# Records of the Boston Female Asylum 1901-1910

## & the Boston Society for the Care of Girls 1910-1912

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#### Notes:

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Transcriptions keep original spelling and punctuation where possible, except where doing so would affect the ease of reading.

Names of the girls are in bold. The best way to search for a particular name is a search, but keep in mind spelling variations (such as Coffell/Coffey/Coffil or Clary/Cleary/Clarey] and nicknames.

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### Transcriptions:

January 29, 1901

The day after Christmas **Ann Prescott** was taken with chickenpox and another case occurred two weeks later.

Mr. & Mrs. C.H. Welch of Georgetown, Mass. have applied for a girl. Two satisfactory references have been received. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full power to send **Florence Bowman**.

Martha Crocker's eyesight seems to have improved.

Miss Bradlee has been corresponding with **Victoria Neilson** who is planning to leave the hospital on Feb. 1 and to take a room with another nurse in hopes of finding employment.

Fanny Burnside is still doing well at Waterbury.

Adelaide and Fredoline Robbins have come to the Asylum from Lexington and Fanny Weir has gone there. Sarah McColl is much better.

**Edna Champagne** has been examined by Dr. Jelly who thinks she will never be able to earn a living and recommends sending her to the Home for Feeble-Minded, but as that is just now very much crowded she has been taken temporarily to Mrs. Ellingwood. Voted To pay

board for Edna one month longer and to notify Dr. Jelly that we shall depend upon her being admitted to the Home for Feeble-Minded at the end of that time.

Dr. Putnam has been looking at the children at the Asylum in Boston & suggests that **Amy Downing** who has a short leg and one of the Bakers who has some swelling on [the] legs shall both be taken to Children's Hospital for advice. He thinks **Evelyn Johnson** very delicate with tendency to lung trouble though he finds no tangible evidence of the latter and would like to have an examination of sputa made.

Margaret Cameron, aunt of Marjorie & Annie has written to Mrs. Lord that she wishes to take Annie at once in order to keep her from the influence of her other aunt. Mrs. Lord will see Miss Cameron & report at next meeting.

**Annie Sturgis** has gone to live with Mrs. Keniston where **May Curran** used to be. She earns \$1.50 per week and is very happy there.

#### February 26, 1901

The committee went to Georgetown, Mass. to investigate concerning Mr. & Mrs. Welch whose application was referred to them. They found that Mrs. Welch is not physically very strong and as they felt that she might not be able to give adequate oversite [sic] and control to a girl, they refused to send one.

An application from Dr. Preston of Limerick, Me., for a girl was investigated and declined both on account of his former doubtful habits and because of the distance from Boston.

Mrs. LaBuer asks further application for a girl to take the place of **Lilian Wishman** who is to go to her sister upon coming of age in April. Voted To send **Carrie Johnson** to Mrs. LaBuer.

Mr. Lord having inquired concerning the ability of Miss Margaret Cameron to take proper care of Annie reports that Mrs. Rodman considers Miss Cameron entirely responsible and capable. Voted To give up **Annie Cameron** to her aunt Margaret Cameron.

G. F. Pruette, Asylum St., applies for admission of his child, Annie May, 7 yrs old. His wife is disreputable and has left but interferes with management of the girl who is now with her grandmother in So. Boston being badly cared for. As the man has work and might pay a part of the child's support, the com[mittee] is to try to have her put in charge of some other society, and it was Voted That if no other suitable way of providing for her can be secured we will take her and board her on trial.

Mrs. Brown, sister of Mrs. Sturgiss whose children are now under charge of the Asylum, has applied for admission of her little girl, 9 yrs old. Her husband is intemperate and has lately deserted her. They both work at tailoring and there is a boy to be taken care of also. Voted To refuse.

**Sarah Baker** has been taken to the Children's Hospital but no treatment is advised at present.

**Amy Darling**'s ['Downing' written above] short leg would probably be helped by an operation which is recommended by Dr. Putnam and the surgeons at the Children's Hospital. Voted To follow the advice of Dr. Putnam in the case Amy Darling.

Mrs. A. L. Lowell reports that no transfer of **Edna Champagne** has yet been arranged but she has reminded Dr. Jelly that it is time to attend to the matter and he has promised to do so at once.

**Ellen Carlson** has gone to Lexington.

Mrs. Coolidge reports that not long ago Mrs. Garland notified her that **Lizzie [Garland]** had suddenly appeared, evidently on the point of confinement, with no previous notice. A temporary place was found for her and later she was taken to the Lying In Hosp. where a boy was born last Sunday morning. Mrs. Burke, with whom Lizzie lived, lost her husband some time ago and has since moved to North Cambridge. She has been doing work outside so Lizzie has been left a good deal to herself with the charge of the house and the Burke children.

There is no definite knowledge as to the paternity of the child so no steps can be taken towards marriage. Mrs. Coolidge thinks it will be best to put Lizzie with the child in one of the houses provided for such cases and will enquire about them.

Mrs. Collins, of Amesbury, has written to Mrs. Clarke that she cannot keep **Martha McKenzie** any longer.

**Alice O'Brien**, Miss Bradlee's ward, who gave up the \$50 to be due upon coming of age in order to go to the High School, is getting on well. Her address is care [of] Mrs. F. G. Walker, 335 Belmont St. Manchester, N.H.

March 26, 1901

Mrs. Geo. A Davis has applied in behalf of her sister for a girl. Referred to com[mittee] of the month.

Mrs. G. A. Armstrong, 11 Maynard St. Pawtucket, applies for a girl. She lives opposite Mrs. Minard who has **Beatrice Dowler** but the two women have quarrelled, so it was Voted To refuse.

**Amy Downing** was operated upon three weeks ago. Is doing well and seems happy.

Mrs. A. L. Lowell reports that Dr. Jelly find[s] it impossible to give a place to **Edna Champagne** in the Home for Feeble-Minded at present. Miss Mixter having applied for advice to the Children's Aid Society, Mr. Birtwell has suggested trying for public aid.

Meanwhile Miss L. A. Benson, 6 Evelyn St, Mattapan, has asked for a grown girl to be a companion to her mother and help in housework. There are several daughters in the family who work away from home during the day, also one son. It is thought that Edna might answer for this place and it was Voted That Edna be sent to the Bensons if, after investigation, the com[mittee] think it desirable.

In the case of the Purette child the S.P.C.C. have been asked to investigate and have taken steps in the matter.

Miss Cameron is not yet ready to take Margery and will notify Mrs. Lord when she is.

Mrs. LaBrue is to take **Carrie Johnson** and will pay in proportion for her time until she is eighteen. There is a discrepancy regarding date of her birth between the records of Asylum and the statement of Evelyn on this point. Miss Mixter will look up the question.

Voted To send thanks to the Lying-In Hosp. for care of **Lizzie Garland**. Voted To thank Institute for Destitute Mothers and Children for assistance in the case of Lizzie Garland.

April 30, 1901

The application of Mrs. Lewis A. Scott, sister of Mrs. G. A. Davis, has been investigated and favorable replies from references received. As it is considered desirable to separate **Rose Sturgess** from her family whose influence is not good it was Voted To send Rosa to Mrs. Scott. Mrs. Lord will be her guardian.

**Carrie Johnson** went on Saturday to Mrs. LaBrue. Her birth having been recorded at the City Hall as on Dec. 14, 1884, this is to be considered correct.

**Grace Smith**, now with Mrs. Gould at Manchester, is still troubled by her eyes but is nevertheless anxious to continue at school so as to fit herself for a good situation, and in order to do this is willing to forfeit the \$50 due her from Mrs. Gould when of age. Left to guardian to decide.

**Mary Scott**'s grandmother writes to ask for advice regarding Mary, whom she find[s] hard to control as she will not mind and thinks only of boys. Advised to consult Miss Jacobs of the Minor Ward Dep't as to turning her over to charge of the State, or to go to Children's Aid Society.

**Helen Brunell** has had tonsillitis and **Ethel Coffell**, who has erysipelas was sent to the hospital. **Amy Downing** has been transferred from Children's Hosp. to Wellesley. Her leg is improved but she will always limp.

Annie Cameron has gone to her aunt.

May 28, 1901

Mrs. Stephen D. Smith, So. Woodstock, Conn., has written to ask for a girl about fourteen years old, to help in her work. She takes some boarders in summer; has no children, no hired man at present but may keep one later. Very satisfactory replies have been received from references, and it was Voted To send **Kathleen Austin** to Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Coolidge will be guardian.

Mrs. Gardiner wants to put in a girl of about four years whom she is unable to support as an accident has partly disabled her wrist. Mrs. G's father, Mr. Hall?, who is a butcher in Washington Market, has been interviewed and would be willing to pay something towards support of child. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers.

Mrs. Harvey, grandmother of **Rosina Sturgess**, applies for admission of her son's daughter, 8 yrs old. His wife is dead & he has other children some of whom he wishes to place in an institution in Providence. He lives now in Pawtucket. Voted To leave with full powers to com[mittee] of month.

Mrs. Holmes took **Rosina Sturgess** to her place, which seemed a good one except for the fact that her room is on the same floor with that of the hired men, the rest of the family being below. Voted That unless some other arrangement can be made, this being against the rules, Rosina must be taken away.

**Evelyn Johnson** lent \$100 to Mr. Ellingwood, who has lately failed, without security or even a note but she is acknowledged as a creditor.

**Amy Downing** is still at Wellesley doing well and very happy.

**Carrie Johnson** was at first homesick but now is contented and Mrs. LaBrue speaks well of her.

Miss Gordon, who took **Ethel Hudson** some time ago has given up her home and gone to board in Providence. Ethel has gone for a year to Mr. Hall, principal of the Academy at Woodstock, and likes the place. Miss Gordon hopes to take her later.

June 25, 1901

A Sunday school teacher, Mrs. Wells, has been engaged for the summer months.

**Kathleen Austin** has gone to Mrs. Stephen D. Smith, in South Woodstock.

Mrs. Scott having been told of the objections to the arrangement for a bed-room for **Rosa Sturgess**, has made a change and Rosa will remain.

Mrs. Dickinson, a friend of Mrs. Scott, applied for a girl, and as her references were satisfactory, it was Voted That **Florence Bowman** shall go to Mrs. Dickinson. Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

Miss Tutem has an uncle in Mount Vernon who may like to take **Luella Newton**. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers.

A place has been found for **Edna Champagne** with Mrs. Brown, Summer St., W. Somerville, Edna to receive 50 cents per week and the Asylum to clothe her. Papers for her admission to the School for Feeble-Minded were received just after she had gone to this place, so she will not be sent to the school at present.

It has been found that **Lilian Austin** is two years older than was understood on her admission, being eleven in 1894.

Mrs. Harvey has been visited by her grand-daughter **Madeline Harvey**, admitted on trial for three months.

Mr. Ellingwood, having failed owing \$100 to **Evelyn Johnson**, it was Voted That the secretary shall write a strong letter to Mr. Ellingwood, expressing the displeasure of the Managers at his borrowing money of Evelyn and saying that they expect him to repay her.

The com[mittee] of the month are asked to find another place for wards to board instead of Mrs. Ellingwood's.

July 30, 1901

**Amy Downing** has returned from the hospital, helped but not cured. A further examination was made and a shoe fitted to take the place of the crutches she has been using.

**Lilian Borgesen** had acute rheumatism and was sent to Mass. Gen. Hosp. where she is said to be improving.

**Lilian Austin**, whose age was wrongly stated when admitted, will remain another year as house-girl, if desired. Voted That Lilian Austin shall remain.

**Helen Brunell**, who is not very strong, is to stay six weeks in all at Lexington.

**Edna Champagne** is doing well. **Martha McKenzie**, who behaved so badly that Mrs. Collins could no longer get on with her, has been brought back by Mrs. Ross and taken to Mrs. Ellingwood's.

Mrs. Scott of Whately applies for a girl for her neighbor, Mrs. Seth B. Crafts. Mrs. Coolidge wrote to Mrs. Crafts and has received a satisfactory answer with good references. If the sleeping accommodations can be properly arranged it is Voted That the com[mittee] of the month have full powers to send **Luella Newton** to Mrs. Crafts.

Mrs. Coolidge and Miss M. Paine have investigated three places were girls might be boarded instead of at Mrs. Ellingwood's. Of these the most promising is at the house of Mrs. C. G. Gowen, 52 Norfolk St. Cambridge. Voted To engage a room from Mrs. Gowen at \$1 per week with \$3 per week more when in use.

In answer to the letter from the secretary Mr. Ellingwood writes that he has explained to **Evelyn Johnson** that he will pay her in full with interest but cannot do anything until he is through bankruptcy.

The children had a pleasant time on July 4th, both in Boston and in Lexington. Mrs. Coolidge gave torpedoes, flags, strawberries and candy; Mr. Coolidge a Punch & Judy show.

Leila Johnson and Abby Varnum have spent a day with Mrs. Fortescue.

In consequence of the noise of trains on the Elevated Ry, great complaint is made throughout the house. The exercises in the school-room are interfered with and sleep at night is so disturbed that the matron and other employees feel that they cannot stand the strain very long. It is therefore considered imperative that a change of location shall be made as soon as practicable.

#### August 27, 1901

Mrs. Brown, with whom **Edna Champaigne** has been living, went away for a short time leaving her husband & baby with Edna, at home. On returning suddenly Mrs. Brown found things in confusion. Edna was arrested by the police at two o'clock at night for vagrancy, and taken back to Mrs. Brown's where she tried to take poison. Was finally persuaded to come here and again tried to destroy herself by turning on the gas. Mrs. Ross went to Dr. Jelly's where Edna was examined and considered too insane to be taken in at the Home for Feeble-Minded so she has been sent to Danvers.

As the sleeping arrangements were found unsatisfactory **Luella Newton** is not to go to Mrs. Crafts.

Mrs. Gowen is to take the returned wards in place of Mrs. Ellingwood who has been notified that the room is to be given up the last of this month.

Martha McKenzie has been taken to Mrs. Patterns, 158 W. Concord St.

L[ilian] Bogesen came back on Aug. 9th from Mass. Gen. Hosp. much improved.

Dr. W. M. Babbitt of Randolph would like a girl. His daughter has seen **Luella Newton**. If the father likes her they will furnish references.

**Lizzie Orcutt** is to be married and Mrs. Lyman writes that she thinks Mrs. Jones should be asked to give her a suitable outfit, since Lizzie is not of age to receive the money which would be due her later. The secretary is to write to Mrs. Jones to this effect and to suggest that Mrs. Jones should pay also a portion of the money.

Mrs. Fortescue asks that **Leila Johnson** may spend a day with her. Voted To accept the invitation.

#### September 24, 1901

References regarding Dr. Babbitt were on the whole satisfactory though his daughter is said to have had some mental trouble several years ago, and **Luella [Newton]** was sent to Randolph Aug. 7. Mrs. M. Paine will be guardian.

Mrs. L. A. Jones, in reply to the note from the secretary, writes that she cannot pay any money from the estate of her late husband which is not yet settled. Moreover she was only too glad to have **Lizzie [Orcutt]** leave as she has been most abusive during the past six months. Mrs. Jones says nothing as to supply of clothing and it seems impossible to press this point as it is not stipulated in the agreement except when the girl is of age.

The question as to the present status of **Edna Champagne** seems unsettled. The com[mittee] of the month is to investigate as to whether she is now altogether in the custody of the state.

Mrs. Patten reports that **Martha McKenzie** gives some trouble and is stubborn. She is making some underclothing for herself.

Mrs. Holmes was sent to see **Ella Sturgiss**. Miss Brown does not wish to part with her as she is capable and a good cook but would like some assistance in managing her. Mrs. Holmes says Ella does not look well: she had no chance to speak with her alone.

**Madeleine Harvey** who was taken on trial for a month has proved to be a good child and it was Voted To admit her.

Lilian Borgesen and Helen Brunell both look pale and puny.

Mrs. Mendum, who has **Jennie Clary**, has moved from Tufts College to 727 Main St. Woburn. Mass.

Mr. W. B. Hammond, 1010 Mass. Ave. Cambridge, executor of estate of a Mr. Turnbull applies for admission of **May Turnbull**, 8 yrs old. Mr. T, a mining engineer born in the United States, came to Boston for operation and died under it. His wife and four children are now in Nova Scotia but their money being exhausted Mrs. T. would like to return to Boston to secure work, boarding the three boys and putting the girl in the Asylum. The com[mittee] of the month will investigate & are given full power to admit.

#### October 18, 1901 - special meeting

Before the special subject was brought a note was read from Mrs. Dow renewing her application to put in her children, asking however that she be allowed to have them again when twelve years old if she then has a good home. Voted That these children shall be admitted, the mother signing the paper and that she shall have them when twelve yrs old provided the managers are satisfied that her home is a good one for them.

#### October 29, 1901 - Annual Meeting

Dr. E. E. Hale christened **Madeleine Harvey**.

Prizes were given to:

- Leila B. Johnson
- Abbie Varnum
- Mildred Starnett
- Elizabeth Hudson
- Mary Thomas
- Clara B. Boden
- Annie S. Kennedy
- Fanny B. Weir

- Lilian C. Austin
- Ethel H. Robbins
- Alfreda Robbins
- Florence J. Dowler
- Alberta C. Coffill
- Julia E. Tatro
- Mary Edith Clarke

#### Honorable mention was made of

- Elsie H. Austin
- Sarah McColl
- Lydia Nelson [Neilson]
- Jennie Clarke
- Adelaide Robbins
- Hilda Borgeson
- Ella Tucker
- Winnie Sears

#### October 29, 1901 - Managers' Meeting

**Edna Champagne** has been definitely given over to the State.

Mrs. Fortescue invited **Leila Johnson** to spend a day with her and this was allowed.

Mrs. Charles A. Daly, Beethoven St. Eggleston Sq. applies for a girl. Two good references have been received. Voted To send **Adelaide Robbins**. Miss Robinson to be quardian.

**Martha McKenzie** has gone to J. M. Pierce, 88 Royal St. Norfolk Downs. Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

**Madeleine Harvey** has been admitted; also two Dows. The Trumbull child has been admitted but has not yet come.

Lilian Borgesen has been ill.

**Kathleen Austin** became dissatisfied at her place in the country and has been brought back and is now with Mrs. Gowan.

**Gertrude Davis**, **Fanny Blumenthal** and **Gertrude Schreiter** took some money from Miss Tuteen's[?] room. They are small and very repentant. The older girls were much shocked.

#### November 26, 1901

**Mary Turnbull** came to the Asylum Nov. 10. Was vaccinated. The papers have been sent to her mother in Nova Scotia for signature.

Mrs. Dowler who has two children already in the Asylum wishes to enter two more. Miss Johnson and others have been consulted and a detailed statement of the case was presented and will be placed on file. Voted Not to admit the children.

**Edith Dow** developed a mild case of diphtheria and was sent to the City Hosp[ital]. Is reported to be doing well.

**Lilian Borgeson** is improving in health.

Mrs. Lyman reports that Mrs. Damon will try to be appointed guardian of **Grace Shaw** who is morally unbalanced and will probably be eventually sent to a suitable institution.

#### December 31, 1901

Mrs. R. B. Johnson of Waltham applies for a girl. She has four children of her own. References are good but the work may be too hard. Voted That **Jennie Clark** shall go to Mrs. Johnson for one month on trial if Mrs. J. would like her.

**Abby Varnum**'s father wishes to take her home to live. Voted That Abby Varnum shall go to her parents.

Application to take a girl has been received from Mrs. Chas. H. Woodworth of Allston. The place will be investigated.

Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell, the former the station-master of Cordaville, Mass., [apply for] a girl. They have a grown-up son who sleeps on the same floor as the girl's room, the parents being down-stairs. Voted That Mrs. Holmes shall investigate the place.

Mrs. Carrie E. Patey wishes to put in two girls: Louisa Elizabeth 6 yrs old and Adelaide Frances four. She is a cook & gives references from employers. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers.

**Edith Dow**, after coming from the hospital, boarded for two weeks at Mrs. Patten's. Mrs. P. promised that she should have a separate room from **Luella Newton** but she shared the same room & slept on the floor.

Mrs. Ross...asks that **Leila Johnson** shall have a second woolen dress for doing errands. It was decided that she shall make for herself a woolen skirt.

Mrs. Holmes suggests that **Evelyn Johnson**'s school, now reduced to four children, shall be merged in the older one & that Evelyn shall sew & help in other ways. Voted That this shall be done.

The special com[mittee] reported that Mrs. Holmes...will take to places these girls: the two Borgesens to Miss Green at Fayville; the two Tatros to Miss Davis at Templeton; **Lydia Neilson** to Mrs. Robinson at Meredith; **Winnie Sears** & **Gertrude Davis** to Miss Leavitt at Meredith, N.H.

Mrs. Coolidge reports that **Lizzie Garland** is 18 yrs old. She has gone to another place. Mrs. Daly is much dissatisfied with the clothing provided for **Adelaide Robbins**. **Luella Newton** has left her place & is now with Mrs. W. K. Martin, Pierce St. E. Milton.

#### January 28, 1902

**Jenny Clark** went to Mrs. Johnson for a month's trial which has not expired.

The Paty children are ill, one has scarlet fever, the other measles. It is said that the mother is a very good worker but has times of drinking hard. Voted To admit the Paty children when fully recovered.

The cook at Lexington wishes to put in her child, **Ann Eliz[abe]th Laforet**, six yrs old, now boarded out by the mother who has also a boy to support. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month to admit without having book signed, provided the mother will assist in paying board.

Mr. Harvey having heard that **Madeleine [Harvey]** was to be sent to New Hampshire, applies to take her to his home in Pawtucket, R.I., where he is established with his other children. Mrs. Holmes is to investigate & also to see his mother & report at the next meeting.

Mrs. Birch, mother of **Lydia Nelson [Neilson]**, who has married Chas. Birch & is living in Lynn, applies to take her daughter. Mrs. Ross has called upon references who give a good report of the family. Voted To send Lydia to her mother.

Mrs. J. C. Blake, 5 Ingleside Ave. Winthrop, wishes to take **Alberta Coffill**, whose sister formerly lived with her. Voted To send Alberta to Mrs. Blake. Mrs. Coolidge will be guardian.

Mrs. Holmes has investigated that place at Cordaville and as Mrs. Mitchell has agreed to give a room on the same floor with herself, it was Voted To send **Ethel Coffill** to Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. Lyman will be guardian.

Mrs. Robbins asks to be allowed [to] take Alfreda to her home in New York. Voted To send Alfreda to her mother.

Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Howarth, 586 Haverhill St. Lawrence, apply for **Mary Thomas**. References are excellent & it was Voted To leave to com[mittee] of the month with full powers.

Dora King is ill with measles at Lexington and another child has come down with it.

**Marjorie Cameron** has written to Mrs. Lord asking to have her prize money of \$5, now in the bank, sent to her for present needs. Voted To send it to her.

**Lilian & Hilda Borgesen** have gone to Miss Green, Fayville.

Julia & Abby Tatro [have gone] to Miss Davis, Templeton.

Gertrude Davis [went] to Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Meredith, N.H.

Presents of sleds, scissors, oranges, etc. have been received from Mrs. George G. Lowell, Edward Lowell, & Mrs. A. L. Lowell.

#### February 25, 1902

Mrs. Holmes reports that Mrs. Johnson likes **Jenny Clark** but may wish to put off signing the agreement because she is not sure that Jenny is equal to doing all that is required. Voted That Mrs. Johnson be told by Mrs. Holmes that Jenny will be allowed to stay. Mrs. Lyman will be guardian.

Mrs. Patty has not been heard from in regard to putting in her children.

Mrs. Robbins writes that she is glad to accommodate the managers by allowing Alfreda to remain for the present.

Alberta Coffil has gone to Mrs. Blake and is getting on well there. Ethel Coffil was taken to Mrs. Mitchell but as the girl whom she had employed was still with her, Ethel has not left and since then Mrs. Mitchell has withdrawn her application on account of illness.

**Madeleine Harvey**'s grandmother objects strongly to her going to live with Mr. Harvey whom Mrs. Harvey considers unfit to take proper care of the girl. Mrs. Holmes has seen Mr. Harvey and has learned from him that he thinks of marrying again and to have a good home for his daughter. He is now however out of work and under the circumstances it seems best for her to remain at the Asylum for the present.

Mrs. Ross has visited Mrs. Howarth & finds that another family occupy the upper story of the house in which is the room **Mary Thomas** would occupy. There are two sons in this family and it was Voted That Mrs. Howarth's occupation[application] be refused.

Miss Bradlee has talked with the cook at Lexington regarding a payment towards the support of her little girl and finds that as she has a boy to provide that is all she can attempt. Formerly she had help from a sister who has now withdrawn it on account of being married. It was therefore Voted To admit **Anne Eliz[abe]th Laforet** & take her into the Boston Asylum for the present.

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gabbott have applied to take **Mary Bowman**, daughter of Mrs. Gabbot. Mr. G. is a marble-worker now employed by Bowker & Torrey. Miss Bradlee has investigated concerning him and has visited the tenement house in which Mr. & Mrs. G. live. The accounts obtained are conflicting and it was Voted To keep the child here for the present.

Lydia Neilson's mother has not come for her or written to Mrs. Ross.

**Winnie Sears**, since leaving Children's Hosp[ital], goes there as out-patient. **Sarah Millet** fell & cut her chin but is getting on well.

**Ella Tucker** and **Martha Crocker** have gone to Mrs. Martha E. Perry, Hopkinton. Mrs. Holmes has visited **Julia & Abby Tatro** at Templeton. **Helen Carlson** does not get on well and is to be brought back from Meredith, N.H. to Lexington.

Miss Green of Fayville with whom the Borgesens were boarding has died and her cousin has assumed charge.

**Maude Varnum** went home for a visit and returned to her place in an unsettled frame of mind. Mrs. Ross went to see her at Mrs. Bennett's and left her in a more satisfactory condition.

#### March 25, 1902

Nothing further has been heard from Mrs. Patty.

Mr. Harvey makes further application for Madeleine, saying that her sister is with him and he is working. His mother says there is no fault to be found morally with him but she fears he would not show good judgement in caring for his children. He has been put off for the present.

When it was proposed to remove **Ann Eliz[abe]th Laforet** from the family who have had charge of her they were so reluctant to part with her that they offered to keep her without cost to her mother so this was allowed.

**Lydia Neilson** has gone to her mother and will hereafter be called Birch, the mother's present name.

Mr. & Mrs. I. T. Brown, Waltham, wish to take a girl. The references seemed good but upon talking with Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Holmes was told that Mr. B., now a dancing teacher, was formerly rather wild. Voted To refuse this application.

Mrs. Lyman has been to see **Jenny Clark** at Mrs. Johnson's and found that she was doing well there.

**Nellie Garland**, now Mrs. Wm. Richardson, 41 Cross St. Somerville, has written to ask for her prize money which Miss Paine will send to her. **Blanch Shaw** would like hers and is to be told to apply in June when of age.

Mr. Starrett has written again to ask to be allowed to take Mildred as he has a good home for her. Left to com[mittee] of month for investigation.

Mrs. Ross reports that Mrs. Closson would like a young girl without relatives in this vicinity to take the place of **Susie O'Brien** who will soon be of age. Voted That Mrs. Closson shall be allowed to have a girl.

Mr. & Mrs. Walter N. Mayo, Romsey St. Dorchester, apply for a girl to assist in housework who must be at least sixteen yrs old. This might be a good place for a returned ward and Mrs. Holmes will visit and report before it is decided upon.

Mr. Freeman, Lynnfield, wants a girl to be with his wife. The place has not yet been investigated.

Mr. Bacon of Winthrop who has before applied for **Lilian Austin** wishes to know when she will be free. Miss Mixter will inform that Lilian will be of age in June and can then decide for herself.

**Amy and Hollie Downing** have been taken to Mrs. Simeon Luther, Berkeley; **Caroline & Catherine Ecay** to Mrs. Alfred C. Lewis, Taunton Highlands; **Sara & Jenny Baker** to Mrs. Geo. F. Wheeler, East Templeton.

Mrs. Holmes has brought back **Helen Carlsen** and has heard that **Gertrude Davis** does not prove very satisfactory to the Robinsons so a change may be made later. Mrs. Holmes has visited the other children who are boarded out & has found them happy & doing well.

Just now there are eighteen each in Boston & Lexington and fourteen boarded out.

April 29, 1902

**Mary Turnbull** came down with measles and was followed by **Sarah Millet** and **Helen Brunell**. There were isolated upstairs and at first Miss Gilman took charge, later Mrs. Holmes. All are better now and no nurse has been employed.

Mrs. Robbins has written to say that she would like to have Adelaide as well as Alfreda returned to her charge. Voted To allow both to go to their mother when the Asylum is closed.

Mrs. Ball, aunt of **Mildred Starnett**, thinks it may be best to give her up to her father who is now doing well and is amply able to care for her. Voted To allow Mildred to go back to her parents.

Mrs. Kelley wants to take her children, the McColls, to her home in Roxbury. To be investigated.

Mrs. Knox hopes that Annie will not be sent to a place.

The Freeman place at Lynnfield was refused because it was too far off.

Mr. & Mrs. Alden of Winthrop want a girl without relatives in whom Mrs. A. can take an interest and treat as a member of the family, as she has no children. Mrs. Holmes thought well of the woman and her house, and most of the references were good. One person, however, told Miss Cordner that the man is uncouth in his manners and addicted to swearing. Voted That Mrs. Holmes shall investigate further and the com[mittee] will report at the next meeting.

Mr. Trayes, proof-reader for Boston Globe, wishes a girl to be with his wife and to be treated as a daughter. He has married children and a son living in town. His home is in Foxboro and references from there are good. Voted To have Mrs. Holmes visit the place and to leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers to send **Flossie Dowler**.

**Helen Carlsen** was to go to a place but her uncle Mr. Birch is anxious to have her sent to her father in Kansas. He says the father is poor but is a steady, hard-working man, now married to his first wife's sister. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with assistance of Miss Storer, with full powers to send Helen and to spend whatever is necessary.

Mrs. Ross says that Mrs. Austin is disturbed by the plan of sending Elsie to a place to board. At Mrs. Ross's request Dr. Tilton has lately seen Elsie and says that she has steadily improved so perhaps it will be best not [to] make a change at present. Voted To leave Elsie at Lexington for the time being.

Mrs. Dickinson wishes to take **May Bowman** to board to be with Florence. Voted To refuse to send May to Mrs. Dickinson.

Robert J. Fuller, of East Bridgewater, wants a girl to assist in housework. Has a wife and there are three teachers who board with them. He would like a girl as soon as possible. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers after investigation.

**Dora King** is going to Mrs. Closson.

**Winnifred Sears** has gone to board with Mrs. O. P. Wornall, Meredith, N.H. **Edith & Frances Dow** to Mrs. Alvin C. Poor, Byfield, Mass. **Edith Clarke** to Miss Mary Miner, So. Lincoln, Mass. **Gertrude Schreiter** to Mrs. Stephen P. Talbot, Stoughton, Mass.

Helen Brunell, Madeleine Harvey, Bessie Darney, Ethel Coffil and Edith Clarke were operated upon for adenoid growth.

Mary Turnbull, Fanny Blumenthal, May Bowman & Alfreda Robbins had tonsils removed.

There are now thirteen children in [the Boston] Asylum and it is proposed to close the house as soon as practical, sending all the girls then remaining to Lexington with **Evelyn Johnson**. Voted To close the Asylum the first of June if possible.

May 27, 1902

**Flossie Dowler** and **May Bowman** has their eyes examined and glasses fitted. Flossie has been sent to Mrs. Trayes in Foxboro. Mrs. A. L. Lowell will be guardian.

Mildred Starratt has been sent to her parents.

Kathleen Austin has left Mrs. Salmon & gone to Mrs. R. J. Fuller, E. Bridgewater.

The com[mittee] of the month after further inquiry decided against sending a girl to the Aldens in Winthrop principally on account of the rough manners of the man although it was also thought unwise to place a girl too close to another Asylum child and **Alberta Coffil** is living next door.

**Edna Champagne** has been transferred to the Hospital for Epileptics at Palmer and the necessary papers have been filled out. Mrs. Ross is legal guardian.

Mrs. John H. Geeson, Putnam, Conn., would like to take **Elizabeth Hudson**. References are good who[sic] has been to see the place was much pleased with it and with the family. Voted To send Elizabeth Hudson. Mrs. Ballard will be guardian.

Mrs. W. F. Page, Dunbarton, N.H. wants a girl. **Annie Kennedy** is suggested. References have not yet been received.

It has proved difficult to procure information regarding the home which **Helen Carlsen**'s father can offer her. No answers have yet been received from the societies applies to. Left to com[mittee] of month as before.

Mrs. Holmes has been to see Mrs. Kelley, mother of the McColls, but has not found her in. Was not favorably impressed with the tenement or her surroundings. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers.

Dr. Pierce of Norfolk Downs has applied for admission of his wards, named Smith, about six & seven years old. Mother died some time ago & father quite recently. The latter gave the children to Dr. Pierce asking to have them placed in the Asylum. No relatives competent to take proper charge. Voted To admit.

Luella Newton has been returned and sent to Mrs. Gowan.

Ethel Hudson is now with Mrs. S. D. Gordon, 18 Dwight St.

**Fanny Blumenthal** has been boarded with Mrs. C. B. Garfield, Templeton, Mass; **Mary Turnbull** and **Madeleine Harvey** with Mrs. Eliz. Lothrop, No. Raynham.

June 24, 1902

**Dora King** has gone to Mrs. Closson. Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

Elizabeth Hudson has gone to Mrs. Geeson. Mrs. Ballard will be guardian.

Mrs. Page of Dunbarton, N.H. wants a girl. **Annie Kennedy** will go to Mrs. Page. Miss Whitman will be guardian.

A satisfactory report from Assoc. Charities of Kansas City regarding Mr. Carlson having been received, Mrs. Holmes took Helen to her father and was pleased with his appearance and condition.

Mrs. Kelley, mother of the McColls, has been investigated and it has been decided that one of the girls shall go to her and the other remain in Lexington.

Dr. Pierce's wards, **Florence and Esther Smith**, 8 and 7 yrs old, have been admitted and are now at the Asylum.

Mrs. Gordon of Field's Corner wants **Bessie Darney**. Voted Bessie Darney shall go to Mrs. Gordon. Miss Bradlee will be guardian.

Mabel Austin, living in New York, applies for her sister Kathleen. Her record is not satisfactory and it was Voted To refuse.

Adelaide and Elfreda Robbins have gone to their mother. Ethel is at Lexington.

Mrs. Shaw of Winchester wants to have **Clara Boden**. She is recommended by Mrs. Mendum. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers. Miss M. Paine will investigate.

The doctor says that **Evelyn Johnson** is very delicate & it will be difficult for her to earn a living. It was decided that the Asylum shall take care of her future.

Luella Newton has gone to Mrs. Blair, 15 Trowbridge St. Cambridge.

The Tatros were visited by Mrs. Holmes who thinks Mrs. Davis not entirely satisfactory. She will see them again and if necessary bring them back.

Mrs. Poor with whom the Dows are has gone to take charge of the Almshouse, leaving her daughter with the care of the children. The latter feels that this is too much and asks to have one taken away. Not wishing to separate them both will be brought back to Lexington.

July 29, 1902

Mrs. Tehan, granddaughter of Mrs. Harvey, applies for admission of her child, 4 yrs old. Her husband has deserted and she has a boy older whom she boards in Roxbury, paying [\$]2.50 per wk. She lives at her father's and works in Wentworth Building near South Station,

scrubbing, at \$5.50 per wk. There is a large but not very energetic family living together at her father's. Voted To admit **Ada Tehan** and send to Lexington until a boarding-place is found.

**Clara Boden** has gone to Mrs. Shaw, 12 Maxwell Road, Winchester. Miss Robinson will be guardian.

Mrs. Ross has taken **Annie Kennedy** to Mrs. Page. Mrs. Holmes took **Bessie Darney** to Mrs. Gordon who is now out of town. Will not sign papers until her return.

As **Evelyn Johnson** is not able to fill Miss Wilson's place during the latter's vacation, Mrs. Ross has engaged the same person who took the position last summer. Dr. Putnam thinks there is no especial risk in having another child in the same sleeping room with Evelyn as no definite signs of tuberculosis have be[en] detected in sputum.

**Lilian Austin**, having come of age, has gone to Mrs. Tileston & earns \$3 per wk.

Miss Charlotte Brown, of Concord, has written to Mrs. Lowell that she and her sister are to go away for a vacation and will close their house until Sept. 1. She asks to have a place, either temporary or permanent, found for **Ella Sturges**. Mrs. Holmes will attend to this.

**Florence and Esther Smith** have gone to board at Mr. C. P. Reed's, North Raynham. Book has not been signed for admission.

Miss Hobby went away on account of illness, leaving her sister-in-law in charge, and **Lilian Borgesen** was not so carefully looked after as was important so she fell ill & has been taken to the hospital in So. Framingham, where she will probably remain for some time.

Mrs. Holmes has concluded that Miss Davis was too severe with the Tatros and will take them to Berkeley where a place has been secured for them.

Mrs. Lunt could not get along with the Millets, especially the older one, and they have gone to Lexington.

Mrs. Anna Clark applies to Mrs. Lyman for her daughter Jennie, whom she thinks she can now provide for and educate to be a trained nurse. Mrs. Clark has now a position as housekeeper to an aged couple in Waltham, but as Jennie is very well placed it is considered best not to disturb her at present, and Mrs. Lyman will write to Mrs. Clark that the Managers have decided to have her remain where she is.

#### August 26, 1902

Rev. Frank R. Shipman of Andover, Mass., applies for admission of **Gladys Harbridge**, 5 yrs old. Father, good for nothing & disappeared at time of Spanish war. Mother has taken false name and is generally bad. There is an aunt who cannot support Gladys and she has been living with Mr. & Mrs. Thompson of Andover who feel that they can no longer care for her unaided though they would like to keep her. They have two boys but no daughter and are much attached to Gladys. Mr. Shipman suggests that the Asylum help by paying board. Voted To admit Gladys Harbridge. Voted To leave her for the present with Mrs. Thompson and pay board for her.

**Mary Thomas** is wanted by her relations living in Taunton. Application is made by Mrs. John Delaney who is an aunt and lives with her father and mother, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Dwyer. Mary has also a half-brother Isaac Bowes, lately honorably discharged from the army. References are excellent and Mary's father approves so it was Voted To send Mary Thomas to her aunt, Mrs. Delaney.

**Ella Sturges** has gone to board in Stoughton until another place is found for her and is not to return to Miss Brown.

Voted To offer a home and \$2 a week to **Evelyn Johnson**, telling her that we expect [her] to do what work she can.

Ada Teehan has been admitted & sent to Mrs. Lunt, Newburyport.

Miss Blair says she can't keep **Luella Newton** longer. It is suggested that as she is so difficult to keep in a place she be sent to the Ingleside Home. Left to her guardian, Miss M. Paine.

Mrs. Holmes has taken the Tatros to Mrs. Caleb Briggs, Berkeley. **Lilian Borgesen** wished to be taken from the hospital and has gone back to Mrs. Hobby who will give her especial care and be paid \$4 per week.

Voted That the money deposited in the Provided Institution of Savings in the name of **Mary Elizabeth Deane**, a former inmate of the Asylum since deceased, shall be taken from the Institution for the benefit of the Asylum on account of board for said Mary Eliz[abe]th Deane.

#### September 30, 1902

Voted That is Mrs. Rice's references prove satisfactory the com[mittee] of month have full powers to send **Ethel Coffil**.

Mrs. Anna B. Curry, who procured the admission of **Annie Kennedy**, writes that she has always expected to take Annie when ready to go to a place and is disappointed that she has gone elsewhere. The secretary will answer that this was not so understood by the managers and they prefer not to disturb Annie who is well and happily situated.

Twelve children are now going to the Lexington public schools; the teachers think they have been well prepared and appear to advantage among the scholars.

**Bessie Darney** is not getting on well with Mrs. Gordon but will remain there on trial another month.

Luella Newton has gone to Ingleside.

**Gertrude Schreiter** has gone to Miss Pierce, the Dows to Mrs. Talbot, the Milletts to Mrs. Hunt, **M[adeleine] Harvey** & **M[ary] Turnbull** to Mrs. Reed, No. Raynham and the Smiths to Lexington.

#### October 28, 1902 - Annual Meeting [no anniversary exercises]

The report of the secretary was as follows:

"The radical change made during the past year in removing all the regular inmates from the Asylum building has been accomplished with satisfactory results thus far. Twenty-six children are now at board with families in the country and Mrs. Holmes reports that "they are all well and happy, and interested in their work...

"...it was Voted To take children without full surrender until the age of eighteen, leaving the term to the discretion of admitting committee.

"Voted To abolish age limit."

Miss Storer will go to Lexington to give prizes to:

- Leila B. Johnson, helpfulness, [\$]5
- Ethel Robbins, orderly & helpful [\$]5

- Fannie Weir, reliability, [\$]3
- Lizzie Lyman, general improvement & helpfulness, [\$]3
- Ethel Coffil, willingness & obedience, [\$]3
- Elsie Austin, neatness & ambition, [\$]2
- May Bowman, orderly & obedient, [\$]2
- Emma Hewson, general improvement, [\$]2

Through Children's Aid Soc[iety] application is made for admission of **Mary Pynne**, 11 yrs old. Mother, a widow, came from Newfoundland; she has had a pension now exhausted. Has four children, two are girls 11 and 4 yrs. She earned \$6 per wk in Maynard. An aunt would have taken child but her work would be too hard. Mother has now taken place with younger child at \$2 wk with board. Voted To take child, mother to surrender for three yrs.

Mrs. Rice has withdrawn [her application for a girl.] Miss Brown of Concord wishes to take a girl. Mrs. Coolidge will consider sending **Alberta Coffil**.

**Emma Hewson**'s tonsils should be removed and Dr. Tilton says he can attend to her. **Evelyn Johnson** is very delicate and was much exhausted by a trip to Boston to see her

sister at Mrs. Gowan's.

Carrie Johnson is doing well.

Mrs. Lewis is ill and it will probably be necessary to move the Ecay children.

#### November 25, 1902

**Mary Pynne**, who has been admitted, came yesterday and was taken to Lexington where she will stay for some time and go to the public school. Mrs. Ross says she is near-sighted.

Further statements derogatory to Mr. Alden have been made to one of the managers which make it impossible ever to send a girl there.

Alberta Coffil has had her eyes tested at Eye & Ear Infirmary. No glasses were ordered but some treatment which has been of benefit. Emma Hewson's tonsils were removed last week. After two days she was about again. Evelyn Johnson is still very feeble. Dr. Tilton suggests that she ought to have some light work and regular exercise. A letter is to be sent to Mrs. Ross asking that some light regular employment be arranged for Evelyn. Mrs. Mendum has written to ask that Evelyn be allowed to spend the Thanksgiving vacation at her house with Jennie Clary during the absence of Mrs. M. and family. This is to be permitted.

**Mary Coughlin**, **Ella Sturgis** and **Jennie Clary** are coming to dine at Lexington Thanksgiving Day.

#### December 30, 1902

Dr. Tilton was asked to speak to **Evelyn Johnson** about doing some regular work and she has since attempted a little more than before. Mrs. Mendum was ill and did not go away at Thanksgiving so Evelyn also stayed at home.

Mrs. Swan, of Children's Aid Society, has applied for the admission of two girls, 14 & 12 yrs old from Gloucester. Mother dead, father married again and has done nothing for them for many years. They have lived with their grandmother, who had a pension which ceased with her death, so they are now homeless. Voted To admit on probation for three months.

Admission is applied for **Stella Young**. Father incurably ill and about to enter Consumptive's Home. Mother works for R. H. Stearns at \$8 per week and a sister earns \$3 per week as bundle girl there. Stella is left much to herself and is not having proper care. Miss Wyman has seen her and thinks her an attractive child; she is under ten years old. It is thought that her Mother should pay something towards the support of Stella though she professes to be unable to do so. Voted To admit on condition that Mrs. Young pay fifty-cents per wk, but that it be left to discretion of com[mittee] to waive this condition.

Mary Pynne has had glasses fitted.

Miss Leavitt could not keep **Anna Molin** any longer and she has gone to Mrs. Fuller at Stoughton.

#### January 27, 1903

Mrs. Ball, aunt of **Mildred Starrett**, has applied for admission of three little daughters of Mrs. Lewis, now living in Athol, who has been deserted by her husband. She earns \$4 per wk but is not at all strong and her parents are unable to assist. The children are seven, three and a half, and two and a half yrs of age and she is anxious to keep them together. Voted To admit.

**Stella Young** was not accepted as her mother refused to have her taken away from the place where she is now boarded and which is considered unsuitable by the com[mittee] of month.

The Powers (also called Brydges) children from Gloucester have been taken to Stoughton but prove to be almost entirely untrained and have been so homesick that Mrs. Baylies fears she cannot keep them. Voted To leave the children with Mrs. Baylies until something occurs to change the situation, in which case the placing-out com[mittee] will take charge.

John Gustafson applies for admission of daughter Alice, seven yrs old, and Julia, five yrs old. His wife died in 1902. He has asked help from Children's Aid Soc[iety] and wishes to pay what he can for a good home for them but at present has not work enough to do anything. They are now with Mrs. Ripley in Harvard, Mass. and we are asked to assume charge and support them where they are. The com[mittee] of month admitted them.

The Children's Aid Soc[iety] propose **Gladys Alden**, 9 1/2 yrs old. Father well-known in Waltham as reliable, mother has deserted, an older sister is in poor health and there are no other relatives to support her.—Father is willing to surrender. [This sentence crossed out.] The girl is peculiar and rather slow but not feeble-minded. Mrs. Snow, 40 Prospect St. now has charge and is doing well by her but can't afford to keep her without pay. The place has not yet been investigated. Even if good it may be better to put her elsewhere away from her family. Voted To admit Gladys Alden without surrender.

The com[mittee] of month have accepted **Dorothy Arnold**, 3 1/2 yrs old. Father, John S., born in England, drank & abused his family. His present resident is unknown. Mother of good character. She applied Jan. 22 to Children's Aid Soc[iety]; she has five children in all and has recently found temporary work in Asylum at Lancaster. Voted To confirm the action of the com[mittee] in admitting Dorothy Arnold.

**Evelyn Johnson** has been very ill with pneumonia but is now somewhat better. **Sarah McColl** has had grippe but is better.

**Dorothy Arnold** was taken to Newburyport & later to Lexington. Her mother then applied to take the child again and was allowed to do so. She now makes application to put her other child, **Nita Arnold**, into the Asylum. This child is now at Newburyport and can remain there until April. Voted To admit Nita Arnold the first of April.

Mrs. Lunt who now has only **Ada Tehan** would like to have two children under her charge. It being undesirable to place another child in the same family as Ada, the offer has been made to pay Mrs. Lunt \$3.50 per week for Ada. Voted That this action of the com[mittee] be confirmed.

**Gladys Alden**, now with Mrs. Snow at Waltham, has been visited. The woman is good but the home is poor & dirty and there is a boy of 15 yrs old there. Mr. Alden has been paying board and clothing [for] Gladys. The com[mittee] have told him that if the Asylum takes charge of the child the home will be changed.

The Lewis children have been taken to Mrs. Hobbs.

Frances Dow at Stoughton has been behaving badly.

The Brydges (otherwise called Powers) children are improving. The eldest is somewhat deaf and is to be taken to Eye & Ear Infirmary; also **Gertrude Schreiter** on account of her eyes.

Jennie Baker has had grippe. Hilda Borgesen has measles.

Miss Gordon, who has **Ethel Hudson**, has applied for another girl. Voted That the com[mittee] of the month have full powers to send **Ethel Coffel** to Mrs. & Miss Gordon in case they are going to live outside of Boston.

March 30, 1903

Mrs. Wilson, 707 Main St. Cambridge, applies for admission of two daughters Annie May and Lilian aged about 12 and 10 yrs. They have lately had whooping cough which is now over and they have been taken to Mrs. Watson, Fitchburg. The father is dead and there are three other children so the mother is not able to care for all. Voted To admit.

Miss Gordon's mother is ill and it is thought to be unwise to send a girl there as the place may not be permanent.

The police have been notified that the boys have been making trouble at the Asylum by breaking windows, etc.

**Evelyn Johnson** has been very ill and will probably not improve essentially. A trained nurse has been employed for several weeks and Mrs. Fuller has also been on hand to assist in the care of Evelyn...Dr. Tilton suggests that Evelyn go to the Waltham Hosp. or a less expensive attendant be secured in place of the nurse, and the latter plan will be adopted.

Lilian Borgesen has had measles and is doing well.

The Gustafson and Lewis children are getting on satisfactorily. Mr. Alden does not wish to give up Gladys.

It has transpired that when Mrs. Beliss was investigated by Children's Aid Society she was found to be unreliable and that other institutions which have tried her have given her up. The older Brydges requires frequent treatment at the Infirmary for deafness and it has been decided to take both girls from Mrs. Beliss & place them in Waltham.

**Luella Newton** hurt her hand and was obliged to have an operation at the hospital. She is still incapacitated as to her hand to ordinary work, but as Mrs. Clark has offered to take her back she will return to Ingleside.

#### April 28, 1903

Dr. Tilton decided it would be best to move **Evelyn Johnson** to Waltham Hospital and as she did not object that was done on April 6th. She was contented there but failed rapidly and died on the 16th. Funeral services were held at the Asylum in Lexington on the 18th and the burial was in the lot bought in Lexington.

Evelyn's clothing and personal effects have been sent to her sister Carrie. She had also some money in banks which should go towards paying expenses of illness, etc. It was Voted That Miss Sarah C. Paine be asked to serve as administratrix of the estate of Evelyn Johnson.

Mrs. Wheeler of Providence applies for temporary admission of the four children of Mrs. McQuaide of Prov. whose husband has deserted. She has eight children, of whom the elder ones are caring for themselves and she has thus far managed to keep a home for the others with the help of a daughter. Lately Mrs. McQuaide has broken down but is now improving and it is thought that if she can be relieved of the responsibility of Mabel, 13 yrs old, Vina, 11, Margaret, 8 & Sarah, 5, for a few months, she will entirely recover. There is no institution providing for such a case in Rhode Island and the com[mittee] of the month decided to take these children and board them in two separate families, the mother to pay \$4 per week for them if possible.

Mrs. Ed. L. Bennett, Lawrence, daughter of Mrs. Dockrill, applies for a girl to take the place of **Maude Varnum**, who is of age and wishes to go to her family in Lowell. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month to send **Winifred Sears** to Mrs. Bennett or to Mrs. Fuller if they think best.

The Brydges girls have been placed with Mrs. Armstead, 22 Newton St. Waltham.

**Luella Newton** has not gone back to Ingleside. Mrs. Gowan says she is not able to do heavy housework but can sew and do light work. The guardian, Miss M. Paine, will try to find a place for her.

#### May 26, 1903

The four McQuaide children were brought by Miss Wyman from Providence and placed in houses in North Raynham & Hyde Park. Miss Wyman did not understand that Mrs. McQuaide was to be asked to pay anything towards the children's board so nothing was said about that, and in fact it is doubtful whether there would be any money for it.

**Maude Varnum** has decided to stay with Mrs. Bennett.

The Children's Aid Society apply for admission of **Elizabeth Redding**, daughter of Mrs. Baker, who has married a second time and whose husband is unable to support, as he earns only \$15 per month. Mrs. Baker has been working in a shoe-factory in Lynn and has broken down so must go to the hospital. Voted To admit Elizabeth Redding.

Children Aid Soc[iety] also recommend assisting Mrs. Thompson to pay board for her child, 9 yrs old, now living in Holliston in a very good place. Mrs. Thompson is now in financial straits and it was Voted To pay board for **Gladys Thompson** for a short time.

**Kathleen Austin**'s married sister in New York writes to ask for the care of Kathleen whom she wishes to have taught a trade. Mrs. Austin has not expressed any desire to have the change made and as Mrs. Holmes, who investigated and was not in favor of giving up Kathleen, will soon return, it was Voted To refuse and to consult Mrs. Holmes before answering.

**Kathleen [Austin]** writes to ask that whether she can come to Boston on June 1st for her brother's wedding. Voted To allow it if an arrangement can be made with Mrs. Austin to take charge of Kathleen and see that she is promptly returned to Bridgewater.

Miss M. Paine has found a place with Mrs. J. W. Webster, 588 Main St. Malden, aunt of Miss Wyman, for **Luella Newton** who is getting well.

The grandmother of the Smith children wishes to take them for the day on Memorial Day. Voted That they be allowed to go.

At Lexington the G.A.R. Post have asked that the girls be allowed to march in the Mem[orial] Day procession with the other school-children. Voted To permit it.

June 31, 1903

Mrs. McQuade asks that after the four months for which we have taken her children have passed we shall still keep them, she paying part of their board. Voted Not to keep them after the four months.

The com[mittee] of the month have admitted a Swedish child, **Sarah Neilson**, 2 yrs old. The child had been in the care of the Mass. Infant Asylum, and being now too old for that Institution we are asked to take her. Mother dead, father earns small pay and has six children. Sarah is now boarding with Mrs. Leeman, 6 Nonquit St. Dorchester, who will keep her. Voted To confirm the act of the committee.

The Children's Aid Soc[iety] have applied for the admission of **Margaret Coburn** and as the case seemed urgent the com[mittee] have admitted.

The C.A.S. has also applied for admission of Rose & Agnes Canavan but as they are Catholics it was Voted To refuse as we cannot undertake to have them brought up as Catholics.

The Children's Friend Soc[iety] asks us to take **Gladys Dowler**, the sister of Beatrice & Florence; she is now boarding in Petersham. Voted To admit.

Mr. Lewis Clark asks us to take his daughter **Nellie [Clark]** 8 yrs old; his wife was not a good woman and is now dead. He himself has very little work. He has a boy also & the woman with whom the children are now boarding will keep him but not the girl. They were both in the Ayer Home for two years. Voted To admit with full power to the Com[mittee] of month to place her in Lexington or board her.

Mrs. Johnson of So. Framingham applies for a girl. Voted That Mrs. Lyman shall have full powers to send **Lizzie Lyman** if after investigation she deems it advisable.

**Gertrude Davis** has trouble with her tonsils. Dr. Tilton will operate.

**Florence Hewson** has trouble with her nose which Dr. Tilton says should be examined by a specialist. Mrs. Fuller will take her to the Mass. Gen. Hosp.

Mrs. Richards of Waltham wants a girl. Voted To let her have **Gertrude Schreiter** on trial for three months if she wishes to take her.

Mr. Millett applies for his two children as his niece is now keeping house for him. References are good. Voted To let **Emma & Sarah Millett** go to their father.

Voted To decline Miss Aker's invitation to **Martha Crocker** to spend two months at the Gordon Rest [Hudson, Mass].

As Mrs. Wurrell [Wornell] was very ill **Winnifred Sears** has been brought away from her house.

July 28, 1903

Miss Brimley, recommended by Mrs. Frothingham, has been engaged to take **Abbie Wilson**'s place during her vacation.

Voted To keep Ethel Coffel as house-girl.

**Gertrude Davis** has trouble with her tonsils and is to be taken to Mass. Gen. Hosp. for examination & treatment. She has also a cough which may prove to be whooping-cough.

Florence Hewson has had an operation for adenoid growth at Mass. Gen. Hosp.

**Ethel Robins** and **Leila Johnson** went to see **May Coughlin** at Mrs. Fortescue's. Lily went to see **Getrude Pitcher** at Baldwinsville.

Mrs. Burrage, a friend of Miss Robinson, living in Indiana, wishes to have **Ethel Robins** to assist in the care of her children. Ethel is now with her mother in New York but expects to go to Mrs. Burrage & **Leila Johnson** may join her.

**Sadie McColl** has a cough which may arise from lung trouble. Dr. Tilton will watch her & decide whether she should be kept apart from the other children at night.

As the reply from the matron at the Ayer House in Lowell was not favorable it was decided to board **Nellie Clark** at North Raynham. Mrs. Holmes does not find her unattractive.

Through the Children's Aid Society application is made for the admission of the three children of Nelson Miner, colored, waiter at Young's Hotel for eleven years. They have lived in Virginia with their grandmother who died two years ago. Their mother is also dead and the father cannot take care of them but will pay something towards their support. Voted That if the Children's Aid Society can find a suitable home where they can be boarded we will take charge, the father to pay what he can for them.

Mrs. Akers, Templeton, applies for admission of her granddaughter, 12 yrs old. As there are several relatives able to assist in supporting her, it was Voted To decline.

**Gertrude Schreiter**, now boarded, can be sent to Mrs. Lothrop, Raynham. Voted To let her go there without indenture. Mrs. Lyman will be guardian.

Margaret Coburn is to go to a place selected by her guardian Mrs. Greenslipp.

**Winifred Sears** will go back to Meredith to be with a Mrs. Knowles. **Gladys Dowler** has gone to Stoughton to be with Mrs. Hunt, who had the Millet children.

Mrs. McQuade had taken home the oldest & youngest of her children.

Mrs. Lyman has admitted four Marden girls for whom the father agrees to pay \$12 per month, and they have been taken to Miss Howard, So. Braintree. The oldest is 9 yrs old, the youngest 7 mo[nth]s and there are four boys in the family. Mother dead and father unable to support all. Voted To ratify action of committee.

**Fanny Weir** was allowed to spend a day with a friend at Revere Beach. Her teacher thinks it desirable that she should continue her studies as she seems intense. There are several other of the older girls at Lexington who ought to keep on at school and an attempt will be made to have them all do so if they can also attend to the necessary housework.

**Bessie Darney** is to remain for a while longer at her place in Dorchester.

August 25, 1903

A letter was read from Mrs. Fuller accepting the position of matron. **Gertrude Schreiter** has gone to Mrs. Lothrop at North Raynham & is doing well.

Miss Bromley is doing well as substitute for **Abbie Wilson**.

An application has been made by Mrs. Nutt of Somerville to put in two children but has not been followed up. She may be heard from again later.

Two applications for girls have been received from Winchester through Mrs. Shaw with whom **Clara Boden** lives. One is from Mrs. Wilkinson who is an invalid with a grown-up son. Being very highly recommended as to character, it was Voted That the com[mittee] of the month shall be authorized to send **Lizzie Lyman** to Mrs. Wilkinson, if after investigation all is found satisfactory. This is in case **Leila Johnson** goes to a certain other good place which is in prospect, but as yet there has been no formal application. It was further Voted That Miss Robinson be authorized to let Leila Johnson go before the next meeting if it seems desirable.

**Sadie McColl** still coughs and there is a suspicion of lung trouble. She has a room alone.

**Gertrude Davis** has been in the Hospital for an operation on the throat & nose. She is getting better. She has had whooping cough.

The Miner children (colored) have not been heard from since the last meeting.

Margaret Coburn has gone to Miss Fielder's.

Mrs. Howard of South Braintree who had the four Marden children says she cannot keep the baby any longer. The grandmother will take it & the Asylum will pay to her the \$12 which the father pays.

Mrs. Austin wants to take **Elsie [Austin]** for a day & perhaps a night. Voted To let her go for a day.

Mrs. Webster, who had **Luella Newton**, is going to New Hampshire so Luella is returned. It is thought that Mrs. Gowan's is not a good place for returned wards as Mrs. G. is out a great deal. It was Voted That we shall try to find another place for returned wards and give up Mrs. Gowan's.

It was decided that the Children's Aid Society be asked to take charge of **Luella Newton**. Mrs. Lyman has kindly offered to pay for her.

The two Brydges girls are at Waltham but the uncle makes trouble. It was decided to send the children to board at a distance.

The time for which the two McQuade children were taken (4 months) has expired, & it was decided that Mrs. Holmes should write to parents or guardians & say so.

#### September 29, 1903

Mrs. Gowan writes that she can no longer take charge of girls. Mrs. Leeman, 6 Nonquit St. Dorchester, would like to assume this work. Her present accommodations are inadequate but it can be arranged & she hopes to move. Voted To try Mrs. Leeman.

Dr. Tilton again suggests fitting in a telephone at Lexington. Voted That this shall be done.

**Jennie Clary**'s teeth require much attention from a dentist and Mrs. Mendum asks the managers to pay for it. Voted That the Asylum assume the expense of the care of the children's teeth while they are in places.

**Leila Johnson** has gone to Mrs. Wilkinson, formerly of Winchester, at West Medford. The treasurer will deposit \$50 to her credit on account of her services as house-girl.

**Maude Varnum** has asked whether any money has been paid on her account to the Asylum by Mrs. Bennett, with whom she is still living. The treasurer will investigate.

**Amy Downing** stayed at the Asylum for a week while in Boston for treatment. **Ethel Hudson** came & asked for a bed for a night but Mrs. Van Tassel did not feel authorized to allow it. Voted That if in future any former inmate asks shelter for a night Mrs. Van Tassel is to permit this and to report in the morning to Mrs. Holmes or Miss Hawkesworth.

Application has been made for admission of a girl 11 yrs old, daughter of a Mrs. Spencer who has recently died. Mrs. Holmes thinks it a suitable case. Voted To admit.

Mr. Neilson, father of Sarah, asks for admission of his three older girls, 12, 5 and 3 yrs old. He has other children and is a widower employing a housekeeper but does not earn enough to support his whole family. Voted To take these three children & board them out.

Mrs. G. H. Murray of Wollaston has applied for a girl to assist in housework. The references are satisfactory. Voted To send **Lizzie Lyman** to Mrs. Murray. Miss Mixter will be quardian.

Mrs. T. B. Alcock of Bedford wants a girl to help in housework and care of her three little girls. She is English and well connected, a cousin of Mrs. Fortescue. Keeps no servant. References as to character are very favorable but the house was not in good order when Mrs. Holmes visited it. It is proposed to send **Elsie Austin** who is a very capable worker...Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

Mrs. L. B. Smith, also of Bedford, would like a girl. She has two children; is well recommended & a good housekeeper though not very strong. Lives at the vicarage. Voted To send **Fanny Weir** to Mrs. Smith if Mrs. Holmes approves of the place. Miss Robinson will be guardian.

Mrs. Wm. C. Newell of Winchester asks to take a girl. She has two sons, one soon to be married. **Katy Rice** from the Asylum was formerly with her and she afterwards had a girl from the Children's Mission. Voted That Mrs. Newell's application be refused.

Mrs. Carl Kreutz of Winchester, widow with one daughter at home, wishes to take a few boarders and would like a girl to assist in waiting on table, etc. **Elizabeth Hudson** has not proved satisfactory in some respects to Mrs. Geeson though the latter is willing to give her another trial. As Mrs. Kreutz is ready to take Elizabeth, her guardian, Mrs. Ballard, thinks it may be wise to make the change & will consult Mrs. Holmes. It is not thought advisable to send another girl to Mrs. Geeson. All references speak most highly of Mrs. Kreutz.

Mrs. Louise Harrington applies in behalf of her two nieces, the Misses Bond, 15 Holden St. Brookline, for a girl. One is a dressmaker and the other an invalid who requires some attendance. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers to send **Emma Hewson**.

**Bessie Darney** is to be taken to another place by Mrs. Holmes.

Mrs. Holmes is to be appointed guardian of **Luella Newton** for whom she thinks she has found a place.

The McQuades have gone back to their mother & **Gladys Thompson**'s mother has resumed charge of Gladys.

As **Helen Brunell** has been seriously ill & required extra attention, it was Voted To send \$10 to Mrs. Robinson who has charge of her.

#### October 27, 1903 - Annual Meeting

"At the age of fourteen all the girls are expected to become self-supporting. They are then placed to work for board and clothing in families who agree to keep them until they are eighteen when a certain sum of money is to be paid to them...

"If at any time the parent or natural guardian is able to provide suitably for the child no objection is made to her return to her family or friends."

The girls to whom prizes will be given are:

- Leila Johnson, for willingness and amiability
- Ethel Coffel, obedience and liking for house-work
- Lizzie Lyman, general improvement
- Florence Weir, diligence in school
- Elsie Austin, neatness and reliability
- Emma Hewson, general improvement and sewing
- Mary Bowman, politeness and guiet manners
- Lillie Pitcher, helpfulness
- Anna Knox, helpfulness with the little girls
- Florence Hewson, general improvement

#### October 27, 1903 - Managers' Meeting

The telephone has been put in at Lexington & proves of great assistance.

Miss McDonald applied for immediate admission of two Richards girls, fourteen and nine yrs old, and they were taken to Mrs. Patten. The father was a scamp and he is dead. The mother who died last August was of good character. They have been under care of an aunt, Mrs. Brown, who can no longer keep them. They have been investigated by Children's Aid Society who recommend them to us. Voted To sustain action of com[mittee] in admitted Florence and Grace Richards. The latter is at Lexington and gets on well there. As Florence, who is temporarily with Miss Pierce at Stoughton, is old enough it was Voted To give to com[mittee] of month with Miss Storer full powers to put Florence Richards in a place.

Mrs. Waite, of Winchendon, formerly an Asylum inmate, wants to put in her two girls, Virginia, 9 yrs old [and] Pearl, 7 yrs. Mrs. Waite has some brothers and two sisters. Is now staying with one of the latter. She would like to have us take the children for two years and she can then work in a rubber factory and board her boy with a friend. Voted To admit the Waite children and send them to Lexington.

Children's Aid Soc[iety] apply for admission of **Ethel Pearl Craig**, 10 yrs old. Father bad & residence unknown. Mother honest & hardworking. Has a boy for whom she pays board & can clothe both but would like to have board of girl paid by the Asylum in a home selected by C.A.S. Voted To accept suggestion of C.A.S.

Neither of the places proposed at last meeting & left to com[mittee] of month has been approved and applications are withdrawn.

Mrs. Geeson will keep **Eliz. Hudson** and no girl has been sent to Mrs. Kreutz.

**Emma Hewson** requires further operation on tonsils & adenoid growth and Mrs. Fuller is to take her to Mass. Gen[eral] Hosp[ital].

**Lily Pitcher & Mary Pynne** both have slight skin trouble which Dr. Tilton is treating. Dr. Putnam has examined Sarah McColl & finds no tuberculosis bacilli but thinks it wise for her to sleep alone.

Mrs. Knox, mother of Anna, has to go to California on ac[coun]t of her health. If practicable she would like to have Anna join her in about two years.

**Nellie Clark**, now boarding with Mrs. Brimblecom at Taunton, proves troublesome & Mrs. Holmes advises sending her to Lexington. Voted To give her a trial at Lexington.

Mrs. Armisted, who has the two Brydges girls at \$2.50 & [\$]2.00 per week says she cannot keep them without more pay. Voted To offer \$3 per wk for the older one.

**Elsie Austin** is not happy & wants to leave Mrs. Alcock, Bedford. Miss M. Paine has been to see her. Finds the place attractive & sees no especial objection to it. Mrs. Austin applies to take Elsie. Voted To let Elsie go to her mother. Voted To offer **Ella Tucker** to Mrs. Alcock in place of Elsie Austin.

**Luella Newton** went to a place but was taken away as the lady found out that she was corresponding with a man. She is now to go to Mrs. Salmon, Roslindale.

Mrs. Potter, sister of **Lizzie Lyman**, is anxious to have her continue her education. Miss Mixter has seen Mrs. Murray who will try to arrange that Lizzie may have more schooling as she is backward.

Bessie Darney has gone to Miss Gordon, Woodstock, Conn., on three mo[nth']s trial.

#### November 26, 1903

The Waite children have not come. **Ethel Pearl Craig** has been sent to Mrs. Morris D. Woodsum, Holliston, Mass.

Children's Aid Soc[iety] asks us to pay for six months the board of **Dorothy Murray**. Voted To accede to this request.

No place has been found for **Florence Richards** who is still with Miss Pierce at Stoughton. The latter asks \$3 per wk for board. Voted To allow \$3 per wk for board until a place is found for Florence.

**Nellie Clark** is still at Lexington; though she is rattier and peculiar it is hoped she will improve. **Emma Hewson** has been operated upon and is doing well so it is hopeful she will soon be ready to go to a place.

An application to take a girl has come from Mrs. G. E. Jacobs, now of Billerica but about to move to Worcester. It seems a very good place. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month to send Emma Hewson, Florence Richards, Martha Crocker or Ella Tucker.

**Luella Newton** is now with Mrs. Salmon.

#### December 29, 1903

The com[mittee] of the month reported that **Emma Hewson** has not yet been placed.

Voted That Emma Hewson shall give up school & help at home until a place is found for her.

Nellie Clark is to be taken to the hospital after Christmas holidays to see about her eyes.

**Bessie Darney** has some trouble with her foot for which she is having treatment; consequently Miss Gordon asks for another three mo[nth]'s trial before signing the papers.

The Waite children have come, making 16 now at Lexington.

**Ethel Pearl Craig** has gone to Mrs. George Lewis, Reading.

**Dorothy Murray** has gone to Mrs. Hunt, Hyde Park.

January 26, 1904

At the last meeting the question was raised concerning the advisability of continuing **Gertrude Pitcher** at the Home in Baldwinsville, as it was thought her surroundings might be detrimental to her mental progress. Consequently Miss Storer consulted Dr. Page, who replies that he sees no possible disadvantage to her in being there, as many of the other children are brighter than she is and he thinks she will never develop beyond a certain extent. Voted To thank Dr. Page for his letter and the care given to Gertrude.

...an application for a girl has come from Mrs. Wm. C. Moseley, Needham. References excellent. Mrs. Holmes went to the home of Mrs. Hoseley to investigate & saw only the husband who impressed her favorably as did the surroundings. Voted To send **Emma Hewson** to Mrs. Moseley. Mrs. E. J. Lowell will be guardian.

Through Miss Robinson an application was made last month by a Mrs. Clara Trommer for admission of her three children, now under charge of the State Board of Charity. The woman is very erratic and Mrs. Lowell, who investigated, was advised by the agent of Soc. of Prev. of Cruelty to Children to let them remain where they are.

**Florence Richards** has gone to Mrs. Fuller, Norwood. Mrs. Coolidge will be guardian.

**Gladys Alden**, admitted some time ago, has just been received from her father and has gone to Miss Pierce, Stoughton.

An aunt, Mrs. Bullard, writes to ask if **Florence R[ichards]** may not be allowed to write occasionally to Mr. Richardson, for whom her mother kept house for several years. The matter is referred to Mrs. Coolidge, guardian.

The Dow girls have been detected in stealing from Mrs. Talbot with whom they board. The eldest is anxious to repay what has been taken and they will remain where they are for the present.

As it was found that **Julia Tatro** was going with undesirable associates she has been removed to Mrs. Maynard's, Shrewsbury, at \$3 per wk.

Mrs. Lothrop reported that she could not keep **Gertrude Schreiter** as she was impertinent & disobedient. Mrs. Holmes saw Florence [*sic* - Gertrude?] who promised to do better and the improvement has been so great that Mrs. L. will try her longer. Mrs. Lyman has offered to assist in paying for Gertrude's clothing.

#### February 23, 1904

As is has transpired that Peter has been writing improper letters to **Ethel Robbins** and has been unsatisfactory in other respects, it was Voted To dismiss Peter Stevens at once.

Children's Aid Society has applied for admission of **Grace Eliz[abe]th McNeil** or McGregor, 8 yrs old. Father dead, mother living & has a baby 7 wks old by second husband now dead; she will try to get a place where she can have baby with her. Miss Bradlee admitted Grace and she is at Lexington. Her mother prefers not to surrender her until 18 yrs old. Voted To confirm action of com[mittee].

Mrs. Mary Hawks applies for admission of her child. Was deserted two yrs ago by her husband; went to keep house for her father. Later her father employed a house-keeper and she worked for Peter Stevens. She has a boy who remained with her father and the girl is with her. Voted To advise and help Mrs. Hawks to apply to Children's Aid Society to take charge of the girl.

Mrs. Geo. B. Cole, Winchester, wishes to take a girl to assist in her work and care of two little boys in a small house. Her husband has been for 12 yrs with Browning, King & Co. of Boston, who speak well of him. References good. Mrs. Holmes has visited their home and was favorably impressed. It is proposed to send **May Bowman**...Miss Bradlee will be guardian.

Mrs. Wm. M. Sturdy, Chartley, Mass., applies for a girl to assist in housework and later in care of an infant not yet born. Voted That **Flossie Hewson** may go to Mrs. Sturdy if the place is found upon investigation to be satisfactory and Mrs. Sturdy wants her.

Mrs. Alden asks for address of **Gladys [Alden]** but her husband objects to having it given to her. She has returned to N.H. & proposes to take legal measures.

Anna Knox has not been very well. Lily Pitcher has a cough which has kept her from school. Nellie Clark is improving both at home and in school. Voted To take Lily Pitcher out of school & employ her at home.

Mrs. Fortescue asks that the money spent by her last year for care of **May Coughlin**'s teeth be refunded. Voted To comply with this request.

Mrs. Fuller speaks well of **Florence Richards**, who is happy.

**Kathleen Austin** has gone to a dressmaker in Dorchester to board and learn the trade. Has been there only one week but seems to be doing well. Is to earn board & clothing but no wages. Mrs. Coolidge agrees to lend her 50 cents per week until she can be paid something.

March 29, 1904

Mrs. Philip C. Mason, 27 Milton St. West Somerville, who had a girl from the Asylum, **Sarah Alcott**, many years ago, wants to take a girl to assist in house-work and care of invalid husband. She has a daughter who is an organist, also a son of 22 yrs, occupied in a bank, engaged to be married. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month with full powers.

Children's Aid Soc[iety] apply for admission of **Hilda Nelson**, of Swedish parentage. Father, Olaf, insane; Mother dead. Hilda is 11 yrs old. She was admitted and placed with Miss Eliza Huntington, Newton, on trial for one month.

Application is made for admission of two children of Mrs. Margaret O'Hare, who is recommended by the Rev. F. W. Hamilton and also by Mrs. Fredk H. Tucker of Needham who expects to employ Mrs. H. at [\$]3.50 per week. Her husband drinks. The children are **Katharine [O'Hare]** 11 yrs old and Elizabeth **[O'Hare]** 5 yrs old. They have been sent temporarily to Lexington. Voted To admit. Voted To send the children to a suitable boarding-home as soon as one can be found.

Children's Aid Soc[iety] apply for admission of **Lilian Hooten**, 2 yrs old. Her father, Albert C., has deserted the mother who works for Bangs & Wells at \$6 per week. She has recently undergone an operation and hopes to gain in health & strength, and to earn more later. She also has a boy, 7 yrs old, and it is proposed by C.A.S. to assume charge of him for the present, and that a boarding-place shall be found where the children can be together. Mrs. Hooten expects to be able to make a home for both with her when she is able to support them. Voted To admit Lilian Hooten.

**Gertrude Schreiter** has gone to a place; **Mary Bowman** to Mrs. Cole. It was thought inadvisable to send **Flossie Hewson** or any other girl to Mrs. Sturdy before her confinement.

Voted To send **Grace Richards** to a boarding place as soon as one is found.

**Hilda Borgesen** is doing well; her mother has died recently. The mother of **Gertrude Davis** has died and some of her life-insurance money has been presented to Gertrude by her step-father.

Mrs. Knox has also died and some money in savings-banks will come to **Anna [Knox]**. Mrs. Knox especially requested just before her death that Anna should never be given up to Mr. Perry Green, whose present occupation is that of florist in Quincy, Mass. He is the man who had been intimate with Mrs. Knox and is of a low, objectionable character.

#### April 26, 1904

**Lilian Hooten** is now boarding at the Home of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children in Cambridge, but is soon to be taken to another place. Her brother is still waiting for an operation at Children's Hosp.

**Anna Molin** has gone to Mrs. P. C. Mason, Somerville. Miss M. Paine will be guardian. Mrs. Piper will be guardian to **Rosa Sturgis** in place of Mrs. Lord.

Dr. Margaret M. Sanford of Arlington Heights applies for a girl. She has two little girls and a housekeeper who will be on hand when she is away. Her husband is an engineer and the family is well recommended. Voted To send **Ella Tucker** to Dr. Sanford. Mrs. Ballard will be guardian.

Application for a girl has come from Mrs. L. A. Holman, Needham, sister of Mrs. Moseley who has **Emma Hewson**. She has had a girl from Children's Mission who goes to school and now wants an older one who can be of more assistance. Voted That **Lily Pitcher** be taken to Dr. Tilton and if he thinks her strong enough to work for Mrs. Holman that she shall be sent to her.

Mrs. Achorn applies for admission of her grand-daughters **Retta & Hazel Clough**. Their mother, who is divorced from her husband, a worthless fellow, has just undergone an operation; she is improving but it will be a long time before she can do any work. The grand-mother has work but cannot provide for all. She would prefer not to give up the children absolutely until eighteen. Voted To admit the Cloughs & send them to Lexington.

**Katharine O'Hare** has had her throat treated. Her younger sister appears to be somewhat deaf. The mother has broken down in health and is forced to give up work for the present.

Mrs. Coolidge reports that **Kathleen Austin** has suddenly been returned as having been too intimate with the man of the house. She has now gone to a place with Mrs. A. P. Norman, Newtonville, at \$3 per wk.

Mrs. Coolidge states also that **Florence Richards**, who was with Mrs. Fuller, has been returned as being on the point of confinement. Mrs. Holmes found out from Florence that the man at fault was employed at East Rindge where she lived with her mother. Mrs. Coolidge has arranged to have Florence cared for at the Lying-in Hosp. & for the present has found a boarding-place near-by.

#### May 31, 1904

Dr. Sandford has withdrawn her application for a girl so **Ella Tucker** has not yet been placed.

**Lily Pitcher** has been sent to Mrs. Holman at Needham. Mrs. Lawrence Lowell will be guardian.

**Anna Knox** has received the money left by her mother. The Clough children have come to Lexington.

The mother of the O'Hare children has changed her mind & wants them again. She has taken back her husband & will come to take the girls home.

Miss Ida Akers of Springfield, Mass., the former guardian of **Martha Crocker**, has found a home for the girl in the Beth Haven Home. Voted To sanction the action of the com[mittee] in letting Martha return to her guardian's care.

The Children's Aid Soc[iety] have made application for admission of **Eva Wininski**, a Polish child, 3 yrs old. The com[mittee] have accepted her. Voted To confirm her admission.

Mrs. C. A. Barrows of Haverhill applies for admission of **Thetis Bryant**, 8 yrs old. Father has deserted and mother has five children; this one has been boarded for two years at Children's Home. Voted To admit; the child is to go to Lexington unless the doctor finds some reason against it.

Mrs. Fortescue of Concord who has had **Mary Coughlin** wants another girl as Mary will shortly be eighteen. She likes **Emma Knox**. Voted That **Anna Knox** be sent to Mrs. Fortescue. Miss Paine will be guardian.

**Elsie Austin** has gone to a nice place in Newton.

**Jennie Cleary** is now eighteen and is to stay on with Mrs. Mendum, receiving wages.

**Florence Richards** has been confined and has a girl. Miss Parkman has found a place for her to board with her child for the present. It was decided to leave the case to Miss Parkman, the Asylum to bear all expenses in the matter.

...Mrs. Cole, who has **May Bowman**, would like another girl. Things are not entirely satisfactory on either side. It was decided that there is no other girl to send.

#### June 28, 1904

Children's Mission applied for admission of **Irena Badgett**, colored, 8 yrs old. Mother came from Georgia expecting that a cousin would live with her & assist in the care of her family which includes two boys, but the cousin has given out. Miss M. Paine has admitted Irena. Voted To confirm.

Mrs. Ball, aunt of **Mildred Starratt**, applied for admission of two Stottenburg girls, Marian, 9 [and] Eldora Lee, 6 yrs old. Marian has some trouble with her spine & must go to

Children's Hosp[ital] for treatment. Father is worthless, mother ill & going to the hospital. There are six other children. Miss M. Paine admitted them & send them to Lexington.

Miss Swan, Children's Aid Soc[iety] recommends three Parks girls, Grace 9 yrs old, Jennie 7 yrs, Gladys 9 months. Mother has recently died, leaving five children. Father has been a drinking man & is said to have done better lately. He is heavily involved in debt and if he can pay off may be able to assist later in support of family. The children will all be boarded in West Newbury, as Miss M. decided to accept the girls and C.A.S. will provide for the boys.

Application has been made for admission of two Stokes children, Sarah 12 yrs old, Ellen 10 yrs. Father drinks & has deserted. Mother dead. A brother, Wm., married & living in Waltham, now has the girls with him but is young & unable to keep them. If he can rent one of his rooms for \$1.50 per wk, says he will pay that towards their support. Miss M. Paine admitted.

Mrs. Nickerson asks us to take her two children, 7 & 8 yrs old. Works in a restaurant & has two younger children and a mother who lives with her. Voted To admit.

The mother of Mrs. Pyne has recently died and Mrs. P. was obliged to go at once to Newfoundland to keep house for her father & her two boys who live with him. She wished to take Mary with her and as there seemed to be no adequate objection, Miss M. Paine allowed it. Voted To approve giving up **Mary Pyne** to her mother.

Mr. Kelley, stepfather of **Sadie McColl**, asks that she may be given up to her mother as there is now room to accommodate her. Voted To allow Sarah McColl to go back to her mother, Mrs. Kelley.

The O'Hare children have gone to their mother.

**Luella Newton** has been returned by Mrs. Salmon & has gone to Mrs. Leeman. Mrs. Cole will keep **Mary Bowman** for the present.

**Elizabeth Lyman** has not been doing well for the past year and Mrs. Murray decided to give her up. She then ran away & was found by Mrs. Fuller at her brother's & taken to the Asylum where she is now staying. She wants to go to her mother in Nantucket but Mrs. Holmes thinks her mother most unfit to take charge of her. A place is offered with Mrs. B. J. Sanger, Natick. Mrs. Fuller knows about the family and will arrange to take Elizabeth there tomorrow if practicable.

Mrs. Maynard has received a letter from the teacher complaining of **Julia Tatro**'s conduct at school. It is proposed to ask Mrs. Maynard to keep Julia closely as work & not to send her again to school.

Mrs. Coolidge reports that **Kathleen Austin** is giving satisfaction in her place. When she becomes of age in December she expects to combine with some of her family in making a home for themselves.

Florence Richards is still boarding with her child.

July 25, 1904

The **[Marian] Stoutenburg** child was taken to Children's Hosp. where owing to the crowded condition she could not receive attention until August. As there were some advantages at Mass. Gen. Hosp. it was decided to take her there.

Mrs. Filene asks us to take charge of three children whose father works at Filene's; mother is in consumption. C.A.S. will take the boy and find a place for all. Voted To take two girls, 3 1/4 yrs & 7 mos. old.

Voted To confirm action of com[mittee] in taking two Nickerson children and **Thetis Bryant** at Lexington. One of the Nickersons has trouble.

Mrs. Carl A. Lorenz of Stoughton applies for a girl. Voted [that] the com[mittee] are authorized to send **Ella Tucker**...

Miss Huntington gives back the amount of the board bill of **Hilda Neilson** for last month, as a thank[s] offering for getting rid of her.

Mrs. Minard asks for another girl as **Beatrice Dowler** will be eighteen in August. Voted That **Sarah Baker** be sent...

Florence Richards is quite well. Has no place yet.

Voted That Mrs. Lyman's application to take Lizzie [Lyman] be refused.

#### August 30, 1904

Three applications to take wards have been received...The third is from Mrs. Geo. H. Warren of Manchester, N.H., who wants a girl to assist in the care of four children, the oldest ten years old. The place is highly recommended. Voted To send **Florence Hewson** to Mrs. Warren. Mrs. Blake will be guardian.

Sara Baker has gone to Mrs. Minard.

C.A.S. apply for admission of three children of Mrs. Edward Johnson of Waltham, whose husband is dead. She is unable to support them but will do what she can. Voted To admit Gertrude, 9 yrs old, Annie 3 3/4 yrs, Lilian 1 1/2 yrs.

The children were all sent to the G.A.R. parade by Mrs. A. L. Filene, who provided seats and ice-cream for them.

Mrs. Ballard will be guardian to Sara Baker.

**Helen Brunell** will go to Miss Huntington, who is found to be very good at training a girl who is interested in school.

Mrs. Reed, who has had **Madeleine Harvey** and **May Turnbull**, is to break up housekeeping. They have been sent temporarily to Miss McKenzie in Auburndale.

Mrs. Armistead can no longer keep **Lilian Hooten** who has gone to Mrs. Brock at Newburyport.

Mrs. Holmes could find no place for **Luella Newton** who found a place for herself with Mrs. Bacon at Roslindale.

Mrs Lyman has an application for a girl from Mrs. Plympton in Charles River Village. She wants one able to assist in house-work. Voted That Mrs. Lyman be authorized to send **Ella Tucker** if she thinks it desirable.

Miss Bradlee reports that **Beatrice Dowler** who has lately become of age, thought she would take training as a nurse, but gave it up after a short time. It is probable that she will go to her relatives in Providence.

September 27, 1904

Mrs. Ballard reported that she had visited **Sarah Baker** at Mrs. Minard's, Pawtucket; she has catarrh & needs treatment. The question arose as to who should bear the expense and it was decided that it should be assumed by the Asylum.

Helen Brunell has gone to her place.

Mrs. Plympton who was to take **Ella Tucker** has decided that she does not want a girl at all.

Mrs. Waite wants to take her children again & as they were put in without being signed for she is to be allowed to have them.

Miss Rowell of the Tabitha Cunni[?] Home has applied for admission of **Marion Kibbie**, born Dec. 11, 1897. She has previously been signed away to Little Wanderers' Home. Voted To admit.

**Marion Stolzenberg** has curvature of the spine and has to [be] brought to the hospital frequently for treatment. She has to wear a brace.

**Thetis Bryant** has an eruption requiring constant & careful treatment which prevents her going to school. Her mother had erysipelas but the doctor thinks that this is of a different nature.

The eldest Johnson girl is to go to the place where **Abbie Tatro** is. Mrs. Hunting wants a third girl to board and Mrs. Holmes thinks it would be well to send **Madeleine Harvey** there.

Mrs. Ballard will be guardian of **Emma Hewson**.

The Spellman baby has tuberculosis & must be separated from the other children. The others have had diphtheria. It is left to Mrs. Holmes to move the baby. The Parks baby has also been ill.

Mrs. Coolidge reported that **Florence Richards** has gone to a place with Mrs. Dame at Medford. The baby is boarded with Mrs. Smith at \$2.50 per wk. Florence earns \$1.25 and it was thought that she should give 25 cents per wk towards child's board.

**Kathleen Martin** has left her place & is now with Mrs. Leman.

Mrs. Thomas of Auburndale wants a girl. Voted That the place be investigated & authority given to the com[mittee] of the month to send **Winnie Sears** there if it deems advisable.

October 25, 1904 - Annual Meeting [no public exercises]

...the prizes will be given at Lexington by the First Directress to:

- Ethel Coffel for Willingness
- Florence Hewson for General Improvement and Sewing
- Fannie Blumenthal for General Improvement
- **Gertrude Davis** for Helpfulness
- Florence Smith for General Improvement
- Ethel Smith as the Best Little Girl

Marion Kibbie has been received.

**Thetis Bryant** who has been at Lexington since July will need treatment for some years and probably an operation on her nose when she is twelve to fourteen yrs old.

**Marion Stolzenberg** has had a brace fitted. She and her sister both appear to be below the average physically & mentally.

Application from Children's Aid Society...for **Gladys Eliot**. Mother, widow, has kept house for 6 yrs for two old men. There is a boy and both children have lived with an older step-sister in Nova Scotia. The boy is now boarded by the Mother who asks that we pay [\$]1.50 per wk for girls' board with her. Voted To refuse.

The third application is for **Annie Surette**, nearly 5 yrs old. Her father is dead and her mother not being strong enough earns only \$3.00 per week. Voted To admit if C.A.S. will find her a home in a Catholic family, the mother to be asked to pay perhaps 50 cents per wk towards board.

Application to take **Hilda Borgesen** has come from Rev. Mr. Hazard and his sister of Southboro. The family consists of Miss Hazard, her mother and a younger sister. Mr. H. has his bed-room and study out of the house. They ask to take Hilda for one year. Voted That Hilda Borgesen shall go to Miss Hazard if she will clothe her and send her to school. Mrs. Piper will be guardian.

Miss Cordner thinks well of the Thomas place for **Winnie Sears** but there is a chance that Mrs. T. may prefer to keep another girl whom she is to take on trial. In case this should be done Mrs. T. suggests a friend who might like to have Winnie and whom she recommends highly.

Mrs. Creber of Dorchester, known to Mrs. Leman who speaks well of her, wants a girl. Family comprises Mr. & Mrs. C. & one daughter, 15 yrs old. Mrs. Holmes suggests **Ella Tucker**. Voted That Mrs. Holmes shall make some further investigation and if she thinks it a desirable place Ella Tucker shall go to it. Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

Mrs. Richards of Waltham asks for a girl. Family consists of Mr. & Mrs. R., married daughter with husband and two children. Voted To send **Evelyn Brydges**.

A Mrs. Cummings would like a girl. Has husband and baby. They expect to move to a farm in New Hampshire next month, 4 miles from station and two from school-house. This matter will be investigated and decided after the removal to N.H. if a girl is still desired.

**Luella Newton** has disappeared after stealing about fifty dollars. She acknowledged this & promises to return some of it but thus far no trace of her has been found.

Mrs. Fortescue notified Miss M. Paine that as her husband was ill and they expected to go to England she must send back **Anna Knox**. Later Mrs. F. wrote that the trip to England was given up and she would like to take Anna to Florida. As there seems to be some uncertainty as to whether Mrs. F. and Anna would get along amicably and whether the papers would be signed Miss Paine thinks it best for Anna not to go & she will look for another place for her.

#### November 29, 1904

Children's Aid Society apply for admission of **Mabel and Edith Gorley**, 13 and 11 yrs old. Father dead, mother respectable but incapable of providing for or managing her children. C.A.S. have found places and Miss Bradlee has authorized taking these children to them. Edith has gone to Mrs. Wheeler and Mabel temporarily to Mrs. Bennett. C.A.S. provided clothing for which we will recompense them. Voted To sanction action of committee.

C.A.S. propose also admission of **Estella Patterson**, colored, about one yr old. Mother earns \$4 per wk but has to contribute to support of four other children living in the South. Estella has been very delicate & required constant treatment but is now much better and the physician

sees no reason why eventually she may not be in normal health. Is now in a good home where \$2.50 per wk has been paid up to Oct. 28 by C.A.S. who suggest that we assume charge from that date. Voted To take Estella Patterson & keep her where she now boards.

Miss Hersey of So. Boston applies for admission of Gladys A., daughter of Ella Nelson who has been with a family in Lincoln at \$4 per wk but is now out of work. Her husband drank and she has left him. She has four other children who were given up to the city, also a baby for whom she hopes to provide. Two of these others are now at the Farm School. Gladys, 8 yrs old, is rather a delicate-looking child. Is now boarding with Mrs. N's step-mother, Mrs. Green. Voted To admit **Gladys Nelson**. She will be sent to Lexington.

**Annie Surette** has had whooping-cough lately. Is now in a Protestant family but C.A.S. have found a Catholic boarding-place where she can go as soon as well enough.

Miss Robinson presents an application from Martha McKenzie for admission of her half-sister, about six yrs old, who is badly cared for by her mother, a poor character. The latter has only recently agreed to give up the child and Martha says she is not fit to go with the children at Lexington. Voted To admit.

Mrs. Thomas has notified Mrss Bradlee that she has decided not to take **Winnie Sears**. The place proposed by Mrs. T. does not seem desirable and another has been found for her with Mrs. Sturdy, Chartley near Attleboro, Mass. As it will not be possible to send the girl to school Mrs. S. is willing to teach her at home. To send Winnie Sears to Mrs. Sturdy. Mrs. Coolidge will be guardian.

Mrs. Piper reports that **Hilda Borgesen** does not take sufficient interest in house-work to make it worth while to keep her. Hilda is rather behind girls of her age in her classes but stands well. It is proposed to send Hilda to Mrs. Richards, Waltham.

Miss Bradlee saw the assistant minister of the Dudley St. Baptist Church who spoke well of the Crebers and it was decided to send **Ella Tucker** to them. Since then it has transpired that when with Mrs. Parry, Ella had various articles charged which she did not pay for and Mrs. P. thinks she may have appropriated some money belonging to a visitor. It was doubtful whether she will prove satisfactory to Mrs. Creber.

The older Spellman girl has been given up to her father. The older Stoutenburgh girl is somewhat better physically; the younger one remains peculiar. It is not considered that they are doing any harm to the others.

Flossie Hewson has gone to Mrs. Warren, Manchester.

The Lexington School Board has sent in the bill for the year, amounting to \$357.

In the end Mrs. Fortescue decided to sign indenture for **Anna Knox** and has taken her to Florida.

Mr. Dockrell has paid the \$30 due to **Martha Varnum**.

**Kathleen Austin** has found a place near her sister Elsie in Arlington at \$3 per wk, where she is very happy.

#### December 27, 1904

It was reported that **Gladys Nelson**, admitted last month, has some trouble of the heart, probably not organic. She has been taken without being signed for.

Mrs. Spencer of Fitchburg wants to take **Annie Wilson**. References good. Voted That Annie Wilson shall go to Mrs. Spencer.

**Estella Patterson** has gone south with her mother so will not come to Asylum. The C.A.S. asks us to pay a doctor's bill for the child incurred previous to her admission. Voted To pay it.

Mrs. Creber will give **Ella Tucker** another trial.

Gertrude Schreiter has gone to Mrs. Leman's. Mr. Birtwell wants Dr. Jelly to see her.

January 31, 1905

Miss Mixter has written to Miss Storer asking to have a guardian appointed for her ward **Eliz[abe]th Lyman** & suggesting Miss Robinson.

At request of C.A. S. **Angeline Condella** has been admitted. Father & mother dead. Has two older sisters who are earning wages. This child is seven yrs old. C.A.S. is now looking for a Roman Catholic family to take her.

Miss Rowell is still looking for someone to adopt **Marian Kibbee**. Voted to resign her to Miss Rowell.

**Thetis Bryant** has not recovered from the erysipelas of the nose from which she has suffered but it is considered not to be contagious and she is allowed to go to school. If, after a time, she does not improve in consequence of treatment, an operation is contemplated.

Gladys Nelson is still on probation on account of heart trouble.

C.A.S. applies for admission of **Mary Finnerty**, 10 yrs old, a child from school for Deformed Children. Particulars have not yet been received, and it was Voted To leave to judgement of com[mittee] of month with full powers.

Dr. Jelly examined **Gertrude Schreiter** & found her exceedingly backward mentally with little chance of progress. Thinks she would do well in a family but this might not last so well as an institution. Mrs. Lyman has placed her with Mrs. Downey in Plymouth and will pay her board. She is very happy there and may be able to earn a little later.

Mrs. Lyman reports also about **Grace Shaw** who remains with Mrs. Blake in Framingham and is doing well on the whole though at certain periods she is quite beside herself. Mrs. Blake recognizes this lapse of control and is very patient with her.

Mrs. Coolidge reports that **Florence Richards** is doing well in her place and takes some interest in her child. It has been discovered that she is somewhat deaf.

**Kathleen Austin** is now of age and earns \$3 per wk. Is getting on well in her place. **Lilian Austin**, who is now out of work has asked for some of her money from the treasurer who has also sent \$10 to **Jenny Carey** from sum held for her.

February 28, 1905

**Marian Kibbee** left Lexington on Feb. 2nd. A letter of thanks from her guardian for the care she has received was read.

On the application of C.A.S. **Mary Finnerty**, 10 yrs old, a cripple, mother dead, has been admitted. The Asylum will let her remain where she is paying board for her.

Also on application of C.A.S. three Greek girls have been received, Sophia 12 yrs old, Chrysida 10 1/2, & Despena 8 1/2 yrs old. Children of Anthony and Anita Galane. The mother is

out of health and needs to go to the Rutland Sanatorium. An infant is at Mass. Infant Asylum and the C.A.S. will provide for a boy. The father will pay board for the mother & infant. Voted To ratify action of com[mittee].

The Italian, **Angelina Condella**, who was admitted last winter, is now boarding in the same home as her sister, Frances, and the Asylum will pay four dollars for the two girls where they are.

The Little Wanderers Home applies for admission of Elizabeth, 13 yrs old, and Clara Isabel, 11 yrs old, children of Mrs. Emma Wilden who has been deserted by her husband. Voted To admit these children if the mother is willing to give them up.

Several applications for girls have been received. Mrs. Hamilton of Waltham wants **Edith Clark** when she graduates in June. She will send her to the High School. She keeps a boarding-house but is highly spoken of for her influence over young girls. Edith's mother lives in the neighborhood. Voted To let Edith Clark go and that she shall be under charge of Mrs. Hamilton, not of her mother.

Mrs. C.W. Ellis, of 355 River St. Hyde Park, would like **Julia Tatro**. Voted To let Julia Tatro go to Mrs. Ellis. Miss M. Paine will be guardian.

An application has been received from Mrs. Geeson, of Putnam, Conn., who wants a girl for her mother-in-law, Mrs. Geeson of Quincy. Voted That com[mittee] of month shall confer with Mrs. Holmes and have full power to send **EveyIn Brydges** if it seems best.

Mrs. Cabot, of Concord, where **Ella Sturges** has been, wants another girl. Mrs. Tracy, of Winchester, wants a bright girl, offers to teach her type-writing. At present there are no girls to fill these places.

Mrs. Lutner who has **Amy Downing**, has decided that she cannot keep her any longer. Enquiries will be made about another place for her. **Marian Stotenburg** has improved but her muscles are still weak.

The guardian of Luella Newton reports that she is now married & living in New York.

# March 28, 1905

Children's Aid Society applied for admission of **Helen Cecilia Dunn**. Father dead and mother is immoral and not fit to take care of her. Voted To ratify action of com[mittee] in admitting Helen Dunn.

Lynn Assoc. Charities applies for admission of **Sadie Calvert**, 9 yrs old. Father has deserted, mother is bad and cannot support. Voted To leave to Mrs. Ballard with full powers to admit if she thinks best.

**Evelyn Bridges** is deaf and does not get on well where she is now boarding. Is under treatment at Eye & Ear Infirmary where it is thought that she may eventually become more deaf so it is suggested that she should go to Horace Mann School to learn lip language.

Mrs. Geeson of Quincy, who formerly had **Grace Smith** and has asked for another girl, has been ill and is not ready for one at present. There is no girl for her now and the matter is postponed.

It is thought that as **Amy Downing** is physically disabled she should learn some industry which will serve as a means of support later. She is not altogether a desirable child to be with

others but might not be objectionable in a day-school. Mrs. Holmes will enquire about putting her in the school for Crippled Children and make the best arrangement she can for her.

Dr. Tilton has been consulted about **Marion Stoutenburg** and thinks she ought not remain in Lexington. Mrs. Fuller feels that her influence is not good. Dr. Robert Osgood finds no serious trouble with spine. Thinks she might be helped by careful gymnastics or personal determination to hold herself carefully; she ought not be placed among children less bright than herself and might improve if she could lead an out-of-door life in the country. She is to [be] operated upon for large tonsils and adenoid growth. Voted That she shall be boarded out in a place where she will be well-treated.

Mrs. Lyman has been to see **Gertrude Schreiter** at Hingham where she is boarded and found her very happy.

# April 25, 1905

C.A.S. have not reported in regard to a Catholic family to take **Helen Dunn** to board. Associated Charities of Lynn were asked to find boarding-place for **Sadie Calvert** but have not reported. **Evelyn Brydges** has been admitted to the Horace Mann school and boards in Allston.

Application has been made for a place in School of Crippled Children for **Amy Downing**, who will be admitted as soon as there is a vacancy, as Dr. Brackett considers her a suitable subject.

The only application from C.A.S. is for admission of **Jessie and Alice Gourley**, 10 and 6 yrs old. Mother is very ill and not capable of controlling them. Two older sisters were admitted in November. These two are now in a temporary home in Swampscott. A son pays \$4 per wk to his mother who has also another boarder. Voted To admit. They will be send to Lexington.

Mrs. Michael wants to take her children, **Evelyn and Lilian Nickerson**, as she has married again and is now able to support them. Her husband earns good wages. Voted That the mother be allowed to take these children as soon as she is ready for them.

On [April] 8th, **Thetis Bryant** was taken ill with erysipelas and seen by Dr. Tilton...Thetis is now better. Dr. Goodale considers her especially susceptible to erysipelas and advises operation for adenoid, etc.

On Apr. 11, word was received that **Lizzie Lyman** has run away from her place. Her sister and Mrs. Fuller searched for her in vain and finally left the matter in hands of police. She has not yet been found.

# May 29, 1905

The Nickersons have gone to their mother.

**Lizzie Lyman** appeared at Mrs. Sawyer's and demanded her trunk, then disappeared. **Edith Clark** is to go to Miss Hamilton. Miss Storer will be her guardian.

**A[ngelina] Condella** is to go to Lexington. **Jessie and Alice Gourley** have been admitted and will go to Lexington when whooping cough allows.

Mother of **Violet Chapniss** works in a factory in Somerville; the girl is wild. Committee had admitted V. Chapniss. Voted To ratify action of committee.

**Maud and Mabel Petersen**, 8 and 6 yrs old have been admitted. Voted To ratify action of committee.

Mrs. Fuller has been to see **Fanny Weir**. She seems happy and not overworked. **Elizabeth Hudson** has also been visited. There has been some trouble but she will stay.

Mrs. Geeson of Quincy wants **Margaret Coburn**. Voted To leave to com[mittee] of month.

Mrs. Tracy of Winchester wants a girl. Voted That **Edith Dow** may go to her. Voted That Mrs. Coolidge shall do as she thinks best about **Florence Richards**.

June 27, 1905

Mrs. Tracy had made other arrangements so did not want **Edith Dow**.

Voted That **Margaret Coburn** shall go to Mrs. Geeson. The son, 21 yrs old, is still at home. Mrs. Lyman will be guardian.

A place in Gardner, Mass, has been found for **V[iolet] Chapniss** but we do not know whether she has been sent there as Children's Aid Society was to attend to this.

[The following] were baptized at Lexington. Florence Leaman Smith, Reta May Clough, Esther Perkins Smith, Marion Williams Stoutenburgh, Grace Eliz[abe]th McNeil, Thetis Lacinta Bryant.

**Susie O'Brien** had not received her money from Mr. Closson and went to a lawyer about it who came to see Miss Paine. Miss Paine wrote to Mr. Closson that the money paid for attending to Susie's teeth might be subtracted from the \$50 and Mr. Closson gave the lawyer \$18.

Maria Stoutenburgh is to leave Lexington and go to a place to board.

July 25, 1905

Violet Chapniss has gone to a place.

Mrs. Gourley has taken away three of her children & left one.

Voted To give \$50 to **Ethel Coffel** when she comes of age.

Mrs. Lyman went yesterday to see **Jennie Clark** who will come of age in August. She hopes then to go to live with her mother who keeps house for an old gentleman in Waltham and where she does not expect to pay board. She proposes to pay \$30 which she has saved to learn the trade of seamstress for which Mrs. Johnson thinks her well-fitted.

Mrs. Fuller has been to see **Florence Hewson** and Mrs. Warren's in Manchester but did not find her, as Mrs. Warren had sent Florence temporarily to Groton. Mrs. Fuller thinks that Florence is not especially well looked after and is often left without supervision in the absence of Mrs. Warren.

**Julia Tatro** has gone to be with Mrs. Durgin during the absence of Mrs. Ellis. **Lillie Pitcher** has left her place.

**Angelina Condella** has gone to Lexington and **Mary Finnerty** will be there during August when the school has a vacation.

August 28, 1905

Mrs. Fuller has taken **Ethel Coffel** to her father in Eastport, Me. The place is primitive but the step-mother seems a kind woman.

Mrs. Barlow paid for an outing to Lexington Park for the children and Mr. and Miss Taylor gave them a ride in the Sight-seeing Automobile to Concord and back. Voted To thank Miss Amy E. Taylor and brother.

**Ethel Clough** has had an operation for adenoid growth.

Dr. F. M. Robertson, who has a sanitarium at Wellesley, wants a girl to assist servant and learn something of nursing. Miss Robinson will look up the place as she has a ward who might answer.

**Fanny Weir** has a chance to change her place and go to Normal School in Castleton, Vermont, where she is now staying with Miss Smith. She is anxious to have another girl sent to her present place so that she may begin her school next autumn. Her guardian, Miss Robinson, approves of this and will try to arrange it.

Mrs. Holmes feels that it will be better for **Evelyn Brydges** to give up doing to Horace Mann School and remain in her present place where she is learning practical house-work, etc. Mrs. Holmes also suggests that she be appointed guardian for Evelyn. Voted To have Mrs. Holmes appointed guardian for Evelyn Brydges.

**Amy Downing** is getting on very nicely at Mrs. Durgin's where she is being taught dressmaking. It is a question whether it will be to her advantage to go to School for Crippled Children. Mrs. Holmes will investigate.

**Susie O'Brien**, who left Mrs. Closson when of age about four years ago, did not have paid to her all of the \$50 due. She says that \$17 is still owing and has applied to Warren & Burt, lawyers, who advise the managers to bring suit as Susie cannot do so. Her guardian, Miss M. Paine, will try to see Mr. Closson about it.

Mrs. Cole refuses to keep **May Bowman** any longer and she will be brought to the Asylum in Boston to stay until Miss Bradlee can made some other arrangement.

**Bessie Darney** will have to leave her place, from no fault of her own, as Mr. Hibbard is to give up housekeeping.

Mrs. Lyman has heard from Ms. Damon that she feels that **Gertrude Schreiter** is unfit, morally and physically, to be put in a place and she has been admitted to the Home for Feeble-Minded.

**Grace Shaw** has had \$1700 left her by a Scotch uncle and her father has lately died in a poor-house. **Margaret Coburn** ran away from Mrs. Geeson to her aunt's and was brought back by Miss Hawkesworth and sent to Mrs. Wheeler's. Tomorrow she is to return to Mrs. Geeson where she promises to do better. Mrs. Wheeler says she is crazy to go on the stage as she has a brother who is an actor and writes to her.

Mrs. Johnson has paid \$50 to **Jennie Clark** and is sorry to have her go.

### September 26, 1905

Dr. Hale asks the Asylum to give \$100 to help **Lulu Mack** under charge of Lend-A-Hand Society. Her father is dead and mother is very ill. Voted To accept Dr. Hale's application.

**Ella Tucker** must leave Mrs. Creber as she has stolen and done other bad things. Ella is not very bright and various plans were suggested, to let her go to her aunt or to send her to Lancaster or Waverly.

**Anna Molin** must leave Mrs. Mason. Mrs. Holmes hopes that Mrs. Johnson at Waltham will take her.

**May Bowman** is to go to Mrs. Dickinson.

Voted Not to give any prizes this year, as there are no suitable girls to receive them.

# October 31, 1905

[Report of the secretary] "It is more difficult to find suitable homes for the larger girls than for the small ones, not only because most people prefer to take the latter, but also for the reason that with a child of eleven or twelve who has been hitherto unrestrained it requires much tact, wisdom and patience on the part of the care-taker to compass the best results."

Application has been made for admission of **Mamie Roberts**, 7 yrs old. Chinese, mother dead, father unfit to take charge of her. He wanted to take her to China to sell her. Mr. Walter L. Hayes is interested in her & thought he had found a place for her in Washington but this was given up. Mr. Hayes is now legal guardian. Child is in Lynn but must leave as the woman taking care of her is going away for the winter and perhaps permanently. Voted To admit child and sent her to Lexington.

The little Italian girl, **Angelina Condella**, is very happy but a married sister with some friends came a short time ago to try to take her away. Miss Wilson of C.A.S., who is her legal guardian, may decide to give her up to her sister.

Thetis Bryant has had a slight return of erysipela.

**Gertrude Pitcher** writes to Mrs. Fuller that she is unhappy and wants to be allowed to leave Baldwinville.

**Lilian Randolph** is now at the Asylum in Boston. Her half-sister, formerly **Martha McKenzie**, wants to take her as she is married and can give her a home. Martha is now living in Charlestown but intends to move to Dorchester. Lilian has trouble in eyes. Voted To allow Lilian Randolph to go to her sister Martha, now Mrs. Gould.

**Jennie Clary**, now 19 yrs old, was examined by a physician in Maine and pronounced to be tuberculous. Dr. Putnam finds no specific indications of this, but recommends that she shall undergo a slight operation at Vincent Hosp. By advice of Miss Storer and Miss S.C. Paine she is now boarded at the Asylum in Boston. Voted To approve the action of Miss Storer and the treasurer.

A month or so ago Mrs. Coolidge went to see her ward **Winifred Sears** who seemed to be getting on well. About 3 wks later a letter which had lain some time in the office for want of full address was received by Mrs. Holmes from Winifred, making serious charges against Mr. Sturdy. Mrs. Holmes immediately sent for Winifred who came away without her belongings. Mrs. Coolidge then wrote to Mrs. Sturdy repeating some of Winifred's statements. Mrs. S. replied denying these and accusing Winifred of fabricating the whole story. She has sent also a bill from the dentist but the treasurer will refuse to pay this amount, \$8.85, until Winifred's trunk and bank-book have been sent to her as requested.

**Emma Hewson** will have to leave Mrs. Sutton as the latter feels unable to control her. When she leaves Mrs. S. would like to take another girl.

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**Clara Boden** who has to leave Mrs. Shaw as she is not satisfactory is most anxious to go at once to her mother instead of waiting until she becomes of age in August. Her mother is married and wants very much to take her. Voted To allow Clara to go immediately to her mother.

**Mamie Roberts** has been received at Lexington and is getting on well there. **Angelina Condella**'s sister has not come back for her.

Dr. Paige has written fully to Miss Storer regarding **Gertrude Pitcher** stating th[at] she has improved but continues to be below average both mentally and physically. He thinks that in some ways she might be better off in a family but on the other hand it would be difficult to place her in an ordinary school. This being the case it is thought best not to make a change.

**Margaret Coburn** who has been rather unhappy has cheered up and has written to Mrs. Lyman that she likes the place.

Miss Bradlee has a place in view for **Bessie Darney** which will be decided upon shortly. The Sturdys were rather disagreeable about the removal of trunk belonging to **Winifred Sears** but that and the bank-book have both been returned to her. No place has yet been found for her.

Mrs. Dickinson likes **May Bowman** and has signed the indenture for her.

Lily Pitcher is reported to have serious lung trouble and Mrs. Lowell will consult Dr. Putnam about her.

The Petersons have been removed from So. Hingham to another boarding-place.

Mrs. Scott writes that she cannot afford to keep on with **Rosa Sturgis**, though sorry to part with her and would like a small girl in her stead but there is no girl.

**Mabel Gourley**, who was taken by her mother, has returned of her own accord to Mrs. Freeman, No. Andover. The Asylum will resume charge of her.

# December 26, 1905

**Lily Pitcher**'s symptoms of lung trouble proved less serious than was reported last month.

**Nellie Clark** gives trouble and it is thought she may be a candidate for the Home for Feeble-Minded.

Miss Bradlee reported that **Bessie Darney** has gone to live with Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin James of So. Boston. She is to receive \$1.50 per wk out of which she is to buy her clothing. Miss Paine asked about **Dora King**. Mrs. Closson is going to move to New York and wishes to take Dora with her. She has not yet paid the \$20 due when Dora became 17 yrs old. It was decided to leave the matter to the guardian.

Mrs. Coolidge reported that **Winifred Sears** is placed with a couple in Somerville and is to go to school.

#### January 30, 1906

Children's Aid Society applies for admission of **Edna Newcomb** 6 yrs old, one of four children of James H. Newcomb of Cambridge. The family is to be kept together, the father paying \$7 toward board of the three boys, and as it is impossible for him to provide for the girl also, we are asked to board her with the others. Voted To admit Edna Newcomb and to make an exception by paying her board.

Mrs. Geeson did not want to keep **Lily Pitcher** and **Fanny Blumenthal** has taken her place and is very happy there. Mrs. Lyman will be guardian.

Mrs. Lyman has seen Miss Merrill, **Nellie Clark'**s teacher at Lexington and finds that although Nellie has improved somewhat she still gives some trouble. Dr. Tilton will look into the matter further and report. Miss Merrill and the other teachers agreed in speaking well of the Asylum children in their conduct at school.

**Margaret Coburn** went off by herself for a few hours the other day but returned before night saying that she went to Arlington and then to see her father in town. She seemed repentant and will be more carefully watched in future.

**Jennie Clark** found that she could not get steady work at dressmaking so has gone to work at the Waltham Watch Factory.

Mrs. Closson has finally paid the \$37, \$25 of it due **Dora King** and has taken her to New York.

**Jennie Cleary** has undergone a serious operation at the Vincent Hospital and is now doing well.

Mrs. Coolidge has lately seen the child of **Florence Richards**. She is flourishing and Mrs. Smith seems fond of her.

The question of boarding out all the children came up and it was Voted To give up Lexington.

# February 27, 1906

Mrs. Lyman reports that **Margaret Coburn** ran away again to her aunt who declined to receive her. She now has been transferred to charge of Children's Aid Society who will henceforth be responsible for her. She has been sent to Barre, Mass.

S.P.C. apply for admission of **Jesse Broom**. Family comes from Canada, mother now dead, father very eccentric, said to have returned to Canada. Three other children taking care of themselves. This girl is now at home of S.P.C.C. having been returned by Mrs. Hunt with whom she lived in western part of Massachusetts. Child said to be 13 yrs old but is small and looks not over twelve though strong. Miss Marshall, guardian, 674 Mass. Ave., reports that father was not good to his children. There are some relatives but it is doubtful whether they will assist. Voted To take the child is a proper place can be found for her and if this is not possible or she proves unsuitable, she is to be returned to care of S.P.C.

Mr. Michael, husband of **Evelyn Nickerson**'s mother, complains about Evelyn. The mother, who also writes, think the fault is with Mr. Michael.

Mrs. Abar, mother of Clough children, wants to take them back. The husband is a machinist and they have moved to Concord, N.H., where they are now boarding until they can secure a house. Miss Bradlee will consult Mrs. Achom, the grandmother who put the children here. Voted That if Mrs. Achom thinks it best the Cloughs shall go to their mother.

Mr. & Mrs. Davis, uncle and aunt of **Gertrude Davis**, want to take Gertrude. Have given references which will be investigated. Voted That if references prove satisfactory Gertrude may go to uncle.

Mrs. Bryant has decided to take **Thetis [Bryant]** having heard from Mrs. Fuller that Lexington house is to be given up. Mrs. Barrows will be consulted and it is Voted That if Mrs. Barrows so advises Thetis shall go to her mother.

Mrs. McGregor proposes taking Grace to be with her at Duxbury where she is now working and that the managers pay board for Grace there. Miss Bradlee has written that this will not be done.

Dr. Tilton advises sending **Nellie Clark** to some school where she will be among other defective but not idiotic children if such a place can be found. Mrs. Coolidge will consult Dr. Putnam.

**Ethel Coffill** writes that she is to be married to a Mr. Allen on March 20th and wants to have her bank-book sent her. Her father speaks well of the man & says he does not drink.

**Jennie Clary** at Vincent Hosp. improves slowly. Miss Storer will try to place her in Convalescent Home at Milton or elsewhere...

Mrs. Thayer thinks **Jennie Baker** should be operated upon for adenoid growth and this will be done.

## March 28, 1906

Mrs. Smith, grandmother of **Florence & Esther Smith**, wants to take them to live with her at 32 Day St. Norwood, where she has recently become established. Her daughter, Mrs. Lily Pratt, has applied for guardianship but this is opposed by Mr. Whittier, maternal uncle, and also by his father. The references for Mrs. Smith are, as a rule, good. On the other hand Mrs. Pratt is called a fast-woman and is now considered fit to take charge of the children.

Dr. Pierce of Norfolk Downs to whom their father gave a paper committing them to his care which, however, was not legally drawn, says that the father especially objected to having his mother take the children. Although the judge has granted guardianship to Mrs. Pratt the papers have not yet been passed over to her and the judge is willing to reconsider. Voted To ask the Judge of Probate for a hearing in which we can protest against appointment of Mrs. Pratt as guardian.

The Smith girls will remain at Lexington for the present. All the other children have left. **Gertrude Davis** has gone to her uncle. **Thetis Bryant** to her mother. **Jessie Broom** has gone to Mrs. Wheeler on trial.

**Nellie Clark** has been put in the Waverly School for Feeble-Minded. Mrs. Holmes who took her there saw **Gertrude Schreiter** and **Ella Tucker**, both of whom are doing well.

**Dora Stoutenburg** and **Jennie Baker** have been operated upon for adenoids. The latter had serious hemorrhage following the operation. Afterwards she did not do well and Miss Thayer called in a physician who says she has valvular trouble of the heart. She is still feeble and needs careful treatment and nourishing food. Miss Thayer thinks she ought not go to school until she is much stronger.

Mrs. Geeson reports that **Fanny Blumenthal** has been seen twice by Dr. Morrel who at first thought that she might be subject to epilepsy, afterwards appendicitis. She is now at Day-Kimball Hosp. in Putnam, Conn., to be for a time under observation. Mrs. Fuller saw Fanny on Mar. 22 when she was ill in bed.

Miss Storer reports that Jennie Clary will be admitted to the Milton Convalescent Home as soon as well enough, probably in a few days. **Edna Champagne**, not knowing of the death of Mrs. Ross, has written to her as guardian asking to be allowed to leave the institution and take a position in a private family which has been offered to her. Dr. Flood, who has been consulted, fears that if left to herself she may go astray. As she is 24 yrs old and there is no one in authority, all that can be done is to advise her to remain where she is and Mrs. Coolidge will do this.

**Emma Hewson** is still with Mrs. Sutton who would like however to have her room in order to take another girl to assist in housework. Emma is getting along well at the factory and earns about \$6 per wk.

### April 24, 1906

Mrs. Coolidge sent tickets for Miss Cheatom's performance at Jordan Hall. Mrs. Fuller took the Smith children who enjoyed it very much.

Mrs. Pratt has been persuaded to withdraw her application for guardianship of the Smiths and they are to go to a boarding-place under charge of the Asylum.

Mr. Birtwell telephoned that **Mabel Gourley** was insane and the Freemans wished to have her removed at once. Dr. Jelly was consulted and recommended application to town authorities at No. Andover. Mrs. Holmes looked up the matter and Mabel was sent to the poor farm. She has since improved and has returned to Mrs. Freeman who however cannot keep her. Mrs. Gourley has entirely disappeared and an aunt of Mabel's is unable to care for her as she has a large family. The city will take charge if there is a proper settlement, if not and she is given over to the state she will be sent to Tewksbury. She is not continuously insane but is subject to attacks of dementia. Mrs. Holmes will make an attempt to have her suitable placed.

**Fanny Blumenthal** had a successful operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Lyman has seen her and also Mrs. Geeson who wishes to have Fanny come back for her convalescence and this is to be allowed.

Mrs. Geo. A. Snow, 21 Orchard St. Lowell, has applied for a girl. Good references and Mrs. Holmes, who has investigated, reports favorably. There are two little girls in the family and it is proposed to send **Etta Bridges**, who is fond of children.

Miss Bradlee reports that **Bessie Darney** has had much trouble with her teeth. Dr. Woods has sent in bill of \$13 & there is more to be done.

## May 29, 1906

**Mabel Gourley**'s mother reappeared and attempted to take charge of her; at present the whereabouts of both is unknown. Dr. Putnam advises having further examination of Mabel and offers to attend to it. The State authorities, through Dr. Fish, recommend putting her in a family accustomed to the care of cases of this nature and give some addresses. Voted That in case Mabel is found again the matter is left with full powers, after consulting Dr. Putnam, to com[mittee] of month.

Mass. Infant Asylum applies for admission of **Josephine Lapon**, two years old. Parents living but both bad. Another child is under charge of the State. Some older children were brought from Italy under false pretences and there are various complications. Voted To admit.

**Violet Champreys** [Chapniss?] has been taken by her mother and is probably now working as cash-girl for Houston and Henderson. Mrs. Lowell suggests that Mrs. Holmes shall try to see her occasionally.

Etta Brydges has gone to Mrs. Snow.

**Lena Wilson**, who has been misbehaving, has been brought from Fitchburg by Miss Hawkesworth.

Voted To have the body of **Evelyn Johnson** removed to Cedar Grove Cemetery and to sell the lot in Lexington Cemetery.

June 26, 1906

**Mabel Gourley** is with her aunt, Mrs. Whitney, and is taken regularly to see Dr. Putnam. It was decided that the Asylum shall take charge of **Alice and Jessie Gourley**, and that they two, with their sister **Edith [Gourley]**, shall be sent to Mrs. Cheney in Newburyport. It was also decided to ask the S.P.C.C. to appoint one guardian for the four sisters; one of the others has attacks like Mabel's.

The Mass. Infant Asylum applies for admission of **Elsa Bengsasy**, born July 12th, 1904, an only child, both parents at Rutland Sanatorium for Consumptives. Voted To admit.

Mrs. Louise Gellant of Waltham, applies for admission of her baby, 11 mos old. Father a drunkard, mother works in watch factory and it is though can pay \$2 per wk.

Mr. Kate Thompson of Athol asks that her grandchild be admitted. She is 5 1/2 mo[nth]s old. There are two children and the mother is unable to care for both. Voted To investigate and if found desirable to admit.

Madeleine Harvey has been operated upon at Mass. Gen. Hosp. for her glands.

Mrs. Richards is not satisfied with the amount of work that **Hilda Borgesen** does. It is thought that Mrs. R. expects a good deal & it was decided to have Hilda brought to the Asylum until another place can be found.

Mrs. Munson, of Needham, wants a girl. Mrs. Holmes will make inquiries and if satisfactory either **Hilda Borgesen** or **Thomina Nelson** will be sent there.

A letter from Mrs. Coolidge was read...telling of the christening of **Beatrice May Richards**.

The body of **Evelyn Johnson** has been removed from the Cemetery in Lexington to the Asylum lot at Cedar Grove.

July 31, 1906

**Anna Kennedy** has become of age and her guardian, Miss Storer, hopes she will remain where she now is.

Mrs. Gallant [Gellant] has withdrawn her application.

Mrs. Holmes has been to Athol to investigate regarding the grandchild of Mrs. Thompson and reports that the family is bad, child's mother is unmarried and is subject to fits. Mr. Goddard of S.P.C.C. is watching the case and will interfere if the child is neglected. In view of these facts, it was Voted Not to admit.

**Hilda Borgesen** has gone to Mrs. Phelps and **Lilian Pitcher** who left Mrs. Phelps has gone to Mrs. S. G. Pennock of Weston. The latter has a husband and a daughter who is employed in the Library.

**Jennie Baker** went for a few days to Mrs. Leeman, while Miss Thayer was in the hospital. Mrs. Ballard has heard that Miss Thayer is now ill at home with a nurse and moreover that she is not fitted to bring up a girl. Mrs. Holmes will have Jennie transferred to another place.

Florence Hewson is now seventeen and Mrs. Warren has paid the money due her.

**Emma Hewson** is said to be doing very well at the shirt-shop in Needham & earns \$10 per wk.

**Edith Gourley** is still with Mrs. Wheeler. **Jessie [Gourley]** has gone to her mother and **Mabel [Gourley]** wishes to go to her also but the mother has not come for her. Mrs. Whitman will keep Mabel if possible.

Mrs. Stoutenburg wishes to take her daughter **Marian [Stoutenburg]** to be with her in Waterbury, Conn. where she is earning well as also a son and older daughter [are]. Voted To allow Mrs. Stoutenburg to take Marian.

Mrs. Dow wants to take **Edith [Dow]**, to be with her in New York, in October. The question of Mrs. Dow's fitness to take charge of her daughter is to be investigated.

August 28, 1906

**Alberta Coffel** will be eighteen in November and Miss Brown does not care to keep her beyond July.

**Marion Stotenburg** has gone to her mother.

**Anna Knox** would like to be receiving pay and Mrs. Fortescue has suggested that, instead of the terms of the indenture, she shall pay Anna \$1.50 per wk until she is seventeen and \$2 per wk from then until she becomes eighteen.

Miss Bradlee reported that **Bessie Darney** is now 18 yrs old. She may continue in the place where she is now.

**Gertrude Schreiter** has been in the Eye & Ear Infirmary for treatment.

Mrs. Dow has been looked up by the Charity Organization Society of N.Y. and as the report is not favorable it was thought best not to let Edith go to her mother. Edith wants to go to school and it was Voted That as we mean to have Edith go to school it seems best to have her stay where she is. Voted To leave the case of **Edith Dow** to the Placing-Out Com[mittee].

**Amy Downing**, for whom \$3 per wk is now being paid, is old enough to work for her board. It was decided that if Miss Wheeler does not want to keep Amy free and if Miss Brown is willing to take her Amy shall go to her.

Voted That **Madeline Harvey** shall go to Mrs. Freeman, she being now older than Mrs. Hunting cares to keep.

The report from **Mabel Gourley**, who is now with her mother, is not good. The circumstances of the home are undesirable. This will be borne in mind in reference to her sister **Edith [Gourley]** who is now with Miss Wheeler.

September 25, 1906

Mrs. Bessie E. Molonson, now at Salvation Army Home, 81 Soughton St., applies for admission of her baby 2 mo[nth]s old. Says she is a widow with two older children. Referred to Home for Destitute Mothers & Children.

Mrs. Burrill, of Nahant, will take **Lily Pitcher**, who is now at the Asylum, on Oct. 6th, when **Flossie Dowler** leaves.

Mrs. Coolidge will advertise for a new place for **Winifred Sears** who is to make a change.

**Alberta Coffel** has written to Mrs. Holmes that she is uncertain what to do when she becomes eighteen. Mrs. Holmes will advise her not to go to her Father.

Miss M. Paine reports that Miss Wheeler will keep **Amy Downing** for \$1.50 per wk.

Mrs. G. W. Bond of Raynham wants to take **Hilda Nielsen** when she is fourteen. To be investigated.

The Gourleys have gone to Miss Wheeler's but their mother has refused to give up their trunks and they have only muslin dresses with no change of underclothing. A man named Mason who boards with Mrs. Gourley is said to be brutal to the girls. Mrs. Holmes is to consult with S.P.C.C. as to what to do.

**Irene Badgett**, colored, is not doing well in her place and Mrs. Holmes will try to find another for her.

### October 30, 1906

Mrs. Dick of Needham wanted to take **Tina Wilson**, who has gone to her. At present there is typhoid fever in Mrs. Dick's family and also in the one where the other Wilson girl is.

On application of Rev. Wm. Osborne Baker, rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill, **Belle Barnes** has been admitted and she has been sent to Mrs. Cheney, W. Newbury. Voted To approve action of com[mittee] in admitting Belle Barnes.

**Anna Knox** has been returned and is now at the Asylum.

Mrs. Holmes found a place for **Winifred Sears** with Mrs. Johnson of W. Somerville. She saw the principal of the school in which Winnie will continue and he spoke most highly of her.

Alberta Coffel is earning \$1.50 per wk in her place at Woburn where she is getting on well. Will be 18 in Nov. but does not wish to go to her father. Mrs. Mendum will keep her if **Jennie Clary** does not return.

Miss Wheeler finds that **Mabel Gourley** needs so much care when the attacks come on that some one must be called in to assist and asks the Asylum to pay for a nurse which will be allowed.

#### November 27, 1906

Mrs. Holmes has been looking for a place for **Evelyn Brydges** but has not succeeded in finding one.

Belle Barnes has gone to Mrs. Hunting, Natick.

Mrs. Holmes has been three times to see Mrs. Gourley, who says she wants to be relieved of her two younger children but does not give them over to Mrs. H. who however hopes to get them eventually.

Mrs. Warren is to be told that it is thought best to put **Flossie Hewson** in another place. She will probably go to Mrs. Geeson, Putnam, Conn.

## December 18, 1906

Mrs. Blake has seen the sister and brother-in-law of **Florence Hewson** who will not be taken away from Mrs. Warren as she does not wish to leave at present. Florence went to spend Thanksgiving with her married sister.

Mrs. Holmes reports that Miss Curran wishes to have **Annie Surette** placed in another home as she is delicate and requires extra attention. If possible Annie will be put in a Catholic family, but if a proper one cannot be found she will be sent for the present to Mrs. Hunting, at Natick, who already has three of the Asylum children.

Mrs. Snow does not want to keep **Etta Brydges** and complains that the uncle writes unwise letters to both Etta and Evelyn making them discontented. Mrs. Holmes suggests sending Etta to Mrs. Geeson and this will be done. **Evelyn [Brydges]** gets on well at Mrs. Moulton's.

Mrs. Wilson of C.A.S. has taken **Jessie and Alice Gourley** as their mother was ill and police notified C.A.S. They are now boarded by C.A.S. at expense of the Asylum until a permanent place is found for them.

**Sarah and Ellen Stokes** are to be taken from Mrs. Barlow in Stoughton who is not treating them in a satisfactory manner.

#### January 29, 1907

C.A.S. apply for admission of baby of Mrs. Matilda McIntosh, 5 mos. old. Boy older will be taken care of by C.A.S. with some help from the mother who will do the same for the girl if she can. Her husband deserted her last July. Mrs. Lowell admitted the child. Voted To ratify action of the com[mittee]. The child will be left where now boarded and Mrs. Holmes will visit.

Managers of the Infant Asylum apply for admission of **Mabel [Getchell]**, child of Mrs. Sarah Getchell, 7 Brigham St. E. Boston. She has been under care of Infant Asylum since Nov. 1905 and will be two yrs old Feb. 16, 1907. Is the 16th child of her mother and father died before she was born. Is now boarded in a good place. Mrs. Lowell has admitted...The child will be left where she is.

Mr. & Mrs. Rob't S. Webb, of Haverhill, want to take **Sarah Stokes**. They have no children. Mrs. Holmes visited the place and it was thought wise to try it. Voted To confirm action of com[mittee].

**Fanny Blumenthal** has been pilfering from Mrs. and Miss Leman and Dr. Putnam will examine her to decide whether she is weak-minded. Voted To leave to discretion of Mrs. Holmes to repay the Lemans up to \$12.

Miss Storer reports that Dr. Page thinks **Gertrude Pitcher** now well enough to be boarded elsewhere.

#### February 26, 1907

Mrs. Holmes went to Baldwinville and saw both Dr. Page and **Gertrude Pitcher**. Dr. P. did not know what to say. It is decided to pay for Gertrude's board in furure..

C.A.S. asks for admission of **Minnie and Ida Sandler**, Jews, who must be boarded, if possible, in a Jewish family, but are now in a Christian home. Voted To admit and to pay the money for their board to the C.A.S. whose visitor will report to us.

Application is made for admission of **Annie, Mary and Florence Berry**, aged eight, five and three, respectively. Father is English and Protestant. Mother, Catholic, died a year ago. They are now in a Catholic Home but the father, a ship plumber, wants them brought up as Protestants. Voted To admit in case the answers to questions sent to agent of Assoc. Char. are satisfactory.

The uncle of **Gertrude Davis**, who took her, complains of her conduct. Voted To say that we will look for a place for her.

Mr. Bergasy has gone to California and Mrs. B. is to join him there. Miss Greeley, agent of the Anti-Tuberculosis Soc'y, came here to ask if we will keep Eva and we will do so.

Voted To pay the agent of C.A.S. for visiting the Sandler girls.

#### March 26, 1907

Dr. Page recommends to have **Gertrude Pitcher** remain where she is. If, in future, he thinks it best to make a charge for her board it will be at the rate of \$3.75? [*sic*] per week.

By advice of the agent of Associated Charities Miss Bradlee decided to take two of the Berry children. The father brought them to Mrs. Holmes from the Catholic Home and said he wanted them put in a Protestant family. Two days afterward he took them away and placed them in the Camden St. Home. Later Miss Daniels asked if we would assume charge again and place them in a Catholic family but no further application has been made. Voted That Miss Hunnewell shall write to Father Anderson that the Managers are perfectly willing to board them in a Catholic family.

Miss Margaret Curtis asked Miss Bradlee to consider taking charge of a Portuguese girl **Mary Williams** about 14 yrs old, who has recently had frequent epileptic attacks. Father & mother alive and trying to support the rest of the family. A Miss Carter of Newton is most interested in the girl and would like to have her treated by a Dr. McIntosh, homeopath, who would make no charge if she can be boarded nearby. Voted That if the Children's Aid will provide boarding place and visit we will assume charge of expenses, including visiting, for one year.

C.A.S. apply for admission of **Ida Corrado**, 7 yrs old. Mother, widow, with two other children, Affred five yrs old, Olga four. She can keep Olga with her as she lives with a friend, Mrs. Cambrielle, 226 Meridian St. E.B. [East Boston] Voted To assume charge of Ida Corrado and pay expenses to C.A.S. who will find home and visit.

Mrs. A. M. Graves, Lexington, applies to take a girl. Has one child and expects another. All references recommend as a good housekeeper who will train a girl well. She will consider taking **Fanny Blumenthal**. Voted To allow Fanny to go to Mrs. Graves if interested.

Mr. Field of Children's Mission writes to ask about present condition of **Gertrude Schreiter**, in behalf of her guardian, Rev. Clark Carter, of Lawrence. Miss Bradlee looked up the matter and reported that Gertrude is now at Waverly.

Mrs. Snow, living near Lowell, is asking for a girl and it has been suggested that **Gertrude Davis** might answer, as her uncle refuses to keep her longer. He says she is insolent,

imprudent and needs control. Voted That if Mrs. Holmes thinks it a desirable place for Gertrude she shall go to Mrs. Snow.

**Madeleine Harvey**, now in Lawrence, has an abscess of the face. Dr. Putnam advises having her come to Boston for treatment.

Miss Bradlee reports that her ward, **May Bowman**, was accidently shot in Whately at the house of a neighbor, a short time ago. She lived but two hours afterwards. Miss Bradlee and Mrs. Holmes went to the funeral. The funeral expenses amount to \$55 and \$20 was due from the family where May was living to her. With regard to other money, clothing, etc. Miss Bradlee will give the money to May's mother and dispose of the rest as seems best.

# April 28, 1907

Miss Hunnewell reported that she wrote Father Anderson, head of Catholic Charitable Bureau, instead of to Father O'Donnell, concerning the Berry children and received an answer expressing thanks and good will. No further word has come from Mr. Berry.

**Gertrude Davis** has gone to Mrs. Snow. Miss Bradlee gave her some of **May Bowman's** clothes. Mrs. Snow is going soon to Old Orchard Beach.

Fanny Blumenthal has gone to Mrs. Graves.

**Jessie Gourley** is with her mother who is ill.

A Greek woman missionary has asked that **Sophia Galeney** be allowed to go to Northfield School after graduating at Holliston. Voted That she shall be allowed to go to Northfield and we will do whatever is necessary to facilitate this.

Mrs. Coolidge writes that **Winifred Sears** will remain with Mrs. Johnson through the summer instead of going to Meredith as reported.

The VanCor children have been admitted but have not come. Voted To ratify action of committee in admitting them.

Voted To admit Katharine Barrett and Children's Aid Society will visit.

Voted To admit Annie McLaughlin and C.A.S. will visit.

Voted To increase payment for each Sandler child by 50 cts per week for as long as C.A.S. thinks best.

## May 28, 1907

Mrs. Vaitses, Greek missionary, has sent a letter in reference to **Sophia Galene**, recommending a place for her for the summer with Mrs. Carpenter of Melrose and making some suggestions as to her control. Mrs. Holmes will confer with her.

Mary Finnerty is to go to Children's Hosp. for treatment of leg.

Two Van Cor children have been received and placed with Mrs. Delia Smith, Cliftondale. The father will pay \$2.50 per wk for them.

C.A.S. request admission of **Annie Taylor**. Voted To admit.

Miss Staunard of Mass. Infant Asylum, asks for admission of **Alice Elmore**, nearly two yrs old, now boarded with Mrs. Powers, Cliftondale, who would keep her. Her mother pays \$1 per week towards board and cares for her two older children. Voted To admit.

**Jenny Baker** is to be moved for the summer from Mrs. Fuller's in Stoughton to Mrs. Cheney's, W. Newbury. She has an adenoid growth and Dr. Putnam will examine her before she goes away.

Mrs. Gourley has taken **Alice [Gourley]** to be with her in Medford. Mrs. Holmes will visit there.

June 25, 1907

Alice Elmore was received on June 28. Mrs. Holmes went to the home where Alice is boarded but as she has had a girl there before and does not think well of it a change will be made. Mrs. Elmore asks that we assume charge also of an older girl, five yrs old, and put both in a Catholic family, she to pay \$3 per wk towards their board. Voted To admit the older Elmore girl.

**Sophia Galene** has gone to Mrs. Carpenter in Melrose at \$1.50 per wk. Mrs. Vaitses would like to have us take the younger sister, Bessie, 9 yrs old, and put her where Sophia has been. Voted To admit **Bessie Galene**.

Miss Mary E. Poole, agent of Assoc. Char. Cambridge, applies for admission of **Doris Porter**; mother, a widow with several children, is advised to go away for rest and two younger ones will go to the Avon Home. Voted To admit temporarily.

C.A.S. apply for admission of **Elsie Vickery** who can be under charge of their visitor, we to assume responsibility from June 4th. Voted To admit as above.

Mrs. W. W. Bryant proposes to give a shool home to **Carrie Ecay** who will shortly graduate from her present school. This will be definitely arranged by Mrs. Holmes later.

Mrs. Homer Whittemore, of Weston, would like a girl to assist in care of a child and in light housework for the summer. If satisfactory would probably keep her longer. Mrs. Holmes went to see the place yesterday and it is proposed to send **Mary Turnbull**.

Mrs. Babcock, of Plainfield, Conn, daughter of Mrs. Geeson, wants a girl. References are satisfactory and **Madeleine Harvey** is suggested. Voted To sent Madeleine to Mrs. Babcock if Dr. Putnam considers her physically suitable for the place.

Mrs. Carey, who has **Grace Richards**, thinks she might like to adopt her and will consider the matter a while longer before deciding.

Miss Cordner reports death of her former ward, **Nellie Fairbairn**, at age of twenty-five, in consequence of an accidental explosion at fire-works factory of Masten & Wells.

July 30, 1907

Voted That Madeline Harvey shall go to Mrs. Church.

Voted That **Etta Brydges** shall go to Mrs. Trayes.

Voted That **Tina Wilson** shall go to Mrs. Geeson.

Voted That as Mrs. Babcock prefers to have **Hilda Nelson** she shall take her in place of Madeleine Harvey.

Mass. Infant Asylum asks for admission of Lane Hazel [later records call her Hazel Lang]. Voted To admit.

C.A.S. asks for admission of **Gertrude Miller**. Voted To accept her temporarily. Voted To admit **Edith Kilpatrick** and that she remain under supervision of C.A.S.

Voted That we accept **Mary Flynn** and that she be continued under supervision of C.A.S.

#### August 27, 1907

Voted That we accept **Gertrude Miller** permanently and that we send to Mr. Birtwell a form of surrender to be filled in by her mother.

Voted That Mrs. Holmes make arrangements to send **Elsa Brigsay**[?] to Los Angeles with friends.

# September 24, 1907

Voted That we give **Dora Stotenberg** back to her mother.

C.A.S. apply for admission of **Olga Corrado**. Voted That we admit Olga Corrado and pay her expenses from Aug. 7, 1907.

Voted That in the case of **Edith Clarke**, that the Asylum pay \$25.00 towards a training at a business college and that we permit \$25 of the \$50 due her when eighteen yrs old to be spent in the same way.

# October 29, 1907

The Assoc. Charities, Districts 8 & 9, ask for permission of **Isabel Burnham** now with her mother who is unfit to take charge. The girl is 14 yrs old but looks much younger & probably has been neglected. Voted To admit <del>Isabel</del> [crossed out, "Laura" written above] Burnham.

**Etta Brydges** has gone to Mrs. C. B. Wheeler, E. Templeton. Is to have her clothing and ten cents a week. Her uncle is not pleased with this arrangement.

**Tina Wilson** has gone from Mrs. Leman to Dr. Johnson, W. Somerville.

**Dora Stotenberg** has gone to her mother.

**Melora[?] Jones**, a colored girl, is with Mrs. Randall, 228 Pleasant St. Newton. **Winifred Sears** has become 18 yrs of age and has gone to Indiana.

**Gladys Northrup** 7 yrs old and **Muriel Northrup** 4 yrs old have been admitted on application of C.A.S. who have had charge, more or less, since 1904. Father does not support. The mother is ill and has undergone an operation but is devoted to her children and does not wish to surrender them. C.A.S. propose to visit if we will pay expenses.

C.A.S. applied also for admission of **Mildred Hayward**, 10 mo[nth]'s old; illegitimate. Child is boarded and until now the father has supported but will no longer do so. The mother works in a bake-shop and at present can't do anything for the child though she expects to be able later after death of her grandmother. Miss Clarke will continue to visit.

C.A.S. asked that we take **Marian Marston**. Mother is tuberculous and has been helped somewhat by being in day-camp. A boy is boarded in Dorchester and the girl is to be with him in house of Miss Mabel Davis, 23 Plaine St. Father will pay something towards support of the two and C.A.S. suggest sharing this sum equally with B.F.A.

Mr. Birtwell asks that \$1 per wk for extra food in the way of fruit shall be allowed to **Mary Williams**. Voted To give to Miss Margaret Curtis until April, the sum of \$1 per week to be used for Mary Williams at her discretion.

Mrs. Dix who boards the Petersen children asks for a rise from \$2.00 to \$2.50 per wk each for the two girls. Voted To pay as requested.

November 26, 1907

Laura Burnham has been taken to Miss Pierce at Stoughton.

**Josephine Lapon** has had an interview with her father at the Asylum who brought with him a woman, possibly her mother, and Mr. Carbone. No attempt was made to take her from the Wetherells who came with her.

Mrs. Kirstine Peterson asks to take back her children as she is now living with her husband. She says he has reformed and no longer drinks but Miss M. Paine has been advised not to let the girls go home as he is not a moral man. Miss Paine thinks the mother all right and will investigate further as to the father.

**Melina Jones** wrote a bad letter to one of her friends which was held back by Mrs. Randall and given to Mrs. Holmes. It is probable that Mrs. Randall will not want to keep the girl.

**Etta Brydges** is with Mrs. Franklin Daly, Jamaica Plain, at \$1.50 per wk.

**Doris Porter** and **Hattie VanCor** are still very troublesome.

**Amy Downing** will remain with Mrs. Wheeler for her board, the Asylum to pay for clothing.

**Edith Clarke**'s mother proposes to move to Baltimore and wishes to take all her children with her. Edith's teacher says she is doing so well that it would be a pity to take her away now. Miss Hamilton feels that Mrs. Clarke may not be so placed that she can properly provide for Edith and Miss Storer, who has talked with Mrs. Clarke, is also doubtful on this point. Voted To tell Mrs. Clarke that we think best not to disturb Edith at present.

Children's Aid Society ask for admission of **Nellie Catherine McNeill** born in Boston Sept. 19, 1805, illegitimate. Mother unable to support at present. Voted To admit.

**Josephine and Helen O'Hare**. Josephine born Jan. 17, 1895, and Helen, 1907. Mother dead, father can pay something but not full expenses. Voted To admit.

**Margaret Thomas**, born Nov. 19, 1895, **Viva [Thomas]**, July 26, 1899. Father, carpenter, not very capable, has low wages, often out of work. There is a boy in charge of C.A.S. and the three children are boarded together in Saugus. Voted To admit.

**Stella Ames**, born July 31, 1903. Father in House of Correction, mother only 21 yrs old is with her parents in E. Boston and earns \$5.00 per wk. Has a baby at Mass. Infant Asylum. She will pay what she can towards support of Stella. Voted To admit.

**Lilian Jondry**, born Nov. 15, 1893. Mother, English, dead, father disreputable, believed to be dead. C.A.S. has supported for two years at house of Mrs. C.A. Rollins, W. Alton, N.H., where child has done remarkably well and it is felt important to keep her there at least until next fall when she may be placed in a free home. Voted To admit.

**Elizabeth Nagel**, b. Nov. 7, 1895. C.A.S. has had charge for two years in which time there has been great improvement both physically and morally. She boards with Mrs. George Lewis, Reading, Mass., where she is well trained. Voted To admit.

**Gladys Davis**, b[orn] Sept. 8, 1900, Tewksbury, Mass. C.A.S. has been interested since Nov. 1904. Mother immoral, is still living and at one time agreed to contribute towards board but

has paid nothing. Gladys affectionate and bright though fails in arithmetic. Rather delicate and needs good care. Voted To admit.

**Lucy Bryant**, b[orn] Nov. 29, 1898. **Mary [Bryant]**, [born] Aug. 26, 1901. Mother, Italian, dead. Father, Thomas, a butler, intemperate and irresponsible. Not been heard of since May, 1907. C.A.S. have had charge for three yrs and at present bear entire expense. The children, attractive and bright, now boarding with Mrs. Bertha Gardner, W. Hanover, Mass. Voted To admit.

## December 31, 1907

Mrs. Lowell has admitted an application of C.A.S. **Mary McDonald**, thirteen years old. She has chorea in a mild form and Dr. E. Channing Stowell who is interested in her will probably continue to visit her. Father dead, mother works out all day and can not give girl proper care. There is also a boy 11 yrs old. Voted To ratify action of committee.

Mrs. Lowell admitted also from C.A.S. **Eleanor May Harper**, 3 months old. Mother tuberculous and is now attending day camp in Brookline, her husband having a room nearby. It is thought that later they can begin housekeeping again and take first an older child, Charles, and later the younger one. Voted To ratify action of committee.

Mrs. Dix who has charge of **Gladys Alden** asks to be allowed to take also two children from C.A.S. Voted That if Mrs. Lowell thinks best she can permit this.

Miss M. Paine found no reason to object to the Petersen's father morally and they have...gone home. Miss Curtis reports that **Mary Williams** is improving and the hysterical attacks are less frequent.

**Anna Knox** has gone to Mrs. Randall, Newton C[enter?].

In response to an offer made by B.F.A. to pay for expense of **Laura Burnham**, daughter of Mrs. Snyder, the S.P.C.C. reply that it is not their custom to accept money for board of children living with them temporarily.

C.A.S. proposes admission of **Josephine Hinton**, colored, nearly 12 yrs old, father dead, mother has two younger children earns about \$4 per wk. In 1906 as she could not properly manage or care for Josephine she surrendered her for five yrs to C.A.S. who placed her with Mrs. M.C. Simpson, also colored who is giving her good training. Voted To admit Josephin Hinton. C. A. S. will continue to visit.

C.A.S. apply for admission of **Christine Stanton**, 13 yrs, 10 mos, [and] **Ethel Stanton**, 12 yrs, 7 mos. Father deserted mother who now earns \$5 per week in restaurant. C.A.S. took charge in 1900 and girls are boarded together. Mother attempts to pay towards support of one but is in arrears. If satisfactory she can be allowed to make this up. Voted To admit Christine and Ethel Stanton and let mother overtake arrears.

#### January 28, 1908

**Gladys Alden's** father has made himself obnoxious to the family with whom she boards. He is making an effort to be appointed her guardian and the case is to come up in court tomorrow. His daughter, Mrs. Gallant, if summoned, will testify against her father but Mrs. Alden will not appear. She thinks that Mr. Alden can not support Gladys. Voted That we request the Court to appoint Miss Lucy Ward Stebbins to be the legal guardian of Gladys Alden. Mrs.

Gallant has made second application for admission of her daughter, **Dorothy [Gallant]**, now three yrs old. It was refused before because Mrs. G. could not pay part of child's support but Dr. Herbert says that the mother is nervously broken down and epileptic. Father is worthless. Voted To admit Dorothy Gallant.

Children's Aid Society have turned over case of **Bertha Thresher** without investigation. Application has been made by her uncle Eugene Thrasher. Child is mentally deficient and is now living in Ware. Miss Woods of Worcester Children's Friend Society has investigated and The Little Wanderers Home Soc. will take charge until there is a vacancy in the Home for Feeble-Minded, when she is to be admitted there. There is an older sister, **Myrtle [Thresher]**, 15 yrs old, who is anxious to go to school. The home has been broken up and friends are helping the family. Voted To ratify action of com[mittee] in having Miss Stebbins look up the family. Voted To authorize com[mittee] of the month to admit Myrtle and find her a school home.

### February 25, 1908

Miss Eleanor O'Brien has been engaged as stenographer and type-writer at \$10 per wk. She is well-recommended having formerly been a school-teacher and recently employed in a law-office.

Voted...To leave to com[mittee of month and Miss Stebbins with power to admit if they consider best on further investigation,

Amoritino Collecino who may be visited by C.A.S.

**Raffaela Giangregorina** if C.A.S. wish us to take full charge.

C.A.S. apply also for admission of **Helen Brennan**, 8 yrs old. She has chorea and it is thought best not to leave her with her family which is poor. C.A.S. took charge of two of the children during the summer and the father was not able to pay their board. Mother is peculiar and it may be best to break up the home. Voted To refer to com[mittee] of the month.

**Dorothy Gallant** is now with Mrs. Hall, Waverly.

The Alden case is not yet settled.

**Bertha Thresher** was taken to Little Wanderer's Home and the next day to Mass. Gen. Hosp. where she is to remain until papers are ready for her entrance to Home for Feeble-Minded. **Myrtle Thresher** is to go to Mrs. Reed, W. Roxbury, on trial, the terms to be arranged later.

**Grace Calhane**, 14 yrs old, Catholic. Father ill and feeble-minded, not working, mother at Rutland. Grace has been living with a friend and has now gone to Mrs. Connell, W. Newbury. Child is run down and needs good care and food. Voted To approve action of committee.

**Florence Amour**, referred by C.A.S. Illegitimate. Mother came from Scotland, works in factory in Andover. The girl is hard to manage. Mother seems a good woman and with help of her sisters will pay for board and clothing. Girl has been sent to Miss Bixby, Boxford. Voted To approve action of committee.

C.A.S. refers Semmach family, Romanian. Relatives sent money to bring the family to this country but the husband spent it and the Romanian Government replaced it. Woman with seven children now living in a basement. Mrs. Austen, a Jew, pays \$5 per week toward support of family and the Jewish Federation supports one child. There is a place to procure work at dressmaking for Mrs. S. and we are asked to pay \$5 per week which would be equivalent to

board of two girls for a while. Voted To refer to com[mittee] of month to admit two girls but not to pay mother [\$]5 per wk.

**Fanny Blumenthal** after being treated at the hospital has been sent temporarily to Mrs. Pry, W. Everett.

March 30, 1908

**Celia Semach**, 12 yrs old, **Sarah [Semach]**, 7, have been admitted and sent to Mrs. S.C. Thompson, South Braintree. Mother now has tailoring work and keeps three boys at home. One of them earns \$3 per wk.

**Cordelia Harvey**, 7 yrs old, has been admitted. Father, Stephen, epileptic and insane is taken care of by his own family. Mother died in June. Father's family took the child for a while but no one is now able to support her. She has been placed with Mrs. Coleman, North Cambridge.

C.A.S. applied for admission of **Dorothea and Helena Crowley**, of 816 Dorchester Ave. Mother says children hard to manage but school-teacher says they are doing well. Church visitor of Ramsey St. Chapel is interested and it was thought best not to admit.

C.A.S. apply for admission of **Alice Paul**, 3 yrs old. Dr. Mary Hobart is interested in Mrs. Eng with whom she is boarded and thinks child should be under supervision as her mother is immoral and has deserted. Father supported child for two yrs then took to drinking and lost his work. He afterwards got work but did not pay her board for 8 weeks. Dr. H. talked with him and he began to pay again. Mrs. Eng wants someone to take an interest in the child and assist if necessary. Voted To admit Alice Paul.

April 28, 1908

Dr. Austin E. St. Clair, South Framingham, has sent a bill for glasses \$5 and services \$5 for **Sophia Galarnie** [Galeney], offering to contribute services if this is a charity case. Voted To send to Dr. St. Clair a check for \$5 for the glasses with thanks for his kindness.

Mrs. Amour is to be married and wishes to take back **Florence [Amour]**. Voted To allow Florence to go to her mother and that Miss Stebbins shall keep supervision over her for the present.

In the matter of **Rafaella Giangregonana** her mother has been in the hospital for an operation and is now at Milton Convalescent Home having another child with her. Ray is now with a good woman who takes excellent care of the child who is frail but improves. Mrs. G. is unable to help towards board for the present.

C.A.S. refers **Helen Stone**, 8 yrs old, **Edith [Stone]** 3 yrs old. Their brother, Charles 6 yrs old, is boarding with them with Mrs. John Phillips, So Weymouth. Father has deserted, mother has been partly trained as a nurse and has gone to Portland hoping to establish herself there and later to make a home for her children. She will try to pay \$3 per wk towards their board for the present. Helen is mentally deficient but Edith is bright. Voted To admit.

Mrs. Gourlie asks Asylum to resume charge of **Jessie [Gourley]** as Mrs. G. has been ill though now better. Jessie is physically in bad condition and has been temporarily placed.

Miss Hewins, State Minor Wards Dept, applies for admission of **Nora Smith**, 14 yrs old, who is overgrown and has trouble in lungs. Father died 4 yrs ago in Nova Scotia. Mother with

Nora and three other children came to Boston expecting to find friends who, however, failed them. Mother has housework at \$3.50 per wk and Nora has taken care of children. Not having a settlement there is not much chance that Nora can be admitted at Rutland and mother will pay \$2 per wk towards her board elsewhere. It is left to discretion of Miss Stebbins to render what assistance is necessary.

May 25, 1908

Nora Smith has been admitted.

C.A.S applies for admission of **Helen May Bleyan** 6 yrs old and **Dorothy Hazel** [**Bleyan**] 4 yrs and 5 mos old. Known to C.A.S. in Oct. 1906 when Legal Aid Soc'y got money from the father, who had deserted. He is now in Indianapolis and does nothing for his family. There is a boy 8 yrs old and the children are now with Mrs. Taylor, 10 Whitfield St. Mother is a nurse and can pay something towards their support. At present they are having measles so nothing can be done. Admitted.

**Julia Tatro** is not getting along well with Mrs. Alger, and as she will soon of 18 yrs old she wants to go at once to her mother or sister. Miss. M. Paine will try to arrange for her to stay longer with Mrs. Alger but if this is not possible must let her do as she likes.

Mrs. Fuller wants to know whether Anna Knox, who is in training to be a nurse at Long Island Hospital, can come occasionally to sleep at the Asylum when she has time off. This will be allowed.

**Carrie Ekay** has gone to Mrs. Randall, Newton Centre.

**Jessie Gourley** is at Mrs. Donaldson's. **Etta Brydges** at Mrs. Copeland's. **Emmeline Brydges** is at Eye & Ear Infirmary. Mr. Lapori came here to see **Josephine [Lapori]** and brought an interpreter whom Mrs. Holmes did not like. When he comes again Mrs. Lowell will try to have Signora Romano present.

**Violet Champmiss** has been sent to Lancaster.

Dr. Fernald, Waverley School for Feeble-Minded, has admitted **Helen Stone** and will take **Laura Burnham** as soon as there is room.

**Hilda Nelson** is working in a paint and paper shop in Brookline for her cousin's employer, at \$3.50 per wk. Boards with her cousin at \$3 per wk.

**Alice Elmore** has gone to a Catholic family in Somerville.

**Nora Smith** has gone to the Day Camp of Home of Good Samaritan. For a week she is living at house of Mrs. Burgess where Simmons College girls board. After that she will stay with a Mrs. Parsons in Roxbury at \$4.00 per wk.

**Myrtle Thresher** has not been doing very well and has written to Miss Stebbins that she is much discouraged. Miss Stebbins proposes that she be sent to the Trade School to give her some stimulus to improve.

June 30, 1908

The committee reports applications from C.A.S. for admission of **Mary Kenny**, 6 yrs old. Mother is laundress at Adams House, Waltham, a very respectable woman who will pay all she can. The child has learned to use bad language and needs strict oversight. Admitted. Will board with M. T. Phelan, 27 Ash St. Waltham.

From Mrs. Winifred Mead for admission of her two little girls, **Alice [Mead]**, born Apr. 22, 1904, **Lilian [Mead]** b[orn] Nov. 8, 1905. Mother, Catholic; father, a Protestant, was killed on the railroad, July, 1907. The children were in the care of the Children's Mission for a time last summer; a boy was born in Aug. 1907. The mother, though a good woman, is no disciplinarian and the children are being spoiled. The case is recommended by Miss Coe of Assoc. Char. Voted To admit.

**Mary McDonald**, admitted last January and taken by her mother soon after, has again come under care of the Asylum. It is hoped a home for her can be found.

The question of admission of **Janice Marie Gertrude McQuestion** was referred to Admission Com[mittee] for investigation.

**Julia Tatro** has left Mrs. Alger and is now in Braintree where she received \$2.50 per wk.

**Nora Smith** is now at Mrs. Lawler's in Brookline; there is some question of sending her to Bridgewater in the hope that she may improve physically so that she may be admitted to Rutland, as she is not well.

#### July 28, 1908

The Admission Com[mittee] report that **Janice McQuestion** has been temporarily admitted and placed with Mrs. Fay of Westboro; it is hoped that she will improve physically so much that it will not be necessary to put her in an institution. The result thus far has been satisfactory.

**Mary McDonald** is again with her mother. Miss O'Brien took her to a place where she refused to stay and later when taken again to the same place the woman declined to receive her.

**Nora Smith** is in attendance at the Day Camp and on the whole is improving in health and behavior.

**Myrtle Thresher** was sent to her uncle whose wife was ill so she could not stay there. She is now with Mrs. Wm. Bacon, Nobscot, earning \$1 per wk.

**Hattie Van Cor** has committed various peculations on which account she has been dismissed from two places.

**Hilda Nelson** who has been living at her aunt's and at work in the paint shop nearby cannot be kept there. She wants to go to Taunton where she has a friend. Mrs. Holmes will try to place them both.

#### August 25, 1908

The Admission Com[mittee] reported that...**Mildred Brown**, **Winifred Clifford**, 7 yrs old, and **Bertha Clifford**, 5 yrs old, have been admitted.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] report more trouble with **Hattie Van Cor**. **Myrtle Thrasher** is kind and well-meaning with children but if not watched will pick up a book. As she has a good start in sewing, application has been made at the Trade School, where she will be admitted on Sept. 16th.

**Edith Gourley** has gone for a week's visit to be mother but is glad to come back today. **Jessie [Gourley]** is troublesome and Miss Wheeler feels that she must have \$4 per wk for special care.

C.A.S. sent in reports regarding **A. Collicino** who has been discharged and has gone to California. **Helen Stone** has gone to Waverley School. **Hilda Neilson** is on a farm.

## September 29, 1908

The Admission Com[mittee] report admission of **Mary Cuchane**, 5 yrs old. Mother has been at Rutland and Mary at the Harrison Ave. Home. There is some difficulty about getting Mary away and the matter is left to Miss Coe.

Minnie Howard, referred by C.A.S. has been admitted.

Voted To admit **Alice Grace Diggin**, called Warren, referred by C.A.S. She was taken care of for a while by a Miss Carpenter, Miss Abbot and Miss Culver but they were unable to continue longer. Dr. Putnam will examine Alice.

Voted To admit **Evelyn Patridge**, 7 yrs old, referred to us by her grandmother who has paid her board at Mrs. Cutting's in Natick. The grandmother is now unable to support her but agrees to pay \$1 per wk towards board and for her clothing.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] report that **Amelia Elmore** went to a convent on Sept. 6th.

**Katie Ecay**, who was with Mrs. Witherell at No. Raynham, has gone to Melrose to be with Mrs. Dale who speaks very highly of her.

Jessie Broom has left Miss Wheeler and gone to a working house with Mrs. Hobart.

**Evelyn Brydges** has gone to a Mrs. Perry. Mrs. Holmes bought her a speaking-tube with which she is delighted.

**Fanny Blumenthal** is with Mrs. Howard, earning \$1 per wk which Mrs. Howard saves for her and 10 cts more per wk which Fanny has to spent.

**Edith Gourlie** is earning \$2.50 per wk in a working home. Has been staying nights with Miss Wheeler but is soon to stop over night where she works.

**Christine Stanton** has gone home to her mother and C.A.S. are keeping watch over her.

**Josephine Hinton** is placed in a school house.

**Mary Kenny** may have to go to Waverly. She is giving much trouble in school. Dr. Putnam is watching her closely and thinks she may improve under good home care.

**Hattie Van Cor** is still with Mrs. Leman who says she thinks Hattie is improving. She has not been stealing for two weeks.

## October 27, 1908

Admission com[mittee] have accepted

**Mabel Colby**, 5 yrs old; **Ruth Campbell** 9 yrs old. Mabel Colby's mother is immoral but is probably now married to Mr. Donahue. Mabel was been living with Mrs. Fifield who would like to keep her. She is still with Mrs. F. waiting for exam[inatio]n by Dr. Putnam.

**Ethel Campbell**. The Campbells are colored. Father, a writer, deserted the mother who afterwards died of tuberculosis. He went to Scranton, Pa, and sometimes sent her money. Came to her funeral and went back leaving these children with an older one, Mary, at Mrs. Washington's. Mary is now in a place and the others with Mrs. Fowler. Dr. Lawrence of Brookline is interested in the family and has heard from Mr. Campbell that he will contribute towards support of children.

**Gladys Alden** has been operated upon for gland in arm at the Mass. Gen. Hosp. Her father has expressed himself as very grateful for the care taken of her but adds that he may want to assume charge of her before long as he is likely to inherit some money.

**Grace Cullane** has been operated upon for adenoids at the Boston Dispensary.

**Nora Smith**, subject to tuberculosis, has been doing well at the Good Samaritan day-camp, but has become dissatisfied with her room at the house of Mrs. Burgess, with whom she boards, and has told Mrs. B. that she was to be placed elsewhere. This is a fiction and Miss Blake will try to keep Nora where she is.

**Mary Kenney** is said to be mentally defective though the superintendent of schools at Waltham finds that in some respects she is fairly bright.

Lilian Jondrey will remain with Mrs. Rollins who offers her a free home.

### November 24, 1908

Admission Com[mittee] have accepted **Mabel Hall**, b[orn] 1899, Protestant, parents deaf-mutes. Father dead, mother has married again and her husband does not treat Mabel well. Mrs. Kidder of Somerville brought the case to notice of Children's Friend Soc. and Mr. Stone turned it over to us. Mabel has been placed with Mrs. Wetherell, No. Raynham.

**Alice Duker**, referred by Miss Coe, of Assoc. Charities. Father criminal, mother tries to support her family. Alice is not strong but will probably improve and be able to go to school. 7 yrs old. She is with Miss Connell, W. Newbury.

Mrs. Wilson has gone to housekeeping in Cambridge. Has one daughter and two boys with her and would like to take Tina. Thinks works at \$4 per wk can be found for her. Voted That **Tina Wilson** shall go to her mother.

**Sarah Stokes** is not well and Dr. Putnam recommends that she have an operation at the Vincent Hospital.

**Doris Marden** with Miss Bullard is to stay at home for two months to take care of Mrs. Bullard; meanwhile is to have a tutor to keep her up in her studies.

**Sarah Semach** who has ear trouble has been operated upon by a physician from Medfield at her home in Dover.

In future Mrs. Hobart will pay **Jessie Brown** \$1 per wk. **Nora Smith** is satisfied to remain with Mrs. Burgess. She is getting on well physically.

Six children have been transferred to our visitors from the care of C.A.S., viz. - Elsie Vickory, Lucy Bryant, Mary Bryant, Gladys Davis, Lillian Jondrey, Nellie McNeil.

### December 29, 1908

The admission Com[mittee] has accepted **Dorothy Hamilton**, Protestant, born in Aug. 1895. Father died some years ago, mother has three other children. They all have work and Dorothy is left too much without oversight. Mother is able to pay her board and asks us to supervise. The girl has been placed with Mrs. Marshall in Swampscott.

**Maud Carroll**, Catholic, 12 yrs old is referred by Miss Jones of Bulfinch PI. Chapel, who met her and another girl at the service there and gained their confidence. Maud had run away and said she did not wish to be put in a Catholic home. She called herself fourteen but it

afterwards transpired that she was not so old and she has therefore been placed in a school-home.

**Georgie Freni**, Italian, 17 yrs old, orphan in this country about one year. Lived at first with married brother who could not keep her and she afterwards did house-work. Miss O'Neil of Assoc. Char. found a place for her on a farm in Westboro where she now is.

**Gladys Patterson**, 15 yrs old, referred by Miss Albro, a State visitor. Parents dead. She lived for a while with an uncle who got a place for her with Miss Lynch. At present the girl has disappeared.

Application is made for admission of **Marie Noble**, b[orn] Nov. 1907, illegitimate. Mother's brother has paid board with Mrs. Goodwin who cannot keep her any longer. Relatives are able to pay but want to keep the child's history secret. C.A.S. ask us to take charge and suggest that we place her in a private family rather than Mass. Infant Asylum. Left to Ad[mission] Com[mittee] to investigate and decide.

Miss Burrage, kindergartener [teacher], asks us to help the Moore family, colored. Mother dead, father is a janitor. The oldest girl is 17 yrs old and there are several other, the second one being subject to tuberculosis is in charge of St. Monica society. Relatives in Petersburg, Va. will take charge of all except this girl and it is asked that we advance money for travelling expenses which father expects to repay. Voted That we advance such amount as is needed to transport this family to the South.

Mrs. McNeil wishes to take her child, Nellie Catherine. Voted To allow this.

Since an operation for appendicitis at City Hosp. **Julia Tatro** has been at the Convalescent Home of City Hosp. Voted To pay Julia's board as long as is necessary.

**Sarah Stokes** is much improved by an operation at the Vincent Hosp. and has gone back to her place.

**Tina Wilson** is earning \$4 per wk at E. & R. Laundry.

The Semach girls at Dover being Jewish are not in touch with any church and Mrs. Hecht is to be consulted as to what is best to do in the matter.

January 26, 1909

**Anna Moreland** referred by C.A.S. Father and mother separated. Mother not strong and about to undergo an operation. The girl lived until eight weeks ago with grandparents who are old and she was not having proper care. It was decided to take her temporarily.

**Nina Phelps**, illegitimate, mother dead. When she was three weeks old she was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Phelps; the latter died last summer. Since then Mr. P. has not done well and is not a suitable person to take charge. After we had placed her in So. Braintree Mr. P. appeared and said he had arranged to put her with Mrs. Winson in So. Royalton who has boarded state wards and is well recommended. The child has therefore been transferred to care of Mr. Phelps.

**Gladys Patterson** was found with an uncle in Somerville. She had arranged to work for Mrs. Hilton nearby and was anxious to carry out the plan. She seems to be doing well there.

**Marian Noble**'s uncle has not replied to letter written him neither has her mother. Thus far she has been at Gwynne Home but must leave there within a few days. The ad[mission] committee will consider what is to [be] done about her.

**Theo.** and **Kathleen Lovejoy**. C.A.S. apply for their admission. Father drank and abused wife who had to leave him. The oldest girl[crossed out], Freda, had gone with her mother to a place. Later Mrs. L. went to Milton Convalescent Home for rest and Freda was to go to Gwynne Home but could not be admitted on account of scabies. She was therefore taken into the Asylum and Mrs. David carried out the treatment prescribed whereby she was cured. The other Lovejoy children have been admitted and placed. Voted To admit **Freda Lovejoy** temporarily.

The Moore children arrived safely in Petersburg and their father has begun to repay the money advanced.

**Sarah Baker** has become 18 yrs of age. She came to Boston last Wednesday to meet her mother whom she had not seen for 13 yrs. Miss Blake had found a place for her in Everett at \$2.50 per wk. Sarah went there on Wednesday but did not want to stay without any especial reason being given. The woman said she was not any good and she could not keep her. Sarah has now gone to stay with Mrs. George Wheeler for a few days.

Mrs. Baker wants to take Jennie to live with her. Voted That Mrs. Baker be told that we do not think this is advisable.

**Nora Smith** continues to improve at the House of Good Samaritan camp and will probably be discharged within [blank].

**Annie Taylor**, 15 yrs old, had been boarded with Mrs. Todd who sent word that she could not keep her any longer. Miss Blake brought her to Boston and she is now with Mrs. Stone in a working home.

**Mabel Thresher** was reported by Dr. Evangeline Young to have serious trouble of heart. She refuses to go to Dr. Putnam for examination. She is now at the Trade School.

**Helen Brunell** is reported from the Trade School as spending money very freely. It transpires that her mother has given her money which she has spent foolishly.

**Irene Badger** is in Maplewood. Her mother asks to be allowed to have her in Boston where Mrs. Badger carries on a lodging-house. Voted To allow Irene to go to her mother.

**Hattie Van Cor** has been troublesome again. At present she is on probation. The Placing-Out Com[mittee] think if she does not improve she might go to Lancaster.

## February 23, 1909

**Marion Noble** has been admitted temporarily. It turns out that she is the daughter of Mr. Hipson who professed to be her uncle. She is illegitimate and he states that her mother's whereabouts are unknown to him. He has arranged to have the child taken to Nova Scotia by Mrs. Goodwin a little later.

**Marion, Gertrude and Grace Bright** have been admitted. Mother dead and father has not yet been able to find any one to properly care for the children at home. He is a carpenter and hopes to be able to pay their board later, but has been ill so cannot pay in full at present. The children have recently been having measles and were at the City Hosp.

Miss Babcock of Municipal Dispensary refers **Mary Barbarsti**, 12 yrs old. Father is bad and without work. Mary has incipient tuberculosis and Miss Blake is to find a place for her where she can attend the Day Camp. Dr. Floyd thinks she can go into a family without risk to others.

S.P.C.C. through Mrs. Montgomery refers **Leila Amero**, 15 yrs old. Mother dead. Girl bright and attractive but probably hard to manage. Mrs. Montgomery hopes to induce her to choose Miss Blake as guardian. Admitted.

**Bessie Harper**, colored. Mother insane, father and brother of doubtful character, but father pays board. He has been advised to put her in a new place where she can be under the occasional supervision of Miss Blake.

**Sarah Baker**, a former ward, is engaged to a young man living in East Templeton. Mrs. Wheeler speaks well of him, having known him for seven years. Sarah has gone to Gardner, a neighboring town, to work for Mrs. Glazier.

**Frances Dow** has had tonsillitis and it is thought best to keep her out of school for a while.

A letter from the Gourleys from their brother has come from Miss Wheeler. He states that their mother is ill and he wishes them to go at once to see her. Miss Blake investigated and after some difficulty found Mrs. Gourley in Walpole, keeping house for a man whose wife has left him. She was told that her daughters could not go to her.

**Minnie Howard** had been doing well but suddenly disappeared after going with her brother to Lancaster to see her sister. It turned out that she went to a friend in Charlestown and spent the night there. Her brother brought her to see Miss Blake and said he thought he could look out for her. At present she is with her friend helping in care of the baby but wishes to find a place to do laundry work and live at her brother's.

Dr. Fernald examined **Mary Kenney** and said he would take her on trial as soon as an outbreak of diphtheria at Home for Feeble-Minded is over.

He examined also **Grace McNeil** and considers her not feeble-minded but degenerate. Thinks she will not live many years and before long may become helpless. Mrs. Blake is trying to find out whether her mother had a settlement in Boston. Mary will not be moved at present.

**Hattie Van Cor** is doing better and Miss Blake is looking for a place for her. Her grandmother has made a will leaving the bulk of her property to her three grandchildren.

The Sennach children have been changed to a home with a Jewish family. Thus far they have been very homesick.

**Thomine Nelson** appeared at the office late one afternoon saying she had run away because the children called her names. Mrs. Ledgell came for her and took her back.

**Julia Tatro** is still at the City Hospital.

**Freda Lovejoy** is still with Mrs. Lombard. Mrs. Lovejoy has not yet left the Convalescent Home but a place is in view for her.

#### March 30, 1909

Admission com[mittee] report admission of **Mamie and Ellen Fortune**[?] eight and seven yrs old. Mother, widow from Newfoundland. The children have been boarded there but she felt they were not well placed and brought them here to be in the house with her. She has a place as cook and is away all day and until 9 at night. Mr. Stone of Children's Friend Society knew about them and thought they were not receiving proper car[e] so he referred them to us. They are now boarded in Ashland.

**Mary Eliz[abe]th Emerson**, 2 yrs old next May. Mother insane, father out of work. There are three other children living among relatives & at school. Father's sister, Mrs. Bissell, keeps a boarding-house in Dorchester. As soon as the father is able he is to help towards Mary's board.

**Dorothy Simonds**, colored, illegitimate. Mother was deceived by a man named White who promised to marry her, but did not and afterwards married another woman. The child is in Maplewood and mother can't earn enough to pay more that \$1 per week for her but will try to do that.

**Lizzie Dow**, referred by Mrs. Damon of C.A.S. Catholic. She is not strong and has been in several hospitals so needs especially good care. Father drinks and has deserted family. Mrs. Dow is spoken well of; she earns about \$5 per week and has other children.

**Alice Gilbert**, 14 yrs old. Mrs. Gilbert came to Malden some years ago and said husband was dead. Worked in a restaurant for Mr. Mitchell but lost her place and married man named Hutchinson. She afterwards died and Mrs. Mitchell has had charge of Alice though she does not care for her and now declines to keep her longer.

Children's Aid Society have referred **Florence Deleno**, 14 yrs old. Father bad and mother died one year ago. Grandmother has taken care of Florence since childhood but now states that they do not get along well together and she wishes to be relieved of her. After interviewing both Miss Blake found that they were reluctant to break off relations and they are to go on living together for the present under supervision of Miss Blake.

**Freda Lovejoy** has gone to her mother who is working at Whitio for \$6 per wk and doing well.

**Mary Barbanti** was said to be too young for the Day Camp. Dr. Floyd recommends placing her in a private family. Miss Blake will consult with Miss Babcock.

Mr. Hipson has paid board in full for **Marion Noble** and says he will continue to do so.

**Sarah Baker** is married to Mr. Gilbert and lives in East Templeton. **Fanny Blumenthal** who is with Mrs. Howard in Somerville has been giving considerable trouble from spells of bad temper.

**Florence Dow** has recovered from tonsillitis but was not doing well. Dr. Putnam recommended a slight operation at Vincent Hosp.

Mary Kenny has been admitted at Waverly.

**Hattie Van Cor** has been about a month at City Hosp. with typhoid fever.

**Dorothy Hamilton**, 13 yrs old, very troublesome and immoral, has been sent to Lancaster.

**Mary Colby**, 6 yrs old, much improved by slight operation at Children's Hospital; **Hilda Borgesen** has had mild attack of diphtheria.

**Grace McNeil** will stay for the present with Mrs. Rowell.

**Julia Tatro**, having recovered from scarlet fever, is now with her sister in Waltham looking for a place.

The Gelain [Gelaney] children have been giving trouble and Miss Whitting evidently cannot control Thesbie and Sadie so they are to be placed elsewhere.

The Semmach girls are not getting on well and it is proposed to let them return to Mrs. Burgess at Dover, Mass. and go to Jewish church in Millis, 6 miles away.

April 27, 1909

Admission committee have agreed to assist temporarily **Ida Mary Mikie**[?], 18 yrs old but appearing younger, who has been referred by Miss Coes of Assoc. Charities. Father and mother living but father drinks. Ida, who has been for two years at Trade School learning to make straw hats, tried to take a place to work at her trade and proved unequal to it. The doctor at Trade School thought she had heart trouble. Dr. Putnam feels doubtful about that and thinks that if placed in the country she will improve shortly. This is to be tried and she is to go to North Dighton.

Mrs. Dexter of the Temporary Asylum for Discharged Prisoners (Women) in Dedham has referred **Angie Murphy**, 4 yrs old, who has been admitted. Child illegitimate born at Lying In Hosp. Mother was afterwards in prison & when discharged was admitted to Dedham Asylum with her child, and will continue to work there at \$2 per wk, paying what she can toward child's board.

**Hattie Van Cor** is improving. **Annie Taylor**, transferred from care of C.A.S. was tried in two working-homes but did not do well in either. Dr. Putnam and Dr. Fernald agree in thinking that eventually she must go to Waverly but for the present recommend a boarding home.

**Jennie Baker** and **Dorothy Murray** have been taken from Mrs. Cheney as it was discovered through Jennie that they were not well treated by her. Dr. Putnam says that Jennie has heart trouble though able to do light work and she has gone to Mrs. Pope in Roslindale who likes her very much. Dorothy has been sent to Lynn to board.

Application for guardianship of **Leila Amero** for Miss Blake has not yet been passed upon by the Court but is practically settled as father has signed the necessary papers and Leila has selected Miss Blake. Leila is now with Mrs. Leeman.

**Frances Dow** is to be operated upon at City Hosp.

Margaret and Viva Thomas have been returned to parents.

May 25, 1909

**Lilian Bassett**, colored, 15 yrs old, referred by Miss Hardwick of Assoc. Char. Mother works every day, father worthless but she will not leave him. Lilian is not well taken care of at home and Miss H. thinks she should be under better influences, she has not yet been placed.

**Mildred West**, colored, 15 yrs old, is now with Mrs. Armstrong in Waltham. Father Field, who is her guardian, has not found out about her parentage. She has been at the farm in Foxboro and temporarily at Vineyard Haven.

**Marian Hirst**, 3 yrs old, ref. by Miss Coe of Assoc. Char. Father not strong, mother tuberculous, is to go to day-camp. The child has been placed with Mrs. Field, Waltham.

**Barbara Chambers**, 11 yrs old, ref. by S.P.C.C. Her mother, when a child, was at Gwynne Home; was sent west to the Shakers then came back. Had two children, illegitimate, the first died. Seven yrs ago Mrs. Hewson took Barbara and mother paid board but has not paid since Feb. and has now disappeared. Child remains with Mrs. Hewson.

**Lucy Goodwin**, 15 yrs old, ref. by Mr. Carter of S.P.C.C. of Lawrence. Mother is immoral and has consented to have Lucy put under guardianship. She is now in Lawrence with Mrs. Pierce waiting for action of the Court.

**Eva Miller**, 16 yrs old, Russian, also ref. by Mr. Carter. Came from Russia about 4 yrs ago. Her grandmother called her 14 yrs old and put her to work whereby she supported grandmother and father, but she got into trouble and was sent to Tewksbury where a child was born. Guardianship has been applied for and Eva is now in family of Mr. Winslow, teacher in Roxbury Latin School.

**Blanche Lindebald**, 2 yrs old, ref. by Mass. Infant Asylum. Her aunt, Miss Peterson, has been appointed guardian and has paid board regularly as the father, who was to have done this, did not amount to much. At present Miss P. cannot pay as she has another child, 8 yrs old, to care of. Blanche is not yet placed.

**Mabel Getchell**, nearly four years old, who has been in our care since infancy because her mother was not strong and had other children, is to be returned. At present there are several children at home, three of whom are earning and the mother has consented to take her. Voted To return Mabel to her mother.

**Sadie Gelanie** has been transferred to Mrs. Watson in Natick where she is to earn board and \$.25 per wk.

**Nora Smith** has been discharged from the day-camp as practically cured, but as she is yet unable to work she is to go to camp at Sharon, under Mr. Denning, which will open on June 10th, at \$3 per wk board.

**Myrtle Thresher** is very happy at the Trade School learning dress-making. **Hattie Van Cor** is now with Mrs. Leeman waiting for a suitable place.

**Leila Amero** is unsteady and goes off at times without leave. Miss Blake has been appointed guardian and has placed her under strict supervision at the Welcome Home, Dorchester, where she is learning to do housework.

**Mabel Gourley**, though delicate and nervous, is thought to be able to do some work. At present she is staying with an aunt so as to go every other day to Dr. Putnam.

Gertrude Marden has done well since operation.

**Katy Ecay** has gone back to Mrs. Wetherell, North Raynham. After going to school another year she is to take training at the Insane Asylum as nurse.

**Mary Finnerty** has been learning dressmaking and is to take a course at the Trade School.

**Etta Brydges** has given up housework in order to learn to be a telephone operator. She is now earning \$4 per wk at the school of the Telephone Co.

June 29, 1909

The report of Admission Com[mittee] was heard first.

**Chambers**, **Barbara**, 8 yrs old. Mother arrested and put in Welcome House from which she ran away. Child stopping with Mrs. Hussen. Voted to admit if guardianship is obtained. Courts have closed until September during which time it was decided to pay Mrs. Hussen for child's board.

**Buckman, Evelyn**, 12 yrs old, **Gladys**, 9 yrs. Application by Father through C.A.S. Mother very immoral. Father also immoral but seems to be doing better now. Mother lived with a Mr. Chase who is father of twins. Mr. B. left her but later took her back on condition that she would have nothing to do with Mr. Chase; she did not keep her promise and resumed relations

with Mr. C. Mr. B. is to pay \$5 for board of children and should he fail we are to apply at his employers for his wages. The children were to come to the B.F.A. but mother refused and Mr. B's lawyer is to take the matter to the judge & obtain legal surrender.

**Nora Nee**. Catholic, 5 yrs old. Father dead. Application from Miss Stebbins, A.C. [Associated Charities] Mother indolent. An older girl lives at home and a younger boy who is at Long Island has water on the brain. A man is lodging with Mrs. Nee who is said to be her cousin but the Priest and A.C. are trying to get him to leave as they doubt Mrs. Nee's morals. She is fond of her children but neglects them. Nora is pre-tubercular and a doctor has said she cannot live a year under present conditions. Voted To admit after taking to Dr. Putnam.

Marshall. Beatrice, 3 yrs old, Mabel, 2 yrs. Referred by Miss Owens of Charlestown. Mrs. Marshall (Mabel Cooper) is one of our girls from 1878-1891; was ward of Mrs. Lowell. Married Geo. Marshall in 1900. Before then she was examined by Dr. Jelly. Husband drinks. There are five children, Milton, 6 yrs, Marion, 4 yrs, Beatrice 3, Mabel 2, Harold, 6 mos. Mother out of hosp. 3 wks. Mrs. Hall, an old friend, is to take the two older children and bring them up as her own, she will also keep their mother until strong enough to work. Beatrice & Mabel were temporarily in the Gwynne Home and are now with a Mrs. Murphy.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] reported that

**Alden, Gladys** was stolen from school by her mother and Father on pretext of a walk. They took her to an aunt, then to Raymond, N.H. Mrs. A. sent for Gladys's clothes and rather than make trouble Miss Blake forwarded them. Investigations are to be made in Raymond.

**Taylor, Annie**. She lives with Mrs. Thompson in Cambridge. Her mother and a friend came to visit her. Mrs. T's daughter and Annie went with them to the car and in some way Annie was pushed on the car and carried off. Her mother has placed her with Mr. & Mrs. Culhane. Miss Blake finds it a suitable home so will leave Annie there and Mr. C. will cooperate with us.

**Gilbert, Alice**. She needed more attention than Miss Nute could give her. She is now with Mrs. Leman as no suitable home has been found for her.

**Stokes, Sarah**. A Mr. Walker who became much interested in Sarah was allowed to go to see her. Mrs. Whittemore liked his appearance and he was well spoken of in Haverhill. After his third visit, however, a letter from him enclosed within another was found to be indecent, and Sarah was persuaded by Miss Brown not to write to Mr. W. Miss Brown did write him that the letter was in her possession and she would like to see him at the Asylum but he did not appear.

July 27, 1909

Application Committee's report -

**Nora Nee**'s mother will not give her up, but every effort is being made to get her to do so.

**Sarah Jackson**, 14 years of age - Mrs. Terry of New Bedford is interested in Sarah Jackson whose father & mother are both serving sentences. Sarah is very bright & is placed with a Mrs. Messenger of Somerville. It is desirable to give her more education & Mrs. Terry or the Rev. Mr. Gordon could be appointed guardian.

**Helen Mitchell**, Eleven years old. Referred by the Children's Friendly[sic] Society by Mr. Stone. Her step mother is unsuitable for the care of her. Helen's grandmother has been devoted

to her but now she can no longer work. So Helen's uncle in the South will pay one dollar a month towards her board..

**Clara MacIntire** 14 & **Myrtle MacIntire** 10 yrs. Mrs. MacIntire is supposed to be an immoral woman. So we are trying to get the children.

**Jenny d'Amato** age not yet settled probably 10 years old.

**Marion Gertrude & Grace Bright**'s father who promised to pay their board, has not done so & evidently does not mean to. Voted That these children should be given over to the state.

**Sarah Stokes** is cooperating with her Visitor Miss Brown & has not written Mr. Walker any letters.

Alice Gilbert is now in a good home.

**Belle Barnes** now 15 years old is with Mrs. Hunting at Worcester. Mrs. Bulle, the aunt is not pleased, but Belle prefers to remain with Mrs. Hunting. Voted that Belle Barnes should stay with Mrs. Hunting.

Mrs. Cary has written that **Grace Richards** has returned to Mrs. Tilden's.

**Ruie Marden** 13 years old with Mrs. Dix. She has a talent for music & Mrs. Hood wants her to come to her in Brooklyn on a 6 months trial. Voted That she go to Mrs. Hood.

**Dorothy Murray** is in Nova Scotia.

Gourley. Miss Wheeler cannot keep **Jessie Gourley**. On July 30 Mrs. Gourley appeared at Miss Wheeler's prepared to stay & now being encouraged to do so, took Jessie home. Miss Wheeler has got **Edith [Gourley]** into a shoe factory, where she can earn 6 dollars a week.

**Amy Downing** has also gone to a Shoe Factory where she earns 6 dollars a week.

Mary & Emma Jones leave with their aunt for the south.

Gladys Alden has been given up to her mother in Raymond.

**Etta Bridges** is working as a telephone operator & has had a love affair. Etta is now in Brooke Home. Mr. Cohen, the young man, speaks honorably of Etta and likes McAllister to have Etta's confidence.

A nice letter from **Myrtle Thresher** has been received.

August 31, 1909

The Admission Committee report: -

**Freeman, Annette**, 13 yrs. Mrs. Freeman applied to C.A.S. who referred case to us. Mother is widow, husband died 8 years ago. There are 3 older children 18, 16, 15 yrs, all working. Mrs. Freeman a nurse with best of references. She boarded Annette with a family in Waltham but found she wasn't having proper care, and learning nothing. She will pay \$2 a week towards A's board, until she can find steady employment, when she will pay full amount. She is pleased with Mrs. Mansfield in Saugus.

**Johnson, Hanseen**, 16 years, Ref. by Mrs. Montgomery. The child seems about 12 in development. She is 2nd of 4 children. Mother died a year ago. Father a longshoreman & drinks badly. An older boy in Concord Reformatory. The oldest daughter tried to keep the home; it was feared she was immoral and influencing Hanseen. Hanseen and Alma were at The Little Wanderer's Home temporarily. Alma has been adopted & Lief is now on a farm. Voted to admit

Hanseen, and place in a school-home with Mrs. Poor in West Newbury for 6 months, then to reconsider the case. Mrs. Poor very much pleased with her.

**Milliken, Bertha**, 2 yrs. Ref. by Mother to Miss Langury. Illigitimate. Amy, the mother, only 15 when child was born; grandfather Mr. Stuart made Mr. Milliken marry Amy, but he did not live or support her. Mr. Stuart has been employed at Nantasket, good references. A Mrs. Solomon of Nantasket took an interest in Amy, so Mr. Stuart, another daughter, Amy & her child all lived with her. The younger daughter, disgusted with Amy's behavior, went to Waltham to live. Father pays \$2.50 for her board. Amy lived with Mrs. Solomon 3 weeks, then disappeared with \$19.00. Nothing has been heard from her since. Mr. Stuart is willing to pay \$1 towards child's board & more when he gets steady employment for winter. Voted to place baby in home. A Mr. Walker interested in father of child will try to trace him.

**Booker, Agnes** 3 & **Marion** 2. Colored. Ref by Mother to Miss Wilson of C.A.S. Father a worthless man, deserted. Mother has been notified to vacate. She has decided to break up home and go out to work. Gwynne Home took Agnes & Marion temporarily while Mother worked in Dorchester at \$5 a week. She has agreed to pay \$1 a week for each girl. Mother has baby 4 weeks old who is at Mass. Infant Asylum. There is a sister who is an ordinary circumstances & can do nothing. Voted to place Agnes & Marion in homes & try to find a place where Mother and baby may be together. Mother has best of character.

**Schen**, Annie 12, Gertrude 10, Minnie 6, & Lily 4. Parents came from England in 1908. Just before birth of last child, a boy, mother was injured, and after birth this caused insanity and she was placed at Danvers. On account of being an alien, she was sent back to England. The father works in a meat-market at about \$2 a day. Finds it impossible to keep up home. Miss Taggart placed Gertrude and Annie in a home for the summer, and the two others have been in Little Wanderer's Home. Father hopes mother will be well enough to return & make home. Father pays \$1 for each of children, & \$1 for the boy. Voted to admit.

McIntyre girls' case awaiting decision of court when next in session. Report of Placing-Out Committee: -

Jackson, Sarah. Miss Terry has been appointed guardian.

**Marden, Ruby** - Mrs. Hood of New York, who spoke of adopting Ruby, decided to take a child living nearer.

**Richards, Grace**, now lives with Mrs. Tilden who gives her board and clothing. Grace visited Mrs. Cary with whom she had lived before in Newburyport. Mrs. Cary wishes to adopt Grace. A letter was read from Mrs. Cary to Grace stipulating requirements for adoption. Grace agreed to live up to the requirements. Voted to allow Mrs. Cary to adopt Grace.

**Maud Carroll** has been in boarding home but is now placed in Winchester with a Mrs. McDonald.

**Florence Smith** who is with Mrs. Hodgkins has had an operation for appendicitis at the Faulkner Hospital. Now boarding with Mrs. Poor until well enough to be placed in West Newbury near or with sister Esther.

**Grazia Frani** is now 18 and brother thinks she should earn more money. She is to go to live with her Aunt.

**Etta Bridges**. Mr. Cohen interested in Etta wishes her to sign an agreement, whereby Miss McAllister shall be her only guide.

**Edith Dow**, has graduated with honors. Got a position with New England Telephone at \$7 a week, after a week she received \$8 & promise of \$10 soon. Edith wishes to go with Mother who has returned from New York & make a home in Roxbury. Mother's character somewhat questionable. **Frances [Dow]**, a younger sister, to go, too. Mother to take in sewing.

**Sophia Gilarey**[Gallany]. Twenty-eight dollars to be paid for her in Northfield.

**Annie Taylor**. Mother wishes us to do for Annie, as she doesn't wish her to remain with Enchanes[?] in Cambridge, who take Harvard students thru the winter.

**Nora Smith** hasn't gained this summer. Some question of sending her to an aunt in Nova Scotia, if Dr. Floyd thinks best. Aunt has a child of a married sister with her.

September 28, 1909

Report of Admission Committee:

Mary Wahby, 12, referred by Mr. Carter of Lawrence, through S.P.C.C. She came from Syria with aunt and uncle 2 years ago. The aunt and uncle left Mary with a young man, Assid Wahby, claiming to be her cousin, tho this is doubted. Mary did well in school. Soon Assid wished her to leave school and take care of him. He tried to get her to work in the mills, sending to Syria to get birth records to prove that she was 14. Child was frightened at Assid's behavior towards her, and told her story to her Sunday-school teacher, and afterwards to Mr. Carter, who told her to come to the court the next morning with her account. She told her story to the judge, and has now been sent to Lawrence Charitable Association. Voted to admit child with guardianship as soon as the case comes up in court.

**Lucy Goodwin**, referred by Mr. Carter of Lawrence. Child sent back to mother by decision of aunt.

Report of Placing Out Committee: -

**Florence Smith** has fully recovered, and is with Mrs. Stanley in West Newbury, where she gets board, clothing & wages, and is near Esther.

**Etta Bridges**, not keeping contract, she has been to Gloucester to spend Sunday with uncle, whose character is most questionable. Shall try to get guardianship for Etta. Uncle threatens to take Etta away by force.

**Nora Smith** has been returned to the Day Camp. She knits slippers very well and would like to sell them for 50 cents a pair.

**Jennie Baker**, placed in working home with Mrs. Pope. Took excellent care of her little daughter Esther at first, afterwards Mrs. Pope discovered \$5 she had missed in Jennie's bag, and also learned that Jennie had been teaching Esther immoral conduct. After much trouble she confessed to both offences to the visitor. She is now placed in a temporary home where she will be carefully watched. Dr. Blakeley advises Waverley. Mother not fit to care for Jennie.

**Hilda Borgeson** with Mrs. Anidon. A friend heard Hilda sing and was so pleased with her voice that she had another friend try her voice. The result [is] that Hilda is taking singing lessons at \$2.00 a lesson. Hilda earns \$2.50 a week.

**Tomine Nielson** is doing well. Wishes to have a guardian.

Frances Dow & Edith gone back to Mother.

**Lizzie Dowd**'s home has been investigated & Lizzie will be returned as she is in best physical condition. A.C. [Associated Charities] to visit.

**Alice Buker** has been returned to her home, as the conditions have improved. The Asylum and Miss Coe will keep in touch with her.

Bright children, referred to State in July through S.P.C.C. as a case of desertion. Father promised to pay \$3 for them, but has failed. In order that the case may appear in court, the children must be in Boston for 48 hours. While children were here, two women, Mrs. Green & Mrs. LeVoy, relatives, objects to have children turned over to the State, wish[ed] to have children. The case has been suspended until further investigation as to character of relatives are made. Children were with Mrs. David for a short time, and now are at The Little Wanderers' Home, until the case comes up again before the court.

**Maud Carroll**, did well at first with Mrs. McDonald in Winchester. She also did very well in school. One Sunday while Mrs. McDonald was in church, Maud took \$30 of her sister's, a box of valuable papers, & an engagement ring. Mrs. McDonald notified the Chief of Police, who caught Maud boarding an Arlington car. She was put in the jail at Winchester, where Miss Blake & Miss Brown talked to her the next morning. She was taken to the court, and the judge placed her on probation. She is to go to Miss Cornell in West Newbury & given another chance.

**Hanseen Johnson** is to be taught at home by Mrs. Poor & her daughter.

October 26, 1909

The Admission Committee have accepted

**Angelina Redocchia**, 10 yrs old. Mother died of tuberculosis. Father works on a farm and will pay \$1 per wk towards her support for the present and more later on. She will be placed in a boarding-home.

**Charlotte Gilman**, 13 yrs old. **Virginia Gilman**, 11 yrs old. Colored. They lived with grandmother, Mrs. Dick, in Newton. Mother dead, father does nothing for their support as he has gone south and married again. An aunt Mrs. Alexander, whose husband has deserted, and who has a daughter, 10 yrs old, lives also with the grandmother but cannot control these children and Mrs. Dick is out at work every day. She wants some one to assist in looking after them as they are getting to be unruly. It is thought best to try to keep the family together and Miss Clarke will make an effort to interest someone in them under supervision of our visitor.

**Evelyn Partridge** has been temporarily place[d] with Mrs. Smith in West Newbury. Her grandmother, Mrs. Partridge, hopes to have a relative with [her] later who will assist in care of Evelyn.

**Jennie Blake** has been placed with Mrs. Lombard in Roxbury. Mrs. L. is trying to interest her in sewing and as she seems to be improving she will be left there for the present.

Myrtle Thresher is doing especially well at Trade School for Girls.

**Sarah Stokes**, now 18 yrs old, has decided to work for Mrs. Ayers in Weston where the family will take an interest in her and she will earn \$3 per wk.

**Mabel Colby** is not doing well. She is with Mrs. Ludd's in Natick but will not be allowed to go to school as she has a bad influence on other children.

**Helen Brunell** has a place with a dressmaker at \$5 per wk.

**Maud Carroll** is improving and no longer takes what does not belong to her. Her school-teacher says she is much interested in her school-work.

Thomasina Neilson will be visited by Miss Blake.

**Julia Tatro** is working for United Drug Co. in Roxbury. Miss Blake ["Baker" written on top] hopes to keep in touch with her.

The Bright children have been put in Harrison Ave Home for a year as their father took no steps to prevent their mother's relatives from placing them there.

November 27, 1909

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Madeleine Redman**, 4 yrs old, **Josephine [Redman]**, 3 yrs old. English family, father not strong enough to earn much. In this country 6 yrs. Man has been operated upon at City Hosp. and has tuberculosis. Wife earns about \$7 per wk cleaning offices. Has two older children at home who will go to school. If possible will pay \$2 per wk towards support of two younger one. The Assoc. Char. interested and suggest trying to keep the family together, but this is impracticable at present. Madeleine and Josephine are to be, temporarily at least, with Mrs. Davis, Malden.

**Gladys Nelson'**s mother is earning \$2.50 per wk keeping house for a man in Jamaica Plain. Hopes to pay 50 cents weekly for Gladys.

**Holley Downing** who was with Mrs. Maynard wanted to make a change. Tried housework and did not like it. Her aunt, Mrs. Rod, has her now and has a place in view for her.

**Mabel Colby** has been taken temporarily by Miss Blake's mother, who finds her a bright child and sees no trace of her old trouble. Miss Blake feels much encouraged about her.

**Helen Belyea** has had rheumatic fever and nervous symptoms. Dr. Blakely advised putting her in a country place and she has gone to Neponset.

**Mary and Emma Jones**, colored, have come back from the South. Miss Drew paid fares as she wants them to go on at school. Miss Drew hopes to find a home for Mary who is now with Mrs. Lee in Cambridge. Emma has gone back to Mrs. Cornish.

Miss Brown took **Myrtle Thresher** to see her father in Ware. He has a younger daughter with him for whom he pays, and he hopes later to help towards clothing for Myrtle. Myrtle stayed over a night as Miss Brown was favorably impressed by Mr. Thresher.

**Myrtle [Thresher] and Jenny Baker** are dressing some dolls to be given to the other children at Christmas. Dr. Putnam has seen Jenny and thinks her improved physically.

**Nellie Stokes** has gone temporarily to Mrs. Leman and is doing better there. Later she will go to a school home.

Etta Brydges is getting on well.

**Gladys and Muriel Northrop** and **Eleanor Harper** have been transferred to our care by the C.A.S.

December 28, 1909

The Admission Com[mittee] have admitted

**Leila Thresher**. Father asks that we take charge as she is not having proper care. He agrees to pay \$3 per wk and she has been placed with Miss Lombard.

**Laura Mahbey**, 15 yrs old. Came with brother from Nova Scotia last April. Father deserted mother who has since died and he has married again. She has been with an aunt and

later with an uncle but would not stay. She is now to go to a working home and her father will pay \$1.50 per wk towards support.

**Eva Boyd**, 18 yrs old. She had an illegitimate child 16 months ago. Father has second wife and four other children but the family was broken up. It is thought best to put her where she will learn to work and Miss Sturgis asks us to find a home and supervise. Mrs. Leman will take her and also the child at least temporarily but she has not consented to go there.

Mrs. Alden took Gladys to Raymond, N.H. Mr. A. is not satisfied and wants us to resume charge. She was sent to Mrs. Leman but ran away; mother took her back, then sent her to her father who is said to be applying to Children's Mission.

**Alice and Marion Booker**, colored. Father has not helped though he promised to do so. The mother says he is now earning and they want the children.

**Cordelia Harvey**, colored, who has been giving much trouble, has done better since removal of adenoids.

Mrs. Guild, sister of **Jessie Broom**, asked to take her to work at \$2 per wk and this has been allowed.

**Edith Dow**, no longer in our charge, is earning \$10 per week with the Telephone Co. Lives on Warren Ave. with her mother who has left Mr. Dunn.

**Eva Miller** is doing well. Seems contented and reasonable. Goes to night school besides doing housework.

**Annie Taylor** was not satisfied with the place found by her mother for her in Cambridge and now earns \$6 per wk at the Chocolate Factory in Cambridge.

Dr. Floyd thinks **Nora Smith** cannot recover and suggests getting a change for her at Lakeville where a new State Hosp. is to be opened in January. Dr. Hawes, in charge, has her name on waiting list.

### January 25, 1910

The admissions have been **Grace Barnes**, about 12 yrs old, and her sister **Catherine [Barnes]**, about 11 yrs old, referred by Mr. Carter of the S.P.C.C. Mother at present at Deer Island arrested as night-walker. Father seems a good man but has had a hard time with his wife who has involved him in debts for furniture, etc., which he is trying to pay by installments. Earns \$11 to \$12 per wk as machinist for Boston Elevated Ry Co. and agrees to pay \$4 towards board of children. He lives with his parents to whom he pays \$3 per wk. Has a boy younger than the girls who is with wife's sister, Mrs. Stackpole.

**Laura Mahbey** proves hard to manage and until recently would not stay when placed. For the past few days has remained at Mrs. Lombard's according to a promise to Miss Blake. If she still persists in being refractory an effort will be made to send her to Lancaster.

**Jenny D'Amado**, 12 yrs old, was taken some time ago from C.A.S. to test her mental condition. At the end of 3 mo[nth]s Dr. Putnam thought her improved but later advised having her examined by Dr. Fernald who decided that she is a subject for admission to the Home for Feeble-Minded and he expects to have a place for her there shortly.

**Edna Newcomb** has also been examined by Dr. Fernald. He thinks that although she is below par in intelligence it will be better to keep her out of the Home.

**Ruth and Ethel Campbell**, colored, have not been doing well. At Christmas time they abstracted some table linen which Mrs. Farwell had put away and presented it to their school-teachers who, however, were suspicious and reported to Mrs. Farwell. The children have promised to abstain from further peculation.

S.P.C.C. is working on the Gourley family, endeavoring to separate **Jessie and Alice [Gourley]** from their mother who is still living with Mr. Mason and the girls are being badly treated. If possible Jessie will be sent to Lancaster and we may be asked to take Alice.

**Amy Downing** is doing very well indeed and earned last week \$9 at piece work by extra effort. She is paying her own expenses at board, clothing, etc. Her sister Holly is earning \$5 per wk at the Chocolate Factory in Milton and lives with an aunt.

Mrs. Alden reports that Gladys has a place in Waltham.

**Jenny Baker** is working for Miss Patterson, dressmaker, and proves very helpful.

Marion Noble has been taken by the State.

**Eva Boyd** is not to be admitted. Her mother has gone back to her husband and Eva lives with them. She has work in So. Boston at \$6 per wk, and the family upstairs in the house where she lives take care of the baby through the day.

Nora Smith will probably soon be admitted at hospital in Lakeville.

March 1, 1910

An application has been received from Miss Knowles, visitor for St. Mary's Parish, East Boston, for admission of **Martha Olsen**, with her illegitimate baby girl, one month old. Martha is 19 yrs old but is immature and seems much younger. She comes of a bad family and the baby is said not to be well-treated. It is proposed to find a working home.

Two old cases have been readmitted. **Mabel Getcho [Getchell]** who was under our care two or three years and then given up to her mother. Has lately been very ill and needs especial attention so it has been thought best to resume care. Her mother pays \$1 per wk and it is hoped other members of the family will help.

**Elizabeth Dow**, after being under our care, was given up much improved in health. She then fell off again and has St. Vitus dance so must have extra care and has been sent to Mrs. Thompson, So. Braintree. Mother pays \$1 per wk.

Six other admissions have been made.

**Veronica White**, 14 yrs old. Referred by Miss Jacob of Boston Dispensary. Has been living with a relative Mrs. Foley in Charlestown. Mother is dead. Father lives away. He was told that Mrs. Foley is an unsuitable person and asked to allow a change. He declined and we have offered to pay board elsewhere if he will clothe. The matter has not yet been decided.

**Maud Briggs**, 14, referred by Mr. Jones of S.P.C.C. Mother dead and father is immoral and drinks. She says he ill-treats her. A brother is at Lyman School. Maud is very bright and does well at school. A cousin, Mr. Freeman of Gardner, Mass., offers to take her and his father close by to take the brother. Miss Blake has been made guardian & father is to pay \$3 per wk for her board.

**Marie Jason**, 16, ref. by Mrs. Wing of Girls Friendly Society of New Bedford. The family has been gradually going to pieces, father below average in intelligence, mother works hard and earns \$6 per wk. Marie is to go to Mrs. Newnham.

**Leontine Scott**, 16 yrs old. Mother, whose husband had deserted, came from Hawaii about 4 yrs ago and later sent for her children. She earns \$7 per wk and while she was away from home Marie was assaulted by a man named Brown who came casually to the house, and she is now pregnant. She had done well at school and appears to have been guiltless. Mr. Brown's brother has offered to do what he can in behalf of his brother and is to pay \$3 per wk. Has already paid \$12 in adv[ance].

**Lilian Mosher**, ref. by Miss Couson of Deaconess Home. 9 yrs old. Father is a carpenter by trade and drinks. Early last summer his wife left him to stay with two married daughters in Belmont. Her sons-in-law can not take in Lilian and she has been temporarily in Gwynne Home. Father is paying \$2 per wk and as soon as mother is well enough she will take charge.

**Gladys Patterson** has been in the Welcome Home.

Dr. Fernald, after examining **Laura Mahby**, wished to have her under observation for a week and she will go to him as soon as there is a vacancy for her.

**Annie Larsen** made application on her own account to S.P.C.C. She is 11 yrs old and has been admitted but is now at City Hosp. ill with diptheria. Guardianship has been given us and father will pay \$3 per wk.

**Jenny Baker** continues to do well and earns \$1 per wk.

**Annette Freeman** has been acting strangely and is to be examined by Dr. Fernald.

Nora Smith has been admitted at State Sanatorium.

**Maud Carroll** is to be operated upon for appendicitis at Newburyport Hosp.

Florence and Esther Smith have begun to receive wages.

**Frances Dow** has run away and Miss Pope is trying with aid of police to find her.

March 29, 1910

No new admissions. **Martha Olsen** has been referred to Miss L. Freeman Clark who will find a place for her.

**Gladys Alden** has been placed in a home at Auburndale where she seems to be doing well. Guardianship has been secured.

**Gertrude Miller**'s mother is now living with her mother and wants to take Gertrude. She has married again and is an actress of a low order so her influence would probably be poor, but there seems to be no way to prevent her taking Gertrude if she is determined.

**Mabel Getchell** is in good health now and is going back to her mother who is moving to a more healthful location.

**Angelina Verdocchio**'s father has paid regularly for her. It transpires that there is also a married daughter living in Southbridge who is willing to take Angelina so she will go there.

**Nellie Stokes** has had an operation and adenoids, doing well.

**Mary Van Cor** has been living with Mrs. Forest who could not keep her as she is irresponsible though well-meaning. Dr. Fernald is to examine her. **Alice Gilbert** has been sent to Mrs. Forest.

**Veronica White**'s father has consented to her going to another place.

**Frances Dow**, who ran away after being returned to her mother, was found at Revere Beach. She was brought before Judge Baker and sentenced to Lancaster.

**Grace Culhane** has a place to work at the McLean Hospital where her mother has been employed.

Dr. Fernald will take **Annette Freeman** as soon as there is a vacancy.

**Gertrude Johnson** is to be with Mrs. Wright. Mrs. Hunting did not wish to keep the others without Gertrude and they have been sent to Cochituate.

### April 26, 1910

Admission Com[mittee] have taken in **Esther Toole**, 3 yrs old. Father has deserted and mother tried to run a grocery in So. Boston, but failed. She is now working at \$4 per wk and hopes to pay for two older children boarded in Lexington.

S.P.C.C. have referred **Annie Hill**, 14 yrs old, who came to them complaining of her mother. We agreed to take charge and then the girl disappeared.

S.P.C.C. referred also **Esther Christianson**, aged 13, who lives in Brockton. Father dead and mother says she cannot control Esther. The mother is immoral and the girl is in a bad way but seems promising. Guardianship has been secured.

**Eva Boyd** has recently come under our care with her child. The latter has been poorly cared for and is now boarded at expense of Miss Sturgis. Eva is improving.

Dr. Fernald will admit **Mary Van Cor** to School for Feeble-Minded when her mother consents. **Hattie Van Cor** is doing well and has saved \$5.

**Dorothy Colby**, formerly called Mabel, is doing well.

Florence Smith is to have teeth straightened at expense of Society.

Grace Bond has been very headstrong but teacher says she is improving.

The mother of **Barbara Chambers** wants to take her back. The case is to come up next week.

# May 31, 1910

Eight [girls] have been admitted in the past month.

**Gladys Orgleman**, 14 yrs old, referred by S.P.C.C. through Mr. Whitman. Mother dead, step-mother not good to her and father intends to procure divorce. She has been placed with Mrs. Davis in Everett and her father will board near her and pay \$3 per wk toward support.

**Marion McDonald**, 17 yrs old. S.P.C.C. Father immoral and has abused his daughter. Is now in prison. Mother said to be still worse. The girl is to go in a few days to Mrs. Kirsh, Auburndale.

**Kathleen McLeod**, 14 yrs old, referred by Mother whom Mrs. Blake has known for some time. Husband has deserted and she works as dressmaker at \$7 per wk so the girl is left to herself and is unsteady. She has been placed temporarily with Mrs. Leman.

**Mildred (Miller) Jameson**, 14 yrs old, ref. by S.P.C.C. Parents dead and she was taken by State when young. Afterwards twice adopted unfortunately. Has not been at school since she was twelve. Is now to be in a school-home with Mrs. Smith in Ashmont.

**Marguerite Lepries**, 16 yrs old, referred by her grandmother who thinks she will go wrong if not under control. Father dead. Mother employed as pianist for a playing company and has an older daughter with her. The girl seems intelligent and has been placed with Mrs. Trayes in Foxboro, who speaks highly of her.

**Marion Woodfall**, 8 yrs old. Mother has left her husband who pays her \$6 per wk. She has had a recent operation and is not yet strong but is doing housework. Cannot also look after Marion who is temporarily with a relative in Wellesley.

**Lilian Savage**, 15, referred by S.P.C.C. Father in prison, mother immoral. Girl is said to be of a good sort and was working in a factory in Cambridge but the mother applied in Court for her and appears to have carried her off.

**Mildred Nesitt**, 14 yrs old, ref. by C.A.S. Was adopted by Mr. Nesbitt whose wife brought her from N.H. and he knows nothing of her previous history. The wife died about three yrs ago and he is married again to a woman who does not care for Mildred, whom he wishes to have placed in a working-home. He will pay for her clothing.

**Gladys Alden** is reported to be improving greatly.

**Annie Larsen** is temporarily in Roxbury with Mrs. Husson whose married daughter wants to take Annie.

Mary Van Cor's mother still refuses to let her go to Waverly.

In regard to **Barbara Chambers**, Mr. Courrier of S.P.C.C. is trying to arrange a conference to decide what to do for her.

**Holly Darling** is to work through the summer for Mrs. Maynard in Shrewsbury at \$1.50 per wk.

**Madeleine Harvey** is boarding in Roxbury and having treatment at Mass. Gen. Hosp. for tubercular glands.

June 28, 1910

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted

**Annie Strutoti**, 23 mo[nth]s old, referred by Mass. Infant Asylum. She has had ricketts since birth and it is important to have her well nourished. She is now in Melrose. Her father will pay board.

**Augusta Grebenstein**, 7 yrs old, **Bertha Grebenstein**, 5 yrs old. Ref. by the C.A.S. Father almost blind from an accident for which he is now seeking to recover \$4000. Mother has rheumatism and is much broken up. Two other children are in Wellesley Con[valescent] Home.

**Jenny Loonie**, 16 yrs old, ref. by C.A.S. Brought from Scotland by her brother, an engineer, who, however, has had only temporary work. She is a dancer and has been so employed here but that was precarious and it was thought best to advance the money to take her back to Scotland, the brother to repay gradually.

**Gertrude and Dorothy Bezanson**, 7 and 5 yrs old. Mother died last August and they went to an aunt who was unable to keep them. They were then sent to a Mrs. Cook and are to stay with her at least until Sept., father paying their board.

**Laura Kimball**, 9 yrs old, ref. by Children's Mission, where application was made by father. The mother, who calls herself Mrs. Waters, applied to S.P.C.C. to get charge of a younger child. The father pays \$2.00 per wk for Laura at present and will do more later if he can.

**Irene Jackson**, 15 yrs old, ref. by Welcome House. Mother dead, father has employed housekeepers but no one has been able to control Irene and father declined to keep her longer.

She was placed in a home and then ran back to her father who will let her stay if we will supervise.

**Grace Peck**, 13 yrs old, ref. by S.P.C.C., from Brockton. Father's whereabouts unknown, he has twin boys with him. Mother immoral. An older sister, Mrs. Boyd, is well spoken of and has another sister with her but cannot keep both.

**Dorothy Heald**, 12 yrs old, **Johanna Heald**, 8 yrs old, ref[erred] by Miss Burleigh of the Mass. Gen. Hosp. Social Services Dept. There is a large family, the mother ill and going to the country and at one time it was thought best to break up the family but it is now decided now to do this.

**Mary Turnbull** has graduated with honors from the High School & has taken preliminary exam for college.

Laura Mabie has been examined and committed to the Worcester Insane Asylum.

Myrtle Thresher still improves and has a place in Weston at \$2 per wk.

**Alice Gilbert** did well at Mrs. Lombard's and was transferred a week ago to Mrs. Hartford.

Alice Gustafson has graduated from Grammar School and taken a place.

**Marion Woodfall** is to go to her maternal grandmother.

By order of the Court **Barbara Chambers** is to see her mother at the office once in three weeks.

Ruie Marden has had a mild attack of diphtheria.

**Sadie Sennach** is to go to an aunt, a dressmaker, in Roxbury to learn the trade and will board there for the present.

July 26, 1910

The admission com[mittee] have accepted

**Gertrude Vyse**. Father dead, mother young and working in a restaurant at \$6 per wk. She will pay \$3 per wk and it is hoped to keep mother and child together.

Frances Toole. Sister of Esther already admitted.

**Mary Richmond**. Referred by Assoc. Char. Mother has been thoroughly pauperized and older sisters are not good. We are only to supervise and as the child is sickly it is thought a good chance to send her to the country.

**Ida Sheehan**. 14 yrs old. Two older girls not good. Child wanted to go to the country but has not yet been placed.

**Beatrice Harris**, 10 yrs old. Has chorea. Mother nervous and eccentric. Earns \$10 per wk and will pay all costs.

**Evelyn and Gladys Buckman**. Guardianship is being arranged by S.P.C.C.

The placing-out com[mittee] report that **Maud Carroll** and **Veronica White** have run away and thus far have [blank]...We will continue to follow clues and it [is] possible that they have gone to Newfoundland.

**Grace Parks** has been placed with Mrs. Lewis in Medford at \$1 per week.

**Helen Brunell** has been working for a dressmaker. A customer who has become interested in her wants her to take a course in dramatic expression. The girl would like to work one more year to save up enough to take this course.

**Hattie Van Cor**. The com[mittee] decided to give her a course at the Trade School and the report from the school is very satisfactory.

**Ruie Marden**. Has been boarding for some time with Mrs. Mansfield who will be glad to give her a school home even through the High School. Would like to adopt her but girls' father is now willing.

**Jennie Loonie**. We have received a very satisfactory letter from her father and her brother has paid \$15.

Sadie Sennach. Has gone with her mother to work at Leopold Morse's.

**Julia Tatrow**. She came to call on Miss Blake. Is doing well on piece work, earning never less that \$7 per wk.

**Eva Boyd**. Has been several times transferred and is thought to be feeble-minded. Is now at Welcome House until return of Dr. Fernald from his vacation when a permanent arrangement can be made.

**Eleanor Harper**. The woman with whom she boards put out poisoned bread for flies. The child ate it and after use of stomach pump by the doctor she was all right.

**Barbara Chambers**. Had a curious accident with her hair in automobile but no serious result.

August 30, 1910

The Admission Committee have taken in

**Stanatia Soulongoulon**, 16 years old, referred by S.P.C.C. She went from Boston to New York with a couple who accused her falsely of stealing jewelry. Mrs. Veitses befriended her & brought her on from N. York a year ago.

**Peterson, Gladys** Born 1905; **Lilian [Peterson]** Born 1907. They are placed with Mrs. Sanders at Holliston.

**Mary Louise Chase**. Born 1896. Father in Somerville of questionable character. S.P.C.C. found her with swollen eye. Her mother is in Haverhill. The girl was brought into court & we agreed to take her if we could have guardianship.

**Annie Eck**. Born in 1896. Has two married sisters. Her father is living but drinks. He is a good mechanic. Has a second wife. By first wife Eck has 3 sons, by[crossed out] 2d wife has 2 grown girls. Eck is willing to have Annie go to Lancaster.

**Pauline Coush**[?]. 12 years old, referred by her uncle McKay (an inventor). Pauline's mother went back to Greece, & Pauline was kept by Uncle, who sent her to Mrs. Anastos, who got tired of her & sent her elsewhere. Pauline was whipped. Her father has come back to this country & has a push cart & sells fruit. Pauline is now at Gwynn Home with Miss Pearson.

**Ruth Hill**. Born 1908, illegitimate. Her mother is peculiar. The Mass. Infant Asylum referred her to us. We accepted her for a year. Her mother is working in the Mass. Gen. Hospital as waitress.

**Schall, Freida & Ruth**, twins, referred to us by Miss Caldwell from the Associated Charities. Their father deserted them, also their Grandfather. Their mother keeps an intelligence office & will pay their board. Admitted temporarily.

**Ida Sheehan**. Her mother is opposed to her admission when the Probation officer interfered, & said she had no idea of Ida being given up to any society.

**Lillian Savage**. Should be sent to Lancaster. She tried to kill herself by taking poison. Her mother sent bail for \$400.

Placing our Committee:

**Sadie Jackson**. Mrs. Messenger could not keep her & send her to school but now she finds she can't get on without her so will continue the school home for Sadie.

**Gladys Orgleman** from the S.P.C.C. Gladys's father interferes as he pays all the expenses. She has an aunt in Connecticut.

**Janice McQuestion**. In our care for 2 or 3 years. Has now spells of temper. Her mother is most peculiar. Dr. Putnam suggests Dr. Jelly's seeing the girl, as Dr. Fernald is away.

**Dorothy Galant**, niece to **Gladys Alden**. Mrs. Galant is in New Hampshire & earns 8 dollars a weeks & has now taken Dorothy.

Elsie Vickery is at Mrs. Tilden's & is doing well.

**Sofie Gallaney** is to go to the sea shore for 2 weeks' vacation. She wishes to be a greek missionary.

Sadie Gallaney spent a week with Mrs. Veitses.

**Jenny Baker** who does dressmaking is having a vacation.

**Johnson**, **Bula & Lillian** have been at the Mass. General Hospital. Shall write a note of thanks to Mass. Hos.

**Leontice Scott** - 15 years old, has had a baby at the Salvation Army Hospital; the baby only weighed 2 lbs. The matron at the hospital reports the mother was doing well.

**Grace Barnard** ran away from Mrs. Lombard's [by] jumping over a fence. Later she was found sitting on a doorstep with her doll.

**Hatty Van Cor** is doing well & is at the head of her school.

Gladys Patterson is at Welcome House & is to go to the Trade School in the fall.

**Emma Gunnison**, 16 years of age; both her parents are dead. She was boarding with Mrs. Davis & working in a box factory. She has been sent to the Deaconess Camp at South Framingham.

**Jesse Brown** ['Brooke' written first, crossed out] wished to work in a factory & board with her sister, where she has gone & will earn \$5 dollars a week.

**Lillian Borgessen** is in a school home with an other girl who is boarding there.

Etta Bridges has an uncle from Gloucester & wishes to go to him.

**Hollie Downing** is with Mrs. Maynard & wishes to go to the Chocolate factory & so she is to go & will try & find a place to board.

**Constance Lewis**. Mrs. Baker of Cambridge wishes to keep Constance & give her a school home.

September 27, 1910

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted:

**Gertrude Wyeth**. 14 yrs old. Referred by S.P.C.C. She has been living with Mrs. Parker. Her mother, who drinks badly, went away and has married again a man who drinks. Father living in Lancaster has also married again and has three children. A sister was married to a drunkard and is now divorced. Gertrude has been placed in a home with Mrs. Nichols in Auburndale.

**Ethel Nelson**, 14 yrs old. When small was taken by Mrs. Jatta who later adopted her and has recently become insane. Mr. J. has no affection for the child and for two years she has been in a French school in Nova Scotia. She is now with Mrs. Hall in Medford who hopes to give her her schooling.

**Myrtle Hyde**. Mother is housekeeper for an old couple and child has been with an aunt who is unable to keep her longer and wants mother to take her. Mrs. Hyde does not wish to leave the couple with whom she has been for seven years and she thinks they mean to leave her something. Myrtle will go to Mrs. Pierce of Stoughton.

**Margaret McIntosh**. Illegitimate. Referred by Miss Carpenter. Child lives with her aunt, Mrs. Riley, who works in Miss Winsor's school, doing scrubbing, etc. Mother works for Mrs. Ellis in Barnstable and has a younger child with her. Hope to influence aunt to let us take Margaret.

**Vergie Filbrook [Philbrook]**, 10 yrs old. **Florry Filbrook**, 8 yrs old. Referred by grandmother. Mother unable to care for them longer. Father deserted family while living in Winterport, Me. Mother came to Brockton to live with grandmother who is supported by her son, and found work in a factory there. She can work only off and on on account of poor health. Is willing to pay what she can for children's board but must have help. We hope later to have children return to mother, and the grandmother may also live with her and help in expenses.

**Madeleine Freanders**, 10 yrs old, **Louise**, 7 yrs old. Mother is a fine woman but has tuberculosis. Voted That we take the girls and the boy is to go to Children's Friend Soc'y so that the mother may be in a suitable institution.

Placing Out Com[mittee]:

Frieda and Ruth Schall have gone home.

**Lilian and Gladys Peterson**. Their mother has returned from the sanitarium and has taken them home to Chelsea.

**Annie Stratoti**, who had rickets, has recovered and gone back to her mother.

**Elizabeth Dowd**, who had St. Vitus Dance, has gone to her mother now living with a married sister.

**Gladys Dowler**. Mother has two girls at home and two with Children's Friend Soc'y. One of these very stupid and may be sent home. Mother wants to have Gladys at home to help and hopes to send her to school. Mother's influence not very good, but it was Voted To have Gladys go home under strict supervision by our visitor.

Lilian and Beulah Johnson both at Convalescent Home in Wellesley.

Sophia Gilaney is doing well at Northfield.

**Jeannie Baker** has had ingrowing toe-nail and is to have an operation at Carney Hosp. Will go back to Miss Patterson.

**Etta Brydges** not doing well. Went to her uncle in Gloucester and he will now have no more to do with her. She has lost her position in telephone office and become intimate with a young man, refusing all interference.

**Gladys Patterson** is doing well at Trade School. Had the highest mark in design and an excellent report in arithmetic. Wishes to get orders for handkerchiefs to pay for a suit. Hopes to find boarding place within walking distance.

**Hattie Van Cor** is to be placed in the Young Women's Christian Ass'n run by the Ruggles St. Church, and is to room with one of the nicest girl[s] there to see what her influence will do. She pays \$3 a week with no car fares.

**Lila Amaro**, has been at Welcome House but not doing at all well. She seemed to appreciate that she was to be placed at Lancaster and since then has improved greatly, so it seems worth while to try her for another month.

**Pauline Conats**, placed in school home with Miss Ellis in Wollaston, is doing well in 3d grade.

**Mary Chase**, placed in a working home, ran away but was easily found with a friend. Is temporarily with Mrs. Hussen until she can go to Mrs. Leman who will teach her to work.

**Holly Downing** has gone back to the chocolate factory. Pays \$4 per wk board.

**Stamatia Soulougolon** is with Mrs. Maynard in Winchester. Mrs. M. likes her very much and prefers teaching her at home rather than to send her to night school.

**Hilda Nielson** has definitely decided that she prefers to be in a factory and an effort will be made to find a chance for her.

**Helen Brunell** prefers a commercial to a dramatic course. Is now with a dressmaker at \$6.00 per wk.

**Edith Gourley** was in a school home with Mrs. Goble who could not keep her. Is now with Mrs. Harlow and if she does well will have a school home for three yrs.

**Sarah Stokes** was with Mrs. Upham who moved to a farm and Sarah is now in a Baptist minister's family. A boy of good family has become interested in her and his parents do not feel troubled about it.

**Katharine McLeod** is in a school home with Mrs. Preeble.

**Leontine Scott** is going back to her mother.

**Eva Boyd** is to remain at Welcome House for a year. Her baby to be referred to the State.

**Emma Gunnison** shows marked improvement from her willful and immoral ways.

Marie Jason after a week with her mother was glad to return to Mrs. Nuan.

**Barbara Chambers** is to be examined by Dr. Putnam on account of a growth, formerly slight, which has increased.

### October 25, 1910

The Secretary...read the following report:

In the autumn of last year it was decided to consult the Advisory Board in regard to some changes in the details of the Constitution of the Society...The important changes embodied in these Amendments are:--

The name of the Society is changed to "The Boston Society for the Care of Girls." New members cannot join, as formerly, simply by the annual payment of \$3, but must be elected by the Board of Managers and may be either men or women.

#### November 29, 1910

There have been five admissions during the month.

**Hilda Kimball**, 8 yrs old. Has an impediment in her speech and it is thought best to have adenoids removed and to have her attend the school for stammerers. Her mother will pay full board.

**Florence Murphy**, 11 yrs old, **Annie [Murphy]**, 9 yrs old. Father's name was Thomas but mother married a Murphy and children known by that name. The mother is serving a sentence not to end until March and her third husband, Mr. Daly, cannot look out for the children. We are to pay board.

**Jessie Richards**, 15 yrs old, ref. by Miss Snelling of Dedham. Her mother could not control her and she was not doing well. Another daughter, Lottie, is at Welcome House. Jessie has now a position in a handkerchief factory and is improving under supervision.

**Mildred Smith**, colored, 15 yrs old. Orphan and has lived with a sister who could not manage her. The sister will pay for her.

The Placing-our Com[mittee] report that **Early[Carly?] Benson** will be looked out for by her brother, according to statement of mother, but he has not yet been seen.

**Gladys Patterson** has disappeared. Three weeks ago last Sunday she went to see Miss Gales at Welcome House and seemed somewhat depressed. On Monday she started out to go to the Trade School but did not appear there and no trace of her has been found though strict search has been made. It is thought that she may have gone to New York.

In regard to **Holly Downing** as Mrs. Holmes has nothing to say unfavorable to Mrs. Luther and the latter is willing to pay one-half fare it has been decided to let Holly go to Mrs. Luther in California and it was Voted To pay one-half the fare.

**Sarah Stokes** is doing well at the Waltham Hospital. She will come out shortly and stay a while at her brother's before resuming work.

Myrtle Thresher is better and is now working for Miss Hinds at \$6 per week.

**Hattie Van Cor** is getting on exceptionally well at the Trade School while boarding at the house of the Y.W.C.A.

**Edith Gourley** is working in a factory in Middleboro.

**Veronica White** has been located and we shall probably recover her. Her aunt knew her whereabouts all the time. Mr. Currier of the S.P.C.C. will take up the matter and if possible a Catholic guardian will be secured.

**Myrtle Hyde** who was placed in Stoughton with Miss Pierce wrote a vulgar letter to her mother and told false stories, which she was forced later to deny, concerning Miss Pierce to the neighbors. Having been removed to the house of Mrs. Moore, she stole a pocket-book there.

**Julia Tatro** is still at dressmaking but expects to be married in the spring to a Mr. Quinn. She has moved to a Waltham St. lodging house.

**Leila Amero** is doing remarkably well at Mrs. Slater's.

**Marian McDonald** who was placed in a private family seems to need closer oversight and will be returned to Westboro or go to the Home for Feeble-Minded.

**Doriss Porter** and **Alice Elmore** have returned to their mothers.

December 27, 1910

There have been thirteen admission during the month.

**Nora Redmond**, 8 yrs old, **Lilian [Redmond]**, 6 yrs. Mother, widow with four daughters of whom we already have charge of the two younger. The two older are not doing well and it is thought best to place them with the others, the mother to pay \$5 per wk.

**Leola Rametti**, 14 yrs old, Florence, 12 yrs. Father employed in the Fire Dept. Somerville, mother bad with no hope of reform. Mr. Carstens of S.P.C.C. proposes that we take temporary guardianship while the father procures separation from his wife and we can then transfer guardianship to him.

**Edith Eckert**, 7 yrs old, ref. by Assoc. Char. Home surroundings poor and she has been treated at Boston Disp. for nervous affection. We are asked to take her temporarily and see what can be done by improved environment.

**Dorothy Gallant** has been returned by her mother who lost her place in the country and found difficulty in securing work here. She went back at last to the rubber factory, where she was some time ago, and is to pay \$1.50 per wk for Dorothy who has been placed in Holliston.

**Doris Campbell**, 16, referred by Miss Larrabee. Father is a provision man in Winthrop. Girl's step-mother abused her and she left home, going to Miss Larrabee. Doris is well placed in a school-home in Dorchester and father will pay for clothing.

**Annie Donolan**, ref. by Miss McMahon, 15 yrs old. Catholic. Has worked as bundle-girl for R.H. Stearns but is delicate and has been sent to W. Newbury to recuperate. An older sister will pay board.

**Dorothy Heald**. 14 yrs old, ref. by Miss Greeley of Dorchester Industrial School where she has been for about one year. Cannot remain there as she has bad influence on the other girls. Father and mother cheap actors and she has two brothers in N.Y. She is to be tried in a private family and mother will pay \$2 per wk.

**Nadia Day**, 9 yrs old. Father, Cuban, mother, English, and has legal separation from him. She has tubercular tendency and was in the Emmanual Class but is now stewardess on steamer doing south, earning \$20 per month with tips. Would like to have child with her but Dr. Pratt thinks this a risk for the child. Mother will pay board.

**Gertrude Hackett**, 14 yrs old. Ref. by step-sister, Miss Bailey of Lawrence. Mother dead and father wished to marry Miss B. who refused and he then took younger children away. After Gertrude graduated from grammar-school last June her father undertook to look after her and placed her in the family of a man named Brown who has since been sentenced to 9 mo[nth]s in prison. She is now with Mrs. Merritt in Chelsea and we are to have guardianship.

**Edith Howard**, 15 yrs old, ref. by Assoc. Char. Father and various members of the family are insane or lacking. The family has been helped by Overseers of the Poor. Edith is to be admitted if Father O'Connell will allow it.

**Mary McGurr**, ref. by Assoc. Char. Father is living and mother shiftless. The girl is somewhat wayward and we are to assist in supervision.

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**Holly Downing** went to California, Mrs. Luther having sent \$40 towards her fare. As there was no one to take charge on the trip Miss Blake telegraphed to a society in Chicago and someone was sent to meet her and escort her to the second train. Mrs. Luther telegraphed her arrival.

**Veronica White** has been sent to Miss Cochrane, East Dedham, and is doing well thus far. Miss McHugh will probably have guardianship.

**Grace Bond**, whose ideas were disturbed by visits from her relatives, has been removed to Natick.

**Annie Eck** did poorly at school and wished to learn house-work so she has been transferred to a working-home with Mrs. Hanscom.

**Margaret LePoids**, who has been for some time under supervision, has improved very much and returned to grandmother.

January 31, 1911

The admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Mary Pullaro**, 12 yrs old, referred by Dennison House. Father inefficient, mother to have an operation at Mass. Gen'l Hosp.

**Lilian Bingay**, 13 yrs old. Referred by S.P.C.C. Orphan. When her father died, two yrs ago, he gave her to two sisters who keep a disreputable lodging-house. She has an older brother in Alaska. Mr. Carstens procured temporary guardianship. She has been placed with Mrs. Tucker in Holliston.

**Helen Brown**, 17 yrs old, referred by Mr. Bardwell. Father is dead and she was sent with her mother to Bridgewater Almshouse. Older sister immoral, one brother doing well, two others under care of State. Helen is now working for Mrs. Wood in Brighton at \$2 per wk.

**Mary Flaherty**, 4 yrs old, illegitimate, referred by Mrs. Hitchcock of Welcome House. Mother too ill to work at present by hopes to take charge of child later. Mary is now down with diptheria at Contagious Hosp. Brighton.

**Ruth Lucas**, 12 yrs old, ref. by Miss McGrady of Ellis Memorial. Mother white, father colored. Mother, a scrubber, is away all day and the question of admission is unsettled as she has not yet been seen.

**Angelina Redocchio**, formerly under our care, has been with a sister in Southbridge. She is dissatisfied and school-teacher reports ill treatment. Father is remarried and may take her.

**Edith Howard**. Father O'Connell has not yet consented to having her under our care. Placing-our Com[mittee] report that **Esther Christiansen** is with Mrs. Harlow in Middleboro.

Bessie Gelaney will have a school-home with Mrs. Hopkins.

**Thesby Gelaney** received at Christmas from her god-father a check for \$25. Her uncle retained \$15 and gave her \$10. Of this she has given \$1 to each of her sisters.

**Florence Smith** was in the Haverhill Hosp. Was examined by Dr. Putnam who referred her to Mass. Gen'l Hosp. on the Hunnewell bed. **Esther Smith**, who was with Mrs. Davis, Malden, has been transferred to Mrs. Hanscom, Cambridge, where she earns \$2.50 per wk.

Gertrude Weiss has diphtheria at Brighton Hospital.

**Gladys Patterson** was found in Portsmouth, N.H. On Jan. 13 she was brought into court and sentenced to House of Correction in Epping. Judge Simes has no authority to change her to jurisdiction of Mass. and application will be made to the Governor of N.H. in order to have her sent to Lancaster as she is still under 17 yrs of age.

**Sarah Stokes** is now working for Mrs. Park in Waltham. Dr. Van Nuys sees her regularly and says she is childish and must be carefully watched.

**Lena Beckman** is with Mrs. Knight in Auburndale.

**Madeleine Harvey** has ulcers on her eyes and may be tuberculous. She is at the Deaconess Fresh Air Home.

**Jessie Broom**'s sister has moved from Stoneham and Jessie has gone to house of a Mr. Smith who has a poor reputation but Jessie is satisfied and refuses to leave. Her guardian, Miss Marshall, will try to persuade her to go elsewhere.

Gladys Alden is now at Harvard Knitting Mills.

Veronica White, with Mrs. Cochran, is doing well.

**Helen Brunell** lost her place with a dressmaker on account of being too talkative.

# February 28, 1911

Miss Blake has taken **Helen Brunell** as office girl and she has thus given satisfaction.

**Margaret Morey or McIntosh** has been placed in a Catholic home in Somerville with the consent of her aunt, Mrs. Riley.

The admissions are:

**Esther Lindgren**, 16 yrs old, referred by S.P.C.C. She has been living in Orange with her parents but went off to Athol with a girl who has a bad reputation. Her father has consented to our taking charge and she was placed temporarily in Welcome House where she has done well. Is to go to Mrs. Knight, Auburndale.

**Emma Dane**, 16 yrs old. Orphan, lived in So. Boston with aunt. Dr. Putnam examined and [thought] that though not feeble-minded she is not normal and should be kept under observation.

**Lizzie Williams**, 13 yrs old. Ref. by S.P.C.C. Comes from Lynn. Has frequented a Chinese Laundry and been assaulted there. Is in poor physical condition.

**Louisa Hurlburt**, 14, but small for her age. Mother dead. Older sister immoral and father wishes to get Louisa away from her influence. Louisa is to go to Miss Connell, W. Newbury. Miss Locke will try to help sister and cooperate with us.

**Gertrude and Dorothy Besanson** were admitted some time ago but went to a relative who can no longer keep them. They have been placed with Mrs. Lewis in Reading and father will pay \$5 per wk.

**Elizabeth Peck**, 16 yrs old. Older sister of Grace whom we took more than a year ago. Father has returned to Brockton and Eliz[abe]th has been there with him. After examination by Drs. Putnam and Burns she was placed in Mass. Gen. Hosp. for treatment for syphilis. When she leaves there she must be placed in a home especially selected by the hospital authorities for perhaps one year at extra price. Voted To accept Elizabeth Peck.

**Mary Read**, 7 yrs old, illegitimate. Mother works at Dennison factory and was betrayed when 12 yrs old by her step-father, named Thomas. Case is reported by Miss Dickinson, nurse at the factory in whom Mrs. Read confided.

**Agnes Galzeli**, 4 yrs old. Referred by mother's employer who asks us to oversee and find a place for the child if the mother will pay. She earns \$7 per week but is unwilling to assume expenses.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] [reports] that Mrs. Redmond, whose four children we have, disappeared for five weeks and made no payment. She has been found in Beachmont where she says she has been all the time. Miss Blake had an interview and asked her to report. Admission Com[mittee] recommend transfer of all four children to care of the State and it was Voted That this shall be done if Mrs. Redmond makes no payment before next Monday.

**Abby Tatro** who was operated upon at the hospital is doing well. **Madeleine Harvey**'s eyes grow worse. Dr. Putnam will see her before she goes to the Mass. Gen. Hosp.

**Mary Emerson** has been with Mrs. Hopkins. Mother insane. Father is a Protestant and asks to have her placed in a Protestant family. His sister, Mrs. Phillips, went with Miss Blake to confer with Father O'Connell who claims Catholic baptism. Mr. E. has consulted a lawyer.

**Leila Thresher** is to go to a free home with Mrs. Martin in Milton. **Mary Flaherty** has left the hosp. and is placed temporarily.

Miss Marshall has not persuaded **Jessie Broom** to leave Mr. Smith's.

**Gladys Patterson** is at Lancaster and happy there. **Florence Smith** is with Mrs. Grover near her sister.

Etta Brydges is working at Dennison factory.

Mr. Cohen has taken Mildred and Ethel to his mother's house in Chelsea where he lives.

March 28, 1911

The admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Elizabeth Cadigan**, 16 yrs old, ref. by Boston Dispensary where she has been treated for chronic rheumatism. Mother dead and girl lives with her grandmother and younger children of family. At times has to wear a frame but it was thought that this would not incapacitate her and she was placed with Mrs. Cochrane, Dedham. This showed that she was unable to work and she has gone temporarily to the Tyler St. Hospital.

**Hazel Holman**, 12 yrs old. Referred by Ellis Memorial Club. Probably illegitimate and mother does not sufficiently control her when out of school where she does well. She has been placed with Mrs. Hopkins, Lynn, and mother will pay towards support.

**Burridelle Richardson**, 16 yrs old, orphan. When small was taken in charge by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. W. is now in Hosp. for Incurables and her husband is old and feeble so the girl does not have proper care and we will oversee for the present.

**Olive Murray**, 16 yrs old. Orphan. Was taken when young by a family named Overton who have since cared for her. She has had various places to work but has not been steady. Dr. Putnam thinks she will improve under proper care. She was placed with Mrs. Stetson in Roxbury but left early one morning and about that time a servant lost \$10. Olive denies having taken the money and there is no proof that she did it, so she will be given another chance.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] report that **Mary Pellaro** has been returned to her mother and **Hilda Kimball** has also gone back to her mother.

Alice Gilbert is doing well in a working home.

**Eliz[abe]th Peck** is improving under careful treatment.

**Madeleine Harvey** is at Eye & Ear Infirmary and temporarily better.

Mrs. Redmond has paid \$10 toward support of her children and promises more.

**Nellie Stokes** is developing finely and is well spoken of.

**Emma Gunnison** is irresponsible when free from discipline and immoral. Dr. Fernald examined and thinks her not likely to radically improve. Is going to Welcome House.

Mrs. Jones, who has the four Schen children, cannot keep them all and the father wishes to have the oldest trained in housework so that she may keep house for him. A place has been found for her with Mrs. Lovering, Woburn.

**Etta Brydges** who has been working at the Dennison Factory has been found to have gonorrhea and sent to State Hosp. at Tewksbury.

**Eva Miller** is to give up housework and Mr. Dennison will try her at his factory.

Mrs. Nichols reports that Father Field has applied to have us take some colored girls from his home in the country when they are old enough to go to work. Voted That we think best not to assume this responsibility as we prefer to take younger girls if possible.

April 25, 1911

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Jennie Bridges**, 9 yrs old, ref. by Mr. Carter of S.P.C.C. Lawrence. Mother has deserted and an older sister has disappeared. Jennie has been living with her father who has a drunken housekeeper. He earns \$12 per wk and will pay board for Jennie who has been placed with Mrs. Cummins, Natick.

**Helen Morey**, 6 yrs old, younger sister of Margaret already under our charge. In June the mother is to take a place in service on the Cape and will then resume charge of Helen.

**Gladys Turner**, 15 yrs old, was taken when small by Mr. & Mrs. Turner. Dr. Lovell has taken her into her home for awhile and she is going to the Trade School. Meanwhile we have assumed guardianship.

**Marian Smith**, 16 yrs old. Father dead, mother at santorium and Marian was left in charge of an incapable housekeeper. Mrs. Walker, of Weston, has become interested and will pay expenses. If Mrs. W. approves she will be placed in a school-home to complete course in a High School.

**Mabel Bridgeforth**, colored, has been with her sister, Mrs. Tait, who had no control. Mrs. Mills has taken an interest in her and procured a position for her to work through the day in a good family in Stoughton, spending the night at house of Mrs. M.

**May Jordan**, 13 yrs old, ref. by Miss Burleigh, social worker at Mass. Gen. Hosp. Probably illegitimate and mother does not take proper care of her. For two years she was in Henniker, N.H., but the family was unsatisfactory. S.P.C.C. will look up the case and try to procure guardianship for us.

**Annabel Thompson**, 16 yrs old, who has not yet been seen by Miss Brown. Has been with her step-mother whom she has left and as she is wild she may have to go to Lancaster.

**Ethel Parker**, 16 yrs old. Mother dead, father serving 16 yrs in prison and will be discharged in June. She has been under guardianship of Miss Allen who wishes to be relieved. There are no relatives proper to assume charge.

**Mabel Davis**, 16, colored. Taken when small by Mrs. Davis, colored. Disappeared for a while having been persuaded by a woman to go to Lynn where she was taken to a disreputable house. At present she is much run down and is to board for a while to recuperate with Mrs. Fowler, Maplewood.

**Anna Hepworth**, 17, colored, to be temporarily under supervision. Came from Hayti[sic] about one year ago. Has been at large while in an undesirable place in Winchester. We will try to induce her to do better.

The Placing-Our Com[mittee] report that

**Harriet Stockbridge** has been removed from our care.

Bertha Cutter has gone to her uncle in Brooklyn at request of mother.

**Irene Jackson**'s father will place her in Ingleside as he is not willing to pay as much as we think he should towards her expenses.

**Emma Millet** has been located and is now working on Stanhope St. in a rather poor locality. Seems not quite balanced and though as she is nearly 21, we have no control, we are keeping in touch with her.

Miss Smith has received a letter from **Holly Downing** in California, now called Holly Luther. Is doing well at school, improving in health and enjoying herself.

**Madeleine Harvey** [was] for 8 wks at Eye and Ear Infirmary, contracted scabies there and has now been placed temporarily with a trained nurse. Will try to find a home where she can earn board for her.

Gladys Alden now with her mother, is working in a factory. Miss Pope will supervise.

**Amenie [Annie] Wahby**. Syrian, has gone to work in a factory in order to earn money to send to her parents in Syria.

**Etta Bridges** has been removed to Gloucester under settlement charge and placed in a bad family. The authorities have been asked to change her home.

**Jenny Baker**, formerly doing well, was not in good condition and the physician who examined [her] thought her run down. She has been playing truant from her work at a dressmaker.

**Maud Carroll** brought her husband to the office and Miss Blake went to see her at her home where she is very happy.

**Helen Brown** from Bridgewater Almshouse has been placed in Brighton and is delighted with her position there.

**Lena Beckman** will be examined by Dr. Fernald.

Mrs. Redmond pays \$5 per wk regularly. Mrs. Strickland who has charge of the four children proposes to more to Florida and wishes to take the two younger ones with her, next winter. She could not keep the older ones later than the autumn at any rate and will try to provide a good supply of clothing for them then.

May 31, 1911

As Miss **Helen Brunell** is inclined to take indiscreetly with the girls, though satisfactory in other respects, she will be dismissed.

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted

**Marian Tanner**, 14 yrs old. Parents separated and she was taken by an aunt who could not keep her. She is a nice child and has been placed with Mrs. Paine, Winchester.

**Lilian Bartlett**, 8 yrs old. Catholic. Father died two years ago. Mother has work all day and child has no supervision. She may return later to mother who pays \$2 per wk.

**Ethel Jackson**, 13 yrs old, referred by Assoc. Char. Mother is all right, but has been ill so the girl has been let loose. Judge Baker thought she might be improved if taken in hand at once. Is doing well with Mrs. Fowler, Maplewood.

**Margaret and Jessie Libbey**, 7 and 6 yrs old. Ref. by S.P.C.C. Mother deserted about two yrs ago. Father has tried to support these two but there is no proper place for them in the family. Father will pay \$5 per wk.

**Mary McGowan**. 16 yrs old, ref. by Miss McMahon of Boston Disp[ensary]. Has hysterical hip trouble which can probably be cured by proper care and food. Is at present with mother and younger sister and refuses to leave.

**Gertrude Quimby**, 13 yrs old. Was practically turned out by her step-father, Mr. Werner, and went to New York where she was found and brought back. S.P.C.C. asked Miss Blake to be guardian and she was place[d] with Mrs. Cummings, in Natick, under the name of Marie Spencer to protect her from recognition as reporters are trying to interview her.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] reports that **Helen Morey** has gone back to her mother.

**Hazel Lang** has gone to an uncle in Cambridge. Both parents are dead. The uncle has two children and his brother lives with him. He will support Hazel and try to repay board due from his mother who has been unable to pay during the past year.

**Etta Bridges** was married about three weeks ago to a man in Gloucester who earns \$9 per wk in a factory.

**Mabel Gourley** has recently been hysterical again. She was exam[ine]d at Mass. Gen. Hosp. and no organic trouble discovered. An alienist [psychiatrist] also examined and suggested Adams Nervine Asylum but there is no vacancy. Is now with Miss Bradine, nurse.

Grace Bond has been admitted at Waverly.

**Anabel Thompson** has not improved. **Gladys Nelson** is to spend the summer at Miss Pope's home in Weymouth.

**Dorothy Colby** is doing well at school. **Lizzie Williams**, who was boarded in the country, has lately been examined and sent to the hospital for treatment. May have to go later to Lancaster.

**Jennie Baker** has improved at the home of a physician in Saugus.

**Doris Porter** was taken home by her mother and placed in a grocery store as book-keeper, a position for which she is not fitted. Miss Blake will try to get control again.

**Emmy Gunnerson**, 17 yrs old, working in a factory in Stoneham, has been misbehaving at the factory. Dr. Fernald considered her untrustworthy and she was placed in Welcome House. She is now pregnant and at the Salvation Army Maternity Home but will get away if possible.

June 27, 1911

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted **Beulah Johnson** of whom we had charge but she went back to her mother. The latter cannot manage her and we will again if mother will pay board. Also

**Freda and Ruth Schell**. Mother keeps an employment bureau and is unable to look after them. They have been placed with Miss Patten in Lynn and mother is paying.

**Minnie Kimball**, 15 yrs old. Judge Baker asked our cooperation. Girl seemed all right but it was found that she was on the streets at night. Lives with grandmother who seems a good woman. Girl will remain there and we will supervise.

**Caroline & Maggie Bonney**, 14 & 12 yrs old. Ref. by S.P.C.C. Father, a widower. The younger child stole some money and father intended bringing her into court so S.P.C.C. asked us to take them temporarily. Father has since married again and will take back the younger girl, the older is going to Maine.

The Placing-Out Com[mittee] reports that **Hazel Lang**'s relatives proved very satisfactory. They have repaid \$25 of the \$50 owed us.

**Mildred Brown**, whom we have had two years, is going back to her mother as conditions seem suitable and we will keep in touch.

**Madeleine Harvey** has a brother in Cambridge and as he seems a respectable young man and will pay her board until she finds work she is to go to live with him.

**Mamie Roberts** wishes to reach a higher grade in school and the Com[mittee] has arranged the tutoring so that she may be promoted.

**Jennie Baker** has gone back to her family on the Cape.

**Hattie Van Cor** has been at the Trade School all winter and arrangements have been made for her to board in the country for 2 mo[nth]s.

Lina Beckman has been admitted at Waverly.

**Mabel Gourley** has gone to a friend, Mrs. Floyd, in Allston.

**Pauline Camots**, 13 yrs old, in a school home in Wakefield, has been bothered by her father who wishes to take her away. Father and uncle are both unworthy and Miss Blake will try to get guardianship.

The Placing Out Com[mittee] feel that it is wise to break the connection we have had with the C.A.S...and in the case of **Annie McLaughlin** we are to pay board and clothing for a year when she will go to the Normal School and be under their care.

July 25, 1911

The Ad[mission] Com[mittee] have accepted

**Helen Saber**, 11 yrs old, born in Syria where father still is. Mother in this country. Helen is living with Mrs. Lappold in Ashland temporarily.

**Gracia Battis**, 13 yrs old, referred by Mr. Carstens. Father has deserted, mother tuberculous. Gracia has been placed with Mrs. Pearson, Burlington, Mass.

**Annie Calliman**, 13 yrs old, ref. by Miss Burleigh of M.G.H. social service, is pre-tubercular. Has been placed temporarily with Miss Connell of Roxbury; mother pays \$1 per wk.

**Gertrude Kaplan**. Jewish, 15 yrs old, ref. by Mr. Carstens, infected with gonorrhea. Placed on trial of two weeks with Mrs. Bradeen. The report was unfavorable but she was allowed two weeks more at request of Mr. Carstens.

**Laura Boyle**, 19 yrs old, ref. by Mr. Carstens. Was adopted when small and abused by foster-parents, then ran away to Miss Hill in Wenham. Was placed for a short time with Mrs. Leman where she improved greatly and is now with Mrs. Miller in Brookline earning \$1.50 per wk.

**Altura Macnair**, 9 yrs old, referred by mother who married at age of fifteen, afterwards was divorced and last spring was married to Mr. Carney. Since then has had a surgical operation. Child has bad habit and will be kept under close supervision. She is mentally bright and father pays board.

**Edith Clark**, 15 yrs old, ref. by Miss Clark. Taken when young by Mr. Clark who died later and Mrs. C. is now old and feeble. Girl now placed in working home with Mrs. Annis of Braintree.

**Irene Wiggington**, 13 yrs old, ref. by Mr. Carstens. Mother divorced and father has beaten child. Mother appears to have married again. Father will pay \$3 per wk. Placed temp. with Mrs. Leman.

**Mary [Blance],** 15 yrs old, and **Grace**, 13, **Blance,** ref. by Mr. Carstens. Mother died of tuberculosis, father immoral but is to be responsible. They are with Mrs. Davis, Malden.

**Emily Bumpus**, 12 yrs old, ref. by Miss Stamard of Avon Home, Cambridge. Mother bad, father neglected child and is now in jail. Girl bright but had no bringing up; is in free home with Mrs. McLean, Roxbury.

Placing-Out Com[mittee] report that...**Pauline Kammotz** placed temp. with Mrs. Titus. Father wishes to take her to keep house for him. We have temporary guardianship.

Mabel Davis, colored, irresponsible and stays out late. Mildred Smith stole \$5.

Three children have been returned to their homes: **Margaret Morey**, **Mildred Brown** and **Louisa Hurlburt**.

**Madeleine Harvey** has work in shoe factory.

Eva Miller has been sent to State Hosp. at Tewksbury.

August 29, 1911

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Muriel Neal**, 8 yrs old. Stole some money from home and wandered away but was found by police at Revere Beach. Was taken away from home temporarily while family moved to better neighborhood and has now gone back to father who paid all expenses.

**Esther Ryan**, 12 yrs old. **Helen [Ryan]**, 9. Mother immoral. Father, printer at office of Globe will pay \$6 per wk. They will go to Mrs. Chase, Taunton.

**Susan Fothergill**, 14 yrs old, **Helen [Fothergill]**, 12. Ref. by S.P.C.C. Scotch. Mother dead, father bad. Children bright. We are to have guardianship.

**Eliz[abe]th Sullivan**, 13 yrs old. Ref. by Miss Bartlett of Bertley Infirmary. Has congenital gonorrhea and Dr. Morton Smith thinks can be cured. He will treat free of charge.

The Placing Out Com[mittee] report that it has been proven that **Gertrude Kaplan** is immoral. She was sentenced to Lancaster but bailed in bond of \$1000 by an uncle.

**Lilian Bingay** has gone to an aunt in New Orleans.

Katharine Bond has been taken by the City Trustees.

Josephine Hinton is doing remarkably well at the Trade School.

Alice Gilbert is training as attendant at Hosp. for Blind Babies.

Mabel Gourley has gone to her mother in Norwood.

**Della Barnes** has been examined by Dr. Fernald who thinks she may get along outside the hospital and she has gone to an aunt in Merrimac where she will be under supervision.

**Annie Eck**, who went to a sister on trial, was returned and has gone to Mrs. McLean, W. Roxbury.

**Hattie Van Cor** has done well at Miss Horey's.

**Mary Turnbull** has finished post-graduate course at High School and will work for a year before entering college.

**Beatrice Harris** has been taken away by her mother who is practically insane though she has never been committed and at present they have both disappeared.

September 26, 1911

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted

**Mildred Preble**, ref. by S.P.C.C., 9 yrs old. Mother is at Home for Feeble-Minded in Waverly. Father is good man and works on farm in Concord, Mass. Girl has lived with grandparents who are now old and unfit to take charge. Father will pay expenses. The grandmother, however, objects to giving up the girl and she has not yet been transferred to us.

Mabel Dickie, 12 yrs old. Father can't manage her and will pay all expenses.

**Jeannette Maharan**. 15 yrs old, ref. by Boston Dispensary. Can't be controlled at home and is out of health. Has been placed with Mrs. Thompson of Wollaston to take care of children at \$1.50 per week and is doing well.

**Mary Mullen**, 14 yrs old, ref. by Cambridge Probation Officer. Mother is epileptic from an accident. A sister of the mother will take Mary if we will supervise, and she will work in a Roxbury store.

**Emma Ulpe**, 12 yrs old. Mother said to be practically feeble-minded and drinks alcohol with water. Emma has been examined and pronounced not normal, but it is thought she will improve under favorable surroundings.

Placing-Out Com[mittee]. Four girls have been returned to families. **Gladys Nelson** has gone to her mother who keep house for an uncle. **Marion Smith** has gone with her brother to California to be with an uncle. The mother of **Gertrude Vyse** has married a Mr. Carney and has taken Gertrude home. **Marion Marston**'s father is able to support her and will assume charge.

**Eva Boyd** has returned to her father against our advice.

October 31, 1911

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Frances Perkins**, 12 yrs old, illegitimate. Has lived in the South with Mrs. Freely who took her when very young. This child has always supposed her mother, Mrs. Damon, to be her aunt. The mother is to pay expenses and girl has been placed with Miss Wheeler, Middleboro.

**Marion Sawyer**, 12 yrs old, living in Lynn with mother and stepfather. Is a wayward child likely to go wrong. For the present will be under supervision in her own home.

**Lena Cummins**, 14 yrs old. Illegitimate. Has lived with Mr. and Mrs. Sands whose influence was thought to be poor but Mrs. S. has now placed her in a good home.

**Mary Blute**, 5 yrs old, ref. by Boston Dispensary. Has had ulcers on her eyes and is not likely to improve in her own home though the experiment is being tried.

**Mary Palmer**, nearly 18 yrs old. Italian, living with her parents who wish to manage her and take her earnings. She earns from \$6 to \$7 per week and it was proposed to have her pay

them \$3 per wk but as this did not satisfy them she has been placed in a good home in Cambridge paying her board and \$1 per wk to parents.

Placing-out Com[mittee].

**Barbara Chambers** whose mother wishes to take guardianship has been left to us by order of Judge Grant.

**Eliz[abe]th Peck** is said to have been entirely cured of her serious disease and has been placed where she earns \$1 per wk.

**Angie Murphy**, at request of mother, has been placed in a Catholic family.

November 1911 [first page(s) missing]

Voted To admit **Catharine Lynch** for supervision.

Placing Out Com[mittee].

**Emma UIp** has been transferred to Waverly as she has not improved mentally.

**Gertrude Marden** has been taken from the Mansfields by her father and placed in Stoughton.

**Elsie Vickery** has been giving trouble and schoolmaster threatened to expel her. Mrs. Tilden suggests having her take up music in which she is interested and she is to have some lessons at 25 c[en]ts each.

**Mary Turnbull** was not successful in getting a school and has taken a place in a family in Lynn at \$3 per wk.

**Mary Palmer** has returned to her parents.

December 26, 1911

**Barbara Chambers** who comes from Newburyport to see her mother every 3d week. The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Margaret Green**, 9 yrs old, living with grandparents in Gray St. Grandmother ill and unable to care for the child who will be sent to Miss Poor, Needham.

**Mildred Grinnell**, 14 yrs old. Ref. by Miss Fisher, Woods Hole. Father is serving sentence at Barnstable, mother at home but insane, and girl is devoted to her. Brother a Harvard Sophomore. She is to be placed in Westboro.

**Olga Echburgh**, 16 yrs old. Ref. by father who promises to send her to Lancaster if she does not do well in a private family. She has a stepmother who is a fine woman but girl is wayward & independent.

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**Mary Turnbull** now 18 yrs old [and] receives \$4 per wk and Mrs. Kelley is much interested in her.

**Mabel Gourley** who has been in Brookline wished to go back to Mrs. Floyd and is now with Mrs. F. who assumes responsibility.

**Pauline Camots**, Greek, was taken by her father in Sept. from the Greek family in which she had been placed to his home on Hudson St. She has been working in an embroidery shop but father ill-treated her and she came to the office with a black eye from a blow. Is temporarily with Mrs. Leman and guardianship will be asked for.

Myrtle Hyde has gone to a school home with Mrs. Treat, Mansfield.

**Eva Miller** has come back from Tewksbury, cured, and is boarding in a Jewish family while working in Plant's factory.

**Sarah Stokes** doing well in Weston and was with her family at Christmas.

**Catherine Lynch** now tells a different story, exonerates brother and accused another man but no definite statement is given whereby he can be identified. Rooms have been engaged for Mrs. L and Catherine in family of Dr. Nichols, Roslindale; his wife, formerly a nurse, will instruct Catherine in care of child after confinement at N.E. Hosp.

January 30, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Florence Miller**, 16 yrs old. Was turned out of her home as her father and stepmother disagreed and separated.

**Elizabeth Cadigan**, 16 yrs old. Ref. some months ago and has been for 3 mo[nth]s in a hosp. resting upon a frame. Dr. Emerson of M[ass] G[eneral] Hosp. recommends change of treatment and that she be placed in private family to see whether she will improve.

**Mazie Bonney** 14 yrs old and younger sister 13, ref. by Mr. Jones, S.P.C.C. Mother dead, father remarried and has these girls at home. Mazie is now pregnant and has been placed temporarily in a private family to work for board or possibly small wages.

**Christina Keith**, 3 yrs old. Mother at Sherborn, father insane. Child bright and will go to relative in Somerville who will be responsible for board.

**Annie Donegan**, 17 yrs old. Ref. by Miss McMahon of Boston Disp[ensary]. In this country from Ireland about 6 mo[nth]s. Is earning \$2.50 per wk and there is no one to look after her.

Jennie & Rose Lyon, 17 and 15 yrs old. Ref. by an aunt. Mother dead, father insane. They lived with father in Lowell in great destitution. Aunt took [them]. Jennie below normal in intelligence and has been immoral. Dr. Lowell examined and referred her to Dr. Lane who felt that although not normal she is now a candidate for Waverly. Is to have an operation on neck at M[ass] G[eneral] Hosp. Rose also examined and found to have been immoral. For the present she is to work in a private family in Wakefield.

Placing-Out Com[mittee] report that the Schen family is to be brought together again as man's mother has come from England and will take charge of his home and his four girls who have been under our care.

**Mildred Grinnell** is in a school home with Mrs. Brown. Miss Fay who is interested has paid us \$150 toward her expenses.

Annie Wahbey learning dressmaking in Technical High School, Newtonville.

**Madeleine Harvey** earns \$5 per wk in Cambridge at a machine shop and we are to allow \$1 per wk to enable her to pay expenses.

Sadie Gallani is doing well after operation for appendicitis.

**Stamatia Soulongoulon** has been exam[ine]d by Dr. Lovell who thinks her fits of temper may be due to physical disturbance and recommends complete rest. It is hoped that she may be admitted to a Home in Haverhill.

**Pauline Camots** is in a school home in Medford.

**Catherine Lynch** and her mother are established in Roslindale where the latter earns a little by sewing.

**Mildred Nesbitt** has gone to Welcome House.

February 27, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted

**Burgess Russell**, 11 yrs old. Mother dead, father has kept up the home with an older daughter in charge but she has now been sent to Lancaster. Father will pay expenses of Burgess.

**Rose Goldberg**, Jewish, 15 yrs old. Mother dead, father and second wife live in Maynard. Rose left home and has been working in East Boston. Support herself but needs oversight.

**Gertrude Minehan**, 13 yrs old, **Marian [Minehan]**, 9 yrs old. Mother dead, father has disappeared. They have lived with an aunt in Somerville who declines to keep them longer and S.P.C.C. asks us to take temporary charge while search is made for the father. If he is not found the girls will be turned over to care of the State.

**Yvonne Michelle [Michel]**, French Canadian, 15 yrs old. Parents in Danvers Insane Hosp., mother hopeless but father may improve. Younger children have been taken by the State. This girl is very attractive and will be placed in a working home. They have guardianship.

**Mary Hogarth**, 9 yrs old. Mother dead. Child was with father and much neglected. She left and went to a Mrs. Murphy who has been trying to improve her physical condition. If consent of Father cannot be obtained to our quardianship, the S.P.C.C. will take the case into Court.

**Fanny Borison**, 12 yrs old. At present in the temp[orary] home of the S.P.C.C. Parents dead. A brother will support her under our supervision and if she does not improve will consent to her going to Lancaster. She has some very bad traits and other good ones.

**Anna Glover**, 14 yrs old. Parents unknown. Was adopted when young by Mrs. Glover whom she supposes to be her mother. Has done well until lately but now need[s] control as Mrs. Glover is an invalid. Anna has been operated upon for appendicitis and has also had the mastoid operation. Will be sent to a Convalescent Home temporarily.

**Elizabeth Cadigan** is with her sister and goes to the Trade School.

Catherine Lynch has a boy and is doing well.

**Marie Spencer** wrote to Miss Blake that she wished to go to a Convent School in order to avoid the temptation to go wrong. After investigation Miss Blake decided upon the Sacred Heart Academy in Watertown where Marie will have good training and strict discipline. Her mother and grandmother assume expenses. She has been placed about two weeks in the school and is very happy there.

**Mazie Bonney** left her place in Ashland after two weeks and was in Boston three nights before she was accidentally found on the Common by one of our visitors who brought her to Miss Blake. Dr. Lane has examined her and says she ought not be left at large. She is temporarily at the home of the S.P.C.C.

**Alice Gilbert** also examined by Dr. Lane and found not normal. Some time ago her step-father, Mr. Hutchins, who has married again and lives in Nova Scotia, offered to take her. If she is not admitted at Waverly she may be sent to him.

**Eva Miller** lost her position and no other except at housework, which she declines, has yet been found for her. As she is 18 yrs old it is felt that she must support herself.

**Mary Foster**, 18 yrs old, for supervision only. Her younger sister is doing well in New Jersey. This girl needs care and has been placed with Mrs. Lewis in Medford where she will be under supervision and earn \$3 per wk.

March 26, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted, upon application of the Boston Legal Society, **Dorothy, Myrtle and Mildred Edwards**, but in consequence of disagreement between their father, who is a Protestant, and his Catholic wife, it is uncertain whether they will be transferred to our care; they are now in the Harrison Avenue Catholic Home.

Also **Mary Hommel**, 13 yrs old, and her sister **Lottie [Hommel]**, 12 yrs old, ref. by Assoc. Char. Dist. 12. Father appears to be a good man and has been deserted by wife, said to be of bad character. The girls are bold and unattractive and have been placed with Mrs. Hadfield in Ashland at father's expense.

**Ruth Moore**, 16 yrs old, ref. by adopted father who took her in 1895. His wife is now ill and living in the West where he intends to join her. Ruth has been greatly neglected and has become wayward. Has been placed in Cambridge with Mrs. Spike who reports that she is doing well.

**Mildred Low**, 11 yrs old. Mother dead, father notoriously bad and married a second time to a bad woman who drinks. Mildred was sent to Mrs. Leman but at once ran away and was found by Miss Hinks who took her to her own home and cleaned her up. Is now at Stoughton with Mrs. Cheever.

**Mary Konchaftetis**, about 17 yrs old, Greek. Three y[ea]rs ago was brought to this country to be with an uncle in Somerville. He has an Italian wife who was not good to the girl and she ran away to her brother Demetrius, a very good fellow. She is now working for Mrs. Shaw in Cambridge at \$2 per wk. Miss Blake will be guardian.

The Ninehan[Minehan] children have been taken in charge by State.

Maizie Bonney has gone to Wrentham State School.

**Alice Gilbert**'s stepfather has written that he can't take her at present on account of scarlet fever in his family, and she is in a temporary place.

Olga Echburgh has returned to her parents.

**Sadie Galani** is in Waverly Conv. Home after an operation. Her sister hopes to have her go to Northfield.

**Helen Belyea**, now 10 yrs old, has St. Vitus dance so it unable to attend school and Mrs. Blake will pay for private instruction for one month.

**Madeleine Harvey**'s eyes still trouble her and she has gone for a time to the Chickering Home in Dedham.

**Harriet Cutter** is to return shortly to her mother who is keeping house. **Burgess Russell** is to remain with her father.

April 30, 1912

**Dorothy, Myrtle and Mildred Edwards** have been placed with Mrs. Wilby, Hyde Park, Protestant, at expense of their father.

The Ad[mission] Com[mittee] have accepted

Mary and Margaret Nagle, twins, 5 yrs old. They will be placed next week.

**Nareba Williams**, 11 yrs old. Father dead, mother has been at hosp. in Monson and is now at Austin Farm. We have guardianship and she has been placed with Mrs. Caldwell.

**Dorothy Miller**, 13 yrs old, sister of Florence who is in our care. Mother dead, father remarried and asks us to take charge. She will be in a school home.

**Mary Melchioni**, 16 yrs old, referred to us two years ago. Since then she has been living with a married sister, who has now moved away leaving no address and does not wish to keep the girl longer. Mary has had an operation on her arm which has left it stiff. Is now with Mrs. Leman and is improving by having massage and good care.

Miss Blake's family has moved to New York and **Dorothy Colby** is to remain in their care.

**Sadie Jackson** is to have an operation for appendicitis. Is temporarily with Miss Messenger who will take her again during convalescence.

Jvon [Yvonne] Michel is also to be operated upon for appendicitis.

A relative of **Annie Larsen**, Mrs. Carey of Fall River, has been discovered and offers to take Annie. Thus far investigation indicates that she is a suitable person.

May 28, 1912

**Helen Belyea** has improved very much.

**Cyrene Atwood**, age 14 yrs, placed with Mr. & Mrs. Buck, Dorchester, a school home; Mr. Buck school teacher.

**Alveda Johnson**, aged 5, must be kept away from mother who has syphilis. Mother pays [\$]2.00; child with Mrs. Hannoth[?] of Roxbury; mother will take child when she is cured.

**Josephine Sarno**, age 12 years; mother left & went to Italy, leaving child with step-father & aunt. Child placed with Mrs. McKeon, Brookline.

**Alice Pike**, age 2 yrs. Mother a nurse. Child recovering from Mastoid; now with Mrs. Conly, Dorchester. Father dead, mother pays for child.

**Bertha Copler**, age 11 years, of Jewish parentage. Father dead. Child was first taken by the State. A home is given by Mrs. Nov[blank]sky of Norwood; clothing to be furnished.

Hansice[?] Johnson - undeveloped, age 19 years. Was with Mrs. Furber a year, now at State School, Wrentham.

Barbara Chambers wishes to live with Mrs. Stafford. Decided to let her go.

Mary Konchaftelis at Eye & Ear Infirmary for operation.

**Ivon [Yvonne] Michel** has had operation for appendicitis. Is with Dr. Lowell.

**Sophia Gallany** gives up her studies at Northampton in order to help her sister Sadie.

**Stamatia [Soulongoulon]** does well for about a week at a place then her temper gets the better of her and she is discharged; wish to get her into the Welcome House.

**Sadie Jackson** has had operation for appendicitis and is doing well.

June 25, 1912

Admission com[mittee] reported:

**Alice Amero** who has been at the Dorchester Industrial School has been taken by us with their consent as we have guardianship.

**Mildred Preble**, 9 yrs, old case, as grandparents have gone away and left her with an unsuitable woman we are now taking her with the father's consent through the S.P.C.C.

**Dorothy Maguson**, 13. Mother has died, father married again. Child is wayward and the father is paying us.

**Ruth Grant**, 18 yrs old. Under par mentally but not feeble-minded. Is placed in a working home. Father is dead, mother very cooperative.

Placing Out [Committee reports]:

**Yvon Michael** was at Nursery for blind Babies but came down with quinsy sore throat and is at the City Hospital quite sick.

Mary Kouchaftelis is well again and gone back to work.

**Ruth Moore** has been stealing & has been placed in Welcome House.

**Dorothy & Gertrude Begansen** are going back to their father who is to be remarried next week.

**Anna Glover** has not done well and is to go to Lancaster.

Anna Callahan has done well and goes home today.

**Hazel Belyea** has gone to aunt which we think a mistake.

Dorothy Heald. Mother has paid \$100.00 back board.

Alice Gilbert has gone to her father.

**Maud Briggs**. Family who have boarded her are keeping her on at pay and as a school home next winter.

**Rey Gregoria**. Is under Dr. Emerson at the Mass. Gen. Hosp.

**Stamatia** couldn't get in at Welcome house and is placed in Wellington.

**Marie Melchioni**'s arm has almost recovered and she has gone home, but we think she is likely to return.

**Mildred Nesbit** has been at Welcome House where she has improved but father has claimed her and taken her away.

June 30, 1912

**Helen Fenton** whose stepmother was once in the old Home, 1008 Washington St, name Mary Morrison. Father living in Los Angeles, Cal., has paid two weeks board. Girl, aged 5 yrs, has been placed with Miss Hobbie at Fayville [Southborough].

Alice Hagan, 11 yrs; placed at board with Mrs. Bridges at Melrose.

**Emma Gunnison** found to be an unsafe girl to be at large, has been sent to Waverly.

Alice Gilbert, 17 yrs. Went to live with her step-father in Nova Scotia named Hutchinson; she soon had a quarrel with his wife and left. Was found by the A.C.[Associated Charities] of Halifax; has written to the woman with whom she lived before she went to Nova Scotia that she was working, as chambermaid at the Royal Hotel, Halifax, earning \$8.00 a month.

Mary Hogarth, 10 yrs. Now with Mrs. Jackson of Marlboro.

**Sarah Stokes** is married and living in Weston, Mrs. James Tebo...house in Waltham where she wishes her sister **Nellie [Stokes]** to live with her and get work in the place. Voted to let Nellie go to her sister.

**Gertrude Wyeth** has been in Hospital for 4 weeks with rheumatism; has returned to Mrs. Sullivan of Allston who gives her a school home.

**Sadie Jackson** has had operation for appendicitis and afterward had ivy poisoning very badly. She is well now and is in training at Mass. Baby Hospital where she is doing well.

**Lena Thresher** has been operated upon for adenoids at Eye & Ear Infirmary.

**Ivone Michel** had operation for appendicitis and afterward abcesses in the throat. Is now back at Hospital for Blind Babies where she is in training.

**Edith Stone** with Mrs. Blodgett of Waverley.

**Mary Blance** with Mrs. Aaron, Cambridge, a working home where she gets [\$]1.50 a week.

August 27, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted

**Anna Last**, Swede, 14 yrs old. Mother dead. Has been doing housework for father and three brothers. Arrested lately for shoplifting. Referred to our care by Judge Baker. Is now doing well with Mrs. Leman in training for a working home.

**Rose Desterle**, 2 yrs old. Ref. by State. Mother dead. Father has two other small children to provide for so can pay but \$1 per wk for this [one] who boards with an aunt and we pay the rest.

**Leone Barnes**, 7 yrs old. Mother immoral and has left her husband who works in Pennsylvania. Child is delicate and has heart trouble which may be outgrown. With Mrs. Gridley, Hyde Park.

**Helen Randall**, 11 yrs old. Father dead, mother immoral. An aunt is considering adoption and will pay \$3 per week for six months in order to [have] her under observation before deciding.

The Hommel girls have been returned to their mother.

**Helen Belyea** is going to her mother on Sept. 1.

**Eliz[abe]th Sullivan** who has been under treatment for about one year has greatly improved but is not absolutely cured. Her mother has decided to care for her at home.

**Ethel Jackson**, colored, has gone to her mother. Dr. Colburn has examined [her] and finds her feeble-minded.

**Jessie Libby**, 8 yrs old; has been examined by Dr. Lane who advises Home for Feeble-Minded. Father is to apply for admission.

**Alice Gilbert** has written to Miss B. that she is getting along well in her place as chambermaid.

**Stamatia Soulongalon** is to be married to a prosperous Greek fruit dealer of Winchester.

**Hattie Van Cor** has been doing so badly in Roxbury that complaints have been made and the only plan seems to be to have her arrested and brought before a judge. Miss Smith reports that she will probably be taken to court tomorrow.

September 24, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] has accepted

**Mary Ferguson**, age 16 yrs. Father worthless, has served a term of years in Prison. Assaulted girl on one occasion. Mother divorced at Petersham where family live. Mother does Laundry work and girl darns clothes. Family much respected in Petersham. Admitted for supervision.

**Sarah Millet**, 16 yrs. With sister Emma once inmates of our home [at] 1008 Washington St. Girl went to father at Revere; after mother's death in 1909 aunt kept house; Sarah went to Trade School for 3 months; was then taken away by father because he said she must be earning money & he would not pay for her. She earned her way at a summer camp of Y.W.C.A. and for awhile earned \$3.00 a week in a family at Northfield. Miss Bennett hopes the girl can be helped to return to Trade School, as she promises well.

**Mary Johnson**, colored, 16 yrs. Born in Virginia. Mother died 9 yrs ago; father died 2 yrs ago. There is some money from father's estate, as yet not settled.

**Antoinette Palmetto**, or Palmer, Italian, age 14 yrs, living at North End. Father and mother quarrelsome, both gamble and drink; girl has earned \$4 a week in Chocolate Factory.

Expenses of **Marian Smith** paid by our society, together with Mrs. Blake, have been repaid by girl's mother, who reports daughter as having obtained an excellent position with fine prospects. Mother sends thanks for loan which helped her when most needed.

Hattie Van Cor has been admitted to Welcome House.

**Elsie Eckhart**, nearly 19, has been working in Beachmont; came to ask for help in finding another situation; girl is very nervous & excitable; sent to the Psychological Hospital; a Christian Scientist, Mrs. Smith of Roxbury, is to take the girl on trial for a few weeks, feeling sure she can help her.

Gladys Alden is married.

**Barbara Chambers**, age 14 yrs. Earned her board by doing housework, though she dislikes it. Goes to school and next year will have school home with a teacher.

October 29, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted:

**Burgess Russell**, 11 yrs old. Abused by her father who is to pay board by order of the Court.

**Viola Morgan**, 8 yrs old, probationer of Miss Lee, temporary guardian. Mother bad, father has attacks of insanity. Girl exam[ine]d and said to be not normal but may improve in favorable environment. Uncle pays board with Mrs. Dears, Roxbury.

**Esther Pierce**, 16 yrs old. Father dead, mother has boarded her for 8 yrs, afterwards took her home but girl left her and went to R.I. with a young man who took her to his sister there. Mother found her and brought her back. She is now in Malden with Mrs. Chrisholm and seems contented.

**Mary Palmer**, 19 yrs old. Formerly under our care. Was returned to her father but did not get on well and the Judge has asked us to supervise. Supports herself by work in Choc[olate] Factory, Cambridge.

The Placing Out Com[mittee] report that **Nellie Stokes**, who went to her sister in Weston, has come back to us. She was not doing well and Sarah could not manage her. Now working at \$2.50 per wk for Mrs. Bradene, Arlington.

**Mary Kouchaftelis** has gone to an uncle in Chicago. He came to the Chamber of Commerce Convention and having learned that his niece was in Boston hunted her up and wished to take her back with him at once. He is entirely responsible and girl's brother has also gone to him.

**Gladys Nelson** has developed tuberculosis and has been placed in Stoughton. Her mother pays most of board.

**Mary Johnson** was taken to E[ye] & E[ar] Infirmary for removal of tonsils. During the operation an instrument slipped and her two lower front teeth were knocked out. Miss Blake has not yet been able to see Dr. Cobb, the head of the Infirmary, but will do so as soon as possible.

#### November 26, 1912

The Admission Com[mittee] have accepted:

**Loretta Anderson**, 16 yrs old, daughter of the second Mrs. Nelson who died two y[ea]rs ago. Girl had a place with Mrs. Rogers in Milton but it was too far from the school for her to accomplish much at home. We will pay board temporarily in Malden and supervise.

**Wilhelmina and Henrietta Bell**, twins, 12 yrs old. Father worthless and has been supposed to pay \$5 per wk to the grandmother who has had charge. A Mr. Westervelt is considering adoption and has already paid \$25 towards board in the new home where they have been placed.

**Mary McClure**, 15 yrs, Catholic. Still at temporary home of S.P.C.C. Orphan. Has been in the family of Mrs. Coyle. Is to be placed in a working home and have a Catholic guardian, Miss Sullivan.

Esther Anderson, 13 yrs old. From Brockton. Ref. by Mr. Jones of S.P.C.C.

Henrietta Beaulieu, 13 yrs. Mother was intemperate and addicted to drugs but died when child was 2 yrs old. Father is fond of child. She has been in convents and has run away. Then was placed with Mrs. Cochrane, Dedham, and again got away. Went back to office of S.P.C.C. Miss Pope took her from there to Mrs. Cochrane who will try to keep her until another place can be secured. She is very untruthful.

# Placing-out Com[mittee]:

In regard to **Mary Johnson**, Mr. Shattuck said we have no claim for damage from teeth having been accidentally knocked out. Dr. Farrar Cobb will pay for repairs. The girl is now in Tewksbury for treatment for gonorrhea.

**Elizabeth Nagel** has been employed by Dr. Young who feels that she is hardly strong enough to take a course in nursing. She will probably be put in a school home.

**Bessie Choate** is working in Cambridge for Mrs. Turner who has raised her wages to \$3.

**Nellie Stokes** is not at all well and may be pregnant. Her sister Sarah regrets having assumed charge of her.

**Helen Fenton**, 6 yrs old. Her stepmother says her husband is living with former wife in Los Angeles. This has been investigated there and the story denied. The father is there,

however, and requests us to send Helen to him in the care of conductor, but has made no definite plan and we think there should be some responsible person to look after her on the journey.

**Josephine Lapori**'s mother wanted to see her and they met here. Mrs. L. is now carrying on a lodging-house on Dover St. and wishes to take Josephine but seems altogether unfit to assume charge.

**Esther Pierce** has now been sent to Welcome House and seems to do well there. **Dorothy Colby** has had an abscess of arm. Her foster mother wished to have her treated and she was sent to Philadelphia. Is now with Miss Blake's family again.