

“If you look at the matter selfishly, it is very much your interest to give these lads a lift, because they are exactly at an age when habits of industry and honesty on the one hand, and of idleness and vice on the other, are permanently formed. *It is now or never for them.* The next two or three years will probably decide whether they are as workers to increase the public wealth, or whether they are to lessen it by living upon it for the rest of their days as paupers, vagrants, or possibly worse.”—LORD DERBY.

The Fifth Annual Meeting of the BOYS' REFUGE AND INDUSTRIAL HOME was held in the Town Hall, on Monday, February 1st, 1875.

There was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen, amongst whom were the Mayor of Manchester, the Bishop of Manchester, the Dean of Manchester, Sir Joseph Heron, Edward Hardcastle, Esq., M.P., Alderman Nicholls, Peter Maclaren, Esq., Thomas Dickins, Esq., Richard Haworth, Esq., Rev. T. A. Stowell, Charles Leigh Clare, Esq., Edwin Fletcher, Esq., Charles Sever, Esq., the Overseers of Manchester, &c. &c. John Macgregor, Esq. (Rob Roy), Rev. C. D. Marston, Rev. Dr. McKerrow, and Samuel Smiles, Esq., wrote expressing regret at being unable to attend.

OLIVER HEYWOOD, Esq., took the Chair at 12-30.

The Meeting having been opened with prayer, the Annual Report was read by the Honorary Secretary, Mr. L. K. SHAW, and the Financial Statement by Mr. R. B. TAYLOR.

It was then moved by the LORD BISHOP OF MANCHESTER, seconded by CHARLES BUSHELL, Esq., and supported by the Rev. DUNCAN MACGREGOR,—

“That the Report now read be adopted, printed, and circulated under the direction of the Committee.”

It was moved by EDWARD HARDCASTLE, Esq., M.P., seconded by the Rev. JOSEPH NUNN, and supported by the Rev. J. T. MCGAW and HERBERT PHILIPS, Esq.,—

“That the Committee for the ensuing year be Messrs. Thomas Wright, R. B. Taylor, Louis Hayes, H. B. Harrison, T. H. Rymer, and Leonard K. Shaw; and that the Treasurer be Mr. James C. Stuart.”

These Resolutions were adopted unanimously; a vote of thanks to the Mayor for the use of the Room concluded the proceedings.

“ Oh ! hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled
Are straying from the fold ! ”

THE FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Committee.

THOMAS WRIGHT,
R. B. TAYLOR,
H. B. HARRISON,
LOUIS HAYES,
T. H. RYMER,
LEONARD K. SHAW, HON. SEC.

It is just five years since THE BOYS' REFUGE opened its doors in Quay-street, Deansgate, to receive the homeless lads of our city. Most thankfully does the Committee meet its friends on this its Fifth Anniversary. In looking back, they have been five years of anxious, yet we trust blessed, toil ; and we now purpose, after briefly recording the work of the past year, to gather up a few of the lessons which the experience of the five years has taught us.

At the close of our last Report we alluded to an offer we had just then made to the School Boards of Manchester and Salford, viz., that, “ we would receive “ and provide for every homeless boy of from ten to “ sixteen years, not suitable for a certified Industrial “ School, whom their officers would bring to us.”

This offer, which was made under a full sense of the responsibility we thereby incurred, was thankfully acknowledged by both Boards; but we regret that more use has not been made of it.

One of our leading journals, alluding to this proposal, hoped that the problem "What to do with our Street Arabs?" was in a fair way of being solved. But still they are found on our streets evading the law, and under the guise of offering some article for sale, most surely growing up in habits of vagrancy.

We believe this crying evil would be largely diminished if the Authorities would exercise more vigilance. We ask them to do so, in the interests of the boys and of society. With the increased accommodation which our completed premises will give us, and with the openings we now have for employing boys, we do not fear being able to provide for all who come to us.

Nor is this a work in which only the School Board officers and the Police can co-operate with us;—any one who sees a poor street boy might, by a few kindly words, direct him—or, better still, *take him*—to our Refuge, where will be found no tedious machinery of *election* to go through, but immediate admission and Christian sympathy.

Admissions.

During the year 121 boys have sought admission, of which number 37 were refused as unsuitable, leaving 84 who were admitted.

The record concerning them shows that of this number—

There had either lost both parents or had no father..	49
Had a father but no mother.....	16
Had parents living somewhere.....	19
Total.....	84

Their educational condition was as follows:—

Entirely ignorant	32
Elementary education very defective	29
Elementary education fair	23
Total	84

If we add to these 84 the 90 boys in our Homes at the date of last Report, it gives 174 as the total number under our care during the year.

How disposed of.

This we feel to be the most important part of our work. Each case has been very anxiously considered, with the following results:—

Placed in situations away from Refuge...	11
Placed on board Training Ships	12
Provided with homes in Canada or America	9
To Lord Polwarth's Farm, Scotland.....	5
To Industrial Schools and Reformatory .	4
Gone back to the streets	4
No account of	12
Restored to friends	36
Remaining in our Homes	81

Total

174

Time will only allow a few words on the more important of these items.

And first, respecting the large family under our care, 81 in number, 42 of them are in situations, learning useful trades; 21 are employed in the Shoe-black Brigade; 18 are employed on the premises.

Earnings and Payments.

Their total earnings for the year have been £1,428. 4s. 9d.

Of which they have paid towards their own support £1,130. 5s. 3d.

Being an average payment per month of £94. 3s. 9d.

Savings Bank Account for 1874.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
Deposits	483	6	4	Amount withdrawn	469	19	7
Interest allowed ..	0	18	0	Balance in hand ..	14	4	9
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	£484	4	4		£484	4	4

There are at present 78 accounts open; 50 with credit balances to the amount of £65. 7s. 9d., and 28 in debt to the amount of £51. 3s. These debts have been incurred chiefly by our being obliged, owing to the want of cast-off clothing, to put boys into new clothes on admission. Had we a good supply of cast-off clothing, we should be able to clothe each boy on admission, without placing him in debt. This is most desirable. Will our friends kindly help us in this matter?

We are glad to announce that the completion of the Institution, so long needed and hoped for, by the erection of workshops, dining-room, school-room, and gymnasium, on the vacant land at the back which recently came into our possession, is now on the eve of accomplishment, and we have most thankfully to acknowledge that the amount required for this important work is nearly all subscribed, being only about £150. deficient.

We owe a deep debt of gratitude to those who have so liberally and promptly responded to our appeal. We trust they will see in the increased and increasing usefulness of the Institution that what they have subscribed is restored to them again.

During the year we have been obliged to change our "Home for Working Boys" from Grosvenor-street, Oxford-road, to Lower Broughton.

We placed this Home in a new locality in order to create a new interest and new friends; but we found that it was too far from our centre of operations—Strangeways, and we therefore could not give that constant oversight and personal attention to the lads which has been the leading feature in our work from the commencement, and for which *nothing* will compensate.

The evil effects of this was felt in the early part of last year, and we decided that no time must be lost in removing. This was attended with considerable expense, owing to a double rent for some time, and

also in adapting the new house to meet the wants of the family. But the change once made and the improvement was apparent, and during the past three months there has been no branch of our work more encouraging than this.

We invite those of our friends who can to visit this Home some evening. They will find there a band of well-conducted youths and young men, all learning useful trades—all found in the House of God on the Sabbath, and many of them voluntary attenders at a neighbouring Sabbath School. Some of them show an ability which indicates that they will probably one day occupy positions very different from that in which they were born. What they once were! what they might have been! we need not here describe.

Another Working Boys' Home.

A lady has, entirely unasked, placed funds at our disposal to furnish another Home; as soon, therefore, as we can find a suitable Father and Mother, we mean to transfer another family from the parent Refuge. Thus the work grows, and thus the stream of blessing widens.

Training Ship.

The next branch of our work we allude to is the Training Ship, where we now have seventeen lads.

However desirable it may be to retain boys in Manchester, and bring them up to some of the various

trades of our city, it must never be forgotten that there is always considerable risk in so doing, for they are continually meeting former companions, and in danger of giving way to old temptations; therefore, in all branches of our Home-work, failure *to some extent* there is and must be. But not so with the lads placed on board the Training Ship. Cut off at once from the old street-life, the boy is placed under a training and *constant discipline and care* which seems to us just what is needed to reform and elevate him. And here we are happy in being able to add that experience confirms our theory. In a letter recently received from the Captain of the "Indefatigable," he bears this unsolicited testimony:—

"Dear Sir,—I am glad to inform you that all your Manchester boys are doing well. They have given me uniform satisfaction. Two of them (Foley and Harrison) I have promoted to be petty officers.

JOHN GROOM, *Captain.*"

The supply of good sailors is a question of vast importance to this country, and perhaps there are few places more interested in this question than Manchester. Heartily, therefore, do we acknowledge the kindness of the Liverpool Committee in receiving our lads on board their ship, where the training of all kinds is excellent, at the low rate of £10. *per annum*. If any of our friends would wish to adopt a lad and support him on board, we will furnish them with his name, history, and photograph; they could then take a special interest in him. Six lads are thus

supported by various families in Manchester. We believe that in no way are we more effectively accomplishing the object of our Institution, and at once benefiting both the boys and the whole community, than by extending this branch of our work.

A New Home in a New Land.

The Emigration branch of our work has not been so active during the past year as in some former years. Where the lads are *suitable* and *willing*, we prefer that they should be trained for sailors at home rather than emigrated abroad. Still, in certain cases there is nothing *but* emigration in order to save the boy. We are thankful therefore that we have this agency for such cases. We have provided nine boys with a good home in a new land during the year, making in all 35 thus provided for; and when we remember what they were,—when we know what the surroundings *would be* had they still remained amongst us, and then contrast their present happy and prosperous condition, we do thank GOD, and commend this branch of our work to the support of our friends.

We have often felt the need of a Farm to which we could transfer lads whose desires and habits required such a life. That we have such cases from time to time, no one who has had practical experience of Refuge work doubts. Lord Polwarth has received at his farm, Humbie, near Edinburgh, five of our boys, and he holds out the prospect of receiving a few more.

Those we have sent are doing well, and we do feel obliged to Lord Polwarth for helping us with what were beginning to prove difficult cases.

The Daily Life of the Home.

We need not allude to other details of the work, such as how and where we find the boys,—their training and education when we have found them,—the restoring of them to their friends,—the care exercised in placing them in their various situations and apprenticeships,—and the efforts, in some cases alas, fruitless, to prevent them throwing off the restraints of the Refuge and returning to the freedom of the streets.

This is the daily unseen life of the Home, requiring a care and patience and wisdom constant and unwearying. In all this we have been ably assisted by our indefatigable Master and Matron, who (we fear to the impairing of their own health) have laboured throughout the year with a self-denial worthy of all praise.

The education of the boys is still in the hands of the Master, for which important work he is so well qualified. Mr. J. Wilks, of the Broughton High School, has kindly examined the School. We append his Report:—

“ To the Committee of the Boys' Refuge.

“ Gentlemen,—At your request I had the pleasure, at Christmas last, of again conducting the Examination of the boys at

present in the Refuge. The subjects taken were Reading, Writing, Spelling, and Arithmetic (slate and mental). The capacity of each individual boy was tested, as far as possible.

"The results were, on the whole, very encouraging. The handwriting and mental arithmetic were especially creditable. I have again highly to commend the good behaviour of the boys and the perfect order of the School. J. J. WILKS, B.A."

We may here state that a vacancy in the body of Trustees has been filled by the appointment of Mr. James Chapman on his retiring from the Office of Treasurer, which he has held since the foundation of the Institution. We are glad to announce that his place has been filled by Mr. James C. Stuart, an old friend of the Institution.

We must correct one misapprehension ere we hasten to our concluding words! An impression prevails in some quarters that this Institution is self-supporting. A moment's reflection will, we think, remove it. Receiving, as we do, boys from the age of 9 to 16 years, the great majority of whom have lived, up to the time of their admission, vagrant worthless lives, is it likely or possible that we can all at once turn them into self-supporting lads?

We are thankful to say, that although we have had an exceptionally heavy year owing to the removal expenses in connection with the Working Boys' Home and other causes, our average cost per lad is still considerably below Industrial Schools generally. In our leading Lancashire Industrial Schools the cost is about £18. per annum. Taking 84 as the average number

in the Refuge throughout the year, our cost has been £13. 15s. In the previous year (1873) our cost was under £12., and we mean to try this year not to exceed that amount.

Review of the past Five Years.

And now, ere we close we must cast a glance backwards over the path trodden during the past five years. The first thought forced upon us in that review is, *the absolute need of such an agency as this Institution provides.*

While the painful fact remains that there are in all our great centres of population a number, more or less large, of boys who lead a wandering nomadic life, seldom sleeping longer than a week in one place, and earning the precarious livelihood which the street affords,—while these ranks are being continually added to by boys who run away from their homes, and by boys who come from various parts of the country to seek employment, but failing to obtain it are left homeless and penniless,—and sadder still, while from just such boys as these are being daily fed our pauper and criminal ranks, so long will the Boys' Refuge be a needed, and we trust a blessed agency.

Nor can we see any likelihood of this need ceasing to exist. On this point the Rev. Sydney Turner, in his Report for 1873, to the Secretary of State on the Industrial Schools and Reformatory Acts, uses these remarkable words:—

"I had expected that the establishment of School Boards in our larger towns, and their exercise of the power of enforcing attendance at ordinary day schools, would have materially lessened the number of disorderly and neglected children, for whose better training and restraint the provisions of the Industrial Schools Act have hitherto been so freely applied; but my anticipations have as yet been *entirely* disappointed, and from the information I have received from the School Boards of our largest centres of population, I am led *unwillingly* to the conclusion that the 'Arab Class' of children *cannot be reached* by the powers and provisions of the Education Act as it now stands."

No, these boys want *food* and *clothing*. They need the restraint and discipline of a *well-ordered Home*. They need to be cut off from the bad influences surrounding them, which we believe would soon undo the work of "The Day Industrial Feeding School" which some are advocating for this class. Come with us some night through the common lodging-houses of Angel-street, Charter-street, &c., or darker places still, and you will feel and see that there are numbers of lads who need a *Home*,—who need a friendly hand to lift them right out of the vice and degradation which surrounds them,—who need, in fact, just what the Refuge is fitted to give.

Another lesson, which the past five years has taught us is—*the importance of laying hold of these boys early*, before they have become unsettled in habits and hardened in sin. We believe this is a point of which we have all vastly underrated the importance. The class

we deal with—being mostly the children of vagrant, drunken, and criminal parents—learn fearfully soon to lie and cheat and steal. They are familiarised with vice so early in life that their only hope seems to us to be an earlier removal from these scenes than has yet been contemplated.

It is weary and dispiriting work to try in a few short months to undo long years of neglect, and yet this, to a large extent, is our work at the Refuge.

One whose wisdom and experience entitle her to speak, said—alluding to our rule of only admitting lads from 10 to 16 years—"You wait until the boys "are spoiled before you take them in." We felt there was much truth in these words, and they sank deeply into our mind. Well, we can only reply that these lads are around us a canker in our midst,—from their ranks are being daily recruited the pauper and criminal classes. What can we do but stretch forth a hand to help them? Besides which, an Institution which deals with boys of 10 to 16 could not under the same roof deal with those of 5 to 10. Still we feel that while we do the one we should not leave the other undone.

Homes for little boys are much needed, and our belief is, that while we leave the little children practically uncared for, we shall never want for a full supply of candidates for our certified Schools, Reformatories, Workhouses, and Gaols.

These two lessons are, however, drawn from the

darker side of the picture. A review of the past five years shows that, not counting those who have received casual help, 400 boys have been permanently admitted, of which number we know of about 250 who are doing well. Of course a large number have passed from our sight, but a fair proportion of them we may reasonably hope are amongst the number of well-doers; a very small proportion indeed do we know to have turned out badly. This is something to thank God for;—enough of success to encourage;—enough of failure to stimulate to renewed efforts.

Conclusion.

Such, in conclusion, is a very brief outline of the work of our Institution. In searching out lads and investigating cases we are daily brought into contact with much sorrow, suffering, and sin; and while we cannot afford to all classes the temporal help designed for one, it has been our privilege to be missionaries, not to our own lads only, but in the lowest quarters of our city, and amidst the scenes of its greatest wretchedness. For we have been taught by painful experience, that though we may clothe and civilize and render respectable the once ragged and ignorant and vagrant, there is no safety for young or old in the battle of life unless "the Gospel of the Grace of God" has reached and changed the heart.

Throughout the year all the common lodging-houses of Angel-meadow have been frequently visited, and

Tracts distributed, and words spoken which we have God's promise for believing will bear fruit in ways we may never know.

We owe hearty thanks to a large circle of friends for very liberal pecuniary help, and also for many useful gifts, which are duly acknowledged at the end of the Report;—to Lord Ducie, who, though unable to alienate the land or to pledge posterity, has shown his sympathy with the work we are engaged in, by practically relieving us from chief-rent for his lifetime;—to our kind Medical Friend who still continues his most important services without fee or reward;—to those Ladies who meet each month at the Refuge, and who have made up at their own homes during the year 68 day-shirts, 72 night-shirts, and 18 pairs of socks;—to the Friend whose Drawing Class has been so much appreciated by the boys;—and to all who may have helped forward the work in any way. But we know they do not need or look for thanks. The work is God's. We desire that both *they* and *we* should feel this more and more, and that, following in the steps of our Great Example, the motto of *His* life should be inscribed on the banners of our Refuge—

"TO SEEK AND TO SAVE THAT WHICH IS LOST."

LIST OF ARTICLES PRESENTED DURING 1874.

Mr. Herbert Philips, "The Illustrated London News" (weekly); Mr. Griffin, "The Animal World" (monthly); Mr. Bowman, "Illustrated London News," several volumes (unbound); Mr. Mather, free tickets for Greengate swimming baths (weekly), most acceptable and popular; Mr. Hugh Edwards, 30 oilskin capes for shoeblacks; Mr. Stuart, "Chambers' Journal" and "Graphic;" Mr. E. Ashworth, two parcels of cast-off clothing; Mrs. Wright, five parcels of cast-off clothing; Mr. E. Evans, "Graphic" and "Fun;" Mr. Flemming, two dozen of shirts, 16 pairs of muffettes (new), two parcels of cast-off clothing; Mr. H. Lee, five parcels of cast-off clothing; Messrs. Godfrey Woodhead and Son, broken biscuits, &c.; Anonymous, parcel of cast-off boots, hair brushes (useful); Mr. J. McLaren, new football; Mr. H. J. Leppoc, parcel of cast-off shirts; Rev. T. M. McDonald, three hampers of bread and butter, &c.; Mr. Esplin, cast-off clothing; Mr. A. Ganthorp, quantity of bottles; Miss Whitworth, one parcel of shirts (new); Mr. J. Murgatroyd—"Good Words," "Good Things;" Miss Cawley, nine volumes of "Saturday Magazine," two Bibles, &c.; Mr. Willcock, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Davis, large parcel of fustian remnants; Mr. Hugh Mason, large parcel of cast-off clothing; from The Hollins, Whitefield, one parcel of cast-off clothing (very useful); Mrs. Charles Leigh Clare, two parcels of cast-off clothing, boots, &c., six shirts, three dozen of socks (new); Mrs. Wanklyn, parcel of cast-off clothing; Messrs. Hall, McKerrow, and Co., two parcels of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Dixon, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. Wm. Wood, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. Shaw, sen., parcel of boots, hats, and shirts; Mr. James Chapman, two parcels of cast-off clothing (most useful); Mr. W. W. Coulbourne, cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Black, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. Brammall, two parcels of cast-off clothing; Mr. A. Boutflower, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Blair, one leg of mutton; Mr. J. H. Birley, large parcel of cast-off clothing (useful); Mrs. G. Wood, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. W. McClure, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. Hesse, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. R. West, parcel of cast-off clothing;

Mr. J. Moore, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. L. Hayes, parcel of new coloured handkerchiefs; Mr. J. C., five volumes of "A Trophy Won;" Mr. Pearson, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. E. M. Stanley, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. G. Gray, seven pairs of cast-off shoes; Mrs. A. Knott, three parcels of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. J. Wilks, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. C. E. Cawley, lithograph of Jerusalem; Mr. T. H. Rymer 26 pairs of socks (new) and 11 old shirts and collars; Mr. Wainwright Bellhouse, large parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Burn, three parcels of cast-off clothing; J. and F. W. C., one box of cast-off clothing (useful); Mr. J. A. Bannerman, large parcel of cast-off clothing (most useful); Mr. E. McNaughton, shoes, top coat; W. R., socks, boots, ties (small parcel); Mr. Manners, Ashton, and Co., one parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. James Bellhouse, one large parcel of cast-off clothing; Mrs. Chew, six new shirts; Mrs. Whitehead, parcel of cast-off clothing; Mr. J. Camoy, one pair of boots and a coat; Mr. Lees, 24 pairs of clogs (new); Mr. F. Taylor, 100 oranges, cast-off clothing; Mr. H. T. Pochin, large parcel of cast-off clothing; Messrs. G. Whitworth and Co., box of oranges, box of figs, hamper of apples; Captain Leggat, one box of nuts, oranges, &c.; Mr. Surr, 12 Nos. of "Sunday at Home;" The Misses Davies, Northwood, comforters, muffettes, (new); several articles of clothing per H. B. Harrison; a Friend, the total cost of Christmas dinner and tea for ninety boys; Mr. Warwick Brooks, Photographing several boys free of cost.

Waste Paper.—Sir J. Heron, Mr. Charles Leigh Clare, Mr. H. J. Leppoc, Mr. T. Dickens, Mr. J. Higgins, Mr. C. Christie, Mr. H. Whitehead, Mr. John Stuart, and the Town Hall, King-street.

CAST-OFF CLOTHING.—Where not convenient to our Friends to send parcels to the Refuge, a post-card, addressed to the Master, Mr. Browne, will ensure their being promptly called for.

WASTE PAPER.—We shall be happy to furnish Bags to Families who are willing to collect Waste Paper.

Financial Statement of the BOYS' REFUGE AND WORKING BOYS' HOMES, MANCHESTER, for the Year ending
 1874.

				£.	s.	d.					£.	s.	d.
To Boys' payments for Board, &c.				872	17	9	By Balance due to Treasurer, Dec. 31st, 1873				53	18	9
" Ditto ditto for Clothing				169	6	3	" Master, Matron, and Assistants' Salaries..				282	15	6
" Sales in Shoemaking Department				57	12	6	" Clothing purchased				250	18	0
" Ditto in Firewood Department				320	7	1	" General Expenses, including Coal, Gas, &c.				283	8	3
" Ditto of Waste Paper				4	0	1	" Provisions				889	5	8
" Clothing sold to Emigrants				15	4	11	" Rates and Taxes.....				59	1	6
" Rent of Premises in Catherine-street....				18	15	0	" Repairs to Premises				31	16	5
" Working Boys' Home—payments for Board				257	7	6	" Chief Rent				21	14	7
" Donations and Subscriptions				1048	6	3	" Expenses in Shoemaking Department....				41	17	7
" Manchester and Salford Bank Interest ..				7	17	3	" Timber purchased for Firewood				134	11	3
" Balance due to Treasurer				112	8	8	" Wages paid to Boys, Firewood Department				145	5	4
Audited and found correct,											57	2	11
THOMAS ARMSTRONG.											85	6	6
											232	6	0
											257	15	9
											55	5	0
											1	14	3
											£2884	3	3
											£2884	3	3

WORKSHOP AND COMPLETION OF PREMISES FUND.

To Balance in hand, December 31st, 1873..				405	0	0
" Donations				1008	5	0
				£1413	5	0

Audited and found correct,
 THOMAS ARMSTRONG.

				£.	s.	d.
Blacklock Mrs. (1874 and 1875)				10	10	0
Brooks W. C., M.P.				5	5	0
Baile W. T., N.				2	2	0
Boadhurst E.				2	2	0
Bown W. S.				2	2	0
Bryant Jesse				2	2	0
Boughton Copper Co.				2	2	0
Banyons, Robinson, and Co.				2	2	0
Ballhouse W.				2	0	0
Bowman Mrs.				2	0	0
Boadhurst Richard				1	1	0
Black J.				1	1	0
Bacon J. H.				1	0	0
Bell T.				1	0	0
Ballock Mrs.				0	10	0
Boockbank T.				0	5	0
Bash Rev. J.				0	5	0
Callender and Sons				10	0	0
Care Charles Leigh				5	0	0
Christie R. C.				2	0	0

SUBSCRIPTIONS, 1874.

	£.	s.	d.
Cowlishaw, Nicol, and Co.	2	2	0
Clifton and Kearsley Company	2	2	0
Cressy Robert	1	1	0
Crane Canon	1	1	0
Callender Mrs.	1	1	0
Cheetham B.	1	1	0
Ducie, Earl of	10	0	0
Dilworth and Sons	5	0	0
Duncan W. A.	1	1	0
Dransfield J. H.	0	10	0
Edmondson J. B.	5	0	0
Ede Mr.	2	0	0
Edgar J. C.	1	1	0
Eckersley —	1	0	0
Eckersley Mrs. J.	1	0	0
Fletcher E. S.	5	0	0
Fothergill and Harvey	2	2	0
Farrar J.	1	1	0
Friend A	1	0	0
Fleming Mrs.	1	1	0
Fleming Miss	1	1	0
Farmer Mrs.	1	0	0
Friend A	0	10	0
F. R.	0	10	6
Grafton F. W.	5	5	0
Gordon Mrs. (per A. Boutflower)	2	2	0
Gordon Mrs. E. (per Gray and Co.)	2	2	0
Goldschmidt P.	2	2	0
Graham W. and Co.	2	2	0
Goulden W. W.	1	1	0
Griffin R.	1	1	0
Goldschmidt —	1	1	0
Glover W. T.	1	1	0

	£.	s.	d.
Galloway Mrs. J.	1	0	0
Grierson and Hall	0	10	0
Goodall and Co.	0	5	0
G. R. (Subscriptions per)	3	0	0
Haworth R. and Co.	5	0	0
Heape Benjamin	5	0	0
Houldsworth W. H.	5	0	0
Hoyle Joshua and Sons	3	3	0
Hardwick Richard	3	3	0
Hardcastle Edward, M.P.	2	2	0
Helm S. L.	2	2	0
Hayes Louis	2	2	0
Hough John	2	2	0
Hutchinson Mrs.	2	0	0
Hiller H.	2	0	0
Horrocks Councillor	1	1	0
Hesse Max	1	0	0
Hawkins W.	1	1	0
Hinchliffe B.	1	0	0
Henderson Mrs. (Paris)	1	0	0
Henry C.	0	5	0
Jones Mrs. Grace	5	0	0
Job R. H.	1	1	0
Kendal, Milne, and Co.	2	2	0
Langworthy Brothers and Co.	5	0	0
Lyon, Lord, and Co.	5	0	0
Lawn W. S.	5	0	0
Leppoc H. J.	2	2	0
Lee Arthur	2	0	0
Lund Dr.	1	1	0
Langley H. M.	1	1	0
Leigh George	2	1	0
Lees William	1	1	0

	£.	s.	d.
Lings T. P.	1	1	0
Leaver Thomas	1	0	0
Lund Mrs. E.	0	10	6
Leake Robert	1	0	0
Mendel Sam	10	10	0
Mc.Laren Peter	5	5	0
Mason Hugh	5	5	0
Mc.Intyre, Hogg, and Co.	5	0	0
Macfie Dugald	5	0	0
Mather William	3	3	0
Miller Charles	2	2	0
Morley James	2	2	0
Manchester, Bishop of	2	0	0
Morell J. C.	2	0	0
Mackie Mrs.	1	1	0
Matheson D. and Co.	1	1	0
Milner G.	1	1	0
Makinson C. M.	1	1	0
Mather J.	1	0	0
M. S. B.	1	0	0
Neill R. and Sons	2	2	0
Nall John	1	0	0
Pearson Miss	5	0	0
Pearson Miss E. M.	5	0	0
Prince Mrs.	2	0	0
Pilkington Alfred	1	1	0
Palin Captain	1	1	0
Rymer Thomas	5	0	0
Roylance E. W.	2	0	0
Redfern P. M.	1	1	0
Rymer T. H.	1	1	0
Ralli Brothers	1	1	0
Rowley Charles	1	1	0

	£.	s.	d.
Roberts J. F.	1	0	0
Roberts Thomas	1	0	0
Reid Mrs.	0	10	0
Spence J. Berger and Co.	10	0	0
Slater William	5	0	0
Shaw L. K.	5	0	0
Stanley S.	5	0	0
Smith's Charity (Interest on Corporation Debenture)	4	0	0
Statham H.	3	0	0
Scott William	3	0	0
Spafford George	2	2	0
Stanley Mrs.	2	2	0
Sington A. and Co.	2	2	0
Souvazoglu P. and Co.	2	2	0
Stanley Mrs.	2	0	0
Sever Charles	1	1	0
Smith R. H.	1	1	0
Smith Bryce	1	1	0
Stuart Walter	1	1	0
Smith R. H.	1	1	0
Shelmerdine Mrs. T.	1	0	0
Smelt Thomas	1	0	0
Statham Major	1	0	0
Sugden B.	1	0	0
Sugden James	1	0	0
Sugden John	1	0	0
Sugden John (per)	1	0	0
Smith Miss	0	5	0
Stocker Mr.	0	5	0
Sinclair A.	0	10	0
Todd John	5	0	0
Taylor Frederick	3	3	0
Turner Wright	2	2	0
Turner W. A.	2	2	0

	£.	s.	d.
Taylor R. B.	-	-	2 2 0
Trappe Mr.	-	-	1 1 0
Taylor R.	-	-	1 1 0
Thompson Mrs.	-	-	0 10 0

Varley Miss	-	-	1 1 0
Varley Miss E.	-	-	1 1 0

Walker W. E.	-	-	10 10 0
Wilton Earl of (1872 and 1873)	-	-	10 0 0
Windsor Mrs.	-	-	10 0 0
Whitehead John	-	-	2 2 0
Wilson E.	-	-	1 1 0
Wilkinson T. R.	-	-	1 1 0
Wanklyn Mrs. W. T.	-	-	1 1 0
Whitehead W.	-	-	1 1 0
Whitehead H.	-	-	1 1 0
Watkin Alfred	-	-	1 1 0
Walmsley F. H.	-	-	1 1 0
Whitworth Miss	-	-	1 0 0
Whitworth Edmund	-	-	1 1 0
Whitworth Reginald	-	-	1 1 0
Whitworth Alfred	-	-	1 0 0
Whitworth W.	-	-	1 0 0
Whitworth Miss	-	-	1 0 0
Walker Joseph	-	-	1 0 0
Woodhead G. and Son	-	-	1 0 0
Warburton Miss	-	-	1 1 0
Wedd Mrs.	-	-	0 12 0
Whitworth Mrs. R.	-	-	0 10 0
Wadsworth Mrs.	-	-	0 10 0
Walker Miss	-	-	0 5 0
Young A.	-	-	2 0 0

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DONATIONS TO GENERAL EXPENSES,
1874.

	£.	s.	d.
A Friend	-	-	40 0 0
*Bellhouse Wainwright	-	-	20 0 0
*Bannerman J. A.	-	-	10 0 0
Barbour and Brothers	-	-	10 0 0
Balance of a fund	-	-	11 9 3
Anonymous (per H. B. H.)	-	-	5 0 0
Buckley Edward	-	-	5 0 0
C. M. B.	-	-	20 0 0
Chapman James	-	-	10 0 0
Cottam Samuel	-	-	5 0 0
"Canada"	-	-	1 0 0
C. L. H.	-	-	5 0 0
Cockshott J.	-	-	0 10 0
*Crum W. G.	-	-	10 0 0
Executors of Philip Wright	-	-	25 0 0
Dods J. S.	-	-	5 0 0
Fox George	-	-	5 0 0
Fleming Miss (half year, for special boy)	-	-	5 0 0
F. J. M.	-	-	5 0 0
Grundy C. S.	-	-	10 0 0
Grand Jury Fines	-	-	3 1 0
"God bless and prosper you"	-	-	0 7 8
Grimkié Dr. (class, Christ Church S. School)	0	17	0
Heywood Oliver	-	-	20 0 0
Hoyle Isaac	-	-	5 0 0
Gifts to Boys in Whit-week	-	-	4 14 2
Hall E. Major	-	-	0 10 0
Leake Robert	-	-	5 0 0
Leedham F. H.	-	-	2 10 0
Knowles George	-	-	4 0 0
Munn John and Co.	-	-	30 0 0

	£.	s.	d.
Munn John	10	0	0
Millington Mr. and Mrs. G.	10	0	0
Nicholls Humphrey	100	0	0
Philips R. N., M.P.	20	0	0
Philips Herbert	40	0	0
Procter W.	10	0	0
Parker Mr. (Whit-week)	0	10	0
Rogers Mrs. Jane	5	0	0
Rylands John (Emigrating, 2 special cases)	20	0	0
Rymer Thomas (special case)	5	0	0
Thank Offering	1	1	0
Walker W. E.	6	0	0
Wood W. R.	5	0	0
Wood R.	5	0	0
Windsor Mrs. (Emigration, special case)	10	0	0
*Whitworth Edmund	3	0	0
*Whitworth Alfred	2	0	0
Wesley S. School, Bacup (per H. B. H.)	2	0	0
At Refuge door	0	10	0
Donation Box	0	6	8

TRAINING SHIP.

Langworthy Mrs. (special boy)	30	0	0
Davies-Colley T. C. ditto	10	0	0
Leggett Captain	10	0	0
Maclaren James	10	0	0
Wood Richard (special boy)	10	0	0
Whalley Range School Bible Class (ditto)	10	0	0

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* These amounts were given for Completion Fund, but in mistake have been placed amongst donations to General Expenses.

DONATIONS TO COMPLETION FUND.

	£.	s.	d.
Atkinson William	100	0	0
Barbour and Brothers	20	0	0
Clare Mrs. C. L.	25	0	0
Cunliffe T. P.	10	0	0
Fletcher E. S.	20	0	0
Gaddum F. E.	25	0	0
Gartside J. H.	10	10	0
Gottschalck G. and Co.	10	0	0
Harter W. J.	20	0	0
Helm S. L. and Co.	10	0	0
Johnson Richard	25	0	0
Langworthy Mrs.	220	0	0
Jardine James	20	0	0
Manchester, Overseers of	100	0	0
Mason Hugh	26	5	0
Mather William	10	0	0
Morrell J. C.	5	0	0
Nicholls H.	10	0	0
Philips R. N., M.P.	50	0	0
Philips Herbert	50	0	0
Philips Herbert (Gymnasium)	10	0	0
Ching Chang ditto	1	0	0
Reiss Brothers	25	0	0
Smith William (Bowdon)	100	0	0
Scott William	25	0	0
Steinthal and Co.	20	0	0
Schuster, Fulda, and Co.	10	10	0
Watts S. and J. and Co.	50	0	0

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BOYS' REFUGE AND INDUSTRIAL HOME.

“To help those who try to help themselves.”

Rules read over to each Boy on Admission.

Each lad who is permitted to enter this house and make it his home, is required to be obedient to the Master in all things, to be strictly honest and truthful, and to be kind to the other boys. Gambling, swearing, and smoking are strictly prohibited.

Those admitted to the Shoeblack Brigade must observe the special rules laid down for them, which they are advised to read every morning.

Those admitted to the Messenger Brigade must take up the position assigned to them by the Master, and ply for hire at the rate marked upon their badges. As the servants of the public, they are specially called upon to be obliging, honest, and industrious.

Those lads who by good conduct show themselves worthy of it, will be chosen to fill situations, as they occur. When so chosen, they must obey the Rules laid down by their various employers, and endeavour to maintain the good character which has been given of them.

All are expected to account for the money they earn, and to pay the rate fixed for their board, &c. each day; what they earn beyond this is their own, but is to be lodged in the Savings' Bank. Prizes will be given each month to the best boys in the Brigades; and for every six months a lad holds a situation with credit, 5s. is given.

Lads,—Strive, by GOD'S help, to be honest and truthful in all things, and kind to one another; act right, and you will make this

A HAPPY HOME!

Declaration to be signed by each Boy on Admission.

I, _____ faithfully promise, on condition of being admitted into the Industrial Home, to obey the foregoing Rules, and at all times be careful to maintain the good character of the Home; I also promise not to leave without first asking permission from the Master, and returning to him any property belonging to the Committee with which I may have been entrusted.

Signed _____

Witness _____

FORM OF LEGACY.

I give and bequeath to the MANCHESTER AND SALFORD BOYS' REFUGE AND INDUSTRIAL HOME the sum of £ to be applied to the purposes of the Institution. This sum is to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as I can lawfully charge with it; and a receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge for the same.

Subscriptions and Donations will be thankfully received by any member of the Committee, or at the MANCHESTER AND SALFORD BANK, St. Ann's-street Branch, (late HEYWOOD Brothers & Co.)

Friends will much oblige by paying their Subscriptions early in the year.

Donations of useful articles of any description will be most thankfully received. As our boys come to us needing *everything*, there is hardly any limit to the ways in which the work can be helped forward.

FIREWOOD, 5s. per hundred bundles.—We are providing for an increased supply of superior Wood, which will enable us to execute Orders more promptly and efficiently. WE INVITE OUR FRIENDS TO TRY IT.

Scheme for helping Special Cases.

Friends taking an interest in any particular boy (who is otherwise a suitable case for admission) might have him removed from the streets, and entirely Supported, Clothed, Educated, and taught a useful Trade in the Refuge, for a total cost of £10. If preferred, the boy might be placed on board the Training Ship, to be fitted for the navy or merchant service; or provided with a good home in Canada.

The Committee are glad to find that some Friends have already adopted this course, and they trust that the example will be largely followed. The effect on the poor lad thus admitted is most beneficial, as he feels that some one takes a personal interest in him. Application on this subject to be made to the Honorary Secretary.

All interested in the movement are invited to visit the Refuge any day or evening. The Sunday Evening Service at 6-30 is still well sustained.

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