

# The LYCEUM BANNER

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## After Many Days:

OR

### James Henderson's Conversion to Spiritualism.

By ALFRED KITSON.

CHAPTER XIII. (Continued).

"But I have not delivered all my message to you. My brother and sister remembered your grief and questionings within yourself of God's goodness in taking them away from you, and they have given me some verses on their toys and dresses, which they know you placed in the bottom drawer, and over which you have shed many tears. By their help I was able to remember them on waking, and have already put them on paper to make them secure." And here she unfolded a sheet of note paper, and read as follows:—

#### THINGS IN THE BOTTOM DRAWER.

There are whips and tops, and pieces of string,

There are shoes that no little feet wear;

There are bits of ribbon and broken rings,

And tresses of golden hair;

There are little dresses folded away

Out of the light of sunny day.

There are pretty jackets that are never worn,

There are toys and models of ships;

There are books and pictures all tattered and torn,

And marked by the finger tips

Of dimpled hands that have fallen to dust—

And I strive to think the Lord is just.

Yet a feeling of bitterness fills my hours

When I think of life's dark day;

Of the Reaper who has spared other flowers,

And taken mine away,

And I almost doubt if God can know

That a mother's heart can love them so.

Then I think of the many weary ones,

Who are wa ting and watching to-night

For the slow return of the faltering feet

That have strayed from the path of right,

Who have darkened their lives with shame and sin,

Whom the snares of the tempter have gathered in.

They wander far in distant climes;

They perish by fire and flood,

And their hands are black with direst crimes—

The path of wrong they have trod.

Yet a mother's song hath soothed them to rest;

She has lulled them to sleep upon her breast.

And then I think of my children three,

My babes that never grew old;

And I know they are waiting and watching for me

In that beautiful home of gold.

And I thank my God in my trial hour

For the things in the bottom drawer.\*

"My feeling, sentiments, and reflections are well portrayed, which shows they have been fully acquainted with my most secret thoughts," exclaimed Mrs. White. "Death robbed me of my darlings, and in my repinings I questioned God's goodness. Spirit-

\*NOTE.—These verses were got in the manner stated by a friend well known to the Editor, and a copy was given the author at the time.

ualism has discovered them to me, given them back to me grown to full fruition; no longer children, but sons and daughters fully matured in God's Spiritual Summerland. I shall ever treasure those verses for the sake of those who sent them, and the message they bring to my grief-stricken heart."

And the bereaved mother and sorrowing wife placed them reverently by with "the things in the bottom drawer." Her maternal affection saw not the metrical defects contained in them, any more than the heart that is pining for news from loved ones over the sea sees defects in grammar and spelling, when the long-looked for letter arrives. It is not the garb in which it is dressed, but the message that is noticed and prized. And so it was with Mrs. White, she prized the poem to her dying day, and in her darkest hours it was a source of comfort and consolation that could not have been augmented had it contained marks of undying merit.

"I have one last question to ask you dear," said Mr. Henderson, when he next visited Miss White, "and that is, what is the standard of truth for Spiritualists? I am convinced of its facts, and I admire its teachings, but I have not been able to learn anything concerning a standard of truth and morality which Spiritualists take for their guide; can you enlighten me, dear?"

"So far as I have been able to ascertain," replied Florence, "the only recognised authority among Spiritualists is *truth*, and the truth shall make you free—free from error. We take truth for our authority, and not authority for truth. Our standard of morality is to do right because it is right; shun the wrong because it is wrong. You have just acknowledged that you are convinced of its facts. These to you are truths, and, as such, have a power—an influence on your mind. But they were truths before you recognised them. You will admit, I think, that truth never changes, never varies; it is our perceptions of it. The same is true with regard to morality. It is always the same; but our perceptions vary, so that what is right to one may be wrong to another. Our highest perception, therefore, is what we must follow; and when we deviate from it, the voice of conscience tells us we are doing wrong."

"If that be so, conscience is a varying quantity, and not an infallible guide; it only admonishes us according to what we have been taught is right and wrong, or our perceptions of it, if we have reached the years of discretion?"

"That is so," she said, "and is exemplified by every denomination in Christendom. One believes that immersion is necessary to salvation; another that sprinkling only is needed; another in rituals; and another in the power of the Pope and the bishops to forgive sins; and the Protestants hold that only Jesus

has the power to do this. All these various beliefs are as truths to the possessors of them, and their consciences admonish them accordingly."

"But," said Mr. Henderson, "let Christians differ as they may about beliefs, they all have a standard of morality by which the actions of all professing Christians are judged, no matter what may be their creeds. And, in my opinion, the Spiritualists, as a body, are sadly deficient in this respect."

"And pray what may this standard be which all can rally round and take for their pattern and guide?"

"It is the life and teachings of Jesus Christ!" he answered triumphantly.

"And is that the standard whereby you propose to judge people, whether they be true Christians or hypocrites?" she asked, gravely.

"Certainly," he answered.

"Then to use the standard which you set up as being superior to that of the Spiritualists, I challenge you to find me one true Christian, one single individual who lives up to the standard you have named—the life and teachings of Jesus. Where is there one among all the millions of Christians who sell all they have and give to the poor, having one common treasurer, and everything in common; taking no thought of the needs of to-morrow, doing the many wonderful things he and his disciples did?"

"But, my dear, you are mistaken in supposing we are to do the many wonderful things that he did. Jesus did it to proclaim his mission and show that he was superior to man," interposed Mr. Henderson.

"Not at all, dear James; he promised to his followers—to those who believe in him, as a *proof* of their belief; 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, these signs shall follow unto all them that believe; and greater things than these shall they do, because I go unto my Father.' This is very emphatic, while I have not named one-tenth of his teachings and self-denying and practices. Now, by your own standard, the whole of Christendom must be one huge mass of hypocrisy, seeing that believers fail—miserably fail—to come up to your own standard."

"But, my dear Florence, you misunderstand me. It is not to be expected that people can live such a pure life as did Jesus. He was something more than mortal. He came to show us the perfect way of life, and to yield himself a ransom for our sins," he pleaded in extenuation of the shortcomings of Christians.

"I know that is the teaching of Christianity; but as soon as you insist on that your standard falls to the ground like a straw man, which has only been set up for appearance sake; and the boasted superiority has no existence, for if he were more than mortal and lived a perfect life, his example is useless to men who are only mortal, and therefore liable to err.

#### CHAPTER XIV.

Miss White continued: "I must also remind you of the revelations made by Professor Monroe concerning the Hindoo Christna, which placed the Christians' Christ in a very doubtful position."

"You are right, my dear Florence. I have carefully studied the ancient faiths and compared them with the modern; and have come to the conclusion that I cannot longer subscribe myself a Christian. To do so would be against my honest convictions, to

keep up appearance; and you know, dear, that I hate hypocrisy. In studying over the question of sending in my resignation to the Wesleyans, and joining the Spiritualists, I asked myself what was the standard of truth and morality which Spiritualists adopt as their guide. Hence my question. I am surprised that it never occurred to me before how inconsistent is the boasted Christian standard—indeed, I now see, for the first time, it is no standard, but an ideal life set up for humanity to realise; and it is altogether at variance with the conditions of life in this western hemisphere."

"I am delighted to hear you speak out so candidly, and I have hopes of you at last," said Miss White, with manifest pleasure.

"I know that my obstinacy must have been very annoying and even trying to your patience," responded Mr. Henderson; "and I thank you for all the forbearance and kindness you have shown me."

"I knew you acted from conscientious motives, dear, and sympathised with you."

"Indeed I did," said he. "I was sure you were all mistaken, and determined not to lose you without making a strong effort to rescue you from what I then considered to be the work of the devil. But, thanks to Professor Monroe, I was soon convinced of the grave error I had made."

"And have you succeeded in saving me?" she asked, with a merry twinkle in her eye.

"No, no, it is I who have been rescued from error, and I thank God for it," he exclaimed, with some warmth.

"That is rather strange, is it not, to hear one who has been corrected in his religious opinions thank God?"

"It is a fact, nevertheless," he answered. "The teachings of Spiritualism are so much more humane and just, as well as more honourable to God. The knowledge of spirit existence, and the practice of spirit intercourse, together with a belief in the Fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man, the immortality of the soul, personal responsibility, compensation and retribution hereafter for all the good or evil deeds done here, and that a path of eternal progress is open to every soul that wills to tread it by a path of eternal good, is by far preferable to any teaching yet given to the world. The character of our heavenly Father is saved from the stigma of being shortsighted in forbidding our first parents to eat of a certain tree, and from the heartless and cruel curse that was placed upon them and their children; and we can approach him as a Father of love, and not a Being of awful dread and fear. Yes," he added, "I thank God for it. The loss of my early teachings has resulted in an eternal gain."

"Your sentiments do you credit," responded Florence, "and I am pleased that for once, for a long time, I am able to endorse and not oppose them."

"I trust," he said in reply, "we shall be much more in harmony in the future than we have been in the past. I have fought a long and persistent battle, and must confess I have been defeated on my own ground. I now render myself a willing trophy: you will accept me, dear?" and he held out his arms to her, an appeal she could no longer resist. And the next

instant she was locked in his strong embrace, and rested her head on his shoulder, where she shed tears of joy and thanked God most fervently that they were estranged no longer, but united heart and soul.

"My own darling," he murmured fondly, "I trust to repay you in the future for all the care, sorrow, and anxiety you have had to endure on my account, and the persecution of our minister and his tools."

"For my part," she answered, "I shall feel amply repaid for any anxiety or care I have had to bear, with your love and confidence. It is all I ask, all I need. But I never could associate with orthodox people, and have dinned into my ears those horrid and diabolical doctrines."

*To be continued.*

### **Bible Studies, No. 10.**

#### BIBLICAL SPIRITUALISM (Continued).

When Elijah fled into the wilderness out of the way of his enemies, who were greatly incensed at him for having caused the death of 450 priests of the god Baal, he lay down to sleep under a juniper tree. He was awakened by an angel of Yahveh, and told to rise and eat. Strange to say, he found a cake baked on the coals and a vessel of water. Having eaten, he lay down and slept again, and was awakened a second time by the angel and told to eat. 1st Kings xix., 5-7.

The above incident reads so as to give to the reader the impression that the angel had furnished the vessel of water, and prepared and baked the bread on the coals, which were there as evidence of his handiwork. If so, then it is a most striking manifestation of spirit power, but one that would not be believed by Christian if related by a Spiritualist to-day. But what can we say of Elijah causing the death of 450 priests of a rival god—Baal, other than that it is an exhibition of the same spirit of religious bigotry, intolerance, and hatred that has marred the pages of religious history of all ages? This hatred and persecution is likely to continue until humanity is taught that "all religion has relation to life; and the life of religion is to do good."

Elijah seems to have been a strong fire-medium, for besides calling down fire to consume the burnt-offerings, he caused the death of two companies of soldiers and their captains by calling down fire from heaven upon them. 2nd Kings i., 9-16.

One feels amazed and startled to learn that this destructive fire was evoked from heaven; Priests have always taught us to associate fire with the other place. No doubt there is a mistake somewhere.

Elijah, in company with Elisha, a young prophet, divided the waters of the river Jordan by smiting them with his mantle, so that they passed over on dry land. As they walked along there appeared chariots and horses of fire, which parted them asunder, and Elijah was taken up to heaven, but left his mantle behind. Elisha picked it up, and smote the waters with it, as he had seen Elijah do, and, strange to say, the waters divided for Elisha, so that he was able to re-cross the river bed. 2nd Kings ii., 1-15.

Here we see an instance of the virtue of a prophet inhering in his mantle after he has passed away. It

is by reason of this invisible power, which every individual gives off, and saturates, not only their clothing, but every article they handle, that psychometrists are able to describe them and their characteristic qualities. The wonders of psychometry are almost incredible. But the experiments of Prof. Wm. Denton and Dr. Buchanan give us an idea of the marvels that are at present lying hidden in the inner archives of geology and archaeology, waiting the magic touch, as it were, of the intelligent psychometrist.

The Biblical statement that Elijah was carried away to heaven in a whirlwind, after being caught away from Elisha in a chariot of fire, must be attributed to the writer's idea of the nature and location of heaven. Until the 16th and 17th century it was supposed that the sky was a solid arch, studded with stars and planets, which they called "the hosts of heaven." So it was quite natural for the ancients to imagine that if anyone was carried away by spirit power they had been taken to heaven. This erroneous idea of heaven was corrected by the writings of Copernicus and Galileo. The discoveries of the latter by his telescope in 1616 so disturbed the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church that he was summoned on two occasions to appear before the Inquisition at Rome, and forced to recant, or say that his discoveries and teachings were untrue. The second time of his appearance before that cruel tribunal he was in his seventieth year. His further discoveries concerning the mechanism of the heavens were again condemned. He was imprisoned and threatened with torture.

Although the priesthood did all it could to stop the spread of truth, the discoveries of Galileo are accepted by nearly all Christians to-day. And the teaching of Spiritualism has supplied the world with information concerning a new heaven—the spirit spheres which are natural, and transcendently more beautiful than the one imagined by the Biblical writers.

On one occasion, when the sons of the prophets were busily cutting down trees that grew on the side of the river Jordan, one of the men had the misfortune to lose the head of his axe, which was a borrowed one. On the matter being made known to Elisha, he went to the spot where it had fallen into the river, and caused it to rise up and swim, so that it was recovered by simply casting a piece of stick into the water. 2nd Kings vi., 1-7.

If such a phenomenon were recorded of one of our mediums to-day, what would the average Christian say concerning it, and all those Spiritualists who believed it? And yet, if God is no respecter of persons, is the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, and His laws are unchangeable, if such phenomenon took place in the past, ought they not to take place to-day? And ought not Christians to be willing to believe them, and thank God for such evidence of His unchanging nature, as they are to believe those recorded in the Bible?

*(To be continued)*

Lyceumists will do well to look to their laurels, and put forth their energies in the direction pointed out in Mr. Will Edward's letter, which appeared in our issue of October, if they wish to keep in the van of the world's reformers.

## BIBLE AND CHRIST IN THE LYCEUM.

By MR. HERBERT E. CLARKE, B.A. (OXON.)

All of us know the meaning of the word *progressive*. Its purely Latin derivation of *stepping forth* suits our purpose admirably. When we go onward and upward, widening and ennobling our ideals, seeking the good and shunning the evil, accepting truth from whatever source it may proceed, and casting aside superstition, however ancient its authority, then it is we progress—we step forward towards the goal of perfection.

I may be told that this is all very simple, that the youngest reader of the BANNER understands the meaning of that noble word. It is a great source of joy to try and realise that perhaps a goodly proportion have conceived the deep significance of the word when it stands as an attribute of our Lyceum—the Progressive Lyceum. To such it will be impossible to permit a mockery of the title; there will burn in their hearts a fire of devotion for the children's cause which shall consume all that hinders true progress, all that narrows our outlook on life, all that unnecessarily prolongs the time before universal love and brotherhood shall reign among men.

It is to such leaders and officers and members of our Lyceums that I now address my plea, and it is for the sake of the little ones who some day shall tell the world, better than we can, the sweet and tender message of the communion of angels.

May I for a few moments ask my indulgent reader to seek an answer with me to the question of how it came about that great systems of philosophy and even of religion failed to fulfil their mission to mankind and reached so small a portion of the human race? Such a question would be difficult to answer at once, briefly and completely, but I shall for the moment content myself with a very obvious but far-reaching explanation, which is as follows:—

Unsuccessful philosophies and forms of religion, and those which have exerted least saving power for the world, are just those which have shut themselves within too narrow limits of purpose and usefulness to admit light and truth from outside. It is always the warning blast of the decay of a self-satisfied sect when it refuses to learn the wholesome lessons it might receive from others. The guiding star of progress has been *tolerance*, by which is to be understood not a compromise between good and evil, truth and error, hope and despair, but a mutual appreciation of the good and true and hopeful in the opinions of the opposite sides. The Nonconformist (and to a less remarkable degree the English) Church to-day is reaching the hearts of the people by its readiness to apply new truths, some of which we hold dear as Spiritualists; and just in proportion to the encouragement of a broad-minded and Christ-like Christianity, will its future success be found.


The chances of excellence depend upon our willingness to learn and to apply our learning to the best advantage. It is also perfectly evident that we should first make ourselves acquainted with the questions immediately around us, and it is just as absurd to engage ourselves upon the study of Asiatic sacred

books and personalities other than Christian and Jewish before we have become acquainted with the Bible and the principles of Christianity taught in our own land, as it would be to instruct a child in Sanskrit before it had fairly lisped a sentence in its mother tongue. We have daily to deal with adherents to the Christian faith, and towards the establishment of common ends we should strive to appreciate all that is beautiful and true in the Bible and in the work of Christian men.

I say "appreciate," but I mean more than that. While Congregationalism, Unitarianism, and Methodism are culling beautiful flowers from our garden and binding them into a wreath of divine service which becomes more human and helpful every day, what are we doing to justify our special claim of progressive Lyceumists? Up and down the country we hear hard words spoken of Christian tradition and endeavour, of the Bible and all that has associated itself round the banner of Jesus of Nazareth. Some deny his very existence and fill pages with extravagant astronomical "explanations"; others care little whether he lived or not, contenting themselves by endeavouring to show that his teachings were not original, while still others spend their antipathies upon the Church as a whole because there is not enough good done in its name. Now this is in every way unreasonable, unjust, and unbrotherly; what is more, it is grossly unprogressive. Because Jesus was a good and noble man, because his influence made others good, let us in the name of brotherhood try to find the secret of his goodness, the mystery of his personal charm. Let us, as well as others, learn to take advantage of the great lessons he taught, and at least realise that the best can never grow old-fashioned.

As to our reading, the same truths apply. If we are to be genuinely progressive, if we are to do our share in the hastening of the millennium of perfect love, we must open our doors to good from all lands and peoples, and we cannot afford to neglect a book of such wealth and importance as the Bible. Has it not time and again been insisted that all men and books are imperfect? We know that the Bible is no exception, but we ought at the same time to bear in mind that with the blemishes are passages of unmatched literary splendour. Who would think of throwing away the diamond because it lies in clay?

Before I close this very imperfect advocacy let me lay low one possible source of misapprehension. It is no sign of unfaithfulness to our cause which is shown by those who seek to bring to clearer notice the virtues of other causes. The man who restricts his services to Spiritualism to mere fault-finding with others, is not likely to help very materially in the salvation of the race, and the proper up-bringing of the young. What we have primarily to do in our Lyceums is to inspire the children to love and to be good to one another, and to all that lives and feels in the world. When we have aroused true veneration for the love of God and the possibilities of man, we shall have taught lessons which no amount of odious comparisons between our own beliefs and those of others can ever teach in the real naturalness of their beauty and dignity.



## The Bluebell Guild.

OBJECT: To promote Gentleness, Kindness and Good Behaviour. ——— Membership open to all.

MY DEAR BLUEBELLS,

Since writing to you in the October BANNER I have received quite a lot of letters and names, in fact, more than I can use this month. So I am going to ask Miss Imison to let me keep her letter for the New Year's number, for it is exactly one of the objects of the Guild, and will do splendidly to open the New Year.

Here is a nice letter from a new friend to our pages, and I am sure you will all be highly delighted to welcome such a nice letter. This is what she says:—

Dear Flora Belle,—

I often wanted to write to you, and had such a lot of ideas in my head—awfully clever ideas—but when I came to sit down and write them out a little picanniny would come and skip away with all of them, and so I tried and tried and tried, but that little picanniny would run off with them. Of course, it may not have been a picanniny at all; it may have been an imp or sprite or hobgoblin, or is it possible that some ideas are very shy, and don't like to appear in print and be criticised—have I spelt it right, it is such a big word?—and so run away.

I have no clever ideas to write to-day, dear Flora Belle; the only idea I have is I want to write, and perhaps because I have no other ideas the picanninies and sprites and imps and hobgoblins won't bother me.

Christmas time will soon be round. I am so glad—everybody seems glad—nearly everybody. The dear holly, with its bright red berries, and the mistletoe—holly and mistletoe everywhere. Bright shops with lots of toys, which Santa Claus buys and puts in our stockings on Christmas Eve. I heard such a funny story about a little boy, who thought he could deceive Santa Claus. Do you know, he cut off the foot of his stocking and put a large bag in its place, thinking that Santa Claus would have to put a lot more toys in to fill it to the top. Well, Santa Claus took no notice of the stocking, and brought a little baby's sock, and only filled that. We shouldn't be greedy, should we?

That little picanniny has come after all. Oh, dear! Well, I will write to Flora Belle, picanniny, Yes, I like Christmas time because of the Christmas trees and toys and parties, and everybody seems so glad to see everybody else. But, oh! I do feel so sad sometimes, even when I'm jolly, because I know there are lots of little boys and little girls who have no holly and no mistletoe and no Christmas trees and no parties and no toys, and even Daddy Christmas forgets to fill their stockings. I wish I was Daddy Christmas, I would fill everybody's stocking. I can't do that, but I am going to make Santa Claus ashamed

of himself. I am going to give half my toys to a little girl whom Santa Claus always forgets.

After Christmas comes the New Year, when everybody says he will be better than he was last year. I shall only make one resolution. I used to make a lot of resolutions, but my arms were not very big, and the resolutions fell down and got broken. I shall only make one resolution—one tiny resolution. I shall try very, very hard to love everybody, even when I am cross. Your Loving Friend,

Olive Hartland.

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The next is from King Street Lyceum, South Shields:—

Dear Flora Belle,—

I am pleased to inform you that I have got a few more names for the Bluebell Guild, which I trust you will send cards of membership to. I regret to say that none of our children have had the courage to write you, hoping they will in the near future. I may tell you our Lyceum is going on well. If we continue to prosper in the future as we have in the past we shall soon want a larger hall.

Yours sincerely, Thomas James.

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I am very pleased to have the names, and shall be delighted if my Bluebells write to me. Ted says, "What ho! More names, still they come."

Another list comes from Mr. Laxton, Bloomsbury Lyceum:—

Dear Flora Belle,—

It is with great pleasure I pen these few lines to wish you and your Guild every success. I am sending more names of Lyceumists who wish to become members of the Bluebell Guild. Hoping I may at some future time get more members to join.

Yours truly,

E. E. Laxton, Conductor.

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Here is yet another from Lime Street, and if it was near me I am sure both Ted and I would join the Guild for Tuesday night. There are Lyceums who have a Bluebell Sunday, but I think this is the first for week nights.

Dear Flora Belle,—

It is a long time since you heard from me, but I am pleased to say we have progressed since. When last I wrote I had just begun to attend the Lyceum in Silvester Street, but unfortunately our esteemed Conductor, Mr. Nicholson, now of Lincoln, left the town, and the workers fell away, and for some time we had no Lyceum; but am pleased to say there are two now. We have started a Bluebell Guild on Tuesday night, and are going on nicely. I am sending a list of names of those who have promised to fulfil the objects of the Guild. I refrain from telling you what we do, as I wish the members to tell you themselves.

Yours fraternally,

G. Smith,

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Before I close I would like to ask all of you who send names to be enrolled to please put the names in

full, and not initials. Wishing each and every one a very merry Christmas.

Your Loving Sister,  
FLORA BELLE.

BLOOMSBURY LYCEUM.

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| 2301 Florrie Inscoc | 2305 Harry Hill      |
| 2302 Gladys Inscoc  | 2306 Albert Hill     |
| 2303 Lizzie Johnson | 2307 Jack O'Connor   |
| 2304 Norah O'Conror | 2308 James Cambridge |

SOUTH SHIELDS.

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| 2309 Kate Latimer    | 2317 Isabella Angus  |
| 2310 William Latimer | 2318 Hilda Andrews   |
| 2311 James Easby     | 2319 Winnie Andrews  |
| 2312 Richard Mayhead | 2320 Emily Arnell    |
| 2313 Edgar Mayhead   | 2321 Maggie Arnell   |
| 2314 Charles Mayhead | 2322 Susan Edmondson |
| 2315 Edward Mayhead  | 2323 Rosy Graham     |
| 2316 Stanley Hunter  | 2324 Annis Dockuray  |

LIME STREET.

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2325 Miss E. Porter | 2336 A. Morgan      |
| 2326 A. Hopwood     | 2337 A. Brown       |
| 2327 E. Jackson     | 2338 B. Clark       |
| 2328 H. Smith       | 2339 A. Newsome     |
| 2329 E. Brown       | 2340 Mr. Mitchell   |
| 2330 E. Wilson      | 2341 Mr. C. Dawson  |
| 2331 L. Mitchell    | 2342 Mr. T. Abel    |
| 2332 J. Clark       | 2343 Mr. T. Brown   |
| 2333 F. Jackson     | 2344 Mr. J. Hogg    |
| 2334 A. Jackson     | 2345 Mr. H. Newsome |
| 2335 E. Morgan      | 2346 Mr. R. Hedley  |

Lyceum Lesson Plan for Dec.

BY JESSY GREENWOOD.

SESSION PROGRAMME.

Date.	Opening Hymn.	S.R.	M.R.	G.C.R.	Closing Hymn.
Dec. 1	407	8	206	134	363
" 8	409	65	222	131	383
" 15	396	51	226	146	308, <i>Aurelia</i> 474 <i>Bristol</i>
" 22	83	55 } 44 }	240	124	88
" 29	392	367	225	123	412
Jan. 5	14	30 } 63 }	202	122	35

Golden Precepts.

Dec. 1. "There's nothing so kingly as kindness,  
And nothing so royal as truth."

*Alice Cary.*

Dec. 8. "True happiness consists not in the multi-  
tude of friends, but in their worth and choice."

*Ben Johnson.*

Dec. 15. "Those who bring sunshine to the lives  
of others cannot keep it from themselves."

*J. M. Barrie.*

Dec. 22. "The web of our life is of a mingled yarn,  
good and ill together."

*Shakespeare.*

Dec. 29. "Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-  
control: these three alone lead life to sovereign  
power."

*Tennyson.*

LESSON SKETCH. (122 Manual).

I. Divide the lesson under three heads: Liberty, Equality and Fraternity. Define each word according to the dictionary and compare with the Manual definition.

II. Explain the following terms: mental freedom, tolerance, conscience, subserviency to right, individuality, component unit, etc.

III. Summarize (see last reply for Lyceum, "The power is within us," etc.)

IV. The great lesson. "The beginning and end of all is LOVE."

V. Questions. The man who gets his living by betting may claim to be right, seeing he does not infringe on the rights of others to do the same thing. How would you reply to him?

What is religious bigotry?

Should respect be shown to Roman Catholics, Baptists, Atheists, etc., and why?

When opportunities for gaining knowledge are thrown open, like evening continuation and technical classes, how is it there are so few who avail themselves of the chances? Would you make it compulsory to all who leave school to attend these means of instruction?

Can you name any institutions who carry out the true meaning of the reply to "What is the law of fraternity? What prevents people from doing it?"

If all Lyceumists understand the word 'duty' how is it so many forget the time of starting the Lyceum; their day for teaching, or playing the organ? (See fulfilment of obligations).

What is the great principle that covers all differences and degrees in others with a beautiful covering of charity?

The Angels of our Deliverance

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| <b>Duty.</b>      | <b>Wisdom.</b>        |

Greetings.

To all my friends, wherever found, I desire to convey my greetings of goodwill, thanking them for the sweet inspirations and handgrips of the past, and a hope that the same may be continued and intensified in the coming time. To our Editor, for his great forbearance, I am doubly obligated and thank him accordingly. He shares my good wishes for all time.

Sincerely yours,  
JESSY GREENWOOD.

## THE LYCEUM MOVEMENT IN AMERICA.

The following reference to the Lyceum cause in America is cut from the President's Report to the 15th. Annual convention held at Washington, D.C., Oct. 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th, 1907. As reported in *The Progressive Thinker*, and *The Sunflower*.

"Reports received from Great Britain prove that the Lyceum cause is flourishing in the United Kingdom as never before. The local societies are doing a most excellent work, and the National Federation is constantly widening its sphere of activity. Best of all, the Lyceums, or Sunday School work, is receiving as it ever has received in the past, the devoted consideration of the ablest minds among our English cousins. They do not wait to convert people to Spiritualism, but they make Spiritualists out of the young by educating them in the sacred truths of a religious Spiritualism."

Concerning the Lyceum movement in America his report is as follows:—

### THE LYCEUM.

I regret that I can only report progress in this very important branch of our work. Our national superintendent, Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, entered into the work with great earnestness at the opening of her official term. She met with but little encouragement from the various Lyceums and from the officers of our local societies. I believe there are 34 Lyceums in existence in the United States. Our superintendent did her best to come into direct touch with them all and sought by every means in her power to organize new ones wherever there was a promise of success. The removal of her husband to British Columbia forced her to resign her position after a few months' service. She filed her report with our national secretary and placed in the hands of that officer all papers that were in her possession. No doubt our secretary will make special reference to this same subject. I have only to add that your official board did not choose a successor to Mrs. Gillespie, deeming it best to hold this work in abeyance until the assembling of this convention. May I urge this matter upon you with respectable emphasis? This branch of our work has been neglected in by-gone years, and will, I fear, continue to languish in influence and power unless something is done at this Convention to infuse new life into the Lyceum movement. The importance must be apparent to you all. I recommend action, not talk, and ask you, once more, to solve this problem correctly by your votes at this time. I hope some one on this floor will be able to explain to us why this Lyceum work has flourished in England and deteriorated in America.

The above reference to Lyceum work, along with that from the Secretary, and the late Superintendent's Lyceum Report were all referred to a special Committee to fully consider, and advise the convention on the best course to adopt to bring about better results in the future. We are pleased to note the names of our esteemed friends Mr. T. Grimshaw, Mrs. Cadwallader, and Mrs. M. J. Stephens among those of the Committee, who reported as follows:

### REPORT OF N. S. A. COMMITTEE ON LYCEUMS.

Mr. Chairman and Fellow Delegates:

Your Committee on Lyceums has carefully considered the correspondence and report of your late Superintendent of Lyceums, Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, and presents the following report and recommendations:

We realize the need of the N. S. A. taking hold of this work with more enthusiasm. Each year a National Superintendent of Lyceums has been appointed, but not much accomplished owing to the lack of funds to carry on the work. If the foundation stone of Modern Spiritualism rests on the phenomena of Spiritualism, then the future workers of Spiritualism must come from those who attend the primary school, the Lyceum.

After reading Mrs. Gillespie's report, we find that the thanks of this Convention should be extended to her for the able manner in

which she performed the arduous duties during her term of office. Mrs. Gillespie, in her report, recommends that the \$50 appropriated for the purchase of BANNERS for prizes be expended in three cash prizes; \$25 first prize, \$15 second prize, and \$10 third prize. But your committee, after reading the numerous communications and noting the earnest efforts of the various contestants, we feel that it would be unfair to single out only three for distribution, and recommend that the appropriation be devoted to the purchase of textbooks, suitable for use in Lyceums, and the same to be distributed among the contestants according to the number of their members. In this way the money will carry on the educational work and each Lyceum that has sought to win a banner will be benefited by this plan of your committee.

We are convinced by the perusal of the communications that the prime need of the movement is a lesson leaflet, and we would recommend the publication of a quarterly that shall be devoted to the presentation of out-line lessons, suitable for assistance of leaders of Lyceums. This leaflet to be distributed free to Lyceums. We recommend that this Convention appropriate sufficient money to cover the cost of publication and distribution of such leaflet. We recommend the appointment of a Superintendent of Lyceums, who shall keep in touch with the various Lyceums, and attend to the publication and distribution of said leaflet. We further recommend the Manual of A. J. Davis, Founder of Progressive Lyceum; "Lyceum Guide," Emma Rood Tuttle; "Lyceum Lessons," C. Fanny Allyn, and the Lyceum Manual published by British Lyceum Union, be used by various Lyceums according to their needs, and suggest that where there is a desire to start a new Lyceum, that one copy of the book chosen be supplied to the conductor free of cost, in addition to the leaflet.

Your committee feels that the time has come for the N. S. A. to do for the Lyceum, instead of asking the Lyceum—whose needs are so apparent—to furnish the money for this literature. We urge upon the delegates to consider the Lyceum question as one of the most important features in the Spiritualistic movement.

Your committee feels that the importance of the Lyceum movement warrants us in recommending that this report be adopted ad seriatim.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS GRIMSHAW,  
M. E. CADWALLADER,  
MRS. C. D. PRUDEN,  
MRS. M. J. STEPHENS,  
MISS MARY CLAUS.

## ANOTHER LYCEUMIST FOR NEW ZEALAND.

On November 9th the members of the Armley Society and Lyceum held a farewell gathering in honour of our esteemed society's president and Lyceum worker, Mr. George Darbyshire, who was to sail for Auckland, N.Z., on the following Friday, November 15th. Mr. S. Lee presided. Mr. Brett, vice-president, presented Bro. Darbyshire with a splendid cabin trunk, subscribed for by the members of the Society and Lyceum. The following ladies and gentlemen spoke in glowing terms of appreciation of the work done by Bro. Darbyshire:—Mrs. Pitts, Lyceum conductor; Miss L. Mortimer (Batley Carr); Mr. Wilkinson, treasurer (our oldest member); Mr. Sykes, Society's secretary; Mr. S. Crabtree, Lyceum secretary; Mrs. Pearson (Leeds); Mr. Hynes (Leeds); and Mr. Barnes (Leeds) president of the L.D.C. A goodly company sat down to tea. During the evening the hall was packed with well-wishers, all anxious to wish our young friend "God speed and prosperity" in his new home. Games, dances, etc., were indulged in during the evening. The following helped to make the evening enjoyable:—Misses Thewlis and Welsh, a duet; Misses Thewlis and Gilby, a duet; Mr. Crabtree, a song; Miss Knowles, a recitation.—S. CRABTREE, Sec.

[NOTE.—All reports for the LYCEUM BANNER should be written in ink, and not pencil.—Ed.]

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### Lyceum Notes and Comments.

This issue of the LYCEUM BANNER completes the 17th volume. How grandly has both the Lyceum cause and its official organ grown and expanded during those 17 years! The importance of the work done is incalculable. But we must press on to even greater and grander results. Both the Lyceum movement and its BANNER are only in the infancy of what the future has in store for them. Let us ever remember "THE WORKERS WIN!"

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Mr. Wyatt, the conductor of the Carlisle Lyceum, writes to say that he was formerly a member of the Bradford, Otley Road Lyceum, and not of a Lancashire Lyceum, as stated last month. We are pleased to have his correction.

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The Blackburn, Northgate Lyceum is to be re-opened on December 29th. A Lyceum is to be opened at the Preston (Central Society) on January 5th, 1908. One is also to be opened at Govan, Glasgow, early in the New Year. And Mr. Thomas Wilkinson is hopeful of being able to re-open the one at Clitheroe at an early date. We heartily wish success to all their praiseworthy efforts.

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We have just received a splendid portrait (the latest taken) of our beloved founder, Dr. Andrew Jackson Davis, containing his autograph and best wishes to all Lyceumists! We want all Lyceumists to have a copy of it. To that end we are having a splendid block made from it to grace the first page of our next issue. A kind friend has generously promised to bear the cost, so as to save the LYCEUM BANNER FUND. For which he has our warmest thanks. Orders for extra copies should reach us in good time to save disappointment.

Here is a cutting of six things which a boy ought to know. They will be useful to "old boys" as well as young ones:—

"*first*, that a quiet voice, courtesy, and kind acts are essential to a gentleman; *second*, that roughness, blustering, and foolhardiness are not manliness; *third*, that muscular strength is not health; *fourth*, that a brain crammed with facts is not necessarily a wise one; *fifth*, that the labour impossible to the boy of fourteen will be easy to the man of twenty; *sixth*, that the best capital for a boy is not money, but love of work, simple tastes, and a heart loyal to his friends and his God."

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It would appear from the following cutting that church dignitaries are waking up more than ever to the importance of salaried teachers:—

#### SALARIED SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED.

Speaking at a Conference of Sunday School Teachers at Gildersome on Saturday September 28th, Archdeacon Hawkins said that to conduct Sunday Schools in a proper manner trained and salaried teachers were as necessary as in the secular schools. There was no work of the church which was so disorganised as the Sunday School work, no work that was so valuable, and no work that was done in such a slipshod manner. Any nice young lady or any nice young man was considered good enough to be a Sunday School teacher.

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Here is another cutting, which is evidence that the present Sunday School method is unsatisfactory, and needs re-construction. A visit to the Blackburn, St. Peter Street Lyceum, would no doubt be helpful to the Rev. G. Denyer and those in sympathy with him:—

#### A CHURCH FOR CHILDREN ONLY.

"The Rev. G. Denyer, a Blackburn vicar, who proposes to provide a special church for children, contemplates a service every Sunday morning and evening in the parish-room, to which all young people under twelve are to be invited. The church officers are to be chosen from among the boys, and a choir from among the girls, who are to be trained by the vicar's wife. Members of the choir will, as a special privilege, be allowed to attend the children's church until they are fourteen. The services are to be specially designed to meet the needs of children, who are expected to contribute to a halfpenny collection on the last Sunday of each month."

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In taking our leave, for 1907, of our Staff and Readers, we desire to tender them our hearty thanks for their unstinted efforts on behalf of the LYCEUM BANNER during the past year.

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WE WISH EACH AND ALL.

**A Merry Christmas.**

## Our Boys' Special.

My Precious Puzzlefnders,—

I once again, with pleasing pride, turn my thoughts to the filling of our popular page, in which I now know you show such deep and well-sustained interest. Lately I have travelled much, and have come in contact, directly and indirectly, with many Lyceums in the North, and I am pleased to note that generally a growing interest is manifested throughout our Lyceum movement. One thing, however, I have to deplore; it is something which is noticeable in *almost* every Lyceum, namely, the silence which follows the call of so many names on the register. I daresay that where two sessions are held this may to some extent be explained by the statement that many of those who are absent in the morning attend in the afternoon, or *vice versa*, but would it not be more encouraging, both to leaders and all members, if an effort was made to attend *both* sessions? There is strength and encouragement in numbers, and one of our strongest evidences of interest in, and preference for, our Lyceum over all other Sunday school methods is found in our consistent attendance marks on the register. We shall soon be commencing a new year. Lyceumists, resolve that, health permitting, there shall be no "great gaps" anent your names on the register during 1908; but that, like a well-drilled line of soldiers, the significant symbols of your presence shall stand boldly out supporting each other at equal distances, until the page shall prove a glowing testimony to your systematic interest in Lyceum work.

I am delighted with your response to our first "limerick." Sixteen competitors have complied with the conditions, and their last lines are as follows:—

### LIMERICK.

A charming young lady named Flo,  
Bought a *Manual* some time ago;  
And when she had read  
Through its pages, she said:

I have found a new Bible. What ho!

Winner, Sidney Gripton, Walsall.

Having read, I am ready to sow.

Winner, Mrs. A. Laverack, nr. Chester-le-Street,  
Durham.

Other last lines:—

'Tis the very best book that I know.

C. Briggs, Huddersfield.

It could not be better, I know.

Elsie Barnes, Tottenham, London.

To the Lyceum now I will go.

H. Challenor, Macclesfield.

'Tis the best book that anyone could know.

H. A. Eastwood, Great Harwood.

Each man should his *Manual* know.

J. E. Laverack, Durham.

It's the best book I've ever read.

W. Crossley, Todmorden.

To a Spiritualist Lyceum I'll go.

F. E. Tyson, Millom.

I wish I had read them long ago.

I wish I had bought one long ago.

I wish I had owned one long ago.

Thos. Berry, Southport.

So to the Lyceum I will go.

Jane Chadwick, Hollinwood.

The Spiritualist Lyceum is the best, I will go.

C. Nuttall, Hadfield.

I certainly to the Lyceum shall go.

E. Birch, Macclesfield.

To a Lyceum Sunday School I will go.

Mrs. Sayers, Darwen.

Two penny stamps have been sent with each effort as a gift to the "Lyceum Home Fund." Lyceum Badges have been duly sent to the two first-mentioned competitors. The amount received for the fund is 2s. 8d. I am anxious that this shall be made into 10s. by Christmas. I therefore submit another limerick. See November BANNER for conditions.

### LIMERICK FOR DECEMBER.

A Lyceum member should be  
An example to all, you'll agree;  
In or out of the school  
All should follow the rule—

Fill in the last line, giving the best rule you can, and let the last word rhyme with the first and second lines. Enclose two penny stamps (or four halfpenny ones) for the Lyceum Home Fund." Last date December 19th. Send to my address, which you will find at the foot of this page. Mr. R. A. Owen, of Liverpool, gives the prizes this month.

The correct solution to last month's puzzle is "Mrs. Chiswell." Sixteen correct solutions have been received, and Merit Certificates have been duly forwarded. The solutions represent Liverpool, Brighouse, Bailiff Bridge, Walsall, Hadfield, Sowerby Bridge, Bolton, Burnley, Manchester, Huddersfield, and Macclesfield.

The correct solution of District Puzzle is "Mrs. H. Rushton." Four correct solutions have been received, and the Prize Badge goes to Edward Birch, Macclesfield. Mrs. Rushton gives the badge.

Below are the puzzles for December.

### NATIONAL PUZZLE.

The initials are found in every week,  
The worker is more energetic than meek;  
The surname in Lancashire often is heard,  
And for children the owner has always a word.  
Though in sorrow and dread the name is complete,  
In dear words again 'twill be found to repeat.  
This puzzle then solve—a prize you will gain,  
And in work that is noble never refrain.

### DISTRICT PUZZLE (for Manchester).

In the great cry for justice the letters are found  
Which form the initials of one who is "sound;"  
As a Lyceum leader he's worked hard and long,  
And his labours are still proving useful and strong.  
He's a modest home worker, whose value is known,  
For the district where consistent work he has shown.

One-half of his surname is often employed  
 When we speak of a brother whose trust we've enjoyed;  
 The last half is found in the depths of a well,  
 So piece them together and see what they spell;  
 Then post your solution direct on to me,  
 And I'll send you a *Badge or a Card*, you will see.

Post your solution not later than December 19th, to  
 Yours lovingly,  
 FRANK HEPWORTH.  
 2a, Cateaton Street, Bury, Lancs.

### "WHAT IS REFORM?"

AN ESSAY READ IN THE SHILDON LYCEUM.

The word "Reform" means to form anew. Every-one can reform their lives in some way or other. Suppose a man drinks, gambles, and is everything that is bad, then someone asks him to reform his life. The man thinks deeply about reforming his life, and in the end thinks it would be better if he did so. He gives up drinking and gambling, and goes to work regular. He sees that his wife and children have plenty to eat, and thinks more about his home. When people see he is trying to lead a better life, they help and try to push him on in the world. He then rises from a low position to a higher one, and perhaps becomes one of the leading men of society. Thus this man has reformed his life. The Lyceum can be reformed also. The behaviour could be much better. The marching and drilling would be perfect if we would keep time with one another. If we listened to all the conductor said, and thought about it, it would make us better boys and girls. Also, if we obeyed our teachers it would make it a pleasure to them, and much easier for them to teach us. When any strangers come to the Lyceum, we should be on our best behaviour. Sing, march, and drill in the proper way, it would then get us a better reputation in the LYCEUM BANNER. If we were all to do these things, it would be about the best Lyceum in the country.

(Miss) SARAH A. HARRIS,  
 Shildon C.P.L.

### ROOM AT THE TOP.

[We commend the following verses to the croakers who say *ad nauseam* that it is of no use trying because every place worth looking after is filled up.]

Never you mind the crowd, lad,  
 Or fancy your life won't tell;  
 The work is the work for a' that  
 To him that doeth it well,  
 Fancy the world a hill, lad;  
 Look where the millions stop;  
 You'll find the crowd at the base, lad;  
 There's always room at the top.  
 Courage and faith and patience,  
 There's space in the old world yet;  
 The better the chance you stand, lad,  
 The further along you get.  
 Keep your eye on the goal, lad;  
 Never despair or drop,  
 Be sure your path leads upward,  
 There's always room at the top.

### Mrs. Ellen Green's Missionary Tour in South Africa.—X.

My stay in Johannesburg was almost at an end, and I left feeling grateful to all the many friends who had helped in making my mission there the success it was. I met Miss Galloway, from the Birmingham Lyceum; she went abroad in search of health, and her friends will be pleased to know she is now much better. I journeyed from Johannesburg back to Pretoria, and while staying at the residence of Judge de Korte I became acquainted with a dear old man whom everyone called "Grandpapa Brinkmann." He was Dutch, and spoke very little English. At our first meeting I described his mother to him, which so delighted him that he attended every meeting during my stay. Although he had never before met a medium, I found that he had read much of Spiritualistic literature and knew its blessed philosophy, which had filled his soul with so much happiness that, with the help of a few Kafirs, he had built a pretty cottage of four rooms. One room, with a good organ in it, was used as a Seance room. So we find that our glorious Gospel has spread far and near. Another dear old man of Johannesburg, Mr. Fletcher, was a real inspiration to me; he has passed away since I left S.A.—I hope to meet him again. May we all open our souls so that the light of love may fill us with its true inspiration as it filled the grand pioneers of the past. On Friday, May 11th, I left the Transvaal on my way back for a return visit to Durban. I again called at Volksrust, where we had a grand meeting, Town Hall filled and over-flowing. The Rev. Hope Jones presided; after the meeting I held a public circle. The day following, I left for another visit to Pietermaritzburg. To get to the station we journeyed sixteen miles in a mule waggon, two Kafirs driving; the road was so rough we were nearly thrown out. May 19th arrived at our destination 6.40 in the morning, after travelling all night; was met by Mr. Fitzsimmons, and mounting into rickshaws was taken to his house a few miles out of town. It was a charming residence, surrounded by about twelve acres of land; beautiful gardens, full of roses, and orange, lime, lemon, fig mangol and other fruit trees. They have a Kafir Location two minutes' walk from the house; about two hundred Kafirs live there. I paid them a visit, and saw them grinding mealies and making Kafir beer. When a girl I used to ardently wish that I might be a missionary to the black people of Africa and work among them; little did I think I ever should. On Sunday morning, May 20th I addressed a large number of native men and women, so my earlier desire became in part a reality. I promised to speak to them again. While in Pietermaritzburg I lectured and held circles from May 13th until June 4th, and our meetings were spiritually blessed. I received a call from Harrismith, Orange-River Colony, and made my way there. The journey takes one day and night, and I think it the most interesting one I have experienced, the scenery was truly wonderful. One part of the way is called the Corkscrew Railway, its name fully describes it. One sees mountains and kopjes, and deep ravines which look impossible of access, and yet everywhere you see a narrow path like a thin thread winding over kopjes and down the deep dongas. This path is made by the Zulu who always walk in single file. We passed through Van-

Renans Pass; it is wonderful how the train creeps up the mountain side like a serpent; sometimes at a curve we could touch the last carriages. At last I arrived in Harrismith, where I was heartily welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Oxenham. Just before we went to the meeting we were informed that a bet had been made in the Market Place by a party of men and boys that they would upset the meeting. I must confess to feeling a little nervous. On arriving at the Town Hall we found it packed, crowds standing outside—it was the first Spiritualistic meeting ever held in this part. It was enough to make even the brave nervous to see this audience, whistling and shouting. The ex-Mayor Mr. Caskie, presided, the right man in the right place. The hymn was announced; some sang it, others whistled. I tried hard to sit still, and presently my dear guides came, and I remembered nothing more until I came out of a deep trance and heard loud clapping. The power of the Spirit had once again made itself felt, and I was told that the boys at the back had quite forgotten their bet, and a dead silence had prevailed all through the lecture. The description of spirit friends was a new revelation to them; when I said I can do no more, they shouted "Go on!" In thanking them I said, "Boys of Harrismith, I'm proud of you, and want you to come to-morrow night." Then they cheered. Our next meeting was a great success. All the week people were coming to me for spiritual advice. I left Harrismith carrying with me the good wishes of many friends. Another long ride in the train, and on April 4th I was in Durban, and received warm greetings. It felt like being at home again. June 5th, the Good Templars' Hall was filled. On Whit-Monday the Lyceum held its first pic-nic in Isipingo, a lovely place on the coast. We went part of the way by train and part in ox-waggons we had a splendid day, and everyone enjoyed it. I paid a short visit to Richmond, and held a circle at the house of my good friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sink. Mr. Sink escorted me to the Native Mission Station; it was very interesting. Again in Durban for a few weeks. On July 26th I booked my passage home on the Armadale Castle, but an urgent request came from Cape Colony to visit them, to which I consented. July 26th I left for East London, arriving there on the 28th. The passengers were swung in baskets from the Armadale Castle to the coast steamer, in which we had about three miles to sail. The sea was very rough. On reaching the jetty I was met by Miss Davis; after passing the "Customs" we drove away. The first night we held a large circle, and for a week held meetings in a large room, with good results. An invitation came from Queenstown and I held the first meeting in that town, the Town Hall being packed, and the Mayor of Queenstown presided over all the meetings. Here I was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Ballie, earnest workers. On Friday, August 11th, I left Queenstown for Port Elizabeth, and on Sunday August 13th, we held our first meetings in the beautiful Town Hall. They were advertised for eight o'clock, but by six hundreds were waiting in the street. Councillor D. M. Brown occupied the chair. The lectures were well received, and all the descriptions of spirit friends recognised. It was late when we got away, the people crowded round asking me to tell them of their own loved ones passed on. There is a wide field for work in South Africa. The good work now begun will go on until the Gospel of Spiritualism enters every heart and home. The second

Sunday we held a meeting in Uitenhage Town Hall, where, I think, good seed was sown. A lovely bouquet was presented to me. I stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Mc-Ivor while in Port Elizabeth. I think a Society has been formed since I left. This visit has roused a great spirit of enquiry, and people stand discussing Spiritualism in the streets. August 29th, Mr. and Mrs. Fox Smith arranged a farewell social, at which a great many were present; many kind words were said, and hopes entertained that we might meet again. Friday, August 31st, I left for Durban, arriving September 2nd, when my dear, good spirit helpers delivered their farewell lecture in the Good Templars' Hall. On Tuesday we held our last circle at the home of Mr. Knox; on the same evening a farewell social was given to me and an illuminated address. We spent a delightful evening with the Lyceum. Wednesday, the Society also tendered me a "farewell," friends coming from Harrismith, Richmond, and Johannesburg; the evening was passed in singing, reciting and dancing. During the evening the Society presented me with an illuminated address. Twelve of the Lyceum children dressed in white, holding a broad white silk ribbon emblem of love, formed a circle round me; they sang "Blest be the tie that binds." My heart was too full for words, but I am sure that all understood how much I appreciated their love. At last it was all over and, saying "adieu" to my many friends we returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parimer. I set sail, leaving the shores of sunny Africa and landing in Old England on Sept. 30th, 1906.

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(The End.)

#### TO SISTER ELLEN GREEN.

Sweet sister, fare thee well, from Afric's shore  
Our loving wishes follow thee. Each heart  
Feels tenderest thoughts vibrating to the core;  
Emotions, which to each and all impart.  
A sense of deepest gratitude to thee  
For this thy mission to our sunny clime;  
Bringing the light of truth that makes us free,  
And proofs of immortality sublime.  
And whilst thou journey'st o'er the mighty deep,  
Whilst this stout Saxon vessel breasts the foam  
May loving angel guides their vigil keep,  
And guide and bring thee, sister, safely home.  
May loved ones in the Motherland afar,  
With fond affection welcome to their arms  
This wandering one, returning to their shore;  
Back to their circle, 'mid the homeland charms.  
And when the gentle reaper, miscalled Death,  
Shall lovingly thy spirit render free  
May summerland be fragrant with the breath  
Of sweetest angel love to welcome thee.  
Till then, may God's great love and mighty arm  
Sustain thee, sister, free from grief and pain;  
Ensure thee happiness, and protect from harm  
And watch between us till we meet again.  
—From one of the Durban Lyceum Scholars,  
Sept. 6th, 1906.

It may not be generally known that in the early days of the Sunday Schools, teachers were very difficult to get, so that it was necessary, for a time, to offer them from one shilling to two shillings per Sunday for teaching. Some of the teachers could neither read nor write, and so were given the baby class to teach them the alphabet.

### THE BRADFORD LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A meeting of the above Council was held at Keighley on Sunday, November 17th. The business meeting was held at 9-30 a.m., a good attendance of delegates were present. It was decided that we send two delegates and one reserve to represent the B.L.D.C. at the United District Council Meeting, which is to be held at Sowerby Bridge. The D.V.'s report was gone through and accepted. Amongst the correspondence was a letter from the Cleckheaton Lyceum asking for help. This was left in the hands of the E.C. The associate membership was next dealt with, and was left over to be thoroughly discussed at a special meeting decided by the E.C. The Yeadon Lyceum gave us a hearty invitation to hold our December meeting in their rooms. This was duly accepted. The open session commenced with "Welcome to All." The Fountain Group led the singing.

[As the Lyceum Secretary has reported the session, the reader is kindly referred to it to save repetition. See Keighley Lyceum reports.—Ed., L.B.]

In the afternoon and evening Mr. Race (President of the Council) occupied the chair. Addresses were given by Messrs. Hargreaves, Green, Smith and Alderson. I am pleased to say that the power of the Council is growing stronger, and I hope that the interest taken therein will swell to such an extent that they will burst into everlasting progression. Many thanks to our Keighley friends for the way in which they catered for us.

H. BIRDSALL, Sec.

62, Dover Street, Bradford.

#### In Memoriam.

BOLTON (Bradford Street Lyceum).—It is with deep regret I record the passing to the higher life of one of our old Lyceumists, Mrs. Pilkington, the dearly beloved wife of our Lyceum conductor, which took place on Tuesday, October 29th. The interment took place at Heaton Cemetery on November 2nd. Mr. Ormerod, our president, officiated at the graveside. The services were arranged by Mr. Billsborough, D.V. A number of Lyceumists formed a procession from the house to the cemetery. Our deepest sympathy goes to her husband and baby, and our prayers are for their guidance, and that the teachings of the Lyceum may give them strength. Our loss is the Spirits' gain.—Robert Rostron, secretary.

We regret to announce the passing on of Mrs. Edge, Darwen, who has been a great sufferer for a number of years. The interment took place on November 2nd, Mrs. Thompson, of Accrington, officiating at the graveside. The choir sang "Thou hast passed the shadowy portals." Our loss is her gain.—L. Hewitt, assistant secretary.

NOTTINGHAM (Gladstone Hall).—We regret the loss of one of our Lyceumists, Sidney Knight, who passed to the Higher Life on November 3rd, and was interred in the Church Cemetery on Thursday, the 7th. He

had been ill for some months, but the call seemed very sudden at the end. He was about 16 years of age, and was an old scholar. His friends are and have been very hard workers in the cause for years.—Miss E. H. Yates, secretary.

#### Correspondence.

##### A STRIKING CURE BY HEALERS.

Sir,—With your permission I would like, through the medium of your valuable paper, to draw the attention of all Spiritualists to the importance of forming healing classes in connection with Spiritualist Societies and Lyceums. This particular branch of Spiritualism has, I am inclined to think, been rather neglected of late. Why it is so it would perhaps be difficult to say. The healing power is one of the most useful of all the gifts, and one which ought to be fostered and encouraged in every Society. I am pleased to see that a Union of Public Healers in Great Britain has been formed, and I hope that good will result from it. Something of the kind is certainly needed, and it will help no doubt in promoting the formation of healing classes throughout the country.

As an example of what good may be done by a band of healers, the following may be of interest to your readers: "On Sunday morning, September 29th, my little daughter, Dolly, aged six years, was taken very ill with stoppage in the bowels; she was so bad that Miss Jowett, a relative, ran with her to the Children's Infirmary, which happens to be close to my home. I was not allowed to see her for several days. On the following Friday I received a communication from the officials requesting me to take her away, and she was brought home in a dying condition. On Saturday evening a band of healers came to see if they could be of any assistance, the members of which were as follows: Mr. Geo. Clarke, from Daulby Hall; Mr. Currie; Mr. Picup, and Miss Jowett, from the Independent Society, Mount Pleasant. They formed a circle round the couch and Miss Jowett began making passes over her, after which the pains soon left. The little one had then a very good night's rest. On Sunday, with the addition of three more gentlemen from the Independent Society—Mr. Bell, Mr. Morgan, and Mr. Benedict—they formed another circle, and the result after long and strenuous work was a complete and perfect cure!" From my heart I say, thank God and our spirit friends!

I may say I have been a Spiritualist for nearly 30 years, and am the founder of the Liverpool Independent Society, Mount Pleasant; also one of the founders of the St. James' Society, Bradford. Now, Sir, I wish to present the six gentlemen and lady with a Red Cross badge, as I think this experience will be the founding of a Red Cross band at our hall. Can you supply such badges, as I feel sure other Societies will take up the idea and you will get large orders? I think they ought to be bought by each Society and given to healers as a reward of merit.

JOHN B. JOWETT.

P.S.—I may add that about eighteen months ago, Mr. Geo. Clarke healed my son Joe, aged 8 years, of

pneumonia, after he had been given up by the doctor.

[The question of supplying Red Cross Badges is one for the Executive Council to deal with, and not the Editor.]

### PERMANENT SECRETARY FUND, 1907.

The following appeal has been dispatched to Lyceums and friends of the children's cause:—British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union. Permanent Secretary Fund, 1907. In again making my appeal for subscriptions to the above fund, may I solicit your kind co-operation in my endeavours to make 1907 a record year. If you will kindly help by filling in the attached form and posting same, with your subscription, to me not later than Dec. 31st, I should be glad. Thanking you in anticipation. Yours faithfully, Jessy Greenwood, Hon. Sec., Ash Leigh, Hebden Bridge. Attached is a form which can be filled up and returned with postal orders, etc., to the undersigned.

Contributions since last issue of the BANNER:—Mrs. Rowley 1s., Heeley Lyceum (Sheffield) 5s. Bradford Lyceum (Manchester) 1s., Regent Hall, Rochdale, 5s., Mr. Wadsworth 10s., Belper Lyceum 30s., Bury Lyceum 12s., Keighley Lyceum 10s., Preston Lyceum 2s. 6d., Mr. Keeling's services, Hebden Bridge, 5s., Barrow-in-Furness (Berry's Building) Lyceum 5s., Raven Street, Halifax, 10s., Mr. Kitson's services, York (Cromwell Road), 5s., New Hirst Lyceum 2s. 6d., Mr. Venables 21s., Skipton Lyceum 5s., Rev. J. P. Hopps 3s., Mr. Ringrose 5s., Attercliffe Lyceum 2s. 6d. Rawtenstall regrets its inability to contribute for several reasons.

(Mrs.) JESSY GREENWOOD,  
Ash Leigh, Hebden Bridge. Hon. Sec.

### THE UNITED DISTRICT COUNCILS.

The Meeting of the above will be held at Sowerby Bridge on Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st.

#### AGENDA.

1. Election, or otherwise, of a Permanent Secretary.
2. The equal rights of the District Councils, with the Executive and the Lyceums, to introduce Business pertaining to the Union.

GEORGE E. BAKER.

**BATLEY CARR.**—On Nov. 2nd, we held our annual tea and social, which was well attended. The entertainment consisted of recitations by Lyceumists, and Mr. J. Wilkinson, of Wakefield, and Mr. Croft, of Batley; selections on the mouth organ by Mr. Croft, Junr.; selections on the piano and violin by Mr. A. Clay and Miss Nicholson; trios by Mr. Clay and sons; solo by Mr. E. Clay; glee, "Old King Cole," by Lyceumists; dialogue, "The Lawyer's Bag," by Lyceumists, etc. The effort realised £2 6s. 11d.—A FRIEND.

**BOLTON** (Bradford Street).—On Saturday, Nov. 2nd, we held our monthly tea-party. About 130 sat down to tea. The entertainment was given by Mr. Hepworth, and other members of his family, from Bury, and a number of local artists. There were also a good number of friends from Bury, and we spent a very enjoyable evening together. Acting on the advice of Will Edwards, who had an article on "Lyceum Training" in the September issue of the "Banner," our liberty group engaged Mr. John Taylor, the table medium, on Sunday, Nov. 17th. About 27 persons attended the seance. Some grand spirit lights and other manifestations were seen by all present. It was instructive and satisfactory to all.—ROBERT ROSTRON.

## LYCEUM REPORTS.

**NOTE.**—All Reports will be disqualified that do not conform to the following Rules:—

**RULE 1.**—Reports must be written on one side of the paper only. Commence the Report by stating the name of your Lyceum, and sign your name at the end.

**RULE 2.**—Record only the events occurring during the present month.

**RULE 3.**—No Lyceum Report must exceed 120 words.

**RULE 4.**—All Reports must reach this Office not later than Monday, the 23rd of December to ensure insertion in the Jan. issue.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE** (Burlington Street).—On Nov. 3rd, we held our monthly open Session, recitations being given by Mabel Simpson, Jane Yates, Annie Morton, and Mr. Morton. Readings by Mr. Wrigley, Mr. Simpson, and Mrs. France. Marching, calisthenics and responses to golden and silver chains, and musical readings very good, as were also a number of pearls. On Saturday, Nov. 9th, an entertainment was given by what is known as "the Guild of Workers," connected with the above, which proved very successful. We hope the Guild will be encouraged by it, and proceed with the good work. Mr. A. Simpson presided, and Mr. G. W. Delderfield accompanied. A vote of thanks brought a pleasant evening to a close.—ABRAHAM FRANCE, Secretary.

**BARROW** (Dalkeith Street).—On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, we held our open Session. Marching and calisthenics were enjoyed by all present. Afterwards recitations were rendered by Annie Helm, Dorcas Hardisty, Hannah Fullard, and others. Songs were rendered by Miss Lily Collinson, Miss Annie Walker, Miss Jennie Kendall, also a duet by Walter and Florence Cupid.—On Nov. 10th we presented Mr. John Mallin with a Songster, on the occasion of his departure to America. Mr. Mallin has been a Lyceumist with us for about eighteen years, and carries the good wishes of a large circle of friends.—JOHN KENDALL, Secretary.

**BRIGHTON** (Manchester Street).—Sessions well attended. We have again commenced a series of evening classes, under direction of group leader, Miss Reid, for study of Astrology. Proceeds to benefit the Lyceum Funds. Professor Severn (ex-president B.P.A.) has kindly given his services for series of short lectures on "Faculties of the Mind," having thus far dealt pleasingly and instructively with self-esteem, approbateness, and concentration. On the 17th inst. he introduced the President of the Swedish Phrenological Federation, Mr. W. E. Youngquist, who, after appreciative remarks, promised to use his influence to establish Lyceum Classes in Sweden. Mrs. French's scholars in Physiology and First Aid making satisfactory progress. Ex-group leader, Mrs. Ingle, reports from Vancouver, B.C.: Lyceum doing good work.—FRANK G. CLARKE, Secretary.

**BRADFORD** (Ivy Rooms).—The Open Sessions were held on Sunday, Nov. 10th. Mr. F. Naylor was the conductor. Mr. H. Akeroyd was responsible for the marching and drill, which was very good. The following was a very entertaining programme:—Recitations: Miss Dorothy South, "A Little Matchboy" and "Six times Nine"; Master G. A. Holbrook, "Drifted out to Sea"; Miss Elsie Wright, "A true Soldier"; Master Harry South, pianoforte solo; Gladys Gray, pianoforte solo; Master J. A. Preston, recitation, "Barbara Freacher." It is very encouraging to our Lyceum we have now on an average 50 Scholars every Sunday, and many visitors are coming in.—J. WRIGHT, Hon. Secretary.

**BURNLEY** (North Street).—We held a receipt on Thursday evening, Nov. 14th, when Mr. and Mrs. Hanson, G. Hey, of Halifax, acted as host and hostess, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. J. Haworth, the Treasurer of the Society, who generously defrayed all the costs of the occasion, and handed all the receipts—£20—to the Building Fund. On the following evening we held a children's reception, when Mr. Frank

Hepworth, of Bury, and Mrs. L. Nurse, of Rochdale, acted as host and hostess. The sum of £6 8s. 9d. being handed to the General Fund.—R. LATHAM.

**BURY** (off Paradise Street).—On Nov. 5th, the Band of Hope held a refreshment social, some 70 associates and friends enjoying dances and games, recitations by Misses Hardman, Kay and Kershaw. Miss N. Hindley contributed a song. Mr. Metcalfe and Miss Clough, M.C. and accompanist, respectively. Nov. 16th we were favoured by Mr. J. J. Morse, with his lantern lecture on the "History of Modern Spiritualism," in aid of S.N. Fund of Benevolence. The pictures were presented in the presence of 100 persons, who accorded the lecturer a hearty and sustained applause.—Wm. FLETCHER, Assistant Secretary.

**CREWE**.—On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, we held our anniversary. The services were well attended; the hall was crowded for the evening service. Pianoforte solos were rendered by Fred Heason; solos were sung by Millie Cooper and Ada Buxton; readings were given by Nellie Ford, Lily Spencer and Jack Reay; recitations by Rosie Spencer and Ethel Reay. Mr. W. Walker, of Buxton, gave two splendid addresses, which were well calculated to give all who heard them an impetus to "live" their Spiritualism and take a greater interest in the Lyceum. It was our first attempt at an anniversary; everything passed off nicely, good results being obtained.—H. WALKER.

**DARWEN**.—On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, the election of officers took place, the following being elected: Conductors (1), Mr. H. Holgate; (2), Miss M. Bury; (3), Miss W. Stuttard. Secretary, J. Clarkson. Treasurer, A. Arnold. Guardians, J. Nightingale, D. Clarkson, D. Stuttard. On Tuesday, Nov. 12th, a social arranged by the choir, took place. Miss Farquhar sang "Jessie's Dream" and "Annie Laurie" in an able manner. Miss E. Kershaw sang "For evermore," and Master J. Grime rendered a violin solo, "The last rose of Summer," beautifully.—T. HEWITT, Assistant Secretary.

**DEARNLEY**.—On Nov. 3rd, we held our Pleasant Sunday Morning, under our new conductor, Mr. Butterworth. There was a good Session. On Nov. 9th, we held a tea party. During the evening our late conductor, who has held the office for 10 years, and has had to resign on account of poor health, was presented with a large photograph of our Lyceum officers and scholars, containing the following inscription: "Presented to Mr. Myers Watson, with love and gratitude for services rendered to the Dearnley Lyceum, 1907." Mr. J. Butterworth made the presentation, who is one of our oldest workers in the Society. Several members bore testimony to Mr. Watson's splendid services in the past.—T. PINCHBECK, Secretary.

**DONCASTER** (Netherhall Road).—On Sunday, we held our annual election of officers, and the following were elected for the coming year: Conductor, Mr. Crowcroft; Assistant Conductor, Mr. Draper; Musical Conductor, Miss Hopwood; Assistant Musical Conductor, Miss D. Rock; Secretary, Miss Hilda Hilson; Treasurer, Mr. Draper; Assistant Secretary, Mr. A. R. Harrison; Guardian of Groups, Mrs. Thorpe; Captain of Guards, Mr. E. Downing; Guards, Masters Hilson and Wass.—HILDA HILSON, Secretary.

**GLASGOW** (Bath Street).—I am pleased to report everything progressing favourably. Teachers and scholars continue to show a hearty interest in the work. Under the leadership of our new Conductor, Mr. C. Guild, the marching and calisthenics are kept up to the usual standard of excellence. Gems of thought gathered from many sources, are contributed by the scholars each Sunday. This has proved to be of much interest to the Lyceum. We are looking forward to our annual social, which will take place on 27th December.—Wm. G. McPHERSON, Secretary.

**GLASGOW** (New City Road).—We are very well satisfied with the progress made during the month. We have adopted the plan of a new chairman each Sunday, our workers filling the office in their turn. The little ones are not behind in doing their part of the programme with songs and recitations. Miss Agnes Cabbage sings very sweetly for us. Little Maggie and David Snedon, and several others, give recitations. Mr. McPherson gave us a fine address on the 17th inst., on the golden chain recitation, "A Ladder of Light."—Wm. SNEDON, Conductor.

**GREAT HARWOOD** (off West Well Street).—We held our Open Session on Nov. 3rd. Miss Agnes Holderness led the silver chain recitation. The connective readings of the musical reading were rendered by Bertha Taylor, Henry

Waterhouse, and Mary A. Holt. The golden chain was led by Mr. Baxter. Recitations were given by Arthur Ward, of Padiham, H. A. Eastwood, and A. Holt. Misses Doris Baxter and Martha Houghton sang for us, and Miss E. Warings rendered a solo.—H. WATERHOUSE.

**HINDLEY** (Bridge Street).—We re-opened our Lyceum on Sunday, Nov. 17th, there being 57 present, who seemed glad to have the Lyceum in Session once more. Officers were duly elected, whose desires are to do their best for the upbuilding of the Lyceum, and best interests of the children.—R. BARRINGTON, Secretary.

**HOLLINWOOD** (Byron Street).—On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, we held our annual meeting, when the following officers were elected: Conductor, Mr. Ernest Snape; Assistant Conductor, Mr. Clement Fitton; Guardian, Mr. Samuel A. Tomlinson; Assistant Guardian, Miss Lily Snape; Librarian, Miss L. Tomlinson; Treasurer, Mr. J. Tomlinson; Musical Conductor, Mr. F. Snape; Captain of Guards, Miss Partington; Guards, William Thornton and Lucy Fitton; Leaders of Groups, Mr. F. Snape, Mr. E. Snape, Mr. C. Fitton, Mr. S. A. Tomlinson, Miss Louisa Tomlinson, and Mrs. Alice Webster; Auditors, Mr. E. Snape and Mr. A. Beech; Delegates, Mr. C. Fitton and Mr. F. Snape; Sick Visitors, Miss S. A. Thornton and Miss A. Dawson; Secretary, Mr. Fred Snape.

**KEIGHLEY** (Heber Street).—We held our monthly Open Session on Nov. 17th, when the youngest group in the Lyceum provided the programme. Recitations were given by Masters J. Halliday, H. Hullah, F. Wilson, A. Wright, W. Normington; and a duet by the two youngest girls in the Lyceum, Misses N. Teal and G. Clarke. Song, Victor Clarke. It was a perfect treat to see the eager expressions on their faces, and the spirited way they came forward to chip in their little mite. The Session was brightened by the presence of the B.L.D.C., several of whom addressed the Lyceum in a most flattering way. Miss Houldsworth conducted, Miss A. Fossy, Captain of the marching. Both Leaders of Fountain Group. Miss Sunderland officiated at the piano, assisted by Miss Hoyle.—H. W. KAY, Secretary.

**LEICESTER** (Queen Street).—On Sunday, Nov. 3rd, the Lyceumists gave a Service of Song, entitled "Unseen Hands." Mr. Oscar MacBrine (author), of Burton-on-Trent, gave the connective readings. Solos by Misses F. Wilson and V. Burkitt. The service, which was given by the Lyceum in aid of the Parent Society's Funds, was well appreciated by the members and friends, and a very enjoyable time was spent. On Sunday, Nov. 17th, Mr. W. B. Wright gave a lesson on the Lyceum and its Workers.—JAMES BISHOP, Secretary.

**LONDON** (Little Ilford).—On Saturday we held our first Lyceum social, which was thoroughly enjoyed by 25 children and a number of adults. After tea a lantern exhibition was given. Mr. Pleasance recited. Misses Abel and Brooklyn rendered solos. The Lyceumists went through their marches and calisthenics. A short address by our Conductor, Mr. Gordon, brought a pleasant evening to a close. I am pleased to report progress in our Lyceum.—GEORGE DAVIS, Secretary.

**LONDON** (Tottenham).—Sunday, Nov. 10th, we had a Musical Session, which was well appreciated by all. Nov. 17th, attendance not quite up to the standard. Marching and calisthenics showing a marked improvement. Our Lyceum is making steady progress, and is doing good work, and if only the parents and friends would come into the Lyceum and see for themselves, we feel sure they would most certainly be induced to become workers and, as the Manual says, the workers win, and become interested in our grand movement. Also we would like to impress upon our members of the church that we want their children to become Lyceumists, and we gladly open the door to them.—CHARLES BARRINGTON, Conductor.

**MACCLESFIELD**.—On Nov. 3rd we had Mrs. Bentley, as speaker, whose visit is always looked forward to by the Lyceumists. In the afternoon we held an Open Session, when we had a good attendance. After the silver and golden chain recitations, we had the marching and calisthenics, in which we used bells on our hands, for the first time with good effect, ably led by Miss Lillie Birch. Mrs. Bentley then addressed the Lyceum, in which she gave us good encouragement, saying we had done much better than on any of her previous visits. On Saturday, Nov. 10th, we had a social and dance, in aid of the Building Fund, which was a great success.—Wm. ALBINSON, Secretary.

**MANCHESTER** (Princess Hall).—On Nov. 6th we held a general effort in aid of the "Chronicle" Cinderella Fund, and our Benevolent Fund, which was a success. The entertainment consisted of songs and recitations by Lyceumists and friends, and a sketch called "Box and Cox," which was excellently rendered by Mr. J. C. Chappell, Mr. A. Chappell, and Miss A. Hall. The social finished with dancing. We had a good attendance at the Lyceum on Nov. 17th. Recitations were rendered by Lyceumists. Miss Forrest sang "The Gift."—Miss T. ROBINSON, Secretary.

**MIDDLESBROUGH**.—We had a grand Bazaar in connection with our Church on October 30th, 31st, Nov. 1st and 2nd, which realised over £130. Our Lyceumists had a stall which took £18 8s. 5d. The children were taught fancy-work by Mrs. W. L. Roeder and Miss Harrison. We are all getting ready to start working for another, which will be held 1909.—W. COWELL-PUGH, Secretary.

**MOTHERWELL** (Watson Street).—Our Lyceum is making rapid progress, and lately we had a fancy dress festival, which was the greatest success we have yet had. To the Lyceumists falls the credit of making it so, for the hearty way they rendered their services. I am quite sure we are all looking forward to something similar at Christmas when prizes are to be distributed according to the merits of the recipients.—JAS. PORTEOUS, Secretary.

**NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE** (Northumberland Hall).—On Sunday, at 10.30, the Lyceums of Newcastle and Gateshead, combined to give Mrs. A. E. Bentley, of Manchester, a hearty welcome to Tyneside. After the usual greetings, Miss Constance M. Martin, our youngest member, quite 13 months old, presented her with a bouquet of flowers; a pretty picture. Mrs. Bentley warmly replied, expressing her thanks for the kindness of the welcome extended to her. After leading the marching and calisthenics, she addressed us upon "Punctuality, the essence of Success." In the evening Mrs. Bentley distributed the prizes, including four from the conductor, to the best workers in the Lyceum. Her address upon the "Value of Lyceum Teaching" was a very opportune warning to Spiritualists of this town.—A. BROWN, Secretary.

**NOTTINGHAM** (Gladstone Hall).—On Nov. 3rd, we held an Open Session, during which our Conductor, Mr. Shipley, made a few remarks on the Lyceum work. Mr. Masters gave two short readings, and a nice little talk on temperance. He also promised a prize at the end of the year to the smallest boy or girl for calisthenics.—Miss E. H. YATES, Secretary.

**NOTTINGHAM** (Mechanics' Hall).—Sunday, Nov. 3rd, Open Session. Recitations were given by Elsie Bostock, "The Village Blacksmith"; Harry Daykin, "The Violet"; Harry Famath, "Summer Land"; Victoria Rayner, "If we knew"; Elsie Brown, "Home thoughts from abroad"; John Daykin, Junr., "Immortality"; John Daykin, Senr., "Death and the Driver." A solo was given by Abby Dexter out of the Manual, entitled "Heart Flowers," and Mr. J. W. Rayner gave a violin solo. A paper was read by one of the Lyceumists, on "How to improve the Lyceum," in which it was mentioned that though the Open Session was instituted as a Temperance Sunday, no mention of Temperance was made.—LEWIS COOKE, Secretary.

**OLDHAM** (Elliott Street).—On Saturday, we held our Lyceum Tea Party, a good number of parents and friends sitting down to a very enjoyable tea. In the evening a social was held, consisting of songs, games, etc., all spending a very happy time together. I am pleased to say it was a financial success, and great praise is due to the Lyceumists who helped to make it so. We had another successful evening on Saturday, Nov. 16th, being in the form of a cobweb social, which caused much amusement with having to follow the string to the end, on which was hung a parcel, some having to go round the room many times.—JOHN FROST, Secretary.

**PENDLETON** (Ford Lane).—I have pleasure in reporting that the two lectures given this month, under the auspices of the Debating Society, were very successful. On the 4th, Mr. W. Johnson lectured on "Does Spiritualism prove immortality?" and on the 18th, Mr. Tetlow on "The corner stone of Spiritualism." On the 16th we had a splendid entertainment by the Victoria Concert Party. This juvenile troupe was a real treat, a nice sum being handed over to the Treasurer as a result of their efforts. The following subjects have been dealt with in the Liberty Group; Nov. 3rd,

Mr. Owen, on "Responsibility"; 10th, Mr. Johnson, "Work we might do"; 17th, Mr. J. Jackson, "Self-abnegation."—J. KENYON, Hon. Secretary.

**RISHTON**.—On Nov. 3rd, we held our Open Session, when we had with us Mr. J. Knight, of Bolton, and Mrs. Holden, of Whitebirk, both well-known Lyceum workers. A solo was given by Mr. Cook, our musical conductor, and a duet by Misses Nancy and Lizzie Duckworth. Our Conductor, Mr. Howarth, recited "Jim Lane's Message." Mrs. Holden spoke on the golden chain recitation. Mr. Knight gave some valuable advice on Lyceum work, after which the morning Session was brought to a close.—JOE ENGLISH, Secretary.

**SHEFFIELD** (Attercliffe).—On Nov. 4th, we held our tea, social and distribution of prizes, 45 sitting down to an enjoyable tea. After, Mr. Webster, one of our conductors, and president of the Society, presided. The programme of the evening was rendered very effectively by the Lyceumists, to whom great praise is due. J. K. Jones, another conductor, and secretary of the Society, distributed 23 prizes to the best deserving Lyceumists. Amid much merriment and jocularity, Harry Stokes and Antony Walker were equal recipients of the first prize. Tea and social realised 30s. On the 17th, marching and calisthenics very good, conducted by Mr. Foster. Mr. Webster gave a paper to the Group on evidences of spirit.—E. BOWMER, Secretary.

**SOUTHPORT** (Hawkshead Street).—Our Lyceum Open Session was held on Nov. 3rd, during which the following recitations were effectively rendered and appreciated:—"Village Burglar," Master Edgar Kingsley; "Life," Miss Guest; "The Parson's Idol," Miss Lizzie Bolton. Mr. R. A. Owen (D.V.) paid us a visit in his official capacity on Nov. 17th, and took charge of the entire proceedings and ultimately congratulated us on the marked progress made since last inspection. Three new officials have been appointed. We are looking forward, with pleasure, to Sunday next, when one of the children's friends—Mrs. A. E. Bentley—will be with us.—Miss ELSIE GUEST, Secretary.

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES** (Silver Street).—At our yearly meeting the officers of the Lyceum remain the same, with one or two exceptions, namely, Guards. We have had a most successful year, and although not larger in numbers, we feel that we have made solid progress. On Nov. 3rd we had an Open Session, which was well attended. We had a deputation from the Yorkshire Union of Spiritualists to visit the Society, Messrs. Pawson, Broadbent, and Chadwick. After they had addressed the Lyceum, part of the Leaders and Adults went out with them to have an open-air meeting. Altogether we had a most enjoyable time.—R. BROWN, Secretary.

**TODMORDEN**.—Recitations have been given by Miss M. Stephenson: a trio by Misses Stephenson, Dale and Pelowe. Mr. H. Stell, a young clairvoyant, gave an essay on "Is Spiritualism a Religion?" which was very interesting. The Conductor, Mr. J. A. Greenwood, made a few supplementary remarks. Miss Sunderland made a short speech; as also did Mr. W. J. Braund, and a recitation.—Miss A. EMMOTT, Assistant Secretary.

**TORONTO** (Douglas Hall, Canada).—Sunday marked the occasion of the interesting and pretty ceremony of naming the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Settle (nee Miss Hill), two enthusiastic workers of our Lyceum, late of Armley, near Leeds. Mr. Parsonson, of Tottenham, London, our Guardian, ably officiated, and in a stirring address, pointed out the responsibilities of parents, and how a nation's greatness depended upon the true function of motherhood. A comparison was drawn between the little one, and the beautiful flowers which obtained their perfection under right training and intelligence from master minds.—P. HEDLEY JAMES, Hon. Secretary.

**UPPERMILL**.—On Nov. 2nd we held a very successful social. Mr. and Mrs. Bottomley, of Ashton, favoured the company with a good number of songs, which were well rendered. During the evening Mr. Carter presented to the church, on behalf of Mrs. Carter, a beautifully carved clock, which will be both useful and ornamental. On Nov. 17th we held our Lyceum Anniversary, and were all pleased to welcome Mrs. Bentley into our midst once more, as we look upon her as the mother of our Lyceum. We had an excellent day, marred only by the weather. We were all pleased to see Mrs. Bentley looking so much better, and hope she will have health to go on with the work for which she is so well suited.—JOHN HIRST, Conductor.

# The British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

INSTITUTED AT OLDHAM, MAY, 1890.

Secretary: Mr. Alfred Kitson, Bromley Road, Hanging Heaton, near Dewsbury.

## List of Lyceums and Lyceum Secretaries in the British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

- Accrington**, Argyle st., 10-30 a.m., J. T. Hibbert, 181 Burnley road
- " China-st., at 10 a.m., Mr. J. F. Shuttleworth, 1 Lion-st., Church
- " Carter-st., 10-30, G. R. Sutcliffe, 60, Pendle street
- Altrincham**, Station rd., 2-30 p.m., Mr. J. Bardsley, 1, Daisy Bank, Bloomsbury Lane, Timperley
- Armley**, Theaker lane, 10 a.m., Mr. S. Crabtree, 3 Abercorn street, Armley road, Leeds
- Ashington Colliery**, 2 p.m., Mr. C. Smith, 25 Roslynd terrace, Hirst, via Morpeth
- Ashton - under - Lyne**, Burlington street, 10-30, Mr. A. France, 174 Margaret street
- Bacup**, Market street, 10 a.m. and 1-45 p.m., Mr. B. J. Riding, 151a, Rochdale road
- Barnoldswick**, Green street, 10-30 and 1-30, Miss N. Pickering, 4 Stuart-st.
- Barnoldswick**, Market-st., 10 & 1-30, Richard Ashley, 22 Denton street
- Barnsley**, George Yard, 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Mr. C. H. Scholey, 26 Blenheim road
- Barrow-in-Furness**, Lyceum Hall, Mr. J. Kendall, 25, Osborne st.
- Barrow-in-Furness**, Berry's Buildings, 10 and 2, Miss Ada Lawton, 16, Dalkeith-st.
- Barry Dock**, Newland-street, 2-30, Mrs. E. Sweetman, 27, Milward road, Codoxton
- Batley Carr**, Carr st., 10 and 2, Miss Ethel Myers, 15 Cross Mount-st, Warwick-rd, Batley
- Belper**, Jubilee hall, 10 and 2, Mr. J. Hawkins, Brook side.
- Birkenhead**, 161 Grange road, 11 a.m., Mr. John Parry, 42 Frodsham street, Tranmere
- Birmingham**, Saltley, Spiritualists Society 2-45 p.m., Miss J. Reeves, 194, Washwood Heath road, Saltley.
- " B.S.U., 11 a.m., County Chambers, Martineau Street. Miss F. Davis, 77 Murdock road, Handsworth
- " Smethwick, Central hall, cape hill 2-45, p.m., Mr. Fred Purcell, 97, Cheshire-road
- Blackburn**, St. Peter st., 9-30 and 1-45, Mr. E. Holding, 46 Sandon street
- " Northgate, 9-30 1-45 Mr. R. Sharples, 7, Mary Ann st.
- Blackpool**, Albert rd., 9-30, Mr. Wm. Critchlow, 60 Albert road
- Bolton**, Bradford st., 10 a.m. Mr. R. Rostron, 32 Philip street
- Bradford**, Ivy Rooms, 10-30 a.m., Mr. J. Wright, 10 Agar terrace, Gillington
- " Otley rd., 10-30 a.m., Miss Edith Flatts, 47 Aire-dale road
- " Westgate new hall 10 a.m., Mr. J. Burchell, 65, Gillington road
- " Dudley Hill, Shirley-road, 10 and 1-45, Mr. Richard Platts, Dawson mount, Dawson lane, Dudley Hill
- Brighouse**, Martin st., 10 a.m., Mr. George Crowther, 10, Piggott-st.
- Brighton**, Manchester-st., 2-45, Mr. F. G. Clarke, 9, St. Margaret s-place
- Brownhills**, High street, 9-30 to 10-30 and 2 to 3. Mr. James Slater, Coppice Side, Brownhills, near Walsall
- Burnley**, Hammerton st., 10 a.m., Mr. Lawrence Tattersall, 24 Hornby-st
- Burnley**, Fulledge, Richard st., 10 a.m., Miss J. Cooper, 18, Sussex-st.
- " North st., 9-30, Mr. Herbert E. Laycock, 16, Renshaw street.
- Burton-on-Trent**, Hurninglow Wharf, 10 & 2-45, Mr. George Forrester, 54 Go. don street
- Bury**, Paradise st., 10 a.m. and 1-45, Mr. F. Hepworth, 2a Cateaton-st.,
- Cardiff**, 58, Queen-st., 2-45 p.m., Mr. S. Harris, 88, Albany rd., Roath.
- Carlisle**, West Walls, 10-30, Mr. Arthur Wyatt, 38 Bright street, Newton, Carlisle
- Castleford**, Britten hall, 10 a.m., Mr. A. Atack, 100, Hugh street, Beancroft road
- Chester**, 85 Brook street, 10-30. Mr. Arthur B. Priddey, 25 Sellaer street
- Chesterfield**, Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30, Mr. J. Martin, 16, Valley-road, Spittal
- Clayton-le-Moors**, 10 a.m., Mr. James Simpson, 80, Pickup-st., near Accrington
- Cleckheaton**, Old Robin-st., 10-30 a.m., Mr. B. Walshaw Listing Lane Cottages, Gomersal, near Leeds
- Colne**, Cloth hall, 9-30, E. Hargreaves, 28, Patten street
- Crewe**, Mill-st., 10-30. Hy. Walker, 26, Stamford avenue
- Crompton**, near Oldham, Rochdale-rd., 10 a.m., and 2-15, Mr. James Leigh, 4, Broadbent, off Manchester road, Shaw, near Oldham
- Daisy Hill**, Mabel st., Leigh rd., 10 a.m., Mr. E. Birchall, 230, Leigh rd., Westhoughton.
- Darwen**, Caurch bank-st., 9-30, & 1-45, Mr. J. Clarkson, 116 Elizabeth-terrace, Red Earth-rd.
- Dearnley** near Rochdale, 10 Mr. Thos. Pinchbeck, 555 Halifax road, near Rochdale
- Derby**, Traffic st., 10-30 Mr. Arthur R. Sleigh, 24 St. Giles road
- Dewsbury**, Bond st. 10 and 1-45, Miss C. Falla, 96, Upper-rd., Batley Carr, Batley
- Doncaster**, 11, Wood-st., 10-30 a.m., Mr. A. Bates, 12, Belmont Avenue, Bally
- " Netherhall Road, 10-30. Miss Hilda Hilson, 42, Childer st., Elmfield.
- Dukinfield**, Railway st., 10-30, Geo. Ellis, 26 Portland place, Portland st., Ashton-u-Lyne
- Dundee**, Camperdown Hall, Barrack st., 12-30, Mr. J. Inglis, jr., 22 Dundonald st., Clepington
- Dundee**, Foresters' Hall, 12-20, Miss M. Odhner, 10, Garland place, Barrack road.
- Edinburgh**, Queen street, 2-30, Miss Jessie Mitchell, 65 Warrender Park road
- Elland**, James st., 10, Miss M. A. Marsden, 82 Longdale-street
- Gateshead**, Coatsworth rd., Beaconsfield Hall, 2-30 p.m., Mr. Wm. Hall, 34, Balfour-st, Bensham
- Glasgow**, Assembly Rooms, 139, Bath st., 4 p.m., Mr. W. G. McPherson, 10, George Drive, Govan
- " New City road, 4-30 p.m. Miss Ada Gall, 401, St. Vincent street
- Great Harwood**, Westwell-st., 10 a.m., Mr. Hy. Waterhouse, 55 Church street
- Greenock**, Cathcart-st., Shepherds Hal, 4-30 p.m., Mr. Alex. Peacock, 71, Ann street
- Grimsbv**, Miss Daisy Scott, 94, Stan ey-st., New Clee
- Hadfield**, Albert-st., 10-30 a.m., Mr. Philip Beeley, 6, Wesley street.
- Halifax**, St. Paul's, Alma st., 10 and 1-45, Mr. Fred Townsend, 4 Green terrace sq., Savile Park
- " Raven-st., 10 and 1-30, Mr. J. Whiteley, 6, Cromwell-st
- Hamilton**, Burnbank, Glasgow road, 4 p.m., Mr. Thomas Mason, 48 Glasgow road, Burnbank
- Hebden Bridge**, Victoria Hall, 10-30 a.m. and 1-45 p.m., Mr. W. Rawson, Post Office, Mytholmroyd, S.O., Yorks.
- Heckmondwike**, Tower-st., 10-30 and 2, Mr. James Taylor, 32 Batley road
- Heywood**, William st., 10 a.m., Mr. Herbert Cload, Holland street, off William street
- Higher Broughton, Salford**, Hilton st., 10-30 and 2, Mr. J. R. Henshall, Hilton street
- Hindley**, Bridge-st., 10 a.m., Mr. R. Barrington, 209, Sandy lane
- Hollinwood**, Byrom-st., 10-30, Mr. Fred Snape, 661 Hollin's road, nr. Oldham
- Horwich. nr. Bolton**, Beatrice st., 10-30, Mr. D. Emsall, 4 Abraham st.
- Huddersfield**, Ramsden st., 10, Mr. A. Jagger, 8, School-st., Mold Green
- " St. Peter st., 10-15, Mr. Wallis, 43, Clara st., Fartown
- Hull**, Lime-st 10 a.m. Miss Ethel Wright, 122, Severn-st.
- " Clarendon street, 2-30. Mr. F. Jackson, 2 Princess avenue, Massey street
- Hyde** Clarendon-st. 10 a.m., Mr. Joseph Smith, 97 Kynder street, Denton, Manchester
- Johannesburg**, Mr. Joseph Horne, P.O. Box 6209, Johannesburg, South Africa.
- Keighley**, Heber st., 10 and 1-30, Mr. Horace W. Kay, 54 Cavendish street
- Lancaster**, Athenæum st. St Leonards gate 10-30 Mr. A. H. Dawes, 31 Sterling rd., Moorlands.
- Leeds**, Bethel st., 10 a.m., Mr. Pullan Duxbury, 11 Crow Nest lane, Beeston, Leeds
- " Psychological hall, Grove house lane, 10-30, Mr Wm. Barnes, 23 Ashton street, Harehills road
- " Joseph-st., 10-30 and 1-45, Miss Alice Hesp, 33, Sunbeam-st., Beeston Hill, Leeds.
- " Hunslet, Church-st., 10-30. Miss Warburton, 3, Brandling-st., Hunslet.
- Leicester**, Queen st., 10-30 Mr. James Bishop 10, Mere rd
- " Albion-st, 10 and 2-45 p.m. Mr. J. Hurst, 36 Jernyn street, Belgrave
- Leigh**, Brown-st., 10-30. Mr. G. Woodward, 22 Poets nook
- " Market Buildings, 10-30. Mr. B. Robinson, 75 Buck street
- Lincoln**, Exchange Arcade, 10-30, Mr. Fred Nicholson, 45, Waterside North
- Littletown**, Well-st., 10 and 2, Mr. J. Westcott, Benjamin street, Union road, near Liversedge
- Liverpool**, Mount Pleasant, 2-45, Mrs. Madge Parker, 2 Spofforth road, Edge Hill
- " Dauby hall, Dauby street, 10-30 a.m., Miss Millicent Clarke, 12 Osborne grove
- London**, Battersea park, Mrs Bolton, 35 Beauchamp-road, Lavender Hill, S.W.
- London**, Clapham, Gauden-rd., 11-30, Mr. H. Boddington, c/o Assembly Rooms, Gauden-rd. Clapham.
- London, S.W.**, Fulham, 25 Fernhurst street, Munster road, 3 p.m. Miss Kepple, 20 Lysia street, Fulham Palace road, S.W.
- London**, Manor Park, Wakefield-street, East Ham, 3-15 p.m., Mr. T. Glennie, 48 Ruskin-avenue, Manor Park, Essex
- London, W.** 56, High road, Chiswick, 2-45, Miss B. Imison, 118 Southfield road, Bedford Park, W.
- London**, Tottenham, 193, High-rd, 3 p.m., Miss Ada Barnes, 2 Laurel villas, Felixstow, Lr. Ed-monton
- Longton**, Stone-road, 10 and 2, Mr. H' McCartney, 12, Littleshall-st., Florence.
- Macclesfield**, Cumberland street, 10 a.m., Mr. Wm. Albinson, 5 Bond street
- Manchester**, Cheetham, Halliwell lane, 10-30, Mr. Albert L. Williams, 86, Bellott st., Cheetham
- Manchester**, Collyhurst, 10, Mr. Arthur P. Anyon, 117, Junction st., Newton Heath.
- Manchester**, Junction St. Hulme, 10-30 and 2-30, Mr. A. Stansfield, 22 Clarence street, Moss Side
- Manchester**, Harpurhey, 10 a.m., Mr. T. Edmondson, 13, Wellington rd., Crumpsall.
- " Higher Openshaw, Beaulah st., 2-30 p.m., Mr. Wm. T. Weitzel, 90, Church lane, Gorton
- " Longsight, Chell-st., 2-30, Mr. Charles Fox, 21 Peacock Grove, Gorton.
- " 38, Maskell-st., C. on M. 10-30 Miss L. Simms, 96, Cranworth-st. C. on M.
- Manchester South**, Princess Hall, Princess rd., 2-30 p.m., Miss T. Robinson, 11 Wellington avenue, Whalley Range
- Manchester**, West Gorton, William-st, 2-30 Mr. Noel Pearson, 7 Bunyon st., Ardwick
- Middleton**, nr. Manchester, Gilmour st. 10-15 J. R. Dooley, 371, Oldham-rd.
- Middlesbro'**, Grange rd., 2-30, Mr. W. Cowell-Pugh, 61, St. Paul s-rd.
- Milom**, Main-st., 10 and 2, Mr. Wm. Tyson, 5 Kathrine street.
- Morley**, Fountain-st., 10 a.m., Mr. Herbert A. Hill, 2, Tomlinson Buildings, High Street.
- Motherwell**, Park-st., Socialist Institute, 3 p.m. Mr. Jas. Porteous, c/o Mrs. Cutler, 4 Flemington street, Flemington
- Nelson**, Every st., 10 a.m. Mrs. H. Stables, 5, Hammond street, Wolverden
- Newcastle**, 20, Royal Arcade, 2-30, Mr. Albert Brown, 32 Polmaise street, Blaydon-on-Lyne.
- Newcastle**, Benwell Co-op. Hall, 2-30, Mr. Frank E. Brittain, 3 Victoria street, Newcastle
- " Heaton Spiritual Institute, Mr. A. N. Gay, 112 Tynemouth road, Heaton, near Newcastle
- New Hirst**, Ashington, Miners Hall, 2 p.m., Mr. Ronald Johnstone, 11, Clyde-st., Hirst.
- Nottingham** Gladston hall 2-30, Miss E H Yates, 1, St. Ann Valley, Hunger hill road
- Nottingham**, Hyson Green, Hawarden-ter., 10-30, and 2 to 3, Mrs. E Gratton, 206 Alfreton rd.
- " Mechanics' hall, 2-30 Mr. Lewis Cooke, 195 Wollaton-st
- " Parliament Street, 10-30, Mr. Joseph E. Lister, 1 Lake street, Hyson Green
- Oldham**, Coronation st., 10 a.m., Mr. T. White-head, 8, Swinton street, Glodwick
- Oldham**, Elliott st, Lower Moor, Mr. John Frost, 203, Rochdale road
- Padiham**, Ightenhill-st., 10 a.m. J. W. Hoole, 83, Lowerhouse lane
- Parkgate**, Ashwood-rd., 10 a.m., Mrs. Frances Hague, 48, France-st., near Rotherham
- Pendleton**, Broad-st., Leaf-square, 10-30, Miss Nellie Dean, 15 Sedan st., Clarendon rd., Salford
- Pendleton**, Junction: Ford Lane and Broad-st. 10-30 and 1-45, Mr. J. Kenyon, 279 Broad street, Pendleton
- Portsmouth**, Southsea, 1a Waterloo st., 2-30, Miss Dora A. Nicholls, 27, Walmer road
- Preston**, Walker-st., 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., Mr. C. Fisher, 27, Ashton-st.
- Rawtenstall** Back ormerod st., 10-15 to 11-45, Mr. Geo. Henry Foster, 17 Haslam street
- Rishton**, 10 a.m., Mr. J. English, 79, High st., near Blackburn
- Rochdale** Regent hall, Regent st., 9-45 & 2 p.m., Mr. Joseph Dean, 4, Foxholes lane
- " Penn st., 10 a.m. Mr. Wm. Brown, 7 Grafton
- Rotherham**, Howard-st., Mr. John Hy. Barker, 27 Bridgegate
- " Back Tusmore street, 10 and 2, Mr. J. T. Smith, Holland street, Masboro', Rotherham