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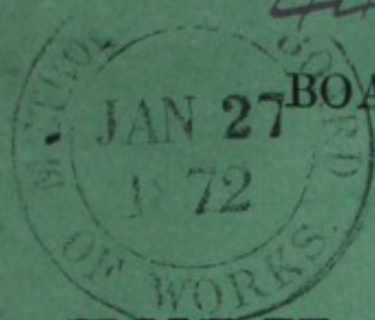
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The Board of Works for the Fulham District.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Fifteenth Annual Report, presented pursuant to 198th section of the Metropolis Local Management Act 1855.

The Board of Works for the Fulham District present to the Inhabitants of the District the following Summary of their proceedings during the past year, an Abstract of the several Contracts entered into, and an Abstract of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 25th March, 1871.

The Board have caused to be removed Nuisance cases as follows :—

Privies and Cesspools	...	...	...	211
Drains and Gullies cleansed and repaired	...	...	...	628
Houses do. do. do.	...	...	...	435
Swine Nuisances removed	...	...	...	253
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	51
Total				1578
Houses benefited in Fulham				502
Houses do. Hammersmith	...	...	...	722
Total				1224

They have had permanent Works constructed and carried out during the year in the undermentioned places:—

	£	s.	d.
Farm Lane, Fulham, a 12-inch Pipe Sewer	197	15	8
Wharf Road, Hammersmith, Road made, and Path paved	45	17	8
Stanley Park Road, Fulham, a 12-inch Pipe Sewer	93	10	0
Cornwall Street, Fulham, Sewer relaid, Road made, and Paths paved.	354	11	7

Mansion-House Street, Hammersmith, 12-inch Pipe	
Sewer, Road made, and Paths paved	363 5 0
Wellington Road, St. Thomas's Road, New Grove Road,	
Fulham, the like Works	1991 18 0

In addition to the Jobbing, Paving, and Bricklaying Works, the Board are now, by means of a staff of men, horses, and carts, doing a large amount of the Cartage Works required in the District, and they have to congratulate the Ratepayers on the measure of success that has attended the experiment.

Printed herewith is a copy of the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health on the Sanitary Condition of the District, to which the Board refer with pleasure, showing as it does the high position that the District holds in relation to public health.

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Paths paved	351 11 7

Abstract of Contracts entered into by the Board during the year.

Messrs. Long and Lockhurst, for the supply of the best gray flints, at 5s. per cube yard.

Mr. Gale, for the removal of dust, ashes, &c. from the several houses, yards, and premises, in the Parish of Hammersmith, for twelve months, the Board paying him £375 per annum.

Mr. Wright, for the removal of dust, ashes, &c. from the several houses, yards, and premises, in the Parish of Fulham, for twelve months, the Board paying him £360 per annum,

Mr. Wands, for printing and stationery, at certain prices set forth in the schedule, and embodied in the contract.

Mr. Spittle, for the removal of slop and road rubbish for Fulham, £525 per annum.

Mr. Gay, for ditto, ditto, for south division of Hammersmith, £350 per annum.

Mr. Axton, for ditto, ditto, for north side of Hammersmith, £340 per annum.

Mrs. Coat, for road watering the south side of Hammersmith, £279 for the season.

Mrs. Coat, for road watering the north side of Hammersmith, £400 for the same season.

Mrs. Coat, for road watering the Parish of Fulham, £398 for the same season.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

HAMMERSMITH,

31st May, 1871.

To the Chairman and Members of the Board of Works for the
Fulham District.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the
Books and Vouchers of your Board for the year ending Lady-Day,
1871.

At the commencement of the year there was a balance in your
favour of £1,504 0s. 9d, and there is now a balance of £480 17s. 5d.
also in your favour.

It has afforded us much satisfaction to observe that the Parish of
Fulham stands in a much better financial condition with regard to the
liquidation of the Precepts of the Board than at former Audits.

We willingly bear testimony to the correct manner in which the
Accounts have been kept.

(Signed)

JOHN BLACHFORD.

J. S. WHICHELOW.

WALTER SMEE.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

TO THE BOARD OF WORKS, FULHAM DISTRICT.

GENTLEMEN,

In presenting to you this my fifteenth Annual Report, I have the pleasure to state that nothing special has marked the year 1870. The sanitary condition of the District shows a steady improvement, and, when compared with the state of things which existed some sixteen years ago, at the time your Board was formed, it may truly be regarded as a matter for congratulation by the ratepayers of both Fulham and Hammersmith.

When we take into consideration the enormous increase of our population, and the fact that many large tracts of our formerly open spaces have been rapidly covered, nay, densely packed, with buildings, and some of them of the most objectionable description, we need not have been surprised if the advantages of our improved drainage had been neutralized by some of the concomitants of density of population. It is a pity that the Sanitary Legislation for this Metropolis and its Environs has never been accompanied by an amalgamation of the Building Act with the general Sanitary Statutes. The act referred to still works an independent course, and it is not too much to say of it that, whilst its provisions deal strictly with the strength and quality of bricks and mortar, they utterly fail to ensure for us dwellings, especially for the working classes, which have the least pretensions to perfection in Sanitary conditions. A large number of habitations of this description have been completed and occupied during the last few years, both in Fulham and Hammersmith, and take the place of our former fever dens in fostering disease. Unfortunately the Sanitary Authorities see these wretched structures raised before their eyes, and have no power to check their progress. It is truly to be hoped that this anomaly will soon be remedied.

Since my last Annual Report was presented to you the Census

has been taken, and I am enabled to lay before you the actual numbers of our population, together with the number of inhabited houses, &c. From a summary furnished to me by Mr. Cornell, the Superintendent Registrar, it will be seen that the total population of the District is now 66,064, against 39,951 in 1861, shewing an increase in the two Parishes of 26,113, or nearly double the number of the latter Census. From the accompanying abstract it will be seen the number of Schedules distributed to persons liable to make the Returns were, in Hammersmith, 9,404; the number of occupied houses, 6,717; empty houses, 876; houses building, 313; male inhabitants, 19,292; female inhabitants, 23,400; total inhabitants in Hammersmith alone, 42,692, or 2,741 more than the united population of Fulham and Hammersmith ten years since. In Fulham the number of Schedules issued were 5,246; occupied houses, 3,460; empty houses, 546; houses building, 66; male inhabitants, 10,970; female inhabitants, 12,402; total inhabitants, 23,372. In Hammersmith the number of inhabitants have increased 18,279, and in Fulham, 7,834, during the last decennial period. Compared with the previous Census of 1851, the population of the former Parish has increased 24,932, and Fulham, 11,486, during the intervening twenty years. Seeing, then, the onward progress of our numbers, it will not do to slumber in our Sanitary precautions. Much as has undoubtedly been done by your Board in the way of drainage, there are some parts of the District yet requiring attention in this respect. Notably a large tract of land already covered thickly with houses, and many more proposed to be erected thereon, viz., that lying north of Blythe Lane, between it and the Kensington Railway, is in a sewage-locked condition. The prevalence of disease and of nuisance in some of the streets of this locality, Ceylon and Porten Roads particularly, has often been brought under the notice of your Board, and the time has undoubtedly arrived when the frequently-proposed outlet in Blythe Lane should be constructed. I am of opinion that no time should be lost in prosecuting so necessary a work, for assuredly the Cholera, should it come, will find much food there to feed on, if it remain neglected; not the less urgent also is the drainage of Star Lane, Fulham. The necessity for this I have often urged before the Sanitary Committee, and much discussion has taken place upon the point, but nothing has been done. This part of our house should also at once be put in order. There are some other

parts which are still deficient in drainage. Burlington Road, Fulham; Fulham New Town; Stanley Road, Fulham Fields; also Lillie Road, imperatively demand prompt attention; indeed, unless a better outlet for the mass of wretched houses and streets in the neighbourhood of the Old Greyhound be speedily formed, Cholera, or some other fearful Epidemic, will assuredly lay its grip upon that miserable locality.

With the exception of Scarlet Fever, no disease of an Epidemic character prevailed amongst us during 1870. This disease was prevalent throughout the country, and we have felt its consequences, though not to any serious extent. Notwithstanding the great heat and drought of the summer months, Diarrhœa did not contribute a serious amount to our mortality. The total number of deaths in the Fulham District registered in the 52 weeks ending December 31st, 1870, was 1565, and the number of births 2337. Out of the 1565 deaths, Small Pox caused 4, Measles 46, Scarlet Fever 136, Diptheria 5, Whooping Cough 47, Fevers of various types 28, Diarrhœa 114, and Violence, 35. The deaths in Public Institutions have been 107. 63 Inquests have been held. 440 children died under one year of age, and 307 persons had reached 60 years and upwards.

Hoping this Report will be satisfactory to you,

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your faithful Servant,

FRED^K. J. BURGE,

Medical Officer of Health.

Hammersmith,
September 13th, 1871.

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Medical Officer of Health.

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September 18th, 1871.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 25th MARCH, 1871.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Dr.	SEWERS ACCOUNT.		Cr.
March 25th, 1871.			March 25th, 1871.
To Balance—Cash	£	s. d.	By Unpaid accounts as per Invoice Register
„ Amount due from Overseers.	2425	3 11	„ Amount due to Metropolitan Board
Local Sewers	162	5 6	„ Permanent Works
Metropolitan Board's Precepts	4463	12 11	
			Balance
	£8511	2 4	£8511 2 4

