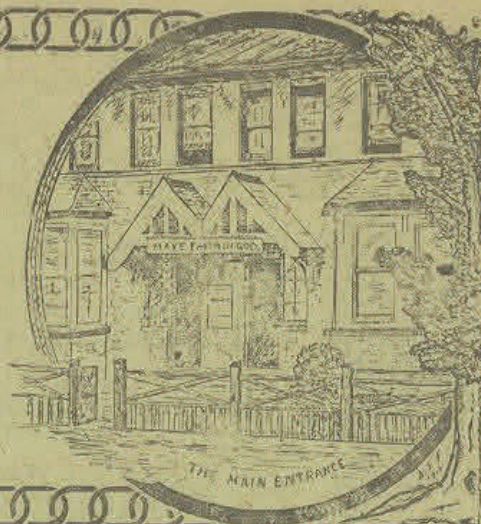


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NO PRAYER—NO BLESSING.
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MUCH PRAYER—MUCH BLESSING.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

This issue of our LINKS will cover the first six months (from May to October inclusive) of our sixteenth year as we were bound, where possible, to curtail our expenses.

We have at the present time 40 girls and 24 boys, making a total of 64 in the Home.

The health of the children remains good. Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg, our hon. Medical Officer, has accepted a commission in the R.A.M.C., and is now in Camp near Chelmsford. We are glad to know he is well and would ask our readers to join us in prayer for God's blessing to rest upon the doctor's efforts amongst the soldiers. During his absence the other doctors in the neighbourhood are kindly taking his place, and we have to thank Dr. E. M. Goldie who has already assisted us.

Mr. W. C. Watson, our Hon. Dentist, has also joined the Forces and is at the Front.

Nineteen of our boys are in the Army and Navy. We are keeping in touch with them through the post and we thank God that so far they are all safe and well. The prayers of our friends for these also will be appreciated.

As you will see on another page, we have received during the first six months of this Home Year £338. As far as we can tell, on account of the great rise in prices, our expenses will exceed £800 for the twelve months closing April, 1916. Will our friends remember us at the "Highest Place" respecting this?

We should like to thank the Churches who remembered us at Harvest time this year, also our Working Parties and Boat Club who are doing so much for this Cause, not forgetting our friends who come to instruct our children in singing and drill.

Will our box-holders kindly send in the contents of same by the end of the year?

Our special hour of prayer, held from 3 to 4 p.m. on the first Thursday in every month, is proving a great blessing and the meetings are growing in numbers. The readings have been given by the Rev. R. Morton, Mr. J. J. Blundell, Rev. John Haydon, Pastor Clatworthy and myself. We shall be so pleased to see our friends at this meeting and should be glad if those who cannot possibly attend would join us in prayer at this hour.

We take this opportunity of wishing all our friends at this Christmastide, faced as we are by the horrors of War, a time of inward joy, a Bright and Peaceful New Year and a deep realisation of His abiding presence. May we always bear in mind that "God is, and is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."—H.W.

DIARY.

MAY.

4th. Folkestone 12s 6d; Brighton, parcel of S.H. clothes.

5th. Sevenoaks £4; Southampton, "Please accept enclosed £1 for the Home and 10s for Home Cot."

6th. Woodford, box holder 10s; Leith £2; Isle of Wight £3; Newport £1 19s.; Tooting £1 4s.

7th. Chester £1; Wanstead "Again our Father has given us the privilege of sending a few 'loaves of bread' to His little ones, 7s 6d enclosed. Our hearts go out to you in these anxious times, for an additional penny on a loaf means so much where there are so many waiting appetites, but your 'Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things' and He giveth not according to our need, but according to His riches"; Chester 10s with "The beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him, and the Lord shall cover him all the day long and he shall dwell between His shoulders."

8th. Woodford 5s.

11th. Twickenham 5s handed to me by a friend.

12th. Plaistow £1; Twickenham "The Officers of our Sunday School ask you to very kindly accept the enclosed 10s 6d towards the maintenance of your large family

You will hear with great joy that 10 of our scholars last night voluntarily came back after the prayer meeting which followed evening service and accepted the Lord Jesus. One of them was the girl which you spoke to in the afternoon. We are persuaded that most, if not all of them intelligently knew what step they were taking and we praise God for this signal token of His blessing." Woodford, A lady called and left £2 2s, £1 10s of which was found in the purse of her daughter who had just previously fallen asleep in Jesus. Having often expressed the desire to help this work, the mother felt led to bring same along.

13th. One pair of boots from an old girl to her brother who is still with us, Brondesbury Parcel of S.H. clothes and one pot of jam, Westcliff Parcel of S.H. clothes, Chingford 3 dresses. Our fifteenth Annual Meetings were held to-day and it poured with rain the whole of the time. By the first post came a note enclosing £15 for the Home and £10 for Home Cot with "Wishing you very many happy returns of the day." 5s 1d Contents of box from an old girl, two £5 cheques handed to us at the meetings, £8 9s 7d in boxes, Islington 1s with "This is a very small sum, but it is sent simply as I believe on account of direct leading.

Trust you have had a glorious time to-day and have truly 'crowned Jesus King.' I have had some happy times with the soldiers during my vacation and hope to see greater things in the future. 'We shall reap.'" Walthamstow 5s.

15th. Woodford. A large number of books. Holloway £1 4s, Kensington 10s, Limehouse 10s, Woodford 2s 6d

17th. Willesden 10s.

18th. Woodford £1. specially for boots, Bowes Park £1 12s 6d, Anstey £1 with "I feel the Lord would have me send you the enclosed as I fear in these times of trial you and yours are not exempt". 'Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth' and it seems that in this our day the evil one is working mightily. Oh that we may have grace given to count it a joy to suffer with Him that by-and-bye we may reign together. I trust your meeting passed off, as usual, successfully and notwithstanding the wet day, you found He was in the midst. Are not His ways past finding out?" Woodford Contents of box 12s, Muswell Hill 2s 6d.

20th. Hove 11s.

21st. Addiscombe 2s, Leyton 10s, Woodford 6s 7½d. This amount was not only given to purchase paint but the giver used the paint to decorate some of our woodwork. Walthamstow 7s, 15s, College Park 10s.

22nd. 66 boys' caps (Woodford).

24th. London 15s, Dursley, "Psalm xciii. The Lord reigneth. Kindly use the enclosed small sum of 10s for orphans and may He give you all the needed grace and strength to carry on the blessed work you have in hand for Him." From one of the old girls 8s., Stoke Newington 2s, Tarvin "Enclosed please find Postal Order for 5s, which the Lord has laid on my heart to send you. I heard from the O.A. Missioners who came to Tarvin after the races at Chester that you had been with them there and that you had had some good times for which I join with you in praising God. Surely He is working among the people in this time of sore trial for which we are very thankful." Walthamstow box 3s, Chigwell Row box 4s 11d.

25th. Handed to me in Hyde Park 10s 6d. Row 5s, Barkway 13s 6d with "A friend gave me 3s., also I went to see an old woman at Nuthampstead. She told me about a mission her daughter is interested in and I told her about you and the Home. She said 'I know him, I've heard him at Anstey but I couldn't go last time he was there, the walk

is too far now.' As I left she said 'I always give that man something, send this 6d for me, will you?' (She is an old age pensioner.) I said, 'But can you afford it?' and she replied, 'You send it and I shall lose nothing by it.' At breakfast this morning my husband said 'Our poor old friend isn't getting any too much now I know, shall we send him 10s?' I am only too glad to send these items and to let you know you are not forgotten." Woodford 17s. 6d.

26th. Woodford Parcel of S.H. clothes.

28th. Woodford box 6s 6½d.

29th. Bedford £1.

31st. Woodford 19s 6d, London 10s, £1, Brighton £2 1s 3d Chester 2s 6d.

JUNE.

1st. Handed to me in London 10s, I.O.W. £3, Woodford Parcel of pieces of lining.

3rd. Woodford Parcel of S.H. clothes, rhubarb, and spinach.

4th. Woodford Parcel S.H. clothes, Leith £2.

5th. Stratford £1, Bow 5s, College Park 10s, Plaistow £1.

7th. Annual subscription handed to me in Brighton £5, Woodford £1 7s.

8th. London 2 parcels S.H. clothes, Woodford Basket of turnip tops, London 10s, Deal 5s with "It is a long time since I wrote you but we often think of you and your family, especially at such times as we are passing through, but above the storms that are raging around and over us we hear the voice of our Jesus and He says 'It is I, be not afraid' and there was a great calm. Blessed be God He rules the universe and out of this great upheaval and bloodshed He will be glorified in it all. Thousands are being saved who would otherwise be in their sins and God's house is filling fast. Tell it out dear brother, in all things He shall have the pre-eminence. We are waging a war that is greater than all the nations put together, a war against the devil's kingdom, but the battle is not ours, it is the Lord's, His mighty arm is laid bare to save and He has given us this treasure in these earthen vessels of ours, Isaiah 53 has been on my heart, "Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great and He shall divide the spoil with the strong." He has now annulled the power of satan and is now spoiling his goods and He gives us to be ambassadors for this work,

What Grace. I trust the power of the Lord is with you in the gospel and that the Lord's ravens are still bringing you supplies night and morning for your family. London 10s, Tooting £1 4s 0d, Chingford contents of box 9s 4d.

9th. Walton 14s.

10th. Hornchurch 2 pairs boots.

11th. Folkestone 12s 6d.

12th. Woodford 2s 6d, Muswell Hill 12s 6d.

13th. Brighton £1, and contents of box 5s, Bow 10s, Holloway £1 4s 0d, Kensington 10s.

15th. We received the following letter from a Brighton friend:—"I have noticed in your typewritten letters that your writing machine is not apparently in good order and I wondered if you would prefer this machine to the one you have. It is a No. 5 Kensington Typewriter and in good working order, having only just been overhauled by the makers. If you think this machine is any improvement on yours I should be pleased to make you a present of it." We of course accepted this kind gift and it has indeed proved a great help to us.

17th. London £2

18th. London £1 1s 0d, Muswell Hill 12 shirts, 1 pinafore.

19th. Ilford 14s, London £1, Stratford 10s, Snarresbrook, parcel of oddments.

21st. 7 cases of tinned goods, 5 files from London.

22nd. Anon some gooseberries, rhubarb and sugar, Brighton £1 1s 0d, W. Buntingford, "Please find enclosed £1 note for your work. Last Friday I bought some . . . and had thought of keeping same, but a man came along quite unexpected and offered a good profit. No sooner than the bargain was made a voice spoke to me quite clearly and said 'Now one for White.' I hope He will always tell me in the same way. We ought to realise, those of us who God has entrusted with some of his gold that it is His. I write you this that you may know that God is still at your elbow." Woodford 3s 10d and £1 4s 7d, Walthamstow £2 12s 0d.

24th. Stoke Newington 2 quilts, 12 petticoats, 4 chemises, 3 shirts, 1 pinafore, 1 pair knickers.

25th. New Southgate, 4 shirts, 2 pairs knickers, 1 petticoat, some second hand clothes, 10s, Walthamstow £1, Tunbridge Wells £2 10s 0d, Stoke Newington 6s.

26th. Lansdowne Sewing Circle 34 pinafore, 6 pairs quilted stays, 4 pairs knickers, 3 shirts, 1 petticoat, 1 jumper frock, 1 pair boys knickers, Walthamstow, parcel of S.H. clothes, Bow 5s, London 10s, Woodford £1 3s 6d, Handed to me in Anstey 10s.

27th. I was preaching in Walthamstow to-day. 2s was handed to me at the close of the afternoon meeting; invited to an old friend's to supper, on saying good-bye was handed a cheque for 5 guineas.

29th. Seven Kings Sewing Meeting 42 pillow slips, 3 bodices, 8 aprons, 6 shirts, 3 pinafores, Walthamstow 10s, with "I saw our old friend . . . to-day and he asked me to forward this towards your work. Deal 5s. with Hebrews xiii, 14, Woodford £1, London 10s.

30th. Bedford £1, Woodford half yearly subscription £1 4s 0d, Shenfield 5s.

JULY.

1st. Walthamstow, Parcel of clothes.

2nd. Walton £2 10s 0d, Five friends 10s 6d, Hainault £1.

3rd. Woodford £1, specially for boots, Bow 5s, Willesden 10s, Woodford £1 12s 9d.

5th. Kensington 10s.

6th. Woodford 4 pairs S.H. boots London 10s, Stratford £1.

7th. I.O.W. £5 15s 0d, Plaistow £1, London 4 office seats and tender, Woodford 2 coats.

8th. Woodford 1 spring mattress and bedstead.

9th. Westcliff 10s 6d.

10th. Woodford £7 13s 4d, £2 3s 9d, Bow 5s, Hackney £1 4s 0d, Walthamstow 4s 6d, Willesden 10s, Anon. 9s, "With best wishes for the Home" Folkestone 12s 6d, Woodford £1 3s 0d and a parcel of S.H. clothes, several pounds of gooseberries.

12th. Woodford 3s, Brentwood £1, Kensington 10s.

13th. Herne Bay 10s, London 10s, Walton £1, Leith £2, Walthamstow 3s Sevenoaks £2.

14th. 4 lbs broad beans (Woodford), New Southgate "Please accept the enclosed 10s from your 81 year old sympathiser.

16th. Walthamstow "I enclose cheque for 50s from our Missionary Fund as our usual subscription, with our very best wishes for your good work. We all very much enjoyed the display which your children gave

ns in June and shall look forward to another such visit. I fear that you must be having a somewhat anxious time on account of the war as we all are having, but we have no need for discouragement whilst we remember that our Father 'knows' and 'cares.' Brighton £1 6s 0d, Woodford, 6 collars, Willesden 10s, Ilford 14s, Woodford £1 2s 6d.

19th. Kensington £1, Bow 10s, London 10s, Seven Kings "I am enclosing a P.O. 12s 6d. My dear mother had put by 9s for your Home and I have emptied the box which contained 3s 6d. I should like to keep the box if I may and will put in what I can for your work." Woodford 2s 3d.

20th. 4 qrtns flour for H. Cot.

21st. Tooting £1 4s 0d, Leytonstone T.L. and N 1s 6d.

22nd. Alresford Anno. 5s.

24th. Willesden 10s.

26th. Woodford 19s, Walthamstow 12s 6d, London 4 pairs boys' knickers and some S.H. clothes.

27th. Walton £1, Worcester 2s 6d, Woodford 3s.

28th. I.O.W. 19s 6d, Woodford 36 lbs Home Made jam, and 1 parcel of S.H. clothes.

29th. Woodford (specially for boots) £1, Barkway 10s.

30th. Woodford 6 cabbages, Walthamstow 4 bananas, 1 lb gooseberries.

31st. Sturry (contents of box) 11s, S. Africa £3 (special for boots) Braughing 3s 7d, London £1, Willesden 10s 6d.

AUGUST.

3rd. Blackheath £3 18s 0d, I.O.W. £3, Woodford 19s, Edinburgh "Many thanks for Home Links . . . It is most interesting to read of the good work you are all doing at Woodford and it is most helpful to hear how God honours faith. Please accept this very small donation 2s 6d. I wish it was much more, with greetings in the Lord." Leyton 1s, I.O.W. £1 19s, Muswell Hill 6s, Kensington £1.

6th. Hornchurch "Many thanks for the Links. Here are 5 silver links (5s) from us, with love to yourselves, prayers for a still larger blessing on your work and best wishes to all helpers in it." Sturry 10s, Brighton 2s 6d, 10s, 2s 6d, 10s.

7th. Holloway £1 4s, Walthamstow 2s 6d, Bow 10s, Willesden 10s, Beverley 1 counterpane, 1 skirt and bodice, Parcel of S.H. clothes, Anon.

10th. Plaistow £1.

11th. Stratford £1 10s, West Thurrock £1, Leytonstone 2s, Bedford 9s, Woodford 14s 6d, Hertford "Please accept a mite towards supplying the needs of your large family, 2s 6d."

14th. Woodford 10s, some beans and apples, also plums and apples, Buckhuist Hill 10s, Ilford 14s, Willesden 10s, Woodford 17s.

16th. Bow 10s.

17th. Walton £1 10s 4 lbs jam (Woodford).

20th. Tooting £1 4s, Codsall "A small gift to help with the keep of Christ's little ones, 10s."

21st. Woodford £1 2s 6d, 3s 6d, 16s 6d, 15s 6d, London 10s, Walthamstow 5s, Willesden 10s, Woodford Quantity of plums.

23d. Kensington 15s, Southsea "I enclose 10s for your work and pray that God will richly bless your effort in winning the young for Christ," Crewe 3s with "I enclose the money for the papers and what is over for the work of the Home. I often think of the happy times we had while you were with us. It was a real time of blessing. I always remember the work of the Home in my prayers and am sure that in spite of the hard times—and they are very hard at present—God will supply all your need as He has promised to those who love Him." Woodford, plums and apples, also 10 lbs apples.

24th. London 10s.

25th. Woodford, plums, 10 cabbages.

26th. Parcel (Tunbridge Wells), Woodford $\frac{1}{2}$ sack of pears, plums, pears and green-gages, beans.

27th. Woodford 9 lbs damsons.

28th. Anon. 15s "With best wishes for yourselves and the children," Bow 10s, Woodford 16s., bath of apples and pears, Leyton Working Party, Outfit for two girls going to service.

30th. Bedford £1, Kensington 15s, Woodford 7 lbs damsons, Walton £1, Woodford 7s (contents of box), Alexandra Park 10s.

SEPTEMBER.

1st. Westcliff £1.

2nd. Leytonstone £17 18s 9d being proceeds of a sale of work held by a lady at her private house. I.O.W. £3, Croydon 5s., Walthamstow 10s., Woodford, basket of pears, 4 lbs plums, Walthamstow parcel of S.H. clothes and stockings, 2lbs tea for

Home Cot with "Never despair of the goodness of God."

3d. Wanstead parcel of S.H. clothes and boots.

4th. Willesden 10s, Holloway £1 4s.

5th. Kilburn £1, Hove "Better late than never. I had not forgotten you and your needs and I am sure the Lord has not forgotten you in this trying time—He will bring us safely through—and of some it shall be said 'they followed the Lamb.' I believe many of His children are at this time finding out as they never have before what we are called to in Christ—real separation to Himself. One over all the earth. Gathered out of the world—and sent into the world. 'As the Father has sent me.....even so send I you' by the power of the Holy Ghost to give a real witness to our blessed Master. I am sending cheque for £1 10s", Plaistow £1.

8th. London 10s, Wood Green 12s Woodford 16s.

10th. Woodford, basket of pears, Home Cot 13 peaches, Ilford 14s, Bow 10s, Woodford 16s, Willesden 10s.

11th. Woodford 16 7lb jars of jam, Walthamstow, Hamper of pears, London 6 bananas and 1 cake.

12th. Proceeds of H. Festival from a Walthamstow Children's Service.

14th. London 2s 6d, London £4 10s, Leytonstone 10s, Stratford £1.

15th. Leith £4, London 10s, A lady called and looked over the Home, leaving 14s.

18th. Kensington £1, Willesden 10s, Woodford £1, 24lbs pears, Westcliff basket of pears, Woodford basket of pears.

20th. Woodford basket of apples, hamper of pears, bath of pears, basket of pears, 4lb bullaces, bundle of cabbage plants.

21st. Tooting £1 4s, Wanstead bath of pears, Woodford pail of potatoes, hamper of pears, basket of pears.

22nd. 10s 11d (Barkway) "It will not go far, but every little helps." Tunbridge Wells 8s 6d (contents of box), London 10s, Hornsea Harvest Festival, 1 large bath of apples, 7 marrows, sack potatoes, box carrots, turnips, onions, beans, sweeds, 14 cabbages, 1 large loaf, some pears and grapes.

23rd. 14lbs damsons Woodford Green, Woodford, sack of pears, Richmond box S.H. clothes and 2s, Willesden 10s

25th. Dalkeith, sack of S.H. clothes, Woodford 2 baths of pears.

26th. Two boxes of cakes (Woodford).

27th. Kensington £1, Bow 10s, Woodford £1 1s 9d, Woodford Baptist Church Harvest Festival 7lbs jam, 19 qrtns. flour, 11 cabbages, 35lbs rice, 1lb onions, 6 large marrows 1 pumpkin, 2 bunches carrots, 4 parsnips, 4 beetroot, 1½ sack potatoes, 2lbs sultanas, 2lbs haricot beans, 5lbs Quaker Oats, 2lb tapioca, 7lbs bullaces, 2 bundles turnips, 8 qrtns. bread, 1½lb beans, 14lbs apples, 1lb cake, 3lb tomatoes, Chingford Hatch Harvest Festival, bundle carrots, 1½ sacks potatoes, sack of apples and pears, 15lbs onions, 9 cabbages, 3 cauliflowers, 5 marrows, 4 turnips, 5 tomatoes, 2 lemons, 2 beetroot, 13 bananas, 1lb beans, 7lbs jam, 14lbs cake, 2½lbs tea, 2 cucumbers, 3½lb currant loaf, 2 lbs grapes, 2 pkts. rice, 2½ qrtns. flour, 1½ qrtns. flour, Woodford basket of pears, From Wanstead Congregational Harvest Festival 5½ qrtns. bread, 7 cabbages, 4 turnips, 8 beetroot, 6 carrots, 8 marrows, 13 bananas, 1 bunch grapes, 3 onions, 8 lb beans, 2 tomatoes, some plums, 1½ pails potatoes, 2 baskets of pears.

28th. Folkestone 12s 6d, Alexandra Park 6s., Highbury parcel of S.H. clothes and a doll, Chigwell Row Harvest Festival bath of apples, bath of pears, 2½lbs tomatoes, 3 bunches carrots, 18 cabbages, 18 marrows, 16 beetroot, 5 lbs onions, 25lbs potatoes, 1lb beans, 5½ qrtns. bread, 6 turnips, 1lb plums, 3lb blackberries.

30th. Bedford £1, London 10s, Walthamstow 6s, Woodford 7s 3d, Tunbridge Wells, £2 10s, Churcham Hamper of apples, 6 pots of honey.

OCTOBER.

1st. Walthamstow £2 12s.

2nd. Woodford £1 1s, From The Lansdowne Sewing Circle 21 prs. bloomers, 6 prs. quilted stays, 6 nightdresses, 4 boys' shirts, 4 chemises, 3 petticoats, 2 pinafores, 2 coarse aprons, 2 pillow cases.

4th. Merton £2, From Muswell Hill Freehold Mission Harvest Festival ½ sack potatoes, ½ sack apples and pears, 1 pine apple, 3lbs tomatoes, 3 cauliflowers 9 cabbages, 2 bundles carrots, 2 bundles turnips, 6 marrows, 18 qrtns. bread.

5th. From South Woodford Union Church 4 marrows, 6 cabbages, 5 beetroot, 6 qrtns. bread, Holloway £1 10s, Kensington 10s, Muswell Hill 6s, Dursley £1, with "Will you kindly use the enclosed for orphans, and may the Lord bless you and

yours in the great work He has given you to do, knowing that He will be your stay and strength in these trying days. What a blessing to know that He still reigns and that all things are working together for good to those who love Him Rom. viii. Yours in our Coming Lord", Stoke Newington 4s 10d, 1s 6d (contents of boxes).

5th. Woodford 5s, Plaistow £1.

6th. London 10s, Anstey £2, being part of offerings at the Harvest Thanksgiving services, Charcham 2 hampers of apples, Ray Lodge Junior School, proceeds of Harvest Festival, Muswell Hill £1 2s, I.O.W. £5 15s.

9th. Ilford 14s, New Southgate 10s, with "Please accept the enclosed as a thankoffering for health restored and mercies given", Hither Green "Enclosed please find P.O. for 1 guinea sent from the children of Glenfarg Hall Sunday School, Catford, We have among our children each Sunday a 3d collection for poor orphan children. The fund was started in order to teach them to be unselfish and selfsacrificing and to think of other children not so much blessed as they. They have responded nobly for we have already sent £14 14s to various orphanages. Many young prayers accompany the gift and may the Lord richly bless you and the dear children under your care", Kensington 10s, Bow 10s, Leytonstone 2s 6d, Willesden 10s 6d, Woodford 18s, Walthamstow 12s 6d.

11th. Grenock "I enclose 5s, as a small offering from ourselves. I am sure you must be feeling the stress of the times. I read your little paper with much interest and pleased to see your Roll of Honor."

12th. London 10s, Highgate 5s, with "I have just had a beautiful week-end with 'My soldier' soon to go off to the front and in memory of it I am sending you a small gift it may be our last time together. I would like it please to go down as 'In memory of Oct. 9th 1915. H.L.'"

14th. Chelsea, parcel of S.H. clothes.

16th. Abridge barrel of fruit and vegetables, proceeds of Harvest Festival, Willesden 10s, Woodford 18s 7d.

17th. I was invited to speak at a children's service in Buckhurst Hill and at the close of the address the infants presented me with £1 towards the Home.

18th. Anstey, 1 sack of apples 1 sack of potatoes, Kensington 10s, A brother and his wife called from Clapton and left 6s, Hendon 3s 6d, with "As I have a small P.O. in the house I think I cannot do better than send it as a very slight contribution towards the good work you are doing."

19th. Churcham 1 hamper of pears, 1 hamper of apples.

20th. Stratford £1 10s handed to me in Hyde Park, Members of the Leytonstone Working Party came to day, brought a parcel of garments which they had made and also provided the workers and children with a good tea and meeting afterwards.

21st. Tooting £1 4s, Ealing 11b tea and 10s 6d.

22nd. Highgate parcel of Children's Encyclopedias.

23rd. Bow 10s, Harrow Road 10s, Woodford £1 5s 6d Our Street Patrol held a meeting in our room this evening and handed us 3s 3d result of a collection.

25th. Kensington 10s, Woodford £2 and £1 specially for boots, Hainault 1 sack potatoes, 2 baskets apples, 10 cabbages, 3 bundles carrots, 3 bundles turnips, 1 bunch parsnips, beetroot, 2 cauliflowers proceeds of Harvest Festival.

28th. Leytonstone 7s 6d, Alresford Anon 2s 6d.

30th. Muswell Hill box and parcel S.H. clothes, Bedford 10s, Woodford 10s and £1 7s 10d.

31st. Anon 1s, Chelsea 10s, "I am sure the Lord will bless you in your noble work for Him. Will you kindly accept this trifle for the poor children."

"As thou goest, step by step I will open up the way before thee"

Proverbs iv, 12. (Heb. Trans.)

CHILD of My love, fear not the unknown morrow,
Dread not the new demand life makes of thee;
Thy ignorance doth hold no cause for sorrow
Since what thou knowest not is known to Me.

Thou canst not see to-day the hidden meaning
Of My command, but thou the fruit shalt gain;
Walk on in faith, upon My promise leaning,
And AS THOU GOEST all shall be made plain.

One step thou seest—then go forward boldly,
One step is far enough for faith to see;

Take that, and thy next duty shall be told thee,
For STEP BY STEP thy Lord is leading thee.

Stand not in fear thy adversaries counting,
Dare every peril, save to disobey;
Thou shalt march on, all obstacles surmounting,
For I, the Strong, WILL OPEN UP THE WAY.

Wherefore go gladly to the task assigned thee,
Having My promise, needing nothing more,
Than just to know, where'er the future find thee,
In all thy journeying I go before.

OUR FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

THE EVENING MEETING.

As promised in our last issue we give hereunder extracts from the addresses given at the evening meeting on OUR ANNUAL DAY in May last. After the meeting had opened with prayer, followed by the singing of "Only a Child" by the children, the chairman,

Mr. V. G. LEVETT.

said: I have had such a favourable account of the children's drill and singing that I am anxious to see and hear them myself. The programme tells me Mr. White should speak next, but I want to give some of the friends who have not arrived, the opportunity of hearing his report. I am sorry I was not here last year. The children have grown out of all knowledge and developed their voices in a marvellous way. My dear friend, Miss Hutchin, looks ten years younger and I am happy to see Mr. and Mrs. White looking so well. The other day I was on a 'bus and met a lady who was interested in this Home and she was afraid the War would cause a great deal of anxiety and trouble to the same. From one point of view she was perfectly right. Here's the other side of it. Who is it we are running this Home for? Who is the great Senior Partner in this concern? We have had and shall have our tests of faith, but if we have faith in God, if there were ten wars they would have no effect on the stability of this Home. Oh, that we may have greater faith that you and I, as workers together, may lift this work up in the morning and evening before God. I have seen something of Christian work in the East and West End of London, but I don't think I have met with such a case as I came across the other day. It was a very sad case. We had no minister, or deacons, or deaconesses. What could we do with this young child? Well there was only one thing we could do: Send a letter to Mr. White, and the reply soon came back, "Send the child at once." We subsequently had a photograph of our girl and we hardly recognised her. In the ordinary course of mission work we could never have dealt with that case if it had not

been for the work here, and so it is with a deep sense of gratitude that we are here to-night. We wish you all to feel that this is your Orphanage and that you have a share in the work.

Mrs. CUNNINGHAM PIKE

addressed the meeting, basing her remarks upon the last chapter of Proverbs and showing how possible it is to live lovely lives down here through the love, grace and power which the Lord Jesus Christ can supply.

Rev. W. J. CUNNINGHAM PIKE, M.A.

after a few opening remarks, said: I very much enjoyed coming last year and I have a beautiful photograph of the children hanging in my study. I tell my friends, "These are my nephews and nieces who live at Woodford." . . . I have got this message for you to-night. This is the question, "Whence shall we buy bread for such a multitude?" and I want to give you the dear Lord's answer. This is the question in every heart just now. Some people are getting anxious about the state of affairs to-day. . . It is the Father's will that all His children should have every provision for every need. . . Do you remember how when the Children of Israel were in the desert He rained down manna upon them? Surely to-day God can find sustenance for His people. Then there was the story of the prophet who asked the woman for a little water and a morsel of bread. She said, I have only got enough for myself, and the prophet replied, "In the name of the Lord God of Israel your barrel of meal shall not waste and the cruse of oil shall not fail!" Oh, the magnificent faith of that woman. She did not give £5 out of £500. She absolutely had nothing, but she took the prophet in, and the Lord was as good as His Word and she did not suffer. When 5,000 people gathered together to listen to the loveliest of all men, they got hungry and did not know where to go. What happened? There was no visible sign of any food at all. How were they to be fed? The Lord called His disciples and

said, "How shall we feed this lot?" and Andrew replied, "There is a boy here who has a few loaves and fishes." Now, look at this magnificent picture: *He* stands there with five loaves and two fishes without a committee or a council and He undertakes to feed five thousand people. If He had failed, don't you think there would have been a riot? Then they bring the bread and the fish and the Lord faced the thousands and said, "Let them all sit down." Then He blessed this bread first and break it and He went on breaking it until there was a great pile of bread and another great pile of fish. The Lord kept the disciples busy satisfying those hungry people and looking after the needy. This is true of our friends of the Home; those upon whom the Lord can count. He tests their faith and sees how long they can endure. "He that eateth of Me shall never hunger." This is the message for us at the present time—No fear, no anxiety, the Lord will provide. The Lord who could keep the barrel of meal going, the Saviour who could feed five thousand, the same cares for you and me. He does not intend to let you fall and this is just your opportunity and mine to let the people see that the Heavenly Father's house is open to us, so don't let us get anxious or fearful. There is the unmeasured fulness of the Father's house. There you are.

The Rev. JOHN HAYDON,

the new minister of the Baptist Church, said: I am delighted to have the opportunity of being with you on this anniversary occasion and I am very pleased indeed that my first public appearance in Woodford

outside the boundaries of my own church has been in connection with such a work as our friends are carrying on. I don't intend to make a speech, but just a story of the War told me on the threshold of coming here. A son of the manse who was in the R.A.M.C. wrote home stating that a women's and children's hospital was being shelled by the enemy and a cry went up, Who would attend the wounded? The young fellow went at once, the gruesome sights he witnessed horrified him, the place was like a slaughter house, blood streaming from the door down the steps. This young fellow picked up a little child, tended it, bound up its wounds and when the work was finished the child put its arms round the young fellow's neck and cried and shed tears of joy. The young fellow describing it to his father said, "I cried too," not tears of sorrow altogether, but tears of joy, joy on the part of the one who had rendered the service and joy on the part of the little girl whose pains had been alleviated. I was delighted to listen to Mr. White's speech to-night, a speech bubbling over with joy, notwithstanding the depressing circumstances of the rain and despite the depression caused by the War. The joy was not only in the address but in the man who gave it, and why? The Scripture came to my mind, "Thou anointest him with the oil of gladness above his fellows." I can understand how full of joy, because I have seen something of his services. May I say as a final word that we should avail ourselves of the opportunity of sharing in the services of the Home! If we join in their service we shall join not only in their joy, but in the joy of the Lord Jesus.

Objects of the Work.

1. To receive destitute and motherless children.
2. To be the means in God's hands of bringing the children to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.
3. To prove that God is able to answer prayer by appealing to Him alone for funds.

CHILDREN'S HOME LINKS.

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First Annual Report of
The Lansdowne Sewing Circle.

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DEAR FRIENDS,

We have much pleasure in submitting our first report and balance sheet.

Our Circle was formed in October, 1914, the object being to assist in the provision of underclothing for the children at the Home for Motherless Children, South Woodford.

We have had a very successful year, and as a result of our efforts, we have been able to send 209 garments to the Home.

We take this opportunity of thanking all friends who have helped us, either financially or by gifts of material, our special thanks being due to those young friends who knitted for us last Christmas.

The following is a list of the garments sent :

Dec. 22nd, 1914.—18 knitted vests, 12 pairs girls' knickers, 8 petticoats, 6 night-dresses, 6 chemises, 2 pairs serge bloomers, 4 pinafores, 1 dress, 1 boy's shirt, 1 pair knickers.—59.

March 29th, 1915.—12 boys' shirts, 8 nightdresses, 8 pinafores, 6 pairs quilted stays, 4 chemises, 4 pairs girls' knickers, 3 skirts, 3 pillow cases, 2 petticoats.—50.

June 26th, 1915.—34 pinafores, 6 pairs quilted stays, 4 pairs girls' knickers, 3 skirts, 1 petticoat, 1 jumper frock, 1 pair boy's knickers.—50.

Oct. 2nd, 1915.—21 pairs bloomers, 6 pairs quilted stavs, 6 nightdresses, 4 boys' shirts, 4 chemises, 3 petticoats, 2 pinafores, 2 coarse aprons, 2 pillow cases.—50. Total 209.

Hoping we shall be as successful in future years—For The Lansdowne Sewing Circle.
—E. A. BROWN.

