impending collapse.
Holding or another lecture to go.

Lancaster, F.S., reporting formation

J. S. Fletcher " work in Bradford.

R. Smart, re Anti-Tobacco quotation. Suggest C. Booth

A. Howard Resignation. Accept.

A. Rhodes re S. Eastern Progressive Labour News.

W. W. Barklett, re his candidate Mantz. Sec. to write to W. Partridge as suggested.

J. Wolf. Application from German S.D. for Funds.
or do.

15. S. A. Driver write asking for grant of Tract 10. -
Agreed to send 1000, & say he can have more.

16. Wickham Steed write urging that a delegate
be sent to ~~Bernards~~. After discussion
Zurich

It was provisionally agreed that Shaw be delegate,
& if possible Wley & Oliver also, on half pay
or otherwise. -

J. F. Oakes

Executive at Office 16th June 1893. -

Present Gabeshott (in chair), De Mattos, Miss Brooke,
Hammill, Williams, Sparling, Pease, Miss Cameron
Shaw, Wallas, Standring, Bland, Oliver.
Absent Webb, Wley.

1. Minutes of last meeting confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties. Wley. absent.
3. Tract 29. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} for final publication.
4. Candidates. Geo. Rhodes elected.
5. Zürich Congress. Sec. announced promise of £33/-
by Mrs. Cotton + possible alteration of date.
6. Accounts to 30th May presented. Agreed that
Financial Crisis be discussed at next mtg.
That a par. be put in views, with ~~draft~~ statement
of Finance, and that purchase of new carpet
be deferred.

7. Socialist Joint Com^{ee} Agenda Paper, presented & discussed:-
- (1) Motion re formation of Socialist Party. Moved that Fabian delegates do not vote. Amendment that they propose "previous question". Both lost, & finally it was agreed that they move adjournment of debate for report to the Executive Committee.
 - (2) Proposed admission of new Fellowship^{ee}. No instructions.
 - (3) Proposed Joint Com. Delegate to Zurich. Vote against.

8. Agreed that Gaheshott take Shaw's place at next Com^{ee}

9. Publishing Com^{ee}. Olivier reported:-

Tract 5. On sale

" 7. Setting up. Approved.

Administrative Reforms. That "Star" no? publish with preface signed by Fabian Exec. Agreed that Standing write Webb, & prepare & issue same. -

Donation of Books from Sparling. Approved.

10 Autumn Lectures. Agreed that Miss Cameron, Bland, Olivier, Pease, Shaw, & Williams be a Committee to prepare scheme for same.

11. Country Lecture Reports read viz:-

Russell Smart, on sundry Societies. Write thanks.
Wren, Southampton on Sparling's eloquence.
Hines & Miss McMillan on Oxfordshire. Sec. to
see Turner & then repl. to latter.

12. Country Lectures. Sec. reported

De Mattos & Holding, arranged.
Oliver & Dobson pending.

13. Correspondence.

Land Natⁿ Socy asking if Tract 19. c^d. be had
with out our name. Refuse.

Lancaster F.S. formation of F.S. Noted.

Barrow F.S. Dissolution. Noted.

Tottingham F.S. Reporting progress. Noted.

Sunderland F.S. Re Webb. Dem. Re Lib. Lab. Party, &c.

Bradford F.S. re Fletcher & formation of Soc. Ref. Minn.

Nottingham F.S. re Cunningham Graham's candidature.

H. H. Johnson on Col. Egidy, Mallucianus & himself.

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H. Halliday Sparling
Chair 22. 6. 93

Executive at Office on Friday 23rd June 1893.

Present. Sparling (in the chair) Shaw, Williams, Gakeshott, Olivier
Webb, Miss Brooke, Bland, Walter Peace Mrs Cameron
absent. Hammill, Uley, De Mattos (lecturing), Standing.

1. Minutes of last meeting considered
2. Mining Royalties. Uley. No report.
3. Selection of Candidates. C. W. Heasman. Elected.
E. Martz. Letter from Partridge declining to second.
Agreed to drop his candidature.
4. Publishing Com^{ee}. Olivier made report per minute book.
5. Financial Situation. Bland stated that D. Reeve had no objection to our borrowing country lecture funds for use for general purposes.
Agreed That an appeal, to be sent to 100 selected members be prepared & submitted to Publishing Com^{ee}. Also that a par be inserted in ~~the~~ news. - Also that Bland, Olivier, Peace, Gakeshott & Sparling be a Com^{ee} to report after June 30th, how far Budget expectations

have been realized. -

6. Group Secretary's Meeting on June 30th. Agreed that Sec. send information to Groups that no Mtg will be held unless they send in Agenda enough for one.
7. Members Mtg. Agreed to hold a members Meeting on July 14 to adopt "Socialism & Seaman", & to transact such other business as the publishing Committee may invent. -
8. S.S. Group. Agreed that Sec. write W. Betts asking him to take part of Group Sec'y
9. Bedford Lectures. Sparling reported on Bedford F.S. & Strike here, & it was agreed that Sec. write Wentbread M.P. asking him to use his good offices to mediate.
10. It was agreed that Miss Priestly take work on the "Sun", & make any formal proposal arising out of it later on.
11. Fabian News. Agreed to part in news par as to Zurich & proposed ~~best~~ delegates Hither.

12. Royal Wedding Agreed to close the office & let the windows at best possible price.

13. Agreed that Peace go away about middle of July, & Miss Prioleau middle of August.

14. Socialist Joint Committee. Secretary made report, & in particular that he & Lee of S.D.F. had been requested to draft report on Socialist movement for the Joint Com^{tee}, to be printed for the Congress at Zurich. Agreed that he do this, with assistance from Shaw & Webb.

15. Correspondence.

Richmond F.S. Report of reconstruction.

Lancaster F.S. on Guardian Angels &c.

Mrs. Cotton, suggesting Women delegates to Zurich

W. Baxter asking for party's authority. Reply no authority at present in rural districts except land lord.

Cholton - cum. Hardy Literary assⁿ - Lectures. Bland. -

W. Scudamore & Miss Van Etten on Edmund Kelly of New York Good Gov^t Assⁿ

Lincoln F.S., Thos S. Wills, Southern Group, C. L. Mason, &c &c.

Emma Brooke

Executive an Office ^{30 June} ~~July~~ 1893.

Present, Miss Brooke (in chair), Williams, Wallas,
Shaw, Olivier, Standing, Sparling, Pease
Absent, Miss Cameron, Weht, Utley, Gakeshott Bland
Hammill, and (lecturing) De Mattos.

1. Minutes of last Mtg were confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties, Utley. absent
3. Election of Candidates. S. D. Shallard. Elected.
4. Publishing Com^{ee} report read, in particular announcing
that No 29. is ready
5. Sec. reported interview with John Burns, & his proposals
 - (1) to join the Society. approved.
 - (2) to have 50 or 20 p. cards printed with advt. approved.
 - (3) to allow us to publish his ~~XXX~~ Century Unemployed
article. approved subject to Pub. Com^{ee} report.
- b. Finances. Draft letter to Millionaire Fabians by Shaw was
read & approved, & list of millionaires adopted.

7. Zürich Congress. - It was ~~agreed~~ resolved that the delegates for the Society be Shaw + Olivier.

Letter from Russell Smart asking if he + Fred Burgess can be delegates. Agreed to ask them to represent Provincial Fabian Societies.

8. Royal Procession, Agreed to ask £5.5.0 for office, + to advertise in Morning Post.

9. Church Congress at Birmingham. adjourned.

10. Popular Labour Electoral Com^{ee}. Good annual report presented.

11. Socialist Joint Com^{ee} Agenda Paper + Resolutions.

Agreed that Fabian Delegates act as follows:-

(a) Re support of Socialist candidates only + (b) Re minimum program, that they move as amendment :- 'That it is undesirable that the J.C. should at present commit themselves to any declaration of general electoral policy'

(c) Rules for admission of other bodies. Vote for.

(d) Public Meeting: to hold matching brief only, + report to the Exec. -

12. Central Group Regent Park Mtg & Banner. Agreed that we approve of a banner generally, & suggest that Mrs Sparkling be asked to provide design.

13. Correspondence.

Yarrow F.S. asking re J. Arnall.

Carlisle F.S. re value of Book Box & use of books.

Bradford F.S. re teaching economics in Schools.

Referred to Wallas for reply.

Burnley S. D.F. re paid organiser. Sec's reply approved.

S. Whitbread M.P. on Bedford Strike

Bicker. Caarten on Peddie's Language

&c

&c.

Ernest E. Williams

Executive at office 7th July. 93.

Present Williams (in chair), Shaw, De Mattos, Sparling, Standring, Bland
Well, Miss Cameron, Miss Brooke, Wallas, ~~Williams~~ Pease, Oliver
Absent Hammill, Gakeslitt, Utley,

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties. Utley. absent.
3. Publishing Committee Report made per minute-book.
4. Autumn session. Committee reported recommending three public lectures by Mrs. Well, Miss Willford & Mrs. Glasier. Report was discussed & negatived, and a new Com^{ee} of Bland, Well, Wallas, Sparling Pease was appointed [to meet on Friday 14th at dinner] to prepare scheme for 6 mos.
5. Finances. Secretary presented accounts to 30th June, & reported that he had compared the 3 months expired with the Budget estimate, wh. showed subscriptions about 3/4^{ths} of estimate, & expenditure generally lower. Agreed that the Com^{ee} already appointed do meet to discuss the matter. Letters read from Hutchinson Sister & Studwick, & about £8 reported sent in response to appeal.

6. S.S. Group. Letter read from Betts declining to take Secretaryship. Agreed to ask Mrs Green.
7. Birmingham Church Congress. Agreed to write Local F.S. + to send tracts to speakers.
8. Autumn Lecture Campaign. Deferred.
9. Poplar Group. Eloquence teacher wanted. Shaw promised to give one lecture.
10. Country Lecturers. Reports received from Holding + De Mattos. Agreed to ask Galton for a report on the Midlands. -
11. Correspondence read viz:-
 - S. Australia F.S. on Elections.
 - Darlington F.S. on Free Libraries.
 - Slater on Plymouth F.S. &c.

Sidney Webb

Executive at Office. 14 July 1893.

Present, Webb (in chair) Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, De Mattos, Williams, Shaw, Oliver, Standing, Wallas Hammill, Pease
Absent, Sparling, Bland, Utley, Oakeshott.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. Mining Royalties. Utley. No report.

3. Pub. Com^{ee} report adopted, especially recommending
(a) Reprinting 10000 Tract 1.
(b) Sending 1/2 Essays & Sel Tracts to 8 Japanese Societies.

4. Finance Com^{ee}. Sec reported that the Com^{ee} this summoned, did not meet, & that there was nothing to add to former reports - The Com^{ee} was thereupon discharged.

5 Election of members as follows:-

William John Brooks, 9 Lascelles-place, Bloomsbury, W.C. ...	C. V. Burton and E. R. Pease.
Miss Wilna Duncan, 6 Baker-st., King's Cross, W.C. ...	H. Sparling and May Sparling.
Arthur G. Edwards, 1 Woodstock-villas, Lechmere-rd., Willesden-green, N.W. ...	E. R. Pease and W. De Mattos.
Henry H. Johnson, 39 Darley-st., Lechmere-rd. ...	General Secretary.
Miss Amy Lawrence, 64 Guilford-street, W.C. ...	Paul Campbell and Sophia Henderson.
Joseph William Neal, 97 Whittington-road, Bowes Park, N. ...	E. R. Pease and H. Holding.
Miss Rose F. Petty, 48 St. Ann's-road, South Tottenham ...	I. E. Priestley and J. T. Scott.
William J. Pincombe, 10 Chippenham-grdns., Kilburn Park, N.W. ...	R. A. Peddie and Susie Peddie

6. Executive. Agreed to continue regular meetings to end July & to renew them at beginning of September: also that the Sec. summon a Com^{tee} of members in town sometime in August. -
7. Proposed Socialist Socy in Paddington. Agreed to advise Pirconlee to form a reading circle instead.
8. L.C.C. Election at Battersea Letter read asking assistance for Rogers (S.D.F.) Agreed to write letter saying we cd. not come to decision on the point in absence of information.
9. Zürich Congress. Agreed to pay Olivier £13.3/- on acc of Shaw & himself. -
10. Joint Com^{tee}: agreed that Hammill be delegate on 20th, vice Pease, & Miss Cameron vice Utley, if he cannot attend. -
11. Agreed to send Tract 29 to American Labour Bureaus
12. Autumn Lecture Campaign. Agreed to correct last

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lecture list & send copies in August to 100 Clubs,
50 in London 50 in suburbs; Williams & Pease to
arrange details.

13. S.S. Group. Agreed to suggested arrangements that
Miss Schen be joint secy with another (? Miss
Friend) & the group be worked in two divisions. -

14. Agreed that Sparling, Standing, Paddie & Pease be
a Com. to sort our Tracts, & that in the first
place they be sent to Standing for arrangement.

15. Correspondence:-

Stockton J.L. P. on Holding

Jarrow F.S.

Holding's Report.

Eastbourne F.S. Record of formation.

Poplar Labour Sect. Assn. 1000 Tract 10 granted.

Central Group. 1000 Tract 10 granted if wanted.

Mrs Cotton on Tableaux

Brophy asking set Tracts for Boston Pub. Library. Granted.

J. F. Ockerlott

Execution at office 21st July 1893

Present. Gadsdell (in Chair) Shaw, Spurling
Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Bland
Oliver, Dr. Mettles, Hamwell, W
Staudring, Williams, Miss Priestley (for Sec.)

Absent Utley, Wallas, Webb, Pease

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Minutes Rayaldis - Utley. No report.
3. Joint Committee. Shaw reported Joint Report proposed, owing to non agreement of S. D. F. - Admission of new fellowships agreed to subject to approval of constituent bodies - admission of other avowed Socialist organizations having not less than 50 members, & having existed not less than a year agreed to - Discussion on Socialist Parliamentary candidates. Dr Mettles Amendment to Fabian Resolution referring back to constituent bodies resolution "arguing the Societies the

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necessity for concentrating their efforts
on definitely Socialist candidates ^{for particular day elect} when
such candidates have been accepted or
avoidable by the Joint Committee, & that
a series of ^{best} questions be drafted.
Defeat of Heythorn's Vote of Urgency
for letter from J.C. in support of
Rogers at Battossea. — Discussion
followed as to Referendum to the
Society on electoral policy, & was
adjourned till next meeting.

4 Zurich Congress. Oliver reported
Delegate meeting only discussed
business arrangements. Agreed to
grant delegates full amount subscribed
& leave action with regard to
agenda to their own discretion.

5- Publishing Committee report read & adopted.

6 S. E. Group. Letter read from Miss Shaw
accepting joint-secretaryship. Agreed

to appoint her provisionally for
Dorset & Woodwich District, Group
Meeting to be called in September.
Mrs. Friend to be written to for
Levinham District, & put par in
"her".

7. Galtton's Report on Midlands. Read & ordered
to be acknowledged & kept for reference.
8. Paddington Socialists. Willkins to address
them & report.
9. Autumn Course. Majority Report of Committee
(With's Amendments to Bland-Sparkling
Draft Lecture Scheme) rejected. On a
division the original draft of "Implication
of Collectivism" was adopted, subject to
minor alterations. Amendment by Miss
Brooke to omit the two lectures on
Women found no second.
10. Hammit's Candidature - Slip signed by members

present pledging influence & support.

11 Correspondence & read: -

Rochdale F.S. re Mining royalties - reports
letter.

Sunderland F.S. on Annual & Report. - Reply
nothing known & can't interfere in
local disputes.

Birmingham F.S. - Church Congress & Report

Wolverhampton F.S. re Martin as delegate to
Zurich - confirmed.

Tom Mc Carthy's candidature - agreed to
waive 2 attendances.

Poplar Lab. Soc. League - reporting educational
committee formed in Lubate Town.

Sowerby Bridge F.S. on licence for selling
tracts - reply as Bakeshott reported.

Emma Brooke

Executive office July 28th 1933

Present Miss Brooke (in chair) Bakershott,
Spauling, Standing, Shaw, Miss Cameron,
Watt, Utley, de Mattos, Bland,
Williams. Miss Priestley (for Sec.)
Absent. Hammill, Oliver - Wallas. Pease

- 1 Minutes of last meeting read & confirmed
- 2 Mining Royalties - Utley reported nothing done but would be ready in Sept.
- 3 Publishing Committee Report especially
(a) Fabian Library - Vols to be published in the Autumn. (b) Socialism & Seaman in hand; (c) Liverpool "back" to be ready shortly. Adopted
- 4 Joint Committee Adjourned debate on electoral policy. Resolution moved by Bakershott, seconded by Spauling "that the Fabian Executive, maintaining the electoral policy approved by the Society, declines to

endorse the proposed Resolution of the J.C. with reference to candidatures at Parliamentary elections - carried, Bland Williams ledley & or Mattos voting against. An animated discussion followed, & a Resolution moved by Bland, seconded by Shaw, that in view of the incompatibility of the policies of some of the Societies represented in the Joint Socialist Committee, the Fabian Executive regrets that it sees no advantage in continuing the attendance of its delegates, but whenever any practicable opportunity for joint action arises the Fabian Society will be glad to co-operate with the other Socialist bodies," was carried - ledley & or Mattos voting against - & ordered to be sent to the Sec: of the J.C.

that the our delegates be withdrawn. Carried. Moved & Wills that the following communication be sent to the J.C. M.S.

5 Autumn Course Agreed that public lectures be given in Essex Hall, Berners Inn to be engaged for others. Miss Brooke reported 13 replies from women re 2 lectures on women

6. Paddington Socialists. Williams reported that on his advice they had formed themselves into a separate body - approved.
7. Southern Group on Executive Reading of Rule 4
Secretary ordered to reply that Executive abides by its decision as given in news.
8. Statement of Sales - Walter Scott Shows
£ 6. 5. 8 owed by Society.
9. Watts proposal re type-writing for Miss Perigal
withdrawn - agreed nothing to be done.
10. Chicago Labor Congress. Agreed that William Clarke be delegate, & that a certain amount of literature be sent for sale to H. D. Lloyd.
11. Howell. Suggestion by Shaw that a boy be engaged to replace Howell, & a

better broth found for the latter on full wages - adjourned. Agreed to pay for overtime worked during the year before his holiday.

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Correspondence.

h. Manchester asking £5 loan - agreed to lend it to h. Parks & W. Henshall. Amount to be repaid in £1 monthly instalments.

Editor "Revue Internationale de Sociologie" asking 2 copies of publications sent for review - agreed.

Liverpool D.S. - Report
Hines "

Bishop resigning Sec. Poplar Group. - accepted & successor confirmed.

Wallas on "Socialism for the Sailor" & "Wilson" agreed trial in no way affects publication.

Muller & Ward

Executive at Office 1 Sept: 93.

Present Bland (in chair) Miss Brooke Miss Cameron
De Mattos, Hammill, Cakeshot, Oliver, Pease,
Wallas Standing Sparling
Absent Webb, Shaw, Utley, Williams

1. The minutes of last meeting were read, amended & adopted.
2. New Tracts &
 - (a) Mining Royalties. Letter read & also Resolution from Wolverhampton F.S. - Sec'y ordered to write Utley that some report must be made.
 - (b) Eight Hours Bill. Report from Shaw in favour.
 - (c) Socialism & Sailors.
Nos. v. & c. were referred to publishing Com^{ee} with power to act as regards c. Com^{ee} to meet on Wednesday.
3. Fabian Series. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} with instructions to send letter out inviting selected members to contribute or loan a guarantee fund of £50.-
4. Country Lectures. Sec'y reported numerous applications. Agreed that he proceed slowly & that Bland go to Bournemouth.

5. Autumn Course decided as follows:- Sec 7 to engage Halls.

- Oct 13. Introduction Bland.
- Nov 10 Limitations of Coll^m in Production Marrocks
- Dec 8 " " " " Distribution Shaw
- Jan 12 Persistence of Classes under Coll^m Sparling
- Feb 9. Coll^m + Econ. Freedom of Women Mrs H.S. Blakel
- Mar 9 Coll^m + the Family Oliver.

These to be in @ Barnards Inn

Also of Public Lectures in Essex Hall the following:-

- Nov 24. Mrs Sidney Webb Trade Unionism
- Jan 26 Sidney Webb Progress of Coll^m
- Mar 23rd. Graham Wallis School Board.

b. Socialist Joint Com^{ee} a discussion was raised in which Sparling, Oliver + others expressed dissatisfaction at our withdrawal therefrom. Agreed that Sparling draft resolution on subject: that it be sent to every member of the Exec. + the debate on it be taken on Sep. 15th.

7. Re Minute 10 of last meeting, on the Sec^d suggestion it was resolved that overtime for Howell sh^d be reckoned in excess of 48 hrs per week, (wh. means none) That the Sec. be empowered to pay him 5/- if necessary.

And that the Sec. report after conversation with him, as to his getting a better place, & as to advt. in news to his effect. -

8. ~~Two~~ Candidates were elected as follows, but Tess-Clark was held over :-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
J. H. Belcher, "Panprys," St. Thomas's-square, N.E. ...	E. B. Bishop and G. Samuel.
<u>T. Clark, 43 Westgate, Chichester</u>	<u>A. Ballard.</u>
Miss R. L. Gorton, The Rectory, Kirkby-Laythorpe, Sleaford ...	General Secretary.
F. E. Powell, 142 Lowden-road, Herne Hill ...	Olaf Bloch & Harriet Runciman
Edward Rose, 95 Brook Green ...	G. B. Shaw and H. H. Sparling
Miss Frances E. Willard, The Cottage, Reigate ...	Sidney Webb.

Elected 15/9/93.

10. Miss Priestley. Agreed that her holiday be 3 weeks, & that proposed arrangement in regard to half time be approved.

11. Correspondence :-

Liverpool F.S. sending props of Tract II. Approved.

Belfast F.S. announcing dissolution.

Hull F.S. asking price 10 Library Essays for gifts to Librarian
Quota 2/-

Wolverhampton F.S. Re Miss Stacy's success. Sec. authorised to arrange other lectures for her.

Glasgow F.S. on progress in the town.

Correspondence (cont'd)

- Liverpool F.S. Re Anti-George Literature.
- Huddersfield F.S. re Evening Mags of public bodies
- Stockport F.S. re great progress in the town
- H. M. Peade re disputes in N. Manchester
- L. Hull re Fowler, + Elizabeth's Poor Law.
- Princeton re Paddington Socialist Soc'y
- Local Govt Board Correspondence re Pauper
- S.E. Group Refusal of Miss Friend to be Joint Sec.
- J. S. Hamilton re Parish Councils + Cottages. After interview with him, matter referred to Webb
- E. G. Edwards Re Fraternalism
- Prof. Oldenberg Thanks for information
- H. D. Pearoall suggestions for raising funds
- Nat. Reform Union. Asking admt. Refused.
- Chicago Arnold Tombee Club Re publication
- New York City Vigilance League Ask. of exchange publication
- Trevor asking if non-members can join Corresp. Classes, 7s. for 2/6
- Hackney Group asking grant of 16/- for Platform for open-air use in Victoria Park. Advise a second hand wooden chair at this season.
- American Labour Bureaux handling publications. —

W.S. de Mattos

Executive Com^{ee} at Office 8 Sept: 93. -
Present Miss Brooke, Wallas, Oliver, Pease

The above not being a quorum, the following
business was transacted, subject to confirmation
on a future occasion: -

1. New Tracts.

Mining Royalties. Sec. reported that he had written
M^r had received no reply.

Socialism & Sailors. Standing absent.

2. ~~Socialism~~ Autumn & Spring Course. Sec. reported
acceptance of lectures of Mrs. Sidney Webb,
Sidney Webb, H. W. Macrae & Mrs. Blatch.
Agreed that an Essex Hall lecture of Graham
Wallas be held on 23rd March on Education.

3. Sec. reported that he had interviewed Howell who
stated that he preferred to retain his place for the present,
as it afforded him leisure for short-hand & other forms
of self-education.

4. Publishing Com^{ee} report read & approved.

5. Snell. Proposal & Mrs Green. Deferred.

6. School Board Com^{ee}. Deferred.

7. Agreed to send 6/ Essays & Bound Tracts to
Hermann Greulich Zurich of the Swiss Grutti part.
Grutti-Termin.

8. Correspondence.

Boro Polytechnic Parl^l Library asking books.
Send Lond. Program & 29.

Montana State Board of Charities asking advice.

Bolas, asking permission to circulate Railway
Leaflet No 2. Granted.

Bumley S.D.F. asking lectures.

G. Wallas, asking grant 3/ Tracts for Prof^r Rabbeno. Granted.

Deal, on Bournemouth & Boarding out. Wallas to refer
to latter.

Mrs H.S. Blatch handing £2.2/.

National Assocⁿ of Local Parl^l asking to be put
on Free list. Granted.

The above minutes were approved and
confirmed
W. S. de Mattos

Executive Meeting at Office 15 Sept: 1893. -

Present De Mattos (in chair), Gakeshott, Standing
Sparling, Miss Brooke Pease Uley Wallas

Absent Miss Cameron, Webb, Shaw, Bland Hammill
Williams, Oliver.

1. The Minutes of 1st September were confirmed.
2. The Minutes of the informal meeting of Sept 8 were read, and after debate, adopted without amendment.
3. Mining Royalties. Uley reported in hand & promised to complete rapidly.
4. Resolution moved by Sparling & adopted
Socialist Joint Committee. "That the withdrawal of our delegates be reconsidered at a specially summoned meeting of the Executive". It was further agreed that the above be sent to members for next Friday, & that resolution sent in by the Joint Com^{ee} be then considered. -
5. Election. Thos. Clark. Elected.

- 6. Publishing Com^{ee} reports for Sep 6 + 13 approved.
- 7. Letter read from Mrs Green suggesting that Snell might be employed as Country Lecturer + organiser, if funds permit. Agreed that Sec. write to him enquiring if he is disposed to take the work, + asking him to come to Barnards Inn lectures where we can see him. -
- 8. School-Board Com^{ee}. Deferred
- 9. South Place Lectures. Agreed to send Bills with News.
- 10. Accounts to Aug 31st presented + considered.
- 11. Grant. Tracts, Library Essays &c. to Spaulding per Wallis
- 12. Correspondence. Halifax F.S. asking 2 more Copies Library Essays at 2/6 for members. agreed.
 Maughan of Queensland re agency for Tracts. Send set + write agreeing to suggestions.
 Newcastle Newspapers on F. Hammill's candidature.
 Percival Chubb on his lab &c
 J. F. Oakes

Executive at Office 22 Sep. 1893. (Specially called)
Present J. F. Oakeshott (in chair) Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron
Bland, De Mattos, Pease, Shaw, Webb, Wallis
Williams, Olivier Standing Sperling
Absent - Wtly, Hamnill.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties. Wtly. No report.
3. Publishing Com^{ee} report approved, in particular :-
 - (1) That negotiations with Sedth be opened in respect of publishing Fabian Library.
 - (2) That a circular be issued with Fabian news asking for a guarantee fund of £ 100 for Tract Publication. Publishing Com^{ee} to prepare same.
 - (3) That a Fabian Manifesto be drafted by Shaw - be printed in Fortnightly Review.
4. Sec. reported interview with Snell, in wh. he discovered that Snell w^d. be out of a job after he left our service. He stated that he had informed Snell that in these circumstances we c^d. make no proposal to him. Approved.

5. School. Board Com^{ee}. Deferred.

6. Fabian News:-

- (a) Par. from Webb on Book Box was amended & approved.
- (b) Agenda for Members Mtg on Oct 13 agreed to, & agreed that there be no Exec. Motion re Joint Com^{ee}
- (c) Details of Syllabus of lectures agreed to, & decided that Galton be asked to take Limitations of Coll^m in Distribution & failing him, Shaw or Pease to take the lecture, as decided by Sec. 7.

7. Benoit Malon. Telegram sent by Sec. 7 for his funeral approved.

8. Group Secs. Mtg. Proposal from Miss Brooke to discuss Unemployed considered. Agreed to call meeting on Oct. 20th, & settle agenda later.

9. Agreed to send London Reform Union Bill with News.

10. Joint Com^{ee}. Resolution sent by J.C. to the Exec. read. Sec. reported it formally acknowledged. Agreed to take no further action.
 Moved by Spurling & seconded by Pease :-

the resolution for
" That, the withdrawal of the Fabian Delegates
from the Joint Committee be rescinded."
The motion was opposed by Bland, Shaw, Webb
Wallas Oliver & others & was negatived.

11. Correspondence.

Southampton F.S. on Liberal Unionism &c.
Miss Willard, expressing desire to spread Fabianism.
Agreed to offer her as many adots. as she likes.
R. Dempster, Resigning membership, ^{accept a} Commend to
local S. D. F.

Miss Sperritt on Gas Municipalisation & Classes for
Women. Secs. Answer approved.

Sanders ~~on~~ urging publication of Burns Tract.
Say in hand.

Bournemouth on Blands Tour.

Knox on his martyrdom in Belfast.

Leeds Labour Newspaper Coy. Prospectus.

Labour Church Union. Circular. —

G. Bernard Shaw
29/9/95.

Executive Com^{ee} at Office 29th Sept: '93

Present. Shaw (in chair) Williams, Miss Brooke, Wallas, Welt,
Hammill, Olivier, Utley, Bland Pearce

Absent. Sparling, Gakesholt, Miss Cameron, Standing, De Matto.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties. Utley reported 4000 words written: promised to prepare for Pub. Com^{ee} on Wed. next.
3. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved.
Shaw reported that she had not yet drafted letter to Scott.
4. School Board Com^{ee} Deferred.
5. Chairman's Vote. Resolved "That the Chairman of the Executive Committee have one vote as a member thereof, & no second or casting vote."
6. Agenda Papers. Proposal that Agenda Papers be sent the day before each Exec. Com^{ee}, & that any member have power to veto consideration of any subject not therein mentioned was discussed at considerable length. The second

part of the proposal was rejected on division,
& the vote being equal on the first part,
the proposal was dropped. -

7. Socialist Records. Agreed to summon Com^{ee} appointed
already, & also other members of the Exec. to
a special meeting on the evening of Wed.
Oct 11th at 8pm. Miss Priestly, Peadie, & others.

8. Photographs. Sec. reported gift to the Society by S.A.
Beresford. Agreed to get the bulk of them
mounted, & to sell as follows:-
Unmounted Small 4^d. Large 9^d.
Mounted " 6^d " 1/-

9. Correspondence

Middlesbrow & Dundee Sailors Union on ct 46.

Garrow, & Birkenhead F.S. Reports.

S.S. Williams Notice ~~to~~ of motion re Joint Com^{ee}

H. D. Pearsall on Mining. Handed to Ully.

F. Butler on Land Colonisation & Unemployed. Sec. to repl.

Scudamore Wife on Womens Tract " " "

Galton declining lecture on Distribution. Wallis to ask Wickstead

Halliday Spaulding: Chair, 9/10/93

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Executive at Office 6 Oct '93.

Present: - Sparling (in chair) De Mattos, Hammill, Miss Brooke
Cakeshott, Shaw, Miss Cameron, Pease, Williams
Hammill, Bland, Webb, Oliver. Wallas.

Absent. Utley

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Mining Royalties. Letter from Utley saying he hoped to have it ready by Monday.
3. Country Lectures. Secretary reported he had arranged short hours for Bland in Bournemouth, Manchester, & Shored districts. Also that he proposed to plan a hour for J.R. Macdonald - Action approved.
4. Manifestos. Agreed that a Special Exec. be called for Wed. at 8pm. to consider this, & that it be manifolded unless printers agree to send proofs in time. -
5. Autumn Course. Wallas reported Wicksteed is lecturing on Friday. Agreed to ask J.R. Macdonald to do Limitations in Distribution.

6. Loan Copies of Marshall's "Elements". Agreed to supply them.
7. Socialist Records Meeting. Agreed to defer till Wed 18th.
8. School Board Com^{ee} Deferred.
9. Typewriter - cleaner. Agreed to buy at 10/6.
10. Members Meeting. Agreed to propose Hammill as chairman, + re William's motion, to ~~take~~ take no collective action. -
11. Publishing Committee Report read + approved
in particular :- Announcing Completion of Library Loan of £50.
Recommending that Marxist "Eight Hours Tract" be set up
Announcing that Horden had promised to complete the loan of £100 for Tract pubg.
Suggesting reprint from Stereos of no. 15. -
12. Agreed to Grant to Paddington Socialist Socy three copies "London Programme". -

13. Correspondence

- Oldham F.S. re signing a manifesto. Sec. action approved
- Scudamore on American Soc^y Passed round.
- Anonymous letter with verses. Referred to Williams.
- Clifton F.S. re Sunday lectures. Tell them to write Shaw direct.
- Glasgow Labour Party, wanting lectures.
- Carlisle F.S. announcing proximate dissolution.
- Wolverhampton F.S. reporting work.
- H. D. Pearvall re Bilston Library Com^y. Referred to Miss Cameron & Spurling to insert. -
- Mouson asking Loan of Books. -

Ernest Williams

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Special Executive at Office 11 Oct 93 8pm.

Present. Bland (in chair), De Mattos Sparling, Hammill,
Miss Brooke, Webb Pease Shaw

Absent. Miss Cameron, Wley, Gakeshott, Wallas, Williams
Standing, Oliver.

1. The Secretary reported he had attended delegate meeting of Miners Hyde Park Demonstration & had offered to a man a platform if one was allotted to the Society. He thought however that it was? he decided to have no sectional platforms.
Approved.

2. Draft Manifesto was read, discussed, amended in detail, & adopted. —

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Ernest E. Williams

Executive at office on Friday 13th October 1893.

Present, Williams (in Chair), Sparling, De Mattos, Hammill, Cakeshott, Pease, Bland, Standring, Wallas, Olivier, Shaw

Absent. Wley, Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron Webb.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Autumn Course. Sec. reported that J.R. Macdonald refused the Limitations in Distribution Lecture. Agreed to ask D.E. Pritchie, & failing him, G. Samuel
3. School Board Com^{ce}. Deferred.
4. Meeting tonight. Agreed that Olivier conduct the Burns Tract, & Shaw the Manifesto. - That the Eight Hours Tract, be deferred, & that the same course be proposed for Williams motion. That Williams' proposal of a Referendum thereon be not adopted. That Buckingham's letter suggesting urgency for a miners Tract be replied to & sent to Wley. -

5. Election of Members: The following were elected, viz:—

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Miss Lottie E. Dunn, Kelfield-lodge, York	Edw. R. Pease.
Mrs. Rose Jarvis (at present in Geneva)	Thos. Jarvis.
Henry W. Kitchener, Star Office, Southolme, Gainsboro'	General Secretary.
Chas. S. Nielsen, 25 Trades-lane, Dundee	General Secretary.

6. Resignations. J. W. Wood + Mrs Esther Wood. Accepted.

7. Macdonald's Tour. Agreed not to send him to Newcastle. or - Tyne.

8. M. R. F. Conference on House of Lords. Agreed to invite Groups to send delegates.

9. Group Sec's Meeting on Oct 20. No Agenda suggested. Disapproval of meeting expressed.

10. Accounts for 6 months to Sep 30 presented & discussed. Sec. ordered to stir up North Manchester F.S. re loan.

11. Tract Printing Loan. Sec. reported loan of £50 sent by John Bowden & in all

£104 promised. Agreed to pay Standing £50 at once. —

12. Publishing Committee Report read & approved, except in so far as respects the proposal to print portrait on Burno Tract. —

13. Correspondence.

Reports read from Middleton F.S., Halifax F.S., Rochdale F.S., Birkenhead F.S. (re Stopford Brooke) Scarborough F.S. Wolverhampton F.S. Darlington F.S. (adoption Fair Wages by T.C. memcon)

Essex Hall asking £12 for 3 meetings. Accepted
Coop. Union asking circulation for Bills of Wallas N.S. Lectures. Agreed to send with News Report of S.I. Groups Meeting.
Daisy Schen ask of loan of Book Box. Agreed to.
W.M. Knox proposing that country members vote of papers on resolutions at members meetings. See to reply.

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George Standing
Oct. 26/93

Executive at Office 20th October 1893.

Present Standing (in chair) De Mattos, Bland, Oakeshott,
Sparling, Pease, Miss Brooke, Hammill, Olivier
Absent Shaw, Webb, Wallas, Utley, Miss Cameron, Williams.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Mining Royalties. Utley. In report. Write to Barron asking him to steal the MS. -
3. Autumn Course. Letter from Samuel accepting, Ritchie having declined. Bland to write to Samuel with hints.
4. Manifesto. Par. in Weekly Times & Echo read. No action taken. Agreed that Press Cuttings be sent to Miss Brooke. -
Resignation of H. W. Massingham received
Reply ordered expressing great regret at losing him & stating that we retain the hope that he may withdraw it. -
5. Joint Soc^y Com^{ee} Ac^t. Agreed to pay it by cheque sent to J. R. Dobson & payable to S. Olivier

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- b. Tract Soling. Agreed to spend up to 20/- on Binding our stock of Socialist & other Tracts.
 7. Income Diagrams. Agreed to grant a set to Clerkenwell Branch S.D.F. -
 8. November Members Meeting. Agreed that the agenda be Williams Motion & Macroscopic 8 hour Tract.
 9. Essex C.C. & E. S. R. L. Red Van proposals. Agreed to send letter as drafted to Asquith, & another letter to selected list of M.P.s. -
 10. Publishing Committee report read & adopted.
 11. Book Boxes. Sec. reported he had ordered another box to be filled with selection of books from Office Shelves, &c. - approved.
 12. Economic Classes & Radical Clubs. Agreed to refer to Webb & Wallas proposal to offer to London Radical Clubs our Economic Class papers at a proper fee. -

13. School Board Com^{tee}. Decided to call it for Nov 3rd after consultation with Wallas.
14. Country Lectures. Bland agreed to do 3 days at Glasgow. Sec. asked for other speakers. -
15. Travelling Expenses. Agreed to consider all lectures outside the London Postal District as country lectures in respect of expenses, & that in other cases, Secretary refer to the Exec. -
16. Correspondence.
Tokio University. Thanks for tract.
Hanley F.S. - Report.
London Nonconformist Council. Delegate Meeting. Oakeshot & friend appointed.
Armley F.S. - Report.
F.W. Hayes, Re his motion at Elmsie Club on House of Lords. - Refer to group.

Mary Cameron

Group Secretaries' Meeting at office on Friday 20 Oct 93.

Present. Central, Mrs Fagan Hammermith - N.W. -
 Croydon - Hampstead Mrs Pats Poplar Reed
 Hackney Burnell Northern Pratt Southern -
 S. Eastern - S.W. - W.M.C. -
 Executive, Peace org. -

1. P. R. Pratt was voted to the chair
2. Minutes of 12th Mar were confirmed.
3. Unemployed. London Reform Union proposals were considered & commended to the Groups.
4. Free Library Circulars. Group action considered.
5. Group Work. Reports of work made.
6. Tract sales. Group action considered & activity advised.
7. Proposed by Mrs Fagan & seconded by Burnell, & carried unanimously: That the Executive Com-

be requested to instruct that members of the
Society who are avowedly opposed to collectivist-
socialism be requested to resign their
membership? -

The names mentioned were

J. C. Kenworthy

Miss Agnes Henry

Mrs C. M. Wilson. -

Executive at Office 27 Oct. 93.

Present. All except Wley. - Miss Cameron in chair. -

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Minutes of Group Secs. Meeting were read, including resolution re Expulsion of Anarchists. Agreed that no action on this matter be taken. -
3. Publishing Committee Report, adopted, including recommendation that Sedg's offer of 1 1/2% Royalty on Fabian Library be accepted.
4. Economic Correspondence Class. Agreed to offer this to Radical Clubs at fee of 2/6 per member to cover postage &c, & that Webb draft a circular to this effect. -
5. School - Board Com^{ee}. Agreed to hold it on Nov. 3rd, Wallas & Webb to send suggestions. Corie Grant's Committee to be considered. - Names suggested.
6. Correlation of Tracts & Questions. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee}.

7. Mr. Webb's Essex Hall Lecture. Agreed to advertise
only 2 pars. in newspapers.

8. Parish Councils agreed that E. E. Williams
nominate Com^{ee} -

9. Williams' Motion. ~~Agreed~~ Resolved by 7 to 5
that the following amendment be moved
on behalf of the Executive Com^{ee} &
agreed that it be published in News
with the words added "five members dissenting"
(N.B. Hammill, ^{of standing} had left the Com^{ee}). -

Resolution: "That this meeting approves the
action of the E. C., with reference to the
Joint Committee, as set forth in the August
number of Fabian News".

10. Correspondence.

Imness	re	N. S. Wales
Procter	"	" "
Samuel	"	Mansion House Unemployed Conf ^{ce}
Rochdale F.S.	"	Labour Press (Manchester) debt
M. Dalton	"	Total Fabians

Correspondence (cont^d)

- Hines, re Grant, asking £5. for Country Lectures. Agreed
" re Book Box. Referred to Pub. Com^{ce}
Rev. Tait Scott. Re Monopolies in Lymington: also showing
that Ministers (dissenters or not) cannot be
Town Councillors. — Re Charities refer to Dodd
C. O. S. Woolwich re Sweating. Refer to Miss Black & Schloss
Parratt, Liverpool re his duties of Citizens Book.
H. Hutchinson " coming to London.
W. S. Godpey asking lecturer at Portsmouth Send.
Huddersfield F.S. Report of Activity. —
Miss Brooke re Workmen discharged at Woolwich
E. Bernstein re German S. D. Leaders who read English.
Agreed to send them unbound Tracts &
1/2 Essays, & a letter as drafted.
City Vigilance League, New York. Asking report of F.S.
in 500 Words & sending ~~P~~ bibliography. Refer
to Miss Brooke to write report. Send 29.
Ask for more copies & offer to revise as regards
England. — Ernest E. Williams

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Executive at Office 3 Nov. 93.

Present Williams (in Chair), Webb, Gakeslett, Oliver
De Mattos Miss Cameron, Miss Brooke,
Shaw Hammill Shandring Rose

Absent. Wallas, Utley & Sparling; & Bland (lecturing).

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Manifesto. Sec. reported o.p. Shaw agreed to write
Editor of Fortnightly for Copies. -
3. London Clubs Economic Class. Webb reported circular
not ready. -
4. Parish Councils Com^{ee}. Williams reported that
he had nominated a Com^{ee} & arranged for them
to meet on Monday.
Com^{ee} : -

The Exec. added : -

5. German Soc? Leaders agreed to send them Bound
Volumes of Tracts instead of unbound as
decided at last Exec. -

6. Resignations.

D.G. Ritchie on ap of Manifesto accept.
Rd Whiteing " " " "
Rev. a Jephson " " " Ask if he has read
Fortnightly & still persists.
G. F. McCleary on ap of other occupations. ask to
withdraw.

7. Essex C.C. Byelaws. Replies from M.P.'s tabled.

8. Local Board Buses at Willesden. Sec. reported proposal
by Wilder for Kees. No precedents were suggested.

9. Essex Hall lectures.

Order of Proceedings. Agreed after debate to make no change.
Pepping Handbill. Pub. Com^{ee} authorised to issue.

Handbill of 3 Lectures. Agreed to print 5000 on
red paper of 3 lectures at Essex
Hall with advt on back
in time for Mrs Wells St. James Hall City.

10. School Board Com^{ee} at 8 pm. Agenda prepared

11. Publishing Com^{ee} Report considered as follows:-

Recommending not to publish Stopford Brooke's Coal sermon
Reporting on Sweating Tract Agreed to refer to Mrs Webb

" " Proposed Bibliography in Tract 47. Agreed
to have it, Miss Brooke & Wallas to prepare. Standing to
permit 1/2 page in exchange for advt on remaining half.

Pub. Com^{ee} to conclude arrangements. -

Report recommending sale of Church Reformer on our Stall
was not approved, Sec. ordered to write
Verinder declining. -

Sec. also ordered to write Stopford Brooke asking if
he intended to republish his sermon, & to Salt if
he proposed to give us 50 of Mrs Mallet's Tract.

12. Correspondence.

S. Maud, asking how to enforce fair Wages Clause.

Refer to Hood Barrs & put par in news.

W. S. Godfrey on new F.S. at Portsmouth & on manifests.

Mrs Grenfel on Women & Parish Councils Bill. Refer to Com^{ee} on Bill

H. Hutchinson offering cash when needed. Write me
can spend any amt. on gratuitous leaflets.

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John Clark

School Board Election Com^{ee} at Office 3 Nov. 93.

Present. Exec. - De Mattos. Miss Cameron, Pease

Others - H. Lowerison (in chair) R. A. Poddie, W. J. Pincombe, Miss Martyn, Mrs Brownlow, Edw. Rose, Rev. S. D. Headlam, S. D. Shallard, John Henderson, Miss Hatfield, Miss Hickson.

1. After debate it was moved by Headlam & unanimously agreed that this meeting considers that the whole efforts of the Society should be concentrated on securing a progressive majority pledged to put good education in the foremost place.
2. Agreed unanimously that steps be taken to secure representation for the Society on the I. L. & R. H. Conference on Nov. 21st.
3. ~~They~~ Agreed that this meeting is of opinion that in each of the eleven S. B. Electoral districts a joint Committee be formed, & that also a General Committee be, if possible, formed to exercise control over them.

4. Agreed That the present progressive members of the Board be invited to take steps to summon a conference of progressive bodies in order to form the Central Committee.
5. Agreed That the Fabian Groups be urged to call upon the most representative local organisations whether Labour Leagues, L.R.U. Branches, L.L. & R. Associations, or other, to summon a joint Committee in every S.B. Division & that the Gen. Sec. advise each Group Sec. what S.B. Divisions fall in his area.
6. Agreed That all Fabian members be requested to inform the Gen. Sec. which is the best organisation in every case & who is the best individual. —
7. That a sub. Comtee be appointed to draw up a tract for the election, & the Comtee consist of Rev. S. D. Headlam, H. Loverson, Graham Wallis, Miss Martyn, S. D. Shallard, & the Gen Sec. as Secretary. —
S. D. Shallard

Executive Com^{ee} at Office 10th Nov 93.

Present Bland (in chair) Sparling Pease, Williams, Miss Cameron, Miss Brooke, Standing Shaw, Webb, Hammill Gakeshok, Oliver.

Absent: Utley, De Mattos, Wallas.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. The Minutes of the S. B. Election Com^{ee} were read.
3. S. B. Election Com^{ee} The Exec. concurred with Nos 1. 3. 5. & 6. In regard to no. 2 Webb reported that it had been decided already not to ask the F.S. to send delegates to the preliminary conference. In respect of 4, it was agreed that the L.S. & K. Conference would probably develop into such a general Com^{ee}. In respect of 6 Webb suggested consulting last Election programs, in particular Frisbery.
3. London Clubs Economic Circular. Not ready. Webb.
4. Parish Councils Com^{ee}. Williams reported it going ahead.
5. Resignations. On aft of Manifesto, A. Ballard +

Mr. Bateson. Agreed to state reason in News.

6. Candidates, all elected, viz: -

Candidates for Election.

CANDIDATES.

PROPOSED BY

Henry Atkinson, 134 Wightman-road, Hornsey, N.	Hy. Lowerison and A. Lowerison
Miss Clara A. Bridgman, 23 Montague-st., Russell-square, W.C.	Graham Wallas and Chas. Peach
Miss Mary G. Burnett , 52 Lower Sloane-street, S.W.	M. Cameron and Isabel Priestley
John Coles, c/o Stead and Simpson, Market-place, N. Wals-ham, Norfolk	J. F. Oakeshott
Miss Catherine H. Foxcroft, 64 Guildford-street, W.C.	W. Anderson and Amy Lawrence
J. Leys, 1 Milk-st. Buildings, E.C.	Helen Pütz and Hugh Limebeer.

Burnett

7. It was agreed to print as candidates without requiring previous attendances at meetings
E. Tom Tandy & Henry Alexander.

8. Fabian Conference. Agreed to consult Societies & par. in Fabian News.

9. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted viz: -

47. Bibliography as prepared by Miss Brooke, Wallas & Olivier.
Mining Royalties. That Olivier be asked to prepare a tract.
Manifests. That it be prepared as soon as possible.
Circular re Manifests. That it be printed & at present send to locals & groups only.

9. (cont'd) (Pub. Com^{ee} report Cont^o)

Tract 8. That republication of any parts be referred to Webb for report.

10. Correspondence.

Gorton F.S. Dissolution.

S. Australia F.S. Refer for Conference at Zurich to Secy & L. Temp

Clifton & Bristol. announcing dissolution Horfield F.S.

W. S. Godfrey Formation of Portsmouth F.S.

Glasgow F.S. on relation with S. D. F.

Jarrow F.S. Report.

Stroud Lib. Club. Proposal to form F.S.

L. Hall, on Guide to Park: Cand. Referred to Carpenter

Kitchener on Socialism amongst Miners

Haldane on Essex^{cc} Byelaws.

Huddersfield I.L.P. on Russell Smart's candidature.

Battersea Labour League. Re 44.

T. R. Brice on Municipal Corruption. Refer to N. L. C.

S. Marsden on Halifax Municipal Election.

Arthur Hickmott on Baths & Washhouses

Boston Herald Lecture on F.S. of Clarke

or

or

W. S. de Wallis

Chairman

Executive at Office 17 Nov. 93.

Present Shaw, Wallis, Hammill, Miss Brooke, Cakeshult,
Standing, Williams, De Mattos, Wallas
Peace, Sparling, Bland.

Absent Webb, Wley, Miss Cameron Olivier

1. Minutes of last meeting confirmed.
2. Economic Papers for London Clubs. Webb absent.
3. Parish Councils. ~~Trade~~ Com^{ee}. Williams reported
Com^{ee} meeting on Mondays, & Questions preparing.
4. Membership. Geo. Cummings reinstated.
5. Proposed Tract of Burns. Referred to pub. Com^{ee}
6. Pos. Law Reports 1834. Agreed to buy 5.
7. Members Mtg Dec 15. Agreed to hold at
Club & Inst. Union.
8. Agreed to advance Howell's wages to 20/-

9. Board of Trade Unemp. Report. Agreed to put par in News.

10. Bradford F.S. on D.L.P. + relations of F.S. thereto. Agreed that Shaw draft refer.

11. Publishing Comtee Report adopted, + agreed in addition re Manchester Labour Press Society:-

- (a) That they have our Tracts on Sale or Return.
- (b) That they do not be permitted to reprint our Tracts.
- (c) That they be allowed to advertise themselves as our Wholesale ~~our~~ agents for North.
- (d) That we sent out their list of tracts in News
- (e) That they be allowed 5% off their a/c for tracts if paid for monthly.
- (f) That on lines of 1000 or more of one tract they receive in addition 10% disc't.
- (g) That we put a par in news noting their existence.

12. Correspondence:-

Rochdale F.S. on Municipal Lodgings in Rochdale
D. G. Ritchie, finally resigning.

9. Correspondence (cont'd)

Miss Amy Lawrence re Parliamentary candidates
Fund. Deferred.

Davis asking best book on Interest
Jacobus, on Income Tax

Royal Com^{rs} on Labour Information re F. S.

Grigham asking opinion on Crooks' foreshore
scheme.

R. B. Whitehead, Paris, sending £10.

Marson, asking advice for S. Australia
on Bill before Parliament

Hamilton on Parish Council Bill

Verinder " " " " } Referred to P.C. Com^{rs}

10. Lantern Slides. Miss Priestley asked to prepare
Report. -

Emma Brooke

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Executive at Office 24th November 1893.

Present: Miss Brooke (in the chair), Williams, Sparling, Cakeshott,
Hammill, Pease, Shaw, Wallis, Webb, Miss Cameron
Oliver.

Absent: Utley, Bland ^(lecturing) Standing De Mattos.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Economic Circular to London Clubs. Webb. Not ready.
3. Accounts to Dec 31st submitted & approved.
4. Letter from Miss Amy Lawrence re candidature Fund.
After debate, Sec. Ordered to draft reply, indicating
that our Fund is not that referred to in the Fortnightly;
that we must have free hand in application of our
fund; & on these conditions will take cash. Draft
to be submitted to Publishing Comtee.
- ~~5. Accounts to 31 Oct approved.~~
5. Hammersmith Group. Agreed not to send its
Resolution to members of the Cabinet.

6. Nat. League for Abolishing House of Lords.
Agreed not to send delegate.
7. Gainsboro' Dist. Dem. Assn. Letter read asking
for affiliation. Agreed to write that we
have no machinery herefor, but individual
members can join.
8. Members Meeting Dec. 15. Agreed to send to
all members before Dec. 15 proofs of
Manifesto + Mining Tract, + to hold
meeting in place to be fixed by Gen. Sec.
St. Martin's ^{2.12.6} Town Hall, ³ Small Essex Hall ^{2.12.6}
Old Friends ^{2.12.6} Hall, ^{15/-} Board ³ Room Compositors Soc. ^{7 2/-}
being suggested. Circular, Revised by Shaw to go too.
9. Parish Councils Com^{ee}. Williams reported that
the Irish Bills whose incorporation is suggested
are good. Sec. instructed to communicate with
Terrides as to writing M.P.s on the Bill.
10. Lantern Slides. Miss Priestley. Report not ready.

11. Manchester Labour Press. Sec. reported interview & request from Henshall for 3 Economic Lectures in Jan - March. Agreed to send lecturers, Sparling in Feb, & others, possibly Bland & Oliver, provided the lectures be under auspices of the F.S. - Also that we will pay travelling expenses. -

12. Special Circular re Tracts to Locals. Webb enquired why it had not been sent. Sec. replied that it was ordered not to be sent. Referred to Publishing Com^{ee} for Report.

13. L.L. & R.N. S. B. Election Conference. Wallas reported that Sec. reported that he had received invitation & had appointed Wallas, Shallard, & Miss Martyn as delegates. Wallas reported proceedings, & that an Ex. Com^{ee} was formed consisting of Corrie Grant, J.L. Seager, J.S. Bartlett & himself. Com^{ee} on Friday 1st Dec at 8pm approved.

14. Publishing Com^{ee} Minutes read & approved, ~~but~~ ^{but} in reference to Fabian Library, it was agreed to send copy to Scott & not to raise objection to their offer of 1/6 only as Royalty on Export Copies. -

15. W. Shingley Godfrey. Letter ^{from him} read proposing
to act as organiser in S. England at 10/- a week
& fares. Agreed that we cannot accept but
that he be asked to make specific proposals,
wh. we will favourably consider.

16. Correspondence.

Inverness. New F.S.
Lincoln F.S. Turned into S.D.F.
Huddersfield L.P. on Smart's candidature
Southampton F.S. Asking lecturer with fare paid.
~~Daisy Schen~~ proposing. Agreed.
Miss Daisy Schen proposing to resign S.S. Group
Secy ship. Ask ind. to.
Failsforth F.S. re practical dissolution of F.S.
ask Reeves to join us
A. Sabine on House-painters & Independent L.P.
Fortnightly Review handing £20.
F.W. Hayes offering lecture on House of Lords
Consider when new Course is
being arranged.
New York V. Leayne sending thanks & bibliographies.
E. Plipson on Manifestos.
J. F. Oakescott

Executive at Office 1 Dec. 1893.

Present:- Galeshott (in chair) Oliver Pease, Shaw Standing
Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Bland, Sparling
Webb, Waller

Absent De Mattos, Hammill, Utley, Williams.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Economic Circular to Clubs. Webb. Not ready
3. Lantern Slides. Miss Priestley. Not ready.
4. Proposed new northern Group. approved.
5. Resignation A. Scheu, on account of Joint Socialist
Committee. Accepted.
6. Barnards Inn. Agreed to tip doorkeeper 1/6.
7. School Board Com^{ee} this evening. Agenda discussed
8. Publishing Com^{ee}. Report made by Shaw. Agreed
to call special Exec. for Tuesday at 8pm.

No revise Manifesto. Absent members only who
~~remind~~ advised. -

9. Portsmouth F.S. Agreed to send a lecturer.

10. Correspondence. -

Dewsbury F.S. on Manifesto

Ramsbottom Work

Oldham Dissolution

A. W. Jephson Final resignation

Dr. A. D. Williams, Greetings.

W. Scudamore New York Gossip

G. S. Jacobs West Ham Municipal Death Duties.

J. Wetherburn Newcastle evening news,
ask him what pay? -

Walter Hand

School Board Election Com^{ee} at office

— 1 December 1893. —

Present. of Exe. Pease, Cakeshott.

Groups. Pratt, Whelen, Mr: Pity, Miss Belcher,

Others Shallard (in chair), Paddie, Pincombe, H.O. Cakeshott,

W.A. Morris, Rose, Mr: Brownlow, Offord, Lowerison,
also Miss Hichson, Miss Martyn

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. S. D. Shallard on behalf of himself, Wallas & Miss Martyn reported on Conference called by L. L. & R. U. - It was agreed to recommend that Wallas, Lowerison & Shallard be delegates to the adjourned meeting (held) on Tuesday Dec. 12th -
3. A debate arose on the attitude of the Society's delegate in regard to Secular Education :-
 Rev. A. W. Morris moved "That [failing the adoption of secular education] the Conference be pressed to draw up a program excluding all reference to religious questions, + leaving these points to the individual candidates" Pease moved as an amendment

That our delegates be given no instructions to take part in the religious question. Lost by 10 to 4.

A second amendment was moved to omit the words in brackets "failing the adoption of secular education" Carried by 7 to 5.

The resolution as amended was carried nem con.

4. Names being asked as volunteers ~~needed~~ for work on a general Executive Committee, the following offered:-

Loverison	1 hour per day canvassing
Peddie	Conc ^{ee} work in afternoons
W.A. Morris	Work in own district
Miss Martyn	
Miss Belcher	
H.A. Galesholt	

5. The following agreed to make draft leaflets:-

Loverison	Swimming Baths
Dr.	Small economies
Miss Hickson	Evening Classes
Galesholt	Electoral and Mistakes.

b. Agreed to meet again on Wed. Dec 13.

7. Draft tracts read: agreed that - Miss Martyn + Lowerson have them to make suggestions & send on to Shallard to write out & prepare for discussion at next meeting. -

Fred Hammill.

Special Executive Tues. 5 Dec at 8 pm.

Present Bland (in chair) Shaw, Miss Cameron,
Standing Peace

Absent: Webb Wallas Sparling Hammill, Oakeshott Oliver
Walter Williams, Miss Brooke, De Mattos.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Sec. was ordered to send a suitable reply
to W. S. Caine's letter.
3. Shaw read his revise of the Forthnightly article
as proposed for publication as a Tract - after
discussion, the tract as read was ordered to be
set up. -

G. Bernard Shaw.
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Executive at Office 8 Dec. 93. -

Present Shaw (in chair) Miss Broome, Oakeshott, Pease, Wallas,
Williams, Olivier Standing, Hammill, Sparling Bland.

Absent Mley, Webb, Miss Cameron, De Mattos

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Minutes of School Board Comtee were read.
3. Agreed in accordance with above to appoint as delegates
to the S. B. Joint-Conference, Wallas, Shallard, & Dorrison.
4. After debate, it was resolved to disallow the proposed
instructions to delegates re Religious Education, &
to instruct them as follows: -
"That the Executive will not oppose the maintenance
of the "Compromise", but in the event of that being
impossible is strongly of opinion that the election
be run on the lines of Secular Education: and
instructs its delegates to vote accordingly".
4. Hall for Semi. public meetings. Agreed to take
St. Martin's Town Hall (smaller) when necessary.

5. Publishing Committee report read & adopted, except that only 4000 of Tract 48 with stereo plate be printed, & further that circular re Manifesto be not sent out at present.
6. Auditors, agreed that Macrae & Griffith be nominated.
7. Summer Course of Lectures. Deferred.
8. Trade Council ~~Meeting~~ Conference on Unemployed. Agreed
(1) To send delegates. (2) To bear proportionate cost.
(3) To vote for evening meetings. -
9. Bradford F. S. Draft reply to letters adopted.
10. Dublin Post Office Mail Contract. Agreed as suggested by Webb to write to Post Master General suggesting direct employment in place of sub-contracting. Sec. to communicate with A. G. Leonard first.
11. Slimely Godper. Agreed to accept his proposal to work at Gosport re for a fortnight for 2/-

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lnt. To write him to avoid getting corner men into a Fabian Society.

12. Election of new candidates :

The following were elected except, a Sabine who withdrew his name, & H. Alexander not in order in the absence of necessary letter from J. E. Dobson. It was agreed to write Knox that H. Sharpe had been elected with on the understanding that he was a socialist : -

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
H. Alexander, 22 Duncan terrace, City road, N.	H. Russell Smart & J. E. Dobson.
J. Hutchison Mackay, Boxleigh House, Mansfield-rd., Reading	William Baxter.
E. E. Mapley, 104 High-street, Olney, Bucks	H. W. Kitchener.
John Abel McPherson, M.P., Adast., Goodwood, South Australia	A. F. Pearson and R. S. Guthrie.
Rev. R. W. Menzies, 18 Wharton-street, W.C.	P. R. Pratt and E. R. Pease.
T. A. Murray, 22 Bookham-st., New North-road, N.	G. Samuel and J. W. Martin.
A. Sabine, 10 Kitson rd., Addington-square, Camberwell, S.E.	E. R. Pease and I. Priestley.
Henry Sharpe, 3 Cranston-place, Antrim-road, Belfast	W. M. Knox.
J. T. Smith, 117 Town-st., Bramley, Leeds	General Secretary.
Sam Standing, 7-9 Finsbury-st., E.C.	E. R. Pease and G. Standing.
E. T. Tandy, 13 Fitzroy-street, W. Wm. Turner, Nortonthorpe, near Huddersfield	I. Priestley and C. H. Kelf.
Ralph Radcliffe Whitehead, 40 Rue Beaujon, Paris	General Secretary.
Thos. Wilmshurst, 15 Grosvenor-road, S.W.	Halliday Sparling.
	G. S. Ross and W. Ballance.

Not elected

Not elected

13. Resignations. Major Edwards - Accepted.

14. Antipeerage League. No delegate to be sent

15. Newcastle F.S. Letter read & report from Hannumill
proposing grant of £10. For tour for
letter in N/C. district lecturing. Agreed to grant
£10. - & to ask parties concerned to organise
active sale of Tracts. -

16. Correspondence.

Worcester. New F.S.
Miss D. Schen Resigning S.E. Group Sec.
E. Saunders Jacobs. Municipal Bath at West Ham
G. Kautzky. Reply to letter on Socialism
in Germany.
W. McQueen. asking admission to Society
as converted Anarchist.
Tell him to attend meetings.
J. Forath on Law of apprenticeship
F. Sawington on Social Salvation thro feet.

Ernest C. Williams

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Education committee at Office 8 Dec. 93. 8pm.

Present. Exec. Hammill (in chair) Pease
 Groupas Miss Belcher
 Others. J.W. Martin, E. Rose, H.O. Oakeshott,
 Miss R. Halfield, Mrs Brownlow
 R.A. Peddie

1. Hammill was voted to the chair
2. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
3. Resolutions of Exec. on subject were read & discussed.
4. Sec. in absence of delegates, gave short report of last S.B. conference.
5. Letter from Miss Hickson read, proposing classes in School Board electoral affairs. Agreed to ask her for further details of scheme.
6. Et. Rose reported that he could undertake 2 afternoons a week of work for Gen. Exec. Com^{ee}

7. Agreed That our delegates be instructed to suggest to the Conference the advisability of arranging for an S. B. Handbook for Electoral Purposes. -
8. Tract read & discussed :-
Agreed That our Tract should not be primarily a fighting document, but rather a general review of the S. B. Reforms required in the next few years; and that the fighting element should be prominent in the leaflet. -
9. Agreed: That Shallard be informed that Martin will write out the Tract unless Shallard prefers to do it himself, in time for the next meeting.
10. Date of next meeting fixed for Wed Jan 10th
11. Agreed that Wallas & Lowerison continue as delegates: that Pease take the place of Shallard, retired, & that J. W. Martin be asked if required. -
Harry Lowerison

Executive at Office 8 15 December 1893.

Present. S. S. Williams (in chair) Shaw, Hammill, Cakeshult,
Wells, Standing Miss Cameron, Miss Brooke, Wallas
Bland Pease

Absent. Olivier, Sparling, Wley, De Mattos.

1. Minutes of last Com^{ee} confirmed.
2. School Board Com^{ee} read. Minutes 8 & 9 approved. Agreed that the delegate be Wallas, Lowmison & Pease. No^y referred to Wallas. —
3. Sec. reported that Barnardo's Inn could be had for the next meeting.
4. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved. Agreed not to make any charge to Sparling for loan of typewriter.
5. Agreed to delay publication of news till Jan 4th or so.
6. Agreed to have Members Meeting on Jan 19th to consider Olivier's Tract on Misses, & receive statement

on S. Board from Wallace.

7. Auditors. Sec. reported that Griffith declined. Agreed to ask Holding.
8. Summer Lectures After debate agreed to have 3 Semi-private lectures on S. Board.
9. Candidates - Correspondence read re H. Alexander. Agreed to write that his candidature had never come formally before the Exec. Com^{ee} -
10. F. R. Curleon. Letter read resigning. Agreed to ask him to withdraw it for a time at least.
11. Economic Circular to London Clubs. Agreed to stick to fee of 2/6. & to print 500 at once.
12. Executive Meetings Agreed to adjourn till Dec 2nd
13. Fabian News. Agreed to send out bills of Kennan's lectures
14. Anarchism. Letter read from Miss Henry asking

names of Fabians connected with S.B. To inform of an Anarchist lecture. Sec. reported that he had declined subject to decision of Executive. After debate it was agreed to take no action in the matter.

15. Newcastle Evening News. Letters from Whitburn & Howden read. In reply to former Sec. instructed to send names of 6 professional Fabian journalists, & to promise second list if desired.

16. Office. Agreed to let it to Oakhurst for 2/6 per night.

17. Hamnill & L.T.C. Lab. Repⁿ. Hamnill reported that he had to draw up a scheme. Agreed that Welch, Wallace, & Shaw be a committee to consult with him & report to Exec. on 29th —

18. Correspondence.

Re Manifesto from R. Smart, J.S. Hamilton, Miss Grove, J.H. Grenille & York F.S.

- Walton F.S.
- Chuster F.S.
- Worcester F.S.
- New Society
- Good Report.
- re Bland

Correspondence (cont.?)

Sowerby Bridge F.S. Re approaching diesel "

Walthamston " Dissolution.

Shimply Godfrey on him (p) in general. Tell him
we have no influence in "XIX Century"

Liverpool F.S. wanting lecturers. Bland will go.

Miss Skerritt Sending 20/- for Parl. Cand Fund.

Write letter as to Miss Lawrence.

A. Pike Testimonial. Send list of members,
but say they must not use our name.

Halliday Sparking

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Executive Com^{ee} at Office on Friday

29 ~~Jan 7~~ 1891 December 1893. -

Present. Sparling (in chair) Bland, Peace, Cakeshott,
Williams, Hammill.

Absent. Webb, Wallace, Shaw, De Mattos, Utter, Olivier
Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron Standing

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report - adopted, in particular declining grant of books.
3. Members Meeting Jan 19. Left to see to arrange, if the tract on Living Wage be ready.
4. Summer Lectures. Deferred.
5. Fabian News. Agreed to send bills with it for Webb's lecture.
6. L. T. C. Lab. Rep. Com^{ee} - No report.
7. Land. Nat. Soc'y. Proposed Com^{ee} to

organise Public Conference. Agreed to send
two delegates, to be nominated by Gen. Sec.

8. Executive. Sec. read letter from de Maltos proposing
to resign, & stated he had suggested holding
it over for the present. Approved.
9. Public Abolition. Proposal to advocate them
by G.E. Williams ~~deferred~~ approved,
& deferred till republication of our
L.C.C. Questions.
10. Membership. F.R. Colson, with drawing resignation.
A. Seaborn desiring re-statement. Granted
Miss Linnett resigning. Accepted
E. Garcke " "
Mrs Duncan " Refused, & excused
subscription.
L.P. Smith proposing resignation on acct of
Manifesto. Sec.'s reply confirmed
11. Northern Group. Report from Holding of formation
of new Group outside London agreed

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that it be called Northern Group, & the rest
of the old Northern Group be the
Islington Group.

12. Correspondence.

W. S. Godfrey Going to Friesland Colony
F. S. Ramelstone wanting lecture. Bland to go.
Deanne Talley New F. S.
Howden on Poor Law. Galeshott to prepare
reply.
Bradford, wanting Editor. Recommend
Duke or Shallard.
Henshall, colleges of N. Man? F. S.
Miss Lawrence on conduct of business.
Received with a pleasure
Shuttleworth on Manifesto
Rebel Singer & Seibenecht. Thanks
Postmaster General on Dublin Mail Carts.
T. Porter on Walthamstow - F. S.
Geo. Standing
Jun. 5/94

Executive Com^{ee} at Office on Friday 5 Jan '94

Present Standing (in chair) Miss Cameron Williams
Bland Miss Brooke, Pease, Sparling Hamill
Gakushok.

Absent. Shaw, Webb, Wallas, Utley, De Mattos, Oliver

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report discussed & approved, except that as regards Tract 49 it was agreed, "That galley proofs be sent to each member of the Executive Com^{ee} & nothing be done till after the next Executive Meeting".
3. Accounts to Nov. 30th presented.
4. Auditors. Agreed to nominate Macrosty & Lorrain
5. L.F.C. Labour Repⁿ Com^{ee} - Sec. reported that he had received draft plan from Webb, typed copy of wh. he had handed to Hamill. Hamill reported that this draft had been adopted by the Com^{ee} with only insignificant amendments.

6. Summer Lectures. Agreed that Sec. prepare plan with dates, embodying 3 lectures (Semi-public) on Schur S. Board, & public meetings, for wh Fosté, & Dilhe, & Rollitt ~~was~~ or Ghrist were suggested, & Parish Councils as subject.

7. Correspondence:

R R. Whitehead Sending ann. Sub of £/s.
 Witwatersrand Labour Union, re literature.

Emma Brooke

Education Com^{ee} at Office 15th January
at 8 pm.

Present, Lowerison Pease, Martin, Pincombe
Rose, Edwards, Pratt, Paddie Miss Hicken

1. Harry Lowerison was voted to the chair
2. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
3. Pease, Lowerison & Pincombe gave report of proceedings at last Conference, which was discussed.
4. After debate it was agreed to suggest to the Exec. Com^{ee} the following course of lectures for semi-public meetings, & afterwards for clubs, viz:—
 - I Education at Home & abroad. (Theoretical)
 - II What the present board has done.
 - III Our program + how to carry it.
5. It was decided to suggest as lecturers, J.W. Martin for I S. & Headlam for II & H. Lowerison for III

- 6. J. W. Martin then read a draft Tract as far as ready, which was generally approved.
- 7. The debate was adjourned till Wed. Jan 24th, when the Tract is to be ready. —

Harry Lowerison

Executive at Office 12 Jan 94

Present Miss Brooke (in chair) Pease, Cakeshott,
Williamus Hammill, Sparling Shaw-
Standing, Olivier

Absent De Mattos, Uley, Webb; Wallas, Miss Cameron:
Bland (lecturing)

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed
2. The Minutes of the last S. B. Com^{ee} were read
& on the whole approved.
3. Tract 49. Proofs presented. Shaw explained
the alterations & after debate, they
were adopted.
4. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved, in
particular fixing edition of Tract 49 at
10,000 instead of 5000 as proposed before.
5. Mining Royalties &c. Olivier reported 4000 words
ready & suggested 2 leaflets.
Agreed not to have them, & that he submit

his Ms. to the next publishing Comm^{ee}

b. Candidates, elected as under:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Andrew Clark (G.R.W.U.), The Acacias, Parkhurst-road, Bowes Park, N.	H. B. Holding and H. Macrosty.
Miss Mary E. Creeves, 25 Tollington-place, Tollington-park, N.	P. R. Pratt and H. G. Chancellor.
G. G. Desmond, 34 Liverpool-st., King's Cross, W.C.	E. R. Pease and Graham Wallas.
F. W. Beauchamp Gordon, 40 Portsdown-road, W.	H. B. Holding and E. R. Pease.
Rev. E. T. Hamel, 164 New Kent-road, S.E.	Percy Dearmer and A. W. Morris.
Miss Beatrice Hickson, Old Bath Cottage, Old Charlton, S.O.	Robt. Banner and Daisy Scheu.
Miss Edith Johnstone, 36 Ronalds-road, Highbury, N.	J. H. Clapperton and Dora Forster.

7. Summer Lecture Scheme agreed to as follows:-

April 6. Semi-Public.

School Board I J. W. Martin Board Schools at home & abroad

20. Essex Hall Meeting

Sir C. Dilke on Parish Councils

May 4 Annual Meeting

" 18 Semi Public

School Board II What the present Board has done. S. D. Headlam

June 1 Semi. Public

School Board III Our Program how to carry it. H. Lowerison

15. Public at Essex Hall. Foote on Fabianism.

8. Correspondence:-

W. M. Knox on loss of an eye &c:

Peoples League Peckham, wanting Economic League
Fry W.M.C. Group.

Humanitarian League, asking leave to send out
Leaflet on Public Abolition with
News, agreed.

Edinburgh F.S. proposing Fabian Conference
same time as L.P. Conference at
Manchester. Say it- won't do.

Carlisle F.S. Good Report of continued vitality

Southampton F.S. Annual Report

Marshall Steele proposing short tour. Agreed
but write "no pay for lectures".

Dr. Benno Karpeles sending out of £2.-

• Millican Dalton sending annual donation
of £4, & advice re Christian
World. Reply we don't think
it wise to intrude ourselves.

Liza Sammell

Executive at Office 19 Jan. 94

Present Hammill (in chair) Shaw, Pease, Oakeshott, Standing
Sparkling Miss Brooke Webb, Wallas.

Absent. Utley, De Mattos, Miss Cameron, Bland, Olivier, Williams

- 1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
- 2. Accounts to Dec. 31st presented, & also statement of sales of Tracts to same date.

3. Publishing Com^{ee} Report & Tracts. Report approved:-
 Agreed:- Tract 49. Title page approved.
 Agreed to fill up with our own advt if Matthews w^d not take space 1/2 page
 Printed letter, revised by Webb, ordered to be sent out with News, together with copy of Tract.
 Shaw & Webb to send final revision Monday.

- Revise Tract 12. Webb to report.
- 11. Agreed it cannot be revised.
- 44. Oakeshott reported c^d. be printed from Stereo.

Agreed that Oakeshott replace Olivier on the Pub. Com^{ee} -

4. Sec. presented list of members who had not
subscribed since 31st December 1892. -
Agreed to strike out

W. T. Anderson

T. Barlow

Fred Henderson

Mrs F. Henderson

J. A. Hurst

Mrs Snieff

Mrs Pogroski

J. Solley. -

As to remainder agreed that letters be sent
& the sec. prepare lists for letters as last
year.

5. Delegations: agreed to appoint as follows:-

(a) Land Nationalisation Conference Com^{ee} E. R. Pease

(b) London T. Council Eight Hours Com^{ee} F. Hamill

(c) Legal Eight Hours Com^{ee} no one. -

Agreed further in respect of (a) that we undertake
a fair & reasonable proportion of expense: (b)
that we agree to pay our share in proportion
to our numbers, & that we undertake a platform

or otherwise, as may be decided by the Comtee
and as to (c) that no reply be sent. —

6. Hall for Semi-public Meeting. Agree to take Cliffords Inn.

7. Correspondence

- Dewsbury F.S. Re fair Wages & Govt
- F. M. Wihaut. Asking re Arts & Crafts re.
- Walmough Asking re Ruskin. Oakeshott to reply.
- Verinder Asking if one w? circulate pamphlet of Odd. Yes.
- John Cole on State of Norfolk Villages
- L. P. Smith Handing £5.—
- Henshall re sending out Catalogue. agreed.
- R. E. Dell on Portsmouth meetings.
- W. S. Godfrey (1) — Do —
- (2) ask. re Guardians of Unemployed. Reply that work of Guardians does disfranchise
- N. McVean re Sidmouth

etc

to.

J. F. Out of the

School Board Committee at Office on

Wed. 24 Jan. 8pm.

Present. Loverson, Martin, Headlam, Pratt, Edwards, Rose,
F.S. Powell, Miss Walter, Mrs Greenwood, Mrs Mallet,
Peddle, Pease, Shallard.

1. Harry Loverson was elected Chairman
2. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
3. Sec. reported that Exec. had approved (with small modification) the scheme of lectures.
4. The draft Tract was read in part by J.W. Martin, & debated, & amended.
5. The meeting adjourned the debate till Wed Jan 31st at 8pm.

Robert A. Peddle

Executive at Office 26 Jan. 94.

Present Oakeshott (in chair) Bland, Sparling, Hammill, Shaw,
Williams, Miss Brooks, Wallas, Pease.

Absent Wley, De Mattos, Miss Cameron, Webb, Oliver Standring.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Report of Publishing Com^{ee} was approved.
Re letter to members, agreed not to send it out, but
to put par in news.
Sparling agreed to send Mrs Peddie to type letter to newspapers.
3. Members Meeting. Agreed to hold it at Cliffords Inn
on Friday 9th & in addition to Sweating Tract,
to put on agenda Report of Com^{ee} appointed
to draw up Tract on Women Question.
4. Purge of Members. Agreed to send out printed request,
with stamped "Special Notice".
5. Summer Lectures Agreed to ask J. A. McPeerson
M.P. for S. Australia in place
of Sir Charles Dilke. —

6. Reports of Delegates. Eight Hours Com^{ce} Hammill reported work going on & that he was on L.T.C. Executive Com^{ce} for his purpose
letter read from Shipton. Pease appointed a delegate for Mtg on Tuesday next. -
Land Nationalisation Conference. Pease reported Com^{ce} thereon adjourned to March.

7. L.T.C. Unemployed Conference. Deferred.

8. Bland undertook to write to Utley re his debt. -

9. Correspondence

P. Stacy re Dissolution Clifton F.S. & re Ley

H. Wood re Sowerby Bridge F.S.

R.A. Reeve " Harley F.S.

Mrs Duncan " Dublin F.S.

C. Ogden " Bradford L.P.

Langer .. Workmens Budget. Refer to Tract 39

Panda-keet Societ asking re F.S.

S. A. Phipson offering Flurscheims "Rent &". Accept.

Prd R. T. Sly asking books

Scudamore Syllabus of N. Y. Conference

& &c.

G. Bernard Shaw
2/2/94.

School. Board Com^{ee} at Office 31 Jan 94.

Present R. A. Peddie (in the chair) Rev. S. D. Headlam,
J. G. McCarthy, J. W. Martin, W. Edwards, S. Rose
G. R. Pease, Mrs Mallet, John Henderson.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. J. W. Martin completed reading his draft tract wh. was discussed in detail & ordered to be amended
3. It was agreed that the Gen. Sec. sh^d. consult the Exec. on the Tract & should call another meeting of the Com^{ee} whenever arrangements with that body were completed, & the Com^{ee} to be on a Wednesday.

Robert Alexander Peddie

Executive at Office 2 Feb. 1894

Present Webb, Wallas, Shaw, Gakeshott, Miss Brooke,
Pease, Sparling, Bland. (Shaw in chair)

Absent. Oliver, De Mattos, Uley, Standing Miss Cameron
Williams, + Hammill (lecturing.)

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report - adopted. Agreed that Wallas conduct the Sweating Tract, & that Pease make enquiries about mimeograph. -
3. Pease reported proceedings at L.T.C. Eight Hours Demonstration Committee.
4. L.T.C. Unemployed Conference. Sec. ordered to send fee of 15/- Wallas + Shaw appointed delegates.
5. Uley. Bland reported that he had promised to par by this date.
 - b. Debate at Liverpool. Agreed that Bland go.

- 7. S. B. Tract. ~~H~~ Sec. reported it was finished & the Com^{es} agreed that Wallas read & report on it.
- 8. Economic Class Circular to Clubs. Sec. reported that it had been sent out twice to London Clubs, & once to Clubs in all England & the Club & Institute Union, and only one club & one person had replied. -
- 9. Conference. Decided to have no conference, Soiree, Conversations, party, or other frivolity.
- 10 Groups. No special action to be taken.
- 11 Nat. League for Abolⁿ of H. of L. Agreed to send no reply to their application for cooperation
- 12. Portsmouth Trade Council Sec. - agreed not to put on further
- 13. Method of Executive Election :- agreed as follows :-
 - (a) to get Ballot Box
 - (b) to put notice in March News re scrutineers
 - (c) not to publish names of nominators of candidates
 - (d) to print (a) ballot paper (b) envelopes marked "Ballot"

- paper only (*) enveloped to cover both directed to Gen Sec.
- (e) to require every member sending ballot paper & post to sign his name to letter enclosing it.
- (f) to fill file these letters
- (g) to make every member depositing paper in box sign his name on roll at time of so doing.

14. Correspondence:-

Worcester ^{F.S.} on Bland as the Fabian Gladstone

Mrs Scudamore

Miss M. Foster

Sheffield F.S.

C. Duncan

Henshall

} on Fabianism in New York

on Trade Council & Pensions

on Cleveland Division prospects

on Oliviers lecture, & collapse

of N. Manchester F.S.

Halliday Sparling

Chair, Feb 9th 1894

Executive at Office 9 Feb. 1894

Present, Sparking (in chair) Webb, Wallas, Shaw, Bland, ^{Standing}~~Sparking~~,
 Hammill, Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Gabelholt, Pease
 Williams.

Absent De Mattos, Utley, Olivier

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. Pub. Com^{ee} Report, & Publishing business:-
 Report adopted, & agreed as follows:-

- (1) Tract 49. To send out to
 - (a) All M.P.s.
 - (b) Secs. of Trade Council
 - (c) Secs of Trade Unions &c, who are leading men.
 - (d) Branches of I.L.P. & S. D.F.
 - (e) Gen. Purposes Com^{ee} of Nat. Lib. Fedⁿ -
 - (f) German S. D. Leaders. -
 - (g) Cabinet-ministers not members of H. of C.
- (2) Reprint 12. Approved.
- (3) Country Book Bot. Ordered to be purchased.
- (4) S. Board Tract. Wallas reported good material wh. wanted working up. Agreed that he confer hereon with Martin.

(3) Hammill's candidature. Letter read from Whitburn asking support. Agreed after debate that Wells, Shaw & Wallas be a sub-committee to draw up an appeal. That the Publishing Com^{tee} pass it, & send it out in first instance to a few members in order to provide a start. That the Sec. write to Howden, Allan & Shaw asking them to allow their promised subscriptions to go on our list.

H The following were elected, viz:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Chas. Wm. Beckett, Nithsdale, Finchley-park, N. Finchley ...	H. Holding and Halliday Sparling
Thos. Birkett, Ivy Bank, Church- la, Erdington, nr. Birmingham	W. A. Steward and F. W. Galton
A. J. Cottridge, Clifton-pl., Great Heath, Foleshill, nr. Coventry	General Secretary.
Arthur W. B. Everitt, Buddle-pk., St. Thomas, Exeter	" "
Dr. Benno Karpeles, I Ebendor- ferstrasse 8, Vienna, Austria ...	" "
Fred Lockett, 1 Peacock-street, Gorton, Lancs.	" "
A. J. Marriott, 39 Blenheim-cres- cent, Notting Hill, W. ...	E. R. Pease and G. B. Shaw.
Robert Mawson, at South Bank- street, Leek	Larner Sugden & G. Larner.
John McKillop, Pulo Brani, Sing- apore	E. R. Pease.
Henry Wood, 13 Peel-st., Sowerby Bridge	General Secretary.

5. L. T. C. Unemployed Conference. On report from Steward it was decided to send Hammill & another as additional delegates, & not to propose resolutions.

b. Proposal to send letter to new Sec. of I. L. P. was discussed

but on a division rejected. -

7. Wtey. Bland reported he had promised to pay up.

8. Correspondence.

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| R. W. Reynolds. | Resignation. accepted. |
| Loughboro' Herald | Wanting capital for Prog. Paper |
| B. F. Hall | re appointment to Emigration Committee |
| | & re failure of Economic Circulars |
| C. S. Nielsen | Socialism in Dundee |
| Underwood | re Lining Wape |
| E. Stozgart | re Fabianism in Belgium |
| Wandsworth Lab. Dist. | on S. D. F. in Wandsworth |
| Vicar of Middlesboro' | on Rae's criticisms of Essays |
| Barrow Trade Council | askg re artisans dwellings. Wcht to refer |
| E. Permerstoffer M.P. | send news & set of Tracts. |
| A. T. Marks | on Sweating in Leeds & one Garride |

Geo. Standing
16 Feb 94

Executive at Office 16 Feb. 94.

Present. Standing (in chair) Shaw, Williams, Miss Brooke,
Pease, Hammill, Gakeshott, Bland, Wallas, Olivier.

Absent Webb, Uley, De Matto, Miss Cameron & (lecturing)
Sparshing.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed

2. Pub. Com^{ee} Report :- agreed, & business arising hence as follows:-

Private Meeting in March: agreed to have none unless
business turns up.

Hammill Fund Appeal. Sec. reported 40 sent out today
with letter. Agreed to send a few
more, to send to Newcastle Papers
& to send out with news. -

Agreed to send Tract 48 to Trade Councils & T. Unions
with Tract 49.

3. Hammill's Candidature. Hammill reported offer by

Liberal Association of safe seat at Middlesbrough.
Letters from Whithorn re their appeal. Declined

" " Howden sending £5.

" " F. J. Shaw promising £25. Ask for details.

- 4. L. T. C. Unemployed Conference. Agreed to appoint H. W. Kay fourth delegate.
- 5. Wtey. Bland reported receipt of 25/- + promise of more.
- 6. Summer Lectures. Agreed to ask W. Clarke to lecture on America in default of J. A. McPherson or in place of Foste.
- 7. Womer's Tract Comtee. Agreed to defer nominations till after Mrs Blatch's lecture.
- 8. Executive Election. Agreed to state in news names of present Exec. who ^{will} not offer themselves for re-election.
- 9. Eight Hours Demonstration. Pease gave report, stating that he had been elected on the Executive Comtee of 5 to manage the demonstration.
- 10. Correspondence.
 Birkenhead F.S. on their parlous condition.
 Stafford F.S. suggesting interview with C. S. Shaw M.P. on T. U. ways question. Agreed to write Shaw.

10. Correspondence (cont'd)

Blackpool F.S. re persecution of Corporation employees.

Agreed to ask particulars.

Miss F. Grove, sending Hyndman's letter in "The Nation".

Agreed that Bland write reply.

Rev. D.W. P. Bliss asking loan of copy of Labour Commission
report on France. Can't get it.

Glasgow Labour Party, Re School Board Finance.

International Congress at Antwerp, asking papers.

Agreed to defer it. }

J. Bernard Shaw

23/2/94.

Executive at Office 23 Feb. 94.

Present Shaw (in chair), Miss Brooks, Standing, Hammill, Wallas, Olivier, Cakeshott, Pease, Bland, Williams.
Absent, Uley, De Matto, Miss Cameron, Webb, Sparling.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read + adopted. Agreed that the Title of Tract to be "Sweating its Cause + Remedy".
3. Bound Volumes - Agreed to include Report therein.
4. Hammill's Campaign - Agreed to put par in news merely calling attention to Circular.

Agreed to send appeal to the Press &c &c.

Letter read from ~~from~~ Mr. Cotton

" " " J. Wentburn

" " " Miss H. Moten, suggesting a collection. Say we will take small subs..

5. L. F. C. Unemployed Conference. Shaw reported on behalf of the delegates that the Conference had not proved of any great value. -

6. Utley. Bland reported no more cash received.
7. Executive Com^{ee}. Sec. was instructed to print in news the names of Miss Cameron, Sparling, Utley & De Mattos, who did not intend to offer themselves for re-election. -
8. N. York "Nation" Bland reported he had written as desired.
9. Accounts to Jan 31st were submitted & approved.
10. S. E. Group. The Gen. Sec. was authorized to call a meeting in order to elect a Secretary.
11. Eight Hours Demonstration. The Sec. was instructed to state that we prefer a separate platform, if the Committee offer it.
12. Trade Union Demonstration on March 18th. - Sec. reported verbal request from John Burns for assistance. - Agreed that he write promising it generally but adding that we cannot officially take part till we know exactly what is proposed to be done. -

13. Correspondence.

Blackpool F.S. giving particulars of Blacklisted members. Send to Webb & ask him to see what can be done to stir up Coop. Union & Coop. Wholesale

A. Clark, asking speakers for March 4th -

Newcastle F.S. wanting Webb as lecturer. Refer to Webb.

P. C. Skibb, on Mole & Slaughterhouses. Refer to Salt.

Bradford F.S. re Unemployed Statistics. Tell them they are useless.

J.H. Machay sending 2/- for Hammill Fund & promising £5. to a general fund.

Worcester F.S. sending circular to parsons asking Chairman for Bland. Refuse.

Castleford F.S. on amalgamation with J.L.P. - Say we don't approve.

on Guardians Bye-Election. Refer to Butler.

Antwerp International Congress, asking papers. Refer to Webb.

14. House of Lords Demonstration. Invitation to Com^{ee} on Wednesday next. Resolved, on division, by 5 votes to 2 that Pease go as a delegate with instructions to ask what plan they have got for abolishing the Lords. -

Halliday Sparling
March 2nd 1894

Executive at Office 2 March '94

Present. Sparling (in chair), Hammill, Miss Brooke, Williams
Oakeshott, Peace, Standing, Bland, Shaw-Walker
Absent Webb, ~~Walker~~, Olivier De Mattos, Wtey, Miss Cameron.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Publishing Comtee Report read & approved:-
List of members
Lecturers List. } Referred to Pub. Comtee for Estimate
Reprints necessitated by Parish Councils Act. Deferred
3. House of Lords Abolition Socy. Sec. reported that he had attended meeting that had asked in vain for a plan: also that he had been elected on the Committee. Agreed that he act hereon & still press for a plan.
4. Trade Union Emp. Lia. Demⁿ March 18. Letter from Fenwick read. Agreed that we write that we will help in any way he likes. —
5. Wtey. Bland reported a second 20/- paid & the rest promised. —

- (8)
6. Fabian Essays. Six months sales nearly double of the previous 6 months, noted. -
 7. Land Nationⁿ: Conference. Agreed that Standing Committee
 8. Parl. Cand. of S.A. Driver for Hampstead. Letter to Mrs. Pitty read. Agreed that Sec. write asking what organisations support him, what funds he has &c.
 9. Eight Hours Demonstration. Peace reported, & was instructed to vote for payment of delegates at at least 2/- p. Mtg.
 10. Blackpool Martyrs. Report from Welch read suggesting that Sec. write J.C. Gray of the Co-operative Union. Approved.
 11. Antwerp Conference. Report from Welch advising Exec. to offer papers. Approved.
 12. T. N. Wages & Short. Letter from C.E. Shaw saying he had asked Wm. Allan of Gateshead to deal with the correspondence. Sec. instructed to write W. Allan offering advice -

13. Womens Tract-Com^{ce}. Gakeshott, Shaw, Mrs. Webb
& Mrs. H.S. Blatch were appointed.

14. Correspondence.

a. G. Wolfe on 2^d Tracts & S.D.F. in Sheffield

Scottish Labour Party on Coop^{rs} in Glasgow

Miss A. Lawrence on Shaw's views as to new members.

Marshall Stule on Chester & 8 Hours.

W. Ward re Coop. Colony at Hockley

W. L. Phillips sending resignation. Deferred.

Halliday Sparking
march 9th 1894

Executive at Office on 9 March '64.

Present Sparling (in chair) Pease, Gakeshott, Hammill, Bland
Wallis Shaw.

Absent Wkey, De Mattos, Miss Cameron, Welch, Olivia Spar-
Standring, Williams Miss Brooke. —

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report, adopted, especially that part recommending that the Lecture List, & members list be reprinted.
3. Parish Council Act. deferred.
4. Pease, as delegate reported as follows:—
House of Lords Abolition Society. attended feeble meeting.
Land Nationalisation Conference. Attended on behalf of Standring
 & took the chair: poor gathering, wh. decided to draw up & print a scheme for a £2.2/- National Conference, & submit it to Societies.
Eight Hours Demonstration. Attended meeting, & by his vote carried 2/- payment to delegates. Was appointed Treasurer of the whole Show, and proposed

To bank any funds in hand in the Societies A/c.
Agreed. —

5. Utley. Bland reported no more cash. Agreed that
Pease write.
6. S.A. Driver, Candidate for Hampstead. Repl to letter
12 pages in length, laid before Exec. Agreed nem
con "That the Executive Com^{ee} strongly deprecates
"the proposed candidature of S.A. Driver for
"Hampstead, & requests him not in any
"way to use the name Fabian hereunto".
7. Womens Tract Com^{ee}. Agreed that Oakeshott undertake
to communicate with the members of this
Committee, & that the Gen. Sec. take no action
therein. —
8. Miss Brooke & Womens Tract Com^{ee}. Letter read from
Miss Brooke complaining of her exclusion
from this committee, stating that she is
not now willing to serve, & handing resolution
to allow any member to serve on any committee.

8 (contd). After debate & several divisions it was agreed :-
That the Secy write Miss Brooke

- (a) Pointing out her misapprehension as to the method of appointment of committees
- (b) informing her of the following resolution ^{by a majority} ~~was~~ passed, viz:-

"That the Secretary write to Miss Brooke that her letter of 9th March is the first official knowledge possessed by the Exec. that she has decided to serve on the Womens Tract Comee, & that they are willing now to appoint her a member of that Committee"

- (c) Pointing out that her notice of motion is out of order, as being in conflict with existing rules, & suggesting the form which it should take. —

9. The following were elected members:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Miss Lily Bucknell, 75 Ladbroke-grove, W.	Mrs. Sandham and F. Whelen.
Chas. Colton, 22 Abbey-gardens, St. John's Wood, N.W.	R. A. Peddie and Mrs. S. Peddie.
Robt. Cowen, West End, Aspatria	John Jackson.
George Henry Lamb, 45 Market-place, Whitehaven	John Jackson.
Wm. Pask, 252 Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs.	W. J. Williams.
Mrs. Pearsall, 16 Willow-road, Hampstead	H. D. Pearsall and Mrs. Pütz.
Jonathan Swift, 1 Heavitree-rd., Plumstead	W. A. Steward and F. W. Galton.

10. Resignations Mrs Grove, O. H. Stephenson & W. L. Phillips accepted. Sec. to write last special letter. -
11. School Board Lectures at Cliffords Inn. Agreed that they be open to the public. -
12. Public Meetings. Letter read from Clarke agreeing to lecture. Agreed to ask Foote to speak on ~~Socialist~~ Secularist Plan of Social Reconstruction. Agreed not at present to ask Lady Henry Somerset.
13. Scrutinizers. Agreed to nominate Shallard & Peddie
14. Photographs. Sec. stated that Beresford desired to photograph Webb & Bland for the Society. Bland agreed to undergo it.
15. County Lecture Fund. Sec. reported it about need up. Agreed that he write H. Hutchinson indicating that we can do with some more cash. -

16. Correspondence.

Snell, offering to lecture in Lancashire. Agreed.
Holmfirth F.S. Dissolution. Agreed to ask Sec to
join London F.S.

Tottingham F.S. circulars re ~~the~~ Hall the Society
proposes to build.

Marshall Steele on his lectures in Dewsbury & Chester
Sir H. Bacon sending £10 for Hammill Fund -

O. Forman on adoption of Fair Wages at Newhall S.B.

Dr. R. T. Ely offering books & assistance

Prof: Luigi Cozza asking free copy of Webb's Soc^m in Eng? -
Refer to Webb. -

Peoples League Peckham, asking delegate for Trade Union
Federation Scheme. Decline

Dr. Watt, urging me to prepare glossary. Tell
him to do it himself.

Bradford Unemployed Com^{ee} asking for a lecturer.
Say we can't send one. Refer to Sec of
Lab. Dep. Unemp. Report, sep. re definition
of Unemployed. -

Julian Hand.
Chairman

Executive at Office 16 March '94

Present. Bland, Shaw, Cakeshott, Hammill, Williams
Pease Wallas Oliver

Absent. Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Wley, De Mattos,
Webb Sparling Standing

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted, recommending
inter alia, that Tract 50 be sent to every member.
3. Education Tract. Agreed that Wallas & Shaw consider
it & that it do not go out with April news.
4. Members Meeting in April. Agreed to have none
unless something turns up.
5. Fabian Library. Draft agreement from Scott
referred to Publishing Committee.
6. Wley. See reported no reply to his letter.
7. Annual Report. Agreed that Pease draft it.

8. Miss Brooke. Reply from her read agreeing to amended form of resolution, but not answering re Womens Tract Com^{ee}

9. Hammill Fund. Sec. reported £80.15.6 promised. Agreed that the printing bill be charged to it, and that the Precedent of the Fillett Fund be followed in respect of the disposal of the money.

10. Executive Meetings. agreed to meet next Friday Week.

11. Correspondence.

Henshall on Loan of N. Man: F.S., collapse of this society + Formation of Manchester Soc. Soc.

Corp. Union, on Blackpool Martyrs. Send to Webb a. G. Wolfe on Permeation in Sheffield

W. Allen M.P. (Galeshead) on Trade Unions.

Miss Hutchinson on Mr. Hutchinson

Bliss ask. biographies of Shaw Pearson + Carpenter. Consult Salt.

R. P. Phillimore asking to nominate E. J. Norwich as a country member. ^{agreed.}

J. E. Ellis, on not paying his sub. n. agreed to

Miss Garland on German tract. Send to Wallis.

J. F. [Signature]

Executive at Office 30th March 1894. -

Present Gakesitt (in chair) Webb, Hammill, Olivier,
Shaw, Pease, Standring Williams, Wallas Bland.
Absent. Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron Sparling Utley, De
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1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Education Tract. Shaw Reported no report ready.
3. Utley. Sec. ordered to write before 31 March.
4. Womens Tract Com^{ce}. Communication from Miss Brooke made that she is willing to serve
5. Accounts for Feb. 7 presented
6. Eight Hours Demonstration. Pease as delegate reported.
7. Payment of members. Sec. reported Clem Edwards proposed an agitation & suggested Webb writing to "Sun". Webb agreed to do so when called upon. -

8. Manchester Labour Press. Agreed to give them a page advt. in their Catalogue provided they insert our tracts in the body & give us, if possible, back page. Price 50/- Advt. to contain Essays, Bound Tracts, & special Tracts.

9. L. R. U. Poor Law Conference Apr 25 & 26. - Agreed that Wallas, Shaw, Galton & Oakeshott be the 4 delegates, that Oakeshott prepare draft resolutions, that sec. J see if our Tract 17 can be on sale.

10. Newcastle F.S.. Proposal that we send down Hammill for important T. Council Conference. Agreed that we send him for two lectures, but ask Newcastle folks to repay fares out of profits of tea. fight, as suggested.

11. Summer Lectures. Handbills approved.

12. Membership: Resignations of J. Rogers & Osborne Graham were accepted.

Under rule 11 the following were struck off the books

Dr. Geo. Brown	F. Leishing	Miss M. Williams
G. J. Caffler	J. B. Towerson	S. E. Meek
J. Crowther	Miss A. Williams	H. B. Shrewsbury.

(13). Miss Horniman. Sec. reported she had come in for £50000.
Agreed to ask her for Country Lecture Fund.

(14). Parish Councils. Gaheshit reported Tracts in hand.
Letter read from Sir H. Bacon saying
he saw no changes ^{needed} in Rural C.C. Questions. -

(15). Plan of Campaign. Sec. reported that Standings
last yr was short of £10.8/- &
that there w^d. be only a small profit on the Tract. -

(16). Antwerp Conference. Sec. reported two papers received
from Welsh. Agreed that they be described
as Prepared by Sidney Welsh L.C.C. &c &c, on
behalf of the Fabian Society. Agreed that we
offer to send out 50 of their circulars to
our members.

(17) Correspondence

H. Snell. Proposal to go to Rochdale C.O.S.
Conference, & do a lecture, at our cost.
No decision arrived at.

N.Y. Vigilance League. Asking permission to use

(17) Correspondence (cont^d)

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our question Tracts. Agreed.

Southampton F.S. Letter on suggested junction with
S. D. F. Tell them we believe in use
of separate organisation.

A. G. Wolfe on S. D. F. issue

Week John Pioneer, asking Board Tracts for Review

Send. —

Ernest E. Williams

Executive at Office April 6. 1894.

Present. Williams (in chair), Pease, Bakeshot, Olivier
Shaw, Wallas Webb

Absent: De Mattos, Utter, Sparking, Standing, Miss Cameron
Miss Brooke, Hammill, & (lecturing) Bland.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report adopted.
3. Education Tract. Shaw promised to report to Pub. Com^{ee}
4. Parish Councils. Agreed to ask Holding for draft leaflet.
Agreed to send some dozens of letters to
persons supposed to know - asking suggestions
for Tract. Lines of letter drafted. -
5. Fabian Series Olivier said he c^d. have ms of his
book 2 1 June. -
6. Letter from Sugden re P.C. Bill read. Agreed to write
him for suggestions & to say we favour Wards as
more likely to give us a chance for securing elections.

7. Payment of Members. Sec. reported that Edwards had dropped the proposed agitation.

8. Mtgs. Sec. reported no further payment.

9. Eight Hours Demonstration. Sec. as delegate, reported on work done (1) that Society w^d. have a platform (2) that Saunders & himself were appointed a com^{ee} to get platform guards. Agreed to grant £2 as donation, and to send out the Manifesto with news. - Agreed to grant copies of Tract 48 for the Com^{ee} - Sec. to make out list of speakers.

10. L.R.U. Poor Law Conference. Oakeshott read draft Resolutions: after amendment they were agreed to. It was further agreed that Sec. send them to the L.R.U. & ask them to adopt any if they choose.

11. H. Snell. Agreed to pay his expenses to C.O.S. Conference at Rochdale & to get up a lecture for him if possible.

12. League for Abolⁿ. of H of Lords. Secs. proposal to resign from Com^{ee} approved.

13. Agreed to grant 1 doz vto 50 to Well.
14. New Rule. Proposal of Miss Brooke re Committee. Agreed that no change was necessary.
15. Land Nationalisation Conference. Agreed to consult Verinder.
16. Southampton Gladstone Club, asking for candidates & suggesting Macdonald. Agreed to recommend him.
17. Payment of Pensions Quarterly. Agreed to write Sec of War & also Rev. Dolling at Portsmouth.
18. International Congress for Protective Labor, at Zurich. Agreed to advertise in news, but not to promise to appoint.
19. Sweating Circular. Draft proposed by Well approved. Agreed to send to Local F.S. & others.
20. Wards & Parish Council Elections. Agreed to put a par in the news.
21. Correspondence.
Scarboro' F.S. Report.

21 Correspondence (contd.)

Southampton F.S. Society to continue. Agreed to pay the expenses of 1st of series of fortnightly lectures.

Cardiff F.S. Report.

Cambridge New F.S.

Liverpool F.S. on P. Councils Bill & Tramways Bill.
Agreed to get latter & make enquiries.

N/C. F.S. Declining offer to pay Hammill's exp.

Wexhamster S.B. Election Com^{ee}. Agreed to send Gallon as delegate for Executive.

Glasgow Lab. Ptg. on S.B. Election successes.

Hiller suggesting Dr. A. R. Wallas as a Fabian
~~and~~ Tell Hiller he can propose him

Wolverhampton F.S. asking a speaker for Labour Day.
Send, if they pay.

N. MacTear on the hebetude of the workers.

By Bernard Shaw

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Executive ab Office 13 April 94.

Present Shaw (in chair), Hammill, Standring, Oakeshott,
Peace, Bland Oliver Wallas

Absent Miss Brooke, Miss Cameron, Wtey De Mattos, Sparshing
Williams, Webb.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed

2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted

Re Education Tract, Wallas agreed to revise Education
Tract if allowed a weeks delay.

Fabric Library, Bland promised volume, if any, £
1st June. -

3. Wtey. Nothing Fresh to report.

4. Election of Candidates. The following were elected:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
G. N. Barnes, A.S.E., 36 Proth- eroe-road, Fulham, S.W. ...	Geo. Turner & F. W. Galton.
Arthur William Carr, 33 Ailsa- street, South Bromley, E. ...	W. Godfrey and H. Brown.
Joseph Edwards, 64 Carter-street, Princes-road, Liverpool S. ...	Sidney Webb.
Miss F. Franks, 13 York-place, Baker-street, W. ...	J. F. Oakeshott and E. Hartley.
H. H. Harris, 10 Worcester-st., Freehold, Oldham ...	General Secretary.
Miss Annie G. Mathews, 13 Ber- keley-road, Crouch End, N. ...	J. F. Oakeshott and M. Hartley
Miss G. Petty, 6 High-rd., Stam- ford Hill, N. ...	Miss Priestley & J. R. Macdonald
Edw. J. Urwick, Wadham Coll., Oxford; and Oxford House, Bethnal Green ...	R. C. Phillimore.

5. Eight Hours Demonstration.
Agreed to ask W. Crooks to be chairman, &
list of speakers as suggested by Sec. with additions.

6. Poor Law Conference. Sec. reported that Galton
w^d. attend for L.R.M.. Agreed to ask Butler
to be delegate. Movers of Resolutions decided
upon. —

7. Balance Sheet. Agreed to the form thereof &
that no provision be made for bad debts.

8. Agreed to send out Bills for J.A. Hobson's

9. Correspondence:-

Fabian Club at Ottawa: Austria: four letters re Society
Nottingham F.S. on Graham
Campbell-Bannerman on Quarterly payment of pensions
A.T. Marles on F.S.P. &c. A.J. Marriott on Navy
Liverpool F.S. on Bland. A.E. Wolfe on S.D.F.
Eastern Weekly Leader C. Peach Editor.
Miss M. Macmillan: singular attempted resignation.

Write nothing letter.
Fred Hammill Chairman

Last Meeting of Executive Com^{ee} of 1893-4
at office on Friday 20th April 1894

Present Hammill (in chair), Olivier, Utley, Standing,
Peace, Shaw, Oakeshott, Bland, Wallas
Williams.

Absent Sparling, De Matto, Miss Cameron, Miss Brooke,
Webb.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report confirmed: approved recommendation that Martin's lecture on Education be printed by Progressive S. B. Election Com^{ee}. Wallas to take matter in hand.
3. Proposal to grant 5000 Tract 19 to S. L. R. L. approved.
4. Carpet. Agreed to get a new one at a cost not to exceed £2.10s., & to have the sign. board repainted.
5. Post-Law Conference. Agreed to withdraw Resolution 2, to amend it to 6, & to change the movers names as suggested by the S. B. M. Letter from Butler read accepting. -

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6. Eight Hours Demⁿ. Peace reported progress made, & that the Legal Eight Hours Demⁿ Com^{ee} party had given notice of a motion to ask Societies with special platforms (i.e. S. D. F. + F. S.) to pay £5. therefor. ~~Sec. & Oliver~~ Agreed that our delegate oppose this. Agreed to decorate the platform as before.

7. Sec. mentioned Kell-Macdonald was likely to be a Candidate for Southampton, & that a Fabian Candidate for Job was wanted.

8. L. E. Fraser. Agreed to reinstate him as a member.

9. Amendment to Rules. Agreed that Sec. draft amendment re Group Delegation.

10. Annual Report. Draft read, & approved subject to final revision & ~~to~~ Oliver & Peace.

11. Correspondence.

a. J. Marriot resigning. Request him courteous & unobtrusive. Forest Gate Xth Soc^y League, expressing friendliness. Broadbent, on Snell

Muller / Glad

11. Correspondence. (cont.)

Antwerp Congress - Papers.

G. J. Robinson, Portsmouth. Asking aid as martyr.

Let him have tracts on sale.

A. C. Thomas, & J. Cole re parish commit. bid. -

Singer Manly & Co. Cincinnati, asking re F.S.

Rev. C. Zeiblin, ^{Chicago} handling irregular nomination.

Accept it.

Authors of "Superfluous Woman". Critique.

Signed by W. Bland
on preceding page.

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Election of the Executive Committee.

THE following is the report of the Scrutineers :

We hereby declare the result of the Ballot to be as follows :

*G. B. Shaw ...	336	Mrs. S. Blatch...	263
*E. R. Pease ...	327	Mrs. Garnett ...	259
*Sydney Olivier	324	*Miss Brooke ...	237
*Sidney Webb ...	321	*Geo. Standring...	233
*Graham Wallas	318	J. W. Martin ...	217
*Hubert Bland...	276	*E. E. Williams	217
*Fred Hammill	270	J. R. MacDonald	195
*J. F. Oakeshott	264		

First meeting of 1894/5 Executive Com^{ee} at office on
April 27th 1894

Present. Bland (in chair), Miss Brooke, Shaw, Cakeshott,
Macdonald Pease, Martin Oliver, Slandring Walker

Absent. Mr Blatch, Mr Garnett, Webb, Hammill, Williams.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report considered:-
 - (a) Suggesting publication of Martin's last lecture as a tract.
Agreed to put notice in news, Wallace to report to next Exec. thereon.
 - (b) proposing to print 10,000 Tract 51 approved
 - (c) proposing to send out circular for new lecture list. approved
3. Poor Law Conference. Delegates reported on what had been done & that the conference had adjourned to a date in May.
4. Eight Hours Demⁿ. Delegate reported, 'inter alia', that the next business was carried ^{after discussion of} ~~on~~ the motion that the S. D. F. & F. S. should be asked to pay £5. for their platforms. —

5. The following Standing Orders were adopted.

- (1) That no member shall remove from the office a copy of the agenda paper.
- (2) That the Chair shall be taken in turn by the members in alphabetical order.
- (3) That the preliminary Committee meet at 5 pm & the formal Executive at 5.30 pm. every Friday.
- (4) That the publishing Committee consist of Mrs. Garnett Shaw, Oakeshott, Standing & Pease.
- (5) ~~That~~ Moved by J. F. Oakeshott & seconded by S. Oliver, & unanimously agreed;
That the minute of 3rd October 1892 respecting the Banking account be & thereby is confirmed. -

6. Annual Meeting. Agreed to give notice of the following addition to the rules: -

Rule 14., To add:

"A Group may appoint delegates to any body dealing specially with the affairs of the Group area."

7. Finances. Sec. reported cheque for £100 from D'Arcy Reave for General Account. Agreed to put £200 on deposit at the Bank. -

8. A. G. Wolfe. Sec. reported suggestion that we should treat him as an organizer. Agreed to write for a definite proposal from Wolfe. -

9. Parish Council Trade. Sec. reported replies received to our letter asking suggestions.

10. Purge of Members. Defaulters A to H. considered & Sec. instructed about them. -

11. Birmingham F.S. Appeal for advice. Agreed to write that we concur with Carlisle's opinion.

12. J.R. Macdonald reported on his candidature. Letter read from Southampton F.S. that the Society had gone over to S.D.F. because the London Exec. backed Macdonald: agreed to write that they were wise to become S.D.F. if that was their policy & that we should continue to send speakers, who however would probably support Macdonald.

13. Note from Headlam that Woodcock m^d. probably be candidate for Chelsea.

14. Carpet. agreed that Sec. select one.

15. Correspondence:-

H. Snell on C. O. S. Conference

A. G. Marindt withdrawing resignation.

Miss A. Henry sending resignation. accepted.

Liverpool F.S. Sending report. -

Emma Brooke

Executive at Office 4 Mar 1894.

Present. Miss Brooke (in chair) Hammill, Macdonald, Galeshott, Shaw, Pease, Martin, Bland, Olivier, Mrs Barnett, Wallas

Absent Webb, Williams Standing, Mrs Blatch.

- 1 The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed
2. Publicising Com^{ee} Report read & adopted.
3. Eight Hours Demonstration. Sec. reported as delegate.
- 4 School Board Election. Agreed to hold meeting of S. B. Com^{ee} on May 18th to consider final report on the Tract, to be submitted of Wallas, & other action. Letter read from T. Jarvis re proposed candidature of Mrs Jarvis as S. B. F. Candidate for Hackney. Sec. instructed to write we are convinced of its unwisdom, & Mrs Jarvis ought to submit her name to the Hackney Joint Committee.
5. Proposed Waste Lands League. Application from Liverpool. Agreed not to send delegate & to state reason.

6. Publishing Com^o. Mrs. Garnett declined to serve. Agreed that Martin take her place at any rate pro tem. & Wallas possibly later on.
7. Purge of Members. Names further considered & Secy ordered to write. -
8. A. G. Wolfe. Reply from him read & considered. Agreed to defer final decision till the S. D. F. have decided, & meantime write that we will consider the plan favourably.
9. Land Natⁿ Society. Agreed to send delegates, to be selected by the Gen. Sec. to the conference on June 11th, & to pay the affiliation fee.
10. John F. S. Letter read (1) asking candidate. Agreed to suggest Hugh Bellot. (2) Asking for Macdonald on 7th Mar 20th - Agreed to write asking if they can pay, or arrange other lectures for Macdonald. Decision to be made in accordance with reply. -

11 Auditor's Report. Report on a/c ~~read~~ by H. W. Macrae
read. Agreed as he proposed, to keep
one account for Entrance & other subs, & all Bad debts &c
to appoint a small Committee after the Annual Meeting.

12. Correspondence.

Frank Drummond Re Membership. Agreed to
retain him.

T. Bolas on Sweating Resolution

Mrs. Fagan on Bi-metalism. -

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Fred Hamill
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Executive Com^{ee} at Office 11 Mar 1894.

Present. F. Hammill (in chair) Oakeshott, Martin,
Miss Brooke, Williams, Macdonald, Mr. Garnett
Shaw, Wallas, Olivier, Pease.

Absent. Webb, Mr. Blatch, Bland, Standing

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report read + approved, in ~~of~~ particular
the proposed vote of urgency for publication
of Labour Commission minute report as a tract.
3. The following were elected, viz:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Joseph Boot, 67 Victoria-street, Basford, Stoke-on-Trent ...	General Secretary.
Neil McVean, High-st., Sidmouth	" "
Arthur J. Richardson, 30 Stud- ley-road, Clapham, S.W. ...	G. Samuel and T. A. Murray.
Leonard W. Thomas, 5 Garfield- road, Lavender-hill, S.W. ...	E. R. Pease and Sydney Olivier.
John E. Woolacott, 291 Cold- harbour-lane, S.W. ...	H. Holding and J. R. Macdonald.
Charles Zeublin, 6052 Sheridan- avenue, Woodlawn, Chicago ...	General Secretary.

4. Meeting tonight. Arrangements as to resolutions were made.
5. Purge of members. Further instructions given.
6. Resignations read from Paul Campbell &

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John Henderson. Agreed to request them not to remove their names & to ask Campbell to find out about Miss Macmillan.

7. Accounts for April submitted & approved.

8. Mr. Stead's Scheme. Letter read. Agreed that Shaw & Pease be delegates.

9. German Tracts. Sec. reported that several abstracts had been made. -

10. John F.S. - Sec. reported that Hugh Bellot was in correspondence re candidature. Agreed that Macdonald be sent to speak on condition that they organize lectures for him on Sat. & Sunday.

11. Correspondence.

Sheffield F.S. Re Eight Hours League + Wolfe.

Wolfe, saying the decision of S. D.F. is deferred.

Exter on Southampton Tactics.

Jarvis on Hackney S. B. Candidates

Carlisle F.S. on Factory Act Amendments. &c &c

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Executive at Office 18 May 1844.

Present. J. F. Galleshott (in the chair) Hammill, Macdonald,
Bland, Mrs. Garnett, Pease, Shaw, Williams
Wallas Martin, Oliver.

Absent. Miss Brooke, Mrs. Blatch, Webb, Standing.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Minority Report Labour Com^y. Sec^y was instructed to send it to press as soon as issued. —
3. Education Tract. Wallas reported it c^d not be ready for June news. Agreed to decide after the S. B. Election Com^{ee} tonight whether a special meeting sh^d. be appointed in June to consider it.
4. Steads Civic Church Scheme. Delegates reported a Wasted afternoon. Agreed that Webb be the delegate to the adjourned Com^{ee}. —
5. Index of Press Cuttings. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} with Macdonald added to consider whether such an index can be prepared, estimate of cost &c &c.

- b. A. G. Wolfe. Letter read from him saying the S. D. F. had terminated their arrangement with him. Agreed
- Resolved (1) To engage him for two months - subject to a weeks notice.
- (2) To pay him 15/- a week, or so much thereof as shall suffice to make up 25/- a week to him, he sending weekly statement of his receipts from local sources, sale of literature &c. -
- (3) To instruct him to lecture on Socialism; and to give no instructions as to ~~the~~ his work in organising.
- (4) To request him to join the London F.S.
- (5) To supply him with tracts at Trade price (8/-)
- (6) To instruct him to work in the Sheffield district.
- (7) To instruct him to send weekly reports of progress.

7. Book Boxes. Sec. reported 3 not engaged: read letter from Trevor thereon. Agreed to send them to other bodies on same terms as local F.S., & to ask Trevor to make his public. -

8. Annual Meeting Recommendations, re scheme of tract publication, & re foreign tracts. Agreed to refer to publishing Comtee to draft Scheme.

9. Com^{ce} on accounts. Oakeshott & Macroarty appointed.

10. Correspondence. John F.S. deciding not to leave Macdonald.
Ottawa F. Club Thanks

New York Tax Reform Assocⁿ, on Tract 7.

John Ward on Revise Tract 17. Refer to Pub. Com^{ce}

"Sozial Democrat" on our Tracts

Dublin F.S. Report.

Mrs Rossetti, asking funds for Meinier appeal. Decline.

J.R. Macdonald

School Board Election Com^{ee} at Office 18th Mar 1894.

Present R.A. Poddie (in chair) Macdonald, Wallas, Pease, Martin, Heasman, (Hackney Group) Miss Walter (Central Group) Miss Nicholson (S.S. Group) H.A. Oakeshott, Mrs Brownlow, Walter Edwards. - Miss E. Batten. }

- (1) The minutes of Jan 31st were confirmed.
- (2) Correspondence read:- Headlam apologising for absence.
T. Jarvis on Mrs Jarvis candidature
Prog. S. B. Com^{ee} - Circular.
- (3) Reports from Constituencies were received ~~of 20th~~ & it was agreed to write J.E. Dolson (E. Lambeth) urging him to work with progressive part generally.
- (4) Wallas reported what he had done with Education tract: ~~before~~ his action was approved, but it was ^{carried} ~~agreed~~ that he do not alter the passages on Religious Education.

Frederick Melen

Executive at Office 25th Mar 1894.

Present J.R. Macdonald (in chair), Mrs Blatch, Martin, Bland,
Gakeshott Peace, Miss Brooke Standing Wallas
Oliver Webb Shaw.

Absent Mrs Garnett, Williams & ~~and~~ (in N/C) Hammill.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed,
& of the S. B. Com^{ee} were read. -
2. A. S. Wolfe. His acceptance of offer from June 15th was
read. - ~~By the Com^{ee} was read~~
3. Publishing Com^{ee} report read: It was confirmed
in respect of recommendations as follows:-
Members Mtg June 29th for Education Tract.
Proof of it to be sent out specially.
Martin's Tract to be published without delay.
Leaflet on allotments to be drafted. (H. Samuel to be asked)
Scheme of Foreign Soc^{ies} lectures to be considered later.
But in respect to the Annual Report, it was agreed
to print a list of Local Fabian Societies & to issue
a circular asking particulars of them for that
purpose. -

4. School Board Election. The candidatures of H. Annie Thompson + J.E. Dobson were considered. Par. was drafted & ~~see~~ approved for news. No other action was resolved upon for the present.

5. Carpet. Japanese Rug for £2.17.9 approved, subject to Miss Priestley's concurrence.

6. Womens Tract Com^{ee} Applications to join were received from Miss Bridgman & R.A. Paddie & they were appointed to the Com^{ee} -

7. Death of Gertrude Green. The Sec. was instructed to write expressing regret of the Exec. on behalf of the Socy. -

8. Lectures in High School for Girls. Miss Priestley was requested to draft letter & to send it to several schools in order to see how the plan takes. -

9. Hamnills Candidature. Letter read from N/C L.S.P. asking loan of £50. Agreed that Sec. draft letter & submit to Par. Com^{ee}, declining on grounds that we cannot lend our General Fund to a member of the Exec., and we think

~~has been~~ Local persons & bodies ought to provide funds rather than an outside organisation.

10. Letter from Newcastle F.S. re sending a lecturer to the Northumberland coal field. Reply that we will favourably consider later on. -

11. Photos from Beresford received with thanks & priced

12. Correspondence: -

Liverpool F.S. on Rambling Club etc.

Dr. Watt re Glossary. Old letter, noted.

S. D. F. asking advt of land. agreed.

Lease for advt of H. G. To be on table

Dr. R. T. S. Thanks

John Ward. Ordering 500 No. 17. -

By Bernard Shaw.
1/6/94.

Executive at Office 1 June '94.

Present Shaw (in chair) Galeshott, Macdonald, Martin, Miss Broke
Pearse, Mr. Blatch, Bland, Waller, Mr. Garnett, Olivier, Standing.

Absent: Webb, Williams, Hammill (lecturing)

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted. Title page of Minority Report Tract approved. -
3. Index of Press. Agreed as follows:-
 - (1) To subscribe 10/6 to Romeike & Curtice for 100 cuttings.
 - (2) To take in & file the following papers: Labour Gazette, London, Labour Leader, Womens Trade Union Journal, & any others determined on
 - (3) To try the scheme for 6 months.
4. Public Meetings of the Society. Agreed to hold none in July.
5. Autumn Lectures. Agreed in reply to Letter, to have lecture from Harold Cox on Population, Mr. Blatch on Married Women. J. A. Holson suggested as another. Agreed to arrange a miscellaneous course. -

6. Schol. Board Election. Letters read from H. Finis Johnson
re candidature of Miss H. Annie Thompson, saying she wd. run
in any case. also letter saying he wd. on no account lecture
as a Fabian. Agreed to send as sole reply letter formally
asking if he desires to remain a Fabian. -

7. Women's Tract Com^{tee} Agreed to appoint hereto the
following viz:
Mrs Mallet
Mrs Brownlow
Mrs Garnett
Oliver
Pease. in addition to present members.
That Pease be the Secretary & convene a meeting for
Friday June 15th at Office at 8 pm.

8. Country Lectures in North & South. Deferred.

9. Samuel re Mrs Green. Say nothing can be done.
Correspondence Frankfurter Zeitung askg to be put on Free List. Agreed.
Steffen askg introductions to Capitalists
Scudamore on return of Miss Foster, his wife & himself
Cole on L. G. B. ~~to~~ Chancellor re Permeation,
John F.S., Harber F.S., Carlisle F.S. reports.
dc
J. W. Martin

Executive at Office on June 8. at 5.35 pm.

Present - Martin (in chair) Oakeshott, Blaud, Mrs Barnett, Shaw, Standring, Wallas, Miss Brooke, Pease Olivier Mrs Blatch.

Absent. Webb, Williams, + (Electroengineering) Hammill & Macdonald.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report, stating (inter alia) that tract on Parish Councils, + by Martin on Education, had been sent to printer was adopted. Agreed to negotiate with Salt of Humanitarian League for publication of Oakeshott's Poor Law Tract. -
3. Parish Councils. Agreed ~~to~~ that Sec. prepare scheme for sending Questions + leaflets jointly with E. L. R. L. to every parish relative to Parish Councils Election. -
4. Public meetings. Agreed to write Libbrecht asking him to lecture to us ^{during} his visit to England. And to interview Scudamore on his return to England, as to whether he can lecture on his New York experiences.

5. Legal Eight Hours Dem^s. In view of fact that the Demonstration cost £60, & the F.S. had one of the 12 platforms, agreed to increase our grant to the Comtee to £5.—

6 Reports from Local Fabian Societies. These were reported upon by Chairman. Agreed that Standing prepare draft ~~of~~ communication to them for Fabian News, to be submitted to next Exec.—

7. The following were elected, subject to payment by Clem & Mrs Edwards, Mrs McKillop & A. Seward of the Entrance Subscription:—

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Clem Edwards and Mrs. Fannie Edwards, 142 Rosebery-avenue	H. B. Holding & Graham Wallas.
Mrs. Margaret McKillop, 96 Haldon-road, Wandsworth, S.W...	J. McKillop and E. E. Williams.
Miss Mary O'Brien, 45 Ferngrove, Liverpool, and Somerville Hall, Oxford	General Secretary.
Walter Seward, 22 Haldon-road, Wandsworth, S.W.	F. H. Haywood & E. E. Williams.
Andrew G. Wolfe, 49 Industry-road, Darnall, Sheffield ...	Edward R. Pease.

8. List of Books for Public Libraries. On suggestion of Webb it was agreed that Wallas prepare this.

9. Port Law Conference. Agreed to write to L. R. N. asking when Deputation is to go to L. G. B., as agreed.

10. Correspondence :-

- H. Frimis Johnson, saying he desires to retain membership. No action.
 - F.S. Green Thanks for sympathy
 - West: Lib. Assn, Re testimonial to W. Balance. Get particulars.
 - W.a. Carlisle Re Joint Soc: Com^{ee} in Birmingham
 - W. Hines Report of work; asking £5. promised, & leaflets. Send 19. + a few others.
 - ~~D~~ John Cole Proposing international publication Com^{ee}
 - T. Hutchinson Asking autographs.
 - John Howden Giving his loan of £50 to Publishing Fund as sub: for two years. -
- Geo. Staudring
June 15/94

Executive at Office 15 June 94.

Present Standing in Chair, & all the others
except Mrs Garnett.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. The Publishing Com^{ee} report was considered &
adopted as follows:—

Tract 52. S.B. Education at home & abroad, 5000
copies. Going to press at once.

Parish Council Tract. In Galley proofs. Please to select
amendments & send for paging. —

Education Tract. Agreed that Wells prepare for press,
& send to Standing on Wed. morning. —

Humanitarian League Poor Law Tract. Estimate received
from Bommer. Agreed to re-arrange, complete, &
stereo. in anticipation of approval of Society.
Agreed to accept Salts proposal as to a
page adot. —

Ministry Report. Relinquished in favour of the
Manchester Labour Press, & Tom Mann's
desire. —

Review Tract 19. Oakechdt reported not yet sent to Wells

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Fabian Library. Agreed to write to Scott stating we presume he will not go on with scheme, & to refer back to Pub. Com^{ee} for further report the proposal that we publish ourselves. -

Vestry Tract & leaflets. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} to report on proposed Vestry Tract. -

3. Accounts for May presented.

4. Umbrella Stand. Agreed to buy one at once.

5. Parish Councils Questions Paper. Draft plan for sending out questions to each parish jointly with S.L.R.S. was approved & Macdonald & Pease were appointed to carry it out, with power to expend not more than £5. -

6. Local Fabian Societies. Standring reported that he had prepared draft circular. Standring undertook to modify it & submit it to publishing Com^{ee} for report. -

7. Par for News from Miss Brooke advertising Webb's History of Trade Unions. Referred to Shaw to re-write.
8. S.A. Driver. Letters read re his expulsion from the Hampstead Liberal assocⁿ. - Agreed to take no action upon them.
9. Women's Tract Com^{ee} Agreed to appoint Miss Allen thereto.
10. Miss Brooke's project to make Grants to Groups for S.B. Election. - Agreed to consider ~~favorably~~ favorably any detailed proposal brought forward & ~~Miss Brooke~~ any group on the subject.
11. W. Ballance. Further correspondence presented.
12. Poplar Group Annual Meeting. Agreed that Standing represent the Exec, & any other member that the Sec. can arrange for. -
13. Correspondence. -
Mrs Edith Haddon. Resignation. Accept.
Fran Liebkecht Stating her husband is en route.

13. Correspondence (cont'd)

L. R. N. stating that Deputation of Poor Law Conference to L. G. B. is being arranged.

A. G. Wolfe. Report. Agreed not to give him any instructions re Attercliffe Election.

Westbourne Park Det. Soc'y. Application for Well on Shaw. Well to reply.

Fletcher, (Bradford) re formation of a Progressive clique in Liberal Party.

S. Australia F.S. Handing £6. odd, for tracts & sub^m & sending good annual report.

J. H. Cairne, Cincinnati: interesting report.

W. a. Carlisle Reporting success of Joint Com^{tee}

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Sidney Webb

Womens Tract Com^{ee} at Office 15 June 94.

Present. Miss Brooke, Olivier, Shaw, Pease, Cakeshott,
Mrs Blatch, Miss Bridgman, Peddle, Mrs Mallet
Mrs Brownlow. Absent. Mrs Barnett, Mrs Webb Mrs Allen.

1. Miss Brooke was selected as chairman.
2. S. R. Pease was appointed Secretary to the Com^{ee}
3. Resolved "That Mrs Blatch be requested to prepare a draft tract".
4. Mrs Blatch read a sketch of her tract which was discussed + generally approved.
5. The following were appointed to assist Mrs Blatch in special departments, & it was agreed that she should communicate direct with them
 - (1) Trade Unionism. Mrs ~~Webb~~ Mallet, subject to revision by Mrs Webb.
 - (2) Technical Education. Miss Brooke assisted by Miss Bridgman.
 - (3) Factory acts. Mrs Webb to be applied to.
 - (4) Health. Mrs Mallet.

- 5. (cont?) (5) Law. J. F. Oakeshott
- (6) Bibliography R. A. Peddie

6. Resolved:- That the Executive be requested not to add any more members to the Committee without its sanction.

7. Agreed to adjourn until such time as Mrs Blatch is ready with her draft. -

J. F. Oakeshott

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Executive at Office 22 June 1894. -

Present Webb (in chair), Peace, Miss Brooke, Macdonald,
Martin, Shaw, Mrs Garnett, Mrs Blatch,
Wallas, Oliver, Bland.

Absent: Gakeshot, Williams, Standring, + (elect^g) Hammill

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. The Womens Tract Com^{ee} minutes were read & No. 6.
was agreed to. -
3. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved, except re
Circular to Local Societies, wh. was referred to Shaw
for report next Executive.
Veety Tract. Agreed that Bishop be asked to draft
by end of July.
Education Tract: "Fabian School Board Program" agreed
to as title.
Tract 19. Revised. To go to press.
4. Fabian Library. Letter from Scott read closing negotiations.
Agreed that Pub. Com^{ee} report on proposal to rewrite
as one vol. Tracts 14, 17, 23, 39, 46, 47, 48, 50, + P.L. Tract.

5. Women Local Govt. Agitation. Miss Broome reported on meeting wh. she had attended & request of the Secy. Reported proceedings somewhat obscure. Agreed that she be formally appointed delegate for the Society.

6. Monument to Berriot Malor. Agreed to write we will put par in news, but cannot send cash. —

7. Agreed to send out leaflet on Women & P. Councils Act with news at expense of Mrs. Blatch.

8. Lease. Question of giving notice discussed. Agreed to make enquiries as to price of Offices & consider later on.

9. Ventilation. — Agreed to obtain report thereon.

10. July Meetings. Agreed to write Liebknecht again, asking him to give Essex Hall lecture.

11 Publishing Com^{ee}. Martin's resignation accepted. J.R. Macdonald & S. Olivier appointed in his place. —

12. Northumberland Campaign. Sec. to write to like people.
~~Organised~~

13. Book Box. Agreed to buy another box for the London Books, & to send it first to Camberwell S.D.F.

14. Autumn Lectures. Agreed to have 3 in Essex Hall, as follows:—

Mrs Blatch, accepted.

R. B. Haldane

J. Keir Hardie.

four or three in Cliffords Inn, viz:—

Harold Cox accepted

D. G. Ritchie

G. Steffen

Kidd

(Mrs Garnett to enquire)

(Oakshott to enquire)

15. Correspondence

F. J. Shaw re Stereod newspaper. Refer to Pub. Comtee
a.s. Wolfe. Report.

Sheffield F.S. on Attercliffe Election.

J. F. Oakshott

Executive at Office 29 June '94.

Present, Cakeshott (in chair) Miss Brooks, Mrs Barnett, Mrs Blatch, Macdonald, Martin, Pease, Wallas, Shaw.

Absent. Standing, Williams, Webb, Olivier, Bland, ^{Electing} Hammill, ~~Blatch~~

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report approved, particularly in regard to 10000 Parish Councils Tract. -

By Mrs Blatch agreed to send m^{str} from Carlyle for S.B. Tract. -

3. Meeting ~~to be~~ for members

Agreed as follows:- Poor Law Tract. Shaw to conduct
S. Board .. Martin .. "
P. Councils .. Webb or Pease .. "

Also to get power for Exec. to issue Questions & leaflets on Parish Councils; likewise to invite ~~Ed~~ Liebknecht to speak, if he turned up. -

4. Autumn Lectures. Sec. reported that Steffen replied he w^d. give a definite answer when his hour was over. Cakeshott reported he had not yet seen Kidd.

5. Circular to Local Societies. Shaw reported in hand.
6. Ventilation. Sec. reported that he had obtained report from Russell Smart, ventilation engineer, giving several schemes. - Agreed that Sec. apply to landlord intimating that upon his decision will depend ours.
7. Attercliffe Election. Reports read from Wolfe & Stevenson (Sec F.S.). Wire asking for Macdonald. Agreed to send Macdonald to support Frank Smith, but to decline to send literature as useless. -
8. School Board Election. Agreed not to call Com^{ee} till after August. -
9. Proposal to employ Snell, in order that he may run for the School Board. Letter from F. S. Green. Agreed that we cannot entertain proposal.
10. Panel C. Questions to Villages. Reply from E. L. R. L. proposing that they take their "rained" counties &

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Leave the rest to us. - Agreed, provided that they
send our leaflets. -

11. Correspondence: -

J. Barlow requesting to be excused debt. Referred to Finance
Sub. com^{ee} -

Bradford F.S. on Unemployed + on I.L.P. -
Referred to Shaw.

Glasgow Typograph. Socy re proposed F.S. in their
ranks. -

Harriet Stanton Blatch
Chairwoman July 6.

Executive at Office 6 July 94.

Present. Mrs. Blatch (in chair) Miss Brooke, Oakeshott,
Olivier, Williams, Shaw, Wallas, Pease, Standing
Macdonald.

Absent Hammill (elect.?) Webb, Bland, Mrs. Barnett.
Martin.

- 1 The Minutes of the last meeting were conformed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved,
including new title for Tract 55, "Workers S. B. Prog".
Report on 3 months sales of Tracts.
Decision to proceed with Fabian Library,
& to drop for present proposal to reprint tracts.
3. Autumn Lectures. Sec. reported that Holdane accepts
for Nov 2: & Ritchie declines.
Oakeshott stated he had written to Kidd.
4. Report to Local Societies. Shaw reported in hand.
5. Attercliffe Election. Macdonald reported thereon,
stating that in the circumstances, the job was
good.

6. Ventilation. Sec. reported that the Landlord agreed to allow £5.- Agreed to get a letter & to have it done at once.

7. Hammermith Group. Proposed circular to parsons. Approved, subject to the clear statement that it is a Group Circular; agreed further not to send out with news. -

8. Northumberland Campaign. Sec. reported Holding c? not take the job. Agreed to write Hammill offering job to him, subject to the understanding that he will advocate the Eight Hours Bill proposed by Tract 48 & as regards mines, by the H.C. Bill. Agreed also to write to F.S. thereon. -

9. Democratic Club. Agreed to send 8th circular with news. -

10. Women & Local Gov^t. Correspondence read. No action.

11. Box's article in Reynolds. No action.

12. Purge of members Agreed to remove the following
from the list of members: -

T. R. Brice

J. Chappell

Rev. R. S. Clarke

J. W. Clelland

Fred. Cox

W. Crichley

T. C. Davidson

J. M. Fells

T. L. Gay

C. Gowans

D. S. Grey

John Hanson

T. A. Hannam

W. P. Harver

D. Hutchison

W. Morris (of Wolverhampton)

J. Mackie Mier

R^d. Runciman

J. H. Stirling

Miss H. Thomas

A. W. Thompson

R. S. Thomas

Agreed to hold over Grant Allen & A. R. Gridley,
+ T. W. McCormick.

13. Correspondence:

Erton J. L. P. on candidature of Barnes

G. Ross re Entertainment for W. Ballance

J. G. Fletcher on Municipal Program for Bradford

Wrantham. New F.S. Speaker wanted.

John P. Clark

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Executive at Office 13th July 94.

Present, all except Williams. Bland in chair.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report considered & approved:-
 - Parish Councils Tract. To be sent for revise
 - S. B. Tract. Waller to complete.
 - Parish Council Questions
 - District " " } Pub. Com^{ee} to complete.
 - Allotments Leaflet
 - Revisé c/o 19.
3. Accounts for June submitted & approved.
4. Resignation from Exec. of R. S. Williams. Letter read to his effect. Agreed to give regular notice for election of Ballot.
5. Holidays of Staff. Proposals approved.
6. Executive recess. Agreed at the rising of this meeting to adjourn till Friday Sept. 14th -

7. A. G. Wolfe. after debate, agreed not to extend the arrangement made with him.

8 The following were elected members, subject to no 1 fulfilling condition as to letters, and nos 6 & 8 as to subscription: -

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
1 <u>C. W. Abel, 15 Brabazon-street, Poplar, E.</u>	W. Godfrey and A. C. H. Graham.
2 John Andrews, 251 Milkwood-rd., Herne Hill, S.E.	H. B. Holding and A. Clark.
3 R. R. Lawrence, Hurst, Martock, Somerset	F. Weston.
4 Lemen Rapoport, 274a St. Paul's-road, Highbury, N.	H. W. Macrosty & H. B. Holding
5 C. E. Senior, 101 Gower-st., W.C.	J. R. Macdonald & Mary Hargrave
6 <u>J. Fleming Shearer, 18 Highlever-road, North Kensington, W.</u> ...	J. M. Strudwick and E. R. Pease.
7 J. D. Sutcliffe, Derbyshire-lane, Stretford, Manchester... ..	Larner Sugden and Mary Clodd
8 <u>F. W. Holmes-Walker, 9 St. Mary's-gr., Richmond, Surrey</u>	C. G. Netherton.

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9. Autumn Campaign in South England. agreed to write letters + to prepare circular for approval of the Publishing Council -

10. Northumberland Campaign. Letter read from Hammill agreeing to take the work on the terms proposed. agreed to arrange tour of 2 or 3 weeks to visit Newcastle F.S. for plans.

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11 Autumn Course. Sec. reported that Kidd declined
& Hardie stated he w^d lecture in the spring.
Agreed that Mrs Blatch take December at
Essex Hall: to ask Stead & Burne for the
same, & Hobson (Jr.) & Tom Mann (on I.L.P.)
for Clifford Inn.

12. Libbknecht agreed to ask him for Mar.

13. Correspondence.

Landlord re Ventilation

Grant Allen handing £3.8/ & proposing
bankers forms.

Gorton I.L.P. on Barnes' candidature,
Bradford Lab. Church asking lectures from Macdonald.
approved.

Fletcher, Bradford, re Municipal Program
& asking lecturer. -

J. F. Oakes

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Special Executive at Office 31 Aug. 1894
Present, Coakshott (in chair), Wallas, Standing
Martin Peace

Absent. Holding, Mrs Blatch, Webb, Mrs. Garnett,
Miss Brooke, Bland, Oliver Shaw, Hammill
Macdonald.

1. The Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed
2. The following correspondence was presented :-
James Harwood re death of H. Hutchinson
F. Hammill Report on Lectures
F. J. Shaw re Hammill's lecture at Barrow
W. Lubbock promising lecture on May 2nd
F. Engels re Spanish Soc^y: Congress.
3. Correspondence :-
Battersea Lab. League asking advice as to opponent
to Bland. Names suggested.
Manchester Labour Press. asking advts. Refuse.
J. Clayton, Leeds, asking assistance in S. B. Election
Refuse cash: lectures if available

4. Land. Nat. Soc. Conference. Notice of meeting on Sep 22. agreed not to ask groups to send delegate. appointment, & to defer appointment of ours.

5. Autumn Course. Lecturers suggested as follows:-
Essex Hall, Failing Burns,
Schlow, Ackworth
F. Harrison, H. Samuel
Cliffords Inn E.C.K. Gonner
Wicksteed
Bonar, S. Cannon.

6. Purge of members:-
The following were purged, subject to a final letter in some cases, viz:-
C. J. Catt D. Hutchinson J. Pickersjill
John Evans J.C. Kennedy a.W. Radford
a.R. Gridley * E. L. Manning a. Ransom
F.a. Hoar Rev. H.V. Mills * Walter Reed
* W. Robinson W. Satterford Ernest Scott,
Tom Walther, Mrs Williams. W.F.R. Purvis
Jones, J.A.K.
(Over) H. V. Mills
* Remitted

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7. The following were elected, subject to their fulfilling the required conditions as to letters & subscriptions, viz:-

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
✓ Roger Buxton, 5 Castle-round, Nottingham ...	General Secretary.
✓ Miss Marion A. L. Cotton, c/o Southgate House, Devizes ...	<u>J. S. Hamilton & E. Potter Hall.</u>
✓ Joseph Devine, c/o Mr. Pendleton, Huyton, near Liverpool ...	General Secretary.
✓ Rev. Charles Harris, St. Mary's Haggerston, N.E. ...	Geo. Samuel & C. W. Heasman.
✓ Wm. Oakley, Parliament-street, Newhall, Staffordshire ...	General Secretary.
✓ Wm. Henry Strudwick, 11 Page Heath, Bickley, Kent ...	J. M. Strudwick and E. R. Pease.

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CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
✓ Miss Jessie Clarke, 63 Gladsmuir-road, Upper Holloway, N. ...	M. Heath and H. G. Chancellor.
✓ Tom Foster, 20 Claremont-sq., Pentonville, N. ...	E. R. Pease and Graham Wallas.
✓ Alfred W. Golds, March Cross, Tunbridge Wells ...	<u>W. Fearné Crowther.</u>
✓ John Hollings, President Amalg. Soc. Tailors, 45 Havelock-st., Great Horton, Bradford ...	H. Wood.
✓ Simiria Jagger, 1 Peel-street, Sowerby Bridge ...	General Secretary.
✓ Miss Ada Tilley, 87 Forest-road, Dalston, N.E. ...	<u>W. H. Harland and J. H. Belcher.</u>

Sub. p.

Letters & Sub. p.

Letters

sub. p. + W. G. Scorr
Barrow-on Soar

} Larner Sugden.

J. W. Martin.

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Executive at Office 14 Sept: 1894.

Present, Martin (in chair) Standing, Miss Brooke, Holding Pease, Hammill, Oliver, Wallas.

Absent. Mrs Blatch, Mrs Garnett, Webb, Oakeshott, Bland Shaw, + (lecturing) Macdonald.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Land Nat. Conference. Agreed that the delegates be Standing, Oliver, Pease, + Wallas or Martin. with power to move amendments.
3. Autumn course. Sec. reported still unsettled. agreed that he act on minute 5 of last meeting.
4. Hutchinson Trust. Letter read from Webb announcing that the deceased had made himself (Webb) + Miss H. his execs, had left a ~~sum~~ the residue of his estate to 5 Trustees Webb (chairman) Miss H., Pease, Clarke, + De Mattos, to be expended in 10 years on Fabian propaganda. As the will may be disputed the matter must be kept a profound secret. -

5. Accounts to 31 Aug. submitted.

6. West Country Campaign + Lectures. Agreed to go ahead.

7. Pub. Com^{ee} Report. Sec. reported that the Pub. Com^{ee} had met since last Exe. - That the 1st Editions of 53 (1000) of 56, 57, 58 (5000 each) had been sold out & second editions of 5000 of all were rapidly going. That 59, Urban Dis. Questions was in proof & near ready. That School Board Questions, a Vestries Tract, & other reprints were required. -
Agreed to go ahead.

8. School Board Election Com^{ee} *.

Agreed to authorise S.B. Com^{ee} to prepare circular of lecture. Re grant of Hampstead Group, agreed to ask particulars. Letter from B.T. Hall asking aid re Deputation to S.B. on Saturday polling. Agreed to ask for deputation, to get form from Prog. S.B. Com^{ee}, & as to T.N. deputation, to leave matter in hands of Prog. S.B. Com^{ee} -

9. List of members.

Resignation of Miss D. Schew accepted. Sec. reported G. E. Manning had paid up.

9. (contd.) Letters from W. Reed & W. Robinson read explaining why they failed to subscribe. Agreed to keep them on as members.

As to new candidates, res. was authorised to include in printed list F.G. Cox, Mrs Scott, F.R. Henderson, & W.W. Moodie.

10. Correspondence.

Shaw, Gateshead, on Facts for Newcastle Percival Clubb on his affairs.

The Londoner, Paper asking patronage copy: under Fabian auspices.

Ames. Report on allotments & lectures.

Desiring lectures.

Dr. El. Lending copy of his book.

Rivista Sociologia, polyglot epistle.

J.R. Macdonald

S. Board Election Com^{ee}. at Office 14 Sep. 94 8pm
Present Wheeler (in chair) Headlam, Peare, Wallas, Miss Brooks,
Mrs Blatch, Pratt, Mrs Pütz, W. Edwards, Miss Balten,
Shallard Mrs Brownlow, Miss Walter.

1. The Minutes of the last Com^{ee} were confirmed
2. Correspondence. Letter from Mrs Jarvis.
3. Lecture Course. Agreed to issue circular to clubs giving two lectures, not to include one specialy on religion. Draft to be ~~submitted to Martin~~ prepared by Martin, & submitted to Mrs Blatch, Miss Brooks, Miss Atchison, Wallas & Headlam.
4. Questions for Candidates. Revised version was discussed at length; and amended in many particulars. Referred to Exec. to put forward.
5. Leaflet. Agreed that Martin prepare draft.
7. Work for candidates. Agreed to propose to Exec. to send out post-card to London members asking them to assist.

Exec. at Office 21 Sep. 94. -

Present J.R. Macdonald, (in chair), Standing, Bland, Martin, Mrs Blatch, Pease, Miss Brooke, Oliver Wallas

Absent. Mrs Garnett, Cokerhill, Webb, Shaw; also lecturing Hammill, & unadvised, Holding.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Land Nationalisation Conference. Delegates given tickets.
3. Autumn Course. Sec. reported that Burns Schloss & Bonas decline. Agreed to ask Costelloe on London Govt, & failing him Grant Allen & Andrew Reid
4. Publishing Com^{ee} report made ~~by~~ and approved, viz:-
 Parish Council Leaflets. 3rd Edition ordered.
 Agreed to insert in parcels cyclostyled slip to say more copies can be sent for par.
 Rural C.C. Questions. agreed to defer reprinting.
 Free Library Book List. Deferred.
 Proposed to offer Scott £10. for 2300 Webb & Cox
 Mrs Blatch was elected a member of the Com^{ee}

5. School Board Election Com^{ee}.

Revised Questions agreed to. Wallas to arrange.

Post-Card to members for assistance. Referred to pub Com^{ee}.

Deputation to L.S.B. on Saturday poll. Letter approved.

Syllabus of club lectures. Referred to ~~Wallas~~ Wallas. -

6. Lectures at Girls Schools. Deferred.

7. Vestry & Guardians Questions. Agreed to grant to
L. L. P. -

8. Footstools; agreed to buy ~~Two~~ T. N. Stools at 1/6 each.

9. Country Lectures. Sec. reported numerous applications
both from North & West.

Bland agreed to go to Winchester & Southampton

Martin " " " Brighton

Macdonald " " for a week after November.

Letter from Manning. Agreed to offer him to Bradford.

Newcastle wanting Shaw. No answer.

Hammill asking if Curran's eyes can be paid: no ~~is~~
decision come to.

Oliver agreed to do lectures at Brighton or Oxford.

10. Secretary's Salary. On proposal made by Mrs Blatch, it was agreed (the Sec. being absent) That the matter be brought up again this day fortnight, & that it be specified on a post. card specially calling the meeting. -

Emma Brooke

Sep: 28.

Executive at Office 28th Sept: 1894. -

Present, Miss Brooke (in chair), Oakeshott, Olivier, Martin,
Holding, Bland, Pease, Standing, Shaw.

Absent. Mrs Garnett, Mrs Bletch, Wallas, Macdonald,
Webb, Hammill.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Land Nationalisation Conference. It appeared that not one of the appointed delegates attended.
3. Autumn Lectures. Sec. reported that Costelloe accepted & proof of handbill was approved.
4. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted, except that it was agreed to send circular with News re S.B. Election instead of separate postcards.
Lecture Circular with S.B. Syllabus. Agreed that Pease try his hand at drafting it. -
5. School Board Deputation. Agreed that Wallas be spokesman & Miss Brooke & Oakeshott, with power to add be the deputation.

6. Fabian News. Sec. reported that owing to pressure of work News w^d. be late.

7. Financial Errors. Agreed to refund Howell 2/10^s. shortage in Postage etc.

8. Lectures to Girls Schools. Macdonald having documents & being absent, matter was deferred.

9. Hammills Northumberland Campaign. Detailed report of lectures was presented.

10. Country Lectures. Letter from N.C. Hammill, stating that Shaw was killed for Oct 23rd - ^{Noted} but Shaw w^d. prefer independent lecture ^{Shaw to rep^r}.

Newcastle. Request from Hammill that Curran's Exes. to said meeting be paid. Declined.

Glasgow Typo. F.S. Meeting Oct 12. Agreed to ask Glasse Kandal H.V. Mills, wanting Bland. agreed to pay 1/2 exp., provided he go to L'pool & Kandal.

11. Hutchinson Trust. Letter read from S. Webb explaining that the Trustees, with a view to meeting

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The requirements of "natural justice", + to avoiding litigation, proposed to name all claim to the furniture &c, of the Testator, to provide the widow with £200 instead of £100 a year, and to give her in cash one years annuity, viz £200. -

He asked that the Trustees should be fortified in this course by the concurrence of the Exec. -

After discussion it was moved by Oakeshott seconded by Olivier and adopted nem.con.

"That this Executive decides not to raise any objection to the arrangements proposed by the Trustees of the Hutchinson Bequest as explained in S. Webb's letter of Sept: 27th -".

12. Par for news re Hutchinson Bequest, drafted by Webb was considered by Exec. + a shorter par. drafted by Shaw was approved + ordered to be inserted in its place.

13. Correspondence. National Reform Union, asking for Tracts on Sale.
F. Harrison declining to lecture
Joe Burgess asking statistics of wealth. Agreed to refer to Oakeshott. -

Milton Clark

Shaw

Executive at Office Oct 5th 1894

Present Bland (in chair), Webb, Hammill, Miss Brooke, Martin, Wallas, Standing, Pease, Oliver, Macdonald, Holding, Cakeshot, Shaw.

Absent Mrs. Garnett, Mrs. Blatch.

1. The Minutes of last Exec. were confirmed
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read & approved, in particular, that the Vestry Tract now in press, be proposed on a vote of urgency at the Mtg on Oct 12th - and that the Pub. Com^{ee} print map therein, if they think fit. That the proposed ~~translation~~ terms for translation of Fabian Essays into German be approved.
3. School Board Deputation. Wallas as spokesman gave report of proceedings.
4. Lecture in Girls Schools. Macdonald reported on proposals & it was agreed that the Sec. make any arrangements ~~possible~~ convenient.
5. Labour Annual. Biographies. agreed to ask Editor to send

list of eminent Fabians & of questions to be put them.
Advertisements referred to Pub. Com^{ee} with power to act.

6. Secretary's Salary. Sec. reported that Mrs Blatch desired question deferred in her absence. -
7. Finance. Secretary reported cheque for £100 received from D. Argy Reeve. -
A need to appoint Mrs Blatch, Miss Brooke, Caheshott, Oliver, Bland & Pease a Committee to sit & report as soon as accounts to 30th Sep^r: are made up, upon (a) Finance (b) Work of office, + (c) Office Salaries. -
8. Hutchinson Trust. Webb reported that he had drawn up a list of questions on the scope of the Trust, the powers of the Administrator & Trustees, + their relation to the Fabian Soc.^y & the Executive Com^{ee}, & that he proposed to obtain the opinion of a Q.C. upon them, preferably R. B. Haldane M.P. -
approved. -

Thos. Darden. Sec. reported the "Paris Founder" to be in
Town. Agreed to invite him to lecture on
Oct 12 + if necessary, to defer Cox. -

10. Shaw + Newcastle. Shaw reported several meetings had
been arranged for him in N.E. + it was agreed
that his expenses be paid.

11. Correspondence.

Letter from H.V. Mills asking that 1/2 Fares of sundry
lectures ^{proposed to be} arranged by him be paid
Agreed to decline. -
Graham Wallis.

Womens Tract Comtee at the Pioneer Club on Friday
- 5th October at 8pm. -

Present Oakeshott (in chair), Mrs Blatch, Mrs Brownlow,
Miss Bridgman, Oliver, Oakeshott, Pease, Miss Alan.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Mrs Blatch read her draft of proposed Tract.
3. After discussion it was agreed that Mrs Blatch have the draft amended & typewritten, & handed round the Committee.
4. It was further agreed that the Committee approve of ultimately publishing the draft as a tract with the name of the author.

L J Mallet
18. 12. 94

Executive at Office 12 Oct. 94.

Present Wallas (in chair), Mrs Blatch, Miss Brooke, Standing
Holding, Martin, Macdonald, Shaw, Bland Caheshott,
Olivier Pease

Absent Webb, Mrs Barnett, Hammill

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report adopted.
Agreed that Pease + Caheshott settle the Reverses of
School Board & Guardians Questions + Plea for P. E. Reform.
Donation of Books from Wiltshire reported. Agreed
to sell those useless to us.
~~Letter~~ Re Wright's offer of 500 Socialism Made Plain
in Sheets, agreed to write him that it will probably
sell owing to advt. in Merrie England. -
3. Election of candidates: - The list were elected,
including J. W. J. Scurr (previously elected) & subject
to payment of subⁿ of J. W. Longsdon: -

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
F. Hilton, 16 Cross-street, Hove, Brighton...	C. R. Maltby.
J. W. Longsdon, 1 St. Andrew's- road, Surbiton ...	H. S. Salt.
Frederick McQuire, 17 Thornhill- crescent, Barnsbury, N. ...	R. J. Pinnock & D. W. McQuire.
Wm. John Scurr, Barrow-on-Soar	Larner Sugden.

4 Fabian Lectures. Sec. 7 reported that Thos. Davidson declined to lecture ~~on Friday~~ today. Also that P. H. Wicksteed had agreed to lecture at Cliffords Inn on Nov. 23rd on Interest & the Law of Distribution. Agreed.

5. Spring Course of Lectures. Deferred

6. Birkenhead Election. Letter from local F.S. asking approval of their policy in supporting Lever (Liberal) & requesting lecturer to oppose L.P. ~~Now~~ Agreed that Peace send judicial reply, stating that we make a general rule not to intervene in local electoral disagreements. —

7. Webb & Cox's Eight Hours Day. Letter from Scott's offering remainder for £ 30. Decline.

8. Meeting tonight. Agreed that Shaw move adoption of Nash Tract & Olivier preside

9. Womens Tract Comtee Report of meeting read & noted.

10. James Pilleon asking permission to reprint Tract 53 in Leicester paper; agreed, provided he insert at end that articles can be got at Fabian Office in penny tract form.

11 Country Lectures.

Newcastle & Burnley. Agreed that Shaw go. Lecture course at Leek. Send if convenient.

J.W. Mawson, Leek, offering lectures. Agreed to send him & pay expenses.

12. Correspondence

Birmingham F.S. re Old age Pensions

Joint-Com^{tee} Quest. T. Com^{mittee} } noted.

Fletcher, Bradford. Progressive Program "

J. Andrews Recommending letters to newspapers "

Grinning asking help to get Webb's Hist T. U. for Class.

Agreed to send Libam copy & Standring agreed to lend one.

H. H. Wooding

Executive at Office Oct 19. 94.

Present, Holding (in chair), Martin, Mrs Brooke, Bland
Wallas, Gakeshot, Standing Shaw—
Macdonald Pease Mrs Blatch, Webb
Oliver.

Absent. Mrs Garnett. Hammill.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report approved, in especial
Reporting Revised Edition Parish Council Tract ordered.
Donation of spare "Today's" to Boston Free Library.
Advising republication of Webb's Economic Heresies
as a Tract. —
3. Spring Course. Agreed to ask Glasse, Prof Ferit,
Prof Nicholson & E. C. K. Gomer.
Letter read from the latter. Macrot's proposal
of lecture on Kidd declined.
4. Meeting at Essex Hall. Shaw to be chairman.
5. Finances etc. Sec reported a/c ready to end of ~~the~~ Sept 17.
Agreed to meet at 3.30 on Friday Nov 2nd

6. Hampstead Group, asking grant for lecture in St. Pancras Town Hall in aid of Gibson's S.B. Candidature. Agreed to write that a meeting arranged by Group is inexpedient, & to offer a small sum if required for postage. also to ask more particulars.

7. Hutchinson Trust. Webb reported progress. -

8. Book Boxes. Webb presented such of the late Mr. Hutchinson's Books as we require, for Book Box, suggesting that a suitable inscription ^{be put} in each. - Agreed to take copy of Webb's Hist. T. N. for Book Box at 11/9. - Agreed to write formal letter to Colden Club: Peel Trustees: Passmore Edwards, & Clarendon Press asking books. -

8. Proposed S.B. Leaflet. agreed to drop it

9. Parish Council Address. Sec. to send to Nat. Union of Teachers; to ^{ask} Grant; & Keake; and N. L. Club. -

10. Correspondence.

N. L. C. asking set of Tracts. a freed.

F. J. Shaw on N/C. debts. Referred to Aps Com^{ee}

Kendal F.S. reporting formation.

Glasgow Typo. F.S. report of first meeting.

Hanley F.S. report of probable dissolution

J. Devine on L.L.V?

W. Emm asking leave for Amurich paper to
reprint Tract 53 without acknowledgment
Declined.

G. Bernard Shaw.

26/10/94.

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Executive Committee Oct 26th 1894.

Present Shaw, Miss Broome, Caheshott, Hammill, Martin,
Macdonald, Oliver, Pease, Wallas, Hammill
Absent. Webb, Holding, Mrs Garnett, Mrs Blatch Bland (lecturing)

1. The Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report. New Edition of Tract 53 reported.
Recommendation to publish re-written mining tract approved.
Number 5 Facts for Socialists reported running short.
3. Members Meeting Agreed to have a members meeting on Nov. 30.
Agenda. Caheshott on Tract 5.
Heresies of S.C.C.
4. Com^{ee} on Bad Debts. Caheshott reported that about £14 # n? have to be written off: that the debts were not increasing materially: and that the Secy was instructed to write about the outstanding debts. —
5. Haldane's Meeting. Agreed to ask Mrs Webb to preside

6. Mr. Szabo's Conference. Sec 7 reported that he had got tickets, for use of Executive.

7. Correspondence. Wells on Vestry Tract & Hutchinson Trust
Mrs. Brownlow, on her S. B. Candidature.
Mrs. Blatch on Whooping cough.
J. F. Osterloh

Executive Com^{ee} at Office 2 Nov. 94.

Present Oakeshot (in chair) Webb, Bland, Peace
Miss Brooke Sludny Martin Macdonald
Absent Oliver Mrs Garnett, Mrs Blatch, Shaw, Wallas
Holden Hammill

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} report approved
3. Meeting tonight. Oliver appointed chairman.
4. ~~Board~~^{Book} Boxes. Sec. reported a second new one in preparation. Agreed to buy for it Hist Trade Unions.
5. Finance Com^{ee} Report, presented, & referred back for further consideration: Com^{ee} to meet on a Friday at 4 pm. - Report to be sent to Mrs Blatch.
6. Womens T. U. assoⁿ - agreed that Miss Brooke, & Mrs Brownlow be delegates to meeting on Nov 26th -

7. Parish Council Leaflets. Sec. reported that there are 5000 names in the Elementary Schools Union. Agreed to send out the 1500 already addressed & then report. Letter from N.L.C. agreeing to do addressing for us of their addresses. —
8. Hampstead Group. Letter re proposed Grant read. Agreed to send 30/- as a contribution to the Group Funds.
9. French Trans. Fabian Sescup. Letter from B. W. H. Williamson read. Agreed to write asking him to how he proposes to publish, whether as a book or in a newspaper; if former, to find a publisher.
10. Application for Tract from J. Sigg M.P. Geneva. Agreed to put on Free list.
11. Executive Meetings. Agreed that the Sec. shall consult the Pub. Com^{tee}, & when in their opinion there is no business worth an Executive Meeting, he issue cards to that effect: provided that the absence of such notice shall always imply that the Ex. meets as usual.

J. F. Oakley to

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Executive at Office 16 Nov. 94

Present. Galesholt (in chair) Macdonald, Brooke, Oliver Shaw, Mrs Garnett, Pease, Martin, Bland Holding Webb.

Absent. Mrs Blatch, Hammill, Wallis, Standring.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report read including recommendation for series of lectures on Soc^{ys} for Shopkeepers, Millinaires &c.
3. Spring Course. Sec. reported no reply from Glasse, Flint, or Nicolson. Instructed to write again - Also letters from H. R. Aldridge, suggesting lecture on Land Natⁿ. Agreed to ask A. R. Wallace. Also offer from Mrs McKillop of lecture on Socialism & Science. Agreed to have it for Cliffords Inn. -
4. Essex Hall on Dec 7th. Sec. reported Mrs Blatch too ill: that he had asked Blatchford who declined, & Shaw. Agreed to try Miss Truckwell, then A. R. Wallace. Failing these, Mrs McKillop at Cliffords Inn, & Essex Hall to be off.

5. Finance & Com^{tee} reported that Key had nothing to add to previous report. Agreed to defer further consideration of matter till the financial year is concluded.

6. School Board Election. Letter from Reeve ~~£~~ handing £20. to distribute amongst candidates excepting Wallas + Headlam, already assisted by donor. Note from Wallas suggesting £10 to Gibson, S.S.F. + £5 each to Mrs Brownlow + Clem Edwards. - After debate, approved. - Letter from Neal asking aid towards Holdings's S.B. expenses. Agreed to reply we have no funds for Election Expenses. - Re Election Day, agreed not to instruct Sec. 7 to devote his time to any candidate.

7. Table for outer office. Agreed to buy one for not more than 20/-

8. Hackney Group Letter asking grant towards expenses. Agreed to send 30/-

9. New Book Boxes. Sec. laid on table replies to letters asking for books. -

10. Hammill's Election address. Letter from Cui handing copies, and asking if it may be sent out with news. - Agreed to write explaining why we think this will do more harm than good amongst our members. -

11. Correspondence.

Jomghusband, Resignation. Accept.
Sowerb Bridge Letters on Soc^m

Dolby wanting P.C. Lecture at Midhurst. Costelloe or L.P. Smith.

Andrew Hall asking grant. No funds for it.

Couch, Fovey, asking advice re extinct corporation.

Gore, Circular re resignation from Bristol Soc. Soc.

Kendal F.S. asking for Bland once more.

Townhill F.S. formation new society.

Dumfermline F.S. Report.

Barrow L.P.P. wanting lecturers. Can't send specially

Profr. Will, Kansas, re Soc^m in America.

B. School Master in Gwentstry. Redoc^m in Wales Agreed to offer tract on P. Connals for translation in Welsh
Manchester Guardian. G. Hemond Shaw.
23/11/94.

Executive at Office 23 Nov. 94.

Present. Shaw (in chair) Pease, Stundring, Hammill,
Miss Brooke, Martin, Mr. Garnett, Babeshok,
Holdring, Bland, Oliver.

Absent. Webb, Mrs. Blatch ^{Wallace} & (lecturing) Macdonald.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
2. Essex Hall lectures. Sec. reported Miss Trickwell & A.R. Wallace declined. Agreed to drop Essex Hall on 7th & to take lecture of Mrs. McFillop at Cliffords Lane on 14th. -
3. Spring Course. Sec. reported that Prof. Nicholson accepts for April & Mrs. Blatch will lecture in Feb. 7 -
4. Parish Council Leaflets. Sec. reported 4333 packets sent out. Agreed not to send more.
5. Rewis donation to S.B. Expenses. Agreed to report in news.
6. Vestry Election. Letter from Wley re Reports in Star. Wed

7. Distribution of Wealth Diagrams. Sec. proposed to offer to Labour ^{clubs} not approved, & agreed to distribute spare copies amongst members of the Exec. —

8. Hammill's Election Address. Letter from ~~Press~~ Sec. read & Hammill's reply thereto. after much debate it was generally agreed that the Sec. had followed his instructions in the matter.

9. Correspondence.

- Oakley, Newhall, Secy. New F.S.
- Clarendon Press declining to donate books.
- Dublin F.S. Report.
- Frisbury Park Free Library saying cannot bind Tracts. Agreed to send bound set & Library Gerays.
- Wentburn on Artizans Dwellings
- F.J. Shaw Gateshead, re Colpoekers. Agreed that we will supply him at 8^d per doz. provided ~~but~~ Newcastle F.S. will guarantee payment within 3 months.

Geo Standing
Nov 20/94

Executive at Office 30th Nov. 1894.

Present Standing (in chair) Macdonald, Martin, Bland,
Wm. Garnett, Shaw, Pease, Webb, Oakeshott.

Absent. Miss Brooke, Hammill, Wallas, Wm. Blatch, Olivier Holding.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.

2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report considered:-

Annual Report. Resolved (by 5-2) to reprint.

"What to read". Wallas to revise.

"Eight Hours & Law". Macrosty to report on revision.

"Sweating" Wm. Webb " " " "

Vestries. 5000 to be reprinted at once with
revision of table & Webb. —

3. Spring Course. Letter from Glass. Agreed to ask him to
lecture on Christianity & Socialism.
Cliffords Inn Meetings. Agreed not to
print meetings on Bill, & to defer
consideration of them till next Exec. Mtg.

4. Factor Bill agitation. Agreed to put par. in news.

5. South of England Campaign. Letter from Weston report from Macdonald Noted.

6. Women's T. N. Assocⁿ. Agreed to appoint Miss Brooke delegate, with instructions that she do not incur financial liability on behalf of the Society.

7. German Translations, from Macroft. Noted

8. Women's Tract Com^{ee}. Meeting arranged.

9. L.C.C. Election. Proposed Tract & Local Gov^t Series. Referred to Pub. Com^{ee} -

10. French Socialist Laws & letter from Sparling. Noted. Agreed to put two names on Free List, to get list of addresses of French Deputies & to thank Sparling.

11. Letter from F. Smith to Sec. asking testimonial for Woodcock as D.L.P. Candidate at Fulham. Sec. instructed to decline to offer opinion.

12. Ham. S.S. appeal for Election Fund. Repl. "No fund".
13. Correspondence Class in Economics. Martin agreed to correct replies.
14. Executive Meetings. Agreed not to meet on Dec 21/28
15. Each Ward Labour Club } Sec. reported Club burst up,
Bradford } Tracts returned + bad debt of 7/- now noted. —
16. Foreign Economists. Agreed to send selected Tracts to list of Foreign Economists to be sent in by Webb. —

J. R. Macdonald

N.B. The following were elected presumably on Nov 16, subject to payment of subs = £ two Sest (p?) + F. G. Cox, but appear to have been omitted in minutes

not elected

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
Fred. G. Cox, Emsworth-road, Lymington	J. C. Kenworthy & J. H. Belcher.
F. Riddell Henderson, Lyndoch, Stafford-road, Wallington ...	H. B. Holding and A. Clark.
E. A. Hutchinson, "The Elms," Mount Carmel-street, Derby...	C. M. Hutchinson.
W. W. Moodie, 120 Highgate-hill, N.	E. R. Pease and Emma Brooke.
J. R. Moore, Skewsby, Terring-ton, York	T. M. Watt.
Charles S. Myers, Caius College, Cambridge	G. F. McCleary.
G. Reeve, Junr., 11 Lewis-grove, Lewisham, S.E.	E. R. Pease and R. Russell.
Mrs. E. J. Scott, Lymington ...	J. C. Kenworthy & J. H. Belcher.
Miss M. Spooner, 26 Brook-green, W.	Geraldine Carr and E. R. Pease.
Mrs. Emily C. Townsend, French-gate, Richmond, Yorks. ...	General Secretary.

Executive at Office 14 December 1894.

Present. J.R. Macdonald (in chair) Hammill, Miss Brooks,
Mrs Barnett, Oliver, Gakeshott, Standing, Shaw
Pease, Bland, Webb,

Absent. Martin, Mrs Blatch, Wallis, Holding.

1. Minutes of last meeting were confirmed.
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Report considered & adopted, as follows:-
 Tracting Tract. Agreed to defer 2nd Edition.
 Reprint No 53 a new Tract. Referred to Publishing Com^{ee}
 "Economic Heresies". Agreed not to have the Tract re-
 tract on L.C.C. - Gakeshott to prepare sketch, &
 Publishing Com^{ee} to act. Welsley suggested for
 revise of Trans & Labour Policy Leaflets. -
3. Spring Course. Secretary reported five Essex Hall lectures
 settled up to May. - approved.
 Agreed to have no Cliffords Inn meetings in
 January & to arrange others later on. -
4. Resignations of A. W. B. Everitt & A. J. Marriott
 were accepted. -

5. The following were elected members; subject to pay^t of subscription W. F. Champion + John Curle

Not elected

CANDIDATES.	PROPOSED BY
W. F. Champion, 39 Kingsley-st., Shaftesbury-pk., Battersea	G. B. Shaw and E. R. Pease.
John Curle, J.P., Oxford-street, Tottenham, Bristol	Paul Stacy.
Miss Duffy, High-street, Notting Hill	E. R. Pease and Mary Belcher.
Arthur Firmin, 7 The Links, Pretoria-avenue, Walthamstow	Sidney Malkin.
H. Sleightholm, 45 Rutland-st., Werneth, Oldham	H. H. Harris.
Hugh Stannus, 61 Larkhall-rise, Clapham	G. B. Shaw and T. Wright.
E. J. Swain, 40 Adelaide-road, Lewisham	J. H. Mackay and E. R. Pease.

Elected 1/2/95

6. Country Lectures. Agreed to send Macdonald to Bristol as desired.
7. Letter from F. Smith proposing informal conference of F.S. + L.S.P. read & discussed. No resolution was adopted.
8. Hammermith Group Circular re Churches. Noted.
9. Correspondence.
 A. Stewart. Re N.C. S. Board Election. Noted.
 Boston Mass. City Surveyor. Re Municipalisation of Dock.
 Sec.'s reply approved but not read.
 J. R. Macdonald
 4.1.95

Meeting of Women's Tract Comtee at Office
on Tues. 18 Dec. 1894.

Present. Mrs Mallet, Mrs Blatch, Miss Allen, Mrs Bramble,
Miss Bridgman, Mrs Garnett, Shaw, Oliver, Peare,
Caheshott.

1. Mrs Mallet was elected chairman.
2. The minutes of 5th October were confirmed.
3. A long discussion on Mrs Blatch's draft ^{had} followed.
4. Mrs Blatch having stated that she would make use of part of the ~~Free~~ draft for her lecture at Essex Hall on Feb 15, it was agreed to adjourn till after that date.

Lucy M. Bramble

J. R. Macdonald
4-1-95

Executive at Office 4 Jan. 1895.

Present. Macdonald (in chair) Pease, Bland, Miss Brooke, Mrs. Garnett, Mrs. Blatch, Standing, Holding, Wallis, Cakeshott, Olivier.

Absent. Hammill, Webb, Shaw Martin.

1. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed
2. Publishing Com^{ee} Minutes of Dec 19 & Jan 2 were read and adopted.
3. Spring Course. Sec. reported that Mrs Blatch c^d not fulfil her promise for Feb 15. after debate & division it was resolved to ask Andrew Reid to lecture on the new Party, & failing him to ask Herbert Samuel to bring his paper on Unemployed up to date & to give it as a lecture.
4. Cliffords Inn. Sec. reported H. R. Aldridge offered lecture on Land Problem & Town Life. Agreed to decline. that Miss Sherritt offered lecture on Trade Union Farms: agreed to decline in view of Samuel's Unemployed lecture. Letter read from F. R. Conlson proposing lecture of

F. W. Hayes on Essence of Poor Rate. Agreed to ask Conlon what he means. Agreed to ask A. R. Price (14 Finsbury Circus) or Mrs Leon on "Free Maintenance", & Webb on L.C.C. in Feby.

5. L.C.C. Election. Agreed to call a Comtee to be nominated by Sec. 7 on a date when Webb can attend to consider what steps to take in L.C.C. Election.

Wallas & Macdonald to be members. -

Poplar Group. Letter read asking assistance for Crooks.

Agreed to form a private fund for Crooks.

Pearse to write the letters.

6. Resignations W. Chismon accepted.

E. D. Siddlestone, threatened to coniliate him.

Mrs Larkson Jacobs, because she cannot subscribe.

Decline to accept. -

7. Womens Tract Comtee Minutes read. Agreed to wait decision from Mrs Blatch before further action taken. -

8. Poplar Group Wanting lecture Jan 28. Wallas to go.

9. J. Dyson Huddersfield, wanting job in London. Can't assist.

10. Southampton L.L.P. proposing Election Fund for J.R. Macdonald. Deferred

11. Aberdeen Wanting lecture from Shaw. Agreed to ask Shaw to take ~~course~~ tour.

12. Correspondence

Prof. Nicholson asking about Socialism
Herr Lubknecht asking re his lecture.
Sowerby Bridge F.S. on permeated liberals
W.S. Godfrey on Collapse of Free Land typed

F. Orskott

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