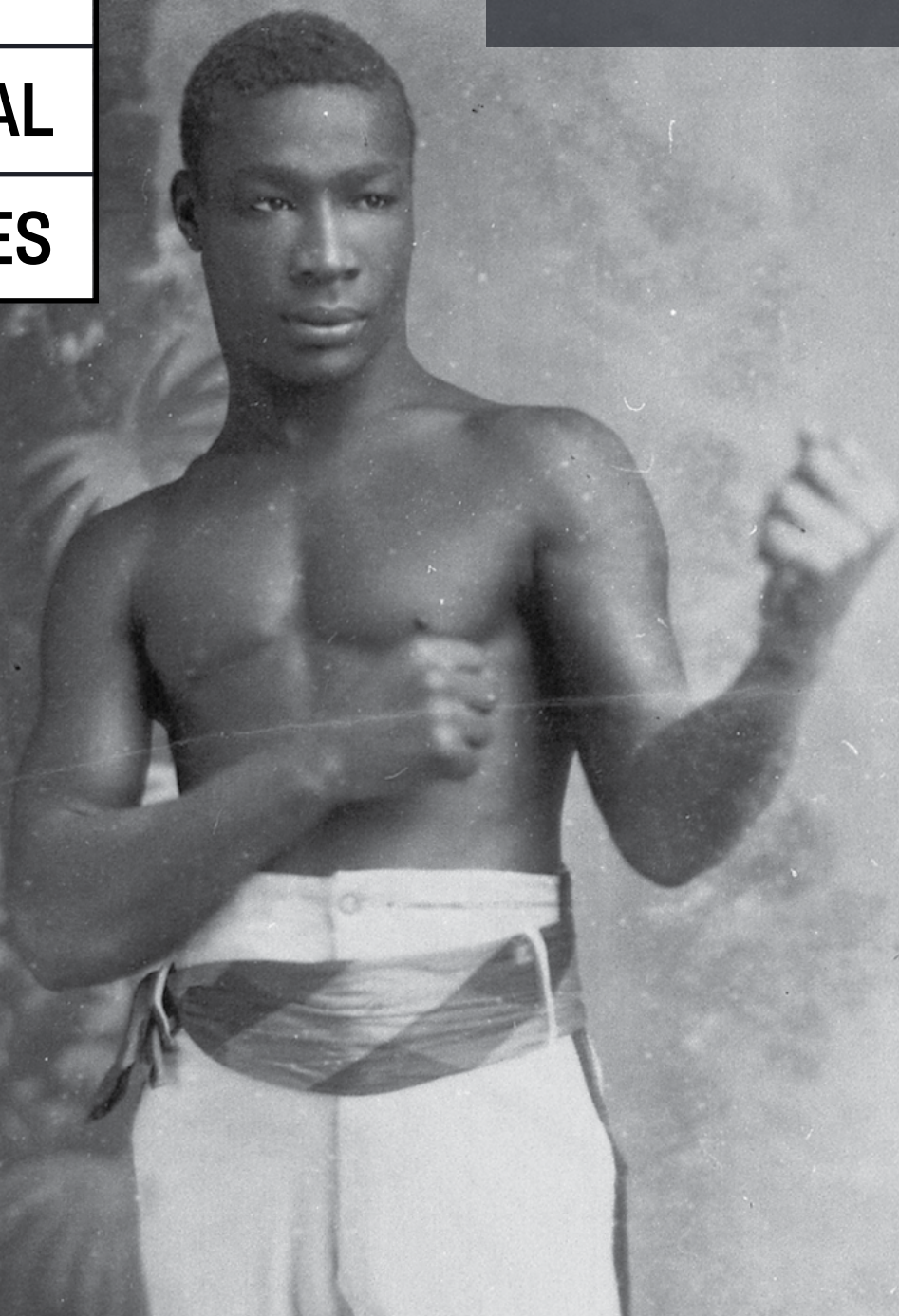


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Lesson Pack



The Boxers of Whitechapel

What do the documents reveal
about the inhabitants?

Key Stage 4

Victorians 1850 - 1901

Lesson at a Glance

Suitable for:

Key Stage 4

Time Period:

Victorians 1850 - 1901

Connections to Curriculum:

EDEXCEL GCSE History:

- Whitechapel, c1870-c1900: crime, policing and the inner city
- Migrants in Britain, c800-present
- Crime and punishment in Britain, c1000-present

AQA GCSE History:

- AC Britain: Migration, empires and the people: c790 to the present day

This is a printable resource pack of our lesson which is available online here:

<https://nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/resources/the-boxers-of-whitechapel/>

Whitechapel in the late 1800s was an area of overpopulation, industry and crime. With such wide systemic issues it can be easy to lose sight of the experiences of the individuals who lived in the area. This lesson explores the historic environment through the interconnected lives of four individuals who lived in the area during the 1880s. What can the stories of two West Indian boxers, the daughter of an Irish carpet maker and a child born in Whitechapel itself reveal about the challenges and benefits of living around Commercial Street in the Victorian era?

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The lesson is based on the research of Sarah Elizabeth Cox and her blog Grappling with History. Many thanks to Sarah for her help. You can read more about Hezekiah and Alexander alongside other Victorian Boxers here: <https://grapplingwithhistory.com/>

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Teacher's Notes

This series of lesson activities uses four case studies of real people who lived around Commercial Street in Spitalfields in the late 1800s. The case studies are based on the lives of Hezekiah Moscow, Mary Maddin, Eliza Moscow and Alexander Munroe. Each case study contains 4-6 documents and all share the following themes:

- Housing and overcrowding
- Poverty and employment
- Immigration and community
- Crime and policing

Students should be encouraged to consider these themes when exploring each case study. They should go on to interpret this evidence, pick up any inferences or see what they can discover about everyday life in the area. A timeline has been provided which can be used either for individual case studies or to consolidate the class's research as a feedback activity. It could be used as a starter or sorting activity, and helps to make sense of the chronology of the documents and the events they portray. A worksheet to consolidate all four case studies is provided. Individual case study fact file worksheets are also provided at the start of each case study alongside a list of questions to guide students through the documents in relation to each specific individual.

Some general guidance questions on how to evaluate and understand documents are included here, to help students to draw their own conclusions and inferences from the documents. (Teachers may wish to print these out, and discuss them with the students before they look at the sources). All documents are provided with transcripts.

- Find the date on each document
- What type of document is it? (e.g. census entry, witness statement or newspaper).
- Why was the document written?
- What is the document saying?
- Check the meaning of any words you are unsure about.
- Does the document show the writer's opinions/values?
- Does it have any limitations?

Teachers may want to break their class up into four groups and explore one case study each, or create a series of lessons to piece together the story. Groups should feed back on the different individuals to ensure all students find out about all four figures. The maps and notebooks can be used as an introduction to the area and work as a whole class investigation before the individual case studies. Students could be encouraged to use the map as reference with the documents of their case studies for geographical context within the Whitechapel area.

Teachers could also look at our [Victorian Industrial Towns](#) themed collection to explore additional documents which give context on living conditions, health and overcrowding.

Background

Whitechapel in London during the Victorian era was an area of industry and mixed opportunity. For several hundred years it had been home to tanneries, foundries and breweries. These are the types of industry that are necessary for the creation of goods for a city but unpleasant to keep close by with smells and sounds that would disturb the upper classes. As the industrial revolution took hold, Whitechapel and the other Tower Hamlets became a hub of immigration with thousands arriving looking for work from England, Ireland and further afield. With docklands to the south and new rail connections to the rest of the country, 1800s Whitechapel became the ideal home for manufacturers and merchants looking to make and sell their wares to the people of London and beyond. However, industry led to overcrowding and jobseekers soon outnumbered available work.

In 1839 the average life expectancy of a labourer in the area of Brick Lane was only 16 years and for tradesmen was 26. Sanitation was poor, pubs and gin palaces were widespread and crime and poverty rates were sky high. By the late 1800s reformers and philanthropists like Charles Booth and George Peabody were taking note of the terrible conditions and creating schemes to address the needs of the poor. Booth's survey of London went street to street, observing the population and their circumstances and creating a map of London which showed the most poverty stricken areas. Peabody established a model dwellings company and a charitable trust to create affordable housing for those in need. The first such building opened on 29 February 1864 on Commercial Street, Spitalfields and saw 57 dwellings with shared bathing and laundry facilities and nine shops to be run by the inhabitants on the ground floor.

It is the area around Commercial Street, to the immediate east and west, that this resource focuses on by looking at the interconnected lives of four inhabitants. The documents explore the lives of these figures, their employment and living situations, their community and prospects. It is easy to make summarising statements about the situation in Whitechapel using the large scale facts and statistics and forget that the thousands of people living in these areas had full lives beyond the small glimpses in the record. This resource aims to put the facts and statistics into the context of lives on the ground and provide a fuller picture of life in 1880s Whitechapel.

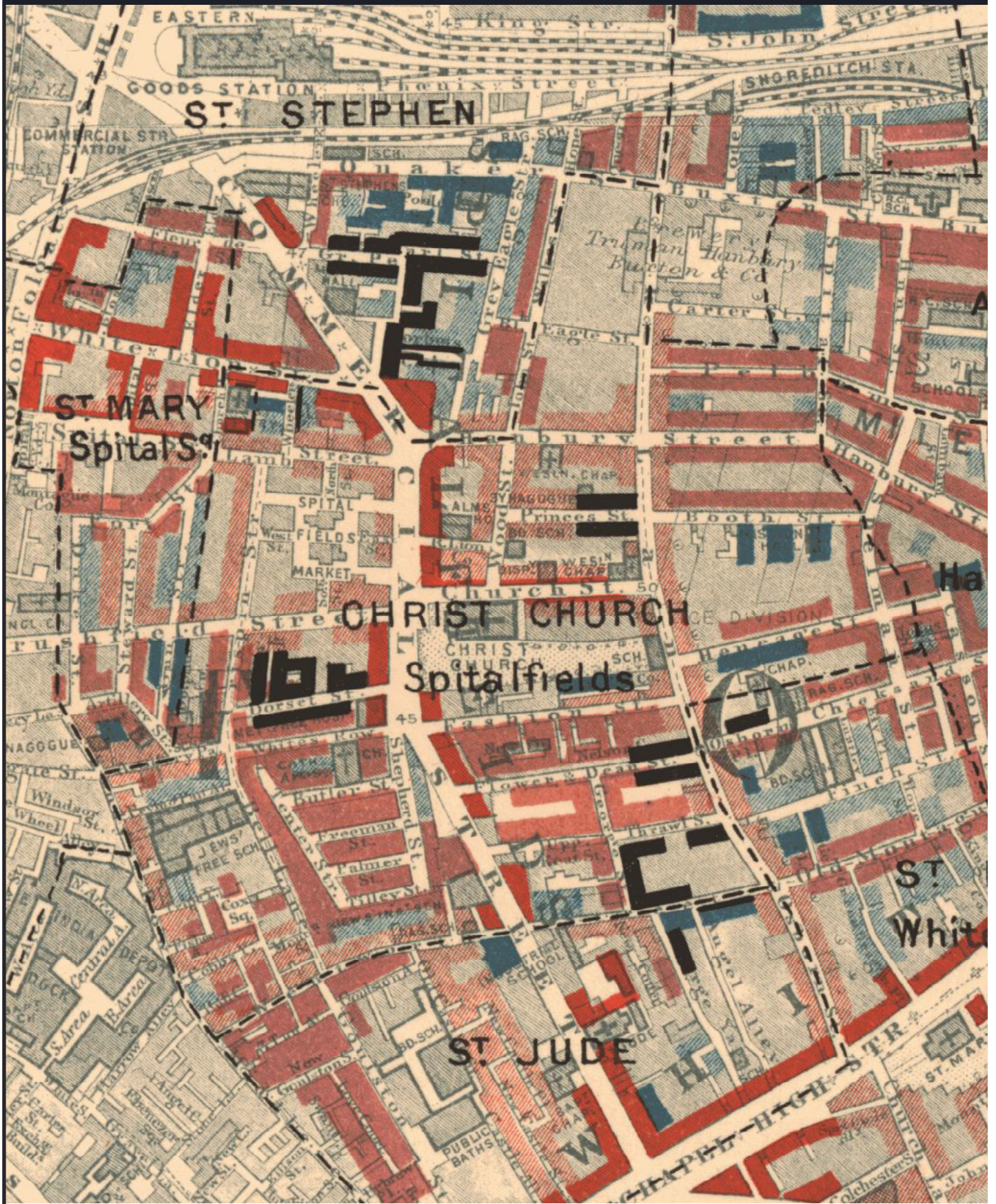
Timeline

1880

1940



Booth Map 1898-9



THE STREETS ARE COLOURED ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL CONDITION OF THE INHABITANTS, AS UNDER:—

- | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|---|---|--|
| Lowest class.
Vicious, semi-criminal. | Very poor, casual.
Chronic want. | Poor. 18s. to 21s. a week
for a moderate family. | Mixed. Some comfortable,
others poor. | Fairly comfortable.
Good ordinary earnings. | Middle class.
Well-to-do. | NIL Upper-middle and Upper
classes. Wealthy. |
|--|--|---|--|---|---|--|

A combination of colours—as dark blue and black, or pink and red—indicates that the street contains a fair proportion of each of the classes represented by the respective colours.

OS Map 1894-96



George Duckworth's Notebook - March 17th 1898

We are more easily all there in Map, young ladies
 the first in Prince Place. 6, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

General Remarks. The Great Peal St. district remains
 as black as it was 10 yrs ago. As the Great
 St. district belongs to a dealer in it, naturally
 so this bit belongs to German origin in habitant
 of Little Peal St. The features of both these streets
 are common looking houses for men, women, & children
 which are little better than cottages. Persons who
 & prostitutes are there in habitant. Many think
 that he has appeared in that on the north
 side of Flower & Allen St. which has had trade
 way for the Rotherhithe dwellings. Minn. Ct.
 at the back of Peal St. which has had the
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 Peal

pleas, said Tranch, have spread into Bethnal Green
 or Whitechapel.
 Bethnal Green is noticeable in some of the larger
 streets such as Hunting, Church Street, owing
 to the increasing of well to do Jews; & also in the
 courts south of Whitechapel street owing to the
 displacement of rough English & Irish by poor
 but nice Jews.
 The alteration of the Wesleyan Chapel to suit
 the requirements of a Jewish synagogue is characteristic
 of the change that has taken place in the neighbourhood.
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 property especially in dark lane streets.
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 of them, but not one that Tranch spoke of as being
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 Invasion of Jews. Small English colonies dotted about
 Tranch.

Tranch where the two live together in one street
 The rough Public houses are 4 that at the corner
 of Commercial St & Whitechapel St. the George being
 one to James Hunting & Baxter. The machine
 at the end of Dorset St & the Public at the
 corner of Shepherd & Butler St.
 Suburban, West End, & Strangers using the English
 Cops & Grace making, joining & too Tranch
 among the Jews.
 Tranch said that he hardly knew whether he ought to
 have an opinion about Public houses but he
 thought that in the interests of sobriety there
 should be a greater number than there are.
 For he said he got drunkness & more where
 there was a crowd. If there were more houses there
 he less crowded at the bars it wd be easier
 to refuse to serve those who had already had too
 much.
 As to children fetching their, he disapproved of their doing
 it but thought it was better for them than for their
 mothers to put it. Mother stay but children come
 away at once.

Transcript

General Remarks

The Great Pearl Street district remains as black as it was 10 years ago. As the Dorset street district belongs to a dweller in it, 'Mccarthy' so this bit belongs to 'Geringer' an inhabitant of Little Pearl Street. The features of both these streets are common lodging houses for men, women & 'doubles' which are little better than brothels. Thieves, bullies and prostitutes are their inhabitants. The only black piece that has disappeared is that on the north side of Flower and Dean Street which has had to make way for the Rothschild dwellings. Union Court at the back of Fashion street which was dark blue has been demolished. Those who have been displaced, said French, have crowded into Bethnal Green or Walthamstow.

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Streets on the whole well paved – except Lt Pearl Street; all with cobbles. Houses in very fair repair and in many cases better than their inhabitants. Here as elsewhere it looks as if the landlords had had their attention affectually [sic] called to the state of their property especially in dark blue streets.

Common lodging houses also a feature. A great number of them but not one that French spoke of as having decent inhabitants.

Invasion of Jews. Small English colonies dotted about. Friction where the two live together in one street.

The roughest Public Houses are 1) that at the corner of Commercial Street and Wentworth Street the 'George' belonging to Truman Hanbury of Buxton 2) The beer house at the end of Dorset Street and the Public at the corner of Shepherd and Butler Street.

Industries, market porters and Hawkers among the English Cigar and tobacco making, tailoring and boot making amount the Jews.

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As to children fetching beer, he disapproved of their doing it but thought it was better for them than for their mothers to fetch it. 'Mothers stay but children come away at once.'

Starter activity

Look at Source One and Source Two.

These maps cover the area of Spitalfields where our case study individuals lived.

Source One - The Booth Map:

- Can you find Commercial Street, Elder Street and Great Pearl Street (with Little Pearl Street leading off it to the south) on the map?
- What is being represented by the colour key of the map?
- What colours are Elder Street and Great Pearl Street?
- What does the map tell you about the living conditions of these roads?

Source Two - The Ordnance Survey Map:

- Can you find Commercial Street, Elder Street and Great Pearl Street (with Little Pearl Street leading off it to the south) on the map?
- What buildings are named on the OS Map? What do they tell you about the area?
- P.H. stands for Public House or Pub, how many can you find in the area?

Sources One and Two:

- What other features can you find on both maps? (Train stations, markets, churches etc.)
- What do these features tell you about the area?

Look at Source Three

As part of Charles Booth's research for his poverty map he sent inspectors to accompany police officers on their beats, walking around the streets of London and making notes on their observations. On March 17th 1898 George Duckworth walked with Sergeant French around the area west of Commercial Street before covering the area to the east on the 18th.

- How does George Duckworth describe the area and its inhabitants?
- Highlight the different nationalities and religions you can find mentioned. What does this tell you about the area?
- What occupations are listed?

- How does the description given here compare to your understanding of the area from the maps

Fact Files

Hezekiah Moscow

Mary Maddin

Eliza Moscow

Alexander Munroe

Case Study One: Hezekiah Moscow

Name(s):

Age:

(range within documents)

Job:

Known biography:

Unanswered questions:

Questions

Source one:

1. What kind of attractions can you see at the East London Aquarium?
2. What animals can you see?
3. This is situated in the Whitechapel area - can everyone go?

Source two:

4. What has Hezekiah Moscow been accused of?
5. Does the author agree with the charge? What reasons do they give?

Source three (a) and three (b):

6. What is this man's name and occupation?
7. Why do you think these photographs have been taken?
8. What can we tell about this man's life from his photographs?
9. What ideas does the photographer suggest by these two photographs of Ching Hook?

Source four:

10. What does this document reveal about Hezekiah Moscow and Ching Hook?
11. What can you learn about Sam Baxter?
12. What else is going on except the boxing match?
13. What evidence is there that Ching Hook is a successful boxer?

Add these details to your timeline

Special Starring Engagement (regardless of expense)
of
SAM BAXTER,
SAM BAXTER,
SAM BAXTER.
The 1st 6th Boxing Champion of the World,
and
CHING GHOOK,
CHING GHOOK,
CHING GHOOK,
The Coloured Champion.
These "Terrible Thumpers" will Spar Three Rounds nightly.
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at
8 p.m. and 10 p.m.
8 p.m. and 10 p.m.
at
THE SEBRIGHT MUSIC HALL.
HACKNEY ROAD,
in conjunction with
A STUPENDOUS SERIES OF SUPREME AND
STARTLING SENSATIONS.
Sorted with Care
and
Carefully Sorted
by
A Sort of a Sport,
who "Sports" Pears' Soap in his Red Chamber, takes Beecham's
Pills, and has Engraved on his Four-cornered "Brief," in varie-
gated coloured letters,
GEO. E. BELMONT,
"A patient, persevering proprietor, who produces pleasing pro-
grammes." So says
"THE SPORTING LIFE." —[ADVT.]

Source One: Poster for the East London Aquarium, 1881

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Sir JOHN BENNETT, in Opening the New Additions said, "That the Institution, to which the admission was only One Penny, was a marvel. There was natural history and science for the million, there were wax-works and also a theatre. He congratulated the Proprietor on his judgment, enterprise and liberal outlay."
Vide City Press, December 3, 1881.

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Vide Society, December, 7th, 1881.

Sir JOHN in opening the most recent additions to the show, expressed his approval of every attempt to provide cheap recreation. Hear, hear!
Vide the Argus, December 11th, 1881.

C. R. BROWN, Painter, 40, St. Mark St. E.C.

"This place of entertainment has become exceedingly and, it may be added, deservedly popular in the neighbourhood in which it is situated."
Vide Sir John Bennett's Speech, Daily News, December 8th, 1881.

"The exhibition is well worthy a visit, and is calculated to be a decided boon to London, sources of amusement being very limited indeed."
Vide The Citizen, December 3rd, 1881.

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Transcript

[Central text:]

East London Aquarium

Menagerie & Wax Work Exhibition

Bishopsgate Street

Opposite Worship Street adjoining Bishopsgate station on G.E.R.

Admission One Penny

Under new management

For detailed particulars see hand bills.

[Clockwise from top left]

[Illustration of sword fighting] Performances daily in the theatre at 2,4,6,8 & 10.

[Illustration of large archway and visitors entering] East London Aquarium Entrance

[Illustration of visitors looking at animals in cages] Bear & Monkey Room

[Illustration of lion tamer and lions watched by an audience] Lions perform daily at 3,7 & 9.30

[Illustration of public beside large bird cage] Rifle gallery, Bird shows etc.

[Illustration of three 'cave' alcoves] Cave with illuminated views.

[Illustration of public looking at waxworks] Wax works new addition with room over.

[Illustration of public walking around a fountain between aquarium tanks] Fountain, the tanks with seal etc.

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[On right side] Sir John Bennett said "This place of entertainment was the wonder of many people. It was a marvellous institution." Vide Eastern Argus, December 10th 1881.

[On left side] Sir John in opening the most recent additions to the show, expressed his approval of every attempt to provide cheap recreation. Hear, Hear! Vide the Referee, December 11th 1881.

[At bottom] "This place of entertainment has become exceedingly and, it may be added, deservedly popular in the neighbourhood in which it is situated." Vide Sir John Bennett's Speech, Daily News, December 2nd 1881.

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Source Two: Shoreditch Observer - 16th February 1884

FEBRUARY 16, 1884.

THE BOROUGH OF HACKNEY EXPRESS AND SHOREDITCH OBSERVER.

ALLEGED CRUELTY AT THE EAST LONDON AQUARIUM.

To the Editor of the BOROUGH OF HACKNEY EXPRESS and SHOREDITCH OBSERVER.

SIR,—It is always unpleasant to be aspersed especially when calumnies cannot be refuted without delay, and when opponents and critics alike are dead to all sense of ordinary justice. Fortunately, however, it is possible to obtain an impartial hearing through your valuable columns, and I thank you in anticipation for publishing this letter. On Friday the 1st inst. Hezekiah Moscow, an employé of mine, was charged at the instance of the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals with cruelly ill treating some bears by beating them with a whip. The charge was brought by an officer named Utting who is now being proceeded against for perjury. Now although I have numerous witnesses of unimpeachable veracity to prove that Utting's statements are simple untruths; although I have scientific evidence to prove the the whip used—an unloaded ordinary light whip, open to anyone's inspection—could not hurt a dog much less a bear; although I utterly deny that any cruelty is permitted here, yet the Daily Press has published and severely commented upon Utting's unsupported testimony and has placed me as proprietor of the Aquarium under an unjust and abominable stigma.

I protest, Sir, against *ex parte* statements being accepted as facts. It is my misfortune that the case was dismissed upon a technical point, for had it been fully heard the innocence of Moscow would have been established. Fortunately it is possible to obtain justice even if delayed. The presiding magistrate himself has commented upon the "misleading" and "garbled" reports that have appeared, but his words, of course, have not been made public. I only ask for justice, for "a fair field and no favour." With this given me I am confident that it will be proved that my establishment has been most unwarrantably aspersed.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

EDWARD G. SIM.

East London Aquarium, Bishopsgate.

Feb 7, 1884.

Transcript

February 16, 1884

The Borough of Hackney Express and Shoreditch Observer

Alleged cruelty at the East London Aquarium

To the Editor of the Borough of Hackney Express and Shoreditch Observer

Sir, - It is always unpleasant to be aspersed especially when calumnies [slander] cannot be refuted without delay, and when opponents and critics alike are dead to all sense of ordinary justice. Fortunately, however, it is possible to obtain an impartial hearing through your valuable columns, and I thank you in anticipation for publishing this letter. On Friday the 1st inst. Hezekiah Moscow, an employe of mine, was charged at the instance of the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals with cruelly ill treating some bears by beating them with a whip. The charge was brought by an officer named Utting who is now being proceeded against for perjury. Now although I have numerous witnesses of unimpeachable veracity to prove that Utting's statements are simple untruths; although I have scientific evidence to prove the whip used - an unloaded ordinary light whip, open to anyone's inspection - could not hurt a dog much less a bear; although I utterly deny that any cruelty is permitted here, yet the Daily Press has published and severely commented upon Utting's unsupported testimony and has placed me as proprietor of the Aqu[ar]ium under an unjust and abominable stigma.

I protest, sir, against ex parte statements being accepted as facts. It is my misfortune that the case was dismissed upon a technical point, for had it been fully heard the innocence of Moscow would have been established. Fortunately it is possible to obtain justice even if delayed. The presiding magistrate himself has commented upon the "misleading" and "garbled" reports that have appeared, but his words, of course, have not been made public. I only ask for justice, for "a fair field and no favour." With this given me I am confident that it will be proved that my establishment has been most unwarrantably aspersed. - I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

Edward G Sim.

East London Aquarium, Bishopsgate.

Feb 7, 1884.

Glossary:

aspersed - to have your reputation attacked or criticised

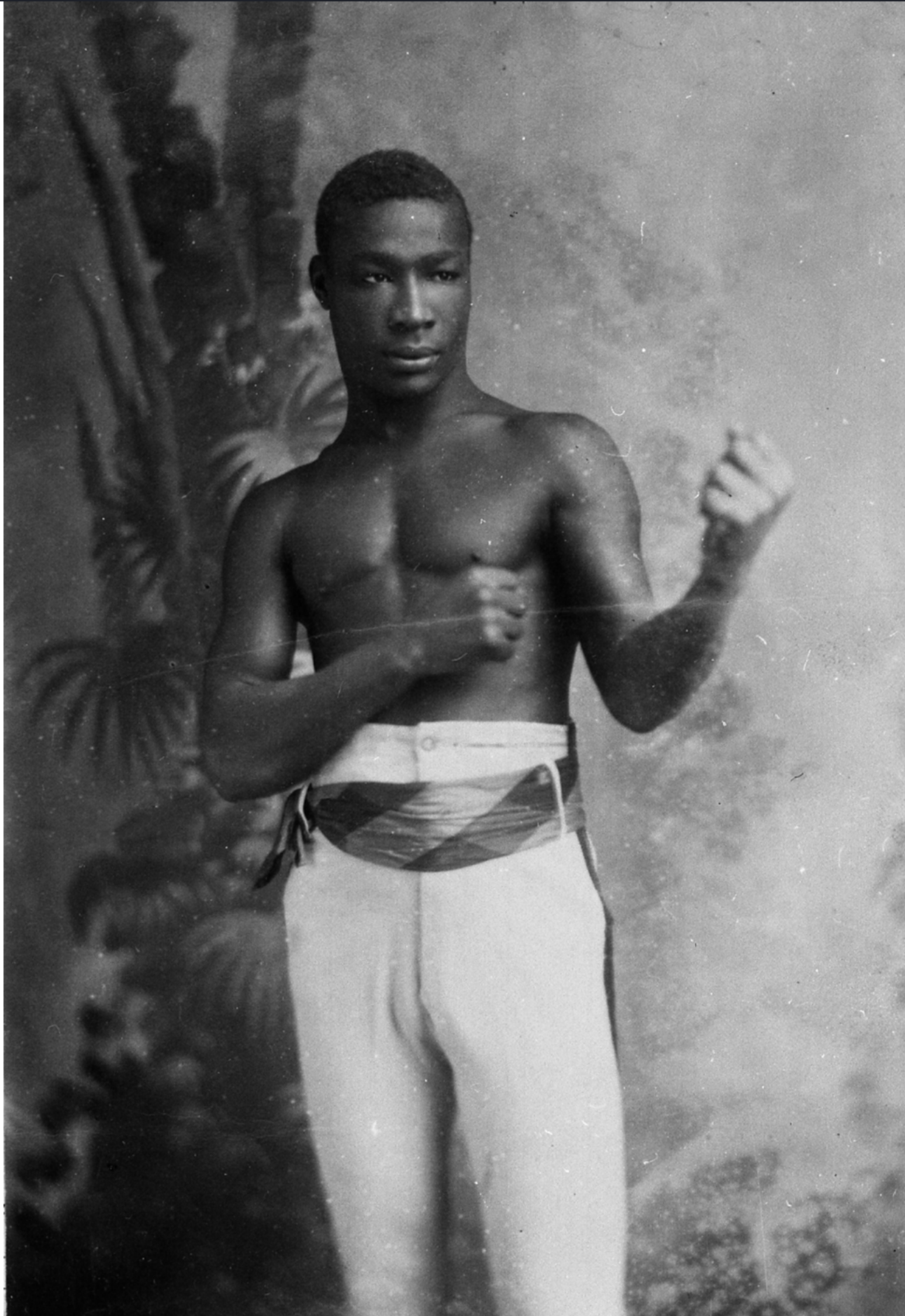
calumnies - false and slanderous statements.

perjury - the offence of wilfully telling an untruth or making a misrepresentation under oath.

unimpeachable - not able to be doubted, questioned, or criticised; entirely trustworthy.

veracity - truthfulness, accuracy

**Source Three (a): COPY1/392 Ching Hook, boxer
1888**



Source Three (b): COPY1/392 Ching Hook in private clothes 1888



Source Four: Sporting Life Magazine - 6th January 1888

SAM BAXTER AND CHING GHOOK AT THE SEBRIGHT MUSIC HALL.

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Case Study Two: Mary Maddin

Name(s):

Age:

(range within documents)

Job:

Known biography:

Unanswered questions:

Questions

Source one:

1. What information does this census page reveal about the Maddin family?
2. Where have the family migrated from?
3. What professions can you see on the page? What does this suggest about the area?
4. How old is Mary Maddin in 1881

Source two:

5. What can you discover about the lives of Hezekiah and Mary Mosocw from this census record? Include as much detail as possible.
6. How many rooms do they have? How does this compare to their neighbours?
7. What else does the census tell you about the area?

Source three:

8. Why is Marian writing to the editor of 'Sporting Life'?
9. What does this suggest about her life at this time?
10. Mary has written her name as Marian here, what does this suggest about the tone she is trying to portray?

Source four:

11. Why is Mary in the workhouse?
12. What can you learn about her life at the time from this document?

Add these details to your timeline



39 Elder Street, Whitechapel in 2021

Source One: 1881 Census - RG 11/1382

No. of Schedule	Civil Parish [or Township] of	Municipal Borough of	Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Town or Village or Hamlet of	The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the		Urban Sanitary District of	Rural Sanitary District of	Ecclesiastical Parish or District of	If (1) Deaf-and-Dumb (2) Blind (3) Imbecile or Idiot (4) Lunatic	
						City or Municipal Borough of	Municipal Borough of					
ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES In habitable buildings (B)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	COR- DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN					
140	St. Stephen's	1, Cannon Street	Head	Mar.	24	Architectural Draughtsman	Middlesex, St. Pancras					
		Elizabeth	Wife	Do.	24		Do.					
		Elizabeth R.	Daughter		6	Scholar	Do.					
		Matthias	Do.		6	Do.	Do.					
		George E.	Son		2	Do.	Do.					
		Richard	Do.		2	Do.	Do.					
		Arthur D.	Do.		2	Do.	Do.					
		Thomas B.	Do.		5 months		Do.					
		Emily E. Walker	Step. Mother		X	Maid of Cerimonial Duties	Do.					
		James G.	Step. Son		X	Architectural & Mechanical Draughtsman	Do.					
		Emilia Cook	Step. Sister		24	Maid of Cerimonial Duties	Do.					
141	St. Andrew's	1, Palace Yard	Head	Mar.	74	Railway Clerk	West. Ind. N.S.A. Port. Sp.					
		Mary A.	Wife	Do.	42		Worcestershire, West. Staff.					
		William R.	Son		12	Scholar	Middlesex, St. Pancras					
		John S.	Do.		8	Gardener	Do.					
142	St. Andrew's	1, William Street	Head	Mar.	42		East. Riding, Yorks.					
		Christiana	Wife	Do.	53		Do.					
		George S. Nelson	Head	Unm.	24	Carpenter	Middlesex, Whitechapel					
		Eliza Head	Wife	Unm.	28		Do.					
		Stephen Maddin	Head	Mar.	60	Beer-Seller	Ireland, County...					
		Margaret	Wife	Do.	60		Do.					
		Stephen	Son	Unm.	24		Do.					
		Ellen	Daughter	Unm.	24		Surrey, Lambeth					
		Mary	Do.	Do.	22		Middlesex, London					
Total of Houses...							Total of Males and Females...		13/11			

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Civil Parish or Township of Tottenham			Ward of High Cross	Town or Village of Hamlet of Tottenham				Sanitary District of Tottenham	Ecclesiastical Parish or District of Holy Trinity			
No. of schedule	Road, street &c and no. or name of house	Houses		Name and Surname of each person	Relation to head of family	Condition as to marriage	Age last birthday		Profession or occupation	Where Born	If Deaf and dumb, blind, imbecile or idiot	
		inhabited	uninhabited or building				M	F				
	Somerset Road											
	[1, Byron Villas]			Emily E Nayler	Step Daughter			16	Maker of artificial teeth	Middlesex St Pancras		
				James H Nayler	Step Son			15	Architecural moulder's apprentice	Middlesex St Pancras		
				Amelia East	Sister in Law	Unm		34	maker of artificial teeth	Middlesex St Pancras		
	2, Walnut Tree Villas	1		William T Bland	Head	Mar		40	railway clerk	West Troy USA British Subject		
				Mary A Bland	Wife	Mar		42		Bramneston North Hants		
				William R Bland	Son			12	scholar	Middlesex St Pancras		
				John H Bland	Son			8	scholar	"		
	1, Walnut Tree Villas	1		William Gedney	Head	Mar		52	gardiner	East Riding Yorkshire		
				Christiana Fedney	Wife	Mar		55		East Riding Yorkshire		
	2, Laurel Villas											
	1, Laurel Villas	1		George L Wilson	Head	Unm		34	Carpenter			
				Eliza Head	Servant			58				
	2, Bath Villas	1		Stephen Maddin	Head	Mar		60	Floor-Cloth Printer	Ireland, Clognakilty		
				Margaret Maddin	Wife	Mar		60		Ireland, Bantry		
				Stephen Maddin	Son	Unm		24	Floor-Cloth printer	London		
				Ellen Maddin	Daughter	Unm		27		Surrey, Camberwell		
				Mary Maddin	Daughter	Unm		22		Middlesex, London		
Total of Houses...		5		Total of Males and Females...			13	11				

Source Two: 1891 Census - RG12/275

Administrative County of <u>London</u>		Municipal Borough of <u>Whitechapel</u>		Urban Sanitary District of <u>Whitechapel</u>		Rural Sanitary District of <u>Whitechapel</u>		Parliamentary Borough or Division of <u>Whitechapel</u>		Ecclesiastical Parish or District of <u>St. Mary, Spitalfields</u>		Page 10			
Col. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES inhabited (1) or not (2)	Number of Inhabitants (3)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of Males Females	PROFESSION or OCCUPATION	Employer	Employed	Kilns Employed	WHERE BORN	(1) Deaf and Dumb (2) Blind (3) Lunatic, Imbecile or Idiot		
58	33 Elder St.	1	4	John Griffiths	Head	M	76		Clothworker	+	+	Newington Surrey			
				Maria	Wife	M	45					St Lukes Middlesex			
59	34 do do	1	2	Alice Emily	daughter	S	67		Milliner			do Spitalfields			
60	do do	1	2	Benjamin	Head	S	47		Threadmaker			do do			
61	do do	1	4	Maria	Sister	S	57		Edms on private memu			do do			
				Richard	Head	S	56		Coach Painter			do do			
				Kate	Sister	S	47		Tailor			do do			
				Herbert	Brother	S	45		Coachman			do do			
				Marion	Daughter	S	24		Spilores			do do			
62	36 do do	1	2	William	Head	M	39		Sister Painter			do do			
				Mary Ann	Wife	M	44		Laundress			do do			
63	do do	1	1	Emma	daughter	S	19		Laundress			do do			
				Henrietta	Head	M	29		Traveller			do do			
				Mary	Wife	M	24		Waistcoat Maker			do do			
64	do do	1	2	Emma	Head	Wid	74		Waistcoat Maker			do do			
				Clara	daughter	S	28		Printer			do do			
65	do do	1	2	Edward	Head	S	27		General Dealer			do do			
				Elias	Wife	S	29		News Vendor			do do			
				Abraham	Wife	S	23		Wife			do do			
66	23 do do	1	2	Henry	Head	M	75		General Dealer			do do			
				Esther	Wife	M	80					do do			
				Siney	Wife	M	30		General Labourer			do do			
67	do do	1	2	Rebecca	Head	Wid	30		Underclothing Machinist			do do			
				Mary Elizabeth	daughter	S	26		Refeshment Shop Assistant			do do			
				Esther	daughter	S	24		Underclothing Machinist			do do			
68	do do	1	4	Rose Ann	Head	Wid	43		Foot Maker			do do			
				William	Sister	S	22		Medical Student			do do			
				Charles	Brother	S	17					do do			
11			11	Total of Males and Females...				13	17						
			3	Total of Houses and of Tenements with less than Five Rooms ...				3							

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Administrative County of London																
Civil Parish of the Liberty of Norton Folgate				Urban Sanitary of District of Whitechapel			Parliamentary Borough or Division of Whitechapel			Ecclesiastical Parish or District of St Marys Spitalfields						
No. of schedule	Road, street &c and no. or name of house	Houses		no of rooms occupied if < 5	Name and Surname of each person	Relation to head of family	Condition as to marriage	Age last birthday		Profession or occupation	Employer	Employed	Neither employer or employed	Where Born	If Deaf and dumb, blind, lunatic, imbecile or idiot	
		inhabited	uninhabited or building					M	F							
62	36 Elder Street	1		2	William King	Head	M	39		Litho Printer		X		London Holborn		
					Mary Ann King	Wife	M		44	Laundress			X	Somerset Hambridge		
					Emma King		S		19	Laundress			X	London Spitalfields		
63				1	Hezekiah Moscow	Head	M	29		Traveller		X		West Indies		
					Mary Moscow	Wife	M		32					Bermondsey - Surrey		
64				2	Emma Kingwell	Head	Wid		54	Waistcoat Maker		X		London Fore St		
					Clara Kingwell		S		19	Waistcoat Maker		X		London Bishopsgate		
65				2	Edward Norton	Head	S	28		Printer		X		London Bishopsgate		
					Elias Moss	Lodger	S	27		General Dealeer			X	London Whitechapel		
					Abraham Harris	Lodger	S	29		Newsvendor			X	London City		
					Andrew Neman	Lodger	S	23		Hawker			X	London		
66	23 Elder Street	1		2	Henry Bradley	Head	M	75						Berkshire		
					Esther Bradley	Wife	M		80					Berkshire		
					Liney Ward	Lodger	S	30		General Labourer		X		London Spitalfields		
67				2	Rebecca Patten	Head	Wid		57	Underclothing machinist		X		Abingdon Cambridgeshire		
					Mary Elizabeth Patten		S		26	Refreshment shop assistant		X		Abingdon Cambridgeshire		
					Evelina Blance Patten		S		23	Underclothing needlehand		X		London Shoreditch		
68				4	Rose Ann Sizzey	Head	Wid		52				x	London		
					Miriam Hibble	Sister	S		43	Vest maker	x			Essex Colchester		
					Charles Albert Jones		S	22		Medical student				Monmouthshire		
11	Total of Houses and Tenements with less than Five Rooms...						3		11	Total of Males and Females			17			

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Source Four: Whitechapel Infirmary - Workhouse Admission and Discharge Records, 1908

No.	Date	Name	Age	Where Admitted from	One of Friends	Sister	Lodging House	Houses or Institutions	Workhouse	Sex	Married or Single	Calling	Case of Admission	Religion	By whom Admitted	Time Admitted	Ward	Settlement	Date of Discharge	REMARKS
2773	Saturday 19 th Dec 1908	Chapman Mary S		Stamps Cottage Home						S		School	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 2	Can. S. 11/11/08	11/11/08	Mother in Prison
2774	19 th Dec	Caple A		11th house						S		Copper	Myocarditis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 3	27/11/08	27/11/08	
2775	19 th Dec	Leach Thomas 49	53	"			Wid. 11th			M		Seaman	Bronchitis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 2	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2776	19 th Dec	Smith Alpha 45	49	"						S		"	Arterio Sclerosis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2777	19 th Dec	Smith Alpha 45	45	"						S		"	Arterio Sclerosis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2778	19 th Dec	Smith Alpha 45	45	"						S		"	Arterio Sclerosis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2779	19 th Dec	Smith Alpha 45	45	"						S		"	Arterio Sclerosis	"	"	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2780	Sunday 20 th Dec	Benwell Annie 32	32	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of James		a Horse keeper	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2781	20 th Dec	Adams George 48	48	174 Whitechapel Road						Wid. of		Bookbinder	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2782	20 th Dec	Boyer Catherine 67	67	174 Whitechapel Road						Wid. of		Wid. of	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2783	20 th Dec	Witch Sidney 28	28	"						S		"	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 3	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2784	20 th Dec	Burns Emily 21	21	27 Hunter St						Wid. of George		a Hairdresser	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 4	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2785	20 th Dec	Burns Emily 21	21	27 Hunter St						Wid. of George		a Hairdresser	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 4	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2786	Monday 21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2787	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2788	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2789	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2790	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2791	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2792	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2793	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2794	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2795	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2796	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2797	21 st Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2798	Tuesday 22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2799	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2800	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2801	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2802	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2803	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2804	22 nd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2805	Wednesday 23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2806	23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2807	23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2808	23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2809	23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2810	23 rd Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2811	Thursday 24 th Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2812	24 th Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2813	24 th Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	
2814	24 th Dec	Bye John 70	70	144 Hanbury St						Wid. of William		a Publican	Arterio Sclerosis	R.C.	Dr. P. H. Jones	11/11/08	F. 1	11/11/08	12/12/08	

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Transcript

Heading	Entry
No.	2795
Date: 1908	Monday 21st December
Name:	Moscow, Mary
Age:	49
Where admitted from:	30 College Buildings
Own or Friend's home?:	
Shelter:	
Lodging House:	
Homeless or Institution:	
Workhouse:	
Born:	
Married or single:	Widow of Hezekiah
Calling:	A tailor's dresser
Cause of Admission:	Septic wrist
Religion:	R C [Roman Catholic]
By whose order admitted:	Dr Robertson
Time admitted:	9.5
Ward sent to:	E2
Settlement:	Belongs
Date of Discharge:	7.1.09
Remarks:	

Case Study Three: Eliza Moscow

Name(s):

Age:

(range within documents)

Job:

Known biography:

Unanswered questions:

Questions

Source one:

1. What can you learn about Eliza Moscow from this document?
2. George Yard School is a 'ragged' school. What does this tell you about Eliza's life?

Source two:

3. What can you learn about Eliza Moscow from this document?
4. Where was Eliza's previous school according to this document? What might that suggest about her life?

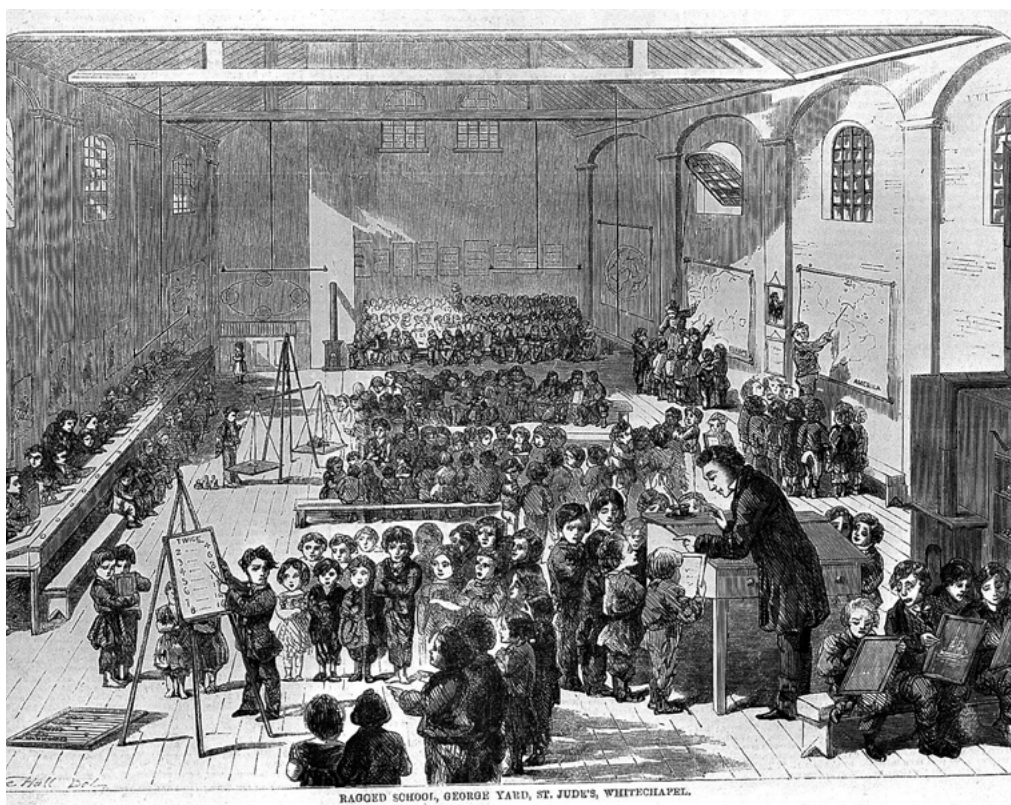
Source three:

5. What can you learn about Mary and Eliza's life from this document?
6. How would you describe their living situation?
7. What else can the census tell you about the area?

Source four:

8. What can you learn about Eliza's life from this document?

Add these details to your timeline



George Yard Ragged School illustration
- Wellcome Collection

Admission no	Date of Admission			Name in Full	Date of Birth			Parent or Guardian		Last School (if any)	Date of Leaving			Remarks
	Year	Month	Day		Year	Month	Day	Name	Address		Year	Month	Day	
801	95	1	28	Morris William	89	9	15	William	12 Runslly Place	None				
802	95	1	28	Cavalier Henry	89	6	15	Edward	11 Carter Street	All saints	95	5	6	
803	95	2	4	Herbert Frederick	92	1	29	Walter	2 Hanover Place	None				
804	95	2	4	Day Mary A	89	7	5	John	6 Brick Lane	Bath Street	95	5	6	7.16.95 readmitted
805	95	2	4	Hayes William	91	8	14	John	59 Wentworth	None	95	6	1	
806	95	2	5	Wright Harriet	89	8	20	Alfred	22 Thrawl Street	Collingwood Street	95	6	24	
807	95	2	6	Daniels John	92	1		George	2 Romford Street	None				
591	95	2	25	Bowles George	90	8	7	George	12 Brick Lane	This				
808	95	2	25	Thompson Thomas	90	3	26	George	12 Brick Lane	Somerford Street				
809	95	2	27	Piper Thomas	91	2	27	Charles	8 Underwood	None	94	3	25	
654	95	2	28	Ingham Harriet	90	5	17	James		This	96	9	14	
810	95	3	12	Lewis Ann	91	5	24	Joseph	15 Nottingham	Bath Street	95	7	1	
811	95	3	18	Neil Edward	91	6	19	Edward	53 Chicksands	None	95	10	7	Dead
812	95	3	11	Walker John	90	8	11	George	7 Normanst	None	95	8	26	
813	95	3	25	Webb John	90	5	12	John	12 Whites Row	Dormitory				
814	95	3	25	Baker Nathaniel	89	6	29	John	75 Cable Street	St Johns	95	6	24	
815	95	3	25	Lappidge Edward	91	12	26	Mary Edward	93 Cressey House	None	95	10	14	
816	95	3	25	Wright Louisa	91	4	19	Alfred		None	96	7	3	
817	95	3	26	Lawrence Edward	89	7	10	Edward		Highgate	95	6	17	
818	95	3	27	Hadley John	91	1	31	William	181	None				
819	95	4	1	Anderson Ellen	91	2	8	James	Whites Row Shelter	Dormitory	95	4	22	95.1.6 readmitted
820	95	4	1	Cavalier Edward	90	12		Edward	11 Carter Street	All Saints	95	5	6	
821	95	4	2	Coots George	90	5	11	Martin	101 Rothschilds Buildings	St Judes				
822	95	4	2	Stachenberg Abraham	90	12		Zacharias	2 Spectacle Alley	None				
823	95	4	2	Moscow Eliza	91	6	18	Hezekiah	36 White Lion Street	None				
824	95	4	2	Russell Kate	90	7	27	Mary	5 Little George Street	None	96	3	27	
825	95	4	22	Tigg James	90	2	4	James	182 Lolsworth Buildings	St Judes				
789	95	4	22	Holt Charles	88	3	14	William	27 Whites Row	This				
790	95	4	22	Holt Andrew	91	2	22	William	27 Whites Row	This				
826	95	4	22	Maddanes Louisa	92	3	25	Albert	1 Flower & Dean Street	None	96	10	12	
827	95	4	22	Samsan Annie	90	6	28	George	3 Buckle Street Buildings	None				
732	95	4	29	Conyers Mary	91	2	14	George	3 Lolsworth Street	This				
828	95	4	29	Wiltcher George	89	10	28	Walter	23 New Street					
786	95	4	29	Wakefield Elizabeth	89	11		Charles	75 Wentworth Street	This				
787	95	4	29	Wakefield Emma	90	11	30	Charles	75 Wentworth Street	This				
829	95	4	30	Nadle George	90	3	3	George	3 Osbourne Place	None	95	7	1	

Source Two: St Josephs School Tower Hamlets London School Admissions and Discharges 1902

Admission No.	DATE OF ADMISSION (on the Admission)		FULL NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	ADDRESS	What Exemption, if any, from Entrance Examinations is Claimed?	DATE OF BIRTH		NAME OF LAST SCHOOL	DATE OF LAST DAY AT THIS SCHOOL		CAUSE OF LEAVING	REMARKS
	Day	Month					Year	Day		Month	Year		
1	2	6	1902	Albert Cash	Mrs Henry Cash	31 Leaden St		15 8 98	None	5 12 1902	Sent to School		
2	9	"	"	Walter West	Mrs Hughes	5 Street St		26 12 97	"	12 7 1905	Industrial School		
3	1	"	"	Clara Robertson	Mrs Whately	29 St. Paul St		8 12 92	Brick Lane	5 11 1902	Home pulled down		
4	25	8	"	Jane Rolster	Mrs Rolster	6 Chapel St		10 11 98	Brick Lane	19 9 "	Home pulled down		
5	"	"	"	Mary Gunn	Mrs Gunn	Palmerston Row		4 9 94	"	18 1 1904	Home pulled down		
6	"	"	"	George Swinton	Mrs Swinton	15 Artillery Lane		24 9 99	"	"	"		
7	"	"	"	Ellen McQuinn	Mrs McQuinn	4 Wheeler St		11 8 99	"	"	"		
8	"	"	"	Mrs Courtney	Mrs Courtney	14 Roe Alley		8 9 99	"	"	"		
9	"	"	"	Mary Anne O'Connell	Mrs O'Connell	8 Dorset St		23 7 99	"	"	"		
10	26	"	"	Lily Springer	Mrs Springer	20 Essex St		27 10 89	Albania St	29 8 1902	"		
11	27	"	"	Mary Reynolds	Mrs Reynolds	15 Mansell St		15 11 92	Princes St	6 10 2	"		
12	"	"	"	Frederick Bromph	Mrs Bromph	5 Croppin St		15 11 92	"	"	"		
13	1	9	"	Thomas McCarty	Mrs McCarty	8 Dorset St		7 9 97	Home	"	"		
14	"	"	"	Alvina Smith	Mrs Smith	20 White Row		3 9 6	"	"	"		
15	"	"	"	John Smith	Mrs Smith	"		5 9 8	"	"	"		
16	"	"	"	Ethel Leonard	Mrs Leonard	2 Elder Lane Whitechapel		2 6 97	"	"	"		
17	"	"	"	Christian Harmon	Mrs Harmon	13 Dorset St	Home	19 7 96	St. Matthew's	"	"		
18	15	"	"	Walter Davis	Mrs Davis	3 Artillery Range		1 10 98	"	"	"		
19	"	"	"	Harold Davis	Mrs Davis	"		8 7 94	"	"	"		
20	26	"	"	John Scott	Mrs Scott	"		29 2 95	Home	2 10 1915	Sent to Industrial School		
21	"	"	"	Albert Webster	Mrs Webster	28 1/2 Spital Sq		25 9 99	Home	"	"		
22	8	10	"	Eugene Moscov	Mrs Moscov	34 Waterloo St		18 6 91	Spencer St	"	"		
23	21	10	"	Annie Harringer	Mrs Harringer	Armelow		16 5 94	"	"	"		
24	"	"	"	Ada Harringer	Mrs Harringer	"		9 9 97	"	"	"		
25	"	"	"	Mary Guinlan	Mrs Guinlan	Street St		5 4 98	"	"	"		
26	"	"	"	Mary Lockhart	Mrs Lockhart	1 Albion St		31 5 89	Spencer St	5 10 1902	Home		
27	"	"	"	Helen Lockhart	Mrs Lockhart	"		5 1 92	"	"	"		
28	"	"	"	M. D. Lockhart	Mrs Lockhart	"		8 9 96	Home	8 11 1902	Wandering		
29	5	11	"	Patrick Clark	Mrs Clark	Homeless		16 1 96	Home	5 12 1902	Wandering		
30	10	"	"	John Carroll	Mrs Carroll	Wheeler St		2 5 97	St James	27 2 1905	"		
31	"	"	"	Mary A. Nanny	Mrs Nanny	57 Croppin St		14 5 98	Home	"	"		
32	11	"	"	Ethel Andrews	Mrs Andrews	Homeless		23 10 94	St James	"	"		
33	14	"	"	Constance Plympton	Mrs Plympton	5 Brick St		10 9 97	Home	"	"		
34	"	"	"	Mary Carroll	Mrs Carroll	8 "		9 4 95	George St	"	"		
35	"	"	"	George Carroll	Mrs Carroll	"		24 12 97	"	"	"		
35a	"	"	"	Helen Tomlin	Mrs Tomlin	"		"	"	"	"		

Source Three: 1911 Census, Spitalfields - RG14/1463

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink. The contents of the Schedule will be taken care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

Number of Schedule
(To be filled up by the Enumerator after collection.)

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NAME AND SURNAME of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who (1) passed the night of Sunday, April 1st, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or (2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 2nd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included. (See order of entering names on back of Schedule.)	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family.	AGE (Last Birthday) and SEX.		PARTICULARS AS TO MARRIAGE.			PERSONAL OCCUPATION. The reply should show the precise branch of Profession, Trade, Manufacture, &c. If engaged in any Trade or Manufacture, the particular kind of work done, and the Article made or Material worked or dealt in should be clearly indicated. (See Instructions 1 to 8 and Examples on back of Schedule.)	PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards.		BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person of Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.
		Male.	Female.	Single.	Married.	Widow.		Divorced.	Under 10 years.			
1. Solomon Aaron	Head	33		Married	4 1/2		School Teacher (Elementary)	Education (Elementary)	London (St Mary Abchurch)	British subject		
2. Annie Aaron	Wife	28		Married	4 1/2	1			London (St Mary Abchurch)	British subject		
3. Rose Aaron	Daughter	3 1/2				1			London (St Mary Abchurch)	British subject		
4. Mary Ann Pearson	Servant	51		Widow	21	1	Office Cleaner (Baker's)		London (Remondy)	British subject		
5. Eliza Pearson	Servant	19		Single			Office Cleaner (Baker's)		London (North St Giles)	British subject		

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: *S. H. Aaron*

Postal Address: *104 Commercial St Spitalfields*

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (Kitchens, Pantries, or Apartments), and the Number of Persons (not counting children under 5 years of age, lodgers, or persons in warehouses, offices, shops, &c.)

Rooms: *5* Persons: *5*

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

Total. Males: *1* Females: *4* Total: *5*

I certify that— (1) this Schedule is entered in the proper register; (2) I have counted the males and females in Columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared their sum with the total amount of persons in the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous.

Initials of Enumerator: *MM*

Census of England and Wales, 1911

Name and Surname	Relationship to Head of Family	Age		Particulars as to Marriage					Profession or Occupation				Birthplace	Nationality	
		M	F												
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1 Solomon Aarons	Head	33			4 1/2				School Teacher				London (St Mary Whitechapel)	British-Subject-by Parentage	
2 Annie Aarons	Wife		28		4 1/2	1	1	-					London (St Mary Whitechapel)	British-Subject-by Parentage	
3 Rose Aarons	Daughter		3 1/2	-									London (Christ Ch Spitalfields)	British-Subject-by Parentage	
4 Mary Ann Moscow	Lodger		51	Widow	21	1	1	-	Office Cleaner + Caretaker				London (Bermondsey)		
5 Eliza Moscow	Daughter of (4) above		19	Single					Office Cleaner + Caretaker				London (Norton Folgate)		

	Total		
	Males	Females	Persons
I certify that:- 1) All the ages on this schedule are entered in the proper sex columns 2) I have counted the males and females in columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared their sum with the total number of persons 3) After making the necessary enquiries I have completed all entries on the schedule which appeared to be defective, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous. Initials of Enumerator MW	1	4	5

Write below the number of rooms in this dwelling (house tenement or apartment). Count the kitchen as a room but do not count scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; nor warehouse, office, shop. (Five) 5	I declare that this schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signature <u>S A Aarons</u> Postal Address <u>107 Commercial St Spitalfields E</u>
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E.D.Letter Code DHGT		Borough, U.D or R.D (part of) Dartford M.B.			Registration District and Sub District 43/2					
Address	Schedule		Surnames and Other Names	O, V, S, P or I	M or F	BIRTH		S, M, W or D	Personal occupation	See Instructions
	No	Sub no				DAY	YEAR			
33 Summerhouse Drive	103	1	Westerman Thomas F		M	28 Oct	12	M	Estate owners office clerk	
		2	Westerman Medeline D		F	23 Apr	08	M	unpaid domestic duties	
31 Summerhouse Drive	104	-								
29 Summerhouse Drive	105	1	Heath George A		M	2 Apr	81	M	Electric meter records clerk	PWC 567/4502
		2	Heath Florence		F	19 Sept	82	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		3	Mears George A		M	18 Jun	13	S	Power station control engineer	Office Cadet
27A Summerhouse Drive	106	1	Porterfield William E		M	31 Aug	05	M	Heating + ventilating engineer	
		2	Porterfield Mary		F	8 Aug	11	M	unpaid domestic duties	W.V.S.
27 Summerhouse Drive	107	1	Parker Albert E.B.		M	26 Dec	05	M	Grain warehouse keeper	
		2	Parker Rosina L		F	19 Apr	09	M	unpaid domestic duties	
25 Summerhouse Drive	108	-								
23 Summerhouse Drive	109	1	Judge James		M	10 Oct	65	M	Retired police inspector	
		2	Judge Mary A		F	6 Oct	65	M	unpaid domestic duties	
21 Summerhouse Drive	110	1	Gillies Andrew T		M	23 Aug	98	M	Engineer fitter	
		2	Gillies Vera R		F	21 Nov	05	M	unpaid domestic duties	
19 Summerhouse Drive	111	1	Slowley Ada F		F	12 Jan	01	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		2	Slowley Rueben H L		M	3 Sept	22	S	agricultural engineers assitant fitter	
17 Summerhouse Drive	112	1	Elliott Arthur S		M	11 July	70	M	chartered secretary	
		2	Elliott Fanny		F	10 Feb	71	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		3	Duckworth Abigail A		F	14 Apr	58	W	drapery retired	
15 Summerhouse Drive	113	1	Leonard Ernest W		M	23 Nov	03	M	electrical tester P O Engineer dept	
		2	Leonard Cason Hilda E E		F	3 Feb	14	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		3	Leonard Elms Baby Marjorie A		F	3 Sept	39	S	under school age	
		4	Parry Herbert		M	24 Mar	70	W	gardener	
13 Summerhouse Drive	114	1	Thompson Henry F		M	24 July	79	M	postman retired	
		2	Thompson Eliza M		F	18 June	91	M	unpaid domestic duties	
11 Summerhouse Drive	115	1	Noise Charles W		M	3 Nov	73	M	retired stockholder army ordnance services	
		2	Noise Jessie L		F	20 Apr	78	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		3	Noise Doris E		F	18 Nov	01	S	ministry of labour statistical clerk	registered blood donor
9 Summerhouse Drive	116	1	Ward Charles F		M	31 Oct	70	M	retired post office sorter	
		2	Ward Nelly		F	14 Apr	71	M	unpaid domestic duties	
		3	Ward Freda N		F	25 Nov	07	S	hand embroidery designer royal school of needlework	
7 Summerhouse Drive	117	1	Gyselman Warner C		M	11 Jun	92	M	hairstresser assistant	A-R- warden (part time)
		2	Gyselman Mabel E		F	13 Aug	93	M	unpaid domestic duties	

Case Study Four: Alec Munroe

Name(s):

Age:

(range within documents)

Job:

Known biography:

Unanswered questions:

Questions

Source one:

1. What can you find out about Alexander Munroe from this document?

Source two:

2. What has happened to Alexander Munroe?
3. What does Thomas M'Carthy's arrest tell you about Whitechapel at the time?
4. How long had Alexander lived at the boarding house? What does this tell you about his life?

Source three (a) and three (b):

5. What can you learn about the relationship between Munroe and Hewington from these documents?
6. How did the landlord react to the event? What does this tell you about Whitechapel at the time?
7. What does the nurse say about Alexander's reaction?

Source four:

8. What occupation does the illustrated Police News give for Alexander? Does this match the other documents?
9. Why does an 'illustrated police news' exist? What does it tell you about life at the time?
10. Does the portrayal match the other reports?

Sources five (a) and five (b):

11. What does the document reveal about the relationship between Alexander Munroe and Ching Hook?
12. What was the Professional Boxing Association opinion of Alexander?
13. How would you describe Alexander's funeral from the document?
14. What does this reveal about his life in Whitechapel?

Add these details to your timeline



Source One: 1881 Census, Rochester - RG11/885

Civil Parish (or Township) of <i>St Nicholas</i>		City or Town and Municipal Borough of <i>Rochester</i>		Municipal Ward of <i>St Nicholas</i>		Parliamentary Borough of <i>Rochester</i>		Urban Sanitary District of <i>Rochester</i>		Rural Sanitary District of <i>30</i>		Ecclesiastical Parish or District of <i>St Nicholas</i>	
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, etc., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES Usual inhabitants (U) or holiday (H)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of		Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN	If			
						Males	Females			(1) Deaf-and-Dumb	(2) Blind	(3) Imbecile or idiot	(4) Lame
26	28 High St		Henry Griffin	Head	"Mun"	29		Stone mason	London, Bristol				
27	00 00		Joseph Fowler	Wife	"Wife"	29		Printer (unemployed)	London, Bristol				
28	00 00		Alfred William Moore	Head	"Mun"	29		Merchant	London				
29	00 00		Thomas Mansfield	Head	"Mar"	29		Musician	Middlesex, Holborn				
			Lucie 00	Wife	"Wife"	20			Middlesex, St. Pancras				
30	29 High St		William S. Kemmerer	Head	"Mar"	28		Scammonger (Employed)	Lincolnshire, Long Sutton				
			Mary Elizabeth 00	Wife	"Wife"	26			Pacific Ocean, Barbadoes, Subject				
			Mary 00	Daughter	"Mun"	14			Stent Rochester				
			Henry Posset	Head	"Mun"	18		Scammonger	Essex, Southend				
			Martha A. Crocker	Servant	"Mun"	16		General Servant (Domestic)	Essex, Hadstone				
31	30 High St		Ricarda Crocker	Head	"Mar"	48		Bank Manager	Suffolk, Hoxne				
			Emma 00	Wife	"Mar"	47			Suffolk, Hadstone				
			Emma E. 00	Daughter	"Mun"	22			Suffolk, Norwich				
			Ellen Kathleen 00	Daughter	"Mun"	19			Suffolk, Norwich				
			Elizabeth M. 00	Daughter	"Mun"	16			Suffolk, Norwich				
			Richard John 00	Son	"Mun"	14		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Edward Ernest 00	Son	"Mun"	13		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			William Charles 00	Son	"Mun"	11		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Alfred Edwin 00	Son	"Mun"	9		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Ethel May 00	Daughter	"Mun"	7		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Alice Louise 00	Daughter	"Mun"	6		Scholar	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Genevieve 00	Servant	"Mun"	20		Cook	Suffolk, Norwich				
32	31 High St		Robert Collins	Head	"Mar"	30		General Servant (Domestic)	Suffolk, Norwich				
			Ada Emily 00	Wife	"Mar"	29		Housewife	Stent, Walling				
			Ernest John 00	Son	"Mar"	4			Stent, Walling				
	Total of Houses...	3											
								Total of Males and Females...		13	12		

NOTE.—Draw the pen through such of the headings as are inappropriate.

Administrative County of London												
Civil Parish of St Nicholas				Urban Sanitary of District of Rochester			Parliamentary Borough of Rochester					
No. of schedule	Road, street &c and no. or name of house	Houses		Name and Surname of each person	Relation to head of family	Condition as to marriage	Age last birthday		Rank, Profession or occupation	Where Born	If Deaf and dumb, blind, lunatic, imbecile or idiot	
		inhabited	uninhabited or building				M	F				
26	28 High St George Inn			Henry Griffin	Lodger	Unm	29		Stonemason	Gloucester Bristol		
27	28 High St George Inn			Joseph Fowler	Lodger	Wid	29		Painter Unemployed	Gloucester Bristol		
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29	28 High St George Inn			Thomas Mansfield	Head	Mar	29		Musician	Middlesex Holborn		
				Louisa Mansfield	Wife	Mar		28		Middlesex St Pancras		
30	29 High St			William S. Bemroes	Head	Mar	28		Ironmonger (Employ(d)	Lincolnshire Long Newington		
				Mary Elizabeth Bemroes	Wife	Mar		26		Pacific Ocean British Subject		
				Mary Bemroes	Daughter			11 months		Kent Rochester		
				Henry Dorset	Assistant	Unm	18		Ironmonger	Essex Southend		
				Martha A Crocker	Servant	Unm		16	General Servant (Domestic)	Kent Maidstone		
31	30 High St			Richard Cracknell	Head	Mar	48		Bank Manager	Suffolk Hoyne		
				Emma Cracknell	Wife	Mar		47		Suffolk Hadleigh		
				Emma E Cracknell	Daughter	Unm		22		Norfolk Norwich		
				Ellen Kathlen Cracknell	Daughter	Unm		19		Norfolk Norwich		
				Elizabeth M Cracknell	Daughter	Unm		16		Norfolk Norwich		
				Richard John Cracknell	Son			14	Scholar	Norfolk Yarmouth		
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				William Charles Cracknell	Son			11	Scholar	Norfolk Yarmouth		
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				Alice Louise Cracknell	Daughter			6	Scholar	Norfolk Yarmouth		
				Agnes Sing	Servant	Unm		20	Cook Servant (Domestic)	Suffolk Cookley		
	31 HighSt			Robert Collins	Head	Mar	30		Newspaper Reporter + Stationers manager	Kent Halling		
				Ada Emily Collins	Wife	Mar		29		Kent Chatham		
				Ernest John Collins	Son			4		Kent Rochester		
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I am a nurse in this hospital and had the care of the deceased - on Monday the 7th September about 3 to 4 ^am the deceased was visited by a man and he told me that he had stabbed him - he had asked me before if he was in a dangerous condition - he volunteered that statement - there was another man with him - they then left - the other man was not within hearing when he said this - other man was at the bed side of the deceased - I think I could recognize the man who made the statement - I spoke to the deceased about his injury - He said he did not quite know - he was so drunk that he had a knife in him but it was an accident - he died about 4 o'clock the same morning shortly after the 2 men left

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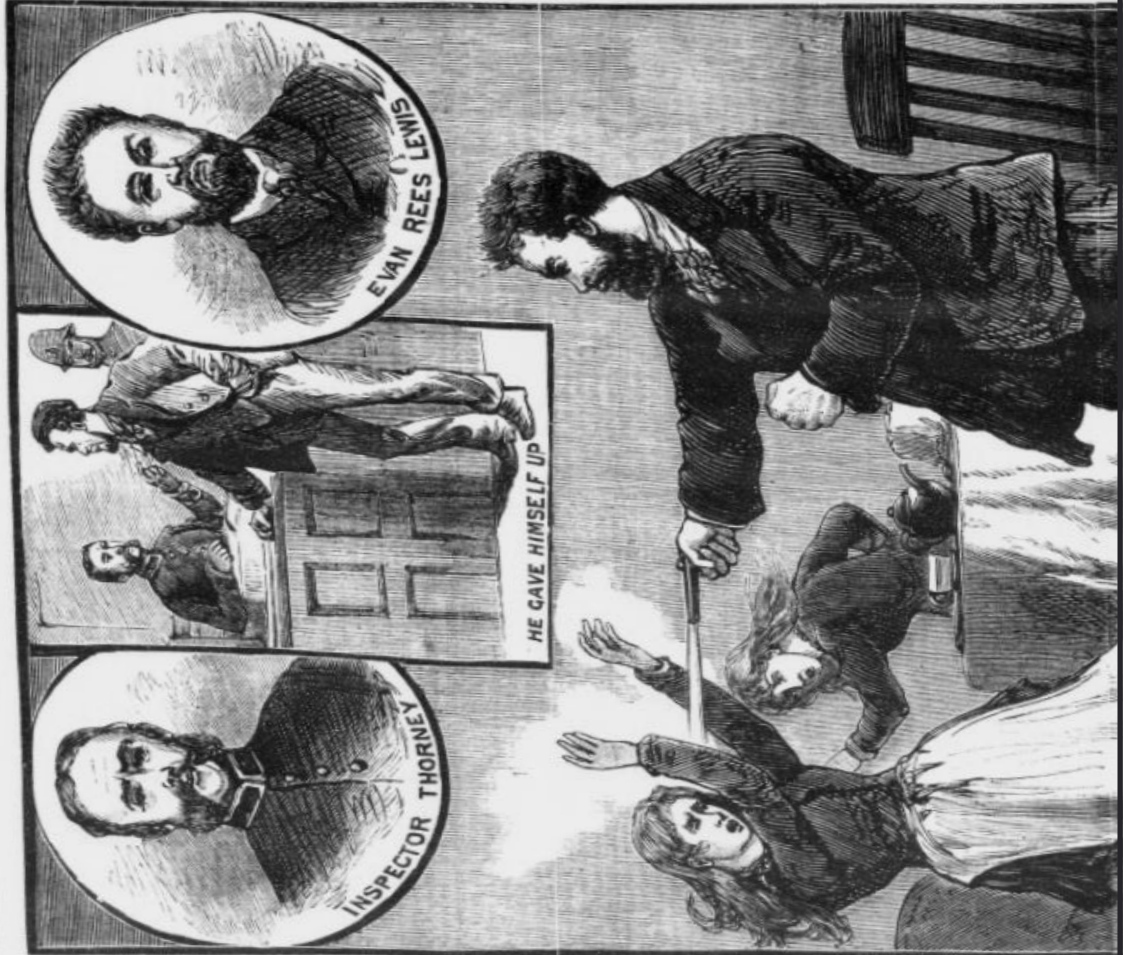
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Source Five (b): Tavistock Gazette - 18 September 1885

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On Sunday afternoon there was an extraordinary scene at the funeral of Alexander Munroe, the coloured pugilist, who was fatally stabbed at a common lodging-house, in Pearl-street, Spitalfields. Bethnal-green-road and its surroundings were thronged by a dense mass of vehicles and pedestrians, and when the open funeral car containing the coffin of deceased started for Ilford Cemetery, it was computed there could not have been less than 20,000 persons present. The deceased, who was well known in pugilistic circles, had been in England 15 years, having come from King's Town, Jamaica, in 1870. He had been engaged in a large number of prize fights, one of his first encounters being with "Billy Crane." This was fought on Wanstead Flats, in May, 1880, and lasted over an hour and a half, finally ending in a draw. His next fight was with a coloured man, known as the "Meat Market Black," whom he easily beat in two rounds. He afterwards had an encounter with one of his pupils, "Ching Hook." This was at first fought with gloves, both men being backed heavily. Nothing came of this, however, and in 1882 the contest was renewed in a public-house in Shoreditch, for a purse of gold, with a similar result, the struggle having lasted one hour and 20 minutes. The deceased was also engaged in several other minor fights in which he generally came off the victor.

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