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GENERAL REPORT

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PRESENTED TO THE
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JUNE, 1868.

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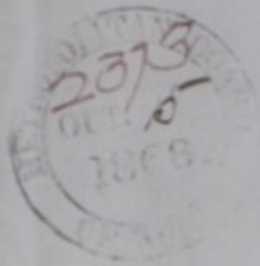
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Metropolis Local Management Act 1855.

Vestry of the Parish of St Mary, Rotherhithe.

Offices, 61, Paradise St. S.E.

14th Oct^r 1868

Dear Sir,

We beg to forward you per
 Book post copy) General Annual Report
 of The Vestry of this parish for the
 year ending 25th March 1868, to which
 is appended the Account in Abstract &
 and Annual Report of The Medical
 Officer of Health, pursuant to the Acts
 18th and 19th Vic: c 120 and 25th and 26th
 Vic: c 102, and we shall feel obliged
 by your submitting such Report to The
 Metropolitan Board of Works.

We are, Dear Sir,

Wm Pollard Esq
 Clerk

Yours truly

Hawth Stott

Metropolitan Board of Works

Spring Gardens

Clerks

J. W. Stott

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We, BENJAMIN HOLMAN and LUKE SEAR, the Auditors appointed by the Parishioners of the Parish of Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, to examine and audit the accounts of the Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, aforesaid, for the year ending 25th March, 1868, having carefully and diligently examined and investigated the accounts of the said Vestry for the period aforesaid, and the Vouchers in support of the same; and the books, papers, instruments, and writings in their custody or control relating thereto, do hereby certify and declare, that We have this day audited the said Accounts of the said Vestry, at the Board Room at the Workhouse, Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, in the presence of the following, viz., BENJAMIN HOLMAN, Chairman, and LUKE SEAR, and that the said accounts are true and correct in all particulars, and We do allow the same accordingly and sign the same in token of such our allowance thereof.

Given under our hands, this first day of May, 1868.

(Signed)

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B. HOLMAN, }
LUKE SEAR, } Auditors

Office, 61, Paradise Street,

Rotherhithe.

Showing the Receipt and Expenditure for One Year ending 25th March, 1868.

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

GENERAL ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

Executed under Contracts, Agreements, &c., for Special and General Works, One Year ending 25th March, 1868.

Paving and General Purposes Rate.		Paving.		Lighting.	Watering.	Cleansing and Repairing Roads.	Improving.	Removing Dust.	Total.
		Footway.	Carriageway.						
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Labour (Paviors and Masons employed by the Vestry) ..	309 11 7							309 11 7
	Ditto ditto ditto ..		136 1 3						136 1 3
	York Paving and Kerb ..	1536 14 10							1536 14 10
	Granite Spalls and Carriage Paving ..		912 5 0						912 5 0
	Mr. A. T. Hobman, Cartage ..					585 16 11			
	Wages of Day Labourers ..					575 12 7			1161 9 6
	Maintenance of Main Roads, viz:—								
	Broken Stone ..					2551 16 5			
	Cleansing ..					479 16 2			
	Labour ..					337 5 11			3368 18 6
	Watering ..				260 3 6				260 3 6
	Watering Parish Streets, viz:—								
	Horse Hire ..				65 4 4				
	Labour ..				16 12 0				
	Sundries ..				11 5 0				94 1 4
	Removing Dust ..							250 0 0	250 0 0
									8029 5 6

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Lighting Rate.		Lighting.	Contributions	Commission.	—	Sundries.	—	—	Total.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	The Surrey Consumers' Gas Company ..	1602 9 6							1602 9 6
	Mrs. Ackland ..		2 5 0						
	Mr. W. J. Blake ..		2 2 0						4 7 0
	Messrs. Rix, Lamp Columns ..					21 0 0			
	Mr. W. Kent, Bricklayer ..					1 6 0			22 6 0
	Collector's Commission ..			47 17 2					

GENERAL ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

**VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY,
CONTRACTS FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF GENERAL WORKS AND SUPPLY OF MATERIALS.**

Subsisting at the Commencement of, and entered into, during the Year ending 25th March, 1868.

Rate, &c.	Date of Contract.	Name of Party with whom Contract was made.	Nature of Works to be Performed, and Materials to be Supplied.	Observations.
Paving, Cleansing, and General Purposes.	11th December, 1867.	James Fennings	For the supply of broken Guernsey granite and flints for the repair and maintenance of the main roads of this parish, as per schedule of prices.	Entered into for one year, from 1st Nov. 1867.
"	17th March, 1868.	Alfred Thomas Hobman	Team hire and cartage, as per schedule of prices	Entered into for one year from 25th March, 1868.
"	18th March, 1868.	Thomas Hack	Supply of lime, as per schedule of prices	Ditto ditto.
"	19th March, 1868.	B. Batt & Co.	Printing and stationery, as per schedule of prices	Ditto ditto.
"	30th March, 1868.	Frederick Manuelle	Supply of granite spalls, carriage paving, kerb, and York paving, as per schedule of prices.	Ditto ditto.
"	15th April, 1868.	Joseph Parsons	Team hire and cartage for main roads as per schedule of prices.	Entered into for three years, from 1st Feb., 1868.
"	15th April, 1868.	Joseph Parsons	Dusting (Vestry to pay contractor £148).	Entered into for one year, from 3rd April, 1868.
LIGHTING ..	3rd November, 1863.	Surrey Consumers' Gas Company	For lighting the public lamps with gas, at £4 10s. each per annum.	Entered into for seven years, from 29th Sept., 1863.
SEWERS	18th March, 1868.	William Kent	General jobbing works, as per schedule of prices	Entered into for one year, from 25th March, 1868.

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

Statement and Account of all Arrears of Rates and other Moneys owing to, and of all Mortgages, Debts, and Liabilities owing by the Vestry on the 25th March, 1868.

Rate, &c.	MONEYS OWING TO THE VESTRY.					DEBTS AND LIABILITIES OWING BY THE VESTRY.						Total.
	Cash Balance.	Uncollected Rates, &c.	Contributions to be Received.	—	Total.	Cash Balance.	Assessment by Metropolitan Board.	Loans, Mortgages, &c.	Estimated value of Compensation Annuities granted.	Special Contracts outstanding.	Tradesmen's Bills, and other obligations, &c.	
	£ s. d. 195 18 10	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 195 18 10		£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. Mr. J. W. Barrett. 1600 0 0			£ s. d. ..	£ s. d. 1600 0 0
PAYING AND GENERAL PURPOSES		340 0 0			340 0 0			London and Westminster Bank. 1000 0 0				1000 0 0
			Surrey Gas Company 24 10 0	The Guardians of the Poor Temporary Loan 1500 0 0	1500 0 0						1046 8 6	1046 8 6
			Southwark Water Company 19 10 7									
			Commercial Street 59 15 7									
LIGHTING		80 0 0	Union Place 10 9 9								Gas Comp. 411 12 3	411 12 3
			Debnam's Road 35 5 4									
SEWERS			Exors. of the late Mr Dethick 212 17 10					Mrs. Brandon 800 0 0				800 0 0
		210 0 0	The Guardians of the Poor for stone 215 19 5				1681 15 1					1681 15 1
					2904 7 4							6539 15 10

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

SUMMARY STATEMENT. ONE YEAR ENDING MARCH 25th, 1868.

Paving and General Purposes Account.

	£	s.	d.
To Cash received from Paving Rates	9875	16	8½
" Surrey Consumers' Gas Company, for Repairs to Trenches	60	19	10
" Southwark Water Company, for Repairs to Trenches	40	18	1
" Contributions towards cost of paving Fossyth Street	13	4	7
" " " " Commercial Street	119	18	2
" " " " Union Place	17	9	10
" " " " Debnam's Road	1	4	0
" Mr. Dethick for reinstating Main Sewer Trenches	157	6	0
" Interest on Current Account with London and Westminster Bank	19	18	0
" Temporary Loan, London and Westminster Bank	2000	0	0
" Temporary Loan, repaid by Guardians of the Poor	1500	0	0
" Sundry Contributions	19	17	7
	£13,826	12	9½
" Borrowed from Loan Account	£228	5	5
" " " Lighting Account	£180	13	6
	£408	18	11
	£14,235	11	8½

	£	s.	d.
By repaid amount, borrowed from Loan Account, 25th March, 1867	619	11	3
" repaid amount, borrowed from Lighting Account	63	3	4½
" paid Salaries, Medical Officer of Health, Clerks, Surveyor, and Inspector of Nuisances, one year	503	0	0
" " Commission	252	8	2
" " Paviers' Labour	421	5	3
" " Day Labour	575	12	7
" " Cartage	560	11	4
" " Stone	2107	7	2
" repaid on Account of Loan and Interest (Mr. J. W. Barret)	283	11	8
" paid Valuation Committees' Expenses	30	0	0
" " Lime	25	4	6
" " Ballast and Gravel	86	3	0
" " Watering Parish Roads	94	1	4
" " Maintenance and Watering Main Roads	3629	2	0
" " Fire Escapes, one quarter	40	0	0
" " Stationery, &c.	68	19	5
" " Removing Dust	250	0	0
" " Surveyors and Legal Expenses re certain Appeals for Assessments	439	13	4
" " Temporary Loans to Guardians of the Poor	3000	0	0
" repaid London and Westminster Bank, on Account of Loan and Interest	1012	17	8
" paid Tradesmen's Bills, &c.	172	19	8
	£14,235	11	8½

Paving Loan Account.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance of Loan borrowed of Mr. J. W. Barrett, for paving and Kerbing Footpaths	619	11	3	By paid labour, laying 4,432 feet of Kerb	24	7	7
				" 4,432 feet of Granite Kerb	341	12	8
				" cartage of same	25	5	7
					391	5	10
				By lent Paving and General Purposes Account	228	5	5
	£619	11	3		£619	11	3

Lighting Account, One Year ending 25th March, 1868.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1867	444	0	9	By paid Lighting, one year	1629	2	6
To Cash received from Lighting Rates	1854	4	6	" " Commission	47	17	2
" Interest on current account with London and Westminster Bank	4	2	6				
" Sundries	2	0	0				
				" lent Paving Account	180	13	6
				" " Sewers Account	250	15	9
				" Balance at Bankers	195	18	10
	£2304	7	9		627	8	1
					£2304	7	9

Sewers' Account, One Year ending 25th March, 1868.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Cash received from Sewers Rates	5105	11	5½	By paid amount, borrowed from Lighting Account, 25th March, 1867 ..	181	15	4½
" for putting in Drains, &c.	228	6	11	" Salaries	400	0	0
" Contributions towards cost of Gulleys, Forsyth-street	3	8	5	" Commission	130	13	2
" " " Union-place	2	0	0	" Interest on £800 loan (Mr. Brandon)	39	6	8
" " " Commercial-street	2	10	0	" General Drainage Works (Kent)	1166	2	6
" Rent of Surface over Sewers	0	3	0	" Stationery	25	6	4
" Interest on current account with London and Westminster Bank	9	11	0	" The Metropolitan Board of Works Expenses	1509	8	5
				" " " Main Drainage Rate	1575	0	0
				" Labour	487	17	1
	£5351	10	9½	" Cartage	39	16	5
" Borrowed from Lighting Account	250	15	9	" Tradesmen's Bills, &c.	47	0	7
	£5602	6	6½		£5602	6	6½

TWELFTH GENERAL REPORT

OF THE

Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, SURREY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 25th MARCH.

1868.

During the past year the Vestry has held twenty-six General and Special Meetings, and twenty-seven Committee Meetings.

Sewers Works.

3-inch pipe drain	. . . . .	8 feet
4 " "	. . . . .	38 "
6 " "	. . . . .	739 "
9 " "	. . . . .	642 "
12 " "	. . . . .	1965 "
15 " "	. . . . .	910 "
Total		4302

Eleven gulleys, thirty-seven gratings, fifty-four drain mouths and two flushing shafts to sewers, have been formed and constructed.

100 applications have been made to drain houses into sewers, including notices of intended new buildings, and plans checked and approved, comprising 229 houses and premises, 189 of which have been properly drained and completed, and forty are in progress.

About forty cesspools have been done away with.

A fifteen-inch pipe sewer, (about 492 feet) has been laid in the Deptford Old Lower Road, from the rear of the "Lion" southwards, to the Earl sewer, and the road-gulleys and house drains have been connected therewith.

660 feet of twelve-inch pipe sewer, has also been laid by the Vestry in Corbett's Lane, and the several house drains have been connected therewith by the Owners.

Upon the execution of the sewers and drains in "Southwark Park," the Metropolitan Board of Works consented to the drainage of Clarehall Cottages and Place, Jamacia Level being taken into such sewers, and for that purpose a twelve-inch pipe sewer (432 feet) was laid by the Vestry at the rear of Clarehall Cottages, in the line of the old open ditch, and connected with the sewer in the Park. The drainage of the houses, Clarehall Cottages and Clarehall Place, is now being carried out by the Owners, by combined drains into the before-mentioned pipe sewer.

The works of the East London Railway having necessitated certain alterations of the drainage at China-hall Place, Providence Place, Portland Place, Baltic Place, &c., the works required have been carried out by the Contractor to the Vestry, under the direction of the Surveyor of Sewers, and the cost thereof charged to the East London Railway Company.

A letter from the clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works, having been received by the Vestry, calling attention to the evil resulting from the practice of sweeping road refuse into the sewers, through the street gullies, the Vestry directed their Surveyor of Pavements to see that the Labourers employed did not sweep the road slush into the road gullies.

Paving Works.

The following works have been done with new and old stone, from March, 1867 to March, 1868:—

New carriage-paving laid	137	tons.
Old carriage-paving relaid	2771	yards.
Carriage-paving redressed	180	yards super.
New kerb laid	6048	feet run.
Old kerb relaid	1821	" "
Old kerb reworked	91	" "
Tram relaid	862	" "
New York paving laid	15517	feet super.
Old York paving relaid	17270	" "
Ditto ditto refaced	58	" "
York paving squared in stoneyard	8000	" "

Materials used in repairing roads:—

Dartmoor Stone	895	yards.
Guernsey Granite	3247	tons.
Bombay stone	32	cubic yards.
Port Phillip stone	339	" "
Common stone (various)	264	" "
Flints (dug)	205	" "
Gravel and Hoggin	378	" "
Slop carted	2484	yards.
Ground and stone carted	2055	loads.
Blue lias lime	12	sacks.
Grey stone lime	35	cubic yards.
Portland Cement	1	cask.

4,432 feet of kerb has been laid during the year, viz.:—515 feet in Plough-road, 1988 feet in Rotherhithe New-road, 1,173 feet in Jamaica Level, and 756 feet on the south side of Albion-street, and the cost thereof debited to the Paving Loan Account.

The carriage-ways and foot-ways, Corbett's-lane and Debnam's-road, Rotherhithe New-road, have been repaved and made up by the Vestry, and the cost thereof apportioned amongst the owners of property therein, after deducting a contribution made by the Vestry of one-third part of such cost.

The carriage-way, Rotherhithe-street, has been taken up and relaid at the following places, viz.:—from the Surrey Consumers' Gas Works to the "Surrey Dock Tavern," also from Bull Head Dock to the King and Queen Granary.

The carriage-way, Rotherhithe-wall, between the "India House" Public-house and the west gateway to Messrs. Perks's Mill, has been also taken up and relaid.

Two paved crossings, six feet wide, have been formed in the carriage-way, Russell-street, viz.:—one from the north foot-way of Lower York-street across to Randell's Rents, and one from Mr. Bolton's to the approach to Commercial Dock Pier, Thames-street.

The Vestry have entered into a contract with Mr. Thomas Turner, of King's-road, Chelsea, to pave the carriage-way and foot-ways, Union-road, and that portion of the carriage-way, Deptford Lower-road, extending from the "Royal Oak" Public-house, to the Surrey Commercial Dock entrance, according to a tender and schedule of prices accepted by the Vestry; the work was commenced on the 1st May, 1868, and is now (June, 1868) in active progress. The surveyor's estimate of the cost of the work, amounted to £8,410 3s. 2d., and, in order to meet the expense, the Vestry have, with the consent of the Metropolitan Board of Works, obtained a loan of £8,000, from Mr. Robert Lawrence, of Ware, Herts, upon mortgage of the paving and general purposes rates of this parish, such loan to be repaid by twenty annual instalments, with interest, at the rate of £5 per cent. per annum.

Lighting.

During the past year, eight new lamps have been set up, viz.:—four in Rotherhithe New-road (viz.:—one opposite Corbett's-lane, one at the angle of the Branch-road, one opposite Dartmouth-road, and one under the South Eastern Railway arch), one in Debnam's-road, one in Corbett's-lane, one in Maynard-road, and one in Commercial Dock-road, making the total number of lamps in this parish, lighted under the contract with "The Surrey Consumers' Gas Company," 362. (For further particulars of contract see page 6.)

Cleansing, Watering, &c.

The Vestry have entered into a new contract with Mr. Joseph Parsons, for three years, for the supply of men, horses and carts, at per day, for the cartage of the cleansings from the Main-roads, after the same have been swept up by the Vestry's Labourers, and to a shoot provided by the Vestry.

Mr. Alfred Thomas Hobman, is the contractor for removing the cleansings from the streets, other than the Main-roads, at per day, for man, horse and cart; he also contracts for the supply of horses, harness and drivers, to the Vestry's water-carts for watering the whole of the roads and streets of the parish.

The Vestry have made an alteration in the staff of labourers employed in cleansing and watering the roads and streets, and the present arrangement is as follows:—viz.

A Ganger and five men are employed for cleansing and watering the parish streets and roads, and a Ganger, and six men for cleansing and watering the Main-roads, formerly known as the Turnpike-roads.

An arrangement has also been made, whereby the Guardians of the Poor have taken upon themselves the entire supervision of the pauper labour in the Stone Dépôt, and the payment for the same, which arrangement supersedes the former system, whereby the Vestry used to employ and pay the casual poor, sent to the stoneyard by the Relieving Officer. The Guardians also purchase unbroken stone, which, when broken by the applicants for relief, is taken by the Vestry for the repair of the roads, at the current price.

The Vestry have entered into an agreement with the Vestry of Bermondsey, whereby this Vestry have to maintain, cleanse and water all that part of the carriage-way of the Manor-road southward of the north corner of Roseberry-street; also all that portion of the carriage-way, Rotherhithe New Road eastward of the west corner of Hyson-road, the Vestry of Bermondsey taking for the same purposes all the remainder of the said Roads respectively northward and westward of the before-mentioned points: such agreement to terminate after six months' notice to that effect from either Vestry to the other.

Dusting.

Mr. Joseph Parsons is the contractor for removing the dust from the dwellings of the inhabitants, and out of the parish; for particulars of contract see page 6.

Removal of Nuisances' Proceedings, &c.

From 25th March, 1867, to 25th of March, 1868, 146 notices have been served in duplicate under the Nuisances' Removal Act, upon complaints made by the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances. Thirty-one of which have been effectually abated by proper drainage being made from the respective houses into covered Sewers. 113 have been abated by removal, and two are standing over.

Fourteen Notices to make and cleanse drains, and provide water-closets, ashpits, and water-supply have been served in duplicate, by order of the Vestry; in ten cases the owners have properly complied therewith, by carrying out the requisite works, and four are standing over.

Fourteen notices of intention of Butchers to apply to have their Slaughter-houses licensed in this parish were received by the Vestry, which were severally inspected, and reported upon by the Medical Officer of Health, all of which were licensed by the Magistrates in October, 1867.

Four notices from Cow-keepers of their intention to apply to have their cow-houses licensed under the provisions of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, were received by the Vestry, and the same having been inspected, and approved by the Medical Officer of Health, they also were all licensed by the Magistrates in October, 1867.

For further particulars, see Medical Officer of Health's Annual Report, hereto annexed, Appendix No. 1.)

Financial.

The Loan of £800, borrowed by the Vestry of Mr. Samuel Brandon, at £5 per cent. still continues.

£400 has been paid off the Loan borrowed of Mr. J. W. Barrett, leaving £1,600 to be repaid by yearly instalments of £200 each, with interest, at £5 per cent. per annum.

Upon the decease of Mr. Henry Withers, the late Treasurer to the Vestry, Mr. Forrest Rothney, Manager of the Southwark Branch of the London and Westminster Bank, was appointed by the Vestry as their Treasurer.

Charity Estates, &c.

The Accounts of Messrs. William James Blake, and James Hurd, the Churchwardens for the year 1867-68, have been Audited, and the following is a copy of the Charities account:—

To Cash received from

	£	s.	d.
Plaistow Estate, 1 year's rent to Lady-day, 1868	25	11	4
Stratford Estate, ditto ditto	71	19	5
Smith's Charity, 1 year to Michaelmas, 1867	43	18	0
Bennett's Charity	9	0	0
Hill and Bell's Charity	6	0	0
Coat and Cloak Charity	6	0	0
Mrs. Embleton's Gift	5	0	10
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	£167	9	7
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By Balance paid to late Churchwardens 3 19 11

Cash paid for Bread, viz. :—

Lungley	10	16	0
Colls	10	16	0
Killian	10	16	0
Matthes	10	16	0
Cartwright	10	16	0
Lungley	10	16	0
Colls	10	16	0
Cartwright	10	16	0
Matthes	10	16	0
Toms	10	16	0
Lungley	10	16	0
Cartwright	10	16	0
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	129	12	0
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Carried forward £133 11 11

	Brought forward	£133	11	11
Bennett's Charity, distributed in 1s. Tickets		9	0	0
Coat and Cloak Charity		6	0	0
Mrs. Embleton's Gift, £1 10s. of this was expended in transferring stock		5	0	10
Expenses getting money for Smith's Charity		0	2	6
Treasurer of Charity School, Hill and Bell's Charity		3	0	0
		£156	15	3
Balance in the hands of the Churchwardens		10	14	4
		£167	9	7

The Vestry have appointed the following new Trustees of the Charities of this parish, viz. :—

The Rev. Edward Josselyn Beck, and Messrs. Edmond George Dannell, Edward Talbot, and John Sanderson to be Trustees of the Embleton and Horncastle Charities, in the place of the Rev. Edward Blick and Messrs. James White and Jonas Heydelbach, deceased, and of the Rev. William Hutchinson, who had left the parish.

The Rev. Edward Josselyn Beck and Messrs. Daniel Serle, Edward John Cox, and John Bulmer to be Trustees of the Coat and Cloak Charity, in the place of the Rev. Edward Blick and Messrs. Thomas Simson, and John Beatson, deceased.

The Rev. Edward Josselyn Beck, and Mr. Robert Allen to be Trustees of the late Mr. James Kidd's Gift, in lieu of the Rev. Edward Blick and Mr. John Kelsey, and in conjunction with Mr. Robert Newham.

Miscellaneous.

The Vestry in June, 1867, upon the recommendation of a Committee appointed to investigate into the matter, made the following resolutions with respect to Rates in arrear, viz :—

That for the future the names of all persons in arrear be entered in the succeeding Rate-books, and that there be only two Rates in collection at one time.

That all the persons who have not paid the last preceding Rate, within six weeks after the confirmation of the then present Rate, be forthwith summoned, and that such principle be adopted in all succeeding Rates.

It appearing, by the basis for the County Rates, as prepared by the Justices for the County of Surrey, that it was proposed to raise the assessment of this parish, from £83,539 to £126,000. The Vestry appointed a Committee to appeal against such basis, which Committee prepared grounds of objection and attended before the Justices with same, but could obtain no reduction in the amount which was ultimately fixed at £126,000 for this parish.

The Vestry being desirous of obtaining the settlement of several questions that had arisen as to the working of "The representation of the People Act, 1867," with respect to

the Qualification of Vestrymen, the making, assessing, and collecting of the Parochial Rates, &c., they obtained the opinion of Mr. Mellish, Q.C., thereon, which will be found in the Appendix hereto annexed. (No. 3.)

The Vestry presented a petition to the House of Commons through John Locke, Esq. M.P., praying for the repeal or modification of the seventh section of "The Representation of the People Act, 1867," so as to enable Owners of small property to compound for Parochial Rates, as heretofore.

Memorials have been presented by the Vestry to the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey, urging the appointment of Charles Churchill, Esq., and Cyrus Legg, Esq., as Justices of the Peace for the County, to act in conjunction with John Mews and Henry Sterry, Esquires, in transacting the Parochial business of this parish, requiring the assistance of Magistrates.

The Vestry memorialised the Secretary of State for the Home Department against the Bills introduced into Parliament last Session, entitled "The Municipal Corporation (Metropolis)" and Metropolitan Municipal Government." The first-mentioned Bill, having for its object the establishment of a Central Municipal Corporation, in lieu of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the latter Bill the establishment of Municipal Corporations in the several Parliamentary Boroughs in the Metropolis, in lieu of the Vestries and District Boards. Ultimately the first-mentioned Bill was withdrawn, the promoters not having complied with the standing orders of the House of Commons, and the latter was negatived without a division.

The Vestry presented a petition to the House of Commons through John Locke, Esq., M.P., in support of "The Metropolis Gas Bill.

The Vestry of this parish having arranged to co-operate with the Vestry of Bermondsey in carrying out an improvement at Jamaica Level, they have agreed with Mr. Back, the Leaseholder, for the purchase of his interest in the portion of the Mill-stream and banks from Union Bridge southward, to Swan Bridge, for the sum of £50, and the Vestry are also in negotiation with Sir William Gomm, the ground landlord, for the freehold of the said site, for the purpose of throwing the same into the public way, the Vestry of Bermondsey having for the same purpose purchased the site of the old Toll-house, Jamaica Level, and as soon as the preliminaries are settled the improvement works will be carried out jointly by the two Vestries.

Upon the rebuilding of the houses, destroyed by fire, in Rotherhithe-street near Lavender-lane, the Vestry arranged with the owner (Mr. Chambers), to set back the same about two feet for the improvement of the street at that spot, which has been done at a cost to the parish of £71 16s. 0d.

The Metropolitan Board of Works having, on the 1st of July, 1867, under the provisions of the "Fire Brigade Act, 1865" taken possession of all the fire-escapes in the Metropolis, the two fire-escapes in this parish have since that time been under the control of that Board, and this Vestry have been relieved from the payment to "The Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire" of the contribution (£160) towards their maintenance, such contribution being covered by the amount paid by this parish to the Metropolitan Board of Works for the purposes of the before-mentioned Act.

Messrs. Byass and Son having applied to be allowed at their own expense to extend the

two Rights of Way on either side of their premises, Trinity-street, out about ninety-feet into the River, and level with their proposed New Wharf, the Vestry approved of their application upon Messrs. Byass undertaking to form a flight of stone or iron steps at the River-end of the way on the south side, and to properly fence the boundaries of both the ways to the satisfaction of the Vestry; also upon condition that the New Wharf be kept throughout its entire length 4 feet 6 inches above Trinity high-water level.

The Vestry approved of the application made by Mr. James Naylor for permission to extend his Coal Wharf, Rotherhithe-wall, out 13 feet into the River, provided he also continued the parish Right of Way to the River opposite the north end of West Lane, out level with his proposed New Wharf, and flush with Mr. Clift's building on the west side of the Right of Way, and left the said way of the same width as heretofore.

A letter from the Secretary of State having been received by the Vestry, at the latter end of December, 1867, to the effect that it was possible, owing to the designs of wicked and evil-disposed persons the ordinary Police force of the Metropolis might be found insufficient in number to perform the duties required by them, and requesting that the Vestry would lose no time in inviting all well-disposed persons to come forward and enrol themselves as Special Constables, to assist the police in the preservation of the Peace, and in affording protection to life and property, John Mews and Henry Sterry, Esquires, two of the Magistrates for this County, attended, and 728 of the inhabitants of this parish voluntarily came forward and were duly sworn in as Special Constables, and at a meeting of the Special Constables, afterwards held, a staff was appointed, and Districts and Rallying Points were assigned, as follows, viz.—

MAJOR JAMES PAYNE, Chief Superintendent.

CAPTAIN JOHN ROSS, JUN., Superintendent.

MR. GEORGE S. BAYLEY, } Assistant Superintendents.
MR. JAMES WATSON, }

Head Quarters, the Police Station, Paradise-street.

CAPTAIN GEORGE BULMER, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 1. Trinity Schools, Trinity-street.

CAPTAIN J. H. SEARLE, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 2. St. Paul's School, St. Paul's-lane.

MR. S. BROWNFIELD, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 3. Surrey Commercial Dock Office, Plough-road.

MR. JAMES GOATLEY, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 4. Surrey Commercial Dock Office, Deptford-road.

MR. E. G. DANNELL, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 5. The Police Station, Paradise-street.

MR. DANIEL SERLE, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 6. Schoolroom, Clarence-street.

MR. HENRY FINLAY, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 7. The Surrey Consumers' Gas Company's Works, Rotherhithe-street.

MR. JOHN BULMER, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 8. Midway-place, Schoolroom.

CAPTAIN E. J. COX, Deputy Superintendent.—Rallying Point, No. 9. "Stanley Arms," Jamaica Level.

The expenses of an attendant upon the organisation of the Force, amounting to £65 6s. 9d. were repaid by the Treasurer of the County.

APPENDIX No. 1.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

From 25th March, 1867, to 31st March, 1868.

To the Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, Surrey.

GENTLEMEN,

Until the last few years the state of sanitary knowledge was not satisfactory, and the subject failed to excite much interest in the mind of the general public; the medical part of the community have always contended, that the prevention of disease was better than its cure, and have from time to time enunciated those views, and carried them into operation, as far as they had power and opportunity.

The indifference of the public, has been in some measure overcome by the destructive effects of some severe epidemic diseases, which have appeared amongst us, aided by the exertions, for a series of years, of a few earnest and philanthropic men, who have been engaged in effecting a remedy for this defect in our social system. Various Legislative enactments in relation to Collieries and Factories, the Interment of the Dead, the Health of Towns, Nuisances removal, the preservation of large spaces for the People, the supply of Water, purity of Gas, and recently more comprehensive Acts of Parliament have been passed, which have excited very hopeful feelings in the minds of those engaged in the work of sanitary improvement. We have reason to believe that in ordinary times a great saving of human life has been effected by the operation of the laws already alluded to, and that the power of severe epidemic diseases has been mitigated by the introduction of our sanitary laws. In the year 1866, when we experienced an outbreak of Asiatic Cholera, London and its suburbs, except the Eastern district, were lightly visited by it, and we have ground to conclude that the combined and systematic arrangements that were made in different localities to combat the disease, were attended with great success.

The past year has been characterised by two circumstances which are regarded as unquestionable proofs of the prosperity and sound sanitary state of a district; an increase of births, and a very large decrease of deaths, the diminution of deaths, cannot be accounted for by the idea entertained by some persons, that a favourable state of health, immediately after a severe epidemic, is to be explained by the disease having removed by death a large number of weakly and aged persons; inasmuch as during the year 1866, the deaths by epidemic cholera amounted to twenty-one, which must be considered a small number, compared with population. We must, therefore, look to other causes for the improved health of the Parish, and give a fair portion of credit to the sanitary measures which have been in operation for a series of years.

We shall not be far from correct in calculating the population of this Parish at twenty-eight thousand five hundred, and in forming this estimate, we must consider that a moving population, consisting of Seamen, and persons casually employed, amounting to about two thousand, must be added to the fixed population of twenty-six thousand five hundred. The births registered during the year amounted to 1007, 527 Males and 480 Females; being an increase of thirty-nine over the former year, and 477 over deaths.

The usual quarterly and annual tables are annexed, and will show that from March 25th, 1867, to June 24th, 139 deaths were registered; from June 24th, to September 29th, 135; from September 19th, to December 25th, 138; from December 25th, 1867, to March 25th, 1868, 118. Total 530.

Coroner's Inquests were held on the bodies of fifty persons, and twenty-three of that number were non-residents in the parish.

Twenty-six deaths were occasioned by Drowning.

The death of the oldest person registered was that of a female aged eighty-seven years.

The comparative rate of mortality, during the last three years, will be seen by the following statement:—

		No. of deaths.	Corrected mortality.	Death- rate.
From March 25, 1865, to March 24, 1866 .	.	581	537	20·14
do. 1866 do. 1867 .	.	621	600	21·12
do. 1867 do. 1868 .	.	530	507	17·14

It is my purpose in future to consider the year to commence on April 1, and terminate on March 31, of the following year; according to this calculation eighteen births, seven Males and eleven Females, and eight deaths must be added to the above number.

Deaths arising from five of the most common epidemic diseases were 21 less than in the previous year; by three of the chief diseases of the lungs, 45 less, and as no death was caused by Cholera, 22 lives are gained from that source; the total, 88 in number, nearly approaches the very large diminution of deaths amounting to nearly 100, which has taken place during the past year.

A very important means of benefiting public health is to be derived from improving the habitations of the poor, and preventing too many persons from occupying houses or rooms.

It is the misfortune of the poorer classes to be the first sufferers by epidemic diseases, and from this source they usually spread to other classes of the community. The Vestry at one time gave hopeful signs of feeling the importance of the matter, but our efforts in this direction have been crippled by the want of necessary assistance.

One hundred and sixty-two notices have been served for the removal of nuisances, we have had to deal with dilapidated and dirty houses, defective drainage, foul accumulations of fluid matter and manure, and illegal keeping of Pigs ; in every case the service of a notice was sufficient to cause the removal of the nuisance, and no summons has been issued during the past year.

A long-standing nuisance is nearly abolished, by the piping and partial filling in of the Surrey Mill-stream.

The water-supply has not been satisfactory in the Western Division of the Parish, numerous complaints are usually made in the spring and summer portions of the year, but during past year they have been more loud and frequent ; several communications with the Company on the subject received very little courtesy, nor were they attended with much effect.

The Slaughter-houses have been inspected from time to time, and with one or two exceptions, they were found in a satisfactory state.

The condition of the Bakehouses was not to be complained of, but the Vestry deemed it necessary to present a copy of the Act of Parliament to every Baker in the Parish, to make him acquainted with the obligation to keep his Bakehouse clean, and lime-whiten it periodically.

In closing my remarks on the circumstances attending the first complete year of my duty, as your Medical Officer, I cannot help expressing the gratification I feel in being enabled to state such a very satisfactory condition of the Parish ; it has been the custom even in quarters supposed to be well informed, to pronounce Rotherhithe an unhealthy place, but the facts disclosed in this report must necessarily remove such a mistaken opinion.

With your kind assistance, and the zealous co-operation of those who are associated with me in the work of sanitary improvement, I trust we shall see a farther reduction of the death-rate.

Yours respectfully,

SAMUEL TILLEY.

Rotherhithe, August, 1868.

Table of the Mortality in Rotherhithe, from March 25th, 1867, to March 31st, 1868.

First Quarter, from March 25th, 1867, to June 24th, 1867.

DISEASES.	Under 2 Years	2 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Total
Inquests	3	—	—	—	3	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	11
Fever	—	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	5
Small Pox	1	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	5
Measles	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Whooping-Cough	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Diarrhoea	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Bronchitis	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	6
Pneumonia	5	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	8
Phthisis	2	1	—	2	4	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	7
Croup	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Disease of Heart	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	3
Disease of Liver	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	4
Pericarditis	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Meningitis, Cerebritis, and Acute Hydrocephalus)	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Excessive use of Spirits	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Apoplexy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
Paralysis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	3
Congestion of Brain	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2
Convulsions	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
Jaundice	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Puerperal Fever	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
Albuminuria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Fracture of Femur	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Lumbar Abscess	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Puerperal Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Dropsy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Abscess of Hip-Joint	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Rheumatism	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Hernia	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Diabetes	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Disease of Uterus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
" Spine.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Laryngitis	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Inanition	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Debility from Birth	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Marasmus	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Trismus Nascentium	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Tabes Mesenterica	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Laryngismus Stridulus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Premature Birth	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Atrophy	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Decay of Nature	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	3	—	12
	50	9	2	5	9	15	11	9	8	15	6	—	139

TABLE OF THE MORTALITY IN ROTHERHITHE.

Second Quarter from June 24th to September 29th, 1867.

DISEASES.	Under 2 years	2 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Totals.
measles	2	1	2	—	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	12
scarlet fever	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
measles	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
whooping-Cough	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
diarrhoea	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
dysentery	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	7
typhoid fever	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
pneumonia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
pleurisy	2	1	—	2	6	1	4	2	1	—	—	—	19
dropsy of Heart	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
" Liver	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
" Brain	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
congestion of Brain	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
meningitis, Cerebritis and } Acute Hydrocephalus }	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
apoplexy	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
paralysis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2
hemiplegia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
convulsions	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
asthma	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
dropsy	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	4
calculi in Bladder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
gonorrhoeal Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
stricture	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
pericarditis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
peritonitis	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
pyelitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2
osteomyelitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
dropsy of Ankle-Joint	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
catarrhus Senilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
goiter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
pharyngitis	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
deficiency of Palate	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
debility from birth	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
tetanus	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
strabismus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
cataract	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
hemorrhoids	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
hemiplegia	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
atrophy	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
deformation	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
ulcer of Oris	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
premature Birth	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
weakness of Nature	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	9	3	—	14
	61	10	6	2	9	5	11	5	10	12	4	—	135

TABLE OF THE MORTALITY IN ROTHERHITHE.

Third Quarter from September 29th, 1867, to December 25th, 1867.

DISEASES.	Under 2 years	2 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Total
Inquests	1	—	—	1	3	2	1	2	3	—	—	—	1
Fever	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Measles	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Scarlatina	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Whooping-Cough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Diarrhœa	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Diphtheria	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Bronchitis	17	2	1	—	1	1	—	6	2	—	1	—	3
Pneumonia	5	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Phthisis	—	—	—	1	4	3	1	1	—	1	—	—	1
Croup	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Disease of Heart	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	
Disease of Liver	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Meningitis, Cerebritis, and Acute Hydrocephalus }	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Hydrocephalus Chronic	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apoplexy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
Paralysis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
Hepatitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
Pleuritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Jaundice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
Schirrus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
Hernia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
Anæmia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Convulsions	12	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14
Marasmus	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Debility from Birth	7	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
Syphilis Congenital	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Tabes Mesenterica	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Premature Birth	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Dentition	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Inanition	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Intestinal Obstruction	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Malformation	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Decay of Nature	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	3	3	—	9
Not Certified	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
	67	13	1	2	9	8	6	11	10	7	4		138

TABLE OF THE MORTALITY IN ROTHERHITHE.

Fourth Quarter from December 25th, 1867, to March 31st, 1868.

DISEASES.	Under 2 years.	2 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Totals.
Measles	2	—	—	2	2	2	5	—	1	—	—	—	14
Scarlet Fever	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Small-Pox	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Casles	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Elatina	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Whooping-Cough	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
Erythema	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Leucorrhoea	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	2	—	—	—	14
Gonorrhoea	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Ammonia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Phthisis	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	6
Consumption	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Emphysema	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	4
Disease of Heart	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Peritonitis	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Colitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Phlebotomy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Phlegmon	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Paralysis of Brain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Stiffness of Brain	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	2
Stiffness of Brain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Epilepsy	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	4
Paralysis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Epilepsy	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Paralysis throughout Life	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Encephalitis Cerebralis, and Acute Hydrocephalus	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Convulsions	13	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14
Asphyxia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Ovarian Tumour	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Uterine Tumour in Abdomen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Epilepsy	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Subar Abscess	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Haematuria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Disease of Prostate Gland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Prostatitis diffusa	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Scrophulous	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Immature Birth	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Mortality from Birth	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Strasimus	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Spina Bifida	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Amputation	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Les Mesenterica	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Decay of Nature	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	9	4	—	16
	46	8	3	6	4	6	11	17	7	13	4	—	125

TABLE OF THE MORTALITY IN ROTHERHITHE FOR THE WHOLE YEAR.

From 25th March, 1867, to 31st March, 1868—continued.

DISEASES.	Under 2 years	2 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Totals.
emia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	386
hma	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1
ulitis diffusa	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
culi in Bladder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
psy	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
our.	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	4
nia	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
mus.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
ease of Prostate Gland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
cessive use of Spirits.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
ubar Abscess	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
ease of Hip-Joint	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
" Ankle-Joint	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
ecture of Thigh.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
rrhus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
arrhus Senilis.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
ease of Spine	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
mature Birth	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
bility from Birth	21	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
ntition	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
na Bifida	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
estinal Obstruction	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
mus Nascentium.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
ryngismus Stridulus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
iciency of Palate	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
lformation	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
rasmus	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12
rophy	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
antion	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
philia (congenital)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
bes Mesenterica	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
nerum Oris	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
ay of Nature	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	4	29	13	—	51
at Certified	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
	224	40	12	15	31	34	39	42	35	47	18	—	537

APPENDIX No. 2.

Water Companies' Accounts.

Copy Account of Receipt and Expenditure of the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, from the 1st October, 1866, to the 30th September, 1867, both inclusive.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance at Bankers, 1st October, 1866				11025	5	2
Water Rates				84780	2	7
Shares, Loans, &c.				135090	—	—
Paid on account of—						
New Work	22547	2	1			
Extension of Services.....	18093	15	1			
Law and Parliamentary Charges	1910	4	1			
Repair of Works and Premises	2101	18	1			
Pumping Establishments	11413	8	8			
Salaries of Officers, Men's Wages, Collector's Commission, &c.....	13074	16	3			
Rent and Taxes	7804	3	11			
Loans	96000	—	—			
Interests	13620	16	10			
Dividends	39228	13	10			
Balance at Bankers, 30th September, 1867	5100	8	11			
	230895	7	9	230895	7	9

(Signed)

WM. CLAY, *Chairman.*

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APPENDIX No. 3.

Copy Opinion of Mr. MELLISH, Q.C., upon case submitted by order of the Vestry of Rotherhithe, January, 1868.

QUESTION.

1. Whether those gentlemen who have been elected Vestrymen and whose qualification is now under £25 rating, can still act as Vestrymen up to the end of the term of their election?

2. Whether, if such gentlemen cannot act as Vestrymen, they are still Vestrymen *de facto*, and consequently no further election can be made until the expiration of their term of office, should they not resign or die?

3. Whether any gentleman who was a Vestryman previous to the month of October, 1867, but who, in consequence of the taking away of the compounded ratings, then ceased to be rated at a sufficient amount (£25), but who upon the supplemental rate made January, 1868, has now acquired a rating of £25, is in consequence eligible to come back and retake his seat at the Vestry.

4. Can the Vestry apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works to have the Parish divided into Wards under the 41st sec. of 25 and 26 Vic., c. 102, and if so, are they bound to do this?

5. If not can the Inhabitants elect 36 more Members under the second section of 18 and 19 Vic., c. 120, and if so, are they bound to do this? and when should the election take place? See sec. 7, 10, 20.

ANSWER.

1. I am of opinion that those gentlemen who have been elected Vestrymen and whose qualification is now under £25 rating, cannot still act up to the end of the term of their election.

2. I am of opinion that such gentlemen have ceased to be Vestrymen. It is true that under section 54 the becoming disqualified is not stated as one of the grounds of ceasing to be a Vestryman; but I think it would be held that under section 6 a person who ceases to be rated to the proper amount ceases to be a Vestryman. The section says, that the Vestry shall consist of persons rated to the specified amount, which seems to me equivalent to saying that other persons cannot be or remain members of the Vestry.

3. I am of opinion, for the reasons already stated, that the persons referred to in the question cannot come back and retake their seats unless they are re-elected.

4. I am of opinion that if the Parish did not contain more than 2000 rated householders at the time of the census of 1861, no application to divide the Parish into Wards can be made until the next census. I think the parish is clearly not bound to make the application.

5. I am of opinion that there is no power in the inhabitants to elect 36 more members under the 2nd section of the 18th and 19th Vic. c. 120. I think that section only refers to the number originally to be elected, and I cannot find any section which gives a power to increase the original number.

6. Are the provisions of the 10th Geo. IV., c. 131, or any of them, applicable towards the making, assessing, collecting, allowing and appealing against rates in this Parish, or do these provisions only refer to properties compounded?

7. Can the landlord who lets his house to A, who underlets to B, C, D and E, claim to have his house rated in his (the landlord's) name?

8. Can houses rated to the landlord under the provisions in the 7th sec. of 30 and 31 Vic., c. 102, be compounded for in accordance with the provisions of 10th Geo. IV. c. 131?

9. Can the landlord and tenant make any legal arrangement by which the landlord can be rated for and pay the tenant's rates? See 30 and 31st Vic., c. 102, ss. 7 and 49.

10. Does the 7th sec. of 30 and 31st Vic., c. 102, affect the compounding for the paving, lighting, and sewers rates as well as the poor rate? See sec. 161, 18 and 19 Vic., c. 120.

6. I cannot find any provisions of the 10th Geo. IV., c. 131, which are now applicable, some of the clauses appear to relate to landlords of furnished lodgings, who did not compound; but as far as I can see it leaves them in the same position as they would be without the Act.

7. I am not aware of any section which enables such a landlord as is referred to in the section to be rated.

8. I am of opinion that houses rated to the landlords under the provisions of the 7th section of the 30th and 31st Vic., c. 102, cannot be compounded for in accordance with the provisions of the 10th Geo. IV., c. 131.

9. I am of opinion that a landlord and tenant cannot, by any arrangement between themselves, prevent the tenant from being rated and from being liable to the Parish for the rate; but they may make any arrangement they please as to which of them should pay the rate, provided the arrangement be not made corruptly, contrary to the 49th section.

10. I am of opinion that the 7th section of the 30th and 31st Vic. c. 102, does not affect the compounding for any rates except the poor rates. Wherever paving, lighting and sewers rates could have legally been compounded for before that Act, I think they may still legally be compounded for.

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