

Officer at the same price and would be glad to help a Work of Faith. When I told Dr. Flegg this news he said, "White, isn't God wonderful." We have now as our Medical Officers, Dr. David Smith, Dr. Eric Mathie and Dr. Carey Baker, and our Dental Surgeon is Mr. Stephen Smith. We are most grateful for this splendid help.

We were in the Woodlands for one year and then moved to where we are to-day in Crescent Road, taking the first of two houses standing by themselves in an open space. The owner was a friend and he promised to make some alterations and to allow us to buy the house for so much rent. To this we agreed but by the end of the year we saw our mistake, as we were really in debt until the house was cleared. We saw in the Bible "Owe no man anything, but love one another." We at once saw the owner and said we wanted more room but were not willing to go further into debt. If he would kindly scrap the agreement we would take the second house, pay a monthly rent and open this one for boys. To this he agreed. The Lord sent us two Workers from Scotland and by April, 1902, we had 14 girls and 4 boys and in April, 1903, we had 17 girls and 14 boys.

Our next step was to open a house opposite for 8 boys whilst our landlord kindly built two bigger houses adjoining the first two. These were completed in 1905 and publicly opened on 8th May. Mrs. Florence Barclay paid her first visit and opened this new wing. Rev. J. T. Inskip, M.A. (who was later Bishop of Barking), presided. Councillor J. Shepherd said: "If anyone were at all sceptical about the work being done and the answers to prayers received, let them get into touch with Mr. White. He believed the work in Crescent Road was going to be the means of starting something of a revival in Woodford and that the Parish would be blest. There had been some unfavourable reports about the Homes and they had not received the justice due to them. Upon hearing these the Woodford Council had asked their Medical Officer to visit the Institution. He had done so and his report was as favourable as it was possible for any official to give."

By 1910 our numbers reached 60 and the first decade was brought to close.

It is stated to-day that people want thrills. Well, if they were to join in a work like his they would certainly get them. Some trials, but many triumphs.

"If all were easy,
If all were light,
Where would the cross be?
Where be the fight?"

How many times have we repaired to the Throne of Heavenly Grace asking the dear Lord to please answer our petitions for all sorts of things and how He delights to surprise us in many ways.

How thankful we are that the three objects we started with are still being maintained.

1. To help needy children.
2. To be the means of bringing them to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour.
3. To trust the Lord alone for all needs without appealing to anyone else.

During these early years there are two personal experiences I should like to record.

When 23 years of age, the officials of the Bank in which I was employed heard about this work and invited me to attend the Head Office for an interview. On my first visit I saw the Joint General Managers and a few months after was asked to see the Chairman and Managing Director, who said "I have sent for you as I want to know about the work you are doing re the Woodford Orphanage. If you will sit down, I desire to say several things and there will be an opportunity at the end for you to respond if you desire.

"1. You are a very young man to have the responsibility of a work like this. I have heard of young men keeping fowls, pigeons, and rabbits for a hobby, but never heard of them starting such a work as you are doing.

"2. Many years ago I started in the Bank on the bottom rung of the ladder and I am now finishing at the top having devoted all my strength to this business. You have started on the same rung but where will you end if you are engaged in other work?

"3. I consider that you ought to spend every hour that God gives you with your eyes open, learning Banking Law, Banking Science, and Banking Practice.

"4. Now I am told that you declare that this orphanage work is being maintained in answer to prayer. Do you mean to tell me that the Almighty hears your prayers and sends answers, or is this not a game of chance?

"5. I want to ask you three questions so that you may shirk something of your responsibility respecting this work? If you wanted to form a committee, could you form a committee of influential people, and will you form a committee?

"6. You may have to appear before the Board of Directors and they may say 'Which will you choose, Bank or Home?' What would you say?

"Now I think I have covered the ground. Have you any replies to make?" I answered: "I should like if I might take up the points you have raised. May I thank you for inviting me here and for giving me this opportunity of replying.

"1. Although you have not heard of such a young man doing this kind of work, is this a reason why I should not do it?

"2. I have started on the bottom rung. Who can tell how high I shall climb if I remain in the Bank?

"3. I do not agree that I ought to spend every hour that God gives me with my eyes open learning banking. I am quite willing to work hard in banking hours, but when the proper hours have been spent, the others surely are for me to use as I desire. I believe the Word which says 'But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.'

"4. Yes, the work is being maintained in answer to prayer, without any public appeal and I know the Almighty hears me through the Lord Jesus Christ and has already sent me many answers. This work is not a game of chance but is Faith in God which is proved by the answers coming.

"5. I certainly could form a committee if I wanted to, and the committee could consist of influential people, but we are not only keeping children, but living to prove that God will answer those who trust in Him alone. Now if I wanted £20 I should have to tell the committee which would be responsible, and if influential could supply that need—then where would my 'prayer life' go to?

"6. "I should really like to appear before the Board before answering that question."

At this juncture the Managing Director stopped me and said: "Think out carefully again our conversation—there is no need to hurry, but write me a reply what you finally decide to do."

I, therefore, did not hurry and having waited a fortnight, he wrote again asking for a reply. After much prayer my reply was to this effect:—

"I have prayerfully and carefully considered the questions put to me when you kindly gave me the interview, and in reply beg to state that I must obey God rather than man, and continue to carry on the work which God has given me to do.

"Trusting this will make no difference to my remaining in the Bank."

I had no reply to this, but sometime after, the Chief Inspector told me that the Managing Director said "File this letter, and leave him alone. He will get through anywhere."

I stayed in the Bank for another five years (married at 26), being then 28 years of age with one child three months old. The Lord one evening again clearly spoke to me. "You are preaching faith on Sunday. You have the orphanage on faith lines, but what about yourself?" From this I could not get away—told my wife—and the more we prayed the more we were convinced that something had to be done. My wife was in full agreement with me and so the last day in November, 1906, I wrote to my Bank Manager stating that I desired to voluntarily resign my position in the Bank and should leave on the last day of the year as I wanted to go out and trust God. The Manager read the letter twice, put it back in the envelope, threw it at me and said: "White, you must have gone mad. How are you going to live if you do not receive any money?" My reply was: "I am afraid I cannot stop you thinking. I shall leave on the date mentioned as I have already settled this with God and I should like, over a cup of tea, to tell the staff why I am leaving."

Half-way through that December I had a visit one evening from a Minister (I will not say what denomination). He said to me: "I have heard a rumour about you and have come to see if it is correct that you are thinking of giving up your position in the Bank." My reply was: "Yes, you are quite right and there are only two weeks to go and I shall be free." He replied: "Do you think you are doing right? Are you going to give up a certainty for an uncertainty?"

I asked the Lord for an answer and He gave me one which I passed on: "Is that really your impression that I shall be giving up a certainty for an uncertainty. Whatever do you preach about? Are the things that you can touch and handle more certain than the things which are unseen and eternal? Why, you may be here to-day and gone to-morrow. Your wife may be here to-day and gone to-morrow. Your child may be here to-day and gone to-morrow. Your money may be here to-day and gone to-morrow, but you cannot talk like that about God. 'He changeth not,' 'Thou art the same,' 'Thou remainest,' 'The Lord Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and to-day and for ever.'"

The Minister left not in a good mood and said he thought I was suffering from a swelled head.

Time will not permit me to tell in detail of God's continued answer to prayer and the succeeding years.

However, here are a few of the outstanding deliverances which He has given:—

- 1924. The Lord opened the way for a new expansion of the Work in sending a Wagon whose evangelistic campaign made possible the building of the Evangelical Free Church, Abridge.
- 1928. Our Florence Barclay Memorial Hall was built, thus proving again God's knowledge of our ever-expanding need.
- 1931. After thirty years of prayer Dr. F. E. Marsh was moved to buy the freehold of our four houses and hand them to us as a gift to the Work.
- 1931. We were still having to pay rent for one house and then God led the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Stark to offer two freehold houses as a gift to their memory. Thus came the end of renting premises for the Work, God having given to us the entire freehold after thirty years' service.
- 1938. After much exercise and prayer saw the opening of the Holiday and Convalescent Home at Tiptree. All unknown to us in the providence of God this was to be our war-time home from 1939 to 1946.
- 1942. Miss R. A. Hutchin, referred to earlier in the report, was called "Home" from Tiptree, 6th February. On her stone in the Congregational Churchyard, Tiptree, the fact is recorded "She mothered 600 children."
- 1946. Saw the Home returning to Woodford. We cannot but see God's wondrous overruling for if "The Grove," Tiptree, had not been provided at the very time it was needed, our children would have

scattered, so 1946 saw the continuation of the Work both at Woodford and Tiptree.

Again time will fail to tell of the building of the Laundry and Bathroom at Tiptree, also the gift of the Bungalow and Sports Field with the development of the Farm with orchard, cows, horse and implements, etc. Neither can I stop to relate the story of God's wonderful answers to prayer in the provision, among other things, of meat, fish, rice, buns, boots, soap, painting of the houses, gifts of money, so that during the whole of 50 years we can declare to the glory of our ever-faithful God that we have never been in debt. It would take a very large volume to record all His wondrous provision in many ways, but we hope some day to publish such a book.

We have endeavoured to carry out the three objects. Nearly 800 children have been helped since the start. A good proportion of the 700 sent out have made their decision for the Lord Jesus Christ and quite a few are passing on to others the message of the Gospel.

Many of the "old children" are now married and have children of their own and are now teaching the same truths.

We have also found Paul's message to the Phillippians to be our experience: "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

"So on I go, not knowing
I would not if I might;
I'd rather walk in the dark with God,
Than go along in the light.
I'd rather walk by faith with him
Than go alone by sight."

Brethren, Pray for us.



"An Old Boy."



One of our Woodford lads in his School Eleven.



Nursery Rhyme Competition at Tiptree—the Competitors.



"An Old Boy."



Nursery Rhyme Competition at Tiptree—Winners and Runners-up.



Taken at the Golden Jubilee Meeting—Mr. White, with the boys and girls, greeting an "Old Girl," one of the first to be cared for.

THE PRESENCE

It happened on a Saturday—November 19th to be exact. I sat huddled over the fire in my one-roomed flat. Outside the fog spread its grim hand over London's grey streets, ready to take a firmer grip at any moment.

My friends were out of town visiting their parents, most of them. I visualised gentle white-haired mothers, hurriedly putting the finishing touches to tea tables laden with home-baked goodies, while burly fathers watched anxiously the gathering gloom, and threw extra logs on fires that already crackled merrily. At the sound of a light step and a cheery greeting, the scene changed. With the drawing of the curtains all care seemed to be shut out, while inside was love and security. How I envied these girls, and how alone I felt. The usual crowd would welcome me with open arms if I cared to join in their frivolity, but I felt weary of it all.

I shook myself. What a fool I was. Hadn't I started with nil and climbed the ladder to success. After all, what other girl brought up in an orphanage could hold her head as high as mine? A good position, excellent prospects, plenty of friends, laughter and gaiety within a stone's throw—what more could one want.

I had let the fire grow low, and suddenly the room felt cold. I drew my cardigan closer around me and slipped my hands in the pockets.

"Goodness!" I exclaimed, drawing out an envelope, and glancing at the postmark. "I must have pushed that in there weeks ago."

I opened it hurriedly to find an invitation to a Reunion of Old Boys and Girls at The Children's Home—my home, the only one I could remember.

Each year these invitations had come and each year I had thrown them aside. I didn't care to remember. "Press on to Success" had been my motto, for too much thinking interfered with progress. What would my friends think if they discovered that I had once been in such dire need? Friends did I say? Were they? What constitutes a friend, I wondered. "Someone who knows all about us and loves us just the same" I believed to be a good maxim.

Supposing I went to this Reunion on November 19th—to-night! I hadn't much time but I could just make it if I hurried. Anything was better than boredom.

Within an hour I was being ushered by two bright-eyed boys into The Florence Barclay Memorial Hall. Quite a crowd were already assembled.

There was Lil—years older, of course, but one would have known her anywhere; the tall black-haired girl by her side must be her daughter. What a handsome husband, too. My! they looked happy. Surely the trio in uniform by the piano couldn't be Tom, Bob and Dick—the inseparable little ruffians, who arrived at the Home as I departed.

It was fun meeting the old companions, and then Pa appeared. This man of faith, who maintained that NOTHING was impossible to him that he believed. Would he remember me? Yes, he did, and as he shook my hand, I knew that he not only remembered me, but that he had been praying for me. No one else cared for my soul. It made me feel very humble. I ought to have shown gratitude for all the Home had done for me instead of which "self" had been my one consuming thought. Gradually I remembered the intimate kindnesses that showed how much love had been the motive behind each one. Not every home possessed

a father who would scan the streets all night for a lost boy, or freely forgive some blatant hooliganism. Not every home possessed a mother sufficiently interested in her girl's future to discuss and investigate every avenue for her career. Having its own family within the larger family—three generations—made it complete. In sickness and sadness, there was always someone who understood and sympathised. The happy days, too, I remembered. As the girls and boys went out into the world, back they would come. First bringing their respective sweethearts for approval, then Pa would be called on to solemnise their marriage and dedicate their babies. This was home, indeed.

Tea was served in the dining-room below the Hall. The little ones had a table to themselves, while the rest of us chatted and devoured a tea, which would have satisfied the most gluttonous schoolboy or delighted the most fastidious maiden.

As the children reverently sang their thanks for such a meal, I realised that it was a long time since I had given a thought to where my daily food had originally come from.

After tea, organised games were played with much hilarity. Before being drawn into the fun I sat and watched the youngsters as they enjoyed themselves to the full. Suddenly I felt a fairy-like creature settle on my lap, and there I beheld "Mary," a small girl plus her knitting, quite oblivious of her surroundings, placidly making winter woollies for her baby. She slid away later, but before she went off with the other little girls to bed, she found her way to me once more, and slipping her arms around my neck, she kissed me good-night. I knew then that the greatest thing in life is not success but LOVE.

How everyone enjoyed the conjuring, especially the younger ones, who took part in the magic. This friend of the Home had a wonderful way of making them feel really important. It was magnificent. Everything went perfectly. The "fluence" never failed.

Immediately after the show "the eights and under" went to bed. It seemed strange to me that there, in the midst of this gay party, Pa could commit these children to their Heavenly Father. To them it was quite natural. If one believed that the Lord Jesus Christ walked on this earth and His greatest joy was to be with children, why should it be strange that His Presence should be with them in their fun nowadays.

To be flung from one chair to another or to rush crazily round a circle, and hope to obtain a vacant seat; or for one's chief aim to be the arm of a stalwart young man when the music stops, may not be everyone's cup of tea, but it certainly proved exhilarating to me.

The evening ended with a short play called "The Real Presence."

Several older children took part, and it was most impressive. The home of Mary and Martha was portrayed after the Person of Christ had gone. Having once known Him, they find that His presence is still with them, and their lives are transformed by His Power; and the thought of His goodness inspires them to deeds of kindness.

As I left the Home—the home that I would now never forget, I realised one great truth. If we develop mentally and physically without developing spiritually, we are a lopsided people. I have often considered Christians to suffer from a similar complaint, but I came to the conclusion that I was exceedingly top-heavy myself. As the fog lifted outside, I felt the need to clear up this matter before going further. It doesn't take long to make a decision. If love is the greatest thing in the world, and God, in the Person of Jesus Christ, is LOVE, surely He should reign supreme in our lives.

EXTRACTS FROM DIARY

MAY, 1949, to APRIL, 1950.

MAY

- 3rd. Wickham Bishops Mission Hall, 10/-. Mapledurham, 10/-.
- "C," 8/-. Whitstable, £10 covt.
- 4th. Maidstone, £5.
- 5th. Blackpool, 10/-. Anstey, £5. East Rudham, £5. Enfield, 5/-.
- 6th. Catford, 5/- London, N.1, £2 10 0. Grantham, 7/- Theydon Bois, 7 lbs. sweets.
- 7th. Chigwell, £1 1 0. "An Old Girl," £2. Whitstable, £3. Westmorland, £5.
- 9th. Annual Gatherings, £56 7 9.
- 10th. Brentwood, 10/- Stratford "Box," 10/- Shoeburyness, £1. Stisted, £1. Southampton, £1.
- 11th. Theydon Bois, 10/-.
- 13th. "An Old Girl," £3. Woodford Green, £1. Thundersley Gospel Hall Sunday School, £1. London, W.1, £10. Barkingside, parcel second-hand clothes.
- 14th. Woodford Green, £2 "W.," £2. Hackney, £2. Ebenezer Baptist Church, £2. Ilford, £8.
- 15th. "C.," 10/- Shoebury Boot Fund, £3 2 6. Eastwood, £1. Boxes, £40.
- 16th. Toronto, 50 pairs socks.
- 17th. East Barnet Gospel Hall, £5. Woodford, parcel secondhand clothes.
- 18th. Whipps Cross, £1. Lower Edmonton, 2/10. Walthamstow, 7/6.
- 19th. For sale of two calves, £5.
- 20th. Hope Baptist Chapel, £1 18 5, and 1 doll. Woodford, tins soup.
- 21st. Brentford, rocking-horse.
- 23rd. Falkland Hall Primary, £1. Bath, £1 1.
- 24th. Southchurch Tab., £2. "N.," 10/- Woodford Green, 10/-.
- 25th. Gossett Street Hall, £1. Paradise Row Baptist Church, £5 5 0.
- 27th. Melbourne, several pairs gloves.
- 31st. Latimer Hall Sunday School, £1. Southampton, £1. Beta Sigma Phi, 2 boxes chocolates and secondhand clothes.

JUNE

- 1st. "M.," 10/- Hanworth Welcome Mission, £1 5 0.
- 2nd. George Lane Baptist Women's League, 6 nightdresses, 1 pair knickers, 1 secondhand dress, 1 pair socks. A local hairdresser cut 20 girls' hair. Manor Park, "My father-in-law asked me to forward you the enclosed 10/- for your work. He is 95 to-day and is just recovering from a serious illness." Tiptree, £2.
- 4th. Ten children were taken to the seaside by some friends from Hackney. Beechcroft Road S.S., £2.
- 6th. Latchett Hall Y.P.F., £3 7 0, "May I, on behalf of all the other young people, say how thrilled I was with the experiences of God's goodness in your work which you had to tell." Stratford, 10/- Tiptree Brotherhood, 17/-.
- 8th. Ilford, 5/- Fifteen girls went to Highway Hall to join in games and had tea there with the young people.
- 10th. Witham P.P., Y.P.F., £1. Brentwood, £2 and £2.
- 12th. Tiptree children sang and recited at Laver Breton S.S. Anniversary.

- 13th. South Woodford, £1. Diss, 3 large parcels of varied and useful articles. Woodford children attended Scripture Exam. Prize giving.
- 14th. Diss Sunday School Anniversary, £3. Layer Breton Friends Meeting House, Sunday School, £1.
- 15th. Anyards Road Gospel Hall S.S., £3 10 0. East Ham, a Widow's tenth, 10/-. Sunday School Union, £1 1 0.
- 16th. Westcliff-on-Sea, 6 pairs socks.
- 17th. Highway Hall Girls' Club, 10/-.
- 18th. Our "Aunties" took 6 girls to London for the day.
- 20th. Staff Christian Fellowship Circle, £1 1 0. Anon., parcel second-hand clothes.
- 21st. Milford-on-Sea, £3. Huntingdon, £2. Tempsford, £1. Leigh-on-Sea Bible Class, £3 10 0. Anon, 10/-. Barking, 10/-. Hants., 10/-. Southend-on-Sea, £1 10 0.
- 23rd. Miss A. P. N., decd., Thorpe Bay, legacy, £150. Buckhurst Hill Baptist Women's Meeting, 13/6. Lighthouse Mission S.S., £3. Manor Park, 10/-. Springfield Hall Missionary Sewing Class, 1 tea tray, 1 kettle holder, 2 skirts, 2 trousers, 1 petticoat, 4 blouses, 3 vests, 2 pairs bed-socks, 2 pairs gloves, 1 dressing table mat, 2 milk jug covers, 3 shirts, 1 cushion cover, 1 bed cover, 2 pairs knickers, 3 home-made toys, all new.
- 24th. Cornwall, £1.
- 25th. Boys won in game of cricket with team from Highams Park.
- 27th. "G.," £2. Cheltenham, £4 18 0. Cecil Hall S.S., £6. Surrey, 2/6.
- 30th. Cranleigh, £1. Income Tax repayments on Covenant payments, £390 7 4.

JULY

- 2nd. Cricklewood, N.W.2, £5. Enfield, £1.
- 4th. Loughton, £1. Stratford Railway Mission, £3.
- 5th. Ley Street Gospel Hall, £2.
- 6th. "B. K. M.," £2 2 0. Enfield, boxes, £10. Enfield Mission Hall Team, £5.
- 7th. Underhill Free Church, Barnet, £2 2 0. "Your visit has encouraged us as a young church to go on trusting in the Lord—many of our young people who attended that service have spoken to me regarding this matter of constant and daily prayer." Witham and District S.S.U., £1.
- 8th. Great Lever, Bolton, £2. Miss E. B., decd., Worthing, £50 legacy. Sandy, £1 1 0. Rayleigh, 2 parcels secondhand clothes.
- 11th. Ebenezer Baptist, £1. Ashville Hall S.S., £3. Beta Sigma Phi, lovely parcel of clothes and soaps from America.
- 12th. Manor Park, £1.
- 13th. Loates Lane S.S., Watford, £3 3 9. War Damage a/c £18 5 1.
- 14th. Seven Kings, large load of wood.
- 16th. Walthamstow, 6/-. box. Peckham, £20. Lenzie, £1. "The Links has just been received and I have viewed with interest that the Lord has again honoured faith and brought you safely through and to the end of another year in the midst of much difficulty." Great Baddow Women's Meeting, £1 14 0.
- 18th. Eldon Road Bapt. Church, £2. Gospel Hall S.S., Brentwood, £3.
- 19th. Willesden Green, £1 1 0.
- 20th. Romford, £1. "May the Lord continue to set His seal upon your work, not only providing all material needs but by introducing many of these children into His family."
- 21st. Manchester 21, £1. Eldon Road Baptist Women's Meeting, 10/-.
- 22nd. Thorpe Bay, £20. Anon, parcel of secondhand clothes. West Mersea, £1. "A little love gift from Him." Abridge, 17/-. Enfield, £5. "A thankoffering for prayer which has been answered." P.O.C.A., £3 14 0.

- 25th. South Woodford, £2. South Woodford, parcel secondhand clothes. Baptist Women's League, Woodford, 3 nightdresses and 3 pairs pyjamas.
- 26th. Roe Green Hall S.S., £3. "C.," 10/-. Goldings Hill Free Church, 12/10.
- 30th. Colchester, £2 and 2 pairs socks. Surbiton, £1. Shoeburyness Boot Fund, £5. Whitstable, £20 Covenant. Tottenham, 6 pairs socks.

AUGUST

- 1st. Rise Park Hall, Romford, 10/-. Enfield Boxes, £1 7 3.
- 3rd. Westcliff-on-Sea, £50 Covenant. Brentwood, 5/-. Woodford children left for three weeks holiday at Tiptree.
- 5th. Whetstone, £2. Clacton-on-Sea, £1 1 0. Keswick Hall, Boscombe, £13. "G.," £1. East Ham, £1 10 0.
- 10th. Woodford Green, £30. Tiptree and District Charity Cup, £5 5 0. All the children went by coach from Tiptree to Walton-on-the-Naze for the day.
- 12th. Ilford, 5/-. Abbots Langley, £10. "G.," £1.
- 13th. Westcliff-on-Sea, £40 Covenant, "With love and best wishes—may He sustain you and bless you all and guide you as to the carrying on of the Work now and in the future."
- 14th. Grove Road Hall, £1 1 0. Hainault Road Baptist Church F.O.Y., £2 2 0. Congregational Church S.S., Layer Breton, £3.
- 16th. Kempston, £2 2 0. Hollingbury Hall S.S., £5.
- 18th. All the children went from Tiptree to Little Holland for the day.
- 19th. Lower Clapton, £5.
- 23rd. Sudbury, 2 pairs socks.
- 24th. Woodford children returned from holiday at Tiptree.
- 25th. East Ham, £2. Chesterfield, £1.
- 29th. Whyteleafe United Free Church, £2 2 0. Layer Breton, box greengages.
- 30th. Leyton, £2 10 0. Southend-on-Sea, £1, "I am happy to renew my fellowship with the Lord's Work under your care, in offering the enclosed." Tiptree, 2 boxes apples. Tyttenhanger, Harvest goods.
- 31st. Tiptree, 1 box pears.

SEPTEMBER

- 1st. Layer Breton, 1 box plums.
- 2nd. Eastney Gospel Mission S.S., £5. Hook Evangelical Free Church, £3 3 0.
- 3rd. Woodford children taken for day to Upshire by Walthamstow Round Table Association.
- 6th. Norwich, 10/-. Anon, £3. Beechcroft Road S.S., £4. Bruce Grove, N.17, 10/-.
- 8th. Seven Kings, large load of firewood. Willesden, parcel of shoes and secondhand clothes.
- 10th. Manor Park, 10/- (from a Saint aged 95 years). Lewes, £5. Bethany Hall S.S., £3.
- 12th. Worthing, £1 10 0. Harvest goods from Goldings Hill Free Church.
- 13th. Park Hall, Harvest goods. Ashley Hall, Harvest goods, also from Walkern Mission and Elim Chapel, Rayleigh. St. Albans, 2 parcels clothes. Stoke Newington, £1. "As I have sat quietly enjoying my home this evening my thoughts have gone to your much larger Home and its needs, and I feel led to send this little gift."

14th. Tolleshunt Knights, 2 baskets apples. Cecil Hall, £2 2 0. Woodford Green, £2. Walkern Mission, £2. Ashley Hall, £10 5 8. Upney Baptist Church Women, £1 12 5.

15th. Tiptree, 1 box apples.

16th. Stratford Central Baptist Women's Meeting, 15/-.

17th. New Town Mission, £3 10 0. Mountnessing, 16/- and Harvest goods. Cambridge Hall S.S., £5 15 0. Enfield, £1.

19th. Harvests from Eldon Road Baptist Church, Romford Rise Park Hall, Goodmayes Methodist Church, Stratford Railway Mission, Harold Park Baptist.

20th. East Ham, £1. Doncaster, 2/6. United Free Church Women's Meeting, £2. Hope Baptist Church, £1. Eldon Road Baptist Church S.S., £3 5 6. Harvest goods from Pitsea Elim Church, Pitsea Salvation Army, Barn Chapel, Great Totham, Shern Hall, Leytonstone Central Hall, Highams Park Baptist, and Anon, 6 hares.

21st. Pitsea Methodist Sisterhood, £1 10 0. London, E.C.2, £25. Swalecliffe and Chesterfield Free Church, £3 5 6.

23rd. Hadleigh Elim Church, £1. Boscombe, 13/6.

26th. Leytonstone, £5. Leytonstone, 12/- Epping Congregational Church, 4/- and Harvest. Tiptree, 2 boxes William pears. Harvests from Stockwell Baptist Church, West Ham Tab., Ley Street Gospel Hall, Emmanuel Mission. Baptist Church, Woodford, Ridley Hall, Forest Gate, Ingrave Hall, Waltham Abbey Primitive Methodist, Hope Mission, East Ham.

27th. Ley Street Gospel Hall S.S., £3. London, S.E.20, 10/- Tebworth Road Mission, £2 and Harvest. Gainsford End Mission, 13/- Barn Chapel, Totham, £2 12 0. Stanway P.P., 7/6. "M., 10/- Great Totham C. Church, £1. Dewsbury, Anon, £1. Romford, 5/- Ebenezer Baptist Church, Ilford, Harvest, also from Ilford Elim Hall, Theydon Bois Baptist Church, Chingford Hatch Methodist, Stisted Congregational Church, and Layer Breton Friends' Meeting House.

28th. Emmanuel Church, Dartford, £3. Ebenezer Baptist Church, £1 5 1. Loughton, Anon, 10/-.

29th. "A., £2. "S., 10/- Layer Breton Congregational Church, £6. Waltham Abbey Baptist, £1 and Harvest.

30th. Chailey Unde Mission, £5 5 0. Shrubland Road Congregational Church, Harvest goods. Stisted, 37 pairs boots and 6 pairs white canvas shoes. Salisbury Road School, Harvest and also lovely selection of toys from parents of boy who had died from this School.

OCTOBER

3rd. Woodford Green, £2. Harvest from Kentish Town Mission. (A coach load of the children went to the Harvest Service at the Kentish Town Mission to take part in the Service.) St. Philip's and St. James' Church, £1 4 0 and Harvest. Leytonstone, £2. Loughton, 4/- and Harvest.

4th. Harvest goods from Elim Hall, Hadleigh, Abridge E.F.C., Keswick Hall, Walthamstow, and St. Mary Magdalene Church, Holloway. Christchurch, £1 10 0. Stockwell Baptist Church, £10 6 6.

5th. St. Alban's Sewing Meeting, 6 girls' jumpers, 1 pullover, 12 pairs pyjamas, 3 knitted vests, 3 nightdresses and 8 pinafores. Friends' Evangelistic Band, Feering, Harvest. From several friends at Emmanuel Baptist Mission, Barking, 12/6. Salway Hall, £2 5 0. Hadleigh Elim Church, £1 16 6. Palmers Green, £1.

6th. Shoburyneess Gospel Hall Girls' Sewing Class, 2 pullovers, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs gloves and 3 pairs mittens.

7th. Tolleshunt Major Congregational Church, £1. Esher, £10. Blackhills, £1 10 0. Kentish Town Mission, £17. Tiptree, box pears.

10th. Harvests from Meldrum Sunday School, Tolleshunt Knights, and Anstey. Tiptree, 3 boxes apples. Ilford, 5/- Enfield, 5/- Anstey Union Church, £8 10 0.

11th. Highgate Road, N.W.5, Covenant £6. Tolleshunt Knights Hall, £4 6 0. Harvest from Great Yeldham Chapel. Mersea, 3 boxes tin foods and 3 boxes apples.

12th. Girls' Crusader Class, Leigh-on-Sea, box of handkerchiefs.

13th. Surbiton, 10/- Tuckton Evangelical Free Church Women's Fellowship, £1. West Mersea Blessing Box, 10/- Southminster Congregational S.S., 17/6. Great Yeldham Chapel, 10/- Edmonton, 1 mangle.

17th. People's Hall, Bridgnorth, £3. Bridgnorth, £5. Anon, 10/- Bridgnorth, 10/-, "God bless you and all the children in your Home and grant that they will appreciate you as we do and that they will prove a blessing to you in the future and so carry on the work which you have started."

18th. Northfleet, 5/- Kentish Town Mission, £2 2 0. N.1, £2. Lexden, £2. Tiptree, box of pears.

21st. Anon, 1 parcel books. Yelling Baptist Church, £3 10 0. Hook Baptist Church, 10/-.

24th. Melbourn, 6 pairs gloves. Eastney Gospel Mission S.S., £7 15 0. Orford Road Baptist Y.P.F., £1. Woodford Boys' Brigade, 11th S. Essex, £2.

25th. Southampton, £1.

26th. East Ham, £2. "M., £1.

27th. Edmonton, 1 parcel secondhand clothes. Swindon Bible Institute S.S., £5 5 0. Gravesend, £1. Shobury Boot Fund, £4 10 0.

28th. Southend, 8 pairs hand knitted socks. Llandudno, £1. New Town Men's Meeting, £4.

31st. Woodbery Down Baptist Women's Bible Class, £1. Brixham Gospel Mission S.S., £1. Esher, £2.

NOVEMBER

2nd. Barnet Brotherhood and Sisterhood, £3 3 0. Nurses' Training Home, Leytonstone, £1.

4th. Edmonton, secondhand mangle.

5th. Boxes, £18. New Town Men's Meeting, £2 2 6. Stockwell Baptist Church, sweets.

7th. Enfield, £1. Stockwell Baptist Church, 10/-.

8th. An old girl and her husband, 10/-.

9th. Welcome Mission, Leytonstone, C. E., 10/-.

10th. Regent Hall, Swindon, £10 10 0. 150 gift parcels from Australia, each containing 1 tin jam, 2 tins meat, 1 tin dripping, 1 packet pastry flour, and 1 tin full cream powdered milk. Latimer Hall S.S., £1.

11th. Chingford, £2. Margaret Preston Charitable Trust, £113 8 0. Leytonstone Methodist Church, £1 1 0. Surbiton, £1 10 0.

16th. Carshalton, £10.

18th. Wickham Bishops, £2. Westcliff, £10. Tempsford, £5. Falkland Road Hall S.S., "Once again some of the boys and girls of this S.S. have been collecting their farthings and have asked me to forward this gift of £1 to you."

19th. Boxes, £27. Many of the old girls and boys met together for our Reunion to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Home.

20th. A special Service to commemorate the start of the Home was held in the Woodford Baptist Church and was attended by a large number of friends. The Mayor and Mayoress of the Borough of Wanstead and Woodford, together with some of the Councillors, were present. The children sang some special pieces. In the evening a similar Service was

held at the Abridge Evangelical Free Church. Two of our older girls were baptised.

21st. To conclude the Golden Jubilee celebrations a friend showed some carefully chosen films to the children in our Florence Barclay Memorial Hall and provided them with sweets and ices. Abridge E.F.C., £2 9 8. Frant (Covenant), £25.

22nd. "D. K.," £5.

23rd. Cornwall, "This accompanying cheque £1 is my response to the report of your great venture of faith given by yesterday's *News Chronicle*. Amid so much shame and suffering in the world to-day I felt gladdened to read of your 50 years' care for these little ones. Much of it will have gone unreported, nevertheless it will live on in the lives of the boys and girls you have loved and laboured for." Swansea, "Greetings in the name of the Lord, and heartiest congratulations on the 50th anniversary of your Home. Yours is a wonderful story of faith and love and an abundant proof our God answers prayer, £1 1 0." Marsh Hill and Slade S.S., £2.

24th. Ascot, 10/6. Southchurch Tabernacle Women's Meeting, £1 2 6. Girls' Life Brigade, Woodford, £2.

25th. Income Tax repayment, £324 5 9 (Covenant gifts).

28th. Southport, £3 (from a Building firm). Shoeburyness, £1. Whyteleaf Free Church, £2 2 0. Croyland Hall, Primary, £5, and S.S., £5. Buckhurst Hill, £2 2 0.

29th. West Wickham, 7/6. Goodmayes, "May I congratulate you on reaching the 50th year of your noble work. I enclose my small gift of £1." Gidea Park, £1.

30th. Cranford Baptist Girls' Bible Class, £1 10 0. Woodford, 10/-. Hornchurch, £2. Latimer Hall Primary, £1. Latimer Hall, £3 10 0. Found in a Bible, 10/-.
 D E C E M B E R

1st. Mapledurham, 10/-. "The widow's mite—I only wish I could send pounds. But God knows the spirit in which it is sent and I pray He will bless it." Doncaster, 2/6. "Thank you for sending me the 'Links.' I do love reading it, and it's so wonderful to know that our Heavenly Father does provide." High Barnet, £5. Worthing, £2. Hook E.F.C., £3 3 0. Woodford, 5/-. Plaistow, 10/-.
 2nd. Stisted, large parcel of shoes and sandals. Binfield, £1 10 0. "From 'Michael's' Missionary Garden." Braintree, £1. Doncaster, £3. Highams Park, £1.

5th. Pitsea Methodist Church, parcel clothes. Ramsey Road Congregational Church, new and secondhand toys. Enfield, £1 1 0. "How good to know that some of the children trust the Lord Jesus as Saviour while quite young." Barkingside, £2. Totteridge, £1 11 0. Leytonstone, 14/-. Walthamstow, £2. Whetstone, £2.

6th. St. Columb, £1. N.W.11, 10/-. Leyton, £1. Lewes, £5. Hounslow, £2.

7th. "C.," 1/4. Woodford Green, £1. Puckeridge, £1. "You will be surprised to receive this letter from me, an utter stranger, but I saw the report in the *News Chronicle*. The picture touched me very deeply—what a happy chuckle on the boys' faces. I myself am an old Barnardo boy so realise what is being done for these boys." Abridge, 8 boxes Christmas crackers. Barking, 10/-. N. Lancing, £1. Hornchurch, £1. Manor Park, £1. Hainault Road Baptist Women's Meeting, £1. Burgess Hill, £4 and parcel clothes.

8th. Letchworth, 10/-. Ipswich Baptist Church, box secondhand toys. Haverhill Old Independent Church Sisterhood, 11 pairs pyjamas, 1 petticoat, 8 face flannels, 1 pair secondhand shoes, 1 cot cover. Winstead, 10/-. N.8, £1. Holland, £2 2 0. Stonegate, 10/-. Upton Manor,

£1. Westcliff, 10/-. Westcliff, £1. Eastwood Sisterhood, £2. Hayes Baptist S.S., £1.

9th. "In memory of dear Sam," £1. Bristol, 10/-. Leytonstone, 10/-. Peterborough, 7/6.

10th. Barling Gospel Mission, £3 5 0. Surbiton, 10/-. Chadwell Heath, £1. Shoeburyness Gospel Hall, toys. Woodford Green, £1. Westcliff, 6 vests. Beta Sigma Phi, 16 pairs gloves, 3 pairs mittens, 1 scarf, 2 pullovers.

12th. Woodford, a local hairdresser cut the girls' hair free of charge. Stisted, load of wood. Clapton, books. Olton, £1. Tunbridge Wells, £1 1 0. Aldeburgh, 3/3. Ringwood, £1. Woodford Green, £3 3 0. Ipswich, 10/6. Enfield, £1. Southend, £5 5 0. Burnham, 10/-. Sturry Gospel Mission, £2. Chesterfield, £1. Woodford, £1. Woodford, 2/6. Southgate, 10/-. Cranford, £1. Pitsea, £1 10 0. Watford, £2 2 0.

13th. Whitstable, 8/-. Clifton, £2. Ealing, £5. Highgate, 10/-. Ilford, £1. Whitechapel, £1 10 0. Gospel Band Mission, Colchester, £1 12 0 and toys. Wickham Bishops, £2. Stisted, load of wood. Tottenham Baptist S.S., toys. Walsall, 1 girl's navy tunic (new). Diss, toys and useful household articles.

14th. Kentish Town, height measure and kitchen scales. Croyland Hall, 15/-. Broughton Union Chapel, £1. Upper Holloway, 10/-. Walsall, £2. Royston, £2. Woodford Green, £3 3 0. Elmsleigh Hall, £5 and toys. Elmsleigh Hall Sewing Class, 5 flannels, 3 dresses, 3 jumpers, 1 pair socks, 1 pinafore, 1 Pixie hat, 2 pairs bedroom slippers, 5 vests, 3 pairs gloves. Woodford, 10/-. Woodford, 10/-. Waltham Abbey, £4. Palmers Green, £1. Tollesbury, 2 pairs knitted socks.

15. Southampton, £1 10 0. Oxford, 2/6. Doncaster, 5/-. Winchmore Hill, £1. Minsterworth, £2. Cranleigh Baptist S.S., £6. Winstead, 5/-. Woodford Green, 10/-. Battersea Park, £2 2 0. Hanwell, £2 2 0. Paignton, £5 5 0. Southampton, £1. Theodore Road Baptist Women's Hour, £1. Bournemouth, £1. "I would like to say what inspiring and helpful reading the 'Links' makes to me—especially, perhaps, the letters from the old girls and boys. It is really lovely to read what, under God, has been accomplished in these lives." Witham, £1 10 0. Winstead Hospital Staff, a lovely selection of new toys, some hand-made.

16th. Woodford, £1. Woodford Green, £1. Hamilton Road Mission, £1. Weymouth, £2 10 0. Southend, 3/-. Tiptree, £1 10 0. Cheltenham, £1 1 0. Toys from Ebenezer Chapel, Ilford, Woodford Baptist Church, Manor Park Baptist, C.E., Welwyn Garden City Baptist. Woodford, parcel secondhand clothes. Colchester, £1 for each member of the staff. Sudbury, 3 games. Hanwell, 2 pullovers and 4 jumpers (all hand-knitted). Stisted, 12 tins soup, 2 tins carrots, 6 tins marmalade, 6 packets green peas.

17th. Abbots Langley, 10/-. Epping, £11 5 0. Glen-Mhor Aid Committee, £2. E.6, £1. Enfield, £1. Chadwell Heath, 2 pairs hand-knitted socks. All the girls from the Woodford Headquarters were entertained to a party given by the Woodford Baptist Church G.L.B. Company.

19th. Stratford Railway Mission, £3. Upminster Baptist S.S., £3 10 0. Plaistow, 10/-. Frinton, £2 2 0. "B. L.," 10/-. Wendover, £20. "In this season of Peace and Goodwill, what a tragedy to see the world as it is to-day! Never were the scriptures more true than when they state 'Put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man, for there is NO HELP in THEM!' and then to contrast—'Thou shalt keep him in PERFECT PEACE whose mind is stayed ON THEE!'" Enfield, 5/6. Blackpool, £1. Forest Gate, 10/-. An old girl, £5. Ilfracombe Assembly Hall S.S., £2. Leytonstone, £2. Toys from Broadmead S.S., Upminster Baptist Chapel, and Victoria Road, Deal Baptist Beginners' Department. Woodford Green, 2 dozen jellies.

20th. Pitsea, 5/-. London, Anon, 10/-. Hoddesdon Gospel Hall Bible Class, £1. Woodford Green, £2. Yelling, £5. Orford Road, £2 2 0. Three Bridges, £1 1 0. South Woodford, £5. Finchley, £3 3 0. Alexander Gospel Hall, Westcliff, £2. N.W.2, £1 1 0. South Woodford, £1. Westminster Chapel, £50. South Woodford, £5. "B. B.," £1. Toys from Tollington Park Baptist Church and Manor Road Presbyterian Church, Stoke Newington.

21st. Toys from Woodbery Down Baptist Church and Tolleshunt Knights S.S. 50 handkerchiefs made by an old lady over 90. Birkbeck Hall, Rush Green, £1. Stroud Green Baptist S.S., £3. Tiptree, 10/-. Ilford, 5/-. "D.," £2. Anon, £2. Braintree, £1. Surbiton, £1 1 0. Highams Park Congregational Church (Junior), £1. Tolleshunt Knights, £2. S. Woodford, 10/-. Halstead, £1 1 0. Maldon, 5/-. West Mersea, £3. W.8, 10/-.

22nd. Ilford, £1. Anon, £6 2 6. Brentwood, 5/-. Anon, 10/-. E.C.4, £2 2 0 and £2 2 0. Maldon, £1 10 0. Anstey Union Church, £3. West Mersea, £1 1 0. Faversham Gospel Mission S.S., 10/-. Southminster, 8/6. Toys from Chingford Congregational Church Junior Guild, Brentford Congregational Church, and Gunhill Mission. Stisted, 2 chickens. A friend gave 6d. to each of the children at Tiptree. Theydon Bois, turkey and gift of paper hats, crackers, balloons, etc. Abridge, turkey.

23rd. Toys from Great Totham Barn Chapel, Rayleigh, Hayes Baptist Church, Lancing Baptist Tabernacle, St. Mary Magdalene Church, Highbury, and East Ham Baptist Church. "R. and G. H.," £1. West Mersea, 10/-. Chingford, £2 10 0. Pinner, £2. Anon, 5/-. Leigh, 10/6. Chigwell, £1. Leytonstone, 10/-.

24th. Anon, gift of Christmas cakes, mince pies and sponge cakes—a really tasty and welcome selection. Tiptree, turkey. Anstey, straw, mangold pulp, potatoes and wheat sweepings for farm use. Narborough, £10. Walthamstow, £1. Hampton Hill Congregational S.S., £1 1 0. S. Woodford, £1. Tiptree, £1. Battlesbridge, 5/-. Loughton, £3. Colchester, 2/6. Enfield, £1 1 0. St. Albans, £4. Pitsea, 15/-. Gt. Totham, £1. Gt. Totham, 14/7 (collected in halfpennies throughout the year). Tiptree, £1. Gloucester, 5/-. "In memory of Michael," £5. Anerley, £1 13 0. East Sheen, 10/-. Woodbery Down Baptist S.S., £1 1 0. Grantham, 3/-. Ramsey, £1. Mablethorpe, £1. New Haw Gospel Hall S.S., £3. Boscombe, £1 1 0. Lancing Tabernacle S.S., £2 10 0. Sidmouth, £1. An old girl and her husband, 5/-.

27th. Stisted, 2 large boxes sugar candy.

28th. Leyton, 200 mince pies. Hampton-on-Thames, £3 3 0. West Kilburn Baptist Church, £3. East Rudham, £5 5 0. Woodford, £1. An old boy, £4 10 0. Anon, 10/-.

29th. Watford, 10/-. Harold Wood, £2 10 0. Barking, £1. Haywards Heath, £10. Plumstead People's Hall, Y.P.F. (carol singing), £1.

30th. A grannie (84 years), £1. Finsbury Park, £1 10 0. N. J. W., 5/-. Anon, 2/6. Ross-on-Wye, 10/-. Anstey, £1 3 6. Tiptree, £2. Layer Breton, £3 6 6. Beulah Baptist Women's Fellowship, 15/-. Woodford Green, £1 1 0.

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2nd. Woodford Green, £1 1 0. "H.," 10/-. Dorset, £1 1 0, "It is wonderful to read in the 'Links' how He has led and sustained through the years, often going before and making provision in the most unexpected ways—what a wonderful Saviour." East Rudham, £5. Hainault Road Baptist Church (carols), £1 1 0. Boxes, £25 12 0. Barking, £3 13 0. Wickford, £1 1 0. Kenton Evangelical Church, £9. Southend, -1 hand-

knitted pullover, and 3 pairs socks. Wanstead, 1 sports coat and 2 shirts. Plaistow, parcel secondhand clothes.

3rd. The Lighthouse Mission, East Ham, £4. Harpenden, £1. Leigh-on-Sea, £1. Dersingham, £1. Leytonstone, £1 1 0. St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, £6 1 1. Leigh Road Baptist Church, 10/-.

4th. Hatch End S.S., £2 2 0. Highams Park, 10/-. Coggeshall, £1. "R.," £1. People's Hall, Bridgnorth, £2 10 0.

5th. London, E.15, 10/-. Feering Mission Women's Meeting, £1. London, E.C.2, £25. Rochford, 10/-. Woodford Green, £1 1 0. Devon, £1 1 0. Covenant. Trinity Road Chapel S.S., £7 18 6. South Woodford, £2. U.S.A., 1 large stick of rock, 1 large box of sweets and 3 parcels of clothing.

6th. Southgate, £2. S.E.2, 14/6. South Woodford, a very old friend, £5. Great Totham, secondhand toys. George Lane Baptist Women's League, 7 petticoats.

7th. One box chocolate spread and 1 box gravy powder.

8th. London, N.W.7, £1. Deganwy, North Wales, £1. "L.," 10/-. South Woodford, 10/-. Anon, 1 parcel silks.

9th. Wimbledon, 2/6. Mapledurham, 10/-. Brighton, £2. Clacton-on-Sea, £1 10 0. South Woodford, £5. Underhill Baptist Church S.S., secondhand toys. Anon, 4 pairs socks, 6 scarves, 1 teapot holder, 1 floor cloth, and 4/-.

11th. Singapore, £50, "Although away from China, that great people are remembered constantly at the Throne of Grace, and our heart goes out to the many Christians there passing through very deep waters. Pray for them." Brighton, Anon, 5/-. Highgate Road Chapel S.S., £3. Falkland Hall S.S., £4.

12th. Romford, £1. Tolleshunt Knights, secondhand clothes.

13th. Oxon, £3 10 0. "A. H. B.," 4/-. Coggeshall Congregational Church, £1 1 0. East Rudham, 30 bales straw, 40 bags carrots and 20 bags fertiliser. Stock Exchange C.A., £3 3 0. Royston, 6 pairs gloves and 3 pairs knickers.

14th. "S.," 5/-. Shoeburyness, 1 pair boots and 1 book. Tiptree children attended party given by local Congregational Church S.S. The Woodford boys and girls were entertained by the Walthamstow Round Table in our hall. Stisted, fine parcel containing 2 dozen boys' ties, 2 raincoats, 3 girls' coats, 2 caps, 2 blazers, 10 berets, 6 boys' tweed suits, 1 dressing gown, 2 boys' jackets.

15th. Tiptree British Legion Women, £1. Shoeburyness Boot Fund, £5.

16th. Wickham Bishops, Anon, £1. Central Baptist Church, Walthamstow, S.S., £3.

17th. Hornchurch, 10/-. Deptford Baptist Church Missionary Fund, £5.

19th. Hornsey Rise, 10/-. Stockwell, Anon, £1. Stanway Women's Fellowship, £2. Clacton, 1 parcel secondhand clothes. Stisted, boy's suit, boys' jerseys and baby's clothes.

20th. Ashton Playing Fields Association, 1 box of secondhand plimsols. Leigh-on-Sea, £1. Camberley, £1.

21st. East Ham, £2. Ontario, Canada, £1 12 1.

23rd. Paddington Congregational Chapel S.S., £2 5 0. Forest Road, Walthamstow, S.S., £5. Clapham, £1 1 0. Maidstone, £2, "I enjoy reading in the 'Links' of all the activities going on, and to know that not a few of the children who have passed through the Homes have found the Saviour and have themselves become parents forming a Christian home. Oh, that all the children of our land knew the priceless blessing of a Christian home—what a lot of suffering they would be saved from." St. Albans, 5 pullets and 2 parcels secondhand clothes.

- 24th. Roding Lane Hall, Y.P.F., £1. Tiptree, 10/-. Anon, S.E.A., 10/-. New Barnet, £5. West Kilburn Baptist S.S., £2.
 25th. St. Albans, 10/-. "Home Hall" S.S., Winchester, £2 2 0. Epping Congregational Church Women's Meeting, £2.
 26th. Shoebury Hall Sewing Class, 2 pullovers, 2 pairs socks, 1 jumper, 1 dress and knickers, 2 pairs gloves, 1 pair mittens. Chelmsford, £5.
 27th. Chingford, £10 for personal use.
 30th. Kentish Town Mission S.S., £5. Theydon Bois, 5/-. Rise Park Hall, £1. Shoebury Boot Fund, £1 4 9.

F E B R U A R Y

- 1st. Gillingham, 10/-. United Mission S.S., £3 8 0.
 2nd. Forest Road Hall, Walthamstow, £1. "We hope that you and your family and the children are keeping well. We wish the children good success in the Scripture Examination, and also pray that many a young life may be yielded unreservedly to Christ during this Golden Jubilee year." Watford, Derby Road, C.E., £2 3 1.
 3rd. Lewes, £4. Buckhurst Hill, "At the N.S.S.U. Council Meeting on Friday a suggestion was made that a retiring collection be made to pay the fees of the children in the Home who were entering for the Scripture Examination. This was done, and I therefore have much pleasure in sending you the receipt for 15/-." Bournemouth, £1.
 4th. Kentish Town, 5/-. Meldrum S.S. C.E. carols, £2.
 7th. An Ulsterman who loves his Lord and the Old, Old Gospel, £30. Walthamstow, 10/-.
 8th. Stisted, 14 nightdresses and 9 woollen jerseys.
 9th. Tonbridge, £1. Margaret Preston Charitable Trust, £219 14 3. Manor Park, 10/-. N.W.2, 10/-. Ilford, 5/-.
 14th. 9th Edmonton Girl Guide Co., 5/-. Thundersley Gospel Hall S.S., £1. Handsworth Avenue Methodist Women's Meeting, 10/-. Eastney Gospel Mission S.S., £3 3 0.
 16th. Brentwood, 5/-.
 17th. Tottenham, £1. Shoeburyness, £1.
 18th. Clavering, 2 pairs socks.
 21st. "R.," 5/-. Woodford, Anon, £1.
 22nd. Watford, 2 pairs socks.
 23rd. Brandon Road Mission S.S., £1 6 0. Regent Hall, Swindon, £17 2 2. Ingrave Hall S.S., £4.
 24th. Rainham, 5/-. Westcliff-on-Sea, 2 games.

M A R C H

- 1st. Anon, £1.
 2nd. Tollesbury, 5 pairs socks.
 4th. New Town Men's Meeting, £3 10 0. "T.," 5/-. Esher, £5.
 6th. Horsham Assembly, £1 and £2. Regent Hall, Swindon, £1 10 0. Lewes, £5. Leytonstone (legacy), £5 10 0. Croyland Road Hall Girls' Covenanters, £1 10 0.
 8th. Middlesex, 10/-.
 9th. Latimer Hall S.S., £1.
 11th. Mrs. E. D., decd., Mersea (legacy), £250.
 13th. Eversheds, parcel of calendars, etc., for the children.
 14th. Buntingford, £1. Boxes, 14/4.
 15th. Poulner Baptist Church, £5.
 16th. Woking, 7/6. Stanway Women's Meeting, 15/6.

- 17th. Tiptree, 10 smoked haddocks.
 18th. Broadstairs, £1 1 0. The Costs Office of Heskins Rolling Shutters, £1 1 0. Boxes, £5 19 9.
 20th. Emmanuel Mission, Barking, £7 15 0. Ley Street Gospel Hall S.S., £2.
 22nd. Edmonton, 7/6.
 24th. Bournemouth C.E. carol singing, £1 6 0. Okehampton, Devon, 1 cow (carriage paid). Eversheds, 3 parcels stationery.
 25th. Esher, £5. Torquay, 10/-. For sale of rhubarb, £30 3 10.
 28th. Anon, £5 10 0. Waltham Abbey, £5. Melbourn, 6 pairs gloves.
 29th. "M.," £1. "B.," £1. "T.," £1.

A P R I L

- 1st. For sale of rhubarb, £14 11 4. Colchester, 10/-. Chingford, £2 2 0.
 4th. Chessington S.S., £3.
 5th. Forest Hill, London, £2. Brandon Road S.S., 10/-. Burgess Hill, Sussex, £2. Brentford, £20. "In His Name accept this gift for it is well pleasing in His sight, that we, as those who are His through faith in the precious name of Jesus, should care for orphans."
 6th. London, N.W.5, £20. Teddington Baptist Church Women's Meeting, £1 5 0. Doncaster, 2/6. Anon, 2 parcels of secondhand clothes.
 8th. Braintree, £1 10 0.
 9th. Tiptree Congregational Church S.S., 131 eggs and £1 11 0.
 10th. Chadlington, Oxon, £1. Brentwood, 5/-.
 12th. Walkern Mission, £4. Avenue Hall Women's Meeting, £1.
 13th. Stratford Central Baptist Church Women's Meeting, 16/-.
 14th. East Rudham, £5.
 16th. Kensal Medical Mission, £1. Gidea Park, Essex, £1. Eastwood, 2/6. For sale of rhubarb, £13 19 10.
 17th. Sutton, 10/-. Manor Park, 10/-.
 19th. "S.," 15/-. A "grandmother," 10/-.
 20th. Boot Fund, Shoeburyness, £3 16 2. Paxton Hall S.S., Tottenham, £2 10 0. Hollingbury Hall, Brighton, £4.
 22nd. Highway Hall, Stratford, £2 2 0. Hamilton Road Mission S.S., Whitstable, £2. Sudbury, 10/-.
 25th. For sale of rhubarb, £3 12 10.
 26th. Latchett Hall Girl Covenanters, £3. Miss A. T., decd., Leighton Buzzard (legacy), £171 16 11.
 27th. Hainault Road Baptist Women's Meeting, £1. London, E.10, 10/-. Pitsea Elim Church, 129 eggs and flowers. Tiptree, 4 secondhand books.
 29th. Buntingford, £5. Waltham Abbey, toys, kitchen equipment and shoes. Walthamstow, 200 plastic plates.
 30th. Colchester, £3 3 0. Manor Park, 10/-. Boxes £5 5 0. For sale of rhubarb, £6 2 8. Covenant gifts from three friends, £4 14 6.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME AND MISSION (SOUTH WOODFORD & TIPTREE) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1950

PAYMENTS		RECEIPTS	
1949	£ s. d.	1949	£ s. d.
114 To Rates, Taxes and Insurance...	211 5 7	2,304 By Donations ...	1,751 12 0
426 Heat, Light and Water ...	600 9 8	287 Subscriptions ...	332 14 6
1,913 Provisions ...	1,841 14 9	184 Boxholders ...	1,7 18 2
Telephone, Postage, Printing and Stationery ...	223 2 3	14 Boot Fund ...	22 13 5
295 Furniture, Linen, Clothes & Boots	1,008 11 6	113 Legacies ...	960 9 2
954 Staff Allowance and National Insurance ...	567 1 0	Government Grant — Pensioners ...	150 2 1
619 Incidental Expenses ...	85 14 5	164 Payments received on account of children ...	987 17 11
20 Repairs to Property ...	377 17 1	1,124 Sales of Farm Produce ...	2,098 9 2
305 Medical Supplies and Gifts ...	93 1 2	376 Amount received re "War Damage" ...	159 9 2
87 Travelling and Excursions Expenses	213 14 6	Amount advanced from Deposit Account ...	33 3 8
197 Expenses of Maintaining Convalescent and Holiday Home and Farm at Tiptree ...	651 0 8	Excess of Expenditure over Income carried to Accumulated Fund ...	1,200 0 0
1,003 Maintenance of Farm at Tiptree ...	43 0 0	126	130 12 6
— Expenses of Maintaining Woodford Ground ...	—	£5,992	£5,916 12 7
52 Legal Expenses and Cheque Books	—		
7	—		
£5,992	£5,916 12 7		

NOTE: The items formerly entered in "Expenses of Maintaining Convalescent and Holiday Home and Farm at Tiptree" have this year been analysed under their respective expenditure headings.

BALANCE SHEET 30th APRIL, 1950.

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
1949	£ s. d.	1949	£ s. d.
137 Sundry Creditors ...	18 2 6		
Invested Funds—			
2,250 The Florence Barclay Memorial Hall ...	2,250 0 0	Freehold Property—	
		The Florence Barclay Memorial Hall, Crescent Road ...	2,250 0 0

1,700 The Dr. F. E. Marsh Gift	1,700 0 0
1,150 The Mr. and Mrs. William Stark Gift	1,150 0 0
3,225 The Convalescent and Holiday Home—The Grove, Tiptree ...	3,225 3 3
500 Anonymous Gift for the Purchase of a Bungalow	500 0 0
Forward Move Fund—	8,825 3 3
Tiptree	
Balance at 1st May, 1949	2,604 3 1
Add Received during year	872 3 2
2,604 Mount Hermon—	3,476 6 3
Balance at 1st May, 1949	3,539 5 5
Less Advanced to General Funds ...	1,200 0 0
3,539 Accumulated Fund	2,339 5 5
Balance at 1st May, 1949	955 2 7
Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year ...	130 12 6
955	824 10 1
£16,060	£15,483 7 6

1,700 The Dr. F. E. Marsh Gift—	1,700 0 0
118-124, Crescent Road ...	
The Mr. and Mrs. William Stark Gift—8-10, Crescent Road ...	1,150 0 0
The Grove Tiptree—£ s. d.	
Main Building 1,250 0 0	
New Laundry & Bathroom 481 3 3	
Additional Land ...	1,494 0 0
3,225 The Bungalow ...	3,225 3 3
500 Home Account—	500 0 0
Household Furniture, etc. ...	
500 Farm Account—	
179 Implements ...	179 2 2
73 Fruit Trees ...	73 9 4
— Sundry Debtors	252 11 6
Cash at Bank—Deposit Account—	63 17 6
2,604 New Wing, Tiptree ...	3,476 7 3
3,539 Mount Hermon ...	2,339 5 5
335 Current Account ...	5,815 11 8
5 Cash in Hand ...	25 0 2
£16,060	1 3 5
	£15,483 7 6

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and the foregoing Income and Expenditure Account, with the Books and Vouchers of the Mission and certify that they are correct and in accordance therewith.

Dated this 5th day of June, 1950.

Barclays Bank Buildings,
73, Cheapside, E.C.2.

FRANCIS NICHOLLS WHITE & CO.,

Chartered Accountants, Auditors

Children's Home and Mission Boxes.

1st May, 1949 to 30th April, 1950.

May Opening—

			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
May 10th, Receipt No. 1031	...	...	...	10	0			
May 17th, Receipt No. 1054	...	...	...	40	0			
June 6th, Receipt No. 1111	...	...	...	20	0			
July 6th, Receipt No. 1186	...	...	...	10	0			
July 16th, Receipt No. 1208	...	...	...	6	0			
August 1st, Receipt No. 1250	...	...	...	1	7	3		

72 3 3

November Opening—

November 5th, Receipt No. 1486	...	...	...	18	0	0
November 18th, Receipt No. 1516	...	...	...	19	10	
November 19th, Receipt No. 1522	...	...	...	27	0	0
November 23rd, Receipt No. 1535	...	...	...	5	6	
December 5th, Receipt No. 1582	...	...	...	20	0	0
December 8th, Receipt No. 1616	...	...	...	2	0	0
December 12th, Receipt No. 1632	...	...	...	10	6	
January 2nd, Receipt No. 17	...	...	...	25	0	0
February 11th, Receipt No. 173	...	...	...	10	0	0
March 14th, Receipt No. 247	...	...	...	14	4	
March 18th, Receipt No. 259	...	...	...	5	19	9
April 30th, Receipt No. 363	...	...	...	5	5	0

115 14 11

£187 18 2



At Tiptree during the Summer holidays.



A flashlight photo of a few of the "Old 'Uns."