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Lewisham.

District 47

48 (a few streets) Greenwich

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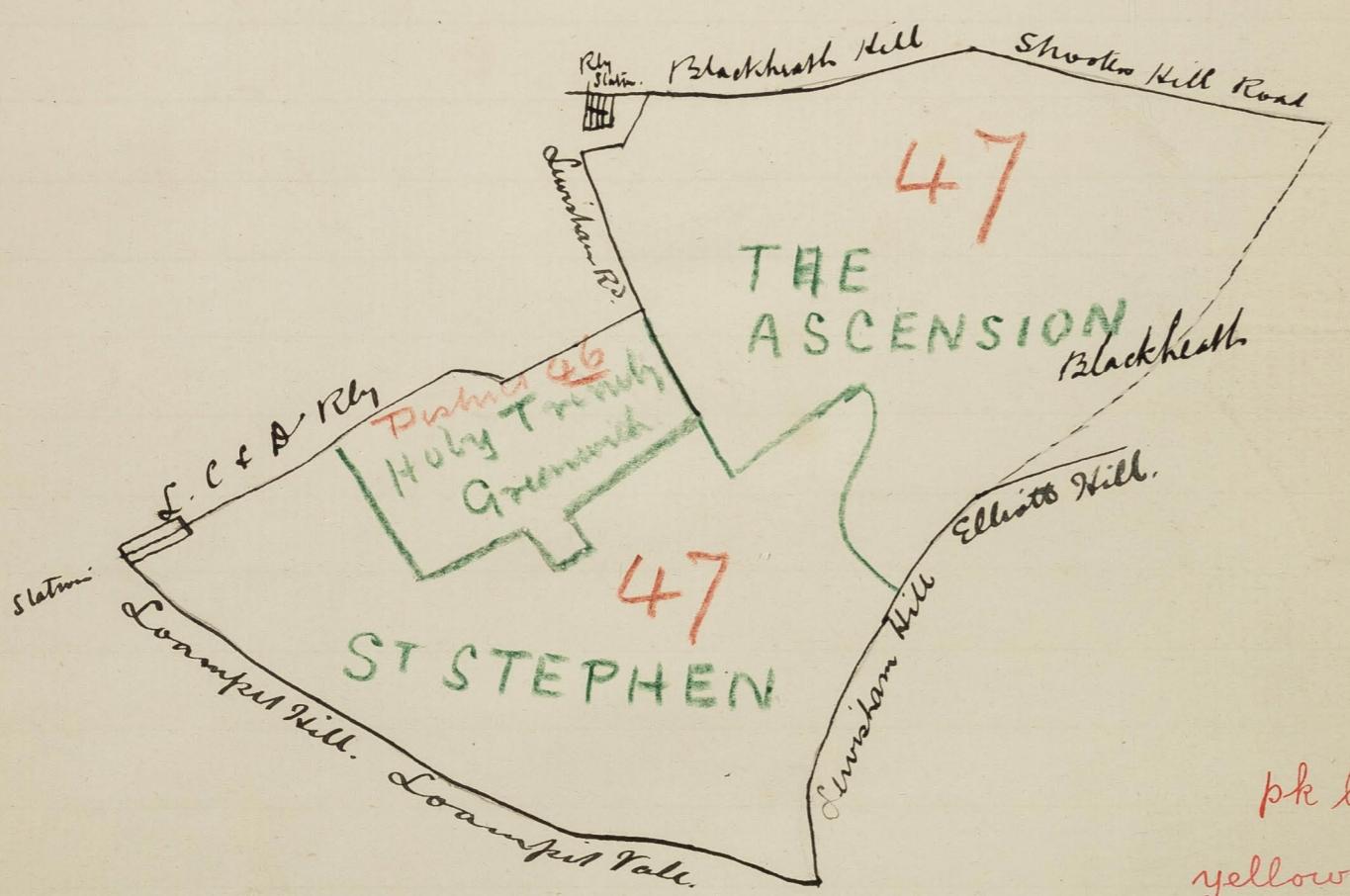
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Hill

Walk with Sergeant Osborne over district bounded on the north by Blackheath Hill & Shooters Hill Road, east by a line across Blackheath to Elliott Hill and Lewisham Hill, south west by Loampit Vale & Loampit Hill & north west by the L.C. & D. Rly & Lewisham Road, being portions of the parishes of Holy Trinity, Greenwich and St Stephen & the Ascension, Lewisham.



Starting from Blackheath Hill <sup>Rly</sup> Station south along Burling Gheet. Narrow unpaved roadway. 2 st. cottages 9 ft. frontage. Houses on west side only & 3 at bottom on east. Duty curtains; poor - rows sometimes. L13 to D13.

Back up

Merton Place. 2 st. houses flush with pavement. One small shop "Ices ½ d & 1 d". L13. Two D13 houses near Blackheath Hill. Up Blackheath Hill to Dartmouth Hill. Old road leading to the Heath. Modern redbrick houses on east. 2 st. fattie. Old houses & Boys orphanage on west side, Pink banded. At end, facing Blackheath is Lansdowne Place Large detached & s. det. houses 3 or 4 servants. Yellow.

West to

Dartmouth Row

Dartmouth Row red & yellow

Morden Hill pk & yellow

Lewisham Road - Morden Hill to Railway - pk b<sup>d</sup>

Sethbridge R<sup>a</sup> E of Drysdale purple

Drysdale Road - N. end

West to

Dartmouth Row Facing the Green Man are some 3st houses - keep servants. Going south are a few shops and then some old good houses & some modern 3st houses. Some very large on Heath side - Red and Yellow. W along Morden Hill Nurseryman on north corner - pink.

In Back Lane are a few cottages, formerly occupied by servants but now in ruins. Further west along M. Hill are a number of very large houses in grounds yellow. On south side is St John's Hospital, the home of the Nursing Sisters of St John the divine.

N.W along Lewisham Road 2 & storey & basement private houses. Mostly keep a servant girl to Drysdale Road. Beyond that point houses become poorer. Shops near the Railway arch - rather poor class trade. Pink barred.

Lithbridge Drysdale Road 6 roomed houses with bay windows to Drysdale Road. Beyond that poorer. Houses flush with pavement. Working people. Pink & Purple

Drysdale Road. South end is better: 2 families. Fronts of houses covered with creepers. Front gardens well kept. People & houses look clean. 5 to 6 rooms. Northern part is poorer - no gardens. Houses flush with

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Streets in Greenwich. District 48

Morden Grove

Morden Grove - pink b<sup>2</sup>

Sparta Street W side near  
main road purple

Essex Place - purple

with pavement. Some are LB in character. Purple.  
W into Garden Row. 5 roomed houses. Paved entry  
but only a foot path. Houses flush with pavement. Tailor  
Plumber etc. Purple as map. E into Sparta  
Sparta Street (King St on map). 2 st houses flush with  
pavement. Poorest at remote end. Many children playing -  
bad eyes. Entry on south side leads to a cottage. 4 rms;  
like the street. LB.

N up  
Queen Street. 2 st cottages. Narrow street, houses  
flush with pavement. Labouring people. LB. East  
into Essex Place 2 st. cottages like Queen St. but  
look better off. Laundry etc. A little girl well dressed  
in light colours going into one of the houses. Purple.  
W to Regent Street. 2 st cottages like the others. Some  
broken windows. LB.

Rest along  
Sparta Street. Nearing Lewisham Road the  
houses improve. Large rooms & wider frontages.  
Windows look poor but some are comfortable.

Purple to. LB.

South along  
Lewisham Road to Morden Grove. Well  
built semi-det. houses. 2 storied & basement. Most  
keep a servant. Only one house on east side. Park bared.

District 46

Sydney Grove - pk b<sup>2</sup>

Northam Street - pk

purple

At the south end is

Sydney Grove. Good modern houses near Lewisham Rd.  
on north side. South side older houses (2 st.) with long front  
gardens. Near Lewisham Road the people keep servants.  
Working class at lower end of Road. Pink barred

N into Northam Street (late Albion Grove). 2 st houses; one  
one side with basement floor. Row of trees on one side of  
street. Some broken windows. Insurance agent, boot  
repairs &c. Pink to purple. The portion running  
N.E to S.W. is better. Little children playing here are clean.  
Many of Penn's men. Pink. Turning north  
toward Albion St, a few cottages adjoining the public  
house & facing on the narrow footpath are reached.

LB in character. West across  
the Ravensbourne into Elverson Road. 2 st.,  
one bay window; small gardens in front. All have  
nicely kept parlours. Pink, except a few houses  
west of Ravensbourne Street, where the houses are  
smaller & look poorer. Purple.

Ravensbourne Street between the railway arches,  
is 2 st houses & a few shops. 2 families in house  
Pink. E into

Leathwell Road. Like the best part of Elverson Rd.  
Pink. Back across

Greenwich. (cont'd) 46

Cannington Road - pk.

Lewisham 47 Morden Hill to Plough Bridges - red

Blackheath Rise - red

Princes Road - red

Lewisham Hill - N. of Princes Road - yellow

High Street - pk b<sup>a</sup>

pk  
Grathorn Street - purple

Back across the Ravensbourne to Cannington Road. New 2 st. houses with bay windows. Fitted for 2 families. Pink. Back & along Lewisham Road to south. Good class houses with long gardens back. Mostly semi detached. Keep servants. Row of shops near Railway Bridge. Red. E up Blackheath Rise. Modern Villas; all keep servants. Red to Yellow.

Princes Road. Similar class. Red to Yellow.

Lewisham Hill. From Morden Hill to Princes R. are large detached houses. Yellow. South of Princes Road are terrace houses (3 st & basement) occupied by good class tradesmen & retired people. All keep servants. Clergy & doctors. Colfe's Grammar School for Boys on east side.

Red. Through railway arch into High Street, Lewisham. Shops built out on gardens of old 2 st houses. Pink barred to Red. Around corner by Lewisham Bridge is a row of seven cottages (2 st) facing the Ravensbourne. Numbered in Loampit Vale. Pink. E along Grathorn Street (Princes Row on map) 2 st. cottages. Small flower gardens in front. Mostly labouring men: near the main

## Loampit Vale

Station Approach - purple

Loampit Vale - pk b?

Horton Street - purple

Loampit Vale to Sunninghill Road pk b?

main road a few shops - dairyman, wheelwright to Purple.

In Station Approach are 3 st. houses. Pubhcian, laundry & one poor looking house. Pink to Purple.

Loampit Vale (between the Rly Arches). Small two storied shops doing a fairly good trade - Prosperous people. Pinkbanded. N up Thurston Road. 2 st. houses with bay window, comfortable working people with some poor. Much heavy traffic thro' this street between Deptford & Lewisham via Mill Lane. Come this way to avoid the hill in Lewisham Road.

Pink to Purple.

S into

Jerrard Street Same class of houses on west side and shops on east side. Pink.

Horton Street. Houses like Thurston Road. Rather poorer. Broken & patched windows. South side of street is taken by School & Jerrard's timber yard. Purple to pink. N. W. along Loampit Vale. (to Sunninghill Road). Shops - some small; also terrace of 3 st. shops. Quieter trade than nearer Lewisham. Pinkbanded. 3 storied villas begin just south of the Sunninghill Road - all kept severe.

Red.

- S. into

Elswick Road 2½ st. houses. Poor working class; improves toward north end. Purple to pink

Sunninghill Road - pk b<sup>d</sup>

Soampit Hill - pk & red

Beaufort Gardens - pk b<sup>d</sup>

Notes on the District

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Sunninghill Road 2 st. villas; a few larger. Some servants kept. Clean quiet road. Pink barred. North of this point Soampit Hill is good class villas. Some semi-detached. Mostly 3 floors. Keep servants.

Red.

N.W. to

Beaufort Gardens. Cul de sac. Detached houses 2½ to 3 storied. Garden in centre of oval. Comfortable people: a few keep servants. Pink barred to Red.

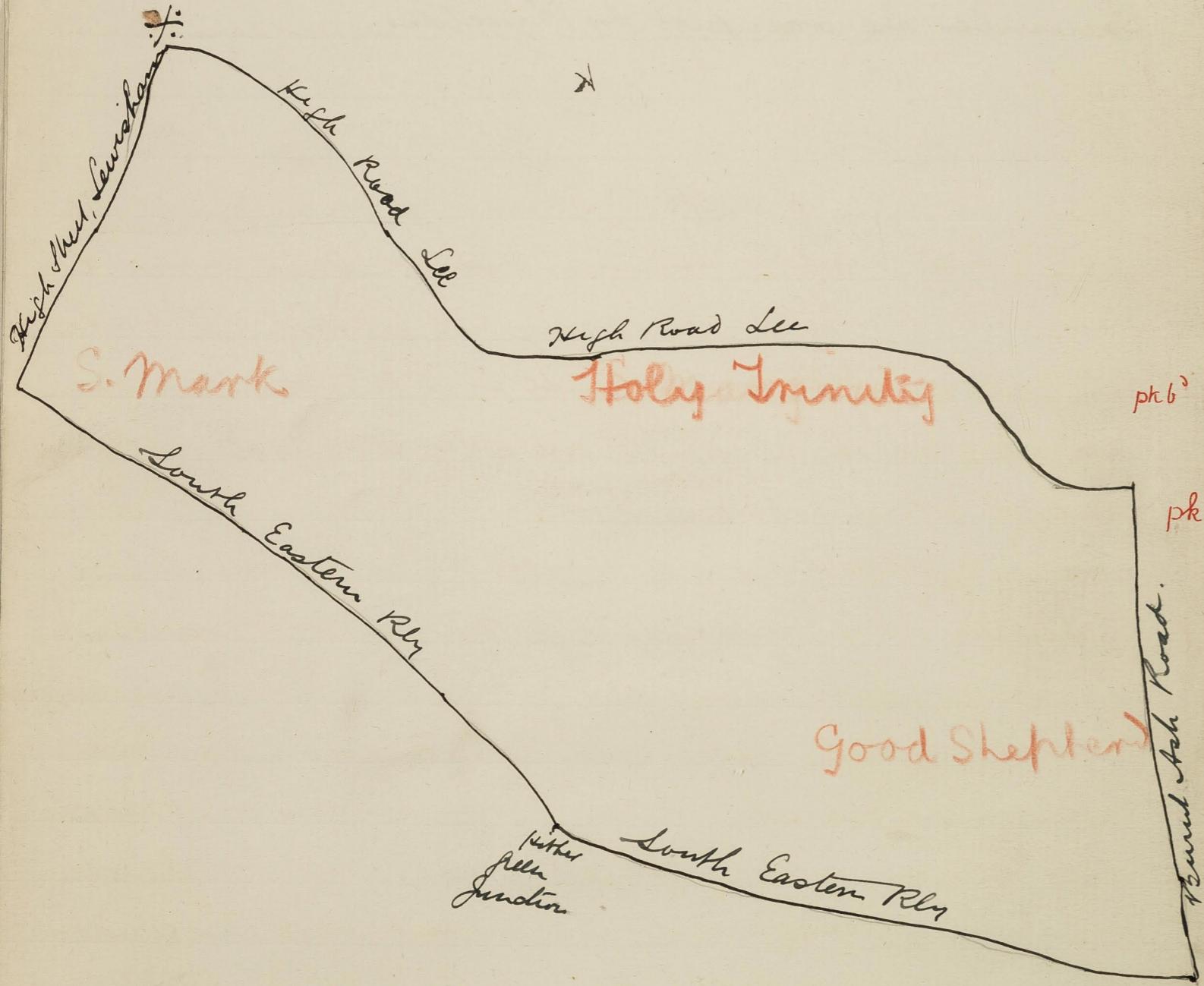
The poorest part of this walk is the group of narrow streets in the angle between Lewisham Road & Blackheath Hill. It has changed little during the past ten years but the poor area tends to become larger. The northern end of Drysdale Road now differs little from Sparta Street & both Drysdale & Lethbridge Roads are poorer than they were. The area east of these streets is much higher and forms a well to do <sup>residential</sup> district. Much of the property is old but the modern villas supplanting the older 3 & 4 storied houses and filling up the plots of grounds that have been left between the houses.

houses. Socially Blackheath appears to be declining - ~~The~~ well to do tradesmen find the neighbourhood convenient & except the very large houses (many of which are empty) a large number are occupied by this class.

District 47

G.H.

Nov 16 & 17/99



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Walks with Detective Sergeant Spencer over district bounded by on the north by High Road (Lee) east by Burnt Ash Road, south by the South Eastern Rly from Lee Station via Hither Green to Lewisham & west by High Street, Lewisham, being parts of the Parishes of S. Marks, Holy Trinity, & The Good Shepherd, Lee.

Starting from the corner of High Road where a Clock Tower commemorating the Diamond Jubilee is just receiving its finishing touches. S along Lewis Grove. East side is 3 & 2 st. shops. Punk barred. On the other side are old 2 st cottages with shop fronts. Working people. Punk. E into Mercia Grove. 2½ st. houses. 6 or 7 rooms. Two families as a rule. Some broken windows. Mostly labouring people. Purple. S to Albion Road. semi det. 3 st. houses. One & two families. All comfortable. People in city or on railway. Let apartments. Punk barred. S into Bonfield Road s. d. 2 st. houses near Clarendon Road. Terrace houses near Albion Road. Many keep servants. Nice little houses. Punk barred.

## High Street, Lewisham

red

8. High Street, Lewisham (Clock Tower to Limes Grove)  
Shops from Clock Tower to south of Albion Road. Pink barred  
to red. Beyond this terrace of 3 st. houses with 2 or  
3 families in each. Nearer Limes Grove are newer red  
brick 3½ st. houses. Dentist, auctioneer, solicitor. Red  
to pink barred

E into

Limes Grove. Mostly 3½ st. houses with two families,  
or bachelors. Some 2 st. s. d. houses on south side. A few servants.  
About 8 houses to let. Pink to pink barred.

High Street (to Rly) 3½ + 3 st. houses. All keep servants.  
Tradesmen in business elsewhere. &c Red.

E. into

Slaitwaite Road 2 st. det. houses, with large gardens. All  
keep servants. Building on vacant ground at no east end.

Red.

S into

Lingard Road 2 st. double fronted houses. Better than  
Slaitwaite. All keep servants. Only 2 houses on west  
side. Red.

Morley Road Mostly detached 2 st houses with  
gardens. Some terrace houses on N side. Not quite  
so good as Lingard & Slaitwaite Roads. Red.

Hollyhedge Terrace - purple

S.E. to Hollyhedge Terrace. 3 st. houses; a few smaller at  
east end. Decorator, railway men, labourers. About two families.

Purple.

S. into

Dermody Gardens

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Dermody Gardens. 3 storied houses; comfortable working people. One & two families. Central triangle is open space; not houses as map. Pink. W. int.

Dermody Road. Two terraces. Trinity Terrace on north & Holly Tree terrace on south. 2½ st. houses with 2 bays. A few shops. Gardeners railway men & policemen. Pink to purple N. along Clarendon Road. Large det. & semi-det. houses with gardens to St Marks Church. Solicitors and others.

Yellow to Red. North of the Church the houses are smaller 2½ & 3 storied. All keep servants Red. Terrace on east side close to High Road looks poorer than other parts. Builders etc. All keep servants - Red. S.E. along Gilmore Road 3½ st. east side backs on the Draggy. Mostly two families but look very comp. & some keep servants. Pink barred to St Mark Church. Further south 2 st. on east; 3 st. on west. 8 rooms. 2 st. on east. Comfortable working people. Tablets with trade announcements on fronts near Eastdown Park. Decorator, builder, dairy &c Pink. W. int.

Westeria Road part running N & S. pk, {  
E & W pk'}

N. side 3½ st. 2 storied modern houses on south. Some with two families. Servants in most houses on north side. Pink barred to pink

Portion of

Pascoe Road to Detached House ph  
S of —— purple

Ennersdale Road Ennersdale Road - purple & ph

Leahurst Road - ph

Ennersdale Rd, part running  
N. ph & purple

Portion of Westeria Road running south is 2 st. on W.  
& 2½ st. on east. A few keep the house but mostly two  
families. No servants. Pink. S into

Pascoe Road. A few old houses on east side then open  
ground to the Board school. West side new 2 st. houses.

Pink. One detached house built by an independent man  
and beyond this a smaller property. 13 ft. frontage. 2 st.  
Labourers, mechanics & a few police. Purple.

Ennersdale Road from Rly to turning is similar  
property but looks better. Shop at corner. Pink to purple  
~~at~~ ~~see~~ A new Road continuing Ennersdale Rd  
in a S.E. direction is being built, called Leahurst  
Road. A few houses to the corner of another  
new road, (Loughurst Road) are built & occupied  
Pink. The Drayggy is being straightened  
at this point & the backs of the houses will go to the  
brook. N up.

Ennersdale Road New 2 st. house facing Board  
School. Family & lodger. Looks pink. Beyond these  
2 st. one bay window. Mostly labouring people.  
Sergeant says this is roughest part of district  
& like Pascoe Road. Purple to pink

N to

Dermody Rd. N side & of Wisteria - red

Manor Park

Manor Park (part) red

Northbrook Road (new houses) pk b<sup>2</sup>

Dermody Road. On N. side s. d. houses. Keep servants. On south 2 pink houses west of E.R.<sup>d</sup> stone east, near the Draygo - a tailor. Red & pink N along Eastdown Park 3½ & 2½ st. houses with large gardens. Mostly two families and some will have an additional lodger. All comfortable. Some naval pensioners. Pink. The portion of Eastdown Park running east into the High Road, is 2½ st. little terrace houses. Several laundry women & lodgers. Comfortable. Pink. St. side only. S into Wearedale Road 2 st. little houses, west side only. Mostly family lodger. Several sets rooms to let. Bootmaker & 3 shops near main road. Purple. E into Manor Park 3 & 3½ st. s. d. & det. houses. Some good families but lodging house element has entered & road has gone down. Several houses to let. Wide road, gardens with trees. Was one of the best roads in Lee. Are building new villas at south end. 2 st. little. Red. E into Northbrook Road s. d. 3½ st. wide road. Two servants at least Red like Manor Park. At the east end new 2 st. houses have been built on

Manor Lane

Manor cottages - pk

Manor Lane E. side pk b<sup>d</sup>

Abernethy Road - pk

Murillo Road - pk  
Rembrandt Road - pk

on the north side. Punk barred. Several houses to let in this road.

S into

Manor Lane. On the west side is Manor Cottage. 3 little cottages, one being rooms over stables. In one of these lives Mr. Cottell, who is building a lot of property here. Punk.

These houses are on the Old Manor Farm. From about this centre most of the land in this district was farmed. The area now under cultivation is now restricted to a few fields south of the farmhouse. The farmhouse & buildings still remain & are occupied. On the East side of Manor Lane 2 st. villas are being erected.

7 rooms, mostly one family. Keep a girl. Punk barred.

S. into Abernethy Road 2 st. bay windows. 7 rooms & bathroom. Adapted for 2 families. Houses are being sold. A nominal sum is paid on entry and balance as rent. Punk.

Murillo Road running east to west, ~~and~~ and ~~soo~~ north into Lee Road & Rembrandt Road from Murillo to Lee Road are similar. A few have 8 rooms. All are Punk. A few houses on east side of Murillo Road only just completed & not yet occupied

Lochaber Road

Sochaber Road - pk

Manor Lane S. side red

Old Road

Old Road (newhouses) pk  
S. side yellow

E. of Abernethy Road, out of Lee Road is  
Lockaber Road. Red brick 2 st houses. 2 families.

A few keep girls. pink. On south side  
of Manor Lane nearly opposite L. Road are  
3 modern 2 st. villas. Keep servant Red. To  
the east of this is Woods Nursery, which he  
terms Manor Lane Gardens. The flower girls of  
the district buy their stock here. A number  
are sitting on the ground just outside the  
nursery, which is surrounded by a high wall,  
arranging their stock. E into

Old Road On the west side between between  
Manor Lane & High Road, a row of 2 st house with  
bay windows are just finished. Will be pink. On the  
south side are 3 good old houses occupied & the  
Manor House (empty) Red to Yellow. At the east end  
of this side are a few small 4 or 5 roomed houses.  
One family in each. Pink. The opposite side is a  
meadow. sheep grazing and fowls strutting about.  
Near the main road is a small building erected as  
an institute. It is now used as Lee Vestry Hall &  
offices but still bears the name Lee Institute on the  
front. On the opposite side is St Margaret's Parish  
room

Aisleby Road - pk

room and adjoining it the new Institute erected by the widow of G.W.B. Williams.

S into

Aisleby Road 2 st. houses, some new on west side.

Good working class, engineers etc. Pink. E into

Lampmead Road 2 st. houses - gardens in front.

Large laundry, dairymen, sign writer, postmen, policemen; all comf. working people. Two families. Pink. N up Lenham Road 2 st. houses. Comf. working people. Two families or one & a young man lodger. Penswood police inspector has built himself a house here. Pink to pinkbanded.

November 17<sup>th</sup> 1899

High Road - S side to Blessington Road - pk b<sup>d</sup>

This completed the day's walk, on the 17<sup>th</sup> we started from the Clock Tower. East along the High Road. North side to Blessington Road is 3 st. houses shops; very good road at west end but becoming poor eastward. Tradesmen live over shops. Red. South side, a few 3 storeyed shops and old 2 st. cottages with shop fronts - a portion of old Lee. Trade not so good as north side, which is the business part of the road. Pink banded to Red.

East of Blessington Road to Eastdown Park, private houses mostly detached & doublefronted. Tradesmen & city people keeping servants. Red; a few 2 st houses near Eastdown Park

High Road (cont'd)

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Park are poorer. Pink to pinkbanded. On North side, opposite Eastdown Park is Manor Park Parade 3 st. red brick shops built on grounds of Lee Lodge. Pickfords have large depot built at back. Moderate trade - change frequently. Red to pink band. One large house is left here & then a row of private houses have been converted into shops & named Newton Parade. One of the ugliest blocks of building I have seen; extends to Brandon Road. Red to pink barred. Here at this corner are the Merchant Taylors Almshouses a pretty block with large grounds & east of these to Turners Road are shops, mostly two storied but have good fronts & do a brisk trade Red to pinkbanded.

On south side east of Eastdown Park is a row of shops & to Waredale Road (Red). A few large private houses by Manor Park also Red.

East of this to <sup>Lochaber</sup> Old Road are modern 3 st. houses. Mostly two families & an occasional servant. Pink Barred. Modern shops (3 st) known as Furze Parade to Old Road. Pink banded to Red.

From Turners Road eastward private houses on both sides (3½ st & Red) to Sampson Road where Boones Almshouses stand. East to Burnt Ash Lane is shops and a few small houses on south

Brightfield Road (E. part) purple

Stoneyard Place purple  
Hedgeley Street - purple

Thornhill cottages - purple

Taunton Road - pk

Manor Lane E purple }  
W. pk }

south side whilst on the north the private house continue a short way & the 2 st cottages & shops to corner.

Pink banded.

Back through Sampson

Road to Brightfield Road. Red brick 2 st. houses, small gardens in front. 2 families usual invariably. Lot of laundries. Pink. The portion of the road running east is smaller property. 2 st. cottages Labourers. French polisher & bookmaker. Purple. A few shops near the main road. Pink.

S into Stoneyard Place 2 st cottages. 2 families. Purple. W. along Hedgeley Street (N. side only) 2 st. one bay. Mostly families with a single lodger. One house C13. but rest look comfortable. Pink to purple.

E along Taunton Road to Thornhill Cottages 3 2 st cottages in a row & two others at right angles. Great little place. Purple to pink. W along Taunton Road East end is large 3 st. semi detached houses 2 + 3 families in each. Further west. 2 storied with front gardens. Working people. Pink to purple.

S into Manor Lane 2 st. houses on W. side. One & two families. Pink. A few houses on east side are poorer. Purple.

E. into

Effingham Rd

Effingham Road

Effingham Road - pk b<sup>2</sup>

— new houses - pk

Southbrook Mews - lb

Bungay's Stables - lb

Burnt Ash Road - red

Burnt Ash Road

Effingham Road. 2 st. new houses at west end. Still building. 6 rooms + bath - let at 17/6. Pink. East of Wantage Road the houses are better - older. 2 st. semi-detached & a few larger near Burnt Ash Road. Some keep servants. Pink banded. S to

Harden Road. detached houses at east end, then s.d. 2 st + attic. All keep servants. Red.

Wantage Road. N. of Harden Road. 3 villas on w. side. People keep servants. Red. 3 smaller on east. Pink to pinkbanded. A few houses north of Effingham R<sup>d</sup> pink in character & one <sup>red ad.</sup> Red near Southbrook R<sup>d</sup>. Micheldorf Road. Red brick, s. det. houses. All keep servants. Several to let. Red.

Southbrook Road. At west, 2 st. double fronted s. det. houses. A few larger terrace houses at east. All keep servants. Red. Near Burnt Ash

Road on S south side as Southbrook Mews. Stables with rooms over. Poor class. £13.<sup>10</sup>

On the north side behind the Lord Northbrook are Bungay's Stables. £13.. Two sets of rooms.

Burnt Ash Road. From the railway arch to Congl Chapel is good 3 st. shops on both sides (Red).

Going north the west side is 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  st houses & east 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  st. with long gardens in front; most are detached or semi-detached. All keep servants. From Tanton Road to the Lee green ~~the~~ shops. Some have been private house. Good class business. Red.

Notes on district

General Notes. As a whole the district south of the High Road is comfortable. The roads are wide and airy. The houses have good sized gardens back & front and excepting in a few streets there is no signs of poverty. It is a middle class district into which wedges of the better class working <sup>people</sup> are ~~being~~ gradually forcing their way. The tendency of the district is downward socially altho' it is from Red to pink & pink banded rather than to purple. The poorer class who cannot pay the rents are being driven further afield. Rents, for a neighbourhood with so much open ground, are high & houses rented under £50 are seldom empty. On the other hand in roads like Manor Park <sup>rents</sup> will not have fallen & houses that used to let at £150 to £100 are now difficult to let at greatly reduced rentals.



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Nov 20<sup>th</sup>  
+ Nov. 22/99

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Walks with Detective Sergeant Spencer over district bounded on N.W. by Lewisham & Elliot Hills & Blackheath; N.E. & E. by Blackheath, Mountpelier Vale & Lee Road & S. & S.W. by High Road & High St. Lewisham, being parts of the parishes of St Stephen, The Ascension, All Saints, Blackheath, Christchurch, St Margaret, & Holy Trinity.

Started from the Plough & Bridge, Lewisham, south along High Street. Close to the railway arch are a number of 2 st houses (Pink). South of these are terraces of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st houses to Granville Road. All keep servants - dental dispensary, two houses are occupied by the assistants of a large draper on the Pavement. Red. The Draggy runs by the side of the road in front of these houses. From Granville Road to Belmont Hill it is covered by a raised promenade, the approach to some shops - the finest in Lewisham. Red.  $\Sigma$  into Cressingham Road  $2\frac{1}{2}$  st. on south &  $2\frac{1}{2}$  st & attic on N. side as far as Belmont Road. Some keep servants & all are comfortable. Pink barred.  $\Sigma$  of this point houses are 2 st - some with attic. Comfortable working people. Pink. S. along. Belmont

Belmont Road

Belmont Road E side - pk b<sup>d</sup>

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Granville Road - cottages on S. - pk

Myron Place - lb & purple

Marischal Road

Marischal Road - pk b<sup>d</sup>

Douglas Road - pk

Belmont Road. On the east side are three 3 st. houses - Leamington Villas. Comp. Rest of side is the grounds of Mr Penn's house. Only gardeners cottage here. Pink. West into St. Stephen's Road 2½ st. All comfortable, mostly two families. Some dressmakers' cards. Pink. E along

Granville Road. On south side by Myron Place are a few 2 st. houses. Working people - look poor & dirty. Purple. Remainder of road is 2½ st. like St Stephens Rd. Pink.

Turning south into Belmont Road, there is a row of 2½ st. houses on the west side. Look poor. Purple. West & north into Myron Place (Ivy Terrace on map, which is wrong at this point. The place makes a turn west before reaching Granville Road). Row of 2 st. cottages on west side. Beyond these round the corner are a few poor houses & stables. One Drs. house. Carpenter & contractor, hawker &c. Purple to Lt. B. E along High

Road to Marischal Road. One detached house on north side (Red). Portion of south is taken by the backs of shops in Lee Road. Remainder is 2½ & 3 st. houses. semi-detached. Mostly lodging houses. Pink barred.

S down Douglas Road. Two pairs of s.d. villas with gardens at side. Look comfortable. Pink barred to pink.

N & S.E. to

Blessington Road

Blessington Road - red + yellow

Dacre Road

Dacre Road - purple

Dacre Square - lb

Church Passage - purple

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N & S.E. to Marlborough Road 3½ st detached houses on north  
& 2 st. detached houses on south side. All keep servants,  
two as a rule. Clergyman to. Red. E along  
Blessington Road 3 + 4 st. det. + semi-det. houses.  
Large gardens. Two servants at least. Many to let + for  
sale at west end. Houses are larger and better occupied  
east of Middleton Road. Red to Yellow east of Middleton R.  
W along Belmont Park Large detached houses. 3½ st.  
Like Blessington Road. Red to Yellow. E. + N  
up Ganton Road (Belgrave Villas on map). 3½ st houses,  
old style. Private school. Some to let. Red to pink band  
E along Dacre Road. 2 st cottages, flush with footpath.  
5 rooms as a rule, some smaller at east end (4 rooms).  
Labouring people with a few better off. Several houses have  
fine shows of Chrysanthemums in their windows.  
Mr Penn has a show at which these flowers are  
exhibited. Purple. S into

Dacre Square. Narrow paved court with two rows of  
6 2 st. cottages. Very small; some broken windows stopped  
with paper. Square reached by archway from street.

St 3. North up  
Church Passage (Royal Oak Place on map). Old two-storeyed  
cottage.

Turner's Road

Turner's Road E side pink & purple

See Road - red & yellow

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cottages with small gardens in front. A few have been turned into shops near Dacre Street. On west side are 5 (two storied + attic) houses. Two families - respectable working people. Pink to purple. Along Church Passage to Kingswood Place 2½ st. terrace houses. Decorator &c. Comfortable working people. Rent £ along Turners Road to Boone's Road. Small 6. roomed houses. 2 + 2½ storied. Some of the houses still pump their water. Decorator, gardeners, police; all comfortable working people. Rent £ along Turners Road. From Kingswood Place to Dacre St. is 2 st. Fetter cottages, some with additional attic. Pink. A few small shops on east side; then nursery + 2½ st. houses comfortable; most keep servants. South of these the houses have narrower frontages + are poorer - working people - laborers &c. Pink to purple at south. A few houses on west side near High Road. Rent £ along High Road to Lee Road. Good shops near Lee Green. + then on west side terrace of 3½ st. houses. All keep servant. Large builder. Going north the road gradually improves and at northern part we have large

Lee Park

Lee Park - yellow

Church Street

Barrows Place - lb

Blows Place - lb

Frant Place - purple

large detached houses standing in their own grounds.

North of Manor Way all would keep several servants.

Red, south of Manor Way. Yellow to north. S. down Lee Park, 3 st. detached & semi-detached houses with large gardens - several servants. Like Lee Road.

Yellow.

West along High Road to Church Street. Small 2 st. shops on east side near High Road & also near Dacre Street. Remainder is two storeyed cottages. Purple to LtB in character. Women standing about chaffed the sergeant, whom they evidently knew. On west side is a small hall - with inscription Soup Kitchen 1856. Purple as a whole.

On the west side is Barrows Place. Old 2 st. cottages with gardens in front. Laundry hands & low class of women. LtB to DtB.

On east side and only reached by a long passage giving access to the back gardens is —  
Blows Place 2 st. houses, 4 rooms & scullery.

Labouring people. LtB. S. down

Boone Street. On the east side is Frant Place. 2 cottages on north side. 1 lb & 1 pink. Purple. Red brick Garrison Hall (The People's Hall) taken

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Boone Street - purple

Boone Place - lb

Bramham Road

Brandram Road - red

Entry &c. - pink b?

Sansdowne Road - red

the remainder of the place. Boone Street, itself, is 2 st. private houses, various styles. Turncock, some mechanics but people are mostly labourers. Very little signs of poverty. Purple to pink. Near High Road on the east side is Boone's Place; a terrace of 9 houses facing north. Narrow paved entry. 3 or 4 rooms. Lt B. to purple. It up Brandram Road. On east side is the Merchant Taylors Almshouses - three blocks with a central grass plot - occupied by old women. Opposite this are  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. s. d. houses. All keep one & some two servants Red. On east side of road, north of Dacre Street is an Entry with four 3-storeyed houses - two are doublefronted. All keep servants, said Spencer, but they look a poor red. Pink leaned to Red. To north of this, Dacre House has been pulled down & new 2 st. houses eight rooms on a floor are built. pink to pink? North of Belmont Park, the west side is large detached houses. Red to Yellow. On opposite side a livery stable keeper has his home & stables Red. E along Lansdowne Road. On south side 2 st. s. d. houses

## Belmont Hill

Church Terrace - yellow

Belmont Hill - red & yellow

Belmont Grove - yellow

houses are being built. Price asked is £6 20 for freehold. Three are occupied near Bramham Rd.  
<sup>pink to Red.</sup>  
North side is  $3\frac{1}{2}$  storied detached houses. Red.  
N. along Church Passage (or Lane). One Red house on east side.

Church Terrace. 2 storied on east side. Rest is 2 +  $3\frac{1}{2}$  storied houses. Good gardens, carriage drives. Clergyman etc. Red to Yellow.

West along Belmont Hill. On north side is a very large house (The Cedars) occupied by Penn the engineer. A few other good class houses on the same side (Yellow) and then come to Belmont Grove. Private Road with gates.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  storied houses. Some are larger, whilst at extreme end they are smaller. Red to Yellow. Going west along Belmont Hill. The north side is mostly detached houses to corner of Belmont Rd. (Yellow). West of Belmont Road 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  st. terrace houses pink to pink band. On south side the houses are less good as you descend the hill westward near the High Road 2 st. detached, gardens with trees. Red, to Yellow.

This completed the day's walk.

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Lewisham Hill

Lewisham Hill - E side - red & yellow

Elliot Hill - yellow

Elliot Park - red & yellow

Waterland Road - red

Granville Park

Aberdeen Terrace - yellow

Started this morning from the Lewisham Railway Bridge, and north up.

Lewisham Hill. Good class houses on east side Red to School. North of this point - very large semi-detached - Yellow. East up

Elliot Hill. Steep rise here. 4 st. semi-det. houses. Then some in their own grounds Red & Yellow.

S into Elliot Park.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. s. d. houses. South part is detached houses with grounds. Quiet; all would keep two or more servants. Red to Yellow. - It into

Waterland Road (Camden Row on map)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. s. d. houses Red to Yellow. East side not so good as west.

S to Granville Park. Near the railway bridge is All Saints Orphanage for elder lads. A fine red brick building accommodating 130 lads. Closest to it is a small detached house (Red). Remainder is large s. det. houses ( $3\frac{1}{2}$  st). Good gardens. Several to let or for sale. One at £55. a year. Houses are larger near the Heath. Red to Yellow. Facing the

Heath is Aberdeen Terrace. Very large s. det.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. houses. Red to Yellow, turning eastward there are several detached houses, also Yellow.

~~S.E. into~~ Facing these is the old Orchard house. The ground are now built over. Rows of red brick modern villas being erected on four of the five sides. The Orchard is the name of those adjoining the old house. 3 st. Red to Yellow.

### Elliot Vale

red

Love Lane - yellow & pink

Elliot Vale - red & yellow

Elliot Place - yellow

Orchard Road - red

Grotto Buildings - pink

S E into Elliot Vale. Similar class of house to the Orchard on east side 2 st & attic. Yellow to Red. Other side is Haddo Villas 3 st. & 2½ st. s. d houses; older. Red to Yellow

Love Lane At west corner is West Lodge (Yellow) Another yellow house on east & red brick stable (pink) on west.

E. along Elliot Vale. Modern houses 2 st on north side Red. Older houses on south and facing the heath. is Elliot Place. Large old houses 4 st. s.d. as a rule. Two magistrates and others well to do. Their servants kept Yellow.

The eastern side of the Orchard is known as Orchard Road. 3 st. modern houses. Red to Yellow. Immediately east of Elliot Place and behind a detached block of property is Grotto Blags. Old two & three storeyed <sup>cottages</sup> working people but don't look poor. pink. Tillings have built large stables here.

Blackheath Vale

Elliot cottages - pk b<sup>c</sup>

Grotes Place pk b<sup>d</sup>

Talbot Place

Talbot houses - red

Shops facing Heath by Hare & Billet - red

Blackheath Hill House - yellow

Blackheath Vale - pk

The west side of the detached block here is known as Elliott cottages. 3½ st. houses. One family lodges or 2 families. Pink to pink barred. Round by the Hare & Billet are two shops & private houses. Pink barred to Red. Round corner to south is Grotes Place 2 det. houses & 3 st. terrace houses. Mostly keep servants. Corset maker uses one for business. Pink barred to Red. Across the road to Blackheath Vale 2 st. houses with one bay. 2 families as a rule. Working class but no signs of poverty. Pink. Houses are on north side only of ~~turning~~<sup>turning</sup> or east side.<sup>of the street</sup>. Pink like the rest. Two laundries here. Turned marked Strive Vale is now Tilling Stables. On east, facing the Heath, are Talbot Houses. Northern part is comparatively modern. 3 st. semi-det. & detached houses. Two or more Servants. Red. Talbot Place 4. s. d. houses. 3 storied. Two or more servants. Man servant cleaning windows. Red to Yellow. Further west is an old detached house. Not well kept but may be Yellow to Red.

Sloyd's Place - red

Grotos Place - red

Camden Row - pink

Tranquill Vale

Back across the Heath to Sloyd's Place. 3 and 4 storeyed old houses. Good class lodging houses. Home for Crippled Boys by Tranquill Vale. Red. Much confusion just here as to the names of these places. Grotos Place said to include part of row marked as Sloyd's Place. Spencer spent three-quarters of an hour trying to find a number here whilst making an inquiry.

E into

Camden Row. A few  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. poor looking houses & then nearer Tranquill Vale 2 st. cottages with bay windows. 2 families. Purple & Pink for 2 st houses

Tranquill Vale. A few private houses on west near the Heath (Red). Some two storeyed shops - builder, golf article requisites &c. Fairly good trade. (Pink barred) Remainder of both sides is good class shops to the railway. "Very dear shops" said Spencer. It is a place where ladies come to order their goods. Perhaps this may explain the large proportion of shops for the sale of fancy goods & the grocers and other licences - there are 12 licences in Tranquill & Montpelier Valles.

Red

South Vale - pk

Montpelier Vale

Tranquil Passage - pk

Bugade St - pk

Fire Station - pk

Lee Road

Lee Road to Lee Terrace red

S into South Vale 3 &  $2\frac{1}{2}$  storied houses. One to let.  
All working people; tailors, fly proprietor & Pink.  
S. into Collins Street. 2 st houses. Look comfortable  
Pink. East of these houses the street makes a  
turn & becomes a narrow paved footway.  
3 ~~storied~~ st. houses. Pink to purple. North  
into Montpelier Vale. Good class busy shops.  
Houses are old; some private houses with fronts added.  
Some 3st. shops. Red. West. into  
Tranquil Passage. Mostly small shops; sweet,  
boots, greengrocery etc. Some working people. Pink.  
N. into Bugade Street 2 st houses on west side  
Trincock etc. Pink. Turning to the left  
the Fire Brigade Station is reached. Occupies the  
site of the Methodist Chapel. Men live here. Pink.  
Royal Parade. 4 st. red brick shops with  
rooms over let off. Pink turned to Red  
South past Blackheath Station to Lee Road.  
(to corner of Lee Terrace). On west side is the Railway Hotel  
& Blackheath School & on the east, a few shops  
to the corner of Bennett Park with the Alexandra  
Assembly Rooms on the opposite corner. South of

thru

Lawn Terrace

Lawn Terrace - red

Lee Terrace

See Terrace - yellow + red

Quentin Road - rk

This are new shops (est. red brick) called Beaconsfield Blvgs and the Blackheath Conservatoire of Music and Concert Hall - a modern building with a front elaborately ornamented and entirely faced with terra cotta. Red. <sup>Wm</sup>

Lawn Terrace. On south side are Seagis Cottages 2 st. det. Nearly all gardeners. Pink. Bending southward, Lawn Terrace proper is reached. Mostly lodging houses (3 st + basmed). The best rooms face to the gardens, and the kitchens + offices to the roadway, something like Colville Sq. + other places in Bayswater. Red to pk. S into Lee Terrace. detached + semi det. houses 3 + 4 st. with large gardens; some with grounds + carriage drives. Yellow.

The Glebe. Detached + semi detached houses with grounds, Yellow. New slabbing built at near western entrance (Pink) belongs to large house in Lee Terrace.

S into Quentin Road. 3 st. houses. Grounds + no back gardens on east side. <sup>most are</sup> Many empty. Asking £36 a year; people will not have them as they are so dark

Dacre & Victoria Houses

Dacre Buildings - purple

Dacre Park - pk b?

Eton Grove - pk

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dark. Bill in one window advertises them to be let at moderate rent." Belong to a company & people say the directors want to make it bankrupt so that they can buy the houses cheap. Near Dacre Park, the houses are 2 st. All occupied. Comfortable working people. Pink.

At the corners of Dacre Park are two large blocks of dwelling. 4 st. working class. Poorer than the streets to the south. Purple to pink N into

Dacre Park. Mostly  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. terrace houses: a few 3 + 2 st. Mostly lodging houses. Nearly all keep servants. Pink banded to Red. W into Eton Grove  $3\frac{1}{2}$  st. houses on north &  $2\frac{1}{2}$  st. on south. Comfortable working class. Dressmaker has occupies a house at the end. As we entered the grove 10 girls came out in groups for their dinner. No plate or outward sign of business. One retired man here & Dacre Cottage (Red) at west end. Pink to pink banded. North of Eton grove, Dacre Park ~~is better~~ improves and might be Red. On west side is Victoria Mews. Only one house now occupied. Pink.

Remarks on the District. These two walks include portions of Blackheath & Lee, the railway forming roughly the dividing line. The Blackheath portion lies high and is hilly. It is a well to do & has been a fashionable district but is gradually losing status socially, many of the large houses are to let and others are occupied by tradesmen. It seems that the decline has reached its limit and possibly the neighbourhood may again improve as the neighbourhood is breezy & healthy. The houses well built, the roads wide with plenty of open ground. The very large houses will probably give way to the modern red brick villas and the district become a good red neighbourhood. The change has already taken place at the Orchard and Dacre House

Blackheath Village has changed wonderfully during the past 10 or 12 years from a sleepy little village to a busy business centre. The few working people living here are persons dependent on the large houses or shops and are

are a local colony - gardeners &c. Except a couple of laundries in Blackheath Vale and a few livery stables there ~~virtually~~ are few centres of employment.

On the Lee side the character of the population gradually changes from Yellow to Purple & LB as the high ground by the railway is left. and the only poor patch in Lee is included in this walk. The rectangle of streets between Turners & TB Sandham Road and Dacre Road & the High Road, but even here there is no extreme poverty - but rather a rough labouring class, who in the present good times are doing well but to whom a season of bad trade might mean want.

Sergeant Spencer is an upright athletic man of 35 or so. Fair, keen and more polished than usual. He came to Lee from Westminster two years or so ago & has acquired a remarkably good

good knowledge of the district for so short a time. He misses the life & bustle of Westminster and regards Lee as very dull in the evenings. The nearest places of amusement are at Deptford and Greenwich. This is likely to be soon altered. A new theatre is & mooted, and an agitation is being carried forward to induce the L.C.C. to run the trams along the High Road.

The Sergeant is an abstainer and whilst taking over the drunk question he said that when he was on duty ~~season~~ a beat with a good house, it was an understood thing that he kept out of the way when the time for drunks came, one of the other fellows benefitting by his abstention. Very little is down now & the regulations are much more strict now, especially in the central divisions. He could get more drunk in Lee now than he could in Westminster & if he wanted it.





