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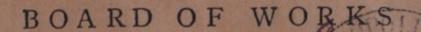
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ANNUAL REPORT

TO 25TH MARCH, 1875.

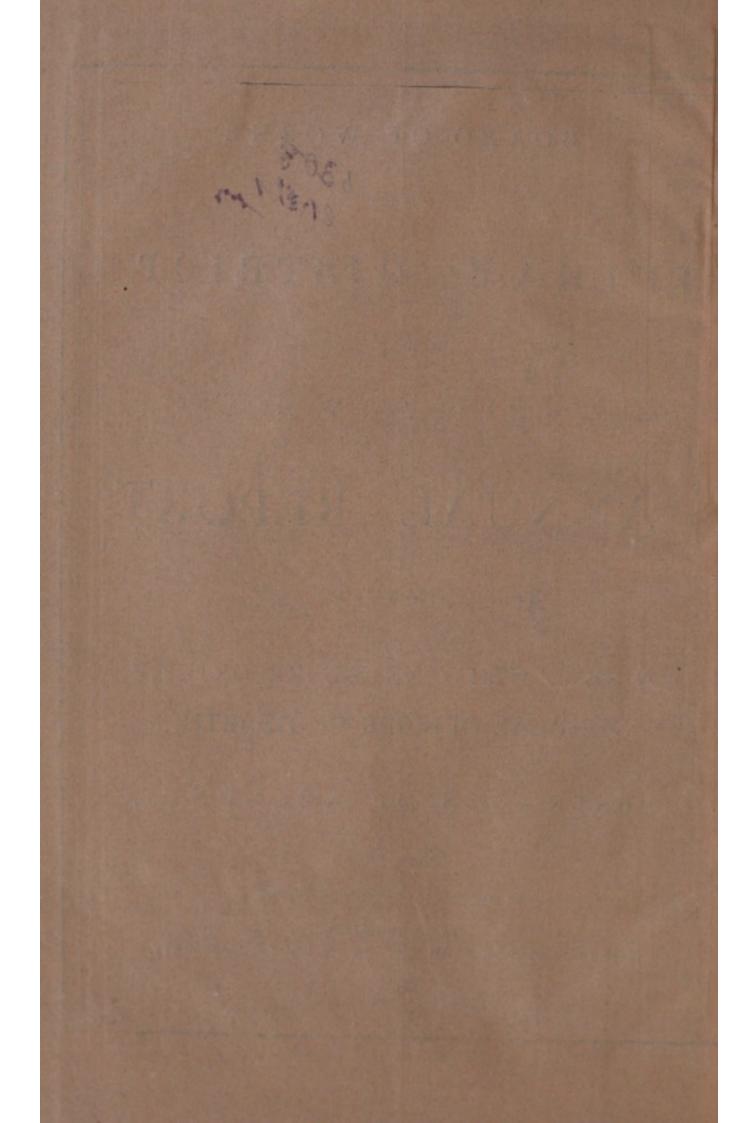
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NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Nineteenth 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, and an Abstract of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 25th March, 1875.

In the Sanitary department, the Board have caused to be removed Nuisance cases as follows:

Privies and Cesspools emptied, repaired, &c.			589
Drains and Gullies cleansed		do.	1006
Houses	do.	do.	930
Swine Nuisances rem		222	
Miscellaneous			125
Houses benefitted in	Fulham		469
Do. do.	Hammersmith		382

The Board have carried out Permanent Works of Paving and Road Making, etc., in the under-mentioned places:—

Uxbridge Road, north and south side, Gold Hawk Road, Albion Road, Albion Road East, King Street East. King Street West, North End Road, Crown Road, Lillie Road, Bridge Street, Munster Road, London Road, Walham Green by "Red Lion," Exeter Place, Moor Park, Harwood Terrace, King's Road, Eelbrook, Gas Factory Lane, Stanley Bridge, Round Walham Green Church, Lillie Bridge, Burlington Road, for these works a loan of £12,000 was contracted with the Provident Clerks' Mutual Life Assurance Association.

- The Board have also carried out Sewering and Paving Works in the following places:—
- Richmond Road, Woodstock Road, George Street. Hunt Street,
 Devonport Road, Godolphin Road, St. Stephen's Road,
 Ravenscourt Park Road, Ceylon Road, Mortimer Terrace,
 Netherwood Road, and Masboro' Road.

Presented herewith is a copy of the Medical Officer's report:

BOARD OF WORKS, FULHAM DISTRICT.

Broadway House,
Hammersmith,
21st May, 1875.

To the Board of Works for the Fulham District.

GENTLEMEN,

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of your Board, with the vouchers for the year ending 31st March, 1875, and have found the same correct.

Signed,

F. GARDNER, W. L. HARVEY, J. TURNER, Auditors.

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

- Mr. Turner for the supply of Guernsey Granite, at the rate of 14s. per cube yard.
- Messrs. Nowell and Robson for the supply of Narboro or Enderby Granite at 13/9 per cube yard.
- Mr. Gay, 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 £950 per annum.
- Mr. Mortimer, 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 £795 per annum.
- Mr. Cordingley for printing and stationery, at certain prices set forth in the schedule, and embodied in the contract.
- Mr. Haines and Mr. Spittle for the employ of horses with drivers for drawing water vans and slop carts, at 10s. 6d per day.
- Messrs. Nowell and Robson, Mr. Turner, Mr. Chalker, and the Val de Travers Asphalte Company, for paving works at prices set forth in the schedule attached to the contracts.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

TO THE BOARD OF WORKS, FULHAM DISTRICT.

Gentlemen.

The Metropolis Local Management Act requires that you should receive an Annual Report from your Medical Officer of Health. It may probably be considered satisfactory by your board that I have comparatively little to report regarding the actual year of 1874. It must be remembered, however, that this report embraces the registration year (January to December inclusive), whilst under the above Act your own annual accounts are brought up to March 25th last, I could have wished that some suggestions which I have from time to time made in my serial reports had received more attention at your hands than has been realized since there are some measures which require special action on the part of a Local Sanitary Authority somewhat without the pale of ordinary proceedings, but which from their remoteness of presumed result have given place to more urgent daily wants. I refer more particularly now to the remarks 1 offered to you in my last with regard to Piggeries and their concomitant nuisances. We have, however, escaped another year from any serious penalty for any of our short comings. year 1874 has passed away without any special blow to our previous welfare, though it has offered some warnings of coming storms since realized.

The steady growth of London westward has thrown amongst us a vast and teeming population of the working-classes as well as those of more well-to-do condition and for the housing of the former many

blocks of wretched and most miserably constructed dwellings continue to be erected with the most utter disregard for drainage or other sanitary appliances, now so essential. That part of Fulham, once open fields, is still being rapidly covered with streets and houses of this character, and many open spots in Hammersmith are being filled up in the same way. Our healthy neighbourhood may thus be made ere long a land of sickness and disease unless some check is given to such speculative buildings. Our natural advantage with all our care will not avail us against such utter recklessness. The mortality of the Fulham District in the past year indeed, though not excessive points in this direction. Speaking of London within the Bills of Mortality, the Registra-General in his last Annual Report says, "The last 3 years show a marked reduction in the mortality of London, and imply an improvement of the health of the drained city. The annual mortality for the 10 years 1840-49 was 25.2; for the 35 years 1840-74 it was 24.2; for the last three years 1872-74 it was 22.2." Our own mortality estimated for increase of population has been 23.85 or nearly 24 per 1,000 in 1874. I am not quite prepared to say that the Artizans Dwellings Act should be applied to our District, but as I have often said before, a new Building Act is imperatively needed.

Of the Zymotic diseases, measles more than usually prevailed in 1874, and caused 80 deaths, whilst scarlet fever and diphtheria cut off 26 lives. These latter were evidently the forecast of a wider range of the Scarlet fever type, an event now too fully known to us in the present autumn.

I would most especially desire in this report to draw the attention of your Board to the fact that up to the end of last year the Registrar-General had, after utilising them for his own special purposes, regularly and gratuitously forwarded to the Metropolitan Medical Officers of Health the manuscript weekly returns of mortality furnished to him by the District Registrars of Births and Deaths under the provisions of the Registration Acts, and these

have always formed a most useful element of information to the Local Sanitary Authorities.

In the last General Public Health Act, applicable to the whole of England, however, it was considered necessary that the information conveyed in these returns should, in the interests of the Public Health, be supplied promptly and regularly by the Registrars direct to the Urban and Rural Sanitary Authorities, and provision was made in that Act for enabling the various sanitary Bodies to remunerate these gentlemen for the same.

The law, as regarded the Metropolis remained unchanged, and under pressure from the London Registrars, who clamoured for equal remuneration, the Registrar-General has for the last twelve months withdrawn their gratuitous supply to the Metropolitan Medical Officers of Health.

I had hoped to be able to make up this deficiency by extra exertion and enquiry, but both, after several months of most anxious work, have failed to secure for me the like trustworthy information, and I have consequently to ask your Board to take such immediate steps as shall in future secure the regular transmission of weekly copies of the Registrars of Deaths by the local Registrars direct to me.

The entire range of Zymotic diseases have given us in 1874 a mortality of 270 against 209 in 1873, as follows:—From small-pox 0, measles 80, scarlet fever and diphtheria 26, whooping cough 42, typhus fever 1, typhoid fever 15, simple fever 11, diarrhæa 92, and cholera 3.

Fifty deaths have been registered as arising from violence, and 109 in Public Institutions including Reformatories, Prisons, and the Workhouse.

112 Inquests have been held.

The total mortality of the year was 1646 (Hammersmith 1009, and Fulham 637) against 1504 in 1878. The latter year, including 53 weeks Registration Returns, the former only 52 weeks.

Included in the above mortality will be found the deaths of 481

children under 1 year of age, with 353 of persons of 60 years of age and upwards.

The total births registered within the Fulham District in 1874 was 2807. In Hammersmith 1733, in Fulham 1074, showing an excess of births over deaths of 1161. In 1873 the excess was 1,205.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your faithful servant,

FREDERICK J. BURGE,

Medical Officer of Health.

Hammersmith, Nov., 1875.

BOARD OF WORKS FOR THE FULHAM DISTRICI. Abstract of Accounts for the Year ending 25th March, 1875. GENERAL CASH ACCOUNT. March 25th, 1e75. To Balance—Cash Receipts on General Rate—... Contributions and New Streets ... Temporary Lean Lean from Provident Checks ... Amount transferred from Deposit March 25th, 1875 By Disbursements on General Rate: Works, Wages, and Materials Establishment Charges Repayment of Leon and Interest London School Board Amount on Deposit Permanent Works New Street Works \$0157 19 5 6600 7 11 6000 0 0 12000 0 0 5000 0 0 14425 3 10 1320 5 5 59758 7 4 Dishursements on Sewers' Rate: Metropolitan Board's Precepts Works, Wages, and Material Permanent Works Establishment Charges Bepayment of Loan and Interest 54164 4 1 To Receipts on Sewers' Rate:— Overseers on Precepts Contributious 6187 2 2 1656 12 3 1608 4 1 660 2 8 4796 4 5 12457 19 3 128 9 6 12586 8 9 To Receipts on Lighting Rates:— Overssers on Procepts 5774 0 6 5774 0 6 14008 5 7 Disbursements on Lighting Rate:— Erecting, Lighting, Cleanning, and Maintaining Public Lamps, ... 6696 10 7 Balance at Bankers Do. Wages ... 4189 2 6 4193 6 8 Less Cheque out, Glover 1 0 0 Queen's Taxes 3 6 11 Signed, FREDK GARDNER, W. L. HARVEY, J. TURNER, 4 6 11 4188 19 9 £79,958 0 0 ESTABLISHMENT ACCOUNT. March 25th, 1875. £ s. d. 125 0 0 250 0 0 200 0 0 62 1 8 124 3 4 39 0 0 32 3 6 127 1 0 40 16 8 44 16 0 1 13 4 £ s. d. £ s. d. 125 0 0 250 0 0 250 0 0 200 0 0 62 1 8 124 3 4 20 0 0 32 3 6 127 1 0 40 16 8 44 16 0 1 13 4 142 4 1 To General Purposes Account, being § of £1980 Ss 14, and paid out of General Rate 1320 5 5 Sewers' Account, being § of £1980 Ss 14, and paid out of Sewers Rate ... 660 2 8 £ s. d. £ s. d. Medical Officer Surveyor ... Clerk ... Assistant Clerk , Surveyor Wharf keeper Superannuations Clerk of Works £ a d. E a d Clerk of Worka Inspectors Superintendts Office Keeper Advertisements Printing ... Bent ... Law Costs ... Sundries... 142 4 1 142 4 56 13 374 10 56 18 0 374 10 1 212 2 0 212 2 0 148 3 5 £1980 8 1 1046 15 6 56 13 0 374 10 1 GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT March 29th. 1875. By Balance brought forward Works in New Streets Do. for Masonry New Tools and Repairs Cartage Watering, Slopping, and Dusting Wages—Roadmen Do. Inspectors Do. Unloading Barges Materials—Core and Gravel Do. Plint Do. Granite Mincellaneous Works Establishment Charges Repayment of Loan and Inferest London School Board Deposit account Percanent Works Balance £ s. d. 4889 9 88 8829 17 3 821 8 11 462 4 0 970 0 6 4506 0 2 3701 10 1 68 5 0 280 16 11 634 4 6 2024 12 6 866 7 3 1200 5 5 7775 11 0 2900 0 0 15508 9 0 15508 9 0 March 25th, 1875. £ s. d. 30157 19 5 381 13 7 6218 14 4 6000 0 0 12000 0 0 5000 0 0 To Cash from Overseers Contributions do New Streets ... Temporary Loan Loan from Provident Clerks ... Amount from Deposit ... £59758 7 4 LIGHTING ACCOUNT. March 25th, 1875. By Bountford, London, and Western Gas Companies, Lighting, &c. Balance £ s. .4 2565 0 1 5774 0 6 March 25th, 1875. To Balance brought forward Cash from Oversoors £9339 0 7 £9339 0 7 Cr. ACCOUNT. SEWERS March 25th, 1875. By Metropolitan Board's Precepts Works, Wages, and Materials Persanent Works Establishment Charges Repayment of Loans and Interest Dr. £ s. d. 6187 2 2 1656 12 3 1608 4 1 660 2 8 4796 4 5 341 16 2 March 25th, 1875. To Balance broughtforward Cash from Overseers Contributions £ s. d. 2063 13 0 12457 19 3 128 9 6 £15250 1 £15250 1 9 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. Cr. GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT. £ s. d. 1204 13 7 2108 19 7 4331 18 4 March 25th, 1875. Unpaid Accounts Estimated March 25th, 1875. To Balanco—Cash To Amount Transferred from Sewers Account as below ... Amount due from Oversors Unpaid Accounts Estimated Amount to Transfer | Ravenecourt Park Road | Netherwood Road 1065 2 3 245 10 0 4556 19 6 £7645 11 6 7645 11 6 Cr. LIGHTING ACCOUNT. £ s. d. 1358 13 10 1685 15 11 March 25th, 1875. By Unpaid Accounts Estimated March 25th, 1875. To Balance—Cash Amount due from Overseers Balance £3044 9 9 3044 9 9 Cr. SEWERS ACCOUNT. £ s. d. 81 13 11 2108 19 7 1253 8 3 March 25th, 1875. By Uspaid Accounts—Estimated Assount transferred as above £ s. d. 341 16 2 3102 5 7 March 25th, 1875. To Balance—Cash Amount due from Overseers 3444 1 9 P. GARDNER, J. TURNER, W. L. HARVEY, Auditors. (Signed) £3444 1 9