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Our Education Department.

HINTS, NOTES AND NEWS ITEMS.

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EXAMINATION RESULTS.

The General Secretary and the Education Secretary have spent a hectic week-end at Rochdale, and all students should be in possession of their marked papers and results. If any have not yet come to hand, will you please ask your Lyceum Secretary to make the necessary inquiries.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Education Committee met during the same week-end and attended to the various tasks suggested at Conference. There were no recommendations *re* the Oral Grade. The Committee co-opted Miss Eva C. Connor, A.N.S.C., as Assistant to the Education Secretary, and appointed the Education Chairman (Miss Lawton), the Education Secretary (Mr. Connor) and the General Secretary (Mr. Knott) as the B.S.L.U. section of the Joint Education Committee and the College Governing Board.

OUR MUTUAL AID BUREAU.

This month's contributions to our symposium are of great interest and value to Lyceumists and students. Both Mr. Tinker and Mr. Haigh are educationists with special gifts. Mr. Tinker's views, founded on his own practical experiences, should prove very helpful to the practising clairvoyant or the inquirer or member of a development circle, while Mr. Haigh's will appeal to the student of spiritual powers and forces and the spirit's equipment for "becoming aware." In his covering letter, Mr. Haigh points out that he has taken the attitude of a Free Thinker, and offers to give his line of reasoning, on any point, to any student who writes to him. His address is 19, Whitegate Road, Newsome Road, Huddersfield.

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE.

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FIRST LIST OF RESULTS OF PASSES.

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		Paper.	Paper.	
James Chatburn.	Accrington.	78	73	151
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A supplementary list will be published later.

The above Candidates are now eligible to enter for the Intermediate Examination in March, 1932. All particulars to be obtained from the S.N.U. Education Secretary, MRS. E. PALING, F.N.S.C., "Lucknow," Muriel Road, Beeston, Notts.

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A number of Lyceumists have joined the Patron-members. The additional names to hand are Mr. & Mrs. A. T. Connor, Mr. G. F. Knott, Mr. E. Mills, Mr. J. T. Grayson, Mr. W. P. Williams, Miss Temple.

81 AND STILL CONDUCTING A CHOIR.

Near to Derby there lies the pretty district of Belper. It is known to old Lyceumists as the home of the Smedley family, who along with other good people established Spiritualism in Belper many years ago. One of the old friends has pursued the quiet and peaceful life for 81 years and contributed his music in the Belper Lyceum and Church. Mr Wigley will be the respected choir-master at Belper as long as he chooses to honour us with his ability and presence.

There were packed audiences at the Anniversary and friends were present from Loughboro', Chesterfield, Sutton, Somercotes, Ripley, Derby, Matlock, &c.

A procession of 200 people went round the town.

Our Mutual Aid Bureau.

HOW DO CLAIRVOYANTS SEE?

THE PROBLEM.

Miss E. F. Lawton, G.N.S.C., Secretary of Barrow, Dalkeith Street, Study Group, writes as follows:—

"During a discussion on Objective Clairvoyance, several members could not accept clairvoyance as the ACTUAL 'seeing' of the spirit forms, thought forms, or the contents of sealed letters, etc., but thought all forms of clairvoyance were more or less mental pictures. The point was raised that in clairvoyance the spirit of the clairvoyant saw the manifesting spirit. Could your readers enlighten us as to what really is Objective Clairvoyance?"

MR. HAIGH INTRODUCES A NEW VIEWPOINT.

Opinion, so far, has it that some clairvoyants see, and some do not see, the object described, but that all are aware of its influence. My own personal experience of Clairvoyance does not hold much of general evidential value, but it has influenced my thought in this direction:—

Defining Man as "a point in the Nature-body where God is finding expression," I suggest that Spirit, active at this point, throws up earthworks which separate him spiritually, yet connect him with all manifested things. One side of this erection accommodates the ME; on the other side is the NOT ME.

The ME is the Spirit: the Active Principle, the Actual Consciousness of God. The EARTHWORKS, highly organised, are the Soul and the physical body. There is but one point of Consciousness—that is with the Spirit. There are many ways to it—channels through the Soul and the physical body. There are no higher vibrations in the Macrocosmic structure—the NOT ME—than in the Microcosmic structure—the ME, for both centre in God. Thus all rates of vibration are possible to the Me.

I suggest that the whole of manifestation is about one Spirit; that Individuality is, in reality, Separateness; but that separateness occurs only at the crust of manifestation—that vibrations reach the Me, from without, by way of the crust, through physical body and Soul; and also, below the crust, by way of the Spirit.

Astronomers speak of light from stars, hundreds of light-years distant; we get, by wireless, sounds which are originated hundreds of miles away; *The Daily Herald* claims the first interview by television, the persons involved being a mile apart. What do these people really see and hear?

Scientists tell us that "the initial effort creates waves of representative frequency and length." They instal instruments to detect the waves and transform them, so that they may judge the initial effort. Logically, they seek a medium suitable to sustain the waves; they find "air"; beyond the possibilities of air they postulate "ether." As one moves among manifested things—along the street or through wood, garden and field—the Me is appealed to on every side: by way of the senses and the emotions and through mental channels. How are all these activities presented to the Spirit for consideration?

I suggest that ALL effort creates waves of representative frequency and length; that the human outfit is an assemblage of most wonderful instruments; that its range of responsiveness cannot be gauged; and that we can but reason upon results, as we reason upon Life, and postulate Spirit. By steps this human outfit

responds to waves of sound; waves of colour; waves of thought; and at this point, sinking below our horizon of comprehension as the sun sinks below the earthly horizon, responsiveness continues active as the sun continues its universal activity. SOMEWHERE in the beyond the waves find a response, are transformed: and the "initial effort" is presented as a subject for consideration by the Spirit.

Science almost postulates that "all materials are differentiated associations of a common primary unit"; that is to say, that bone differs from nerve matter only in the condition of massing of the same primary elements.

Clairvoyants claim to see a vapoury envelope surrounding the Human Body; Dr. Kilner, claiming his methods to be purely physical, states that he can discern three bands of vapour surrounding the physical form; I have seen globes of vapour form, and in the globes have distinguished outlines of faces. I am sending herewith a photograph showing streams of vapour. Mrs. Haigh and a friend, sitting for psychic photography, obtained the negative on the fourth portion of a No. 1 Brownie film. (The photograph is interesting and suggestive, and bears out Mr. Haigh's point.—ED.) Dr. Crawford claims to have experienced the formation of rods of similar vapour in a condensed form.

In every act of everyday life, there is some substance which responds initially to thought. I suggest that this substance stands in close relationship to nerve-substance, but in a condition prior to the psychological moment when such substance becomes nerve-fibre. As to this substance, I visualise the Sun playing a part to initiate its formation, aided by all Heavenly Bodies—these actively supplying substance for our make-up and giving a real basis for our claim to having a star, or psychic, body. As Star-children, this substance allows us to be in closer touch than as physical erections.

I visualise Man as a magnet, where forces play about a spiritually magnetic centre, exactly as forces play about the magnetic centre of a bar magnet; and where the substance, finding expression as Aura, responds to spiritual magnetism as steel filings, under certain conditions, respond to, and show the form of, the magnetic field about the bar magnet. If one introduces various shapes, of steel, into the magnetic field, steel filings will clothe their shapes and make them manifest. I suggest that Thought, acting along spiritually magnetic lines, created "thought areas" to be clothed with material responding to spiritual activity. I suggest that this material, shaped by the power of thought, is what is seen by the clairvoyant. Or, as an alternative to the Magnet analogy, I suggest that of a Bunsen Flame—where, within a special atmosphere, other conditions are shown to exist.

To sum up: (a) Only Spirit is active; only Spirit is aware. (b) Spirit must have means to express activity and awareness. (c) It is indicated that Man's heritage from Nature includes a universal range of Substance, and that the means for psychic activity includes a series having Aura for its outermost expression. In children these psychic substances are stratified but not organised, and awareness is by general contact. Cases of abnormal contact—seeing by means of elbow, knee, etc.—indicate abnormal development: a semi-formation or malformation of the psychic body: possibly a relic of special experiences during the organising of the body.

(d) All effort creates waves and vibrations; the presence of waves indicates a Universal Something capable of sustaining them; we *infer* that the effort is recorded universally *in terms of vibration*: this record to be transformed by an *attuned* instrument. "Time" is *not* a governing factor.

(e) Thought is the motive force in all formation, or portrayal of purpose—creating vibrations in specialised rays. These rays pick up the warp and woof of the Psychic World, and show the pattern, or purpose, of the Thinker.

(f) Awareness is OBJECTIVE, always, to the Spirit, and generally so when looking *outward*. It is subjective when looking *inward*. Another aspect is that Awareness is SUBJECTIVE, always, in so far that it is a form, re-created within the mind-area, of which the seer is aware. All hearing, all seeing, is outside the "time and space" of the event seen or heard. Sometimes little; sometimes much—as in the case of the far-away star.

This may seem rather a Materialistic view of the question, but I always try to keep in mind the *alternative view*. Awareness is common to all spirit below the crust.

J. H. HAIGH.

THE VIEWS OF A PRACTISING CLAIRVOYANT.

I am convinced, as the result of private and public observation, reading and study, during the past fifty years, that some clairvoyants see both physical and psychic external objects by their own psychic faculties, when abnormally exalted into the psychic levels. As illustrations I have in mind the geological and diagnostic observations of A. J. Davis, and such fairly common seeing as that of Tom Tyrrell, when he described pictures on the wall of the room he was in with his back towards them. It is not sufficient to refer to "mental pictures." All seeing is "mental pictures." That is a philosophical problem, as well as a puzzle to thoughtful clairvoyants and their critics. How can we decide that the picture is produced by an outside object which the picture resembles? We use similar test methods to those used for ordinary vision—as far as we can. If the vision is objective we suppose other persons should see it. But here we are puzzled at the outset. In the majority of cases other seers do not see the supposed object, and some ingenious theories are given to explain the fact, including different degrees of attunement to varied rates of vibrations from the object. I am dissatisfied with that explanation. I have personally known cases where different clairvoyants have seen the same vision at the same time—some in fuller detail. But that to me was not proof that the vision was objective. The most convincing evidence in ordinary life is contact with the object seen. Something like that is given when the medium feels the presence of the spirit seen by the same or another seer. As a medium I am far more convinced of objective presence of individual spirits by the fact that I can distinguish their different characteristics by their reproduction of my own—what? I will say "nature"—than by mere clairvoyance.

The great objection to the acceptance of the claim that there are spirits objectively present, radiating light from them, is that the forms seen are clothed, appear as in past life, even as babes, and are generally

part of scenes more like stage effects or memory pictures than real objects. Some of them may be "thought forms." But the theory that fits best in the majority of cases is the subjective. That is, they are pictures transmitted from the mind of a spirit to the mind of the medium. How that is done includes much more than ordinary telepathy. It is an old saying that "What the spirit sees the medium sees; what the spirit feels the medium feels; what the spirit does the medium does." As one who relies on that for mediumship demonstrations, I partly know what it implies in clairvoyance. The experiences enable me to recognise those of similar character.

But that only shifts the question of the reality of the apparent object from the clairvoyant to the inspirer or control. How do the spirits get the pictures they transmit to mediums? And how is it that the sensations of the spirit pictured are also transmitted—the past as well as present sensations and emotions? This "subjective" and "objective" analysis is a very complicated task. I do not always "see" the spirit I am impelled to describe. But recently my control deliberately stated that the spirit was present where apparently seen by me; much to my surprise, as I have strong convictions that my clairvoyance and most other's are subjective. But I have learned that diversity is the most common factor in the Universe, and that by way of doing things is certainly not the only or the better way.

I am convinced that in some cases the incarnate clairvoyant sees an objective manifesting spirit. But "in what body" is it? There is some cover over the spirit body. That cover is automatically produced by the higher chemical forces. But what additions and modifications are also effected by the image-making powers of the manifesting spirit—and not necessarily deliberately or expertly done. There is another old Spiritualist saying that applies in some of these "objective" instances, namely, "The subjective becomes objective." There is such a thing as "building up" spirit forms—quite a common experience in visions. On my sideboard is a psychic extra, a portrait of my daughter taken in Rochdale seven years after her decease at Sydney, N.S.W. There is a cloudy substance drawn from the parents in which is formed a medallion portrait. How? I do not know. I think my daughter was there as truly as the parents. A friend says "thought form." But the plate got the picture. I did not hear a word from the clairvoyants present that they saw the formation pictured. Yet clairvoyants have seen such formations prior to and at photographing. There may be something in the "tuning in" analogy.

The fact that I am a subjective clairvoyant provides me with matter for argument in favour of objective clairvoyance. Both modes depend on the reception and reflection of radiations from external objects. My inspirer has his "object," where that object is another spirit. The "subjective" mode of mediumship is not fully such. The visions are not the product of past memories or present "uprushes" from the ruminations of the subjective mind of the medium. The visions are the work of an external producer. Even so, the visions are reproduced in the mind of the medium with startling vividness. More significant, at least to me, is the fact that I am impelled to describe the visions with phrases provided; I get attitudes and

feelings, forces and temperaments and phrases characteristic of the persons described. To an alarming extent sometimes—to a wonderfully happy extent sometimes—I AM THE PERSON SEEN. HOW? Is not the radiance of forces that produce this one-ness far more striking of objective presence than the mere light-ray reflections needed to evidence the objective spirit-form? Though I am not susceptible to those particular rays, others probably are. Recently, I had difficulty in keeping my balance when impelled to fall while describing a person who met his death by a fall from a train.

For mediumship I must be raised to abnormal states of receptivity and consciousness and responsiveness. Those states vary. So do I. But in those states, by blending somehow more or less fully with the states of inspirers, I act as a spirit—and feel like one—receiving an extensive range of psychic forces and effects. Those forces retain their detailed relationship to each other so distinctively and penetratively as to reproduce in me the states in which they were active in the object external to me—the transmissive spirit. Is not that “subjective” experience as “objective” as seeing my wife by the light reflections? Those forces are not conveyed to my consciousness by sense organs specialised in bodily shapes and locations. Yet the separate forces reach each part of my mental, emotional and spiritual nature, and get corresponding reactions in the physical where physical reactions are implicated. Then I am a spirit, *in union* with spirits, sensing their interior present states—not merely those reminiscent of earth experiences for platform use. During periods of special exaltation I have lived in spiritual states that I decline to attribute to the mere reflection of an individual spirit control. “Whether in the body or out of the body I cannot tell.”

Why do I not sense the *external* states of the spirit world as undoubted realities? I do not know. Perhaps some of the visions I have had—especially those combined with clairaudience—may have been objective. I prefer to treat them as subjective. I mainly depend on my inspirers. But I treasure the insistent teaching of the Leaders of Modern Spiritualism (nameless)—that the power to raise one’s self into the exalted state should be cultivated by all; so that we can live as spirits in the spirit spheres at any time we will to do so while incarnate. I also remember that their teaching is that mediumship should be used as one of the readiest ways to the cultivation of our inherent soul powers and their expression through the whole of our complex nature. Then all that is objective will be seen objectively, and the ideal subjective will become objective as well as subjective.

J. TINKER, F.N.S.C.

BRITISH SPIRITUALISTS’ LYCEUM UNION.

Bye-Election, Area ‘F.’

RESULT OF THE BALLOT.

Mr. A. Hudson	—	134
Mrs. L. K. George	—	179
Mr. R. W. Marks	—	320.

We declare Mr. R. W. Marks elected to serve for the ensuing year on the Management Committee of the B.S.L.U. as the Representative for Area ‘F.’

Signed: E. ELLIOTT, President.

G. T. KNOTT, Gen. Secretary.



DEAR LITTLE IMPS,

A rollicking holiday, Imps! Once again we can laugh at the grown-ups as we enjoy our long holidays.

THE PIXIE PIPERS.

Long, long ago, the fairies did not know how to make music. They listened to the songs of the birds, and to the voices of happy little children, but they couldn’t make music for themselves. It was all very sad. Fairyland was full of such lovely colours, and sweet smells won from the flowers, but the fairies were not content. They wanted music. They complained that in the day-time, when the birds sang, the fairy rings were not ready for their dances. Mortals were always in the way. Then, when they could dance, the birds were silent, except for the nightingales, and there were not enough of those.

They thought and talked, and talked and thought, but still they could not learn how to make music. Even the Queen didn’t know; and she, too, longed for music. She could only promise great joy to the fairy folk who could bring music into Fairyland.

The Pixies—yes, the wee, sometimes naughty Pixies—were the bringers of the music. In fact, this time it was through being naughty that they made their great find.

The Pixies were such tiny folk, and so often in mischief, that they were not allowed to roam just where they liked. They could play on the hill-slopes, or around the fairy rings in the dells, but they must not go to play by the water. The Fairy Queen was so afraid that they might get into trouble with the fishes.

One bright summer’s day, three little Pixies went out to play. They grew tired of hide-and-seek in the woods, and jumping over toad-stools on the hills, and didn’t know what to try next. Then one daring little Pixie said: “Let us creep down to the river and tease the fishes. The water sprites won’t catch us, so nobody can tell the Queen.” The others agreed, and, leaving their playgrounds, they set off for the river side. They had just reached the bed of tall reeds and began to chase a frog, when they heard somebody very big and noisy coming towards them. The Pixies hid amongst the reeds and, trying very hard not to be afraid, watched, and had a great surprise.

Coming down to the water’s edge was the strangest creature. It had a head and shoulders and arms like a man, though horns grew from the head, but the body

and legs and feet were those of a goat. Through all the reeds, and all along the river bank, there seemed to run a little murmur of happy welcome. Even the frog grew friendly, as it softly whispered, in its croaking voice: "Oh! here comes Pan! What a treat for us."

"Who is Pan?" asked the Pixies.

"Sssh," answered the frog. "He is the music-maker. Wait until you hear him."

The Pixies almost trembled with joy. They were going to hear music, and perhaps even learn how it is made. They forgot all about being naughty and needing to go back home.

Pan reached the water's edge, looked about amongst the reeds, and broke off several of the finest ones.

"Oh!" gasped a Pixie. "How cruel of him."

"Be quiet!" whispered the other reeds. "We don't mind Pan taking us, he is so wonderful."

The Pixies watched Pan as he sat by the river and made ready his reeds. He broke one in half, tore out the pith with his teeth, and, when it was only like a poor empty tube, he made little holes in it. He did the same with the others, tossing the pieces into the water.

All the riverside grew breathless as the Pixies saw Pan put a reed to his lips and saw his eyes shine with happiness. He moved his fingers over the holes, and all the air was filled with the sweetest of music. Even the birds and bees grew silent as they listened, and the wind dropped, resting amongst the grasses. No bird had a song as sweet as the music from the pipe of Pan. The Pixies forgot time and listened, enchanted, whilst the sun set in a sky of rosy red.

Three pipes used the wonderful Pan. Then he stopped and, leaving his pipes on the grass, went away from the riverside. There was a sigh all amongst the reeds and the night wind went on her way, whilst birds settled quietly to rest.

The Pixies crept to the wonderful pipes, and each claimed one and carried it home to Fairyland. They were very late, and the Queen had sent elfin messengers to search for them, and she was very angry that they had not stayed in their own part of the woods. Then, when the Pixies went to her, they showed her their pipes, and told her of Pan and his music. Pan's pipes were too big and heavy for tiny Pixies to make music with them, but they were clever and had a splendid idea.

"We can't use *these* pipes," they said, "but, please, your Majesty, we could make grass pipes like them."

"Oh, try; do try," said the Queen. "I want to hear this wonderful music."

Each Pixie made a pipe of grass, just like Pan's reed pipes, and, just as he did, moved their tiny fingers over the holes and held the pipes to their lips. All Fairyland listened in joy. The sweetest of all music filled Fairyland, and the naughtiness of the three Pixies was quite forgotten. Ever since that time Pixies have been able to roam wherever they wished, and they are the Queen's favourite musicians. Their music sounds sweetest in the moonlight, and then the air is filled with the melodies of

"Airy, fairy, pipers, underneath the silver moon."

My love to you all,

MEG.

The Magic Stones: Or Peter in Fairyland.

By UNCLE FRED.

Round and round went the Brownies, as they chanted their quaint song. Peter was amazed to find that he was shrinking, and shrinking, until he became as small as the Brownies themselves. Then he was easily able to release himself from his chains.

Peter had only just freed himself when footsteps were heard approaching the cell door, and the Brownies, seizing Peter with their paws, dragged him down into the straw. Through this they scrambled until they reached their hole in the cell wall, and tumbled pellmell into it.

By this time the dwarf jailor, whose footsteps they had heard, had unlocked the cell door. Holding his lantern high above his head, he peered into the cell, to see that his prisoner was still there. To his great astonishment, he found only the empty chains, and no sign of Peter at all. With a loud cry he dashed from the cell, calling out that Peter had escaped. The commotion caused by the disappearance of Peter was wonderful. The Dwarf King raged, and, as he tramped about his Throne Room, he issued orders to his officers, sending soldiers to seek in every nook and corner of the castle and placing extra guards at every exit from the Castle itself. The search continued throughout the night, but the black dwarf soldiers were unable to find Peter, and their king grew terribly angry.

Whilst all this was taking place in the Castle, Peter was lying, warm and snug, in the Brownies' shelter, under the floor of the Throne Room. When the disturbance had quietened somewhat, the Brownies told Peter that he must now escape. Before leaving the Castle, however, he was advised to regain his magic stick, which was lying in the King's bedroom. One of the Brownies led Peter through an underground tunnel until they arrived at a spot beneath the floor of the King's bedroom. The Brownie showed Peter the way into the room, and warned him, as soon as he had recovered the stick, that he must use it in order to escape.

Peter thanked the Brownie for his help and clambered through the hole in the wall of the bedroom, and ran quietly over to the corner in which stood the magic stick. Quickly seizing the stick in his paw, he struck the floor three times, crying, "O, stick! do your duty." Immediately the stick changed into a large white swan, which seized Peter in its beak and flew with him through the open window.

The Dwarf King, who had been asleep, was awakened by the noise, and opened his eyes just in time to see the swan glide out of the window with Peter in his beak. The King jumped from his bed and gave the alarm. The drawbridges of the Castle were quickly lowered, and the black dwarfs swarmed out in pursuit of Peter, firing arrows and throwing poisonous spears at the swan as they ran. The swan, however, flew too swiftly for the dwarfs to overtake it, and soon reached the pathway from which Peter had strayed when he visited the witch's cottage. As soon as the swan alighted on the pathway, it turned once more into a stick, and Peter again resumed his normal size. Peter was delighted with his good fortune and shook his paw in the direction of the discomfited and defeated dwarfs, and once more took up his journey towards the Gloomy Caves, wherein lay the magic stones.

(To be continued).

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Growth.

The Lyceum provides the opportunity for unfolding and expanding material and spiritual possibilities. Truth is absorbed in personality, then displays its powers of permeation to others and brings within its circle all the people who have been drawn to the centre.

Truth is more than mere facts. It is the realisation of facts and also the effects of them upon our being.

Spirit communion is a fact, but it requires intelligence to understand the evidences by which communion is made.

Thus we find communion is a truth, even though the words of the communication may be false.

We must never lose our self-control when listening to the conversation of other converts to any new idea.

In this world we are apt to give too much thought to personality in the sense that "I did that."

We don't feel happy when someone points out we have made a mistake, and we are pleased when others think we have done or said the right thing.

If we study causes we often find it is others who have provided the opportunity, but we must have some natural or developed ability to intelligently use the opportunity to produce desired results.

Growth depends upon the response we can make to the absorption of the forces and things around us.

Physical growth needs material absorption and expansion. Spiritual growth needs inspiration and the mental expansion for our minds to hold the new evidences of spirituality.

The distribution of the spirituality we have gained is the easiest work a human being will ever be able to perform. All we require is the will to wish good thoughts towards everyone—perhaps it will be easier still to wish good thoughts to some near friend for a beginning.

By this method we are using forces which do not cost any money; in fact, we cannot buy or sell love, because we have no way of finding a standard capacity or measurement. Love is a force which thrills us, as the sun warms and thrills a living tree.

We spread our thoughts and they sometimes belt the earth, for we find as we pass our love to friends abroad we get the response just as surely as we receive

a reply to the written letter which was sent to the absent friend.

To some of us there comes a time when we can feel an induction of another person's thoughts passing into, and through, our minds, and finally a resting place is found in the minds of those who hear our words or receive the sentiment expressed by a human smile or frown.

All the abstract forces of our nature must find spiritual expression to satisfy the desires of our being.

In a physical world there must be opportunity for physical pleasures. The provision of sportive events are needed to satisfy young people's restive spirit. The hikers, the ramblers and the more sedate adults all need some consideration.

The outdoor life is as necessary as indoor study and concerted winter pleasures.

It is pleasing to read of the London and Manchester Lyceumists providing sports for young people; Liverpool District holds a symposium for adults; Nelson church and Lyceum justify their rights of progress through the streets; Leeds and Bolton provide their demonstrations; Bristol enter 75 per cent. of students in the Education Scheme at the first attempt. All these and many other efforts are displaying growth in Lyceum work.

But the greatest growth of all is the deep internal growth of the soul. The inner mysteries are not all from extraneous sources. We have learned that spirits use us and inspire us, but most important of all, we have found that within ourselves are similar powers to those the spirits know and use. Thus we are able to find a means of inner growth in spirituality, so that when we play we can play spiritually—"play the game."

Here is a theme to which we can all respond, no matter what our life or calling. Young or old, man, medium or spirit, if we play the game and obey the rules of life we shall gain the approbation of our friends and the real innate happiness which springs and responds to us from our own worthiness.

To be thrilled with such an emotion and give the message to others is surely the growth we are seeking to unfold and expand that truth may be absorbed in personality and permeated through all humanity.

INSTEAD OF BUYING SWEETS.

F.D. Southsea, sending a third donation to the B.S.L.U. Funds, writes.—"Spirits keep one up to scratch. One's memory they jog. To us their presence they attach and guide us through the fog. A promise made they help us keep; it's only right and just—I said I give sixpence a week and so you see I must."

We gratefully receive the seven shillings and realise the utility of the gift in F.D.'s footnote. "Just a little trickling stream to keep the verdant pastures green."

A man's nature is spiritual and he had a direct relation with God; we have a duty towards Him to fulfil our obligations.

Education is not merely filling a child's head with facts.

Calendar of Saints (L.M. 145.)

By ALFRED KITSON.

In order to help Lyceumists to understand in what way the men and women enumerated in the "Calendar of Saints" have benefitted humanity and helped in the world's progress to entitle them to be called "Saints" we have given brief sketches of their lives, as space permitted, and month by month have taken them in their alphabetical order. The series has now concluded and, we hope, proved interesting to all studious Lyceumists.

WATT, James (No. 145) was born at Greenock, 1736, died 1819. He was sent to Glasgow when eighteen years old to learn the making of mathematical instruments. Afterwards the University of Glasgow appointed him its mathematical instrument maker. He also acted as a surveyor of canals and engineer for the city waterworks. The turning point in his life occurred when a Newcomen fire (i.e. steam) engine was sent to him by the University to repair. This suggested to Watt the idea of a separate condenser. He formed a partnership with Roebuck, of the Carron Iron Works, but Roebuck transferred his share to Boulton of Soho, Birmingham. Watt's engine rapidly replaced Newcomen's, it being more efficient and more economical. He made a long series of further improvements on the steam engine, including the expansion principle, parallel motion, and sun and planet motion, and finally the application of the governor. He was an ardent student of chemistry, and invented copying-ink in 1780. Watt is the reputed inventor of the steam engine.

WHEATSTONE, Sir Charles (No. 145) was born near Gloucester in 1802 and died 1875. His first researches were in connection with sound. In 1834 he became professor of experimental philosophy at King's College, London. In 1837 he took out patents for an instrument for giving signals by electricity, which has grown into the telegraph. In 1838 he invented the stereoscope, and in 1843 he invented instruments for measuring the constants of a voltaic series. The Wheatstone's bridge for measuring electrical resistance he did not invent, but only brought it into public notice. His *Scientific Papers* were published in 1879.

WHITTIER, John Greenleaf (No. 145) was born near Haverhill, Massachusetts, in 1807, and died 1893. He worked on his father's farm, and learnt the shoe-making trade. In 1829 he was editor of the *American Manufacturer*, and afterwards he edited several other papers. In 1831 he published his *Legends of "New England"* in prose and verse. His sympathies were strongly against the slave trade, and his abolitionist poems won him the friendship of William Lloyd Garrison; indeed he has been called the Poet Laureate of abolition. Although somewhat lacking in fire and concentrated passion, his poems have the freshness of spring flowers. Some of them indeed, as the *Slaver of Marterique*, are full of tragic pathos; but it is when he strikes a simple, spiritual note that he appeals most to the unspoiled heart, for instance, in *My Playmate*. But he could raise a laugh and a tear together, as when he recited *Skipper Treson's Ride*.

ZOROASTER (zo-ro-as-ter) (No. 145). The place of his birth is uncertain, but historians think that it

was at Bactria, and took place between 1400 to 1000 B.C. Others place his birth at about 600 B.C., owing to the latter parts of the Avesta describing him as teaching during the reign of Vishtaspa, the same word as is rendered Hystaspes by the Greeks, but there is reason to believe that this king belonged to a much earlier period than Hystaspes, the father of Darius. The earlier king was evidently the patron and friend of the great religious teacher and reformer, and his influence greatly contributed to Zoroaster's success.

The Avesta (Zend is a word meaning "Commentary") the sacred book or Bible of the Parsees, appears to have originated in Eastern Ira, east of the central desert of Persia, the land of the Syr-Daria, nearly all the places mentioned in it being situated therein, with the exception of Ragha, near its western boundary. Babylon is the only famous western city mentioned.

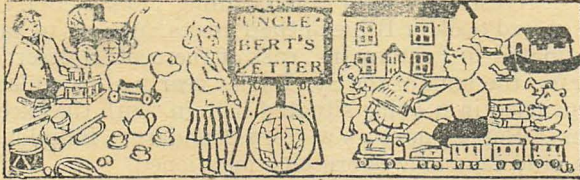
The Avesta itself testifies to its own date, and inferentially of Zoroaster's, in the following way. It does not mention any town which was famous in the Median and Acheminian period except Ragha, nor does it mention the names of later empires or nations. It only knows Aryans, not Persians, Parthians, or Medes, as such. It does not even contain any reference to the battles between the Medes and Babylonians, still less to the conquests of Alexander the Great. And this is the more significant as it alludes to many external events, battles, inroads of foreigners, the hostility of the Aryans to non-Aryans, and of the settled agriculturists to the nomad, or wandering tribes. . . . It is much more natural to regard all this as a sign of great antiquity, especially when coupled with the primitive type of the Avesta language. Herodotie's statement that the Medes were anciently called Aryans supports this view of the antiquity of the Avesta which deals solely with the Aryans, before the Medes had become a distinct people.

In the gathas, or hymns, of the Avesta, contained in the Yasna, Zoroaster speaks of the King Vishtaspa as his pious friend in his great work, and is wishful to make the fact known. The religion of Zoroaster is in process of formation, and its followers are subject to persecution.

Zoroaster was of princely descent. He commenced his mission as a religious reformer when he was thirty years of age. He tried to win the people from licentiousness, idolatry, and polytheism, or the worship of many Gods. He assured them that there is only one God, and no other, and no other God is to be compared with Him. He is the Creator without (human) form, invisible, mighty, just, and merciful. The sun (Mithra) he referred to as a symbol of the "body and eye" of Ormuzd, or God. He exhorted his hearers to perform good actions, and refrain from evil ones. As a help to refrain from evil actions he advised them to cease harbouring or thinking evil thoughts.

When contemplating the origin of sin, suffering and misery in the world he came to the conclusion that Ormuzd, who was All-Good, could not be the author of evil. He, therefore, came to the conclusion that evil must proceed from another source, whom he called Ahriman, the evil one, who is the author of pain, want, famine, cold and death. Although there were these two powerful beings—Ormuzd, the All-Good, and Ahriman, the All-Evil—continually waging war for the mastery of the world, Zoroaster assured his hearers that Ormuzd would ultimately triumph, and that even

Ahriman would be reformed. Zoroaster's mode of teaching was one of persuasion, wise counsel, not force. He is supposed to have been slain while at the altar, in his 75th year, at Bactria. His priests were called "Magi," or "the wise men of the East" in the English Bible. The "Sacred Fire" was carried before the king by the Magians, and the king's sons were instructed by them. His followers to-day are known as the Parsees.



My dear Boys and Girls,

The holiday month has again arrived, and the spirit of freedom abounds on every hand.

I know that most of you have been taking examinations at school before breaking up. I hope you will all come out with top marks, so that when you take your reports home, mother and father will be pleased with the results.

You cannot, of course, expect to get full marks for every subject. There are so many of them now, but the great thing is to be a trier.

Therefore, should you fail in any one or more subjects, do not be discouraged.

Make up your minds to restart school again after the holidays with the determination to master those lessons which now seem the hardest. You will then win the rewards of your efforts.

It is at this time of the year that many of you are leaving school and going out to work. You will feel very proud of yourselves when you receive your first week's or month's wages, and rightly so, too.

To all of you who are taking this step, Auntie Ruth and Cousin Doris join me in wishing you success.

There is just a little watchword I want to give you: "Be on your guard."

While you have been at school you have been protected by the care of teachers and the loving influence of parents.

When you get into the business world you will find things a little different. Instead of playtime, you will be working. It will not be a variety of lessons, but usually six to eight hours at the same task, but set about it with a cheerful spirit.

The great point to remember is:—You will often have to stand your own ground for that which is right. I mean by this that you will meet with temptations. You will have to put your Lyceum teachings into practice. Be firm and true to your convictions for the right and the true, and your business career is sure to be a successful one.

Now I must come back to the younger members, who are not at all worried about what sort of a job they are going to get. I am thinking of those who are just brimming over with excitement because they are going to Winkleton-on-Sea or some countryside resorts for their holidays.

Truly you can sing "Happy days are here again," for the skies are blue and the sun is shining for you.

The fun you are anticipating; the building of that wonderful sand castle on the seashore; the ramble through the meadow lanes picking wild flowers or making daisy chains. You never have to think or worry about tearing your clothes when you are climbing up the old tree, or getting your nice clean dresses soiled. Oh, no; that would spoil sport. You have just made up your little minds to have a ripping holiday.

That's the spirit to set out with. Auntie Ruth, Cousin Doris and I are going to join you in this respect. We, too, are going for our holidays. This time it will be to Devonshire, where we shall have our fill of Devonshire Cream, but not cider, as the song says, "Devonshire Cream and Cider."

As in other years, my offer holds good. Should you meet us we ice cream together; I think I gave you a few hints last year how you could find me, and what to look for. I must try and help you again. Of course, I am not going to give myself away altogether; that is to say, whether you have to look for a fat old man of about ninety, or a long lean, lanky sort of individual. But should you see someone wearing bright red socks, highly coloured shorts, showing a pair of bony knees, carrying a sunshade, well, that might be some clue, if you find me the first part of the holidays.

Whatever costume I don, I will endeavour to keep my colours flying and wear my Lyceum badge.

I dare not even venture to give you a clue of Auntie Ruth or Cousin Doris, although I fancy they might wear something of a sky blue pink shot sharlot mixture; goodness only knows.

Well, so much for all that. Now, being really serious, I do hope you all have a real ripping holiday, and that the sun will shine on you all, wherever you go, so that you will come back full of beans to carry on your lessons at school or your everyday work.

Again, I want you to thank God for all the joy and pleasure you may have. It is so easy to ask Him to help us when we are in a tight corner or need some special help. Let us train ourselves to come to Him with our joys also, ever remembering that His angel messengers share our pleasure as well as help us in our trials. They are all living forces in our midst.

PUZZLE NO. 173.

Congratulations to those who made us so many words from the name of their Local District Council.

PUZZLE NO. 174.

Puzzle No. 174 is a further clue as to some of the places where you might meet us during your holidays.

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| 1. EEERTX. | 5. NNGPOTIA. |
| 2. HTTUMNOGIE. | 6. QYRUAOT. |
| 3. ALDWHIS. | 7. AHXMIRB. |
| 4. EXHTUOM. | 8. RADMTUOHT. |

This being the holiday month, I shall not expect you to send me long letters. I shall be pleased to get a postcard.

To those who take their cameras away, please remember I have one special album in which I keep Lyceumists' photographs only.

With love,

Your loving friend,

UNCLE BERT.

2, Villiers Road,
Osterley, Middlesex.

Stop! Read This.**£2,000 EFFORT FUND.**

Dear Lyceumists,

This month I have pleasure in thanking the friends of Providence Hall Lyceum, Bristol, for their support by their order, per Mrs. Baker, of first, a sample of the Musical Recital, "The Reality of God," 3d, followed by 100 Hymn Leaflets 4s. 6d., and 12 Recitation Leaflets 2s., Total 6s. 9d.

Please note, I have still a large quantity in stock and I very patiently await your esteemed orders. The work is suitable all the year round for any Special Service. Hymn Leaflets 4s. 6d. per 100, Recitation Leaflets, 2d. per copy. The proceeds are for the £2,000 Fund. Do please help. The Fund grows very slowly, and yet the achievement of raising £2,000 is so necessary for the advancement of our Lyceum Movement. Come along Lyceumists, let us show that we have some grit in our ranks by completing, with honour, the task we have set ourselves.

Donations, both large and small, will be acceptable, and remember that even the smallest contribution will help. Just think, we have quite a good number of adult Lyceumists, if only 100 of these, this next month, made up their minds to send along 1s. each, I should have the pleasure of reporting £5 addition to the Fund. After all, Lyceumists, it is OUR FUND. We created it. Let us then see it through. Your shillings, please, come along, let us get busy.

Awaiting your speedy response.

Yours sincerely,

118, Cremorne St., VICTORIA G. REYNOLDS.
Nottingham. Hon. Sec.

Births, Marriages, and Transitions.

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 6d. per line.

MARRIAGE.

DICKINSON—BOOTHMAN at Vernon Street National Spiritualist Church, Nelson, July 4th. A. S. Dickinson the conductor of Burnley North Street to Miss E. Boothman, Sec. of Nelson Lyceum. Attended by many church members, Lyceumists and friends. Mr. J. Shuttleworth officiated.

INGHAM.—On July 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Ingham, at 27, Leinster Road, Middlesbrough, a son.

District Visitors' Reports.**BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT.**

I visited Handsworth Lyceum (Forward) on May 31st. Lyceumists present, 28. Miss Whitehead was Conductor for the afternoon. Questions were asked by eight Lyceumists on the G.C.R. The marching, under the Leadership of Mr. Babbs, proved to be an outstanding feature. The practice for the Anniversary Day took place instead of the Groups. The explanations of the pearls, together with the recitations, put the finishing touch to an enjoyable Lyceum Session.

I visited Stirchly Lyceum on June 14th. Prompt start at 11-0 a.m. Mr. Smith was the Conductor. Lyceumists present 26. The S.C. and M.R. were read in a very good manner. A short discussion took place on "What is a deformed spirit."

The marching and callisthenics were done in a capable manner. Recitations and pearls were nicely said.

P. H. WARRILOW, D.V.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

Batley Carr. April 12th, 24 present prompt start. Lessons read. Marching and Callisthenics fairly good. Groups did good work.

Dewsbury. April 19th, 28 present. Lessons elicited good questions and explanations. Marching and Callisthenics good. Time was well spent in Groups.

Wakefield, April 19th. Prompt start with 32 present. Lessons well discussed. Marching and Callisthenics good. 5 Pearls well explained. 2 Recitations. This Lyceum took a new and good line by discussing 301 as a Silver Chain. Reading.

Normanton. April 26th. Prompt start with 18 present. Good explanations of M.R. Marching smartly done. Callisthenics fairly good. This was followed by rehearsal for Lyceum Anniversary.

Castleford. May 17th. Started prompt at 10-30 with 46 present. S.C. 30, two Comments. M.R. 231. An interesting and well discussed reading. Marching very good. Callisthenics good. Two child reciters.

Hemsworth, June 21st. Commenced with 39 present. Musical reading 234. Duet. Marching and callisthenics well done.

LONDON DISTRICT.

NORTH AND EAST LONDON.—During the past five months it has been a great pleasure for me to exchange fraternal greetings between the Lyceumists in various Lyceums. I thank all Lyceums for the welcome received. I shall visit all the other Lyceums as soon as I can. Walthamstow and Bowes Park are doing real good work, and I must give a word of praise to Southend and Westcliff, Rochester Square, and Plaistow, I am expecting great things from Plaistow now they are in their own Hall. Hackney is much alive.

M. E. IRVING, D.V.

MANCHESTER AND SALFORD DISTRICT.

Since my last report I have visited the following Lyceums: Great Western Street, 22nd February, 2-30. Droylsden Durham St., 12th April, 2-30. Princess Rd., 19th April, 2-30. Stretford, Watson St., 26th April, 2-30. Gorton, Garlick St., 22nd March, 10-30. Sharston St., 3rd. May, 2-30. Eccles, Milton Hall, 17th May, 11-0. Longsight, Shepley St., 31st May, 2-30. Hollinwood, Byrom St., 31st May, 10-30. Cheetham Hill, Halliwell Lane 7th June, 10-30. Higher Openshaw, 14th June, 2-30. Pendleton, 21st June, 2-30. Maskell St., Ardwick, 28th June, 10-30. Newton Heath, Allen St., 5th July, 2-30. Lower Openshaw (Local Board), 12th July, 2-30.

It is very gratifying to note in most of the Lyceums, there is a desire for progress. Leaders must feel their earnest efforts are bringing forth fruition, in the advancement of the children's education on the right lines.

I should like to see the same interest in all Lyceums. It is rather discouraging to see the small growth in numbers of members. If all Spiritualists would send their children to the Lyceum, we would be climbing the "Steps of Progress," for the welfare of the children's movement. Kind thoughts to all Lyceumists at home and abroad.

G. ASHTON, D.V.

District Council Reports.**LEEDS DISTRICT.**

The Quarterly Conference held on June 27th, at Ossett. The President, Mr. Wainwright, was in the chair. Invocation by the Secretary. The local welcome was given by the President of Ossett Church and accepted by the President of the Council.

In his address the President said we are all responsible for the development of our children physically, morally, and spiritually. The Field Day Demonstration is near at hand; let us do our best to make it the success it deserves.

The Minutes of last meeting and special E.C. Minutes were accepted. Correspondence was accepted.

Reports from D.V., Treasurer, L.D.C. Fraternal Delegates, U.D.C., B.S.L.U., Field Day Secretary, Final Report, were accepted.

Re Ribbons. It was agreed to accept Mr. Whitwam's offer. Agreed we instruct the Field Day Secretary. Handbills for Demonstration. Progress Scheme.—Mr. Daisley and Secre-

tary to obtain estimates for printing 100 copies of Progress Scheme. Date of Commencement to be left with Mr. Barnes, Adjudicator.

It was agreed the Secretary inform all Lyceums that 1½d. per Lyceumist is required for financial success, to cover expenses.

The affiliation to the No More War Committee was defeated by one vote.

Notice of Motion (Dewsbury). That the General Secretary's Salary be reduced £50 per year.

Date and place of next meeting was left with the Secretary to arrange.

Mr. and Mrs. Laycock, late of Armley and Scarborough, now of Great Yarmouth, were made Honorary Associates, for services rendered on behalf of the Lyceum movement.

The President and Secretary gave our very best thanks to our Horbury and Ossett friends for splendid tea and use of room.

Credential Officers Report—Officers 5, Delegates 13, representing 11 Lyceums, 2 credential Officers, 1 Associate. Total entitled to vote 21. Lyceums represented—Armley, Batley Carr, Batley, Castleford, Dewsbury, Heckmondwike, Horbury and Ossett, Normanton, Psycho, Wakefield, York.

A. W. HARDING, Sec.

THE ANNUAL FIELD DAY.

The Annual Field Day and Demonstration took place on July 11th at Leeds. The weather was all that could be desired. Miss V. Towers, was Marshall and Field Day Secretary, assisted by Messrs Tweedale, Phillips, Cram and Dalker.

The Leeds Model, and Wakefield Old Prize Bands headed the procession of 900 people, through the principal streets. Representatives of the District Council, Yorkshire D.C., and District Committees were in front of the Lyceums:—Leeds (Psycho), Cleckheaton, Heckmondwike, Morley (Queen St.), Wakefield, Batley, Leeds (Easy Road), Hensworth, Normanton, Batley Carr, York, Dewsbury, Armley, Liversedge.

The procession ended at Field Green Farm. Mr. Bland conducted the singing of some Lyceum songs. Physical exercises were performed after tea. Dancing concluded a happy day. The Leeds police were pleased with the excellent conduct of the procession. We are grateful for the police assistance.

We were all sorry Dad Kitson could not be with us. Visitors attending were Mr. and Mrs. Aked, Bradford L.D.C., Miss G. Halliday, H. & H. L.D.C., Mr. Wilson, Yorkshire D.C., Mr. Smith, H. & H. D.C., Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Sheffield D.C.

LONDON DISTRICT.

LYCEUMISTS ANNUAL SPORTS DAY.

The London Spiritualists Lyceum District Council Athletic Clubs third Annual Sports Day was held at Charlton Park, on Saturday, June 13th, 1931. The event was graced by exceedingly fine weather and a good day's sport was enjoyed by all present. Some exceptionally fine running was seen in the morning, particularly in the Junior section. The outstanding competitors in the morning's events were:—Primary section: Charles Brimfield (Tottenham); Junior Section: James Walmsley (Eltham); Eileen Wright (Eltham) and Irene Roden (Peckham). The afternoon's events were all up to our usual standard and some very good performances were witnessed. In the Intermediate section Miss P. Mote (Eltham), John Portway (Tottenham), Norman Heather (Croydon), and G. Lovell (Clapham) all did exceedingly well. The outstanding competitors in the senior section were Mr. F. Taylor (Eltham), Mr. S. Calway (Eltham), and Miss N. Stace (Bowes Park).

Eltham Lyceum regained the Inter-Lyceum Championship for the "Fruin Cup." Brixton Lyceum were the runners up, thus winning the "Mascot Cup." Brixton's success should encourage other Lyceums to take this meeting very seriously.

The Club were fortunate this year in obtaining gifts of a number of Cups for Annual Competition. The three Cups presented by Mrs. T. Tims were won by Brixton Lyceum for the Junior Boys Relay, Eltham Lyceum for the Seniors' Boys Relay and Bowes Park Lyceum for the Senior Girls' Relay. The cup presented by the "Club" for the Junior Girls' Relay was won by Eltham Lyceum. Two cups presented by some Lewisham Friends were won by Charles Brimfield (Tottenham), Primary, Victor Ludorum, and James Walmsley (Eltham), Junior Victor Ludorum. The Cup presented by New Malden Lyceum for the Senior Victor Ludorum Cup was won by Mr. F. Taylor (Eltham), and the Intermediate Victor Ludorum Cup presented by Eltham Lyceum was won by Miss P. Mote (Eltham).

The medals, certificates and trophies were presented to the successful competitors at the end of the day by our President, Mr. A. E. Fruin. 165 competitors took part in the day's events.

The Officials who gave their services on the day were as follows:—Chief Clerk of the Course, Mr. F. King. Starters, Mr. Dix and Mr. Short. Marksman and Handicapper, Mr. Mills. Timekeeper, Mr. Ritchie. Judges, Messrs. Hall, Ayles, Fruin and Ella. Mesdame Pennington, Fruin and Calway. Chief Steward, Mr. Rainbow. Stewards, Misses Last, Jordan, Fruin and Clements, Messrs. Howell, Armstrong and Searle. The ambulance detachment was supplied by the 41st Royal Arsenal Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. The Secretary of the meeting was Mr. F. King and the Chairman, Mr. J. Calway.

During the afternoon a display of Marching, Callisthenics and Swedish Drill was given by Lyceumists under the Leadership of Mr. S. Dix. Various fancy races and races for visitors were held during the afternoon.

MANCHESTER AND SALFORD DISTRICT.

The Manchester and Salford Lyceum District Council held its First Annual Sports on Saturday, July 4th, 1931, in Platt Fields, Manchester, with marked success, despite inclement weather.

14 Lyceums participated, with over 300 entries in the various events, constituting Flat Races, with Lyceumists from four to sixty years of age; Egg and Spoon, and Three-Legged Races; Skipping, Knockout Rounders, and Tug-o'-War Competitions. The events were divided into 45 heats and finals. 21 prizes, including two Silver Cups, were presented to the winners by the President, Mr. R. W. Marks, G.N.S.C.

Points were awarded to the winners and seconds of the finals. Moss Side, Buckingham Street Lyceum secured the largest number of points and a special Certificate will be presented to the Lyceum for their success. Harpurhey and Newton Heath Lyceums met in the Finals for the Knockout Rounders and Tug-o'-War Competitions, Harpurhey becoming the recipients of the Silver Cups.

The E.C. wish to offer congratulations to the prize winners, and thanks to all Lyceums and Lyceumists for their warm support. We trust that next year's attempt will prove to be even more successful.

J. TAYLOR, A.N.S.C., Sec.

NORTH EAST CHESHIRE DISTRICT.

ANNUAL OUTING.

The Annual Outing was held on July 11th to Macclesfield. All Lyceums turned up in good numbers. Over 200 enjoyed beautiful weather. Heaton Norris v. Rest of Council Cricket Match resulted in a win for the former. Sports were a record of entries and the handicappers had a busy time. Much amusement at the Novelty Races for Ladies and Gents. Great success and enjoyed by both competitors and onlookers.

Vote of thanks to Macclesfield for the tea and field arrangements, was passed with three cheers. We had the pleasure of welcoming Congleton as new Members of our Council. We were all sorry when home time came and now look forward to next year which we trust will "go one better."

MASS SESSION.

A Mass Session was held at Heaton Norris on July 10th. Mrs. Edwards, Vice-President, gave the invocation. Miss Pickering then gave the welcome to the Council, assisted by six little girls who recited a verse, and during singing of "Angels come to me" presented the Officers with red rose buttonholes. A very touching incident. Mr. Dransfield, President, responded with thanks, and introduced the Officers to the Session. He said "Once a Lyceumist always, where'er ye go."

The questions and answers of the S.C.R. were good. The M.R. was read by Mrs. Rushton, Macclesfield, Miss Downs, Heaton Norris; and Miss Hobson, Ashton; each briefly expressing their thoughts on Angel help and care, and how we should endeavour to open ourselves out to receive help, and pass it on to others.

Marching and callisthenics were good. Solo by Miss D. Pickering. Pearls, Recitations and solos were well rendered. Greetings from Stockport Central, Radcliffe, Bolton L.D.C., Macclesfield, and Ashton. Mr. Dransfield responded for the Council and Miss Pickering for Heaton Norris.

The children of Heaton Norris beautifully rendered "We are trying to follow the Angels."

At the evening Propaganda Service Mr. Dransfield spoke on "What is our place in religion as Spiritualists?," taking the physical and mental planes. Mrs. Edwards on "The Teachings of Spiritualism" fittingly introduced the Spiritual plane of our religion. Mr. Springate spoke on "What I live for." Mr.

Markham introduced propaganda for the Lyceum, in "Your Mission" and "Invitation to the Lyceum."

The addresses were interspersed with solos by Miss Craig, and Mrs. H. Ennion. Mr. H. Ennion, the D.V. was suffering with a cold, and we were sorry not have the opportunity of a few thoughts from him. Miss Hobson gave benediction and this concluded another effort filled with pleasure and joy for those taking part. We hope this effort will strengthen our Union, both in fellowship and numbers.

R. L. MARKHAM, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM AND DISTRICT.

On Sunday, July 5th, 1931 we held a Parade and Open Air Session in the Council Square, Nottingham. Lyceumists from most of the Lyceums in the district turned up in good numbers (there being 250 in the procession), also a good number of Church members. The British Legion Band was in attendance and great credit is due to them for the able manner in which they carried the whole programme through. Mr. Slater conducted the marching and callisthenics, which were very effective and looked a picture in the very pleasant surroundings. Mr. Ben Carter, of Halifax, was the speaker. He made a very stirring appeal for the Lyceum movement. Special thanks are due to him for his splendid efforts to make the meeting a success.

Another pleasant feature was the number of old Lyceumists who turned up to support us. The E.C. wish to take this opportunity of thanking all Lyceumists who helped to make the meeting a great success in every way.

P. FARNATH, Sec.

THE TEES-SIDE DISTRICT.

TWENTY FIRST BIRTHDAY OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

June 21st, was a "Red-letter" day for the Tees-side Lyceums District Council, when a "Massed Session" and Special Evening Service were held at the Temperance Hall, Darlington to celebrate the "Coming of age" of the Council. The event attracted a great deal of attention from Lyceums (several of which had closed down for the occasion) and Churches in the District. Miss E. Elliott A.N.S.C., President of the B.S.L.U. was undoubtedly the magnet that drew the large audiences.

The opening of the "Massed Session" was delayed owing to the late arrival of the buses bringing Miss Elliott, the Council President and Secretary and nearly one hundred Lyceumists and church Members to the hall.

Hymn Sheet No. 7. provided the items for the session. Mrs. E. M. Ainsworth the President of the Council introduced Miss Elliott, to the assembly. Miss Elliott then took over the control of the Session. "How to Live" was sung for the opening hymn, Mr. J. Slimin, A.N.S.C., (Area "B" Representative) following with the invocation. Miss Elliott then paid tribute to Mr. Slimin (Management Committee), Mr. and Mrs. Nickle (Darlington), Mr. Hall (Tyneside L.D.C.) Mr. Roeder (Hon. Life Member Tees-side L.D.C.), Mr. P. Hammill Baldwinson (Secretary, Northern D.C., S.N.U.), Mr. E. Nellist, G.N.S.C. (Secretary Tees-side L.D.C.) and Mr. Sutton (First President Tees-side L.D.C.), who supported Miss Elliott on the platform. Mr. Roeder lead with the Silver Chain "There's Room in the World." The connective readings of "Seeds of Promise" were read by Mr. Hall, Mr. Sutton, and Mr. Baldwinson, each of whom commented upon their particular sections. Mr. J. Slimin conducted Golden Chain and ably dealt with the questions. It was intended to perform the Maze, Semicircle, Cross, and Reverse Marches under the direction of Mr. G. Nellist. Unfortunately the floor space was too small to cope with the huge number who rose to march. Under the direction of Mr. Ed. Nellist an excellent display of the First Series of Callisthenics was given, which met with a round of applause at the conclusion. Solos were rendered by Miss Vera Henry (Darlington "Ever-welcome"), Miss J. Hird (Shildon); Recitations by Amy Dryden (Grangetown), Valerie Elvin (West Hartlepool "Star of Progress"), Miss Dora Kent (Middlesbrough, Wilson St.), Irene Scorer (Gurney Valley), Nance Pierson (Middlesbrough Grange Rd.); a Duet by Miss Hutchinson and Miss Chapman (Darlington Psychological) and a Lyceum Song by members of Stockton Brunswick St. Lyceum.

The Council Secretary read as follows:—

On Sunday May 1st, 1910 a meeting was convened at Stockton and was attended by Shildon, Darlington, Middlesbrough and Stockton Lyceums.

"It was agreed to apply to the Executive Council of the British Spiritualist's Lyceum Union to organize ourselves into a District Council viz TEES-SIDE." (This is the actual minute as recorded in the Minute Book).

The first Quarterly Meeting of the newly constituted Tees-side Lyceums' District Council was held at Darlington on Sunday June 19th 1910, Mr. C. Harrison, District Visitor in the Chair. The first Officers of the Council were:—President Mr. Sutton (Darlington), Secretary Mr. W. Cowell Pugh (Middlesbrough), Treasurer, Mr. W. Smith (Shildon) and District Visitor Mr. C. Harrison (Stockton).

The following is a list of names culled from the early Minutes of the Council:—Mr. Sutton, Mr. Westbrook, Mr. Roeder, Mr. Brown, Mr Coates, Mr. Sidgwick, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Blackburn, and Mr. Mattock. Passed to "the Higher life" Mr. Heslop, Mr. Harrison, Mr. W. Cowell Pugh, Mr. Kendrew, Mr. Smith, Mr. E. W. Buckingham and others.

In addition to the names previously given Mr. Dowell Todd and members of the Executive committee also occupied seats on the Platform. The Afterward Session was concluded with the singing of the "Triumph of Love," Mrs. Ainsworth pronouncing the Benediction.

At the Evening Service, Mr. J. Slimin occupied the Chair. Invocation by Mr. E. Nellist.

The Secretary of the Northern District Council (S.N.U.), Mr. P. Hammill Baldwinson was the first speaker and was followed immediately by Mr. C. H. Roeder, one of the Founders of the Tees-side Lyceums District Council. Miss J. Hird sang a Solo "Abide with Me." Then came the tit-bit of the day, for months passed the visit of Miss Elliott had been looked forward too with great anticipation. A warm welcome awaited her. In a clear, ringing voice Miss Elliott delivered a truly inspiring address touching upon Lyceum Training and Education. Every heart present must have been touched by the forcefulness of the argument and the eloquence of the appeal. Had there been any real doubt as to the value of the Lyceum Movement, that doubt must have been cleared away by the fine exposition given. At the conclusion a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Dowell Todd (Tyneside) and seconded by Mr. Sutton, Mr. Roeder and Mrs. Ainsworth each added their tribute. The vote was carried with acclamation. The service closed with the singing "Shoulder to Shoulder," Mr. Hall offering the invocation. Miss Edith Pierson (piano) and Mr. S. Shipman (violin) provided the music for the days proceedings.

This is the first event of its kind ever held on the Tees-side. It proved to be one of the happiest efforts and judging by the addresses given it must ultimately rebound to the future advantage of the B.S.L.U., Northern District Council, Tyneside and Tees-side Lyceums District Councils. Thanks are due to all who made the event a success. May it be the stepping stone to higher things.

The Quarterly Conference of the above D.C. will be held at the Wilson Street Lyceum, Middlesbrough at 10-30 a.m. on Sunday August 9th when a good attendance is requested.

AGENDA. Opening Exercises, Temporary appointments, Minutes of previous Conference, Correspondence, E.C. Recommendations, Reports (i) D.V., (ii) B.S.L.U., (iii) Birthday Celebrations, New business, No motions to hand.

Mr. S. B. Shipman (Middlesbrough) will read a paper for discussion at the Afternoon Session.

COUNCIL PROPAGANDA—A DAY AT DURHAM.

The above Council continued its strenuous campaign by responding to the Durham Lyceum's appeal for assistance by Conducting the Lyceum Anniversary Services. On Sunday July 5th, under the Conductorship of Mrs. E. M. Ainsworth (President) a bright and enjoyable session was held. Hymn Sheet No 7 was used the session commencing with the singing of "Shoulder to Shoulder." Mr. Nellist (Council Secretary) opened with prayer. Silver Chain "There is Room in the World" was ably lead by Peggy Winship. The Connective Readings of M.R. "Have Faith in One Another" were nicely read by Lucy Hardy, Annie Lawson and Mrs. Ainsworth. Mr. Nellist who conducted the G.C.R., "The Ten Laws of Right", capably dealt with the questions arising. The smart performance of the Maze, Semi-circle, Zig-Zag and Reverse Marches and also the First Series Callisthenics were thoroughly enjoyed. Recitations were rendered by Peggy Winship, Nancy Winship, Millie Snowdon, Annie Lawson, Derek Farnworth, George Walters, Lucy Hardy and little Jack Walters who tried to emulate his brother by repeating "A little Child." After the Council Secretary and the District Visitor (Mrs. Lofthouse) had addressed the Lyceum, the session closed with the singing of "Sweet Golden Age." Mr. Conaty (Grangetown) pronouncing the Benediction. After a splendid tea provided by the Durham friends and a pleasant walk in the woods by the banks of the River Wear, the Council conducted the Evening Services. For this occasion the Town Hall was used. The

Chair was occupied by Mrs. E. M. Ainsworth (D.C. President). A moderate congregation greatly appreciated the addresses of Mr J. Conaty (Grangetown) and Mr. E. Nellist, G.N.S.C., (D.C. Secretary), Mrs. Lofthouse, (District Visitor), Mrs. Jenkins (Darlington) and Mr. J. Conaty ably rendered clairvoyance. The Durham Lyceum appreciate the Council's services and are satisfied that good results will follow.

ED. NELLIST, G.N.S.C., Secretary.

Special Reports.

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

BARNSELEY, Grace St.—Open Session July 19th, conducted by Mrs. M. Fisher. During the Session we held our first naming ceremony. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hunter was named Francis, spiritual name, Violet.

Recitations were given by Misses Alice Booth, Doris Evans, Fanny Walker, Jean Millburn and Nancy Watson. Duets were rendered by Misses Margaret Hunter, and Alice Booth; Mr. Clarence Wright and Cyril Wright; Mr. John Shaw, Mr. Eric Lunn and Miss Nancy Fletcher sang very well together; Duets by Mrs. James and Mrs. Brown, Misses Anne Hunter and Gertie Young. The session was enjoyed by all.

FRED LUNN, Sec.

BARROW, Dalkeith St.—On July 5th we held our Annual Flower Services. Miss Lawton presided. At the afternoon Session the children responded well with recitations and songs. Mr. Winder named the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson; earthly name "Thorvold Asither," spirit name "Shepherd." Miss Lawton presented a badge to the baby and welcomed it into our Lyceum.

At the evening service, held in the Church, the Lyceum rendered the Service of Song "Reality of God" which delighted a good congregation. Greetings to all.

MRS. A. TAFT, Sec.

BLACKBURN, St. Peter St.—June 28th. Lyceum Flower Service. The Church and School were beautifully decorated with flowers, etc.

In the afternoon we held an Open Session. About 200 Lyceumists and friends were present. Recitations by F. Hooding, A. & E. Fish, B. Hinchcliff, E. Thompson, F. Raitlon. Duet, D. Parker and C. Raitlon. Solo by Miss M. Buckle.

In the evening the Choir and Lyceum children rendered a Song Service "Spring Flowers." The service was well attended and we had an enjoyable day.—Tom Wood, Sec.

DUNEDIN.—Open Session, May 10th, to celebrate "Mothers Day." There was not a very good attendance as many of the children were absent on term holidays. Three visitors attended. White flowers, with suitable quotations attached, were given to all.

Pearls from all. Recitations from Jean McConnell, Margaret and Edith Robinson, Dulcie Prattley, Roland, Hilda and Kathleen Paul, Eric Downes, Frances Anthony, and Nancy Rainbow. Readings from Mrs. Asher, Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Paul. Miss Burgess spoke on "Mothers" and Mr. Stables, Church Vice-President, told a story relating to the same. Pianoforte solo by Mr. Hargreaves.

Greetings have been received from several overseas Lyceums through Mr. Gore and myself, [the latter being from Mrs. Hayward, Southsea Lyceum, Miss Lawton, Secretary of Oral Grade B.S.L.U. Dunedin sends greetings to all, with special ones to Mr. McFarlane, whom we all trust has quite recovered from his illness.

MISS R. BURGESS, Hon-Sec.

FLEETWOOD.—July 4th and 5th. Lyceum Anniversary. On the Saturday we went to Rivington Pike. It took 4 large charas to accommodate us and we had a splendid drive. After tea, games, and rambles, we arrived home tired and happy.

On Sunday we held our open Session in the afternoon to celebrate our Anniversary and a large number of friends were present. It was one of the finest Sessions we have had. Our Conductor, Mr. Batley, said it was not often that anyone had the happy privilege of seeing the Harvest of their Labour but on this the 19th Birthday of Fleetwood Lyceum which commenced on the first Sunday in July 1912 he was pleased to see present not only Mrs. Batley who assisted at the first Lyceum Session in Fleetwood but there were two Lyceumists present who were enrolled as Members at the first session and not only that but the

children of one of them were regular attenders at present. They were Mrs. Eastham and Mr. Cooke and led the Marching, everyone that was able took part. Three boys sang a trio, Frank Harris, Herbert Wilson and John Reeves. Duets by Kathleen Hague and Ruth Harris, Irene Watkins and Edith Richardson. Recitations by Gladys Ainsworth, Alice Yates and Tom Wright.

In the Evening a special demonstration session was given and the reading and methods of instructions were explained by the Conductor. The whole of the day's services was taken by Lyceumists. Monday's Circles were conducted by Mrs. Benson. A very happy memorable Anniversary, was thoroughly enjoyed by all and at the close of Sunday Services we were not forgotten by our Arisen Lyceumists, who shewed themselves with a large shell, filled with beautiful flowers and they wished every Officer and Lyceumist success and prosperity.

L. VOLLANS, Sec.

LANCASTER, Alliance.—Flower Sunday, July 12th. This day will go down as a red letter day. We held an afternoon Open Session followed by a Naming Ceremony which was performed by our old friend and Vice-President, Mrs. Towers.

In the evening was the unveiling of a Memorial by Mr. Wilkinson (President) to his dear wife. This Memorial took the form of a new organ front; the gift of our President. We also had a Service of Song, entitled "The Journey of Life." written especially for our Lyceumists by Mr. Wilkinson. During this Lyceum effort the congregation were each presented with a floral buttonhole by the eight youngest Lyceumists (four boys and four girls). Everyone had a "royal" time.

MRS. DENNISON, Sec., Pro.tem.

LONDON, Kingston-on-Thames.—On June 25th we held our 21st Birthday. Uncle Bert conducted the Session at 3-0 p.m. Mrs. Fruin presented the prizes. Many visitors were present, including delegates from other Lyceums. Greetings were given, and we had solos from several friends, as well as from our own Lyceumists. We had a surprise gift, Mrs. Bell, in a few words, presented us with a beautiful Banner, asking Miss Dutton, our Conductor, to accept it as a token of love from her. Miss Dutton unveiled, and Uncle Bert dedicated the Banner. We wish to place on record our gratitude to Mrs. Bell for her beautiful gift.

After the Session we had tea together, and the day ended by the representatives of L.L.D.C. conducting the evening service.

J. W. HUMPHRIES, Sec.

NORTH LONDON.—Two notable events of the summer have come and gone only to inspire us for even more earnest endeavours for the future.

Sunday June 14th was our Anniversary day. The afternoon was graced by the presence of Mr. E. J. Pulham our Church President who presented the prizes. Numbers of Church members were present also delegates from the L.L.D.C. Bowes Park, Rochester Square and Kingston. We also had a party of the 3rd Clissald Company of the Girl Guides whose Captain Miss E. Knox charmed the congregation with a short exposition of the Guide movement and rendering of a song (Angels Guard Thee).

Speakers for the morning were Mrs. Lane, Clarice Taylor, Mr. Brooke, Mr. C. Drinkwater, Mrs. W. Drinkwater, beautifully rendered a song, (Nearer my God to Thee). Evening Miss Maddison, Miss Whorlow, Claude Lovack. The Congregation was roused by a stirring address from our Vice-President Mrs. Pomeroy. A very successful day was closed by the Lyceum singing Shoulder to Shoulder.

Saturday July 4th at 8-30 a.m. from Victoria 34 journeyed to Brighton. After an early lunch on the beach we repaired to the Pier and various places of amusement. At 4-30 the Jesmond Café again served us well with tea, and everyone excepting those in the know were surprised to find a Charabanc waiting at the Café door to take us for a 25 mile tour to Bramber, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Finally setting us down at the station. Rounds of cheers ended a most glorious day.

NELLIE C. WHORLOW, Hon. Sec.

MANCHESTER, Moston.—Open Session July 19th. Afternoon, Liberty Group. Mr. A. T. Connor spoke on "Education" and the discussion was ably assisted by Misses Lawton and Elliott and Messrs. C. W. Marks, and Tinker. Col. Ingleby presided. The evening session was notable for two interesting addresses by Mr. A. T. Connor and Mr. Geo F. Knott. Miss Elliott conducted. The children's special effort in the form of a "Welcome" was well received. Vocal numbers included two solos, a trio and a special effort by little Leonard Morris who sang bravely and sweetly. Mr. Guy gave some very beautiful harp solos. Altogether it was a "very happy children's day."

H. CASEMAN, 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 July 22nd.

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

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

RULE 4.—All Reports must reach this Office not later than August 26th to ensure insertion in the September issue.

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

ACCRINGTON, Argyle St.—Open Session July 12th. Recitations by E. & B. Bartlett, D.C. Livesey, H. Spencer, A. Broadley, Miss Tabiner, Miss White. Duets by Mrs. Tipping and Mrs. Bartlett. We also had visitors from Earby—F. Holgate, Sec.

ACCRINGTON, Pearl St.—Open Session, July 5th. In the morning recitations and solos were well rendered. We had our first Flower Service in the afternoon.

Our speaker, Mrs. Fazackerley, gave a short address. In the evening Mrs. Houlker, one of our Lyceumists, sang a solo "Roses of Life." Special singing by the choir. The day was a great success.—Miss Hilda Swift, Sec.

ASHTON.—Election of Officers for six months, June 28th. Good attendances. Conductor, Miss F. Hobson; Assistant Conductor, Mr. W. Dransfield; Treasurer, Mr. Martin; Secretary, Mr. R. A. L. Markham; Captain of Guard, Mr. J. E. Andrews; Guardian, Miss E. Dundavan; Musical Conductors, Miss A. Rhodes, Mr. F. Hobson; Librarian, Miss Dundavan; Auditors, Mr. Martin, Mr. A. Booth.

There was a balance in hand on the past six month's work. We are endeavouring to form a choir.—R. A. L. Markham, Sec.

BACUP.—Open Session, July 5th. Pearls by Mrs. Carter, D. Clayburn, I. Patchett. Recitations by M. Halsall, I. Patchett. Pianoforte solos by I. Patchett, D. Halsall. Solos by Mary McKenna, M. Patchett, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Shaw. A group of Lyceumists sang a song. Mrs. P. Carter was conductor.—A. HALSALL, Sec.

BARROW, Preston St.—June 28th, Lyceum Anniversary. In the afternoon an Open Session, everyone doing well. Prizes were presented by Mrs. L. Brown. The evening service was taken by Lyceum Officers and older Lyceumists. Solos were rendered by Madam Olive Jenkinson, Miss L. Fenton and Mr. Roy Brown. Mrs. Butterworth and Mrs. Hope conducted Monday's services.—Mrs. Lena Brown, Sec.

BELPER.—The 45th anniversary of Belper Spiritualist Church was celebrated on Sunday, June 28th, when Mr. B. Carter, Halifax, preached. In the morning members of the Church and friends sang hymns on King Street Memorial Ground and at various points in the town, and at afternoon and evening services solos were contributed by Madam Ida Lowe (soprano), Master Tom Wheatley (soprano), and Mr. P. Davey (tenor), Halifax. The anthem, "The Heavens Are Telling," was rendered by the choir, and Mr. A. W. Hawkins, L.L.C.M., was organist. Mr. J. H. Hawkins presided in the afternoon, and songs and recitations were given by Eileen Sherratt, Dorothy Lowe, Peggy Melbourne, Joan Joyner, Barbara and Kathleen Orme, Clayton Clarke, Lois Sanders, Roy Annable, Jean Chadwick, Freda Joyner, George Haywood, Joyce Annable, Tom Wheatley, Mary Manslow, Kate Mee, Nancy Orme, Hilda Kerry, and Elijah Orme. Mr. Fred W. Wheelton presided in the evening, and Mr. Samuel Orme, A.L.C.M., was organist. The collections amounted to £30.

BIRKENHEAD.—July 5th, Open Session. Recitations by Gwennie, Annie and Muriel Watson, William Barry, Rodney, Noel, and Clifford Jones, Ernest Kneale, Stanley Landreth, Vera Hamilton, Jean Coligan, Reg Robb, Jacky and Jimmy Woodley, Leslie Davies, Leslie Hamilton. Pearls by Jimmy Woodley, Mrs. Harper, Elsie and Albert Thompson, William Kneale, Mr. Taylor. Solos by Lilian Harding, Mrs. Harding, Florrie and Gertie Watson, Nancy Hollingsworth, Eileen Edwards, Mr. Taylor, Wm. Kneale. Pianoforte solo by Francis Harper. Mr. Taylor was Conductor.—Wm. Kneale, Sec.

BLACKPOOL.—On June 28th we again witnessed the pleasant ceremony of the naming of a baby. After singing the first verse of hymn No. 341, Mrs. Nurse gave several definitions of the beautiful flowers, Red, Rose—Love, Pink Rose—Purity, Carnation—Courage, and small bouquets of flowers represented prosperity, honour and virtue. The baby was well blest and should be a happy man when he grows up. His earthly name is James Carter. The spirit name "Victory" should help him through life's way. Our Conductor, Mrs. E. H. Rothwell, gave the baby a Lyceum Manual, which was presented by Mrs. Nurse. The mother and father are both Lyceum workers so we know the Manual will be appreciated. We hope all the babies that have been named will become Lyceumists in the future and help to swell the ranks of the Spiritualists. Greetings were accepted from several Lyceums and after the complete rendering of No. 341 we closed a very happy Session.—Jenny Bamber, Sec.

BOLTON, Bradford St.—July 5th was Pearl Sunday, Pearls, recitations, and solos were given by various Lyceumists. Every-one present seemed to show the real spirit of Lyceumism, and a very good and enjoyable Session was held.

On July 12th Mr. Jones, the Adjudicator, paid us a visit, and the questions he asked were answered very well, especially by the children. Progress is our motto at Bradford St., and we heartily invite anyone to our Open Session, Aug. 9th. Best wishes to all.—J. Walker, Sec.

BURY, King St.—Open Session, July 5th, when visitors from Bolton and Radcliffe helped to make the Sessions successful. Individual items were rendered by Lyceumists, the children especially coming forward. We had good Sessions all day.—N. Dean, Sec.

CHESTER.—On July 5th Mr. Mack, Conductor of Runcorn Lyceum, conducted our Anniversary Services. Open Session in the afternoon and Musical Service in the evening. Recitations, songs, etc., were given by Lilly Sutton, Willie Candelin, Ivy Bailey, Doreen Candelin, Dorothy Sutton, Joan Winfield, Barbara Blake, Ivy Newton, Jessie Cross, Nancy Thorman, Florence Cooksey, Mr. Williams, Mr. Brown, Mr. Mack gave a short address on "Spiritualism and what good is it."

Mr. Hesketh, Conductor, thanked Mr. Mack for assisting and making our Anniversary Session such a success. Chairman, Mr. Morris. Organist, Mr. Hesketh. Marching was conducted by Mr. Cooksey. Callisthenics by Jessie Cross.—L. Evans, Sec.

CHESTERFIELD.—On July 5th Open Session. The following Lyceumists obliged with items: Irene and Glyn Cowell, Kathleen Norman and Eveline Clements; Harold Hobster, Harry Beckett, Ivy Hall, Ethel Gored, Avis Bown, and Mr. Campbell.—Frances Hobster, Minute Sec.

CLECKHEATON.—Open Session held July 5th. Conducted by Miss M. Wilkinson. Golden Chain Recitation 132, on which questions were asked. No pearls, solos, etc. were given, owing to the practising of the Anniversary Hymns. Our Anniversary Services will be held on Sunday, August 2nd.—Miss M. B. Robinson, Sec.

DEARNLEY.—On June 21st we held our Lyceum Anniversary Services. Mr. G. F. Knott, F.N.S.C., D.N.U., of Rochdale, was speaker. The Chairman was Mr. Bamford, our Conductor. Our best thanks are due to everyone who helped to make the day a success.

On July 5th we held a Pleasant Sunday morning in which Lyceumists took part.—Mrs. Whitham, Sec.

DEWSBURY.—Open Session, June 28th. Conductor, Mr. E. Wilson. Over 100 attended. Pearls by Lily Whitman, Miss A. Bentley, Ettie Day, Mr. S. Warren, Mrs. Gregory, Cyril Hey, William Newby, Recitations by Ettie Day, Cyril Hey. Duet by Clarissa Phillips, and Margaret Greenwood. Solo by Mrs. J. Whittles.

Election of Officers: Conductors, Mr. G. Hey, Mrs. N. Greenwood, Miss F. Senior; Secretary, Mr. V. R. Phillips; Treasurer, Mrs. L. Bland; Drill Instructor, Mr. W. Hey; Musical Director, Mr. J. Whittles; Guardians, Phyllis Dunn, Clarissa Phillips, Mona Hey, Harry Oakes; Guards, Captain, Violet Hey; George Phillips, Eric Pickles. Group Leaders, 10 to 14, Mr. W. Hey, Mr. V. Hartley. Leaders, up to 10 years old, Mr. G. Oakes, Mrs. Gregory. Auditors, Mr. J. Whittles, Mrs. Oakes.—V. R. Phillips, Sec.

DINNINGTON.—Sessions attended well; interest shown in marching and individual efforts. We have some excellent singing and reciting. Pie Supper July 11th for Children's Outing Fund.

DONCASTER, Catherine St.—Open Session July 5th, conducted by Miss Johnson. Invocation by Miss Batty. Several Lyceumists took part in making the Session a success.

On July 19th and 20th, we held our Anniversary Services. Open Session during Sunday afternoon. Song Service "Sunbeams" given by the Lyceumists at 6-30 p.m. Another service at 7-45 was taken by Mrs. Soan, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Holloway and Miss Goose.

On Monday, Mrs. Hill, of Stainforth, took our meetings, and we had a public tea. Mr. Holloway was our Musical Conductor. Great credit is due to him. We had well attended meetings all through and we feel it has been a spiritual and material success.—Mrs. Webb, Sec.

EARBY, Greenend Avenue.—Open Session, July 5th. The following Lyceumists took part: K. Hodgkinson, O. Hodgson, O. Wilkins, E. Hancock, D. Seddon, R. Hancock, N. Sesson, J. Hancock, R. Hodgkinson, F. Clark, T. Hancock, L. Hetherington, W. Hancock and Dennis Sesson. We spent a good time together.—Mrs. D. Dawson, Sec.

EARBY, Onward.—We held our First Anniversary Services on July 5th, our speaker being Miss Tabiner, of Church, and Mr. Nixon, of Haslingden. Special singing by the Liberty Group. We had a real spiritual time.—Mrs. J. W. Clark, Sec.

GREAT HARWOOD.—Open Session. The readings were taken by Florrie Pickvance, Eileen Shaw, Edna Parkinson, Rosa Bagshaw, Annie Aspden. Recitations by May Pickvance, Greta Johnson, Joan Bullen, Rosa Bagshaw, Annie Aspden, Edna Parkinson. Solo by Mrs. P. Doswell. Quintette by Joan Bullen, Shiela Parkinson, May Pickvance, Rosa Bagshaw, Greta Johnson.—W. Doswell, Sec.

GRIMSBY.—On July 5th we held our Anniversary Services and a most pleasant time ensued. The children gave a nice service chosen from the "Manual" and previous Services of Song. Mrs. Barron, our Conductor, trained the children in an action song entitled "Fairy Bells," which was very nice. The children who took a prominent part were M. Hooper, E. Swift, A. Shaw, R. Sandvit, I. Thomas, C. and N. Eddington, G. Greenwood, R. Robinson, H. Shaw, A. Letch, L. Balls, and J. Thompson. Mrs. Bacon, one of our Lyceumists, was our speaker for the week-end.—P.S., Sec.

HEMSWORTH.—On July 6th 120 adults and children sat down to tea. In the evening an Operetta, entitled, "The Doll's Wedding," recitations and songs by the Lyceum children were given. Mr. Davis, South Elmsall, presided. Mrs. Froud and Mr. Bates were the pianists, and Mr. Froud was Conductor. The funds were in aid of "Field" Day. It was an enjoyable gathering.

We are pleased that our Conductor, Mr. F. Walker, and three children have all returned safe from hospital, and are with us again.—Mrs. W. Bates, Sec.

HYDE, George St.—On June 28th we held a very successful trip to Blackpool. 50 children and 42 adults looked very happy as we left our Church by motor coaches at 9-30 a.m. We arrived at the Coliseum Café by 12-0 noon, where we partook of a splendid dinner and tea. Time soon fled while we were on the beach and lakes, playing games and boating. We left Blackpool at 8-30 p.m., arriving in Hyde at 11-30 p.m., all safe and sound. Mr. S. Burgess and Mr. J. Plevin organised the event in a splendid manner.—N. Cartwright, Sec.

LANCASTER, Great John Street Lyceum.—The Church in connection with the above Lyceum are soliciting help with the erection of a new Church. The officials of the Church want to raise £300 before November, 1931.

Donations can be sent to Mr. Herbert Townley, 65, Sibsey Street, Lancaster.

LANCASTER, Gt. John St.—July 5th we held our Open Session, which was well enjoyed by all. We still progress.—M. Sarratt, Sec.

LEEDS, Psycho.—Election of Officers, July 5th. Conductor, Mr. F. Hynes; Assists., Mrs. Wainswright, Mrs. Crabtree; Treasurer, Mrs. Towers; Secretary, Miss V. Towers; Musical Conductor, Mrs. Steele; Assist., B. Charnley; Physical Conductors, Miss V. Towers, Miss Daisley; Marching Leaders, Gilbert Dixon, Charles Towers; Guardian, J. Cockerham; Guards, G. Dixon, J. Cockerham; Delegate, Mrs. Crabtree.—Miss V. Towers, Sec.

LINCOLN, Coultham St.—July 5th. Lyceum week-end-Egg and Flower service. All meetings were taken by Mr. Raspin and Miss James. Special singing by the Children.

On the Monday the children gave a Service of Song "Nettie." The eggs and flowers were sold towards the cost of the Lyceum Outing.—N. Willey, Sec.

LINCOLN MIDLAND.—On July 5th we visited Nottingham, where a Massed Session was held on the Council Sq. by a united effort of the D.C. of Lyceums. A very happy time was spent. A broken journey back enabled us to partake of tea together under ideal rural conditions and atmosphere.—H. C. Dobby, Sec.

LONDON, Brixton.—On Wednesday, June 30th, we had our Annual Outing. We travelled by charabanc to Hastings. The weather was beautiful, and everyone had a glorious time. We are still holding our "Sports" evening once a week.—F. B. Cross, Sec.

LONDON, Lewisham.—On July 5th we held a Flower Service for remembrance of our Lyceumists in the Summerland, and it was enjoyed by all present.

Rosie Towell, aged 8, was successful in Singing; and Cyril Hurrell, aged 11, in Elocution, at the L.L.B.C. Medal Competitions.—W. A. Hurrell, Sec.

LONDON, Stratford.—July 5th, Floral Sunday. The Lyceum presented a Service of Song, "The Minister," at the evening service. A Lyceum Leader, Miss L. Golbourne, performed a spirit naming ceremony on the twin babies of Mrs. Pettit, and the baby daughter of Mrs. Haughton, assisted by tiny tots of the Lyceum.

The afternoon Session, conducted by Mrs. V. West, was very successful, with many musical items. Visitors were present with floral tributes and a goodly company sat down to the tea which followed.—R. H. Bates, Sec.

LONDON, Tottenham, High Road.—July was a great month for us. On the 4th we had a Garden Party. On the 11th we had an Outing to Southend-on-Sea. A Great Day.—R. McDowell, Session Sec.

LONDON, Walthamstow.—We had a grand outing at Chingford on Saturday, 11th July. On the 12th July we had two naming ceremonies, conducted by Mr. J. Thomas. A glorious Session.—Mrs. D. E. Thomas, Sec.

MACCLESFIELD.—The joint picnic of N.E. Cheshire District on July 11th was a decided success. Congleton, Macclesfield, Heaton Norris, Ashton, Stockport Central and Hyde were all present in force. The tea in the Church was over in admirable time (thanks to the workers) and then to the field for sports. They were entered into heartily. Some of the items, including wheelbarrow race, and catching the train, caused a great deal of amusement. The committee are heartily congratulated on the success of the effort.—Hannah Rushton.

MANCHESTER, Newton Heath.—On June 28th, at 2-30 and 6-30, we held our Open Session. We had 18 Lyceums represented and our children earned praise for the splendid manner they did their marching. We had several recitations. Many visitors had not seen a Lyceum before and spoke of the enjoyable time and said they would come again.—Miss Fanny Shaw, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM, Mechanics Hall.—On June 28th we held our Anniversary, which was ably conducted by Mr. E. A. Keeling, of Liverpool. Recitations by Dorothy Shipside, Stella Stainforth, Mary Woodward, Alice Picken, Miss P. Tunneycliffe. Solos by Mrs. Farnath, Miss L. M. Sharp. Duet by Mary Woodward, Ronnie Fell. Trio, Miss Clayton, Miss Fell, Mr. Sharp. All the items were appreciated. The singing was conducted by Mr. P. Farnath. Mr. Keeling gave inspiring addresses at the morning and evening services.

On July 11th we held our Annual Outing to Woodhouse Caves, when a good number spent a most enjoyable time.—Miss L. M. Sharp, Sec.

OLDHAM, Central.—On July 5th we held our Flower Service and Open Session, which was well attended.

July 11th, Lyceum Yearly Picnic to New Brighton. 50 Lyceumists and friends went altogether and kept together all day. The weather was lovely and a very happy time was spent.—Mrs. H. Clegg, Sec.

OLDHAM, Elliott St.—Open Sessions, June 7th. Different passages from the "Manual" were read in a very appropriate manner. We had several visiting Lyceumists amongst us.—M. Harper, Sec.

PORTSMOUTH TEMPLE.—On Saturday, July 18th, we held our Annual Outing, which took the form of a trip to Cowes. About 40 Lyceumists, both young and old, comprised the party. We were fraternally greeted by the members of Cowes Church

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“†” denotes Fees have been paid by Lyceums to their respective District Councils.

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Secretary, Miss A. Brown, 109, Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham.
District Visitor, Mr. Warrilow, 6, Cottage, Parkfield, Wolverhampton.
G Birmingham Central, Corporation Street, 3-15. Mr. J. E. Hemmings, 41, Berry Road, Washwood Heath, Birmingham.
G Birmingham, Handsworth, 2-55 p.m. Miss A. Brown, 109, Victoria Rd., Aston, Birmingham.
G Birmingham, Stinchley, 11-0 a.m., 1346, Pershore Road. Mrs. C. Shakespeare, 1477, Pershore Rd., Stinchley, Birmingham.
G Smethwick, 107, High St. 2-45 p.m. Mr. T. Wright, 43, Hall Rd., Smethwick, Staffs.
G Walsall, Temperance Hall, Freer-St., 2-40 p.m. Mr. N. Hughes, 68, Frederick Street, Walsall.
G Wolverhampton, Molineux Alley, Drummond St. 2-30 p.m. Mr. T. McQuoid Weedman, 41, Allen Road, Wolverhampton.

BOLTON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. T. Liles, 24, Hurst Street, Morris Green Bolton.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Cliff, 30, Higher Swan Lane, Bolton.
E Bolton, Bradford Street, 10 a.m. Mr. J. Walker 40, Auburn St., Bolton.
E Bolton, 194, Deane Rd., 10-15. Miss G. Hall, 14, Oswald St., Daubhill, Bolton.
E Bolton, Henry-street, 10-30. Miss P. Monk, 38, Bull Lane, off Lever Street, Bolton.
E Bury, 66, King-street. Rochdale-road, 11 a.m. Miss N. Dean, 77, King St., Bury, Lancs.
E Horwich, Chorley New Road, 10 a.m. Mr. J. Sherrington, 8, Julia Street, Horwich, Lancs.
E Radcliffe, Railway Street. Miss H. Charley, 6, East Avenue, Lilyhill, Whitefield.

BRADFORD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. E. Aked, 152, Marsh Street, Little Horton, Bradford.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Simpson, 29, Wheatland Drive, Daisy Hill, Bradford.
D Bradford, Harker-street. 1-45 p.m. Mrs. P. Nicholls, 7, Oddy St., Tong St., Bradford.
D Bradford, Lalsterdyke, No. 5, Lalsterdyke. 10-30 & 1-45. Mr. J. Babbs, 3, Dundas St. Lalsterdyke.
D Bradford, Milton, 16, Lansdowne Place, off Morley St. 10-30. Mr. H. Hemmens, 9, Raud Place, Grantham Road, Bradford.
D Idle, Highfield Rd., 1-45. Mr. J. J. Holling, 60, Thackley Rd., Thackley, Bradford.
D Keighley, Heber Street, 10 and 1-30. Miss A. Middlebrook, 7, Poplar Terrace, Keighley Road, Morton, Bingley.
D Salfaire, 7, Moor Head Lane (Salfaire Tram Terminus) Mr. H. H. Mayes, 4, Puliam Ave., Salfaire, Shipley.
D Shipley, Teal-court, 10-45 and 1-45. Mr. E. H. Coles, 46, Scarboro' Road.
D Windhill, School Hill, 1-30 p.m. Mr. W. G. Freeke, 1, Moray Place, Valley Rd., Shipley.

COVENTRY DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. Burrows, 133, Craven Street, Coventry.
District Visitor, Mrs. E. Coe, 82, Coronation Road, Coventry.
G Coventry, Bull-street, Off Hertford-street. 3-0 to 4-30 p.m. Miss C. O. Taylor, 36, Stanway Rd., Coventry.
G Coventry, Broadgate, King's Hall, Vicar Lane, off Smithford Street, 3-0 p.m. Mr. R. Humberstone, 100, Durbar Avenue, Foleshill, Coventry.
G Nuneaton, Norman Avenue, 11 a.m. Mr. G. Knight, 138, Cotton Road, Nuneaton.
G Rugby, Co-op Chambers, Sheep St, 11 a.m. Mrs. Taylor, 46A, Campbell Lane, Bilton.
G Upper Stoke, Walsgrave Rd., Stoke, Coventry, 11 a.m. Mrs. V. Pearson, 37, Gresham St., Stoke, Coventry.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Miss G. Halliday, 28, Moorlands Place, Free School Lane, Halifax.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Buttle, 27, Whitestone Lane, Hillhouse, Huddersfield.
D Brighouse, Commercial St., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mr. H. Firth, 8, East Mount Place, Garden Rd., Brighouse.
D Elland, Westgate, 1-45 p.m. Mr. E. Smith, 12, Saddleworth Road, Elland.
D Halifax, Alma St., 10 and 1-45. Mr. P. Chapman, 47, Grove Ter., Upper Washer lane, King Cross, Halifax.

D Halifax, Queen's Road, 10 and 1-30. Mr. G. Anderson, 16, Clay St., Hanson Lane, Halifax.
D Hebden Bridge, Hope Street, 1-45. Mr. J. Manning, Raw Farm, Wadsworth, Hebden Br.
D Huddersfield, Ramsden St., 10-30 a.m. Mrs. L. Saxon, 10, Pollard St., Fartown, Huddersfield.
D Huddersfield, St. Peter St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. J. Midgley, 13, Rose St., Turnbridge, Huddersfield.
D Quarmby, Harp Rd., Longwood, 10-30. Mr. H. Baxter, 318, Vicarage Road, Longwood, Huddersfield.
D Sowerby Bridge, Hollins-lane, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m. Mr. W. A. Rowson, 6, Newton St., Sowerby Bridge.
D West Vale, Green Lane, 2 p.m. Mrs. Mitchell, 20, Eastgate, Elland.

LEEDS COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. A. W. Harding, 19, New Row, Thornes, Wakefield.
District Visitor, Mr. A. Daisley, 45, Middleton Park Square, Middleton, Leeds.
C Batley Carr, Carr Street, 1-30. Miss P. Hirst, 44, Albert Street, Batley Carr, Batley.
C Birstall, Batley, Railway Terrace, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. E. Sharp, 9, West Brook Terrace, Bradford Road, Batley.
C Castleford, Lower Oxford St., 10-30 and 1-30. Mrs. K. Wright, 23, Wood Street, Castleford.
C Cleckheaton, The Old Robin, 1-45. (1st Sun. 2-30). Miss M. B. Robinson, Highfield Cottage, Walthroed Road, Cleckheaton.
C Dewsbury, Wellington Rd., 10 and 1-45. Mr. V. R. Phillips, 43, Battye St., Dewsbury.
C Heckmondwike, Tower St., 2 p.m. Miss V. Senior, 9, Gladys St., Liversedge.
C Hemsworth, Grove Lane, 10-30, 2 p.m. Mrs. W. Bates, 15, Holgate Gardens, Barnsley Road, Hemsworth, nr. Pontefract.
C Hull, Dairycoates, 9, Eastbourne St. 1-45 p.m. Mrs. B. Spencer, 10, Zetland St., St. George's Road, Hull.
C Hull, Gipsyville, Labour Hall, Edinburgh St. 1-45 p.m. Mr. A. Green, 30, Westbourne St., Hessele Rd., Hull.
C Hull, Holborn Hall, Holborn St., Witham, 1-45 p.m. Mr. J. A. Buckton, 43, Tadman St., Hull.
C Leeds, Armlay, Theaker Lane, 2 p.m. Mrs. B. A. Firth, "Ormidale," Heath Grove, Pudsey, Leeds.
C Leeds, Psycho, 24, Brunswick Place, North St. 2-30 p.m. Miss V. Towers, 24, Brunswick Place, North Street, Leeds.
C Leeds, 79, Easy Road, 2-15 p.m. Mr. A. Thistlewood, 14, Pretoria Crescent, Easy Rd., Leeds.
C Leeds, Horsforth, Scout Hut, Broadgate Lane. 3-15 p.m. Mrs. Eccles, 67, Victoria Gardens, Horsforth, Leeds.
C Littleton, Wall St. 2 p.m. Mr. A. Ashton, 2, Shirley Grove, Gomersal, nr. Leeds.
C Morley, Queen Street, 1-45. Mr. A. Stevens, 77, Middleton Road, Morley, nr. Leeds.
C Normanton, Queen St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. H. Rothery, 30, King St., Normanton.
C Wakefield, Kirkgate, over Public Benefit Boot Shop (side entrance), 1-45, Miss D. Harding, 19, New Row, Thornes, Wakefield.
C York, Spa Lane, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. S. Whitwam, 5, Foss Bank, Monkgate, York.

LIVERPOOL COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mrs. L. George, 85, Queen's Rd, Everton, Liverpool.
District Visitor, Mr. G. Burns, 1, Grantham Street, Kensington, Liverpool.
F Birkenhead, Oliver Street, 11 a.m. Mr. Kneale, 40, Pinsky St., Birkenhead.
F Chester, Common Hall St., 11 a.m. Mr. L. Evans, 9, Hartington St., Handbridge, Chester.
F Liverpool, Dauby Street, 10-30 a.m. Miss M. Keeling, 8, Knochland Road, Tue Brook, L'pool.
F Liverpool, Boaler Street, 3 p.m. Mr. J. A. Burns, 42, Swinbrook Green, Sedgemore Road, West Derby, Liverpool.
F Rock Ferry, 18, Nelson Id., 3 p.m. Mrs. F. M. Sutherland, 8, Temple Rd., Birkenhead.
F Runcorn, Ashridge St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. C. L. Cohen, 103, Greenway Road, Runcorn, Cheshire.
F Southport, 40-30. Miss E. J. Prince, 109, Sussex Road, Southport.
F St. Helens, Charles St., 11 a.m. Miss A. Fairclough, 91, Morley St., St. Helens.

F Warrington, Academy Street, 1-45 p.m. Mr. W. A. Price, 36, Hume Street, Warrington.
F Wigan, Millgate Hall, Millgate, 10-0 a.m. and 1-45. Mr. J. Watkins, Hewlitt Avenue, Coppull, nr. Chorley.

THE LONDON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mrs. Calway, 21, Kidbrooke Lane, Eltham, S.E.9.
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H Battersea, Bennerley Hall, Bennerley Rd. 3-0. Mr. W. Sumner, 5, Ouseley Rd., Balham, London, S.W.12.
H Bowes Park, Shaftesbury Hall, Herbert Road, Bowes Park, N.22. 3 p.m. Miss M. A. Williams, 148, Victoria Rd., Alexandra Park, N.22.
H Brixton, 143a, Stockwell Park Rd., S.W.9. 3 p.m. Mr. F. B. Cross, 10, Somerleyton Road, Brixton, S.W.9.
H Clapham, Bedford Road, S.W.4, 3 p.m. Mr. H. R. Barnard, 15, Ashmere Grove, S.W.2.
H Croydon, "The New Gallery," Katharine Street, Croydon, 3 p.m. Mr. P. M. Stewart, 2, Silverleigh Villas, Thornton Heath, Surrey.
H Ealing, 8, Bakers Lane, Broadway, W.5. 3 p.m. Miss N. Hewitt, 55, Dorset Rd. South Ealing, W.5.
H Eltham, Co-op. Hall, Well Hall Rd., S.E.9. 11-0 a.m. Miss Eva Goodall, 76, Embleton Road, Lewisham, S.E.13.
H Forest Hill, Berdall-road, 3 p.m. Miss A. Payne, 26, Beadnall-road, Forest Hill, S.E.
H Fulham, 12, Lettuce Street, 3 p.m. Mrs. J. Keeling, 99, Fawe Park Road, Putney, S.W.15.
H Guildford, Borough Hall, North St., 3 p.m. Mr. Woods, 80, Agraria Rd., Guildford, Surrey.
H Hackney, 240a, Amhurst Rd., 3-0. Mrs. Wemborne, 8, Canterbury Ter., Balls Pond Rd. Dalston, N.1.
H Hampton Hill, Middlesex, Windmill Rd., 3 p.m. Mr. L. J. Batten, 44, Myrtle Road, Hampton Middlesex.
H Hampton Wick and Teddington, 37, High St., Hampton Wick, Middlesex, 3 p.m. Mrs. D. Moore, 23, Kingston Road, Teddington, Middlesex.
H Hounslow, Whifton Rd., Hounslow, M'sex. 3 p.m. Miss M. Kingstone, 28, Cedar Ave., Whifton, Middlesex.
H Kingston-on-Thames, Villiers Road, 3-0. Miss Dutton, 73, Bonner Hill Road.
H Lewisham, Limes Hall, Limes Grove, S.E.13. Mr. W. A. Hurrell, 57, Tyrwhitt Road, Brockley, S.E.4.
H Manor Park, Strone Rd., 3-0 p.m. Mrs. A. E. Trumble, 218, Wakefield Rd., East Ham, E.6.
H New Malden, Park Road, Surrey, 3 p.m. Mrs. Seffort, 4, Plevna Road, Hampton, Middx.
H Peckham, Lausanne Rd., 3-0 p.m. Miss G. Bamber, 65, St. Asaph Rd., Brockley, S.E.14.
H Plaistow, Braemar Road, E.13, 3 p.m. Mr. E. J. Raven, 50, Ernest Road, Canning Town, E.16.
H Rochester Square, Camden Rd., Camden Town, N.3 p.m. Miss D. M. Jordan, 27, Parkhurst Rd., Holloway, N.7.

H Stratford, Idminton Road, 3 p.m. Mr. R. H. Bates, 46, St. James Rd., Stratford, E.15.
H Tottenham and Edmonton, 3-0 p.m. Mr. W. H. Markham, 226, Victoria Rd., nr. Edmonton, N.9.
H Tottenham, 744, High Road. Mr. F. King, 20, Trulock Road, Tottenham, N.17.
H Walthamstow, Workman's Hall, High St., E.17. 3 p.m. Miss D. Thomas, 4, Canning Road, Walthamstow, E.17.
N Woolwich and Plumstead, Perseverance Hall Villas Road, Plumstead, 3-0. Mr. W. Rainbow, 7, Leghorn Road, Plumstead, S.E.18.
H Southend and Westcliff, Westboro' Rd. Westcliff-on-Sea, 3 p.m. Mr. N. F. Parkinson, 202, Westcliff Park Drive, Westcliff-on-Sea.

MANCHESTER COUNCIL DISTRICT:

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District Visitor, Miss G. Ashton 7, Hulme Hall Lane, Miles Platting, Manchester.
F Hollinwood, Byrom Street, 10-30. Miss M. Howarth, 42, Norfolk St., Werneith, Oldham.
F Manchester, Progressive, 38, Maskell St., 10-30 a.m. Miss M. Stevens, 2a, East Ordsall Lane, Chapel St., Salford.
F Manchester, Halliwell St., Cheetham Hill, 10-30. Mrs. Gershon, 36, Anne St., Cheetham Hill, Manchester.
F Manchester, Collyhurst, Oldham Rd., 10-30 a.m. Mr. W. Holdsworth, 20, Bath Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

- F †Manchester, Durham St., Market St., Droylesden, 2-30 p.m. Mr. J. Eccles, 28, Ferris St., 14, Openshaw, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Harpurhey, 24, Sharston St., 2-30. Mrs. A. Hall, 10, Dunstan St., Moston Lane, Blackley, Manchester.
- F Manchester, Higher Openshaw, 5, Harp Street, Old Lane, 2-30. Mr. W. Jackson, 6, Wesley Street, Hr. Openshaw, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Longsight, N.S.C. Lyceum, Shepley Street, 2-30. Mr. C. N. Wolstencroft, 22, Western Circle, Burnage Estate, Levenshulme, Manchester.
- F Manchester, Milton, Eccles, Booth St., 11-0 a.m. Mr. T. J. Grayson, 17, Clifton Road, Eccles, Manchester.
- F Manchester, Moss Side, Miss J. V. Van Leenwen, 586, Stretford Road, Old Trafford, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Moston, Church Lane, 10-30. Mr. H. Caseman, 1, Willow Bank, Church Lane, Harpurhey, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Newton Heath, Allen St., 2-30 p.m. Miss F. Shaw, 8, Holt Lane, Failsworth, nr. Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Openshaw, 915, Ashton Old Rd., 2-30. Mr. H. Bradley, 350, Abbey Hey Lane, Gorton, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, Pendleton, Highfield Chambers, 94, Broad Street, 2-30 p.m. Miss J. Walter, Highfield House, Fitzwarren St., Pendleton.
- F †Manchester, Salford (Central), St. Phillips Place, 2-0. Mr. G. L. Jones, 17, Gilbert Street, Seedley, Manchester.
- F †Manchester, South: Princess Rd., 2-30 p.m. Miss M. Lamb, 2, Henderson Grove, Moss Side.
- F †Manchester, Stretford, Watson Street, 2-30 p.m. Mr. S. Sidebotham, 73, Coniston Road, Stretford, Manchester.
- F †New Manchester, Brunswick Chambers, 63, Brunswick Street, C-on-M., 10-30 and 2-30. Mr. Atkinson, 52, Brunswick St., C-on-M., Manchester.
- F Northwich, Co-op. Hall, Station Rd. 1-45 p.m. Miss E. Gorst, 15, Oak Street, Carter's Fields, Northwich.
- F †Winnington, Winnington Lane, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. F. M. Day, 13, Barrymore Rd., Weaverham, Cheshire.

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- Secretary, Mr. E. Lloyd, 64, Audenshaw Rd., Audenshaw, nr. Manchester.
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- F †Ashton-under-Lyne, Burlington St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. R. A. L. Markham, 8, Stamford Crescent, Stamford St., Ashton-u-Lyne.
- F Congleton, Park Rd., 10-30. Mr. J. Davies, 45, Vaudrey Crescent, Congleton.
- F †Heaton Norris, Baker Street, 10-30 & 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. George, 14, Todd Street, Heaton Norris.
- F †Hyde, George St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. N. Cartwright, 5, Arthur St., Hyde, Cheshire.
- F Leek, Labour Church, 10-30. Mr. M. J. Smith, 21, Duke Street, Leek.
- F †Macclesfield, Cumberland St., 10-30 a.m. Mrs. H. Rushton, Rose Cottage, Upton, Macclesfield.
- F †Stockport, Central, Lord St., 10-15 and 2. Mrs. Springate, 52, Petersburg Rd., Edgeley, Stockport.

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Northern Section: Miss M. E. Lawton, 14, Park Avenue, Barrow-in-Furness.
Southern Section: Mr. R. Latham, 173, Colne Road, Burnley.
- E Accrington, Argyle St., 10-30 a.m. Miss F. Hoigate, 35, Hood St., Accrington.
- E †Accrington, Pearl Street, 10-30 a.m. Miss H. Swift, 8, Watson St.
- E Barnoldswick, West End, Westgate, 10-30 a.m. C. Brown, 28, Valley Road, Barnoldswick.
- E †Blackburn, St. Peter St., Session 9-30, Liberty Group, 2 p.m. Mr. Wood, 23, Helen Street, Blackburn.
- E †Blackpool, Albert Road, 9-30, 1-45. Miss J. Bamber, 33, Middle Street, Blackpool.
- E †Brierfield, John Street, 2-0 p.m. Miss E. Miller, 8, Commercial Street, Brierfield.
- E †Burnley, Hammerton Street 10 a.m. Mr. W. Parkin, 7, Harley Street, off St. John's Road, Burnley.
- E †Burnley, North St., 10 a.m. Miss B. Laycock, 16, Renshaw St., Burnley.
- E †Clitheroe, Walker Street, 10 a.m. Mr. C. Hargreaves, 136, Lowergate, Clitheroe.

- E Colne, Spring Lane, 10 a.m. Mr. W. Johnson, 61, Knotts' Lane, Colne, Lancs.
- E †Darwen, Victoria St., 9-30 and 1-45. Miss G. M. Walker, 23a, Higher South Street, Darwen.
- E †Earby, Greenend Avenue, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mrs. D. Dawson, 30, Albion Street, Earby, via Colne.
- E Earby, Onward, Mrs. J. W. Clark, 32, Albion St., Earby, via Colne.
- E †Fleetwood, Oak St., 10-30 a.m. and 2-30. Mrs. Vollans, 38, Gordon Rd.
- E †Great Harwood, Clayton Street. Mr. W. Doswell, 4, Cambridge Street, Gt. Harwood.
- E †Nelson, Vernon Street, 10 a.m. Mr. E. Bury, 30, Poplar Street, Nelson.
- E †Padiham, Ightenhill Street, 1-30 p.m. Mr. R. Alderson, 41, Park View, Padiham.
- E †Preston, Central, Moor Lane. 10-30 a.m. Miss H. Kilner, 76, Victoria Rd., Fulwood, Preston.
- E †Rawtenstall, Bk. Ormerod Street, 10-30. Miss Greenwood, 204, Haslingden Old Road, Rawtenstall, Rossendale, Lancs.
- E †Rishton, Eachill Rd., 10-30 a.m. Miss N. Ellison, 38, Burton St., Rishton.
- E †Barrow-in-Furness, 165, Dalton Rd., entrance, 2nd door, Preston St., 2-0 p.m. Mrs. L. Brown, 49, Harrison St.
- E †Barrow-in-Furness, Dalkeith St., 10-30 a.m., 2 p.m. Mrs. Taft, 11, Hawke Street.
- E †Lancaster, Gt. J. Street, 10-30. Miss M. Sarratt, 51, Prospect Street, Lancaster.
- E Lancaster, Alliance, Collegian Rooms, Gage St., 11-0 a.m. Mrs. Dennison, 53, Clarence St.

NOTTINGHAM COUNCIL DISTRICT.

- Secretary, Mr. P. Farnath, 12, Willoughby Avenue, Lenton, Nottingham.
- District Visitor, Mr. L. Johnson, 44, Ednaston Rd., Highfields, Nottingham.
- District Visitor, Mr. F. Reynolds, Hurdville, Lindleys Lane, East Kirby, Notts.
- G Belper, Jubilee Hall, 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mr. J. H. Hawkins, Brookside.
- G †Beeston, Notts., Barton St., off Station Rd., 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. G. Paling, 67, High Rd., Beeston.
- G †Derby, Charnwood St., 10-45 & 2. Miss D. Smart, 13, Twyford St., Derby.
- G †Eastwood, Co-op Hall, Nottingham Rd., 2-30. Mr. L. Orrell, 249, Nottingham Rd., Hill Top, Eastwood.
- G †Hucknall, Derbyshire Lane, 10-30; 2 p.m. Mr. J. Goodwin, 133, Grindon Crescent, Bulwell Hall Estate, Notts.
- G Kirkby, Mona Hall, Sherwood Street, 10-30 & 2 p.m. Mrs. P. Emms, 8, New Marlborough, East Kirkby, Notts.
- †Leicester, Liberty Progressive, Southampton Street., 3 p.m. Mr. T. Kenney, 81, Coral Street, Belgrave Road, Leicester.
- G †Leicester, Rupert St., Lecture Hall, 11-0 a.m. Mr. John Wicks, 16, Curzon Street.
- G Leicester, Silver St., Queen's Hall, 2-45 p.m. Miss C. L. Jones, 18, Park Avenue, Lansdowne Rd., Leicester.
- G †Lincoln, Midland Hall, 10-30 and 2-45 p.m. Mr. H. C. Dobby, 2, Sausthorpe Street, Lincoln.
- G †Lincoln, Progressive Hall, Coutham St., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. N. Willey, 5, Grantham St., Lincoln.
- G †Mansfield, Dallas St., 10-30 and 2-0 p.m. Mr. G. W. Richardson, D.N.U., 31, Gordon Avenue, Mansfield.
- Nottingham, Beaconsfield Street, 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. E. Ferrill, 192, Noel Street.
- G †Nottingham (Mechanics' Minor Hall), North Church Street, 2-45 p.m. Miss M. Sharpe, 2, Malt Cottages, Eland Street, New Basford, Nottingham.
- G †Nottingham, Sherwood St. North, 2-30. Mr. A. W. Shipley, 4, Greenfield St., Dunkirk, Nottingham.
- G †Nottingham, Pearson's Buildings, 11-0. Mr. J. Rose, 13, Berridge Road, Sherwood Rise, Nottingham.
- G †Sutton-in-Ashfield, Twitchell, 10-30 & 2. Mr. P. Lee, 1, Thornton St., Hardwick Lane, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.
- G †Ripley, Codnor & Dist., Victory Hall, Nottingham Rd., 2-0 p.m. Mr. J. E. Eyre, Derby Road, Marchay, Derbyshire.

THE SCOTTISH COUNCIL DISTRICT

- Secretary, Mr. J. M. Scott, 32, Elm St., Logie, Dundee
- District Visitor, Mr. W. Gow, 24, Dixon Ave., Crosshill, Glasgow, S.2.
- A Edinburgh, E.A.S. Church, 9, Gayfield Square, Edinburgh, 1 p.m. Mrs. J. Andrews, 9, Gayfield Square, Edinbu.gh.
- A Glasgow, Northern, 106, Napiershall St., N.W. 1-0 p.m. Miss P. Hart, 14, Melvinside Ave., Maryhill, Glasgow.

- A Rosyth, Co-op. Hall, Backmarsh Rd., 2-15. Miss D. Lawton, 100, Queensferry Road, Rosyth, Dumferline, Fife, N.B.

SHEEFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL.

- Secretary, Mr. H. Heath, 17, Station Rd., Brimington, nr. Chesterfield.
- District Visitor, Mr. J. Le Noury, 153, Blackburn, Meadow Hall, Sheffield.
- C †Barnsley, North Pavement, Mrs. Howe, 10, Westfield St., Dodworth Rd.
- C †Barnsley, Grace Street, 2 p.m. Mr. F. Lunn, 20, Albion Street, Barnsley.
- C †Chesterfield, Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30 Mr. J. J. Hobster 32, Holme-rd., Stone-gravels.
- C Dinnington and Laughton, Mme. Cawley's Rooms, Laughton Road, 2-30 p.m. Mr. T. Walster, 1, Edward Street, Dinnington, nr. Sheffield.
- C †Doncaster, Baker St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. T. Slesser, 90, Beech Rd., Armthorpe, Doncaster.
- C †Doncaster, Catherine St., 10-30 & 2. Mrs. S. C. Webb, 65, Elmfield Rd., Doncaster.
- C Kimberworth, 47, Victoria Street, Masboro'. Mr. Thos. Johnson, 3, Allan Street, Rotherham.
- C †Mexborough, Lee's Arcade, 10-45 & 1-45 p.m. Mr. C. Haywood, 42, Albert Rd., Mexborough.
- C †Rotherham, Percy St., 2 p.m. Mr. A. Bruce, A.N.S.C., 144, St. Ann's Rd., Rotherham.
- C †Scunthorpe, I.L.P. Halls, Horne St., 1-30 p.m. Miss I. Sprakes, 90, West Street, Scunthorpe.
- C †Sheffield, Bold-st., Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common, 10 a.m. and 2-30. Mr. E. Johnson, 18, Skelwith Rd., Grimsthorpe, Sheffield.
- C †Sheffield, Darnall Shirland Ln., 10-0 and 2-30 p.m. Miss I. Jones, 29, Bradford Street, Attercliffe Sheffield.
- C †Sheffield, Heeley, 44, Gifford Road, 2-30. Miss M. Clive, 24, Chippinghouse Road, Sheffield.
- C †Stainforth, Miss E. Evans, 24, Stanley Gardens, Stainforth.
- C †West Melton, nr. Rotherham, Vicar Rd. 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. Guest, 25, Winfield Road, Sandygate, Wash-on-Dearne, nr. Rotherham.
- C †Wombwell, Melville St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. J. Markham, 26, Station Lane, Wombwell, nr. Barnsley.
- C †Parkgate, Ashwood-road, -30 p.m. Mr. W. Mitchell, 54, Middle Ave., Rawmarsh, nr. Rotherham.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. H. C. Guy, 11, Cedar Rd., Bevois Mount, Portsmouth, Southampton.
- Secretary, Mr. H. G. Guy, 3, Belmont Rd., Southampton.
- District Visitor, Mrs. E. Taylor, A.N.S.C., 73, Victoria Road, Portsmouth.
- H †Brighton, Mighell St. Hall, 3 p.m. Miss E. Davey, 24, Mount Street, Brighton.
- H †Bristol, Providence Hall, Grosvenor Rd., 3 p.m. Mrs. K. Baker, 109, Lower Cheltenham Place, Bristol.
- H †Devonport, Ferry Hall, 2-45 p.m. Mr. H. Holroyd, 6, Sussex Terrace, Ford, Devonport, Plymouth.
- H †Eastleigh, Scout Headquarters, Chamberlayne Rd. 3 p.m. Mr. R. L. Harwood, 158, Desborough Road.
- H Exeter, Market Hall, 11-0 a.m., Mr. H. A. Grainger, Manoh, 23, Clifton Hill.
- H †Portsmouth, 73, Victoria-rd. Southsea, 3 p.m. Miss C. Jones, 68, Hudson Rd., Southsea, Portsmouth.
- H †Reading, Forester's Hall, London, St., -45 p.m. Mr. Giles, 5, Surrey Rd, Reading.
- H †Ryde, Belvedere Hall, Belvedere Street, 3 p.m. Mr. E. Oak, "Hazeldene," Monkton St., Ryde, I.O.W.
- H †Southampton, Cavendish-grove, The Avenue, 3 p.m. Mr. E. W. Long, 111, Firgrove Rd., Southampton.

SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT:

- Secretary, Mr. J. Nurse, 28, Gower Street, Rochdale.
- District Visitor, Mr. H. Shaw, Henry Street, off Rochdale Road, Bacup.
- F Bacup, Christ Church-st., Todmorden-rd., 10-15 a.m. Mr. A. Halsall, 14, Ashworth Street, Tong, Bacup.
- †Dearnley, Rochdale Rd., 10 a.m. Mrs. Whitham, 2, Laws Terrace, Dearnley, Littleborough.
- F Middleton, Gilmour-st., 10-30 a.m. Mr. John Little, 108, Higher Townley-st., nr. Manchester.
- F Middleton, Oldhall Street, 2-30 p.m. Mr. S. Moorcroft, 13, Dale Road, Middleton, Manchester.
- F Oldham, Elliott St., 10-30; 2-30. Mr. M. Harper, 21A, Sandy Lane, Royton, nr. Oldham.
- F Oldham, Waterhead, Equitable St., 10-30. Miss E. Hindley, 7, Brideoak St., Waterhead, Oldham.