

of this country in the aggregate. The parochial system of the Church affords an ideal organization for sanitary propaganda; the work seems a necessary part of the discipline of imitation of the life of Christ, and undoubtedly it would aid materially the spiritual ministrations of the clergy.

"I do not for a moment suggest, however, that the weight of the proposed work should fall upon the clergy. They are asked to help only in such a way as will impose scarcely any new burden upon them. The following statement of proposed methods shows that most of the channels of work are for the central organization :

1. By the circulation of authoritative literature.
2. By the provision of popular lectures, illustrated, when practicable, by lantern views, experiments, etc.
3. By the exercise of personal influence in encouraging the formation of healthy habits, and to this end, the promotion of increased association of those whose social position enables them to live under sanitary conditions with less favoured members of the community.
4. By recommendation of inexpensive and trustworthy agencies for the sanitary inspection of houses at minimum fees.
5. By scientific inquiries to assist in the solution of difficult problems, such as disposal of town's refuse, purification of rivers, prevention of smoke, etc.
6. By the promotion of improved legislation on any matter affecting the public health.
7. By notifying to sanitary authorities the existence of nuisances, or other insanitary conditions observed or reported.
8. By securing efficient administration of the Public Health Acts and Local Health Bye-laws.
9. By co-operation with existing health and kindred societies,
10. By sanitary conferences and meetings in London and the provinces for the reading and discussion of papers on questions of public health and kindred subjects.
11. By influencing public opinion through the press.
12. By subsidizing a journal."

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## Obituary.

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THE Rev. Uriah Davies, Vicar of St. Matthew's, Canonbury, died on March 22 in his seventy-second year. He was formerly Scholar of St. John's, Cambridge, and took his degree as Sen. Opt. in 1847. His first curacy was at St. John's, Hull, and he afterwards became Chaplain of the Additional Clergy Society in the diocese of Madras. He was appointed to St. Matthew's in 1861, and was one of the oldest and most respected of the Islington clergy.

The Rev. W. R. Blackett, Principal of the Home and Colonial Training College, whose death is greatly regretted, only held his office for two years. As Superintendent of the Liverpool Scripture Readers' Society, in his work in India, and in his late position, he endeared himself to all who knew him, and who came under his influence. His strong point was Bible-class and teaching work, and there he had few equals. He took honours at Dublin in 1859, and was Vicar of Holy Trinity, Nottingham, from 1885 to 1891.

The Rev. Charles Anderson, Vicar of St. John's, Limehouse, died on Palm Sunday. He was a man of remarkable intellect, great tenderness of heart, wide sympathies, and a simple and delicate gift of speech. He was curate of St. Anne's, Soho, from 1871 to 1874, when he was appointed to St. John's, Limehouse.