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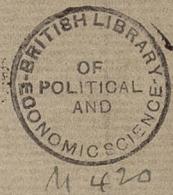
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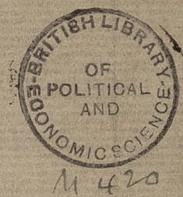
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Visits to Churches

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Visits to Churches - Battersea & Clapham  
1<sup>st</sup> July 1900.

My main object to day was to follow the ground  
& see with my own eyes the churches marked  
on the map. I have been out all day & have  
almost walked myself foot sore

I crossed Battersea Bridge & passed through  
Europa Place which is about as low as they  
make them, into Church Road where the United  
Methodist Free Church have a neat little place  
of worship. & so onto the old Church S. Mary  
Battersea with its open outlook up & across the  
River & its pretty church yard. I was there at  
10.30 & the doors were still shut - a young  
lady waiting about & soon a young man appeared  
from across the road with the keys. I entered  
after him. It's a beautiful old fashioned flat  
roofed building - with a very sacred feeling about  
it - difficult to analyse - just an effect. Then  
the bells began to ring - a gentle peal. & a few  
people began to gather. I stood upon  
the pulpit - there could be a fair congregation by 11 o'clock  
& I was left with an impression of genuine  
honest religious work

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I looked for but did not find two missions marked in Granfield & Parkham St. these & especially the latter do not look so dark as they are made on the map.

The R C Church in the High St was empty at 10.50 - & had not the look of having had it very likely to have a crowded attendance at all. It is a singular dull bare uninteresting church without charm of any kind.

I walked through 'Orville' which seemed rather better than when I studied it 10 years ago. A poor place enough but not so utterly bad. Going on down the High St I came to the S/A barracks & Hall - about which there was an expectant look - a sentinel & some children hanging about & others (adults) coming up - & a little further on I met what I suppose to have been their corps - quite a strong body with band - who stopped off merely beat time passing Christchurch where Service was going on there. I suppose this Battalion w<sup>t</sup> I or the S/A a strong corps

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The little church of the Brethren (always interesting) was not open & their noisy service is always for themselves only.

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Christchurch is a bare unattractive brick church - nice inside & out - In it for many services there was a very nice gathering of boys & girls trying people. They were devoutly behaved & gave me a favourable impression of the parish work - but at this noisy service there were hardly any adults.

A little further east in Shepcote Grove the Congregationalists at Milton Hall have a quite small well dressed congregation.

Turning west, I came to Cains College which the building looks like, & indeed is, the high choir of a big church - cut off & finished off as well as may be - & perhaps most likely never to be finished. The colours of the bricks show that it has been built at twice - first a basement which is the school & above the church - but if it were what it architecturally pretends to be - all the windows

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Choir & balcony top - I looked in below  
& saw the little children - & mounted the  
stair & found myself in the church  
abreac. Many service boys on. These mosal  
all children but older than those below  
& a few adults in charge. Near by there  
are Club premises - for men classes on one  
side & for girls on the other.

In York Road I found the Primitive  
Methodist Battersea Church. ~~Reofficing Service~~  
I went into the Gallery. It is a large church  
with deck galleries & there was not so  
large a congregation as might have been  
expected for a special occasion - but including  
the galleries it holds a good many. Those present  
were largely children. There were some tho'  
not many, working class people -

S. Peter is an attractive High Church  
as I sat I heard a very nice piece of church music  
sung by the choir & organ. The congregation was  
not numerous - but included all classes & ages  
North Sokes. Most were women & children

I did not find the Chapels or missions marked on my map in Darien & Turnstony Roads, & came next to Shrike Hall which I believe was built for a music hall behind licensed premises - the whole being now devoted to Mr Reader Harris League propaganda. It is a long oblong hall seating a good many & one enters at the side in the middle. there is probably another exit. The Hall has a light sprung roof & is easy to hear in. When I took my seat Mr Harris was about to begin his sermon. He used the Bible a great deal & many of the audience referred to chapter & verse - we might have other sources of light to help to understand but this book was God's revelation. He spoke from one of the texts which promise to disciples of Christ powers of healing through faith & by laying on of hands & seemed honestly anxious of the importance of his subject, but what he gave us was very poor stuff - the catch penny oratory of an educated man who stoops to his audience. I suppose there must be something better than this & real as foundation for his Pentecostal League's success - & for the

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Sanest faces of the large adult audience  
who followed him with close attention.  
It may be that Mr Harris is the spiritual  
force. There was certainly no sign of it in  
her husband. He proposed to pursue the  
subject further at the evening service & I had  
meant to give him another chance but was  
detained elsewhere. His hall was well  
filled without being full up - a good lower  
middle working class audience of "Bible  
Christians" mostly adults & largely male.

In ~~Wycliffe~~<sup>Magnick</sup> Road close to the end of Shipton  
Road is the Street Baptist "Providence" Chapel  
a small place fairly filled. The service was just  
closing & I saw the people come out. Nice people  
& very religious - and at the other end of Shipton  
Road in Plough Road is a small Pr. Methodist  
Chapel - which like the larger Church in York Rd  
was just out of the hands of the decorator  
& celebrating its reopening. It shone with varnish  
& pale green paint - a very ugly square box built  
so as to admit of galleries being added. The cagey  
was all out. In the evening I saw them streaming in,  
nice looking simple people - again genuinely religious.

I spent the whole afternoon wandering in & round about Clapton Common making acquaintance with the pristine & pristine look of all the churches. Some of these I entered in the evening. Those I did not enter were St. John, Hack Road - a shabby little church looking very poverty stricken in a rather deplorable neighbourhood.

S. Paul's Chapel of Ease in St. John's Parish - a smart well finished new church built of stone put together in the Cyclopean way only not large but mostly whitened & faded to some extent - no doubt this church is to accommodate the better off section in the parish & must complete with S. Marks.

S. Marks showed no signs of life at any time when I passed. It probably serves a well-to-do set of people in a fashionable way.

[In the evening I walked on down Johns Hill past S. Paul to a large church situated opposite the Infirmary & Dispensary of St. Peter's Hospital & so just outside the London boundary. It proved to be a very large Wesleyan Church <sup>Practiced 39</sup> but not <sup>in district 39</sup> to be noted. Public Evening service is held in St. Peter's Hospital also beginning on the boundary.

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I noticed this announcing inauguration services at S<sup>t</sup> Peter Church - at which Canon Ernest Clarke was to preach. I don't know what S<sup>t</sup> Peter this is.]

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The Methodist Free Church Malins Rd out of Nottingrove Grove is a trim well kept building a large board, put away, indicated that on the 28<sup>th</sup> May they had had a flower festival including crowning the May Queen S<sup>t</sup> Michaels looks attractive. It is a "Rudem. Sidum" Church but its buildings extend the whole way from Chatham to Darley Rd. The church interior from Darley Rd. the interior promised beauty but I did not get in side.

Papworth Chapel Chatham Rd (Pastor Flegg) is a small solid looking affair

At the South East corner of Clapham Common the Catholics have a large & beautiful church in which there was a good attendance of prettily dressed children for an afternoon service. And near by is the Clapham Congregational Church in Grafton Sq. advertising a taking list of Preachers for July.

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Holy Trinity  
Clapham Parish Church, which is also at the South East corner of the Common, I found filled with children & those accompanying them. not Sunday School children (though they may have been there) but the children of the congregation, small & large. The galleries were unoccupied but the whole body of the large old fashioned Gothic Church was filled & the good old Rector was just finishing his address. It was on Prayer - very simple by word. I think there is Childrens Service at 3<sup>3</sup>, every Sunday but this may have been a special occasion.

At S' Savours on the North side there was also a childrens service - but those there were the S. School children, gathered together close to the altar rail, with but very few others elsewhere. The Curate talked to them from the rail & then walked about & asked questions helping the answers - on the nature & uses of temptations, & dangers, to the body & the soul. Very good talk. It is a neat gothic stone church - ivy clad - occupying the whole block from road to road.

S<sup>t</sup> Matthew Battersea in Gourie Rd running  
through by Bushell Rd to Lavender Hill - is a  
curious "Nuremberg" looking Church with red tiled  
Roof & quaint windows. No services were announced  
& there was not a sign of life. There seems to  
be a house attached. To the Westward at  
the end of Stormont Rd is the Congregational

*(This is poor Taylor old home transformed  
of which Lavender Hill was once the name I think not)*

Church of Mr Cyman Lewis which is not  
very done up externally. A cheap sort of brick  
with a mean little spire - but of some size.

Still further West in Beauchamp Rd is the Methodist  
Chapel - a great contrast to the other. A solid  
well finished square topped building of red brick  
& white stone - looking more like a public  
library than a church. There are schools in  
the basement which is pitched high - & a very  
handsome flight of steps leads to the square  
room above which is the church. Children  
were sitting on the steps & the caretaker  
was in pursuit - this was between 5 & 5.30.

On the other side of Lavender Hill <sup>here</sup> is the Church  
of the Ascension - a big red building - round ended  
like the stem of a man of war & ugly to the last  
degree - but inside a venerable house of God with

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high pitched roof & great columns and arches - no thought of galleries or pews - but packed with rush bottomed chairs & behind each chair hooked up, the little fat cushion round which the person next behind comes & kneels. It is a very long church - & at the east end a great raised off sanctuary before the altar. All High Church - Pictures of the stations on the side walls - otherwise no decoration.

The Presbyterian Church of which Mr MacKenzie  
is Rector is at the north east corner of Clapham  
Common. It is a spreading low roofed cottage  
style of building, looking commodious, & as strong  
a contrast so horrible with the Ch of the Ascension.  
but I did not get inside.

Close by is S. Namabas. - a brannew shick<sup>t</sup>  
shan Church of the neat small Cyclopean  
stone work of which there are many specimens  
hereabouts but this is the best. "No expense spared"  
seems to be said. really beautifully finished as  
new, & likely to become increasingly beautiful with  
age. - When I passed the Specie Service  
for men on the afternoon of the first Sunday in  
the month was just ended & I saw the men

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Coming out. There might be about 70 of them perhaps - absolutely typical of the kind of man who takes to this kind of thing - Not an instructive kind of man.

I was told by the clergyman that the next service would be the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in September - August being missed - & that they would be very glad to see me. I regretted having been late today.

Walking across the Common I fell in with two Salvation Army efforts - the one, the stronger of the two offered nothing but the most usual kind of gospel hammering - the other a very small affair armed only with cymbals which men & women alike used, sang verse by verse a hymn into the ready of which <sup>with comments</sup> a strong featured, strong voiced, man ~~uttered~~ threw a great deal of passion.

"I saw one hanging on the tree, who fixed his dying eyes on me" - On me he repeated, & the words rang out. There was an anti-climax in the jolly tune to which the verse was set - hardly exceeded as a contrast by

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the gay flutter of a passing bicyclist who managing his machine with his feet performed this tour de force at the head a column of his friends, rattling along the roadway by the side of which the little salvation party & their audience of half a dozen children were gathered.

Near the larger group of Salvationists in the centre of the Common I joined a party of men all close crowded round an elderly man seated on a chair who was I believe a secularist. & between him & the other men a very good humoured & courteous discussion was being carried on. As many had crowded in as could bear, for there was no shooing off nor raising of the voice. The men just talked as in a room with polite deference & without the least heat. The subject seemed to be the value of the Bible story of creation as compared to any other version we had.

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In the evening at 7 o'clock I began with St Lukes church which was fast filled up with a good & rather fashionable audience. It is a handsome church well set in a handsome neighbourhood. From it I went to the new Wesleyan Broomwood church into which I had looked in passing during the afternoon. It is a beautiful church with other buildings and ground for future intention of erecting more. It struck me as the best effort in the building way of the Wesleyans anywhere in India. A bold move from the little tin Tabernacle in which <sup>this congregation has</sup> they have been worshipping hitherto - a growing cause in a rapidly growing neighbourhood - which may justify their action. A good deal of money must have been found. Outside the buildings are in red brick well finished. The roof is carried up by a high roof & a corner pinnacle. The entrance is from the east - fronting towards the common. The west end inside has the usual large organ & choir gallery with minstrel platform &c.

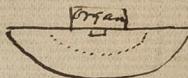
The roof is in three parts - of gothic wood work. the central portion being carried by great columns which also carry<sup>the large</sup> galleries - pale green paint with a good deal of white gives the tone inside - The seating is of polished wood with the hardness taken off by the sort of cushion that is not a cushion, in use in tram cars. The floor inlaid wood pavement. The place is very nice though my descriptin hardly sounds so.

The service (an inauguratin service for today was the openg day) had begun at 6:30 & the Sermon was begining whe I entered & obtained a seat at the back. there was a very large audience - the whole place looked full - though not at all crowded - but I suppose it must seat 1500 people at least. The preacher was Mr Denham of the Circuit - They had had Hugh Price Hughes in the morn. & no doubt there were many there from other wesleyan congregations.

Mr Denham is a successful grey haired minister with a strong tendency towards fattening his flock which I conceive to be the peculiar weakness of the Wesleyans generally. I heard the whole of this sermon which was congratulation from first to last & only asking from them more efforts to spread the light of the Gospel among others - I suppose some excuse must be allowed for the occasion - but it was rather sickening & I cannot think that any one there could have had spiritual benefit - happy if not the worse for it all. After the service was a ten minute prayer meeting & guaranteed not to exceed that time - & later there was to be an outdoor service somewhere aimed doubtless at the unconverted. About half stayed for the prayers which two members of the congregation were put up to deliver.

Walking towards Dattesca Rise on my way home I passed the Baptist Church in Northcote Rd & as it was still lighter in I went in

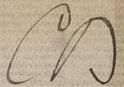
Mr Fellingham has left - gone to Brighton - he seems to be a rather restless spirit - but has left a strong congregation behind him - The Church is of semi-circular shape - or less than a semicircle



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represents the edge of the gallery looked at from above & the little square in front of the organ is the pulpit - at the foot of which was set out the table of the Lord, as is their custom on the first Sunday in the month. The whole congregation stays for the communion service - & most took the bread & wine, which were offered to me also. The man who presided may have been one of the Deacons. He was a man of about middle force & shone the more resplendent, as if filled newly with the sense of their import & power. A strong featured black-haired man - samest & coarse of nature. All was done decently & in order. The congregation consisted of lower middle class people, almost entirely I should judge.

This walk has given me a great idea  
of the new world being created in this  
part of London.



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Visit to Churches

District 37.

Sunday 8 May 1900

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Sunday 8 July 1900. Battersea Clapham

I have tried to fill up vacant spaces in last Sunday's walk. Crossing Albert Bridge again I passed in Bridge Road the Baptist mission there "Assembly room - Special services. It appears to be an ordinary dwelling house converted to mission purposes - where Bridge Road meets Rosendale Rd" is the Battersea Congregational Church - Mr Janatt a fine large hall - looking very bright - prepared for the mid summer Flower Service. It was very near eleven to far few had come. There was no promise of a large congregation & the steward to whom I spoke (raising the building) said "it looks large when few come". It is a wide building with an open wood work roof - no galleries - behind are Schools & lecture hall - & there was a large Sunday School within - The Young Peoples Society of Christian Education meets Monday 8.30. Subject next Monday "abiding in Christ": "all are welcome".  
S. Stephen is at the end of the road - Beautifully proportioned low pitched church - red brick interior gave effect of dark colour. There was a very nice genuine Harrow Hill Congregation of 100 or more con in. would reach 150 probably.

8 July 1900.

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S. Saviour's further along Battersea Rd No 1 is an uninteresting looking church - commonplace stone style. A congregation of women girls & children fair in number fully 300 all told.

Methodist Free Church corner of Lansdowne St. I do not enter. Services are 11 & 6.30 & today was "Flower Sunday". Below the announcement one read "Wantea gifts for the Stricken ones". The Church is a plain barn or warehouse of a place with Schools behind.

I did not see any of the small missions methods hereabouts but came to the Battersea Park Tabernacle a Substantive Baptist church - Square pointed. Services 11 & 6.30 & 8 o'clock. "Hearty welcome to all" Pastor Stra.

All Saints at the corner of the Park is one of the red brick churches of ordinary design. There was in it a very good many congregation 11 - & 11.30 choral. It was just 11.30 when I went in. The music was excellent & the people looked parochial - £1200 a regular but not exaggerated celebration.

S. Joseph RC past the fly to the East - is a sleek of tall RC church with a lean-to Nave. The Church was well filled though not full. I heard a simple sermon on not neglecting religious duties, & especially song service in summer, very bright & simple & good there also.

8 Aug 1908

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Beneath the Railway - in an arch I think - was  
"The Church of Christ" - Frank Cable Pastor - who  
has an American wife. Service 7.15 a.m & 8 a.m. (old style)  
Two other missions marked I did not find, but  
came further down Queen R'd upon the Protestant  
Mission Church of which Mr Reader Harris  
laid one foundation stone in 1884. "Coral" being  
harbor at the time. Other stone was written  
"Alleluia" - on another laid by a Mr Andrew  
American "Stranger" - a very little place & I did  
not go in. There were quiet sounds of a voice reading  
or praying.

S. Phillips a little further on is a quite beautiful  
Church with painted glass in good taste giving  
"a dim religious light". It was twelve o'clock  
& a large number of neatly dressed children  
were streaming out. Choral Mass was proceeded  
with in (11.45 choral). There was a very fair congregation  
(the church having been at the side I suppose)  
Music good.

Queen's Road Wesleyan. Worked active (Kinnings &  
Danham) today they too have ~~had~~ something similar  
"Musical Service" with audience or music or nothing or  
something of the kind before; same. They have a choir society

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In the afternoon I was at the Mens own for the close, half hour - hearing part of a layman's rather laboured effort at the address - towards which the minister who presided assisted, took up a rather patronizing & I should think very silly attitude. but the worthy man did not seem to mind. The men were of the usual types of religious male persons young & old - about 70 I think. The whole thing feeble & especially the jokes. Bromwood Church is connected with this one - same circuit.

In the morning I preached at The Ascension Church - but in the afternoon I looked also at the large Victoria Baptist Church. Pastor Henderson - a large creeper covered building showing signs of activity of all kind in the hills & rotis & in the buildings which seem very complete. The Church of the Ascension was full of men & women - 2 or 3 women (or girls) to one man or young man. It was not packed. but no effort was put. High Ch. choir celebration beautifully given. It is a very big bare church but looks well when fully filled in spite of very plain "station" pictures.

8 Aug 1900.

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The worshippers very decently behaved. Men  
separated from women. I stayed this Service  
out. It was done in the most correct high  
style. I saw no increase but I could smell  
it. I sat next the belfry & bell ringer ~~W H A P P E R~~  
who & his son to ring the bell - tolled by pulling  
a rope close by. It rang out when the Elements  
were consecrated.

In the afternoon there were two great  
Children's Services. the younger ones were  
just over coming out when I passed at 3.30  
& then the elder ones were ~~up~~ in the street  
ready to follow in. When I passed again  
at 4.30 the elder girls were coming out.  
Services were advertised as taking place  
at the Grand "Hall of varieties" Clapham. -  
McGann, I was told was the man running  
these Services. The Hall is very small - black  
seats etc. About 50 people of the "good" type  
were joining - probably no outsiders besides  
myself. A feeble affair. We were called  
upon to open our hearts in prayer - alone.

8 July Dist. 37

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In the evening, I attended the New Wesleyan Broomwood Church, in order to hear Mr. Neeson preach how far his congregation held up. I found a full church & a remarkable man & I stayed for the whole service. The church was not crowded but it was well filled & as already described, it is large. I think there were certainly more than a thousand people present - active lower middle class people of the Wesleyan type & no doubt a good many of the serious working class who are indistinguishable from these - Carefully & smartly dressed people - largely young - Methodist Chapel goers, accustomed to hymn singing. In this church there is a real architectural "Choir" behind the platform or pulpit of the minister. It is lighted by windows at the sides ~~at the back~~ & in the middle at back is the organ, the choir of male & female voices being seated on the slope close from the organ to the pulpit. Beneath this choir I suppose will be the vestry & right left are various little rooms for the

8 July

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Offices & offices of the church. There were fully 40 voices in the choir - the minister sat alone unsupported so far as I saw by deacons or readers. The hymn singing was very good - the choir leading but the congregation throwing in a great volume of sound with good taste & knowledge.

Mr. Neason's text was taken from the Epistle to the Hebrews. He spoke of the "writer" in place of saying "St. Paul" & hoped no one would be shocked when he said that it was impossible that Paul but Apollonius who wrote it. Not at all written in the style of St. Paul he said. The text concerned the anchorites we should have "on Christ beyond the veil". He spoke of the writer of this Epistle using 'hope' (typified by the anchor) where St. Paul would have used faith & said that what was meant by hope was a faith that looked to the future.  
The sermon was a very eloquent address <sup>apostle</sup> addressed he admitted especially to young men of his own age (he is probably 26 to 28 or thirty). to lay hold of the

8 July 1853

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Safe anchorage in order to ride out the waves  
of uncertainty & the storms of doubt, and  
temptation, to which all susceptible. An  
excellent sermon - honest & well delivered,  
& well thought out. Mr. Asbury describes the  
shaken congregation he has gathered & promises  
to be a considerable spiritual force.

I reached Shake Hall exactly at  
8 o'clock when the ordinary service gives  
place to the more Pentecostal one. Some  
~~were~~ coming out & others coming in - & those  
who had sat in the choir came down or  
left - The greater number stayed on. We  
sang some hymns sitting in our pews - the  
organist was still at his organ - There was  
an effort to make the hymns a little stimulat-  
ing both before and after the address - & the prayers  
were hurried in the same direction but on  
the whole without much effect. Mr. Harris  
preached on the text "no one enquires after  
my Son" & explained that a better

8 May. Drt 37.

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Venice was "no one prays for my soul" & that was not to be said here and tonight. The address was quite short & to the point but it did not feel to me as if there were any great response. The service ended with the appeal to any whose bones had been touched by God this day to rise silently in their places. we all remained meanwhile in silent prayer. while Mr Harris made the appeal & recognised each who did so with "thank God" & then they each sat down again. It was dreadfully like an auction. Again & again it was the "last chance" or "a minute more" & the hesitation which might be felt was minimised by Harris' explanation that it was not ~~but~~ a whole salvation that was implied by the confession - only a recognition that to them God had spoken in some special way.

8 Aug. 1937.

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It seemed rather like a trap when at the end he asked all who had stood up to do so again - & then to come up near him - for further examination I suppose. Perhaps it was well understood that it would involve this. The number who moved was not so great as I had thought from the previous proceedings so perhaps some shirked - or perhaps Mr Harris thought more men who had not really done so. Making the most of it. I do not like the man.

I remember I saw the same method applied at Mr Meyers church at a Shabbat mission service - but with better taste. It is a very amateurish piece of religious business at best.

The last of the Exeter Hall meetings of the Pentecostal League is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. I shall if possible hear Mr Harris - to see if it is she who is the spiritual force. (P)

17 July 1901

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I went to Exeter Hall this afternoon & at 3:30 found a little gathering of persons rather ill-favoured people - mostly women - in one of the small halls - the body of the Hall consists of 4 divisions, each of which contains about 50 chairs - there are galleries but no one was in them. I think finally there may have been 110 or 120 people besides 12 or 15 more on the platform. The total number of men might be about 12 - but it was really a woman's meeting & Mr Reader Harris who presided spoke of <sup>men</sup> generally being at the afternoon meeting. As it was he took the chief part - conducting the whole service & giving an address, before his wife spoke, that was a good deal longer than hers. It was a very quiet orderly religious meeting without excitement of any kind - hymns, Mayors reading from the Bible & the two addresses - with notice as to the evening meeting & other future events - The only peculiarity was that one Mayor consisted of a series of quite short Mayors delivered by I think 5 of those who sat in the front from 4 women & 1 man speaking, besides both.

But about these there was nothing exstatic or ejaculatory. They were short & plain spiritual appeals - The hymns were rather long & dreamy - they were accompanied by a lady on the harmonium. All sang with good will

Mr Hains had some questions - two were postponed till evening as the askers seemed not to be present - but the other which a man present acknowledged to be his was dealt with. It was plainly an effort to trip up - not a question asked in good faith for enlightenment - It asked Mr Hains to explain St Paul's language as regards women preaching. It was evidently not the first time this shot had been fired & in effect the asker was referred to one of Mr Hains' half dozen pamphlets. These pamphlets are an armory & to them Mr H. often refers - "I have worked all that out in 'SO & SO - I bought 4 of them - but did not pick out that which I endeavored to

Get out of St Paul's awkward utterance  
about what was seemly conduct for women.  
Those I have are "Four fold Salvation"  
(to this we also he referred) - The Baptism  
of the Holy Ghost - The possible & actual  
in religious experiences - & 'Effectual Prayers'.  
They are Sermonettes & sell at  $1\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>d</sup> each  
or  $4\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>d</sup> per dozen. The language is simple  
but that is their only source of power - So it  
is with his addresses - but in them he  
descends at times to a very colloquial level -  
the level of little jokes - & all through the  
hose is that of a man of superior education  
addressing less educated people. Mrs H. follows  
the same general lines. I found no  
sign of her being the inspiring force & where  
it comes in at all I don't at present know.  
They are simple & straight forward in manner  
they may very likely be honest - but seems to me to  
lack the ring of genuine enthusiasm - or religious  
passion. A thin, calculated manufacture  
it seems to me, their Pentecostal League.

His address was on a text from 8<sup>th</sup> Luke taken from the Chapter he had read - "If ye say evil know how to give good gifts to your children how much more?" She had nothing that was not very common place to say on it - Said over & over again I suppose. Mr Harris was more original she took a sentence out of Proverbs about there being hunters who are too lazy to roast what they catch - which she boldly averred was on the same subject as Mr Harris discourse. We had to use properly the gifts of the spirit as well as ask for them.

The meeting lasted rather more than an hour & broke up very slowly - they were a friendly party & entered into conversation with each other - the platform people moving about amongst the rest - & many crowded round the long book stall where quite a trade was done in the sermonettes & where many other

religious publications of Exeter Hall style were exposed for sale -

Mr. Tom Harris' photographs were also exposed for sale - one of him in a fine wig "QC" - & another looking his most amiable. She is more attractive less pretentious & more amusing and amused in expression. The other platform people were mostly younger (most of them are 40 to 50 or a little more) - they all wear tight fitting black bonnets with strings taken behind the ears & tied under the chin - & neatly fitting dresses. It is almost a uniform & a large part of the audience wore the same though others had plain straw hats - They were nearly all pious people & difficult to class otherwise. Only one or two looked socially "ladies" - Only one or two looked to belong to "the poor" - but not a few might have been either, or anything else between. The men too were difficult to class. (W)

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Visits to Churches

Putney & the Waadle

25 Nov 1900

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Visits to Churches - The Wandle Valley. 25 Nov 1902 Ch

I took train to Barnfield Station & walked thence by Garval Lane to East Hill & onto Putney & in the afternoon completed the circuit taking the Merton Road as far as the London boundary & back to "Lively Comer" from which I started.

Closer to Barnfield Station is the New Baptist Church. Very smart in red brick with a red brick tower. It departs entirely from the ordinary Baptist traditions & is a really good piece of ecclesiastical architecture - beautiful outside as well as in. It was in the afternoon that I was there & I just looked in. Sunday School was going on. A young woman came out. I expressed my admiration & she explained that they had to ask the Church for Sunday School - till Schools were built I gathered. I asked if they were able to fill the church. She said not that but they did pretty well considering that there were not many inhabitants yet. I should think this venture will succeed. It has the right type. S. Andrews Church a little further south is unfinished, the west end still to be added. It is a high pitched Gothic with lantern wheel or almost a spire. Adjoining the church there is a good vicarage & some other buildings - schools perhaps. The church was not shut & a Christenly party were going in (about 3 o'clock) & I going in with them, we found an empty church & they

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tamed to me for advice - the lady with the baby  
Said she had come 3 miles and wished to  
have it done - all in rather casual way - I advised  
the men of the party to go to the Garage while  
she took a seat - & I hope the Babe was duly  
christened.

In the morning I went by Garratt Lane to  
Wardle Rd & saw the Gipsy Quarters there - A  
magnificent gipsy woman stood at the door of  
one of the houses & responded civilly to some guests  
I met about the road.

At the entrance to Endon Valley in Garratt Lane  
is a corrugated iron Mission Ch belongs to S. Andrews  
& in Wardle Rd a very little Mission Room of same  
style with texts outside - both rather shabby &  
hovel-like looking.

In the afternoon I took my way along Earlsfield Rd  
at the beginning of which is the Earlsfield Congregational Ch - a very picturesquely roofed hall - dark red tiles  
which are much used in this neighborhood - Iris small  
but looks in good shape - Some S. Sch. Children were  
there in the afternoon.

Both rooms lead to Annexes & in the money I  
went in. It is a wise ugly pseudo Classical building  
with porticos & pepper pot towers - quite a height.

There was a quite astonishing congregation here in the morn - I sat quite at the back & could only guess that the people were middle - mostly lower middle - class. It was a real religious gathering & I heard the lesson out of the sea Testament extempore well read - it was the <sup>9th</sup> word of Solomon from Ecclesiastes - I left after it ended but as I walked away could hear the trained voices of the choir for quite a distance.

Turn down Malvern Road I found the Wesleyan Mission in Garnett Lane - a decayed corrugated iron affair sadly lacking paint - looked perfectly hopeless. Reach Cart Hill I turns west & came to All Saints, which again had an fine congregation - of nice looking parochial sort of people. The Choir is being altered & enlarged & at the moment the Church is cut off by a temporary screen just behind the pulpit - it looks just like some concertado - it is full of boxes in dark wood - the service was being very well conducted another beautiful voice -

Opposite is the "Memorial Hall" - one of the Congregational missions a memorial of Moody's Banting Mission it was all shut - but a gospel service at 8 is announced. At night All Saints was rather full - Next to this church up hill to me it has a great charm - it is large & very covetous & presents to the street a grand white porch.

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The East Hill is a procession of churches - First on  
the South side comes the Friends Meeting house  
Entered by a covered passage alongside which is the  
Conestables house with Quaker like blinds & shutter  
to the windows - It is an old place - the hall - but  
I did not enter - By the side of it but behind entered  
was a sort of court in the Primitive Methodist Chapel  
A tiny square box of a place - when at 12.30  
there was a little harmonium trial of some time  
or 2 persons being there.

Then on the North side is the Baptists Church  
which for many services was packed absolutely  
full - If I had gone in I never had have  
got out again - I went on to the other churches  
and coming back when they were out I met the  
stream of Baptists coming up the hill - Despicable  
ignorant Christians of solid middle class position -  
In the evening I was there before the service began &  
stayed sometime - between the lessons there were charts,  
anthems ~~and~~ the congregation joined in the singing  
but there is a good choir & organ. The crowd was not so  
full as in the morning but well filled. nice people - The  
Pastor was a man of more than middle age who  
said everything as though he meant it with a  
strong firm voice

S' Faith which lies off East Hill to the north  
is a big spire & than red brick church - red &  
white inside - The rood is high - the priest  
knelt at the top of the aisle facing the  
altars - the eastern Shepherd leading his flock -  
but his flock consisted of hawg, any, creche  
School children & those with them - It was matins  
tomorrow Sunday I think not followed by choral celebration.  
In the evening I was seated before the service began & I saw  
all they came in - there was a good & still increasing congregation  
of all classes.  
Further along East Hill comes the great Congreg.  
atmosphere clouds & <sup>in the morning</sup> here there was a congregation  
but nothing like what I should have expected  
very respectable - highly respectable - say gay  
people & the man in the pulpit spoke in a very  
dilectante fashion - I cannot remember what  
he was speaking about but there seemed a lack  
of reality & this was conform'd in the Evening  
when I heard the whole sermon & part of the ministrations  
service - It was the "populon" every service when  
comes once a month - The congregation was large tho'  
the building with its galleries was not crowded - The  
sermon seemed to me a man of affectation - the subject  
was the joyfulness of Christ religion.

At the Wesleyan Church in the morning there was a special temperance sermon - Mr Flew preached - it was very poor stuff - The congregation a scattered one in the large church - There seemed to be no reality here also - On the way the congregation was just out when I passed I returned to the little Unitarian Church close by & heard the closing word of the sermon there It is a very pretty little church & light & airy looking attractive - The minister announced under the subjects of his discourse with telling titles. There were fully 100 people & more distinctly of the working class than any seen this neighbourhood. The man was very earnest -

In the afternoon I went to 'Down Lodge' Merton which is at the bifurcation of Merton Road & found an extremely small audience - about 40 - of "Christians". The address was delivered by an American (I think) very much laboured He spoke on the chapter they had read about Ichorophant & Abel - if we trusted the Lord he would fight our battles was the gist.

All the rest I did was mere tramping -  
I just loitered at the Smart Catholic Church  
but it was not lighted up & seems to be shut  
generally. - I also passed St Stephen which is  
handsome & all that red brick comes to  
the little roadside church of Emmanuel -  
The Presbyterian Church just above the Downside  
mission I also passed. It has all the virtues  
of the church of this body. Very perfect but  
achieving nothing.  
On West Hill, close by, is the Baptist Church  
more like a Hall.  
Then proceeding down Merton Road skirting  
the wande meadows one comes at length to  
the old worn church of St Michael now the  
'Parish Room' & then to the new church in Hanwell  
Road. Unfinished but a very business like affair.  
I went into it - a good interior as far as it goes. All  
set out clean.  
Finally in the new road leading across to E.  
London I came upon St Barnabas which stands  
the Parish of St Paul. St Barnabas is an old church  
but as neat as can be - trim & well painted.

On the whole my impression is a more more favorable than I expected.

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## work of the Churches

District. 36 & 37

see Booth, Life and labour.... 1902-3,  
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(4) [Booth's notes: Work of the Churches: Districts  
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work of the Churches (36)

(36) 1 ✓  
 St George Nine Elms. CXIX. 6y. Wilcox 40. Plain but not unpleasant looking - more gentle type  
 Vicar Curate & Missionary. 2 Deacons. 1 Little Curate 100 Vol. Friend, but unready talker.  
 Church. Mission Church. Mission Hall. Schools. The Vicar & his wife have been to the Hall to take part in their  
 morn. 120/150. Evng. 300/400. (base or con. in going & too low)  
 Temperance work - Noble  
 no one from outside parish. Communications 170.  
 great efforts to teach men. Men's Club class over 100.  
 Committee of 20. Only one cannot go as it will be known.  
 Day Schools. 5 Sunday Schools. Boys & Girls  
 Mother meet. Girls' Club - Penny Bank  
 Mens State Club.

(36) 1 ✓  
 St James (Mission Church) CXIX. 81. Monroe nearly 40. tall thin. Spectacled. delicate refined face  
 Curate & 20 volunteers. 4 visitors from the past. 100 Vol. of sermon type. Gentle kind, good man. not strong. Baxter  
 Church. Hocas 150. Thas 4200m. attacks. 8pm dinner  
 S. morn. 8 adults. Evng. 30/60. 25 Communications (5 men). Monroe a much better man than his near C.O.S.  
 Service not of Mission character  
 Page of Prayer book announced  
 To help follow the Ch. Service  
 Chapel Service at 8 a.m. for  
 Sunday School 200/100.  
 Mother meet. "Very small". And if there a failure?  
 2 Temperance meetings.

(36) 2 ✓  
 Wesleyan Union Hall Mission new Road CXX. 113. Kinney. See interview in S Phillips Parish lower down  
 200000. 200000.

(36) 3 ✓  
 L.C.M. under care of S. Scopes CXX. 97. Burden Spy little fellow likeable. but no great weight  
 Baxter

(36) 4 ✓  
 St Andrews. New Rd. Batterson CXIX. 21. Tapfer not seen. more particular.  
 Vicar (friendly & Curate) Lay Reader & Mission Worker. Tapfer just gone. Quite hopeless for love, hint of  
 Church. Mission Hall & cottage. new. Wollcombe C.O.S.  
 Senra 11. & 7. apt. Seven houses worth £ 400.  
 Chapel at 3. weekly. Prayer meeting 6 in very  
 Meeting of some kind almost every day.  
 Many Social Agencies.

(36) 4 ✓  
 Prim Methodist Mission. CXX. 1. Clamp Sturdy mid. aged. dark hair. Keen little eye.  
 w Clamp one hand. 10 local preachers for the 3 days. teaming with energy. Quaint talker. Ashell  
 3 Chapels in Circuit - weak - noble

New Road in (36). Hatch Rd. Baxter { (35)  
 seats 3000. hair yellow. 5 acre land  
 large gall. kept closed  
 Services on Sunday  
 Morn. 50. 150/170. locy.  
 S. Sch 180/140. Sunday classes 52.  
 A. Sunday.

(36) 4 ✓  
 Trinity Presbyterian Mission CXX. 25. Noble one of the finest missionaries seen. Bright chee  
 face stiff fingers. 30 visitors (8 men & 22 women). 400 S.S. men 5 ft & 50. well preserved. Sharp hair  
 Senra 11 & 6. 20. 30 attendance both  
 Sunday morn. congre. the smaller.  
 Social Agencies most tenacious  
 Temperance meeting 10 for coffee etc. - attendance 300  
 State Club - Systematic visiting. by name

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(36) 5  
Excelsior Ch. Mission CXX.127. Cannon. Does not keep appointment  
a small affair formerly location Committee.

Sunday. Bible class adults 3. Chil' Scree 5-65  
Adult Service 7. Open air Wednesday night.  
Mother's meeting. Dawn of Hope Sen. 7 men.

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All Saints Battcock Pk. CXX.103. Harcourt abt 50 married. Intellectual well educated  
men. 2 curates. 4 lady mission workers with home short time a few. not to be trifled with Adams  
+ 70 SS. Readers 10 dist on. others

Church 850. Parish room. Missions worth 3. very high. Adams.

Money 650. Sons 800. Easter Corn 500

Satisfactory both of me  
3 S. Sch appropriate register 1100/900 atten.

mission service 1 Song 100 atten.

800 magazine Socia none given

Mother meet<sup>2d</sup>. Temperance Soc. Providence Soc  
S. T.S. Needlework Guilds. Ladies Work Conv<sup>600</sup>

Young men Club.

a nice fellow - This is the fashionable Ch for flat dwellers  
for service work in city. Extravagant prop to receive in their  
own way. Burcombe 205

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(36) 5  
Paddington Mission Battcock Pk A. CXX.7. Hamm. No interior - set from filled in.

Impair Soc. assisted by Committee to lady sick visitors

Parlour waiting room (not used by M) let by Conroy

2 Gospel Service. to Mayor weekly. Sunday.

Israel men meet. Tract distribution

Tran meetings occasionally.

(36) 6  
R.C. Ch. On land of Mr. Lamb CXX.81. Vicarant Young lively man of perhaps 35. Story brief  
2 Pres. 15-16. Small house & vicarage (Working men) ty at all - appear brotherly & lack culture.  
Thom. Dospard - no one else - he may be best of fellows in his class & has  
a large Convent with 77 Sisters 140 pupil trade. with many sides of humor! Adams

then work solely educational in this & the

adjacent parish. (With Parcys)

In their own schools 800. 1700 middle class.

Big block of buildings - well arranged.

S. Song Corp average 250/300

Many masses abt 1200 - Communion 1000.

State Club. & Social Club, concert, etc.

(36) 7  
Baptist Tabernacle. Battcock Pk CXX.35. Adam Stoney, built with a rough man of 35. Tall thin.  
Tabernacle 1200. Schoolroom 600/700. Classroom 100. Complete. Close cut dark hair. Adams

Ladies day. Day meet 7. Public Serv. 11. - 6.30

Worship Services 3 p.m. 6 & 8. Wards Prayer 8 p.m.

S. Song 400 or more. Cony. 700/800.

Worship, altar drama small.

Mother's meet. Picnic Club. bon & some

a guardian - works fine them. Shrewd & striking - fond

of whisky & cigars. Burcombe CO 5

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Unitarian Ch. CXX.101. Page 36 years old converted 15 years ago. Where 15.  
Looks younger. Pleasant young fellow of "goodly form". Adams

2 Churches. Battcock Park 110 + Cheshunt 100 members

400 seats. 50 members

130 Ch. 5. Sch. 10. Read

lectures, of

very small congregation

less than 50 more.

more or men

with one 1500

in these

300 Ch. 5. Sch. 307. Visited 8 July 1900 CB

500. 50

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Work of the Churches (36)

(36) 5  
St. Philip's Queen P. N. Delleron. CXIX. 1 Jones  
apart no curate - 50. S Sch teacher. Missis. woman  
Church. Mission Room. Parish Hall  
High Church sources unusual know.  
May 200. Aug 300.  
Sunday Schools. 500. Oh. News of Home  
Maternity Soc. Communicants Union. Nickel Club  
Slate Club. Mother Meetings.

40 or under. Holstman with pleasant but plain face, cordial  
friendly manner but firm mental ability. Little Cosy, Naxle.  
Interview in small bare room used for parish audience.  
Jones does not do much in the parish. She has too much time  
or committees. Parish men largely by the means. Sabbath - a lot of  
Art. Vis. & relief in "Seeking after Truth" - Woolcombe COS -  
visited 8 July 1900. CR

(36) 8  
Wesleyan Meth. Queen P. C. XX. 113. Rinnings  
Clapham Circuit -  
Rev. Danham Rinnings, Thorpe & Benson.  
Church. Clapham, Queen P. St. Stephen, A. P. Greenwood.  
Services 11 to 6.30. at Nine Elms.  
16 Sunday classes.  
3 Juveniles -  
Sunday School.  
1000 or regular by year.  
Juvenile Miss. Assoc.  
News of the  
mission news open air &  
verb. Guild (100)  
Tract Soc. Newell & Son.  
Mother. Matly. Postal Guild  
Women's State Club  
Women's slate Club. May All  
Men's slate class (100)

at Nine Elms  
4 Sunday classes  
Sunday School.  
News of Home  
Gospel Preacher  
Mother Meeting  
Slate Club  
Owning DR.  
Wesley Guild

Did not keep first appointment - nor explain but was quite  
cordial when seen. 40/50. Both of them about him in  
appearance or manner. Swathed in a huge dressing gown  
a jolly little fellow, heavy moustache, coarse flowing face -  
but a friendly little man to day, human. D. A. Klein  
One of the strongest churches. minister descended, popular idea.  
The Wesleyans in Nine Elms do little & that mainly through  
fee leases. W. C. Cot. Attract a few mothers with the slate. Many  
proselyting character. induces children from Church S. Sch  
with oranges & Jones

visited 8 July 1900. CR

St. Bartholomew (mission church).  
Wycliffe Road

Gossett - not seen.  
works night & day. Fairly sensible but rude & touchy. In reply one  
refers to those of the household of the faith Woolcombe COS.

(36) 9  
St. Saviour, Dallerton P. C. P. CXIX. 55 Rice  
near 2 curars. 3 lay apse. Distress visitors to -  
Church & large Hall behind 700/800 - Schools.  
5 May 200. Dec 400. mostly Non-English.  
Communicants 240. or 300.  
Large Sunday School (700 or more)  
9 F.S. (200) said to be largest in district. Cat about factory  
Savon, Sulfa for men, many members non-communicants  
factory girls, clowns (not a parish organization) mostly  
min. Macnaghten one of the teachers with Rice.

An old man. received over in his study. I was led  
to talk from his appearance. Contains the sign of the Cross.  
Married to his wife an imitative at the Parson. A. Rice  
Evangelical - give a good deal away & therefore don't suffer  
of the people have any try to desecrate the Chapel. Adams  
Very Emily. Dyer  
Rice not noted much. Parish wants to attend. Slack. Now  
mainly W. Moffatt a Canadian highly efficient though Rice  
knows no difference. Mr. R. apparently. Deacon a good curate. COS  
visited 8 July 1900. CR

(36) 10  
Shaftesbury welcome Sister Mission CXX. 65. Dyer  
assists by about 50 workers - 118 S. Sch. 9.  
Hall Dodderidge Street (300). Small Hall 100. Town  
Sunday Children School 11. 6 & 7. Kilburn 80  
Postal Service 7. (100) (que) 700  
most for Shaftesbury Lane. all kindly people  
Another meeting 75750 (some other meetings)  
Women slate club. Loan Society 300. 3<sup>rd</sup> Share.  
Laundress - 30. (12 to 17) News of the 40  
Ladies Sewing Club. Girls Sewing Club  
Wood carving for Cripples. Boys. Cripples. Paddington  
Temperance Concert & Entertainment  
Sunday School 300. - 51450 with diff. rates  
1000 for Cripples Club. visited. Special Gipsy minor

dark shaft featured bearded little man abt 45.  
Plausible free & easy manner & ready tongue for use  
among the gypsies - but then he is fussy. A. Rice  
makes a good deal of shaft - "is not in my line". Rice  
not visited

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(36) 10  
The Ascension Lavanda Hill. CXXIX. 31. Wallace Bo. describes himself as an old fogey but is still above  
meal & 2 pints & 1 glass (water) - 20 visitors Dossy.  
Church Hall - iron roof (not the Church nor Hall)  
50 Service, a lit. wash.  
Sund 100/110 come to early sacrament  
at Chelms. Sacrament 9:30. 400 atten (Ye Child)  
include many young people before starting breakfast.  
at 11. Women side full. Men 2/3? (Choir Locks 100)  
Alternating Sacrament any  
concern. Women side full. Men Day, Vanable, both  
on the way "celebrated for our men" winter  
Communicant 650. 600 on Pastoral Sunday  
Wednesday Service 150/200. in all.  
a poor day come from outside but still a main  
all churchward. Tedson Coal (Parochial Council.)  
Young mens Institute (100) Mother meet (700)  
Dads brigade (85) Temperance Senior 150. Ladies 800  
One must but encourage (or wrong) to catch up.

Divides "The Estate" with Mr. Rennings  
as far asunder as the Past. - Dunning  
Wallace has strong spiritual influence. Poor staff of  
curators. Relief workers - more fact of money than a ticket  
giving milk tickets now - man daily w/ a weak. Waller  
doing a great work. Mrs. Cunningham (Rescue work)  
Relief Ghidra almost entirely by theological motives. P. O.  
visca 8 July 1900 C.J.

(36) 11  
Primeth. Gray short No. CXX. 17. Dunning. about 45. Dark hair close cut brown beard  
Mr. Mrs. D.  
Slow & dull in manner but speaks correctly. But  
hesitating when trying to question. Asked  
Chapel 350/400. 2 Schoolroom colors.  
Sunday 11 & 8:30. Every the larger about 200  
Sunday School 200/138. Ch. Membership 150  
Row of Hope 62. Ch. Sectors. 50

Work of the Churches (37)

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(37) 1  
 St. Mary Battersea CXXII. 1. Canon Clarke - Getting old 65-70 - a genial friend, energetic  
 near & 7 Curates -  
 Three Churches - Old & new St. Mary at Park Street  
 3 Curates allow to  
 St. Lukes "a magnificent church - elaborate organization  
 large congregation many & young  
 S Schools. Depend on System  
 Canon Clarke is popular - very good, speaks well of them  
 good geners - he reads all of them - Megg  
 St. Luke the fashionable church, always full. Canon in charge very weak  
 The Church of England is active - Pearson  
 does little pastoral work himself - friendly to COS, but too ready  
 make a place of everything - getting all done Glasgow here too long  
 St. Luke written 1 July 1900. COS.

(37) 2  
 St. Mary Battersea Ad Church CXXII. 65. Stallard. Mr S is a pleasant man, young  
 2 Curates. Deaconess. Studios & Sabbath School teacher, fellow here 2 years. Clarke. with best  
 Church (600) Schools. Mission House became now in appearance prettified 1 year. Park  
 3 Service on Sunday. 13 a week. 5 Club (100)  
 May. 200. Day 300. - Communion 628. Too good curate. Stallard is excellent. Woolcombe COS  
 Altars, from the Hansher. Easter. 334 1/3 May.  
 Day School. 850. Sunday School 800. when 200. Steane visited 1 July 1900. COS  
 2 mothers meetings  
 Club for teetotalers at the Cedar - large successful  
 mens Club 60 - not successful - never come to church  
 Church Club in square - Temperance Soc (80)  
 Boys' Home 200 boys - 400 girls (Mrs. Vandy daughter  
 Maternity Soc (small transmission)  
 2 Model Clubs. (1400). slate Club  
 Thoroughly - very family, very year. 7 Model Club. Present exceedingly weak. Stallard  
 weekly

(37) 4  
 St. Mary's Park CXXII. 9. Henry  
 2 Curates. Many women. 124 workers (some from Chelsea)  
 Church (2) Parochial Hall  
 8 am. 11 am. 3:45 (CH) 7 pm.  
 25. 250. 150. 330  
 Sunday School. Days of Hope  
 Girls. Enclosed & Juniors -  
 Girls' Club. Ladies' Aid. Ladies' home.  
 Church ladies brigade & P. L. ladies social club  
 40/45. Smallish head, insignificant features  
 overhanging mustache bushy eyebrows. Rather dull  
 to look at. Clothes unbrushed & coat ragged lining.  
 but a pleasant man - cordially by poor makes no  
 effort to appear that he is ill - tall angular figure  
 carried at ease. Unpleasant Pinched face - but a  
 nice little boy happy face & good manner. GHD  
 Dr H. gives no impression of being ambitious or discontented.  
 Henry a funny little chap. very little work - friendly to COS. Woolcombe

Church the greatest religious influence in parish - Henry

(37) 7  
 RC Church of Salesian Fathers CXXIII. 193. Hamdon. Left by Father Macay to give very limited information. A few  
 7 priests, working parish & schools - Dr. Little Ray holds  
 Church & Schools. no Convent - (no Sisters)  
 5 mass - attendance 700/800 (dormitory)  
 Schools important. Register 600  
 Church very thin. Beautiful bright & attractive  
 interior.

most of the congregation come from outside. Stallard  
 Father Macay not much gets supplies from Dr. H. Whiting of  
 Lawrence Hall - Woolcombe COS  
 Look well after their own people. R.O. mantle  
 written 1 July 1900. COS

(37) 7  
 Battersea Congregational Bridge Rd. CXXIII. 37. Janett. Elderly - 22 years here - kindly but unremarkable  
 pastor here.  
 Church remarkable building centrally situated  
 between two others - to built Hall see (37) 3. 13. who allows his church  
 2 Sunday Services 180 & 180. Weekly 75.  
 Ch. Edens. Prayer meet. 30.  
 Days of Hope go. Young people Sunday 20  
 Pleasant Sat. & Day. 160  
 S. School. 100 strong. 400 after noon  
 getting on in years. Adams  
 probably the strongest of the dissenting churches - Stallard  
 Wesleyan Methodists have apparently been going  
 Good man. Keen but weak & ill educated - Cosener. COS  
 written 8 July 1900. COS

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(37) 2 Wesleyan Chelsea Circ CXXIII. 199. Little Alorey seen at Liverpool No. Only here Miss Sept minute assistance students in Training College scenes turbulent undisciplined. Smiling of tobacco, his talk like a solid man. Doubtless impressive in pulpit No. 2 Chapel (Bridge Rd. West) - Gov. May 300. Avg 400. members 280/300 Middle lower middle working class poor working area Wesleyan used to have a large cap because of training coll. H. May numbers in State of change keeping up. S. School. New of Hope. 5 slate clubs 4 men Cheese Guild - social literary 60/70. (100m)

(36) 7 United Methodist Church CXXI. 107. Page See (36) 2. 7.

Church in Church Rd. Visited 1 July 1900 CR  
Avg. 50 Socy 70. Members 70.  
S. Sch. 300. 30 teachers. 10% of Prof. 60.  
Ch. Edens. 50.  
members almost exclusively working class

(37) 8 St Stephen. Battersea. CXXII. 33. Russell At 35 "mild young curate" type. Daxton near 2 curates. Deacons 30. Avg 500. 30 W. d. and 100 Church & Mission Hall (Papet Rd.) + 500 S. Sch. 400. Coffe Room + Boys' School held for S. School HC 100.  
8. M. 15. 11. 7. or Sunday  
Avg 500. In very wide pillars. 300 Santa Com.  
Congregational Harrochard.  
S. Schools 800.  
Social agencies small - lacking accommodation  
Mother meeting 150. 10% of Prof. 300 Ch. Edens.  
Sew. Temperance (very weak feelings). Provident Club  
1000 members.

(37) 9 Calais Mission District CXXII. 77 Shiloh Just under 30 - one here 6 months & though working hard only just feels his feet. Daxton  
Mission & assistant. day reader. Mission woman 8. H.C. 11. Avg 50. + infants. Service. 3 p. (Ch. Service) 7. P. in Church with Hall under. Club House 50  
Avg Cheddon Rd. - Socy adults 100. Common 50  
S. Schools 220. Lenten Service Area 461 girls 1400  
Mission woman visits 400 families a week. Mrs. Mrs. Wallcombe COS  
Visited 1 July 1900 CR

(37) 9 Yelverton Rd. Mission. CXXIII. 159. Raymond Postcard refers to Mr Cannon  
Managed by members of the Y.M.C.A.  
Evangelical Mission. Only some 4 weeks old -  
The old mission has moved to Multon Hall

(37) 9 L.C.M. - Green Lane Dist. CXXIII. 141. Cannon well dressed well educated man - pleasant manner - ready speech - best type of L.C.M. Ashell  
No meetings of his own. Helps in Warren & Wandsworth  
Emma & Mr. Cannon sat Vane Hall Ashton Common.  
Visits 600 houses - 1800 families. Home factories  
get rid of in 9 or 10 weeks.

(37) 12 Baptist Battersea Tabernacle. CXXIII. 11. A very dull rather dowdy Scot from age 50 Parlor. Under 25 (had distribution) Hamilton seems. Metaphysical - with not a trace of the Chapel 900. 2 School rooms human. A type supposed to be common Scot. 234 members "the elect" of the Christian work. An ass. does nothing Wallcombe COS Daxton May other adherents. 500. S. Sch. 350. Very senior Rapped Ch. Done 7 stage 400. 2 Mother meetings 180 human. Slate Club 100. Mens' Slate Club 230. How he gets through his work I do not know. Sean very few attend Cannon no services. There is every sign a militant spirit. Hamilton.

## Work of the Churches (37)

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(37) 13  
 Christ Church Battersea CXXII. 91. Cartwright. Lector physically robust - but very weak with his work - has lost heart. Aves  
 Vicar & 2 Curates (& others) 30 per. Dist Mr. S.S. to  
 Church 700. Schools - The Tabernacle. Small Hall &  
 many. 150/200. Sings 300. Easter 316 (March 200)  
 Large Sunday Schools (800) 500 Baptisms (non index)  
 Boys' & Girls' Club 736 Maiden Meeting. Mens State Club  
 Mens Recreational Club - Womans State Club. Day Nur.  
 Church Ladies League or Day Nurses  
 Day Schools (4 & 5 per.) but today there are  
 maternity nursing.

Congregationalist Milton Hall CXXIII. 39. Jarrett. Already reported (37) 1. 7  
 Milton Hall

visita 1 July 1900. CA

(37) 13  
 Trethorne High St. Battersea CXXII. 205. Kirtley. A master baker with shop on Lavender Hill. Store quietly across short distance. about 50. Aves  
 Meet for worship S. Sing - for bready bread in many  
 Day & Sing afternoons. Noble Reading as  
 arranged.

(37) 14  
 R.S.U. Mission Cabin Rd. CXXIII. 87. Dyer. Seen before see CXX. 65 (Shaftesbury welcome).  
 Work carried on by org. persons. Vicar for YMCA  
 Small Hall near Ryde, Enclosure - holds 150.  
 Service S. Sing - some women & may children come  
 S. Sch near 200 attend. Name of Mrs.

S/A.

S/A 201 in High St. is now big small. Cannon

(37) 14  
 St. Peters. Plumbe Rd. CXXII. 103. Bell. 40 about tall fair blue eyes large mouth wide, a  
 Vicar & 3 curates. 16 visitors 25 S. teachers. Weak face & a weak man - but very cordial talker.  
 Church - School Room - Mission Room & 2 Club Rooms. Paxton  
 8 am 11 am 7 pm  
 Many day Small. Singing about 500. Common 600  
 Said to be all parochial. Table 300. Very charitable & is a Gentleman - but wears disordered Saddle  
 S. Sch 600/700 children. Double Classes 46 male & 40 female. Gets a little food Cong. Home  
 Mens Club 100. 2 mothers meeting 120/130. D. of Mrs. 400  
 Temperance Soc 200. Large Prov Club.  
 See also interview with Miss Glazebrook (37) 15.

(37) 15  
 Stoke Hall. Stoke Rd. CXXIII. 161. Harris. About 55. Practises at Parliament. Mrs. Aves. A somewhat remarkable man - well educated. Clever  
 Clever an excellent talker. May have some  
 His blood - is greatly supported by his wife. Aves.  
 former, a Wandsworth Hall retained all its glittering  
 congregation long ago. fitting  
 Work exclusively spiritual - centre of Pentecostal  
 League work.  
 A few agencies survived from earlier days - draw large congregations both in Street & Hall. Sear

{ For fuller account of Constitution & Organs  
 area of the League see CXXIII. 173/189.

Visita 10th & 11th July 1900. CA

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(37) 20  
Methodist Ch. Providence, Heynick CXXXIII. Sears

S. Way Cap. 300. or more - 70/80 members.  
few from near but all from within about a mile.  
Some well-to-do tradesmen, but most poor, class  
S. School 300 & Convent 200 more if had accom'  
Small Band of Hope. Pneumatic & Dental Soc.

About 35, a man of some importance in the  
convention - in respect as a Preacher to the Daile  
father of his church. Son boy well. Kind of a  
pleasant person. Cheery, but fellow though rather  
bristly in aspect.

L.C.M.

(37) 20

CXXXIII. III. ~~Wade~~ A tall, grey man. Still hale & robust throughout years.  
Strong, leathery face. Prominent nose. mustache - Ashall

Sunday afternoon open air service band with organ  
Senior, organ in Workman's Institute. Starch factor,  
well supported on both a Supreme. Habit 50  
Come in the song.

(37) 21  
St. John with St. Paul, Battersea. CXXII. 121. Toone

Two churches - St. John is now abstract. St. Paul new  
founded on St. John's Hill. Communion, 500 at  
St. Paul's in full. Communion, 500 at  
St. John's. Supply is many has come away to Croydon  
Day School 500. S. Sch 800.

Tenets, fussed & nervous through them, & the interview  
was very short. Why want to see him? Evident Clarke No. 12  
Knew much more. & they were true.

Canon Toone not parochial - Great on education & social  
questions. Preaches a capable curate. Wollcombe C.O.S.

Written 1 July 1905 C.O.S.

(37) 21  
Prim Meth. New Wandsworth Cire. CXXXIII. 57. Sadler. sturdy well built man. Past middle age thoughtful  
in S. one, past. 23 local preachers & 30 S.S. teachers among Kew, face - quiet self possessed manners. Ashall  
Moulse Road Church. 450. Large School room below larger  
than the Chapel above, one of best halls in Battersea.  
The other churches are Wandsworth High St. (39)  
& Putney (39). & Southfields.

Services may small. Organ 200/300. don't advertise.  
These have attendance but 100 come to class weekly.  
no special Social work.  
Mother meeting - Band of Hope

Written 1 July 1905 C.O.S. (I found 2 Primitive Hall Church  
near Black Rd. One the York R.  
the other by the railway.)

Is not 2<sup>nd</sup> one M<sup>r</sup> Hamill's Ch.  
(Bapt)

(37) 22  
St. Mark's, Battersea. CXXII. 157 Gordon. Study Square built man about 40. likeable  
near 1 Curate. 60 S.S. teachers  
Church - School. Mission room - all in a flock  
'box' (box).  
Congregational large - full many packed at night a good man for a tea party but never mentions similar  
Extra bats organ - Church feet open  
early communion 511. Offertory 126.  
Gordon regular communion

S. Sch 600/500.  
State club. Piccadilly Club. Moravian dispensary  
very strong Atk. Girls working class.  
Mother meet. Boys Brigade (50)  
Literary Society (the most important) members 396  
Average attendance 200

Written 1 July 1905 C.O.S.

(37) 22  
High Calvinistic Meth. Ch. CXXXIII Edwards  
Minister. 4 deacons. 15 S.S. teachers. Mission, who help  
Chapel Beauchamp Rd 300. - selling Tom Taylor the house  
many poor. Share 100.  
S.S. teacher 60. 3 for women girls & boys service  
2 weekday services - membership 220.  
Social agency. Missionary. Concerts. tea meetings. literary meetings  
begin at 8 & the young people sing in - good cheer  
Visiting regular & systematic. vicinity shows me staying a minute  
long time between 10 & 11 o'clock  
a little relief for broken down Welsh.

White bearded & bearded patriarch with a  
sunny face & clear eye. tall well built Ashall  
tall & broad.

Work of the Churches (37)

(37) 23  
 St. Michaels Wandsworth Common CXXII. 49. Clapton Red bearded blue-eyed pleasant looking, about 45. Past.  
 near, no parochial. 30/40 SSJ. 10 visitors (inadequate)  
 Church (800). Schools 3 good rooms  
 many 400. Evens same. Communicants over 400.  
 visitors do little except take our magazine.  
 S. Sch about 400 (itself very bad)  
 Ch. Ladies Brigade - Sons of the King. Girls' Bible Class  
 Mother's Meeting. Mens Institute (80) State Club 80  
 Piont Club. Young Pioneers  
 (330)

(37) 24.  
 Baptists Northcote N. CXXIII. 71. Feltham Pleasant faced dark bearded man in the forties  
 Pastor & volunteer. 45 SSJ. 30. Magazine, lectures.  
 besides deacons. Elders home 50 miles away at mission  
 on S. Sqy - membership 520 holding their own.  
 Chapel 950 - Small inconspicuous school below. use the  
 Parochial school & a house across church  
 S. money. 2/3 full. Very big full Scotch Sunday.  
 Deacons, Preachers, since not well attended. 50/70  
 y. P. Ch. Sunday fare, story. Very poor. Bible Cl. 30.  
 managed by themselves (a source of weakness) -  
 lectures & concerts. No Club -  
 2500 copies of 'Shepherds from the Ark' distributed

(37) 24.  
 Street Baptist Chatham N. CXXIII. 103. Flegg. Pleasant mannered mid-age man. Slightly built. Ashell  
 Pastor has - 4 deacons. 15 SSJ. 5 or 6 distribution.  
 Chapel (300) with land at back to build on.  
 Services 11. 6. 30. Number increases.  
 used to set 20. now 40/50 people. now 120/130 at night.  
 Monday prayer meeting, 20/25. Thursday service 40/50.  
 S. School. Bible Class in center.  
 Lenten service for the children & some parents come

The churches are very well kept. Flegg

(37) 25.  
 United Welsh Dee Ch. Wandsworth CXXIII. 213. Foster Clean shaven. Square faced elderly man. Hair still  
 brown grey. though he probably is over 60. Speech fluent  
 but discursive. running off on social questions Ashell  
 Church 700. Hall 250. Promises right but not much  
 attended. Can get around  
 Sunday 11. + 6. 30. of grace.  
 Special service for the young (theatre here)  
 Congregations for weekday not large  
 Open air meeting a corner. Week night 20/30.  
 S. Sch (280) - membership 135. Sunday dinner 100  
 Ch. Sunday meeting 50/30. Spots of remembrance  
 Social agencies strong. Must look after bodies, civilian side  
 Temperance story - popular entertainment Saturday evenings  
 B.C. interval. Say nothing to train & cycle arrangements  
 for football - In winter social gathering at church -

(37) 25.  
 Wesleyans Ch. Northcote N. CXXIII. 121. Person tall well built young man. Good face regular features  
 Worcester + 50. Ministers 10. including 25 SS. Deacons.  
 use a "ten tabernacle" in which 300 could fit  
 all together. but new Chapel ready ready will seat 600  
 1000 before long. Large number of young men & girls come  
 to church. from Central Cheshire & from County  
 many services 225. Singing full. 280 at least  
 Wednesdays 45. 9 class meetings 200 members  
 attendance 2/3rd of membership  
 Other air meetings in summer at John Road.  
 S. School - 183. 22 teachers. Sons of the King  
 Mother's meeting. Mens Bible class.  
 Total abstainers Soc. Providence State Club.

(37) 26.  
 Salvation Army Corps Elephant & Castle CXXIII. 225. McDowell. A keen lean young man almost youthful in ap-  
 pearance though with 7 years experience. High race  
 Hall Barnes Rd used 5 days a week  
 meetings Sunday 7. 11. 3. 7. 45 (60)  
 weekly meetings small - at open air (at the Middle  
 regular stumps. Shalgate & Talwood Rd  
 met on the Common. Aug 1905 CA

work of the Churches (37)

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S. Namabas. Clapham Conv. ex. Metcalfe not seen

Pillar of Protestantism fights influence of Ascension Church  
Its church is full & successful - Wollondale C.S.

S. Namabas is crowded, the first man was a very good man & they  
are like minded - (Bodagelvin) - Mackenzie

written 1 July 1900 CB

(37) 27 Congregationalist Lavender Hill CXXIII. 47 Cyndewin A successful young Welshman. Daxler  
Estomai N.  
Church 1000

full both men & women & much crowded on occasion  
S. School 400 - sometimes those of frequenters of church  
Institute with Cyclo-Crochet  
News of Hope 150. Temperance Soc. 1000  
Boy Brigade 160 (all voluntarily attendable class)  
All strictly church organization  
Slate Club 200 (not belonging to church)

doing much work. Drining P. Meth

written 1 July 1900

Presbyterian Chd "C" cxxxi. 133 Mackenzie about 60. made height thin intellectual face  
grey hair mustache. Bright cheery manner talky  
considerable debt remains Chapman them & others  
S. Sch. 100 or more largely Congregational  
Services 11 + 7. Congreg. 150 to 250.  
same men, Peop. membership 120/130 increasing  
week by week service a frost 12 to 20. Some come twice  
Story Library Soc. 40/50. 40/- 30.

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## work of the Churches

### District 38.

Notes  
for Wright (C.E.M) Lyham & Hall

(1) Hall is in District 25 but District here  
coincides with All Saints Parish

(2) ~~Richard might be transferred to District 35~~

Work of the Churches. (38)

(38) 1  
 Christchurch Union Grove CXXXV. 55. Ottery. Handsome man about 40. Clean shaven. Dark hair.  
 Vicar 2 Curates. Complexion light forehead. Charming voice. nervous manner. Smokes large cigar in large comfortable chair - slight biotope. SHD  
 Church - 800. Strong hold of Catholicity. Draws from wide area.  
 Fairly full congregation - Guilds of the Poor & that.  
 Bible classes & football clubs - gymnasium brilliant.  
 Mother meeting. Church lauds Tongue.

(38) 1  
 Strict Baptist Zion Hill Ch. CXXXVI. 103. Dartmoor - no interval.  
 Portland Grove. Connected with Metro Assoc of Strict Baptists.  
 Fairly large for this class of church.  
 82 members. S. Sch. 107. Soc. 10. Teachers.

Methodist Chapel S. W. Wadsworth Rd. no interval.  
 Unheated with S. W. London Mission. A good many Methodists in Heath & Belgrave Green.  
 Noa Chapel - an iron erection. Jackson

(38) 2  
 St. Paul's Clapham. CXXXV. 89. Danford. Curate. Vicar just left on account of sick. (A remarkable story) - New man (All will) appointed.  
 Vicar. Curate - 15 Dist. Ministers.  
 Church 17. Mission Room (Health Rd.)  
 Congreg. 400. Socy. 350  
 Not much 25/30 others Mission Service  
 Sunday Schools - Bible Classes  
 Mother meeting - Hand of Hope  
 Temperance Soc.  
 Day prayer Club - Church lauds brigade

There is not chapel in the Parish & more in the neighbourhood  
 that draws larger. Darton

(38) 3  
 Baptist Victoria Rd. (Wadsworth Rd.) CXXXVI. 46. Henderson. About 55. Scotch. Grey hair (beard). Middle height.  
 Vicar 1 son. Pastors 1 son. 1 son. 1 son. 1 son. Educator man - G.H.D.  
 Church 850 - Mission Chapel Rashleigh S. (80/100)  
 11 am. 7.00 (morning) rather the noisy.)  
 5/600 7/750. Fair proportion of men. Very full.  
 best proportion in the town. wife very determined.  
 2 Sunday Schools - 1 at Chapel. the other at No. 10 & 12. Hockliffe. Henderson Upper Ch. +  
 600/450. 300/200. 230.  
 (Hole 8 is on the Shafey estate)  
 Bible Class - Men 12 - Young men 24/50. Women 30.  
 Mother meeting. Hand of Hope. Sunday School 20.  
 Y.O.S.C. 100. Ordeas - Zanana Society.  
 Saturday Prayer meeting. 8.00 pm.  
 Denovan Soc. Christmas dinner.  
 Flushing slate club - give 10m high & low come to church.  
 No literary society.

(38) 5  
 Mission Queen Alice (Congreg) CXXXVI. 111. Glouc. Short intervals. came in late & it was his dinner time.  
 Secretary wife & other workers. 10 voluntary. 35 5 sch.  
 Large Hall (300) with Class rooms on 40 chairs  
 Bush. May. Young people service. 350 or regular  
 Evening Adult. Average 150. Communion 32  
 Respectable poor. mostly female. only a few few men.  
 Boys Brigade to take from 5. Sch. & gather to Bible Class.  
 Good gymnasium.  
 Pleasant location, long.

Worship of the Churches (38)

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Presbyterian

Union Tabernacle, Wandsworth Rd. CXXXIII. 23. Camera. Nasty Pleasant genial Scotchman, fine large, hair  
great shock of hair. light beard. Area, blue eyes, dark.

Membership 1000. S. Socy, score 80/100.

S. Schol. 150/200. Small % of boys  
Mother meeting 50/80. Stakeholders 130

See also Printed programme (page 35)  
Practical affairs - ✓

LCM -

Mission Hall, Gray's Inn Rd. (120)  
Service 3 pm + 7 pm. Prayer meeting 6.30

Chulan Service 10.30 am. 120/90  
Thurs, Prayer meeting 20 or 50

(38) 7 CXXXVI. 15 Jackson. Strong muscular man abt 30. Nasty  
Smiling face hair & hair mustache. hairy legs,  
nearly dressed. Black money committee. A.Kill

S. John, Clapham Rd. CXXXV. 77. Nasty  
near Curate -  
Church 1000 - large Georgian.  
Congr may 1000. 400 - Middle class  
Easter communion? over 300 to pray away.  
Day schools 270. S. Sch abt 350.  
The day schools were in Ch Ch parish. by  
including new schools.  
Various ordinary Parish doings

(38) 8 55 to 60, tall thin, handsome, with fair  
hair & beard tending grey - great grey eyes. Nasty  
kind, pleasant with weak voice  
Nasty, fairly good. difficult parish. Many lodgers houses people  
always failing & broken in. Brand, to C.S. Woridcombe

Beyond the Presbyterians (who do not visit) no non-con ch.  
Seen to affect the same - Nasty

Universal Brotherhood. C

Holy Trinity, Clapham CXXXV. 37. Greene near 70. Yellow white beard, tobacco stained  
middle height, cultured quiet. type of County rector. S.H.O

3 Churches 3 Sunday Schools (600 att) 3 Mother meetings  
Parish Chapel of Ease 300  
Holy Trinity 1100. S. Sunday School. S. Peter 400  
5/900 may 300. 300 Cong: 350. Gay  
(higher ritual) (higher ritual) lights visitors

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(38) 10 Bapt. Grafton Sq. CXXXVI. 1. Hanger hearing 70. Large heavy man. White hair, thin white beard. Shaved upper lip. In fashionably rusty black clothes. "King's type".  
Chapel 1000.

Congr. 4000 500. Membership 181 - Open air Service  
S. Sch 160. Small band of boys (Singing & playing Y.P.S.C.E.)  
G. P. S. C. L. 8 (80). Mass 1100 class (50)

(38) 11 Congregationalist Grafton Sq. CXXXVI. 29. Rogers. Oldish man but seems still vigorous. Appearance dignified but not commanding. Quite sufficient clerical without an St. Peter's, laid on the cloth. Gentle & educated manner. CP  
Beautiful church with prominent spire. School Belmont  
by fine choir, men & boys. Music Hall. Queen Street  
Poor Congregation  
Mission Service conducted by Deacons -  
more people in touch than appeared at any meeting (except Harvest  
S. Sch at Belmont Rd. & Mission -  
Another meeting to  
Y. P. S. C. L. Senior. Avg. Brigade & Children class  
& on Sunday, 2 divisions of "Children's Party", how  
occasionally visiting in church.  
Never seen Soc. or Deacon Soc. who with a Bible  
woman administer charity - being a efficient committee

L.C.M. CXXXVI. 69. North Common place little man 35 or so. without ferrous  
iron - just commanding. Bloody. J. CA  
Small Mission Hall Belmont Rd.  
a Sun, 20 or less, mostly women & on Tuesday, & open air in  
no children meetings. Old Town  
used to be officially connected with Grafton Sq. Bapt Chapel  
now no longer though still a member. Has been at work for  
many years - from the noise almost impossible to notice  
a decent strong man Stegg Hanger

The RCs are strong - almost all middle class  
Worlcombe  
Romans are strong at May "Beady of Heaven" in  
Clapham Park Rd. Have Concert of Notre Dame or Common  
Give both cheap & better taught than the Clapham High St  
to get hold of names of no rule. Greene  
The RC Church is the fullest in the neighborhood. Hanger

Leave

work of the Churches (38)

4

(38) 13  
St James, Clapham Park CXXXV. 107. Gritten  
Near. Cunard - 250st Vic (all ladies & young men)  
Church (1600), School (missn White Sq.)

Until recently often full  
average was 1300 (May Day) made up upper class  
Community last Easter 528. Few Non Christians  
Men unusually well represented 20 or 30 working  
Mission Service day attracts 16 or 12.  
S. Sch. 1000 or books 100 Teacher (700 went abroad)  
Social work - small scale  
2 mothers meetings after school Sat 20 Come  
Days prepare the most successful 70 or 80 go out 40/50  
attend ABC class.  
Small young men Soc. kept going in summer by direct.

Curate of quiet Quaker type & his merits known likely to  
be a year - abnormally small head & small features but  
quite a good fellow & a gentleman. Naxle

Lillingstone just gone, a prominent Protestant Ch. well worked  
for Church now & new - many visitors. incl. Dr. May no harsh  
sober - Hollins the new Vicar means to be better. Worrells  
only Evangelical Ch. near. Hunger

(38) 14  
U. Meth. Free Ch. Park Crescent CXXXVI. 105. Bennett - man of vision, ready member of U. M. F. Ch. Naxle  
76 works on mission lines with a site  
Church abandoned by Congregationalist 2 years ago  
taken up by Free Methodists & being gradually developed  
S. Sch. - A' of Hope & now Sunday Schools

Wesleyan Ch High St. Clapham

See year A.K. CXX. 13. (Kinnings).

A good man to Wesleyans in High St. Gritten  
bad soil for free churches. Wesleyan the most numerous  
Hunger

(38) 15  
All Saints. Lyham No. Nostre Dame. CXXXV. 1. Giddestone - about 55. very tall thin & spare. looks like  
near. Cunard (vacant)  
Church (1600). Church room. Institute  
now half full - majority well to do for artisans  
The poor scarce, adult. Except the weekly Hopkyns  
Institution when a religion address is given &  
there are often 300 -  
Church Council  
Mothers meeting. Days of Hope

grey hair & beard. interested just in gardening in a canon  
garden - looking rather grotesque. Naxle

(38) 16  
Old Baptist Union Hall CXXXVI. 81. Hobbs. Something under 30. looks like Captain Jumper it is of the  
or rather low seems eccentric from own with self satisfaction  
to spiritual trials & at an early period finds myself saying when  
I look at this little creature you are not, but when I came away  
I was more less certain that my first thoughts were right. &  
I began to think that under all might lie a genuine man. Addey  
much overlapping with Napier's, Wesleyans & Congregationalists  
2 C.M. comes to tell his own tale. Giddestone

(38) 17  
Wesleyan Mission Hall. Lyham. CXXXVI. 83. Richard - Small unattractive little man of mean but gentle type  
H. Soc & Day Sch. - local preacher (J. Martin, Cobb, minister)  
large Hall 400 pax close. Miner Hall 100. Library  
open Feb 1887 with weekly meetings in Classroom Kitchen  
Started in Feb. & has still to pay. Coffee Bar,  
Choir 50/60 members. Stake Club 176 members.  
Benefit Society. Childs R. (meet here). Social Club (20)  
Wren Bands - helping in open air work  
Mission Hall. 60 members planned to help open an  
agricultural work for Choral - unique in making us feel that  
our Mission is not in vain -  
Soup Kitchen - managed by ladies from Minster Hall. Library  
S. Sch. 265 in books. J.A.R.A. Singing band/girls over 14)

work of the Church (38)

(5)

The Ascension. Batham Hill. CXXXVI. 19. Curtis, about 45. Not very tall, light hair, blue eyes, fine made, complexion. Charming, Irish face, appearance of radiant health & good humor. N. X. L.

Church - large hall

full except in Summer

Congregation more than half from outside

(and strangers mostly young men). I will come \*

all right if you talk sense). Work done along

mission service a complete failure.

S. Sch. 450 -

Leads go to the Church committee - a one man show. When  
Native dies it will fall to means  
Church practically alone. There is a local organ  
in small Br. both but neither will mind following. Curtis

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Work of the Church  
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Work of the Churches (39)

(39) 1  
 S. Faith - Wanaworth - CXXXIII. 95. Taylor 60 to 70 - Pleasant face, garrulous. da gentleman  
 near 2 curates  
 Church (800) Mission Hall (Worship Way)  
 Mrs. Inglis 8 (Choir after mid-morn 10.15 Sun 8<sup>th</sup>) (Matins Evening daily)  
 Matins 11. Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Children 3.30. meetings at mission  
 200/300. 400/500. (more men than usual) Male very little work, relief hopeless. Woolcombe  
 Day School (Girls in fact) 400 -  
 Sunday School 500 -  
 Mother meetings 21 120 + 50  
 Entertainment season 150. + 300 crowd in -  
 Visited 25 Nov. Matins hardly any adults - poor say well attended  
 Tangier new looking church. CD

(39) 1  
 Baptist East Hill. CXXXII. 35 Townsend. 50 or thereabout. Start well built. Pleasant face, mustache  
 Minister & Mission Works hard - good number volunteers  
 Church (900) Small School 1 class 7 times, hire Worple Way N.Sch.  
 & the Technical Inst. in High St. for S. Schools.  
 Mission Worple St. Girls Home Garnett Lane  
 Sun & Service 11 + 6.30 (Worship Service is Song)  
 Well attended - about 600 in Song, being the greatest  
 S. School 460 'at home' + 200 at Worple Way.  
 Mother meeting 120 at Brooks - Wome far north apply  
 Blanket, coat & slate Club.  
 Wednesday Socy Scoville 50 at Start 80 at finish get home late  
 Slate Club 340 Men 146 Women  
 Bands of Hope 200 + 80 - Social Soys for the Children  
 Membership 600. Almost stationary.

(39) 2  
 Wesleyan Ch East Hill (CXXXII. 8) Cowell  
 Wanaworth Circuit - 2 Churches, 12 Ministers  
 Wanaworth Ch - Parley Ch - Arlett St. + South St. Missions  
 & girls Schools also at Days Home & Parley Hospital.  
 7 Ministers 1 Student 12 Local Preachers 1 Exhorter -  
 Sunday Services 11. + 6.30. at church. 7pm at mission  
 Attendance boards with 600. S. Song + 6.30 at home & Worple  
 Membership 220 'a fine congregation'  
 Mission Service not well attended - & chiefly women &  
 one, least by 'constant attention'. Mother meeting. Slate Club  
 S. School 460 500. Seafarers works Friends, etc.  
 5 Open air Service S. Night. North & Mission the more vigorous  
 The South St. Mission is in S. Area & harsh.) District Great Proprietary Survey - Cowell

(39) 3  
 North St. Mission (see above) CXXXII. 213. Shillington. No interview - sent written instructions  
 Superintendent - Beaconsfield to  
 Mission Hall.  
 Services in Hall or Sunday + open air also.  
 Mother meeting 40 members.  
 Sunday School 504 on roll. 180 children are taken to the  
 Bands of Hope 150.  
 Penny Bank 50 deposits.

(39) 4  
 L.C.M. Birmingham Mission CXXXII. 1. Dakers  
 This Hall is owned by Baptist Congregations 60 -  
 Mission, a corner shop with room over.  
 S. Service 6.30. (20 a poor meetg.) followed by 8 o'clock  
 meeting of Chapel Pioneers  
 Wednesday Service (about 24) (Congregationalists)  
 Open air the chief meeting. S. many near Whitehouse  
 (where men congregate to go drink (Patrician Cocktails))  
 Gets 200/300 mens. S. long main road. Wednesday, 10.30  
 Class for Christian workers held at Friends meeting house  
 before 3 or 4. growth to 15.  
 Other meetings at Mission School. Mother meeting  
 seldom over 12 & the other services not worse nor better than his  
 15-20

Sale of books & tokens will be the best  
 money to be had.

Work of the Church. (39)

2

(39) 5  
 All Saints Wandsworth CXXXIII. 147. Reed  
 near 2 or 3 Curates. 2 CM. Mission work. Hubert 10  
 all Saints - Holy Trin.  
 fair day, well filled  
 made cl wealthy  
 Day Schools - 600. Sunday Sch 300.  
 Bible Class. Merton meeting. Boys Club &  
 about 45. Small, rather good looking. Well trimmed  
 pointed beard. Dexter  
 112 adults & others  
 other volunteers  
 a complete failure - not fit to be vicar. Worlcombe  
<sup>ausome</sup>  
Visited 25 Nov. - Well filled S. Mon. & looked very good  
 to be in the leading. Successful evangelistic work. CA

Brilliant by now held - Considerable growth. Color of P.C. should  
 come to live here for the maintenance of this church. Reed

Baptist. Hall Rd. West Hill.

not seen.

Visited 25 Nov. A quiet looking place. CA

(39) 6  
 Presbyterian Merton Rd. CXXXVIII. Cunningham 50 or over. Unministerial appearance - tall thin  
 Minister Tedes &c p6  
 almost bald. fair drooping mustache, pointed nose. Small  
 Church. Lecture Hall. Mission premises.  
 Congreg 200 to 400. at 11 & 7. Wednesday, May 1st, 1900.  
 Sunday class for men at Dorothy's coffee shop  
 Sunday School at Mission Premises. Mother's Meeting  
 Lecture Hall. 7 Mon of 1000  
 Literary Soc.  
 Ladies Assoc. Women's Missionary Assoc.  
 Ch. Endeavor Soc. Young Ladies' Book Fund

(39) 7  
 Mission Dom. League Hall. CXXXVIII. 39 Godwin <sup>Brothers makers of ladies clothing in rackett's</sup>  
 W. Godwin & sons, Francisford. <sup>St</sup> <sup>the body athletic - about 45</sup> Dexter  
 Miss Hall - Sunday Socy 350 to 400.  
 Sunday afternoons "for Christians" not so well attended. <sup>The noble class conducted by Mrs. Rainford, Island</sup>  
 Monday Socy Mayors & Friends. <sup>many men school - Townsw</sup>  
 Tuesday Socy night school for men.  
 Wednesday Work Hall. Friday Miss Bible Class. <sup>80/90 members. 10/50 come</sup>  
 Thursday afternoons Bible Class for women. <sup>30/40</sup>  
 Scripture Union 30.  
 Cheltenham meeting. Sat. afternoons recently started.  
 Adult School large attendance 22.  
 This work was the result of Moody & Sankey mission.]

Congreg. Memorial Hall CXXXII. 151. Park. (Interviewed in St. Ann's Parish.) (39) 9.  
 Chapel 40.

See (39) 3. Visited 25 Nov. CA  
 [A memorial to Moody Sankey - some one said] Built to commemorate Moody Sankey, wife - Perhaps attached  
 to another by other place. New preacher each Sun., with  
 inflammatory sermons. Dexter  
 Important indeed most successful Eng. S. Soc. Reed

(39) 8  
 St. Anne's Wandsworth CXXXIII. 161. Campbell nearly 40 - in height almost a giant. wears 7 feet 6 ft  
 Vicar. 3 curates. 2 Deacons. 2 Nurses like most giants - not strong - has broken down more than  
 once. is a moderate Anti-Soc. Black hair, beard, rather willful complexion. Pleasant but not attractive face. Dexter  
 Delightful man for staff - Worlcombe  
 Most prosperous church - believed to be Methodist. Townsw  
 The most active. Night gets 2000 into class meetings. Delightfully vigorous, worked - we are always competing with  
 especially St. Ann's South. Mission. Home Capital & more  
 excellent man will serve, very large staff. Cox  
 Very far the greatest power but non-athletic Pitt

Worley, Mrs. & Baptists the most theosophical. Very affable  
 Campbell

work of the Churches (39)

(39) Congregational Ch East Hill CXXXII 151 Park  
Minister one hand - Many members (160-5 Schools, 4 Schools)  
Church 1100. Hall Festivities Mission, Garrison Lane - Memorial Hall type  
11. & 6.30. Eltham Miss Hall & 2 Non-District schools

Boys' Govt. Girls' Monitors in working Cl create a buzz  
5 Schools over 1500 scholars - 4 Schools, 6 High S. 2 East Hill  
2 Bands of Hope - (39) Garrison Lane (4) Eltham  
3 Missions (Memorial Hall & Eltham). Garrison Lane  
see (39) 2 see (39) 1

Garrison Lane Mission Sunday Evng Services & P.S.A. Gospel Temperance Soc  
Mothers at Home - Tract visitors etc [see also (39) 4.17]

Eltham Lane Mission Sunday Service "standing maintained" only appropriate  
the air in summer months. Harvest festival crowded  
Mothers meeting - Meets ready room

Memorial Hall see also (39) 2.  
Service People service 8 pm Sunday. Attendance fairly good.  
Mothers meeting - 500 in attendance  
Children Sunday May free breakfasts (coffee to feed the needy)  
after breakfast a short service  
Working men Sat & Nocturnal entertainments. 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
coffee house & others 12.

Central  
Y. P. S. C. Endean. 70 members. Root is Thursday Prayer Meeting  
one air work. Longer No. Mission. Flower pricks raps  
Tracts distributed - Memorial Hall Service conducted  
meets our Club manager (Memorial Hall)  
Literary & Debating Soc - Missionary Societies.

(in 5 Years time) (39) 10  
Whitanan Ch. East Hill CXXXII 141 Tarrant about 50. Minister here 17 years Baxter

Church 200.  
Congregation 150/200. About 750 members.  
Includes intelligent working men all middle or wealthy  
S. Sch. 100 Ch. 1/2 amateur home rest in affluent.  
Collecting Bank org. divided with Mr. Moore.

Visited 25 Nov. Sunday evening Lecture attended by  
about 100. mostly Working Class CA

Hear that both the Parish Ch & St Anne are sparing attendants  
Tarrant

(St. Anne)  
Friends' Society House. High S.

No particular

written 25 Nov CA

P. Methodists High S. CXXXIII 57 Sadler  
Services Sunday 11. 6.30 about 100. Thursday  
Sunday afternoon Class Chapel 120  
S. School 100  
Wednesday Band of Hope & Ch. Endeavour  
70 members

Wesleyan Mission South S. CXXXII 87 Cowell See under S. Faith - (39) 1-2.

written 25 Nov CA

Salv. Army South S. CXXXII 193. Berry  
2 Hand Orgs. This Aug 28. 1300 organ. Singing band 21.  
136 soldiers & 74000  
Hall "Spread Eagle Assembly Room" (1450)  
adjacent to connected with the PA & the Tabernacle can  
use it any night by giving 7 days notice  
Tabernacle occupies the mission now in North S. now Wesleyan  
usual S/A meetings - S. Afternoon 100 Wards with common  
S. Day 180. Sing a lower Class & 4 organs  
week wages vary. Services on S. M. & 2 fixed hours  
S. School 74 (13 Teachers) + 2 constantly changing. also a  
garrison class in the walls  
Especially music.

Bright & cultured - uncertain age, med. height - Strong, thoughtful  
kind, face, Superior to most S/A officers. Arted

Salv. Army has a hall in North - the Wesleyan  
buys it. Norden

seen in the street 25 Nov CA

Work of the Churches (39)

4

(39) 11  
Baptist Church CXXII. 121 Pitt. about 40 - married, tall, fair hair & mustache. Carefully dressed. Well bushes front door & lot that came with church. Ten acre.

Come all faith & language, N.

W. Pitt head of church. 4 Elders - 5 Preachers written & 24 occasions.

No one is laid -

Sunday Services.

10 am Bible Study. Men & women 10 to 20 come.  
more than that women - women attending to business.

11. to 12.15. Worship. Elders take turns to pray. Singing hymn lesson & scriptural prayer - address - more singing & prayer - & the ladies supper.

100/200 come & about 80 stay for Communion.

2.45 to 4. Bible class S. Sch.

16. 120/80.

6.30. Prayer meeting. 4 to 74 (men)

7. to 8.15. Come Service with address.

300/600 -

Christian Endeavor Soc. - meeting with Congregational Club

(39) 12  
LCM South Street. CXXXII. 107. Delors. Between 50 & 60. above middle height gray hair, beard, care fully dressed. Quiet pleasant voice, deliberate manner. 9110

mission room

Sunday, Day, Service. Mays, solo, hymns, Chapel & address  
about 50 come

No love lost between church & Chapel or Chapel & Chapel. Delors.

(39) 13  
St Andrews Parkfield. CXXXIII. 47. Tudor Craig. Clean shaven, pale faced, well dressed, benevolent man. About 35 pleasant voice. Rather impersonal but seems genuine 9110

Keen worker well known. Church of a hall at the corner of Linden Valley, near the main entrance. A new church has been built. Since Tudor Craig came it has increased.

The workers increased the congregation. The greater results however due to some financial work - Tudor

doing fairly well since Tudor Craig came. Payne

doing well under Tudor Craig. Gets full Report.

always friendly with me & never met. will not antagonize them. Report

adult temperance 81. Mother meets 20 (725 at least daily) visited 25 Nov C.R.

Small kitchen for tea & coffee.

Plymouth Rockford Hall built on site of 2 or 3 cottages. Went from all hair, to connect houses. 30 thousand. 00.

(39) 14  
LCM. Linden Valley District. CXXXVIII. 91. Owen. Tall slender, man - good presence, high forehead, thin beard.

Smiling face. Cheeky manner. Big but tight of 20 or 30. Arkell

Home mission. Garrison Lane - a section of Headland Avenue. Pentecostal League. Good Sunday School. Own house, do. Owen

in charge of Mr. Mayes, Parkfield road. Payne. Sunday School Hall. Piggott - not seen. Mrs. Mayes is in the next Adams

ward. S. Mission (Adams). CXXXII. 35. Adams. See 39) 1. 1.

A small inn built for which Mr. Adams' members & the house with his son & daughter are responsible. Sells the cure of the winter 25 Nov C.R.

no longer in charge. Payne

Baptist Church Earlsfield. CXXXII. 13. Payne. Quiet unassuming man 30/35. Tall, regular features.

Pastor & 80/90 members. All workers. Small members. Both of the Cleric in dress or speech. Arkell

Church 800. with groups behind preschools.

Sunday 11 & 6.30 - 200 man. nearly 400 at night.

S. Sch. 250. 21 Teachers. Many from families who have lived here.

Week end meetings. Payne meeting, locality & Sat. 8 p.m. (partly attended) visited 25 Nov - looks as if it would succeed. C.R.

Ch. School - Lenten Term. Paid off. Arkell

no social doings except Cricket Club.

(39) 15  
Congregationalist Ch. Earlsfield CXXXII. 181. Piggott. (Sadermuntend). Sturdy square jawed clean shaven.

No Pastor. Mr. Piggott works with 50 volunteers.

middle aged man. No frock coat. Red sweater. Specimen of Arkell

Schools Church (400) with site for larger church to be built.

Small inn run by a Thomas & his children, mostly by small no influence. Craig

Sunday 11 a.m. & 3 p.m. with Mayes meeting after. S. Sch. 3 p.m.

Monday. Normal Soc. 6 o'clock. Y.P.S.C. 6.30. 7.45.

Tuesday. Women's Soc. 3 p.m. Wednesday. Service. 8 p.m.

Entertain. State Club.

not seen

work of the Church (39)

5

(39) 18  
S. Stephen Wandsworth CXXXIII. 71. Pense about 40. Pleasant & courteous but colorless. Baxle  
rec. 2 curators. Home visitors & other volunteers  
Church. Mission Hall. Church 10m  
ordained for church services.  
Well-filled organ - Missis Service 100.  
S. School 500. Days of Hope  
Mother Society. Confraternity Club. Penny Pack  
Kenya Lovers. Sandhurst (in severe weather)  
Women's Star Club etc.

S. Stephens is the fullest church in the district. Redfriars  
Very broad minded. Newland

Visited 25 Nov - Large new red brick church. CJ

(39) 18  
R.C. St Thomas Mission CXXXIII. 1. Cooney. Aig bushy man. 6'2" very heavy features. Hoarse voice  
Story broken, thick wavy black hair. Broad figure. GHD  
Church  
Mass 8. 10. 11 or 8m. 6.30 vestments (400 at times) Visited 25 Nov. Looks very new. CJ  
Fifteen 10 am short service 35 minutes.  
Confessions most Saturday evening.  
Boys school or Wandsworth Place.  
Study schools 100. Boys. 250 girls & infants.  
Literary Soc. 100 members.

(39) 19  
S. Michael. Southfields CXXXIII. 85. O'Brien middle aged Irish man. Baxle  
Church  
Morning Song Service about 400 each  
Early Communion from 95 to 280  
But Church & Service are good. like walls  
off a duckback. Mutual sympathy & friendshp  
in the home the one way to win sympathy for the church  
Therefore finds his faith to victory.  
S. Schools about 450. Days of Hope 300.

Baptist Merton Av. not seen

mission Granville Hall. CXXXIII. 103. Newby. Postcard. <sup>interview</sup>

Purly religious mission work. Supremely  
voluntary, contribution. Quite unostentatious carried on  
by energetic band of workers who for love of the work  
& the welfare of their fellow men & worms devote  
their time & energy.  
Sunday Service 11. 3. + 7.  
Theat. Prayer 8. Thursday. Kenneraine Dr.

Connected with Mc Cunningham's Ch  
See Report CXXXIII. p. 71. PC

S. Paul Bumbleton PK. CXXXIII. 125. Price about 50. white beard & moustache - a bachelor in  
a comfortable house next church - good garden. GHD

S. Paul (600) S. Namabar (300) (missis Ch) Merton Rd.  
8. H.C. fair attendance. Increase by leaps & bounds. <sup>N.Y. Puritan</sup>  
11. Matins. Church looks full - more than 3 rows to 7 rows  
4.80 a song. Sadly lame (because of the girl school)  
bodged service abandoned (because no one came)  
S. Namabar has no money service for some reason  
8 am communions. 3 pm church 7. Congregational  
Study School 180  
Hall for workmen class Standard 1<sup>st</sup> license for drawing  
Bank - open in Sunday 130 members. band, boys & girls day

S. Namabar visited 25 Nov CJ

Baptist have mission hall Standen R'

Work of the Churches (39)

6

(39) 21  
St. Mary Putney CXXXIII 23. Henry  
near 4 pars & 1 ton. Curate & many volunteers under  
3 Churches - Mission House - Church Hall School  
(for Orphanage) Walker Place near Club

S. Mary 700 S. John (700) All Saints (700)  
11 & 6 30. 11. 16. 30. 10. 45 1. 7.  
National Schools. 1543 Children (Scout Schools)  
Sunday Schools 1935 a Wk. 1330. 121 Teachers,  
District Missions - Workers meetings - Clothing Clues  
Provident Institution - Penny Assoc.  
Church Lass Brigade - G.T.S. - Recreational Hours  
An elaborate report of the work. See page 45.

An old man - well over 60. white hair Beard. yellow  
mug. teeth. over middle height - friendly courteous. more like a man  
than a father. has a family living there London  
old & conservative. The man Henry works hard he is not wise  
but kind & good. The man is very much - poor educated. -  
High & strong Henry. Long. have come over. Flew

Church of England mostly the strongest - in desire to stick to the  
near says he used to be a protestant & appears all day a  
man. Wilton

3 churches - those who are like me may take the other. Roger  
no cooperation. Rector does not acknowledge them. Except  
raising his hat if they have been over with them Rowland  
Church visits. Cooper

Any agency doing much except the nursing. Flew  
but as to spiritual renderings will say nothing

Baptist Westgate (39) 22 CXXXII 23 Hollinshill - A youthful looking man. must be older than he looks.  
Tall pleasant looking. Baxter

members 200. Congreg. 250/300. May. 400 Song.  
Sunday Sch. 300. M. & C. Children. Bands of Hope not seen  
See Ch. Ideas.

Congreg. Oxford 700 CXXXII 165. Rowland. Young, dark man. not look like a minister.  
minister & volunteer  
Church (over 350) Schoolroom 80.  
To be used as a mission on their combining with  
Union Chapel & Acknowledging Board.  
Congreg. 120 May. 200 Song. - Week night 30.  
S. Sch. 150/100. C & Soc. 30 - membership 1151 however  
as not get the children parents. Can't see entries then  
Lively account of Church along with a few  
Wrote monthly

Congreg. Union Chapel CXXXVIII 77. Redfri - 70 or more. Pleasant quiet courteous old man  
[1 Bapt.]

large singing Congreg. Almost every n. Song  
The most prominent - do not cooperate. Rather a paradise for women  
including cannot not judge. Institutes fierce Henry  
gone down. Rowland

Wesleyan. Mt. Acknowledging. CXXXVIII 17 Flew. (No connection of LCM being same name). About 35  
members worth circuit. minute. Taste of the people. Middle height clean shaven. A smiling face halo face  
with S. John Hill Church & 2 Mission Rooms in  
Naarmouth. Church 1000.  
Services. 11. 16. 30. 300/400. Most at night. Good. No to 1000. or Yes Yes 1000. after last option 5 H.D.

The strongest of the Free Churches. Rich & exclusive. Wilton  
A little stern offish or joint with though Free Church  
Doubt food with Cooper

Open air Services a Summer. on Health  
in connection with Free Church Council -  
a few stop to listen then go away.  
Plenum Singing People.

Literary Soc. in winter - no winter meeting. None  
give "old people, tea parties". Great success. Came  
very many interested women - young women old men singing it  
immediately. Wesley Guild. ✓

not aware of any P.C. influence in Party. He is not recognized  
by Henry.

work of the Churches (39)

(7)

L.C.M. - The Platt neighborhood CXXXII. 239 Fleet. (no relation to the Wesleyan) Naxton

Hall (270) built for Congregational Church  
 Congreg. 240, winter - 150 summer. 1/3 to 1/4 men.  
 (Success at first to Sutton Hall.)  
 Open air work but otherwise no music  
 no S.Sch. no m. meetg. no A. g. hope  
 There is a school for High Church on Tues., (100)  
 & Bible class for policemen to walk 12 stations come

only gathering having any success is the L.C.M. hall. Redfield

Presbyterian Ch. Upper Richmond CXXXII. 73. Mathews diminutive but bright & intelligent Scotchman. Baxley

The new church large hall attached  
 Always well filled though not full  
 S. School about 70 mid class church (none in old place)  
 Two debating Societies to fit Church members

Free Church of Eng. CXXXII. 53. Rogers about 40 under mid height - light, languid, hideously  
 fat, mustache, loud harsh "open air" voice. G. M. D.

Emmanuel Church 300

11 am 7 pm 8 on Thurs.

170 150 25 to 40

Visited 25 Nov 07

Poorer are domestic servants.  
 nearly half in Eng. are old men.  
 Many poor & sickly of young women & men  
 young men, but bicycle has ruined ch. attendance  
 Sunday Schools 160/130.  
 Mother meeting 12 come - all the best.

Prim Meth. Cooper Amrit Lane CXXIII. 57. Sadler interviewed district 37

Chapel - 100  
 Services Sunday 11 6:30 medium cong. work class  
 Wednesday - Preaching  
 S. School - 100

Thursday Ch.

R.C.

M. Ch. Upper Richmond Rd.  
 This is S. Thomas & Cooney  
 West Hill (39) 5. 18.  
 Omitted from copy.

we seem to have no particular

Romans are getting stronger every year collection  
 congreq for large areas. Rogers

R.C.s are strong & active in proselytizing. Wollenb

not visited

Methodist Sefton Hall. Sefton St. CXXXII. 203. Cooper well educated America. Extraordinary in appearance  
 5 ft 7 & a young woman had a few weeks ago working class.  
 Hall 200. 1 small vestry.  
 Pleasant service "Sundays" 7 a.m. Monday 8 p.m.  
 Wednesday 8 p.m. (a few from immediate neighborhood)  
 Sabbath 11 a.m. Adult Bible Class 4 p.m.  
 Sunday School 11 & 2. Adult Bible Class 4 p.m.  
 Money 6:30. Girls Prayer Meeting  
 Wednesday 6:30. Name of none

Thursdays. Rogers Prayer meeting (16/18)  
 Saturday Glee Club 40. Floor blinds  
 Mother meeting 12. Cole Club (3rd in 1st. bonus)  
 Arthur helping Scribe, President. R. Cooper Superintendent.

ways of thinking & speech - tall thin skin 50 (succinct)  
 Strong wrinkled face, longish, considerate. Curly hair  
 Dark flannel suit - logo in working class robes. Athell

Work of the Church. (39)

8

(39) 29  
 Holy Trinity Rochampton CXXXIII. 5. Clergyman Short & inclined to rotundity along back &  
 inc. curate - 7 dist vis. 12 S Sac. 20 choristers Grey - but an impious & aristocratic air  
 (600)  
 Church new & beautifully fitted up. Electric light etc  
 Govt schools & Club house -  
 Services 8. 11. 6.30. full in May. Read in loco  
 Full Choral service. No organists. Neither High nor Low.  
 Evensong occurs in the choir. The choir of course desired.  
 S. Sch. 160/130. Day School 10 & 2. 300  
 Mess. Bible Class important agency. Most helpful  
 Communion Guild (50)  
 Mother meeting better class working women (Mrs C)  
 Working Men's Club 120. (a very great help indeed)  
 includes a number of Catholics  
 Cricket Football Gymnastic Club. All helpful  
 Church ladies brigade - Coal, Sick & College Club  
 Entertainment given by the 'Society' people  
 Years' fair. Athletic sports. This works all 'good' to  
 retain hold on the young. People will, perhaps, say vision  
 Adult Seminary the most admirable feature

(39) 30  
 R.C. St Joseph Rochampton CXXXVIII. 47. Holm. Oldish man 60/65 Comstern Manner, Picturesque  
 long dark grey beard, black gown Baxter. Irish bogie at times  
 Church 350. Convent Chapel also practical, public duty  
 Mass 8 & 11. (also 130 to read)  
 Catechism 3. or 3.30. Rosary & Benediction  
 at 6. pm. Benediction & Instruction  
 Society of St Elizabeth of Hungary. visit the sick poor  
 Sunday school 30/40 children (all)  
 Convent 100 nuns 1700 pupils

(39) 31  
 R.C. Manresa House CXXXVIII. 31. King. Clean shaven. 35/40. Spectacles. poor mouth. Charming  
 nothing particularly to remark. just a training college  
 of the Jesuits.

(39) 31  
 St. Mary Magdalene CXXXII. 109. Curate 52. Workman - by ill Thatchy dear alone  
 Vicar. Curate 10 Dist Readers 12 Sac. Teach decaret -  
 Church still incomplete 450.  
 Grammer boy to boy. Chancery  
 large number of men. Free open church.  
 Parochial Communion 450.  
 Mother meeting - Days of Hope  
 S. School 100 children  
 a poor man but very high Oakley

Referred to the Church Institute as the most  
 important - almost a Polytechnic - 4000 mech.  
 loans

(39) 31  
 Ch. of Christ (Baptist) CXXXII. 215. Oakley Regular little man no minister. India middle  
 height. Black frock coat white tie. Pleasant  
 minister. Deacons etc  
 Trinity Chapel - 550/600  
 7. 30. Prayer. 10 Chld. 11. Morning Service. 6.15. 7  
 25. 80/100 450/500 adults. Prayer 450/500  
 Increase to 200 members in 5 years. Quite full 25. full  
 S. Sch. 3. - 280 would do but not all go to Congreg.  
 Morning Service is "family worship". Many large P. children  
 P. institution 1 man to 3 women. & that is more than elsewhere  
 Society. fewer children. Fewer. some remain in with the  
 The servants who come are from other houses.  
 No mother meeting. No poor women  
 Good literary Soc. - Scientific lectures in Chapel of the  
 lecturer is known to be a jolly man. They pay well

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S.H.D. 6. iii. 01  
A. S. T. 8  
G.A.

(Jobs. i, 12)

Police notes

Districts 36 + 37 + 38

see Booth, Life and labour... 1902-3.  
Third Series, Vol. 5, Part II.

(5) [Booth's notes: Police notes : Districts 36,  
37, 38. Jobs. i, 12; District 39. Jobs. i, 8.]

Boroughs

N The Thames

S. Wandsworth N<sup>o</sup>

E. Lambeth &amp; Battersea

W. S. C. & D. S. G. (N<sup>o</sup> 52)

St George

St James

Christchurch (38)

XIII<sup>o</sup> 63.

With Sergeant Nunn. 28 June 1899. Baxter

Starting corner Nine Elms Lane & Wandsworth N<sup>o</sup>

In Nine Elms Lane are Breweries, cottages owned by Thome the Brewer &amp; occupied by his people who are all reported to be totalers -

Ponton N<sup>o</sup> is a group cut off from the rest of the world & homogeneous - houses flush with pavement no backs to back - were rare the worst shot in divisionExcept Everett's a lot of Curries & the N end of Poxon N<sup>o</sup> - all show the usual signs of squalor in an exaggerated form - broken windows, filthy broken plaster, dirty ragged children - don't wash women

several were bare footed - on oil paints nothing, or but a shirt - may often be seen running naked, but although dirty the children looked well fed healthy,

In hot weather the people under the Gas works & in some S<sup>o</sup> will bring mattress & sleep in the street. Many of not most live foot wagons as gas workers coal porters costers &c - almost sole cause of their prostitution is drink - little or no change here if any they fewer drunken now - not much intermixed with & don't complain of one anotherMoat S<sup>o</sup> & Bank of Hain S<sup>o</sup>: taken by Gas works

In neighboring streets live the more respectable Gas workers large baths, wash houses, built by very

Auden & Cherwell: more & less than houses - also Stepney, York Place: large houses with front gardens, built for middle class - brick & flint - Sewan S<sup>o</sup> houses with the bigCoronation N<sup>o</sup> & Wadsworth N<sup>o</sup> (S. George N<sup>o</sup>) near all by menCoronne Pl. 16 rather than people.Linford S<sup>o</sup>: 16 rather than d. b. barns - had a bad reputation but is now better, was never so bad fromSeymour S<sup>o</sup>: rather poor & drab, but still 16Melton S<sup>o</sup>: large front gardens not kept up.

XIII<sup>o</sup> 63  
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General remarks. In this small area four lots which differ - Nine Elms comes lowest dept & poorest & degradation - Sheltering (as elsewhere) under walls of Gas works. Here it improves if anything. Streets look worse than 8 or 9 years ago - no hope but in demolition - if allowed to stand by authorities may be absorbed by Gas works only. Second lot between Battersea Rd & PLSWY seems (to A&A) poorer than it was - pink has been built. The rest south of the Ry is divided between Railay men & high artisan respectable & a rough poor quarter which is not perhaps never has been as dark as the map indicates.

II Inquiry for the condition of the streets west of Battersea very much better than Lambeth - less litter - Serg. Hurn in common with other Police officers thinks that whether they look less or not the people are less worthy - He attributed the increasing difficulty of getting house accommodation even reasonable rent - felt especially by Police.

#### Boundaries

N Peacock Lane with Sergeant Hurn - 29 June Daaler  
S. Wandsworth Rd Starting Wandsworth Rd Station and Wandsworth Rd -  
E. LCI & R Bramwell St fairly decent South side - N. side of  
W. Queen St swam of children several with bare feet  
All Saints number of wretched women at doors - houses to a whole  
S. Philib. West Rashleigh St - worst street in this neighbourhood  
S Paul (38) may contain - dirty children play in street. Unbal  
XIII<sup>o</sup>. Pg.

General remarks. Walk includes the Rd of (38) north of Wandsworth Rd which is true Compton - but the parish boundary goes by Estates & greater poverty & deterioration goes with the piece of Clapham in S Paul's parish

To the north is Lord Battersea's Estate highly respectable Rd well built - excellent roads. Smart with flower beds. Most unusually small number of licensed houses - Queen's Road &c one that deteriorates towards pink - aimed to high class houses for large families. Few made flats for working class. North of Railay is now poorer than ever. Shut in by Railways

Roundane  
 N Battersea Pk N.  
 S. LSWH  
 E Queen St  
 W Latchmere N.  
 All Saints  
 S' Savron  
 S' Stephen  
 XIII 105

with P.C. Edwards. 30 June '99 Paxton  
 Starting corner of Queen St. Battersea Pk N.  
 westward we come to Alfreton St. very poor especially  
 at S end - several barefoot children - also Ashurst St.  
 rather rough - people live on beer & fish  
Rollo St. Purple & so is Lansdowne St. (not pink)  
Park Grove pink to purple.  
Kelvin St. decent dry street. Doddington Grove will have  
 front gardens beautiful Creepers & flowers - good railway men  
Long hedge St. queer filthy house. London Crooked by Harry  
 Small lots of houses & inhabitants a mystery - with Scary.  
Austin St. Cottages very poor. Haley St. now rough  
Park Side St. front gardens Creepers & flowers  
Mulgrave St. now rough. litter. dirty cheap. 66  
Blandford St. giddy houses. Carpenters St. very mixed some  
 suspicious characters - horrid black line  
Anyham St. to poor & rather rough but improved  
 "quiet enough except sometimes on Sat night."  
 need not be named.  
Battersea Pk N. great shooting street. Cottages on  
 Sat night - Wassill St. rather rough Mrs. no repeat

## Remarks

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> West of S. George St. & Southwark St., the end of the  
 Battersea estate, this is a poor unattractive district  
 One or two exceptions but even there not so good as they were  
 Old when distinct signs of decay - Except that the  
 streets west of Fulwell N. have lost their black - the  
 district is however still troublesome  
 The large number of licensed houses is remarkable.  
 10 public 16 on beer - 4 off - 4 grocers - 16 beer -  
 Battersea Pk N. & 18 between that road & the N.Y. an  
 area which would not now be allowed one  
 No houses now of drunken habits. No violent squabbling  
 but 'fried & fish beer' applies to much of this district

Bromley

With P. C. Edwards - July 1899. Bexley  
 N. The Thames Starting corner of Victoria Rd. Prince of Wales Rd.  
 S. Battersby Rd. Victoria Alm. - block of model "some very rough people"  
 E. Victoria Rd. Alexandra Avenue Beckmore Rd. & Parkgate Rd.  
 W. Battersby Rd. General remarks - No poverty except in corner by Battersby  
 S. Mary Map & this district includes all the wealth of  
 S. Stephen Battersby - The most marked change the growth of  
 All Saints flat of which the rents show that the people are  
 XIII. v. 123 comforts off - but Police Returns disclose a good  
 many queer customers - keep worse than prostitutes  
 none of the blocks are above suspicion  
 Combined with this growth some decay in older blocks

Bromley

With P. C. George July 1899. Bexley  
 N. Latchmere St. Shirley corner Queens Rd. Thornton  
 S. Lavender Hill "The Ascension" parish is the Shaftesbury Estate - of  
 E. Queen's Road the Artisans Dwellings Co. - George says mostly lower  
 N. Latchmere Rd. mid class rather than working class - but Bexley doubtless  
 S. Philip women appear to be wives of artisans. Hours have  
 S. Stephen 4 to 6 now. rents have been raised a good deal & there  
 The Ascension is a huge waiting list. Streets all rank. No license  
 XIII. v. 141 on the estate - 4 off license on border - 3 close together  
 at south end of Tynham Rd.

From Latchmere Rd. to Shellwood Rd. - poor traffic  
 mds. Otto Poynett Rd. - good many cottages

General remarks - This last is very hot of poverty & is less  
 so than map indicates. Motley original mistake.  
 The old streets between Shaftesbury Park & Queen's Rd. have  
 gone down slightly - new ones look of poor character.  
 Shaftesbury Park quite ruined - its really respectable  
 but the least attractive - Shaftesbury running to the north  
 Newby - suggesting its site on the sea marshes.

Boundaries

N. The Thames  
 S. West End Ext By  
 E. Battersea Br. N.  
 W. The Thames  
 S' May  
 S' Stephen  
 13<sup>D</sup>. 189

With Police Constable Edwards July 1899. Daxte  
 Starting Battersea N. Southward -  
 Patch of blue to the west. The houses remain the  
 names all change about. Inhabitants coster  
 loafers &c. very poor & rough less troublesome than  
 formerly - gets worst toward west where women  
 are blousy cheare dirty three with naked feet  
 one cheare of 3 or 4 shirt one - a b. barred as on map.  
 In Cottage Place some gardens well kept Creepers place  
Tower Place (late York Hall Little Tower Pl) how  
 rather rough especially the court -  
Church road pink to purple - purple on map front  
 gardens - many beautiful that - some to western  
Boltonbrook Pl gone

In Sunny Lane near Parkham St. are two common h.  
 one very large both of low character - one for double, other  
 women one. Both largely used by prostitutes -

High class pink district round Castle St.

Orville Road (overly high S.) worst place in sub-district.  
 thousands prostitutes. Coppers loafers - very few who  
 earn an honest living - but not worse than E. TW  
 All usual signs of squalor. Except street fairies. Poor  
 Several Cheam with naked feet - might be black  
 in place of a b. barred as it gets steadily worse - but  
 there are some decent families - Many Cheam  
 came here in despair of getting terms elsewhere  
 North by River to Vicarage Road - where n. of S. John's  
 Training College are Caius House the mission of  
 Caius College Cambs. & Devonshire House.

Frontage Embanked laid out as public garden  
Granfield St. now High St. remains as before but where  
 it goes north to Sunny Lane it was a b. it has without  
 hardly been completely altered - used to be squalid  
 almost no houses smashed - but landlord got some good  
 tenants, repaired houses, & made a decent pink street of it.

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13° 139  
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A similar change has been effected in Parkham by same means

General Remarks. An interesting walk from low point goes - Contains all that remains of old village clustering round interesting old ch. the streets having an old world look - running from Church St' are the courts & alleys of the old village.

Of the poor patches - Europa Place which used to be a by word for all that is bad has slightly improved - hardly though having been opened up. Middle Rd' remains a real plague spot - for whom no hope but in scattering - though no valid reason for demolition - & we have the noteworthy fact of the change in Crawford Park Lane probably the one change in London from dark blue to pink without demolition definitely. The large group of flats between Sunny Lane & Patterson Park Rd' seem unchanged, certainly no houses -

Many residents here find living in the mass of great mills works between Church St' & the river - but the work is mostly hustled about hard -

Roundane.

N West End Dr' Rd'

S Lavender Roads

E Railways

W Mews

S May

S John

S Peter

Christchurc

13° 181

With DC Edwards. July 1899. Baxter

Starting at Clapham Junction northward into

a hilly district East of Falcon Rd' - bounded by

Stapleford Rd' W. - much litter - broken plaster and children

& across railway between the lines - Latchmere Grove

a few many cottages - rather drunken lot but do not

seem very poor - no signs of squalls W rather than de-

bated - big long bear house at entrance - between

Latchmere Grove & Stapleford Rd' a colony of pygmy bats

shining all winter through summer - do not go much in company

but hawk about London - North of Shepperton Rd' is another colony belonging to some cathers on farms

13° 181

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Shepote Lane is now part of Caine Rd - the bit between the railways is practically part of Latchmere Grove - the rest is back rather than terrace - many houses lately done up.

South of Caine Rd a good brick district. Falcon Grove once middle class - old houses - now brick Lavender Hill houses at west end -

Barnmore St. & B. very poor brick roads

Parfitts - less poor. Lethlow St. Now & M'g'h Rear Simpson St. West of High St. Gypsy colony in Evans in a yard - very squalid dwelling - yard stinking with dung traps.

Genl Remarks This district is now rough East & West - compare page 193. with slight downward tendency in the middle.

Latchmere Grove is as much shut off from world as any slice in London - but seems to have improved.

Chief offence is now robbery, drunkenness - here saw child of about 3 who was scarcely carrying the can boy for dinner box - great place for drunkenness & left a good deal alone by police - Edwards admits that on Sat night it might be 3 hours without police except this change probably district has hardly altered -

Accommodation. Walk with P. C George - July 1899. Baxter N Thame & Lavender Rd starting comes Falcon Rd & Lavender Rd - Westward S. S. John's Hill Winstanley Rd - Brothel on bath side close to Clapham E LSWR, S. John's Hill & Gunter carried only one man turnover for years. N. Park bound, \* S. Peter Any number of police reports about but no one complains nothing is done

S. John Grant Road mixture of squalls & respectable Squalls lit here & there in these streets - Melton Italian - Constant row - some a b as well as B. York Road - the champion tramp paradise - among may very well kept me Weathers - flush houses - and ch. flats blocks house right down & down stairs

13° 197

13<sup>th</sup> 1917  
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Stockwood S (through passage out of Hope St) flush little Squares, a very dirty street lot mostly troublesome but less rather than d.c. beneath bar. Triton St. Similar also Wayland Rd. also Bentham Rd. Plough Rd to Britannia Pl. Cal de Sac. Coster, thieves, prostitutes. Const Street a highway a notable place with small shop has himself done time twice. Street filthy. Coster bawdy houses numerous and Banfster Chees. d.c. games Field Pl. now rough

General Remarks - In judging this district it is necessary to discount George Sordene to some extent he spreads his blast too wide indiscriminately over too wide an area. District has deteriorated morally, materially & the evil west of Plough Rd has spread to some extent to east. In accord to George all the streets between Lavender Pl. the Ryk York Rd & Hope Rd are equally bad - again I agree he says there is nothing to choose - one street is as bad as another - if anything the streets east of Plough Rd are worse - people are becoming dissatisfied " People are on how things don't - Many work money - don't it all away - he doubts the district is safe & troublesome. Possibly there is a unusually large rough element -

Our impression is of more than common mixture of respectable & vulgar. Must must bear that outside this district - the equally poor streets west of Bentham & George show of the people as most quiet respectable.

A most notable feature in York Rd near there is the beauty of the girls. nowhere a London have we seen so many mulatto men & mon. have been so laudable.

No lack of work for the Negro close at hand being the very back - Prices Castle works. Orlando Inn distillery. Gant's Artistic - Gay to me in - but need magnitudes who will control other police have said the same. Complain specially of Gladys whose action is capricious.

Bondesane

N St John's Hill & Chil<sup>d</sup> with DC George July 1899. S John Baate  
 S - Wanaworth Common starting corner of St John's Hill at St John's Rd up  
 E St John's Road S St John's Hill  
 W Park Rowdy to Chiswick Rd near Battersea Cemetery at one time  
 S Mary a number of prostitutes here  
 S Michael Northcote Rd. Cottages down from St John's Rd have common  
 S Peter tradesmen begin to report.

13° 219

Remarks A wholly middle-class district  
 Almost exclusively upper middle class  
 although not seen inside there has been considerable  
 decay in the streets between Wanaworth Common  
 Northcote Rd or map Rd or North Barnet but  
 Gwels says no less than two families without servants  
 "not six families in Battersea with house to themselves"  
 Some of the roads near Common were probably  
 still not frequented by prostitutes who use the  
 Common

Bondesane

N Lavender Hill with DC Grier Aug 1899  
 S Battersea Rise & starting corner of Lavender Hill / Cedars Rd South  
 E Cedars Rd. <sup>The Common</sup> Sugden Rd - sea or map but children were here  
 W St John's Rd Shabby home dinneries.  
 S Mary  
 S Stark  
 Christchurch

13° 233

Remarks The great change in this district is demolition  
 of most of the fine old houses facing Clapham Common  
 formation of new roads on other site. All except the  
 new houses actually facing the common is high classified  
 The old streets have all decayed & become tenements

Names

N Battersea Rise  
S. Nightingale Lane  
E. Clapham Common  
W. Notting Hill Grove

S' Namatas  
S' Michael  
S' Latre

13<sup>X</sup> 223.

wlk P C Helmes Oct 1899. Baxter  
Starting corner of Battersea Rise & Clapham Common  
in Leathwaite Rd - mostly brick now. Some  
Remarks. This walk takes in the beaten but old  
old by divided between Police Districts.  
Noticable feature - steady progress from pink  
brown or sometimes red to pink & tan, dorsum  
yellow on west side of Clapham Common. When  
has withstood the hedges so much longer than  
North & South - soon has molt, intact.  
One hour road is Clapham Rd - in this shape  
road no less than four been known to fall down.  
This is the only road (except Nightingale Lane)  
lying between Clapham & Wandsworth that was  
in existence in 1862.

Police Notes (38)

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Boundaries

- N Wandsworth Rd. Walks with Serg. Nunn July 1895. Notes  
 S. Clapham Common Starting corner Wandsworth Rd. & Clifton St.  
 E. Clapham Rd. <sup>Highs</sup> Clifton St. old probably with Tooting St. the first limit of  
 + Clifton St. Wandsworth Rd. Three streets now Road School by  
 W. Cedar Rd. Gasheil St.

Christchurch

- S. Paul Old Town Off road St. Some light blue cottages  
 Holy Trinity Rectory Gardens. Asphalted court. flesh - purple  
 St. John Grafton Sq. Here a great change - houses at South end  
 13 X 7. || all now tenements. Great changes also with clearance  
 at Bromels Rd. 3 St. working flats built -  
 Cross St. Chis St. flesh - purple Little manor.  
 Prescot Place Rd. - flower borders.

General remarks adverse.

Boundaries

- N Clapham Common with Serg. Nunn. July 1895. Notes  
 S. Elm Road Starting corner Clapham Rd. York Terrace  
 E. Peckham Rd. York Terrace - flesh - pink to purple  
 W. Clapham Common Out of High St. Carpenters Cottage. 3 room houses. Sup. families by 2nd  
 S. James Nelson Row. Elephant Valley. dirty & dilapidated. 60  
 Holy Trinity + two courts also. 60 - White Sq. Impaired Great  
 13 X. 29 many cottages. Chelam with dirt. Once a notorious den  
 of乞丐 (beggar) & swindlers. but much better though occasional  
 Arsonists now - (a black line has been added to 60)  
 Pleasant Pl. Triangle Pl. poor rather dirty. 60 - 4 courts.  
 Carfax Sq. roadway may of horses dirty. Arty Chelam May  
 Park Place purple

Boundaries

- N Elms Road with Sergeant Nunn - July 1895. Notes  
 S. Tooting Bee Common Starting Corn. Elms Rd. + Clapham Common -  
 E. Lyham Rd. <sup>Between the common & the road</sup> West out of Lyham Rd. are Upper Lanes, Orchard St. - poor 60  
 W. Cavendish Rd. the latter is the highest street in the Nathan Police dist  
 S. James litter in street. Chelam dirty & unkempt. 60  
 The Ascension  
 13 X. 39.

13 x 51.

Wards with Serq. Dunn

Nante

General Remarks. - These three wards include the whole of Clapham except the small portion to north of Wandsworth Rd which falls more naturally with Battersea.

Although covering large area numerically a small district even in older part - north of Common & High St. the roads are so wide turned, shaded that pop is scanty for area while south of Common & High St. is still largely open - probably no distinct locality near is less crowded - but this not likely to last.

It is a surprise that the change during last 8 years has not been greater - the new streets are quite new the assault only just beginning - but will probably be as rapid now that Lincoln House (the largest) Estate is closed - another 10 years will cover this despatch of London with streets of small mean villas. The frontage of the common broken at back house otherwise unchanged - still charming with old Georgian buildings. Clapham may be divided into 24 bits.

(1) Nondescript, Wandsworth Rd, LCDR, 7 Clapham Rd - since unaltered except Kilburn Rd (alongside of Rd). Remains in the main working middle class with sprig of artisan - no real poverty, & the people show the result of too low a standard.

(2) Nondescript LCDR, Wandsworth Rd, Cedar Rd & the Common & High St. & dependent for new roads on the west of Ry line the changes are not extensive but downward tendency with whole in better class below to a rd. from 7 to 86 Rd to A. at West Margin Sq do not yet show prominently in map - Poor hts. South of north with some little courts of iron west - it is war now - Patch west of Wittenberg's gone.

(3) Nondescript High St. Acadia Rd. The grove & Clapham Rd Rd with exception of lower orchards they contain nearest approach to real poor & vagabonds of Clapham - White Sq etc. which as to poverty remain the same but for police power has improved no inmate in White Sq for 18 months - but the police leave at times alone - otherwise a decent working class quarter - but new street lost long built & may deteriorate.

(4) Rest of Clapham as described above but see pp 63 for state detail as to both old & new.

Clapham remains as a whole an exceedingly prosperous district containing probably more high to inhabitants than any other suburban district - & it will probably have a great chance for distast. New villa appears numerically bad - nothing like shadow of old town police power now maintaining with exception of White Sq & Orleans St. district, thorough law & order - Common & Gas regulation by Gas & Water Com.

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Police notes

District 39

Police notes District (39)

Boundaries

N The Thames  
S. S. John's Hill re  
E. Parish Boundary  
W. The Wanade  
St Faith  
13 X 87

walls with P.C. Pinfold. Sept 1899. Dated.  
Starting in York Road on Boundary line - S to John St. 66  
York Road mostly rather ugly - present buildings often destroyed  
Ultringham Rd. - flush with basement - poor throughout & ignorant men  
There much drinking - Coligny St. Similar  
Flavell St. poor now built up new houses less well built  
North St. very various - to the N of Pavilions old 3 st. houses with  
large gardens tumble down & picturesque - poor & crowded  
Out of church walls east of Harpoe Rd. 6 squares of 6 cottages  
Except the two Pubs the whole of waterside is poor  
Front of church walls all down for last winter. to  
the South flush 6 houses  
Harpoe way - most flush 2 st. by how bit Carter re  
High low Common roadway to - whole street with  
low Thatched - occasional ab houses - purple or man  
Brayfield Grove - very dirty & Squatia - mostly open  
high & domes - purple or man - few ms. 4 very old  
houses or west. these especially night & day - whole street  
troublesome. W in place of purple - 2nd Pier Terrace  
Calderdale. worn & dirty & Squatia

General remarks. Walk two very distinct districts divided by Ry. Smith  
poor respectable work class with some middle & little  
or no work & one house is quite & fit to live in  
The few pink barned streets has pink  
north of Ry district which if man was correct has  
greatly deteriorated. Except Driftwood Rd. all very  
poor & troublesome. Ultringham Rd. ab on map no com.  
than the rest - some slight improvement in lowest thatched  
blue purple south to W. <sup>by income</sup> A 6 has risen to same level  
through coming in fluency of school, police, resept. .  
As in Ultringham Rd. people are poor for a time - Place of walls  
P. H. corner of York Rd. Harpoe way in scene of constant Mr  
thorough landlord does her best - C.L.H. in Harpoe way  
as possible. Through all these streets - Harpoe  
way, especially, a good many low type prostitutes

Police holes (39)

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Names

N. Thames  
S. West Hill &  
E. The Wandsworth  
W. Old Ry  
S. Stephen  
All Saints  
13 X 107

Walk with PC Pulford Sept 1895 Baxter  
Starting at All Saints Church - north to Church Passage W.  
Wandsworth Main - at S.E. a beautiful old Georgian Terrace  
In centre house Sundial date 1723. Formerly private residence  
rest old mixed shops & cottages - one of them Armonia, 4d.  
a congeries of cottages - good gardens out in back - quite decent  
Hills Yard 4 houses let as furnished apartments - due  
Squealed nearly all low class prostitutes - one bare foot boy  
Ab to Black - Bell Lane W. Frogmore part W. rest park  
W. comes, out of Frogmore - North Pl. now 5 miles  
comes great gathering place for gangs of rough lads, horses  
Point Pleasant fairly res. now thoroughfare to poor N.W.  
3 small beer houses east side - W. purple ornate.

Large market gardens have been purchased by vestry  
part to be made a Park  
Putney Ar. Rd. building in progress of Jerry kind.  
Old 3 st. houses mostly laundry - open space to South  
has been built on. Here one large Park Rd. - & District  
Rd. already looking dowdy - Bective road signs off from  
District Road (West End) middle class but going down - new  
blocks at corner of Teddington Rd. look well

Remarks. This walk divided into two widely different districts by  
Putney Br. Rd. which is really the western boundary of old Wandsworth  
Between the Wandsworth & Putney Ar. Rd. is indeed in the main the  
old village of Wandsworth embedded or nearly so in  
brick & mortar of modern London. Here clustering close to  
the hideous old church in collection of courts, alleys, collage  
twisting lanes. Near whole area poor & becomes less respectable  
as it goes north from the S. - near the church decent quiet little

place with flower creepers & - North (except Frogmore) may sign of  
industry - Ant Place, Port Pleasant &c. Hills yard thoroughly despoiled  
as usual in such cases a large number of small beer houses remain  
no less than 9 bearing fully licensed

Second division - west of Putney Ar. Rd. all modern - & since last  
map compiled there more than double - hit few houses going down  
the west buildings are frankly shabby - The new buildings north  
of railway are of the shoddiest kind.

## Boroughs

N. The Thames with P.C. Mallett Nov 1899. Daxton  
 S. Chertsey Rd. Starting East Putney Station. West along Rd. Richard's Rd.  
 E. District Lyttelton Grove N. Side mainly 3 St. Shops. S. Side 3 & 5 St. Villa Somewhat  
 W. High St. & Gloucester less good than Wandsworth section.

S<sup>t</sup> Mary 13 Y 131 Nothing much to notice till we come to the River  
 Side near Putney Bridge at Broadhouse Lane out of

which are 2 courts - now rough rather squared  
 mainly Irish - drunken

Remarks. Almost wholly modern & quite uninteresting  
 byg Putney. South of Upper Richmond Rd. are  
 all yellow roses on red - or red roses on yellow  
 alike in the older & the new unfinished walls  
 The roads between Upper Richmond Rd & the  
 river are of sand which begins to rapidly deterior-  
 ate & most already show signs of decay.

The one bit of old Putney (excluding the High St.  
 which has been mostly rebuilt) is Broadhouse Lane  
 & its courts

## Boroughs

N. The Thames (remained round) with P.C. Mallett. Nov 1899. Daxton  
 S. Upper Richmond Rd. Starting Putney Station west to Horriss Road  
 E. High St. mixed with some lower class flats -  
 W. London Avenue

S<sup>t</sup> Mary 13 Y 141 My side what appears to have been an old field  
 path leading to Putney Bridge there are some old  
 hatches - Oliver & Mascotte Rd? dirty Squares  
 rough & drunken. - The first path seems here to  
 cross a boundary line of some kind. the map shows  
 that there are geographical extensions to & south  
 Windsor's by river side (west of the bridge) whole frontier  
 down - new flats building -

Gay St: flat with pavement. rather rough & drunken no  
 outward squares. 66 North Place Windsor

The Mall rather mixed. to the north

Biggs Row (west of heath Road). 3 St. Old houses. Squares garden 66  
 or Nochabon - The rest of this district contains nothing of interest except the pretty old village

13 Y. 161. The rest of this district contains nothing of interest except the pretty old village

Police notes (39)

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Further west from Westmoren N<sup>o</sup> George Place, cul de sac cottages - some flush - Somewhat very Squashed forecourts costers labourers & some Italian Ice cream & Chewing Venders, all over, low & rough. Worsleyan at S.W. of G.M.C. Other small courts similar.

A number of new built streets to north of Lower Richmond N<sup>o</sup>.

Out of Pentlow St. by Metrov. Boundary in Floss St. very dirty & Squashed - many broken windows. Low costers & loafers - troublesome to Police.

Sefton St. - Some poor & rough - South Place. Non cottage.

Remarks This walk includes practically the whole of poor Putney in three patches. First between Beaufort N<sup>o</sup> & Queen N<sup>o</sup> & High St. according to Mallett a very low & dourish quarter. The new streets Oliver & Mascole are rather worse than the old streets on other side of Gardeners Lane. Second patch between Lovers & Talwin Roads. Again dourish but has improved of late year. Third or extreme west of London - Floss St. one is of the lower type. District noticeable for new streets in progress & recently completed. Between Richmond N<sup>o</sup> & New excepting Garden exclusive, working class - for the most part appear fairly well built - nothing here like newer streets in Fulham & Wandsworth. Those between the Richmond Roads are of better class, high class built. P.R. 6 & a little red.

Ruislip —



Speaks of drink Mallett said he was informed that lower class of now much as one finds in most of the blue streets of Putney, Amk as much as 20 years ago & the women a great deal more - on Sat. night. You will meet two Amkine women for me Amkine man.

## Boundaries

N. East Hill or with PC Pilfold. Sept 1899. Naxx.  
 S. Starting corner S. John's Hill. SS' Anne No. S. Then  
 E. Its worth East to North Side & so to Spence Park. The part to  
 N. South of Garatt west of the Common between Tring Rd & S. Anne's Hill  
 S. Anne Lane all cut up into Roads. Red Postage. Nine b. behind  
 S. Andrews houses like those in new roads north of Clapham Common  
 13 x 125.

North to East Hill. mixed old & new - incl. from A. G.  
 Oak Place &c - South of Alfarthing Lane are a lot  
 of new brick streets. Chiefly the best parts. Some notably  
 good as thoroughfares to the north. (Note more)  
 (Here we pass beyond the map.)

Down Parkfield Road by side of Alfarthing to street  
 surrounding Wandsworth & Clapham Union. Many brick  
 Dingwall Rd - mixed lot - also Inman & Conyngham  
 little streets jammed in between Alfarthing & Dunca  
 Garatt Lane is mainly shops & will become so entirely.  
 There is one terrace of tumble down cottages. "Cubitts  
 Cottages" rather dirty & squalid less rough than they were  
 North out of Alfarthing Rd. East on (late Barnard) S. Finch  
 nos of Squalor &c as on map. Bonmill Place was a very  
 rough corner full of thieves & prostitutes. Chiefly offically  
 now gangs of boys -

Out of Malva Road Corinna Rd & 2 st Woolley class flats  
 Vilely built. squalid, dirty wretched - one of worst in district

\*  
 Remarks. This walk starts in East with sea tykes about Wandsworth Common  
 & gets steadily poorer as it descends in valley of the Wandle

The Grove divides two districts, one wholly poor, the other partly  
 rising to sea tykes - of the poor district the old part is rear of road  
 below the high line & while improvement in character of inhabitants  
 remains a rough & dirty corner. In this small area (High St. S. Anne Rd)  
 the Grove & Alfarthing Lane are 8 beer houses & 2 public houses. The  
 new streets to south are so new as probably to look better than  
 they are, at all events. Pilfold (one of the most reliable pubs) gave  
 them a worse & poorer character than either inspection suggested.  
 Here on Wandle is in Cubitts Collett (stranded) but quite possibly a  
 more respectable dwelling place than some of the new. All the whole  
 valley building is of the poorest.

East of the Grove the map shows even more new building than to  
 the west - better built for a better class but still shoddy.

## Boundaries.

N High St.  
S London Avenue  
E Garrett Lane  
W Wm Hutton Ave.  
S Anstrum  
13 x 151.

Walk with P.C. Pifford Oct 1895. Baxters  
Starting Finsbury Station went to Thomsom Rd. No. 16  
Also Gordon Rd. - Abutted on the boundary. North to Hendon Hill,  
mixed decent at last few. rough now at NW. Pifford  
lives here (7. a week 6 room). North to Lyndon Road  
poor to very rough. low beer house on south. Up to banded  
Lyndon Grove - now has rough dormitory - all the types of  
Squatters. 16 & 26 banded - Wardley S. Sinclair. Perhaps  
a little better than it was. low common road to north  
yard full of wheelers. Gipsy Tams. Each inhabited by a family.  
The owner lives next door - quite a wealthy man.  
Great numbers of foreign men who work not at all or  
one or two days. Many hang about at entrance  
of street - (Pifford says) always there. 16 & 26 banded  
Lyndon Grove (another part unfinished) with Gipsy S.  
<sup>(divided by a wall among)</sup> new Thatched built. (we now return to our map)  
Duckhole Rd & others not yet developed.  
Out of High St. to south a few 16 courts. Now independent  
fields along 6 cottages. By now woodchoppen Cottages to  
Squatters fairly 16 & 26 - Newton 40. 6 cottages. quite decent.  
Dutch yard with 7 now at north. Comfortable at south.  
Merton Road long tree mixed in houses in back.  
Palmerston Rd. 16 to Purple (just included on our map).  
Merton Rd. will probably become shopping street of the  
size as Garrett Lane is of the opposite side of road.  
South to Murr Road (beyond our map). frontons to  
houses - low brick dormitory. The Wardley S. may not be bad  
many signs of Squatters. Opposite are a number of new three  
car one story built - Pepple-hampt' to pink - hill  
when completed form a good built colony. Streets to west  
up the hill the best.  
South down Wimbleton Rd. N°. New streets. 16 & 26 flats  
Back to Smithfield Station from field to Strand Road  
Layfield Street. all purple -  
(no remarks till end of next walk)

## Boundaries

N. Upper Richmond Rd. Walk with DC. Pinfold Oct 7/95. Baxter.  
 S. — Starting corner of West Hill Mortain<sup>h</sup>. westward  
 E. Wimbledon Pk. N. West of Mortain<sup>h</sup> are a number of pink banded houses  
 W. Putney Heath South of West Hill a series of tea roads behind the yellow  
 S. Michael detached houses mainly - few yellow - has red  
 Beyond the border of our map south of Wimbledon Pk.<sup>height</sup> a  
 building - almost pink - new building in progress all  
 tea in character Beaumont Augustus Albert & C. called  
 Wimbledon Park

North to Putney Hill all detached large yellow houses

**Remarks.** These two walks include best part of Wandsworth  
 roads from Black of Wardle S. to yellow of Wimbledon M.  
 Poorly all in Valley of Wandse - either in streets made  
 cul de sac by river or numerous courts south of High St.  
 These with recreation fields all wholly respectable &  
 green - "best of the poor" are here - great contrast  
 to those in the streets on the Wandse bank - full of lowest  
 & roughest class of labourers & loafers mixed with thieves.  
 Among these poor Pinfold lives & says he is the  
 best hatched man - Baxter & he were at the moment passing  
 a low brick house Lyddon Rd. 16 or 17 Suffragan looking fellow  
 was watching just over the blinds - Yes there they are  
 dear P. wonders what the G. h. - that B. - S. - is doing down here  
 though they are there too late, bears some resemblance  
 which I attribute to my familiarity of short police patrol  
 The new streets building to north of Wardle S. are worst  
 of the many badly built new streets in the valley. exceedingly  
 like those in Dulham north of Wandsworth may. Like them  
 probably began humble - a race up.  
 It may be noted as to new building Wandsworth & SWMP  
 a repetition of Dulham houses with coral brick identical in  
 appearance - unquestionably an evil failure before many  
 of them - in both places building necessary to rapid for  
 official control - but a good deal can only be reasonably con-  
 sidered. The new streets west of Mortain<sup>h</sup> still going on.  
 Complete but nowhere better.

Of the second walk little to say - remains almost  
 exclusively poor area or poor yellow. New building of best class  
 as probably decay for some years yellow to red  
 Pinfold also the best guide Baxter has had. unusually considerate in pointing out as they pass  
 here a prostitute ('Gatty' he calls them) here a man who has done time - here a boot  
 maker - or bookmaker aspect. In company with others he thinks people are more civilised  
 here less emphatic than some & thinks improvement is due largely to the police

## Norwood

N A.  
S. Bank Avenue  
E do  
W. LSWR

13 x 179

## Summers

Walk with P.C. Helmes - Oct 1899 Naxley  
Starting LSWR bridge in Town, N<sup>o</sup>. (close to Park)  
South to Town, N<sup>o</sup> - reach district going down  
houses between Patten & Henderson S. lot to 2 families.  
These side streets red - practically built up  
Brodrick & Wmdele N<sup>o</sup> red mostly & the rest  
Norwood Lane - yellow houses  
French court N<sup>o</sup> pink. Summerly S<sup>th</sup> pink to purple  
Garratt Lane pink till you come to the old lane  
extending as far as Leatherottle - 66 C. & G.  
Tremont S. Thornton to pink  
Trotte N<sup>o</sup> further south & Seward N<sup>o</sup> 66 or pink  
Norrop, Headworth, Maskell all purple

Garratt Lane to Somerton mostly pink

Remarks This walk concludes Wansorth - Here as  
before the wandle valley is now with atoms  
of myself through Helmes as usual speaks  
of great improvement. In this respect especially  
in Somerton which was distinctly troublesome  
Naxley conceives that Garratt Lane & its off street  
has been in the past a very hacking track  
with the red banks - both so to speak are on  
the edge of London & to a great extent cut off  
from civilization. They have probably been allowed  
to grow up without much tending from local  
authorities, church or chancery.

The part on top of the hill, built on ground picked  
for Wansorth comma remains red but with  
right signs of decay

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Miscellaneous notes

36 + 37. (38) + 39  
none

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see Booth, Life and labours... 1902-3,  
Third Series. Vol. 5, Part II,

[Booth's notes: Miscellaneous notes; Districts  
36, 37, 39. fols. i, 12.]

Miscell Notes 36 & 37

C.O.S. Woolcomb. Secretary to the Battersea, Clapham Mandate with C.O.S.

CXXVI. 1 Has the reputation of being the best of C.O.S. secretaries  
Baxter knows him well for 12 years. Served under him  
for 5 years at Battersea - Not a man of any great intellectual  
ability but distinguished for commonsense & sympathy. Very  
a glutton for work - pride, no time. District very large.  
The whole of 2½ hours was spent in interview. My thoughts  
the transfer getting names desirable prospects see his marks  
on the Clergy are noted in "Work of the Church".

All cooperate with C.O.S. to some extent. It may be noted  
St Stephen, St Saviour, Ascension, St Luke & St Mark send  
representatives, but except St Saviours nearly all give dole  
more or less through visitors. But a great <sup>(leaving)</sup> change in  
recent years. Most of Clergy believe in careful administration  
but too weak to control visitors.

X // Of Battersea as a whole things become more & more  
hopeless & hopeless as ever. & parts north of Clapham  
Institution deteriorated - Clapham Institution neighbourhood  
has an evil character - professional & non-professional  
prostitution are rife - Lavender Hill Swamps with lack  
of loose character.

// Sheath of Church generally in South London  
thought its influence very small. He himself lives with  
Brooke of John the Divine. Even here the Church has  
a parochial influence while the same may be said  
of Monk the other prominent man after Brooke  
who is mainly a pulpit influence.

Polytechnic - Wells. The first president of this Polytechnic which has been run  
Battersea Rd No. CXXVI. 23. 8 years - Seen a week ago & now again visiting the place.

The Report taken with material give an idea of the tremendous  
scope of the work - Points which came out in conversation

(1) Two sets of Polytechnics - Old and (Report 5') when Education  
strays from social work many joining org for social activities  
advantage - new (such as Battersea) where aim is making  
Educational

Russell; notes 36 & 37.

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Patterson Polytechnic no one can join social clubs (which are themselves unimportant) who is not a member of some class



wells

CXXVI. 23 One exception being the use of Gymnasium  
Cont'd (2) Those who use Polytechnic come from Norman area. Clapham, Battersea, Putney, Streatham, Norwood. Large number from Patterson but none from poor streets in immediate neighbourhood - inhabitants of which are very touched if at all by Saty Concerts in great hall

(3) Members very mixed socially: but most of the class are one, open to members of the trade for which they cater & so recruited roles for work, class. In other classes (as Art) most students of low social standing, middle class ladies.

(4) There is no religious work - nor can there be openly. It has been thought wise to keep Clerical element off the governing body. Mr. Wells keeps in touch with the ministers & hosts them as to the work doing, but many of them regard it with suspicion. He would welcome non-official religious work like that of Richardson at the Norrough.

(5) Difficulty of maintaining tone of social work failing supervision by Gentlemen. Professionalism creeps in. Dilettante-like sense of honour shown - subscriptions not paid - books stolen from library.

Mildly admirable - equipment most complete. Classes soon embraced. Plumbing, Surveying, Tailoring, Cooking, Chemistry, Drawing, Woodcarving, Painting, Decorating

Miss Cunningham - In charge of Refuge Halls. Chivalry A. hands with Reformatory Union



CXXVI. 3g Comma - She is engaged roles in rescue work mainly "maternity" cases. "Street cases" seldom dealt with here looks upon them as almost hopeless & at any rate do not mix well with the others when the girls, another of decent class & have been seduced by promise of marriage.

Mrs Cunningham nearly all her cases are sent by Clergy, Deacons, Reformatory Union. CXXVI. 39 C.O.S + many of them terribly young - two girls of

Cont'd. 15 in the houses both mothers have them as

young as 14 - any last year 7 under 16 -

Some attempts made at rescue of the women who  
habitual the neighbourhood of the Junction - but not  
more than one or two these cases are brought in  
a year & they are at once transferred to more suitable  
homes - Does not know where they are now  
convinced that a number of houses must be used as  
brothels near the junction.

Praised highly Mr Woolcombe, C.O.S with whom  
she is in constant co-operation

Mantle Relief station Hatchmere R.O. Batterson recommended

Relief Officer by Mr Woolcombe to be seen

CXXVI. 45 was for many years in business at no. 100 Newgate but has

business failed for 9 years he has been servant of Grindon  
for 6 years R.O. District South of Batterson R.C.

Most applications from Hatchmere Grove Stamford Hill  
& the latter the worse of the two (2) near Culvert Hill

(3) Knowsley S.E. off Hatchmere R.O. (4) The Beaupre Estate  
off Lavender Hill where live a number of low prostitute  
who work Clapham Common

Has some knowledge of the worse of Batterson

X Tendency throughout to a lower level - about 3 years  
ago special access of poverty due crowding owing to  
Chelsea migration. Sanitary inspection active popular  
& have done all they could but over crowding still  
exists to some extent - now considerable movement

X of poorest to new houses in Valley of Wandle & Tooting  
Buildings ofile character in progress there - almost  
certainty of creation of slum area there

X But though poorer not on whole better behaved

X certainly as regards men & women. Fewer drunkardly  
but some increase of rowdyism among boys. Many gangs

Mantle Thoughtless disorders from drink no decrease in general  
Battersea R.O. (Cont'd) habits of drinking & all applications for relief except

CXXVI. 23. from London crippler & the need the ultimate if not

the immediate cause of poverty is drink

A good deal of prostitution in Battersea but not in the

District. Mostly near Immeton - Dr Severn, Peterstein &

Conyn Road. Large colony foreigner mainly Belgians.

Some have been cleared out lately. Two houses which

were practically brothels belonged to one of overseers. The

great difficulty is financial interest of some guardians  
in this & the drunk business.

The English prostitutes who are of a lower class  
than foreign mostly find accommodation in the three  
inst north of Immeton.

Policy of Guardians liberal on relief - 4 labour guardians  
who were send to the House & who are ready to  
give relief to almost any one, whatever their character.

Of these Mrs Gray of the S.D.F. is leaning Poccia, Mr Russell  
In spite of the policy Mr M has received increase of one  
relief in his ward in spite of increase of non. His experience

leads him to believe that all might be taken away except  
to the aged & infirm in early days of probation without the  
recipients being a bit worse off. Either paid work or voluntary assist

But most of the ROI are quite well filled with Board

why to do so when Board is Progressive leads to increase  
of key. "Joe won't get the advance he's got for unless  
there's plenty of relief"

Works correlate with COS & without mentioning it to

Board gets them take up cases which come under his  
notice.

Mr Gray Member of S.D.F. Guardian of Battersea Union  
Guardian - CXXVI. 81. Her husband is a wine man. They live in Este No  
a purple S' Close to Clapham Junction

She is probably between 40 & 50 looks like a duck in time  
with her brown hair, honey face, bushy black hair near dress.  
a sweet sympathetic mother person.

Mr Gray Though her views are narrow she is far the best educated  
Guardian. CXXVI. 81 woman of her class I (Maxte) have ever met & has certainly  
had deeper of late years in Economics.

Perhaps my own aunt in small Beer shop at Newbury  
came with her husband to Battersea 16 years ago.

What was his trade may be he was about 10 years ago out  
of work for 10 months & they then became caretakers at  
Milton Hall (Congregationalist) House & rents £60 a week  
on this they kept out of debt & in health by scientific feeding.

Such knowledge & tact lacking among the people & so  
when things are short are quite unable to make the most of them.  
When they came to Battersea the husband seems to  
have been religious working class people. Good Evangelical  
Christian & attached themselves to Christ Church but  
to her (though there was nothing extreme) it seemed full of idolatry  
so they joined Milton Hall. Here a good deal of social  
work was done & she saw that the people came with  
few exceptions <sup>one</sup> for the loaves & fishes. Neither here nor  
in the other Churches or Chapels could she see anything  
of the true spirit of Christianity. seemed to her then Deeper  
still more now. full of uncharitable blemishes & one of the  
worst the Chapels the worse

About 9 years ago Mr G & her husband joined the SDP  
do not at first give up Dogmatic Christianity but appear  
now to have done so finding in Socialism "more of the true  
spirit of Christianity than in all the Churches." but Mr  
G remains a deeply religious woman & carries with her  
with her book in the house than the Bible" & deeply  
regards aggressive materialism <sup>in which</sup> & most of her comrades  
are sunk - Convinced movement will never advance  
until placed on more spiritual & ethical basis instead  
of Economic & materialistic -

Socialist  
Starts a Sunday School at Sydney Hall that gather 80/100  
of the highest children of New Brookwood purely Ethical teaching  
truths which includes all religion - Mainly in all catechized  
"Truthfulness Honesty, Cleanliness, Brotherhood"

Mrs Gray  
Guardian & CXXVI. 81

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difficulty in carrying on the school lack of help from her Comrades - at times is alone with her 80 children. Although spoke of finding spirit of Christianity in Socialism. She seemed on the whole not to have a high opinion of her Comrades - apart from their materialism. Doubt whether meanness Raete of trust in one another & then leaders - Roger the head of this branch is apparently paid expenses & something more - she asked for one of pocket expenses as guardian having had to sue up her arrears making - they argued that as a married woman her husband ought to keep her. Begins £2.9/- first year she has had nothing. This the meanness which has caused defection of such men as Tom Mann & John Burns.

John Burns she says is unquestionably brought the - perhaps not conscious of it - leaders no longer ready working men. & a mystery where his funds come from. The temptations are great. Mrs S has herself been approached in covert ways by opponents on D<sup>o</sup> of Guardian. Offers of apprenticeship her daughter &

Dattersa though much more crowded not however crowded off great - several instances of men with families drawn into the house tho' unwilling. Among them the case of ex policeman mentioned by Dr Wherast - Orville A<sup>o</sup> the worst place Dattersa Eurostar greatly improved. (Pretty story of her protege Alf from Eurostar place). -

Horrible increase of anti among women - though brought up in a beer house. has never since entered one floors with horror on the freedom with which women now enter - quite common to a girls 16 or 15, rolling about in the streets - attributes it to increase of factory labour. Expresses great admiration of P.C. they alone really influence other houses. Especially bathers in the poor districts because Mrs Gaskins. Mrs G's views on Poor Law are those of George Lansbury & others. She speaks of factory support for progressives. One point in their programme is that no one earning less than 30/- a week should be compelled to contribute to Poor relief - but Progressives a few are constantly violating this principle.



Mrs Gilmore An elderly lady who for 15 years has been leading Deaconess CXXVI. 63 Rochester Deaconess Institution (North side Clapton Common) - Helped in original map & was much interested in the new edition which shows it has much worsened. She thought was not "handsome" in part of Battersea where her person with Chiefly her - by Parish of the Woodstock Road A. is used as training ground for prostitutes. Her verdict on the whole that worst parts have slightly improved - best parts greatly deteriorated. The worst part known to the Deaconess is the Tritton's area Wayland S. Antennae Pt of Plough Rd. Here largely result of their persistent work the worst people have been moved away (to other side of Plough Rd.) Less hopeless who remain <sup>have</sup> improved. The area was full of prostitutes, burglar & thieves. In early days has found as many as 5 prostitutes in one room in Wayland S. If you go on visiting without any bread; but let them see you know they gradually move away -

Reformation Mrs G seems to regard as hopeless at all events. Policy, however has been that of moral or actual hating, more or less. Many believe that hating & scattering does lead to some diminution of prostitution.

Though there are still criminals there is not the unashamed criminality of the past -

[Two good burglar stories given] the man who was hurt falling out of a gentleman's window & the man who could not get to work without his tools) worse than Tritton's area is Orville - but has struck & down & now better than sometimes but little hope of permanent improvement - hardly no doubt because very effort is made to get decent people away - not always easy because lack of house room

Mr Gilmore  
Deacons. CXXVI 63  
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Find it almost impossible. when people have to move they roam the streets lonely like hunted dogs - in lowest streets. No & Cox arrangements are common. "Is it right" said a decent woman in Wayland St., "that I should have to sleep in a bed that a man sleeps in during the day".

Described drunk & gamblers as terrible. Drunken among women greatly on the increase - as to us better but they do not beat so much as the men - the explanation of chronic great poverty when there is not drink is always better - without the knowledge of their husbands - not possible as much because as with drink & prostitution the notice on this matter are corrupt. As to the work of the Churches on the Mission side it is a failure both Chapt & non-chapt. "Their Chapels are as empty as our churches but a very different & much more friendly attitude to the church than 15 years ago.

Importance of the Church largely due to incessant persecutions which church goes entails. "To walk with God is Scott Roman means something" - One woman to come yesterday started out with a bearing upon her hand & left it at a friend's on her way.

Speaking of Deaconesses work pointed out its thoroughness compared to that of voluntary workers. So called District visiting, seldom amounts to much more than magazine distribution - by few parish visitors in any effective sense.

But the Deaconesses really have a most thorough knowledge of the people in their districts thoroughly done in them to church more than one here & there

In Mr Gilmore Deacons are instructed as far as possible  
Deacons CXXVII 63 not to give - Mr Gilmore has himself lent

Cont'd a great deal of money often to the boy houses  
read, the whole of which has been repaid  
strongly disapproved of the Clergy said, propose  
to the C.O.S. - approve C.O.S. methods but say  
harm should be done, on Relief Committee  
Has known people abandon religion after being  
sent to C.O.S. refused thereafter inquiry.

In addition to Relief Committee most useful  
parochial agencies are (1) Mother Union which  
gather the best mothers & makes them all in some  
sense missionaries (2) Boys Brigade (3) Collect  
Nurks, by far the best has been the Girls.

Clubs are excellent for boys especially the rough  
but a mistake for respectable girls who are  
much better at home at night

[Story of the girl who serves Mr Gilmore - daughter  
of a drunkard, as instance of result of work done]

Mrs Bullock Superintendent - we have been told of the  
So London District Nursing home by many & all have spoken well of it  
Nurses Home Manning Rd  
CXXVI. 117.

It takes in an immense area unbounded to  
the south - Constitution identical with  
that of the Home in Bloomsbury. 8 nurses & staff  
Rules printed in report -

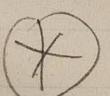
[Remarks about nursing I do not extract here as  
this subject must be separated dealt with]

Found no fault with administration of Out relief  
much more critical of C.O.S. - say so far as to say she  
would hesitate to refer any respectable case of which she  
had personal knowledge - So tried up & so inconclusive - but  
Excluded Mr Togher & Mr Woolcombe - they ought to run the whole Soc'y  
She is impatient with C.O.S. arguments against School Nurses  
"With the Doctor of their fees" "diminish parental responsibility"  
Mrs Bullock is a lady of perhaps 35 as capable as she  
is keen - & sympathetic as she is critical -



Nurgen - A short note of longish interview with Headmaster Schoolmaster CXXVI. 57. of Surrey Lane A' School & Higher Grade School - Surrey Lane B' Sch. The character of school gauged by the statement "The mothers are splendid - I don't know of more than five mothers who do not make some effort to further the interests of their children - And in such cases as would be discovered there is great difficulty in getting the mother to apply to anyone for assistance going round the school with us Mr D asked in the 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> standards as to S. Sch, Days of Hope & Boys Brigade. Excent in 6<sup>th</sup> few belong to Boys Brigade here a com. thinking - To Days of Hope about  $\frac{1}{3}$ <sup>rd</sup> to S. Schools about  $\frac{2}{3}$ <sup>rd</sup> - & asked how many armed so if there were no treat about the thought they should go in any case - In 5<sup>th</sup> standard asked what was the proper motive for S. School going hands were held up & the first boy said "to reach to God" the second amendment "to learn about God" Though somewhat abrupt Mr D is a kindly man & takes a real interest in the boys - but he said frankly that he did not want to see them in their homes whether his work was over he wanted to put away storm of 9 to 4 was sufficient.

Norme Seen partly on Wollcombe's recommendation I shall Headmaster of CXXVI. 129. from interesting district in which school is - Has been instance, No 1<sup>st</sup> Son here 5 years was under master at Rotherhithe &



- at Lavender Hill. Lives some way from school does as little as possible of the district out of school hours.
- (1) The children are somewhat ruder, becoming grown-up like class, but don't otherwise show signs of poverty, sellabands, clothes they may need ill fed - their parents at least both appear the belligerent. A provision for free dinner but only 250 tickets given since Christmas.
- (2) Attendance punctual amazingly good - attendance over 90% & one day lately out of 344 boys not one was late - a matter which depends on the master almost exclusively. When he came there were 30 habitual truants.
- (3) The neighbourhood has with the visitors a very bad moral character especially for drink & sexual morality, much worse than Rotherhithe - but does not notice this among the boys. Slatterns are more free of obscenities than at the Higher Grade Sch Lavender Hill.

Nonne - The evil which he does see is gambling - there  
School master CXXVI.129 an occasional bookmaker between the school

Cont'd & Clapham junction. Groups of gambling lads  
between 16 & 18 are ubiquitous - one quiet pitch is  
just outside the school - Constant complaints have  
been made to the police - things improve for a time but tide goes

(4) Of 346 boys 66 are employed out of School hours  
mostly as newspaper, milk or errand boy

(5) Head, alleuvia as soon as possible. May 2, 1914.

(6) The children are dull, haven't been told 20 times  
here for once at Lavender Hill -

(7) A great deal of illness - especially infection  
disease last year 100 boys out of 350 had to be  
excluded for periods 1 to 18 weeks.

of religious influence knew nothing

Mrs Ruth Whitbread - A belated interview - doubtless one of the Brown  
Utopian Girls Club or Dark family, lives with her mother in satin place

CXXVI.151. A youngish woman of peasant appearance exceedingly  
charming manners.

She started this club in Battersea 4 years ago  
nether than now since any experience of any other home quarter.  
The Club is undenominational tho religious work is  
carried on in it. Though the Club is held in the Mission  
Buildings of St. George's parish (Highbury) Mr Wilcox has

no connection with it. It takes no interest in it - (he is not  
W says utterly slack). Rent is paid to him for the room & the sole  
convention is that there shall be no dancing. Work  
on a small scale - managed on most sensible lines. Roll  
of day, boutique about Mrs Whitbread. She visits all the girls in their  
homes but beyond that is part of County Hospital fund goes nothing  
& this is recognised so clearly that she is never begged from.  
It is reasonable to suppose assistance absolutely needed she applies GCO 5 &  
leaves - then hours - Yet with few exception her girls, etc of quite  
poor class nearly all from bad blue streets - Soho, Shoreditch, Limehouse,  
Agnes Arthur John & some come from as far as Hornsey, Southgate  
Wards, with it to be with poor girls from Hoxton worked to join  
as to spiritual condition there is a paragraph in report they never  
all confess that they "Chuse religion when they go to work" but all  
have been at Sunday Schools. Both S. George & Andrews parishes have  
been almost neglected by Mr Tappin Successor from Mrs. W. well

Mrs W is keen on Factory acts & the Club is affiliated to Clerks Industrial Assn  
Perhaps which refers to it was her against which Mrs W was anxious  
to draw it out for us as the work of the assn has to be carried on in secret  
to fear of the tyranny of superiors. The girls take the greater interest. Rynd's rule  
an alibi - Mrs. Besnard having one boy after sending girls to this Club.

Two things most noticed in  
the homes are over crowding  
& dirt

Spoke with Mrs Despard, only

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Mrs Hackford

Wandsworth Ladies Benevolent Society Copy of circular letter describing the work & requirement of this Society which relieves the sick & aged of Wandsworth from Nov to March. The Committee, all of whom are visitors, meet at the Friends meeting, Hove. High St Wandsworth at 7.2 o'clock with written report of cases of distress. No money is in any case given - but visitors either purchase the articles needed or get tickets. They work in S-Anne's Faith & the Wardly District. Work more needful than ever (1899) - again record with great regret reduced subscription due by small affair (Sav. £17.)

By gone Wandsworth ) an interesting account

in Ernest Hammon

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the Sick Poor. Wandsworth

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Royal Home for Ladies. 23 - Annual Report

with limited income 1897/8

S. John's Hill

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Incorporation China. Founded by Mr Baker in 1868 for the promotion of Education Religion Recreation. Irrespective of Creeds - no clergymen may be governors.

Full particulars given. An immense affair somewhat like the Quaint Hogg Polytechnic. Very interesting account - must be read in full.

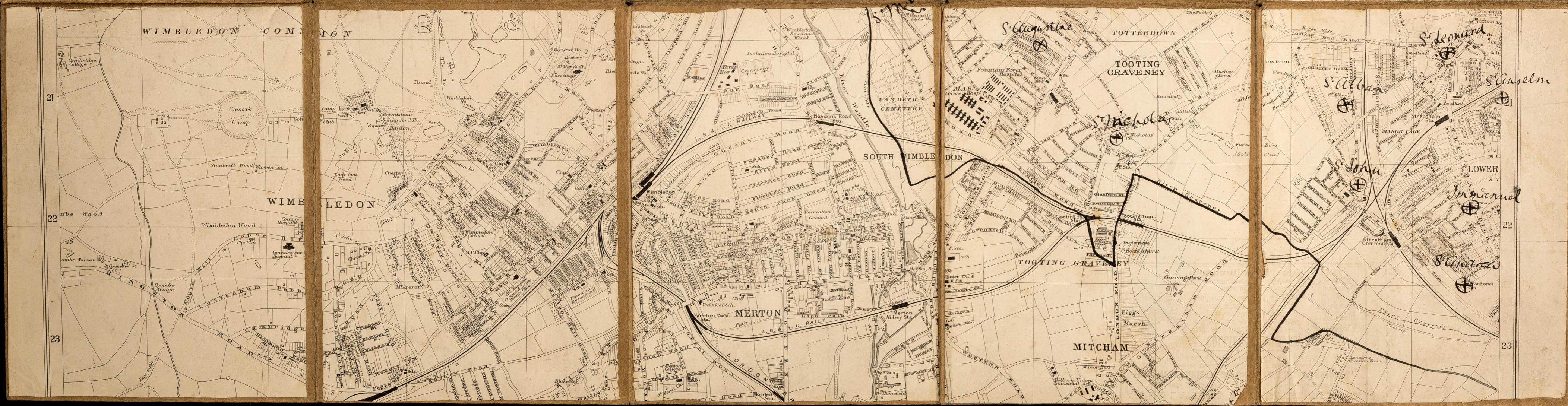
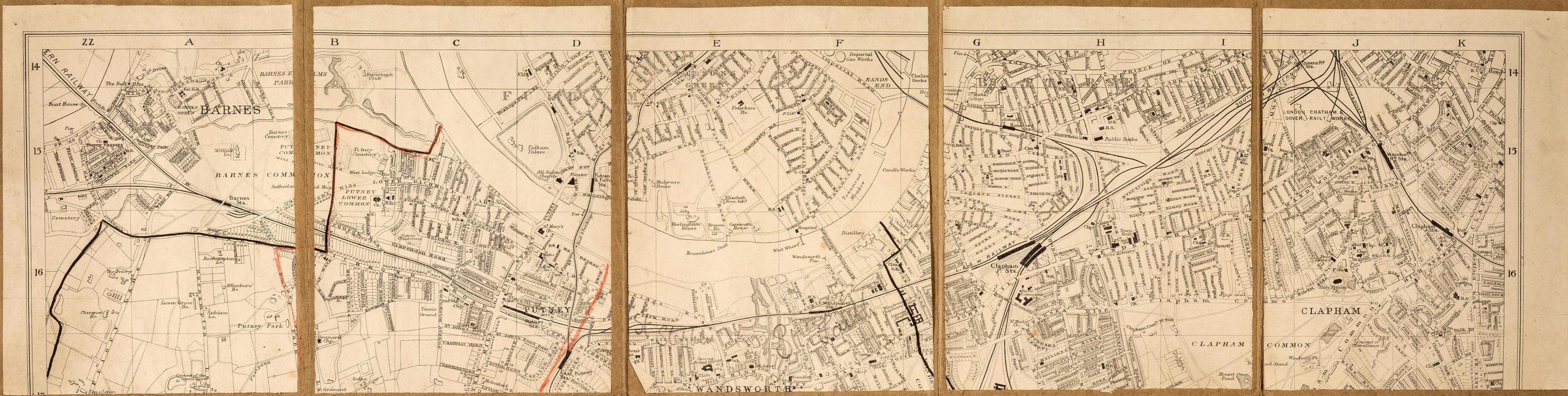
Witch Foster Temperance Soc Interview with the leader, Miss M. Shanner

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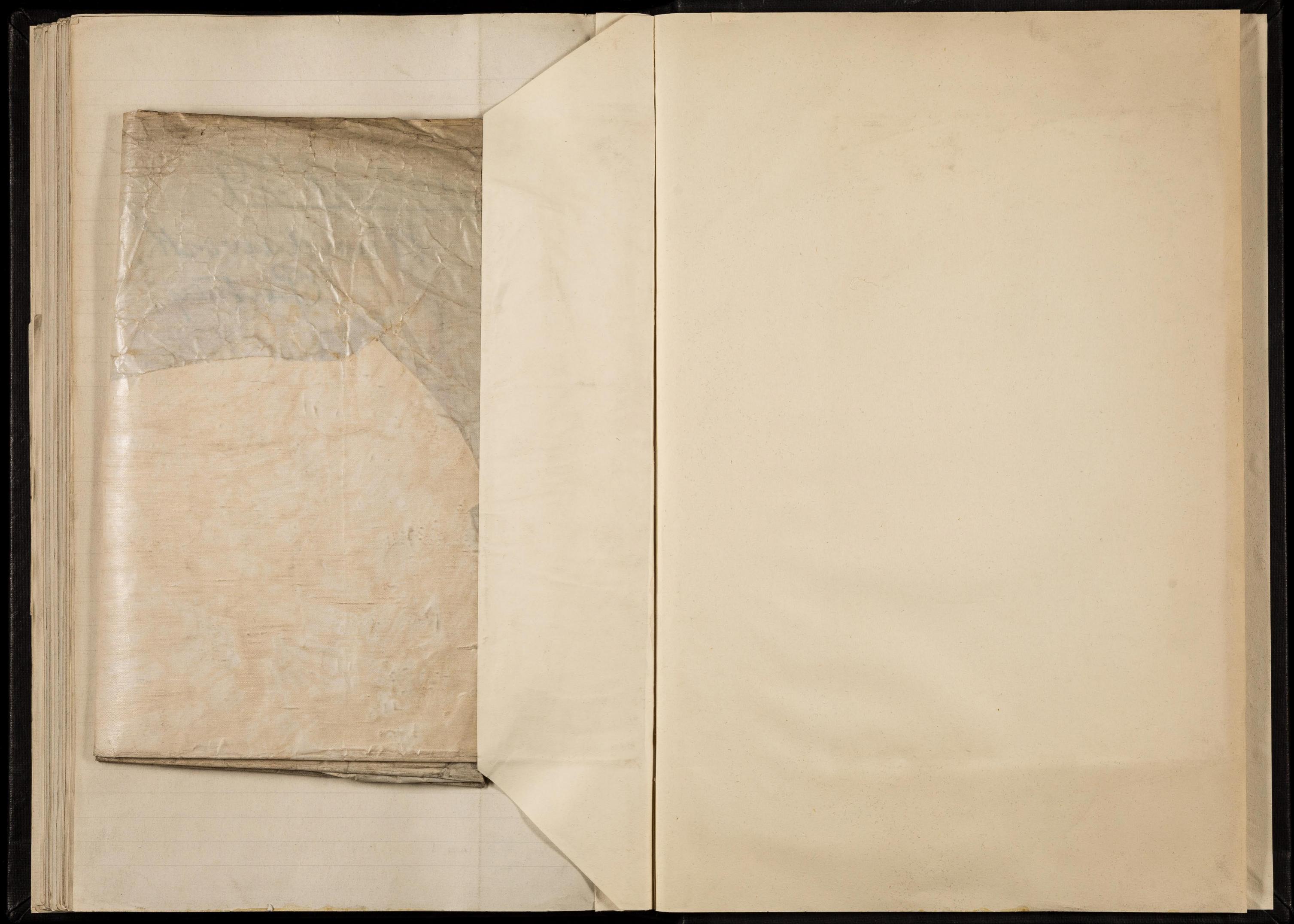
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Putney,





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