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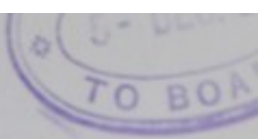
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TWENTY-SEVENTH

GENERAL REPORT

OF

THE VESTRY

OF THE

PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE,

SURREY,

For the Year ending 25th March, 1883.

PRESENTED TO THE

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

London;

E. WILLOUGHBY, MACHINE PRINTER, 27 DEPTFORD LOWER ROAD, ROTHERHITHE, S.E.

1884.

ANNUAL REPORT

THE UNIVERSITY OF

THE STATE OF

NEW YORK

FOR THE YEAR

ENDING

WE, THOMAS ELMS, FREDERICK THOMAS BAKER and GEORGE HAYMAN, 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, 1883, 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.:— THOMAS ELMS, FREDERICK THOMAS BAKER, and GEORGE HAYMAN, 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 3rd day of May, 1883.

(Signed)	GEORGE HAYMAN	} <i>Auditors.</i>
"	THOMAS ELMS	
"	FREDERICK T. BAKER	

Vestry Offices,

82, Paradise Street,

Rotherhithe.

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY. ACCOUNT IN ABSTRACT.

Showing the Receipts and Expenditure for One Year ending 25th March, 1883, under the "Metropolis Local Management Act," 18th and 19th Victoria, cap. 120.

RATE.	Cash Balance at commencement of Year.		RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR.						PAYMENTS DURING THE YEAR.								Cash Balance on the 25th March, 1883.	
	In Credit.	In Debit	Rates.	Contributions	Loans.	Incidentals.	Totals.	Assessment by Metropolitan Bnd. of Works.	Works.	Estab-lishment.	Loans.	Watering.	Lighting.	Total.	In Credit.	In Debit		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
Paving and General Purposes Rate ...	2104 0 7	...	...	...	...	...	2104 0 7	...	Paving 836 17 2 Jobbing 534 14 0 Special Paving Works 1304 11 1½ Day Labour 1415 9 5 Stone Cartage 279 13 0 Dusting 762 10 0 School Board 4843 19 0 Accounts 359 2 11½	Salaries 2275 16 3 Interest 747 14 3 Commissn. 1028 8 5 Valuation Committee 213 13 4 Rents 30 0 0 Accounts 115 0 0 427 1 7	2275 16 3	284 12 9	...	284 12 9	3372 13 10	
		...	15932 14 0	...	...	...	15932 14 0					...	...	3304 4 8		
				New Streets 177 4 10 Sundries 92 7 2		15 0 0	15 0 0					...	...	1533 9 2		
					...	...	269 12 0									
Lighting Rate...			1744 0 0	...	...	...	1744 0 0									
				Sundries 5 13 0		...	5 13 0											
					...	Interest 5 5 3	5 5 3			Commissn. 26 5 11½ Accounts 11 0 0				1699 18 0				
Sewers Rate ...			7342 0 0	...	...	...	7342 0 0							37 5 11½		
				New Streets 194 0 5 Drains 213 7 2		...	407 7 7	5088 17 1						5088 17 1				
					...	...	13 0 0		Sewers 443 19 0 Labour 714 4 9 Cartage 187 8 3 Accounts 278 10 5	Salaries 460 0 0 Commissn. 96 11 10½				556 11 10½		
						Interest 13 0 0								1624 2 5				
							£27,838 12 5							24465 18 7				

GENERAL ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

Paving and	Paving.	Cleansing and Repairing	Removing
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APRIL 17th, 1883.

King William Street, London Bridge.

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.
CONTRACTS FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF GENERAL WORKS AND SUPPLY OF MATERIALS.
Subsisting at the commencement of, or entered into, during the year ending 25th March, 1883.

Rates.	Date of Contract.	Name of Party with whom Contract was made.	Nature of Works to be performed, and Materials to be supplied.	Observations.
Paving and General Purposes.	30th March, 1883.	Messrs. A. T. Hobman & Son	Team hire and Cartage as per Schedule of Prices... ..	Entered into for One Year from 25th March, 1883.
	3rd April, 1883.	Mr. William Stotesbury	Dusting (Vestry to pay the Contractor £780)	Ditto.
	26th March, 1883.	Mr. Edwin Willoughby	Printing and Stationery as per Schedule of Prices	Ditto.
	2nd April, 1883.	Mr. William Etheridge	Paving Jobbing Works as per Schedule of Prices	Ditto.
	2nd April, 1883.	Messrs. E. & H. Beevers	For the supply of broken Guernsey Granite, as per Schedule of Prices	Ditto.
Lighting	25th March, 1881.	The South Metropolitan Gas Company.	For Lighting the Public Lamps with Gas at £3 17s. each per annum ...	...
Sewers	29th March, 1883.	Mr. Joshua Elsdon	Sewers General Jobbing Works as per Schedule of Prices	Entered into for One Year from 25th March, 1883.

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

Statement and Account of Arrears of Rates and other Monies owing to, and of all Mortgages, Debts and Liabilities owing by the Vestry on the 25th March, 1883.

Rate.	Monies Owing to the Vestry.					Debts and Liabilities Owing by the Vestry.						Total.
	Cash Balance.	Due from Overseers.	Contributions		Total.	Cash Balance.	Assessment by Metropolitan Board of Works.	Loans, Mortgages, &c.		Special Contracts Outstanding	Tradesmen's Bills and Accounts.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Paving.....	3372 13 10	819 0 0	...	...	3372 13 10			Executors of Mr. R. Lawrence			2108 2 7	2180 2 7
			Parfitt Road	...	10 6 0			Mr. E. Talbot				
			10 6 0					Eagle Insurance Company				
								5000 0 0				
								Atlas Assurance Company				
								6885 0 0				
								The Metropolitan Board of Works				
								1974 0 0				
Lighting...	...	194 0 0	...	...	194 0 0			Mr. R. H. Williams				
								1928 11 6				
Sewers.....	...	1129 0 0	...	...	1129 0 0			Metropolitan Board of Works.				
			Hderton Road	...	34 16 0			1900 0 0				22026 3 6
			34 16 0									
					45559 15 10							424,206 6 1

VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

SUMMARY STATEMENT. ONE YEAR ENDING 25th MARCH, 1883.

Paving and General Purposes Account.

	£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1882	1344	5	11 ³ / ₄
" Cash from Overseers on account of Paving Rates ...	15932	14	0
" Contributions towards cost of Paving Suffolk-street ...	16	11	5
" " " " Reed-street ...	4	15	2
" " " " Canute-street ...	18	18	5
" " " " Silwood-street ...	0	13	9
" " " " Silverlock-street ...	63	11	6
" " " " Westlake-road ...	69	14	7
" " " " Parfitt-road ...	3	0	0
" Fines received under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act ...	7	7	0
" The Churchwardens, repayment of Loan on Charity Bread account	50	0	0
" Interest on current account with London and Westminster Bank	15	0	0
" Sundry Contributions	35	0	2

£17,561 11 11³/₄

	£	s.	d.
By paid Salaries	747	14	3
" Commission	213	13	4
" Rent of Vestry Offices	25	0	0
" " Surveyor's Offices	20	0	0
" " Stone Yard	50	0	0
" " Yard, Croft-street	20	0	0
" Paving Jobbing Works	836	17	2
" " Deptford Lower-road	534	14	0
" Day Labour	1304	11	11 ¹ / ₂
" Cartage	1415	9	5
" Broken Stone for Roads... ..	279	13	0
" Watering Roads	284	12	9
" Loans and Interest	3304	4	8
" Valuation Committee Expenses... ..	30	0	0
" Stationery, Printing, &c.	82	18	7
" Removing Dust	762	10	0
" Expenses under Sale of Food and Drugs Act	25	7	10
" Expenses under Nuisances Removal Act	197	4	6 ¹ / ₂
" London School Board Expenses	4843	19	0
" Expenses of Ballot for Vestrymen	29	16	3
" Surveyor's expenses re Plaistow Charity Estate	58	11	0
" Tradesmen's Bills, &c.	392	6	4

Balance 15459 3 3
.. 2102 8 8³/₄

£17,567 11 11³/₄

SUMMARY STATEMENT—Continued.

Lighting Account. One Year ending 25th March, 1883.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1882	426	14	8½	By paid Lighting, one year	1699	18	0
" Cash received from Overseers on account of Lighting				" Commission, one year	26	5	11½
Rate	1744	0	0	" Tradesmen's Bills	11	0	0
" Interest on current account with London and West-					1737	3	11½
minster Bank	5	5	3	Balance	444	9	0½
" Sundry Contributions	5	13	0		£2181	12	11½
	£2181	12	11½				

Sewers Account.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1882	332	19	10½	By paid Salaries, one year	460	0	0
" Cash received from Overseers on account of Sewers				" Commission	96	11	10½
Rates	7342	0	0	" The Metropolitan Board's precept	5088	17	1
" Putting in Drains	213	7	2	" Labour	714	4	9
" Cost of Sewers, viz. :—				" Cartage	187	8	3
Silverlock-street	123	17	3	" General Drainage Works	443	19	0
Silwood-road	70	3	2	" Moiety of expense of Maintaining Urinal by			
" Interest on current account with London and West-				Union Bridge	7	18	8
minster Bank	13	0	0	" Water supply to Urinals	86	10	10
				" Stationery, Printing, &c.	30	12	9
				" Tradesmen's Bills, &c.	153	8	2
	£8095	7	5½	Balance	7269	11	4½
					825	16	1
					£8095	7	5½

REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE WORK DURING THE YEAR 1900

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No.	Name	Age	Sex	Religion	Marital Status	Education	Occupation	Income	Assets	Liabilities	Total
1	John Doe	35	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Teacher	\$1,200	\$500	\$200	\$1,500
2	Mary Smith	28	F	Anglican	Single	College	Librarian	\$800	\$300	\$100	\$1,000
3	James Brown	42	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Farmer	\$1,500	\$600	\$250	\$1,850
4	Elizabeth White	30	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,000	\$400	\$150	\$1,250
5	Robert Black	25	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$500	\$200	\$80	\$680
6	Anna Green	22	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$400	\$150	\$60	\$490
7	William Grey	38	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Engineer	\$1,800	\$700	\$300	\$2,200
8	Charlotte Hall	27	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,200	\$500	\$200	\$1,500
9	Thomas King	45	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Merchant	\$2,000	\$800	\$400	\$2,400
10	Isabella Lee	32	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,500	\$600	\$250	\$1,850
11	George Miller	29	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$600	\$250	\$100	\$750
12	Frances Nelson	24	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$500	\$200	\$80	\$680
13	Edward Owen	33	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Teacher	\$1,100	\$450	\$180	\$1,370
14	Martha Parker	26	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$900	\$350	\$140	\$1,110
15	Richard Quinn	40	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Farmer	\$1,600	\$650	\$280	\$1,970
16	Lucy Russell	23	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$450	\$180	\$70	\$600
17	Henry Scott	37	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Engineer	\$1,700	\$680	\$280	\$2,080
18	Elizabeth Taylor	29	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,300	\$520	\$210	\$1,610
19	John Walker	43	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Merchant	\$1,900	\$750	\$350	\$2,300
20	Anna Young	31	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,400	\$580	\$240	\$1,740
21	William Zane	27	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$550	\$220	\$90	\$720
22	Charlotte Adams	25	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$480	\$190	\$75	\$645
23	Thomas Baker	39	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Engineer	\$1,650	\$660	\$290	\$1,940
24	Isabella Clark	28	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,150	\$480	\$190	\$1,420
25	George Evans	41	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Farmer	\$1,750	\$700	\$320	\$2,070
26	Frances Fisher	24	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$420	\$170	\$65	\$555
27	Edward Gibson	34	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Teacher	\$1,050	\$420	\$170	\$1,320
28	Martha Hall	26	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$950	\$380	\$155	\$1,185
29	Richard Hill	44	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Merchant	\$2,100	\$850	\$420	\$2,520
30	Lucy Irving	32	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,550	\$620	\$260	\$1,830
31	John Jones	28	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$650	\$280	\$110	\$840
32	Anna Keith	23	F	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$400	\$160	\$65	\$525
33	William Lamb	36	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Engineer	\$1,550	\$620	\$280	\$1,870
34	Charlotte Lewis	27	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,250	\$500	\$210	\$1,560
35	Thomas Martin	46	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Farmer	\$1,850	\$750	\$350	\$2,200
36	Isabella Nash	30	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,450	\$580	\$250	\$1,780
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40	Martha Reed	26	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$980	\$400	\$165	\$1,245
41	Richard Stone	42	M	Anglican	Married	High School	Merchant	\$2,050	\$820	\$400	\$2,470
42	Lucy Thomas	33	F	Anglican	Married	High School	Homemaker	\$1,600	\$650	\$280	\$1,930
43	John Turner	29	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$680	\$300	\$120	\$900
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49	George Zane	30	M	Anglican	Single	College	Student	\$600	\$260	\$105	\$765
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FOR THE YEAR ENDING 25th MARCH,

1883.

During the past year 28 General and Special Meetings and 27 Committee Meetings have been held.

Sewers Works.

The following lengths of Pipe Sewers and Drains have been laid during the year, viz. :—

	300 feet of 15-inch pipe
238	12
98	9
662	6

Total 1298 feet

One side entrance, one air and flushing shaft, 4 gulleys, and 37 drain mouths have been formed and constructed, the cost of which in detail is shown in the General Abstract, at page 7 hereof.

The following is a statement of applications made to the Vestry to drain houses and premises, and the results consequent thereon :

Number of Notices received.	No. of houses permanently drained into covered Sewers.	Buildings and premises other than houses drained.	House Drains cleared.	Total number of Houses and Buildings inspected for drainage.
30	51	9	8	68

The following applications for the erection and drainage of new houses and buildings have also been received and plans checked and approved.

Number of Notices.	Number of Houses.	Additions to Houses.	Warehouses and other Buildings.	Total Number of New Buildings.
29	60	16	24	100

The Vestry sanctioned the execution by the Leaseholder of drainage for the 34 new houses in Moodkee-street, which was carried out, viz.:

235 feet of 15-inch pipe
 103 „ 12 „
 120 „ 9 „
 100 „ 6 „
 6 Gulleys, and
 2 Flushing Boxes

Lengths of 252 feet of 15-inch and 72 feet of 12-inch pipe sewer respectively have been laid in Rotherhithe-street, eastward and westward of Queen-street, together with 132 feet of 6-inch pipe sewer, with manhole to drain, at a cost of £103 9s. 0d.

The Metropolitan Board of Works having approved of a plan for the drainage of the new property, Eugenia-road and Corbett's-lane, on the St. Helena Gardens Estate, comprising a total length of 1350 feet of 15-inch pipe sewer, the Vestry sanctioned the execution thereof by the Leaseholder, subject to the supervision of the Surveyor of Sewers.

Paving Works.

The following materials have been used in repairing roads during the year ending 25th March, 1883, viz.:

Broken Guernsey Granite	...	...	640 cubic yards
Gravel and Hogen	...	...	125 „
Slop and Snow carted	...	...	9180 loads
Water for watering roads	...	...	8007 van loads
Cartage of materials	...	...	1286 loads
Broken Stone	...	...	401 „
Sifted Stone from Paving works	...	...	192 „
Hard Core	...	...	9 „

The footway Rotherhithe New-road, at Beaconsfield-terrace, has been flagged with York at a cost of £60 4s. 10d.

On the application of Mr. Matthew Batten, the leaseholder, the Vestry granted him permission to curb, pave and make up the several streets on his estate, Rotherhithe New-road, subject to the work being carried out under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the Surveyor of Pavements.

The portion of the footway in Goodson-road in this parish, upon which the Goodson-road Board School abuts, has been curbed and paved by and at the cost of the School board for London.

The carriageway and footway Wells Tenements, including the section at the west end at the entrance to the St. Olaves Union Infirmary, has been laid and repaved with some old granite pitching and curb in stock, at a cost of £58 18s. 4d.

The carriageway paving Rotherhithe-street, from King-street eastward to Yardley's Granary has been relaid at a cost of £86 17s. 2d.

The defective parts of the pitcher curb stones of the footway in Adam-street have been picked up and relaid where necessary, and in the worst places reinstated with some old edge curb in stock.

The carriage paving Deptford Lower-road on each side the Tramway, from Gomm Road to the Park Entrance on the west side, and to Providence-place on the east side; likewise on the west side from the East London Railway Station to the corner of Rotherhithe New-road, has been relaid at a cost of £534 14s. 0d.

Paving Jobbing Works.

Mr. William Etheridge is the Contractor for Paving Jobbing Works, at a schedule of prices. (For particulars of Contract see page 8.)

Tramways.

In May 1882, the Vestry approved of the permanent way of the extension of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways, and the passing places therein, from Raymouth-road westward to the boundary of the parish of Rotherhithe.

In January 1883, on the application of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Company, the Vestry appointed a Deputation consisting of Messrs. F. J. Bisley, E. J. Talbot, G. Mabbs, C. Capper, M. Deavin, S. Chafen and the Rev. E. J. Beck, the Rector, to present a Memorial from the Vestry to the Metropolitan Board of Works, representing to the Board the great advantage and convenience the proposed extension of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways would be to the inhabitants of this parish and adjoining districts, especially the proposed extension of their line from the present terminus near Bermondsey-street, towards London Bridge. The Deputation attended a meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, at the Board's offices in Spring Gardens, on the 2nd February, 1883, and presented the Memorial of the Vestry to the Board, when the Board referred the same to their Works and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

On the 24th February, 1883, the Vestry received a letter from Messrs. Sutton and Ommaney, solicitors, on behalf of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Company, stating that, owing to the Company being unable through the action of the St. Olave's Board, the Greenwich Board, and the Metropolitan Board of Works, to proceed with the junction of the Tooley-street and Greenwich extensions, the Bill had been abandoned for the session.

Lighting.

Twelve additional ordinary gas lamps have been set up and lighted during the past year, viz. : one in Abbeyfield-road, four in Ilderton-road, one in Cranswick-road, one in Bramcote-road, one in Goodson-road, two in Moodke-street, and two in Deptford-road. One lamp has been discontinued in Southwark Park-road, making the total number of lamps in the parish lighted by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, 448.

A Suggs's flat-flame lamp has been erected over the urinal, Southwark Park-road, opposite the entrance to the Galleywall-road, which lamp is maintained and lighted at the joint expense of this parish and the Vestry of Bermondsey, in lieu of a 2-light gas standard at that spot discontinued.

Cleansing, Watering, &c.

Messrs. A. T. Hobman & Son contract for the supply of men, horses and carts, and for the removal of sweepings and scrapings from the whole of the roads and streets, (after the same have been swept by the labourers employed by the Vestry), to a shoot provided by the contractors, at a specified price per cubic yard.

Messrs. Hobman & Son also contract for the supply of horses, harness, and drivers for the Vestry's water carts.

Dusting.

Mr. William Stotesbury is the contractor for removing dust, ashes, &c., from the dwellings of the inhabitants of the parish. The contractor also agrees to remove, when required, from mills, factories, and premises, trade refuse, etc., upon payment to him by the occupiers thereof, of 2s. 6d. per cubic yard. (For particulars of contract see page 8.)

Removal of Nuisances, &c.

Inspector's Report for the Year ending March, 1883.

Houses and premises inspected ...	1358	Summonses issued...	...	4
Complaints received ...	998	Magistrates orders obtained ...	...	13
Notices served ...	609	Houses closed as unfit for human		
Infectious cases removed to hospital	51	habitation ...	...	6
Houses, &c. disinfected ...	83	Complaints as to non-removal of		
Bedding and clothes purified ...	49	dust received and attended to ...	...	329
Bedding destroyed and new supplied	9			

J. EDWARDS, *Inspector.*

Slaughterhouses.

Six notices were received in September, 1882, from Butchers, of their intention to apply to the Special Sessions for Licenses for Slaughterhouses, and they having been severally inspected by the Medical Officer of Health, were duly licensed by the magistrates in October, 1882.

Cow Houses.

Six old Cow houses and one new Cow house were licensed by the magistrates in October, 1882, they having been previously inspected and approved by the Medical Officer of Health.

Sale of Food and Drugs and Act, 1875.

38th and 39th Vict. cap. 63.

The following are copies of Dr. John Muter's (the Analyst) Reports for the year ending 31st March, 1883.

Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875.

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the Parish of Rotherhithe, upon the articles analysed by him under the above Act, during the quarter ending 30th June, 1882.

Articles submitted for Analysis.	By whom submitted.	Result of Analysis.	The sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations.
Bread	Local Authority	Genuine	10/6	
ditto	ditto	ditto	10/6	
ditto	ditto	ditto	10/6	
ditto	ditto	ditto	10/6	
ditto	ditto	ditto	10/6	
ditto	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter, seven.

(Signed) JOHN MUTER,
Public Analyst.

Dated 5th July, 1882.

Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875.

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the Parish of Rotherhithe, upon the articles analysed by him under the above Act, during the quarter ending 30th September, 1882.

Article submitted for Analysis.	By whom submitted.	Result of Analysis.	The sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations.
Milk	Local Authority	Genuine	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Bread	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Bread	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Flour	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Flour	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Arrowroot	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Bread	ditto	ditto	10/6	

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter, nine.

(Signed) JOHN MUTER,
Public Analyst.

Dated 2nd October, 1882.

Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875.

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the Parish of Rotherhithe, upon the articles analysed by him under the above Act, during the quarter ending the 31st December, 1882.

Articles submitted for Analysis,	By whom submitted.	Result of Analysis.	The sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations
Milk	Local Authority	Genuine	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	20 per cent. of added water	10/6	
Milk	ditto	26 per cent. of added water	10/6	
Milk	ditto	Genuine	10/6	
Milk	ditto	16 per cent. of added water	10/6	
Milk	ditto	26 per cent. of added water	10/6	

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter, eight.

(Signed) JOHN MUTER,
Public Analyst.

Dated 13th January, 1883.

Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875.

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the Parish of Rotherhithe, upon the articles analysed by him under the above Act, during the quarter ending the 31st March, 1883.

Articles submitted for Analysis.	By whom submitted.	Result of Analysis.	The sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations.
Bread	Local Authority	Genuine	10/6	
Bread	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Bread	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Mustard	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Mustard	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Butter	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Butter	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Butter	ditto	ditto	10/6	

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter, eight.

(Signed) JOHN MUTER,
Public Analyst.

Dated 2nd April, 1883.

Proceedings were taken at the Police Court against the Tradesmen selling the before mentioned samples of Milk found to be adulterated with 20 and 26 per cent. of added water, and the Magistrates fined them respectively 40s. and costs, and 20s. and costs.

Financial.

£6,623 8s. 0d. has been paid off the Loan borrowed in 1868 of Mr. Robert Lawrence, for paving the carriageway Union-road and part of Deptford Lower-road, leaving £2,838 12s. 0d. to be repaid by equal instalments within a period of six years, with interest at the rate of £5 per cent. per annum.

The Loan of £1,500 for paving works borrowed of Mr. Edward Talbot still continues; this loan being repayable in fifteen years from the year 1870, the Vestry have set aside £100 yearly to form a sinking fund to pay the same off at the expiration of the said term; the sum at present standing to such sinking fund account being £1,300.

£5,000 has been paid off the Loan of £10,000 borrowed in the year 1872 of the Eagle Insurance Company, for paving the carriageway Deptford Lower-road, from the Surrey Commercial Dock entrance to the "Red Lion" P.H., leaving £5,000 to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of ten years, with interest at £5 per cent. per annum.

£4,655 has been paid off the Loan of £10,000 borrowed in the year 1875 of the Atlas Assurance Company, for paving the carriageways of Plough-road and Rotherhithe street from Lavender Bridge eastward, and likewise for paving the footways of the main roads, leaving £5345 to be repaid by annual instalments, with interest at the rate of £4 5s. 0d. per cent. per annum.

£660 has been paid off the further Loan of £2,200 borrowed in the year 1876 of the Atlas Assurance Company, for paving the carriageway at Broadway, Paradise-street, also the carriageway Church-street, from Paradise-street to the entrance of Elephant-lane, leaving £1,540 to be repaid by fourteen annual instalments of £110 each, with interest at the rate of £4 5s. 0d. per cent. per annum.

£126 has been paid off the Loan of £2,100 borrowed in August 1880, of the Metropolitan Board of Works, towards repaying the expenses of the purchase of the ground required for the improvement of Rotherhithe-street, at the Gas Works and at Carolina Wharf, leaving £1974 to be repaid by 47 consecutive annual instalments, of £42 each, with interest at the rate of £3 15s. 0d. per cent. per annum.

£771 8s. 6d. has been paid off the Loan of £2,700 borrowed in January 1881, of Mr. Reuben Henry Williams, for paving works executed in Union-road, Deptford Lower-road, Rotherhithe New-road, Plough-road, and Commercial Dock-road, leaving £1,928 11s. 6d. to be repaid by five annual instalments, with interest at the rate of £4 4s. 6d. per cent. per annum.

£100 has been paid off the Loan of £2,000 borrowed in November 1881, of the Metropolitan Board of Works, towards defraying the expense of paving the carriageway and footways of Rotherhithe-street, at the Gas Works and Carolina Wharf, leaving £1,900 to be repaid by nineteen consecutive annual instalments of £100 each, on the 31st day of October in each year, with interest at the rate of £3 15s. 0d. per cent. per annum.

Charity Estates, &c.

The accounts of Messrs. William Canham and Robert Foottit, Churchwardens for the year 1882-83, have been audited and the following is a copy of the Charities' Account, viz. :—

					£	s.	d.
To cash received from late Churchwardens	...	...	...	...	50	1	1
„ Mr. J. Leslie, Stratford Estate	...	...	...	...	36	15	0
„ Smith's Charity...	...	...	...	...	50	0	0
„ Mr. Moore, Plaistow Estate	...	...	...	...	16	10	10
„ Sprunt's Charity	...	...	...	...	5	7	8
„ Bennett's Charity	...	...	...	...	9	0	0
„ Hill and Bell's Charity	3	0	0
„ Coat and Cloak Charity	6	0	0
„ Mrs. Embleton's Gift	5	0	10
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					£181	15	5
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By cash paid for Bread, viz. :—						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Erbach Brothers	10	16	0			
	P. H. Schlarb	10	16	0			
	G. Wood	10	16	0			
	J. A. Johnson	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	E. Menhold	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	A. Davis	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	A. Clarke	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	Erbach Brothers	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	G. Wood	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	G. Wood	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	A. Clarke	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
	M. A. Davis	...	...	...	...	10	16	0			
									129	12	0
By cash paid	Bennett's Charity distributed in 1/- tickets	...	...	...	...				9	0	0
"	Sprunt's Charity distributed to six Widows	...	...	...	...				5	7	8
"	Trustees of Charity School (Hill & Bell's Charity)	...	...	...	...				3	0	0
"	Coat and Cloak Charity	...	...	...	...				6	0	0
"	Mrs. Embleton's Gift	...	...	...	...				5	0	10
									158	0	6
Balance						...	...	...	23	14	11
									£181	15	5

On the 1st August, 1882, the Vestry passed the following resolutions, viz. :—

"*Resolved*, that the main drain and the gulleys required at the Plaistow Charity Estate, be carried out at once under the direction of the Surveyor of Sewers, by the Contractor for Sewers Jobbing Works, at the present contract prices"; also,

"*Resolved*, that the cost of the said drainage works be apportioned by the Surveyor of Sewers, *pro rata*, for payment by the owners of the houses already erected on the Plaistow Charity Estate, and the residue of the cost to be borne for the present by the Vestry as a loan to Trustees of the said Charity Estate, to be reimbursed to the Vestry when the said Trustees have sufficient funds for that purpose."

In November, 1882, the said drainage works were accordingly carried out by the Vestry in Redriff-road, Plaistow, at a total cost of £142 0s. 7d.

The leaseholders of the eight houses erected upon the said Charity Estate have paid to the Vestry their apportionments of the cost of such drainage, amounting to £27 12s. 0d.

The Vestry have advertised for proposals for letting the vacant land at Plaistow, at low ground rents, for a term of 80 years, either as a whole or in plots of two or more, but up to the present time no satisfactory offer for the same has been received.

The Vestry in conjunction with the authorities of the several other parishes interested in Henry Smith's Charity Estate, had under consideration an application made by the Trustees of the Charity to the Charity Commissioners, for authority to effect an exchange of certain land belonging to the said Charity at Reigate, for other land belonging to Mr. John Clutton. The Vestry appointed the two Churchwardens (Messrs. William Canham and Robert Footitt), and Messrs. Ralph Westall Walker, and Reuben Henry Williams, Junr, as delegates on behalf of this parish, to attend a conference of delegates of the different parishes interested in the Charity, upon the subject of the proposed exchange of land. A meeting of the delegates of the various parishes was accordingly held on the 24th July, 1882, when it was—

“Resolved, that this meeting having been convened to hear Mr. Clutton upon his “proposal for an exchange of his land for land belonging to Smith's Charity Estate, “and this meeting having heard Mr. Clutton's explanation upon the subject, is satisfied “that the proposed exchange would be prejudicial to the poor belonging to the various “parishes interested in the charity, and object to any such exchange taking place.”

The Vestry also recommended to the Charity Commissioners their disapproval of the proposed exchange of the charity land with Mr. Clutton, and ultimately, in January, 1883, a communication was received from the Charity Commissioners, to the effect that the Trustees of Henry Smith's Charity had withdrawn their application for authority for the said proposed exchange of land.

Baths and Wash-houses.

The Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses having on the 25th April, 1882, represented to the Vestry, that on an inquiry held by the Inspector of the Local Government Board, on the 17th April, 1882, upon the application of the Commissioners to borrow £2,500, as sanctioned by the Vestry on the 7th March, 1882, the Inspector after going into the accounts and the requirements for the purpose of carrying out effectually the work of the Baths and Wash-houses, recommended that the Commissioners should borrow £3000 for such purpose, in lieu of £2,500, which he thought would not be sufficient for the work necessary to be executed, viz.: for putting up additional apparatus in the Wash-house and for fittings and furniture. It was thereupon

“Resolved, that this Vestry hereby sanction the Commissioners for Public Baths “and Wash-houses in this parish borrowing at interest the sum of £3,000 (in lieu of “£2,500) on the security of a mortgage of the rates for the relief of the poor of this “parish, such sum of £3,000 to be applied for the purposes of the Act, to encourage “the establishment of Public Baths and Wash-houses, and the several Acts amending “the same.”

In July, 1882, the Commissioners obtained a loan of £3,000 for the purposes before mentioned, from the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be repaid by twenty-nine annual instalments with interest at the rate of £3 10s. 0d. per annum.

At a meeting of the Vestry held on the 7th of November, 1882, Messrs. Ralph Walker and Thomas William Clarke were elected Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses, (in the place of Messrs. Daniel Serle and Thomas William Clarke, who retired by rotation), to act in conjunction with Messrs. John Bulmer, Edward James Talbot, Francis John Bisley, Lawrence Stevens and Edward John Cox the continuing Commissioners.

Street Improvements.

Upon the taking down of an old building, No. 204 on the south side of Rotherhithe-street, belonging to Messrs. Hallett and Fry, the Vestry resolved to take steps for widening the street at that spot, and a building, No. 151 on the north side of the street opposite the before mentioned premises, having been burnt down, the Vestry also determined to purchase a small slip of land, a portion of the site for the improvement of the line of street there. Plans for the said improvements were, by order of the Vestry, submitted to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and being approved by that Board, negotiations were entered into with the freeholders and leaseholders of the properties of which portions were required for effecting the improvements, and ultimately the following terms were arranged, viz. :—

Messrs. Lucretia Bush and others, for the freehold of the portions of the sites of No. 204 on the south side and No 151 on the north side of Rotherhithe-street	... ..	£175	0	0
Messrs. Hallett and Fry, for their leasehold interest in the portions of No. 204 and 151 Rotherhithe-street aforesaid	... ..	300	0	0
Total	... ..	£475	0	0

The Metropolitan Board of Works, on the application of the Vestry, agreed to contribute towards the cost of the improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £237, and to be paid to the Vestry upon the certificate by the Board's Architect of the completion of the work.

The purchase of the sites have been completed and the improvements is course of being carried out.

Wards.

The Vestry having received a notice dated 27th December, 1882, from the Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works, as to the proposed division of this parish into three Wards and increasing the number of Vestrymen to 72, stating that the Board would meet on Friday, the 12th of January, 1883, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at the office in Spring Gardens, Charing Cross, to further consider the matter, and that any person could attend at the time and place aforesaid, in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed division of the parish into Wards.

On the 9th January, 1883, the Vestry passed the following resolutions upon the subject, viz. :—

“ *Resolved*, that a Memorial be presented by this Vestry to the Metropolitan Board of Works, praying that in the proposed order for the division of the parish into Wards, the number of Vestrymen to be apportioned between the three Wards be 36 instead of 72, if that number can be legally appointed, but if not, then that the Metropolitan Board of Works be requested to refrain from further proceeding with the matter, until it be seen how the Bill proposed to be brought in, in the next session of Parliament, will affect the Vestry, and that a deputation of the Vestry attend the Board on Friday next, in support of such Memorial.”

“ *Resolved*, that the deputation consist of the Rev. Edward Josselyn Beck, Rector, the Chairman, and Messrs. John Bulmer, Henry Lovel Bartlett, Francis John Bisley, George Mabbs, and Robert Footitt.”

The deputation with the Clerk accordingly attended the meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, on the 12th of January, 1883, and presented to the Board a Memorial as follows :—

To the Honorable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Vestry of the parish of Rotherhithe,
in county of Surrey.

Sheweth,

That with regard to the proposed division of the parish of Rotherhithe into Wards, and to the resolution of your Honorable Board that the said parish shall be divided into three Wards, and that the number of Vestrymen to be elected in respect of such three Wards shall be 72, your Memorialists, whilst agreeing in the desirability of dividing the said parish into three Wards and approving of the extent, limits, and boundary lines of such wards, as settled by your Honorable Board, are of opinion that the total number of Vestrymen to be appointed in respect of such three wards should not exceed 36, and that for many reasons it will be to the disadvantage of the parish, if the number of Vestrymen to be elected be more than that number. Your Memorialists are further of opinion that if your Honorable Board feel legally bound by the provisions of the Metropolis Local Management Act, to fix the number of Vestrymen to be elected at 72, then that the further consideration of the whole matter should be postponed until it be seen how far the Vestry will be affected by the Bill for the better government of the Metropolis, which Her Majesty's Government propose to bring on for consideration in the next session of Parliament.

Your Memorialists therefore pray your Honorable Board to make an order dividing the said parish into three Wards, and fixing the total number of Vestrymen in respect of such three Wards at 36 ; or, in the alternative, to postpone making any order in the matter until Parliament has dealt with the Bill for the better management of the Metropolis, which the Government is pledged to bring in, in the ensuing session.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c.

The Common Seal of the Vestry of the parish of Rotherhithe
was affixed hereto by order of the Vestry dated the 9th
day of January, 1883.

(L.S.)

Signed, JAMES JOHN STOKES,

Clerk to the Vestry.

The Metropolitan Board of Works thereupon referred the subject to its Works and General Purposes Committee for further consideration and report, and no further steps have as yet been taken in the matter.

Electric Lighting.

In September 1882, the Vestry received notice under the provisions of the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, of intention to apply for provisional orders for power to supply electricity for lighting certain streets in this parish, from the following companies, viz.:—

The Metropolitan (Brush) Electric Light and Power Company (Limited).
 The Gulcher Electric Light and Power Company (Limited).
 The Edison Electric Lighting Company (Limited).
 The Swan United Electric Light Company (Limited).
 Messrs. Ferranti, Thompson and Ince (Limited).

On the 3rd October, 1882, the Vestry appointed a Special Committee consisting of the following Vestrymen, viz.: Messrs. Ralph Westall Walker, Henry Lovel Bartlett, James Wilson, Henry Hayward, John Bulmer, Francis John Bisley, Robert Footit, Martin Deavin, and William Canham, to consider and report upon the schemes of the before mentioned Electric Lighting Companies.

The Committee on the 17th October, 1882, reported to the Vestry the receipt of a letter from the Vestry Clerk of Camberwell, inviting a deputation of three members from each of the Vestries and District Boards of South London, to attend a Conference at the Vestry Hall, Camberwell, on the 31st of October, 1882, on the subject of the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, and the notices received from several Electric Lighting Companies, and recommended that three delegates be appointed by the Vestry to represent this parish at the said proposed conference.

The Vestry adopted the recommendation of the Committee and appointed Messrs Robert Footit, John Bulmer, and James Wilson as delegates from this Vestry, to attend such conference.

On the 21st November, 1882, the Electric Lighting Committee reported to the Vestry that the delegates appointed attended the conference of delegates from South London Vestries and District Boards, at the Vestry Hall, Camberwell, at which it was

“Resolved, that it having been reported to the various Vestries and District Boards that, inasmuch as the provisions of the Electric Lighting Act require the Local Authority to elect before the 25th January, 1883, either to apply for Licenses themselves, or permit the undertakers to apply for provisional orders, and inasmuch as the President of the Board of Trade has declared that the Act of Parliament must be carried out, in the opinion of this Conference the local authorities should be *“advised to apply for licenses, so as to keep the power in their own hands.”*

On the 5th December, 1882, a plan and notice was received by the Vestry, that application was intended to be made by the Metropolitan (Brush) Electric Light and Power Company (Limited) to the Board of Trade, on or before the 21st December, 1882, for a provisional order for the purposes mentioned in the notice.

On the 9th January, 1883, a Special Meeting of the Vestry was held, after one month's notice to that effect, for the purpose of determining whether the Vestry would apply to the Board of Trade for a license to supply the electric light for public and private purposes in the parish, or whether they would consent to a license or provisional order to some or one of the Electric Light Companies who had served notices, or what steps, if any, they would take in the matter, when it was—

“*Resolved*, that this Vestry do not at present apply the Board of Trade for a license to supply the electric light for public or private purposes in this parish, and that the Vestry oppose the granting of the provisional order, a draft of which has been deposited by the Metropolitan (Brush) Electric Light and Power Company (Limited), in order to obtain the insertion of the necessary clauses in such provisional order, to secure the rights of the Vestry as the local authority under the Electric Lighting Act, 1882, and for the protection of the interests of the parish.”

On the 29th January, 1883, the Vestry forwarded to the Board of Trade, clauses for insertion in the provisional order applied for by the Metropolitan (Brush) Electric Light and Power Company (Limited), for the protection of the interests of this parish. The matter is still under the consideration of the Board of Trade.

The several other Companies who gave notice to the Vestry of their intention to apply for provisional orders for the supply of electricity in this parish, did not proceed with their schemes.

Miscellaneous.

The Vestry have agreed to pay the Guardians of St. Olave's Union the sum of £5 per annum, for the expenses of warming and lighting the Board-room of the Workhouse, Deptford Lower-road, for the meetings of the Vestry, the payment to become due at Lady-day in each year.

The Vestry having received communications from the Vestries of the parishes of Lambeth and Newington, on the subject of Water Companies Charges, on the 6th June, 1882, passed the following resolution, viz.:—

“*Resolved*, that the Vestry approve of the views expressed in the following resolutions passed by the Vestry of Lambeth, and approved by the Vestry of Newington, viz.: That in the opinion of this Vestry an Act of Parliament should be obtained, restricting the Water Companies of London from charging the gross value as the annual value upon which they base their charges. And from making their rates upon an extra assessment, where the house or property remains structurally the same. And that the Vestries of Lambeth and Newington be informed that this Vestry will support such a measure at the proper time.”

On the 18th April, 1882, the Vestry passed the following resolution, viz.:—

"*Resolved*, that in view of the introduction of some change in the Municipal Government of the Metropolis, this Vestry is of opinion that no change in the present system will be satisfactory or desirable, which does not admit of the retention by the ratepayers of full control over their local affairs."

Upon the application of Messrs. Hames and Darling, the Metropolitan Board of Works, in October, 1882, approved of the formation of the extension of Eugenia-road into Oldfield-road, and of the name "Eugenia-road, S.E.," in continuation of the same.

The Vestry having received notices from the Metropolitan Board of Works under the Thames Prevention of Floods Act, for the raising and alterations to several plying stairs and rights of way to the river in this parish, the necessary works were accordingly carried out in July 1882, under the direction of the Surveyor of Sewers to the Vestry.

In June 1882, the Metropolitan Board of Works made the their formal order for the renumbering of the houses in Plough-road and abolishing the subsidiary names therein, and such renumbering has been carried out accordingly.

The Vestry having had under consideration a letter received from the Guardians of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, together with an accompanying extract from a report of their Workhouse and Infirmary Visiting Committee, as to the necessity of stringent regulations for the protection of persons working in Lead Factories; the Vestry referred the matter to their General Purposes Committee for consideration and report. The Committee on the 18th July, 1882, presented to the Vestry a report received from the Medical Officer of Health upon the subject, which, upon the recommendation of the Committee, was adopted by the Vestry. The following is a copy of the said report:—

To the General Purposes Committee of the Vestry
of the Parish of Rotherhithe, July 14th, 1882.

Gentlemen,

As you are taking into consideration the letter of the Clerk to the Shoreditch Guardians *re* cases of Lead Poisoning, referred to you at your last Vestry meeting, I have the honour to inform you, that from personal inspection and observation of the process of blue and white lead manufacture in this and other parts of London, consider the conclusions of the St. Leonard's Committee to be substantially correct, as regards the white lead works in or near that parish (21 in number), but not applicable to our own lead factories here, since

- (a.) The grave effects of lead poisoning, *i.e.* colic, palsy, and insanity, are practically only observed amongst persons making white lead and not keeping themselves clean.
- (b.) There is but one white lead factory in Rotherhithe, the two other lead works not making it.

- (c.) In the factory referred to employing 90 white lead workers, stringent precautions are taken by the employers to prevent their men's health suffering, and attended with marked success.
- (d.) The specialities of their manufacture differ materially from the ordinary white lead making, being mostly wet instead of dry processes, and are much less dangerous to health.
- (e.) The routine is as follows :—
 Working hours from 6 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., 1 hour 40 minutes allowed for breakfast and dinner inclusive, no meals allowed to be taken on the premises, and no women workers are employed.
 The strictest personal cleanliness inculcated under threat of dismissal for contumacy. Washing places provided. Soap, towels, hot water, &c. provided constantly for all hands. Gloves, working dresses, respirators and boots provided for the day work, and their use enforced.
 Medical attendance and prophylactic drinks provided for the men, and sick time paid for.
 Question of providing working dresses for all hands now (at my request) under consideration by the firm.
- (f.) No deaths from immediate lead poisoning have occurred in these works. Some few cases of colic, or drop wrist, &c. were distinctly traceable to personal want of cleanliness, and not to the work itself, since many of those engaged in the day work have been at it for 20 years and upwards with no bad effects.
- (g.) These precautions are far in advance of those recommended by the Chief Inspector of Factories, and if made compulsory on all employers, would, I consider, from my nine years' experience amongst lead workers, prove sufficient to prevent the deplorable results ascertained to follow the east end working.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

BENJAMIN BROWNING, M.D.

Medical Officer of Health.

The Vestry having received a letter from the Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works, applying on behalf of the Board to insert glass tablets in the street lamps, with colored inscriptions showing the direction and distance of the fire plugs from the nearest lamp, on the 7th November, 1882, the following resolution was passed by the Vestry upon the subject, viz. :—

“*Resolved*, that this Vestry do consent to allow the Metropolitan Board of Works “to insert glass tablets in the lamps of this parish, of the description and for the purpose mentioned in the letter, and that it be suggested to the Board to add the name “and address of the turncocks on such tablets.”

Mr. George Richard Hemmerde, late Manager of the London and Westminster Bank (Southwark Branch), having resigned the office of Treasurer of the Vestry, on the 21st November, 1882, the Vestry received applications for the office of Treasurer from the following gentlemen, viz. :—

Mr. John Thomas Wallis, Manager of the London and Westminster Bank (Southwark Branch.)

Mr. Charles J. Lacy, Junr., of the firm of Messrs. Lacy, Hartland, Woodbridge and Co., of 98 Jamaica-road, S.E., it was thereupon—

“*Resolved*, that Mr. John Thomas Wallis be appointed Treasurer to the Vestry, “in the place of Mr. George Richard Hemmerde, resigned.”

The Vaults under the public way belonging to several of the houses in Princes-street having become unsafe, the Vestry gave notice to the owners to put the said vaults in proper condition. Ultimately, at the request of the owners, the Vestry caused the dangerous portion of the vaults under the roadway to be filled in and bricked up level with the curb of the footway of the street.

In February, 1883, a letter was received from the Hon. Secretary of the Royal College of Music as follows, viz. :

ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC.

President.—H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, K.G.

Director.

GEORGE GROVE, Esq., D.C.L.

Hon. Secretary.

CHARLES MORLEY, Esq.

Temporary Offices, 1 Buckingham Gate,
London, S.W., *February 15th*, 1883.

*To the Chairman and Members of the
Vestry of Rotherhithe.*

GENTLEMEN,

I am desired by the Prince of Wales to inform you that His Royal Highness hopes to open the Royal College of Music in May next.

The amount of money already subscribed enables him to place Fifty Open Scholarships before the country for competition. The successful Competitors for these will have the opportunity of acquiring without cost to themselves, a thorough education in the Art and Science of Music under the Professors of the College, extending over a period of three years and upwards, according to the branches studied.

The Competition for the Scholarships will take place in April next, at the College, Kensington Gore, London, but, in order to save many Candidates trouble and the expense of the journey (which must be defrayed by themselves), His Royal Highness proposes to hold Preliminary Examinations throughout the country, with the view of affording to all persons, within the proper limits of age, the opportunity of profiting by the great advantages offered.

With this view I have, by His Royal Highness's directions, communicated with the Mayors of the provincial towns of the United Kingdom, and have received very prompt and satisfactory response. His Royal Highness feels confident that he may rely on your co-operation in the same National cause; and I am therefore directed to express his hope that you will allow the Preliminary Examination for your district to take place in your Public Buildings, beginning on the 28th of March, and that you will nominate three professional Musicians of your district, qualified and willing to act as Honorary Local Examiners, whose duties will be to conduct the Local Preliminary Examinations, to report to the Director of the College the result of such Examinations, and to recommend the Candidates qualified to proceed to the Final Competition before the Director and Board of Professors at the College in Kensington Gore.

If you accede to this request, I am directed further to ask you to be good enough to fill up the enclosed Form of reply, and return it to me, not later than the 24th instant.

The three gentlemen nominated by you will have their names submitted to the Prince of Wales, and their appointment will be ratified in a document bearing the signature of His Royal Highness, which will be forwarded to each of them before the date fixed for the Examination, together with detailed instructions and requisite Forms of Report, &c.

I have the honour to be, GENTLEMEN,
Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES MORLEY,
Hon. Secretary.

The Vestry, in order to give effect to the proposal of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, made application to the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses in this parish, for the use of the Board-room at the Baths, Deptford Lower-road, for holding local Preliminary Examinations of Candidates, and the Commissioners consented to allow the use of their Board-room and Waiting-rooms for that purpose.

The Vestry also obtained the consent of the following lady and gentleman to act as Honorary Local Examiners, at such preliminary Examinations, viz.:

Mrs. WATTS, Organist of Christ Church, Rotherhithe.

W. H. LESLIE, Esquire.

Six persons from this locality sent in their names as Candidates for the Scholarships in the Royal College of Music, and the preliminary Examination by the Local Examiners, took place on the 29th March, 1883.

On the 23rd February, 1883, the Vestry received a letter from the Superintending Architect of the Metropolitan Board of Works, stating the Board had approved of the plan for the formation of a new road to lead out of the west side of Deptford Lower-road, and the east side of Union-road, to be called Culling-road, S.E., upon the condition that No. 98 Union-road be removed previously to the occupation by tenants of

any of the houses in the proposed new road, that such road be made of the full width of 40ft. from end to end, and as shown in the deposited plan; also, that no barriers be at any time erected, or other obstruction caused to the free use by the public of the said road, and that the name of the road be affixed at each end thereof.

At a General Meeting of the Vestry held on the 20th March, 1883, it was—

“*Resolved*, that a letter be written to the School Board for London expressing “the regret of this Vestry at the rapid and continued increase in the amount of the “annual precepts of the Board, and urging that the Board will make every effort to “limit as much as possible their expenditure for the future.”

The Valuation (Metropolis) Act, 1869.

Under the provisions of the above Act, the total assessment of properties in this Parish is as follows, viz. :

Gross Value,	Rateable Value,
£247,169 0s. 0d.	£199,383 0s. 0d.

APPENDIX No. 1.

VESTRYMEN, AUDITORS, AND OFFICERS OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

Under "The Metropolis Local Management Act," 1855.

1883.

Vestrymen.

The Rev. EDWARD JOSSELYN BECK, M.A., <i>Rector</i> , The Rectory, Church Street.									
Mr. ROBERT FOOTTIT, 31 Union-road,	} Churchwardens.								
" JOSEPH BLAKE OAKE, 60 Union-road.									
Mr. SAMUEL WARD COPPING, 99 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	To go out of Office in 1884
" FRANCIS JOHN BISLEY, 68 Union-road.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" JOHN BULMER, 34 Deptford Lower-road.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" RALPH WESTALL WALKER, 14 Rebecca-terrace, Gomm-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" WALTER BEASLEY, 228 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" JOHN HENRY MORRIS, 56 Plough-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" JOHN WILLIAM MONK, 476 Rotherhithe-street		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" WILLIAM CANHAM, 294 Rotherhithe-street		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
Mr. GEORGE BIRD, 126 Rotherhithe New-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1855
" FRANCIS THOMAS TALBOT, 198 Rotherhithe-street		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" CHARLES CAPPER, Swedish Yard Gate, Surrey Commercial Docks		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" HENRY HAYWARD, 50 Copelstone-road, Choumert-road, Rye-lane, Peckham.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" SAMUEL CHAFEN, 20 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" MARTIN DEAVIN, 86 Rotherhithe New-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" JOHN ALLEN, 96 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" HENRY LOVEL BARTLETT, 129 Hawkstone-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
Mr. GEORGE MABBS, 688 Rotherhithe-street		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1886
" WILLIAM WILLIAMS, 4 Bush-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" EDWARD JAMES TALBOT, 72 Union-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" RICHARD BROWNLY, 40 Union-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" JOSEPH DOWN, 89 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" LAWRENCE STEVENS, 191 Deptford Lower-road		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" THOMAS WILLIAM CLARKE, 90 Union-road.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
" EUGENE CLIFFORD, 74 Paradise-street		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	"

Auditors of Accounts.

Mr. REUBEN JOHN DEAN, Mr. PATRICK CLIFFORD, Mr. GEORGE SAML. PUMMELL
Mr. GEORGE WOOD, Mr. JAMES TYTHERIDGE.

Officers of the Vestry.

JAMES JOHN STOKES, Clerk, 82 Paradise Street.
WILLIAM BURLEY, Assistant Clerk, 72 Deptford Lower Road.
Dr. BENJAMIN BROWNING, Medical Officer of Health, 70 Union Road.
GEORGE LEGG, Surveyor of Sewers, 61 King William Street, E.C
EDWARD THOMAS, Surveyor of Pavements, 232 Deptford Lower Road.
JOSEPH DAY, Collector of Paving, Lighting and Sewers Rates, 48 Union Road.
JOSEPH EDWARDS, Inspector of Nuisances, Street Keeper, and Inspector under the "Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875," 90 Paradise Street.
JAMES EDWARD POOLE, Clerk of the Works for Sewers, Bush Road, Rotherhithe.

Representative at the Metropolitan Board of Works.

JOHN TOLHURST, Esq., Tooley Street, Southwark.

