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TWENTY-NINTH

GENERAL REPORT

OF

THE VESTRY

OF THE

PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE,

SURREY,

For the Year ending 25th March, 1885.

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PRESENTED TO THE

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS.

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London;

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

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1886.



WE, GEORGE LEWIS, GEORGE HAYMAN, and JOHN SPARKES, 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, 1885, 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.:—GEORGE LEWIS, GEORGE HAYMAN, and JOHN SPARKES, 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 11th day of May, 1885.

(Signed)	GEORGE LEWIS	} <i>Auditors.</i>
	JOHN SPARKES	
	GEORGE HAYMAN	

*Vestry Offices,  
Deptford Lower-road,  
Rotherhithe, S.E.*



# VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

## ACCOUNT IN ABSTRACT.

Showing the Receipts and Expenditure for One Year ending 25th March, 1885, 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, 1885.	
	In Credit.	In Debit	Rates.	Contributions	Loans.	Incidentals.	Totals.	Assessment by Metropolitan Bnd. of Works.	Works.	Establishment.	Loans.	Watering.	Lighting.	Totals.	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 ...	2536 8 9	...	18143 0 0	...	...	...	2536 8 9	...	Paving 853 19 0 Jobbing 814 17 0 Special Paving Works 611 11 11 Day Labour 1247 9 11 Cartage 1308 12 6 Stone 469 2 2 Dusting 795 0 0 School Board 6649 2 6 Accounts 370 7 0	Salaries 3865 16 3 Interest 914 3 11 Commission 233 1 0 Valuation Committee 30 0 0 Rents 124 10 5 Accounts 444 18 9	...	506 5 4	...	506 5 4	1030 1 0	...		
				Sundries 9 10 11	...	...	9 10 11	...			...	...	...	4780 0 2				
					...	12 0 0	12 0 0	...			...	...	...	1647 7 2				
Lighting Rate...			1369 0 0	...	...	...	1369 0 0	...		...	...	...	...	12305 5 0				
				...	...	1 17 9	1 17 9	...		Commission 20 15 5 Accounts 7 17 8	...	...	1672 10 9	1672 10 9				
Sewers Rate ...			7122 0 0	...	...	...	7122 0 0	...			...	...	...	28 13 1				
				Drains 73 6 1	...	...	73 6 1	5446 9 9	...		...	...	...	5446 9 9				
				Sundries 13 0	...	...	0 13 0	...	Sewers 138 1 11 Labour 719 6 3 Cartage 281 14 6 Accounts 171 8 11	Salaries 460 0 0 Commission 91 12 8	...	...	...	551 12 8				
					...	11 0 0	11 0 0	...			...	...	...	1310 11 7				
							£29,278 16 6				...	...	...	28248 15 6				

## GENERAL ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

*Executed under Contracts, Agreements, &c., for Special and General Works. One Year ending 25th March, 1885.*

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## ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

Lighting Rate.	Lighting.	Contributions	Commission	Sundries.	Total
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
South Metropolitan Gas Company ... ..	1672 10 9	...	...	...	1672 10 9
Collector's Commission... ..	...	...	20 15 5	...	20 15 5
Messrs. Sugg and Company ... ..	...	...	..	7 17 8	7 17 8
					£1701 3 10

# VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

## ABSTRACT OF WORKS.

Executed under Contracts, Agreements, &c., for Special and General Works. One Year ending March 25th, 1885.

CONSTRUCTION BRICK SEWERS.	COST	PIPE SEWERS.										Openings to Sewers.						Repairs and Alterations to Sewers, Gulleys, &c.	Cleansing including Flushing, Casting, Lifting, Cartage, and Repairs caused thereby.	Incidental Works.	Improve-ment Works.	TOTAL																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
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GEORGE LEGG, Surveyor,

King William Street, London Bridge.



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

Existing at the commencement of, or entered into, during the year ending 25th March, 1885.

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.	17th March, 1885.	Mr. William Stotesbury ... ..	Dusting (Vestry to pay the Contractor £906) ... ..	Entered into for One Year from 25th March, 1885.
	20th March, 1885.	Messrs. John Mowlem & Co. ... ..	Paving Jobbing Works as per Schedule of Prices ... ..	Ditto.
	23rd March, 1885.	Mr. Edwin Willoughby ... ..	Printing and Stationery as per Schedule of Prices ... ..	Ditto.
	25th March, 1885.	Messrs. E. & H. Beevers ... ..	For the supply of broken Guernsey Granite, as per Schedule of Prices	Ditto.
	26th March, 1885.	Messrs. A. T. Hobman & Son ... ..	Team hire and Cartage as per Schedule of Prices... ..	Ditto.
Lighting ... ..	21st Feb., 1884.	The South Metropolitan Gas Company.	For Lighting the Public Lamps with Gas at £3 12s. 6d. each per annum	...
Sewers ... ..	23rd March, 1885.	Messrs. John Hoare & Son ... ..	Sewers General Jobbing Works as per Schedule of Prices ... ..	Entered into for One Year from 25th March, 1885.

# VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

Statement and Account of Arrears of Rates and other Monies owing to, and of the Mortgages, Debts and Liabilities owing by the Vestry on the 25th March, 1885.

Rate.	Monies Owing to the Vestry.					Debts and Liabilities Owing by the Vestry.					
	Cash Balance.	Due from Overseers.	Contributions	Loan.	Total.	Cash Balance.	Assessment by Metropolitan Board of Works.	Loans, Mortgages, &c.	Special Contracts Outstanding	Tradesmen's Bills and Accounts.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Paving.....	1030 1 0	...	...	...	1030 1 0			The London Life Association		4144 10 1	4144 10 1
		1655 0 0	...	...	1655 0 0			1892 8 0			
			Parfitt Road	...	8 6 0			Eagle Insurance Company			
			8 6 0	...				4000 0 0			
				Charity Bread Account.	50 0 0			Atlas Assurance Company			
					50 0 0			5335 0 0			
								Metropolitan Board of Works			
								1890 0 0			
								Executors of Mr. R. H. Williams			
								1157 3 0			
Lighting...		268 0 0			268 0 0			Metropolitan Board of Works			
								1700 0 0			
Sewers.....	...	544 0 0	...	...	544 0 0			Metropolitan Board of Works			
			Iliderton Road	...	34 16 0			1710 0 0			
			34 16 0	...							
											17684 11 0
					£3590 3 0						£21,829 1 1

# VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

SUMMARY STATEMENT. ONE YEAR ENDING 25th MARCH, 1885.

## *Paving and General Purposes Account.*

	£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1884 ... ..	1986	2	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
„ Cash from Overseers on account of Paving Rates ...	18143	0	0
„ Interest on current account with London and Westminster Bank ... ..	12	0	0
„ Sundry Contributions ... ..	9	10	11

£20,150 13 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

	£	s.	d.
By paid Salaries ... ..	814	17	0
„ Commission ... ..	233	1	0
„ Rent of Vestry Offices ... ..	69	10	5
„ „ Stone Yard ... ..	50	0	0
„ „ Board-room at Workhouse ... ..	5	0	0
„ Paving Jobbing Works ... ..	853	19	0
„ „ at old Surrey Lock entrance and at Hay's Wharf, Rotherhithe street ... ..	611	11	11
„ Day Labour ... ..	1247	9	11
„ Cartage ... ..	1308	12	6
„ Broken Stone for Roads... ..	469	2	2
„ Watering Roads ... ..	506	5	4
„ Loans and Interest ... ..	4780	0	2
„ Valuation Committee Expenses... ..	30	0	0
„ Stationery, Printing, &c. ... ..	44	3	7
„ Removing Dust ... ..	795	0	0
„ Expenses under Sale of Food and Drugs Act ... ..	19	2	6
„ Expenses under Nuisances Removal and Sanitary Acts ... ..	106	11	6
„ London School Board Expenses ... ..	6649	2	6
„ Expenses of Ballot for Vestrymen ... ..	28	18	3
„ Surveyor's Fees re dilapidations Stratford Charity Estate ... ..	105	0	0
„ Tradesmen's Bills, &c. ... ..	511	9	11

19238 17 8

Balance ... .. 911 15 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

£20,150 13 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

# SUMMARY STATEMENT—Continued.

## *Lighting Account. One Year ending 25th March, 1885.*

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1884 ... ..	533	4	9½	By paid Lighting, one year ... ..	1672	10	9
„ Cash received from Overseers on account of Lighting				„ Commission, one year ... ..	20	15	5
Rate ... ..	1369	0	0	„ Tradesmen's Bills ... ..	7	17	8
„ Interest on current account with London and West-							
minster Bank... ..	1	17	9		1701	3	10
				Balance ... ..	202	18	8½
	£1904	2	6½		£1904	2	6½

## *Sewers Account.*

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance on 25th March, 1884 ... ..	17	1	5	By paid Salaries, one year ... ..	460	0	0
„ Cash received from Overseers on account of Sewers				„ Commission... ..	91	12	8
Rates... ..	7122	0	0	„ The Metropolitan Board of Works precept ...	5446	9	9
„ Putting in Drains, &c. ... ..	73	6	1	„ Labour ... ..	719	6	3
„ Interest on current account with London and West-				„ Cartage ... ..	281	14	6
minster Bank ... ..	11	0	0	„ General Drainage Works ... ..	138	1	11
„ Sundry Contributions ... ..	0	13	0	„ Expenses of maintaining & water supply to Urinals	45	15	3
				„ Stationery, Printing, &c. ... ..	32	8	1
	£7224	0	6	„ Tradesmen's Bills, &c. ... ..	93	5	7
Balance ... ..	84	13	6				
	£7308	14	0		£7308	14	0





# THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL REPORT

OF THE

## VESTRY OF THE PARISH OF ROTHERHITHE,

### SURREY,

*For the Year ending 25th March,*

**1885.**

During the past year **22** General and Special Meetings and **23** Committee Meetings have been held.

#### Sewers Work.

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

12 feet of 18-inch pipe.			
52	„	12	„
254	„	9	„
112	„	6	„
6	„	4	„
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Total	436		

Three side entrances, one air and flushing shaft, two gullies, 11 gratings, 18 drain mouths, and one flap 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.
25	121	13	1	135

The following applications for the erection and drainage of new houses and buildings have also been checked and approved:—

Number of Notices.	Number of Houses.	Additions to Houses.	Warehouses and other Buildings.	Total Number of New Buildings.
42	113	66	6	185

There have been 134 houses and buildings drained during the year, 84 of which and 330 feet of 9in. pipe in cross drains were executed by private owners, as previously sanctioned by the Vestry.

The Vestry have sanctioned the execution by the private owner of drainage of Silwood-street, viz.:—

700 feet of 15in. pipe  
3 man-holes  
8 gullies  
1 ventilating shaft  
1 flushing box

At the estimated cost of £332 12s. 9d. (with contingencies.)

Also for Bracton Road—

750 feet of 12in. pipe  
2 man-holes  
4 gullies  
1 ventilating shaft  
1 flushing box

At the estimated cost of £256 5s. 6d. (with contingencies.)

Making a total of £588 18s. 3d.

### Paving Works.

The following materials have been used in repairing roads during the year ending 25th March, 1885, viz.:—

Broken Guernsey Granite	...	...	518 cubic yards
Gravel and Hoggin	...	...	154 "
Slop and snow carted	...	...	11184 loads
Water for watering roads	...	...	11526 van loads
Cartage of Materials	...	...	1218 loads
Broken Stone...	...	...	134 "
Hard Core	...	...	42 "
Flints	...	...	62 "
Bombay Stone	...	...	109 "



The carriageway and footways in Rotherhithe-street at the site of the old Surrey Dock Lock entrance, filled in, has been made up and paved at a cost of £359 10s 0d.

The carriageway in Rotherhithe-street, from Clarence-street to and including the narrow way opposite Hay's Wharf, has also been repaired at a cost of £252 1s. 11d.

The said paving works were carried out by Mr. William Etheridge, the then contractor for paving jobbing works, under the schedule of prices in his contract.

### Paving Jobbing Works.

Messrs. John Mowlem & Co. are the Contractors for Paving Jobbing Works, at a schedule of prices. (For particulars of Contract see page 8.)

### Lighting.

Eleven additional ordinary gas Lamps have been set up and lighted during the past year, viz.:—one in Ainsty-street, one in Dartmouth-road, four in Eugenia-road, one in St. Helena-road, and four in Culling-road. Three lamps have been discontinued, viz.:—two in Rotherhithe-street and one in Globe-street, making the total number of lamps in the parish, lighted by the South Metropolitan Gas Company, 456.

### 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 vans.

### 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, &c., 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 25th March, 1885.*

Houses and premises inspected	...	...	1184	Dust complaints received	...	...	...	188
Complaints received	...	...	1347	Summonses issued	...	...	...	4
Notices served	...	...	691	Magistrate's orders obtained	...	...	...	9
Infectious cases removed to hospital	...	...	82	Bakehouses	...	} regularly inspected.		
Houses, &c., disinfected	...	...	96	Slaughterhouses	...			
Bedding and clothes purified	...	...	57	Cow-sheds	...			
Bedding destroyed and compensation allowed			20					

J. EDWARDS, *Inspector.*



### Slaughter-houses.

Six notices were received in September, 1884, 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, 1884.

### Cow Houses.

Seven Cow Houses were licensed by the Magistrates in October, 1884, they having been previously inspected and approved by the Medical Officer of Health.

### Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875.

The following is a copy of Dr. John Muter's (the Analyst) Report:—

#### *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, 1884:—

Articles submitted for Analysis.	By whom submitted.	Result of Analysis.	The sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	Observations.
Milk	Local Authority.	34 per cent. of added water	10/6	
Milk	ditto	Genuine	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	ditto	10/6	
Milk	ditto	15 per cent. of added water	10/6	
Milk	ditto	Genuine	10/6	

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter, 6.

Dated 1st July, 1884.

(Signed) JOHN MUTER, *Public Analyst.*

### Financial.

£7,569 12s. 0d. have 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 £1,892 8s. 0d. to be paid within a period of four years, with interest at the rate of £5 per cent. per annum. The Mortgage for this Loan has been transferred to the London Life Association.

The Loan of £1,500 for paving works, borrowed in the year 1870 of Mr. Edward Talbot, was paid off in February, 1885.

£6,000 have 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" public-house, leaving £4,000 to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of eight years, with interest at £5 per cent. per annum.

£5,985 have 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 £4,015 to be repaid by annual instalments, with interest at the rate of £4 5s. per cent. per annum.

£880 have 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 £1,320 to be repaid by twelve annual instalments of £110 each, with interest at the rate of £4 5s. per cent. per annum.

£210 have 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 Caroline Wharf; leaving £1,890 to be repaid by 45 consecutive annual instalments of £42 each, with interest at the rate of £3 15s. per cent. per annum.

£1,542 17s. have been paid off the Loan of £2,700, borrowed in January, 1880, 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 £1,157 3s. to be repaid by three annual instalments, with interest at the rate of £4 4s. 6d. per cent. per annum.

£300 have 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 carriage-way and footways, Rotherhithe-street, at the Gas Works and Carolina Wharf, leaving £1,700 to be repaid by 17 consecutive instalments of £100 each on the 31st day of October in each year, with interest at the rate of £3 15s. per cent. per annum.

£90 have been paid off the loan of £1,800, borrowed in November, 1883, of the Metropolitan Board of Works, towards defraying the expense of paving Commercial Dock-road from the Engineer's Office, Surrey Commercial Docks, to the east corner of Elgar-street; leaving £1,710 to be repaid by 19 consecutive annual instalments of £90 each on the 1st day of October in each year, with interest at the rate of £3 10s. per cent. per annum.



### Charity Estates, &c.

The accounts of Messrs. Robert Foottit and Joseph Blake Oake, Churchwardens for the year 1884-85, have been audited, and the following is a copy of the Charities Account, viz.:—

	£	s.	d.
To balance received from late Churchwardens ... ..	52	19	2
To cash received from Plaistow Estate (Moore) to Lady-day, 1884 ...	20	15	8
"    "    Plaistow Estate (Bennett) to Christmas, 1183 ...	3	18	4
"    "    Stratford Estate to Lady-day, 1884 ... ..	71	9	7
"    "    Plaistow Estate (Norris, late Bennett) to Michaelmas, 1884 ... ..	11	15	0
"    "    Stratford Estate to Michaelmas, 1884 ... ..	35	19	8
"    "    Hill and Bell's Charity ... ..	6	0	0
"    "    Smith's Charity ... ..	47	0	0
"    "    Sprunt's Charity ... ..	5	7	8
"    "    Bennett's Charity ... ..	9	0	0
"    "    Coat and Cloak Charity ... ..	6	0	0
"    "    Mrs. Embleton's Gift ... ..	5	0	10
	<u>£275</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>

By cash paid for Bread, viz.:—

	£	s.	d.
G. F. Muller... ..	10	16	0
F. Spillman ... ..	10	16	0
G. Wood ... ..	10	16	0
P. Erbach ... ..	10	16	0
Matthews Bros. ... ..	10	16	0
A. J. Johnson ... ..	10	16	0
E. Menold ... ..	10	16	0
J. A. Johnson ... ..	10	16	0
G. F. Muller... ..	10	16	0
A. Clarke ... ..	10	16	0
F. Stiltz ... ..	10	16	0
G. F. Mantz... ..	10	16	0
G. Wood ... ..	10	16	0

By cash paid Treasurer of Charity School ... ..	140	8	0
"    E. Willoughby, printing tickets for distribution of Bennett's Charity, 1884 ... ..	3	0	0
"    Repayment of loan to Rotherhithe Vestry ... ..	0	8	6
"    Sprunt's Charity distributed to six Widows ... ..	50	0	0
"    Bennett's Charity distributed in 1/- tickets ... ..	5	7	8
"    Coat and Cloak Charity ... ..	9	0	0
"    Mrs. Embleton's Gift ... ..	6	0	0
Balance in hand ... ..	5	0	10
	<u>56</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>£275</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>



In pursuance of a requisition received from the West Ham Local Board, the Vestry caused the portion of the roadway of Stratford-road, Plaistow, abutting upon the Charity Estate, to be made up to an improved line, and the footway curbed and paved at a cost of £104 15s. 3d.; they also had a stone tablet placed in the flank wall of the house No. 27, Redriff-road, denoting the boundary of the Charity Estate as follows, viz.:—"The boundary of this property extends 31 feet north-east of the face of this stone."

In January, 1885, Mr. William Stotesbury entered into an agreement with the Vestry for building upon the Charity Estate at Plaistow, upon the following terms, viz.:—To take a lease for 81 years from Christmas, 1884, at a rental of £150 per annum; for the first year at a peppercorn, for the second year £50, for the third year £100, and for the fourth and following years the full rent of £150. He also agreeing to repay the Vestry the amount expended in laying the pipe sewer on the property in proportions as the leases were taken up.

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### Baths and Wash-houses.

At a meeting of the Vestry held on the 4th November, 1884, Messrs. John Bulmer, Edward James Talbot, and Lawrence Stevens were re-elected Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses, to carry out the provisions of the Baths and Wash-houses Acts in this parish, to act in conjunction with Messrs. Francis John Bisley, Ralph Westall Walker, Thomas William Clarke, and Edward John Cox, the continuing Commissioners.

At a meeting of the Vestry held on the 3rd February, 1885, Mr. Samuel Brownfield was elected a Commissioner for Public Baths and Wash-houses in this parish, in the room of Mr. Edward John Cox, deceased.

At the before-mentioned meeting of the Vestry held on the 4th November, 1884, Messrs. Henry Lovell Bartlett and George Mabbs were re-elected Auditors of the accounts of the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses, for the ensuing year.

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### Member of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

On the 12th June, 1884, John Tolhurst, Esq., was unanimously re-elected a member of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the St. Olave and Rotherhithe Districts, at a meeting of the Vestries of the Parishes of Rotherhithe, St. John, Horselydown, St. Olave and St. Thomas, Southwark, held at the Vestry Hall, Tooley-street.

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### Miscellaneous.

In March, 1884, the Vestry passed resolutions as follows:—

"*Resolved*, that this Vestry make an inspection of all streets, courts and alleys in this parish where considered necessary, with the view of putting the same in proper "sanitary repair." Also,



*“Resolved, that it be referred to the General Purposes Committee to inspect the streets, courts, and alleys in this parish referred to in the foregoing resolution, and report thereon to the Vestry.”*

The General Purposes Committee held several meetings, and inspected the following streets, courts, and alleys in the parish, viz:—Iphigenea Cottages, Gilham's-court, Donne-place, Wormald-place, Staple's-rents, Love-lane, Sernes-alley, Roney-street, Queen-street, Seven-step-alley, Fisher's court, Clark's-orchard, Princes-place, Elephant-lane, Union-court, St. Mary's-buildings, Cow-court, Nolan-place, Hatterack-street, Adam's-gardens, Edward's-place, Eve's-place, Railway-avenue, Kenning-street, Norfolk-place, Paxton's-alley, Seth-street, Ainsty-street, Clarence-place, Oak-place, Dodd's-place, Kinburn-street, Wyndham-road, Forsyth-street, Neston-street, Gooch-place, Renforth-street, Risdon-street, Mary-street, Neptune-court, Frederick-court, Thetford-place, Irwell-place, Purnell-place, Baker's-rents, Reed's-alley, Mistear's-buildings, St. Paul's-lane, Globe-street, Globe-square, Essex-place, Lavender-lane, Silver-street, Faustin-place, Cow-lane, Bryant's-alley, Mariner's-buildings, Stroud's-cottages, Trinity-road, Acorn-place, Castle's-buildings, Sedger's-buildings, Randell's-rents, York-place.

Upon the reports and recommendation of the Committee, the necessary repairs were executed by the Vestry in the streets and places under their jurisdiction, and in cases of private thoroughfares notices were given to the owners thereof to carry out the repairs required to the surfaces.

Upon the introduction into the House of Commons in April, 1884, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on behalf of Her Majesty's Government, of “The London Government Bill,” the Vestry, after careful consideration of the provisions of the Bill, passed the following resolutions thereon, viz.:—

- 1.—“That this Vestry is of opinion the London Government Bill is opposed to the interests of the Ratepayers of this parish, as well as of the Ratepayers generally.”
- 2.—“That the principle of Local Self-government is, by the provisions of the said Bill, practically destroyed.”
- 3.—“That the Vestry take immediate steps to present a petition to Parliament against the said Bill, and that the Members of Parliament for the County and Borough be asked to support such Petition.”
- 4.—“That this Vestry appoint Delegates to attend the proposed conference to be convened by the Metropolitan Board of Works, and other conferences that may be held, to consider the provisions of the Bill.”

In June, 1884, the Vestry, through William Grantham, Esq., Q.C., M.P., presented a Petition to the Houses of Commons against “The London Government Bill,” and appointed the following gentlemen as Delegates to attend any conference of Metropolitan Authorities that might be held upon the subject of the Bill, viz.:—Messrs. John Bulmer, Francis John Bisley, Robert Footitt, Ralph Westall Walker, and Henry Hayward.

Ultimately the Government withdrew the Bill.



In July, 1884, the attention of the Vestry having been called to the fact that the Guardians of St. Olave's Union had resolved to close the Rotherhithe Workhouse and to transfer the indoor poor therefrom to the St. Olave and Bermondsey Workhouses, it was

"*Resolved*, that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Guardians of St. Olave's Union, stating this Vestry regret the decision at which the Board had arrived, and "urging that they would reconsider the matter."

A letter was subsequently received by the Vestry from the Clerk to the Guardians of St. Olave's Union, stating the foregoing resolution had been submitted to the Guardians, and he was directed by them to acknowledge the receipt thereof.

In September, 1884, the Offices of the Vestry were removed from No. 82 Paradise-street, to new offices at the Public Baths, Deptford Lower-road, which were taken by the Vestry under an agreement with the Commissioners for Public Baths and Wash-houses of this parish upon the following terms, viz.:—The Vestry to pay to the Commissioners £100 per annum, such sum to cover the rent, and the cost of cleaning, warming, lighting, and supervision by the Superintendent of the Baths.

The following new streets were, at the request of the owner, taken to by the Vestry in November, 1884, viz.:—Ilderton-road, Cranswick-road, Bramcote-road, and Delaford-road.

The site of the old Millpond Reservoir, situate between Paradise-street and Union-road, having been gratuitously presented to the Vestry by Mrs. Carr-Gomm, the freeholder, they caused the same to be filled up, after laying a pipe culvert there to reserve the flow of water as heretofore from the northern portion of the Millstream, for flushing the sewers southward thereof. Trees were then planted and iron guards provided to protect them, and the site thrown open to the public.

On an application made by the Engineer of the Postal Telegraph Department, the Vestry gave permission for the fixing of Fire Alarm Posts at the following places in this parish, viz.:—

- No. 1, Church-street.
- No. 2, Rotherhithe-street, at Surrey Lock.
- No. 3, Rotherhithe-street, at Lavender Lock.
- No. 4, Rotherhithe-street, at Scandinavian Church.
- No. 5, Junction of Abbeyfield and Rotherhithe New Roads.
- No. 6, Deptford Lower-road, at the corner of Plough-road.

On the application of the Southwark and Deptford Tramways Company, the Vestry resolved to offer no objection to the formation of a passing-place in the Tramway, Deptford Lower-road, between All Saints Church and Neptune-street, which passing-place has been executed by the Tramways Company.

The Vestry, in January, 1885, having had under consideration the Bill for the Redistribution of Seats at Parliamentary Elections, introduced by Her Majesty's Government, passed resolutions thereon as follows:—

“*Resolved*, that this Vestry entirely approve of the constitution of the Borough of Rotherhithe, in the manner set out by Her Majesty’s Government in the Redistribution of Seats Bill.”

“*Resolved*, that a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to the Prime Minister and the President of the Local Government Board, to the Members of Parliament for the Borough of Southwark and East Surrey, and to the various Local Authorities of the Borough.”

On the 3rd March, 1885, the Vestry passed the following resolution, viz.:—

“*Resolved*, that this meeting approve of the Tower Bridge, proposed by the Corporation of the City of London, to be erected below London Bridge, and for which they are now seeking to obtain Parliamentary sanction; and that the Members for the County and Borough be requested to support the Bill in its passage through Parliament.”

### 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.
£254,162 0s. 0d.	£205,224 0s. 0d.



APPENDIX No. 1.

REPORT

OF

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,

*From January 1st, 1885, to March 25th, 1885.*

GENTLEMEN,

The Report I submit to you is not for twelve months, but only for three.

It was suggested to me that by making the report for three months, I should, for the future, bring the two Reports—the Financial and Medical—to agree as to date, so that there would be no delay in sending out the Yearly Report.

As the suggestion appeared to me one worthy of being carried out, I agreed to make my report only for the time needful to secure this uniformity of date.

In the three months 382 Births—201 males and 181 females—and 233 Deaths—128 males and 105 females—were registered; giving a total increase of 149 persons—73 males and 76 females.

The birth-rate per thousand per annum is 35·4, and the death-rate 13·46.

During this time all the causes of death have been legally certified, either by Coroner or Medical Practitioner.

Twenty-eight inquests have been held.

The causes of death are as follows:—Diseases of the respiratory organs, 85; measles, 17; senile decay, 10; disease of the kidneys, 9; infantile convulsions, 9; marasmus, 9; inflammation of brain, 6; heart disease, 5; whooping cough, 5; paralysis, 4; scarlet fever, 3; small-pox, 2; apoplexy, 2; inflammation of bowels, 2; deaths during parturition, 2; cancer of nose, 1; pyæmia, 1; rheumatism, 1; intestinal obstruction, 1; diarrhœa, 1; typhus fever, 1; diphtheria, 1.

The deaths due to the principal infectious diseases during the three months were—measles, 17; whooping cough, 5; small-pox, 2; diphtheria, 1; scarlet fever, 3; typhus fever, 1.



The high number of deaths from measles and whooping cough is accounted for by the occurrence of a severe epidemic of these two diseases during the period included in my report.

It was during February and March, 1885, that the improvement in the condition of the tenements situate in Paxton's-alley, Rotherhithe-street, was carried out. There is no occasion to magnify the importance of the alterations which took place. Those who knew them before this time and know them at present will be able to judge.

The Sanitary Officer's reports show the following work done:—Complaints received, 201; houses, &c., inspected, 203; notices served, 116; infectious cases removed to hospital, 32; houses disinfected, 34; bedding purified, 21; bedding destroyed, 5; dust complaints received, 18; summonses issued, 2.

I am, gentlemen,

Truly yours,

J. SHAW.

## APPENDIX No. 2.

VESTRYMEN, AUDITORS, AND OFFICERS OF THE PARISH OF  
ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.*Under "The Metropolis Management Act," 1855.*

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1885.

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**Vestrymen.**

The Rev. EDWARD JOSSELYN BECK, M.A., <i>Rector</i> , The Rectory, Church-street.							
Mr. ROBERT FOOTTIT, 31 Union-road,	} <i>Churchwardens.</i>						
JOSEPH BLAKE OAKE, 60 Union-road,							
Mr. WILLIAM ARCHER, 2 Culling-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	To go out of Office in 1886
WILLIAM WILLIAMS, 4 Bush-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
EDWARD JAMES TALBOT, 72, Union-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
JOHN ALLEN, 96 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
JOSEPH DOWN, 89 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
LAWRENCE STEVENS, 191 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
THOMAS WILLIAM CLARKE, 90 Union-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
EUGENE CLIFFORD, 74 Paradise-street	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
Mr. JOHN BULMER, 34 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	1887
FRANCIS JOHN BISLEY, 68 Union-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
HENRY HERBERT HOBBS, 46 Gomm-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
RALPH WESTALL WALKER, 14 Rebecca-terrace, Gomm-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
SAMUEL WARD COPPING, 99 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
WALTER BEASLEY, 228 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
WILLIAM HENRY MONK, 19 Plough-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
THOMAS ALDRIDGE, 34 Albion-street	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
Mr. SAMUEL CHAFEN, 20 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	1888
FRANCIS THOMAS TALBOT, 198 Rotherhithe-street	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
THOMAS MUNDAY, 44 Abbeyfield-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
HUGH YOUNG, 17 Deptford Lower-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
STEPHEN RANSON, 39 Ainsty-street	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
CHARLES CAPPER, Swedish Yard Gate, Surrey Commercial Docks	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
HENRY HAYWARD, 50 Copelstone-road, Choumert-road, Rye-lane, Peckham	-	-	-	-	-	-	"
HENRY LOVEL BARTLETT, 129 Hawkstone-road	-	-	-	-	-	-	"

**Auditors of Accounts.**

Mr. William Joshua Carr,      Mr. George Lewis,  
Mr. William Trease Parsons,      Mr. Joseph Rose.

**Officers of the Vestry.**

JAMES JOHN STOKES, Clerk, Vestry Offices, Deptford Lower-road.  
WILLIAM BURLEY, Assistant Clerk, 72 Deptford Lower-road.  
Dr. JOSEPHUS SHAW, 42 Plough-road.  
GEORGE LEGG, Surveyor of Sewers, 61 King William-street, E.C.  
EDWARD THOMAS, Surveyor of Pavements, 234 Deptford Lower-road.  
JOSEPH DAY, Collector of Paving, Lighting, and Sewer Rates, 48 Union-road.  
JOSEPH EDWARDS, Inspector of Nuisances, Street Keeper, and Inspector under the "Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875," Vestry Offices, Deptford-road.  
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.



