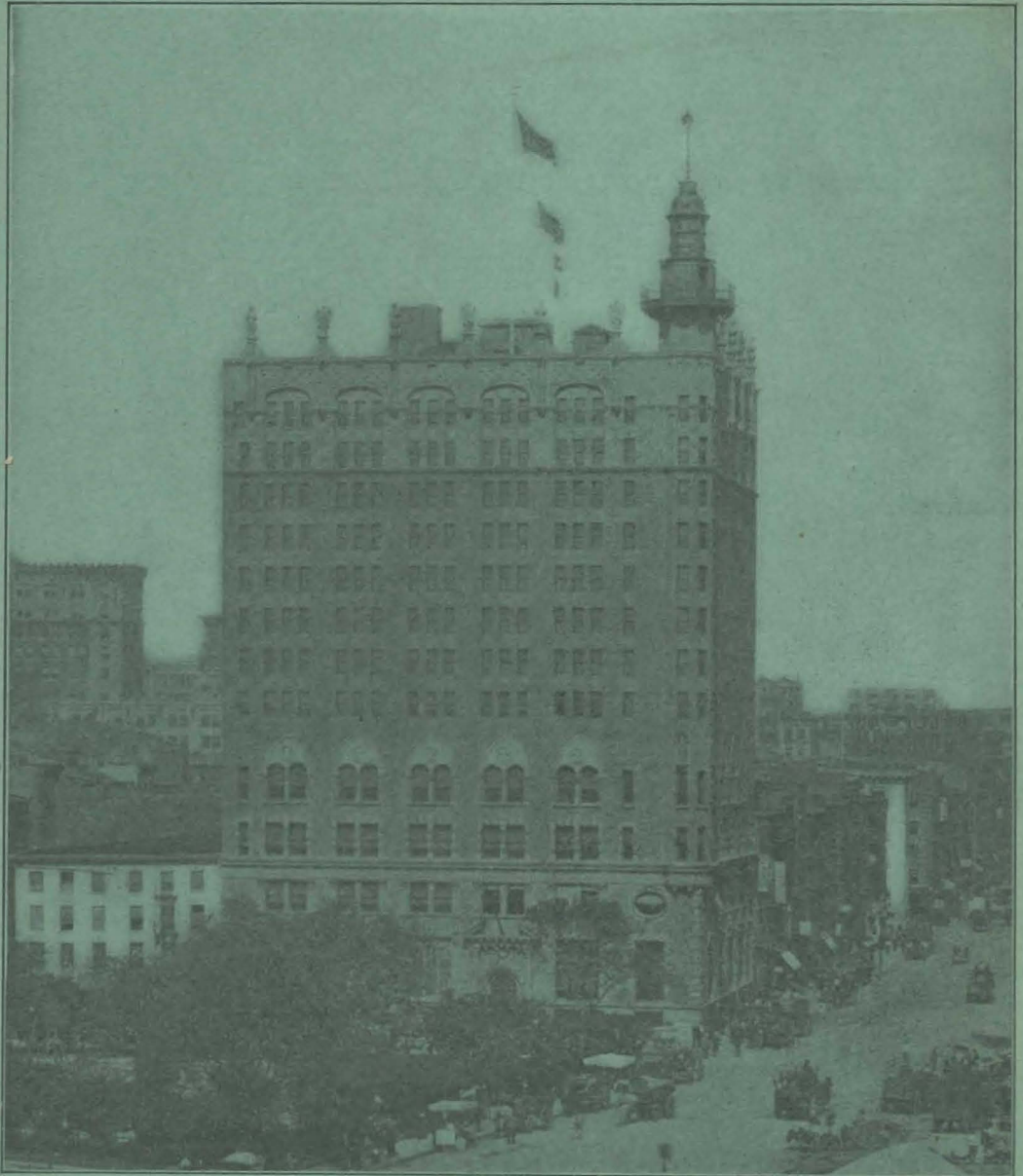

The Lookout



THE SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK
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THE DEBT

Lookout readers will be glad to see that the style of appeal, with which they have so long been greeted when they turned this first inside cover, has permanently disappeared.

Its absence is due to the highly important fact that the **Institute has now secured sufficient funds to cancel all indebtedness**, and need, therefore, no longer appeal to its friends for help.

The Building Fund balance has been eliminated.

BUT the Institute itself is just entering upon its fullest development.

Every single department of the work is bound to expand.

Every branch has grown since the new building opened and must continue.

Consequently the **Ways and Means Committee** must always exist to meet the current expenses.

A list of the members of this Committee is printed upon the outside cover of the *Lookout* where for five and a half years have appeared the names of the Building Committee.

Full explanation of the Ways and Means activities is contained in the editorial on page 6.

Contributions to the Seamen's Church Institute

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Gift from Rockefeller Foundation

Among the early subscribers to the project for the establishment of an Institute on a large scale, for the merchant seamen who come to this port, was John D. Rockefeller. He put his name down for \$25,000., but as is the case with all gifts from that source, a time limit was placed upon the gift, and it was further made conditional upon the receiving of a certain amount of money.

About the time of the expiration of this time limit the plans for an Institute had grown considerably. It was originally thought that \$500,000. would provide an ample fund to pay for the land and put up as large a building thereon as was necessary, but it was found that the building, instead of holding 250 men, as was originally planned for, should hold not less than 500. And so it became necessary to raise \$1,000,000. instead of \$500,000. Under these circumstances Mr. Rockefeller was again appealed to, being asked to increase his subscription and to extend the time within which it was to be paid. He responded most generously and promised \$50,000. providing the whole amount could be raised by May 1912.

As all the readers of the Lookout know, it did not prove possible to raise the money at the time specified, and besides, for many good and sufficient reasons the cost of the land, building and the large amount of furniture that was necessary, increased the cost of the enterprise to considerably over \$1,000,000. We were obliged, therefore, to allow this subscription to lapse, with the hope, however, that if we finally succeeded in raising the necessary

amount to pay all our debt, Mr. Rockefeller would renew his promise. Accordingly, in July, 1915, when the amount necessary to pay off the debt had either been paid in, or covered by subscription, a new appeal was made to Mr. Rockefeller, and after an inspection of our work a cheque was received, at his direction, from the Rockefeller Foundation for \$50,000., with which that amount of our indebtedness was cancelled.

To Mr. John D. Rockefeller is due the sincere thanks of every friend and well wisher of the Institute: for his generous assistance, and the stimulating character of his promise have made possible the present realization of all for which we had hoped and dreamed.

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Gift of the late

J. Pierpont Morgan.

One of the earliest subscribers to the Building Fund of the Institute was the late J. Pierpont Morgan. When the plan was explained to him at its very inception he promised to give \$25,000., and later when the scope of the project was enlarged he increased this to \$50,000., paying these subscriptions at the time that the actual work on the new building was commenced. Later, in January 1913, just prior to his sailing upon the voyage to Europe from which he was, alas, not to return, he was informed of the condition of our building fund, and he thereupon said, "I will give you the last \$50,000. necessary to pay for your building."

After the receipt of the Rockefeller gift above referred to, the Building Committee was in a position to say to Mr. Morgan's Executors that it had the

necessary funds and pledges in hand to pay off all indebtedness, and, therefore, asked if Mr. Morgan's estate would now pay the amount which Mr. Morgan had promised under the above condition. A cheque for \$50,000. was received almost immediately, thus making Mr. Morgan's total gift \$100,000. To him more than to any other one man is due the success which has attended the efforts of the Building Committee to plan, carry out and pay for our wonderful building.

Founders and Benefactors.

As the funds for the completion of our new building have now been fully subscribed, the list of Founders and Benefactors is closed.

The last act of the Building Committee will consist in ordering two bronze tablets of suitable size to be placed in the hall leading into the Institute. Upon these tablets will be inscribed, respectively, the names of the "Founders," i. e., those who have given \$5,000 and more for our new building, and "Benefactors," i. e., those who have given at least \$1,000 or more (but less than \$5,000 for our new building. The names of both "Founders" and "Benefactors" will be placed upon the two tablets alphabetically.

Financial Statement.

With the sums received from Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan's Executors and from the Rockefeller Foundation, together with amounts received from all other sources in response to the campaign so successfully inaugurated last spring, the Building Committee have been able to pay off practically all outstanding indebtedness. The debt consisted of two mortgages of \$30,000 each, which

were on the property when it was first purchased; also a balance due the builder, Mr. John I. Downey, and certain notes aggregating \$150,000 which the Society had given to the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company to secure the funds necessary to pay for the building and its furniture. Everything has now been paid save one note of \$25,000., and the Building Committee has in its hands cash, and subscriptions which will be collected within the next few weeks, sufficient in amount to meet the said debt. When this last note is paid, the Society will own the land, building and all its furniture entirely free and clear.

Edmund L. Baylies

Chairman Building Committee

To Become a Member.

When the Seamen's Church Institute acquired its new building and thus largely increased the value of its property holdings, it was found necessary radically to change the organization of the Society as to its membership.

The present By Laws provide that: "Patrons paying \$1,000 or more at one time, Life Members paying \$250 or more at one time, and Subscribers making a contribution of not less than \$10 to the funds of the Society, providing such contributors of whatever class are elected Members of the Society either at its Annual Meeting or by the Board of Managers at any of their regular Meetings," shall be Members of the Society.

It is hoped that as many as possible of the friends of the Institute will wish to have their names enrolled as members of the Society under one of the above three heads; Patrons, Life Members or Subscribers.

To every one thus becoming a mem-

ber, the official organ of the Institute, the LOOKOUT, will be regularly sent without additional charge.

Subscription to the Clinic.

In response to the LOOKOUT's appeal in the August number, asking for a House Clinic equipment, Mrs. Herbert Barber has sent her check for \$500. The Institute officials and, in fact, every worker in the building, are extremely grateful to Mrs. Barber for her thoughtful generosity. Her gift makes possible the sort of medical and surgical attention which will not only greatly alleviate the suffering of hundreds of seamen, but will prove intensely valuable in preventing serious and often fatal illness. The alleviation of physical pain, the chance to help a man recover the strength and vitality so important in a sailor's life, these are among the really great things which one human can do for another.

The Churches and Our New Chapel.

At the time that arrangements were being made for placing a large Chapel for seamen in our new building, it was decided to call upon the various Churches of New York and its neighboring Dioceses for assistance in this work. It was estimated that about \$15,000 would suffice for the purpose, and an appeal was made accordingly.

A very general response was made to this appeal and forty-eight churches in the Diocese of New York, eleven in the Diocese of Long Island and eight in the Diocese of Newark have made contributions of \$500 and less. Thus a fund amounting to nearly \$15,000 was secured.

A large bronze tablet will be placed

in the Chapel near the entrance from the hotel lobby, upon which will appear the names of all the Churches who have contributed to this Fund. They are as follows:

DIOCESE OF NEW YORK

Church of the Advocate
 All Angels' Church
 All Souls' Church
 The Church of the Ascension
 Ascension Memorial Church
 Memorial Church of the Beloved Disciple
 Calvary Church
 Christ Church
 Christ Church, New Brighton
 The Church of the Epiphany
 Grace Church
 Grace Church, West Farms
 Church of the Heavenly Rest
 The Church of the Holy Apostles
 Holy Trinity Church
 Church of the Incarnation
 St. Andrew's Church
 St. Andrew's Church, Richmond
 St. Andrew's Choir, Richmond
 St. Ann's Church of Morrisania
 St. Bartholomew's Church
 St. George's Church
 St. Ignatius' Church
 St. James' Church
 Church of the Holy Trinity, in the Parish of St. James' Church
 St. Luke's Church
 St. Mary the Virgin Church
 St. Matthew's Church
 St. Michael's Church
 St. Peter's Church
 St. Philip's Church
 St. Stephen's Church
 St. Thomas' Church
 Trinity Church
 Chapel of the Intercession
 Chapel of St. Agnes
 Chapel of St. Augustine
 Chapel of St. Paul
 Church of Zion and St. Timothy

Ascension Church, Mt. Vernon
 Christ Church, Piermont
 Christ Church, Suffern
 Grace Church, Port Jervis
 Holy Trinity Church, Highland
 Church of the Regeneration, Pine Plains
 St. Andrew's Church, New Paltz
 St. John's Church, Yonkers
 St. Paul's Church, Eastchester

DIOCESE OF NEWARK

Calvary Church, Bayonne
 Calvary Church, Summit
 Church of the Atonement, Tenafly
 Grace Church, Rutherford
 St. John's Church, Jersey City
 St. John's Church, Passaic
 St. Peter's Church, Essex Fells
 St. Philip's Church, Newark

DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND
BROOKLYN

Calvary Church,
Church of the Messiah,
Grace Church,
Holy Trinity Church,
St. Ann's Church,
St. Clement's Church,
Church of the Ascension,

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St. Philip's Church, Dyker Heights
Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City
St. George's Church, Flushing
St. Luke's Church, Easthampton

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Additional gifts to the Chapel Fund have been received from the late Mrs. Samuel Lawrence, the Morristown School and the Decker Company.

This Chapel Fund covered only the estimated cost of the actual construction. The equipment—that is, the furniture, all the ecclesiastical fittings, the organ, the altar and chancel necessities were the gifts of twenty-four individual donors. As has been announced from time to time, each Chapel chair was also made a separate gift or memorial.

In the Small Chapel, where services are held when the attendance is not sufficient to use the large Chapel, practically the entire equipment is the gift of Mrs. Lucie B. Carew.

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An Old Mortgage.

In addition to its many beneficent offices, the Institute has one to its credit of which its friends are generally unaware. This building, in replacing the warehouse which once stood on the site, has rendered a permanent service to the olfactory nerves of South Street. For in this warehouse were kept the well known salt fish, that edible whose only rival in aggressive fragrance is the equally famous Limburger cheese.

Now that the salt fish have been mercifully removed and the Institute looms over the street, spotless and odor-

less, there is an interesting story connected with the old mortgage which has recently been paid off.

On December 18, 1866, Mr. Starks W. Lewis, owner of the Lewis Warehouse, (where the salt fish was preserved) borrowed \$30,000 from the Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank for which he executed a mortgage on this property, which was then known as 24 and 25 South Street.

The Institute purchased the land from Mr. Lewis' descendants, who were still carrying on a large salt fish business, and this mortgage remained on the property unchanged for nearly 50 years. It was finally paid off on September 3rd, 1915 by the Building Committee.

A significant commentary upon the value of money in the last fifty years is afforded by the yellowed papers which figured in the recent transaction.

From December 18, 1866 to July 1, 1877, the interest was 7%

From July 1, 1877 to January 1, 1881 it was 6%

From Jan. 1, 1881 to Jan. 1, 1886 the interest was 5%

From Jan. 1, 1886 to Jan. 1, 1898 it was 4½%

From Jan. 1, 1898 to Jan. 1, 1908, it was 4%

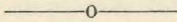
And from January 1, 1908 until it was paid off on the 3rd inst, it was 4½%.

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Recent Subscriptions.

Miss Ellen King	\$500.00
Scandinavian American Line..	100.00
Rev. Wm. T. Crocker.....	50.00
A. A. Sawman	25.00
Mrs. J. M. Thorburn.....	10.00
Mrs. E. W. Bass.....	5.00
E. B. C. Rodgers.....	5.00

Mrs. E. H. Wales.....	5.00
A. F. R. Martin.....	5.00
Miss Florence A. Loomis.....	2.00
A Friend	1.00



The Optimism of Paul.

“Novelli,” he repeated softly with that musical insistence on the letter ‘1’ which makes the voice of the simplest Italian of distinctive beauty. “Paul,” he added and smiled.

“You see,” he told the Man Who Gives Advice, “I want you to get me a ship. I think you will make more effort for me when I tell you I have been on two accidents and yet I want to go to sea again.”

“Oh,” retorted the busy Institute man, “lots of our seamen have been in wrecks when it comes to that.”

“Yes, but me,” persisted Paul Novelli, “me—I have not had wrecks like the rest. I was in the crew of the Van Dyke and the Germans sank it. I lost all my things. That was not a wreck but it was not—it was not pleasant.” Paul smiled rather grimly.

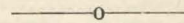
“I lost money I was saving in my bag to go home to Italy and I lost jewelry I was taking to my girl in Naples. It was—so the owners said—a fortune of war. But for me—not a fortune. No!”

“Yes, that was hard luck,” sympathized the Man Who Gives Advice, “what did you do then?”

“I got a chance on what you call the Lakes. I had to walk a good deal to get to Chicago but I arrived and I got a berth. It was on the “Eastland.” I live because the good American doctors work for a long time to make my breath come back. After that I think I never go to sea again, but it is my work. So I must do it even if I do not

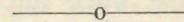
have what you call the good luck. This time I am sure it will be well, if you will help me,” he added, his brilliant smile flashing into the shadows of his thin brown face.

“If you want to go to sea after the Eastland, I’ll do what I can,” the Man Who Gives Advice told him and Paul went away, his blithe courage apparent in every confident light-hearted step.



More Plumbing.

The demand for washing facilities on the floors given over to the officers’ rooms is so much greater than we anticipated that it has become necessary to ask for additional fixtures. At this time the Institute does not feel itself in a position to supply these extra basins and shower baths. They will cost about \$500 and since they are extremely important it is possible that some of the Institute’s friends will wish to give them.



A Pianola for Lobby.

If the Lobby, sometimes called the Hotel Sitting Room, could be filled with music two or three times a day at the hours when the seamen are most likely to seek its pleasant, sun-flooded spaces, it would be of great assistance in creating the cheerful atmosphere which is the greatest asset of an Institute of this sort.

We need another pianola for use in the Lobby. Several members of the staff operate the piano players skillfully and they would each be glad to give an hour to this work. One of the less expensive pianos could be used and with good pianola rolls we should have another weapon of defense against the South Street evils.

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Why We Need Annual Subscriptions.

There are undoubtedly LOOKOUT readers who have never found the time or the opportunity to visit the new Institute building, and it is for the benefit of those persons as well as for everyone who has been here but has never had the work fully explained, that this editorial is written.

We used to assume, quite mistakenly, that when the Building Fund was completed the LOOKOUT would never again mention money. Money is important or negligible, according to the individual point of view, and the point of view is largely governed by the financial acumen of one's ancestors. But there are very few people who completely ignore the necessity for treating money with respect. It is most certainly the oil of the great Existence Machine, and it is for that oil that the LOOKOUT will continue to ask, remembering always to give good reasons for being an engine of progress. The editorials so seldom deal in figures of speech that it may be forgiven this one lapse.

As to facts. Under income activities

are the following departments and they are interesting enough to make stimulating literature. They are grouped thus:

Income:

Lodgings
Barber Shop
Wash Room
Baggage
Saving's Department
Shipping
Slop Chest
Restaurant
Soda Fountain
Game Room

The operating expense in the above departments includes the cost of supplies used or goods sold, salaries of employees, and miscellaneous expenses. There is no charge for light, heat, or power, and hence each department shows a small surplus or income.

But quite apart from the departments listed, there is much work known as "Institutional," awkward and incomprehensive as that word seems. To illustrate: the Administration, Religious, Boat, Apprentice Boys, Work among Canal-boat People, House Clinic and Engine Department all require the expense of supplies and the salaries of the men and women who operate them.

It is true that the doctors volunteer their services, but someone must be in charge of cases, must follow them up, must see that patients do not go to sea when they are unable to work. There is the launch, the "J. Hooker Hamersley," (presented by Louis Gordon Hamersley) so vitally useful, and to whose maintenance the Seamen's Benefit Society contributes in part. That launch needs a small crew, fuel, light, odd repairs. all sorts of constant, if petty, expenses.

For the concerts, the moving pictur-

es, the music, the lectures, there must always be money. Even when the entertainments are given by volunteers, there are the special lights, and the need for keeping employees for night duty.

There are the night and day watchmen, too, whose presence near the main entrance has so efficiently protected the Institute's guests from the gangs of water-front pan-handlers and thieves.

And of even greater importance is the Accounting Department. With so many branches operating under one roof, the accounts are naturally excessively complicated. For this work and in order that receipts and disbursements may receive careful, daily scrutiny, a staff of at least four persons is employed.

All the special helpers, the missionaries, the salaries of the superintendent, the assistant superintendent, the commercial man (the buyer who purchases everything from steel pens to bed linen, from potatoes to soda fountain syrups) the stenographers and telephone operators—all these must be paid for.

We could not give the seaman the sporting chance for mental, spiritual and physical development unless we worked on a large scale, on a scale which is at once simple and complex—a scale which is always expanding and is never extravagant or stupidly profuse.

For all these reasons, the Ways and Means Department exists. It has offices on the mezzanine floor above the Auditorium and has a staff of six young women, under the direction of a man specially trained for this sort of work. He knows what money is needed and where it will be spent and it is his business to see that every individual in the United States, who feels his obliga-

tion to the seaman an imperative one, has a chance to help. Naturally, it costs something to raise money, but during the year just closed the Ways and Means Department spent a smaller percentage of its income proportionately, for this purpose, than any similar department whose figures have been published.

And it will be easily recognized that we must continue to solicit annual subscriptions in sums from \$1.00 to \$100.00. The Institute is free from its building debt, but it cannot rest upon that accomplished task. It must grow all the time. It has a superb plant, an equipment which has no superior in any part of the world. And situated as it is upon the water-front of the greatest seaport, it has unlimited possibilities for gigantic achievement.

If you want the Institute to grow into its richest and fullest power, you will give it your support. And the LOOKOUT bespeaks that interest and support for the Ways and Means Department.

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The Last \$3,000

It will be seen that we have announced the complete freedom from debt, although less than \$1,000 was received by the Building Committee since the August LOOKOUT was issued. This deficit was made up by an especial appropriation by the Society, in order that the debt might be paid and the conditional subscriptions collected.

Therefore, if anyone wishes to subscribe the other \$2,000 that the Society may be reimbursed, it would afford the retiring Building Committee enormous satisfaction. It would, moreover, assist the Society funds to recover from the inroads which have been absolutely necessary.

Special Helpers' Room. Made Gift.

The first room in the corridor of Special Helpers' rooms (or Staff Offices) has been given as a memorial by the Misses Righter. This is the office occupied by Mr. Wood, the Big Brother of the apprentice lads. The Misses Righter are especially interested in the apprentice work, having recently made an exceedingly generous gift of games for the boys' Thursday and Saturday evenings. All the apprentices like to play chess, checkers, dominoes, crockinole, Ping Pong, table croquet, and the many varieties of parlor games, and they were particularly grateful to the Misses Righter.

It is, therefore, especially appropriate that the office to which the apprentices go when they want counsel and good advice should have been chosen as the memorial gift.

October Concerts.

During the month of October the following entertainments and concerts have been arranged for the seamen who look forward eagerly to the Auditorium nights.

Thursday, October 7th, Young People of St. George's Church, Brooklyn. Musical and dramatic production.

Thursday, October 14th, Open Date.

Saturday, October 23rd, Miss Elsie Lovell and Friends in a musical programme.

Thursday, October 28th, Miss Grace Ewing and friends.

This incomplete schedule does not mean that October has no room for other entertainments. It is the desire of the Social Committee to give seamen

every possible opportunity for amusement in our own Concert Hall. The Rev. Charles P. Deems, Assistant Supt., will be very glad to communicate, either by letter, telephone or personal interview, with the representatives of amateur dramatic and musical societies or with individuals who are interested in this kind of work.

Amateur Nights.

"They are having a Free and Easy Concert up-stairs," Tim told Joe, "and maybe we'd better go. Some of the chaps as went last week says they never laughed so much in their lives."

It was Wednesday night, the third week in which the Free and Easy entertainments had been given in the Auditorium. The talent was of that variety so comprehensively called "home," and the entertainers were all volunteers. Every seaman who could do a stunt of any sort was invited to contribute it. And the unembarrassed ones donated their musical gifts with a prodigality which would have put most grudging professionals to shame.

Most of them chose to sing because, curiously enough, the seaman rather fancied his strong, wind-cured voice. Two of the performers in whose vocal cords fog and snow on open decks had wrought wonderful changes were recalled again and again. They sang melodies which fascinated by their elusive quality. You felt that you must have heard them somewhere, that they were even familiar tunes but, rendered by voices which never by any chance came within hailing distance of the proper key, the harmonies were totally

disguised. The applause was so supplemented by laughter as to disconcert most performers. But not these. They were, so to speak, undaunted.

One seaman played the cornet and did a clog dance. He also played with a fine disregard for pitch.

"Why that's fine," exclaimed one clapping member of the audience, "but what in thunder is he playing? He blows the notes all right but why don't he sound a tune?"

This criticism sent his companions off into fits of rocking laughter and again everyone seemed to have the best time in the world.

Between the "acts" there were peanut races into which the contestants entered with an intensity and earnestness of purpose that should make them both rich and famous if otherwise applied. When one very tall seaman, clasping the silver knife in his huge red hands, had walked across the floor, tenderly balancing the peanut on the blade, his smile of achievement was utterly blissful. And when, on his next trip, he unsteadily permitted the peanut to slip off the knife he cursed as vividly as if he had suffered the greatest financial losses. There were games in which one man hopped across the room on one foot, lighted his cigarette from the match held by another seaman and then hopped back.

For all these feats prizes of tobacco and sweets were offered, and afterwards everyone sang a great deal and laughed some more.

"This is one of the best times I ever had on shore," a young seaman said as he went down the wide stairs to the Lobby, "I think that fellow who played 'Annie Laurie' backwards, on the mouth harp, was a wonder."

Eggs a la Carte.

Hans sat at the back of the Auditorium talking to one of the staff. His thick yellow hair gleamed beneath the big white lights and a cheerful grin brightened his rather heavy Dutch face.

"I'm certainly glad to be back in this place," he said, "for I have had the queerest two months I ever spent in my life."

"Where you been, Hans?" a former shipmate asked curiously, for Hans, pink cheeks and white skin showed no marks of the sun and wind.

"Well," Hans began. "I'll tell you about that. About the first of July when I couldn't get a ship I applied for a job as cook in a Long Island hotel. When I got out there it was a farm house and the farmer explained that he was so crowded I'd have to sleep in the chicken-coop for a few days. I was going to start right back to New York but I remembered I'd hadn't any money and when I finally looked at my bedroom I saw that it had been cleaned up and a bed put in there and I decided it wasn't as bad as lots of fo'castles I've been in. So I stayed. The rain used to come in on me at first, but I mended the roof and I gradually got used to it.

"When I'd been there about a week I awoke one morning because a hen was cackling right at my feet and when I looked there was an egg. She'd been used to laying her eggs in the chicken coop and she'd come back. After that two more came and finally I'd wake every morning to find two or three eggs at the foot of my bed. At first I took them into the house, but the food in the servants' dining room was pretty poor and I got to thinking that those

hens sort of meant me to have the eggs, so I ate them myself. I wished there was someone to laugh with me; that was the worst of it. Why one morning there was six eggs all laid in a row!"

Hans paused. He had gathered a little group of interested listeners who paid him the most flattering tribute of quiet attention. When he had finished, an old seaman, stiff with rheumatism but with a merry blue eye that had twinkled at the sun and stars for nearly sixty years, leaned over and took Hans' hand.

"You don't never need to worry about a job, Hans," he said admiringly, "any chap as will sit down in a bunch of sailors and get them to listen to a yarn like that has his future all mapped out for him. You're going to be one of them writin' fellows. You're wasted on the sea."

Hans is still protesting that he was telling the truth.

Spanish Concert.

Strains of "La Paloma" and the "Habanera" floated down from the Concert Hall the other evening when about 150 Spanish seamen and their friends were entertained by a Spanish musicale. Three young persons played the violin, mandolin and guitar and a Spanish tenor sang excerpts from La Tosca and Cavalleria Rusticana; he sang these in Italian and followed them with some Spanish folk songs.

A very remarkable Spanish magician did the sleight of hand and paper roses tricks peculiar to Spain. He was obviously recognized as little short of supernatural and when he produced ducks and rabbits, the seamen begged him to start all over again from the beginning.

Young Auguste Nouel, only ten years old, appeared in a Charlie Chaplin costume and sang and walked in imitation of that moving picture hero. Never having seen a film in which the popular Mr. Chaplin figured, the editor is unable to speak intelligently about Master Nouel's chances for a great career. However, he gave much pleasure, receiving quite the loudest applause of anyone; and that should satisfy any performer who cares for his Art.

There were moving pictures and stereoptican views of Spain and then very welcome ices and lemonade were served. Senor Tuzzio, the Spanish missionary who was largely responsible for the musicale and vaudeville, assured the editor that it was a great success.

What Happens in the Clinic.

It was after hours and the doctor was sitting in the office of the man who is missionary and advisor and special helper all at once. They were having a friendly chat about Institute affairs when a boy of about seventeen came to the doorway.

He explained that he had received a knife wound in the back over a week ago (during an unfriendly altercation) and that he hoped he could have it treated. The doctor looked at the boy's pale face and blood-shot eyes and hurried him up-stairs to the operating table for an examination. He found that there was a bad wound over three inches long, wide open and ugly. The boy said that immediately after the fight a doctor had taken several stitches and after two days, when he returned for treatment, had removed them. He had spent four days walking the streets and sleeping on the sandpiles.

With only a rather ineffectual local anaesthetic to help him, he gritted his teeth and let the Institute doctor probe the wound, stitch it again and bandage it. He has no money and is staying here until he is in condition to sail. When a chance for a berth was offered to him this morning he was eager to accept but the surgeon told him that any lack of care at this time would certainly prove fatal.

Oddly enough, when he appeared in court to press the charge against his assailant he suddenly decided to let him go.

"Why did you do that? You had a clear case." the lawyer said rather impatiently.

"Oh, I knew it would mean three or four years for assault with a deadly weapon. And I didn't want to keep thinking I sent him to prison. I've been there myself and I know. Besides, he was drunk at the time, and he is scared enough now not to play with knives."

Stereopticon Slides.

There is need for a gift of slides in order that various members of the staff may give lectures on subjects which shall include the essential features of the seamen problem. The following lectures have been suggested:

Ships. Illustrations showing the barge, lighter, yawl, yacht, schooner, launch, etc., leading up to the great steamers, freighters, battleships, etc.

Life on Board a Vessel. Illustrations showing the work in the glory-hole, in the engine room, on the Bridge, on deck, in the forecastle and galley. Information about what the average sea-

man gets to eat, where he sleeps, what chances he has for baths, games, etc.

Water-front Life. An exceedingly interesting lecture can be developed around the canal boat children, the longshoremen, all the men who work on the piers and docks, the crimps, pan-handlers, the vendors, the oystermen.

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A set of slides costs about \$15.00. We should be glad to receive contributions to this fund. The idea is practical, and its tangible operation would be of great value in giving publicity to the Institute's undeniably remarkable activities. There are many people who have never been brought into close contact with water-front complexities. They have never been confronted with the facts of an existence so utterly alien to their own.

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Month Ending August 31st, 1915

Vessel	Men	Destination
S.S. Welsh Prince..	27	Brest, France
S.S. Portuguese Prince	24	Brest, France
S.S. Eastern Prince..	21	Pernambuco, Brazil
S.S. Teucer	5	France via Manila, P. I.
S.S. Texas	7	Port Arthur, Texas
S.S. Francis	4	Para, Brazil
S.S. Stephen	32	Para, Brazil
S.S. Vestris	50	Buenos Ayres, Argentina
S.S. Walter D. Noyes	1	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
S.S. Caracas	1	San Juan, Porto Rico
S.S. Oswego	3	Quebec to New York
S.S. Tennyson ..	31	Havre, France
S.S. Highland Prince	3	Cape Town, So. Africa
S.S. Northwestern ..	5	Port Arthur, Texas
S.S. Gordon Castle..	27	Cape Town, So. Africa
S.S. Burmese Prince..	13	Brest, France
S.S. Virgil	1	Manchester, England
S.S. Russian Prince..	3	Trinidad, B. W. I.
S.S. Austrian Prince	25	Brest, France
S.S. Vauban	78	Bahia, Brazil
S.S. Pascal	5	Manchester, England
S.S. Meissonier	4	London, England
S.S. Justin	31	Para, Brazil
S.S. Moorish Prince..	24	Brest, France
S.S. Gregory	22	Para via Norfolk
Yacht Wakiva	2	Cruising
Yacht Diana	1	Cruising
Barge Tampico	4	Tampico, Mexico
Steamer Ajax	3	New York Harbor
Steamer Mandalay..	2	Atlantic Highlands, N. J.
Steamer Silvauroe..	2	Rye, N. Y. to New Rochele
Steamer Amy B....	1	New York Harbor
Tender Gen. Johnson	2	New York Harbor
Lighter		New York Harbor
Communipaw	1	
Tug North		New York Harbor
American	5	
Tug Standard	1	New York Harbor
Tug Augustine	1	Norfolk, Va.
Tug Defiance	3	New York Harbor
Tug J. P.		New York Harbor
McAlister	1	
Tug Garry	1	New York Harbor
Men given temporary employment..	84	In Port
Total..	561	

Donations Received During the Month of August 1915.

Reading matter, fruit, comfort bags, knitted articles and clothing.

Bernard, Mrs. Horace
 Boston Port Society
 Burleigh, Geo. W.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUBS

Calvary Church, Utica, N. Y.
 Chapel of the Intercession, N. Y.
 St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 St. George's Church, Hempstead, L. I.
 St. John's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 St. Paul's Church, Englewood, N. J.
 Comstock, Mrs. Robert
 Dall, Mrs. H. H.
 Emerson, Miss E. C.
 Girls Friendly Soc. Ascension Church,
 Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Glover, Mrs. Wm. B.
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 Hicks, Mrs. M. C.
 Hoyt, W.
 Kirby Absalom
 Mackenzie, Rev. Kenneth

Myers, Mrs. Oscar
 Payne, Mrs. F. A.
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 Tiffany, Miss E.
 Usher, Miss Irene F.
 Wilson, Orme, Jr.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

Bursarn Orge, ? Ice cream & fruit fund \$5.00
 Forsyth, Mrs. John, Ice cream fund.. 1.00
 Mackenzie, Rev. Kenneth, To pay exp-
 pressage on magazines..... 1.00
 Relief of Destitute German seamen.. 35.49
 "From a Friend", Ice cream fund..... 4.00
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General Summary of Work

AUGUST 1915

Savings Department.

August 1st. Cash on hand.....	\$35,302.66
Deposits	11,737.28
	\$47,039.94
Withdrawals(\$4,497.91 transmitted)	10,486.73
	\$36,553.21
September 1st. Cash Balance.....	\$36,553.21
(Includes 26 Savings Bank Deposits in Trust \$10,207.15)	

Shipping Department.

Vessels supplied with men by S. C. I.	40
Men shipped	477
Men given temporary employment in port	84
	Total number of men..... 561

Hotel Department.

Lodgers registered	13,181
Lodgers employed thru Shipping Department	308

Post Office and Dunnage Department

Letters received for seamen.....	2,603
Pieces of dunnage checked	1,835

Relief Department.

Assisted	160
Men sent to hospital.....	5
Visits to hospitals.....	40
Visits to patients.....	848
Visits to vessels in port.....	245
Men sent to Legal Aid Society.....	1

Religious Department.

	Services	Attendance	Seamen
English	15	441	327
Scandinavian	{	18	190
Swedish			
Finnish			
Danish			
Norwegian			
Spanish	9	221	84
Lettish & German ser- vices discontinued for August.			
Total....	42	852	569

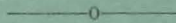
Communion services	2
Funeral services	2
St. Andrew's Brotherhood Bible Classes discontinued for summer.	
Gerard Beekman Noon Day Talks dis- continued for summer.	

Social Department.

Entertainments	2
Attendance (Seamen 381)	465
Packages reading matter given.....	137
Bibles, gospels, testaments, etc. given..	384
Knitted articles, comfort bags, etc. given	17
Institute Tender "J. Hooker Hamersley."	
Trips made	42
Visits to vessels	159
Men transported	326
Pieces of dunnage transported.....	721

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