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BY JAMES KNIGHT.

Dear Bannerites,—

I have been reading and talking about the Wonders of Iceland, and its just as wonderful people. And just fancy, there is not a Lyceum in the whole Island. I hope our Union, helped by the S.N.U., will soon be able to take our Heaven blessed "ism", and Lyceum system to these Icelanders; and thus bring to them the facts that our loved ones have not to wait until the end of the world to get to Heaven; but at the change called Death, find the Heaven they are best suited for; that neither beliefs nor conditions, as taught in Iceland, or elsewhere, will prevent any single one from getting there.

My daughter, in spirit, says, "Why not tell the BANNER readers all about it?" So here goes. I can only tell you a few things about the Island and its people, as the BANNER has so many interests to cater for, which is being done so well, that I hope each of you will get one or two more Bannerites, and double its sale.

Iceland is a large Island in the North Atlantic Ocean and belongs to Denmark. Get your map, either of Europe or America, and you will find it about midway between both, near the Arctic Ocean. Its length is about 325 miles, its breadth 190 miles, and is about

39,000 squaremiles. It is rather larger than Ireland. It has a large number of deep Bays, or Fiords. The surface of the land, and its sea coasts, is in the highest degree very rugged and mountainous. Its soil is so poor that it produces very few of the necessities of human life. No part of the world presents such a number of Volcanic Mountains, or so many hot and boiling springs, or such immense tracts of *Lava*, covering what, otherwise, might be suitable land for cultivation: not more than one-fourth of the surface is inhabited. There are more

than 30 of these Volcanic Mountains have large and remarkable craters; one or more of them often erupting pumice, ashes and molten lava in enormous quantities. Many of these mountains are covered with perpetual snow and ice, which form immense *Glaciers*; and, when they break away from the land and slide into the sea, become, as icebergs, very dangerous to shipping; they are often accompanied with dense fog. When an outbreak takes place the snow and ice melt, causing terrible explosions, and floods which are very disastrous. These mountains vary in height from 2,500 feet to over 6,000 feet, and have—to us—very funny and unpronounceable names; which I will not trouble you with. The term *Jokull*—pronounced *Yukull*—is generally used instead of mountain. Such as the *Breithamerkr Jokull*. The ice and snow fields alone cover more than one-tenth of the Island's surface; making of Iceland the battlefield of King Frost and devouring Fire.

Over a thousand years ago, *Naddodr*—a Norse Viking,—had his ship blown into one of the principal Fiords, and thus became

the discoverer of the Island which he named Iceland. The outlook to-day is much the same as when he climbed its snow and ice-covered mountains. Not the least among the charms of Iceland is the slight impression that man has—so far, made upon it. Its interesting beauty, its wonderful display of Glacier and Volcanoes, its deep cut Fiords and Bays will for ever bring the beholder into the presence of the all-wise Creator, and to realise, as never before, the two mighty agents he employs—Fire and Water—for the well being of this earth of ours.

Before leaving these volcanoes I want to give you a description of one of these dreadful eruptions which took place in 1783. About the end of May a thin blue smoke was seen to rise behind *Skaptarfells*. By the 8th of June it changed into an awful walllike mass of smoke and ashes, from whence proceeded showers of cinders and fine filaments of Lava, followed by earthquake shocks, peals of thunder, violent subterranean reports and crashes in quick succession. On the 19th lurid pillars of fire appeared within the dense black mass; next day the *Skapta* river suddenly became dry, and like a foaming sea there burst upon the lowlands a frightful stream of molten lava, while over all there came a dense, noxious deadly vapour. The valley of the *Skapta*—in some places 600 feet deep—was filled to the brim with the glowing torrent of lava; by the 18th so

vast a flood of molten lava appeared, carrying on its waves great glowing rocks which rolled along above the earlier streams, while the waters of rivers and streams came down in hissing, seething, and all destroying torrents. These continued until July 2nd. On August 9th enormous clouds of ashes emitting life-destroying sulphurous and other noxious vapours spread far and wide, being carried seaward over a thousand miles. Plants of all descriptions were destroyed. The starved and poisoned animals died by thousands. A new disease appeared, sheep, cattle,

horses, and the people were seized with loathsome swellings, their mouths became inflamed, their teeth dropped out, and according to *Magnus Stevenson*, 9,336 human beings, 28,000 horses, 11,400 cattle, and 190,000 sheep perished within two years. One of the lava streams was nearly 50 miles in length, with a width of from two to twelve miles.

Mr. Stevenson visited the district a year after the eruption, but found the lava too hot to traverse. Just think what a terrible sensation will be caused when one of these many volcanoes shows signs of an eruption; for the people are never sure from which side of the crater the all-destroying lava will flow. Let us be thankful we live in Merrie England.

My next will be about the Hot Springs, called Geysers. The Animals, Birds, Fishes and plants.

J. Knight, 37, Parliament Street, Bury.

The Kettering Lyceum make a pleasing feature in the Lyceum by the Conductor pinning badges on the wearer when the badges are bought by Lyceumists.



The B.S.L.U. National Education Scheme.

TO ALL STUDENT LYCEUMISTS.

The Education Committee desire to convey their New Year Greetings to each Lyceumist interested in the Education Scheme, and to express their wishes for pleasant hours of profitable studying, and gratifying results in the examinations.

CONCERNING THE ORAL GRADE.

Lyceumists will be sorry to learn that the Oral Grade Secretary, Miss Alice Hesp, has been far from well for some months, and is now suffering from neuritis. This is so bad in her right arm that she is unable to use a pen at all; and apologises to all correspondents who have waited in vain for replies to their orders, enquiries, and letters.

Until Miss Hesp is better, all the work connected with the Oral Grade will be done by the Education Secretary. Will Secretaries, children's tutors and supervisors please note this; and communicate in future with Miss Kitson on Oral Grade matters.

Both Miss Hesp and Miss Kitson will be grateful if readers will bring this paragraph to the notice of their Lyceum Secretary, and Oral Grade Tutor and Supervisor.

TO ALL CANDIDATES FOR NEXT MONTH'S EXAMS.

At the time of writing, quite a number of Lyceums had not sent in their lists of examination candidates. Will each Lyceumist who is taking the examination please enquire if your Secretary has sent in your name.

For your studies, learn your Handbook thoroughly; and know the meaning of each word and phrase in the recitations set from the *Manual*. Also, know the import of each verse or section; and be able to write a summary of any one of the recitations studied.

TO LYCEUM SECRETARIES.

If you have not yet sent in your Lyceum's list of examination candidates, please do so as soon as possible. Lists will be accepted until the 18th January, but *not later*—and the work of the Education Secretary will be made considerably easier if all lists are in by the 9th January. So please be considerate, and post early.

Remember to send on, besides the fees, one shilling for postages, and one shilling for Book of Results.

LITERATURE FOR THE STUDY OF THE EDUCATION SCHEME.

N.B.—13 copies are allowed to the dozen.

(i) *Syllabuses of Work*, for all Grades—1½d. per copy (for quantities less than 12); or 9d. per dozen, post free.

(ii) *Helps to the Study of the Lyceum Manual*—2d. per copy, or 1s. 9d. per dozen.

(iii) *Oral Grade Primer*—5d. per copy, or 3s. 6d. per dozen, post free.

(iv) *No. 1 Handbook*—for Grade I: 4d. per copy, or 3s. 6d. per dozen, post free.

(v) *No. 2 Handbook*—for Grades II., III. and IV., 6d. per copy, or 5s. 6d. per dozen, post free.

(vi) *No. 3 Handbook*—for Grade V.: 7d. per copy, or 5s. 6d. per dozen, post free.

EDUCATION SECRETARY—(MISS M. E. KITSON, 17, Bromley Road, Hanging Heaton, Batley (Yorks.).)

The Aim of Spiritualism: A Reform.

Handbook II., pp. 14—16.

By J. TINKER.

It is well known to reformers that their teachings are useless without some *driving force* from the emotions of the people. It is said that all great moral movements radiated from great personalities. Yet those great ones invented no new maxim. All the Christian morals were taught before Jesus lived. The reformers did more than preach. They fired the souls of men with passionate devotion for righteousness. They baptised with the spirit. They were inspired and upheld by spirits. We cannot effect reforms by disquisitions on ethics. We must be fired with love, be zealous for good, and be ready for sacrifice on the altar of humanity—a *living sacrifice*. That does not mean that the reformer must be a fanatical zealot. Our intense human sympathy must be illumined by the clear vision of

righteous practicabilities. But it needs zeal to turn visions of the ideal into realities. It needs more. In my last article I said that Spirit Communion is not only personal conversation with discarnate spirits. It opens the gate for *spiritual forces* to increase and sanctify all efforts in this life for the "satisfaction of the higher needs and aspirations of humanity," and therefore insists that all efforts to reduce human beings to bare subsistence and animal standards are *immoral* and uncivilised. We must not only live: but live *well*." (Aristotle).

Essentials of Reform.

There are three essentials of reform: First, the spiritual forces impelling towards the satisfaction of higher needs; second, the standard of life based on those higher needs; third, the wise adoption of the most efficient methods. I have not space to enlarge on the notes in the Handbook regarding home and work. But I think friend Connor has given work to the trades unions which the employers should do: the training of workers (apprenticeships) and insisting that lazy workmen do their share or quit. Nevertheless, there is need for reform by all concerned—including the community. There should be more co-operation and less strife. There's too much 'ca' canny' in all quarters where work or payment is concerned—even in Churches and Lyceums.

In considering town affairs we are first concerned about our neighbours. We cannot do better than take the illustration by Jesus: "He who had compassion" (Luke 10. 29-37). It is not the dictionary meaning, but you cannot get much *nearer* a person than by compassion. Suppose you live next door to a music teacher who starts early and finishes late, and puts in scale practice on Sundays. It is not precisely compassion you feel; but the duty of getting something near to it will help considerably to neighbourly conditions, especially if the teacher manages to act with a bit of compassion for his neighbour. Friendly adjustment of inconveniences, instead of turbulent insistence on rights, is necessary. What is the principle affecting the riddance of yelping dogs, howling cats, yelling hawkers, and nuisances generally? That those things which are a bigger nuisance to the neighbours than necessity to the owner or creator of the nuisance must be removed or substituted by something tolerable. There must be some degree of compassion as well as abstract "rights."

Collective Management.

In the text-book I put *hints*, for leaders to develop from current affairs. Detailed treatment was impossible, and each leader or teacher should select local instances. Take the economic conditions in towns. I have no space to deal with rates and their purposes, whether for health, police, education, poor relief, streets, lighting, trams, &c. The principle is that where the inhabitants can be better served by their own collective management, those services should not be left to private profiteers, but managed by the people's Councils. But the people must provide the money (by rates and otherwise), and ought to take care that their money is well spent for the best service. So the voters should study town management and vote for the best managers to get the best value. That cannot be done if a Corporation is a purse to get either big wages out of too slack work or big profits for scamped work. Every person is responsible for care of public property.

In referring to higher needs than those for which Councils are responsible I did not wish to infer that Councils should undertake to provide for them. Churches, educational institutions, clubs, &c., can do that, but the State and the Councils, by more faithfully doing their duties, would enable the people to satisfy their higher needs as they wished, freed from hindrances due to private greed and wasteful expenditure. For instance, the children have too little room to develop in their schools and homes and the streets. Yet we see open spaces repeatedly *stolen from the children* to make pretty little parks and playgrounds for adults, where the children can timidly look about them, but must certainly "keep off the grass." Bah! What is grass for, if not for kiddies to roll on? And the park men are so busy with bowling greens and tennis grounds that they cannot attend to the children where there are playgrounds, except to give them an occasional fright. *Room for the children* is a pressing reform.

The New Book, "Modern Spiritualism," which has been issued by the B.S.L.U., will be found a very useful text book to assist students taking part in the Examination Scheme. The price is 3/3 a copy; 30/- a dozen to Lyceums, post free.

The Adventures of Prince Trueheart.

(OUR LYCEUM GUILD SERIAL STORY FOR CHILDREN).

An Allegory.

BY ALFRED KITSON.

(Author of "The Garden of the Heart," etc., etc., etc.)

CHAPTER I.

There was a great commotion in the Royal Palace. The servants were hurrying hither and thither, with white, scared faces; fear and dread at their hearts. The King was pacing the floor of his private room in deep trouble. The Queen was in her boudoir, wringing her hands in anguish and despair. The cause of all this misery was the disappearance of their only daughter, Princess Mab, a bright-eyed, light-hearted, and lovely-featured maiden, whose heart was full of song and gladness, and who carried "peace on earth to men of good will," wherever she went. Indeed she seemed to belong more to the spiritual world than the earth. The bad, as well as the good, felt the charm of her presence: their hard, unfeeling hearts would soften, their angry, unkind words would be checked as if by magic, and give place to better and kinder feelings, as soon as she made her appearance.

There is no wonder that the mysterious disappearance of so lovely and well-beloved a Princess should cause such consternation. There had been staying at the Royal Palace, two powerful Knights, known as Ignorance and Selfishness. Both of them were renowned warriors, who had invaded the dominions of other princes, and had despoiled them of their possessions, and had thus become exceedingly rich and powerful. Ignorance was by far the stronger of the two, but was less cunning, and so was often used as a tool to effect the evil designs of Selfishness. The greater cunning of the latter enabled him to possess himself of four-fifths of all the spoils of war. He never failed to cajole by flattery, and occasional entertainments, and profuse promises, his brother-in-arms. They had secretly left the Royal Palace by night. No one had seen them go. The sentinels on the ramparts and the guards at the gates had been treated to a feast in honour of their influential guests, who had made themselves quite friendly, and in order to carry out their plan, had even condescended to sleep with the guards. While so doing Selfishness had heavily drugged the wine, which sent the guards to sleep.

The chambermaids of the fair Princess had been fascinated and charmed by the flatteries of these two knights, who had pretended to make love to them, and had made them a few presents (stolen from their victims), which completely turned their heads. This was done at the suggestion of Selfishness, so as to throw the chambermaids off their guard, and cause them to neglect their duties. On a search being made, these two silly maidens were found securely bound and gagged, and almost suffocated. And on being questioned where their precious charge was, they pleaded ignorance, and declared they had had cloths thrown over their heads, and their hands and feet bound. They heard the Princess call for help. Then there was hurrying of heavy footsteps, and when these died away, the cloths were removed from their heads by a sprightly dwarf called Mischief. He had small, cunning eyes, and a tongue that would talk when it should be silent, and could not be induced to speak when it was needful. As he removed these cloths he grinned most horribly in their faces, and examined the gags to see if they were secure. Then he put his dagger to their throats, and threatened to kill them if they attempted to make the least alarm, after which he hurried away. It took a long time to learn even so much, as at first they could only speak in faint whispers. And when they beheld the gloomy, sad features of the King, the tears and deep anguish of the Queen, and the impatient, almost frantic cries of the noble Prince Trueheart, the faithful lover of the beautiful Princess Mab, they gave way to hysterical sobs and tears, which caused greater delay.

When the noble Prince found they could not tell where his lovely Princess was, or who had abducted her, he ordered his splendid black steed to be saddled and brought forth. In the meantime he took a hasty farewell of the King and Queen, and tried to comfort them with the assurance that he would rescue the lovely Princess and restore her to their bosoms, and punish her abductors, or die in the attempt. So saying, he bade them adieu, and the next minute was in the court yard, where his favourite horse awaited him. It pricked up its ears at the sound of his quick footsteps, and began to paw the pavement. He stroked its glossy mane, and patted its arching neck saying,

"Now, my Diamond, I wish you to bear me right nobly in quest of our lovely Princess Mab, who has been carried off by two wicked knights." So saying, he mounted into the saddle.

The guards of honour were drawn up into two lines extending to the main entrance. The gate was opened; the drawbridge lowered. The Prince lifted his plumed cap to the King and Queen, who stood on the balcony eagerly watching the preparations for his departure. The latter shook her tear-stained handkerchief in response, and breathed a prayer for his safe return. The Prince shook the reins, and away dashed the noble steed across the court yard, through the gate, over the drawbridge, and was lost to sight.

CHAPTER II.

It was amazing to see the noble steed clear the ground. Never before had it run at such a speed. Trees and bushes seemed to fly past them. Prince Trueheart soon reached the forest which he knew he would have to pass through in order to reach the castles of the two Knights. He struck the main pathway, and pushed on with all speed. Suddenly he saw a venerable old man, with high forehead, white hair, and clear blue eyes which seemed capable of reading one's inner secrets. His features were regular and well defined, straight nose, a firm mouth that had a kind sympathetic smile for the needy and suffering, yet was capable of being sternly reproving when necessary. He was attired in a long robe which reached down to his ankles. A silk cord was wound round his waist, and tied in front; two small tassels depended from the ends. On his feet were a pair of sandals. At his left side was a bunch of keys of various sizes, and curious designs, and in his right hand was a magic staff, on which he leaned for support. His name was Wisdom. Prince Trueheart at once rode up to him, and drawing his reins, lifted his plumed cap, and bowed his head in reverent respect.

"Whither goest thou, my son?" asked the old man, in clear ringing tones. "I am in search of the fair Princess Mab, O venerable father," he answered. "She mysteriously left the Royal Palace during the night. And it is feared she has been abducted by the two cruel knights, Selfishness and Ignorance; who have, also, mysteriously left the Royal Palace during the night. Can you tell me ought concerning her?"

"My son," answered the sage, "thy surmises are correct. She is in the hands of the wicked knights thou hast named. They passed here but a short time ago. I bade them halt, but they neither saw my presence nor heard my voice. The Princess heard me and would have heeded me had she been free, but her captors bore her away. To rescue her, my son, thou needest a stout heart, and a firm hand, a great amount of courage and perseverance. If thou doest not possess these qualities thou hadst better give up thy quest and return home to thy friends; for to go further means defeat, ruin, and death."

As he spoke these words of warning, he watched our hero's features to see what effect they had on him.

Nothing daunted, the Prince lifted his head proudly erect, and said, "Good father, I thank you for your information. My sight is clear, my hand is steady, and my heart is stout, and I mean to rescue her, or die in the attempt."

"Well spoken, my son, I am pleased to see that thou possessest so much courage. If thou maintainest it thou wilt succeed, but if thy courage fails thee, thou art lost."

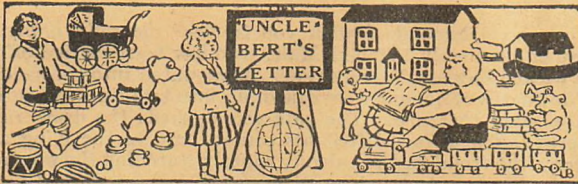
"Fear not, good Father, but direct me in the right pathway, that I may overtake the rascals and punish them."

"Thou must take this path to the right, keep straight on, do not swerve therefrom, or thou wilt come to grief. Be vigilant, as many dangers and temptations await thee." So saying, he drew forth a small phial filled with a bright red liquid. "This," he said, holding it up so that he might see its sparkling contents, "is Hope, better known as the Elixir of Life. Take it, my son, and when thou art weary take a portion of it, and it will revive thy drooping energies. And here is a small crystal," he said, and he held up to view a beautiful crystal of priceless worth, whose clear depths seemed fathomless as he gazed into them. "This is called Intuition. Whenever thou art in doubt, consult it, and whatever it shows thee, that thou must do. Take them, my son, and use them wisely and well."

Prince Trueheart took the proffered gifts, and said, "Speech fails me, good Father, to express the thanks that my heart feels for the great kindness you have shown me."

So saying, he placed the phial and crystal in the inner pocket of his doublet. He reverently lifted his plumed cap, and bowed his head in token of adieu. But when he looked up, the sage had mysteriously disappeared.

(To be continued.)



MY DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS,

A glad New Year to all I bring;
A glad New Year to you.
And we will join you while you sing;
Our hearts are happy too.

—L.C. 405.

Hip-Pip-Hurrah! Steam's up; come along, kiddies, hurry up; get aboard the Lyceum ship, for our new year's trip to the land of "Progression." Oh! it's a wonderful land I want to take you all to. What! no money; spent it all on Christmas presents. Never mind, you can work your passage out. I'll take charge of the ship. Ha, ha, ha; just fancy seeing Uncle Bert, all dressed up in a captain's uniform, walking up and down the bridge of a beautiful ship, with a big telescope under my arm, which I shall have to use to locate those wonderful Treasure Caves en route.

What a happy crew we are. What! bound for the North Pole? No, thank you; it's too cold here. We're going to the Land of Progression. What sort of boys and girls are we likely to meet? I must just try and tell you, as this trip will take us twelve months. We shall call at hundreds of different ports. I will tell you about two or three of them. The others you will know all about when you reach them. The first Port we call at is called "Good Hope." Here you will find the boys and girls are of a very bright and happy disposition. They are always most cheerful, because they always have the sunshine of anticipation shining upon them.

The second is Port "Activity." Boys and girls at this port are just like a swarm of busy bees, full of vitality; they have no time to get lazy, for as soon as they spy a little bit of work to do, they do it.

"Helpfulness" is our next. The main occupations of these children are to be on the look-out for any people who need a helping hand. They have a war cry all their own. Strange to say, it is in our *Manual*. It is the title of No. 237; and you should just hear them sing it.

Then on December 31st, 1924, we shall reach the end of our trip, and you will skip down the gangway, with bright, happy faces. You will be ever so rich, having collected treasures of service from the various stopping places. There will be a records officer awaiting you, and he will ask you a lot of questions. He will want to know what sort of trip you have had? How many good deeds you have done, etc.? And if he is satisfied he will stamp your passport with the words "Top marks for 1924," and you will then enter the "Land of Progression." A new spot will be marked on the map of the World by you.

In this land you will find the Fairy's Wand has been busy. The old Lyceum halls which were once known to us as old shops, warehouses, stables, dwelling houses, etc., will be changed into large churches, every one having its own Lyceum. These Lyceums meet under much better conditions than we do now. They meet as a United Lyceum for the opening hymn and salutation, and then the tiny tots toddle off to a room decorated with pretty pictures, tiny chairs, trays of sand, toys and books suitable to their age.

The Liberty Section march off in the opposite direction, to a room where advanced education is written on the door.

The older boys and girls remain in the central hall and take up their positions in their respective groups.

At the end of their lesson, a bell rings, and each section re-assembles as a United Lyceum again, for the closing hymn and salutation.

Each of these Lyceums have their own orchestra and choir, and Open Sundays attract crowds.

I do not think any of you will be sorry you joined me on this trip when you reach this land.

I think you will all see quite clearly where I am trying to take you; it is just through another year's service in our own individual Lyceums. You are the crew, who have to act as stokers and firemen to keep the ship afloat, and if you each do your part Progression awaits you.

Here are a few PEARLS I have collected from those who will watch your progress week by week.

"The Workers Win." Ancient and Modern. ALFRED KITSON.

"Firm resolutions are like the rocks which the waves cannot move."—GEO. A. MACK.

"1924 CALLING!"

- (1) One New Year's motto I will strive to keep,
 - (9) Ninety and nine though I may break;
 - (2) Two words to stir me seven days a week,
 - (4) For "Workers Win" I'll shout for Kitson's sake.
- H. W. ENGHOLM.

THEN AND NOW.

1848. Two little girls THEN led the way.

1924. 15,000 Lyceumists NOW hold the sway.

—UNCLE BERT.

All were won, all were done, and got were all the gain."

"To say well is good, but to do well is better;

Do well is the spirit, and say well the letter;

If do well and say well were fitted in one frame.

—A. T. CONNOR.

Do not speak of what you are going to do, do it.—AUNTIE RUTH.

When you and me can think as we,

United we shall stand;

It needs such thoughts and things to be,

To make a happy band.—G. F. KNORR.

Look at the crowd, wishing us a good voyage, space will not permit more messages.

There! did you see that horse shoe nearly hit me.

Good-bye 1923, we're off.

1924

Will be a wonderful year of progress in our Lyceum work, I believe.

Miss M. E. Kitson has all sorts of wonderful things up her sleeve for you, according to the Guild Report of last month.

Mr. Burrows is making great effort to get the £2,000.

The President and Officers, together with the various Councils, are considering all kinds of interesting plans.

The Secretary is contemplating a rush of orders from new Lyceums, while quite a number of workers are busy with pen or typewriters, writing interesting stories for the BANNER; in fact, North, South, East and West there appears to be a great endeavour to make this THE CHILDREN'S YEAR.

Then what are YOU going to do? Why! get busy too.

There is no room for unemployment in our cause this year, so should you have nothing to do at present, just apply to your own Lyceum Secretary at once. Tell him Uncle Bert has sent you for a job, and he will start you at once.

Marching, marching, marching on together;

Working, working, working hand in hand.

Marching, marching on to holy warfare,

On to brightest glory in the Summerland.

COMPETITIONS AND PUZZLES.

This month I start my monthly Puzzle. There will not be any prizes for Puzzle Efforts, but I am sure they will amuse you.

Prizes this month for Essay on "HOW I SPENT CHRISTMAS."

Liberty Section—"My views of an Ideal Lyceum; how I should conduct same."

RULES.

1. Name in full, age and address, Conductor's name and address. Write replies on one side of the paper only, leaving one inch blank margin on left-hand side.

2. Competitors for prizes must be regular attendants at Lyceum, not over 14 years of age, and each reply must be your own individual effort.

3. Competitors over 14 years of age mark papers "Liberty Section." Address to Uncle Bert, 2, Villiers Road, Osterley, Middlesex, not later than January 18th.

Prizes will be sent to your Conductor, receipt for same being requested. Enclose stamped addressed envelope if reply is desired.

Prizes for last month awarded to:—

MARJORIE BROWNSTON, South Manchester, age 10.

ETHEL BISHOP, Battersea, age 12.

Also creditable efforts from South Manchester, Newton Heath, Horwich, Brixton, Nantymoel, Denton, Devonport, South Shields, Hebburn and Keighley.

Award of Merit "Liberty Section": MRS. HANCOCK, Earby.

PUZZLE No. 1.

Give me the title of a Silver Chain Recitation containing the

same number of letters as the alphabet.

What a lovely lot of Christmas Cards you have sent us. Auntie Ruth, Doris and I are pleased with each one.

Greetings this month from Clapham and Brixton. Clapham is lucky to have a good band of adult workers, while Brixton is a wonderful children's centre.

With love and best wishes,

2, Villiers Road,
Osterley, Middlesex.

UNCLE BERT.

The Macclesfield Spiritualists' Lyceum Gymnasium and Physical Culture Class.

Youth
is
the
Golden
Key
of
Life



Love
is
the
Priceless
Link
that
Binds

The Gymnasium Class commenced on September 21st, 1922, with the following officers:—Instructor, Mr. F. Swindells; Treasurer, Mr. W. Read; Secretary, Mr. A. O. Leigh.

It has been observed that this class of training has had a very beneficial effect on the youths and younger men, not only from a physical viewpoint but also from the mental standpoint. It has been the means of the members being able to exercise their self-control to a greater extent; their general bearing and behaviour being of a higher order.

We are looking forward to a successful winter programme. The instructor, Mr. F. Swindells, is a very capable gymnast, and has been instructor for various Sunday Schools, Lads' Brigades, and Gymnasium Clubs.

The Girls' Physical Culture Class commenced March 21st,

1923, with Miss Dean as Instructor and Mrs. Pimblott as Secretary. This class was formed owing to the beneficial effect upon the male section of the Lyceum on account of their gymnastic training, and the girls' class under the careful and efficient leading of Miss Dean has led to the girls' development.

All are looking forward to taking part in the exercises to be arranged by the Macclesfield Amateur Gymnastic Association, to which the class and the Gymnasium are affiliated.

The members of both are all Lyceumists, and the Church members have given valuable assistance in making the classes a success. Separate meetings are held during each week in one of the rooms of the local Church. They offer a useful example to other Lyceums.

Laughter.

I want to talk about laughter. The true, deep, happy, infectious laughter of the care-free, happy soul. How seldom we hear it. I am always listening for it. Are you?

When we do hear it, when that deep happy note rings out—how it thrills us, how it rings through the air, and we can feel there is one who is really and truly happy, who is at peace with all the world, because only those who have the deep peace of understanding and love for all the world in their hearts can be truly happy, and possess the very rare laugh of true joyousness of heart.

There is music in real laughter—music which speaks to us of many things—the thinking mind—the loving heart—the striving after better things, and the knowledge of God's great love for the whole world.

Do we envy the person with that laugh? We should not, because it is within us all to possess the same.

We all have the same opportunities for right living. We can all attain that peace and contentment which speaks of duty well done, of the knowledge that we have done, and are doing our best. No one can do more.

If we know "that we are doing all in our power to aid others" we are always trying to live up to the teaching we receive "that we have done our duty to others—to ourselves—and to GOD," we shall be happy, and our laugh will come from the depths of our hearts, ringing with the sheer delight and joy of well-being. It is very much easier to give lessons than to live up to them.

Some one said the other day "Fancy So-and-So getting up there and giving lessons, when we know they do not live up to them." Does it not show how little that person understood? Just the thinking about the writing and giving of each lesson must bring home to us very forcibly our own need therein. After all we can try, and I am sure we all do try to live up to the thoughts we express in our Sunday afternoon lessons.

Even if we fail once or twice, we must try again, and keep on trying. My talking to you about "true laughter" does not mean that I have the gift, but I can try like everyone else.

Let us listen to our own laughter. Is it the right thing or only just sham—hollow, unreal and therefore unmusical?

There is no mistaking true laughter—it comes from a full heart—full to overflowing with love, gentleness, kindness, and all the virtues which make up a true man or woman, or boy or girl.

The other is a mockery, a mere pretence of happiness and joyousness. It does not deceive the one who listens. How beautiful is the laughter of very little children. It is just their purity of heart, joyousness of spirit, bubbling over into laughter—the sheer unadulterated happiness of youth. They have never met trouble, or care, or the little pettinesses of the world. They do not even know those things exist. The knowledge is bound to come, and we can only pray—"God grant that they may keep their purity and their joyousness through all their lives, rising above the pitfalls and meeting all adversities with the ringing joyous laugh of the contented spirit."

Mrs. HORACE WAGNELL, Reading Lyceum.

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A Glad New Year to All we Bring.

Bright hopes that spring with all things new,
Come to our hearts to-day;
Bloom once again within our view,
To chant our pleasant lay.
All that to us is unfulfilled,
In this new year we look
With yearning kindred voices thrilled
To scan life's open book.

Thus as we write upon each page,
To see our thoughts unfold,
Guided by wisdom from the sage,
Which makes our footsteps bold;
We gather strength from day to day,
To cover every wrong,
And find us all in New Year's way,
Make resolutions strong.

Another year dawns for the unfolding history of the Lyceum Movement with every promise for a growing advancement of our principles and methods of education propounded by the leaders, subject to the inspiration of the higher forces. The visions of the spirit world are an ever-recurring revelation to those who lend themselves to the spiritual awakening open to all those who look beyond physical things and forces and feel the divine urge to consider spiritual verities as a guide to human life; thus opening the mind to vibrations which reach us as we "listen in" to the wisdom of revelations from above.

The finer rhythm of celestial music brings a cadence and animates us with power and vigour which exalts our service and links us with both earthly and spiritual spheres of consciousness and being. We learn how "to be" "to re-be," and "to be better"; to improve our knowledge and wisdom is within the province of all. A year of gloom and poverty is past, yet for the Lyceum Movement it has been a year of growth and progress. A few Lyceums have passed through a lull, but many have improved; the methods are more stable and dormancy has been eliminated. The general financial turnover has increased. The *Banner* continues to obtain new readers; new Lyceums are springing up in districts hitherto unknown to our methods of education; the link with the S.N.U. and the Churches is being maintained and strengthened. The two Unions are considering methods for closer co-operation between Churches and Lyceums by the establishment of the more amicable relations and a National vision which tends towards harmonial operation.

The growing numbers of voluntary workers who display increasing interest in the various sections of the work cover our activities in the districts and means a growth and cohesion of effort which is commendable. The outposts are extending and widening, the gaps are being filled and though many towns are without Spiritualist Churches and Lyceums, these places are becoming fewer.

We look to the Education Scheme, through the untiring, persevering and praiseworthy efforts of the voluntary officials who are conducting the advancing numbers of students through the

grades and the examinations, to raise the intellectual standard of our common cause. Service is the test of our love and it is being displayed in a remarkable manner, largely due to the national leaders who are making many willing sacrifices of a financial character to serve our Movement. What small measure of thanks the *Banner* can pay for these services is gratefully tendered to all who are carrying our Movement to an ever-increasing success.

It is a pleasure to feel the hard times of everyday life are slowly overcoming the economic crisis of post-war conditions. It was a big war and shook the world to the foundations of society. It broke our hearts and sundered many homes. Never in living memory shall we be able to overcome the traces and catastrophe of human sorrow caused by this great conflict of nations. Arising from its horrors may spring a new world, built upon the misery of millions that such things shall not again overcome mankind; but, arising from our troubles, we shall herald in an era of peace and goodwill. Lyceumism is built on harmony. Sociology and Spiritualism are twin aspects which govern the natural and spiritual domains of mankind and may yet leaven the bread of life and realms of thought with the true purpose of divine progression so that we may see truth in all its glory and love as the guide and prompter of all human action, leading mankind to an evolutionary stage where we shall find peace, contentment and joy.

Such are our hopes for the new year. Leaving the past behind us we strike a new era with heads erect and purpose high, led by the inspiration of angels along the sweeter ways of a growing intuition; influenced by the inspirational growth of God's holy permeative power within us; borne with the spirit of prophesy that the ideal shall become real, purity shall become a truth and brotherhood become a fact in life's unfolding roll of experience on the tablet of time. We are ever living in the eternal "now" and using present moments to improve the conditions of a sordid world to a haven of peace and joy; the joy which springs from service to our fellows and the rebounding pleasure of personal approbation for the use of our gifts in unravelling to mankind and his children the way to eternal peace.

The wintry night of the world is past,
The day of humanity dawns at last.

Each to his task, as nature gives him power and thus we find our inspiration breeds the larger view. We see a world made bright for all mankind and heaven reflects the souls we send in brightness to that land of joy and light where angels dwell; two worlds as one, in spirit both the same. Vibrating thus from sphere to sphere, mortal and spirit, hand in hand, and unified in thought we reach the goal of our eternal peace to travel on in life's sweet way and find earth's children born in sacredness and love. May these things be.

We come again to earth and face the horrors of the world. Oh, what misunderstanding and discord now prevails. Let us draw nearer to the truth and fill our minds with hope and love to overcome the ills of life and live in the joy of service to our fellow-men.

The facts of Spiritualism are based on evidences we can both keep and hand on to our friends. The Lyceum draws forth the potential factors in our lives. In the grave of lost opportunities we can bury our mental somnambulism, awaken the dreams of our youth in the spirit of progress which subsists on the desire to live and be useful.

What is our task? each soul well knows
God's intuition to us shows
The spark divine within us dwells,
And right from wrong to each foretells:
In service, love and conduct kind,
We all can grow in soul and mind,
To find the task which fills our time,
Begins and ends in things divine.

THE EDITOR.

Foundation Day.

CELEBRATION BY LYCEUMISTS.

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAMME APPEAL.

By Miss M. E. PICKLES.

I have been instructed by the Management Committee to appeal to all Lyceums to be loyal to their Union, and whenever possible, to help it financially either by donations, subscriptions or collections for the day. It certainly would augment the £2,000 Effort if every Lyceum sent something to this Fund. Think of it! If we all did as much as we could there is a

possibility that there would be no more need to make a similar appeal. What glorious dreams the National workers have sometimes—if *only* there was the wherewithal to realize them.

We all feel very grateful to those Lyceums that have sent us invitations for our quarterly meetings and done a little towards defraying the cost of same, but there is certainly much to be desired from many Lyceums when the children do not even know a single member of the M.C.

Let us try to remember it is the close touch with the children that is the real link of service. If you have not troubled to approach your Church Committee again for the last Sunday in January, I trust you will not let the opportunity slip by for securing it for another year. We should all have an undivided pleasure in the realization of Foundation Day becoming a standing institution throughout the whole Lyceum movement.

It surely is not much to ask, when you take into consideration the many long and arduous hours your national workers give, and the great sacrifices made, that the work of the Union may go on and progress be attained.

PROGRAMME, Jan. 27th, 1924.

Opening Song, 11. S.S. 114.

Invocation and welcome to all unseen workers.

Silver Chain Recitation, 30. A Psalm of Life.

Musical Reading, 232. Steps of Progress.

Golden Chain Recitation, 108. The Lyceum questions solicited from children and encouragement given for answers. The sole aim to develop a system of soul-culture which must, in its practical workings, prove exceedingly valuable.

—A. J. Davis.

Marching and calisthenics of 15 minutes duration.

HOME INFLUENCE.

(To be read by Conductor.)

Parents, be sure that your moral influence is a good one, for upon you depends, in a great measure, what the next generation is to be; let your example be such that if your children copy it—as of course they will—they will have no ideas or habits for future regret, or feel that if their home influence in childhood had been better, they might have attained a higher position in the world.

Few realise how great an influence parental example exerts; most especially the father's part, because he is regarded by young children with so much reverence, as whatever he does or says they consider the height of manliness and wisdom.

Observe any bright little boy whose father is living, and see if he does not, before he is six, assume as far as possible his father's gait, motions and style of conversation. "To be a big man like father," is his constant desire and aim.

And oh, what a blessed thing it would be, if every father's example was worthy to be copied by his innocent trusting little children. Not even the best of mothers can wholly counteract a bad father's influence, although she can, of course, do something towards it by teaching the sin and dishonour of evil things, and winning so much love and respect from her children, that they will endeavour to do nothing which can cause her anxiety and uneasiness.

Children, *you* are the coming fathers and mothers, build your ideals so high in this Lyceum that the future shall know, not only a more intellectual, but a far finer spiritual race than has ever been recorded in the past.

Collection on behalf of £2,000 Effort.

Closing song, 423. Daybreak.

Benediction, including thanks to all in the Summerland for help and service.

£2,000 EFFORT REPORT.

First let us wish all Lyceumists throughout the world a Bright and Prosperous New Year, with a sincere hope that 1924 may prove much better for the workers than 1923 has been. We have to acknowledge the receipt of one pound, ten shillings from London, which was collected at the overflow meeting at Queen's Hall, London, on Remembrance Day, November 11th. The Union tenders their sincere thanks. Now, what shall we do to commemorate Founder's Day. I am going to suggest that all Lyceumists throughout the Union shall make the week before a Self Denial Week, and that a collection be taken in all Lyceums on January 27th, and that whatever you have denied yourself in that week can be put into the collection and forwarded to me for the benefit of the £2,000 Fund. Some people like pictures, some smoking, some sweets, and so on; the list might be continued indefinitely, and I can only leave it to your good nature to choose what your self-denial will be. Just consider for a moment what it would mean if all Lyceumists give an average of 6d. each on that day. 14,000 Lyceumists giving

an average of 6d. means £350, and the sacrifice is really small, especially to the older Lyceumists. I am hoping for a bumper record sheet for March BANNER. Now who will be the first to send the collection along. I would like all Lyceums to join in, whether they have previously contributed or not.

Good wishes to all.

W. BURROWS, Hon. Sec., £2,000 Effort.

The President's New Year's Message, 1924.

By the time that you read this article, the holiday season will be over, and you will have settled down to work again. What are you going to do during the year 1924? Is it going to be a better one for you? Are you going to do your share towards making it a better one?

In reviewing the work of the Movement, there are many things over which one could feel a little disappointed. For instance, our numerical strength has not increased in the manner I would have liked. Immediately after I was elected to the office of Presidency, I appealed for a good pull together, in order to double the number of Lyceumists, requesting each Lyceumist to bring one new member, and then our object would be achieved. I am afraid we have not all done this, and our strength has suffered accordingly. Although I realise that numerical strength is not everything, yet it is—if handled rightly—a great asset. Let us have another pull, to see if we cannot make things better during 1924.

Nearly everyone makes certain resolutions at the coming in of the New Year. Have we overlooked any of those matters which vitally affect our Movement? Let me refer briefly to one or two.

Are we supporting the "Education Scheme" and "Our Guild" as we could, if we would? Have you written to Mr. Burrows, the Secretary of the B.S.L.U. £2000 Effort, yet? If not, can I draw your attention to Mrs. Pickles' article, regarding "Founder's Day," in this month's "Lyceum Banner"? It has a bearing upon this matter.

Has your District ever organised a Demonstration to show the public your strength, and your capabilities? Have you ever shown publicly that your system of Education yields first place to none? There is just nice time to organise such an event, ready for the light evenings. If we are to hold our own in the country, we must be up and doing, labouring in the cause of truth and love. We must touch those outside our Movement and bring them in. If the Movement has assisted you, it is only right that others too should be benefited. Let us do our share towards this end. Can I request you to include this item in your resolutions? There is one other matter to which I think I ought to draw attention. I have listened to reports given by delegates who have attended District Council Meetings and Conferences. I have watched the faces of the listeners, and I have felt that enough interest has not been taken in the reports, nor the Movement as a whole. We are apt to think that it is quite sufficient to leave the work to others, instead of coming forward and lightening the duties of those who are heavily laden with duties.

Might I appeal for a broader outlook? One Lyceum has not the power that 250 Lyceums can yield. If all these Lyceums worked individually, there could not be that unity of strength which commands respect throughout the country. Your "Publishing Department" could not have attained to its present success. You would not be reading this article in your own Union's "Banner," because the Movement could not own it. From where would you obtain your Manuals? These things are the result of unity. Still greater unity could be achieved if all pulled together. Can I appeal again for your assistance? Please think occasionally for the Movement as a whole, in addition to local conditions.

In conclusion, let me quote the Rev. W. Secker: "*Firm resolutions are like the rocks which the waves cannot move.*" Please make your resolutions firm. Play the game as well as you can, to win. If you do this, when 1925 come in I venture to say that you will be able to look back on one of the most successful years you have experienced. The Lyceum Movement, too, will have grown stronger, numerically, spiritually, morally, and intellectually.

Geo. A. Mack, President.

The Lyceum List in this issue is the up-to-date list of Affiliated Lyceums. The issue of the List will meet the desires of some Delegates to the last B.S.L.U. Conference.

Applications for membership have been received from Barnoldswick (Green Street), Bury (Freetown), Durham, Saddleworth, St. Helen's (Hall Street), Lancashire, Wisbech. These applications await confirmation by the Management Committee.

Our Lyceum Guild.

OUR MOTTO:—"We live to learn, and learn to live."

OUR AIM:—To develop ourselves—physically, mentally, psychically, and spiritually.

THE NEW YEAR.

This is the time when we make resolutions to do better in every way than we have done in the past. Our Lyceumists make resolutions to work harder for the Lyceum and the Movement by taking an active part in everything that will raise the standard of Lyceumism. Our Guild members resolve to do all this, and also to help the Guild—by personally keeping its aims and rules in mind; by taking an active part in their Guild class, and in the activities of the Guild itself (as given in its Page); and by interesting other Lyceumists in the Guild.

Just now, of course, all our members—not handicapped by sickness or other disabilities—are busily preparing to take the Education Examinations next month. The Guild wishes you good progress, and pleasing results.

OUR COMPETITIONS.

As promised last month, we have pleasure in announcing our first series of competitions. These are *not* for merit-badges, but for prizes. They are being held in response to a request for them from many quarters. Their continuance depends entirely on whether our members play up, and take part in them.

(a) *For Junior Members* (under ten years of age). One prize, value half-a-crown (choice left to the winner) will be given to the member who sends in the best and neatest written copy of any one of the four S.C.R.'s given in the Oral Grade Primer. Competitors may use either script-writing or ordinary handwriting. (Entrance fee, 1d.)

(b) *For Members, from ten to fourteen years.* One prize, value five shillings (choice left to the winner) will be given to the sender of the best string of pearls (not more than twenty) about Kindness—each pearl to be a quotation from the *Manual*. (Entrance fee, 3d.)

(c) *For Members, from fifteen to twenty years.* One prize, value five shillings (choice left to the winner) will be awarded to the sender of the best "essay," compiled from the *titles* of the Recitations and Hymns in the *Manual*. (A connecting word or two between the titles is permitted). (Entrance fee, 3d.)

(d) *For Adult Members (over twenty).* One prize, value ten shillings (choice left to the winner) will be awarded to the writer of the best essay on "All religion has relation to life, and the life of religion is to do good." (Entrance fee, 6d.)

RULES FOR THE COMPETITIONS.

- (i) Each competitor must be a Guild member.
- (ii) All efforts must be written in ink, and on one side of the paper only.
- (iii) Each effort must be accompanied by—
 - (a) the entrance fee, (b) the front blue cover of a copy of this month's LYCEUM BANNER, (c) a separate sheet of paper, giving name, address, age, Guild number, and Lyceum.
- (iv) No letter must be enclosed.
- (v) The word "Competition" must be written in the top left-hand corner of the envelope.
- (vi) Efforts to be posted not later than 30th January. (Results will be announced in the March BANNER).
- (vii) No effort will be returned to the competitor; and the Leader reserves the right of publishing winning efforts, if space allows.
- (viii) Each competitor must accept the Judge's decision as final.
- (ix) The prize will only be awarded in each case if there are not fewer than ten entries for that competition. (The Guild has over 1600 members).

OUR NEW SERIES OF ARTICLES.

We have much pleasure in giving this month the first article of Miss Lawton's series about *Baby Plants*; and the first instalment of our children's serial story by Alfred Kitson. We thank our contributors; and feel sure our readers will enjoy the articles, and look eagerly forward to the next ones in February...

NEXT MONTH.

Next month we shall give the amended aims and rules of the Guild; particulars about a new and permanent badge; reports of work being done by our Guild Classes, as well as our other features.

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Lyceum Ideals.

BY J. TINKER.

NO. XII.—OUR GUILD.

What is a Guild? A company of persons, engaged in similar pursuits, formed for mutual aid. The old Guilds were chiefly for trade. Their places have been taken by the trades unions and the employers' associations. Ours is the Lyceum Guild. That word "Lyceum" shows that our purposes are, as stated in our Aims, (1) to be progressive; (2) to develop ourselves physically, mentally, psychically and spiritually. (L.M. 144.) The first thought is that we combine, not merely for *self* development, but for mutual aid. We help each other (133). The word "guild" is said to be from the Saxon "gild," a payment. That is another lesson—one that should make us glad. As guild members we do not expect "something for nothing"; we do not rush for "All cheap!" Our chief payment is by work. We develop by work. Our meaning of "work" is "joyous activity." For "the workers win." (3, 72). "Labour is the sweetest joy." (99).

OUR AIMS.

Let us glance at our Aims. A. 1, 2, 3, state that we study calisthenics and *do* them. We take part in walks, gymnastics, field games, &c. All give scope for self-development and for comradeship. For B. (mental development), we study the Lyceum readings and give the results in the Lyceum and in conversation outside it. We have our individual selections of mental pursuits, but we share the benefits. (108.) In C (psychical) we also work with others and for others—with those in spirit if not with our fellows here; for, even when professedly "developing alone," we are dependent on the *extra* exaltation produced by our spirit helpers, blending with our own aspirations. And we use our gifts to help others. (C3.)

The list of aims in D (spiritual) requires study. The usual spiritual aims are not stated. (112). Those given in the Guild list are *moral*. But we cannot be regularly kind to people and animals if we do not *love* them; and we need more than the ordinary love for friends and pets. We need the spiritual love that includes strangers and enemies. (103, 110, 118). We do not sufficiently realise that to develop fully our spiritual love we must cultivate religious *devotion*, assisted by *worship* and *prayer*, and including deliberate treatment of all our duties as *service* to God. We think of God as the Ideal of Love, Wisdom, and Law (136). Whether we think of Him as distinctly a Conscious Being or not, the important thing is our *consecration*, or devotion of life to the noblest. (123, 142.) We need more experience of the inflows of spiritual power from the higher realms that come in response to our aspirations Godward, inspiring our daily lives. Therefore, *moral lives are the test of spiritual aims*. It is "they who hunger and thirst after righteousness" who "shall be filled," not those who are greedy for psychical phenomena and neglect the more important quest for goodness. Hence D 1 to 5.

DEVOTION TO THE IDEAL,

is included in D5—"to carry out in our daily lives our Lyceum teaching," for which we study our Manual and the Education series, and join our Guild.

We adopt full-heartedly Aim 2—to develop ourselves thoroughly, individually and collectively. Thus "we live to learn, and learn to live." Our motto says *live* to learn. That means activity, not sitting as though we were blank gramophone discs, waiting for "records" to be graven into our brains. We are to develop *ourselves*; using all our senses and thinkings and workings. To develop ourselves cannot mean that we demand that our leaders shall do nearly all the work and provide us with amusements and with prizes for our cleverness. We all share. Our Guild is for Mutual Aid in Development—not for Exhibitions of Self-display and pride of acquisition. Concessions to selfish child nature are useful as aids to education, but they are not our chief purposes or methods. Amusement is good; self-display is good; prizes are good—*when* they help to develop the *full* nature.

What is the test of a game or hobby or competition or other pursuit? This: Does that pursuit give physical or mental enjoyment and benefit and *also strengthen our spiritual powers*? We are Spiritualists. Therefore, all our pursuits must be Harmonious

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Baby Plants, and how they are born,

(The Lyceum Guild Nature Study Article).

By MARGARET E. LAWTON.

I.—THE TINY WATER PLANTS.

When thinking of how baby plants come into the world, we must begin with the smallest and humblest members of the plant world. From them we can trace the growth of the plant kingdom, from the minute plants up to the stately trees and wonderful flowering plants that beautify the earth.

The lowest forms of plant life live in water. These plants are so tiny that they cannot be seen with the naked eye, but their life story has been discovered by the use of a very powerful magnifying glass—the microscope. They are known as the BLUE-GREEN ALGAE, for the plants are of a bluish-green colour. Wherever moisture collects, the Blue-green Algae can make their home, and they may be found in large numbers in the water of stagnant pools, in soil, and even on walls.

It has been found that they are the first plants to settle on lava, after a volcanic eruption has killed all previous plant settlers. The Blue-green Algae can live in great heat, and can endure great cold, and therefore they may be found all over the world.

If a drop of water is taken from a pool, and examined under the microscope, it will be found to contain a number of small rounded bodies of a bluish-green colour.

These are some of the Blue-green Algae plants. Figure I. (a) shows one of these plants, but drawn many times its real size.

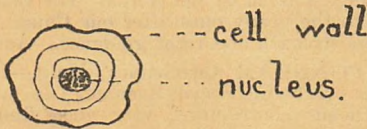


Fig. I(a). A single plant.

This strange little plant differs very much from our ideas of other plants. It has no leaves, stems, roots, flowers, or even veins, for its life is so simple that it has never needed these things. Each of the Blue-green Algae plants consists of a single cell, with a complete semi-transparent wall, protecting a colourless, rounded body known as the NUCLEUS. This nucleus is very important, for it is the living part of the plant, and just as we cannot live without our hearts, so no plant can live without at least one nucleus.

The time comes when each of the Blue-green Algae plants is sufficiently strong and large to bring a new baby-plant into the world. This is a very simple matter, and happens in this way. A cell-wall grows across the nucleus and divides it into two parts. Each part becomes completely surrounded by its own cell-wall, and then the two parts separate, and each part is a perfect baby-plant. In time, each baby-plant is ready to divide again to form two plants, and so this plant family is not likely to die out of existence, whilst so many baby-plants come into the world. Figures I (b) and I (c) show steps in the dividing of one plant to form two new plants.



Fig I b. beginning to divide.



Fig I c almost separated

Forming Baby Plants.

mother plant" and of another one, "This is the father plant." Both are alike, and both are equally able to form new baby plants by themselves.

In fresh water some more advanced, though still tiny, plants may be found. These are known as the GREEN ALGAE, and can be seen in ponds, Highland lochs and moorland bog pools. The sunlight seems to attract the Green Algae, for, on sunny days, they form a distinct green scum on the surface of the water, whilst on dull days, they sink into the water.

The Green Algae are of many different shapes, but in one species, the tiny plants are found in long threads, and it is this species that we are to consider.

Each "thread" is made up of a number of one-cell plants; joined end to end, like a string of beads, in order to have increased strength. Even if the thread is broken, the separated plants still live on. It is possible for the "thread" to grow in length, by separate cells dividing into two cells, just as the Blue-green Algae plants do. That is one of the ways in which the Green Algae produce new plants, though, in this method, the new plant remains as part of the same thread of plants as its parent cell.



Fig II (a) A "string" of Plants.

The second method of forming new plants shows that in the Green Algae there is the first suggestion of sex in the plant world. Two "threads" are attracted towards each other, and they swim together until they lie side by side. Each individual cell of the one "thread" now lies directly opposite to a cell of the other "thread," and we must remember that each cell composes one plant. Thus the two "threads" now form a series of pairs of plants. In order to form a new baby plant, a pair of plants must unite and this happens in the following way. A tiny tube commences to grow from the wall of each plant, on the side nearest the partner plant. These tubes grow until they meet, and then they join, so that a passage is formed from one plant to the other. When a number of pairs of plants in the two "threads" are joined by these passages, the "threads" resemble ladders,—each passage forming a "rung."

The nucleus from one plant now travels along the connecting passage, until it meets the nucleus from the other plant. Then the two nuclei unite to form an entirely new body, which we can call a plant EGG.

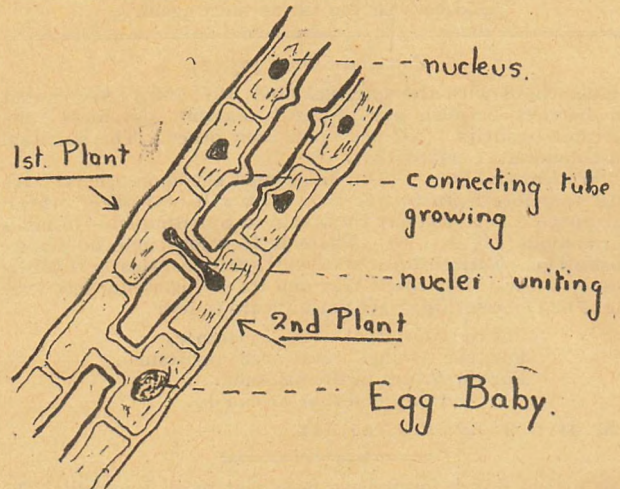


Fig II b. - Two Plants Forming one Baby Plant.

The Blue-green Algae have no sex—there are neither male nor female plants. We cannot say of one plant, "This is the

Figure II (b) shows the stages towards making this egg, from the plants just *reaching towards* each other to the forming of the passage, and lastly to the egg in the cell.

This egg contains a new little plant, the *baby* of the two plants that have joined together. After a short rest, the baby plant, within the egg is ready to grow, and to start to live its own life. Before this can happen, the wall of the old plant decays, and breaks away, so that the new baby plant is quite free from its parents.

Figure II. (c) shows the baby plant growing out of its egg and breaking through the old, decaying plant wall.

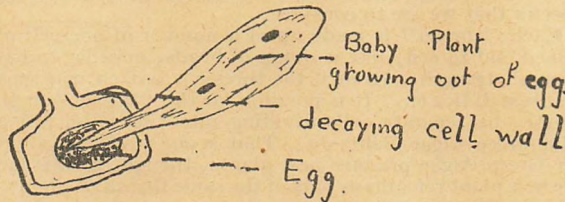


Fig II c Baby Plant.

At first the baby plant consists of only one cell. In time, however, by the cell dividing, and again dividing, this one cell is able to form a new "thread" of Green Algae plants.

Thus, this time, *two* plants have united to give birth to one new baby plant, though we are still unable to distinguish which is "mother" and which is "father."

These Blue-green Algae and Green Algae plants are amongst the smallest and simplest in the plant world, but they are neither too small, nor too simple, to be both beautiful in appearance and wonderful in their ways.

(To be continued.)

Births, In Memoriam, and Marriages.

Ordinary intimations will be inserted as follows:—Not exceeding twenty-four words, free. 6d. will be charged for every additional nine words. Poetry 6d. per line. Payment must accompany all intimations of more than 24 words, or they cannot be inserted. In Memoriam for any previous year will be charged 1/- for 24 words, and 6d., for additional 9 words. Poetry 9 per line.

BRADFORD, Boynton Street.—I regret to record the passing to the higher life of our oldest Lyceumist, Elizabeth Ellis, 14, Woodroyd Road, on December 3rd, 1923, aged 75 years. "Dearly loved by all."—Mrs. Ward, Sec.

PENDLETON.—25th November, 1923, Alice, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shipley, of Pendleton.

"God be with you till we meet again."

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—must chord with the spiritual (108, 137, 103.) We cannot put barriers between our physical, mental, psychological, and spiritual faculties. All act upon each other. The spiritual must dominate. (126, 129).

"We learn to live." Our lives must act upon others. We must therefore learn to live lives that will best affect others. Our purpose is to convert the world to Spiritualism—to make Harmonious Lives (136). There is therefore, one hobby we must all get—Citizenship. We shall get it chaotically if not by orderly study. The Great War and its evil consequences were due to bad citizenship. We must "learn to live"

For the cause that needs assistance,
For the wrongs that need resistance,
For the future in the distance.
And the good that we can do.

L.M. 34, 6, 9; 123, 124; 135, 144.

Statistical return forms have been sent to all Lyceums. The annual Lyceum Fees should be paid before March 1st to ensure delegates being eligible for the Annual Conference at Hull, on June 7th and 8th, 1924.

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.

BRADFORD, Laisterdyke.—On December 2nd we held our Open Sessions and the following scholars took part:—Recitations by Lucy Farnell, Annie Hudson, Jonas Pearson, Jack Robinson, Winnie Long, Marion Ashforth, Ethel Edwards, Mrs. ugen and Joseph Farnell; solos by Miss Lilian Long, Mrs. Babbs and Miss Dixon; duets by Mr. Hollings and Mr. Babbs, L. Farnell and Miss Whitley.

On December 14th and 15th we held our At Homes. The host and hostess for Friday were Master Jack Robinson and Miss Lucy Farnell, and the way in which they fulfilled their duties was a credit to the Lyceum they represent. On Saturday their host and hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Burrows, of Halifax. A very pleasant time was spent with them.—J. Babbs, Sec.

CALGARY, Canada.—We held our Open Session on Nov. 11th, which was Armistice Day and Thanksgiving Day in Canada. We had a very good programme. Pearls by all in the room. Readings by Sybil Cook, and William Garrad said "Are we not brothers all." Recitations by Queenie Rushton, Hilda Cook and Dorothy Trumbly. Solos by Sybil Cook, "Open the door for the children," Nancy Legg, and Ada Garrad, entitled "There is no night there." Mrs. Roberts, an old Lyceumist, was visiting Calgary, and spoke to the Lyceum, encouraging them by her words. The vegetables and fruit were given to the needy ones after our Church service. Wishing all workers strength and right guidance.—Ada M. Garrad, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM (Mechanics' Hall).—On December 8th we held a successful Social Evening. In addition to Lyceumists and friends contributing very good items, our newly-formed Lyceum Choir made their first public appearance, conducted by Mr. Farnath, our Musical Director. They were well received and greatly praised for the progress that had been made since its formation.

On December 9th our officers were elected for the coming year:—Conductor Miss Rayner (her tenth year); Assistant, Mrs. Bostock; Guardian, Miss Haslam; Captain of Guards, Henry Clay; Guards, Cyril Stevenson and Arthur Pepper; Organist, Miss Holmes; Assistant, Mrs. Woodward; Musical Director, Mr. Farnath; Marching Conductor, Miss Agnes Tunneycliff; Assistant, Harold Mackintosh; Marching Leaders, Miss Reynolds and Arthur Tunneycliff; Auditor, Mr. Woodward; District Council Representatives, Miss Rayner and Mr. Peel; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Peel; Group Leaders to be elected after the February examination.—O. Peel, Sec.

District Visitors' Reports.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT.

In giving my report for the past quarter I presume that every Lyceum in this district is now busy preparing for the examinations in February. I have twice visited the Ramsden Street Lyceum during the past quarter. There is in this Lyceum a steady effort to realise the Lyceum method. The leaders seek to emphasise the intellectual, and not to neglect the physical development. Present respectively, 33 and 38. A brave effort is now being made to form an adult group for the discussion of philosophic and the psychic questions.

On September 23rd I visited Slaithwaite. 37 present. Calisthenics fair, marching good, singing, hearty expression.

October 14th I visited West Vale. 37 present. Calisthenics good, marching efficient, attention good.

October 28th I visited Marsden. 15 present. Calisthenics fairly well done, questions numerous, pearls abundant. An educational and enjoyable session.

November 4th I visited the Brighouse Lyceum. 75 present. I was agreeably surprised to see such a large gathering. There has been a great improvement in this Lyceum. Besides increase in numbers there is a remarkable smartness and efficiency. It was afternoon and the session is short. It was the most brilliant session I have seen for a long time. I hope that intellectually they have improved also.—Seth Ackroyd, D.V.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

I visited Birstall Lyceum on September 2nd, there were 32 present. S. Chain, M. Reading and Golden Chain were gone through very nicely. Questions were asked and well explained. Pearls were numerous. There was some good marching. Two small girls conducted the calisthenics very ably. The conduct and harmony was good.

On September 16th I paid a visit to Normanton. Started prompt with 19 present. I was disappointed to find so few officers present, as the last time I visited this Lyceum the attendance was much larger. S.C., M.R. and G.C. were good; the discussion on same excellent. There were no solos, recitations or pearls given. Marching, calisthenics and breathing exercise very good. Conduct good.

On September 22nd I visited Bailey Carr Lyceum morning session. A little late in starting; 18 present and two came later. S.C. read very nicely and commented on. M.R. and G.C., no comments. Marching and Calisthenics good.

On the same day I visited Dewsbury Lyceum in the afternoon. 70 present; started punctual. G.C. and M.R. well rendered and commented upon. Pearls good; recitations and solos excellent; marching and calisthenics were extra good; singing and general conduct good. A very enjoyable session throughout.

I visited Castleford Lyceum on Sunday, October 21st, 1923, both sessions. In the morning they commenced prompt with 33 present. All joined in the Invocation. S.C., M.R. and G.C. were well read and many questions were asked and were very ably answered by many Lyceumists and Conductor. Marching and calisthenics were good, going well into the corners, and kept well in step with the marching. Three Lyceumists sang solos very well. We had an old Lyceumist and her husband (Mr. and Mrs. Wood) with us. She also sang us a nice solo with a rich voice which was much enjoyed. General conduct and harmony was good.

In the afternoon the session started prompt with 18 present. S.C., M.R. and G.C. were well rendered. Several comments on same. Castleford Lyceum is progressing very nicely.—J. Downs, D.V.

District Council Reports.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting was held at St. Paul's, Alma Street, Halifax, on November 11th. President, Mr. Ellis, in the chair. Minutes of last quarterly meeting were read and accepted.

Correspondence: £2,000 Effort, and letter on Education Scheme from Miss Kitson were fully discussed, and all delegates were asked to see that the letter sent to each Lyceum be read before the officers. It was agreed that we accept the invitation of the District Committee to take part in their Easter Demonstration, at West Vale, on Easter Tuesday. Agreed that the District Council will give all the assistance possible to Saddleworth Lyceum when notified they have opened a Lyceum. The D.V. Report was read and accepted. Mr. Ellis gave report at U.D.C. meeting held at Rochdale, out of which arose questions which were answered for benefit of delegates. The letter *re* District Visitor and finances of the Council was referred back to Lyceums, after discussion. Financial Statement showed balance in hand of 12/3. Miss Movis gave the report of the H.D.C., meeting which was accepted, and the best thanks of the Council was extended to the adjudicators.

In the afternoon an Open Session was held, also in the evening, without marching, the Lyceumists giving recitations and solos. Altogether we had a real educational feast.

J. MANNING, Sec.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting held on Saturday, December 1st, at Psycho, Leeds. Mr. Lilly, President, presided.

The meeting opened by singing hymn "Be happy, be happy." Invocation, President. President's address gladly welcomed all delegates, associates and friends, especially the representatives of Cleckheaton, and was very pleased to see them back again in the Council. On welcoming our Area Representative, Mr. J. H. Jones, of Sheffield, said how glad he was to have him with us. He felt sure he would have something of interest to say to us that would greatly benefit all, to inspire and urge us forward. Speaking on education, he said £1,000,000 was spent on education, but sorry to say over £7,000,000 spent on destruction. Let all have equal opportunity. Did not Christ say "All ye are my brethren." Lyceumists were asked

to take part then in our Education Scheme. Doubly arm them to see the best in each other.

Mr. Jones, in replying to the welcome, was very pleased to be amongst us. Let us not forget our love for Mr. A. Kitson, who had striven so hard to make our Lyceum movement what it is to-day, and will ever be remembered. Then let us also remember the aim and object of the movement to push forward.

Minutes, reports, accepted. Mr. Jones appealed to the Council to consider the question inviting the Subsidiary Groups to our Field Day. Correspondence, International Spiritualists' Relations; the action of the M.C. be endorsed.

Hull District Committee. A letter of sympathy be sent. £2,000 Effort. Mr. Jones spoke very strongly on this Effort and urged all to do their best, and suggested that we make a Special Effort on Founder's Day, January 27th, and this was agreed to; all donations be forwarded to Secretary. Agreed on acceptance. Inter-Change continued for another twelve months. U.D.C. Report was very interesting, especially the Editorship of *Banner* and chairmanship of B.S.L.U.

The President called on Mr. Jones for his report; was full of interest, and was the first one our Council has had given arising out of report; it was agreed that we as a district Council protest strongly against the action of the Scottish Council in demanding the merging of the Lyceums in the Scottish District Council.

Competition: Our friend Mr. Baines (the Adjudicator), was welcomed by the President. Mr. Baines thanked all friends who had made his visits so pleasant.

Presentation of Silver Bell and Certificates will take place on Saturday, January 5th, at Wakefield. (Lyceumists note). Full particulars will be sent later.

Notice of motion (Hull, Holborn Hall) Agreed to be put on agenda for next meeting.

Field Day: Mr. J. Gascoigne (Leeds Psycho) elected Secretary. Associates 3.

Nominations for General Meeting: Agreed that they be in Secretary's hands 21 days prior to meeting.

Special music to be placed on Agenda for next meeting.

Our very best thanks were given to the local friends, especially the ladies. Mrs. Smithson accepted on behalf of the Lyceum and Church. Roll Call: Officers. 4; Area Representative. 1; Com. Delegate. 1. Lyceums: Armley, Batley Carr, Castleford, Dewsbury, Easy Road, Liversedge, Normanton, Birstall, Leeds Psycho, Wakefield, South Elmsall, Holborn Hall, Hull, Horsforth, Scarborough, Cleckheaton, Heckmondwike, 5 associates. The largest attended meeting the Council has had for years. Interest awakening.

Date and place of next meeting: Wakefield, February 16th, 3-30 p.m.

Secretary's Note.—Nominations, along with written consent, to be in not later than Saturday, Jan. 26th.

A. W. HARDING, Sec.

LONDON DISTRICT.

The Quarterly Meeting was held at Fulham, on Saturday, 15th December. Mr. C. J. Williams presided over a representative gathering of delegates and associates. It was decided to appoint a London Drill Instructor, and Miss E. Ashley was appointed. A committee was appointed to carry out the arrangements for the great rally at Wembley in July, 1924. The *Manual* Revision Committee's report was accepted, and it was decided to hold a competition for the best metrical version (not exceeding 28 lines) of our Principles, and to ask Messrs. Gow and Engholm, of *Light*, to act as judges. It was decided to invite the U.D.C. to hold its A.G.M. in London in October, 1925. The various reports were very satisfactory and showed that London Lyceumism is progressing.

A. T. CONNOR, Sec.

NORTH EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT.

The above Council held the last quarterly meeting on Saturday, December 15th, 1923, in the Progressive Lyceum, 202, Lancaster Road, Preston. Opening song and Invocation commenced the proceedings. Mr. Wagner appointed credential officer.

Owing to the late arrival of Secretary the Conference report was thoroughly discussed. Many points were raised *re* corrections of minutes, and of vital matters being left until the end of Conference. That motions were put on Agenda in order of rank, not of importance, and in alphabetical order.

Resolutions, calendar, should read: "We do not approve." Notice of motion *re* ruling came up for caustic comments, and finally it was resolved that we move an addition to Bye-

law 1, as follows: "That a Committee of three shall be elected from the floor of the Conference, after Conference is declared open. The duties of such Committee shall be to immediately revise the agenda, and shall give a priority of place to motions of vital importance, no matter from what source such motions may come."

It was resolved to give our delegates full instructions before proceeding to next Conference. Secretary arrived at 4-30. Minutes of last meeting were read by Sec. and were accepted. Questions were asked *re* fusion and question *re* costs of legalisation (separate) of B.S.L.U. Statements were made that fusion question was tabled by persons who were not thorough Lyceumists. Minutes adopted.

Correspondence. Letters were read from Nelson, H. Hargreaves, Millom, Fleetwood Lyceums, B.S.L.U. Gen. Sec., *re* Demonstration. Correspondence accepted. Fleetwood letter left No. 8 on Agenda, Nelson letter defining ownership of Demonstration Banner. B.S.L.U. *re* Demonstration considered unsatisfactory. Resolved we accept the statement of Gen. Sec. *re* this.

Resolved we express regret at the absence of Gen. Sec. from this meeting, after his repeated promises to be present.

Correspondence adopted. Adjourned for tea.

Demonstration accounts, showing income £208 12s. 5d., expenses, £208 11s. 1½d. Several small accounts were then tabled which brought finally the following statement:—Income £215 os. 1d.; Expenses £215 12s. 4d.; loss 12/3, which is covered. Resolved statement be accepted and that same be circulated to all Lyceums before December 29th, 1923. Questions were asked *re* the £20 for Camp Scheme and Trustees of same.

D.V. Reports. Northern: Barrow No. 2, Lancaster.

Ulverston Lyceum closed at present, but D.V. is in touch with Ulverston Sec.

Southern: Barnoldswick (Townhead), Blackpool, Fleetwood, Barnoldswick (Green Street). Sec. gave Report of Barrow, No. 1. Reports accepted.

Credential Report: E.C., 5; Area Rep., 1; Delegates, 26; Associates, 2; Visitors, 11; total, 45. Pooling 9/10 per Lyceum. Report accepted.

Treasurer's Report given and accepted.

Adjudication. Motion was tabled that any adjudication of whole district be made before February Annual Meeting. Same ruled out of order, *re* minute of May meeting.

Notice of motion "That N.E.L.D.C. be split up into three panels for adjudication purposes, comprising N.W. Lancs., Flyde and East Lancs. districts, and one adjudicator be appointed for each district. The Lyceum receiving the highest number of marks in each panel to be then judged by the chief adjudicator, who shall place them 1, 2 and 3.

Sessions programmes to be drawn up by the E.C., who shall also appoint the chief adjudicator."

Alternative notice. That D.V. be assisted in his duties by voluntary D.V.'s. Assistant D.V.'s shall pay each Lyceum one visit per quarter. The D.V. shall visit each Lyceum once during his year of office. Upon such visit he shall not only make a report as D.V., but shall also make a report and seal same, and forward to Sec. when whole district has been visited. The reports shall be opened and the Lyceum gaining the highest number of marks shall hold the Shield for one year.

Resolved that question of adjudication be left over until Annual Meeting.

U.D.C. Report taken as printed. E. O. Mason gave outstanding points *re* Education Scheme.

Editorship and Chairmen. Names of possible chairmen were asked for and given. Many comments were made upon Editorship of *Lyceum Banner*. Report adopted.

Demonstration. Invitations to hold same were given from Fleetwood, Barrow, Blackpool, Preston. Resolved we hold Demonstration and that place be left to E.C.

President's Address given and accepted. Point was raised that Exam. day was Sunday following Annual Meeting.

Votes of thanks were given to Preston friends for their labours on our behalf.

Next meeting at Preston, Lancaster Road, No. 68. Early to be accepted for later in the year.

President closed the meeting at 8-15 p.m.

NOTE BY GENERAL SECRETARY.—The promise to attend the above meeting was subject to being at liberty to attend. A prior engagement prevented attendance.

SOUTH EAST LANCS. DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting was held at Dearnley, on Saturday, December 8th. In the absence of the President, Mr. Cullen,

of Middleton, was elected to the chair. Miss E. Elliott volunteered to act as Credential Officer.

Minutes and Correspondence were accepted. Arising from the correspondence was the question of assistance to a Society which was about to re-commence a Lyceum. It was decided that we ask two or three from each Lyceum in the near vicinity to attend the earlier sessions and give them what assistance was deemed necessary.

D.V.'s Report accepted.

Statement of Accounts *re* U.D.C. visit accepted.

U.D.C. Meeting Report accepted.

Credential Officer's report accepted.

8 Delegates represented 6 Lyceums, 1 D.V., 1 Associate, 1 Area Representative.

The Annual Meeting will take place at Regent Hall, Rochdale, on Saturday, February 2nd, 1924. Commence at 3-30. Vote of thanks to Dearnley friends for hospitality and entertainment.

SOUTH SHIELDS UNITED LYCEUM WORKERS.

The monthly meeting was held in Cambridge Street Church, on Saturday, December 1st, 1923. The Education Scheme was discussed and business carried out in connection with our United Lyceum Session in January. The Boy Scouts and Girl Guides are going strong and the United Choir are very busy practising anthems, etc., for the United Session. The musical arrangements were left in the hands of Mr. Ainley (Choir Master). Meeting was closed in due form by Mr. Woodall (President).

Next place of meeting Cambridge Street, on December 29th, 1923.—J. White, Sec.

SOUTH WALES DISTRICT.

This new Council was formed on Saturday, November 17th, at Queen Street Rooms, Cardiff, kindly lent. A large representation was present. James Woodlands, of Cardiff, presided. The question of the old Council was thoroughly discussed as to whether or not it should again function, and after a good heart to heart chat it was decided to once again form a new Council and this to be affiliated to the B.S.L.U.

The following officers were elected for a period of twelve months:—President, Mrs. Hynch, of Treforest; Vice-President, F. Parfit, of Abercynon; Secretary, Robert Williams, of Caerau; Financial Secretary, Mr. Rednidge, of Merthyr; Treasurer, Mrs. Armstrong, of Newport.

This new Council formed means good, and that some good things have been founded.—Robert Williams, Sec.

LYCEUM REPORTS.

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

RULE 2.—Record only the events occurring after Dec. 26th.

RULE 3.—Lyceums taking 1 dozen copies are allowed free insertion of 25 words; 2 dozen 50 words; 3 dozen, 75 words; 4 dozen copies or over, 100 words.

Additional words to be paid for at the rate of 6d. for every nine words. This Rule does not apply to Lyceums numbering fewer than 30 members.

RULE 4.—All Reports must reach this Office not later than Jan. 24th, to ensure insertion in the Feb. issue.

RULE 5.—Colonial Reports, if posted to the *Lyceum Banner* within 7 days after the events reported, will be inserted in the next issue after receipt at the "Banner" Office.

ACCRINGTON, Pearl Street.—On December 2nd we held our Open Session. Solos and recitations by Misses B. Lindley, Miss Cook, Miss Woolmington. We wish every Lyceum every success.—Mrs. Woolmington, Sec.

BACUP.—Open Session. Pearls Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Tattersall, Mr. Carter, Lottie Taylor, Mollie Patchett. Recitations: Kitchener Amyes, Gertie Salisbury, Ronald Salt, Mary McKenna. Songs: Lucy Scott, Eva Taylor, Miss Clayburn, Mrs. Carter. Piano Solo: Ralph Scott. A good session well spent. Lyceum scholars increasing.—B. Lord.

BARROW, Ramsden Street.—On December 2nd we held our Open Session. Recitations by Frank Fenton, Lily Kirkpatrick, Jackie Howbrook, Marjorie Chaptman, Ethel May Ankinson, Mary Howbrook, Freda Grown and Winnie Eccles. Solo by Miss Miller. Fraternal greetings to all Lyceums.—L. Brown, Sec.

BIRKENHEAD.—December 2nd was our Open Session. A good attendance considering the bad weather. Recitations by Margaret Ellis, Eileen Edwards, Edna George, Freda Whiteley, Gladys McClennant, Ethel George, Charlie Ellis, Esther Dunn and May Durnham. Solos were rendered by Mr. Taylor, Percy Woodley and Evie Williams. A few pearls were given and altogether it was a very pleasant morning, participated in by every one.—A. M. Hemsall, Sec.

BLACKBURN, St. Peter Street.—On November 25th we held our Open Session. We are pleased to report another well attended session. The marching and calisthenics were gone through with vigour behind each movement. During the open part of the session we were favoured by a few recitations by some of our younger Lyceumists, also a pianoforte solo; each little contributor did his or her best. These efforts from the children were thoroughly enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present. Mr. Berry, our speaker for the day, gave a few well chosen words which were greeted with applause. Best wishes to all other Lyceums and Lyceumists.—James T. Smith, Sec.

BOLTON, Bradford Street.—In offering the season's greetings we present our newly elected officers:—Conductor, Mr. W. Johnson; Assist. Conductor, Mr. Hibbert; Sec., Mr. T. Connor; Assist. Sec., James Bromiley; Treasurer, Mr. Ridings; Musical Directors, Messrs. Ridings, Batten and Farrimond; Guardian, Miss Lomas; Guards Capt., James Worthington; Guards, Misses Holt, Bromiley, Speight, Messrs. Walker and Roberts; Auditors, Messrs. Brown and Lintott; Marching and Calisthenics, Mr. Worthington; Assistant, Arthur Batten; Societies Representatives, Messrs. Johnson and Connor; Librarian, Mr. Farrimond; Liberty Group Leader, T. Connor; children under 10 years, Mrs. Sheldon, Miss Worthington; Girls' Leader, 10 to 16, Mrs. Johnson; Boys' Leader, Mr. Askew.—T. Connor, Sec.

BOLTON, Henry Street.—The election of officers for the year 1924 resulted as follows:—Conductor, Mr. H. Shorrocks; Assistants, Mr. P. Owen and Miss Sixsmith; Secretary, Mr. W. C. Bearman; Treasurer, Mr. J. Shipperbottom; Calisthenics Conductor, Miss V. Hibbert; Musical Conductors, Mr. P. Owen and Miss E. Green; Guardian, Mrs. Chapman; Captain of Guards, Miss A. Sheffield; Guards, Miss D. Shipperbottom, T. Eckersley and J. Sheffield; Leaders of Marching, D. Moores and T. Taylor; Marching Conductor, Mr. W. C. Bearman; Assistant, Mr. R. Shipperbottom; Official Delegates, Mr. Shorrocks and Mr. R. Shipperbottom.

We have also appointed a Committee to discuss and arrange matters for the welfare of the Lyceum. They are:—Mr. Shorrocks, Mr. Owen, Mr. J. Shipperbottom, Mr. R. Shipperbottom, Mr. Hutchinson, Mrs. Chapman and W. C. Bearman, Sec.

BRADFORD, Harker Street.—We held our Open Session on December 2nd, which was enjoyed by all present. Various items were given by many Lyceumists.—Mrs. Birkett, Sec.

CAERAU.—A Special Session was held on Sunday afternoon on the visit of Mrs. Florence Brooks, of Birmingham, when a healthy time was spent by all, the Hall being packed to its entirety. The Conductor, Mr. Arthur Jones, deserves appreciation for his tremendous patience in the preparation for the programme. Music was prepared by Mr. Edward Jones, Musical Conductor. There were two little ones dedicated to the Lyceum in the names of Ronald Lloyd Jones and Alice May Lloyd Jones, both children of our Conductor. Ronald being given the Spirit name of "Progress," and Alice May the Spirit name of "Violet." These two little minds were dedicated to the real aims and objects of our Lyceum teaching. R. Williams, Sec.

CARDIFF, Queen Street.—Nov. 4th. Recitations by Mr. Silby, Doris Davis, Mrs. Litman, Nancy Hansell, Winnie James, Beatrice Davies, Winnie Dunn, Ruth Richards and Edith James. Solo by Mrs. Davies. We spent an enjoyable afternoon.—F. J. Davies, Sec.

CHESTERFIELD.—On December 2nd we held our Open Session and the following obliged:—Recitations by Francis Hobster, Kenneth Bown, Elsie Gore, Edith Slater, Ivy Philpott, Marion Wagstaff, Sidney Hobster. Duets by Lily and Connie Slater, Miss Turner and Nancy Mathews. Quartette by Mr. Pleasance, Mr. E. Hobster, Mr. J. Hobster and Mr. Heath. Pianoforte solo by Miss Turner. We had a very good session.—Irene Marriott, Sec.

COLNE Cloth Hall.—December 2nd, Open Session. Recita-

tions, song and pianoforte solos were given by several Lyceumists. A good session. November 24th, Saturday, the Lyceumists from Richard Street, Burnley, gave a concert and cantata, "The White Garland," and were thanked for their wonderful performance and the enjoyable evening spent together.—J. R. Wrigglesworth, Sec.

DONCASTER, Wood Street.—We held our Open Session on December 2nd conducted by Mrs. Gomersall. The following Lyceumists took part: A. and V. Crossland, L. and E. Gomersall, A. and W. Trout, D. Batty and M. Nutter. An enjoyable time was spent together.—Violet Batty, Sec.

DURHAM, Claypath.—This Lyceum has got a good start, having a membership of thirty. We are under a great disadvantage with having to pay a heavy rent. Mrs. Hogg, late of Hull, and Mr. Croizer, of West Stanley, conducted the opening session, but the want of *Manuals* made the work difficult. However, we have purchased a dozen, and Holborn Hall Lyceum, Hull, gave us a dozen *Manuals*. That gift is greatly appreciated, and our thanks go out to them for their practical sympathy.—S.H.

EARBY.—On December 2nd we held our Open Session. Recitation by (girls) P. Hunter, M. Nicol, M. Ennis, E. Tiltolton, A. Taylor, E. Taylor, E. Clarke, Q. Dawson, D. Nuttall, E. Spencer, D. Haynes and Elsie Clarke. (Boys) H. Foster, G. Robinson, H. Tiltolton, R. Haynes, S. Warrington, W. Moore, R. Martindale, W. Smith, G. Millward, K. Dewhurst, J. Foster, H. Greenwood, W. Tiltolton and B. Taylor. Songs by boys and girls of Liberty Group. New year's greetings to all Lyceumists.—T. Clarke, Sec.

FLEETWOOD.—On November 25th, naming of a baby by Mr. Batley. Baby's name, Beryl Standbridge, the small Lyceumists taking part in singing. A very pleasing ceremony.

December 16th, election of officers. Conductor, Mr. Batley; Assistants Miss Nellie Cooke and Mrs. Firth; Secretary, Mrs. Benson; Assistant Secretary, Tom Firth; Treasurer, Mr. Jordan; Guardian, Mrs. Firth; Captain of Guards, William Sargeant; Musical Conductor, Miss Agnes Firth; Marching Leaders, Phyllis Jordan and Irene Griffith, Harold Latus and Ernest Frith; Calisthenics Leader, Mr. John Cooke. Fraternal greetings to all Lyceums.—Mrs. F. Benson, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD, St. Peter Street.—Open Sessions on December 21st. We had two Spiritual Naming Ceremonies; one by Miss A. Woodside. She gave it the name of Bessie Pinckard; Spiritual Name, "Pearl." Mrs. Lily gave the name of Mary Shaw; Spiritual Name, "Sunshine." Our scholars gave recitations and solos. We all enjoyed the afternoon's proceedings.—C. Senior, Sec.

LEEDS, Easy Road.—December 2nd was our 16th Anniversary. We had Open Session in the afternoon and a service of song, "The Warning Voice," in the evening. Saturday, December 1st, we had a tea and concert. About 100 sat to tea and the room was full for the concert. Our young scholars filled half the programme, the elders taking the other half. A most enjoyable time and a huge success.—Mrs. G. Ingle, Sec.

LEICESTER, Rupert Street.—December 2nd we had our Open Session when the following Lyceumists took part.—Solos by Miss C. Iliff and Mr. H. Javes. Duets by Misses D. Parker and E. Wright; Messrs. A. Wells and H. Wicks. Reading by Mr. C. Moore. Short address by Mr. Moody. It was a bright and enjoyable session.—Mr. J. Wicks, Sec.

LINCOLN.—We held an enjoyable session with good recitations by several Lyceumists. Prizes were given for the best. Our week-end speaker, Mr. Stewart, of Sheffield, was adjudicator.—A. Bailey, Sec.

LONDON, Plaistow.—Still carrying on but badly need visitors to encourage the children and help the officers, who are doing their best in making the Lyceum successful.—R. Manning, Sec.

MACCLESFIELD.—The Lyceum joined with the Society on November 22nd in bidding "God Speed" to Mr. and Mrs. Bennison and family on their leaving for Australia.

A good exhibition of their powers was given by the boys' gymnasium, under Mr. Swindells. The girls trained by Miss Dean. A comic sketch by elder Lyceumists and some members. Two framed pictures of Gym. and Liberty Groups were given to Mr. and Mrs. Bennison. Lyceum Manuals to the four youngest and an Officer's edition to the eldest son. Miss Dean and Mr. Swindells were also presented with a group picture each.—Hannah Rushton, Sec.

MANCHESTER, Cheetham.—Open Session December 2nd. We had a good time together. Lyceumists responded well in recitations and solos and pianoforte solos. Pearls were given well. We were pleased to see the youngest Lyceumists taking part. We had bad weather and I think it was the cause of many friends not being present.—A. Robinson.

MANCHESTER, Pendleton.—On November 4th we held a Service of Song entitled "Into the Light," which was well received by the audience, and rendered by Lyceumists. On November 11th and 18th we had two naming ceremonies by Mrs. Langford and Miss M. Boston respectively. The Lyceum can truly claim the name "Progressive," for our numbers hover around the hundred, and the children respond a great deal more readily to the call of the Conductor.—J. Shaw, Sec.

NELSON.—On December 2nd we held our Open Session, when the session was made bright by the following rendering items:—Edith Boothman, Olga Ellis, Stella Atherton, Ivy Greenwood, Doris Higgins, Hilda Leech, Ida and Alice Poutney, Fred Bannister, Albert Ellis, Luther Horsefield, James Parkinson, Fred Forrest, Allan Haythornwaite and Jesse Hacking. We are glad to say this Lyceum is showing signs of improvement and hopes for greater times during 1924.

We send our New Year's greetings to all Lyceums at home and abroad, and to all our leaders of the movement.—Mrs. Parkinson, Sec.

NEWBIGGIN-BY-SEA.—Session December 3rd. Opened by Assistant Conductor Mr. Harold Teasdale. Silver chain by Captain Miss Edgar. Musical reading by Vice-Captain Miss Gildersleeves. Hymn by Librarian Miss Shanks. Several solos and recitations by children. Sorry to report the passing of our youngest Lyceumist.—Tom Teasdale, Conductor.

OLDHAM, Central.—Nov. 25th. Conductor, Mr. Woods; S.C.R., A. Howarth; M.R., C. Howarth, Miss Norbury and Mr. Norbury; G.C.R., W. Woods. Recitations by Bessie Woods, R. Chappell and W. Woods. Solos by Miss Norbury and Mr. Norbury. Duet by Christina Howarth and F. Chappell. On Nov. 25th we were pleased to have with us Mr. Hudson, S.E. Lancs. District Visitor.

Dec. 10th. Services rendered by the following Lyceumists: Mrs. Chappell, Misses L. Pointon, L. Ogden, M. Norbury, V. Harrop, A. Blimston, I. Palmer, M. Grange, E. Howarth, Mr. Buckley, H. Ogden, L. Ogden, H. Bayliss, W. Woods, F. Chappell, R. Chappell.—E. Norbury, Sec.

OLDHAM, Hooper Street.—Open Session Nov. 11th. Conductor, Mr. Goulden. Attendance large. Singing, solos, recitations and pearls very good.—G. Wright, Sec.

PARKGATE.—Our Lyceum is going strong and looking forward to a real good festive season. Education scheme receiving much interest.—F. K. Cook, Sec.

PORTSMOUTH, Frances Avenue.—A harmonious session conducted under the leadership of Mrs. Taylor, Excellent rendering of recitations by Miss D. Harman, Master W. Hunt and Beryl Rappe.—H. C. Guy, Sec.

PRESTON, 68, Lancaster Road.—We had our Open Session on December 9th. We had a grand session all through, everything done in good style. The following helped to make the session a success:—Recitations: A. Curtiss, L. Norris. Solos: Miss Hough. Duets: Elsie Kilner and O. Martin, Miss E. Bradley and M. Bradley. Trios: Mr. Rampling, Mr. D. Rae, Miss E. Thompson, and Miss E. Bradley, Miss Hough, Mr. W. E. Rae. The season's greetings to all Lyceumists.—R. Smalley, Sec.

ROCHDALE, Regent Hall.—We held our Lyceum Tea on December 1st. Mr. Hudson, our President, distributed the prizes and the Lyceumists provided the entertainment very successfully.—J. Nurse, Sec.

SOUTH MANCHESTER, Princess Hall.—On December 2nd we held our Open Sessions. These were conducted as full Lyceum Sessions and proved a great success. Our Lyceumists provided an excellent and very interesting programme with solos, duets, recitations and piano solos. Special marches were given by our Lyceumists. Our thanks are due to Mr. Francis and friends for providing instrumental music which was very pleasing to all present, also to Mr. G. Verner for solos rendered. Mrs. Vernon kindly officiated at the piano. Progress not only in numbers but in efficiency. We have also held our social and dance, and a very pleasant time was spent.

On December 16th the distribution of reward books took place, distributed by Mr. J. Harmer, President, and Mr. W. E. Bentley, Conductor. Every encouragement was given to the young ones.—Albert Hope, Sec.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES, Brunswick Street.—On Dec. 2nd we held our usual Open Session. Invocation by Mrs. Williams. Questions were asked on G.C. Marching and calisthenics were an improvement. We also had several solos from our Lyceumists. An afternoon enjoyed by all.—G. Tuck, Sec.

WEST MELTON.—Open Session on December 2nd, Mr. Lee conducting. Recitations and pearls by Mesdames M. Walton, M. Elliott, K. Sykes, M. A. Speight, E. Thornton, M. Fielding, M. Peat, N. Hallworth, R. Rawlinson, M. Jackson. Boys: H. Peat, T. Turner, J. Farrar, S. Hallworth, G. and J. Peniluna, C. Walton, J. Staley.—Harry Trigger, Sec.

BEDWORTH.—Open Session December 2nd. Recitations given by M. Wood, N. Allsop, A. Bradbury, Florrie and Fred Ison, L. J. and C. G. Chapman. Season's greetings to all Lyceumists.—Mr. H. Wood, Sec.

BRADFORD, Boynton Street.—We held our Open Session on December 2nd. The following Lyceumists took part. Solos, Alfred Hampson and Mr. Belford; Duets, A. Wroe and D. Phillipson, Miss Wroe and Miss Scarborough; Recitations, Flora Wroe, Evelyn Schofield, Donald Tempest and G. Tempest.—Mrs. Ward, Sec.

LANCASTER.—We held our Open Session on December 2nd and had a most enjoyable time. Recitations were given by Annie Smith (2), Nellie Lowther (2), and John Peel, and a duet was rendered by Alma Coupland and Nellie Lowther. Our children are looking forward eagerly to their Treat. Hoping that the New Year will dawn bright and prosperous for all.—Marion Swale, Sec.

MANCHESTER, Pendleton.—On November 4th we held our Service of Song entitled "Into the Light," which was rendered by the Lyceum children and well received by the congregation which consisted of a good number of new friends. Work in the Lyceum is speedily progressing on all sides. Wishing all Lyceumists the compliments of the season and may the New Year bring everybody good luck.—J. Shaw, Sec.

QUARMBY.—Open Session held 9th November. Recitations by Misses K. Micklethwaite and K. Quinn. Solo by Miss Oliver. Violin solo by W. Hirst. Session much enjoyed.—H. Baxter, Sec.

RUNCORN.—A very successful Social and Concert was held on December 18th. The following artistes had a very enthusiastic audience of about 160 people:—Mr. R. P. Bostock, ventriloquist and conjurer; Mr. J. Brimelow, tenor; Mr. J. Johnson, elocutionist; Mr. C. L. Cohen, Entertainer. Mr. G. F. Jones presided at the piano and Mr. G. A. Mack was the M.C. in charge of the Social. The catering was ably done by lady Lyceumists.

SCARBOROUGH.—Officers for 1924:—Conductors, Mr. T. Williams and Mrs. Burr; Guardians, Miss Firth and Master E. Riley; Musical Director, Miss D. Stephenson; Treasurer, Mrs. Townsend; Secretary, Mr. H. Middleton; Delegate, Mr. J. A. Laycock; Captain of Guards, Mrs. Riley; Calisthenics Conductor, Mr. H. Middleton; Auditors, Mrs. G. Stephenson and Mr. Seth.

WINNIPEG, Canada.—On November 28th we held our Half-Yearly Meeting and Election of Officers for the next six months. Conductor, Wm. T. Brown; Assists., Miss Anderson, Louis W. Brown; Treasurer, Miss Anderson; Secretary, Helen Lawrence; Guardian, Mrs. H. Forrest, Captain of Guards, May Wakeman, Doris Coe; Guards, Milly Crawley, Edna Brown, Harry Towns, Harold Brown; Musical Director, Jonina Sumarldson; Assist., Helen Lawrence; Liberty Group Leader, Wm. T. Brown; Teachers, Mrs. H. Forrest, Miss Anderson, Louis W. Brown; Sick Visitors, Mrs. H. Forrest, Miss Anderson; Auditors, Mr. H. Forrest, Wilfrid Brown.

On December 2nd we held our Open Session which was very well attended. The primary children taking a very active part in recitations and songs. Wishing you all a bright and prosperous New Year from Winnipeg to all Lyceumists.—Helen F. Lawrence Sec.

The British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT.

- G Birmingham, Stirchley, 10-0. Mr. S. C. Kind, 233, Fordhouse Lane, Stirchley.
 G Walsall, Temperance Hall, Freer-st., 2-30 p.m. Mr. N. Hughes, 16, L. Forster-street.
 G Wolverhampton, Temple-st., 2-15. Mrs. A. Pearce 3, Addison-rd., Birches Barn Estate, Wo'ton.
 G Wolverhampton, School St. Mr. A. Hodges, 28, Birches Barn Rd.

BOLTON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. E. Dean, 77, King-st., Bury, Lancs.
 District Visitor, Mr. F. Jones, 32, Bright-st., Radcliffe.
 E Bolton, Bradford-street, 10 a.m. Mr. T. Connor, 55, Arkwright St.
 E Bolton, Deane-road, 10-30 a.m. Mrs. Hibbert, 44, Bullock St., Bolton.
 E Bolton, Henry-street, 10-15. Mr. W. C. Bearman, 3, St. Bartholomew-st., Gt. Lever, Bolton.
 E Bury, 66, King-street, Rochdale-road, 10 and 1-45. Mr. M. H. Hepworth, 312, Hornby Street.
 E Daisy Hill, Mabel-street, 10-30 a.m. Miss M. Woodward, 483, Leigh-road, Daisy Hill.
 E Horwich, Beatrice-street, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Miss A. Purchas, 108, Lee Lane, Horwich.
 E Radcliffe, Railway St., 10-30. Mr. J. Charnley, 4, Stanley St., Whitefield, nr. Bury.

BRADFORD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. E. Aked, 96, Eelholme View, Beechcliffe, Keighley.
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 D Bradford, Boynton-street, 10-45 and 1-45. Mrs. Ward, 32, John-street, Lowmoor, Bradford.
 D Bradford, East Bowling, Wakefield-road. Harker-street, 10-30 and 1-45. Mrs. F. Birkett, 7, Rutland-street, Wakefield-road.
 D Bradford, 432 Manchester-road, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. T. Plumb, 167, Round-street, W. Bowling.
 D Bradford, Otley-road, 10-30 a.m. and 1-45 p.m. Mr. H. Brunskill, 33, Stanacre-place, Otley-rd.
 D Bradford, Laisterdyke, No. 5, Laisterdyke, 10-30 & 1-45. Mr. J. Babbs, 3, Dundas St. Laisterdyke.
 D Idle, Co-op. Hall, 1-45. Mr. E. Bottomley, 59-61, Victoria Rd., Ecclehill.
 D Keighley, Heber-street, 10 and 1-30. Mr. T. O'Neil, 6, Fern-street, Keighley.
 D Shipley, Teal-court, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. E. H. Coles, 28, St. Paul's-road.
 D Windhill, Schoolhill, 10-30 and 1-30 p.m. Mrs. B. Bateson, 17, Prospect St., Cragg Rd., Windhill.
 D Yeadon, Town Hall, 10 & 1-45. Mr. G. W. Elliott, 17, Ivegate, Yeadon, temp. closed
 D Skipton, Mr. E. Ingham, 5, Alexandra Terrace, Keighley-road.

COVENTRY DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. E. E. Hutton, 278, Longford-road, Longford, nr. Coventry.
 District Visitor, Mr. H. Burrows, Ryburn House, Craven-st., Queensland-avenue, Coventry.
 G Coventry, Bull-street, (Off Hertford-street). 3-0 to 4-30 p.m. Mr. H. Burrows, Ryburn House, Craven-street, Queensland-avenue.
 G Coventry, Broadgate, 3-0 p.m. Mr. J. Dalrymple, 14, Freeman St.
 G Coventry, Foleshill, Broad-street, 10-45 a.m. Mrs. E. Hutton, 278, Longford-rd. Longford, nr. Cov.
 G Coventry, Lockhurst-lane, 11 a.m. Mr. T. J. Tullett, c/o Prof. N. R. Ayriss, 516, Foleshill-rd.
 G Nuneaton, Norman Avenue. Miss V. Gotts, 141, Haunchwood Rd., Stockingford, Nuneaton.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. J. Manning, 5, Hope-st., Hebden Bridge.
 District Visitor, Mr. Seth Ackroyd, 46, Broomfield Marsh, Huddersfield.
 D Brighouse, Commercial St., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss M. E. Oade, 28, Bryan St., Raistrick, Brighouse.
 D Brighouse, Martin St., 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. R. Blackburn, 10, Water Street.
 D Elland, Southgate, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. H. Fox, 36, Victoria Avenue.
 D Halifax, Alma St., 10 and 1-45. Mr. P. Chapman, 47, Grove Ter., Upper Washer Lane, Kings Cross, Halifax.
 D Halifax, Raven St., 10 and 1-30. Mr. L. Blackburn, 16, Luton Street, Queen's Road.
 D Hebden Bridge, Hope Street, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. H. Greenwood, 23, Wood End.
 D Huddersfield, Ramsden St., 10 a.m. Miss D. Bottomley, 9, Rose St., Turnbridge, Huddersfield.
 D Huddersfield, St. Peter St., 10-30 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. Mr. C. Senior, 51, Orange Terrace, Alder St.
 D Marsden, Oliver Lane, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Miss A. Brown, Steep Farm, Marsden, nr. Huddersfield.
 D Quarmby, Harp Rd., Longwood, 10-30. Mr. H. Baxter, 10, Sunside Terr., Milnsbridge, Huddersfield.
 D Slaithwaite, Laith-lane, 10-15 a.m. Mr. F. Barrett, 367, Spurn Point, Linthwaite, nr. Huddersfield.
 D Sowerby Bridge, Hollins-lane, 9-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. John Teal, Hoyle House.
 D West Vale, Halifax, Green Lane, 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. T. Flintoff, 6, Houlth Lane, Greetland, Halifax.

LEEDS COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. A. W. Harding, 19, New Row, Thornes, Wakefield.
 District Visitor, Mr. J. Downs, 6, Wellington Terrace, Bean Street, Hull.
 C Batley Carr, Carr-street, 10 and 1-30 Mr. E. Whitlock, 99, Bradford Rd., Dewsbury.
 C Birstall, Batley, Railway Ter., Miss Ellis, 11, Jacob Street, Woodwell, Batley.
 C Castleford, Lower Oxford St., 10-15 a.m. Mrs. F. Partridge, 165, Glebe St.
 C Cleckheaton, The Old Robin, 1-45. Mr. A. Ashton, 2, Farfield St., Moorend, Cleckheaton.
 C Dewsbury, Bond St., 10 and 1-45. Mr. L. Bland, 30, Richmond St., Cross Bank, Batley.
 C Heckmondwike, Tower St., 2 p.m. Miss M. Oldfield, 51, Milton Terrace.
 C Hull, Dairycoates, Dee St., Hessele Rd., 1-45 p.m. Mrs. A. E. Cook, 3, Elma Av., Edinburgh St.
 C Hull, Holborn Hall, Holborn St., Witham, 10-30 and 2-0. Mrs. Brown, 78, Porter Street.
 C Leeds, Armley, Theaker-lane, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. L. P. Firth, 17, Ebenezer Pl., Tong Rd., Armley.
 C Leeds, Rookingham St., Wade Lane (Psycho), 2-30 p.m. Mr. E. Lewis, 13, Sydenham Pl., Holbeck, Leeds.
 C Leeds, 7, Easy Rd., 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mrs. G. Ingle, 15, Copperfield Place, Leeds.
 C Leeds, Horsforth, Scout Hut, Broadgate Lane, 3-15. Mr. T. Binns, Roo Yard, Long Row, Horsforth.
 C Littleton, Wall St., 2 p.m. Mr. C. Hirst, 6, Belmont St., Norrishorpe, Liversedge.
 C Moorthorpe, Barnsley Rd., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss I. Dawson, 57, Victor St., Westfield-lane, South Elmsall, nr. Pontefract.
 C Morley, Queen St., 10-30 and 1-45. Mrs. Brearley, 9, Ilford Terrace.
 C Normanton, Queen St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. E. Calcutt, 71, Queen Street.
 C Pontefract, Beast Fair, 1-0 p.m. Mr. S. Harcastle, 6, Heywood Terrace, Id. Lane, Pontefract.
 C Scarborough, Sherwood St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. H. Middleton, 147, North Marine Road.
 C Wakefield, Kirkgate, over Public Benefit Boot Shop (side entrance), 1-45, Mr. J. T. Hargate, 8, Doncaster Road.
 C York, Spen Lane, Mr. H. Cooper, 110, Holgate Ter., York.
LIVERPOOL COUNCIL DISTRICT:
 Secretary, Miss G. Owen, "West Leigh," 20, Morningside Road, Bootle.
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 F Birkenhead, 46, Bridge St., 11 a.m. Miss M. Hemsall, 9, Prenton Rd., E. Hr. Tranmere, Birkenhead.
 F Liverpool, Daulby St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. J. C. Thompson, 43, Clifton Rd., Tue Brook, Liverpool.
 F Liverpool, Boaler St., 3 p.m. Mr. T. Birchall, 146, Anfield Rd., Liverpool.
 F Runcorn, Ashridge St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. J. E. Jones, 42, Shaw Street, Runcorn.
 F St. Helens, No. 1, Corporation St., 10-30. Mr. J. Aldred, 269, Park Rd.
 F Warrington, Sankey St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. James Lawton, 7, Hewitt Street.
 F Widnes, Moor-lane, 1-30. Mr. F. Knight, 118, Albert Road.
 F Wigan, Miners' Hall, Millgate, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. W. Rossiter, 468, Bolton Rd., Ashton-in-Makerfield.

THE LONDON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. A. T. Connor, 19, Oakhurst Rd., Forest Gate, London, E.7.
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 H London, Battersea, 3-0. Mr. W. J. Clements, 62, Hubert Grove, Stockwell.
 H London, Clapham St. Luke's Rd., S.W.4., 3 p.m. Miss M. Lovegrove, 76, Bolinbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common, S.W.11.
 H London, Fulham, S.W.12. Lettice St., Munster Rd., 3 p.m. Mr. J. Dix, 9, Bloompark Rd., Fulham.
 H London, Hackney, Amhurst Rd., 3-0. Mrs. M. Hester, 26, Urswick Rd., Clapton, E.9.
 H Hampton Hill, Middlesex, High St., 3 p.m. Mrs. A. Baker, 8, East Bank Road, Hampton Hill, Middlesex.
 H London, Hounslow, Adult School. Mr. White, 41, Staines Rd., Hounslow.
 H London, N. London, Grovedale Rd., 3 p.m. Mr. C. Drinkwater, 119, Isledon Rd., Holloway N.7.
 H London, Kingston-on-Thames, Bishop's Hall, Thames St., 3 p.m. Mr. L. Hart, 131, Waldegrave Rd., Teddington-on-Thames.
 H Little Ilford, Third Avenue Church St., Manor Park, 3 p.m. Miss M. Barber, 452a, Romford Rd., Forest Gate, E.7.
 H London, E., Manor Park, Shrewsbury Rd., 3-0 p.m. Mr. W. P. George, 53, Little Ilford lane, Manor Park, E.12.
 H London, Peckham, Lausane Rd., 3 p.m. Mrs. B. M. Bell, 21, Crewys Rd., Peckham, S.E.15.
 H London, E., 13, Plaistow, Braemar Rd., 3 p.m. Miss T. Manning, 67, Khartoum Rd., Plaistow, E.13.
 H London, Tottenham, 684, High Rd., 3 p.m. Miss A. Long, 13, Rostrevor Av., Stamford Hill, N.15.
 H London, Walthamstow, 3 p.m. Mrs. Chignell, 107, Chelmsford Rd., Walthamstow, E.17.
 H London, Woolwich and Plumstead, Invicta Hall, Crescent Rd., Plumstead, 3-0 p.m. Mr. H. Watney, 4, Richmond Pl., Plumstead, S.E.18.

- H London, Wimbledon, 4 and 5, The Broadway, 3 p.m. Mr. D. E. Dodd, 9, Kingston Rd., Wimbledon. S.W.19.

MANCHESTER COUNCIL DISTRICT.

- Secretary, Mr. G. A. Dixon, 31, Royd St., C. on M., Manchester.
 District Visitor, Mr. J. E. Hart, 47, Fairlawn St., Moss Side, Manchester.
 F Hollinwood, Byrom St., Mr. H. Ball, 20a, Clowes St., Hollinwood.
 F Manchester, Ardwick, 38, Maskell St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. G. A. Dixon, 31, Royd St., Co-on-M. Manchester.
 F Manchester, Halliwell St., Cheetham Hill, 10-30. Mr. Briggs, 46, Wellington St. East, Hr. Broughton.
 F Manchester, Collyhurst, Oldham Rd., 10-30 a.m. Miss A. Bragg, 3, Enoch St., Miles Platting.
 F Manchester, Hr. Openshaw, 141, Old Lane, Mr. S. Molineux, 70, Ambush Street.
 F Manchester, Longsight, Shepley St., 2-30. Miss A. Halliday, 90, Hyde Rd., Ardwick.
 F Manchester, Moston, Co-operative Stores, Amos St., 10-30. Miss E. Eden, 18, Conran St., Harpurhey, Manchester.
 F Manchester, Moss Side, Stanley Grove, Moss Lane West, Mr. H. Moulson, 143, Beresford St., Moss Side, Manchester.
 F Manchester, Newton Heath, Allen St., 2-30 p.m. C. G. Cunningham, 15, Hilda St., Moston, Sec. Pro. tem.
 F Manchester, Pendleton, Ford Lane, 2-15 p.m. Mr. J. Shaw, 13, Co-operative St., Langham Rd., Seedley, Manchester.
 F Manchester, Salford (Central), High St., off Cross Lane, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Bennett, 18, Culverwell St., Salford.
 F Manchester, South: Princess Rd., 2-30 p.m. Mr. A. Hope, 1, Green St., Greenheys, Manchester.
 F Sale, Roebuck Lane, 10-30 a.m. Mrs. A. E. Ashley, 24, New Street, Altrincham.
 F New Manchester, Brunswick Chambers, 65, Brunswick St., C-on-M., 10-30. Mrs. B. Jackson, 21, Granville St., Upper Brook St., C. on M., Manchester.

NORTH-EAST CHESHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT.

- Secretary, Miss Maltby, 78, St. Mary's Rd., Glossop.
 District Visitor, Mrs. Ennion, 95, Vienna Rd., Edgeley, Stockport.
 F Ashton-under-Lyne, Burlington St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. A. V. Davis, 14, Watergate, Audenshaw.
 F Dukinfield, Railway St., 10-30. Mr. S. Purkis, 30, Alma St., Dukinfield.
 F Denton, Central, Market St., 10-30. Miss J. Ordan, 8, Bank St., Hooley Hill, nr. Manchester.
 F Glossop, Faveel Rd., 10-30. Miss M. Maltby, 78, St. Mary's Road.
 F Heaton Norris, Baker St., 10 and 2 p.m. Mrs. Downs, 47, Belmont St., Heaton Norris, nr Stockport.
 F Hyde, Clarendon St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. F. Hill, 12, Howard Street.
 F Macclesfield, Cumberland St., 10-30 a.m. Mrs. H. Rushton, Rose Cottage, Upton, Macclesfield.
 D Stockport, Lr. Hillgate, Crowther St., 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. T. Spencer, 3, Jones Sq., Hempsshaw Lane.
 F Stockport, Central, 15b, Lord St., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss E. Joules, 66, Wellington Rd., South.

NORTH-EAST LANCASHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT

- Secretary, Mr. J. Shuttleworth, 8, Shaftesbury Avenue, Darwen.
 District Visitor, Mr. Wagner, 5, Ivan St., Queensgate, Burnley.
 E Accrington, Argyle St., Miss M. Barnes, 51, Robert Nuttall St., (Temporarily Closed).
 E Accrington, Pearl St., 10-30 a.m. Miss S. J. Woolmington, 25, Rutland St. Accrington.
 E Barnoldswick (West End), Town Head, 10 a.m. Mr. J. Woffenden, 4, Back Coine Road.
 E Barnoldswick, Green St., 10-30. Mrs. Whittaker, 66, Manchester Road.
 E Barrowford, Lee St., 10 a.m. Miss A. Dugdale, 233, Gisburn Road.
 E Blackburn, St. Peter St., 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. J. Smith, 65, Queen Victoria St., Mill Hill.
 E Blackpool, Albert Rd., 9-15 a.m. Mr. F. Carter, 65, Lune Grove.
 E Blackpool, Albert Rd., 9-15 a.m. & 1-45. Mr. F. Carter, 65, Lune Grove.
 E Burnley, Hammerton St., 10 a.m. Mr. H. Brown, 32, Elm Street.
 E Burnley, North St., 10 a.m. Miss M. Wagner, 5, Ivan St., Queensgate, Burnley.
 E Clitheroe, Rechabites Hall, Greenacre St., 10 a.m. Miss E. Laycock, 67, West View.
 E Colne, Cloth Hall, 10 a.m. Mr. J. R. Wrigglesworth, 25, Rutland Street.
 E Darwen, Churchbank St., 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. J. Nightingale, 4, Matlock Avenue.
 E Earby, Greenend Avenue, 10 and 1-45. Mr. T. Clarke, 16, Mill Brow, Earby.
 E Fleetwood, Kemp St., 11 and 2-30. Mrs. F. Benson, 126, Mount Street.
 E Great Harwood, Mercer St., 10-30 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. H. Baxter, 25, Oak Street.
 E Nelson, Vernon St., 10 a.m. Mrs. Parkinson, 12, Netherfield Road.

E Padham, Ightenhill St., 10 a.m. Mr. C. H. Hoole, 40, Adamson Street.
E Preston, Central, Clarke's Yd., 10 a.m. Mr. A. W. Beetham, 15, Knowles Street.
E Preston, Central Buildings, Lancaster Rd., 10-30. Mr. E. Smalley, 90, Wellfield Road.
E Preston, Progressive, 10 a.m. Mr. E. O. Mason, 314, Ribbleson Lane.
E Rawtenstall, Bk. Ormerod St., 10-30. Mr. A. Stansfield, 19, Ivy Grove, Burnley Road.
E Rishton, Eachill Rd., 10-30 a.m. Miss A. D. Hacking, 81, Spring St., Rishton, nr. Blackburn.
E Barrow-in-Furness, Dalkeith St., 2 p.m. Miss M. E. Lawton, 14, Park Avenue.
E Barrow-in-Furness, Ramsden St., Mrs. L. Brown, 49, Harrison St., Barrow.
E Lancaster, Gt. J. Street, 10-30. Miss M. Swale, 2, Alfred Street.
E Millom, Holborn Hill, Main St., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mr. J. Cairns, 25, Main Street.

NOTTINGHAM COUNCIL DISTRICT.

Secretary, Miss Victoria G. Rayner, 112, Gregory Boulevard, Nottingham.
District Visitor, Mr. A. Shipley, 132, Hartley Rd., Nottingham.
G Belper, Jubilee Hall, 10 and 2. Mr. J. H. Hawkins, Brookside.
G Beeston, Notts., Chapel St., 9-43. Mr. S. Paling, c/o Mrs. Baker, 22, Mona Street.
G Eastwood, Hill Top, Nottingham Rd., 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. C. Buckley, Jessop St., Codnor, Derbyshire.
G Hucknall, Wesleyan Chapel Yard, Watnall Rd., 10-45 and 2. Miss A. Neal, 95, Annesley Road.
G Kettering, Dalkeith Place, 11 & 1-45. Mrs. H. A. Bryan Smith, "Inglestone," Kingsley Ave.
G Leicester, Foresters Institute, 3. Mr. C. W. Banton, 63, Fairfield Street.
G Leicester, Marston St., Mr. A. Greenalgh, 96, Green Lane Rd.
G Leicester, Rupert St., Lecture Hall, 10-45 a.m. Mr. John Wicks, 16, Curzon Street.
G Leicester, Silver Street, Queen's Hall, 2-45 p.m. Mr. J. H. Wicks, 16, Curzon Street.
G Mansfield, Quaker Lane, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. J. W. Wright, 72, Welbeck Street.
G Nottingham (Mechanics' Minor Hall), North Church St., 2-45 p.m. Mr. O. Peel, 8, Briar St., Meadows.
G Nottingham (Gladstone Hall), Lamartin St., 2-30. Mr. A. W. Shipley, 132, Hartley Road.
G Nottingham, Hyson Green, Beaconsfield St., 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. E. Lovegrove, 50, Eland St., New Basford, Nottingham.
G Nottingham, Parliament St., 10-45 and 2-30. Mr. L. Murdock, 296, Denman St., Radford, Nottingham.
G Sutton-in-Ashfield, Twitchell, Miss Carr, 53, Nesbitt Street.

THE SCOTTISH COUNCIL DISTRICT.

Secretary, Mr. J. Kenneth, 10, St. Matthew St., Dundee.
District Visitor, M. J. Shaw, 3, Carfin St., Govanhill, Glasgow.
A Adelaide, Tower Court, Victoria Square, 3-0 p.m. Mr. A. J. Polson, 15, Little Gilbert-st., Adelaide, S. Australia.
A Aberdeen, Music Hall, Union-st., 3 p.m. Mr. A. M. Duncan, 55, Duthrie Terrace.
A Belfast, St. George's Hall, 3 p.m. Mr. G. Donaldson, 181, Crumlin Rd.
A Dundee, 43, Overgate, 12-45. Miss J. Ramsey, 25, Kinloch Street.
A Dundee, Rattray St., 12-45. Mrs. E. Essenof, 12, Thomson-street.
A Edinburgh, Free Gardener's Hall, Picardy-pl., 1 p.m. Miss P. Woolford, 3, East Broughton-pl.
A Falkirk, Co-operative Hall, Western Avenue, 12-45. Mr. D. Phillip, 19, Watson-street.
A Glasgow, James Robertson Hall, 26, Holland St., 4 p.m. Miss B. Goldie, 91, Hanover St., Glasgow.
A Glasgow, Progressive, Slaters Hall, Portland St., 3-0. Miss B. P. Smith, 925, Shettleston Rd., Shettleston, Glasgow.
A Glasgow, 100, West Regent-st., 1 p.m. Miss H. C. McConnell, 201, Clarkson-rd., Cathcart, Glas w.
A Glasgow, Northern, 918, Maryhill Rd., 1-0. Mr. C. Douglas, 973, Maryhill Rd., Glasgow.
A Hamilton, Lesser Town Hall, 1-30. Mr. H. L. Porteous, 14, Dellburn-street, Motherwell.
A Kirkcaldy, Pioneer Hall, 1-15 p.m. Mr. A. S. Kelly, 56, Forth Avenue North.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL:

Secretary, Mr. C. H. Saxelby, 148, Chippingham-st., Attercliffe, Sheffield.
District Visitor, Mr. G. Armitage, 366, Brightside Lane Sheffield.
C Barnsley, North Pavement, Mr. G. H. Totty, 8, Totty's Fold, Gilroyd, Barnsley.
C Chesterfield, Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30 & 2-15. Mr. J. J. Hobster, 32, Holme-rd., Stonegraves.
C Doncaster, Spring Gardens, 10-30 & 1-45. Mr. W. Moseley, 6, Orchard St.
C Doncaster, Wood-st., 10 & 2-30. Miss V. Batty, 2, St. Mary's crescent.
C Mexborough, Lee's Arcade, 1-30 p.m. Miss R. Hague, 32, Helena-st., Mexboro' .
C Rotherham, Percy-street, 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Mr. E. Rands, 43, Warwick-street.
C Sheffield, Hillsboro'. Langsett Rd., 10-0 & 2-0. Mrs. H. C. Organ, 66, Trickett Rd., Hillsboro'.

C Sheffield, Bold-st., Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common, 10 a.m. and 2-30. Mr. F. Smith, 23/3, Attercliffe Road, Attercliffe.
C Sheffield, Darnall, Shirland Ln., 10-30 and 2-0. Miss M. Jones, 29, Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common.
C Sheffield, Heeley, 44, Gifford-road, 2-30. Mr. Geo. Porter, 12, Prospect-sq., Prospect-rd., Heeley.
C Sheffield, Central, 109, Princess-st., Charles-st., 3-0 p.m. Mr. J. Hobson, 77, Horninglow-road, Firth Park, Sheffield.
C West Melton, nr. Rotherham, Adult School, Town End, Wath, 2-30 p.m. Mr. H. Trigger, 18, Co-operative street.
C Wombwell, Melville St., 10-30 & 2-0. Mr. T. Birkett, 57, Stonyford Rd., Wombwell.
C Parkgate, Ashwood-road, 2 p.m. Mr. F. Cook, 20, Harpur-street, Rotherham.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. J. Jackson, 69, Blenheim-rd., Caversham Heights, Reading.
District Visitor, Mr. E. Cager, 74, Cobden-rd., Brighton.
H Brighton, Old Steine Hall (52a, Old Steine), Mr. J. J. Goodwin, "Lynwood," 3, Chesham-rd. closed.
H Brighton, Mighell-st., Hall, 2-45 p.m. Mr. C. W. R. Busby, 11, Ryde-rd.
H Bristol, 9, Cave-street, Portland-sq., 3-0 p.m. Mr. S. Oaten, 53, Barrett-st., Easton, Bristol.
H Devonport, Kerr-st., 2-45. Mrs. L. Warn, 29, Alexandra-rd., Ford, Devonport.
H Exeter, Market Hall, 10-45 a.m. Mr. H. A. Grainger Manoh, 23, Clifton Hill.
H Portsmouth, 73, Victoria-rd., Southsea, 3 p.m. Miss Fielder, 239, Commercial-rd.
H Portsmouth, Francis-ave., 3-0. Mr. H. C. Guy, 45, Stamford-st., Fratton, Portsmouth.
H Reading, Spiritual Church, London-rd., 3 p.m. Mr. C. R. Churn, 83, Catherine-street.
H Southampton, Cavendish-grove, The Avenue, 3 p.m. Mrs. D. G. Hart, "Prenton," 33, Omdurman-rd.

SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. T. Dixon, 183, Whitehall-st., Rochdale.
District Visitor, Mr. A. Hudson, 14, Gowers St., Rochdale.
F Bacup, Christ Church-st., Todmorden-rd., 10 a.m. Mr. B. Lord, 7, Grove-street, Todmorden-rd.
F Dearnley, Rochdale-rd., 10 a.m. Mrs. Holt, 1, Silver-hill Dearnley, nr. Rochdale.
F Heywood, William-st., 10 and 1-45. Mr. Marcroft, 6, Back High-street.
F Littleborough, Hartley-st., 10-30 a.m. Miss S. Hardy, 6, Frederick St., Whitelees Road.
F Middleton, Gilmour-st., 10-15 a.m. Mr. John Liddle, 108, Higher Townley-st., nr. Manchester.
F Oldham, Elliott-st., 10 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. N. Platt, 24, Clarksfield-road.
F Rochdale, Penn-st., 10 a.m. Miss E. E. Wright, 4, Regent-street, Rochdale.
F Rochdale, Regent St., 10 a.m. & 2. Mr. J. W. Nurse, 16, Berwick St.
F Shaw, Lyon-st., 10 and 2. Miss A. Curry, 26, Edmund street, Shaw.
F Todmorden, Roomfield Buildings, Halifax-road, 10 and 1-15. Mr. W. H. Dawson, 39, Knott's-rd., Lydgate, Todmorden.
F Todmorden, Eagle St., 10 and 1-30. Mr. H. S. Potts, 46, Stansfield Rd.

SOUTH WALES LYCEUM DISTRICT:

G Caerau, Spiritual Church, 2-30 p.m. Mr. R. Williams, 76, Victoria-rd., Caerau, Bridgend.
G Cardiff, Central, Mr. E. Little, 38, Crofts-st., Roath, Cardiff.
G Cardiff, 52, Queen St., Miss F. J. Davies, 77, Wells St., Canton, Cardiff.
G Cwm, Station-terrace, 2-30 p.m. Mr. E. Davies, Trigfau Park View, Waunlyd, Mon.
G Merthyr Tydvil, Tram-rd-Side North, 2-30. Miss E. Dunscombe, 40, John-street, Georgetown.
G Nantymoel, Glam. Mr. J. Davies, 4, Greenfield Terrace, Ognore Vale, Glam.
G Newport, Mon., Charles Street. Mrs. K. Armstrong, 19, Queen's Hill, Newport.
G Penrhiwceiber, Mr. B. T. Jones, 44, Rheola Street.
G Port Talbot and Aberavon, High St., Aberavon, 11-0. Miss S. W. Doughty, 82, Tydrau St., Port Talbot.
G Ystrad, 2-30. Mr. W. D. Jones, 32, Digadevg-st., Treorchy, Rhondda, S. Wales.

THE TEES-SIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. G. A. Atkinson, 1, Haswell-st., Stockton-on-Tees.
District Visitor, Mr. Foster, Gurney Valley.
B Darlington, 13a, Blackwall Gate, 2 p.m. Mr. C. Wilson, 54, Trafalgar Terrace, Hopetown, Darlington.
B Darlington, High Northgate, 2-0 p.m. Mr. W. E. Wilson, 35, Westminster St. North Road, Darlington.
B Darlington, Witton Park. Mrs. E. Meek, 10, High Albion Street, Witton Park.
B Gurney Valley, 2 p.m. Mrs. James, 85, Gurney Valley, nr. Bishop Auckland.
B Middlesbrough, 57, Grange Rd., West, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. A. Edwards, 98, Crescent Rd., Middlesbrough.
B Old Shildon, Fryers-st., Temperance Hall, 2-30; Miss Metcalfe, 111, Gurney Valley, nr. Bp. Auk;

B New Shildon, Newlands av., 2p.m., Miss E. Hunter, 25, Lambton street.
B Spennymoor, King St. Council School, Mr. W. Sawley, 59, Bessemer Terr., Mt. Pleasant.
B Stockton-on-Tees, Cecil-st., 2-30 p.m. Mr. G. A. Atkinson, 1, Haswell St.
B Stockton-on-Tees, New Brunswick-st., 2-30. Mr. G. Tuck, 7, Palmerston-street.
B St. Helens, Bp. Auckland, 71, Main St. Mrs. L. Brown, 71, Main St., St. Helens.
B West Hartlepool, 13, Charles-st., 2 p.m. Mr. W. Dresser, 152, Durham-st. East, Hartlepool.

THE TYNESIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. N. E. Ainley, North Avenue, Harton, S. Shields.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Hall, 10, Curzon-st., Gateshead.
B Annfield Plain, Mr. J. Graham, Broadway House, North-road.
B Blyth, I.O.G.T. Rooms, Market Place, 2-30. Mrs. Buck, 61, Plessey Rd., New Delaval.
B Chester-le-Street, Front-st., 2-30 p.m.; Miss E. Straghan, 392, Broom-st., Urpeth-Ouston (Nr. Birtley, Co. Durham).
B Craghead, Co-operative Hall, 2-30 p.m. Mr. I. Bulmer, 9, Shafto Terr., Craghead, S.O.
B Dunston-on-Tyne, Ellison Rd., 2-30. Mr. B. Aitken, 63, Queen St., Teams, Gateshead.
B Gateshead, Rectory Hall, St. Cuthbert's Pl., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Mather, 47, Claremont North Ave.
B Hebburn-on-Tyne, Scout Hut, New Town, 2-30. Miss J. Cauby, 3, Maple-st., Jarrow-on-Tyne.
B Hetton and District, 2-30 p.m. Mr. E. Reay, 43, Caroline-st., Hetton-le-Hole.
B Hirst, Spiritual Church, Milburn St., Ashington. Mr. J. Stafford, 53, Myrtle-st., Ashington.
B Jarrow, Market-sq., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. R. Overton, 81, Buddle-st.
B Newbiggin-by-Sea, Store Hut, Newbiggin Colliery, 2-30. Mr. T. W. Hope, 15, King St., Newbiggin.
B Newcastle-on-Tyne, Benwell Co-op. Hall, 2-30. Mr. T. Cowe, 59, Strathmore-crescent, Benwell.
B Newcastle-on-Tyne, Heaton & Byker, Co-operative, Heaton Rd., Guild Room, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. R. Hunter, 36, Mowbray-st., Heaton.
B Newcastle-on-Tyne, Co-operative Hall (No. 1 Room), Carville-rd. Miss M. Davidson, c/o Lyceum, Co-op Hall, Wallsend.
B Newcastle-on-Tyne, Rutherford Street, 2-40. Mr. A. Carr, 60, Beaumont Terrace, Gosforth, Newcastle.
B New Delaval and Newsham, Infants' School-room 2-30. Miss E. Moore, Beatrice St.
B North Shields, Rippon Hall, 42, Stanley-st., W. 2-30. Mrs. C. Darling, 9, Hedley-st., Percy Main.
B South Shields, Fowler-st., 2-30. Miss E. Short, 226, St. Vincent St., South Shields.
B South Shields, High Shields, 2-30 p.m. Mr. Wm Woodall, 487, John Williamson-street.
B South Shields, 14, Cambridge-st. Mr. C. Musgrave, 369, John Williamson-st.
B Sunderland, Cromwell-st., 2-30 p.m. Mr. A. Shaw, 11, Abbey-st., Southwick-on-Wear, Sunderland.
B Sunderland, 21, Derwent-st., 2-40 p.m. Mr. J. Fallor, 16, Robinson-terrace.
B West Pelton, Iron Schools, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. A. Meakin, 18, Pine-st., Grange Villa, Co. Durham
B West Stanley, 3 p.m. Mrs. F. E. Henderson, 14, Palmer-st., West Stanley.

Area Lyceums:

G Grimsby, Kent-rd., 10-30 & 2 p.m. Miss M. Baron, 45, Conyaware Road.
F Hadfield, Jones-st., 10-30 a.m. Mr. J. Williams, 59, Wednesough Green, Hollinworth, Cheshire.
G Hanley, Percy St., 2-0 p.m. Mr. W. Pyatt, 55, Lenard Rd., Birches Head, Hanley.
F Leigh, The Avenue, 10 a.m. Mr. J. Darbyshire, 5, July St., Leigh.
G Lincoln, Progressive Hall, Coultham-st., 10-15 a.m. Mr. A. Bailey, No. 4, Bungalow, Abbey Works.
G Longton, Stone Rd., 2-0. Mr. J. W. Sutton, 102, Cromartie St., Longton.
G Tunstall, Piccadilly St., 10-45 and 1-45. Mr. F. Wright, 25, Windmill Street.

Oversea Lyceums:

Auckland, N.Z., Karangshape-rd., 2-30 p.m. Mr. S. Spittlehouse, 283, Gt. North Rd., Grey Lynn.
Calgary, Robinson and Linton Hall, 8th Ave., E. 2-30 p.m. Mrs. A. M. Garrad, 206-27, Ave. S.E. Park View, Calgary, Alta., Canada.
Christchurch, N.Z., 3-0. Mr. A. G. Miles, 2, Burlington St., Sydenham, Christchurch, N.Z.
Edmonton, 102, Avenue Alberta, Canada, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. MacCardia, Edmonton.
East Hamilton Ont., Canada, Balmoral Avenue, 2-30, Mrs. J. Harrison, 1567, Campbell Ave., Hamilton
Johannesburg, 11 a.m., Jeppe St., Mr. Vernon Hart, 27, High Ave., Bezuidenhuit Valley North, Johannesburg.
London, Ontario, John C. Read, 430, Bidout Street.
Melbourne, Australia, Mr. C. Chatfield, 204, Nicholson St., Fitzroy, Melbourne.
Methuen, Centre St., Mass., U.S.A. 10-30 a.m. Mr. Fred Sykes, 80, Tenney St., Methuen, Mass., U.S.A.
Wellington, N.Z. Mr. Bothell, 7, Ribble St., Island Bay, Wellington, New Zealand.
Winnipeg, Polson Avenue, 2-30 p.m. Miss H. F. Lawrence, 176, Cathedral Avenue.
Winnipeg, No. 2, Princess St., 3-0. Mr. F. Cartman, 325, Main St