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"ONE THING IS NEEDFUL."—*Jesus Christ.*

"THE HOUR OF PRAYER" (Acts 3—1) is at 3 p.m. EVERY FIRST THURSDAY in the month, here.

NO PRAYER—NO BLESSING.  
LITTLE PRAYER—LITTLE BLESSING.  
MUCH PRAYER—MUCH BLESSING.

"If My people shall pray *then* will I hear."—*2 Chron. vii., 14.*  
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

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Our Praise and Prayer Meeting held the first Thursday in each month has been a source of great strength and the meetings are growing in Power and numbers. The Revs. J. Jermyn, J. Haydon, W. F. G. Clatworthy, Dr. Huggins, and Mr. F. W. Horne have given us inspiring messages from time to time.

Prayer is asked for one of our old boys who we have just heard has been seriously wounded. He is now lying in hospital near Birmingham.

Our thanks are due to the Sewing Meetings and Boot Club held on behalf of this work and who continue to render us great assistance. We have a report from one of these to hand which will be shown on another page. Also to Mr. A. W. Willis who has kindly taken Mr. Watson's place as Hon. Dentist.



The Saturday before our Annual Meetings workers and children were all invited by Mrs. Florence L. Barclay to spend the day with her at Hertford Heath. We left home at 9 in the morning and returned about the same time at night after a never-to-be-forgotten day, all declaring it to be one of the happiest days ever spent.

Will our friends specially remember us daily at the Throne of Grace as we are passing through a severe time of testing, that we may keep our eyes upon Him "Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver, in whom we trust that He will yet deliver us," (2 Cor., 1, 10).

## DIARY.

### NOVEMBER.

1st. Willesden 10s, Woodford 6s 1d, Holloway £1 10s., Churcham 2 hampers of apples.

2nd. Kensington 10s, Blackheath £3 18s, Woodford 5s 2½d, Worcester £2 10s.

3rd. I.O. Wight £3, Walthamstow 1 lb margarine, 2 lb sugar, ½ lb tea, some tarts and cakes, Kilburn £1.

4th. Folkestone 12s 6d, Woodford Parcel of S.H. clothes.

6th. Willesden 10s, Walthamstow 10s, 10s., Woodford £1 8s 1d, Ealing Sundry S.H. clothes, 1 lb coffee, 3 lb haricot beans, 2 lb rice, 2 lb oatmeal, 1 lb sugar, 1 lb lentils, 1 lb currants, box of dessicated soups, 1 lb rice, 1 lb tapioca, 1 packet split peas with, "I hope these things will be useful, wish it was more; trust you are having a time of blessing. I wish everyone would turn their birthday into a pound day, it has given me much joy. 'It shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.'"

8th. Herts 10s with, "I feel sure I ought to write to you as you have been in my mind for several days. I enclose a small amount as a Thankoffering. Please do not acknowledge, but put it down as the left hand. Please accept all good wishes for you all. We are remembering you in prayer, 'He hath said,' 'We can boldly say.' Limehouse 10s, An old girl 6s, Wendover, "Just a line to let you know that I am quite well, and I hope that you and the rest of the friends at home are the same. I am enclosing a 5s P.O. which I hope will be of some use to you in your work. . . Good-bye for now, Yours, an old boy (in the Army)."

9th. Plaistow £1,

10th. London £2, An old girl 6s.

12th. Royston 10s.

13th. Willesden 10s, Ealing, "I am sending 4s 6d, have been waiting, thought there might be some more, 'She hath done what she could.'"

13th. Walthamstow Parcel of S.H. clothes, 5 dresses, 1 petticoat, from a sincere friend.

16th. 7s. 6d.

17th. Tooting £1 4s, Woodford 8s 5d, Walthamstow 10s, Ealing 2s 6d.

20th. Walthamstow 1 cake, 2 lbs sugar.

22nd. Willesden 10s, Leith £4, Bow 10s, Kensington 10s.

23rd. Woodford £2, Mill Hill Box containing figs, rice, pearl barley, biscuits and S.H. clothes.

24th. Woodford £1, London £1, Muswell Hill 10s.

25th. C & K £1, Brockley 2s 6d with "I often think of you all and remember you and the work at the Throne of Grace. . . Am enclosing a little drop in the bucket, am sorry it is not more and that I have not been able to help the work as I intended and should like to have done, 'It hath pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell.' (Col. i, 19), 'God is faithful,' (1 Cor. i, 9), Colchester 3 prs knickers, 2 prs stays, 3 bags, 3 petticoats, 1 pillow case, 1 pinafore, 2 dresses, 1 coat, 1 bedcover, 2 books, 1 ball, 3 hats, 2 pincushions, 3 bows.

26th. Mersey 1 rabbit, greens, parsnips, 2 sacks potatoes.

27th. Willesden 10s, Brighton 10s, I.O. Wight 19s 6d, £1 19s.

30th. Holloway £1 10s, Kensington £1.



## DECEMBER.

- 1st. Walthamstow 10s.  
 2nd. Woodford 7s., Bedford 10s, Woodford  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb tea and scones.  
 3rd. Anno 10s I.O. Wight £3, Westcliff 12s, Muswell Hill A sack of flour.  
 4th. Ilford 14s, Willesden 10s, Seven Kings Sewing Meeting 6 doz prs of new stockings, Woodford 1 cake and some tarts.  
 6th. Anstey £1, Collection at Anstey Chapel £1 5s 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, Ealing 3 prs socks and S.H. clothes, Anstey 1 lb butter, 1 costume, Woodford, 2 prs knickers and a dress, Churcham 3 hampers and basket of apples, Folkestone 12s 6d, Bow 10s, Kensington 10s.  
 7th. Woodford £1, Stratford £1 10s, Plaistow £1.  
 8th. Richmond 3s, Forest Gate 10s.  
 9th. London £1, Luton 5s, Snaresbrook £5.  
 10th. An old girl 6s, Woodford Green 10s, 'An offering given by the B.W.T.A. after our girls had given a drill display,' Woodford £3, Hornchurch 3s, Walthamstow 2s 6d, Leytonstone 10s.  
 11th. Walthamstow 12s 6d, Brighton, "Enclosed please find cheque value 10s wishing you God speed in your noble work and praying that He will touch the hearts of the people to send in the funds for the support of same and that He will guide you and yours in winning the young lives you have in your charge to Himself," Snaresbrook £5, Willesden 10s.  
 13th. Kensington 10s, Anno. 5s, Leyton "Enclosed please find order for 3s towards the extra for the children's fare," Woodford £1 19s (given specially for the purchase of coal).  
 14th. Snaresbrook £1 with "I take this opportunity to enclose a small present which please use for your own use."  
 14th. Southampton, "Please accept £1 for the children and 10s. for the 'Home Cot,' hoping you will have all your needs supplied this Xmas," London 10s., Hove 6s.  
 15th. Crewe, "Enclosed please find 3s towards your children's Christmas dinner. I am also sending a parcel of clothing tomorrow. We hope you are well and that the war is not making things too hard for you."  
 16th. Walthamstow £2 12s, Contents of box 7s 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, One of our old girls 12s 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, Crewe 2 prs knickers, 8 chemises, 6 prs knickers, and some S.H. clothes  
 17th. Brondesbury 1 box of mince pies, Hornchurch 5s, "Just a token of interest in your work, a small evidence of our regard for

yourself, and a proof that we are sure that your work is all for Him whom we all desire to glorify in some way," Tunbridge Wells £2 12s 6d, Crowborough £1, with "I ought to have given you this on the evening of the gymnastic display but like the majority of people constantly disobey the Lord's commands when it refers to money matters," Brentwood £1.

18th. New Southgate 10s, with "Psalm xcix, 15," Woodford Mrs C 1 guinea, Miss B 2s, Holloway £1 10s, Willesden 10s, Hertford Heath 10s, with "So glad to send this on. Would you kindly send this to the Woodford Home, it is given with a loving and grateful heart and is from one of your Bible Reading Members. It comes from one who loves the Lord," Leytonstone We received the following letter to-day, "We are sending two boxes of groceries and other goods, part of proceed of my dear wife's 'Pound Day Collection,' there are others to follow. With very kind regards to all wishing you God's blessing, continued and increased, on your good work. These boxes contained: 8 qtns flour, 5 pkts cornflour, 1 box vermicelli, 33 lbs rice, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs tea 2 pkts egg powder, 1 box flaked rice, 1 box flaked tapioca, 1 box toasted corn flakes, 1 box grape nuts, 1 box Wheatna, 1 dozen table jellies, 6 lbs tapioca, 26 lbs sugar, 1 lb butter beans, 4 lbs raisins, 11 lb currants, 2 lb peel, 1 lb sago, 3 lbs semolina, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs cocoa, 2 bars primrose soap, 1 lb biscuits,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb mustard, 2 pkts salt, 2 tins spice, 1 tin grapes. Seven Kings Sewing Meeting 12 nightgown, 16 pinafores, 6 chemises, 2 vests, 2 aprons, 14 prs knickers. Woodford Bag of flour, Woodford 2 S.H. hats, 4 prs S.H. shoes, Westcliff 1 parcel S.H. clothes, Tunbridge Wells 4 prs stockings, 3 petticoats, 1 dozen dusters, 2 caps, 20 yards print, 2 vests, 3 hats, 6 collars, 6 toys-10 scrap and story books, 2 shawls, 1 night-dress, 2 prs knickers, Woodford 5 boxes bon bons, 1 box Christmas Cards, 1 pr, boots, some S.H. clothes.

20th. Chelsea 2s. 6d., Bow 10s, Kensington 10s, Dursley "Will you please use the enclosed 10s for orphans in your care, this gift is from a few of the Lord's own meeting here together and our united prayer is that you and yours may have the needed grace and strength given you day by day to continue the blessed work you have for Him who hath loved us unto death and is soon coming again. How much we have to praise Him for, dear brother, as we look back over the last year and how bless-



edly true are the words 'He is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever,' He is the same mighty God, and He is the same loving Father, who is able to supply all our needs, great and small, whatever they are. We sometimes sing in our little meeting here, 'We'll praise Him for all that is past and trust Him for all that's to come' and so we must go on day by day, until we shall see Him and dwell with Him for ever. What a moment that will be." Manor Park "Enclosed you will find P.O. for 5s. It is the first of many I hope to send in return for what you have done for me in the past years. I am getting on well at business and have been promised another rise in January. I should like to spend part of my Christmas holidays at the Home if I may" (an old boy). Woodford 1 large ham (17½ lbs), from a Woodford Sunday School class 4½ lbs tea, parcel of toys. From Leytonstone "Pound Day" 3 lbs margarine, 1 box Quaker Oats, 2 tins condensed milk, ¾ lbs cocoa, 7 lbs soda, 1 tin peaches, 5 lb loaf sugar, 7 lbs rice, 7 lb jam, 2 tins golden syrup, 3 lb marmalade, 3 lb jam, 2 hocks bacon, 18 lbs, ½ lb apple rings, 4½ lbs cheese, 1 lb butter, 1 skirt, 2 pkt cards, 7 petticoats, 2 pr knickers, 2 pr socks, 3 pinafores, 2 caps, 2 boys' overcoats, 1 dress.

21st. London "We have just passed through a trying time, both of our children having had a very serious illness, from which I am thankful to say they have just recovered, and I wish you to accept the enclosed £3 10s as a token of our deep gratitude and thankfulness to God for sparing our dear little ones. Owing to the children's illness my wife has been unable to make the puddings this year, so will you please use a portion of this money to buy some." Regents Park £10 with "This comes with very best of good wishes for all your family in the Home. I fear Christmas for all will scarcely be a Festive Season this year, still may the glorious Christmas blessings of Peace and Goodwill radiate to a very large extent amongst all your large family" Muswell Hill 10s, with "I thought it better instead of buying toys to send you the enclosed to get what you think best with it. Perhaps useful presents are better in these times, at any rate you know best and I only wish it was more and would go farther." Forest Gate 5s, Woodford £1 and 5s, London 1 guinea with "Just a little Christmas gift for yourself and wife" Bromley Parcel of S.H. clothes, Woodford ditto Wanstead 1 coat,

Walthamstow pot of jam, box biscuits, 2 boxes dates, 1 lb sweets, 1 cake, some apples and oranges.

22nd. An old girl 6s, Whitstable 10s, Anstey 1 guinea, Worcester 7s 6d, Tunbridge Wells 6s 6d, Plaistow 5s, Stoke Newington 5s 11d, Tooting £1 4s, Woodford 3s 10½d, Stoke Newington 10s 6d, Barkway 23 lbs salt beef, some apples, 1 fowl for Home Cot, Highbury Vale, ½ doz new suits, some S.H. stockings and 2 vests, Woodford basket of pears and bag of oranges, Walthamstow 1½ lb coffee beans, 7 lbs sugar, 3½ lbs raisins, 6 lbs nuts, 2 lbs dried peaches, 6 lb rice, 1 tin peaches, 1 tin apricots, 1 tin salmon, 3 boxes night lights, 73 oranges. Sent by children of a Walthamstow Sunday School, 61 toys, 24 oranges, Woodford, Christmas pudding, Forest Gate 1 cake, Woodford Parcel of books, 2 tins condensed milk.

24th. Woodford Green 10s, Highbury Vale "We have a small meeting for elder scholars and teachers at our Mission and about three weeks ago we decided to have a self-assessment scheme amongst ourselves to send a birthday present to some of His needy little ones and I have great pleasure in enclosing herewith £1 2s 6d the result of the scheme for you to get something for the children with." Woodford, savings of a little girl 4 years old 4s 0½d, Woodford £1 4s and 3s, Walthamstow 2s 6d, A lady and gentleman called and left £2 towards our Christmas fare, London 10s, Leytonstone 10s 6d, Muswell Hill 14 prs stockings, 3 prs socks, 2 shirts, 2 vests, 1 chemise and some S.H. clothes, Leytonstone parcel of S.H. clothes, a cake from an old boy, Woodford 42 lbs beef, 2 lbs sausages, 2 lbs sausage meat, From an old boy 1 large turkey, Woodford 1 doz mince pies, 1 doz jam tarts, 2 cakes, Lansdowne Sewing Circle 6 night dresses, 6 boys suits, 6 quilted stays, 4 petticoats, 2 linen aprons, 12 pinafores, 10 chemises, 2 blouse tops, 1 girls skirt, 1 jumper pinafore, special Christmas effort 20 knitted vests, 8 dresses, 1 petticoat, 3 pr knickers.

25th. Muswell Hill £1, Leytonstone 5s, Enfield 10s, London 1 guinea, and one guinea, Leytonstone from two little boys 3s, Wanstead £2, Woodford quantity of mincepies, M.H. sausage meat, 3 bags of cakes.

27th. Willesdon 10s, Seven King's Sewing Meeting 16 pinafores, 2 aprons, 2 shirts 14 prs knickers, 6 chemises, 12 nightdresses.

28th. Woodford 2s, Brighton 10s.

29th. Folkestone 12s 6d, Forest Gate 10s 6d, Sturry 11s 6d, with "We are always



very interested in all your splendid work, especially since we came and saw for ourselves. We shall continue to remember you in our prayers, that God may supply all your need according to His riches in glory. Aberdour "Have been thinking of your large family and know that He who so faithfully provided for my little group of 5 in answer to prayer and faith could just as easily supply 50 or 500, but He has channels and although it be only a dribbling stream of a £1 like mine, yet they are all needed. May the Lord make your cup to run over as far as supply is concerned."

30th. Kilburn £1, Eastbourne 7s 4d, Kensington 10s, Barkway "At the commencement of the year I started a pence fund, thirty two promised 1d per month and with other odd pence I am pleased to forward you £2 3s 6d. You will be interested to know that 8 young fellows in the L.C. & M. Bank have been sending me their penny month by month." Woodford, bowl of soup.

#### JANUARY.

1st. Brighton 5 guineas with "Please accept the enclosed for the Home Cot." Leytonstone 10s, Leyton 11s 9d, Woodford 8s, Ilford £1 4s, Deal "Please find enclosed 10s. Thanks for sending "Links" with encouraging report of your labours in the Lord proving how true He is in His Word in providing for those who trust Him, He is just the same to-day as when He commissioned Peter after His resurrection "Feed my lambs."

3rd. Bow 5s, Willesden 10s, Woodford 6 lbs cheese with "God be with you all in this New Year of our Lord, for 'Home Cot' (No thanks, please)" Kilburn 1 large box oranges.

4th. Stratford 10s, "A new Year gift from A. & E. Your Heavenly Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him. Matt. vi, 8." Woodford 10s, Stoke Newington Mother's Meeting £2 10s.

5th. Walthamstow "Please find enclosed 2s 6d a little thank offering for God's goodness to me. I hope it will be a little help in feeding your large family" Edinburgh 10s, with "He'll give you grace in the hardest place, keep on praising God." Walthamstow 2s 6d, South Africa £3 (especially for boots), London £1, Sturry £1.

6th. Walthamstow 10s, I O. Wight £5 15s, L.C.U. Finsbury Park 1 cushion, 1 cot cover, 4 bonnets, 27 petticoats, 6 nightdresses.

8th. Buckhurst Hill 10s, Codsall 10s, with "A few crumbs for the Master's little

ones May the good Lord help us to keep these ever before us both in prayer and gifts. We need to have hands and hearts filled with the love of God so that we may be feeding others while Christ feeds us. May God's blessing richly be with you all." Woodford 10s, Willesden 10s, Stratford £1 10s.

11th. Woodford £1 10s, Plaistow £1.

12th. Woodford Bridge £1, Merton 5s.

13th. An old girl 6s.

14th. London 2 guineas, Woodford 1 lad's suit, Stratford Anon, 10s, Walthamstow 10s.

16th. Willesden 10s.

17th. Westcliff 5s, Bow 10s, Dover 10s, Snarebrook £10.

20th. Woodford 10s, Woodford Boot Club £1.

21st. London £1, Limehouse one guinea, London £2, Tooting £1 4s.

22nd. Woodford £1 12s 6d, Leytonstone 1s 1½d, Willesden 10s.

24th. Holloway £1 10s, Woodford 2s.

25th. Woodford £1 8s (for coal) and £1.

26th. Woodford 8s 8d, Roby £5, Teddington "The time has come again, and God has spared me to send my small sub to your grand work and witness for Him. I am sending 2s 6d extra towards increased cost and only wish I could afford to double the amount. Praise God He is faithful to His promises if we are not, He cannot deny Himself, and He is pledged to honour Faith, and those who honour Him, I have just read this beautiful promise which I pass on to you in case things are pressing. "Fear thou not: for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness, Isa. xli, 10. I suppose we all have times of depression, doubtless more often than we need or should if we were always "looking unto Jesus. The shadows come when we turn from the light or something intervenes. But He knoweth our frame, He remembereth that we are dust, Psa ciii, 14," Westcliff 10s, and S.H. stockings, Leith £4.

29th. Ilford 14s, Brighton 3 prs knickers, 2 chemises.

31st. Kensington £1, Walthamstow 5s 6d, Anno 2s, £10s 11s 9d, being proceeds of an Evening of Recitals given in the Lecture Hall, S. Woodford by a friend interested in the work.

#### FEBRUARY.

Blackheath £3 18s, Stoke Newington 6s, Bedford £1.



2nd. Sevenoaks £6, I.O.W. £3.  
 3rd. London £1, Woodford 1s. and 1s 6d,  
 Folkestone 12s 6d, Woodford Some apples,  
 H.C.

5th. Puckeridge 2 rolls of cloth and a new  
 mackintosh marked "for Mr. W.'s own use,"  
 with "Am extremely sorry to hear you are  
 unwell, Have a good rest and keep smiling.  
 With all the work you have on hand I don't  
 wonder at all you getting 'under the juniper  
 tree' sometimes. Aye, and that's the place  
 where the angel comes, isn't it."

7th. I.O.W. £1 19s, London 10s, Kens-  
 ington £1.

8th. A Woodford Sunday School 4s 6d,  
 Plaistow £1. Walthamstow £1, Stoke New-  
 ington 7s 10d.

10th. Woodford 12s, Winchmore Hill  
 1s 2d.

11th. Woodford 16s.

12th. New Wanstead 10s, £1, Waltham-  
 stow £2. Woodford £1 15s 7d, Snaresbrook 5s.

14th. Bow 10s, Highbury Parcel of toys,  
 Kensington £1.

15th. Woodford £1, some cakes and  
 sandwiches, Muswell Hill 80 prs new stock-  
 ings, Anstey Working Party 11 prs knickers,  
 9 chemises, 5 nightdresses, 5 petticoats, 2  
 skirts, 5 blouses, 1 jacket, 5 dresses, 5 boys  
 knickers, 2 sheets, 2 pinafores.

16th. I.O.W. 19s 6d, Brighton £1,  
 London 10s.

17th. Wanstead 1 nightdress, 1 pinafore,  
 1 overall, 2 chemises, 2 petticoats, 2 shirts.

18th. 2 bundles scarves and some S.H.  
 clothes, Woodford.

22nd. Kensington, Woodford 2 dresses,  
 skirt and blouse, petticoat, 3 prs knickers, An  
 old girl 6s, and 6s.

23rd. Kilburn £1.

24th. Stratford £1 10s, An old girl 6s.

25th. Anno 4s.

26th. Ilford 14s, London 10s, Woodford  
 £1 15s 5d.

27th. Woodford 2 large bundles S.H.  
 clothes.

28th. Whittington £1, Leytonstone 6d,  
 Kensington 10s.

29th. Canada £5, Woodford £1, 2 boxes  
 of hats.

#### MARCH.

2nd. I.O.W. £2 10s, Anon Parcel S.H.  
 clothes, A Woodford S.S. a bag of cakes and  
 10 bananas, Woodford 1 doll's house, Folke-  
 stone 12s 6d, Kensington 10s, Ilford £1 10s,  
 Winchmore Hill 5s, Plaistow £1, Woodford  
 £1 16s 4d.

8th. Merton 13s, An old girl 6s, Muswell

Hill 6 shirts, Seven Kings Parcel of S.H.  
 clothes.

9th. Woodford Green £1.

10th. Walthamstow 10s.

11th. Braughing "I have been to a  
 meeting this evening and ventured to tell  
 some of your stories to encourage believing  
 prayer and the friends insisted on me receiv-  
 ing £1 towards the work. Please find same  
 enclosed, 'He is able,'" Woodford £1 13s 9d.

14th. Kensington 10s, London 2 guineas.

18th. Barkway Box of apples and large  
 piece of salt beef, Woodford basket of  
 potatoes H.C., £6 10s given by North London  
 Boy Scouts, being proceeds of a pleasant  
 evening specially arranged for our benefit;  
 Woodford £1 13s 3d, Bow 10s.

20th. London Parcel of clothes, Holloway  
 £1 10s, Muswell Hill 10s, Woodford £1 10s,  
 Kensington 10s, Woodford 10s, Tooting 12s,  
 Leytonstone 5s.

23rd. An old girl 6s, Walthamstow £2  
 12s, Hove 5s, 2 lb margarine H.C.

24th. Leyton Parcel of cloth and 1 dress.

25th. Woodford 33 lbs Home made mar-  
 malade, Tooting 5s, Ilford 14s, Woodford £1.

27th. Kingston on Thames parcel of  
 clothes, box of books, 7 lb jar of jam and  
 5s, Tarvin "I have just been counting the  
 many many blessings with which I am  
 surrounded here, and surely they are as  
 numerous as the hairs of the head which  
 cannot be counted, and I feel I shall never  
 be able to thank or praise the Lord enough  
 for all He has done for me. I am therefore  
 sending you the small sum of 5s as a little  
 thankoffering. What a consolation it is to  
 know that God looketh at the heart and  
 appreciates a small gift as much as a large  
 one when given in His name. I was so  
 pleased to read in your last report on the All  
 Sufficient Power of God in providing so amply  
 for His orphans under your care. How good  
 it is to be able to 'Count on Him' for every-  
 thing for we know He feeds the sparrows  
 and we are of more value than many  
 sparrows".

28th. Kensington 10s.

29th. London £1.

31st. Folkestone 12s 6d, Walthamstow  
 2s 6d.

#### APRIL.

1st. Bedford £1, Woodford £1 14s 7d.

3rd. Woodford Green 6s.

4th. Tunbridge Wells £2 10s, Kensington  
 10s, Cricklewood 2s, (an old girl), Woodford  
 2s 8d, Plaistow £1, New Southgate "Please  
 accept the enclosed 10s for your good work



as a thankoffering for preservation from air raid and for travelling mercies, Your aged friend, Woodford £1.

5th. An old girl 6s, Stratford £2, I.O.W. £5 2s 6d.

8th. An old girl 5s and 2s 6d.

9th. Crouch End 10s, Walthamstow 10s, Walthamstow 2 lbs sugar,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb tea, 1 teapot for H.C.

10th. Kensington 10s.

11th. Wanstead £2, Kilburn £1.

12th. A wounded soldier 10s.

13th. Redhill 3 pr knickers, 3 overalls, 6 pinafores, 3 shirts, 4 petticoats, 1 pr socks.

14th. Chelsea 5s, Woodford 12s.

15th. Bow 10s, Forest Gate 5s.

16th. Walthamstow 8s, Holloway £1 10s, Manor Park 2s, Royston "You and yours have been much in our minds this last few days and I have pleasure in sending you the enclosed £1 as from Him who loved us and gave Himself for us," Woodford B.C. £1, Forest Gate 5s, Woodford 6 prs knickers.

19th. An old Boy "Enclosed you will find 5s, which gives me much pleasure in forwarding to you. I should like to spend Bank Holiday at the Home if I may" Anon 10s, Ilford 14s.

22nd. Walthamstow 4 lbs currants, 1 lb

coffee, 5 lbs rice,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  lbs butter beans, shoulder of mutton  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb cheese,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb tea, vegetables.

24th. Tooting 12s, Seven Kings 15s, Manor Park 2s, Woodford 1s, Hertford Heath £5 16s, with "I am so glad to have this contribution to send you from the L.G.F. Gathering, With all good wishes," Brighton £1, 5s 6d and 2s 6d.

25th. Kensington £1, Leith £4, Barkway 4 shirts, 2 petticoats, 1 frock, 1 pinafore, 1 dress, 1 pr stockings, 1 nightdress, 1 tin coffee, 1 tin cocoa with "Just a few things I have collected for the children which I hope you will find useful, The coffee and cocoa are for yourself."

29th. Woodford £9 10s 5d (contents of box), Blackheath £3 18s, An old girl 12s, Leytonstone 10s, Tunbridge Wells 10s, Walthamstow 2 pr knickers and bodices, 2 frocks, 2 coats, some S.H. things, 1 blouse, Woodford £2, Plaistow £1, Alresford 5s, Woodford M.H. 12 hares, From a Walthamstow C.E.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lbs tea, 2 lbs sugar, 12 lbs rice, 1 pkt Quaker Oats, 1 tin custard powder, 2 qtrns flour, 12 lbs soda, 6 pkts extract soap, 1 bar sunlight soap, 2 lbs flaked rice, 3 lb tapioca,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb currants,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb starch, dried fruit, 3 lbs beans.

30th. Woodford parcel of clothes, Woodford 8 prs knickers.

## THE TENTH ANNUAL REPORT THE SEVEN KINGS SEWING MEETING, 1915.

PRESIDENT: MISS LEPARD.

HON. TREASURER: MRS. W. BIGGS.

HON. SECRETARY: MRS. FULLER, 2, Airthrie Road, Goodmayes.

It is with great pleasure we present our Tenth Annual Report, for in spite of the trying times in which we are living at the present we have had a splendid year's work, which has enabled us to help our friends at South Woodford in the usual way.

You will see by the Balance Sheet that we started the year with a good sum in hand, out of which we sent £2 to the Home, for we felt with the increased cost of living, that they must feel the strain greatly; this was much appreciated.

We meet every week for work from 3 to 6 p.m., and are pleased to welcome any friends who would care to come and help by working or speaking to us.

It is especially encouraging to know during this time of stress and strain that we have not wanted for funds to carry on this work; how mindful the Lord is of the needs of His

children, how good to those who put their trust in Him.

During the year we have made the following garments: 16 nightdresses, 16 chemises, 41 undergarments, 8 flannel shirts, 42 pillow slips, 11 aprons, 19 pinafores, 8 petticoats, 9 blouse tops, 3 bodices, total 173 garments; to which must be added 72 pairs of stockings and one crochet petticoat sent by a friend, making a total of 246 garments.

We feel this is a very good record, for notwithstanding the difficulties which everyone feels in consequence of the War, we have been enabled to work on and exceed the number of garments made over last year by 30.

We hope to be able to work on in the future as we have done in the past, and that our efforts may be owned and blessed by God.

Yours in the Work,

THE SEVEN KINGS SEWING MEETING.



# Our Sixteenth Annual Gatherings.

Our Anniversary Meetings, held this year on Thursday, June 8th, in the Holy Trinity Hall, were real times of blessing and one realised the Presence and Power of God.

The afternoon gathering was presided over by our old friend, Mr. Geo. Goodman, and the chair was taken in the evening by the Rev. C. Lea-Wilson. At both meetings the children sang and gave short drill displays and a recitation was given by one of our old girls. Tea was served in the Iron Building of the Holy Trinity Church after which a nice number of friends visited the Home.

Mrs FLORENCE L. BARCLAY wired,

"Remembering you to-day. Kindest greetings to workers and all present at the meeting. My love to the children, I Cor. xiii, 13, Revised Version.—FLORENCE L. BARCLAY."

Mr. Richard Cadbury wrote saying,

"Hope you will have a good time on the 8th. Sorry I cannot possibly be present."

Miss A. G. Wickham wired,

"So sorry not to be with you. Best wishes for the coming year."

Our Hon. Medical Officer,

Dr. F. A. MARTIN FLEGG who is at the Front wrote,

"I promised to write a letter to you for your Annual Meetings and I now fulfil that promise. . . . I hope the year that is past has been a successful one for your Home but owing to the high prices of all foodstuffs doubtless you have had times of anxiety. How comforting it is though, that you look to the right source for everything and that you all have such absolute faith in the Power of Prayer and perfect trust and confidence in God. I shall pray for a special blessing upon the Homes, not only on the occasion of the Annual Meeting, but throughout this New Year of your work. Please remember me to all the workers and any friends whom I know. I hope the health of the children has been good. With kindest regards to all and may God grant His richest blessing to you and upon the children whose welfare you have so much at heart."

Dr. E. M. GOLDIE who has kindly come to our assistance in the absence of Dr. Flegg

was unable to be present at the meetings and sent the following report :

"I am pleased to be able to report a remarkably good health record at the Home during the past ten months. Only one case required treatment in bed and that only for a few days. There has not been a single infectious case although there have been many in the district.—E. M. Goldie, Temporary Med. Officer."

Mr. HERBERT WHITE after thanking speakers and friends present affirmed that their experience had shown that God had not failed those who trusted in Him. Since the Home started 211 children had been received and 59 were still in residence. Over 20 of the old boys were serving in the Army and Navy and he read extracts from letters from some of these which were of a very encouraging nature and showed that the influence under which they had been brought up was bearing good fruit in the lives of those who had passed through the Home. He said it was very gratifying to see so many old children present including a boy who was on short leave and who had been at sea for 2½ years on H.M.S. Weymouth. The receipts of the past year exclusive of gifts of clothing, provisions etc. amounted to £707, an increase of £51 on the previous year.

The Rev. JOHN JERMYN in just a few words recalled that it had been his privilege to be present at nearly every anniversary. He complimented the children on the excellence of their singing and physical exercises and by means of a charming little story of a wandering lamb he urged them never to fail to be thankful not only to God but to their friends taking care of them.

Miss R. A. HUTCHIN briefly thanked all the friends who had helped the work both by their gifts and prayers. Not one of the children had had any serious sickness since the last Annual Meeting and this, she said, the workers took as a singular expression of God's blessing.

Speaking on "The Children's Questions" (Josh. iv., 6),

Mr. GEORGE GOODMAN, said :

The Bible, always true to life, makes allowance for children asking questions. It



presupposes that when the Israelites carried out the instructions given them by God and performed the striking ceremonies ordained for them, the bright-eyed children looking on would want to know all about it.

Children are fond of asking questions and often puzzle us with their naive enquiries. It is quite in keeping with the wondrous grace of God that He should bid His people be prepared to answer these little ones, not sending them away with some evasive reply but seeking to satisfy them with a simple and true account of things so that they may early learn the meaning of those solemnities that we hold precious.

It is God's order that children should first learn from parents' lips the meaning of spiritual things. It is a sad fact that to-day many parents neglect this responsibility and never or seldom speak to their little ones about the things of God. I have heard men say, My parents never spoke to me on spiritual things, never explained the Way of Salvation and never warned me of the danger of sin nor to flee from the wrath to come.

In at least four places in Scripture we find the Children of Israel directed as to how they are to answer their children's questions. Let us look at them and see that we in our turn explain to our children the meaning of the Great Realities of which those things were but the types.

I. *On the occasion of the Passover*, we read, "And it shall come to pass when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service? that ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the Lord's passover who passed over the houses of the Children of Israel in Egypt," etc. (Exodus xii, 27).

How intently the children must have watched the father of the little household as he killed the lamb that had been so carefully chosen—without spot or blemish—and taking the blood in a basin sprinkled it with hyssop on the lintel and side posts of the door.

How keenly interested must the firstborn have been for he knew it was for his very life that the blood was put there.

We are not surprised that the children asked, "What does it mean?"

Let us see to it that our children know the meaning not only of the type but of the great fact of Calvary which it foreshadowed.

There is often misunderstanding about the word "passover." It is not that the Lord passed by the house but He *overshadowed* it and when the Destroyer came did not suffer him to come in (Exodus xii, 23). Thus

Jehovah became Saviour because of the blood. How exactly foreshadowing the truth that God for Christ's sake and because of His bloodshedding on the Cross justifies freely by His grace all who believe (Romans iii, 24), for believing is sprinkling the heart from an evil conscience (Hebrews x, 22).

See that your children are told this when they ask what Calvary means.

II. Again in Exodus xiii, 13-14, we read that *every firstborn child was to be redeemed* with a lamb. And when the children asked, "What is this?" they were to be told, "By strength of hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt and from the house of bondage."

In other words, they were taught to connect redemption with liberty. Not only did the lamb suffer that they might be sheltered by blood from judgment but by that same redemption they were to be delivered from bondage.

Let the children know this! Teach them that Jesus died to redeem us from perishing, but more, He died to deliver us from sinning, to

break the power of cancelled sin,  
And set the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the vilest clean,  
His blood avails for me.

The children need this, they feel and know the power of sin, the chain of sinful habits, the bondage of evil. Let them know the good news that the redeeming blood of Christ proclaims liberty to the captive as well as pardon to the guilty, that they too may overcome by the blood of the Lamb.

III. Again in Deut. vi, 20, where Moses tells the Children of Israel, "Ye shall diligently keep *the commandments of the Lord your God*" and the children ask, "What mean the testimonies and the statutes . . . which the Lord our God hath commanded?" they were to be told, "The Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God *for our good always*."

Ah! let the little ones be told this expressly, that heart obedience to the Living God is "for our good always."

It is true we have not come to a Mount Sinai, nor have we commands graven on stone, but we have come to Jesus, and His yoke is easy and His burden is light, and those who yield to Him the obedience of faith find it for their good and that always.

You cannot urge this too often upon the hearts of the children that His service is perfect freedom, that His way is a path of



light and joy, and in keeping of His commandments there is great reward.

IV. Another occasion when the children are found asking questions is in Joshua iv. 6. They saw *twelve great stones* buried in the Jordan after the people had passed through the river on dry ground and twelve more erected on the further side in the Promised Land and of course they asked, "What mean ye by these stones?"

In reply they were to be told the story of the parting of the River and of the passage through its waters.

Jordan is a figure of death. That passage was in type the death and resurrection of the believer when by faith in Christ he died with Him and rose to newness of life (Romans vi 1 3). Those stones set up in the Promised Land were emblems of the believer brought in to all the promises of God in Christ, since He is risen with Christ (Col. iii, 1 and 3).

Can you not tell the children of this newness of life in Christ?

Is it difficult to explain to them that even "little ones which believe in Him" (Matt. xviii, 6) walk in newness of life, that they reckon themselves dead to sin but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

They want to know these things and will ask questions sometimes that will give us opportunities of explaining to them the meaning of the death and resurrection of Christ and the blessedness of those who united with Him by faith enter into all the promises of God, which in Christ are Yea and Amen.

The Rev. A. J. PALMER

said :

I am very happy, my dear friends, to be reminded to-day of my dear old friend, Mr. Josiah Goodman, a good man and true ; the excellencies of whose character, the consecration of whose life, and the generosity and largeness of whose sympathy, are the sweet spices by which his memory is embalmed in many hearts. I am glad to meet his dear son here to-day, and to recognise publicly the excellent service which he is rendering to the young people of this district.

I am glad to show by my presence my profound sympathy with Mr. White, to congratulate him on the celebration of another anniversary ; and to wish him Godspeed in the name of the Lord. Now, the children are our guests to-day. How pleased their dear mothers would have been to be sitting

where you are to-day. Mothers have been promoted to higher service, the Lord has entrusted to Mr. White and his co-workers the care of these dear boys and girls, and we are here to seek God's blessing upon this noble enterprise, and to wish for him greater and still more striking success.

My text is in three divisions. First, yesterday speaks, and what does it say? Learn of me. Secondly, to-day speaks, and what does it say? Use me ; And then, to-morrow speaks and what does it say? Leave me alone. Leave me with God. Yesterday says, capture me, young people, for the highest and for the best. The crisis of life is in the early days, and it is of the first importance that we should leave these boys and girls so well-cared for physically, mentally, morally and spiritually by Mr. White and his fellow-workers, to take the first turn to the right, and keep straight on. To-day says, Use me ! Boys and girls, use wisely to-day. Sow good seed to-day. Lay a good foundation to-day. Form good habits to-day. Learn as much as you can to-day. Decide for Christ to-day. Lay yourselves at this moment on the altar of Christ for the service of others to-day. To-day, the golden now. Our ambition in this work is, that all the young people shall be thoroughly dedicated to Christ, to-day and all through their lives, and all that relates to their education, and their recreation, and their preparation for life shall be adjusted by, and subordinated to Jesus Christ, the boys' and girls' truest and best friend. To-day says, use me, for I shall soon be gone. Now, to-morrow says, leave me alone. Oh ! how interested we are in to-morrow, we long to see the veil drawn aside, and to have an insight into what is going to happen to-morrow. How troubled we are just now for our nation. How heavy are the clouds which hang over our heads. "It is not for you to know the times and the seasons which the Father has put in His own authority."

I know not what the future hath  
Of marvel or surprise,  
Assured alone that life and death  
His mercy underlies.

Perhaps there are hours when our dear friends are anxious about this work, but He says "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." Leave to-morrow with Me. Don't forget the lesson of the day. I rejoice with you in what has been accomplished in the past, God grant that it may be a promise of more great, and more glorious success to be achieved in the days that are to come.



At the evening meeting, the first address was by

**The Rev. C. LEA-WILSON,**

who said :

I am sure we have had a very interesting part of the programme. I remember once listening to a very well-known Member of Parliament—when he was chairman at a meeting—and he said he was taken to Missionary Meetings when he was a boy, by his mother, and he said it was a very good thing, it got a boy used to it but he said, I will tell you one thing that was awfully dull and that was the old buffer in the chair, and I feel like that to-day. Here are the boys and girls and here are we—well I must clear myself out of the way that these two brothers may speak to us—I am very glad to be here. This work has quite burst upon me. Now, I suppose I am expected to be that man in the chair that I spoke about just now, and am expected to be awfully dull, and I will try to be. I have come from a series of private meetings to-day, which didn't make me feel dull. I was listening this morning to the Rev. R. G. Grubb, who I daresay some of you know, and he was talking about the 86th Psalm, which begins like this, "Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me; for I am poor and needy"; and he said, when we ask a thing of God, we have got to give him a good reason for asking it. Now, in that first verse we ask Him "Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me." and the reason we give Him is this; "For I am poor and needy." I want to pass that on to you to-night; and so if you feel needy, and your superintendent has shown how there are many needs, both financial and otherwise, well then, you may look up to God. Yes, the silent key of prayer will turn the lock in any door; and if we look up in prayer and say "Bow down Thine ear, and hear us, O Lord," we have got to give Him a reason. Well, we cannot give Him a better reason than that: I am needy; and the Lord will hear that prayer, I am sure. And so, in our hour of need, whether it is a need for our Soldiers and Sailors, and especially those from these homes that you have been hearing about, Lord, here is our need, we are needy people, that is the reason we give Thee, O God. I was listening to another gentleman this morning. He is known generally as the Chaplain General of the Forces, and I will tell you what he said. He said: I have a friend who tells me that his prayers are always answered. Now, that

is a great thing to say—and we all listened to hear what was coming—Well, he went on to add, the name of that friend, is the name above every name, the name of Jesus Christ, and He said to the Father "I know that Thou hearest Me always" and He said to us "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give it you." Well, you know that is the same Lord, whose name is above every name, who walked upon the Lake of Galilee, and when He walked upon the water He said—to put it into our common English—"Cheer up, it is I"; and so I say to the dear friends who are interested in these Homes; and the Superintendent, and the dear Wife, and all who help; Cheer up, be of good cheer, because the Lord Jesus Christ says, "It is I" and if He is in the boat, it is all right, and if He is not, the sooner our so-called Christian work drops to pieces the better—and He says we may sail with Him. Do you know, I will tell you boys and girls, when I was on the Lake of Galilee, I saw some men going out in their boat with nets, and I saw some of the fishes, just the same kind of fishes as when Jesus was there, and I thought of the boy "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves, and two small fishes." I would like to have been that lad, because when the Disciple said to Jesus "There is a lad here" I think the lad was just in the place where Jesus could use him; and I don't want you to be in any better place than that; where Jesus can use you. I can fancy that boy's mother saying he would never be able to get near the great Teacher, and he would be able to say, Oh! mother I saw the great Teacher, and I think He would say something else: he would say Oh mother, I shall never forget His face, it was so lovely, and He smiled at me, and they told me He once said "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." That is the Master in whose care these boys and girls are. Cheer up, He says, it is I. Do you know that that lad was asked to give all he possessed. He had only got five loaves and two small fishes, but he was just in the place where Jesus could use him. I had many thousands of children pass through my Sunday School in thirty years, and there was one boy whose name was Alfred, and I could say about Alfred "I can always trust Alfred." I don't want your masters and mistresses and teachers to say anything better about you than that. Who can I choose to put there? I don't know whether there is a Susan! I don't want anything better to be said about



you than that, "I can always trust Susan." I must not go on, but I want to say I am very glad to be here, and to see this noble company, and this nice number of boys and girls under such care, and I wish the Homes every blessing.

### The Rev. A. J. PALMER.

Mr. Chairman, my dear friends, we have missed from the meeting the most helpful address that has always been given by the dear friend we all so much admire and respect, Mrs. Florence Barclay, but we are thankful that her place has been so well taken by her Brother-in-law, and we shall not soon forget the message that has fallen from his lips. Now, it is a pleasure to be with you. It is quite evident that the work which is carried on in connection with these Homes does not come under the category of the man of whom it was said, that he seemed to beg pardon of all flesh for being alive. This work has no occasion to apologise for its existence. The index by which most Societies gauge their progress is figures, but such a work as that in which Mr. White and his co-workers are engaged confounds analysis and defies the multiplication table. The seed which has been sown in these Homes during the sixteen years will be the germs of a boundless harvest, and the influences which have been generated will travel on and on until they touch the widest extent of local diffusion. Here is this physical drill, and there is the mental training, and then there is the moral and spiritual outfit which the boys and girls are receiving. Do you think that they will ever forget the lessons that they are learning in these schools? Why, only a few weeks ago, a lad trained at one of our schools in the East of London, joined the same company as one of his teachers; and in an early engagement, this lad was unfortunately seriously wounded. He just had strength enough to rise to his feet, and to go up to the officer and to salute him; and as he saluted him, he saluted the Country that he represented; and then he went and saluted his Master, and as he saluted him he saluted the School in which he had been trained; and then he knelt down and tried to salute again, and this time he saluted the Captain of his salvation, into whose hands he committed himself. Ah! we don't know what we are doing. Then go on, my fellow-workers, in this Holy service, go on! "Be steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know

that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." Why, the influences which are generated in the Schools will deepen into a force which will crystallise in the lives, and we shall need these boys and girls, having grown up to be men and women; in the battles which we shall have to wage in our native land. I tried to stop a fight one day. A little fellow was fighting a big chap, and I endeavoured to interpose; and I said to the little fellow "Aren't you afraid to fight a big chap like that?" "Not a bit afraid, got more to hit at," he said. There are difficulties that we shall have to confront; there are problems that we shall have to solve; there are men and women for whose salvation we shall have to struggle strenuously and for all this, we shall need the co-operation and active service of the boys and girls of to-day, and the men and women of to-morrow. Before I close, I should like to say this. The more you do for these Homes, the stronger your love for the Christ will become. There is a love which is born of sacrifice, and the larger the service, and the more generous the self-sacrifice, which you lay upon the altar, the stronger and the more passionate will your love for the Christ become; and let us say at the close of this gathering, in the inspiration of the text which Mrs. Florence Barclay referred to in her telegram of this afternoon—"And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love," afterwards let each one of us say, bowed at the feet of our blessed Lord.

"I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say, when the death-dew lies cold on my brow,  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now!"

Hope on, Hope ever, the best is yet to be.

### The Rev. R. RONALD WILLIAMS.

Mr. Chairman, and My Christian Friends, I remember that on one occasion Mr. Will Crooks M.P., had to speak after some great speaker, the same as I have to speak after Mr. Palmer to-night, and Mr. Crooks said "After the Lord Mayor's Show, comes the dust cart." Well, that is something of the position in which I feel myself to-night. The splendid speech which we have listened to, ought to have brought this meeting to a close, but Mr. Palmer had to address another meeting, and asked me if he could speak before me. I want to say at the very beginning that I am very delighted to be on this platform to-night. A representative of the Church of England—Mr. Palmer and



myself representing the Free Churches and we have in connection with this work a platform upon which we can stand together. Then I associate myself with Mr. Palmer in all he has said about the very delightful speech which our Chairman has given to us, and I am sure in everything which is of difficulty, it will come to these friends in connection with this work. "Be of good cheer." This has been a glad time to me. I have been brought for the first time in contact with this work, and I have learnt a great deal here. The children have lost one dear Mother, but I can see very well they have two splendid Mothers in this Home, and a splendid Father in Mr. White. Through what I have seen here to-day, three or four things have come to my thought, and the first of them is this: "The eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth." That is where my eyes have been. I have been thinking of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, the Homes at Bristol etc., and I have been reading and sympathising with the splendid work that has been going on right away to the ends of the earth; and right before my eyes in this place, has this splendid work been going on for sixteen years, and I never knew anything at all about it until three months ago. What a wonderful place is London, and how easy it is for the eyes of a fool to be on the ends of the earth, instead of looking straight at the needs under our very noses. Now friends, I am not in a position to say anything about the principles of operations in connection with this work of God in this place, but one thought came to me: Is it right that such a great work like this should be proceeding in a neighbourhood like this, and that it should be possible for a Christian Minister to be in a neighbourhood 9½ years, and not know anything about it? and I began to long for some eloquent voice to speak of this work, and to make it thoroughly well-known, not only in this part of London, but throughout

the length and breadth of our country. The principle of operation here is that you act in prayer in absolute co-operation with God. Now I don't want these friends to depart from the principle of co-operation. It is blessed and beautiful, but I maintain it is quite consistent, that we, who do know the work, should make it well known, so that when these friends come to God, then God can move upon the hearts of men and women, so that they will come forward with practical sympathy for this work in the coming years. Another text has come into my mind. "This is the Lord's doings, and it is marvellous in our eyes." There are some institutions which seem to have stamped upon them, man's genius, man's organising ability, and you can account for their prosperity largely by saying "There is a man of splendid business ability behind the concern"; but when I look upon this work, while I know there is splendid organisation, yet I do feel this, the chief feature of the work of the Home is not that it has stamped upon it the genius of man, but the blessing and approval of God. "This is the Lord's doings, and it is marvellous in our eyes." Well then, there is another thought too, and it is this from the 12th chap. of the 1st Epistle to the Corinthians, where we read about the diversities of gifts. There are diversities of gifts, but the one Spirit, and to one has been given this gift, and to another that gift, and to another faith. Now, I think that is the gift that has been pre-eminently given to Mr. and Mrs. White and Miss Hutchin: the gift of faith. I don't think we all have it. It is the special gift given by the great Head of the Church by His Holy Spirit, to one here and there. We have a man in our midst who is the recipient of this great gift of God, and we pray that they may continue for long years, and that their faith will be abundantly blest in the future, as it has been in the past.





## CHILDREN'S HOME LINKS.

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## NUMBER AND AMOUNT OF EVERY RECEIPT ISSUED

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365	0	14	0	417	0	10	0	469	1	1	0	521	3	0	0
366	0	10	0	418	1	0	0	470	0	6	0	522	1	0	0
367	0	10	0	419	1	10	0	471	0	10	0	523	1	0	0
368	0	10	0	420	1	0	0	472	1	1	0	524	0	10	0
369	1	8	1	421	0	3	0	473	0	7	6	525	5	15	0
370	0	10	0	422	0	10	0	474	0	6	6	526	0	10	0
371	0	10	0	423	1	0	0	475	0	5	0	527	0	10	0
372	0	6	0	424	0	5	0	476	0	5	11	528	0	10	0
373	0	5	0	425	5	0	0	477	1	4	0	529	0	10	0
374	1	0	0	426	0	6	0	478	0	3	10 <sup>1</sup>	530	1	10	0
375	2	0	0	427	0	10	0	479	0	10	6	531	1	10	0
376	0	6	0	428	3	0	0	480	0	10	0	532	1	0	0
377	1	0	0	429	0	3	0	481	1	2	6	533	1	0	0
378	0	10	0	430	0	2	6	482	0	4	0 <sup>1</sup>	534	0	5	0
379	0	4	6	431	0	10	0	483	1	4	0	535	0	6	0
380	0	7	6	432	0	12	6	484	0	3	0	536	2	2	0
381	1	4	0	433	0	10	0	485	0	2	6	537	0	10	0
382	0	8	5	434	5	0	0	486	2	0	0	538	0	10	0
383	0	10	0	435	0	10	0	487	0	10	0	539	0	10	0
384	0	2	6	436	0	10	0	488	0	10	6	540	0	5	0
385	0	10	0	437	0	5	0	489	1	0	0	541	0	10	0
386	4	0	0	438	0	3	0	490	0	5	0	542	0	10	0
387	0	10	0	439	1	19	0	491	0	10	0	543	10	0	0
388	0	10	0	440	1	0	0	492	1	1	0	544	0	10	0
389	2	0	0	441	1	10	0	493	1	1	0	545	1	0	0
390	1	0	0	442	0	10	0	494	0	3	0	546	1	0	0
391	1	0	0	443	0	6	0	495	2	0	0	547	1	1	0
392	0	10	0	444	0	3	0	496	0	10	0	548	2	0	0
393	1	0	0	445	0	7	7 <sup>1</sup>	497	0	2	0	549	1	4	0
394	0	2	6	446	2	12	0	498	0	10	0	550	1	12	6
395	0	10	0	447	0	12	8 <sup>1</sup>	499	0	12	6	551	0	1	1 <sup>1</sup>
396	0	10	0	448	0	5	0	500	0	10	6	552	0	10	0
397	0	19	6	449	2	12	6	501	0	11	6	553	1	10	0
398	1	19	0	450	1	0	0	502	1	0	0	554	0	2	0
399	1	10	0	451	1	0	0	503	1	0	0	555	1	8	0
400	1	0	0	452	0	10	0	504	0	7	4	556	1	0	0
401	0	10	0	453	1	1	0	505	0	10	0	557	0	8	8
402	0	7	0	454	0	2	0	506	2	3	6	558	5	0	0
												559	0	12	6
												560	0	10	0
												561	4	0	0
												562	0	14	0
												563	1	0	0
												564	0	5	6
												565	0	2	0
												566	8	10	0
												567	2	1	9
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												569	0	6	0
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												579	0	1	6
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												581	1	19	0
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												602	1	11	8
												603	1	10	0
												604	1	4	0
												605	1	0	0
												606	0	6	0
												607	0	6	0
												608	1	0	0
												609	1	10	0
												610	0	6	0



## NUMBER AND AMOUNT OF EVERY RECEIPT ISSUED.—CONTINUED.

£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
611	0	4	0	633	0	10	0	655	0	5	0	677	0	5	0
612	0	14	0	634	1	0	0	656	0	10	0	678	0	2	6
613	0	10	0	635	1	13	9	657	1	0	0	679	0	10	0
614	1	15	5	636	0	10	0	658	0	12	6	680	0	10	0
615	1	0	0	637	2	2	0	659	0	2	6	681	0	10	0
616	0	0	6	638	6	10	0	660	1	0	0	682	2	0	0
617	0	10	0	639	1	13	3	661	1	14	7	683	1	0	0
618	5	0	0	640	0	10	0	662	0	6	0	684	0	10	0
619	1	0	0	641	1	10	0	663	2	10	0	685	0	5	0
620	1	0	0	642	0	10	0	664	0	10	0	686	0	12	0
621	0	10	0	643	1	10	0	665	0	2	0	687	0	10	0
622	0	10	0	644	0	10	0	666	0	2	8	688	0	5	0
623	0	10	0	645	0	10	0	667	1	0	0	689	0	8	0
624	0	12	6	646	0	12	0	668	0	10	0	690	1	10	0
625	0	10	0	647	0	5	0	669	1	0	0	691	0	2	0
626	1	10	0	648	0	6	0	670	0	6	0	692	1	0	0
627	0	5	0	649	2	12	0	671	2	0	0	693	1	0	0
628	1	0	0	650	0	5	0	672	1	5	0	694	0	5	0
629	1	16	4	651	0	5	0	673	0	12	6	695	0	5	0
630	0	13	0	652	0	14	0	674	0	12	6	696	0	10	0
631	0	6	0	653	1	0	0	675	0	12	6	697	0	14	0
632	1	0	0	654	0	5	0	676	2	0	0	698	0	12	0
												£368 17 11½			

## The Home for Destitute and Motherless Children, South Woodford.

## Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year, ending 30th April, 1916.

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Cash in hand,			By Rent, Rates and		
May 1st, 1915		0 2 1	Taxes	129	12 3
„ Donations	278	12 4	„ Water, Gas and		
„ Subs'pt'ns	163	18 0	Coals	52	14 4
„ Boxholders	47	8 3½	„ Provisions	399	10 0½
	489	18 7½	„ Furniture, Linen,		
„ Repayments on			Boots, Repairs, &c.	75	6 4½
A/c Children	217	8 0	„ Printing, Postages,		
			and Stationery	29	13 4
			„ Wages ...	3	10 0
			„ Incidental Exp'ses	14	10 4½
				704	16 8½
			Balance being Cash		
			in hand		2 12 0½
					£707 8 8½

I have examined the above Account with the Books and Vouchers  
and certify the same to be correct,

ALBERT WILLMOTT,  
Chartered Accountant.  
(Honorary Auditor).

14, Old Jewry Chambers,  
London, E.C.  
May 29th, 1916.