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BOARD OF WORKS

FOR THE

LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

*STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, REPORTS, &c., from
Lady-day, 1892 to Lady-day, 1893.*

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BOARD OF WORKS

FOR THE

LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

1892-93

Members for Limehouse.

- Rev. PRETHEROE ALPE, M.A., 11, Stainsby Road.
- Mr. JAMES AMBROSE, 2, St. Paul's Road.
- „ JOHN THOMAS BEVERLY, 791, Commercial Road.
- „ JOHN HAYWOOD BOWLES, 141, Salmon Lane.
- „ HENRY CHAMBERS, J.P., Brunton's Wharf, Commercial Road.
- „ JOHN COLLINGBOURNE, 299, Burdett Road.
- „ JOHN WILLIAM DAVIS, 195, Salmon Lane.
- „ WILLIAM HENRY DIXON, 35, Clemence Street.
- „ WILLIAM BENSLEY HOPSON, 11, Church Row.
- „ BERNARD KOPPEL, 805, Commercial Road.
- „ SAMUEL LEWIS, 98 and 100, West India Dock Road.
- „ FLETCHER THOMAS JAMES PAPE, 715, Commercial Road.
- „ HENRY GEORGE PETERKEN, 24, Three Colt Street.
- „ JAMES RUGG, 103, Three Colt Street.
- Rev. CHARLES SALES, 630, Commercial Road.
- Mr. EDWARD SMITH, 38, St. Paul's Road.
- „ FREDERICK STILLE, 18, Three Colt Street
- „ JOSEPH ROSS WALLER, Northey Street.

Members for Ratcliff.

- Mr. JAMES BROMLEY COCKSEGE, 570, Commercial Road.
- „ JOSIAH EAST, 3, Ratcliff Square.
- „ CORRIE GRANT, 36, The Avenue, Bedford Park, Chiswick.
- „ JAMES GREIG, Free Trade Wharf, Broad Street.
- „ THOMAS JEFFERSON, Free Trade Wharf, Broad Street.
- „ THOMAS LOONAN KNIGHT, 8, Albert Square.
- „ FREDERICK CHARLES MILLS, 38, Albert Square.
- „ GEORGE PARRY, 566, Commercial Road.
- „ JOHN HENRY WARREN, 48 and 50, Ben Jonson Road.

Members for Shadwell.

- Mr. FRANK ARLISS, 194, High Street.
- „ GEORGE ALFRED BRABAZON, 488 and 490, Cable Street.
- „ FREDERICK CHARLES BROWNFIELD, 56, Lower Shadwell.
- „ EDWARD HENRY PAGE, 199, High Street.
- „ CHARLES WARMAN, 490, Cable Street.
- „ THOMAS SAMUEL WOOLFE, 6, Pope's Hill.

Members for Wapping.

- Mr. ROBERT CARR, 1, West Pier.
- „ JOHN COLE GREGORY, Hermitage Wharf.
- „ GEORGE HENRY HEDGES, Eagle Wharf.
- „ WILLIAM MAUD, 128, High Street.
- „ JAMES MITCHELL, New Dundee Wharf.
- „ WILLIAM YOUNG, 282, High Street.

Offices of the Board.

WHITE HORSE STREET, COMMERCIAL ROAD.

Treasurer.

WILLIAM FREDERICK NARRAWAY, Esq., LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK,
Princes Street, Bank.

LIST OF OFFICERS, SALARIES, &c.

Name, Office and Date of Appointment.	Salary and Dates of Increase.
SIDNEY GEORGE RATCLIFF, Clerk of the Board, (1890)	1890 .. £400 per Annum,
CHARLES DUNCH, Surveyor of the Board, (1856)	1856 .. £300 ..
	1861 .. £350 ..
	1874 .. £400 ..
GEORGE ARTHUR ROGERS, Medical Officer of Health, (1869)	1869 .. £200 ..
	1889 .. £250 ..
GEORGE ARTHUR ROGERS, Analyst, (1872)	1872 .. £150 ..
FREDERICK WILLIAM MADDOCKS, Accountant, (1880)	1880 .. £1 10s. per Week
	" .. £2 ..
	1883 .. £2 10s. ..
	1885 .. £3 ..
	1891 .. £3 5s. ..
HENRY EVERETT, Assistant in Clerk's Office, (1878)	1878 .. £1 ..
	1883 .. £1 10s. ..
	1885 .. £2 ..
	1889 .. £2 5s. ..
	1890 .. £2 15s. ..
GEORGE HURLOCK, Inspector for No. 1 District, (1856)	1856 .. £1 10s. ..
	1865 .. £2 ..
	1873 .. £2 10s. ..
	1881 .. £3 3s. ..
	1891 .. £3 13s. ..
JOHN WILLIAM JOHNSON, Inspector for No. 2 District, (1890)	1890 .. £2 10s. ..
THOMAS LANE DAVIS, Inspector for No. 3 District, (1890)	1890 .. £2 ..
	1891 .. £2 10s. ..
DANIEL EVERETT, Superintendent of Cleansing and Watering, (1876)	1876 .. £2 ..
	1877 .. £2 5s. ..
	1878 .. £2 10s. ..
	1881 .. £3 3s. ..
	1891 .. £3 8s. ..
JAMES WALLIS, Clerk of Works, (1878) ...	1878 .. £2 2s. ..
	" .. £2 12s. ..
	1880 .. £3 3s. ..
	1883 .. £3 10s. ..
	1891 .. £3 15s. ..
THOMAS AND SARAH ANN STOKES, Housekeepers and Messenger, (1886)	1886 .. £1 15s. ..
	1887 .. £2 ..

List of Officers, Salaries, &c.—*Continued.*

Name, Office and Date of Appointment.	Salary and Dates of Increase.			
DISINFECTING MEN—				
GEORGE PAVITT, (1886)	1886 ..	23s.	per Week.	
	1889 ..	24s.	"	
	1891 ..	26s.	"	
	1892 ..	30s.	"	
GEORGE REED, (1882)	1882 ..	23s.	"	
	1889 ..	24s.	"	
	1891 ..	26s.	"	
L. LEE, (1892)	1892 ..	24s.	"	
B. PAVITT, (1892)	1892 ..	24s.	"	
SEWER MEN—				
R. SIMMONDS, (1856)	1856 ..	15s.	"	
	1858 ..	18s.	"	
	1866 ..	21s.	"	
	1872 ..	24s.	"	
	1889 ..	25s.	"	
	1891 ..	26s.	"	
M. PENNINGTON, (1866)	1866 ..	21s.	"	
	1872 ..	30s.	"	
	1889 ..	31s.	"	
	1891 ..	32s.	"	
H. HOWARD, (1893)	1893 ..	32s.	"	
W. J. HAWTHORN, (1883)	1883 ..	24s.	"	
	1889 ..	25s.	"	
	1891 ..	26s.	"	
SCAVENGERS—				
Foremen	25s.	..	..	"
Commercial Road Foreman	26s.	..	..	"
Laborers	23s.	..	..	"
ROAD MEN—				
Foremen	25s.	..	..	"
Laborers	23s.	..	..	"

No. 3.

BOARD OF WORKS FOR THE LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

Revenue and Outlay for Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance				977	14	
To Cash of the several Parishes upon Orders of Contribution, viz.:						
General Purposes	21,512	0	0			
Sewers	2,470	0	0			
				23,982	0	
„ Ditto to meet Precept of School Board for London				12,779	4	
„ Revenue from all other Sources:						
General Purposes	837	0	0			
Sewers	57	15	5			
				894	15	
„ London County Council—Amount of contributions towards Cost of Maintenance of Main Roads for the years ending Lady-day, 1890-2	4,230	0	0			
Less on Account	900	0	0			
				3,330	0	
„ Ditto of Owners of Property in Market Street, Ratchiff, being the estimated cost of making up, &c., the same				124	12	
				£42,088	7	

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash expended on General Purposes	22,302	8	4			
„ „ Sewers	2,380	12	11			
						24,683 1 3
„ School Board for London						12,779 4 11
„ Balance in hand of Treasurer	928	18	11			
„ Ditto, Special Account... ..	124	12	4			
„ Ditto, Deposit Account	3,330	0	0			
„ Ditto in hands of Clerk	45	6	11			
„ Ditto ditto Surveyor	197	2	10			
						4,626 1 0
						£42,088 7 2

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Dated this 24th day of June, 1893.

 JOHN CAPES,
 H. J. STEVENS,
 SAMUEL MOYSE, } Auditors.

GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT FOR THE WHOLE DISTRICT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	983	9	1
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	21,512	0	4
„ Ditto for Precept of School Board for London	12,779	4	11
„ Balance of Loan Account (paving Commercial Road, &c.)	155	14	1
„ London County Council—Moiety of Salary of Medical Officer for year ending 30th September, 1892	125	0	0
„ Reinstatements of Paving	525	1	4
„ Rents	26	10	8
„ Fines recovered	17	15	0
„ Metropolitan Asylums Board—For Copies of Certificates under Public Health Act... ..	81	1	0
„ Miscellaneous Receipts	14	17	6
„ Interest on Current Account	39	11	3
„ Ditto Deposit Account	7	3	3
	£36,267	8	2

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
„ Paving	2,374	12	5
„ Lighting	3,031	13	8
„ Cleansing, Watering, &c.	8,632	0	5
„ Repairs of Macadam Roads	2,415	10	2
„ Urinals	177	1	11
„ Expenses under Adulteration of Food, &c., Act	157	18	6
„ Disinfecting	552	13	10
„ Superannuation	52	0	0
„ Expenses of Mortuary	28	0	5
„ Expenses under Public Health Act (Notification of Infectious Disease)	100	4	0
„ Expenses of proceedings at Police Court	8	6	8
„ Expenditure under the Housing of the Working Classes Act (Queen Catherine Court Scheme)	33	2	7
„ Limewhiting Courts and Alleys	47	0	2
„ Expenses under Registration of Canal Boats Act	3	3	0
„ Repairs to Hoardings	3	17	9
„ Writing Street Names	6	8	3
„ Establishment Charges	1,992	15	11
„ Charges on Rates :—			
Interest	607	18	8
Principal repaid	2,073	0	0
	2,680	18	8
„ Rent Charge on land at New Crane	5	0	0
„ School Board for London... ..	12,779	4	11
Balance	1,185	14	11
	£36,267	8	2

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JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS,
SAMUEL MOYSE, } Auditors.

No. 5.

SEWERS ACCOUNT FOR THE WHOLE DISTRICT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	2,470	0	0
„ For connecting House drains with Sewers	24	0	4
„ Repaid by Owners for repairs and cleansing private drains	33	15	1
Balance	14	6	3

 £2,542 1 8

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	161	8	9
By Constructions	23	8	2
„ Construction of new Manholes	152	10	11
„ Repairs	60	4	7
„ Cleansing	164	18	11
„ Connecting house drains	25	0	4
„ Carting Deposit	6	3	0
„ Flushing	591	4	1
„ Flood Works at Union Stairs	165	15	0
„ Establishment Charges	1,191	7	11

 £2,542 1 8

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JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS, } *Auditors.*
SAMUEL MOYSE,

PARISH OF LIMEHOUSE—GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	535	19	10
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	9,515	0	0
„ Ditto for Precept of School Board for London	5,589	8	0
„ Balance Loan Account (Paving Commercial Road, &c.)	68	2	5
„ London County Council—Proportion of Moiety of Salary of Medical Officer for year ending 30th September, 1892	54	13	9
„ Reinstatements of Paving	229	14	2
„ Rents	14	5	8
„ Fines recovered	7	15	3
„ Metropolitan Asylums Board—For Copies of Certificates under Public Health Act	35	9	2
„ Miscellaneous Receipts	6	10	2
„ Interest on Current Account	17	6	2
„ Ditto Deposit Account	1	2	4
	£16,075	6	11

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
By Paving	1,038	17	4
„ Lighting	1,326	6	2
„ Cleansing, Watering, &c.	3,776	7	4
„ Repair of Macadam Roads	1,056	15	0
„ Urinals	77	9	7
„ Expenses under Adulteration of Food Act	69	1	10
„ Disinfecting	241	15	10
„ Superannuation	22	15	0
„ Expenses of Mortuary	12	5	2
„ Expenses under Public Health Act (Notification of Infectious Disease)	43	16	9
„ Expenses of Proceedings at Police Court	3	12	11
„ Expenses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act (Queen Catherine Court Scheme)	14	9	10
„ Limewhiting Courts and Alleys	20	11	4
„ Expenses under Registration of Canal Boats Act	1	7	7
„ Repairs to Hoardings	1	14	0
„ Writing Street Names	2	16	1
„ Establishment Charges	871	16	3
„ Charges on Rates :—			
Interest	258	6	10
Principal repaid	1,130	8	7
	1,388	15	5
„ School Board for London	5,589	8	0
Balance	515	5	6
	£16,075	6	11

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Dated this 24th day of June, 1893.

JOHN CAFES,
H. J. STEVENS,
SAMUEL MOYSE, } Auditors.

No. 7.

PARISH OF LIMEHOUSE—SEWERS ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	1,223	0	0
„ For connecting house drains with Sewers	10	10	2
„ Repaid by Owners for repairing and cleansing private drains ...	14	15	3
Balance	6	8	8

£1,254 14 1

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	213	3	11
Constructions	10	4	10
Construction of new Manholes	66	14	9
Repairs	26	7	0
Cleansing	72	3	4
Connecting house drains	10	18	11
Carting Deposit	2	13	10
Flushing	258	12	11
Flood Works at Union Stairs	72	10	3
Establishment Charges	521	4	4

£1,254 14 1

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JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS, } *Auditors.*
SAMUEL MOYSE, }

HAMLET OF RATCLIFF GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	4,733	0
„ Ditto for Precept of School Board for London	2,858	15
„ Balance Loan Account (Paving Commercial Road, &c.)	34	12
„ London County Council—Proportion of Moiety of Salary of Medical Officer for year ending 30th September, 1892	27	16
„ Reinstatements of Paving	116	16
„ Rents	2	5
„ Fines recovered	3	19
„ Metropolitan Asylums Board—For copies of Certificates under Public Health Act	18	0
„ Miscellaneous receipts	3	6
„ Interest on Current Account	8	16
„ Ditto Deposit Account	0	11
	<u>£7,807</u>	<u>19</u>

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	20	2	8
y Paving	528	5	5
„ Lighting	674	9	0
„ Cleansing, Watering, &c.	1,920	6	8
„ Repair of Macadam Roads	537	7	5
„ Urinals	39	7	11
„ Expenses under Adulteration of Food, &c., Act	35	2	6
„ Disinfecting	122	19	1
„ Superannuation	11	11	4
„ Expenses of Mortuary	6	4	5
„ Expenses under Public Health Act (notification of Infectious Disease	22	5	10
„ Expenses of Proceedings at Police Court	1	17	2
„ Expenses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act (Queen Catherine Court Scheme)	7	7	4
„ Limewhiting Courts and Alleys	10	9	3
„ Expenses under Registration of Canal Boats Act	0	13	11
„ Repairs to Hoardings	0	17	3
„ Writing Street Names	1	8	5
„ Establishment Charges	443	6	6
„ Charges on Rates—Interest	25	18	11
Principal repaid	319	0	10
	<u>344</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>9</u>
„ School Board for London	2,858	15	6
Balance	220	1	8
	<u>£7,807</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>0</u>

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H. J. STEVENS,
SAMUEL MOYSE, } Auditors.

HAMLET OF RATCLIFF—NEWERS ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS, } *Auditors.*
SAMUEL MOYSE, }

PARISH OF SHADWELL—GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	88	1	11
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	3,896	0	0
„ Ditto for Precept of School Board for London	2,045	17	7
„ Balance Loan Account (Paving Commercial Road, &c.)	25	1	4
„ London County Council—Proportion of Moiety of Salary of Medical Officer for year ending 30th September, 1892	20	7	
„ Reinstatements of Paving	84	11	2
„ Rents	10	0	0
„ Fines recovered	2	17	1
„ Metropolitan Asylums Board—For Copies of Certificates under Public Health Act	13	1	2
„ Miscellaneous Receipts	2	7	10
„ Interest on Current Account	6	7	3
„ Ditto Deposit Account	0	8	3
	£6,194	16	2

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Paving	382	8	9			
„ Lighting	488	5	2			
„ Cleansing, Watering, &c.	1,390	4	6			
„ Repair of Macadam Roads	380	0	4			
„ Urinals	28	10	5			
„ Expenses under Adulteration of Food, &c., Act	25	8	8			
„ Disinfecting	89	0	3			
„ Superannuation	8	7	6			
„ Expenses of Mortuary	4	10	5			
„ Expenses under Public Health Act (Notification of Infectious Disease)	16	2	8			
„ Expenses of Proceedings at Police Court	1	6	9			
„ Expenditure under the Housing of the Working Classes Act (Queen Catherine Court Scheme)	5	6	8			
„ Limewhiting Courts and Alleys	7	11	4			
„ Expenses under Registration of Canal Boats Act	0	10	2			
„ Repairs to Hoardings	0	12	6			
„ Writing Street Names	1	0	8			
„ Establishment Charges	320	19	2			
„ Charges on Rates:—						
Interest	254	10	0			
Principal repaid	476	13	1			
				731	3	1
„ One Year's Rent Charge on land at Newcrane	5	0	0			
„ School Board for London	2,045	17	7			
Balance	253	9	7			
	£6,194	16	2			

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SAMUEL MOYSE, } Auditors.

PARISH OF SHADWELL—SEWERS ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	125	1	10
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	247	0	0
„ For connecting house drains with sewers	3	17	5
„ Repaid by Owners for repairs and cleansing private drains	5	8	9
Balance	1	19	3
	£383	7	3

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
Constructions	3	15	3
Construction of new Manholes	24	11	3
Repairs	9	13	10
Cleansing	26	11	2
Connecting House Drains	4	0	6
Carting Deposit	0	19	9
Flushing	95	4	3
Flood Works at Union Stairs	26	13	9
Establishment Charges	191	17	6
	£383	7	3

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JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS, } *Auditors.*
SAMUEL MOYSE,

PARISH OF WAPPING—GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

REVENUE.

	£	s.	d.
Balance	379	10	1
To Cash of Overseers upon Orders of Contribution	3,368	0	4
" Ditto for Precept of School Board for London ..	2,285	3	10
" Balance Loan Account (Paving Commercial Road, &c.)	27	17	6
" London County Council—Proportion of Moiety of Salary of Medical Officer for year ending 30th September, 1892	22	7	6
" Reinstatements of Paving	93	19	9
" Fines recovered	3	3	8
" Metropolitan Asylums Board—For copies of Certificates under Public Health Act	14	10	1
" Miscellaneous Receipts	2	13	4
" Interest on Current Account	7	1	9
" Ditto Deposit Account	5	1	3
	£6,209	8	9

OUTLAY.

	£	s.	d.
Paving ..	425	0	11
Lighting	542	13	4
Cleansing, Watering, &c.	1,545	1	11
Repair of Macadam Roads... ..	432	7	3
Urinals	31	14	0
Expenses under Adulteration of Food, &c., Act	28	5	6
Disinfecting	98	18	8
Superannuation	9	6	2
Expenses of Mortuary	5	0	5
Expenses under Public Health Act (Notification of Infectious Disease)	17	18	9
Expenses of Proceedings at Police Court... ..	1	9	10
Expenses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act (Queen Catherine Court Scheme)	5	18	9
Limewhiting Courts and Alleys	8	8	3
Expenses under the Registration of Canal Boats Act	0	11	4
Repairs to Hoardings	0	14	0
Writing Street Names	1	3	1
Establishment Charges	356	14	0
Charges on Rates:			
Interest ..	69	2	11
Principal repaid	146	17	6
	216	0	5
School Board for London	2,285	3	10
Balance	196	18	2
	£6,209	8	9

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JOHN CAPES,
H. J. STEVENS,
SAMUEL MOVSE, } Auditors.

PARISH OF WAPPING—SEWERS ACCOUNT.

Revenue and Outlay from May-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

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No. 14

LIABILITIES.

	£	s.
London County Council	14,636	0
	<u>£14,636</u>	<u>0</u>

ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.
in hands of Treasurer	928	18	11
1 Ditto Clerk	45	6	11
1 Ditto Surveyor	197	2	10
at Deposit Account	3330	0	0
	<u>£4,501</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

No. 15.

CONTRACTS.

1892.

25th March, Messrs. Mowlem & Co., Paving Works } as per schedule of prices.

1892.

7th April, Mr. S. W. Hawkings, Sewers Work	..	..	..	..	} as per schedule of prices.
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1892.

3rd September, Messrs. P. & E. Abbott, Scavenging, Removal of Dust	
and Watering	3,120 0

1892.

23rd September, Mrs. E. Parsons	ditto	..	..	..	..	1,640	0	0
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1892.

28th September, Mr. W. Gibbs, Scavenging and Watering	930 0 0
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1892.

5th April, The Co-operative Bass Dressers, Limited, for the supply of } 28/6 per dozen.
Scavengers Brooms }

1892.

24th March, Mr. H. Shepherd, Cleaning Windows, &c., at the Offices of } £16 per Ann.
the Board }

No. 16.

RETURN OF MONEY LENT ON LOAN AT INTEREST.

No.	Date of Mortgage.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Secured on.	For what purpose borrowed.	From whom Borrowed.	For What Term.	Repayments.
14	1867, October 16	£5,500	£5	General Rates.	Improvements Shadwell.	London Life Association.	Twenty-five years to be repaid by twenty-five equal annual instalments	The whole. £5,500 0 0
15	1872, June 22	£7,250	£3 17/6	Ditto.	Improvements Limehouse.	Metropolitan Board of Works.	Fifty-seven years, to be repaid as follows: £150 on 1st Oct., 1879; £142 on 1st Oct. in 50 succeeding years, (now reduced to £10 per year).	£6,749 0 0 (By Contribution from Metropolitan Board.) £131 0 0
16	1872, July 24	£18,000	£4 10/	Ditto.	Paving the Commercial Road at East India Dock Road, and West India Dock Road.	London Life Association.	Twenty years payable by twenty equal annual instalments.	The whole. £18,000 0 0
19	1873, January 20	£6,000	£3 17/6	Ditto.	Improvements at Gun Tavern and Shadwell.	Metropolitan Board of Works.	Fifty-seven years, to be repaid as follows: £120 on 1st Oct., 1873; £105 on 1st Oct. in 56 succeeding years.	£2,115 0 0
20	1873, January 20	£7,250	£3 17/6	Ditto.	Improvements Limehouse.	Ditto.	Fifty-seven years, to be repaid as follows: £133 on 1st Oct., 1873; £127 on 1st Oct. in 56 succeeding years.	£2,551 0 0
21	1874, October 1	£2,816 10/	£3 18/6	Ditto.	Improvements in Clapping Wall, Shadwell.	Ditto.	Fifty-five years, to be repaid as follows: £62 10s. on 1st Oct., 1875; £51 on 1st Oct. in 54 succeeding years.	£929 10 0
Carried forward ...		£46,816 10/					Carried forward...	£35,975 10 0

No. 16 (Continued).

RETURN OF MONEY LENT ON LOAN AT INTEREST (Continued).

No.	Date of Mortgage.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Secured on.	For what purpose borrowed.	From whom Borrowed.	For what Term.	Repayments.
	<i>Brought forward...</i>	£46,816 10/					<i>Brought forward ...</i>	£35975 10 0
23	1876, February 9	£1,900	£3 18/6	General Rates.	For paving High Street, Wapping, and Wapping Lane, and Wapping Lane.	Metropolitan Board of Works.	Fifty-four years, to be repaid as follows: £45 on 1st Oct. 1876; £35 on 1st Oct. in 53 succeeding years.	£605 0 0
26	1888, December 10	£5,000	£3 10/	Ditto.	For Paving of Commercial Road East India Road.	Ditto.	Eight years, to be repaid by eight equal annual instalments; the first on 1st Oct. 1889.	£2,500 0 0
		£53,716 10 0						£39,080 10 0

No. 17.

PROPERTIES BELONGING TO OR IN THE OCCUPATION OF
THE BOARD.

Freehold Offices in White Horse Street, Ratcliff.

Shed under Railway Arch in Limehouse Causeway let to Mr. Fish at 1s. 2d. a week.

Leasehold Arch on the north side of The Mitre at Limehouse, let to Mr. Fullerton at £10 per annum. Leasehold Arch on the south side of The Mitre under the London and Blackwall Railway, let to Mr. De Ritter at £4 per annum.

Leasehold Arch on the north side of The Mitre at Limehouse, used by the Board as a Stone Yard.

Leasehold Arch under the London and Blackwall Railway on the west side of White Horse Street, Limehouse, and a piece of ground adjoining the said Arch used as a Stone Yard.

Two Leasehold Arches under the London and Blackwall Railway, on the west side of White Horse Street, Ratcliff, and ground on the north side of the said Arches used as a Stone Yard.

Leasehold Arch and land on the south side thereof, in Little John Street, Ratcliff, under the London and Blackwall Railway, half the Arch being used as a Mortuary and half as a Disinfecting House.

Two Arches adjoining the above, together with land on the south thereof, held on yearly tenancy from the Great Eastern Railway at a rental of £55 per annum.

Piece of land in Elm Row, Shadwell, used as a Stone Yard, and held from the Shadwell Estate at a rental of £1 per month.

No. 18.]

TO THE
BOARD OF WORKS
FOR THE
LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

DEPARTMENT OF WORKS,
OFFICES, WHITE HORSE STREET,
COMMERCIAL ROAD, EAST.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit to you my Report upon the various works which have been carried out within the District from Lady-day, 1892, to Lady-day, 1893.

SEWERS.

The following sewers have been cleansed by the Contractor to the Board, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—

168	feet	run	of	12-inch	pipe	sewer	in	Kirk's Place.
296	"			12 inch	"			Farrance Street.
188	"			12-inch	"			Eastfield Street.
150	"			12-inch	"			Maroon Street.
480	"			12-inch	"			Repton Street and Conder Street.
260	"			12-inch	"			Walker Street.

RATCLIFF.—

The sewer in Susannah Row has been cleansed.

The following works have also been carried out by the Contractor, viz :

1 new gully constructed in Elm Row.

SHADWELL.—

5 gullies repaired.

2 do. reconstructed.

1 ventilator fixed.

New flushing boxes have been fixed to the sewers in the following streets, viz :

1 in Kirk's Place.

1 „ Maroon Street.

1 „ Salmon Street.

1 „ Wilson Place.

1 „ Gloucester Street.

1 „ Spencer Street.

Block traps have been fixed in gullies as follows, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—

6 in Selsey Street.

1 „ Parnham Street.

1 „ South Street.

1 „ Triangle, Salmon Lane.

1 „ St. Anne Street.

RATCLIFF.—

4 in Albert Square.

WAPPING.—

1 in Wellclose Square.

An old and defective sewer in St. George Street has been broken up and filled in, and the drains connected therewith have been reconnected with the brick sewer.

The small brick and pipe sewers throughout the District have been flushed by the men employed by the Board with water supplied by the East London Water Works Company.

MANHOLES TO SEWERS.

The Board having passed a Resolution that manholes should be constructed to the pipe sewers in the District, the following works have been carried out, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—

- 4 Manholes have been constructed in Farrance Street.
- 1 Manhole has been constructed in Pelling Street.
- 2 Manholes have been constructed in Narrow Street,
one by White's Rents and one by Thomas's Rents.
- 2 Manholes have been constructed in Horseferry Road.

HOUSE DRAINAGE.

During the year, 105 buildings (including 10 new structures) have been connected with the sewers, and the following works have been carried out, viz :—

611 feet of 9-inch pipe drain laid.
 3721 " 6-inch " "
 940 " 4-inch " "
 108 w.c. pans and traps fixed,
 137 sinks and traps fixed.

The Board also sanctioned the laying of 233 feet run of 5-inch iron pipe at the premises of the Seamen's Mission in St. George Street, in consequence of certain special circumstances in connection with the building.

DRAINAGE OF THE WIDENED PORTION OF THE LONDON AND BLACKWALL RAILWAY.

In connection with the drainage of the widened portion of the Blackwall Railway now in course of construction, the following works have been carried out by the Contractors, viz :

72 feet run of 12 inch pipe drain laid.				
558	"	9-inch	"	"
674	"	6-inch	"	"

In all cases where new drains are formed, the construction of a Manhole and intercepting chamber is required, so that in the event of a stoppage occurring the same can be removed without having to open the whole of the drain.

PAVING.

New Footway Paving has been laid down as follows, viz :—

LIMEHOUSE.—Parts of Salmon Lane.

RATCLIFF.—Parts of Bower Street, Butcher Row, and Devonport Street.

WAPPING.—Parts of Greenbank.

Old Footway Paving has been relaid as follows :—

LIMEHOUSE.—Parts of Oak Lane, Three Colt Street, Salmon Lane, Northey Street, Dod Street, Cayley Street, Marchant's Row, Carr Street, Gun Lane, White Horse Street, Eastfield Street, Thomas Street, Chusan Place, Wallwood Street, Church Row, Galt Street, South Street, Globe Alley, Rhodeswell Road, Commercial Road, Pigott Street, Shoulder of Mutton Alley, St. Paul's Road, Copenhagen Place, Maroon Street, Dalgleish Street, Samuel Street, Aston Street, Rope-maker's Fields, Halley Street, Dixon Street, Lowell Street, Repton Street, Narrow Street, Elsa Street, Locksley Street, Conder Street, and Park Street.

RATCLIFF.—Parts of Caroline Street, Rose Lane, Ashley Place, Collingwood Street, Brook Street, London Street, Hardinge Street, Ben Jonson Road, Devonport Street, Bere Street, Broad Street, Thomas Street, Bromley Street, Schoolhouse Lane, Ronald Street, Commercial Road, Albany Street, Glasshouse Street, Belgrave Street, Thirza Street, Bower Street, Havering Street, Narrow Street, Walter Street, Ann Street, Butcher Row, Chaseley Street, Salmon Lane, Brunswick Place, Medland Street, and White Horse Street.

SHADWELL.—Parts of Wapping Wall, High Street, Cable Street, Coleman Street, Albert Street, King David Lane, Elm Row, Love Lane, King James' Stairs, Charles Place, Glamis Road, New Gravel Lane, West Gardens, Milk Yard, and Monza Street.

WAPPING.—Parts of Upper East Smithfield, High Street, Nightingale Lane, Greenbank, St. George's Street, Old Gravel Lane, Well Street, Church Street, and Red Lion Street.

Old Carriageway paving has been relaid as follows :—

LIMEHOUSE.—Parts of Copenhagen Place, Narrow Street, Park Street, St. Anne Street, Northey Street, Carr Street, Eastfield Street, Church Row, Rhodesweil Road, and Shoulder of Mutton Alley.

RATCLIFF.—Parts of Narrow Street, Ann Street, Salmon Lane, Medland Street, Rose Lane, Devonport Street, and Glasshouse Street.

SHADWELL.—Parts of Wapping Wall, High Street, Cable Street, and Coleman Street.

WAPPING.—Parts of Old Gravel Lane, and Brewhouse Lane.

The channels in the following unpaved roads have been repaired, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—Brenton Street, Samuel Street, Anchor Street, Dakin Street, Lowell Street, Conder Street, Burdett Road, Dod Street, Cayley Street, Pixley Street, Farrance Street and St. Paul's Road.

The following works have also been carried out, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—Part of the Carriageway of Wallwood Street opposite Messrs. Harris and Wardrop's premises, has been paved with second-hand 3-inch by 6-inch dressed Aberdeen and Guernsey stone, on 4-inch Portland cement concrete.

Part of the Carriageway at the south end of Lowell Street has been paved with second-hand 4-inch by 6-inch dressed stone on 4-inch Portland cement concrete.

The Carriageways of The Mitre and part of Church Row have been partly paved with 3-inch by 6-inch dressed Aberdeen stone and partly with the old stone which had been taken up and dressed.

RATCLIFF.—The Carriageway of York Road, from Commercial Road to Chaseley Street, has been partly repaved with second-hand stone and partly with the old stone which had been taken up, redressed, and relaid, on 4-inch Portland cement concrete.

The 18-inch tram in Medland Street by Horseferry Branch Road, has been taken up and new 3-inch by 7-inch pitching substituted.

Part of the Carriageway in Narrow Street has been widened to facilitate the traffic.

WAPPING.—Part of the footway on the North side of High Street, has been paved with new 3-inch York stone, and part of the old footway has been squared and relaid.

MACADAM AND UNPAVED ROADS.

During the year extensive repairs have been carried out to various roads as follows, viz :—

LIMEHOUSE.—The Carriageways of Lowell Street, Conder Street, Burdett Road, Repton Street, Cayley Street, Locksley Street, St. Paul's Road, Clemence Street, and Pixley Street, have been made up with broken Guernsey granite and rolled with the Steam Roller.

Parts of the Carriageways of Dod Street, Dora Street, Turner's Road, Agnes Street, Spencer Street, and Tomlin's Terrace, have also been made up with broken Guernsey granite and rolled with the Steam Roller.

In addition to the above works the defective places in the Carriageways of Burgess Street, Walker Street, Acland Street, Wallwood Street, Farrance Street, Endive Street, Barnes Street, Wilson Street, Aston Street, Lee Street, and Selsey Street, have been repaired.

RATCLIFF.—The defective places in the Carriageways of Bromley Street, Portland Street, Walter Street and Thirza Street, have been repaired.

The Carriageways of Blount Street, Brenton Street, Samuel Street, Anchor Street, and Dakin Street, Limehouse, have been made up with gravel and rolled with the Steam Roller.

TAR PAVING WORK.

The paving of Elm Row, Shadwell, being in a very defective condition the Board decided to lay down Tar Paving, and the tender of Messrs. Constable, for laying their patent Derbyshire Limestone Tar Paving, was accepted and the work carried out.

ASPHALTE.

Parts of the Asphalte Paving in White Horse Street and Stepney Causeway where worn and defective have been repaired.

LIGHTING.

The number of Public Lamps in the District is as follows:—

Limehouse	...	...	403
Ratcliff	...	...	207
Shadwell	...	...	140
Wapping	...	...	100
			850

The above number shows an increase of 7 as compared with last year.

In addition to the ordinary lamps as shown above there are the following Special Lamps, viz :

- 1 on the Street Rest in Commercial Road opposite Gill Street.
- 1 on the Street Rest in Commercial Road opposite White Horse Street.
- 1 on the Street Rest in the East India Dock Road opposite the "Eastern Hotel."
- 1 at the Triangle, Salmon Lane.
- 1 in Church Row at the entrance to the Church.

The Lamp Posts, columns and brackets throughout the District have been painted by the Commercial Gas Company.

GENERAL WORKS.

The London County Council have fixed a new side entrance flap in Limehouse Causeway, and a new manhole cover to the Storm Relief Sewer in White Horse Street.

The Commercial Gas Company have laid a new 4-inch main in Lowell Street, and a new 12-inch main at the South end of New Gravel Lane.

The East London Water Works Company have laid a new main in Wapping Wall.

Two Street Posts have been fixed on the North side of Narrow Street, Ratcliff, near Noah's Ark Alley, to protect the footway.

The vacant land in Ropemaker's Fields has been enclosed with a hoarding.

The bridge in Medland Street has been repaired by the Dock Company.

The Courts and Alleys throughout the District have been limewhited.

A new wall has been built in the stone yard in White Horse Street.

CLEANSING AND WATERING.

The Carriageways and Footways of the principal streets throughout the District are swept and cleansed daily, and the other streets every alternate day. In bad weather the whole of the streets are cleansed daily, and the Commercial Road and East and West India Dock Roads twice each day.

During the season which commenced on the 1st March, 1892, and terminated on the 18th October, 1892, the streets were watered by the contractors with water supplied by the East London Water Works Company, the quantity of water used during the season being 6,130,000 gallons.

PUBLIC URINALS.

The number of public urinals in the District is 26, containing 99 compartments.

The urinals are flushed and cleansed three times every day by men employed by the Board, the water being supplied by the East London Water Works Company. During hot and dry weather it is found necessary to have them flushed more frequently.

NEW CARRIAGE CROSSINGS.

New Carriage Crossings have been formed at the entrance to the following premises, the cost thereof being borne by the persons requiring the same, viz :

LIMEHOUSE.—In Elsa Street at the rear of the "Salisbury Arms," public house.

RATCLIFF.—At the entrance to No. 11, Medland Street, at the three entrances to Messrs. Symonds & Co's. Cider Stores in Butcher Row, in York Street East at the entrance to the vacant ground next the Railway, and in Roby Street at the side entrance to No. 11 Chaseley Street.

MAIN SEWER.

The London County Council have commenced the construction of a new sewer in Rhodeswell Road, Elsa Street, and Carr Street.

FIRE HYDRANTS.

The London County Council have commenced the fixing of hydrants throughout the District.

BLACKWALL RAILWAY WIDENING.

The Contractors are proceeding with the work of widening the railway under the powers of the special Act, entitled "London and Blackwall Railway Act, 1885," (48 and 49 Victoria, chap. cxiv.)

UNION STAIRS, WAPPING.

The necessary consent of the Thames Conservancy and the London County Council having been obtained to the carrying out of permanent flood works at these stairs in lieu of the existing tide gate, the Board authorised the same to be proceeded with and the work has been carried out by the Board's contractor.

With the view of affording additional safety to the public after dark, an iron hand railing has been fixed.

TRAMWAYS.

The North Metropolitan Tramways Company have relaid the defective paving in West India Dock Road and in various parts of Commercial Road.

DRIPPINGS FROM BRIDGES.

The Great Eastern Railway have fixed iron trays under the bridges crossing Salter Street and Limehouse Causeway to prevent drippings therefrom.

IMPROVEMENTS.

BEN JONSON ROAD.

In May, 1892, the Clerk of the London County Council wrote, in reply to the letter from the Board referred to in my last Report, that the Improvements Committee was prepared to recommend the Council to introduce a clause into one of its Bills to enable the Board to contribute to the cost of the proposed widening of the West end of Ben Jonson Road, it being understood that the Council's contribution would be half the nett cost, not exceeding £3,070, and that upon the Board and the Mile End Vestry consenting to this arrangement, the Committee would take up their recommendation to the

Council. The letter was referred to the Works Committee, and I was directed to communicate with the Surveyor of the Vestry of Mile End Old Town upon the subject. It will be remembered that on the 6th May, 1891, the Board passed a Resolution agreeing to contribute a sum not exceeding £1,000 to the cost of the Improvement, the Mile End Vestry paying a like sum. The estimate of the London County Council, however, amounted to £6,140, of which it was proposed that the Board should contribute £1,535.

I saw the Surveyor of Mile End, who informed me that that Vestry would probably rescind the Resolution limiting their share of the expense to £1,000, and the Works Committee recommended the Board to adopt a similar course. A Special Meeting of the Board was held on the 13th July, when a motion to expunge the words "not exceeding £1,000" from the Resolution of the 6th May, 1891, was defeated, eleven members voting in favour of the motion, and on the contrary twelve.

The proposal then dropped, but in November the following Resolution was passed:—

"That the Improvements Committee of the London County Council be informed that this Board does not see its way to enlarge its contribution towards the widening of Ben Jonson Road, West end, as they rely upon their Surveyor's estimate; and they request your Committee's reconsideration of the matter, and that your Committee will ask the Council to seek Parliamentary powers for carrying the said Improvement out on its original estimated cost of £4,000, upon the terms originally proposed, viz: that your Council contribute £2,000, Mile End £1,000, and Limehouse District Board £1,000."

A copy of the Resolution was sent to the Improvements Committee, and the Clerk of the Council replied that the Committee was not prepared to make any departure from its previous decision.

NEW THOROUGHFARE FROM BROAD STREET TO CRANFORD STREET.

The following Memorial as to the proposed formation of a new thoroughfare from Broad Street to Cranford Street was presented to the London County Council in June:—

" To the London County Council.

" The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, in the County of London, sheweth :—

" 1. That your Memorialists are one of the bodies mentioned in Schedule B of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and incorporated by Section 42 of that Act, and that under the said Act the streets and highways of the Limehouse District are vested in your Memorialists, who have the control and management and improvement of the same.

" 2. That your Memorialists since 1855 have expended from time to time large sums of money in widening the narrow portions of the streets near the River Thames, and to which the Metropolitan Board of Works largely contributed.

" 3. That your Memorialists would call the attention of the Council to the fact that the narrowness of the part of Broad Street, Ratcliff, west of Hubbuck's Wharf, and the narrowness and inconvenience of the western approaches thereto, cause great loss and inconvenience to the public generally ; that vessels are constantly arriving and departing from the large wharves in the locality, and large quantities of goods are shipped and landed thereat, and delivered to all parts of London, including the Railway Depôts ; that many of the passengers travelling by the steam vessels are very much inconvenienced in getting to and from the wharves, it being a fact that that part of Broad Street on many days in the week is virtually impassible for the through traffic.

" 4. That the construction of a new road from Broad Street to Brook Street would greatly relieve the congested condition of the traffic in Broad Street and form an alternative route which would be largely used and be a great boon to the commercial and trading interests of the Metropolis. The suggested road is shewn on the annexed plan and coloured red ; it will have a clear width of 30 feet and a length of 79 yards or thereabouts. It is also suggested that a small portion of the Brook Street area should be utilised for the purpose of forming a better roadway through Cranford Street to Brook Street. When completed it would form a new and important thorough-

fare from Broad Street to the Commercial Road, of which the proposed extension of Dorset Street in connection with the Queen Catherine Court unhealthy area would form part.

"5. That the construction of the said road would increase the value of the Brook Street area by giving a convenient and direct access from it to Brook Street. It is estimated that the cost of acquiring the land necessary for the road will amount to £8,500, and the cost of forming and paving the road and foot-paths will amount to the sum of £800, exclusive of legal and other expenses.

"Your Memorialists would therefore respectfully urge the Council to give the subject of this Memorial their favourable consideration, and direct that the necessary steps be taken to carry out the suggested improvements as a County Improvement."

The Council replied that they were of opinion that the amount of through traffic which would pass along the new street would not be sufficient to justify an expenditure being made out of the County Fund. Moreover, the Council considered the Improvement was one of a local character, and one which if undertaken should be carried out by the Local Authority, and the Council was therefore not prepared to undertake the work. The matter is now under the consideration of the Works Committee.

NARROW STREET.

In June 1892, a Memorial, of which the following is a copy, was presented to the London County Council.

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incorporated by Section 42 of that Act, and that under the said Act the streets and highways of the Limehouse District are vested in your Memorialists who have the control and management and improvement of the same.

" 2. That your Memorialists since 1855 have expended from time to time large sums of money in widening the narrow portions of the streets near the River Thames, and to which the Metropolitan Board of Works largely contributed.

" 3. That a Memorial has lately been received from the owners and occupiers of premises in Narrow Street, Ratcliff, complaining of the narrowness of the street and the difficulty of access to and egress from the several wharves and warehouses in that thoroughfare, the greater part of the street being only sufficiently wide to allow one vehicle to pass at a time, which causes much loss and inconvenience to them and to the public generally.

" 4. That your Memorialists, after careful consideration, find that the cost of widening Narrow Street would be so great that they would not be justified in incurring the consequent expense.

" 5. That your Memorialists with the view of meeting the difficulty, suggest that the West end of Narrow Street should be widened by setting back the fronts of the houses 19-feet, and by widening the roadway adjoining thereto from 12-feet 6-inches to 22-feet, and from 14-feet 1-inch to 18-feet 1-inch, as shown upon the annexed plan and coloured red ; and that Noah's Ark Alley at the East end of Narrow Street should be widened from 8-feet 5-inches to 42-feet at the North end, and from 3-feet 6-inches to 32-feet at the South end as shown on the said plan and coloured red.

" 6. That the widening of the West end of Narrow Street would, by forming a lay by and improved access to the wharves and premises in that portion of the street, give great facilities to the traffic ; and that the formation of the new street at the East end, by giving a direct access to Medland Street, and through the Horseferry Branch Road to the Commercial Road, would also greatly facilitate the traffic in the street.

"7. That the estimated cost of widening the West end of the street is £1,640 (one thousand six hundred and forty pounds) and that the estimated cost of acquiring the land for the formation of the new thoroughfare at the East end by widening Noah's Ark Alley—by which only one premises will be affected—is £2,250 (two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds), and of forming and paving the new road and footpaths £800 (eight hundred pounds), each of the estimates being exclusive of legal and other expenses.

"Your Memorialists would therefore respectfully urge the Council to give the subject of this Memorial their favourable consideration by approving the proposed improvements and contributing towards the same one half the expense."

The Council replied that having carefully considered the subject they were of opinion that the proposed improvements were of too local a character to justify the Council in making a contribution towards the cost. Moreover, it was said the requirements of the traffic in the neighbourhood by Narrow Street might be so altered by the construction of the proposed Rotherhithe and Ratcliff Ferry, that the Council would hesitate to contribute at that time to any improvement in that locality. The Council, therefore, whilst giving its consent to the proposed widening of Narrow Street and Noah's Ark Alley, was not prepared to contribute to the cost.

The matter is now under the consideration of the Works Committee, to whom the letter of the Council was referred.

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES ACT.

QUEEN CATHERINE COURT AREA.

In April, 1892, the Board were informed that the London County Council had decided to make application to the Home Secretary for power to erect dwellings on the area in Brook

Street, cleared under the provisions of the Artizan's Dwellings Acts. In the same month the Board approved the alternative scheme prepared by the Council for the improvement of the Queen Catherine Court area, and to which I referred in my previous annual report, coupled with the proposed improvement of Dorset Street, upon condition that the Council agreed to contribute one half of the cost of carrying the same into effect. On the 8th June, a letter was laid before the Board from the Clerk of the Council stating that providing the scheme was carried out forthwith in accordance with the plans and estimates approved by the Committee of the Council, the Council would contribute one half of the nett cost thereof, and the Board thereupon ordered the necessary steps to be taken for carrying the scheme into effect. The preliminary requirements of the Act having been complied with, a Local Inquiry was held by S. J. Smith, Esq., C.E., an Inspector of the Local Government Board, at the offices of the District Board, on Thursday, 16th March, 1893, at which I gave evidence in support of the scheme, but at the time of closing this report the result of the inquiry had not been made known.

KING JOHN'S COURT AREA.

In the month of May, 1892, the attention of the Sanitary Committee was called to the condition of certain houses on the north side of Limehouse Causeway abutting on part of the area proposed to be dealt with under the King John's Court scheme, and the Medical Officer and myself were directed to report as to including such houses in the Scheme. We accordingly inspected the premises Nos. 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, and 90, Limehouse Causeway, and Nos. 111 and 113, Three Colt Street, and I submitted an amended Scheme showing that in the event of the premises being acquired Limehouse Causeway from Three Colt Street could be widened at the south end from 7 feet 3 inches to 30 feet; opposite Spread Eagle Court from 12 feet 6 inches to 25 feet; and at the Gill Street end from 19 feet to 20 feet. The Committee recommended the Board to approve this plan upon condition that the London County Council consented to contribute one half the cost of carrying the Scheme into effect and to lend the Board the other half upon terms to be agreed. Upon this recommendation being submitted to the Board the matter was referred back to the Committee for further consideration, but the Committee adhered

to their decision and it was subsequently approved and adopted by the Board. The Council were informed accordingly, and the Superintending Architect thereupon wrote asking for the following information :—

“(a) What is the extent of the surplus land proposed to be sold ?

“(b) What are the suggested positions for the buildings for rehousing artizans proposed to be erected on the site coloured red, and what is the number to be accommodated in the building ?

“(c) What is the number of persons belonging to the working classes who will be displaced by the proposed Improvement ?”

I made a report upon the subject to the Sanitary Committee, and by their direction informed the Superintending Architect that the area of the surplus land proposed to be sold, and not forming part of the unhealthy area, was about 3,200 feet. I also forwarded to him a plan showing the sites of the houses proposed to be erected, and stated that the same when built would afford accommodation for 100 persons, the number of persons of the artizan class, including children, to be displaced being 21.

In July the Clerk of the London County Council wrote that after careful consideration the Public Health Committee were of opinion that the area was too confined for rehousing except on the frontages to Gill Street and Three Colt Street, and that the only satisfactory method of dealing with it would be to devote it to the purposes of an open space, and they were therefore unable to approve the plan submitted. He further stated that in the event of the Board being willing to prepare a scheme for the improvement of the area on the following lines the Committee would be prepared to recommend the Council to contribute one half of the cost of the same.

“(a) That the whole of the buildings situated between Limehouse Causeway and King John's Court be cleared and the vacant space used as a playground.

"(b) That the houses on the North side of the Causeway be excluded from the scheme, being commercial premises and not, in the opinion of the Committee, of a sufficiently insanitary character to necessitate their inclusion in a scheme of this nature."

In reply, the Council were informed that if an "open space" meant a wide thoroughfare the Board would agree to the suggestion, especially if the Council consented to contribute one half the cost. The Clerk of the Council thereupon wrote that subject to plans of the scheme being approved by the Public Health Committee, and on the understanding that no buildings were erected on the area, the Committee would be prepared to recommend the Council to contribute one half of the cost of dealing with the area by the formation of a wide thoroughfare from Three Colt Street to Gill Street. The Board referred the letter to the Works Committee, with instructions to take steps for the carrying out of the proposed scheme with the utmost speed.

I prepared a plan of the scheme and submitted the same to the Works Committee, upon whose recommendation the Board directed that a copy of the plan should be sent to the Council with a request that the Council would contribute one half the cost of the work. This was done, and in January the Clerk of the Council wrote asking what the Board proposed to do with the vacant land lying between King John's Court and the suggested new thoroughfare. By direction of the Board I replied that it was suggested that King John's Court should be stopped up, and a portion of the surplus land offered to the School Board for London for their purposes, and that the remainder of the land would be offered to the owners of the premises abutting on King John's Court. The decision of the Council upon the subject has not yet been received.

CHUSAN PLACE AREA.

The question of dealing with this area has been under consideration from time to time during the year, and the Medical Officer and myself were, in the month of October, requested to prepare a fresh scheme for the improvement of the site. Subsequently, however, a letter was received from the Clerk of the

London County Council to the effect that the Council had caused a further inspection to be made of the area, and learnt that improvements had taken place, and that the condition of the property was no longer such as to necessitate action on the part of the Council. The matter therefore dropped.

EMANATIONS FROM SEWERS.

Complaint having been made of the nuisance caused by the emanation of noxious effluvia from gullies in Salmon Lane, Limehouse, the gullies were examined and found to be in good order and properly trapped. Upon enquiry, several occupiers of shops in Salmon Lane stated that in a general way there was no cause for complaint, but that upon certain occasions the nuisance was intolerable, this being especially the case on Saturdays. I reported to the Board that the nuisance arose from the pressure of gas in the Main Sewer, the end of which was opposite the entrance to Mr. East's timber yard, and that the only remedy I could suggest was for a ventilating shaft to be carried up from the manhole of the Main Sewer above the roof of one of the adjoining houses, which in my opinion would prevent the recurrence of the nuisance. The Board directed that the attention of the London County Council be called to the matter, and that they be requested to have a ventilating shaft constructed.

MAINTENANCE OF DISTURNPIKED ROADS.

The London County Council informed the Board that the Award of the Arbitrator appointed by the Local Government Board had been made with regard to the amount to be contributed by the Council towards the cost of the maintenance of the Finchley and Edgware Roads, from which it appeared that the Council was directed to pay to the Hampstead Vestry a sum equal to rather less than half the average annual cost as stated by the Vestry. The matter was considered by the Works Committee, to whom I submitted a detailed statement of the cost of the maintenance and repair of the Main Roads in the District for the years 1889-90, 1890-1, and 1891-2, and of which the following is a summary :—

						£
Estimated cost per annum of the maintenance of carriageways in Commercial Road, East and West India Dock Roads, and Horse- ferry Branch Road						1,089
Ditto	ditto	footways	...	...	...	221
Ditto	ditto	scavenging and watering	...	...	...	1,375
Making a total of						<u>£2,685</u>
To which should be added the estimated pro- portion of establishment charges						<u>256</u>
And making the estimated annual cost of maintaining the said roads... ..						<u>£2,941</u>

The statement was sent to the Engineer of the Council, and in October a letter was received offering as the Council's contribution a sum equal to one half of the average actual annual cost during the three years ended 31st March, 1892, of maintenance and repair, to be ascertained and agreed upon between the Council and the Board, such contribution to commence as from the 1st April, 1889, and to continue until the 31st March, 1896, or until such time as the Council's legal position with reference to the roads referred to should be altered. Such letter was considered by the Works Committee, who requested me to communicate with the Council and to agree if possible without prejudice the amount of the average actual annual cost of maintenance, &c., during the years mentioned, leaving the question of the proportion to be borne by the Council for future decision.

I accordingly saw the Engineer of the Council upon the subject, and an officer of the Council subsequently attended at the Offices of the Board and examined my estimate with the accounts, and as a result a letter was received in February, 1893, offering as the Council's annual contribution the sum of £1,410 being one half of £2,685, the average actual annual cost, plus £134 5s. (5 per cent. thereon) for establishment charges. The letter was referred to the Finance Committee, and upon their recommendation the Board decided to accept the offer.

MORTUARY ACCOMMODATION, &c.

In April, 1892, the Board authorised me to negotiate with the Blackwall Railway with a view to the acquisition by the Board of the two arches, No. 219 and 220, in Little John Street, Ratcliff, with the land in the rear thereof, adjoining that belonging to the Board and utilised as a Mortuary and Disinfecting Station. I accordingly entered into communication with the Company, and in May reported that the Railway Company had discontinued granting leases of the arches, but under the circumstances, and considering the purpose for which the arches would be used, they were willing to let the same to the Board at a rent of £55 per annum (in lieu of £80, the amount originally asked by their agent), the tenancy being determinable by either party upon six months notice in writing being given, a condition also being inserted in the agreement that the Company would bind themselves not to give notice to the Board to quit unless the arches referred to were *bona fide* required for the purposes of the Railway. The Board decided to accept the tenancy upon the terms mentioned.

I subsequently laid before the Sanitary Committee a sketch plan showing the proposed utilisation of the arches for mortuary and disinfecting purposes. The accommodation in the existing mortuary (No. 218 arch) contained an area of 406 superficial feet. The proposed new mortuary would have an area of 1,044 feet, and would be divided into two compartments, one to be used for infectious cases and the other for non-infectious cases. In the rear there would be accommodation for post-mortem examinations, with a communication from each mortuary. As regards the disinfecting apparatus, the present chamber contained an area of 477 feet, the area of the proposed new chamber being 1,836 feet. The infected articles would be received in Little John Street, and delivered, after disinfection, in Caroline Street. I considered, without having made a detailed estimate, that the cost would be about £700. I further reported that I had been in communication with Messrs. Manlove, Alliott & Co. as to supplying the necessary apparatus, the cost of which, complete, would be about £350. I stated that if the proposed works were carried out the accommodation would be ample, and the other arch not being required could be utilised for various purposes, such as the stores, &c., for which the Board at that

time had no proper place. The Board approved the sketch plan and I was requested to prepare detailed plans and specifications in accordance with my report.

The necessary plans and specifications were prepared and approved by the Board and ordered to be carried into execution. The tender of Messrs. Manlove, Alliott & Co., for supplying a Washington Lyon's Steam Disinfector was also accepted. I was directed on the 22nd March, to submit the plans to the Local Government Board for approval, which was done, but no reply had been received up to the date of the closing of this Report.

I have communicated with the owners of certain premises with a view to the acquisition thereof by the Board as a place of refuge for persons compelled to leave their homes during the disinfection of the same. Up to the present time, however, the Board has been unable to come to any decision upon the subject.

OWNERLESS LAND.

On the 27th April, 1892, the Board resolved as follows:—

“That, having regard to the fact that there are in the District several plots of land with or without houses thereon, for which no owners can be found and which are used for such purposes as to cause them to be nuisances to the neighbourhood, the London County Council be asked to obtain Parliamentary powers to enable the Local Authority to take possession of such land and houses for the benefit of the ratepayers.”

“That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be sent to the several District Boards and Vestries in the Metropolis with a request for an expression of an opinion thereon.”

Copies of the first Resolution was sent as directed, and many Local Authorities passed Resolutions to the same effect, but the County Council replied expressing the opinion that the better course would be for the Board itself to seek Parliamentary powers if they were thought desirable. Upon this the Board informed the Council that they entirely dissented from such

opinion, and felt that as the subject was of Metropolitan interest Parliamentary powers should be sought by the Council rather than by a Local Authority.

EAST LONDON WATER WORKS COMPANY.

The attention of the Board was called to the fact that the East London Water Works Company had introduced a clause into a Bill before Parliament whereby the use of fittings stamped or supplied by the Company was rendered obligatory, upon the owners of property, and a penalty imposed in the event of any other fittings being employed. A Special Committee was appointed to consider the matter, and the Board on their recommendation presented a Memorial to the London County Council stating the points objected to by the Board in the Bill, and asking them to give consideration thereto in their opposition, and also stating that if necessary the Board would be prepared to attend with witnesses before the Committee of the House. The Bill was ultimately rejected by the House of Commons and no further steps were therefore necessary.

JAMES STREET, RATCLIFF.

As requested by the Board, I had an interview with the Engineer of the Great Eastern Railway Company with reference to the works carried out by the Company in James Street, Ratcliff, and the manner in which the street was affected thereby. I laid before the Works Committee a letter from the Engineer stating that as the land was the property of the Railway Company, he would be prepared, with a view of meeting the requirements of the Board, to put up gates at each end of the passage. The Engineer also stated that the houses in James Street were acquired of necessity by reason of the Company taking possession of the street, and it had been considered desirable in the Company's interest to purchase the houses outright. As regards the unpaved part of the street, I reported that the Company had expressed their willingness to pave certain portions shown on the plan which I submitted to the committee, and to put in a proper gulley to carry off the surface water. The Board approved the same.

SNOW STORM.

In consequence of a fall of snow which took place on the 17th January, 1893, 59 men were engaged on the following day to assist in clearing the same, 14 being employed the whole day, and 45 for three quarters of a day. The total cost of the extra labour was £9 1s. 2d.

ADVERTISING ON LAMP COLUMNS.

The attention of the Board was called to the system adopted by Messrs. Heath, of Birmingham, of advertising on lamp columns, and Messrs. Heath have been requested to fit up a sample lamp in the District to enable the Board to form an opinion as to the advisability of making an arrangement with them.

SMOKE NUISANCE.

The Public Health (London) Act, 1891, having thrown upon the Board the duty of dealing with infringements of the provisions of the said Act relating to smoke consumption, a notice was issued to proprietors of factories, &c., in the District as follows :—

PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT, 1891.

SMOKE CONSUMPTION.

NOTICE TO MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS.

By the above mentioned Act it is provided as follows :—

SECTION 23.—

(1) Every furnace employed in the working of engines by steam, and every furnace employed in any public bath or wash-

house, or in any mill, factory, printing-house, dye-house, iron foundry, glass-house, distillery, brew-house, sugar refinery, bake-house, gas works, waterworks, or other buildings used for the purpose of trade or manufacture (although a steam engine be not used or employed therein), shall be constructed so as to consume or burn the smoke arising from such furnace.

(2) If any person being the owner or occupier of the premises, or being a foreman or other person employed by such owner or occupier :

- (a) Uses any such furnace which is not constructed so as to consume or burn the smoke arising therefrom ; or
- (b) So negligently uses any such furnace as that the smoke arising therefrom is not effectually consumed or burnt ; or
- (c) Carries on any trade or business which occasions any noxious or offensive effluvia, or otherwise annoys the neighbourhood or inhabitants, without using the best practicable means for preventing or counteracting such effluvia or other annoyance :

such person shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five pounds, and on a second conviction to a fine of ten pounds, and on each subsequent conviction to a fine double the amount of the fine imposed on the last preceding conviction.

(4) Provided that in this Section the words "consume or burn the smoke," shall not be held in all cases to mean "consume or burn all the smoke," and the Court hearing an information against a person may remit the fine if of opinion that such person has so constructed his furnace as to consume or burn as far as possible all the smoke arising from such furnace, and has carefully attended to the same, and consumed or burned as far as possible the smoke arising from such furnace.

SECTION 24.—

- (a) Any fireplace or furnace which does not, as far as practicable, consume the smoke arising from the combustible used therein, and which is used for working engines by steam, or in any mill, factory, dye-house, brewery, bake-house, or gaswork, or in any manufacturing or trade process whatsoever ; and
- (b) Any chimney (not being the chimney of a private dwelling-house) sending forth black smoke in such quantities as to be a nuisance ;

shall be nuisances liable to be dealt with summarily under this Act, and the provisions of this Act relating to those nuisances shall apply accordingly :

Provided that the Court hearing a complaint against a person in respect of a nuisance arising from a fireplace or furnace which does not consume the smoke arising from the combustible used in such fireplace or furnace, shall hold that no nuisance is created and dismiss the complaint, if satisfied that such fireplace or furnace is constructed in such manner as to consume as far as practicable, having regard to the nature of the manufacture or trade, all smoke arising therefrom, and that such fireplace or furnace has been carefully attended to by the person having the charge thereof.

BY ORDER.

Several instances of contravention of the Act have been reported, and in each instance notice has been given that proceedings would be taken in the event of a repetition of the offence.

STONE YARD, WHITE HORSE STREET.

With regard to the obstruction of the light and air of the Stone Yard in White Horse Street, caused by the widening of

the Blackwall Railway Company, I reported to the Works Committee that I had seen the Land Agent of the Great Eastern Railway Company upon the subject, and I submitted a letter from him stating that he was prepared to recommend the Company to let to the Board for the purpose of a Stone Yard the two new arches and the land on the south side thereof (colored Red on the plan) at the nominal rent of £2 per annum, and to give an undertaking that the tenancy should not be determined unless the premises were required by the Company for railway purposes. The Board resolved to accept the terms offered.

THAMES COMMUNICATION.

The London County Council decided to apply to Parliament for powers to form a Free Ferry across the River Thames from Ratcliff to Rotherhithe, and a Bill was duly deposited, but owing to difficulties with respect to the question of "betterment" the scheme was withdrawn.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Notice was received from the County of London Electric Lighting Company of their intention to apply to the Board of Trade for a Provisional Order authorising the said Company to supply electrical energy within the District, but the Company did not proceed with the matter.

In March, 1893, the Board appointed a Committee to consider the whole question of the lighting of the District, with power to visit such places as might be necessary for the purpose of obtaining information upon the subject.

FIRE ALARMS AND FIRE ESCAPES.

In my last Report I stated that the London County Council had written pointing out the desirability of indicating the positions of Fire Alarms and Fire Escapes by means of tablets affixed in or upon the street lamps or otherwise, to which the

Board had replied that they did not object to tablets being so affixed, provided the work was carried out by and at the expense of the Council. The Council afterwards expressed the opinion that the work should be carried out by and at the expense of the District Board and Vestries, upon which the Board informed the Council that they considered that as the fixing of Fire Alarm and Fire Escape Indicators was a matter of Metropolitan importance, the work should be undertaken and the cost thereof borne by the Council, as in the event of the Local Authorities undertaking the duty, much inconvenience would arise on account of the divided responsibility.

MARKET STREET.

On the 13th July, the Board resolved :—

“ That Market Street, Ratcliff, being a new street within the Limehouse District, is not paved and drained to the satisfaction of the Board, and that it is necessary that the same should be well and sufficiently paved and drained; and that as recommended by the Committee the plan and apportionment prepared by the Surveyor be approved, and that orders be made upon the owners of the land and houses in Market Street aforesaid for the payment of the expenses in accordance with the said apportionment; and further that the Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the works forthwith.”

The owners of the property disputed their liability to pay the amounts claimed from them, and proceedings were taken against them, when orders were made for the payment of the several sums.

REPAIRING MACADAM ROADS.

Certain allegations having been made with respect to the manner in which the repair of the Carriageway of Burdett Road was carried out, the Board appointed a Special Committee to enquire into the matter, and to report as to the repairing and making up of roads in the future. The Committee, after an ex-

haustive inquiry, made the following recommendations, which were subsequently approved and adopted by the Board, viz :—

1.—That a new book be opened and kept by the Accountant, shewing a correct record of every repair or road making, with separate cost of labour, quantities of material and cost, and any other charges on every job, and in the case of macadam roads, shewing the average depth of new material and total average cost per yard super and per yard cube.

2.—That in all cases the quantity of material required to repair any road shall be ascertained and settled by the Surveyor.

3.—That the steam roller in future be not ordered to any job until the metalling is laid ; and that your Committee, after careful consideration, do not advise the purchase of a steam roller, seeing that the total payments under this head from 1887 to the end of 1892—a period of 6 years—amounted to £705 3s. 9d., or an average expenditure of £117 10s. 7d. per annum, but that new Tenders be obtained, by advertisement, for the hire of steam roller when required.

4.—That it is absolutely necessary in order to exercise a proper supervision over this Boards work—

(a) That the Clerk of Works must reside within the District.

(b) That a head ganger be employed, to be left in permanent charge of all work during progress ; able to read and write, check weights, &c., and competent to control workmen.

5.—That the Clerk of Works and the Road Inspector be required to open and keep a daily journal of all work done under their superintendence.

6.—That in addition to the present Committees of the Board, a special Survey Committee be elected.

7.—That during this enquiry, it has come to the knowledge of the Committee that considerable ill feeling and friction exists between two of the officials, and seeing that the interests of the Board must of necessity suffer in consequence, the Committee considers that the attention of the Surveyor should immediately be called to this fact, and further that the Board should consider the advisability of placing the Clerk of Works upon the same footing as the other officials, both as regards the mode of paying his salary and the wearing of the Board's uniform.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES DUNCH,

Surveyor of the Board.

