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INTRODUCTION

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This book of accounts, entitled *Particulars of Pews &c in St. Mary's Church, Cheltenham, 1822*, compiled by W. Gyde, actually covers the period 1822-28. Besides an account of pew proprietors, and payments for pew renovations in 1821-22, the notebook includes an 1822-24 statement, by churchwarden James Fowler, of renovations and repairs to the church. A list of subscribers to a new service of communion plate in 1824 is given, with the amount paid to Mr Riviere, revealing that he was the maker of the new service.

Lastly the state of the various Cheltenham charities in 1824 is described, followed by a list of the poor who received payments in 1827, with names, addresses and comments on their status. The first charity listed is the Poors Ground (Bouncer's Lane); the Town Commissioners and churchwardens appeared to have no knowledge of the original purchase of this. (In fact, charities for the benefit of the poor, and for putting out apprentices, were consolidated in the purchase of lands, the Poor's Grounds, in 1667.) It was agreed that the rent from this property should be used to support deserving poor not already in receipt of parish relief. Amongst these charity accounts there is a summary of 'things done' to the church and churchyard, 1821-24.

The compiler of the book, William Gyde, was born in Sheepscombe in 1779, son of a clothier. He moved to Cheltenham as a teenager, where a member of the Gyde family had a grocery business. William soon set up his own shop in the High Street, as a grocer and tea dealer, tallow-chandler and soap boiler. Besides his successful business, William Gyde became a considerable property developer in Cheltenham, notably with the building of Grosvenor Street, originally Yatman Street, then Gyde's Terrace as late as 1839. In 1807 he married, as his first wife, widow Mary Fisher, *née* Lay, who inherited land from her Uncle, Thomas Yatman, thus helping Gyde's initial career as a developer. He also built much of the Sherborne Place and Sherborne Street areas, including the since-demolished Sherborne House and Sherborne Villa. Gyde lived in the latter for many years, before it and Sherborne House became the Cheltenham Hydropathic Institution.

During his long life, William Gyde, described as 'a forceful personality' by historian Gwen Hart, was appointed a Town Commissioner, (managing town paving, lighting and the early police force), appointed a magistrate in 1840, served as a member of the Vestry, and as a parish churchwarden. In 1863 he was selected to test the extortionate copyhold claims of the new lord of the manor, Robert Sole Lingwood, who was imposing stringent terms on copyholders who enfranchised their property (thus converting it to freehold). Lingwood threatened to revive claims of medieval manor lords, including fines in respect of timber, clay and brick-earth – Gyde owned three acres of brickfields on Whaddon Field. The copyholders won their test cases, causing R.S. Lingwood had to retract his demands.

Gyde's only surviving son, William Hubert Gyde, (1811-44), became a solicitor, acted as clerk to the magistrates, and, like his father was active as a Liberal in Cheltenham's affairs.

William Gyde died in 1867, aged 88, and the subsequent sale of his property reveals just how much he owned in Cheltenham, with cottages in Hermitage Place, Victoria Place, Rutland Street and Albert Street, along with houses in Grosvenor Street and five business premises in the High Street.

Jill Waller, Jan 2026

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PARTICULARS OF PEWS, &c. IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH, 1822-28 – W. GYDE

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COMMUNION PLATE

1 Flagon
2 Plates
4 Chalices

BLACK CLOTHS

1 Pulpit Cloth 2 Pulpit Sconces
1 Table Cover 2 Oil Sconces
1 Rail Covering
Lot of Crape

A STATEMENT of the PEWS

In the Body or lower part of the Parish Church of Cheltenham, shewing the Original and also the present number of Pews, with the names of the Proprietors and persons who paid for fitting them up in 1821 & 1822 when the same was new-Pewed, painted & furnished with a Mahogany Casing.

Orig. No.	Pres. No.	In what Aisle	Persons who paid for Fitting them up	General remarks, in right of what house claimed, &c.
1	1	Chancel	J. Pitt Esq., M.P.	
2	2	Chancel	J. Pitt Esq., M.P.	
3	3	Under Belfry	Churchwardens	Churchwardens' Pew
4	4	Under Belfry	Capt. Matthews, &c	
5	5	Under Belfry	Hulbert & Newman	
6	6	Under Belfry	Snealus & Bubb	
7	40	North Aisle	Capt. Timmins	late Sir R. Herris, now Mr W. Weale
7	41	North Aisle	Miss Thornton	
8	42	North Aisle	Mr E. Matthews	
9	43	North Aisle	Mr Fisher, Allstone Villa	
10	44	North Aisle	Mr J. Witts, Butcher	late Dee's House, No.416 High Street
11	45	North Aisle	Mr John Gardner, Brewer	for No.180
12	46	North Aisle	Mrs Haselton	
13	47	North Aisle	Mr Sheldon, York Hotel	now Merril, No. --- High Street
14	48	North Aisle	Mr Lovett, Attorney	purchased by him of Mason, claimed by E. Evans.
15	49	North Aisle	Mr Joseph Smith, Plumber, &c.	late Mr Welch, Arle.
16	50	North Aisle	Mr T. Griffith, Solicitor	Gunton, adjoining Swan House.
16	51	North Aisle	Mr T. Turner, Banker	Swan House
17	52	North Aisle	Mr P. Thompson	Westall
18	53	North Aisle	Mr J. Gwinnett, Solicitor	Portland House
19	54	North Aisle	Mr Wm Morris, Charlton	Moss & Witts' House
20	55	North Aisle	Mr J.P. Butt of Arle	Arle Court Family Pew
21	56	North Aisle	Mrs Barrett, late of <i>Crown Inn</i>	the <i>Crown Inn</i> , late Cherrington
22	57	North Aisle	Mr Hurlstone, <i>Fleece Inn</i>	Moors Farm
23	58	North Aisle	Mr Jones	Arched Buildings
24	59	North Aisle	Mr Fowler, Churchwarden & Robt Lambert	
25	60	North Aisle	Miss Savory	
25	61	North Aisle	Mrs Hiett, Fowler & Robinson, <u>Widow</u>	

Orig. No.	Pres. No.	In what Aisle	Persons who paid for Fitting them up	General remarks, in right of what house claimed, &c.
★	62	North Aisle	Mr Jas. Fowler, Church Warden – ★ This Pew was made out of a vacant space formerly used as a way to certain Pews now sold by the Incumbent & Churchwardens to Mr Henry Fowler for £50, which sum has been applied to the benefit of the Parishioners in beautifying the Church &c. – see Fol. 23 &c.	
26	63	North Aisle	Miss Banbury & Mr Fowler the Bal.	
27	64	North Aisle	Mr John Jones, Miss Roberts, Library Late Cherringtons	
28	65	North Aisle	Miss Markham	
29	66	North Aisle	Mr Higgs of Charlton Kings	
30	67	North Aisle	Mr Winning of Charlton	Dr Jamison Claims a right to this Pew
31	68	West	Mr Cull; under the N. Stairs	
32	22	West	Mr Thomas Bliss – ♦ divided	one part sold to Mr John Hatten, new Ch. Warden
♦	23	North	ditto into two.	
33	24	North	Mr Thomas French, Grocer	late Wynn, Brewer
34	25	North	Mr J. Fowler, Ch. Warden ♦ – ♦ This Pew originally belonged to Genl. Orr, but was Exchanged at his request by the Ch. Wardens for one in the South Aisle, No.84, which Pew is facultied to Genl. Orr's House No. in the High Street. And the Pew No.25 in the North Aisle has been sold by the Incumbent & Church Wardens to Mr Godsall, the produce of which was given for the Pew No.84 in the South Aisle as above stated.	
35	26	North	Mr J. Hooper (cooper)	
36	27	North	Mr Smith of Owdswell, Boardinghouse	
37	28	North	Mrs Fisher of Alstone Villa, Boardinghouse	
38	29	North	Mr M. Yearsley	
39	30	North	Mr J. Garn	
40	31	North	Mrs W. Gregory, Mrs Lakter & Mrs Gaze	
41	32	North	Mr Howell & Mrs Russell	
42	33	North	Mr Gilbert Jones & Mr Kear	
43	34	North	Mr W. Gyde (a facultied pew)	
44	35	North	Mr Willis (Gardener)	
45	36	North	Mrs Reeves (Smith)	This Pew is claimed by Dame Stroud of Arle as belonging to a House belonging to her there.
46	37	North	Mr Thos. Stone (<i>Lamb</i>)	
47	38	North	Miss Jane Cook ✗	✗ This Pew has been divided & Enlarged.
	39	North	ditto ditto Extra pew ✗	
48	7	Middle Aisle	Revd H.W. Williams, Mrs Barrett & Mrs Bastin	Mr Williams 2 sittings, Mrs Barrett 2 sittings for <i>Crown Inn</i> , & Mrs Bastin 2 sittings for Sandford Farm.
49	8	Middle	Mr Gardner, Mr Minster & Mr Fowler, Church Warden	This Pew belongs to Mr Minster's old house in the High Street, purchased by Mr J. Gardner.
50	9	Middle	Revd. Dr. Nash	Belongs to No. High Street.
51	10	Middle	Mr B. Jones, Farm House	
52	11	Middle	Mr William Stone Senr.	
53	12	Middle	Mr Fowler, Churchwarden ♦ – ♦ It is very doubtful who this Pew belongs to, there being more claimants than there are sittings for; however the Expence of fitting it up was paid by the Ch. Wardens in consequence of their having taken out part (say 2 sittings) for the purpose of enlarging the reading Desk.	
54	13	Middle	Mr Bastin (Sandford) & S. Turk, Saddler	
55	14	Middle	Mrs Maggs	
56	15	Middle	Mrs Cull & Mrs Fowler for Mrs W. Bastin.	

Orig. No.	Pres. No.	In what Aisle	Persons who paid for Fitting them up	General remarks, in right of what house claimed, &c.
57	16	Middle	Mr Robt Hughes, Mrs Travell & J. Ballinger	
58	17	Middle	Mr Agg, Kear, Leighton & Cooper	
59	18	Middle	Mr M. Yearsley, W. Gyde & Clutterbuck.	
60	19	Middle	Pd. By Mr Hall for Mr Osbourne	
61	20	Middle	Mr Winning, of Charlton	Revd Th. F. Harward stated to be facultied to a House.
62	21	Middle	Mr B. Jones, Cambray	
63	69	West Aisle	Mr Stephens of Sandford	
64	70	West	Pd By Mr Jervis for Collet	Mr Jervis to let it till he is repaid.
65	71	West	Pd by Mr Alder for Mr Osburne	this Pew belongs to house late Newbrys in the High Street.
66	72	West	W. Higgs (Hurdle maker)	Belongs to a house in the High Street, late Dame Belcher's but now W. Higgs.
67	73	South Aisle	Mr Henley, pd for by J. Byrch	
68	74	South	Mr W. Stone senr.	
69	75	South	Mr Geo. Capiner (Carpenter)	
70	76	South	Mr Messinger (Shoe maker)	
71	77	South	Mr John Higgs	Allen
72	78	South	Mr Theo. Gwinnett (Solicitor)	Marly
73	79	South	Mr Surmon	This Pew belongs to No. – in the High Street, next door to Genl. Orr's.
❖	80	South	Mr James Fowler, Ch. Warden – ❖ This Pew was made & fitted up by the Ch. Wardens out of a space where the old South Door was, and which Pew was sold by the Incumbent and the Ch. Wardens to Major Brooks for £150, which sum was expended by them in the putting in the New South Door and other improvements in the Church. See Fol. 17.	
74	81	South	Mr James Fowler for Mr Roger Lawrnece	
75	82	South	Mr W. Ballinger for Mr Skillicorne	
76	83	South	Mr W. Ballinger for Mr J. Golder	This Pew belongs to the <i>Shakespeare Inn</i> .
❖	84	South	Mr James Fowler for Sundry Properties. ❖ Viz. Miss Haywards, Hatten & Moody, Mr Arkell, Golder, Skillicorne & Lawrence, whose Pews this Pew was taken out of and sold for their joint benefit, and is now the property of Genl. Orr, to whose house it is facultied.	
77	85	South	Lord Sherborne, Dr Jamison, & Mr Henney	2 Sittings each
78	86	South	Miss Bedwell, Mr Hatten & Mr Moody	2 Sittings each
79	87	South	Miss Haywards, St Georges Place	
80	88	South	Mr Welch of Arle, Family Pew	
81	89	South	<i>ditto ditto ditto</i>	
82	90	South	<i>ditto ditto ditto</i>	
83	91	South	Capt. Matthews, qy. Clerk	It is generally thought that this pew is a free pew belonging to the Parish Houses
84	92	South	Miss Snell, late Peter Snell Esq.	
85	93	South	Mrs James Fowler	this Pew is claimed by Mrs W. Bastin
86	94	South	Mr Hughes, <i>George Hotel</i> .	
87	95	Under Tower	Mr Bettison	this Pew was purchased by Mr Bettison of Mr Macy.
88	96	Under Tower	Miss Thornton	
89	97	Under Tower	Mr J. Gardner	this Pew belongs to the <i>Fleece Inn</i> , No.180.
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Orig. No.	Pres. No.	In what Aisle	Persons who paid for Fitting them up	General remarks, in right of what house claimed, &c.
91	98	South Aisle	Mr Fowler, Ch. Warden	this Pew belongs to Mr W. Barrett, Trustee for Mr Gardner.
92	99	South	Mrs Bastin, Cambray <u>Seagar</u>	this Pew belongs to Sandford Farm House.
93	100	South	Mr John Gardner	
94	101	South	Lord Sherborne, Agent	this Pew belongs to Fisher's Boarding Hse, Gt. H.
95	102	South	Mr John Gardner	Mr C. Hale
96	103	South	Mr Wm Gregory	
97	104	South	Mr W. Gyde	
98	105	South	Mr Jas. Arkell	
99	106	South	Mr N. Barrett	
100	107	South	Mrs Liffully	
101	108	South	Mr Roebuck, Crescent	❖ These pews were originally the Family pew of Mr Robt. Hughes, belonging to Powerscourt house, which was bought by Mr Smith and afterwards divided into two Pews, one of which was sold by Mr T. Smith to Mr Roebuck for £100
❖	109	South	Mr Thos. Smith, North Place	
	110	West	Mr Edwd. Leighton, formerly where the Font stood.	
102	111	Middle Aisle	Mrs Jessop of Somerset House	
103	112	Middle	Mr Sheldon, <i>York Hotel.</i>	
104	113	Middle	Mr J. Stone & Mr W. Newman	
105	114	Middle	Mr T. Smith, (Grocer)	
106	115	Middle	Mr T. Gwinnett, Solicitor	
107	116	Middle	Miss Arkell	
108	117	Middle	Mr Gardner, Mr Hy Butt & Mrs Williams	
109	118	Middle	Mr Richard Forster	
110	119	Middle	Mr Rd. White	
111	120	Middle	Mrs P. Wills, High Street.	
112	121	Middle	Pd by Mr Rd Butler of Westhall.	belongs to Mr Stephens of Sandford.
113	122	Middle	Mr T.P. Butt, Arle	
114	123	Middle	Mr Charles Hale	
115	124	Middle	Mr Newbury & Carter	this Pew belongs to the <i>Bell Inn</i> & Premises adjoining.
116	125	Middle	Pd by Mr Roughton, belongs to Mr Thos. Smith, Grocer	
117	126	Middle	Mr J. Gardner	<i>Fleece Inn</i> Pew.
118	127	Under Tower	Mr B. Chapman	<i>Rose & Crown.</i>
119	128	Under Tower	Mr Jas. Fowler & Miss Morris.	This Pew belongs to the Arched Buildings.
120	129	Under Tower	Mr M. Yearsley ❖	❖ This Pew is claimed by Sarah Squires in right of a house belonging to her at Allstone.
121	130	Under Tower	Churchwardens' Pew	
122	131	Chancel	J. Pitt Esq., M.P.	
123	132	Chancel	<i>ditto ditto</i>	
		The Free seats in the Chancel where the Children sit paid for by the Churchwardens and allowed them in their account with Mr. Pitt.		
			This general Statement of the Pews is given with a view to prevent any dispute that might arise hereafter with regard to the right of Sittings & Pews.	
			Samuel Fowler, Churchwarden, March 1824.	

NOTE: A **pew faculty** is a legal document granting permission to introduce or dispose of pews. (A faculty is required for most repairs, maintenance and changes to a church building or its contents. Generally, applications for a faculty are made by the incumbent and churchwardens. Private petitions are allowed as well, typically for gravestones or monuments. The decision to grant a faculty is usually made by the Chancellor of the diocese.)

1822-24 ACCOUNT

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Debit	A Statement of Receipts & Expenditure by Jas. Fowler, Churchwarden, an account of the new Door way & other improvements to the Church not charged in the Churchwardens' accounts with the Parish.							Credit	
Aug 1822	To Cash of Major Brooks for Pew No.80 in the South Aisle made out of the space where the Old South Doorway was.	150	-	-	31 Aug 1822	Paid Thos. Forty on account for new Door way	16	15	2
	Cash of Mr John Halden for Old South Doors	1	11	-		<i>Ditto</i> for fitting up pew No.80, being the one sold to Major Brooks.	10	-	-
					3 Sep 1822	Pd Geo. Wood and son on acct. of new Door way	40	-	-
					7 Sep 1822	Pd Hague for Lamp patten on ceiling	-	15	-
					11 Sep 1822	Pd Joseph Smith for Glazing Fanlight over Door	3	-	-
						Gave his men 2/6; Stamp rect. Major Brooks 2/6	-	5	-
					24 Sep 1822	Pd Geo. Wood farther on acct. of Door way	20	-	-
					28 Sep 1822	Pd Saml. Clark's Bill for Iron work for Door way	2	13	6
					18 Oct 1822	Pd George Wood, mason, Bal. of his acct. for New Door way, &c.	18	15	9
	Carried Forward £	151	11	-		Carried Over £	112	4	5

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Debit	Dr James Fowler in account with the New Door way &c.								Credit	
Oct 1822	To amount Brought forward	151	11	-	Oct 1822	By amount brought forward	112	4	5	
					18 Oct 1822	Pd D. Banbury for plan of the yard	1	1		
						Pd J. Wild of Bristol for his trouble making Drawing for stain, Glass Fanlight, &c	1	1	-	
					9 Dec 1822	Pd Joseph Smith for Glazing new South Window where old South Door was	3	6	9	
						Pd Thos. Forty Balance for Pew No.63	2	-	-	
						Pd <i>ditto</i> Balance of account for Doors	1	14	2	
					25 Dec 1822	Gave the Singers a Christmas Box	6	15	-	
						Gave them a Hymn Book apiece	2	4	-	
						Pd for lettering <i>ditto</i>	-	2	9	
					23 Jan 1823	Pd Samuel Clark for Curtain Rods	1	6	6	
						Pd Maggs & Newton for Moreen for Curtains	4	14	6	
						J. & J. Cook's bill for sundries	1	9	-	
		Carried Forward £	151	11	-		Carried forward £	137	19	1

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Debit	Dr. Jas. Fowler in account with the New Door Way, &c. &c.								Credit	
Jan 1823	To amount brought forward	151	11	-	Jan 1823	By amount brought forward	137	19	1	
	To cash of Mr Godsall towards the general Improvement of the Church	5	-	-		Pd J. Tombs for making Curtains	1	10	-	
	To cash for extra Pew sold in South Aisle, being the proportion for 8¼ Ins taken out of the Aisle at S. Door.	12	7	6 ¼	5 Mar 1823	Pd Thos. Forty for repr. And fitting up sundry Pews, &c. as per Bills & Vouchers.	19	17	11 ¾	
					5 Mar 1823	Pd Thos. Forty for pew at North Door, sold to Mr Henry Fowler.	5	8	1 ¾	
					15 Nov 1823	Pd Forty for fitting up Pew No.12 adjoining the reading Desk.	4	13	4	
					10 Feb 1824	Paid Mr Thos. Davis of Gloster, Solitro, for defending Action brought by Genl. Orr & for obtaining a Faculty to his Pew, No.84.	19	7	6	
						Pd Griffiths for advertisement of Pew No.62.		15		
						Stamp for Mr Fowler 3/-; this Book 3/6		6	6	
					22 Apr 1824	Pd Mr David Banbury for making a second plan of Church yard with a view to inclose same.	1	-	-	
	Carried Forward £	168	18	6 ¼		Carried Forward £	190	17	6 ½	

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Debit	Dr. Jas. Fowler in account with the New Door Way, &c.								Credit	
Apr 1824	To amount brought forward	168	18	6 ¼	Apr 1824	Forty's Bill for Pew 128.	2	6	2 ½	
17 Apr 1824	To Cash of Mr Henry Fowler for Pew No.62 in the North Aisle.	50	-	-	Apr 1824	By amount brought forward	190	17	6 ½	
					27 Apr 1824	Pd Balance of subscription towards the Service of Communion Plate. (Fol. 27)	9	9	-	
						A new Key for Pew No.62		1	-	
						Pd Mr Hurlston's Bill for entertainment of the Committee appointed for superintending the perambulation of the parish, when a plan of the Boundries of the Parish was taken & is deposited at the Workhouse for the use of the Parishioners.	11	5	-	
							213	18	9	
						Balance paid Mr W. Buckle to be carried to the Churchwardens Genl. account £	4	19	9 ¼	
	£	218	18	6 ¼		£	218	18	6 ¼	

(Signed) H. Straford; Jas. Fowler, Churchwardens

**The following is a list of the persons who Subscribed towards the new service of
Communion Plate purchased for the use of the Parish Church in 1824**

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	£	s	d
Revd Charle Jervis, Incumbent	5	5	
Majors Fowler & Buckle, Churchwardens	5	5	
Mr E. Barrett (London)	25	-	
Mr Woodcock (Cambray)	12	2	
Mr P. Frost	5	5	
Miss Lovelock	1	1	
Mr Hy Thompson	5	-	
Mr Bastin (Sandford)	1	1	
Mr H. Straford	2	2	
Dr Coley	2	2	
Col. Riddell	2	2	
Mr Dumarsq	1	1	
Mr Tomline	11	1	
Miss Hervey	2	2	
Mr King	1	1	
Mr H. W. Herris	2	2	
Captain Timmins	2	2	
Mr Pope (Cambray)	1	1	
Mr Allen (Cambray)	2	2	
Mr Staighen Senr	1	1	
Mr Clutterbuck (Cambray)	1	1	
Dr Christie	2	2	
Sir A.B. Faulkner	1	1	
Mr Gilbert Jones	1	1	
Mr Roebuck	2	2	
Mr Murley	2	2	
Dr Boisragon	2	2	
Mr Pitt	2	2	
Mrs Probert & Mr Townsend	1	1	
Mr Fowler	1	1	

Mr John Nicholson	1	1	
Mr John Whitcham	1	1	
Mr W.C. Marshall	1	1	
Mr Butler	1	1	
Mr Bromfield	1	1	
Miss Jane Cook	1	1	
Mr Baskerfield	5	5	
Capt. Stevison	5	5	
Mr Godsall	7	7	
Mr Riviere	5	-	
Mr Forster	2	-	
Mr White	2	-	
Mrs Riviere	1	-	
Col. Greenwell	2	2	
Mr Brandt	1	1	
Miss Snell	2	2	
Total amount of Subscriptions £	144	-	-
Goods taken in exchange, 4 Plated Cups & Basket	5	5	
Old Plate, 66 oz. at 5/-	16	10	
Cash from Receipts of Pew sold, fol.24	9	9	
£	175	4	
13 Apr 1824			
By amount of Mr Riviere's Bill for service of Communion plate, viz. One large Chalice, four Cups and two plates of Silver, richly chased & Gilt, and weighing 160 oz., with Oak Chest to hold the same.	175	4	
£	175	4	

**Memorandum of Cheltenham Charities Investigated by the Commissioners
Appointed by Act of Parliament April 1824 – CHELTENHAM CHARITIES**

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1. The Poors Ground:

There is no record to shew with what Charities those Grounds were purchased. The Commissioners recommended that in future a Vesty meeting be convened a short time before it is intended to distribute the money received for Rent and that a list of Secondary Poor, such as have supported themselves without Parochial Relief, and who may stand in need of Assistance on account of Old Age, Sickness, Accident, &c &c, and that to such persons from Ten Shillings to one or two Pounds be given as circumstances may require.

And that the Churchwardens do then make another list of Poor Persons they think most deserving to have the remainder of the money given them in small Sums, but as a general rule not to put any on the list who occasionally receive Parochial relief, and in no case whatever any who are confirmed Paupers receiving permanent Parish Pay.

2. Townsend Charity:

Now produces £20 a year to each parish for teaching poor Children to Read and £15 or £20 for Apprenticing. Mr Chadborne of Winchcomb is Clerk to the Trustees.

3. Lady Capel's Charity:

Pays the master of the Charity School here £37 a year.

The Copy of the Will is in the possession of the Revd Charles Jervis.

4. Stainsby's Charity:

The Minister of Cheltenham is Trustee, who has a Copy of the Will. – (*Charity of the Revd. William Stansby*)

5. Giles Cox's Charity:

The owner of the Ground called Picked Oakley, Trustee (now Jas. Agg Esq.).

6. Walwyn's Charity:

£2 10s a year to be paid to the Churchwardens of Cheltenham by the Lord of the Manor of Swindon for Poor Persons of Cheltenham Parish. – Applied for by Mr Hall, Feb 24th 1827, there being then about three years due.

7. M. Wells's Charity:

The Minister of Cheltenham Parish Church and the Minister of the Baptist Chapel, Trustees.

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1827-28 CHARITY ACCOUNTS

1827	£	s	1827	£	s
Sum received by Messrs Hale & Hatch, Churchwardens, for rent of Poors Grounds	55	10	Disbursed on St. Thomas Day in Bread and money, Constables, Coals and Clothing	53	10
			Expences in reletting	2	1
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POOR'S GROUND CHARITY

Names of Persons & Sums Given, 21st Dec 1827 – Chas. Hale, Edwd Hatch, Churchwardens

Parish Relief			£	s	d
	Maria Boyce, Widow	4 children		6	3
	---- Mason, Rutland Street	4 children		5	-
	Ann Mott, Maiden Horn			6	3
	Mary Howard, Widow, 8 Oxford Parade			2	6
	Scarlett, Philadelphia St. (<i>early name for Columbia St, Fairview</i>)	9 children		5	-
3/-	Williams, Quakers' yard	blind		2	6
1/6	Packer, Rutland Street	3 children		2	6
6d	Page, Coach Road	6 children		3	9
	Watkins, 11 King Street, widow	5 children		5	-
	Averis, Jane, 48 Stanhope Street	4 children		5	-
	Dodwell, 9 Devon Street	6 children		5	-
	Pensom, C., Devon Street	6 children		5	-
	Mason, Mary, 14 Manchester Place, Widow			6	3
2/-	Bond, William, New Street	Aged		5	-
	Hiett, Gas Green			5	
	Wigmore, Sadler	Sufferer by Fire		-	
	Rendall, Castle	III, 2 children		2	6
	Collett, Wm, Gyde's Terrace	III		2	6
	Cozier, C., Waterloo Place	Aged		2	6
	Hiett, Joe & Wife, Hen. Street (<i>Henrietta Street</i>)			5	-
	Webb & Wife, Champion	Aged		2	6
	Clack, Bath Road	6 children		5	-
	Brown & Wife, Coach Road	Aged		6	3
	Stephens, Jas., Allstone	5 children		5	-

	Baylis, Grove Street	Widow		2	6
	Marshall, Grove Street	Widow		2	6
2/-	Williams, Dinah, Rutland Street	5 children		5	-
	Webb, Ann, Rutland Street	5 children		5	-
	Clarke, Jane, Albion House	1 child		2	6
	Serjeant, Wm., 11 Milsom Street	4 children		5	-
	Steel, Eliz., Widow, 61 Duke Street	7 children		5	-
	Wright, S., Burton Street, Widow	2 children		6	3
	Peters, Jas., 21 Swindon Place	5 children		5	-
	Spencer, Ann, 6 White Hart Row	Widow		6	3
	Wherrett, S., Milsom Street.	Widow		6	3
	Charlwood, Milsom Street	5 children		5	-
	Clemens, 260 High Street	3 children		3	9
	Brummage, Sarah, Gas Station (<i>Bath Rd, beside National School</i>)	Aged, 1 child		3	9
	Halling, Thos., 9 Burton Street	5 children		5	-
	Mayo, Jas., Old Bath Road	6 children		5	-
	Wood, Ann, White Hart Row (recommended by Mrs Hill, Henrietta Street)	Widow		3	9
	Jones, Richd, Cambray Cottage	3 children		2	6
	Pilley, Rutland Street	7 children		5	-
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	Crowther, Daniel, King Street	5 children		5	-
P.P.	Page, Walt., Magpye Alley	Aged		2	6
P.P.	Belsher, Mart., Magpye Alley	Aged		2	6
P.P.	Millington, New Street	Aged		6	3
P.P.	Roberts, New Street	Aged		3	9
P.P.	Hiett, William, Newman Place (<i>off Devonshire Street</i>)	Aged		2	6
x	Samson, F., High Street, Taylor	6 children		5	-
P.P. 3/6	Avery, Widow, Rutland Street	6 children		5	-
	Davis, Wm., Gas Green	6 children		5	-
	Perkes, John, Mt. Pleasant Street	3 children		2	6
	Clark, Wm., Stanhope Street	5 children		5	6
	Beavan, Maria	4 children		5	-
	Jackson, Charlotte, Milsom Street	Ill		5	-
	Webster, John, Kings Ditch	8 children		5	-
	Weaver, J.H.S.	Aged		5	-
P.P. 4/-	Meek, Sydney, Queen Street	7 children		5	-
	Snelus, Mr	3 children		5	-
	Marin, Martha	Widow		5	-
	Morris	Widow		5	-
	Williams, Thos.	Aged		3	6
	Salisbury, Ely, Burton Street			2	6
P.P. 2/-	Betty Lee	Aged		2	6
	Preston, Mary	Aged		3	9
	Crump, Eliz., Burton Street	Aged		3	9
	Lloyd, Mic., Allstone			3	9
	Sadler, John, Mauls Elm			5	-
P.P. 2/-	Barton, Thos.			5	-
	Lawrence, Jas. & Mary, by Mr Butt			5	-
	Lock, Ann	Aged		5	-
	Holder, Eliz.				
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	Clarke, Eliz., Rutland Street			5	-
	Lauder, Eliz.			5	-
	Hooper, Mary			5	-
	Halbert, Wm.			2	6

	Little, Martha, New Street			2	6
	South, Ann, Gas Green			6	3
	Greenall, 1 Oxford Row			2	6
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	Hale, Chas., Pritchard's Passage (<i>off High St., opposite Grove St.</i>)			2	6
	Page, Mary			2	6
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