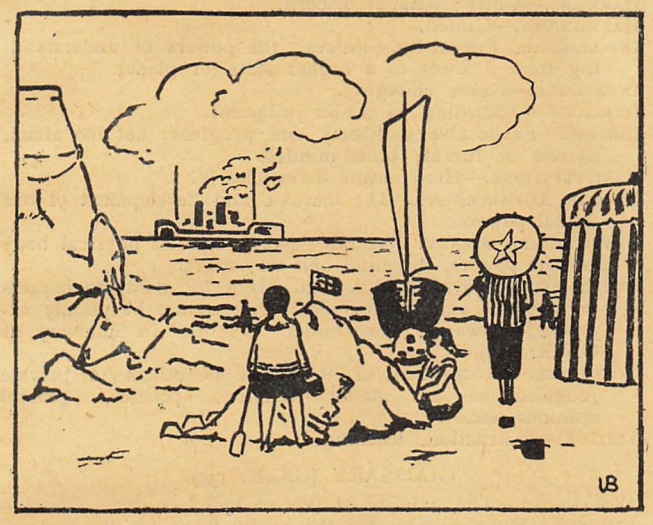
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The Children's Puzzle.



THE HOLIDAYS.

Once more the holidays are here,
And boys and girls have gone away,
To play on shore, by sea and pier.
The livelong day.

The picture shows the clever twins,
Building of sand a castle high,
Find the sea-captain who grins
Without a sigh.

They cannot have a donkey ride
For both are lost and gone astray,
Near to the children do they hide
Where are they, pray?

A clown is hiding round about
And smiles at you, just look at me
"Count ten, I'm here, "I hear him shout,
With hearty glee.

"Where is my spade" the girlie cries?
"And where's my bucket wandered to?
Now naughty sand has filled my eyes,
What shall I do?"

Why did the things at Pleasure Town
Get hid away like this to-day?
I'll find them ere the sun goes down,
And then we'll play.

The tide is quickly coming back,
My castle soon will fall again,
O! what weather, where's my mac'?"
Down pours the rain.

And so we scamper off before
The time has come to cease our play,
And hope the sun will shine once more
Another day.

£2000 EFFORT.

Dear Co-workers,

It is with pleasure that I record another donation to the above effort. Keighley Lyceum donates £4 for which, on behalf of the Union, I return sincere thanks. W. BURROWS.

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

To all Candidates, Tutors, and Conductors.

Each Lyceumist who is interested in the Education Scheme whether as student, tutor or conductor, is recommended to cut out the *Glossaries* given in this article and keep them in the LYCEUM MANUAL for reference. Whenever a S.C.R., G.C.R., or M.R., for *any* of the Grades is being considered, either in the Lyceum Session or Study Groups, you will find its Glossary will be helpful; and the more often you use it, the better will you be able to answer questions yourself later.

Children's tutors will welcome number two of the series of Oral Grade Object Lessons begun last month.

TO SECRETARIES.

During this month you should receive by post the official forms for names of the candidates who will be sitting for the examinations on 15th February, and full instructions about filling in the forms, sending the fees, etc. If by the 30th September such a packet has not reached you, please let the Education Secretary know without delay.

ORAL GRADE OBJECT LESSONS.

II.—OUTLOOK ON LIFE. (Question 4).

Last July Mrs. Pusey and her little boy Tommy spent a fortnight in the country. They stayed at a farmhouse, and what with watching the cows being milked, helping to gather the eggs, riding on the horses, and being woke up every morning by the loud crowing of the cocks—Tommy had a wonderful time. But what he liked best was when his mother took him for nice long walks through the fields. He picked wild flowers, looked for nests (though, being a decent boy, he never touched them); once or twice had a race with a wild rabbit—or else he walked beside his mother, asking questions about everything he saw.

One evening they had been walking for some time when they came to a fair-sized hill. Tommy had just been complaining that, although the hedges were pretty and the big trees threw a nice cool shade, they kept him from seeing anything else; so his mother asked him if he would like to climb the hill. He said that he would, and they started at once. Before very long Tommy was able to see over the hedges, and when near the top he could see over all but the very highest trees. Arrived at the summit, they found that they could see for a long way. The sun was getting ready to set, and the sky, with its crimson-edged clouds, was beautiful to look at. The sunset glow touched everything with its glory—it made the fields look fresh and sweet; it lighted up the trees and hedgerows; and a river in the distance almost seemed to be on fire.

" It looks like Fairyland," said Tommy.

" Yes," replied his mother, " it is a beautiful outlook."

Tommy wanted to know what an outlook was, and his mother explained that OUTLOOK is a word with a double meaning. It not only means WHERE YOU LOOK FROM, but also takes in WHAT YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE.

. . . . . .

Now we know the meaning of "outlook." but what do we mean by " outlook on life? " Let us take some examples. A child of three or four years old is given a copy of *The Lyceum Manual*. To him it is a lot of white paper with "funny" marks on it; to his sister of six or seven it is a collection of very hard words, and some easy ones; to his brother of ten it is a book that is read in the Lyceum; to his cousin of thirteen or fourteen it is a collection of Songs, Golden and Silver Chains and Musical Readings, some of which have to be studied; while to his brother or sister of eighteen or twenty (trained in the Education Scheme) it is a splendid book full of great and noble teachings, which give us a new way of

looking at things, and new ideas of what these things mean—in other words, it widens our outlook on life.

The ignorant man and woman, or the ignorant boy or girl, are like Tommy when he was in the field. Their ignorance is like a hedge: it closes them in and keeps them from seeing what life really is (sometimes they are so ignorant as to think that there is nothing outside their "hedge"). As soon as they start learning they are like Tommy climbing up the hill-side: by degrees they are able to see more, and see farther. And when they have been studying for a long time, they are like Tommy at the top of the hill: they find that their hedge (of ignorance) shut in a very small part of the countryside (life in general) and that, now they are at the top (M.R. 219 tells us of "the mountains of knowledge"), they can see and enjoy beauties that till then were hidden from their view. Their whole ideas of life are changed—have become wider.

By doing our calisthenics properly we make our muscles stronger (we call it developing them) and our bodies more graceful; by learning to think properly, and practising proper thinking, we make our brains stronger and better fitted for the work they have to do (we call it developing our mental powers), and our thoughts more graceful. And so, by taking full advantage of the Lyceum system, "we live to learn, and learn to live"; and we find that, in developing and training our thinking powers, we have widened our outlook on life—which means that we can see more and understand more, and thus can be of more help to others with whom we have to live and work.

A. T. CONNOR.

Glossaries of Manual Selections.

These Glossaries explain the difficult words and phrases occurring in the selections from the *Manual* set for Grades I to IV. The major portion of the work entailed in compiling these Glossaries has been done by Mr. Randolph Hope, the enthusiastic Education Scheme worker in Manchester District. Proved of great help to students there, these Glossaries are now given to the students in all Lyceums. The Committee sincerely thanks Mr. Hope for his help and for his work on behalf of Education.

[Summaries of these same pieces from the *Manual* (as required for the exams.) appeared in the *Lyceum Banner* from September, 1922, to February, 1923, and students are referred to these for further help in their studies].

GRADE 1.

GLOSSARY (S.C.R. 66).

AFFECTIONS—See under "divine affections."
ANGEL GUEST.—A spirit friend who comes and stays with us for a time; if the conditions are favourable.
DIVINE AFFECTIONS.—The line means "with a God-like love towards others."
HAUNT THE SILENCE OF THE BREAST.—This is explained in the three lines which follow—the necessary conditions.
IMAGINATION.—The power to build images in the mind.
JAR.—Here refers to the effect of allowing thoughts of hate or anger to get a resting place in our minds.
PORTAL.—The entrance.
VAIN (in vain).—To no purpose.

GLOSSARY (S.C.R. 93).

AFFLICTION'S ROD.—Trouble, distress, or suffering.
BATTERING AT HIGH HEAVEN'S DOOR.—Striking with successive blows, without making any headway.
BURDEN.—Something borne or carried—as sin, sorrow, or care
CREEDS.—A creed is a brief summary of the articles of religious belief. (It usually means what we *must* believe in, if we want to be "saved.")
GRAND DOME.—Refers to the beauty of some Christian Churches. But "more is needed than grand buildings."
SMOTHER.—To kill by taking away the means of life—in physical life, by stopping the breath; spiritually, by removing the *causes* of "life's cares."

GLOSSARY (S.C.R. 108).

ACCOMPANIMENT.—The accompaniment of exercise or any other thing is what goes along with it (as the accompaniment of a song.)
ASSIMILATE.—To make a part of ourselves (as we assimilate food by using it to build up our physical bodies).
ATTAIN.—To blend with previous understanding: reached or accomplished.
CHARACTERISTICS.—The most marked qualities.
COMMONWEALTH.—The whole body of citizens.
COMPREHENSIVENESS.—A comprehensive statement includes everything connected with the subject.
DISTINGUISHES.—Sets apart for special notice, as different from all others.
ELEVATION.—see under "intellectual elevation."
EMBODY.—To form into a united whole; include and unite.
FACULTIES.—The natural powers of the mind, such as will, reason, sense, etc.
HARMONY.—Unity; without discord.
HARMONIOUS.—United.
INTELLECTUAL ELEVATION.—Raising the powers of understanding from a lower to a higher state (or plane).
INVARIABLE.—Never changing.
JUDICIOUS.—According to sound judgment.
LIBERAL.—Favourable to liberty and progress; not too strict, narrow or literal; broad-minded.
MANIFESTATIONS.—Here means shown clearly.
MENTAL ADVANCEMENT.—The increase and development of our mental powers.
PHYSICAL AND MENTAL NATURES.—(study of) The physical body and its powers, the mind and its powers.
SYMBOLISED.—A symbol is a sign given (or used) to express (or explain) an idea (or ideal) that cannot be plainly expressed in words. (See under "crucifix" in Summary of G.C.R. 142).
TOLERANCE.—Recognition of the right of others to private judgment in all matters—religion, politics, general opinions, etc.
TUITION.—Instruction, teaching.

GLOSSARY (G.C.R. 139).

ACQUISITION.—The gaining of (knowledge).
ADAPTED.—Made suitable for the needs, fitted for the work.
ASPIRATIONS.—Steadfast or earnest desires.
ASSIGNED.—Here means—given into the charge of someone.
ATMOSPHERE.—Surroundings (see under "spiritual atmosphere.")
ATTRIBUTE.—A quality possessed by a person, or thing, as being necessary to the person, or thing, existing, or being recognised. Here refers to our highest and noblest mental powers.
CHARACTER.—Here refers to the manner adopted (their methods and conditions being much superior to ours).
CONCORD.—Means agreement.
CULTIVATE.—To improve by labour, or study.
DEGRADING.—Reducing from a higher to a lower level.
ELEVATING.—Raising to a higher level (the surroundings elevate, or raise their thoughts, by inspiring them with ideas of goodness and beauty).
HARMONY.—In agreement with each other.
IMMORTALITY.—Here means continued existence, or life after death.
INVARIABLE.—Constantly the same.
PERVADES.—Should read "is in."
PRECEDED.—Gone before.
QUALIFICATIONS.—Here refers to qualities possessed, or fitness for the work.
SURVIVE.—To live after (physical death).
SPIRITUAL ATMOSPHERE.—Means when the environment or home surroundings are good—not evil or degrading. "Environment" means surroundings).
TRANSCENDENTLY.—Beyond the power of human understanding; excelling and surpassing others.

GLOSSARY (G.C.R. 148).

APPERTAINING.—Belonging to (as part to a whole).
ACCORDANCE.—Agreement with.
DIVINE.—God-like.
DEGREE.—Quality.
ESTABLISH.—To found.
EXQUISITE.—Of superior quality; delicately beautiful.
HEREAFTER.—The future life.
ORTHODOX.—Believing without question what is taught (here used in reference to the Christian Church).
PROMOTE.—To establish; and encourage.
PROGRESSIVE.—Moving forward or onward; advancing.
REVELATION.—That which is shown or made plain.
SPIRITUALITY.—Quality of being good.
SYMBOLISED.—Here means "shown."
TUITION.—Teaching, instruction
UNDULATING.—Up and down (like waves).

GLOSSARY (M.R. 208).

ATTACHMENT.—Affection and devotion of our friends.
AS OFTEN AS PLEASANT EMOTIONS KINDLE TO THE WORD EXPRESSING THY RELATION.—This paragraph means that as long as the word "brother" fills us with pleasure, we can feel sure that we shall have help if, and when, needed.
EMULATION.—Trying to be as good.
HOSPITALITY.—Liberal entertainment of strangers and friends.
OUR MEMORY WILL RISE LIKE A HALO OF LIGHT FROM THE GRAVE.—This means that the recollection of our actions will remain as a light, or be a guide to others, after we have gone to spirit life. (Halo is a circle of light—shown in pictures of saints, as a sign of holiness).
PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY.—Do not do anything to disgrace her good name.
RADIANT.—Shining; beaming with joy, love, etc.
ROSE-TINTED BILLOWS OF EVE.—This is a poetical way of saying that the end of a life that has been full of love, is as calm and beautiful as a peaceful sunset.
SANCTIFY.—To make sacred or holy.

GLOSSARY (M.R. 211).

ASSAIL.—To attack.
DEJECTION.—Being downcast or depressed; to dishearten.
INFLICT.—Here means to cause to feel or experience something of an unpleasant nature.
NOR ENVY DISPROVE.—Here means we should not allow envy to take away from others the credit for what they have done.
PERCHANCE.—Perhaps, by chance.
PREVAIL.—To have mastery or victory over or against us.

GRADE II.

GLOSSARY (S.C.R. 4.

AFFLICTED.—Troubled; suffering; or distressed.
AN EVER OPEN HAND.—To be always giving money, food, clothes, etc.
ANCHORED.—Held by means of another, firmly fixed.
BILLOWS.—Waves; anything sweeping onwards like a mighty wave.
CHANT.—To sing.
DISCIPLE.—A learner; one who professes to receive instruction from another.
ERRING.—(The erring) Here means the people who have wandered from the right path; that is, who have done wrong.
LAUNCH.—To cause a vessel to glide into the water. To start or set a person going.
MULTITUDES.—Very large crowds or throngs of people.
MISSION.—A person's appointed or chosen end. Here means our purpose in life.

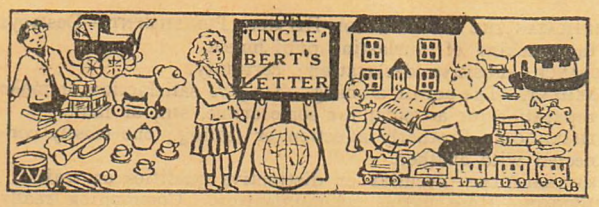
GLOSSARY (S.C.R. 78).

AMBITION IT WON'T FEED.—It won't help you to gain power, superiority or high positions in the world.
ANGEL.—A ministering spirit.
CONFUSION.—See under " wild confusion."
CULTIVATES.—Improve by labour, or study.
ETERNAL.—Everlasting.
EXPAND.—To open, or spread out.
(BY) FASHION IS NOT OWNED.—Here means that those in "high society" will not make public heroes of Lyceum workers.
FOSTER VANITY.—It does not encourage "empty pride" and (or) conceit of one's personal attainments or attractions.
GENIAL RAYS.—Rays of cheerfulness, kindness and sympathy.
INTELLECT.—Understanding; development and use of our mental powers; the use of reason.
MORAL.—Belonging to character, and conduct, as regards the distinction between right and wrong.
SPIRIT SPHERES.—The spirit world.
TRIUMPHANTLY.—Victoriously, successfully.
WILD CONFUSION MEETS.—All mixed up, so that nobody can make any sense of it.

GLOSSARY (G.C.R. 136).

ABANDONED.—Given up.
ADVOCATE.—To support, to forward.
AFFIRM.—To assert positively, or solemnly. To say it is so.
AFFLICTED.—Troubled, suffering, or distressed.
ALPHA AND OMEGA.—The first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. Here means beginning and end.
ANGEL.—A guardian or attendant spirit.
ANNIHILATES THE DOCTRINE OF ETERNAL PUNISHMENT.—Destroys the teaching of everlasting punishment.
ASSURANCE.—Positive declaration; certainty.
ATONEMENT.—The act of atoning. To give satisfaction or make reparation (or amends) for some crime, sin, or fault.
BROTHERHOOD.—Brotherly affection or feeling; one closely connected with another.
CHARACTERISTICS.—Peculiar or distinctive qualities or traits.
COMMUNION.—Here means communication. Communion really means getting into spiritual touch (ourselves) with a spirit.
COMPENSATION.—A suitable reward.
CONCEPTION.—See under "materialistic conception."
CONSENSUS.—Agreement.
CORROBORATIVE TESTIMONY.—When the evidence is strengthened or confirmed.
CREED.—A brief summary of the articles of religious belief. Usually means what we *must* believe in if we want to be " saved."
CORRUPTING.—See under either "mind-corrupting" or " soul-corrupting."
DEMOLISHES.—Destroys.
DESOLATE.—Forsaken, solitary, lonely, neglected, ruined.
ELEVATE.—Raise from a lower to a higher state.
ENFORCES.—Compels obedience to.
ETERNAL.—Without beginning or end.
EXISTENCE.—A thing that exists; reality; the continuance of being.
FETTER.—Confine or restrain; hold fast.
HEREAFTER.—The future life.
HUMANITY.—Men and Women.
IMMORAL.—Not moral. Refers to our conduct, as regards right and wrong.
IMMUTABLE.—Unchangeable; always the same.
IMMORTALITY.—Continuance of existence; with endless existence.
INCAPACITY.—Inability; not able. Wanting of power to receive.
INCENTIVE.—Encouragement; that which acts as a motive; to urge.
INFINITE.—Without end or limit.
LOCATE.—To discover or determine the site of.
MATERIALISTIC CONCEPTION.—The idea and belief that there is nothing beyond this material life.
MIND-CORRUPTING.—To change from a sound to unsound state of mind. (SOUL-CORRUPTING.—Bad for one's spiritual progress).
PARTIAL.—In favour of one side or party, whether it is right or wrong. Affecting a part only. Not fair.
PHENOMENA.—Plural of phenomenon—That which appears, or is perceived by observation or experiment. A remarkable or unusual appearance. In philosophy—that which is understood by the mind to be different from ordinary occurrences.
PROVEN.—Tested or tried by experiment.
RETRIBUTION.—Recompense. A suitable return, especially for evil. In theology—The distribution of rewards and punishments in the future life.
SCIENCE.—Knowledge. A study of the facts to find the principles concerning any subject; the arrangement of facts in classes.
SECTARIANISM.—Devotion to a sect. SECT.—A body of persons holding a particular view.
SPIRITUALISM.—A system of communication with departed spirits, chiefly through mediums. In philosophy—The teaching that the spirit exists as distinct from matter, or as the only reality. Opposite to materialism.
SUBSTITUTE.—To put in place of another.
SUPERSTITION.—Unreasoning dread of the unknown.
SUSTAIN.—To keep from falling; to uphold or confirm.
TESTIMONY.—A solemn declaration or statement. Evidence.
THEOLOGICAL (theology).—The science of God and His attributes in the Universe. The science of religion, especially Christianity.
THEORIES.—Attempts to explain or account for any phenomena. A *sound* theory is always based on knowledge.
UNIVERSE.—The general system of things—viewed as constituting a system or whole. The world.
VICARIOUS.—Acting on behalf of another; done or suffered for, or instead of, another.
VITALISE.—To give life to.

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My dear Boys and Girls,

At the time of writing this letter to you, Auntie Ruth, Cousin Doris and I are sharing your holiday joys.

I should like you to just picture us in your little minds, we are sitting on top of a very high mountain, with the Sea in front of us, surrounded by towering mountains, while below are the beautiful valleys decked with beauty.

"Don't you push me Auntie Ruth or I shall roly, poly, to the bottom, and then I shall not be able to finish my letter. There is also another side of the picture, can you imagine me with my mouth all screwed up, and my tongue twisted up into knots trying to say. LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERY CHEWYNDROBWLLSANTYSYLYOGOGOGCH and so on.

Oh yes, it's all very well for you little Welsh boys and girls to laugh at me, but I wonder how you would like to spend your holidays in a place, where, when you go by train, you have to go to the Booking Office and say "I want a ticket to Llan— Llan— Llan— and then in the end, have to say, Oh wait a minutes please, I will find it on the map.

If you do not see my letter in next month's BANNER you can conclude I am in the hospital suffering with a twisted tongue or I am still trying to find my way back to London from Llan— Llan—Llanwheelbarrow, but we must hope for the best.

By the time you get this letter, most of you will be listening or the school bell to ring, bidding you to hurry up and get into your lines ready for restarting your school lessons. Well why does the school bell ring? because someone pulls the rope. That's funny isn't it.

The time has arrived for you to learn twice one are two, or Ink, Pink, Wink, Think, and so on until you come to mental arithmetic.

Jesus once preached a wonderful sermon from a mountain pulpit and I often think there were children present by the beautiful simple illustrations he used concerning the birds of the air, the flowers of the field, etc., but let this be as it may, after referring to the goodness of our Father God, he gave those listening to him a mental arithmetic sum to work out:

"Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature"?

A cubit was a measure used by the ancients, equal to the length of the arm from the elbow to the tip of the middle finger, from 18 to 22 inches.

GOD, the source of perfect goodness is the highest ideal we can set ourselves the task of reaching, and to help us to reach out to this ideal, Jesus gave this simple sum, which we might well call, the measurement of character. It is by adding to our own individual characters that we shall be able to reach higher and higher to the perfect measurement of life.

That brings me to another part of your school life: addition, subtraction and multiplication sums. Suppose we start by measuring every deed we do as a cubit, and subtracting the bad from the good, having done this I am sure you will find you have a large number of good ones in hand, then decide to multiply these each day. What will be the result not only a wonderful sum, but a wonderful character, although it may still be far off from the statue of our highest example, never the less it will be much nearer than when we started; this will bring you to yet another sum, that of working out percentage.

In Progression's school the graces dwell,
That school of life we love so well;
Our grateful praise will ever swell,
To the golden school of Love.

While this page was started and is still intended to interest and help the children, I have been more than pleased to receive letters each month from older members, and by the many requests I receive in this way, I think my readers would prefer me to continue with the present method of including a few remarks to the older boys and girls each month. Autumn and winter face you older members, with a big question of what you shall do during this period. During the summer outdoor recreation has taken your time up. "What shall I do now." Let me suggest to you an answer. Devote the winter months to interesting the younger members of our Lyceum, for by so doing you will increase your own interest and bring sunshine into many lives.

"What can I do?" is your next question, and on this point I do not wish to be misunderstood, therefore let me explain that I consider the spiritual education of our movement should have first place, but I am also a great advocate for the social side being cultivated for the children and young men and women in addition.

"Try in every way you can to make the world a good and pleasant place to yourself and others.
Laugh, frolic, dance, and be merry; but be ye also pure.—L.M. 211.

To answer this question I refer to my letter file and BANNERS. I see before me a striking photograph of a Lyceum Gymnasium (Macclesfield), also a programme of "Silver Star," a delightful play for children, bearing these words, "In the heart of each dwells the Divine, who will always respond when once the true chord is sounded."

This play I saw acted by a delightful band of well trained Lyceumists (North London), while a further programme of a children's concert in which appeared a Lyceum Minstrel Troupe (Brixton), an orchestra (Kingston), etc., etc.

Such items as these, together with children's socials, dances, etc., for the elders are the sort of social events which will keep our young people together, and is there not work here for you older boys and girls, who have reached the "Do as I please age." I feel my mission in life is to help all young people, being an old Band of Hope boy, a past member of the Good Templars, juvenile and senior, also a past leader of a Young People's Sunshine League. I feel my present calling is a promotion to these of the past, therefore I want to make a heart to heart appeal to those members who feel they are too old to continue to attend the Lyceum. You have now reached the age when you can do so much, why not try and get busy, become one of my co-workers amongst the children. If you can get a room once a week hold a Social Club, start a Gymnasium, a Choir, or whatever the particular need of your own Lyceum should be, and then when the summer comes round again, you will have the foundation for a Summer Social programme.

By such service you will bring happiness to yourself, and win the love of the children, which is worth everything.

Oh, come to the work rejoicing
And gladly do well your part,
Our God needeth earnest workers
And faithful and true of heart.

COMPETITION.

Prizes this month for the best essay, "How I enjoyed my School Holidays."

Liberty Section:—"Open Essay."

RULES.

Name in full, age, address, also Conductor's name and address.

Write replies on one side of paper only.

Open to all Lyceumists, Prizes for Competitions only (not puzzles) to those not over 14 years of age.

"Special mention" to Liberty Section.

Address as below, closing date September 18th.

Enclose stamped addressed envelopes if replies to letters are desired.

CORRECT ANSWER TO PUZZLE No. 8 (by Miss Weedon, Wisbech). "PROGRESS."

Sylvia Parkingson, Irene Turner (Puzzle No. 7), Winnipeg. Miss Scoggins, Doris Jacobs, Brighton; Harriet Schofield. Minnie Platt, Wigan; H. Tyrer, Newton Heath; Fred Pitt, Sth. Manchester; George Swindells, Moss Side; Nellie Dean, Bury; Alec Dougall, Hackney; Edith Godfrey, Chester-le-Street; Florence Lion, Manor Park; Harold Batty, Laisterdyke; Norman and Edgar Newton, Birmingham (being away from home, further answers will be reported next month).

PUZZLE No. 9.

Here are some boys and girls Christian names, but the letters have got mixed up, sort them out and tell me what they are please.

DOALRH.	ENNIMN.	RHRUTA.	ESRIO.
DRLWEFI.	SLHIYP.	HIETD.	KAFNR.

I am very pleased to have received letters and postcards from several new Lyceumists this month, including those from Overseas.

2, Villiers Road, Osterley, Middlesex.

With love, your loving friend,
UNCLE BERT.

THE CHILD.

BY MRS. M. E. PICKLES.

There are some lines by the great English poet, Tennyson, which are often quoted, but which very few people know the meaning of.

Here is the whole of the little poem :—
Flower of the crannied wall,
I pluck you out of the crannies,
I hold you here, root and all, in my hand,
Little flower; but if I could understand
What you are, root and all, and all in all,
I should know what God, and man is.

Any of us if we think at all when we read the above poem, and make sense of it, will see its real meaing. All life is one, even including human life, then if we could understand the flower "All in All" we should understand what life *is*.

We may go through the world, and be very clever, and find out many things and the more we learn the better pleased with ourselves we may be.

Yet we may be very foolish compared with the wise person, who knows that all we know and can know is nothing compared with what God knows.

Let us look at it another way. It is better for us to be reverent, even in the presence of a little flower, knowing all that flower means, though we cannot understand it, than that we should be able to make living flowers out of dust and water and have no reverence.

So it applies to child-life.

Well then, let us remember these things and keep them always at the back of our minds, and then we shall be prepared in the right spirit to study "protoplasm," the substance which builds the body of the child, or the temple in which the spirit will dwell whilst here in earth.

The temple of life is *all* life which we see around us and which we feel in ourselves, which we can never fully understand, but which it is better to reverence *without* fully understanding than to understand without reverence.

Protoplasm, which has often been called the basis of life, is the living stuff found in every living cell in the earth and sea and sky. In the microbe, the moss, the mouse, or the man or child. As Pope puts it in the *Divine Order*,

"All are but parts of one stupendous whole,
Whose body nature is and God the Soul."

The compounds of which protoplasm is really made, though they are the compounds of familiar things, are utterly different from any compounds found anywhere else.

This then is the *power* of protoplasm, to take common, ordinary things and make them, as it alone can, unto things which are utterly new and different. Poets do this with common words. The great composers of music do it, with sounds that are at anyone's disposal; life does it with common elements of the world, building them into protoplasm out of which are built the bodies of all the named and beautiful creatures that live, and have lived and are yet to live.

And so we realize to some extent the kinship of the child to all nature and know now that she can be kind to babies if rightly understood.

If we have read the above in the right spirit, it will help us to see that there *must* be natural ways of feeding babies to help them to grow strong and beautiful. We elders ought to have learnt the great lesson, that we live not by what we eat, but by what we digest and absorb. If we eat the best food in the world in large quantities every day, but are not to absorb it into the blood, we should die of starvation, as surely and as quickly as if we ate nothing at all.

The food is of no use to us as long as it is in the mouth and the stomach, or bowel, but only when it is in the blood.

If it does not enter the blood it is all wasted, and until it does enter the blood it does nothing for us. Many foolish people stuff children with all kinds of things, and are surprised that they do not gain strength. They forget that they live only by what they absorb and digest, and that may be very little, though they may *eat* a great deal.

Other people do the same with the minds, or most of them with the minds of children.

Grass is good for cattle, for they can digest it.

It is useless and worse than useless to us, for we cannot digest it, and if we cannot digest a thing, it does not matter how steady we eat it. A child's mind can inwardly digest only certain things, and only those things are of any use as food for its mind.

If other things which it cannot digest are given to its mind such as lessons or hard books fit only for grown-ups, then it gets indigestion, or loses its appetite for learning, and it gains nothing at all.

You might as well feed a child's body on grass, or feed its mind on some of the things which children's minds used to be fed with and I am afraid are still sometimes provided. Just the same, if these articles which I have done my best to make plain, for the good of the child, are not digested by the mind, they are worth no more than the paper they are written on. The food of the mind must be of the kind that the mind can work upon, and when we have seen that the food is of the right kind, the child will digest it.

So we see that parents supply the quantity and right quality which the child absorbs and helps the mind to grow. Then the question comes, "How can we be sure we are giving the child the right food for the mind as well as the body?" The answer is "Watch and think."

Just as the tongue and the stomach and the muscular wall of the bowel turn the food over and over again, so must we train the child to think over what it reads and hears. Then these things are ready for its digestion, and that means turning the food into other things best suited for its absorption, and so gradually its lessons will become absorbed into the child's mind.

Food gives the body strength.

Food of the mind gives life and power. Just as the body, supplied with proper food, is ready to act and to move, so the mind, if it absorbs good mind food, is made fit to act, to think new thoughts and to guide its conduct.

One thing more about this important part. The body needs a new supply of food every day from birth to transition. It does not do to eat when we are small and almost stop when we grow bigger. We have to take in just fresh food all our lives, or our journey here will end. The same is true of the mind. It does not do to learn things at school, then stop. There must be new mind food all our lives, as there must be new body food for the body all our lives. If not, the mind will starve and pine or even decay.

A great number of people in the world go on feeding their bodies, but stop feeding their minds, or at least who feed them with food which is not nourishing and cannot be absorbed, and all is forgotten and their minds *do* starve and die. If we are wise, we shall always consider we are children mentally, and must go on feeding our minds. The difference is that, though the body stops growing after a time, so that the *best* food perfectly digested and absorbed will not make it any taller or stronger, the minds if daily fed with good books and thoughts and talk; beautiful sights and elevating music, will go on growing, getting wiser and better as long as we live.

A few weeks ago I heard the Principal of King's College, London, in the course of an address say these words.

"Real Education never ends. Instruction certainly goes on with the child, right up to the time of leaving school, and then we find that school life has been a preparatory stage for a fuller education in the world at large right up to the moment of death."

So we shall be bequeathing to posterity its own right when we study the requirements of the child in its mental growth, to help to place it upon a sure and safe foundation for the continuance of further unfoldment.

Above all else, let us pray as Lyceumists to keep an open mind, a well-balanced mind, free from fossilisation, for I am sure it will help us then to seek and enter the kingdom of little children, which is relative to the Kingdom of God.

M.E.P.

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I hope when the holidays are over, Lyceums will work for the Effort, so that we may have a good response before the Annual Conference. Don't forget Founders' Day during January, 1925.

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Inter-Relations of the B.S.L.U. and S.N.U.

The inter-relations of two National Unions which accept the Seven Principles of Spiritualism will be discussed in all the District Councils of the B.S.L.U. and the S.N.U. during the next twelve months. The Editor of the "Lyceum Banner" offers a brief survey of the position occupied by the two Unions and their relation to each other.

Modern Spiritualism dates from March 31st, 1848, when definite communications were given by a spirit in the home of John D. Fox in U.S.A.

Mediumship was established as the connective method of conveying the evidence which proved human survival over physical decay.

The first Society of Spiritualists was formed by the First Association of Spiritualists, which commenced in 1852 at Philadelphia, U.S.A., and has been in existence ever since.

Mrs. Hayden was the first medium to introduce the phenomena to this country, also in 1852.

The first English Society was formed at Keighley, in Yorkshire, in 1853.

The first Lyceum was founded in January, 1863, at New York, U.S.A.

The first Lyceum was started in England at Nottingham during the year 1866.

Many attempts were made to organise Spiritualism and the Yorkshire Federation was the inspiration which eventually preceded the inception of the "National Federation of Spiritualists on July 4th 1890; and eventually became a legal body on October 22nd, 1901, with the title of "The Spiritualists' National Union, Limited."

During the early days it was very difficult to get the Spiritualist Societies to form Lyceums, and it was found necessary that the people who were specially interested in providing a religious education for their children should meet in conferences and obtain the necessary text-books and lessons to overthrow false doctrines and provide for a larger expression of spirituality. The British Spiritualists Lyceum Union was thus formed in May, 1890, The "Lyceum Banner" was founded in November of the same year by Mr. J. J. Morse, and he eventually presented it to the B.S.L.U. in May, 1902.

Many Societies have since formed Lyceums, but their management is generally left to a few of their interested members to control and conduct.

The lure of phenomena has occupied most of the attention of the Societies, or Churches, as they are now generally called.

There is a marked difference between the methods of conducting a Church Service and a Lyceum Session. The Church Service is mostly propagandist and demonstrative, whilst the Lyceum Session is largely educative and social, Thus there are two forms of service taking place in the same building, and often conducted by different people, though this phase is gradually diminishing as the Lyceumists become adults and enter into membership of the Churches.

Many misunderstandings have arisen between the two sections, but local differences are almost eliminated to-day.

The Church section is showing a growing sympathy towards the Lyceum, but in the opinion of the Lyceums the time has not yet arrived when the whole control of Lyceums can be given to the National Union of Churches. Under present procedure the E.C. of the S.N.U. have not adequate time to deal with their own business. The Lyceums would become a farce if they were left to the consideration of the S.N.U. under such conditions. It was lack of practical sympathy which caused the formation of the B.S.L.U. and its existence actually came into being shortly before the organisation of Spiritualism as a National movement.

Having failed in the past to fully cater for the needs of Lyceums it will take some time before amalgamation or fusion can take place. The proposal for immediate fusion has come from a Church which failed to provide facilities for all Lyceumists to take part in the full Lyceum Session, and many Lyceum members have left as a result of a lack of provision for full opportunities as Lyceumists. It is small wonder that the B.S.L.U. object to be fully controlled by National representatives drawn from Churches of this description.

It is very commendable that the question of inter-working is being faced in a far better spirit in most Churches and Lyceums. The whole movement must not be rushed into hasty decisions, because one Church wishes to rule with an iron hand and bring forward a resolution which predicates the immediate annihilation of the B.S.L.U. What becomes of the resolution for Joint-Trading passed at both Conferences, two years ago? This was a subject of discussion at a joint meeting on Jan. 5th, 1924.

We can definitely state that trouble and dissension is being introduced when none exists, with the solitary exception of the case mentioned previously. The S.N.U. have no real grievance.

When a Lyceum is contemplated by a Church affiliated to the S.N.U. and the advise of the B.S.L.U. is sought, the suggestion is always made by the General Secretary of the B.S.L.U. that the principal Officers of the Lyceum should be members of the local Church and all property shall belong to the parent body.

In every case (only a few have occurred) of the discipline of Lyceums meeting in the rooms of S.N.U. Churches during the last four years, the wishes of the S.N.U. E.C. have been met.

The B.S.L.U. has avoided separate legislation and accepts, under a Trust Deed, the legality of the S.N.U. for the pretection of their invested funds. This has been done to preserve the unity of the movement.

The following recommendations for Inter-relations have been accepted by the E.C. of the S.N.U. and the M.C. of the B.S.L.U.

1.—Both Unions are engaged in Propaganda and Education as essential functions for the growth and development of their respective Unions.

2.—That since it is recognised that a Lyceum is an integral part of a Church, it is essential that the Church shall have supreme authority in matters concerning the well-being of the Lyceum, save only that there shall be no infringement of the rights of the Lyceum to be conducted in accordance with the Constitution and practice of the B.S.L.U. regarding its teaching and training, provided that:—(*a*) The Conductor, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be full members of the Church; (*b*) The Conductor ot Secretary shall be *ex-officio* members of the Church Committee; (*c*) That the Lyceum shall have power to collect and disburse its own funds; but shall present an abstract of its accounts to the A.G.M. of the Church.

3.—In order to promote the more complete organisation of the Movement it is recommended, that where a Lyceum has developed and organised Meetings, and is to all intents and purposes carrying on the functions of a Church, the B.S.L.U. shall use its best endeavours to persuade these bodies to seek affiliation with the S.N.U. as properly constituted Churches.

4.—In order to remove other causes of friction arising from the acceptance of Lyceums into affiliation with the B.S.L.U. whose existence is the result of breaking away from an existing Lyceum, the attention of the B.S.L.U. is called to the practice of the S.N.U. in dealing with applications for affiliation from Churches under similar circumstances; viz:—that

such applications are not entertained for a period of 12 months unless the consent of the original Church has been given.

5.—Again in the interest of closer harmony between the two bodies it is requested that in future, the B.S.L.U. shall consider the advisability, before accepting into affiliation a Lyceum meeting on the premises of a Church not in affiliation with the S.N.U. to defer such acceptance until after consultation with the S.N.U. in order to give the fullest consideration to any local circumstances in the possession of the S.N.U.

6.—The two Unions agree to recommend the setting up of a permanent Joint Committee of the two Unions to act as a Court of Arbitration.

7.—The B.S.L.U. has a full and official recognition in the Articles of Association (No. 10) of the S.N.U.

The above arrangements are in operation between the two Unions as recommendations but have not been placed before the Annual Conference of the B.S.L.U. or the Annual General Meeting of the S.N.U.

The recommendations were accepted by the B.S.L.U.M.C. on June 7th, 1924, and by the S.N.U. E.C. on July 5th, 1924.

As the recommendations could not be completed by the S.N.U.E.C. till after the B.S.L.U. Conference, a full report could not be given. The B.S.L.U. Conference made the following decisions:—

"That this Conference having read and heard the report of the M.C. affirms its opinions that immediate amalgamation or fusion between the B.S.L.U. and S.N.U., Ltd., will hinder the gradual and growing unification of the two movements and that a policy of sympathetic inter-relations is the best course to pursue."

"That all discussions and negotiations for interworking between the Lyceum Union and any other body shall be conducted on the Lyceum Side by a Committee chosen from and by the Annual Conference: and all meetings shall be reported, in full, in the next following issue of the LYCEUM BANNER."

At the S.N.U. Annual General Meeting the following three resolutions were referred to the District Councils for discussion, and a report by the E.C. to the next A.G.M., as time did not permit full discussion of the vital changes proposed by the movers of the resolutions.

No. 3.

"That in the opinion of this Conference it is essential to the interests of both sections of the Movement that the affairs of both Churches and Lyceums should be under the direction of One National Organisation, with its subordinate groups, so as to secure uniformity of teaching on definitely Spiritualistic lines, economical management and efficient administration. We therefore instruct the Council to approach the B.S.L.U. with the view to the formulation of a joint scheme to the next Annual Conference, and further we instruct the Council, should a satisfactory reply not be forthcoming from the B.S.L.U. by December 31st, to frame and submit to next Conference a detailed scheme for the organisation of the Lyceums attached to affiliated Churches under definitely Spiritualist National Union auspices.

SCOTTISH D.C.

No. 4.

"That this Conference is in favour of the amalgamation of the S.N.U. and B.S.L.U., and instructs the Council to take all necessary action to carry this into effect."

BRISTOL 1ST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH.

No. 5.

"That the chief Officers of the Lyceum, viz.: Conductor, Secretary, and Treasurer, must be members of the Church, and thus bring the fusion of the two Movements and promote good will." ATTERCLIFFE SPIRITUAL CHURCH.

The preceding particulars denote a very brief recitation of the main progress of the movement in Great Britain through the two Unions.

The B.S.L.U., as it now operates, upholds the S.N.U. in every possible way. It is a useful auxiliary body. Its sole aim is to make useful citizens through organised Spiritualism and advocates to all adult Lyceumists the desirability of membership with the Churches.

In the considered opinion of the last B.S.L.U. Conference, it is not desirable for the S.N.U. to take over the B.S.L.U., and the latter body have very strongly emphasised this point. Locally we submit to the will of the Churches in whose rooms we meet, and, in many cases, form the Church from the adult members of the Lyceum. The strongest supporters of the S.N.U. are found in Churches of this description and we have no fear that the future of Spiritualism will suffer if left in their hands.

I am sure readers of the LYCEUM BANNER will accept a personal note to the discussion of Inter-relations. I joined a Lyceum 30 years ago and the following week joined the Church. Thus I am an older Lyceumist than a Spiritualist by just one week. For 29 years I have been on the platform of the Churches, as Chairman, Speaker, etc., and done more public work for the Churches than for the Lyceums since becoming a Spiritualist. There are many others in a similar position. We, who are in the Lyceums, are also in the Churches, but we specialise on education for the young and initiates, as we think it is best to take young minds and guide them to the truths of our movement on a moral and philosophical basis which thwarts dogma and creed.

The Lyceum is the open door to the Church. We know that all who enquire do not pass into membership and also many Lyceumists are only children, but they have their place in life and the B.S.L.U. will protect their interests and can do this work best at present as an independent, yet affiliated organisation.

There will come a time when the whole of the machinery governing the two Unions will have outgrown its present utility. when that time comes, vital changes will have to take place in the organisation which will be the evolution of the unified expression of both sections, and we must work together on the lines of mutual goodwill until that happy day arrives.

GEO. F. KNOTT.

LYCEUM SUCCESS AT FLEETWOOD.

A FIRST PRIZE TABLEAU.

On Saturday, August 2nd about 36 of our Lyceumists took part in town's porcession on behalf of the Hospital Saturday; a tableau of the Willow Pattern Plate was shown on a lorry; representing a large plate, with the lovers, the Irate Parent, water, bridge, etc. All the children were dressed in the Willow Pattern costume: it was the winner of the First Prize, viz: a Silver Cup. Last year we also won the First Prize, a Silver Cup; the tableau being Love at the Helm.

PRESENTATION TO MR. AND MRS. R. A. OWEN.

In recognition of the very valuable services rendered to our Movement by Mr. Owen in many capacities, he has been presented with a leather-bound Officer's Edition very beautifully inscribed.

The inscription was illuminated and as follows:

Presented to Robert A. Owen, of Liverpool, by the British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union as a Token of Esteem and Appreciation for Services rendered as a National Worker from 1908 to 1924.

GEORGE A. MACK, President.
GEORGE F. KNOTT, Secretary.

A unanimous feeling was expressed that Mrs. Owen, who had made great sacrifices that her husband might give the time to do justice to the offices he has held, should share in the token of appreciation. So a silver-plated tea-service and a solid silver fruit stand was purchased for her and the children, that all the family might have the pleasure of remembrance that Mr. Owen's services have been highly valued.

Seeing that there was little possibility of a public presentation, it was necessary to send on the box to Liverpool. The whole family were away on holiday and so it was forwarded to them there, and this is his reply.

TO THE OFFICERS, M.C., AND MEMBERS OF THE B.S.L.U.

Dear Friends,

On behalf of my wife, children and self, I desire to express my gratitude to you all for the beautiful testimonial which we have received, and highly appreciate. It will ever be a symbolic link with the past and a happy reminded of the happy associations with Lyceumists in all ranks of the Cause. Thanking you all again and with the fervent wish that our beloved cause may prosper. I remain,

Yours sincerely,

ROBERT A. OWEN.

It has been a source of pleasure to do this small service on behalf of the Conference and I appreciate the donations of all those who have assisted in making the recognition of Mr. Owen's services a tangible expression of our appreciation.

MRS. MARY E. PICKLES.

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 XII.

Prince Trueheart and his friends came across many scenes of cruelty and suffering as they explored the subterranean passages which branched off to right and left. Each cell contained a stone bench which had to serve for seat and bed. Stout staples were fixed in the walls, to which were attached strong chains by which the prisoners were chained both by the wrists and ankles; while others had an iron hoop round their waist and were only just able to touch the floor with their toes. Some had died in their fetters, and were thus freed from further cruel treatment; but all who were alive were released and tenderly cared for. The many cases of cruelty the Prince came across filled his stout heart with indignation, so that when he encountered any of the jailers who took a delight in acts of torture, he cut them down without mercy. In this way they proceeded until they came to the place of trial, in which were found instruments of torture. Great was the surprise and consternation of the councillors when the Prince and his followers burst in upon them. A fierce fight ensued, in which the Prince seemed to bear a charmed life. One by one the cruel torturers were killed, and their power to work further evil and iniquity in the world was for ever put to an end. They then turned their attention to those poor victims who were being tried by torture. These were set free, their wounds dressed and restoratives administered.

They proceeded on their way, hoping to get into the castle, but when they reached the strong iron door and opened it they were met by a dense volume of smoke. They could hear the crackling of burning furniture, etc., and the awful truth burst upon them—*the castle was on fire*, and all further progress by that way was cut off. Fear filled the Prince's heart lest his beautiful Princess had perished in the pitiless flames. He gave orders for their retreat towards the secret entrance. On approaching the council chamber he was pleased to find that those they had rescued from torture had broken all the instruments of torture they could find. Slowly and laboriously they wended their way out, for some were unable to walk and had to be carried. The Prince brought up the rear, for, although he was anxious about the fate of the Princess, he would not leave one person behind. He closed and locked the doors as he passed through them.

There was great rejoicing at the mouth of the cave when the motley crowd arrived there. As they saw the glorious sunlight and breathed the fresh air they were almost intoxicated with delight. Some cried for joy; others laughed and danced, for it was as if they had been rescued from a living grave.

During these proceedings the Prince was busy superintending the disposal of the feeble, in order to ensure their comfort. Then he set out for the castle, followed by a few who, out of gratitude, wished to help him to find the Princess and punish his enemies.

He found the castle a heap of smouldering ruins; but there was no trace of the one he loved. Withdrawing from the company, he drew forth the crystal, and called upon the Sage to help him to learn the fate of the Princess. As he gazed into its clear depths he saw a picture showing the knight Selfishness leaving the castle with the Princess and her maid, and that they went in the direction of the forest on the eastern side of the lake. He next saw the castle in flames and the burly form of the Knight Ignorance leaving it and watching it gradually burn down and then make for the forest, and then the vision faded away.

The Prince heaved a sigh of relief at the vision of the safety of the Princess, and rejoined the others who were anxiously waiting for him.

He briefly related to them the result of his visit and that he had reason to believe that neither of their chief enemies, nor the Princess, had perished in the flames, but had escaped into the forest, and added: "Now I go to the rescue of my lovely Princess Mab, and punish her persecutors. If any of you care to accompany me you are welcome."

"We will follow the brave Prince Trueheart, our deliverer," they cried with one voice.

Then one of them recited:—

"Kings, priests, and conquerors, no more
Shall chain our minds and steal our guerdons,
For gory blades shall fall before
Strong arms that share our common burdens.
Earth's song of peace is on our tongue,
Archangels lean from heaven to hear it;
Right is our king, whose name is sung
In deeds, and tyrants must revere it!"

This was received with applause.

Prince Trueheart, leading the way, cautioned them to be on the alert for enemies who might be lurking behind trees or in ambush. They had not gone far when our hero exclaimed, "Look out," and he leant down only just in time to escape being pierced with an arrow, which whizzed over his head and struck a tree. The shaft quivered and clearly showed that whoever shot it possessed great strength. While they were congratulating the Prince on his narrow escape, another came whizzing into their midst and buried itself in the bosom of one of their number. The Prince caught sight of the burly form of Ignorance dodging behind a tree. As he did so, he swung his shield into position and, drawing his sword, cried, "Thou base-hearted wretch, I promised thee the last time I saw thee that if ever thou crossed my path again it would be worse for thee. I will not spare thee this time." So saying he ran after the knight, who hid behind a tree while he discharged another arrow, which the Prince received on his shield. When the knight saw that the arrows fell harmless and that his opponent was making a dash for him, he threw the bow and arrows away and ran off as fast as he could. Our hero picked these up and sent an arrow after his burly enemy, which brought him to the ground. Running up to his fallen foe he said, "Now thy time has come. Thy career of evil and oppression is at an end," and he raised his sword to strike. Ignorance begged for mercy. "What mercy has thou shown to those who have fallen into thy clutches? Thou hast robbed them of their wealth, plundered their homes and murdered their children. Thou hast ever been the willing tool of Selfishness, and that crafty old Mumbo Jumbo, and there can be no 'peace on earth' until it is rid of you all. To have mercy on thee would be an unpardonable sin." So saying, he lifted his sword of Truth and brought it down on the neck of one of the world's worst enemies, Ignorance, and slew him.

On returning to his followers he found them lamenting the death of their comrade. He tried to console them with the assurance that he was the last victim of Ignorance, whom he had just killed. They then dug a grave and buried their friend, after which they commenced their journey, leaving the carcase of Ignorance as carrion for the wolves and vultures.

When they reached the precincts of old Mumbo Jumbo's castle, the Prince called a halt and instructed them in the work they had to do, as follows:—He, with a few of the most valiant, would gain an entrance by the secret passages of which he possessed the keys. He would open the doors leading to the castle yard, overpower the guards, open the outer gates, lower the drawbridge and admit them, and he hoped they would render a good account of themselves in remembrance of the many wrongs they had suffered. Strike hard and strike true for life, home and liberty.

(*To be continued*).

Baby Plants and how they are born.

(The Lyceum Guild Nature Study Article).

By MARGARET E. LAWTON.

IX. POLLINATION.

Pollination is the process of transferring the male pollen grains, from the stamens, to the stigmas of flowers of the same type, so that the male germs may penetrate to the female germs contained in each flower's ovary.

Since the majority of flowers contain both stamens and pistil, the obvious method would be for the stamens to shed the pollen on the stigma within the same flower. By this means, each flower would pollinate itself, so that no help would be necessary from outside influences. The process is known as *self-pollination*, and has several advantages. It is economical, for the flowers need not produce the attractions of coloured petals, perfume or nectar, and, since there is little chance of waste, only a small amount of pollen is required. Self-pollination is most successfully used by several of our commonest weeds, such as Groundsel, Chickweed, and Shepherd's Purse.

All of these plants produce small insignificant flowers with tiny petals, but with the stamens arranged so as to shed their pollen directly on to the stigma. Fig. 1 is an enlarged drawing of the stamens and pistil of the Shepherd's Purse. Notice that the stamens reach *above* the stigma.

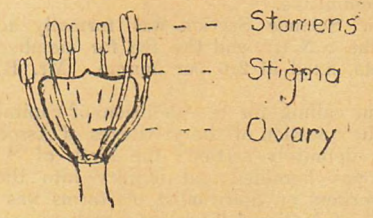


Fig. I. Stamens and Pistil of Shepherd's Purse (Self-pollinated.)

Despite the advantages of self-pollination, by far the majority of flowering plants seem purposely to avoid it, and to spend much material and energy in adapting themselves to *cross-pollination*. That is, each cross-pollinated flower endeavours to make certain that the pollen which reaches its stigma has come from *another* flower. This demands the help of agents outside plant-life, such as wind, and insects. In Nature "Nothing walks with aimless feet," and there must be a definite reason for this obvious desire for cross-pollination. By self-pollination, the baby plants are created by the union of what we may call the *brother* pollen grains, and the *sister* ovules, which have grown in the same flower-home and under the same circumstances. In cross-pollinated flowers the seeds come from the union of male and female germs which have lived in separate homes and are unrelated, except for being of the same type of plant. Therefore, it is thought that cross-pollination, by the union of germs of different conditions and characteristics, should produce *healthier seeds* than those resulting from self-pollination. Certainly, cross-pollination is the means of producing new varieties of plants. Flowers that contain only either stamens or pistil must, of necessity, be cross pollinated; but many flowers that contain both male and female organs, take the wise precaution of providing for self-pollination, in case cross-pollination does not take place.

Cross-pollination is chiefly brought about by the wind, or by insects. It has been estimated that one-tenth of the world's flowers are wind-pollinated. This number includes the Cone-flowers, Catkins, Grasses, Sedges, Reeds, Nettles, Plantains, Hops, Hemp, and Pondweeds. All of these plants have small, modest flowers, producing no showy petals, nectar or perfume, but concentrating on prominent stamens and pistils. The stamens are exposed to the air and produce a great deal of fine, dry, pollen. The stigmas are large, and usually either branched or feathery, to increase their chances of catching the pollen grains. Fig. II. is a slightly enlarged drawing of a typical grass flower.

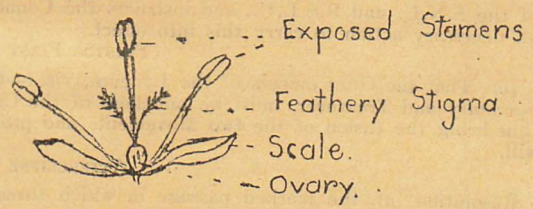


Fig. II. Wind-pollinated Grass flower.

As a further help to pollination, these flowers usually produce their flowers in early Spring, as do the Catkins, or else they try to grow in open spaces, like the Grasses and Reeds.

The pollination of flowers by the wind is such a haphazard and wasteful process that it is considered as lower in the scale of plant development than pollination by insects. Insect pollination is the direct cause of the beauty of colour and shape in flowers, and of the production of perfume and nectar. Colour and perfume undoubtedly attract insects, but the presence of food in the form of nectar and pollen, is naturally a greater attraction. The catkin flowers of the Willow seem to show a change from wind to insect pollination, for whilst having no coloured petals and no perfume, they are the only Catkins to attract insects, with the bait of nectar.

Insects, then, first visit flowers in their search for food, and might, in some cases, unwittingly cause self-pollination to take place. To avoid this, many flowers arrange that their stamens and stigmas should ripen at different times, so that the pollen of one flower can only be of service to another flower whose stigma is ripe. When a Figwort flower first opens only the stigma is ripe, and it hangs over the lip of the flower, so as to rub against the pollen-dusty body of a visiting insect. When the stigma has been pollinated it withers, and then the stalks of the stamens lengthen, so that the stamen heads lie on the flower lip and yield their ripe pollen to insects for use at other flowers. In the wonderful tribe of flowers of the Daisy and Dandelion type, it is the stamens that ripen first. In these flowers the stamen heads unite to form a *pollen tube*, and the ripe pollen is shed into this tube. The unripe stigma has to grow through this tube, but until it is fully developed its two arms are pressed tightly together, so that the stigma can not be pollinated. As the stigma grows through the pollen tube, it forces some of the pollen grains to the top of the tube, and some adhere to the style. When fully grown, the stigma arms separate, and wait to receive pollen. The visiting insect rubs *first* against the sticky surface of the stigma, and leaves there its load of pollen. Then the insect collects the pollen from the top of the pollen tube. If *cross pollination* fails, the flower pollinates itself, by the stigma arms curling backwards until the sticky surface reaches and claims some of the pollen grains that have clung to the style.

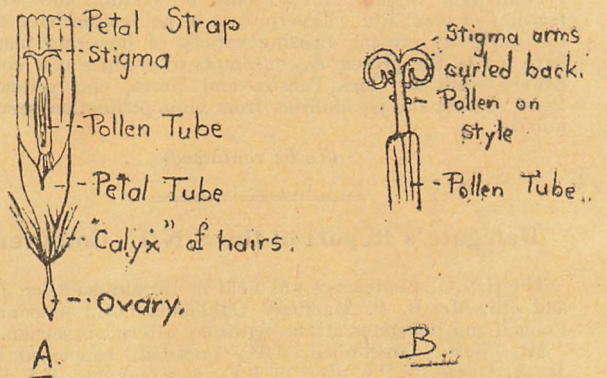


Fig. III. Dandelion flower.
A. Cross pollination. B Self-pollination

Fig. III. shows a single Dandelion flower ready in *A* for cross pollination and in *B* for self pollination. The petal " strap " is the attractive feature of the flower, and is reduced to a tube in the lower part. The " calyx " is unnecessary to the flower and so is reduced to a ring of hairs, which later is of much service to the fruit.

In the Daisy there are two kinds of flowers. The yellow " button " is occupied by tiny, but perfect, tubular flowers, with stamens and pistil like those in the Dandelion. The white fringe is made up of *sterile*, strap-shaped flowers, which are attractive, but contain neither stamens nor pistil, and so cannot create baby seeds. One insect can quickly pollinate many flowers in this plant family, for each flower " head " is the home of a group varying from about 150 flowers in a Daisy to about 1,000 flowers in a Sunflower.

This is the most successful of the plant tribes, since it has found out the way to produce such large families at such little expense of materials and in such little space.

Violets take no risks in the matter of pollination, but are determined to be the parents of seed babies. The flowers desire cross pollination, and so the stigma reaches *above* the stamens, which form a pollen box into which the pollen is shed. The nectar is stored in a spur-like growth from one of the stamens which projects into the spur or pocket formed by the petals. Thus, to reach the nectar, an insect must rub against the stigma in order to probe into the stamen box, where it receives a shower of pollen, to be later bestowed on another Violet stigma. Sometimes the Violets are unlucky, and receive no visitors, so that they fail to be pollinated. Then, as a last resource, the plants produce special, *closed unattractive flowers*

known as *cleistogamic flowers*, which only contain stamens and stigmas, so that *self-pollination* is accomplished. Fig. IV. is a slightly enlarged drawing of a Violet, with the flower cut in half to show the parts.

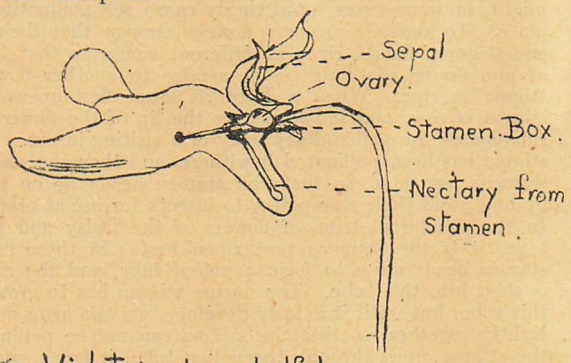


Fig. IV. Violet (cut in half).

Most flowers seem determined to be successful plant parents. Gardeners have discovered that if the flowers are repeatedly plucked—so that fertilisation is *not allowed* to take place—the plants will continue to produce flowers until long after their usual "season," in the hope of being able finally to fulfil their mission. This fact is noticeable in Pansies, Violas, Geums, and Canterbury Bells.

Pollination is one of the most interesting and wonderful features of plant life. Experiments in pollination have given to the world its present amazing variety of flowering plants and have led to the present-day attempts to produce new colours in flowers—such as black Pansies and Roses, and yellow Sweet Peas, so that the possibilities from cross-pollination seem to be infinite.

(To be continued).

Delegate's Report of the S.N.U. Conference.

The S.N.U. Conference was held in Birmingham, on July 5th and 6th, Mr. B. P. Membery (Midlands D.C.) welcoming the Council and delegates at the Saturday afternoon session.

Mrs. Jessy Greenwood, J.P., presided, supported by Mr. R. A. Owen (V.P.), over 19 E.C. members and 184 delegates and representatives, etc.

The Minutes and Reports were taken as printed and read.

There were many questions on the Minutes and the Annual Report, but most had reference to routine work and to interpretations of the Constitution, and were satisfactorily answered by the officers concerned.

The first point of particular interest to Lyceumists was on the establishment of Summer Schools. Two previous Conferences had voted in favour of their establishment, and an interesting and at times heated discussion arose as to why the Organisation Committee had not carried out Conference instructions. Mr. Latham and others contended that a similar scheme on a small scale had been found successful, and that the present idea was workable. As a result of the discussion the Executive was again instructed to consider ways and means of putting the idea into operation.

The Building Pool Report showed an amazing amount of work done by this Committee, and brought forward a scheme of outstanding importance to the Spiritualist Movement. If used to its full value, the scheme should result in the consolidation of the Churches as their own property-holders, and it was deservedly adopted by an overwhelming majority.

The Trust Property Report showed that 17 new properties had, during the year, been vested in Joint Trusteeships. After hearing an account of the work done, one was filled with wonder at two things:—(1) the amount of midnight oil that must have been burned by Mr. Oaten, and (2) that there should still be any Spiritualist bodies foolish enough to remain outside of the S.N.U. Trust.

The elections resulted:—President, Mrs. Jessy Greenwood; Vice-President, Mr. R. A. Owen; Treasurer, Mr. T. H. Wright; Auditors, Messrs. H. T. Batten and E. A. Keeling. Mr. G. F. Berry is Permanent Secretary.

All day on Sunday was devoted to business, the delegates thus being deprived of any opportunity of attending any of the other meetings arranged for the day.

The Exponents Committee's Report showed that ten candidates had entered for the Diploma Exam., and five had passed. The S.N.U. Education Committee has now been merged in the Exponents' Committee.

The Psychic Science Section was formally adopted as an auxiliary of the S.N.U., and the fee for membership, open to all Spiritualists, fixed at 2/6 per annum. Mr. R. A. Owen is Hon. Sec.

A resolution, calling for the abolition of capital punishment, was passed; the question of the privileges of Associate members of D.Cs. was definitely settled; the birth of "The National Spiritualist" was heralded; an inquiry into the question of "outside" workers on Spiritualist platforms was ordered; and the possibility of National Tours of speakers, etc., under the auspices of the S.N.U., was discussed. But the business of first importance was in connection with an "anti-war" resolution from Yorkshire D.C., the Inter-relations Report, and three resolutions to be dealt with later.

The Yorkshire resolution was carried after the deletion of a phrase declaring that all war is murder, most delegates being of opinion that defensive war was a regrettable duty, under present world conditions. It was agreed to join the League of Nations Union.

The Inter-relations discussion brought to light the regrettable fact that acrimonious personal remarks had been passing between members of the Joint Committee, and that these remarks had led to the introduction of administrative action. There had also been some suggestion that the B.S.L.U. was urging Lyceumists to join the Churches and, beginning with them, to capture all offices and finally the administrative machinery of the S.N.U. Against this was quoted the fact that all adult members of a certain Lyceum were being forced to join the parent Church. To prevent a vote that might have led to serious consequences, "the previous question" was moved and adopted.

The three resolutions referred to (and which were referred back to the S.N.U. District Councils for discussion, and report to next Conference) are as follows:—

(*a*) That, in the opinion of this Conference, it is essential to the interests of both sections of the Movement that the affairs of both Churches and Lyceums should be under the direction of one National Organisation, with its subordinate groups, so as to secure uniformity of teaching on definitely Spiritualistic lines, economical management and efficient administration. We therefore instruct the Council to approach the B.S.L.U. with the view to the formulation of a joint scheme for the fusion of the two bodies and to submit such scheme to the next Annual Conference, *and further, we instruct the Council, should a satisfactory reply not be forthcoming from the B.S.L.U. by Dec. 31st, to frame and submit to such Conference a detailed scheme for the organisation of the Lyceums attached to affiliated Churches under definitely S.N.U. auspices.*

SCOTTISH DISTRICT COUNCIL.

(The *italics* are ours, and are used to show how enticingly the spider was inviting the fly into his little parlour.)

(*b*) That this Conference is in favour of the amalgamation of the S.N.U. and B.S.L.U., and instructs the Council to take all necessary action to carry this into effect.

BRISTOL FIRST CHURCH.

(c) That the chief officers of the Lyceum, viz.:—Conductor, Secretary and Treasurer, must be members of the Church, and thus bring the fusion of the two Movements and promote good will.

ATTERCLIFFE CHURCH.

Resolution (*a*), the marked passage in which threatened the smashing-up of the B.S.L.U. if fusion was not accepted by Dec. 31st (although there will be no B.S.L.U. Conference before Whitsun, 1925) was referred back at the tea interval; after the interval the other two were declared to be included. The chief interest in resolution (c) lies in the fact that the pre-Whitsun circular instructing Churches to insist on the officers of a Lyceum being members of the Church was not confirmed by the S.N.U. Conference and therefore should not be put into operation by the Churches.

It was pleasant to see such a large number of prominent Lyceumists present as Church delegates.

(Signed) A. T. CONNOR.

Mr. G. A. Mack has promised to give his report at a later date.—ED.

Manual Revision Notes.

By the middle of this month a copy of the Revision Circular should be in the hands of every Lyceum and District Secretary, and I hope to be able to announce in my November Notes that the majority of our Lyceums and Districts are organising themselves to help the National Committee. I shall be pleased to give any desired advice or assistance to all who comply with the conditions of my last-but-one paragraph.

The Secretary of High Shields Lyceum has forwarded me a number of problems to help with discussion, his first being with regard to the last two lines of S.C.R. 12:—

"Know His judgments, trust His mercy,
Bow beneath His chastening rod."

Mr. Parker urges that this conflicts with our teaching that "God is Love," and claims that it confuses the children. The last line evidently refers to the Biblical teaching that "whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth" (Heb., xii., 6); and this certainly is against the teaching of Spiritualism, which does not believe that a God of Love would deliberately bring affliction on anyone—whether good or evil. But it would be impossible to alter "His" to "Our" (as is suggested) without spoiling the meaning and altering the author's teaching—which ought to be avoided. (It should be borne in mind that the only occasion on which alteration of an author's words is allowable—or rather, excusable—is when we substitute a Spiritualist word or phrase which *gives the same meaning* as the word or phrase removed. For example, "Paradise" may be altered to "Spirit Life," because the two terms mean the same thing.) The question for consideration would seem to be, then, whether a verse with such a teaching should be allowed to remain in the *Manual*.

Mr. Parker also complains of G.C.R. 109, which, as he points out, is "Given by the Spirits." His first point is *re* Conductor's reading—"Thou shalt not follow the example of any man or set of men"—which to him would prevent us following the example of Jesus. But Mr. Parker will see the full force of the teaching if he inserts "blindly" before "follow," and also reads the Lyceum part. Again, Conductor VII., "Thou shalt not hold thyself bound to love or associate with those that are distasteful or repulsive to thee." This, claims Mr. Parker, conflicts with S.C.R. 110, X., "Manifest Love above and beyond all." Love is spiritual attraction, and a man or woman with a clean, straightforward mind simply could not be attracted spiritually to anyone whose ways were evil or crooked. And we are told (109) that we are not bound to love these people. BUT the Lyceum reading VII. tells us that we must treat them with gentleness, courtesy and justice, and must never allow our dislikes to make us unjust. In other words, we need not make companions and friends of those whose lives are repulsive to us—but we are not forbidden to help them.

I should have replied to Mr. Parker privately, only that he did not enclose a stamped envelope. But his points are important as illustrating that very real difficulties may be created by considering only half of a teaching. In 109 and 110, the Conductor parts make leading statements which are explained or expanded by the Lyceum parts; and no part in any of the Commandments or Ten Laws is complete without the other. For instance, the Lyceum part of 109, IX., puts a meaning on the Conductor part entirely different from what would be gathered from reading the Conductor part alone. It teaches us that the dictates of conscience come before man-made laws, and that we should always act up to our sense of right.

It must also be remembered that the *Manual* is NOT a "sacred" book, and that its teachings, although those generally accepted, are always open to criticism by any who do not agree with them. And if we find that any of the teachings do not agree with our experiences of life, it is our duty to see that the teachings are altered. The object of the revision is to bring our teachings up to date; but we must be very careful, when sending criticisms and suggestions, that we have read the complete teaching, and are not criticising the apparently discordant half of a really harmonious whole.

Mr. Walter Goodall (a Grade V. graduate) informs me that Attercliffe Lyceum has started a committee, and sends an interesting criticism of S.C.R. 1, which I shall save for a special article. News of the formation of Lyceum Committees also comes from Mrs. Hartley (Dewsbury) and Miss Whorlow (North London). Who will follow on the Roll of Honour?

All questions of general interest will be answered in the BANNER—personal questions will be answered by letter if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed with the question.

All communications on Revision matters must be sent to the National Revision Secretary,—Mr. A. T. Connor, 19, Oakhurst Road, Forest Gate, London, E.7.

Letter Box.

(The "Lyceum Banner" must not be held responsible for views expressed by correspondents).

"INTER-RELATIONS OF THE B.S.L.U. AND S.N.U."

Sir,—It is a great pity that Mr. G. F. Berry, in his article under the above title in the August issue of "The National Spiritualist," was so careless in his handling of facts, as he has thereby spoiled the effect (at least on Lyceum workers) of an otherwise strong appeal. The chief pity is that the Church members who read it will not know the Lyceum side of the question, and so will be misled in forming a judgment.

Mr. Berry's carelessness begins in his first paragraph. "Curiously enough," he says, "both Unions at their recent Annual Conferences contrived to put off a decision." The facts contradict this. The B.S.L.U. Conference—at which Mr. Berry was present—decided unanimously against fusion or amalgamation, and in favour of sympathetic inter-relations; and by a 2—1 vote further decided to appoint, and appointed, an Inter-relations Committee to meet the S.N.U. and discuss a scheme of inter-working. The S.N.U. side is very similar. Their 1923 Conference unanimously decided on the formulation of a scheme of inter-working (Item 41, S.N.U. 1923 minutes). The Scottish District Council (S.N.U.) and the Bristol First Church refused to accept this decision, and sent in resolutions for (1) fusion, (2) amalgamation (see S.N.U. report in this issue); the S.D.C. adding an instruction to the S.N.U. E.C. to prepare plans for smashing the B.S.L.U. if by the end of this year we had not agreed to being absorbed. And these two resolutions were not "put off"—they were referred to the S.N.U. District Councils for a year's careful consideration. The S.N.U. inter-relations resolution still holds good.

Mr. Berry quotes from A. J. Davis's Dodsworth Hall address to show that the Lyceum is primarily a children's school, and adds as a merely incidental remark Davis's further statement that it was an association for the spiritual and physical improvement of both sexes of all ages. Surely this addition is equally important, as showing that Davis never intended that the Lyceum teaching should be confined to children. It was really to be a "Preliminary School of Spiritualism," which should be attended by all who desired to learn more than is taught from the average Society platform: "The paucity of efficient platform workers" caused the 1924 S.N.U. Conference grave concern. Besides, the new convert is a "child" in Spiritualism, and as such should be recommended to attend the Lyceum.

Mr. Berry refers to "an attempt to partition the scope and activities of the two Unions, and claim for the B.S.L.U. the sole right of Education"; the S.N.U. being labelled as a propaganda body only, with, of course, the necessary correlative functions. As far as I could gather at the recent S.N.U. Conference, there was (or had been) an argument between a B.S.L.U. and a S.N.U. member of the S.N.U. E.C., in which it was stated that the S.N.U. WAS (not *should be*) only a propaganda body, and was not attempting any educational work, such as the B.S.L.U. is doing. Now this was only a personal remark, uttered in the heat of argument, and should not be magnified by Mr. Berry into the claim of a National body. Personally I agree with the remark, and believe its truth could be demonstrated, but that is not the point. It was only a personal remark.

Mr. Berry continues: "The claim (that the B.S.L.U. should be the only educational body in Spiritualism) contemplated not only the education of the children and adults in the Lyceum, but to prepare students for the platforms and grant Certificates and Diplomas." Now let us once more examine the facts. Since 1916 the B.S.L.U. has been holding examinations, and granting Certificates to successful students; since 1919 (but in practice since 1920) there has been a Joint Education Committee of the two Unions, and the B.S.L.U. Grade V. has been accepted by the S.N.U. as the point where the two series of examinations meet and overlap—and is subtitled "Speakers' Preliminary." The S.N.U. issues Intermediate Speakers' Certificates to successful Grade V. candidates who show promise of speaking ability, *and who apply for the Certificate to the S.N.U.* Last April the Secretary of our Education Committee (of which I am a member) was instructed to write to Mr. Berry (who is Secretary of the Joint Committee), drawing his attention

to the fact that a meeting of the J.C. had not been called for three years; informing him that some of our senior students had been asking for an Advanced B.S.L.U. Course, as the S.N.U. Diploma examination was not (in their opinion) any advance on Grade V.; and asking that the S.N.U. should consider the advisability and possibility of drawing up an Advanced Scheme, as otherwise we should be compelled to meet the wishes of our students and draw up a scheme of our own. There have been some side issues not pertinent to the present discussion, but unless there has been some "behind backs" work of which I know nothing, these are the whole facts, and nothing but the facts.

I agree with most of Mr. Berry's other points, especially where he says that the prime function of the B.S.L.U. is education. But the question of inter-relations need not become serious if both sides will work for an honest agreement—and not for victory at any price.

Yours, etc.,

A. T. CONNOR.

Our Lyceum Guild

LETTER TO GUILD MEMBERS.

Dear Fellow Members,

This month's issue of our valuable paper is of particular importance to you, and I hope you'll not only "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" its contents, but will also point out their value to other Lyceumists who, though not yet Guild members, are interested in, and (or) working through, the Education Scheme.

As Guild members you pledged yourselves to take the Education Examinations. Many of you, I am proud to say, do far more than that; for you also tutor others in the work, and help them to pass.

Those of you who are teaching children under ten for the Oral Grade will find the series of *Oral Grade Object Lessons* very helpful for class lessons. No. 1 of the series is in last month's issue; No. 2 appears in this. (See *Education Article*.)

Will those of you who passed last February's Exam. and have not sent yet for your new Guild ribbon, please do so without further delay. How to apply for it is told you in last month's *Guild Page*.

The last day for posting your essays for the Guild Essay Competitions is the 30th September. For subjects and rules please see the *Guild Page* in the August issue.

I am trusting to receive quite a large number of entries; and that many merit badges will be won.

The *Education Article* this month is very helpful to you and to all students, tutors and conductors. But it is also very long, so Our Guild Letter this time must take up but little space. Nevertheless I am hoping that this month will bring me letters from most of you, enclosing essays and applications for the promotion badges that you earned last February, but have not yet claimed.

With all good wishes for success in all your efforts,

Yours sincerely,

M. E. KITSON (Guild Leader).

DEMONSTRATION AT ROTHERHAM.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT COMMITTEE AND LYCEUM COUNCIL.

A Joint Demonstration was held at Rotherham on Saturday, August 16th. Unfortunately the weather was very bad. Rain came down in torrents, but in spite of this over 1100 people took their places in the Procession, 25 Churches and 16 Lyceums taking part. The Mounted Police escorted the procession and regulated the traffic so that perfect order was maintained. Headed by the Rotherham Borough Prize Band, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Oaten (S.N.U.), Messrs. G. F. Knott (B.S.L.U.), W. Thistlethwaite (Y.D.C.), T. Oliver, (S.D.C.), J. K. Jones (S.L.D.C.). Each Church and Lyceum wore a badge of distinctive colour and walking four abreast were interspersed with Habershows Steel Works and Newhall Prize Bands. There were six decorated drays, large Banners, striking Mottoes, Fancy Cycles, and a hundred smaller flags, etc., which added gaiety to the scene. Crowds were on the route, and seemed amazed at the splendid display. In the words of a Public Official, "I am astounded at the large numbers and wonderful variety of designs. I never thought there was a Movement of this strength." What would have been the statment if fine, for quite a thousand stayed away through the weather. Instead of going to the Herringthorpe Field owing to the wet grass, determined the procedure of going on to the Wellgate Council School. There over 1,000 were provided with tea, after which the Lyceums gave a display of marching and calisthenics in the school yard, the massed bands providing the music under the leadership of Mr. R. Hales. Miss E. Stanford was Conductor of the Marching and calisthenics, and received hearty applause. A deep impression was made on the congregation. A Public Meeting was held in the schoolroom, and the audience dispersed feeling that even the vagaries of the weather could not damp the enthusiasm of the Spiritualists, where all worked hard. All deserve praise. Messrs. Oaten and Knott delivered telling addresses which thrilled the large assembly, and all left in the height of delight and zeal to go back to their various Churches and Lyceums to carry on the good work of Spiritualism. To hear the Evening Call, "Are we downhearted? NO!" was splendid.

The Open Session on Sunday afternoon was held in the Rency Street Church. Mr. Bruce gave a very warm welcome to the Councils and said he had pleasure in requesting Mr. Knott to conduct the Session. Mr. Organ, President of the Lyceum Council, agreed it was pleasing and helpful to follow the leadership of Mr. Knott, who brought a true feeling of joy and happiness to prevail. The marching and calisthenics and individua efforts were fine. All wound up with the Fraternal Greetings being given by the various Lyceums. Mr. Knott gave the Overseas Greetings and thus ended a memorable Session.

MASS MEETING.

The Mass Meeting was held on August 17th, in the Whitehall Picture House, Rotherham.

After an Invocation by Mr. Geo. F. Knott (B.S.L.U.), Mr Rawlinson, President of the S.D.C., offered a welcome to the public, remarking that the meeting was held to shew people what we are: What Spiritualism really is. "We have nothing to hide from you," he continued, "We would lay before you the broad facts of Spiritualism as they have been presented to us, and we make no apology for having become adherents to these paths that have been pointed out to us by the Spirit People.

Mr. Ernest W. Oaten (S.N.U.) then took the platform and commenting upon the remarks of the Chairman and the allegation that Spiritualists are peculiar people explained that very often we find that the people who are called peculiar are people who only look at things from an angle different to others. The botanist who goes for a stroll in the country sees more than we do when we see plant life by the roadside and say "Grass and Hedges," whereas the botanist sees and knows a hundred different plants. We Spiritualists may be peculiar people, but only because we see things that other people overlook.

He told the story of a person who had been guided through a thick London fog by a blind man. "That blind man," he said "had been forced to develop certain senses which we all have though we have not occasion to use them: that is the position of the Spiritualist, he has simply accustomed himself to use certain faculties, faculties which we all possess, and he has developed them to such a pitch that he observes certain things that other people shut off.

Speaking of the position between Spiritualism and Christianity, he told the story of Paul's journey to Damascus when Paul was confronted by a light and heard the voice of Jesus who had been dead at least five years. Ask a Christian Minister if that story is true and he will say yes. Ask him further if he can find a man living to-day who has had a similar experience. If it can happen in those days why not now, when you believe that God is the same yesterday, to-morrow, and forever? Is there evidence that people having died still live and love? "Yes" said Mr. Oaten, "because I have talked with them, I have seen them in the materialised form."

"The message that I teach," he said, "Is not something from a book, but a message got personally and directly from the Spirit World. Get to the same authority that I have got to."

Mr. Oaten is a born orator, he held the attention of the people every second of the time he was speaking.

Mr. Liversedge of the Darnall Spiritualist Church, then sang a solo, "Lead, Kindly Light," which was well appreciated by the audience.

Mr. Knott then took the platform, and said, "Mr. Chairman, I stand before you to-night representing not altogether the Children's Section, but that aspect of our Movement which is educational. Though the Church Section too is educative,

we have little minds to guide, we have children's questions to answer and we realise the responsibility that rests upon our shoulders—that these children shall be guided aright."

He commented upon the allegation that Lyceums are training children to be mediums. He stated this was not necessary, as mediumship is a natural factor with everybody; rather did the Lyceum watch and guide the children until they were old enough to realise their psychic possibilities. He further stated that statistics proved that where Spiritualism is best known in the country, less lunacy prevails.

"When people go to the Spirit World and they are not aware of what is awaiting them they are like children who cannot see: they have to be helped. Thus we are educating people for a larger life."

Mr. Knott also pleaded for better education for children. "We must see that they do not learn those things we have had to unlearn. The teacher must be sympathetic with the children.

He related the manner in which he first came in touch with Spiritualism—how he found that throughout his life he had been guided and cared for by his mother in Spirit Life—his Mother having died when he was very young, and he suggested that if there is any heaven for a woman who has passed on and left an uncared for child, it is to come back and care for that child.

He made a reference to the past International Conference of Spiritualists, pointing out how the ideals aimed for by each nation (14 in number) were fundamentally identical.

Mr. Knott's address, delivered with all the fervour and enthusiasm of one who believes in his message, must prove a great spur to Lyceums in the District.

Mr. J. K. Jones, President of the Demonstration Committee, then thanked all who had contributed in the work, both at the Procession and Mass Meeting and cordially invited the public to visit the Lyceums and Churches in the District.

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.

BIRTH.

LEEDS, ARMLEY.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Akroyd (*née* Lucy Warrington), on August 2nd, 1924, the gift of a son, Dennis. "Another Guiding Star."—L. P. Firth, Sec.

MARRIAGE.

NEW SHILDON.—On Monday, August 4th, 1924, at the Spiritualists' Church, Newlands Avenue, New Shildon, a marriage was solemnised between Mr. William Smith and Miss Elizabeth Churn. Mr. W. I. Moody, B.A., of Chester-le-Street, conducted the service in a very impressive manner.—Elsie Hunter, Sec.

IN MEMORIAM.

BURNLEY, Hammerton Street.—Gertrude Smith, who passed to the Higher Life on July 24th, 1924, aged 16 years.—H. Brown, Sec.

EDINBURGH, Forth Street.—In affectionate remembrance and regard of William Lindsay, member of our Senior Liberty Group, who passed to the Higher Life, 29th July, 1924.

WEST PELTON.—In loving remembrance of our dear brother, Joseph Greenwell, of Craghead, late member of West Pelton Church, who passed to the Higher Life on August 7th, 1923. Will always be remembered as one who worked for many years for our Cause.

"And with the morn those angel faces smile
Which we have loved, and lost, *just* for a while."

In loving remembrance of our dear sister, Dorothy Gransbury, of West Pelton, who passed to the Higher Life on September 19th, 1922. An old and willing worker for our Cause and wife of our esteemed President, Edw. Gransbury. We join with him in the memories of the past.

"The cord of love still binds us together."—Ada Meakin.

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GLOSSARY (G.C.R. 137).

BASE.—To found; to lay on a foundation; to secure.
COMPOSE.—To make, arrange or construct, by putting together several parts so as to form one whole.
COMPREHEND.—To understand.
CONCEPTION.—Idea.
CONSCIOUS (Self).—Here means that man realises (knows) his own existence.
CONTACT.—Into touch.
CREATOR.—The maker of the Universe.
CULTIVATE.—Improve by labour or study.
DEFINE.—To determine or state the limits of.
DESTINY.—The purpose or end to which a person is appointed.
ENTITLED.—Having a title or claim to anything.
ETHEREAL.—Spiritual.
EVOLVED.—Developed from simple forms; brought to maturity.
EXISTENCE.—The state of being; continuance of being.
FACULTIES.—Powers of the mind.
IMMORTAL RELATIONS.—Here refers to man's survival of physical death, and to his spiritual existence.
IMMORTALITY.—Continued existence; our spirit lives after physical death.
INNERMOST.—Internal or interior.
MORALLY.—According to the rules of virtue.
PERTAINING TO.—Belonging to, or concerning.
PHILOSOPHY.—The knowledge or investigation of ultimate reality; or of the general principles of knowledge or existence.
PROMOTES.—Encourages, forwards, or advances.
REALM.—Kingdom.
SCOPE.—Range of action or observation.
SCIENCE.—Knowledge; a study of the facts to find the principles concerning any subject. The arrangement of facts in classes.
SPIRITUALISM.—A system of communication with departed spirits, chiefly through mediums. In philosophy—the teaching that the spirit exists as distinct from matter, or as the only reality. The opposite to materialism.
STIMULATES.—Rouses to action, or greater exertion.
SYNONYMOUS.—Having the same meaning.
TYPE.—Any person or thing that stands as an illustration, pattern, or example.

GLOSSARY (G.C.R. 142).

ABSOLUTE.—Perfect. Complete without fault.
ALL TRUE ASPIRATION.—Earnest and sincere desire for better or higher things.
ANTIQUITY.—The state of having existed long ago; great age. Manners, customs, events, etc., of ancient times.
AIM.—Effect or intention.
ASKS NO SYMBOLS.—Does not *need* definite or particular symbols as being necessary to worshipping.
ATONE.—To give satisfaction, or make reparation.
CEREMONIES.—Formalities or prescribed rites.
CREED.—A brief summary of the articles of religious belief. Usually means what we *must* believe in if we want to be "saved."
DIVINE WILL.—The will of God.
ESSENTIAL.—Indispensable. Important in the highest degree, or necessary to the existence of a thing.
EXHORTATION.—Urging to the act or practice of good deeds, by words of advice.
HARMONY.—Agreement in all parts.
IDOLS—images—especially those worshipped as God.
ITS SHRINE THE GOOD HEART.—Means keeping our inner selves sacred.
PARCHMENT.—The skin of calves, sheep, goats, etc., prepared for writing, painting, etc. Here refers to a manuscript written on this.
PROFANE.—Not sacred, not inspired; unholy.
REVERENCE.—Regard with awe mingled with affection.
RITUAL.—A prescribed manner of performing divine service.
SIGNIFICATION.—That which is meant. The exact meaning of.
SPIRITUALISM.—The teaching that the spirit exists as distinct from matter. A system of communication with departed spirits.

(*to be continued.*)

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NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE PREVENTION OF WAR.

(Formerly the National Peace Council).

A Federation co-ordinating the efforts of all bodies working against war.

Last year the No More War Demonstrations National Committee received valuable co-operation in the organisation of the demonstrations in this country on July 28th. This year, the National Council for Prevention of War, at the request of last year's National Committee, has undertaken responsibility of the general direction of the demonstrations. The date has been changed from July 28th, to the week-end September 19th—21st, in order to conform with international arrangements.

It is hoped that this year the demonstrations will achieve a degree of magnitude greater than anything that has been previously known. The occasion will be particularly momentous. There is in office in this country a Government which has pledged itself to give wholehearted support to the League of Nations, and in both France and Germany the Dawes Report has been accepted as a basis for the economic reconstruction of Europe. The Meeting of the Assembly at Geneva in September next will be the most momentous international gathering since Versailles. If European public opinion asserts itself decisively so that all governments will be encouraged to seize the opportunity which may not recur, a very great step will have been taken towards the resettlement of Europe. If this opportunity is not taken the European nations may slip further and further into choas and all the social disasters that wait upon it. The occasion is obviously one for an unmistakable expression of public feeling. It is hoped that demonstrations will be arranged in nearly 200 of the chief towns and cities of Great Britain, industrial, co-operative, religious, women's educational, etc., will unite for the common purpose of expressing their will for peace.

J. H. HUDSON.

Millbank House, 2, Wood Street, Westminster, S.W.1.

Have we forgotten the War?

By NORMAN ANGELL.

It is General Sir Ian Hamilton who asks this question. Unveiling a war memorial at Crewe the other day he said that "the tears and blood of the old wars left no trace upon our memories. The Great War itself is passing away from the minds of the new generation. Unless something entirely unprecedented enters quickly into the hearts of mankind, the orphans we are now bringing up will, in their turn, go to war as if it was a game, and find it, as we have found it, a grave."

And so the thing does pass. It is, perhaps, inevitable and wholesome that it should. But just because we recognise this to the full, we should recognise the danger of forgetting everything but the glamour and rejoicing of the Great War. And since there is the danger, that, in the wholesome forgetfulness, we shall also be guilty of tragic and fatal forgetfulness, let us make provision against it.

Cannot we, for instance, have one definite Peace Day set aside, in which all of us should give our thought and effort in a special sense to future peace; just one day out of the three hundred and sixty-five to reminding ourselves that we must do something active and conscious and positive to see that the orphans we are now bringing up will not, in their turn go, as General Sir Ian Hamilton said, to war as if it were a game, and find it, as we have found it, a grave?

The lesson that mankind must make up its mind with determination is this thing shall not happen again. For unless it does so make up its mind, and carry out that decision with energy and effort, it *will all happen again.*

It will not be prevented merely by the drawing up of some all-solving plan or scheme to which we can all agree, and then forget. It is not as simple as that yet. We are not at the stage where we can all readily agree to one plan, or the price that it is worth to pay. But, whatever the plan to which we can agree, whatever the price we feel that we can ask our country to pay, let us at least on one day make our agreement publicly known. There are very many movements converging to the one end, and all perhaps are necessary. There are those who think that the best plan is that nations should be induced to submit certain categories of disputes to a court; there are others who think that the first and urgent thing is the reduction of armaments and a conference to that end; others who think that the nations should agree to outlaw war; others that only a closer understanding between the workers through their own organisations, will do it; others that the one great hope is the League of Nations; others that only by a religious transformation of men's spirits can the evil be eradicated. But all these can contribute, and all, perhaps, are necessary.

So the National Council for the Prevention of War is attempting to co-ordinate these different kinds of peace movements, and to induce them all to agree that, on the 20th or 21st September they shall meet upon the common ground of proclaiming at least their aim and end, in order that the busy millions, absorbed in their daily affairs, shall stop for just a moment, and be reminded that, whatever means each may finally decide to be the best, some means or other all should support. For the first thing, after all, is to get the will. When we have got that, when there are no means of mistaking the fact that we are determined to have peace, to pay what price may be necessary in old prejudices, in some sacrifice, it may be, of national independence—when we have the will to that degree, then we shall easily find a way. But not until then.

So let all those who want to keep the new generation and our old civilisation from destruction, determine to join in some way or manner, through their Church, their Trade Union, or their Chamber of Commerce, or Co-operative Society, or Y.M.C.A., or Social Club, in the demonstrations which are now preparing for September 20th—21st.

(*The National Council for Prevention of War, 2, Wood Street, Westminster, is acting as a clearing house for all arrangements in connection with the observance of "No More War Day," and local bodies are invited to communicate therewith either as to the arrangements other bodies in a given district may have made, or how demonstrations may best be organised*).

District Visitors' Reports.

BOLTON DISTRICT.

On July 20th I visited Radcliffe Lyceum. I unfortunately caught them with newly-elected officers. Under the conditions they did very well. The marching was good but the calisthenics were fair. The groups were fairly good.

On August 3rd I visited Deane Road Lyceum. The start was delayed. Marching fair, calisthenics good. The young officers work well.—G. F. W. Walsh, D.V.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT

On July 29th I visited West Vale Lyceum. There were 20 Lyceumists present. The session was notable for the number of questions asked and explanations required. The spirit of inquiry was abroad and from a Lyceum point of view that is satisfactory. The calisthenics and marching were done in a creditable manner.

On July 29th (afternoon) I visited Ramsden Street Lyceum. There were 21 present. At the session the moral virtues of service and kindness were emphasized. Besides the Liberty Group there is an Open Adult Class for the teaching of Spiritualism. The education element holds a prominent place in this Lyceum.

On August 3rd I visited St. Peter Street Lyceum. I noticed that four of the elder members of this Lyceum are told off when they are going to go through the Square March, and in that way they have made the Lyceum more efficient in the changes at each corner of the march. There were 50 Lyceumists present. After a short session the remainder of the time was spent in practising tunes for an afternoon session.

If our Lyceums are to be more efficient it is important that they should join the Lyceum Guild, and also go in for the examinations, and officers should begin to take the Handbook Lessons.—Seth Ackroyd, D.V.

MANCHESTER AND SALFORD DISTRICT.

New Manchester. Prompt start. Present 10, late 9. Singing very fair; comments on readings good; discipline good; recitations, 3; solos, 4. Marching and calisthencis well done considering the amount of room at disposal. Small attendance probably due to so many Open Sessions occurring on the same day. The Council are endeavouring to cope with the clashing of Open Sessions.

Saddleworth. Prompt start. Present, 29; late, 3. Singing and readings very good; discipline and attention excellent. Recitations, 5; solo, 1; pearls, 9. Marching and calisthenics

(two series taken) very good. Well balanced and excellently well conducted session. Altogether a happy and enjoyable visit.

Maskell Street. Prompt start. Comments on readings good; discipline and attention very good; recitations, 6; marching and calisthenics very good. Session was chosen by a young Lyceumist and was well blended and ably conducted. Children very alert and Guardians very attentive to duty.

Openshaw. Local Board (Unaffiliated). Present, 27; late, none. Recitations, 6. The session was a real treat. Excellent singing, reading, marching and calisthenics, and the Conductor deserves great credit for the able way he carried the session through. I am looking forward to the time when this Lyceum will be affiliated.

There is a marked improvement all round in Lyceums generally, which if continued should lead to harmony and efficiency. May I impress upon Lyceums in the Manchester and Salford Area, whether affiliated or not, that if you are in need of help in any way, *do not wait* for me to come to you, but write me; my duty is to serve you and there are so many to visit that perhaps it seems a long time getting round to all. Please accept my best wishes to all for success in every undertaking. "*On the Voyage of Life*" may Lyceumists always "*Stand for the Right,*" and "*Go Forward,*" "*Shoulder to Shoulder,*" giving praise for "*The School of Progress.*"—J. Ernest Hart, D.V.

SCOTTISH DISTRICT.

As no D.C. Meeting has been held during the past six months, mainly for reasons of economy, I give below the details of visitations :—

March 16th. Visited new Lyceum in Henrietta Street, Glasgow. Mr. Peter Duncan, Conductor. 21 children on Roll; 18 present; also 17 adults. Pearls very good; marching and calisthenics, under Mr. Duncan (junior), very good.

May 11th. Visited Hamilton Lyceum. Mrs. Orr conducting. 34 present; pearls good; also one recitation; marching and calisthenics well looked after by Mr. Porteous. The accommodation in the Co-operative Hall is splendid for Lyceum work.

May 18th. Visited Edinburgh Queen's Hall Lyceum. Miss Blake, Conductor. Session very good. This Lyceum is fortunate in comparison with some, in that prominent officials of the parent society are also active and earnest Lyceum workers. The Lyceum has since removed to new premises in Gayfield Square (the Society's own) which I was shown over and which are well arranged for Society and Lyceum work.

Unfortunately I was not able to visit Forth Street Lyceum, Edinburgh, on the same day, as they both meet at 1 p.m., but I met a few of them after session including Mrs. Duncan, Conductor, and hope to attend a session of theirs some time soon.

August 6th. Visited Glasgow Southern Lyceum, Paisley Road. 27 present. Mr. Chas. Robertson, Conductor. In the various exercises and in pearls, etc., those present were determined that a good report should be carried away, and succeeded accordingly.

I have also visited recently Open Sessions of Maryhill, Dalmuir and Henrietta Street Lyceums. The first of these three is now very healthy, with over 100 children on roll, and an average attendance of 80 to 90. Unfortunately their hall is not very large, so the only way to accommodate all may be to arrange two sessions. In every way they are doing well.

Dalmuir Lyceum is forging ahead in the shipbuilding burgh, and Mr. C. Rankine, their marching and calisthenics leader, is very proud of the fact that the children do all three series of calisthenics. Their musical abilities are also very good.

All three open sessions, in which practically every Glasgow Lyceums were represented, were very successful from a demonstrative point of view, and should help to increase interest in Lyceums generally.

The Scottish Mediums' Union Lyceum was visited about the middle of June and, as at this time of year many go on holiday, the small attendance, about 20, was easily explained. However, Mr. Hope, the Conductor, has plenty of able assistants, so that when winter approaches, progress should again be the order of the day.

The Progressive Lyceum, on whose roll I am, and of which I have lately assumed Conductorship, is still progressing and hopes to keep on doing so.

Another Glasgow Lyceum (Monkland Street) has been open since the spring of this year. Attendance was good for a time and the roll mounted up to 70. Lately interest has lagged, but as a result of a meeting at which the Lyceum and its teachings were very fully eplained to the parents, it is hoped to add another Lyceum to the S.D.C., along with the others yet to affiliate.

So as to save the funds of the S.D.C. as much as possible, I asked Mr. Scott, now our Area Representative, to deputise for me on the East Coast, and I hope that several Lyceums, if not all, have been visited and are doing well. I do not wish to touch on matters at present under discussion between S.N.U and B.S.L.U., but as the Lyceum movement in Scotland has increased so much in recent years, it is to be hoped that such arrangements may emerge as will make for the children's good, as on them the future depends.—James Shaw, D.V.

District Council Reports.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT.

The Quarterly Meeting of the above Council was held at Hebden Bridge, on Sunday, May, 10th, 1924, when the following business was accepted. President, Mr. Ellis, in the Chair. Invocation was given by Mr. Ellis. President's address was short and brief, and what he had to say was to the point. Pointing out the advisability of a *Manual* Rvision Committee in the district. Here Mr. Linney, President of the Hebden Bridge Church, expressed a few thoughts on the work which lay before the Council and Lyceums, and then gave the delegates and officers a hearty welcome to Hebden Bridgs.

1.—Minutes of last meeting. 2.—Financial statement. 3.—Correspondence. Here the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Mr. A. E. Kershaw, Treasurer at the Council, whose wife had passed to the Higher Life on June 27th. A vote of sympathy was passed, all present standing in silent thought. 4.—District Visitor's Report. 5.—Report of Halifax District Committee. 6.—Report of B.S.L.U. Conference held at Hull. 7.—Statistical returns.

Open Council. Notice of motion. That the District Council form a Committee for *Manual* Revision. The Committee to be chosen at next quarterly meeting to be held at St. Paul's, Alma Street, Halifax, on November 9th, 1924.

A suggestion to hold a United Gathering of all the Lyceums next year, 1925, each Lyceum to pay its equal share. This was returned to all Lyceums for their consideration.—J. Manning, Sec.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Secretaries please note quarterly meeting postponed from Saturday, September 13th, to the 20th.—A. W. Harding, Sec.

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT.

The Quarterly Meeting of the above Council will be held on Saturday, 13th September, in Miners' Hall, Millgate, Wigan, at 3 p.m. Will all delegates and associates make a special effort to attend.—Gladys Owen, Sec.

MANCHESTER AND SALFORD DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting was held at Newton Heath on Saturday, August 16th. Twelve Lyceums were represented along with the E.C. Associates and Fraternal Delegate. Mr. Smith (Saddleworth) gave the Invocation and the Council had one moment's silence for our arisen sister and Council worker, Mrs. A. E. Bentley.

The Minutes were then read and accepted. Controversey arose *re* dual membership. Reports were then taken as follows :—District Visitor, Associates and Conference Delegate. Good discussion then followed *re* representation at Conference, some good points being put forward by Mr. Jones and Mr. Needer.

In Open Council several points were raised and Mr. Hart urged for work to commence *re Manual* Revision and Education Scheme and Liberty Groups.

A great event was then discussed : that being Massed Session in aid of the Britten Memorial, to be held on Sunday, September 21st, at the Co-operative Hall, Middleton, at 6-30 p.m. All arrangements were confirmed and we hope to make this affair a real success, both financially and socially, and hope that all Lyceums and D.C.'s around will support us and so have a right good session to show the public that the Lyceum is an active educative centre. Take 17 car to Fountain, Middleton, from High Street, Manchester. Turn up in hundreds.

NORTH-EAST CHESHIRE DISTRICT.

The Quarterly Meeting was held on Saturday, August 2nd, at Ashton Spiritual Church, Burlington Street. There were present 25 delegates and associate members from Ashton, Hyde, Denton, Dukinfield, Macclesfield, Baker Street and Stockport Central. The minutes of last quarterly and E.C meetings were adopted as read. Correspondence passed as read. The Financial Statement of the Annual Outing showed a balance of £1 7s. 3d.

A very good report of the B.S.L.U. Conference was given by the delegate, after which the D.V. reported visits to Dukinfield, Stockport Central and Denton Lyceum. The collection realised 7/3. It was resolved to hold the next quarterly meeting at Macclesfield, on October 25th.

There was a resolution that a *Manual* Revision Committee of 5 be appointed to meet once a quarter and that the Secretary of Council act as Secretary for the Committee.

The meeting closed at 7 p.m. after a vote of thanks had been given to the Ashton friends for their splendid catering.—Mary Maltby, Sec.

NORTH-EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT.

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING.

The above Council will hold the third quarterly meeting on Saturday, September 20th, in the Lyceum at Great John Street, Lancaster, to commence at 3-30 p.m.

Agenda:—Minutes, Correspondence, Financial Statement, Reports, D.V.'s, Conference, Demonstration, Miscellaneous, President's Address, Elect Sub-Committees, Conference, 1925, Open Council. It is desired that every Lyceum will be represented so that every Lyceum shall participate in the 1925 conference; the scheme for same will be launched at this meeting.

Secretaries please notify your associates of this meeting. Train times will be circulated with Agendas. Tea provided by our friends at Lancaster at a nominal charge.—J.S., Sec.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES.

Mr. Tarr, our new President, was accorded a hearty welcome when he took the Chair at our quarterly meeting at Portsmouth Temple on August 2nd, when delegates and associates were present from the Temple and Francis Avenue, Portsmouth, Southampton, Brighton and Exeter. The meeting opened and closed with hymn and prayer, and the following gives an idea of the business dealt with:—It was decided to support the B.S.L.U. in its attitude towards the fusion of the two Unions as expressed in resolution at Hull Conference; decided to form *Manual* Revision Committee for the district and recommend Lyceums to form their own to work in conjunction therewith, and at the same time advising Lyceums to hold special meetings for the discussion of our handbook and thus avoid raising criticism before strangers who might gather a wrong impression; the Revised *Manual* Fund was also supported; Associate Membership open to all Lyceumists in the district, but no vote under 12 years of age; special efforts are to be made to assist new Lyceums and those restarting. The Area Representative was voted to the Executive.

On Sunday morning, August 3rd, welcome was extended the Conductor, Mrs. Hayward. Prayers and address, "The Child in Our Midst," Mr. Tarr; reading by Mrs. Baker, Treasurer.

At the afternoon session about 90 were present; a splendid address of welcome of nine verses was given by Mary Hayward. Social items; greetings were exchanged; the President conducted.

Evening Service: prayers and address, "Why the World needs Spiritualism," by Mr. Tarr; address, "Lyceums," Mr. Harry, D.V.; reading, Mr. R. B. Long. Next meeting, Exeter, November 15th—16th.—R. B. Long, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH SHIELDS UNITED LYCEUM WORKERS.

The first Annual Meeting of the above was held in Cambridge Street Church, on Saturday, July 26th. The Secretary, Treasurer, Lyceum Visitor, and Choirmaster gave their Annual Reports, which were accepted as very satisfactory. The Secretary's Report took the form of a general review of the year's work which showed a marked progression. Mr. Henson tendered his resignation as he expects to leave the town shortly. It was accepted and the best wishes of the Committee was given to him. The election of officers was postponed owing to lack of delegates. Mr. White, Secretary, and Mr. on the arrangements for our next united session on September Ainley, Choirmaster, being re-elected to enable them to carry 28th, 1924.

The adjourned meeting was held in Cambridge Street, on August 9th, 1924, and the election resulted as follows:—President (Fowler Street) and Mr. Thyle (Cambridge Street); Treasurer, dent, Mr. Woodall (High Shields); Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Bell Mrs. Blanchard (Cambridge Street); Secretary, Mr. White (High Shields); Choir Master, Mr. Ainley (Fowler Street). The election of Lyceum Visitors was left over till next session. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. Nuttall, of Sunderland, on the loss of her husband, and the Secretary was instructed to write expressing the same. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Henson for his efforts to further our work, and to all

Next meeting, Fowler Street, on August 30th, 1924.—J. White, Sec.

Special Reports.

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

BRADFORD, LAISTERDYKE.—August 3rd, Open Session, conducted by Miss Hudson. A good assembly of Lyceumists and friends. The following contributed to an excellent programme:—Miss Lilian Long, Harold Batty, Miss Lucy Farnell, Miss Era Kunter, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Babbs, Miss Esie Stephenson, Miss Olive Joint, Miss Mary Maxson, Miss Winnie Long, Miss Pearson, Miss M. Ashworth, Miss Mary Ackroyd, Miss R. Moss, Master Frank Waite, Jack Robinson, Walter Pearson, Joseph Farnell, Edward Thompson and George Hunter. A piano and violin duet was beautifully rendered by Mr. Alfred Babbs and Fred Babbs. Many visitors were present. Greetings to all Lyceums. The Workers Win.—J. Babbs, Sec.

BRIERFIELD.—Open Session held August 3rd. Songs and recitations were given by the children. A most pleasing feature was conducted by Mrs. Rhodes, the President, in naming the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean. Her name was Violet and her spiritual name Lily.

On August 17th we held our Anniversary and Open Session in the afternoon, conducted by Mr. Dilworth. Miss Graham and Mr. Hepworth, of Bury, was with us. He gave us a good address from the S.C. Recitations by A. Rhodes, I. Rhodes, L. Rhodes and V. Rhodes. Songs by M. Rhodes, Mrs. Kay, Miss Driver. Duet, Eva and Ivy Dean. Pianoforte solos, A. Duerden, A. Bradshaw. Trio, A. Bradshaw, M. Earnshaw, I. Dean. There were many friends present from other Lyceums in the District, and we wish to thank them for their presence and support in helping to make it a huge success.

In the evening we had the usual Church Service, conducted by Mr. Hepworth. We had a very successful day.—T. Wane, Sec.

DEWSBURY.—On July 27th, we held our Open Session, when several pearls and recitations were given. Duets were rendered by several Lyceumists. Greetings were brought from other Lyceums by our scholars to which we heartily respond. Altogether we had a very enjoyable session.—Mrs. A. Hartley, Sec.

DONCASTER.—July 27th. The Lyceum rendered a Service of Song at Edlington entitled "Unseen Hands." which was quite a success. On Whit-Monday an enjoyable outing was spent at Conisboro' Castle.

August 16th we attended the Demonstration, and August 7th was our Open Session. A great many Lyceumists took part, and Mr. Downs. of Hull. spoke a few interesting words to the scholars.—W. Moseley, Sec.

EDINBURGH, 9, Forth Street.—On June 29th our Lyceum closed for the summer vacation. We held an Open Session, when the following talented Lyceumists rendered various items: Soloists, Misses Reid and Churchill. Recitations, Misses Lizzie Greig, Rina Stevenson, Kitty Arnot, Masters Duncan and Dodson. Messrs. Brawn and Sulloch. Pianoforte solos. Miss Jessie Woolford, Masters Gerrard Hartley and Tom Wilson. Organ solo, Mr. Dodson. Violin and pianoforte duet, Miss Eva McHardy and Master Jack Lulloch. Solo and chorus by several of the children. At the close of the programme, handsome prizes were distributed for attendance and pearls to many successful Lyceumists. A bouquet of flowers was presented to one of our most faithful members, Mrs. Urquart. as a token of the affectionate regard of the Lyceumists.—E. Riddell, Sec.

LONDON, Forest Hill.—On Saturday, August 9th, we gave our Lyceumists a tea and entertainment in the garden. Representatives from Clapham, Lewisham and Peckham also attended; we all had an enjoyable time.

August 10th was Open Session; the children's efforts were good; we had a pleasant afternoon.—Alice E. Payne, 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 August 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.

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BACUP.—Open Session, August 3rd. Conductor, Mrs. Carter. Pearls, recitations, songs, piano solo. All were well pleased with the session.

On July 19th we had a Ramble to Holmes-Chapel. The Lyceum enjoyed themselves with cricket, football, donkey rides, etc. Success to our Lyceum.—B. Lord.

BARNSLEY.—Our Lyceum Anniversary was a success. The singing and reciting of the children was splendid.—H. Lucas, Sec.

BEDWORTH.—Open Session, August 3rd. Recitations rendered by N. Allsop, L. Walker, S. Bradbury, R. West, J. and G. and J. and L. Chapman. Songs were sung from the *Manual* by the Excelsior, Liberty and Fountain Groups. Solo by C. Chapman.—H. Wood, Sec.

BIRKENHEAD.—The Annual Picnic of the Lyceumists was held on July 26th, the venue being West Kirby. Glorious weather was ours and it need scarcely be said that the whole day was well enjoyed. The making of arrangements, etc., which left nothing to be desired, was left in the hands of Messrs. Thompson, Hirst and Edwards, and it is to them the day's success is largely due.

August 3rd was Open Session, when pearls and various social items were contributed.—Millicent Hempsall, Sec.

BLACKPOOL.—August 3rd. During the Session Mrs. Nurse, on behalf of the Lyceum, presented to two of our old Lyceumists, Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs (who are going to Canada), an Officers' Edition of the *Lyceum Manual*, inscribed with an Illuminated Address. Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs both tendered their thanks for the books and assured us they would carry on the work. A pleasant Session.—F. Carter, Sec.

BLACKBURN, St. Peter Street.—On July 28th we held our Open Session with a good attendance of Lyceumists and friends from surrounding Lyceums. After the calisthenics and marching were gone through all spent an enjoyable time during the open part of the session. Recitations and solos were rendered by some of the young Lyceumists. Best wishes to all other Lyceumists.—H. Hopper, Sec.

BOLTON, Bradford Street.—Our Lyceum Anniversary, held on August 17th, was a very pleasant change to those usually held. In the afternoon we had the pleasure of witnessing three namings. The new entrants to this life were:—John Doherty, spirit name, "Valiant"; Thelma Roberts, spirit name, "Grace," and John Wilkins, spirit name, "Peace." The ceremony was performed by Mr. H. T. Batten, of Bolton.

In the evening we were favoured with selections by a full orchestral band and solos were rendered by Miss Lewis. Mr. J. Jones favoured us with two recitations, entitled "Comfort" and "If." Fraternal greetings are extended to all.—A. Batten, Sec.

BURNLEY, Hammerton Street.—On August 3rd we held a Special Session, on the occasion of the Church Flower Services. There was the naming of a baby by Mr. Hindle, our Assistant Conductor, of Vera Riley Haworth, spirit name, "Progress." At the close a short service was held, in memory of Gertrude Smith, a Lyceumist. A Red Letter Day. "The Workers Win."—H. Brown, Sec.

BURNLEY, North Street.—We held our Floral Services on August 3rd. Speaker, Mrs. Rawlinson, of Burnley. Soloist, Miss Ayrton, of Cornholme. In the afternoon our Lyceum children entertained us with a Floral Cantata, entitled "Precious Gifts."

August 9th was our Annual Field Day. Procession left the Church, headed by Morris Dancers from Nelson Lyceum, 5th East Lancashire Band and our Banner. Miss Wisdom represented "Light"; Miss Clegg, "Heart's Flowers." After the parade around the district, buns and coffee were served on the field. Dancing, games, etc., were enjoyed by all in delightful weather. Two very happy days.—May Wagner, Sec.

CHESTERFIELD.—On August 3rd we held our Open Session. The following Lyceumists took part:—Recitations by Edith Slater, Marion Wagstaffe, Francis Hobster, Kenneth Bown, John Slater, May Slater, Harold Devonport and Mr. E. Hobster. Songs by Avis Bown, Connie Slater, Lilian Slater and Louie Gore. A long and interesting session.—Harold Lee, Session Sec.

DARWEN.—August 17th, Harvest and Flower Services. Good display of flowers, &c. Mr. T. Harwood conducted the Open Session. Mr. Berry (Secretary, S.N.U.) addressed two meetings and Miss Jarvis conducted two circles. Good attendances and special collections taken.

August 18th, Social and Fruit Banquet. Songs, games and dancing were indulged in. A pleasant evening was spent.—J. Nightingale, Sec.

DONCASTER, High Street.—We held our Open Session on August 3rd. It was conducted by Miss A. Johnson. During the session a naming was performed by Mrs. Gosling. The child received the name of Eveir Agnes Michin, the spirit name being "Snowdrop." We spent an enjoyable time.

On August 5th the Lyceumists went to Bridlington in char-a-banc and had a nice time together.—J. V. Batty, Sec.

EARBY, Green End Avenue.—We held our Open Session on August 3rd. Recitations were given by O. Dawson, E. Clark, M. Ennis, P. Hunter, A. Taylor, A. Layfield, L. Clark, C. Smith, A. Bannister, W. Moore, H. Foster, W. Christopher and K. Dewhurst. Songs by C. Clark, H. Tillitson, G. Milward, J. Waddington, R. Blackburn, E. Ennis, G. Smith, J. Foster, S. Cryer, W. Wintersgill, W. Smith, Q. Dawson, E. Clark, Q. Jordon, A. Bannister, D. Nuttall, A. Nuttall and L. Clark. A duet was rendered by E. Taylor and M. Ennis. No. 337 was sung by six members of the Liberty Group. We spent a good time together.—B. Fryer, Sec.

EDINBURGH, Forth Street.—On August 10th Mr. Hamlin, of Dundee, performed the beautiful ceremony of naming the son of Mrs. H. Blancy, of Glasgow. The little one was named Robert, with the spiritual name of "Invictus."—Mrs. D. Duncan.

FLEETWOOD.—On August 3rd we had our Open Session; Conductor, Mr. Batley. The S.C. was read by Irene Griffiths; M.R. by Thomas Firth; and the G.C. by a Preston Lyceumist. Marching and calisthenics was conducted by John Cooke. A number of Pearls were given. Recitations were said by Phyllis Jordan, Lydia Symonds and Mary Smith. Solo by Edna Shaw. Greetings were exchanged with Bacup, Runcorn, Blackpool and Preston Lyceums. Several visitors were present. Agnes Firth was the pianist during the session.—E. K. Firth.

GREAT HARWOOD.—On August 3rd we held our Lyceum Day and Open Session. S.C. was taken by various Lyceumists. M.R. by Mr. Baxter, Clara Waterhouse and Doris Birtwistle. G.C. by Walter Taylor. Marching and calisthenics were gone through. Recitations and solos were rendered by the following: Alice Fletcher, Maggie Nelson, Mr. Baxter, Walter Taylor, Mrs. Braithwaite, Annie Owen and Maggie Fish. Duet by Mrs. Hodgson and Gladys Norris. A pleasant session was witnessed by all who attended.—H. Baxter, Sec.

HUCKNALL.—A Lyceum Treat was held on Saturday, Aug. 16th, at a farm near by, whence we journeyed by 'bus. There were over 70 present at tea. Afterwards there were rancing, games and skipping-rope competitions, which I am sure were very pleasing to the children. Adults also took part, though

the enjoyment was made between the showers. Great credit is due to our brother, Mr. Baldwin, who distributed nuts, sweets and buns to the children. The day was well spent and thanks were given to members and friends for their support.—A. Neal, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD, St. Peter's Street.—On August 3rd we had our Flower Service. The Lyceum Anniversary hymns were repeated by our Lyceum scholars. Solos by Miss Alice Macartny, Doris Richmond and Eleanor Ridgwick. Mr. Garside was the Conductor.—Miss Elizabeth Farnhill, Sec.

IDLE.—We held our Open Session on August 3rd, conducted by Miss Watson. Recitations were given by Mrs. Marshall, Doris Illingworth, Mary Adamson, J. Allen and J. R. Marshall. Reading by Mrs. Bottomley and violin solo by Ivy Pouncey, of Leeds.—Alfred Illingworth, Assist. Sec.

LANCASTER.—We had an enjoyable Open Session on Aug. 3rd, when we were entertained by two duets by Alma Coupland and Nellie Lowther and by Edna Parkinson and Margery Dawson. Recitations were also given by Irene Hobson, Nellie Lowther, Annie Smith, Harry Hulme, Florrie Dennison and Lilian Dixon.

We are holding our Annual Lyceum Field Day on Saturday, when the young members of our Lyceum will take part in games, competitions and races, etc. We are all, old and young, looking forward to having a real good time. Wishing all Lyceums all that is good, with loving greetings.—Marion Swale, Sec.

SOUTH MANCHESTER.—We are continuing to carry on the good work for the children's movement. During the past month we have had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. G. F. Knott, the Editor of our BANNER, and during his visit he left some very good thoughts and ideals.

Will all Lyceumists in the above area please note that our Anniversary Services will be held on September 7th, at 2-30 and 6-30, and will be conducted by Mr. G. A. Mack, the President of the B.S.L.U.—A. Hope, Sec.

MIDDLESBROUGH.—On August 24th we held our Lyceum Anniversary. Solos, duets, choruses and musical readings were rendered by the Lyceumists. Mr. Kitson, the pioneer of the Lyceum Movement in England, took part in the service by giving a short address on the necessity of Lyceums. The service was a success and all credit is due to our pianist.—Mrs. A. Edwards, Sec.

NELSON.—On August 3rd we held our Open Session. Items were given by the following:—Stella Atherton, Olga Ellis, Doris Higgins, Ivy Greenwood, Annie Hacking, Ida Middlebrook, Allan Haythornwaite, Mrs. Haythornwaite and Mrs. Reader, a very old Lyceumist. This occasion being our Flower Services, too, the Church was tastefully decorated, and Mr. H. Haythornwaite performed the naming ceremony of Mr. and Mrs. Reader's son, Roy, spiritual name "Faith." We had a very enjoyable time together. Best wishes to all.—Mrs. Parkinson, Sec.

NEWCASTLE, Heaton and Byker.—On July 27th we held our Lyceum Sunday. Recitations and special hymns were well rendered by the Lyceumists. The service was enjoyed by all present.

On August Bank Holiday we had our Annual Outing to Forest Hall. We had a splendid time. Races were run by children and adults. We came back home tired but all happy. The time went too quickly for some.—S. J. Hunter, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM, Mechanics' Hall.—On Saturday, July 26th, the Lyceum journeyed by train to Radcliffe-on-Trent, for their Annual Party. 146 Lyceumists and friends sat down to tea. Being favoured with fine weather, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves, with races for prizes, games and the sweets which were distributed to each of them. We thank all friends who helped to make the party a success.—O. Peel, Sec.

QUARMBY.—We held our Open Session on August 17th. Recitation by K. Wicklethwaite; duet by B. Tavernay and K. Wicklethwaite. A very enjoyable afternoon.—H. Baxter, Sec.

STOCKTON, Cecil Street.—Anniversary held July 13th. Open Session well conducted. Pearls, recitations and solos plentiful and good. Conductor compiled some excellent verses, on words given by Lyceumists.

Evening service sustained by Lyceum. Full congregation; excellent programme by children and choir.

Monday, Prize Distribution, at which there was a good attendance, many children receiving prizes for attendance. Altogether an encouraging anniversary.—Geo. A. Atkinson, Sec.

SHEFFIELD, Attercliffe.—August 3rd, Open Session. Conductor, Mr. Armitage, assisted by Mr. Goodhall and Mrs. Thwaites. Pearls and recitations were well rendered by Lyceumists. In the evening Church services were taken by Messrs. F. Smith, Armitage, Goodhall and Mrs. Stanford and Thwaites. Soloist, Miss Salmon, accompanied by Miss Stanford.

August 10th, Sheffield District Committee were meeting at our Church, so we held Open Session again, conducted by Mr. Rawlinson, President of the Committee. Several members spoke to the children and visitors, and our hearty thanks are accorded to all for the kind thoughts they left with us.—J. F. Smith, Sec.

SHEFFIELD, Heeley, Gifford Road.—On August 3rd, usual Open Session. Good attendance, but a little more enthusiasm shown in Lyceum would be beneficial.—G. H. Mayness, Sec.

SHEFFIELD, Hillsborough.—Open Session held August 10th. Solos rendered by Misses Organ and Congreaves. Recitations by I. Nixon, R. Jackson, E. Jackson, W. Sargent, and were enjoyed by all.—Mrs. Jennings, Sec.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES, Brunswick Street.—August 3rd, Open Session. Invocation by Mrs. Williams. S.C. and M.R. were well responded to. Several other items were splendidly taken by Lyceumists.

On August 21st we had a most enjoyable Field Day at Carlton-in-Cleveland. Ninety Lyceumists and other friends assembled to make the day a successful one. We had several races and cricket, etc., for Lyceumists, which were arranged by Leaders After a roam over the hills, we had a good tea, which all enjoyed. When we arrived back at our Church we had the distribution of prizes and finished with a social. It was a most pleasant day which all thoroughly enjoyed.—G. Tuck, Sec.

SOUTH SHIELDS, Fowler Street.—On August 4th, under ideal weather, young children, old friends, little cares, big responsibilities, light hearts, heavy pockets, high spirits, low charges, a full programme, and one short day, we entrained to Jesmond Dene for our Annual Trip, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all, its success being due to the organising abilities of our Conductor, Mr. Robertson, who was responsible for all arrangements.—Mr. Smith, Sec.

WELLINGTON, New Zealand.—The Lyceum Sessions have been well attended during the month of June. We held an In Memoriam Service on June 1st, for our arisen sister, Mrs. Miles.

On June 29th an Open Session was held, when songs, recitations and a piano solo were rendered by the Lyceumists. During the month we have had visitors coming to the Lyceum Sessions, and we extend a hearty invitation to all who may be coming to Wellington. The Lyceum meets every Sunday afternoon, at 2-30 p.m., and we are all eager to welcome new arrivals to this country. Best wishes and fraternal greetings to all brother and sister Lyceumists.—(Miss) S. Kirk, Sec.

WEST PELTON.—Lyceum Anniversary, July 27th and Aug. 3rd. We had splendid attendances on both occasions and in the absence of Mr. Moody, the chairmanship was very ably filled by Mr. Geo. Turnbull, of Craghead, and Miss Gray, our Conductor. We thank them both. The recitations and dialogues were all well said, and the musical selections were very well sung, under the able leadership of our Musical Conductor, Mr. J. Wm. Gransbury. Mr. Arthur Greenwood presided at the organ. An enjoyable time was spent.—Mrs. Ada Meakin, Sec.

WINNIPEG, Canada.—On August 3rd we held our Anniversary Services, the Lyceum taking over both afternoon and evening services. Pearls and recitations by the following:—Sylvia Parkinson, Ella and Milly Crawley, Winnie, Edna and Harold Brown, Dolly Sutherland, Clara Dale, Harold Goodman, Olive Forest, Irene Turner and Harry Towns. Quintette by Milly and Ella Crawley, Winnie, Edna and Harold Brown, a trio by S. Parkinson, Maud and Evelyn Hargreaves, also pianoforte selections by Sylvia Parkinson, Winnie Brown and Mrs. Parkinson. During the evening four of the scholars gave a demonstration of the second series of calisthenics. Both services were very well attended, many visitors being present. May success be with all Lyceumists.—Helen F. Lawrence, Sec.

WEST MELTON.—On July 27th, we held our Anniversary Services, which were conducted by Mrs. Steele, of Barnsley. Special hymns were well rendered by the Lyceumists. Several also ably gave recitations. A free tea and social was given to all Lyceums on Monday, July 28th by the Church members.—W. Rawlinson, Sec.

The British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

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H **London**, Walthamstow, 3 p.m. Mr. F. H. C. Bell, 2, Mersey Rd., Forest Rd., Walthamstow, E.17.
H **London**, Woolwich and Plumstead, Invicta Hall, Crescent Rd., Plumstead, 3-0 p.m. Mr. H. Watthey, 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., 10-30. Miss E, Sheridan, 2, Elizabeth St., Eli St.
F **Manchester**, Ardwick, 38, Maskell St., 10-30 a.m. Miss A. Sharp, 5, Weymouth St., C-on-M.
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, 2, Enoch St., Miles Platting.
F **Manchester**, Hr. Openshaw, 141, Old Lane, Mr. S. Molineux, 70, Ambush Street.
F **Manchester**, Lower Broughton, Clarence St., Mr. J. H. Burns, 65, Ramsay St., Pendleton, Manches.
F **Manchester**, Longsight, Shepley St., 2-30. Mrs. G. Atherton, 37, Dixon St., Levenshulme, Man'ter.
F **Manchester**, Moston, Church Lane., 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. Mr. J. Taylor, 1, Willow St., Oldham Rd., Failsworth.
F **Manchester**, Penndleton, Ford Lane, 2-15 p.m. Miss J. Walter, 103, Florin St., Pendleton, Manches.
F **Manchester**, Salford (Central), West High St., off Cross Lane, 10-30 a.m. and 2-30. Mr. Bennett, 18, Culverwell St., Salford.
F **Manchester**, South: Princess Rd., 2-30 p.m. Mr. A. Hope, 1, Green St., Greenheys, Manchester.
F **Manchester**, Stretford, Watson St. Mrs. Matthews, 1117, Chester Rd., Stretford, Manchester.
F **Sale**, Roebuck Lane, 10-30 a.m. Mrs. A. E. Ashley, 24, New Street, Altrincham.
F **Saddleworth**, Court St., Uppermill, 10-30. Miss A. Kenworthy, "Boarhurst," Greenfield, nr. Oldham.
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. Miss J. Ogden, 311, Katherine St., Ashton-u-Lyne.
F **Dukinfield**, Railway St., 10-30. Mr. S. Purkis, 30, Alma St., Dukinfield.
F **Denton**, Central, Market St., 10-30. Miss J. Ogden, 8, Bank St., Hooley Hill, nr. Manchester.
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. A. Hill, 1, Howard St., Hyde.
F **Leek**, Mr. M. Sheldon, 16, Chorley St., Leek, Staffs.
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., Hempshaw 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:—
Northern Section: Mr. Wagner, 5, Ivan St., Queensgate, Burnley.
Southern Section: Miss M. E. Lawton.
E **Accrington**, Argyle St., Miss M. Barnes, 51, Robert Nuttall St., (Temporarily Closed).
E **Accrington**, Pearl St., 10-30 a.m. Miss Coleclough, 17, Newton St., West End, Oswaldtwistle, Accrington.
E **Barnoldswick**, Albert Hall, 10-30. Mrs. Whittaker, 66, Manchester Road.
E **Barrowford**, Lee St., 10 a.m. Mr. F. Clifford, 12, Lower Clough St.
E **Blackburn**, St. Peter St., 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. H. Hopper, 5, Queen Victoria St., Mill Hill.
E **Blackpool**, Albert Rd., 9-15 a.m. & 1-45. Mr. F. Carter, 65, Lune Grove.
E **Brierfield**, John St., 10 a.m. Mr. T. Wane, 70, Berkeley St., Nelson.
E **Bumley**, 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, Greenaere 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 **Dalton**, Beech Hall, 2 p.m. Mr. W. Travis, 13, Cavendish St., Dalton-in-Furness.
E **Darwen**, Victoria St., 9-30 and 1-45. Mr. J. Nightingale, 4, Matlock Terrace.
E **Earby**, Greenend Avenue, 10 and 1-45. Miss B. Fryer, 107, Colne Rd., Earby, nr. Colne.
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 **Padiham**, Ightenhill St., 10 a.m. Mr. J. Smillie, 46, Railway Terrace,
E **Preston**, Central, Clarke's Yd., 10 a.m. Mr. A. W. Beetham, 15, Knowles Street.
E **Preston**, Central Buildings, 68, Lancaster Rd., 10-30. Mr. E. Smalley, 90, Wellfield Road.
E **Preston**, Progressive, 202, Lancaster Rd., 10 a.m. Mr. E. O. Mason, 314, Ribbleton 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. Mrs. M. E. Kellett, 50, Norfolk St.,
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., 8-43. Mr. J. H. Avery, Ivy Cottage, The Rylands.
G **Derby**, Charnwood St., Mr. R. H. Barker, 64, Grayling St., Derby.
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. Mr. F. Holland, 85, King St.
G **Leicester**, Liberty Progressive, Belgrave Gate, 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. A. Hurst, 97, Haddenham Rd., Narboro' Rd.
G. **Long Eaton**, Chapel St., 10-30 and -145. Miss Hunt, 26, Trafalgar Terrace.
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, 43, Newcastle Rd., Meadows, Nottingham.
G **Nottingham**, Hyson Green, Beaconsfield St., 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. E. Lovegrove, 50, Eland St., New Basford, Nottingham.
G. **Sutton-in-Ashfield**, Twitchell, Miss Carr, 53, Nesbitt Street.

THE SCOTTISH COUNCIL DISTRICT.

Secretary, Mr. J. M. Scott, 59, Lochee Road, Dundee.
District Visitor, M. J. Shaw, 115, Smith 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 **Dundee**, 43, Overgate, 12-45, Mr. W. Forbes, 34, Todburn Lane.
A **Dundee**, Rattray St., 12-45. Miss N. W. Clarke, 1, Canning St.
A **Edinburgh**. E.A.S. Church, 9, Gayfield Square, Edinburgh. 1 p.m. Mr. J. McIntosh, 13, Cornwall St.
A, **Edinburgh**, No. 9, Forth St., Miss E. Riddell, 50, Montpelier Park, Edinburgh.
A **Glasgow**, Association, James Robertson Hall, 26, Holland St., 4 p.m. Miss B. Elder, 6, Alexandra Street, Partick, Glasgow.
A **Glasgow**, Progressive, Slaters Hall, Portland St., 3-0. Mr. M. Gibbon, c/o Roehead, 30, South Annandale St., Crosshill, Glasgow.
A **Glasgow**, 100, West Regent-st., 1 p.m. Miss D. Evans, Whitefield Rd., Ibrox, Glasgow.
A **Glasgow, Northern**, 918, Maryhill Rd., 1-0. Miss J. Stewart, 3, Rolland St., Maryhill, Glasgow.
A **Glasgow, Southern**, 316, Paisley Rd., 1-0. Mr. J H. MacLachlan, 167, Wallace St., 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. H. Heath, 17, Station Rd., Brimington, nr. Chesterfield.
District Visitor, Mr. Hadfield, 13, Windmill Terrace, Brightside, 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., Stonegravels.
C **Edlington**, Council Schools, 2-03. Mr. W. Worrall, 28, Thomson Avenue, New Edlington, nr. Doncaster.
C **Doncaster**, Spring Gardens, 10-30 & 1-45. Mr. W. Moseley, 6, Orchard St.
C **Doncaster**, High St., 10 & 2-30. Miss V. Batty, 2, St. Mary's crescent.
C **Hoyland**, Market St., 2-30. Mr. A. M. Gibson, Wentworth, Nr. Rotherham.
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. Jennings, 37, Bowness Road, Walkley. Sheffield.
C **Sheffield**, Bold-st., Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common, 10 a.m. and 2-30. Mr. F. Smith, 28/3, 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 **Stainforth**, Finkle St., 10-15 & 1-45. Mr. W. Moss, No. 7, 3rd Square, Stainforth, nr. Doncaster.
C **West Melton**, nr Rotherham, Adult School, Town End, Wath, 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. Rawlinson, 111, Avenue Rd., Wath-on-Dearne, nr. Rotherham.
C **Wombwell**, Melville St., 10-30 & 2-0. Mr. T. Birkett, 57, Stonyford Rd., Wombwell.
C **Parkgate**, Ashwood-road, 2 p.m. Mr. J. Gothard, 14, Chapel St., Greasborough, nr. Rotherham.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. R. B. Long, 81, High St., Portsmouth.
District Visitor, Mr. E. G. Harry, 39, Margate Rd., Southsea, Portsmouth.
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. H. Hitchon, 10, Harrow Rd., Burlington, 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 Manoah, 23, Clifton Hill.
H **Portsmouth**, 73, Victoria-rd, Southsea, 3 p.m. Miss Higgins, Brockwell House, 73, Victoria Rd. South, Southsea, Portsmouth.
H **Portsmouth**, Francis-ave., 3-0. Mr. H. C. Guy, 45, Stamford-st., Fratton, Portsmouth.
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., 10-15 a.m. Mr. B. Lord, 7, Grove-street, Todmorden-rd.
F **Dearnley**, Rochdale-rd., 10 a.m. Mrs. E. Hoyle, 4, Fielden St., Smithy Bridge, nr. Rochdale.
F **Heywood**, William-st., 10 and 1-45. Mr. Marcroft, 6, Back High-street.
F **Littleboro'**, Hartley St., 10-30. Mrs. Howarth 80, Victoria St.
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. V. Slater, 25, Chadderton Rd., Oldham.
F **Rochdlae**, 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. G. Reckitts, 13, North St., Caerau, nr. Bridgend, S. Wales.
G **Cardiff**, Central. R. J. Griffiths, 38, Amherst St., Grangetown, Cardiff.
G **Cwm**, Station-terrace, 2-30 p.m. Mr. E. Davies, Trigfau Park View, Waunlwyd, 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, Ogmore Vale, Glam.
G. **Newport, Mon.**, Charles street. Miss E. Walker "Lothian Villa," 3, Park Square, Newport.
G **Newport, Albany Hall**, 3 p.m. Mrs. Daniels, The Bungalow, Caerleon, Mon.

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. H E. Mitchell, "Danby Lodge Cottage," Cleveland Terrace, Darlington.
B **Darlington**, Witton Park, 2-30. Mrs. E. Meek, 10 High Albion Streer, 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 Mr. A. G. Summers, 18, Paddy's Row, Eldon Lane nr. Bp. Auckland, Co. Durham.
B **New Shildon**, Newlands av., 2p.m., Miss E. Hunter 25, Lambton street.
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 S 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 **Blyth**, I.O.G.T. Rooms, Market Place, 2-30 Mr. F. S. Parsons, 144, Beaumont St., Blyth Northumberland.
B **Chester-le-street**. Front-st., 2-30 Miss E Straughan, 392, Broom-st., Urpeth-Ouston (Nr Pelton, Co. Durham.
B **Craghead**, Co-operative Hall, 2-30 p.m. Miss M Donkin, 13, William St, Craghead, S.O.
B **Dunston-on-Tyne**, Ellison Rd., 2-30. Miss T Bainbridge, 1, Grey St.
B **Gateshead**, Rectory Hall, St. Cuthbert's Pl., 2-3 p.m. Mrs. Mather, 47, Claremont North Ave
B **Hebburn-on-Tyne**, Scout Hut, New Town, 2-30 Miss J. Causby, 8, 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, Northumberland.
B **Jarrow**, Market-sq., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. B. Hardwick 51, Catherine St.
B **Newbiggin-by-Sea**, Store Hut, Newbiggi Colliery, 2-30. Mr. J. T. Graham, 14, Kir Georges Rd., Newbiggin-by-the-Sea.
B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Benwell Co-op. Hall, 2-30 Mr. T. Cowe, 59, Strathmore-crescent, Benwel
B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Heaton & Byker, Co-operative, Heaton Rd., Guild Room, 2-30 p.m. Mr R. Hunter, 36, Mowbray-st., Heaton.
B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Co-operative Hall (No. Room), Carville-rd. Miss M. Davidson 17, Brairwood Crescent, Walkerville, Newcastl on-Tyne.
B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, 39, Corporation Street, 2-3 Mr. A. Carr, 60, Beaumont Terrac Gosforth, Newcastle.
B **New Delaval and Newsham**, Infants' School-roo 2-30. Miss E. Moore, Beatrice St., Newshar Northumberland.
B **North Shields**, Rippon Hall, 42, Stanley-st., V 2-30. Mrs. G. Darling, 9, Hedley-st., Per Main.
B **South Shields**, Cambridge St., 2-30. Miss Stokes, 5, Marton Street, South Shields.
B **South Shields**, Fowler-st., 2-30. Mr. R. Smith, 6 Hedley St.
B **South Shields**, High Shields, 2-30 p.m. Mr. Parker, 52, Bede St., Tyne Dock, via Newcastl on-Tyne.
B **Sunderland**, 21, Derwent-st., 2-40 p.m. M Slimin, 8, Hartington St., Roker.
B **West Pelton**, Iron Schools. 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Meakin, 53, Kimberley Ter., Craghead, Durham.
B **West Stanley**, 3 p.m. Mrs. F. E. Henderson, 1 Palmer-st., West Stanley.
B **Whitley Bay**, 212, Whitley Rd., 2-30. Mrs. Hedley, 12, Station Rd., Whitley Bay, Northumberland.