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3. Of proving that God is able to answer prayer by appealing to Him alone for funds.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

What a blessing it is in these days of war that we are able to look away to the One who offers peace to the soul born in sin through the merits of His only begotten Son.

Although we can and do weep with those who weep we must not allow Satan to make us miserable and to fill us with doubt.

May we ever remember that we who are saved have to do with a Covenant-Keeping God as recorded in Deut. 7-9. "Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations." If this scripture means anything at all—it means that God—our God—is a being upon whom we can absolutely rely and stay ourselves. Though this is the first time we meet with the title "The faithful God" in the Scriptures—yet the fact of His faithfulness is clearly revealed throughout the Word "God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted—tested—tried above what ye are able. Faithful is He that calleth you who also will do it." How is it then that a note of fearsome pessimism has crept into the lives, prayers and conversations of God's people in these dark days? That the days are dark we do not deny. War is raging—"A War of Millions," millions of lives are being lost—millions of money spent, millions are being ruined, millions are sorrowing. Hell is let loose on the Continent, the work of God is suffering at home and abroad, already retrenching operations have begun—missionaries have been recalled, charitable organisations are feeling the loss of many subscribers, pessimism, surely this is a time of gloom and pessimism. Yes! if God has gone out of the business of ruling the Universe—Yes! if He has ceased to be faithful—Yes! let me say it slowly, If He is *dead*. Look up my brother—the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth: The Faithful God is on His throne yet and this God is our God. Surely this is the time to test His faithfulness. Daniel put God to the test when the decree was signed and the lions' den awaited him. Did God fail him? Elijah put God to the test in the days of famine. Did God fail him? A whole nation put God—"The Faithful God"—to the test during the exodus. Did God fail them? Listen to their testimony. "There hath not failed one word of all His good promise which He promised by the hand of Moses His servant." God is faithful because He is God—He cannot be anything else. His faithfulness is the outcome of His character, His attributes. God's faithfulness rests on six pillars that can never be shaken or broken.

- (1) His Faithfulness—which makes it impossible for Him to be false or faithless.
- (2) His Righteousness—which makes Him infinitely sensitive to any obligation He assumes.
- (3) His Power—which is the eternal guarantee of His ability to do as He promises.
- (4) His Love—which makes it impossible for Him not to be in sympathy with all our needs.
- (5) His Omniscience—which makes it impossible for Him to forget and enables Him to devise methods and work out His gracious purposes.
- (6) His Unchangeableness—which makes it impossible for Him to alter His purpose towards us.

When God announces Himself as Jehovah—Isebahoth—"The Lord of hosts"—Your protector—His faithfulness is the pledge—that with every temptation—He will open to you a way of escape.

When God reveals Himself to you as Jehovah-Jireh—"The Lord will provide"—Your provider—His faithfulness is the pledge—that He will supply all your need according to His riches in Glory through Christ Jesus.

When God reveals Himself to you as Jehovah-Rohi—"The Lord your shepherd"—His faithfulness is the pledge that you will be made to lie down in green pastures and be led beside the still waters.

As Jehovah-shalom—"the God of peace"—His faithfulness binds Him to fulfil His promise—that wars shall cease—that the spear shall become a pruning hook and the sword a plough-share and that Jesus the Prince of Peace, yea the King of Kings shall reign and rule the nations with a rod of iron.

Look up brother—drop that note of pessimism and begin to Praise God—for His faithfulness is great and reacheth unto the heavens. If you still persist in croaking—if you remain fearful and walk in the shadows of unbelief that does not alter the truth of His faithfulness—Listen!

If we believe not—Yet—He abideth faithful.

This lamentable war has without question increased our burdens—but—praise Him—we know where to "roll" them and we are finding that "He does sustain."

As promised in our last issue we give on subsequent pages the addresses delivered at our Anniversary Evening Meeting and pray that they may be a blessing to our many readers as they were to those to whom they were addressed.

We are greatly indebted to our Hon. Medical Officer—Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg—whose photo we give on another page, for his untiring efforts on behalf of this work. It is now over 14 years ago since—in answer to prayer—he volunteered his services and we continually praise God for this great voluntary help.

We are grateful to the neighbouring Churches for the proceeds of their Harvest Thanksgivings also to those who have been led to send clothes, boots, blankets etc. (old and new) and for the Surgical Aid letters already received. We have not yet nearly the number required to enable us to provide the necessary surgical instrument for our cripple boy.

We take this opportunity of wishing all our friends at this Christmastide, surrounded as we all are by these most unusual circumstances, a time of inward joy, happiness and a Bright and Peaceful New Year.



A GROUP OF OUR CHILDREN AND WORKERS.

Anniversary Addresses.

We were only able to print in our last issue the afternoon addresses given at our 14th Anniversary Meetings and as promised we now give the addresses delivered at the evening meeting. The Rev. John Lewis, M.A., of the South Woodford Congregational Church, occupied the chair and expressed great pleasure at being present and for this further opportunity of showing his sympathy and interest in the work. Our Hon. Medical Officer, Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg who was



DR. F. A. MARTIN FLEGG,
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.S.A.

unable to be present wrote as follows:—"I am very sorry, but am prevented from attending the meeting this evening. Kindly express my regrets to those present. During the past year the health of the children has been good. I cannot remember any serious illness at all, trifling ailments being the rule. This is a matter for much thankfulness, and gratitude to God for His continual blessing upon the work of the Home."

MRS. CUNNINGHAM PIKE.

My dear little nieces,—I am so glad to see you with dolls instead of with teddy bears. Of course the mother instinct in a little girl is to have a doll, and even a boy might not be blamed for loving a doll. Some time ago I was standing with my husband at Hyde Park Corner at an open air meeting, when somebody in the audience called out, "How can a man know God?" I do not remember just what my husband said, but I was thinking just now, especially when Mr. White was speaking about prayer, that if that man had been here to-night, he would have had an abundant answer. The thought came to me as a little girl, "How can I know God?" I would listen outside my father's bedroom door and hear him speaking to Someone, and I knew it was not mother, because mother was downstairs. As I listened I found he was speaking to God. I was studying drawing at that time, because it was one of the gifts God has given me, and I went in for an examination. The first test was for "free-hand," and the drawings were to be sent up to South Kensington. If I passed I was promised I should have a box of instruments, and much joy was before me at the thought of this. I was working away on my free-hand drawing one day and asking God to bless it. Then I looked up and said, "I should like to get that prize," and the Lord spoke to my heart and said, "You shall get it, child." I said to myself, "I believe that is God's voice, and it gave me the assurance that I should get the prize. I wrote it down on a bit of paper, sealed it up in an envelope, and put it away, saying, "The Lord has promised me this." I was seeking to know God at that time and longing to hear His voice. I had months to wait until October, when the results were to be made known, and lots of times the thought would come to me, "You may be mistaken. Perhaps it was not God's voice after all; you will see." The months went by, and I sat in the examination room. I had a vase to do, and I was to draw it one-sixteenth less in size. I got my outline in, and the left-hand side complete, and I was starting away on the right-hand side, when

suddenly it was announced that "time was up." Then a harsh voice said in my heart, "I told you so, you will not get the prize." My heart sank, but still I felt I could not have been mistaken, but that I had heard God's voice. Time passed away, and I sat among the other girls to hear the results. My name was read out as "Excellent." How I rejoiced! Since then I have been learning to know God's voice. I know Mr. White has been through that school the loveliest school I know, where we may learn to know God. I was with my husband in Ontario about six years ago, when the Lord spoke to me. It was one sunny day, and life seemed very fair. As my husband lectured to all those hundreds of men in that old university in Kingston, I heard this word, and I knew it was the Spirit of God within me, "Ye may ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." I felt a crisis had come into my life. I went into my room and shut the door. I felt I must be alone with God. I might ask what I would and I should have it! There is a great mother heart here, and some of you mothers will know what was brought before me, and you will know what I thought I would ask. There were other things that I longed for, and the strain was very great. I did not know which to ask for. I wanted to ask for the greatest thing, and the one that would benefit me the most. Presently as I looked at the responsibility of asking, I was afraid to ask lest I should not ask for the greatest thing in the world for me, and as I knelt down and my spirit was quiet before God, I prayed "Lord, pray in me, for this is such a big affair, I cannot pray it for myself. Pray in me!" I waited and listened, and this prayer formed itself within me. Mr. White brought it to my mind as he was speaking, and I prayed it involuntarily, "That I might please Thee," and the thought came to me, "That is the greatest thing in the world!" We have been looking at this work to-day, and it has thrilled my soul. There is a work here for each one in this audience, and there is the greatest thing in the world for you to do—to please God. No matter how quiet your life; no matter how difficult; no matter how full of care; no matter where you live, you have the most splendid opportunity that human being could ever have. It was the same ambition that Jesus had when He said, "It is My meat and my drink to do my Heavenly Father's will," and when we are brought to that position, where we are content to allow God to work in us—whether it be the mother at

home with the children, the father toiling away in monotonous work, thinking, "I can never do a great work like our dear friends here are doing"; or the boy at school, if he is in the will of God and is seeking to please Him in everything, he is doing the greatest thing in the world for the Lord. Oh, that we might all be able to live there, and then if we obey God as He leads us on, we shall some of us take a great interest in this Home. I believe that is why God has permitted Mr. Pike to come into touch with your dear Mr. White, and that this is not the last time we shall see each other.

THE REV. W. PERCY
THE BIBLE AND CHILD LIFE. HICKS, minister of Stratford Tabernacle and author of "The World's Saturday Night," said:

I read in one of the newspapers a few days ago of a boy who in the middle of the morning's lessons got up from his seat in the school, reached for his cap, and was making for the door, when the master called him back and asked what he was about. The boy said, "It is like this, sir, my father told me I was born at a quarter to twelve on the 10th of May, and he said I could leave school when I was 14. This is the 10th of May, and it is just a quarter to twelve, so I am going!" This is the 14th birthday of the Children's Home. I suppose 14 is about the average age when boys and girls begin to think about the business of life. You have just had your preliminary and preparatory stages in the Children's Home, and I want to join with you in prayer that you may be able to launch out in even greater work than that which God has already enabled you to do, for doubtless there is for this Home, with the blessing of God resting upon it, a glorious future. After such a Report given to us so graciously by Mr. White, there can be but one expression—that we to-night raise our Ebenezer, and say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." And we can link with that, the words, Jehovah Jireh, "the Lord will provide." Then with those two phrases we can link a favourite expression of Mr. White, that I have heard from his lips so often when I have been in his company—"Hallelujah!" If we take the three together they will surely express, better than we can do so, what has been the work and experience of this Home in the past, what we believe is going to be the experience of the future, and what is the expression of the hearts of all the

workers. We cannot measure to-day the influence this Home is exerting. When we think of all those boys and girls who have already been sent out into life, and remember the labour of love that has been put into training them, and all the influences that have been around their early days, we cannot but believe that, with the blessing of God, those lives will have radiating from them influences which will be exerted more and more as they pass along through life in the interests of righteousness, purity and holiness. I am inclined to think that when the shadows are passed away, when the veil is lifted, when all the fogs have passed, and we look into the face of the Redeemer, and hear Him say, "Thank you!" to so many, and see the gleam of His lovely countenance, that for those who have been doing such work as this, there will be an extra gleam of thankfulness when He extends His hand and says "Well done!" to the workers of the South Woodford Children's Home.

I have already remarked that this is the fourteenth birthday. That is a double seven. Seven is the perfect number. We have now two sevens, and I am wondering what is going to happen in the third seven—whether the third seven which will mark the coming of age, will see any great changes taking place, and whether after all we may not have the coming of age celebrated amidst the glory of the millennial age. I rejoice to have been introduced to this Home and to have learned to love the workers and the children, because they stand for very definite principles and ideals. From beginning to end, they are working on faith lines. Long years before I made the acquaintance of Mr. White and his colleagues, I had often been thrilled as I read the reports of the late Mr. George Muller, of Bristol; and when I discovered this work being done in Woodford on exactly similar lines, I was rejoiced to find this testimony in the midst of an unbelieving generation—a testimony that God still lives and still answers prayer, that God cares for those who trust in Him. I have heard Mr. White relate how in all the little details of the needs of the Home and the workers, even down to a pair of trousers, prayer is answered, God does send the wherewithal and supplies every need.

Now it may be that there is being built up in this Home a generation of what some would call "peculiar people." Perhaps they are in one sense, but I am somewhat distressed sometimes when I realize the departure from apostolic faith and the disinclination of

people to receive anything in the nature of a dogmatic religion. There can be no religion unless there is something of dogmatism in it somewhere or other, and whereas this Home has no denominational interests around it, yet there must of necessity be some definite teaching, and that teaching is founded upon the Word of God. From personal observation I have judged that the workers are sufficiently old-fashioned to believe in the same Gospel that the Apostle Paul loved to preach, which tells us that we are redeemed with the precious blood of Christ; sufficiently old-fashioned to believe in the literal resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ; and sufficiently new-fashioned to believe in the coming again in power and glory of the same Lord Jesus.

Now, during the last few days, I have been looking into the Old Book once again, to see what message God may have for me to bring you to-night, and I have been simply astonished at the evident partiality of the Holy Spirit for child-life and for children. Perhaps that is one reason why the children love to read it: I wish we were all more like children in that respect. The very kernel of the Gospel seems to be exemplified and parabled by the Holy Spirit through the child life. Will you follow me closely for a few minutes while I tell you what is in my mind. We are here with the "the child in the midst." We are considering work amongst children, and there is a remarkable suggestiveness about the stories of the lives of those whose names are given to us in God's Holy Word.

(1) We have, for instance, the great fact that the Lord Jesus, the Lord of Life and Glory, was a little child. He did not appear to men first as a man, but He came as a little babe, and I for one believe that that wondrous, miraculous birth of the Lord Jesus Christ is not only an historical fact, but also a parable of the New Birth experienced by Christians in this Dispensation of Grace. We have there a perfect picture of the Holy Spirit's work in the combining of the Divine and the human in the work of giving the Saviour to the world; and it provides a parable of the work of the Holy Spirit in the combining of the Divine and the human in causing that work to take place in human hearts and lives which we describe as regeneration.

(2) Then we have not only a picture of the New Birth but also of the cleansed life. You remember the story of the little maid who spoke to her mistress, and the mistress told Naaman of the prophet in Israel who could rid him of his leprosy. We read that when he had

followed the instructions given him, to go seven times into the waters of the Jordan, that at the seventh time his flesh came again as the flesh of a little child. I am very fond of these Old Testament narratives, and I like to take them as parables of the operations of grace to-day. Here is a man who goes down into the water for cleansing, and his flesh returns to him as the flesh of a little child, and it seems to me that when we come to Jesus Christ, when we, as it were, plunge by faith, into the fountain opened for sin and uncleanness, He is able to cleanse us morally and spiritually, and to make us to be in God's sight just as a little child.

(3) Further, we have a picture of Christian humility. When Jesus found that His disciples were quarrelling among themselves—and they do sometimes even in these modern days—as to which was the greatest, He drew a little child unto Him and set him in the midst, saying, "Everyone of you must become like that little child, or you will never see the Kingdom." Right through the Christian life you can get parables from the Word itself of the workings of Divine grace, and as the climax of it all we have associated with child-life something relating to the future. The prophet Isaiah tells us of a time that is yet to be when the beasts of the field will be at peace with each other "and a little child shall lead them." The prophet Zechariah also tells us of a time coming when "the streets of the city shall be full of girls and boys playing in the streets thereof." We have two pictures there of future glory, and neither of them would be complete without the touch of child-life in them. So we learn from the Old Book that we must have the child-spirit and receive the child-life in order to enter and receive the blessings of the kingdom. Oh, to think of the possibilities of a child! As we look around upon these girls and boys, we begin to wonder instinctively "what shall this child become?" We think of all the potentialities contained in everyone of these lives. There is a story of a mother taking her boy one day to see a very impressive assembly of judges, and as they looked with awe upon the very stately procession the mother said to the boy, "I wonder, my lad, whether you will ever be a great man like that?" And the little boy looked up into his mother's face and said something that was very true, "Well, mother, everyone of them was a boy once." We need to remember that sometimes, for there are possibilities in these boys and girls, if they live in God's fear, of doing far

greater things than ever any one of us has been able to accomplish. The Bible is full of stories of great men, of judges, of kings, of priests and of prophets, and we read a good deal about their childhood, that they were God's boys before they were God's men, and if we could gather together the boys and girls of the country under such influences as are exerted in this Home, where they could have definite and individual Christian training what a difference it would make in the next generation. A farmer was asked one day, "How do you manage to get such fine sheep?" "Why," he said, "I am careful to look after the lambs." The church has only just begun to realize the importance of the young life. We are only just beginning to realize that the whole Christian Church depends for the future and almost for the present upon the boys and girls and the young life springing up around us. When we think of the allurements and temptations surrounding the young life to-day there is need for the battlements that we can place around them by our influence, example and protection, and there is no better way of providing battlements for children, than by getting them into Homes of this sort. We are told sometimes that "A little child shall lead them." That is not only true of the future, it is also true of the present. There is a new translation of an old saying very popular in these days. The old translation reads, "Train up a child in the way he should go," but in these days it seems to be, "Train up a parent in the way he should go," and there is a good deal of truth in it. Instead of the children being obedient to parents, very often you find the parents have to be obedient to the children. Doubtless you have read that beautiful story of George Eliot's entitled "Silas Marner." One of the most beautiful specimens of literature that can be read to-day is enshrined in its pages—the story of an old miser who had been able to accumulate a lot of gold, and he kept it in a hiding place under the floor of his little cottage. Every night when the sun had gone down and everything was quiet, the blinds drawn down and the door locked, the old miser would open the floor and get out his bag of gold and amuse himself by letting the coins run through his fingers, and count them over and over again. His heart was in his gold. One day a little child was left at the door. He did not know where she had come from, but he took her in, and that child caused a transformation in the man's life and character. He was lifted up from the gold under the floor

to the life of the little child, and he was led by the influence of that little babe to think of something higher and deeper and more God-like. And there is not the slightest doubt that it is as we live amongst the boys and girls, loving them, teaching them, playing with them that they influence us and help to lift us up. Everyone who wants to keep young will always rejoice in having the boys and girls around. "Only a boy," and "Only a girl," we sometimes say, but think of the possibilities! A boy was once asked how much he weighed. "I usually weigh eighty pounds," he said, "but when I am angry I weigh just about a ton." I heard of a husband talking about his wife, and he said, "My wife is quite a little thing, but oh my!" And there was a good deal of meaning in that "Oh my!" Remember this, that these boys and girls are perhaps just little things, but there are greater possibilities in them than we often realize. You remember that inscription that the boys wrote upon the walls of the city of Paris in the great Revolution, "Look out for us, for we boys are coming." Yes, the boys and girls are coming, and we must train them, and lead their hearts and minds, and build their hopes and ambitions upon the highest levels of life, so that when they go out into the world and face temptation they will be strong to resist. If we can only get these boys and girls to learn to trust in God and in Jesus Christ, they will have something that will stand them in good stead when they go out to earn their own livelihoods. That is one of the important things concerning this Home. It is not merely providing the boys and girls with food and clothing, not merely providing for their daily education and physical well-being, but they are under such influences, that there will come from them, I believe, a whole generation of men and women "whose hearts the Lord has touched," and God will surely use the seed that has been sown in their hearts and lives to bring an abundant harvest in all parts of the land where they go to live. They will be witnesses to the truth they have received, and I am rejoiced to be here tonight to add my word of congratulation, and to give my testimony to what I have seen of the splendid work of this Home, the beautiful influence that is exerted, and of the great hope that is manifested in these young lives. May the Master Himself open the way more and more, that there may be an increased number

of boys and girls under the influence of the Home, who when they go out to fight the battle of life, will have inscribed upon their banner, "The Lord, the living God, is with us."

PASTOR STANLEY WALTON. Mr. Chairman, Mr. and Mrs. White, and my dear friends,—After such a feast of good

things as we have had this evening, it is quite unnecessary for me to make any speech. I have some notes, and I am going to do with them what the Chairman told me he had done with his—I will put them in my pocket. I simply come from the South Woodford Union Church to bring greetings from the friends there on this occasion of your fourteenth birthday. I have continually the opportunity of seeing the good work done by this splendid Institution, and the fact that strikes me is that it is not an institution in the ordinary sense of the word, it is a *home*, and it is that word "home" that pleases me. I have proved that it is a real home. It is a home not only of rescue, it is a home of safety; it is a home of love; it is a home of prayer. The children have a glorious privilege. I happen to know something about Children's Homes. That is the work nearest to my heart. God led me into Children's Home work, and it was the happiest work of my life. I just glory in being amongst the children, and I feel what a great privilege these little lads and lasses have in being under the care of our friends. I shall never forget—if you will pardon just one instance which I should not like to leave out—how last Christmas Eve I peeped into the Home and saw a very beautiful sight. First of all I went into the Office and saw it filled with toys and gifts which kind friends had sent to the children. There were teddy bears and dolls, and all sorts of things to give joy to the little ones. While I was talking to Mr. White there was a knock at the door, and a great, big, fine-looking sailor came in. He was introduced to me as an old boy of the Home—one of the finest-looking sailors I have ever seen, and what took my heart by storm was this:—He just went and put his arms round the neck of Mrs. White and kissed her, and then did the same to Mr. White. I thank God for the Children's Home in South Woodford.

The address by THE REV. CUNNINGHAM PIKE will appear in our next issue.

❀ DIARY. ❀

AUGUST.

1st. College Park 8s., Stratford 5s., Barking 7s. 6d., Limehouse 5s.

3rd. Kensington 10s.

4th. Plaistow £1, London £5 with "I have been thinking of you a good deal lately with all the terrible state of affairs and I enclose a cheque for £5 to help."

5th. Brighton, contents of box 12s. 6d., Handed to me £1.

6th. Blackheath £3 18s., Wanstead 3s. with "Please accept this small contribution towards the extra cost of food for your children. God bless your work of love."

8th. We were praying to-day specially for funds and $\frac{3}{4}$ hour afterwards from 60 miles from here we received a wire for £5. College Park 8s.

10th. Folkestone 10s. A lady called and left £5 saying that she knew we were in need at this war time, as she had felt the nudge from the Lord. Limehouse 10s., Woodford, turnip tops, lettuce and apples.

11th. Woodford 1 marrow, 2lbs. plums, some apples.

12th. Walthamstow 3s. 7d.

13th. Woodford 83 lbs. home made jam, parcel of S.H. stockings, Seven Kings parcel of sample pieces of blankets, stockings etc.

14th. Walthamstow 2 lbs plums, 2 lbs. apples, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. biscuits, 4 bananas, Woodford 2 jars of honey for "Home Cot" with "God keep you praising all the time." Brighton box 8s. 6d., Kilburn £1.

15th. Ilford 14s., Walthamstow £1, College Park 8s., Kensington 10s.

17th. Edinburgh £2.

18th. Woodford 20 lbs. jam, large basket apples, basket of apples.

20th. Woodford, apples and plums, Anon. 11s. with "Please accept enclosed gift from one that knows Him who is God's unspeakable Gift." Isle of Wight £3 10s.

21st. Stratford £1.

22nd. Woodford large basket of cakes, Woodford 5s., Snaresbrook £2 12s. with "I wish you to accept this for one month's rent for 'Home Cot' as I realise that this war which will affect us all, will greatly increase your responsibilities, and pray that God will especially bless you and your work and that peace may soon be restored to us again." Stepney £2 10s, College Park 8s.

24th. 21st birthday cake with "This cake was ordered for a little party which now will not take place, so thought the children should

have the pleasure of it." Wanstead with "Enclosed please find cheque for £2 towards the work, trusting that you and all your helpers are being kept and sustained during this critical time." Isle of Wight £1 19s., Kensington 10s., Limehouse 10s., Muswel Hill 11s. with "At last I have the second pair of small socks ready, hope the first pair have not been worn out in the meantime. I suppose you began to think they were never coming. I have been thinking about you at this time and trust you will still find all your needs supplied. In case there may be a falling off in subscriptions I enclose a postal order herewith and wish I could make it more. Still we know He is faithful and I pray that your faith fail not, for my God shall supply all your needs."

26th. Hadham 7 pinafores, 2 shirts, 2 nightdresses, 4 combinations, Braughing 15 lbs. plums, 68 lbs. greengages, Walthamstow 6s. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$.

29th. Woodford 14 lbs. damson jam, some scones and apples, Walthamstow parcel of S.H. clothes, College Park 8s., Clapton box 7s. 6d., Herne Bay 5s., Barking 10s.

30th. Handed to me £1 and again on the same day 5s.

31st. 10s. from Royston with "God has delivered thy prayer to me this morning as I was in my garden. The voice spake to me saying 'My people are in need.' I was in a difficult position at that moment for I knew where the distress came from, but did not know your address, but God sent the right man so that I got it. When I told him my thoughts he said, 'Praise the Lord, my wife and I have been thinking the same.' Praise God He never forgets us for He says 'I will never leave thee nor forsake thee. Be of good cheer, it is I be not afraid.' Let us trust and He will see us safely through. I have enclosed this small sum, God gave it to me and it is His." Bedford £1, Tooting £1 4s., Anstey 10s. with "I have been thinking about you of late and intended sending the enclosed earlier, but yesterday morning a young man called me aside and asked for your address, as he felt you were in need and God had laid it upon his heart to send you something, which ere this I presume you have received. As far as I know you have not yet met this friend, he has heard of you through your coming to us. I took it as a voice to myself, so I am sending at once. How precious is our Lord at this time and I do thank Him

for what confidence I have in Him through Jesus Christ our Lord. Since writing this the wife tells me she felt your need on Saturday and sent to you, for which I praise God." The wife of this friend sent 5s. for "Home Cot." Twickenham £1.

SEPTEMBER.

1st. Anstey 13 lbs. blackberries, Woodford quantity of apples.

2nd. London £10 with "I enclose two bank notes for £5 each to help through. We are in for troublous times, but God is a present help in time of trouble, so keep believing." Kensington 8s.

3rd. Woodford, apples.

4th. 9 lbs. jam, Woodford, also some pears.

5th. Kilburn £1, Folkestone 10s., Bedford 10s., East Ham £1, Limehouse 10s., College Park 8s.

7th. Muswell Hill £1 and 8 shirts with "I am sending a few more shirts also a small gift. Is this terrible war affecting you very much? What a blessing it is to know that we have a Father in heaven that we can go to and rest assured that He knows best, whatever comes along. The Lord reigneth." New Southgate 5s., Muswell Hill £1 with "Will you please place the enclosed towards helping the needs of 'your big family.' Mr. and Mrs. A. brought me to see the Homes some years ago." Brentwood 5s., Leytonstone 6d., Woodford some apples, Woodford basin of dripping and pieces of bread.

11th. Muswell Hill parcel of clothes, Chelsea 7s. 6d., Isle of Wight 19s. 6d.

12th. Wanstead two boys' jackets, Woodford 1 riding habit and 1 costume, Walthamstow £1, Ilford 14s., College Park 8s.

14th. Kensington 10s., Walton 8s., Leyton 12s., Walthamstow 8s. 6d.

16th. Anon. 6s., Bedford 5s., Isle of Wight £3 10s.

17th. Ilford 1 pair of boots, two suits, 1 petticoat.

18th. Woodford (box) 3s. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.

19th. Deal 5s. with "Am just enclosing contents of your box 5s., thought you would be glad of it these trying times, but we are not tied to circumstances when we have that lovely Word of God and the promise "My God shall supply all your need through His boundless riches by Christ Jesus in Glory, for ye know the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that He who though He was rich yet for your sake He became poor, that ye through His poverty might become rich." Finsbury Park £2, Limehouse 10s., College

Park 8s., Loughton 8s.

22nd. New Southgate 5s., Brownswood Park 15s., Wanstead 1 dress, 3 coats, Chingford Hatch 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ sacks potatoes, 4 turnips, 4 parsnips, 18 onions, 4 marrows 4 beetroot, 2 heads celery, 4 cauliflowers, 3 cabbages, 3 lbs. beans, 53 lbs. apples, 35 lbs. pears, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. grapes, 2 lbs. tomatoes, 1 melon, 1 pot jam, 2 quarterns flour, 2 large currant loaves, 9 large loaves, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ quarterns bread, 2 lbs. butter, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. tea, some flowers. Wanstead 18 apples, 8 pears, 2 lbs. tomatoes, 3 or 4 lbs. grapes, flowers. Seven Kings 19 pairs knickers.

24th. Walton 8s.

25th. Chigwell 10s., Woodford 6 lbs. sugar, 1 coat, bag of flour.

28th. Sturrey £2, Muswell Hill 3s., 29 lbs. apples, 5 large loaves, 3 marrows, 1 bunch turnips, 4 carrots, 3 pomegranates, 1 cucumber, 10 lbs. pears, 3 lbs. tomatoes, 42 bananas, 3 heads celery, 2 bunches grapes, 9 lbs. potatoes. Wanstead 21 lbs. potatoes, 28 parsnips, 5 bundles turnips, 16 beetroot, 10 marrows, 16 carrots, small bundle rhubarb, 14 cabbages, 2 heads celery, 2 lbs. onions, 14 large Harvest loaves, 4 small loaves, 3 oranges, 22 bananas, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. tomatoes, 3 bunches grapes, 39 lbs. apples, 4 lbs. pears. Woodford 20 quarterns flour, sack of apples, 6 quarterns bread, 6 large loaves, 11 lbs. sugar, 16 lbs. rice, 3 lbs. Quaker oats, 12 cabbages, 2 pickle cabbages, 2 bundles beetroot, 8 marrows, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ sacks potatoes, 2 lbs. tomatoes, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. haricot beans, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. tea, 13 lbs. jam, 4 tins cocoa, packet rolled oats, 1 pair braces.

29th. Codsall 5s. with "A mite to help with the Lord's little ones. May your faith be strengthened in Him who is the Giver of every good gift, that we may venture to do great things in His name. With prayer for every good to attend you and yours." Tooting £1 4s., Walthamstow £2 12s., Crewe 6s., also 30 lbs. apples, Kensington 6s., Anstey £2 19s. 3d. with "Enclosed please find cheque, being part of our Harvest Thanksgiving collection on Sunday last, the largest I have ever had the pleasure of sending you, which calls for rejoicing and thanksgiving." Anon. 3s.

30th. Herne Bay 10s. 6d., Tunbridge Wells £2 10s., Woodford, some bullaces.

OCTOBER.

1st. Bembridge £1.

2nd. Bedford £1.

3rd. College Park 8s., Woodford Sack of flour, Leytonstone Parcel of clothes, North

Berwick 2s. 6d., Walthamstow 4s., Plaistow £1, Limehouse 10s.

5th. Stamford Hill 5s. 5d., Hornchurch 5s., Wanstead 10s. with "I am very glad to be able to send this towards the expenses of your little flock.—I pray that your faith may be as great as the need—'Ah Lord God! behold Thou hast made the heaven and the earth by Thy great power and stretched out arm and there is nothing too hard for Thee.' (Jer. xxxii, 17). The 'hardness' is our defective belief—isn't it?" Chigwell Row 18 beetroots, $\frac{1}{2}$ sack potatoes, 8 parsnips, 2 bundles carrots, 4 marrows, 10 swedes, 14 cabbages, 2 cauliflowers, 3 turnips, 1 bunch onions, $\frac{1}{2}$ sack apples, 12 tomatoes, box of pears, 3 large loaves, $4\frac{1}{2}$ quarterns bread, 2 quarterns flour. Barkway 68 lbs. apples, 9 lbs. damsons.

6th. Kensington 5s., Woodford Tub of apples.

7th. Forest Gate Parcel (pieces of cloth), Walthamstow 1 lb. dripping.

8th. Isle of Wight £3 10s., Woodford Green Parcel of clothes, Westcliff Parcel of clothes.

9th. Brentwood 5s.

10th. College Park 8s., Ilford 14s., Woodford Parcel of Clothes, London 30 pairs of kippers.

12th. Woodford Green 4 packets custard powder, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. sultanas, few grapes, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. flour, few bananas, 14 lbs. potatoes 1 cake, bunch of turnips, bunch of carrots, 6 cabbages, 4 parsnips, 6 beetroot, 30 apples. Beverley 1 pair gloves, 1 book.

13th. Plaistow 15s., Woodford 30 apples, 6 large loaves, 2 carrots, 6 cabbages, 1 head of celery, bundle of turnips, 7 beetroots, 4

parsnips, 3 lbs. potatoes, Paddington Parcel of clothes.

14th. Kensington 3s.

15th. Woodford 2 plaice, for Home Cot.

16th. New Southgate 5s. with "I am sending a trifle for your good work. I wish it had been larger, but hope to send more as soon as I can. I think we ought to keep up our usual gilts to our usual causes."

17th. Woodford 2s. 6d., Walthamstow £1 5s., College Park 8s., Limehouse 10s., Hull £1, Woodford Green Parcel of clothes.

20th. London, Anon., 10s., Kensington 10s.

21st. Leyton Working Party 24 night-dresses, 6 pinafores. The ladies of this Working Party kindly brought these garments and also provided a delicious tea for all the children and workers, this was greatly appreciated by all and a most enjoyable time was spent together. Leytonstone, 5s. (farthings saved by a young lady), also 6s. and 5s. from Leytonstone. Puckeridge 10s. 6d., Woodford 1 lb. tea for Home Cot.

23rd. Clapton 10s.

24th. Stratford £1 10s.

25th. Woodford Basket of pears.

26th. Woodford £1, College Park 8s., Muswell Hill 8 shirts.

27th. London £4 10s. and 10s., Seven Kings Working Party 13 vests, Woodford 1 box S.H. boys' clothes.

28th. Southsea 7s. 6d. Sevenoaks £5, Kensington 8s., Tooting £1 4s.

29th. Bedford £1 5s., Manor Park 6s. 1d., Southsea 10s., Kilburn £1, Bembridge 1 pair of Wellington boots.

30th. London, Anon., 2s. 6d., 1 parcel of clothes from Woodford.

31st. Limehouse 10s., Clerkenwell 5s.

NUMBER AND AMOUNT OF EVERY RECEIPT ISSUED
DURING AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

No.	£	s.	d.	No.	£	s.	d.	No.	£	s.	d.	No.	£	s.	d.	No.	£	s.	d.
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812	0	7	6	846	1	19	0	880	0	14	0	914	1	0	0	948	0	10	6
813	0	5	0	847	0	10	0	881	0	8	0	915	1	0	0	949	0	10	0
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