

Ealing Tenants Ltd.

Registered Offices: 7, WINSCOMBE CRESCENT, Ealing, W.
BRENTHAM CLUB & INSTITUTE, Meadvale Road, Ealing, W.

SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1914.

The Committee of Ealing Tenants Ltd., in again expressing its keen appreciation of the successful work of the Committees of the various sections in increasing the usefulness of the Institute, tenders its hearty thanks to the honorary officers for the energy and devotion which they have displayed in connection with the Social and Educational work. Naturally the war has had its effect on the many useful activities that centre about the Institute, but in spite of this much has been achieved.

Choral Society.—The Choral Society, under the guidance of Mr. Albert Thompson, F.R.C.O., has maintained its high reputation. An excellent performance of Stanford's "Revenge" and choral renderings of a number of Old English songs were given at the first concert of the season. The weekly rehearsals on Thursdays have been well attended, and the Society co-operated with the Ealing Choral Society in a musical performance at the Queen's Hall.

Dramatic Society.—The activities of this Society have been somewhat restricted on account of the disturbed condition arising from the war, but the readings and performances by members have been greatly appreciated.

Lectures, etc.—Lectures have been, on the whole, well attended. Those of a topical nature bearing on the war, of course, attracted the larger audiences.

Special mention should be made of a fine lecture on "The Kaiser's War," by Professor de Sumichrast, and a lecture on "Our Navy," under the auspices of the Navy League.

French Conversation Circle.—This circle meets regularly for practise in French conversation and for the study of French literature. The members have been assisted and the interest of the meetings increased from time to time by the presence of a number of our Belgian friends—guests on the Estate.

Library.—The Library is as popular and well used as ever, and has a stock of 1,670 volumes used by 295 readers, and members are entitled to borrow two books simultaneously, providing only one of these is fiction. Gifts of books have been received from time to time. Mr. F. J. Gould, a well-known resident on the Estate, has been particularly generous in this respect.

Rifle Club.—The use of an excellent Rifle Range was kindly granted by Mr. L. Roberts, of The Grange, Perivale, to the newly-formed Brentham Rifle Club, which now has nearly a hundred members, many of whom are becoming excellent shots.

Military drill by the members of this Club and others has been undergone in the Institute and grounds.

Sports.—The extensive recreation grounds of the Estate offer splendid facilities for Cricket, Golf, Tennis, Bowls, and Hockey. The various Clubs were in full swing until the outbreak of the European conflict, and but for this calamity would have experienced one of their most successful seasons.

The new Miniature Golf Course which has been laid out in the Recreation Ground was opened in the Spring of 1914 by the Mayor of Ealing, Councillor E. J. Morgan. This novel venture attracted widespread interest, and the Golf Club to whose use it has been allotted has become a most flourishing institution.

Concerts, Whist Drives, etc.—In addition to the Concerts given by the Brentham Choral Society, the various sections have arranged concerts on their own behalf which have reached a high standard of merit, and they have also organized several Whist Drives.

Horticultural Society.—This Society's activities are principally directed into two channels, firstly the co-operative purchase and distribution of seeds and horticultural requisites, and secondly, the holding of shows of flowers and vegetables grown in Brentham. Lawn mowers, rollers, and the more expensive machinery of horticulture are lent on hire and advice is given to beginners. The Society has carried out its programme during the year under review in a satisfactory way.

Junior Section.—The Junior Section is very active and splendidly patronized by the children. "The Children's Own" (a weekly meeting for music, singing, games, and instructive lantern lectures) and the Juvenile Library are examples of the activities of this section.

The children gave three admirable performances of an operetta, "On the Ganges Banks," at Christmastime. One of these performances realized over £6 for the Ealing Philanthropic Society. The children also arranged, without adult supervision, a most successful concert in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund.

Brentham Protection Association for War Relief.—This Association was formed shortly after the outbreak of war to deal with distress on the Estate. Subscriptions have been collected weekly. At a meeting of members early in the New Year the Committee were able to report that nearly £30 had been distributed in relief and that a considerable sum was in hand to meet future needs.

Brentham Magazine.—This magazine, which chronicles the Estate's social activities in a lively and interesting manner, has been most successfully conducted, and congratulations are due to the Editor for the ability and zeal displayed in the production of this journal.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

WM. HUTCHINGS, *Chairman.*

WILLIAM FLETCHER, *Secretary.*

EALING TENANTS LIMITED.

Institute Accounts, Year Ended December 31st, 1914.

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.					
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		
To Refreshments purchased	...	134	9	8	By Subscriptions to Equipment	...	63	6	0
„ Wages and sundry charges	...	376	5	11	„ Refreshments sold	...	146	4	11
„ Maintenance of Grounds	...	227	9	9	„ Rents	...	48	14	0
„ Lighting	...	37	2	3	„ Fees	...	35	15	0
„ Gas	...	10	5	10	„ Sundry receipts	...	17	8	4
„ Heating	...	12	7	6	„ Billiards	...	72	11	3
„ Newspapers & Library	...	16	1	7	„ Magazine	...	33	4	6
„ Repairs and Sundries	...	134	6	3	„ Social and Educational Grant	...	90	0	0
„ Rents and Rates	...	382	10	4	„ Deficit on year's working	...	953	2	9
„ Magazine	...	49	7	8					
„ Depreciation of Furniture	...	80	0	0					
		£1,460	6	9			£1,460	6	9

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

To the Members of the Ealing Tenants Limited.

We have examined the books and accounts above mentioned for the year ended December 31st, 1914, and hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of the same.

39-43, Deansgate Arcade, Manchester,
February 10th, 1915.

(Signed) APPLEBY & WOOD,
*Chartered Accountants and Public Auditors under
the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893.*