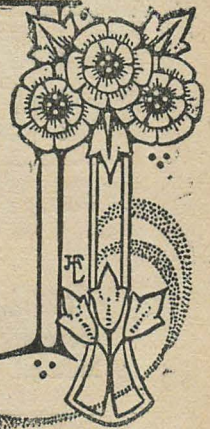


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I have been to one or two meetings here; they hardly give strangers the welcome they ought to. Perhaps I am wrong. I asked to join a class, but was told at three places they were full. I wanted to know the truth about my gift, if it was one.

For some time I have seen faces like some one I knew perfectly well, of friends who had passed away; they came so plain I have asked them what they wanted.

I sent for the Chart of Spiritual Gifts and was quite delighted to know you took such a personal interest in the writers.

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Yours sincerely,

January 5th, 1918.

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## Lyceum Banner Portrait Gallery.

**Mr. WILLIAM J. TAYLOR**  
(Gateshead-on-Tyne).

It is with mixed feelings I take up my pen to set down the outstanding features of interest in the life of our subject. I feel deeply my inability to do justice to him, or to chronicle the efforts and achievements he made in connection with the Lyceum and Spiritualism generally.

In selecting Mr. Taylor as the representative of Tyneside to appear on this page, the District Council has expressed the unanimous desire of all who knew him and appreciate his work.

I am greatly indebted to Mrs. Taylor for dates and details of his early life, which was not spent in this district.

Our subject was born at Holme-next-Sea, Norfolk, on July 11th, 1851. He was trained in the principles of the Primitive Methodist, and later became a Sunday School teacher. At the early age of ten he sustained a deep loss in the passing of his father, and, being the eldest son, a great responsibility fell on his young shoulders.

When he gained his majority he decided to come North, and it will be interesting to many friends in the district who are indebted to him to know the circumstances which brought him to our town.

On arriving at the docks, our subject had come to no decision regarding his destination, and, seeing two boats in the harbour (one bound for Hull and the other for Newcastle-on-Tyne), he decided to embark on the first boat to leave, and we have to thank this choice for his services in our district.

In the year 1900, after many years' devotion to the Primitive Methodists, our subject broke down the narrow bonds which encumbered his spiritual progress, and, his interest being attracted by Spiritualism, he commenced investigations.

His mental calmness, love of justice, and evident

ability, were characteristics which were recognised by the members of the Eden Progressive Spiritual Society, when they honoured him with the office of president, a position he held for 12 years.

In 1906 the Lyceum was fortunate in securing his services, and later he filled with devotion the offices of leader and treasurer, and in 1913 was elected conductor, which position he successfully carried until his passing to Higher Life. He also held the important position of District Visitor for two years, and the results of his visits left traces of his ability.

During the years he was conductor many improvements were made, and the interest and energy of the Lyceum greatly increased. Mr. Taylor's first year in

this capacity found our Lyceum first in the district and proud holders of the District Council Shield. Our subject was a member and an energetic worker of the District Council, and at present holds the honoured position of President (in Spirit Life), and his influence will still be a useful asset to guide our deliberations in the Council.

Mr. Taylor did not develop any remarkable gift of mediumship, for his time was principally spent with the philosophy and the Lyceum.

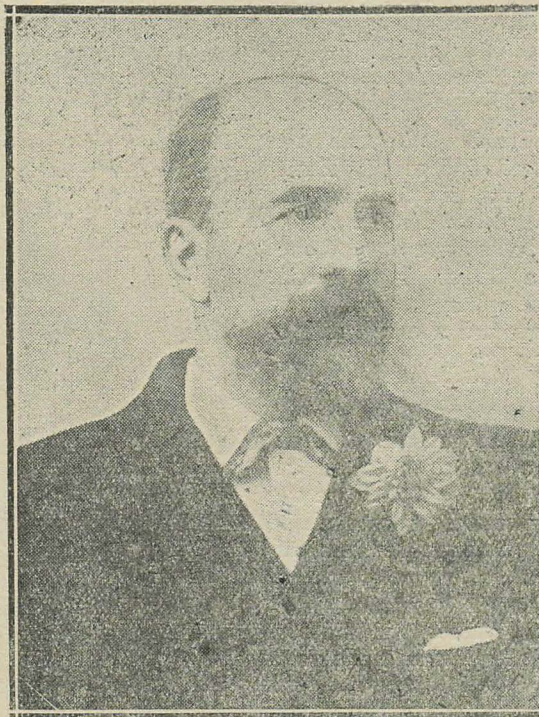
In every sphere of activity, our subject displayed courage and determination, which was productive of most of his achievements in both social and business life. His fine character is a study for a superior pen, and stands out as a worthy example of a spiritualist. The absence of selfishness, love of harmony and justice, his charming manner

and toleration of spirit gained the admiration and respect of his many friends and colleagues.

After a few days' illness he passed on to the reward of his physical labours on March 4th, 1917, to continue his work in the spirit world, and I would use his own favourite expression, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the harvest of thy labour."

The influence of our subject will long be felt in the Lyceum and in the parent society, and his memory will be cherished as a record of devotion to duty, love, wisdom, courage and righteousness.

WM. HALL, Junr.



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MOTTO FOR THE MONTH:—

"If you've got a good temper, keep it; if you've got a bad one, well—don't lose it.!"

My Dear Bluebell and Readers all,—

So numerous are the letters this month from my many active and helpful Bluebells that all *my* chat must wait until next time; and I must let these enthusiastic workers speak to you for themselves, by quoting parts of their letters (I regret being unable to give *all* their message, but space forbids).

From Chester, Eileen Richardson writes:—"I think January's motto has a good meaning, for we do a little helpful deed, and it makes us brighter. If we go on doing so, the little things will grow into big deeds, and there will always be someone pleased."

From Horwich many messages came:—Emily Tickle says (in a long and entertaining letter), "If February's motto were carried out by our helping to carry one another's burden, it would surely make our lives brighter after the change called death." Emily is also warmly appreciative and enthusiastic about the Girls' Club idea, and so are others, and I'm hoping to hear soon that one or more Lyceums have started one.

Next from Horwich came a letter from Gertie Butterfield, who says, "I have often noticed when we try to give comfort to others and speak words of consolation, however small it may be, we seem to have a lighter heart. When we give courage to others we receive the same threefold from the angels."

Then arrived Doris Ward's letter, and among other interesting reading came, "Our motto is very encouraging to us,—that if we cannot give money we can give a few kind words, and by so doing we shall be making other lives happy and at the same time our own. One way is by passing on our truths of immortality and communion to those bereft of a loved one."

Horwich's last message was from our faithful worker, Ada Elkin, who tells a touching little incident of a girl of nine, poor and ill-fed, giving her one coin (a half-penny) to a beggar singing in the street, the child thus practising our principle of kindness. With Ada, I say, "Let us all take a lesson from this child's generous act."

Then, from Bolton, Lily Roe writes: "Whenever we send our loving thoughts out to those in sorrow we receive them back a hundredfold;" and also she writes in appreciation of Clare's story, as did several others too.

I was quite pleased to have a letter from Mr. A. Bramall, of Slaithwaite Lyceum, now stationed in Norfolk. I'm sorry his correspondent disappointed him, and hope he's had a reply before now; and also that he'll have good luck, and soon realise his wishes.

Lastly, I was pleasantly surprised by receiving a (much-delayed) letter from our formerly active member, Harry Edwards. It is delightful reading, but too long to quote in full. He is on a hospital ship and has been across the "herring pond" and "seen sights,"—not all pleasant ones,—and had exciting adventures too. I hope to have another letter soon.

Now I must welcome our two new members, and give my hearty thanks to each and all who have encouraged and helped so well, and then I'll conclude by giving you, as I promised last month, Mr. George Wm. Sharpe's (Birmingham) article on

### IMAGINATION, SYMBOLISM AND MEDITATION.

Because I have heard of so many Lyceumists who have read "The Ways of the Lilies," and have received some lovely messages (spoken, written and silent ones), I write you of another dream or vision. I saw a beautiful chariot, drawn by two white horses. Four golden pillars supported a blue canopy, on which were sun, moon and five-pointed stars. A lovely angelic form, clad in a mantle of living flame-coloured cloud, stood under this canopy, with shields of colours in its hands. The colours were: Rose, Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Pale Blue, Purple, Amethyst, and Crystal White. On the front of the chariot there was represented a ball of deep orange of the rising sun, and this had attached to it a pair of outspread wings of rose pink. The form seemed to control the horses by magic words.

Everything in this picture has a significance. Look and try to understand," said a voice. I looked and wondered what this mystical symbol was all about. Soon that still small voice again spoke and said, "The form you see represents Will, and he is riding in the chariot of Knowledge; the canopy of blue is Truth; the flame-coloured robe is Life. The sun, moon and stars are Astral World, Psychic World, and Material World. The shield was a scale of colours, meaning, Love, Life, Wholeness or Holiness, Wisdom and Understanding, Individuality and Progress, Truth, Beauty, Power, Spirituality and Purity, Perfection and Life Eternal. The symbol on the front of the chariot was a thought form of Love and Peace, Protection and Benediction."

Now I began to meditate upon this revelation. Let me say here, this is not a made-up story, but it is a very great truth, given to me by that still small voice. Now, this voice, the God within, told me to scatter far and wide some meditations on the symbol I had seen. So later I hope to be able to take the symbol from beginning to end. I will try, with the aid of my inspirers, to give you some thoughts on the good that is in every soul, and make my appeal to that. I would not arouse in the hearts of any of God's creatures a thought of fear or discord, but, I hope, love thoughts, which will create Joy, Peace and Happiness. All the happy pleasant things which will be in order that the Kingdom of God may be established in the interior centre of mankind. I will try and enlighten you all as to the mysticism of the symbol.

We shall be pleased to receive the elucidations of the symbol's meaning, and give them one by one to all.

With fraternal greetings,

Your loving sister,

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## The Chums' Page.

Conducted by Geo. Fred Knott.

My Dear Chums,

The only letter this month has come from Mr. Alfred Kitson, in which Mr. Collier, of Dewsbury, asks for an explanation of the word "collusion." I thank Mr. Collier for pointing to an error of mine, as I was responsible for the insertion of that word in the education notes. Will tutors kindly withdraw that word from the notes on G.C.R. 142, as it is inappropriate.

The things most in our minds to-day are not what shall we have for dinner, but what can we get. The queues are a painful sight. The English are the largest meat eaters in the world, but we are forced to be vegetarians now. What a hunt among the vegetarian cookery books mothers have been making to try and please the palates of the folks at home. There used to be a song about everybody having three acres and a cow. What a glorious summer we had last year and with what pride did the allotment holders display the results of their labours. Gardening is a very healthful, pleasing hobby, but it is a pity we need a war to prove its usefulness. I never was a sailor but I notice the askance and wonder of passers-by. What countries and sights, what wonders of the sea, what tales of foreign people and their curious ways he could tell. How much we depend on ships and sailors. The interdependence of all nations upon the produce of other lands than their own should be one of the preventatives of war. Picture a man in middle-class life going home to dinner. He opens his door, made in America, wipes his feet on a mat made of Russian hemp. He enters his front room, lighted softly by a French silk-shaded lamp, burning oil from the polar seas, and treads on a Turkish carpet. His coat is made in Parisian style of Saxony wool. He wears an Indian gem in his necktie, set in Mexican cold, Morocco shoes on his feet, and a Geneva watch rests in his pocket. His lady wears a small ostrich feather in her hair: it comes from South Africa. Round her neck is a row of pearls from Ceylon, over her shoulders is a pretty design of Brussels lace, and she carries in her hand an ivory fan from Central Africa. On a Spanish mahogany table is spread a cloth of Irish linen. The china is from Dresden. The turtle soup is from the east, the boar's head from Germany, the wines from France, the olives from Palestine, figs from Turkey, the raisins from Malaga, the dates from Syria, the apples from Tasmania, the preserved ginger from Jamaica, the nuts from Italy and Spain, the pomegranites from Egypt, the prunes from France. Tea is served from Canton and coffee from Mocha. The sugar comes from Austria. How this list could be extended. What a dreadful mess the nations have made of things when commerce in these commodities is so difficult. How much nicer it would be if people would spend their time in growing these things and send them to us instead of fighting each other. I once saw a man cut an apple across instead of lengthways; it was found to contain five divisions in the centre, yet it was

all one apple. The nations should be like the apple; each have the division of language and custom and still remain a great brotherhood helping and sustaining each other. Even the division of language can be overcome by adopting a neutral language, such as Esperanto, when all men of all nations would be able to understand each other. Religion, science and philosophy would be more common and better understood, men would come nearer to each other. Then we should not find it necessary to suggest working for any peace resolutions like Mr. Winning is writing about, because we should already have adopted a system of conduct and morality which would bind the nations together.

Here are a few names of Lyceums for re-arrangements:—

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GEO. FREDK. KNOTT.

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## THE AWAKENING OF A SOUL.

BY THOMAS H. WRIGHT.

CHAPTER XV.

(Continued from page 5).

She spoke to me in a soft, low, musical voice, which penetrated through my whole being, and said: 'My child, I have prayed long and earnestly for you, that you may receive the call of the spirit; you have been led here by one of your spirit guides. You were impressed to think about me, so that it would make it easier for your spirit to leave your body, so that you could visit my spirit home. You are being led by strange paths, but you will at last see all things clearly, and you will praise our heavenly Father for His goodness and love. Take courage, be of good cheer, and you will in the end succeed; you have a work to do for humanity. The truth will make you free.' Then she kissed me, and I awoke with such a glad and light feeling at my heart. What do you think of it? I feel certain that I spoke to my mother, and that she spoke to me. Do you think that our loved ones can return to help and comfort us?"

"I am a little puzzled how to answer your question, but your experience was really a wonderful one, and if we believe that there is eternal life, and that we have a spirit body, as well as a natural one, I don't see any reason why the veil should not be withdrawn. I feel confident that your dream was not a dream in the ordinary sense of the term, but that your spirit was for a short time freed from the body. You have had a very rare experience—you have had a glimpse of the spirit life. If we believe we have spirit bodies, then we must believe in a spirit world in which spirit people can manifest themselves. If it can be proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that they do return, then it comes as a great revelation to man, by proving that at death he enters into another world, which transcends the one he is in, and he is then able to penetrate deeper into causes of the effects, which are applied to man. I myself have come across people who profess to be able to communicate with spirit friends, and I must say they have startled me with some of their experiences and proofs, and have thus made me think and wonder. I do believe this, if we would only unfold the God within us, we should be able to come in touch with higher spheres of thought, and would thus be able to fathom many mysteries, and also be able to understand the so-called miracles quoted in the New Testament."

"Thank you, Mr. Jones, I am afraid I am giving you a great deal of trouble, I shall begin to understand some day, but you must be patient with me. The vision I saw made things clearer to me than all my thinking. I lack concentration of thought, but I am determined to learn how to concentrate, and to know myself. I am trying to control my thoughts, so that they will

not rush here, there and everywhere. I am trying to realise the thought I am a soul with a physical body; if I can only firmly realise this, I am convinced all the other matters will follow in natural order, I have decided when Dick returns from England, to go out as a nurse, or be a sister at some Institution. What do you think will be the best? Am I too old to take up a course of study? While he is away, I can prepare, I shall not have much to do, only to keep Mrs. Vardon company. I want to find a vocation where I can be of use and do good. I have a living, so that would be a help, and I believe that I shall find out what true spiritual knowledge is better by working for others. Can you advise me, Mr. Jones?"

"Yes, I can; there is a Sisterhood in Ballarat, who spend their lives in the lower strata of life, looking after the sick, and teaching the young, and trying to lead the fallen sisters into a higher path of life; it is hard and trying work, but it is good work; if you wish, I can mention your name to the Superintendent."

"Oh, thank you! do speak for me, and please do forward me, when you go back, the books that I should study, so that I can commence as soon as Dick arrives."

At the entrance of Mr. Woods, the subject changed, and the talk became general. Mr. Jones said that Dick was coming to meet him, and they were going for a long ride in the moonlight, and added, "Would you care to go with us, Edith?"

"Yes, I should, if we shall not be late back, I am sure it will be splendid riding out, with the moon shining so beautifully over us."

Dick arrived at his time, and they merrily rode through the fields and round by the wood. The ride was thoroughly enjoyed by them, for truly it was a charming night.

Mr. Jones daily visited the "Castle" farm, until it was time to return to business, and many were the interesting chats they had. When he returned to his home in the city, his thoughts would wander over the plains and far away to a house in the country, where a pretty young woman lived. He could hardly believe himself, that he had at last given way to the tender passion. Cupid had truly sent his arrow straight. He thought, "Ah, if I was only ten years younger, she would perhaps have thought of me, but I cannot ask her to accept one who is so much older than herself. I must love in silence, perhaps she may return my love in time. I did not think it would come to this. I thought I was proof against such a fate; one never knows, but I must not lose her friendship, by being—well—by taking advantage of my position with her. I value that too much. I will await events I will win her and there's an end of it. I can help her to realise her ideals, I can make her a good partner. What are ten years? Nothing; foolish man, to be afraid because of a few years. If she loves me, she will not ask how old I am, and I am certain I should not dare to ask how old she is, though I have a good idea. What a funny thing is love, I have made the friendship of many good women, but I never felt like this before." And thus he mused on.

Edith, away at the "Castle," thought that he had merely a feeling of friendship for her, and her heart sank low; but she determined to seal up her feelings, and work hard.

Thus they played at cross purposes, and for a time thwarted what would have been a sweet and holy communion between two souls, which were crying out for each other.

## CHAPTER XVII.

### "THE SOUL AWAKENED."

Beatty and Harry returned home from the honeymoon, having made many friends and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They kept to their resolutions, though it was sometimes difficult, but they pulled together, and so were stronger to fight the many uphill trials which come even to the best of married lives. They were in due course, blessed with the appearance of six little ones, and it was one of the jolliest and happiest of homes. Harry, encouraged by his brave wife, commenced his studies again, and worked hard to make up for the time he had lost. After his father-in-law passed over the border, they sold the farm, and removed to Melbourne, where he became one of the most successful of lawyers, and a prominent figure in the government of his town and country—and so we leave them.

When they returned to their duties on the farm, Edith, according to promise, went to stay with Mrs. Vardon, while Dick went to England, to put his own, and Harry's affairs in order. It was a blessed time to her, the few months she was there. The companionship and advice of such a woman as Mrs. Vardon proved of lasting service to her. She loved the old lady, for showing her so many things, and by the tact she used while giving her such practical hints. While she was at the "Gates,"

Mr. Jones brought Sister Agnes to see her, and there sprung up between them a mutual friendship. They were quickly in touch with each other, and quite appreciated each other's company. Before parting, Edith promised to live with her. The months appeared to pass rapidly, and Dick returned to the farm, glad to get back to its quiet and work; he did not love the bustle of travelling, nor the hurry of city life, but preferred the quiet farm house. Edith told him of her decision to go and work in the cause of humanity; Dick was prouder still of his Aunt at her decision, and wished her God speed, and he always made it part of his journey, when visiting Ballarat, to go and see her.

Until Mr. and Mrs. Vardon passed beyond the veil, Dick never troubled about sweet-hearting, but when he was left to himself, he took for a partner a buxom country girl, whom he had known for a good many years, and had noticed her quickness and cleanliness on her father's farm. She made him a good wife, and he settled down in the country, where we leave him.

Our heroine found the life in the slums very hard, but not unpleasant. The many cases of poverty which came under her notice, cases which were not brought about by drinking and gambling, but through sheer bad luck, drew forth her sympathy. It caused her face to blush with shame to think that in a so-called Christian country, men, women and children had to suffer and wallow in the dregs of society, because labour was cheap, and souls were of no consequence. Gold ruled the order of the day. She found in Sister Agnes one who had felt the iron hand of poverty, one who had been compelled to beg for food, but she had never descended so low as to sell her virtue, though often tempted when hunger keenly haunted her, but she fought against it, and was glad now she had kept herself pure and undefiled. One of the Sisters found her one day when she had fainted through lack of food, took her home, fed and clothed her, and now she helped those who were in a similar position as she had been; she could feel for them, for she knew.

Mr. Jones was a constant visitor, and gladly took part in their conversation concerning matters relating to spirit life. On one occasion, as they sat by the fire, with only its light to lighten the room, many strange things began to happen. Lights of all shades, sizes and shapes began to flit up and down the room, and they all felt as if there were invisible beings in the room, and they wondered. Edith, remembering her dream, and Mr. Jones also having read of such things, were not altogether surprised. They at once accounted for it, by the fact that by their conversation and aspirations after the higher truths, they had conditioned themselves for a manifestation of spirit power. And so matters went on from one stage to another, until they were compelled to acknowledge the presence of angelic visitants, for their spiritual eyes and ears were opened, so that they could see who their visitors were, and also hear them speak. Edith rejoiced to see her mother again, who this time had come to her, in her spiritual robes; her mother spoke words which told of joy and thankfulness that Edith had endeavoured to unfold her spiritual nature, and had at last accomplished it, and was now realising her spiritual powers. She often visited her after this, and gave her good advice in reference to her work. These revelations brought to Edith's heart a lightness, and she began to feel and know she was a spirit, and had been all the time, but did not know it, until she began to seek, and now she had found the pearl of great price, which could not be taken away from her, for it was her own, and it had been bought by her own labours.

Mr. Jones was struck by the great difference which had come over her, and though he had felt to a great extent the influence of the spirit world, yet he was surprised with her spiritual beauty. He knew by her very voice, which had taken on a musical note, sweeter and purer than before, that she had entered into that peace which passeth the understanding of most men, and this had come about by the intercourse with spirit friends from the higher spheres. This realisation of Edith's filled Mr. Jones' heart with a greater love for her; he began to realise the grandeur of her soul, and longed for her to be by his side. He therefore determined to put his hopes to the test, and see if she was willing to become his wife and companion; it may seem selfish on his part, to take her away from Sister Agnes, but he wanted her for herself alone; his heart cried out for her; he felt she was his soul-mate, and so he called for her.

That night, he went with the set purpose of asking her to be his wife. A friend of Sister Agnes had written to her, asking her to spend the week-end with her, and to come at once, if possible. Sister Agnes gladly accepted the invitation, as she had had no holiday for two years, and was beginning to feel as if a rest would be good for her. So, when Mr. Jones arrived, he was surprised to find Edith alone, to welcome him. She

mentioned the fact of Sister Agnes having received an invitation to go to see a friend until Monday. His heart beat fast at this news, he was almost afraid she would hear it.

She opened up the conversation, but he, for a wonder, was silent; he could not say a word—only look at her. The love-hunger spoke its message through his eyes, and she, catching his glance at once, by her woman's intuition, realised that the critical moment of her life had come, and that her love was returned. She was silent now, it was an epoch in their lives, two soul natures blending into one. At last, he could bear the silence no longer, rising hurriedly from his seat, and kneeling before her, he seized her hand, and pouring out his manly love for her, asked her to be his wife, his companion, helper, and friend. Now that the time had come for which she had waited and longed for, sometimes impatiently, she felt quite calm, though her heart was so full with joy, that she could have shouted out. Telling him to rise, and then nestling her head on his shoulder, she said: "John, I have loved you ever since I first met you, and my love has increased in strength as the months rolled on. I will be your wife; I am your wife, though the law says we have to go through a legal ceremony to make us man and wife in the eyes of the multitude. I am now, in the sight of God, your wife, from this hour, through all eternity, if death should overtake you now, I am your wife, for our souls are joined together, and God, the Over-Soul, has completed the union. He speaks in our hearts, for I feel His love, His power." She then gave him the kiss of love. We will not trespass any further into this sacred hour; truly the coming together of two souls is made in heaven.

The wedding did not come off straight away, she had promised, when she took on the duties of the Sisterhood, to stay with them twelve months, and she would not break her promise, though they wished to release her.

Sister Agnes was delighted when she heard the news, she had fathomed both their secrets, and had smiled many times at the ignorance of both of them. And so it often is, the outsider sees and knows more than the actors.

The wedding was a very quiet affair; the spiritual union was to them the most important part, and that was made when they pledged themselves to each other in the presence of spirit friend, and marriage ceremony was only a minor aspect to them. Their wedded life was an ideal one, because both had realised the "Awakening of a Soul."

THE END.

## Happiness.

The idea that religion is expressed in a long face and groans is dying away. We are waking up to the reality of the Love of God, learning that our Father, God, wishes us to be happy, and finding peace in the soul, spells sweetness and smiles on the face. There is every reason for the man or woman, boy or girl, who wants and tries to do right, to be happy and no reason to be sad. Everything that comes into each life has its place and its purpose, its part to play, and were it not good in the long run that it come, it would not come. There are many trials and temptations, but the pleasures and profits far outnumber them. All things work together for good to those who love God is a truth that will make the most timid brave enough to face any length or depth of adversity. "Ask and ye shall receive," embraces every need. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you," must satisfy the highest ambitions. Little by little the understanding of where real gold and actual wealth are hidden comes. Happiness is power consciously or unconsciously the end and aim of everything done, is the hope of obtaining a measure of satisfaction or happiness. The person who is happy radiates happiness, and those who see and know them, are immed-

ately susceptible to the cheerful influence. Happiness is power over evil, the people who say we are not sent into this world to be happy have a wrong belief of the goodness and wisdom of God. The home or Kingdom of God is within us; we do right to be happy, and to be happy we must do right. Misery is wrong, and wrong is misery. We must live up to the highest within ourselves, and when we have found the secret, we can at once help others to the same blissful state. It is not an outward condition or circumstance, but a state of mind, and it is not a thing to be seen, it is a feeling, and when analysed it resolves into a thought, and what we think we are, "for as a man thinketh so is he." Happy and strong and conquering always to the end is he who knows the grasp of the unseen hand. He it is who all along on God's Highway has the equipment for the winning of the best.

FRANCES LOWE (Pendleton).

## The Sowers. (The Manual, 91.)

We are journeying along the rugged pathway of earth life, and the seeds we sow are the thoughts, words and deeds we cast along our way. Let us each ask the questions: What seeds am I sowing? Have I given an angry word or thought to those I have come in contact with, when I could have given a kind word to brighten and cheer someone's life? The Divine source of all life has planted His seed of love and good in every human soul, no matter what colour or nationality. Let us then work with more energy than we have ever done before to cultivate our lives along brighter avenues by nobler deeds. Let our ambition be to do good to our fellow-creatures, to lift a brother or sister out of despair and place them on a higher plane of thought, giving them encouragement to press onward and upward, and by helping others we shall at the same time be helping ourselves along the pathway of progression. If we are to be true Spiritualists we must be up and doing, daring to face all who are opposed to our religion. Before we can do this we must gain more knowledge of the Divine laws of nature, and cultivate our own inner natures to unfold in true goodness. The best school for this purpose is the Lyceum, where each is free to express their own thoughts and inspirations; and the Lyceum Manual has good seeds on every page, from the beginning right on to the end, that will help us to blossom forth like the flowers in spring. Don't let us be satisfied with just reading, for reading's sake, but let us study what we read and try to understand it. If we do this we shall draw to our side the companionship and help of those bright and intelligent angels of light and love who are ever willing to help us if we are desirous of helping ourselves to tread with firmer footsteps along the pathway of duty, wisdom and love, so that we can be living lights here and now along the darkened conditions of this earth plane, sowing our seeds of kindness and love all along the line, with angel hands to guide us.

JAMES CARTER (Pendleton).

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## Lyceum Notes and Comments.

For the first time in the history of the Lyceum Union Lyceums who have paid their annual subscription will have the privilege of nominating and electing a Representative of their area to a seat on the Lyceum Union's Board of Management without attending the Annual Conference. Those Lyceums whose annual subscriptions are not paid should attend to the matter without further delay, as no voting papers can be sent to them. There are more than 50 Lyceums whose subscriptions have not yet reached the General Secretary. *Is your Lyceum one of them?*

We are requested to correct an error appearing in our last issue re the marriage of Pte. T. Sanderson to Miss Webster, at Blackpool. It should have read Pte. T. Meadows.

There has been a general request from Lyceum District Councils that the pages of THE LYCEUM BANNER be restored to 16 pages, and the price be raised to 1½d. per copy. We are advised by our printers that this desirable end can *not* be accomplished owing to shortage of paper. Indeed, they are not sure of being able to secure paper to print the BANNER monthly at its present size. So we wish to prepare our readers for the worst. In the meantime, seeing that the price of paper is continually on the increase, and for several months we have been losing £5 per month, the price of THE LYCEUM BANNER will be 1½d. per copy, commencing with April. Will those Lyceums who pay in advance please note?

The two Societies and Lyceums at Brighton (Upper North Street and Windsor Street) have amalgamated and are meeting in the Windsor Hall. The combina-

tion is proving very beneficial and rendering their efforts more effective. The Lyceum sessions are more attractive and interesting. We shall be pleased to learn of other centres adopting a similar plan.

Will our readers who have a copy of the Hand Book for the 1st Grade Examination please cross out the lines which read as follows, on page 13: "It was during the delivery of these lectures that he described on March 15th and 16th, 1846, the two outermost planets Uranus and Neptune of our solar system, fourteen months before they were discovered by the world's best astronomers."

## British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union

### Education Scheme.

#### SESSION PROGRAMME.

Date.	O.S.	S.C.R.	M.R.	G.C.R.	C.S.
March 3.	370	25	203	143	381
" 10.	375	82	202	126	387
" 17.	414	11	231	123	400
" 24.	406	22	242	138	357
" 31.	385	30	223	136	375
April 7.	357	1	241	147	345

If readers of the various items can be chosen the previous Sunday, a promise to attend will be assured and the Lyceumists may be persuaded to consider a few words of explanation on the readings.

The Education Committee has completed its work of preparation for March 10th, which looks like being a red letter day in the history of the Movement. Nearly 400 students have been enrolled and the interest in the Education Scheme and Examination is spread over a wider area than ever before. Will supervisors and students please be in the Examination Room and ready for work quite 15 minutes before the time for commencement.

All supervisors are requested to post the Examination Papers, duly signed, etc., back to the Secretary *immediately at the conclusion of examination.*

Successful students will be invited to attend Conference on Sunday, May 19th (*at their own expense*), when the presentation of certificates will take place.

With best wishes for the success of each student.

On behalf of the Committee,

Yours sincerely,

ALICE HESP, Sec.

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### True happiness

Consists not in the multitude of friends,  
But in their worth and choice. Nor would I have  
Virtue a popular regard pursue:

Let them be good that love me, though but few.

—Ben Jonson.

## THE LYCEUM RECITER.

DO.

Up with the birds when the dew drops glow  
On the nodding flower and the silvered bough,  
When the robia sings in the golden light,  
And life springs strong from the breast of night.  
Up from the sleep which chained each limb  
Like a senseless log in your chamber dim,  
Which weighed down your eyelids the long night  
through:

Away with your dreaming—arise and do!

What will you do? Is this world's work done?  
Is there no great deed which your power alone  
Can bring to perfection through sneer and ban,  
A boon to your toiling fellowman—  
No crude matter waiting the touch of your skill  
To leap into beauty and use at your will—  
No tools lying idle, no anvil unrun,  
No deft task neglected of pen or tongue?  
Away with excuses, it cannot be true  
That this busy world gives you nothing to do.

Do that which lies nearest your hand, and try  
To better each blow as the moments fly.  
Be thorough, and patience in time will tell  
Whatever you do is worth doing well.  
Though all cannot work with a giant's might,  
By brain or muscle, by touch or sight;  
Improve on the things God leaves with you,  
Do your best, and thank God for the power to do.

The moments are flitting, and time's falling sand  
Is never redeemed from eternity's hand;  
A duty forsaken makes manhood its slave,  
Rising up like a ghost from its deep hidden grave.  
Then up with the birds when the morning light  
Shoots its silver spears through the skirts of night,  
And clothes the great earth, its seas and skies,  
In robes of its own transcendent dyes.

Up, for your work to this world is due,  
Away with your dreaming—arise and do!

JAMES WINTHORPE—*Hawick Songs and  
Song Writers.*

### THE VOICE OF PROGRESS.

Can ye lengthen the hours of the dying night,  
Or chain the wings of the morning light?  
Can ye seal the springs of the ocean deep,  
Or bind the thunders in silent sleep?

The sun that rises, the seas that flow,  
The thunders of heaven, all answer, No!

Can ye drive young Spring from the blossoming earth,  
The earthquake still in its awful birth?  
Will the hand of Time's dial backward flee,  
Or the pulse of the universe pause for thee?  
The shaken mountains, the flowers that blow,  
The pulse of the universe, answer, No!

Can ye burn a truth in martyr's fire,  
Or chain a thought in the dungeon dire?  
Or stay the soul when it soars away,  
In glorious life from the mouldering clay?  
The truth that liveth, the thoughts grow,  
The spirit ascending, all answer, No!

O priest! O despot! *your doom* they speak,  
For God is mighty, as ye are weak.  
Your night and your winter from earth must roll,  
Your chains must melt from the limb and soul.

Ye have wrought us wrong, ye have brought us  
woe;

Shall ye triumph much longer? We answer, No!

Ye have builded your temples with gems impearled  
On the broken heart of a famished world;  
Ye have crushed its heroes in desert gaves,  
Ye have made its children a race of slaves.

O'er the future age shall the ruin go?  
We gather against ye, and answer, No!

Ye laugh in scorn from your shrines and towers;  
But weak are ye, for the *truth* is ours.  
In arms, in gold, and in pride ye move;  
But we are stronger, *our strength is love.*

Can truth be slain with a curse or blow?  
The beautiful heavens, they answer 'No!

The wintry night of the world is past,  
The day of humanity dawns at last;  
The veil is rent from the soul's calm eyes,  
And prophets and heroes and seers arise.

Their words and deeds like the thunder go;  
Can ye stifle their voices! They answer, No!

It is God who speaks in their words of might;  
It is God who acts in their deeds of right,  
Lo! Eden waits, like a radiant bride:  
Humanity springeth close to her side.

Can ye sever the twain who to oneness flow?  
The voice of Divinity answers, No.

T. L. HARRIS.

### SUB ROSA.

Under the rose is a thorn we know,  
And ever in life we find it so,  
Under the sweetest flowers that blow,  
Hides the thorn that hurts us so.

Under the rose, but the rose is sweet;  
Fairest of all the flowers we meet,  
And never in life will it seem less sweet,  
For the thorn that pierces unwary feet.

Under the rose that we pluck in joy,  
Is the sharpest thorn—its one alloy;  
So—pain and pleasure, grief and joy,  
If it were not so would sweetness cloy?

Under the rose that we pick to-day,  
The rose that the months are speeding away,  
The thorn lies hidden safely away,  
Will we find that thorn some other day?

—Emma S. Thomas.

## Correspondence.

*It must be fully understood that the Editor does not necessarily endorse the views of correspondents whose letters are published from time to time in these columns. Correspondents must send name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.*

*In order to avoid delay or the necessity of curtailment, it is requested that letters to the Editor be made as brief as possible.*

### PEACE RESOLUTIONS.

To the Editor, LYCEUM BANNER.

Sir,—To-day, after three and a half years of war, it is becoming just a little easier to pass Peace resolutions. In this city there are quite a number of Christian ministers beginning to make a stand on the side of Peace by Understanding. While on every hand labour bodies are agitating strongly for a conference between representatives of all the belligerent peoples. Even prominent statesmen, who cannot be called either pacifists or pro-Germans, are suggesting the wisdom of such a course.

Yet, despite the growing tendency in this direction, the Glasgow Association of Spiritualists decline to favour a programme of Peace by Negotiation. At their annual business meeting they refused to allow me to speak because I wished to put a resolution expressing this sentiment. The chairman asked the meeting to vote on whether they would hear me or not, and they, not knowing what I was going to say, decided that I be not heard. Shades of the departed! What is our movement coming to when one can be muzzled and suppressed in ones own association? Surely we, who in the past were misrepresented and persecuted by press and pulpit, should shew a greater respect for liberty of speech.

I write this not in anger or bitterness, but in sorrow. I had hopes of seeing Spiritualism leading the way in a great peace movement, and it vexes me that in my own association an effort of this nature should be so successfully nipped in the bud.

Some may think this is a local matter, but it is not. It is of national importance and should be taken up by the Executive of the National Union and a decision come to as to whether or not Spiritualism and Peace are antagonistic to each other. The local executive decided that the resolution was incompetent because it dealt with Peace. They argue that Peace topics and Spiritualism are entirely apart.

The resolution ran:—

“That we, the Glasgow Association of Spiritualists, assembled here in conference at our annual business meeting on January 27th, 1918, re-affirm our belief in the seven principles of Spiritualism, given through the mediumship of our arisen sister, Emma Hardinge Britten, with special reference to the second, viz., ‘The Brotherhood of Man.’ And further, we believe the time has now arrived when an Immediate Negotiated Peace is an urgent necessity for all the belligerent peoples. And also, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the ‘Two Worlds’ and to ‘Light,’ and also to the Executive of the Spiritualist National Union.”

Everyone will agree with the first part, while the second is merely translating into actual practice our belief in the brotherhood of man. In the third part we are making the world aware of the stand we are taking by publishing in the press.

It may interest you to know that the resolution was first put to three different types of soldiers in France. The first, a former President of our Association, wrote signifying his approval. The second, a strong Socialist, though also a Spiritualist, agreed heartily with it. The third, a Christian, not only approved of it himself, but wrote saying he had submitted it to his comrades in the trenches who, without one dissentient, entirely agreed with it.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN WINNING.

## Lyceum District Council Reports.

**NOTE.—Lyceum District Council, and United Lyceum District Council Reports must not exceed 200 words. All Adjudicators' tabulated lists of competitions are prohibited on account of want of space.—BY ORDER.**

### BOLTON LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the above Council will be held at Ash Street Lyceum, Radcliffe, on Saturday, March 9th, at 3-15 p.m. The order of business is as follows:—(1) Minutes of last D.C. meeting; (2) Correspondence; (3) Reports; (4) President's address; (5) Election of officers for forthcoming year; (6) Invitations for Demonstration; (7) Open Council. Will delegates and associates kindly bring their own teas with them. Hot water will be provided by our friends at Radcliffe. There is much business to be transacted and it is to be hoped that all delegates and associates will make an effort to be present.

EDITH ROE, Sec.

### HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the above Council will be held at Halifax St. Paul's, Alma Street, on Sunday, March 10th, at 10-30. The following persons have been nominated for office:—President, Mr. B. Taylor (St. Peter Street); Vice-President, Mr. J. Sutcliffe and Miss Violet Shaw (Slaitthwaite), Mr. Stabler (Brighouse, Commercial Street); Secretary, W. Burrows (Halifax St. Paul's); Treasurer, Miss Hallured (Huddersfield, Ramsden Street); District Visitor, Mr. S. Akroyd (Huddersfield, Ramsden Street). If any of these persons object to their being so nominated will they please notify me in writing on or before March 9th.

W. BURROWS, Hon. Sec.

### LEEDS LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the above Council will be held at 3-30 p.m., at the Leeds Psycho (Cookridge Street). Tea will be provided and a social evening will be held. All are welcome.

N. INGLE, Sec.

### LIVERPOOL LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The above Council will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 9th, 1918, at the Hamilton Hall, 46, Bridge Street, Birkenhead, at 3 p.m. Business important. Election of Officers; Internal Education of Lyceums. Sunday services conducted by delegates, associates, etc.

M. MACK, Hon. Sec.

### LONDON LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The monthly Conference of the Executive was held with Peckham Lyceum, on Sunday, 17th February. It was the Lyceum's Anniversary, and a very happy afternoon was spent. The pearls and efforts reached a high standard, and the prize winners proved that they deserved the honours conferred upon them. Mr. Richards, who conducted, is to be congratulated on the efficiency of his Lyceum. The business meeting was presided over by Mr. J. Forsyth. Mr. Connor's report of the U.D.C. meeting at Bolton was adopted, and Mr. C. J. Williams was adopted as London's candidate for the B.S.L.U. Management Committee, and London's delegate to the Annual Conference. Brixton's invitation to visit them was accepted, with thanks.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Peckham, on Saturday, 23rd March, at 6 p.m.

The usual Quarterly Meeting will be held at North London, on Sunday, 31st March. Delegates please note.

A. T. CONNOR, Hon. Sec.

### NORTH-EAST LANCASHIRE LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the above Council will be held on Saturday, March 16th, at Darwen, to commence at 3-30 prompt. Vacancies for Quarterly Meetings, September and December.

H. HOPPER, Hon. Sec.

## NOTTINGHAM LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The above Council held a Propaganda Meeting at the Mechanics' Hall, on the platform of the Nottingham Spiritual Evidence Society, who loyally supported our efforts. There were three well-attended services. In the morning a typical Lyceum Open Session was presented, ably conducted by Mr. L. Shipley. Marching and calisthenics were gone through creditably, led by Miss Swadden. Items from various Lyceums were good. Short speeches by Council members, assisted by Qr. Mst. Sergt. Woodlands, who enthusiastically supported our efforts.

In the afternoon a Public Circle was conducted by Miss Swadden, who successfully gave clairvoyance.

In the evening the Council again took their places on the rostrum, along with Qr. Mst. Sergt. Woodlands. Miss Swadden, Miss Rayner, Mr. L. Shipley and Mrs. Cox addressed the meeting. Mr. F. W. Marsters occupied the chair. His remarks were good, encouraging and to the point. Miss Swadden gave clairvoyance. Beautiful harmony prevailed throughout the day. A message came from the late E. W. Wallis, namely, "Keep the old flag flying." The meeting was truly a grand success. Also, a financial success. Collections, £2 14s. 2d.; expenses, £1 5s. Balance, £1 9s. 2d. Cordial thanks to helpers all.

VICTORIA G. RAYNER, Hon. Sec.

## SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

On Sunday, February 17th, the above Council held a Mass Meeting at Dearnley Lyceum. In the afternoon there was a large gathering. Mr. Barley was the chairman. Mr. Lord and Mr. Wright spoke of the Lyceum work. Mrs. Rothwell, Mrs. J. Lord, Mrs. Howarth Mrs. A. Lord, Mrs. Birtwells, Miss Bamford and Mr. Hardman, all clairvoyants of Heywood, took part in the meeting, giving some proof of the continuity of life. In the evening a Lyceum Open Session was held at 6 o'clock. There was a record attendance. Regent Hall and Penn Street (Rochdale), Roomfield, Todmorden, Heywood and Dearnley Lyceumists took part in the proceedings. Mr. Lord, the President of the Council, conducted the session. Mr. Raynor, the D.V., the silver chain; Mr. Holt (Penn Street) and Mr. Ashworth (Todmorden), the golden chain. Mr. A. Barley conducted the marching and Mrs. Alice Lord the calisthenics. Questions were asked for and answered by the readers. Over 250 Lyceumists from the above schools took part. It was a pity there was not more space for the marching, as every one present seemed to enjoy the session. The President, Mr. Lord, addressed the gathering concerning the Lyceum movement in general.

ARTHUR BARLEY, Sec.

## TYNESIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

An entertainment for wounded soldiers, under the joint auspices of the above Lyceum and Rutherford Street (Newcastle) Lyceum was held on Saturday, February 2nd, when many friends enjoyed themselves. The soldiers received a nice tea, also cigarettes and match box case with regimental badge on. Songs, recitations, dancing and bagpipe selections whiled away a too short evening. As on previous occasions, all work was done free, and all proceeds handed over to the Council. On Sunday afternoon a special Lyceum Session was held, at which Pte. Elliott, late of the Nelson Lyceum, spoke a few helpful words. In the evening a large audience assembled to listen to a varied programme of hymns by the choir, and propaganda addresses by Mr. Hall, Mr. Brinklow and Pte. Elliott. The President, Mr. J. Lawrence, presided. A hearty vote of thanks was proffered by Mrs. Frampton (Wallsend) and Pte. Elliott (Nelson). The sum of £4 19s. was handed to the Treasurer of the D.C., making £20 in all raised by the above Lyceum in twelve months.

The Annual Conference will be held at Wallsend (Canville Road), on Sunday, March 17th, at 10-30 a.m. prompt. Will delegates and associates please intimate their coming to Mrs. Frampton, 1, Park Avenue, Wallsend?

E. A. LAWENCE, Hon. Sec.

## THE UNITED LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The half-yearly meeting of the above was held in Bradford Street Church, Bolton, on February 9th and 10th, 1918, the following District Councils being represented:—Bolton, Bradford, Halifax and Huddersfield, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, N.E. Lancashire, S.E. Lancashire and B.S.L.U. Management Committee. The meeting commenced at 5-30 and

lasted four and a half hours, Mr. Batten being elected to the chair.

Much discussion took place regarding affiliation dues, and finally it was carried unanimously, "That every D.C. be asked to pay 1/- per annum for every Lyceum in membership." Will D.C. secretaries please note.

The motions as printed in February BANNER were fully discussed and voted upon, to be placed on the agenda for the coming Conference.

Vote of thanks to local workers was accorded, who in very unfavourable times had provided for the delegation so well.

Sunday found most of the representatives at sessions and services, and on the whole a profitable weekend was spent.

The next meeting will be held on October 6th, for which date invitations may be sent in. M. E. PICKLES, Hon. Sec.

## Special Reports.

Under this heading, Lyceums whose reports exceed the words, allowed in the Table as shown in Rule 3 may have them inserted in full by enclosing 6d. for every extra nine words.

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**Accrington.** China-street, 10-30 a.m. and 1-45 p.m. Mr. T. Fazakerley, 37, Cross-street, Oswaldtwistle

**Auckland N.Z.** Karangahape-road, 2-30 p.m. Mr. C. W. Skinner, 17, Surrey-street, Grey Lynn, Auckland, N.Z.

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**Barnoldswick.** West End Spiritual Temple, 10 and 1-30. Mrs. G. Francis, 5, Bankfield Street, Gates, nr. Colne.

**Barnsley.** George-yard, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. C. Hunt, 18, Freeman-street.

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**Belfast.** Whitehall Buildings 13, Ann-street, 3 p.m. Mr. John H. Uprichard, 285, Donegall road.

**Birkenhead.** 46, Bridge-street 10-30 a.m. Miss May Rob, 63, Oxton-road.

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**Bradford.** East Bowling, Wakefield-road, Harker street, 10-30 and 1-45. Miss F. Akroyd, 7, Rutan-street, Wakefield-road.

**Bradford.** 432, Manchester-road, 10-30 and 1-54. Mrs. E. Bairstow, 47, Lophore-street, Dirkhill.

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**Brierfield.** Colne-road, 10 a.m. Mr. M. Robert Dilworth, 32, Clover Hill-road, Nelson.

**Brighouse.** Commercial-street, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss Lucy Briggs, 16, Bridge End, Rastrick.

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**Brighton.** Windsor Hall, Windsor-street, 2-45 p.m. Mr. E. C. Cager, 74, Cobden-road.

**Brisbane.** Queensland, Australia, Wickham-street, 2-30 p.m. Miss Minnie Reinhold, London-road, Clayfield.

**Bristol.** Thomas-street, 3 p.m. Mr. H. E. Oaten, 53, Barratt-street, Easton.

**Burnley.** Hamerton-street, 10 a.m. Miss D. Slater, 6, Haven street.

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**Burton-on-Trent.** Horninglow-road, 10 45 a.m. Miss M. Bloor, 85, Belvedere road.

**Bury.** 66, King-street, Rochdale-road 10 and 1-45. Miss Doris Fletcher, 44, King street, Rochdale-road.

**Caerau.** Brigend, Hermon-road, 2-30. Mrs. Elsie Bailey, 17, Railway-terrace.

**Calgary.** 2 p.m. Mr. William Brown 2910, 17a, street, Calgary, S.E. Alberta, Canada.

**Cardiff.** Castle-street, 2-45 p.m. Mr. O. Evans, 3, Lloyds Smith Road, Penylan, Cardiff.

**Castleford.** Lower Oxford-street, 10-15 and 1-30. Mr. Herbert Hemsworth, 14, Rhodes-street, High-town.

**Chester.** Commonhall-street, 10-30, Mrs. N. Stevenson, 84, Francis street.

**Chesterfield.** Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30 and 2-15. Mr. John J. Fobster, 71, Sheffield road.

**Chester-le-Street.** Front-street, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. M. Wright, 121, Front-street.

**Chorley.** Union-street, 9-30 and 1-45. Mrs. Mary Heald, 9, Alexandra-street.

**Cleckheaton.** Old Robin, Westgate, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. George Bentley, 13 Mount-street.

**Cli'heroe.** Salford-street, 10 a.m. Miss Lizzie Laycock, 67, West View.

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**Crewe.** Mill-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. P. Gawthorne, 24, Samuel-street.

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**Dearley.** Rochdale-rd., 10 a.m. Mr. Taylor Spiritual Temple, Littleborough.

**Donby.** Chamwood-street, 9-45 and 2 p.m. Mr. H. Wade, 2, Cockpit-hill, Marledge

**Dewsbury.** Bond-street, 10 and 1-45. Mr. H. Holdsworth, 12, William-street, Leads road.

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**Durnan, Natal, S.A.**, Cathedral Road, (534, P.O. Box), 11 a.m. Mr. T. J. W. Wheatley, 3, Hampson Grove.

**Earby.** Green-end Avenue 10 and 1-45. Miss Lizzie Foulds, 7 Duxbury-street, near Colne.

**Eastwood.** Hill Top Nottingham road, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. Joseph A. George, 3, Lym Croft, Eastwood, Notts.

**Edinburgh.** 77, Queens-street, 1 p.m. Miss Winifred Copley, 149, Constitution street, Leith.

**Fleetwood.** Kemp-st., 2-0 p.m. Mr. J. C. Waller, 210, Lord-street.

**Foleshill.** Broad street, 10-45 a.m. Mr. G. Starr Bambrick, 46, Nicholls street, Coventry.

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**Glasgow.** 25, Bath street, 4 p.m. Miss Bolton, 16, Govanhill-street.

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**Great Harwood.** West Well-street, 10-30 and 1-45 Miss Luie Holt, 4, Poplar avenue, near Blackburn

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**Gurney Valley.** 2 p.m. Mr. J. Cheesmond, 58, Gurney Valley, near Bishop Auckland

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**Hetton and District.** 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Ferguson, 40, Edward-street, Hetton, co. Durham.

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**Hirst.** Equitable Stores Hall, 2-30 p.m., Mr. H. Barton, 83, Poplar Street, Ashington, via Morpeth.

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**Hull.** Hesse road, Eastbourne street, 1-43 103 p.m. Mr. George Brown, 47, Well ock-street.

**Hull.** Holborn Hall, Holborn street, Witham, 10-30 a.m. and 2-30. Miss Brown, 47, Wenlock-street.

**Hyde.** Clarendon-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. S. Burgess, 5, Arthur-street.

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**Johannesburg.** 11 a.m. Trades' Hall, Commission-street, Mr. Vernon Hart.

**Keighley.** Heber-street, 10 and 1-30. Mr. William Hudson, 29, Fell lane.

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**Leed s.** 7, Easy-road, 2 p.m. T. Brown, 36 Atkinson-street, Hunslet.

**Leeds.** Roxburgh-road, 16, Selborne-place, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. C. Butler, 4, Mariners' road, Dewsbury road

**Leicester.** Queen-street, 11-0 a.m. Mr. John Wicks, 16, Curzon-street.

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**Leigh.** The Avenue, 10 a.m. Mr. T. Gregory, 18, Brackley street, Lancs.

**Lincoln.** Progressive Hall Coultham street, 10-15 a.m. Mrs. H. C. Dobby, Stanley House, Sansthorpe street.

**Littleborough.** Hartley-street, 10-0 a.m. Mr. Edward Lord, 17, Edgerton-street.

**Littletown.** Well-street, 2 p.m. Miss A. Hirst, Well-street, Littletown, nr. Liversedge.

**Liverpool.** Dauby-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Alfred Creney, 21, Chantry-street, Edge Hill.

**Liverpool.** 2, Roman-road, Kensington, 3 p.m. Mr. J. E. Quine, 34, South Bank-road, Edge-lane.

**London.** Battersea, 45, St. John's Hill Clapham Junction, 3 p.m. Miss D. Geerman, 105, Saltcott-road, Clapham Junction, S.W.

**London.** Fulham, S.W., 12, Lettice-street, Munster-rd, 3 p.m. Mrs. W. E. Drew, 55, Winchendon-road, Fulham, S.W. 6.

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**London.** Kingston-on-Thames, Bishop's Hall, Thames-street, 3 p.m. Mr. F. J. Miles, 7, Cambridge road, Teddington.

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**London, E.,** Manor Park, Shrewsbury-road, 11-0 a.m. Miss Katie F. Raymond, 140, Monega-road, Forest Gate, E. 7

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**London.** Tottenham, 684, High-road, 2-30 p.m. Mr. O. Mosberg, 8, Pembury-road, Tottenham, N. 7.

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**Longton.** Stone-road 2 p.m. Mr. Hugh McCartney 67, Stammer street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**Macclesfield.** Cumberland-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Denis Potts, 21, Station street.

**Manchester.** Ardwick, 38, Maskell-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. H. Heslop, 24, Robert-street, C-on-M.

## NOTTINGHAM LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The above Council held a Propaganda Meeting at the Mechanics' Hall, on the platform of the Nottingham Spiritual Evidence Society, who loyally supported our efforts. There were three well-attended services. In the morning a typical Lyceum Open Session was presented, ably conducted by Mr. L. Shipley. Marching and calisthenics were gone through creditably, led by Miss Swadden. Items from various Lyceums were good. Short speeches by Council members, assisted by Qr. Mst. Sergt. Woodlands, who enthusiastically supported our efforts.

In the afternoon a Public Circle was conducted by Miss Swadden, who successfully gave clairvoyance.

In the evening the Council again took their places on the rostrum, along with Qr. Mst. Sergt. Woodlands. Miss Swadden, Miss Rayner, Mr. L. Shipley and Mrs. Cox addressed the meeting. Mr. F. W. Marsters occupied the chair. His remarks were good, encouraging and to the point. Miss Swadden gave clairvoyance. Beautiful harmony prevailed throughout the day. A message came from the late E. W. Wallis, namely, "Keep the old flag flying." The meeting was truly a grand success. Also, a financial success. Collections, £2 14s. 2d.; expenses, £1 5s. Balance, £1 9s. 2d. Cordial thanks to helpers all.

VICTORIA G. RAYNER, Hon. Sec.

## SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

On Sunday, February 17th, the above Council held a Mass Meeting at Dearnley Lyceum. In the afternoon there was a large gathering. Mr. Barley was the chairman. Mr. Lord and Mr. Wright spoke of the Lyceum work. Mrs. Rothwell, Mrs. J. Lord, Mrs. Howarth Mrs. A. Lord, Mrs. Birtwells, Miss Bamford and Mr. Hardman, all clairvoyants of Heywood, took part in the meeting, giving some proof of the continuity of life. In the evening a Lyceum Open Session was held at 6 o'clock. There was a record attendance. Regent Hall and Penn Street (Rochdale), Roomfield, Todmorden, Heywood and Dearnley Lyceumists took part in the proceedings. Mr. Lord, the President of the Council, conducted the session. Mr. Raynor, the D.V., the silver chain; Mr. Holt (Penn Street) and Mr. Ashworth (Todmorden), the golden chain. Mr. A. Barley conducted the marching and Mrs. Alice Lord the calisthenics. Questions were asked for and answered by the readers. Over 250 Lyceumists from the above schools took part. It was a pity there was not more space for the marching, as every one present seemed to enjoy the session. The President, Mr. Lord, addressed the gathering concerning the Lyceum movement in general.

ARTHUR BARLEY, Sec.

## TYNESIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

An entertainment for wounded soldiers, under the joint auspices of the above Lyceum and Rutherford Street (Newcastle) Lyceum was held on Saturday, February 2nd, when many friends enjoyed themselves. The soldiers received a nice tea, also cigarettes and match box case with regimental badge on. Songs, recitations, dancing and bagpipe selections whiled away a too short evening. As on previous occasions, all work was done free, and all proceeds handed over to the Council. On Sunday afternoon a special Lyceum Session was held, at which Pte. Elliott, late of the Nelson Lyceum, spoke a few helpful words. In the evening a large audience assembled to listen to a varied programme of hymns by the choir, and propaganda addresses by Mr. Hall, Mr. Brinklow and Pte. Elliott. The President, Mr. J. Lawrence, presided. A hearty vote of thanks was proffered by Mrs. Frampton (Wallsend) and Pte. Elliott (Nelson). The sum of £4 19s. was handed to the Treasurer of the D.C., making £20 in all raised by the above Lyceum in twelve months.

The Annual Conference will be held at Wallsend (Canville Road), on Sunday, March 17th, at 10-30 a.m. prompt. Will delegates and associates please intimate their coming to Mrs. Frampton, 1, Park Avenue, Wallsend?

E. A. LAWENCE, Hon. Sec.

## THE UNITED LYCEUM DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The half-yearly meeting of the above was held in Bradford Street Church, Bolton, on February 9th and 10th, 1918, the following District Councils being represented:—Bolton, Bradford, Halifax and Huddersfield, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, N.E. Lancashire, S.E. Lancashire and B.S.L.U. Management Committee. The meeting commenced at 5-30 and

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Much discussion took place regarding affiliation dues, and finally it was carried unanimously, "That every D.C. be asked to pay 1/- per annum for every Lyceum in membership." Will D.C. secretaries please note.

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Vote of thanks to local workers was accorded, who in very unfavourable times had provided for the delegation so well.

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**BIRMINGHAM, SMALL HEATH.**—Good, energetic start made by the new officers. The Open Sessions were indeed exquisitely harmonious, consequent to the interest taken by all Lyceumists. They were graced by beautiful recitations, pearls, solos and readings. The annual election of officers took place on the last Sunday in January, and a motto they give to us is, "Do your best."—G. W. Sharpe.

**BLACKBURN (St. Peter Street).**—We held our Open Session on January 27th, when several Lyceumists from Clitheroe received a hearty welcome. Various readings were well conducted. Marching and calisthenics as usual. Recitations by Miss Smith and Railton; also Masters Lightboun, Gee and Francis. Solos by Edith Hopper and E. M. Moorhouse. Afterwards our late Conductor presented the prize to James Francis, for having successfully competed in the "Recitation Scheme." We had with us Mr. Delsort, a Belgian, and Mr. Keeling. Both spoke encouraging words to Lyceumists. Also Mr. Ollier, of Blackburn. Our thoughts go out for the welfare of the boys.—E. M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec.

**BOLTON (Bradford Street).**—On Sunday, February 10th, we held our Open Session. It was well attended by Lyceumists and friends, and a very enjoyable session was spent. The members of the U.L.D.C. occupied our platform, and the Lyceum Session was conducted by Mrs. Pickles. Pearls and recitations were given, and two solos, "A tearless life," by Miss Hodge, and "The smile of spring," by Miss Sheldon. We thank all friends who helped to make our Red Letter Day. We send our best wishes and fraternal greetings to all Lyceumists, both at home and abroad.—Elsie Sheldon, Sec.

**BRADFORD (Boynton Street).**—We held our Open Session on February 3rd. Recitations and solos by Lyceumists. We had a very pleasant time together.—Mrs. Ward, Sec.

**BRADFORD (Harker Street).**—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our Open Session, conducted by Mr. Carter. Duets were rendered by May and Annie Berry, Mrs. Pammerton and Mrs. Stead. Solos by A. Manchester and a visitor. Musical solo, Mr. Clark; recitation by Harry Stead. Good attendance all day.—Florrie Akroyd, Sec.

**BRIGHOUSE (Commercial Street).**—On Sunday, January 27th, we held our Lyceum Anniversary. Our speaker was Mr. H. Alderson. In the afternoon solos were rendered by Mr. J. Sykes, Mrs. J. Crossley and Miss L. Briggs. Recitations by Miss L. Holroyd, Masters L. Rushworth, J. Rastrick and H. Thompson.—L. Briggs, Sec.

**BRIGHTON (Windsor Street).**—We held our Tea and Social on the 11th. About 40 sat down to tea, after which we had games, conducted by Miss A. Scoggins. Altogether we had a very enjoyable evening.—Ernest C. Cager, Sec.

**BURNLEY (North Street).**—On Sunday morning, February 3rd, we held our Open Session, conducted by Mrs. Rawlinson. Solos, duets, quartette and recitations were enjoyed by all present. Our Conductor said a few words on the good work of Mrs. Hargreaves, one of our members, who is going to reside at Blackpool; also Mr. Latham gave a few remarks. We are all sorry to lose Mrs. Hargreaves. Wishing the boys a speedy return.—Bertha Penney, Sec.

**BURY (King Street).**—We have nothing much to report this month. Our children are doing very well and we are satisfied

with their progress. We could do with a few more workers, as the War has taken most of our young men. Visitors from other Lyceums will be warmly welcomed.—Doris Fletcher, Sec.

**CALGARY, ALBERTA, CANADA.**—We held our General Meeting and Election of Officers on December 3rd, 1917. There was a large attendance of members, and the following officers were elected:—Conductor, Mrs. Sykes; Secretary, Mr. W. Brown; Treasurer, Mr. W. S. Cadman; Guardian, Mrs. Garrad; Musician, Miss A. Sheeting; Physical Director, Mr. R. Hill; Captain of Guards, Mr. T. Thomas. The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Auditors showed the Lyceum to be in a satisfactory condition in every way. The meeting was very successful and much interest displayed by the members present.—W. Brown, Sec.

**CHESTERFIELD.**—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our first Open Session for 1918, and a very good start was made. The following Lyceumists obliged:—Mr. Briggs, L. Taylor, E. Wale, R. Marriott, A. Herrott, R. Kitchener, C. Briggs, Olive Winter, Kenwood Widdowson and Jack Wale. The boys came out of their "shell" on this occasion and beat the girls by one item, and we hope it is a forerunner of what is to come.—John J. Hobster.

**CHORLEY (Union Street).**—Our Lyceum is making steady progress, thanks to the adults and members of the Society. Mr. Walsh, Horwich, visited us and spoke highly of marching, calisthenics. Also to be more punctual, as our time is so limited. He has given two books, "Some Reminiscences," for the best essay writer.—Miss Heald, Sec.

**DEWSBURY (Bond Street).**—On Saturday, January 26th, we had a concert. Songs and recitations were given by various members of the Lyceum. Also the Annual Prize Distribution. Prizes presented by Mr. Harding, of Wakefield. Afterwards all partook of a pea soup supper. Greatly enjoyed by all present. Mr. E. Stott presided. On Sunday, January 27th, we held our monthly Open Session, conducted by Mrs. Bedford, which was very well attended. Recitations, pearls and part songs were much enjoyed by every one present. Several letters from the boys on active service were read, and so a spiritual session was brought to a close.—H. Holdsworth, Sec.

**EARBY.**—Sunday, February 3rd, was our Open Session. Recitations were very good. On February 10th it was our Anniversary. In the afternoon the Lyceumists went through the session and prizes were distributed by Mrs. Frankland, of Barnoldswick. In the evening Lyceumists rendered a service of song, entitled "A Terrible Lesson."—Lottie Foulds, Sec.

**FLEETWOOD.**—On Friday, January 25th, we had a Social in place of Annual Tea and Prize Distribution, when we had a moderate gathering, owing to counter attractions. Also had an Essay Competition for prize given by Sapper S. R. Goodman, "Our Lyceum: What it stands for." Seven entered; winner, J. C. Wallte.—J.C.W.

**FOLESHILL.**—On February 2nd we held a Fancy Dress Social, which was well attended. At our Open Session, on Sunday, Ivy Martin recited a pretty piece, entitled "The prayers"; Margery Neal recited "The Death of Nelson"; May Oughton, "The Solitary Reaper"; and Vera Orton, "The Wind." Kenneth Oughton gave a song. Winnie and Julie Oughton also contributed. At our Election of Officers, Mrs. Bambrick, our devoted Conductress for the past year, was unanimously re-elected.—Florrie Lucas.

**GREAT HARWOOD (off Westwell Street).**—Open Session held on February 3rd, conducted by a 15-year-old boy, who took charge of the reading splendidly. We also had a fine number present. Annie Thornley and Alice Lank ably recited for us, and six scholars sang "Sweet Golden Age." Splendid session.—Louie Holt, Sec.

**HAMILTON, ONTARIO, CANADA.**—On Sunday, January 6th, we held our Election of Officers, when most of the officers were re-elected. "The Workers Win!"—Miss EtcHELLS, Sec.

**HEATON NORRIS (Baker Street).**—The above Lyceum held their first Open Session on January 27th last, assisted by Mr. J. Marston, District Visitor; Mrs. Moulf, Mrs. Enion, Mr. Beck and a good number of Lyceumists from Stockport Lyceum Church. It was a success and has been the means of increasing our membership.—Miss Elsie Langton, Sec.

**HORWICH (Beatrice Street).**—Several of the boys have had furloughs this month, and we have all been delighted to see them

amongst us again. From others who cannot get home we have received some very nice letters, but presence is far better. The Lyceum and Society have forwarded to every one a P.O. Misses Jennie and Annie Frost, of this Lyceum, having removed to Glasgow, a resolution of appreciation and thanks for past services was carried, and all united in best wishes for their future welfare. Visitors: Mr. Gough, Birkenhead; Lt. Cpl. Rycroft, Cornwall; Mr. Shuttleworth, Darwen; Mr. Hopper, Blackburn.—Ed. Walsh, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD (St. Peter's Street).—Open Session was held on the 3rd of February. Mr. G. Brown conducted. Recitations were given by Misses Doris Taylor, Hilda Turner, May Dyson and Master Willie Hirst. Miss Irene Manchester favoured us with a solo. We had a good attendance of scholars. Attendance prizes for 1917 were presented by Miss Ada Smithies. Miss E. Manchester conducted the marching and calisthenics, which are improving.—Emily Cliffe, Sec.

HULL (Holborn Hall).—On Sunday, January 27th, we had our Annual Election of Officers. Good attendance, but few changes were made. February 3rd we had with us Cpl. Batley, of Manchester. Mrs. Thornes and Mrs. Begg, Dewsbury, were with us on February 10th and we were favoured with a few inspiring remarks from each.—E. Brown.

LEICESTER (Queen Street).—On February 3rd, we had our usual Open Session, when the following Lyceumists took part:—Recitations by Miss E. Wicks; duet by Misses B. Parker and Irene Brown; solos by Miss E. Lucas and Master A. Veary. Miss E. Swadden was with us and gave the Lyceumists their prizes. Good attendance.—J. Wicks, Sec.

LEICESTER (Silver Street).—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our Annual Prize Distribution. We had marching and calisthenics, after which our old friend, Ald. Chaplin, quite enlivened the proceedings with a few lively remarks, and then proceeded to give the prizes away. We were very pleased to see a large number of old friends with us again, and altogether we spent a most interesting afternoon.—A. Lucas, Sec.

LONDON, PECKHAM.—On Sunday, 17th February, we held our Anniversary. We had a very enjoyable day, the L.L.D.C. being present in the afternoon and evening. We hope for more progress during the new year. We hold our Fancy Dress Social on 9th March. *No moon*. A hearty invitation to all. Tickets 6d.—Vera G. Smith, Sec.

MANCHESTER, HIGHER OPENSHAW (Alhambra Buildings).—On February 3rd we held our Open Session, before a good audience of Lyceumists and friends. Recitations and solos by Mrs. Garton, Lily Watson, John Watson and Kathleen Ellis. Pearls from the Lyceumists. Marching and calisthenics followed, making an interesting evening.—Mrs. Molineux, Sec.

MANCHESTER (Maskell Street).—Many thanks to surrounding Lyceums and friends for the good support we received on our Prize Distribution night, and welcome another visit any time.—Harry Hislop, Sec.

MANCHESTER, SOUTH (Princess Hall).—On February 3rd Mr. Vickers opened the Liberty Group discussion, on "Experiences of Practical Phenomena," which was most interesting. February 10th we held our Open Sessions, which were well attended and well supported by Lyceumists from Maskell Street and Salford Lyceums. Mr. Johnson's lecture, on "The Object of Life and Happiness," was both instructive and inspiring. February 16th we had a good time at the Council's Social. February 17th Mr. Bentley gave an interesting paper, on "Woman, her sphere and influence in life." It opened wide discussion, and will be continued on March 17th. All invited.—Jessey Wood, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM (Basford Mission).—Our Open Session was held on Sunday, February 10th, with a good attendance. Marching and calisthenics were good, after which the following items were rendered:—Duets by Edward Lovegrove and Ernest Lacey, Leslie Wood and Leslie Simmons, Priscilla Lovegrove and Ivy Bednall, also a solo by William Pratt.—F. Pearson, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM (Parliament Street).—Open Session held February 3rd, Conductor Mrs. A. Cox, when pearls, songs, marching, calisthenics were rendered to a good attendance. Also the naming of an infant by the President, Mrs. Hawkes. A successful afternoon spent.—W. Shipton, Sec.

OLDHAM (Union Street).—Our Lyceum is progressing satisfactorily. While the boys are doing their duty we will keep the school fires burning until they return.—Miss Chappell.

PRESTON (Clark's Yard).—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our Open Session, in which a great number took part. Recitations were given by Alice Spencer, Minnie and Annie Nuttal, Florrie Chambers, Nellie Jackson, Lizzie Chambers, Elizabeth Askew, Lillie Rollinson. Solo, Will Beetham; duet, Sidney Coupe and John Pollard.—G. Cartmell, Sec.

PRESTON (Lancaster Road).—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our Open Session, when we also had some visitors with us. The marching and calisthenics were good. Recitations were given by Charles Courtis, Thomas Oakley, Rhene Chadwick, Maud Walker, Marie Pinnell, Mary Bradley, Agnes Pinnell, Ivy Walker; solo by Agnes Pinnell and duet by Misses Clarke and Cooke.—N. Clarke, Sec.

RAWTENSTALL.—Open Session, February 3rd, 1918, Conductor, Mr. D. Wilson. Opening hymn, 368; silver chain, 95; musical reading, 215; golden chain, 131; pearls by many Lyceumists; closing hymn, 389.—Alan Haworth, Sec.

READING.—True substantial progress can be recorded this month. Three Lyceumists proving their speaking powers by their first lesson. "The Workers Win."—R. Churn, Sec.

ROCHDALE (Regent Hall).—A Grand Concert was given in the above hall, on Saturday, February 16th, by Lyceum scholars. A cantata was enacted, "The Slave of the Lamp." The various songs, dances, etc., were ably gone through, under the directorship of Miss L. Isherwood. Miss E. Firth was accompanist. A crowded audience.—R. Wild, Sec.

ROTHERHAM.—On Sunday, February 10th, Open Session. Large attendance of scholars, officials and friends. Fine harmonious session, ably presided over by our Conductor, Mr. Green. Marching and calisthenics improved. Recitations by the following:—Arthur Bruce, May Hempshall, Nisses Vernon, Soloist, Mrs. Wilson. Musical arrangements capably rendered by Miss Chivers and Mrs. Green.—B. Chappell, Sec.

SHEFFIELD (Gifford Road).—Marching and calisthenics were gone through. Afternoon meeting, many solos and duet, "Now, good-night," by Misses Watkinson and Roumain.—Mrs. Jenkinson, Sec.

SHEFFIELD (Paradise Square).—On Sunday, February 3rd, we held our Open Session, when we had a fair number of members present. Songs and recitations were given by some of the younger members, and we spent a very pleasant and profitable time together. We are in need of workers to assist us.—D. Organ, Sec.

SHILDON (Newlands Avenue).—On Saturday, January 26th, we had a Lyceum Social, to celebrate the opening of the first Lyceum, which was enjoyed by all present. On Sunday, January 27th, we had an Open Session, attended by a good number of visitors and about 60 Lyceumists. Singing and readings were nicely given. Pearls, recitations and solos by large and small Lyceumists made the session instructive and homely. The week end was devoted to the importance of Lyceum work.—J. Wilson, Sec.

SOUTH SHIELDS (South Eldon Street).—The chief item of interest to report this month is the re-opening of our library, which has been closed for about two years. Thirty new books have been added to the library. They were bought with the proceeds of five meetings held here. Our Librarian, Mr. Davis, should be praised on the way he arranged the meetings and the way he is going about to make the library a success. Two new Leaders, Miss Allen and Mr. Parker, were accepted on Sunday, 17th. Our Lyceum is still progressing and we hope all other Lyceums are doing likewise.—G. Mair, Sec.

STOCKPORT (Lyceum Church).—On February 3rd, a Memorial Session was held, to pay a tribute of sympathy to Mr. Jones, whose wife has passed to the spirit world. Also to Mrs. Dean, ex-Guardian, whose husband passed away, after doing duty in France.—J. H. Marston.

TODMORDEN (Eagle Street).—Sunday, February 17th, we held our Lyceum Day. Speaker, Mrs. Foster, Burnley. Afternoon address, "Lyceum work"; evening, "Duty." Soloist, Miss Uttley. Successful gatherings.—Thomas Wild, Sec.

WINNIPEG (Polson Avenue).—We held our Lyceum Open Session on Sunday afternoon, January 7th. Numerous adults rendered pearls, followed by a piano solo by Miss Jonina Sumarlidson; reading by Mrs. Ormerod; Lyceum song by Mr. Pearson; recitation by Miss Jonina Sumarlidson; reading by Mrs. Frank Turner; Lyceum song by Mr. C. Forrest; reading by Mrs. Knox.—A. Palmer, Sec.

# The British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

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

- Accrington,** China-street, 10-30 a.m. and 1-45 p.m. Mr. T. Fazakerley, 37, Cross-street, Oswaldtwistle
- Auckland, N.Z.,** Karangahape-road, 2-30 p.m. Mr. C. W. Skinner, 17, Surrey-street, Grey Lynn, Auckland, N.Z.
- Bacup,** Hall street, Burnley road, 10 a.m. Mr. J. A. Scott, 22, South street.
- Barnoldswick,** West End Spiritual Temple, 10 and 1-30. Mrs. G. Francis, 5, Bankfield Temple, Gates, nr. Colne.
- Barnsley,** George-yard, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. C. Hunt, 18, Freeman-street.
- Barrow-in-Furness,** Dalkeith-street, 10 and 2. Mr. Roderick Brown, 49, Harrison-street.
- Batley Carr,** Carr-street, 10 and 2. Miss Polly Mortimer, 27, Hall road, Stancliffe, Batley.
- Belper,** Jubilee Hall, 10 and 2. Mr. J. H. Hawkins, Brookside.
- Belfast,** Whitehall Buildings 13, Ann-street, 3 p.m. Mr. John H. Uprichard, 285, Donegall road.
- Birkenhead,** 46, Bridge-street 10-30 a.m. Miss May Rob, 63, Oxton-road.
- Birmingham,** Handsworth 58, Villa-road, 3 p.m. Miss E. Hylda Jones, 77, Hamstead-rd, Handsworth.
- Birmingham,** Small Heath, 495, Coventry road, 11 a.m. Mr. J. H. Sharpe, 15, Wordsworth-road, Small Heath.
- Blackburn,** St. Peter Street, 9-30 and 1-45. Miss Mary Moorhouse, 23, Clerkhill street.
- Blackpool,** Albert-road, 9-15 a.m. Miss B. Barnes, 2, Palatine-road.
- Bolton,** Bradford-street, 10 a.m. Miss Elsie Sheldon, 15, Meredith street Great Lever.
- Bolton,** Deane road, 10 a.m. Miss Bertha Milton, 3, Webster-street, Burden.
- Bolton,** Henry-street, 10 a.m. Mr. Lowther Turner, 55, Bridgeman Place.
- Bradford,** Boynton-street 10-45 and 1-45. Mrs. Ward, 1, Wilson-street, Low Moor, Bradford.
- Bradford,** Carlisle-road, Ivy rooms, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Norman Naylor, 248, Upper Wood, Lands-road.
- Bradford,** East Bowling, Wakefield-road, Harker street, 10-30 and 1-45. Miss F. Akroyd, 7, Rutan-street, Wakefield-road.
- Bradford,** 432, Manchester-road, 10-30 and 1-54. Mrs. E. Baird, 47, Cophorne-street, Dirkhill.
- Bradford,** Otley-road, 10-30 a.m. and 1-45 p.m. Miss Lily Harrison, 236, Undercliffe street.
- Bradford,** Bankfoot, Manchester road, 10-30 and 2, p.m. Miss Ada Fernihough, 167, Park Side Road
- Brierfield,** Colne-road, 10 a.m. M. Robert Dilworth, 32, Clover Hill-road, Nelson.
- Brighouse,** Commercial-street, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss Lucy Briggs, 16, Bridge End, Rastrick.
- Brighouse,** Martin-street, 10 and 2. Miss Emily Crowther, 18, Rogerson Square, Bonegate-road.
- Brighton,** Windsor Hall, Windsor-street, 2-45 p.m. Mr. E. C. Cager, 74, Cobden-road.
- Brisbane,** Queensland, Australia, Wickham-street, 2-30 p.m. Miss Minnie Reinhold, London-road, Clayfield.
- Bristol,** Thomas-street, 3 p.m. Mr. H. E. Oaten, 53, Barratt-street, Easton.
- Burnley,** Hamerton-street, 10 a.m. Miss D. Slater, 8, Haven street.
- Burnley,** North-street, 9-30 a.m. Miss Bertha Penney, 4, Hurlley-street, Burnley Lane.
- Burton-on-Trent,** Hominglow-road, 10 45 a.m. Miss M. Bloor, 85, Belvedere road.
- Bury,** 66, King-street, Rochdale-road 10 and 1-45. Miss Doris Fletcher, 44, King street, Rochdale-road.
- Caerau,** Brigend, Herson-road, 2-30. Mrs. Elsie Bailey, 17, Railway-terrace.
- Calgary,** 2 p.m. Mr. William Brown 2910, 172, street, Calgary, S.E. Alberta, Canada.
- Cardiff,** Castle-street, 2-45 p.m. Mr. O. Evans, 3, LaoySmith Road, Penylan, Cardiff.
- Castleford,** Lower Oxford-street, 10-15 and 1-30. Mr. Herbert Hemsworth, 14, Rhodes-street, High-town.
- Chester,** Commonhall-street, 10-30, Mrs. N. Stevenson, 84, Francis street.
- Chesterfield,** Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30 and 2-15. Mr. John J. Foster, 71, Sheffield d road.
- Chester-le-Street,** Front-street, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. M. Wright, 121, Front-street.
- Chorley,** Union-street, 9-30 and 1-45. Mrs. Mary Heald, 9, Alexandra-street.
- Cleckheaton,** Old Robin, Westgate, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. George Bentley, 13 Mount-street.
- Clitheroe,** Salford street, 10 a.m. Miss Lizzie Laycock, 67, West View.
- Colne,** Cloth-hall, 10 a.m. Mr. B. Farron, 18 Earl st.
- Coventry,** Bull-street (off Hertford-street), 3-0 to 4-30 p.m. Mrs. A. Cattell, 62, St. Patrick's road
- Crewe,** Mill-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. P. Gawthorne, 24, Samuel-street.
- Daisy Hill,** Mabel-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Joseph Powers, 10, Mabel-street, Westhoughton, nr. Bolton.
- Darlington,** Bondgate, 2 p.m. Mrs. Farrow, 11, Brunton-street.
- Darlington,** High Northgate, 10-30 a.m. Mr. R. P. Christopher, Manor House, Great Burdon.
- Darwen,** Churchbank-street, 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. J. Shu theworth, 47, Heys lane.
- Darnley,** Rochdale-rd., 10 a.m. Mr. Taylor Spiritual Temple, Littleborough.
- Denby,** Charnwood-street, 9-45 and 2 p.m. Mr H Wade, 2, Cockpit-hill, Marledge
- Dewsbury,** Bond-street, 10 and 1-45. Mr. H. Holdsworth, 12, William-street, Leade road.
- Dundee,** Overgate, Operative Hall, 12-45 p.m. Miss Ethel Smith, 128, Logie-street, Lockee.
- Duckinfield,** Railway-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Wm. Williams, 187, Portland-street, Ashton-under-Lyne.
- Dundee,** Rattray-street, 12-30 a.m. Miss Mary Hutton, 5, Kinnard-street.
- Dunston-on-Tyne,** Ellison road, 2-30 p.m. Mr. J. W. Secken, 152, Westminster-street, Gateshead.
- Durpan, Natal, S.A.,** Cathedral Road, (534, P.O. Box), 11 a.m. Mr. T. J. W. Wheatley, 3, Hampson Grove.
- Earby,** Green-end Avenue 10 and 1-45. Miss Lizzie Foulds, 7 Duxbury-street, near Colne.
- Eastwood,** Hill Top Nottingham Hall, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. Joseph A. George, 3, Lym Croft, Eastwood, Notts.
- Edinburgh,** 77, Queens-street, 1 p.m. Miss Winifred Copley, 149, Constitution street, Leith.
- Fleetwood,** Kemp-st, 2-0 p.m. Mr. J. C. Waller, 210, Lord-street.
- Foleshill,** Broad street, 10-45 a.m. Mr. G. Starr Bambrick, 46, Nicholls street, Coventry.
- Gateshead,** Rectory Hall, St. Cuthbert's Place, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. M. Mather, 47, Claremont, North Ave.
- Geelong,** Rapie street, 3 p.m. Mr. A. Taylor, 36, Russell street, Chilwell, Geelong, Vic., Australia.
- Glasgow,** 25, Bath street, 4 p.m., Miss Bolton, 16, Govanhill-street.
- Glasgow,** S.M.U. Royal Institute, West Campbell street, 1 p.m. Mr. W. Webster, 24, Westbury street, St. George's road.
- Great Harwood,** West Well-street, 10-30 and 1-45 Miss Luie Holt, 4, Poplar avenue, near Blackburn
- Grimsby,** Strand street, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Miss Eva Scott, 75, Blundell Avenue, New Cle.
- Gurney Valley,** 2 p.m. Mr. J. Cheesmond, 58, Gurney Valley, near Bishop Auckland
- Halifax,** Alma-street, 10 and 1-45. Mr. Percy Chapman, 17, Wilson-street, Commercial-road.
- Halifax,** Raven-street, 10 and 1-30. Mr. Levi Blackburn, 16, Luton-street, Queen's-road
- Hamilton, Ont., Canada,** Farrars Hall, Barton St. E., 2-45. Miss Selina Etchells, 1010, Barton-street, E.
- Hanley,** Percy-street, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. S. Brittain, 27, Albion street
- Heaton Norris,** Baker-street, 10 and 2 p.m. Miss Elsie Langton, 51, Baker-street, nr. Stockport
- Hidden Bridge,** Hope Street, 10-30 and 1-45. Miss Elsie Smith, Beechwood View.
- Hetton and District,** 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Fergusson, 40, Edward-street, Hetton, co. Durham.
- Heywood,** William-street, 10 and 1-45. Miss Gertrude Hulme, 5, Bridge-street.
- Hirst,** Equitable Stores Hall, 2-30 p.m., Mr. H. Barton, 83, Poplar Street, Ashington, via Morpeth.
- Hollinwood,** Byrom-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Harry Taylor, 86, Albert-street, nr. Oldham.
- Horwich,** Beatrice-street, 10 a.m. and 1-45 p.m. Mr. Walsh, 45, Tomlinson-street, near Bolton
- Huddersfield,** Ramsden-street, 10 a.m. Miss E. Rawbottom, 22, Bradley's Buildings, Northgate.
- Huddersfield,** St. Peter-street, 10-30 a.m. & 2-30 p.m. Miss Emily Cliffe, 45 Manchester-road.
- Hull,** Hessele road, Ensbourne street, 1-43 to 3 p.m. Mr. George Brown, 47, Wen ock-street.
- Hull,** Holborn Hall, Holborn street, Witham, 10-30 a.m. and 2-30. Mrs. Brown, 47, Wenlock-street.
- Hyde,** Clarendon-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. S. Burgess, 5, Arthur-street.
- Jarrow,** Market-square, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. R. A. Hudson, 8, Gray-street.
- Johannesburg,** 11 a.m. Trades' Hall, Commission-street, Mr. Vernon Hart.
- Keighley,** Heber-street, 10 and 1-30. Mr. William Hudson, 29 Fell lane.
- Krugerdrop,** Kruger-street, 3 p.m. Mrs. L. Eastmure, 3, Stunmaaker-street, Monument Hill, Transvaal, South Africa.
- Leeds,** Armlay, Theaker-lane, 2 p.m. Mr. H. Steele 7, Paisley street Armley.
- Leeds,** Bethel-street, 2-30 p.m. Mr. A. Wothead, 11, Westwood-terrace, Dewsbury road
- Leeds,** Cookridge street (Psycho), 2-30 p.m. Miss Ethel Whiteley, 64, Leicester Grove, Woodhouse lane.
- Leed 4,** 7, Easy-road, 2 p.m. T. Brown, 36 Atkinson-street, Hunslet.
- Leeds,** Roxburgh-road, 16, Selborne-place, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. C. Butler, 4, Mariners' road, Dewsbury
- Leicester,** Queen-street, 11-0 a.m. Mr. John Wicks, 16, Curzon-street.
- Leicester,** Silver-street, Queen's Hall, 2-45 p.m. Mr. Arthur Lucas, 304 Narborough Road.
- Leigh,** The Avenue, 10 a.m. Mr. T. Gregory, 18, Brackley street, Lancs.
- Lincoln,** Progressive Hall Coultham street, 10-15 a.m. Mrs. H. C. Dobby, Stanley House, Sansthorpe street.
- Littleborough,** Hartley-street, 10-0 a.m. Mr. Edward Lord, 17, Edgerton-street.
- Littletown,** Well-street, 2 p.m. Miss A. Hirst, Well-street, Littletown, nr. Liversedge.
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- Liverpool,** 2, Romer-road, Kensington, 3 p.m. Mr. J. E. Quine, 34, South Bank-road, Edge-lane.
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- Manchester,** Ardwick, 38, Maskell-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. H. Heslop, 24, Robert-street, C-on-M.

**Manchester**, Crescent road, Cheetham hill, 10-30 Miss M. Hart, 2, Milan-street, Hr. Broughton.  
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**Manchester**, Meston, Ashley-lane, 10-30, Miss E. Elleatt, 40a, Spring Vale, Middleton.  
**Manchester**, Higher Openshaw, Alhambra Buildings, Bank St., 2-45 p.m. Mrs. Molinoux, 70, Ambush Street, Hr. Openshaw.  
**Manchester**, Pendleton, Ford-lane, 10-30 and 2-15 Miss Royle, 518, Wardley-lane, Swinton.  
**Manchester**, Salford (Central), High street, of Cross Lane, 10-30 a.m. Miss M. E. Cross, 490, Eccles New road Waists.  
**Manchester**, South, Princess-road, 2-30 p.m. Miss Jessie E. Wood, 250, Cross Lane, East Moss Side.  
**Mansfield**, Quaker-lane, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. Wm. Winfield, 49, Howard-road.  
**Marsden**, Oliver Lane, 10-30 and 2-0. Mr. Joseph Asquith, 20, Darby Terrace.  
**Mexborough**, Central Hall, West street, 10-15 and 2 p.m. Mr. E. Wimpenny, Tickhill Square, Denaby Main, near Rotherham.  
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**Mossley**, Abbey-road, 10-30 and 1-45, Miss Fanny Pinder, 8, Back Stanley-road, Micklehurst.  
**Nelson**, Vernon-street, 10 a.m. Miss Ada Walley, 14, Dundonnell-road.  
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**Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Benwell Co-op Hall, 2-30. Mr. E. Mangham, 160, Farndale-road.  
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**Normanton**, Queen-street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. C. R. Illingworth, 7, Claremont terrace.  
**North Shields**, Ripon Hall, 42, Stanley-street, W. 2-30. Mr. John Leak, 32, Donkin-terrace.  
**Nottingham**, Hysou Green, Bentinck Road Board School, 10-45 and 2. Miss A. Wright, 348, High-road, Bulwell.  
**Nottingham**, Basford Mission, Isandalar-rd., 10-45 & 2 Miss Florence Pearson, 5, Chelsea St., New Basford.  
**Nottingham**, [Mechanics' Hall], Burton-st., 2-30 p.m. Mr. O. Peel, 8, Briar-street, Meadows.  
**Nottingham**, (Gladstone Hall), Lamartine-st., 2-30 A. Shipley, 45, Hungerhill-road.  
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**Oldham**, Elliot-st., 10 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. Miss A. Chappell, 56, Minton-street.  
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**Rawtenstall**, Back Ormerod-st., 10-15 a.m. Mr. Alan Haworth, 1, Victoria street, Cloughfold.  
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**Righton**, Eachill-rd., 10-30 a.m. Miss Lizzie Sanderson, 53 Commercial-street, nr. Blackburn.  
**Rochdale**, Penn-st., 10 a.m. Mr. Thomas Dixon, 183, Whitehall street.  
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**Runcorn**, Ashridge-st., 1-45 p.m. Miss Nellie Hobley 4, Albany terraces.  
**St. Helens**, 121, Church-st., 10-30 a.m. Miss Gladys Atkinson, 20, Woodville-street.  
**Shaw**, Lyon-st., 10 and 2. Mr. R. James Savory 37, Glebe street, near Oldham.  
**Sheffield**, Bold-st., Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common, 10-30 and 2-30. Mr. E. Pegg, 75, Station road, Darvall.  
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**Stalybridge**, 13, Chapel-street, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Miss B. Croft, 5, Compton street.  
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**Stockton-on-Tees**, New Brunswick-st., 10-45 a.m. Miss Winter, 56, Westbary-street, Thornaby-on Tees.  
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**Todmorden**, Eagle Street, 9-30 and 1-15. Mr. Thomas Wild, 10, Harehill street.  
**Todmorden**, Roomfield Buildings, Halifax road 10-0 & 1-15 Miss Lily Eastwood, 199, Rochdale road.  
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**Ulverston**, Odd-fellows Hall, 10-30 and 1-30. Miss Edith Martindale, 3, Edmondson-street.  
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**York**, St Saviour's-gate 10 a.m. Miss M. Dickinson, 10, Hampden street.

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**London**, Brenton, S.W., Spiritual Brotherhood Church, Stockwell Park road, S.W., 3 p.m. Mrs. Mrs. Ineh, 5, Spencer-road, Herne Hill, S.E. 24.  
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