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10,500 PERSONS HELPED BY FUND FOR NEEDIEST

The New York Times made its first Christmas appeal for the Hundred Neediest Cases in 1912. This is the fifteenth year. The fund has grown almost ninety-fold in that period.

The appeal is made each year for the "Hundred Neediest," but for the past ten years contributions have been so generous that many more than 200 cases have been provided for each year. Last year 11,340 persons contributed enough to relieve 345 cases, each of which received, on the average, \$756. Since the first appeal was made over

2,600 cases—10,500 individuals—have been saved from tragedy. Here is the record for fourteen years:

1912...\$3,630.88 1919...\$106,967.14

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 1919...\$106,967.14

 1913....9,646.36
 1920....111,126.00

 1914....15,032.46
 1921....125,011.10

 1915....31,819.92
 1922....157,421.08

 1916....55,792.45
 1923....177,683.67

 1917....62,103.47
 1924....233,524.89

 1918....81,097.57
 1925....260,998.26

HE fifteenth annual appeal for The Hundred Neediest Cases is made to-day. These are the hundred which, above all others in the city, are in want; these are the first call on charity.

No reader should pass by the stories told on this and the following pages. Here he will learn how others suffer and here he will find the opportunity of helping them.

For those who live in comfort and in health—for all who are not stricken as are the neediest—there is a summons in these stories. They are the tales of people to whom misfortune has come through no fault of their own, and no one can read of them without thinking "There, but for the grace of God, go I."

contributions to these needlest mean as much to those who give as to those who receive. For these are voluntary offerings and to each one that helps there comes the thrill of having assisted a needy fellow-man. That thrill is best told in the words of a contributor to the 1925 fund, who wrote:

I want to extend my sincere thanks for this wonderful opportunity to make a mite like mine a part of such a glorious whole. This work, carried on so successfully year after year, makes the whole world seem such a friendly place and with a glowing heart of its own.

The fund for the Hundred Neediest is unique. From the lists submitted by six great charitable organizations, there have been selected, after careful investigation, the hundred cases that are in greatest want. To these neediest go one hundred cents of every dollar collected, without any deduction of any kind.

Fourteen times before the call has gone out and has been heeded. The response to the appeal this year must be as quick and as full, if suffering is to be relieved and the needy helped back to self-support.

No mendicants' tales are these. They are the stories of victims of the breaks of life, who cannot of their own strength lift themselves out of their trouble. Throughout the appeal, as at all times, their privacy is safeguarded.

Since the first appeal for the Hundred Neediest, in 1912, the readers of THE TIMES have written a shining chapter in the history of giving. From \$3,630.88 in that first year, the fund by 1925 had grown almost ninety-fold. The total of contributions last Christmastide was \$260,998.26, and the first hundred cases, and 245 in addition, affecting 1,471 individuals, received help.

Contributions to these cases bring more than temporary relief. They will provide care not for a day or a month but for the coming year; they will lift those who have fallen and guide them back to self-support. The amount asked is the estimated cost of tiding over the period of distress for those in want.

Many readers contribute year after year. Two contributions are made annually in accordance with wills left by old contributors. The second generation, sometimes the third, has taken up the custom of giving to the Neediest. Last year there were several hundred contributions "in memory" of dear ones.

Ma personal solicitation for funds is authorized. The only appeal made is in the publication of the stories themselves.

Checks should be made payable to the "Hundred Neediest Cases Fund." Contributions may be sent to THE NEW YORK TIMES, Times Square, or to any of the organizations listed on this page.



"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT."

This Picture Is Given by Haskell Coffin as His Contribution to The Hundred Neediest Cases.

EVERY DOLLAR GIVEN GOES TO THE NEEDIEST

Six charity organizations of New York City administer the Hundred Neediest Cases Fund. They are:

The New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor

105 East Twenty-second Street.

The Charity Organization Society 105 East Twenty-second Street.

The State Charities Aid Association

105 East Twenty-second Street.

The Brooklyn Bureau of Charities

The Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies
114 Fifth Avenuc.

The Catholic Charities 477 Madison Avenue.

The New York Times and these organizations administer the funds free of cost. There is no overhead of any kind, administrative or executive. Every dollar contributed goes to the Neediest.

Make checks payable to "Hundred Neediest Cases Fund" and mail to The New York Times, Times Square, or to the organization presenting the case.

Contributions to the Hundred Neediest Cases are exempt under the law from the Federal and State income taxes.

CASE 1.

A Melancholy Boy of 6, Deserted by His Parents and Now Homeless.

Davy is the most melancholy little boy of 6 that one could imagine. He has been ill again and again and has always felt that he was unwanted. His brown eyes look distressed and he has no zest for life. The world has been a hard place for him ever since his father deserted the family and his mother was removed to an institution. He is afraid of people—he lives in a dreary, lonely world of his own and cannot seem to be cheered. Months of care in a boarding home are needed to build up Davy and make life happy enough for him to bring forth his smiles. Then he can be offered to a home for adoption.

Amount needed, \$325.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 2.

A Great-Grandmother Who Watches Over Two Little Ones Is Injured. Josie's great-grandmother came to the rescue.

Josie was only 2 months old when her father was sent to the hospital suffering from tuberculosis. Her mother was only 19. Although the aged woman was already taking care of one grandchild, Harold, she said, "We'll manage somehow," and she took up the burden. But she had very little. She began to sell chairs and other bits of furniture. Then a heavy blow fell-she stepped on a bit of broken glass, infection set in and her leg had to be amputated. "Lucky it wasn't my arm," she says now, as she demonstrates how skillfully she can get about and even mop the floors from her wheel chair. Harold is at work, earning \$15 a week. Josie's mother took work as a shopgirl until the doctor found that both mother and child were threatened with tuberculosis and that the mother required rest to build her up. With help this brave household can be tided over its difficulties.

Amount needed, \$1,080.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twentysecond Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066.)

CASE 3.

A Girl of 15 Who Earns for Six and Now Must Have Rest.

School teachers, observing that the Carroll children looked pale and hungry, reported the case. The nurse found the family without food and Mrs. Carroll with only \$2, "But it is all we have in the world, and I don't dare to spend it," she said. It would be several days before Winifred would get her pay envelope with its \$10. Winifred, 15, is a mail clerk in a great department store. Helen, 11, and Jessie, 8, are the schoolgirls whose condition worried their teachers. The other children are Charlie, 4, and Elsie, 1. A year ago they were a happy family, the father providing comfortably for them. He died suddenly of apoplexy and recently they have met with another blow. Winifred's health has been failing, and the doctor has ordered a long rest for the fifteen-year-old working girl. She is afraid to give up until outside aid for the family is assured.

Amount needed, \$700.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 4

Want Comes to a Widow and Four Children Living on the Wastes.

The four Drake children and their mother live in a shack on the edge of the city dump on Barren Island. The wind whistles through the holes in the roof, and rain drips on the rough board floor. In Winter the cold comes in through walls and roof faster than the heat comes out of the kitchen stove, fed with driftwood which the children gather. They had sufficient food in the Summer, thanks to the clams which the children dug, and to the vegetables from their small truck garden. The present is their time of trial. Their plight was discovered by the lone policeman who patrols the wastes of Barren Island. He had heard that Bill Drake's family had been in want since his death. Bill had earned a meager livelihood for them by stripping hides from dead animals that

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were thrown on the island. Three of ! the children tramp a great distance to school. They are Harvey, 11, who is in 4A; Joseph, 7, in 3A, and Charles, 6, in kindergarten. The fourth child, Frederick, is only 4. To give these little ones a chance in life. help is asked.

Amount needed, \$1,050. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brocklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street. (Telephone Triangle

CASE 5.

In the Fatherless Home of Six, an Invalid Girl Keeps House.

Rachel, seventeen, had tuberculosis, but after her father's death she took care of the home and of the five younger children. Her mother was at the market at the work of plucking chickens. She earned \$10 a week and they lived in four small, dark, rear rooms by a stable. They all were underfed and Rachel's health was rapidly becoming worse when neighbors asked the welfare organization for help. She was sent away for a time. and is now at home, the tuberculosis arrested. She works part time as a bookkeeper. Joseph, 16, is earning \$16 a week as a jeweler's apprentice. In time the family will be self-supporting, but they must have assistance to live through the coming year.

Amount needed, \$825. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 6.

In Their Old Age, a Sister and a Brother Fear They Will Be Parted.

Ellen is 80, and Patrick 75. Brother and sister, they came over from Ireland sixty years ago. Each married, but ten years ago all their other loved ones had died, and Ellen and Patrick began life together again. Ellen was still able to do the cooking. Patrick had a place as watchman in lower west side markets. Recently he broke his ankle and was taken to a hospital. He pleaded to go to his sister and a social worker from the hospital found her, tiny and bent, sitting at a window, wondering what had happened to her brother. Patrick will soon leave the hospital, but will not be able to work as a watchman again, They hope that something will make it possible for them to live out together the little that remains of their lives.

Amount needed, \$600. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 7. A 4-Year-Old Girl Who Must Find

Foster Parents. Beth, the seventh child of a very poor family, never had anything to wear until two or three of the others had outgrown it. She didn't know what a new dress was like. Poverty crushed the family at last, and all the children had to be taken away from their miserable home. The worker who came for Beth found her clinging to a potate wrapped in rags. "See my dolly," said the child. The only toys that any of them had were rag dolls with potato bodies, and the dolls were no more ragged than their owners. Sometimes they had to eat the dollies, because for days potatoes were all they had to live on. Under good care these children have now begun to flourish. A home has been found for every one but Beth. This little 4-year-old requires months of teaching and physical care before she

Amount needed, \$350. Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 8.

will be ready for adoption.

An Aged Mother and Daughter Come to

Need, Yet Once They Could Give. Mrs. Vogel was delighted to be visited by old friends. She would bring forward the two threadbare gilt chairs, relics of bygone prosperity. Although she is 97 years old, she is tall, quite erect and her mind is still keen. She lives with her daughter Martha, who is 62. The aged woman and her elderly daughter made a brave pretense that they were doing nicely, but the visitors could see that they were worried. They doubted if there was enough to eat in the house and they asked the society to investigate. It was found that they were, indeed, in fear of the poorhouse. At the end of a lifetime of hard work Martha's eyes were failing. She still sewed many hours a day, but could earn only a few

More than half a century ago they belonged to a well-to-do New York family. Mr. Vogel was a merchant, who died in 1875. The estate that he left was unexpectedly small, but it was safely invested. The income did not enable Mrs. Vogel and her daughters to live as they were accustomed. They listened to bad advice. "A friend of the family" persuaded them

to reinvest in an enterprise which he described as safe and certain to yield large returns. Their whole fortune was swept away. A little later they received a second setback. Martha was to be married, but her fiancé died. Her hope chest of fine linens was sold to pay the bills. Since then she has had almost half a century of incessant toil. All they hope for now is enough help to keep them together while the mother lives. Amount needed, \$600.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066).

CASE 9.

Grandparents and an Orphan Granddaughter in Want Through Illness. Three lines written shakily on a

niece of wrapping paper asked help for 'my grandchild." At the address given an aged woman was found tending her granddaughter, Elsie, 15, ill of pneumonia. On the mantel a candle burned before St. Joseph, protector of orphans. In another room an old man lay crippled from rheumatism. The old couple had reared the grandchild since their daughter's death. The grandfather had a cellar coal and wood business, but illness had forced him to give it up. Elsie had left school, but had hardly started to work when she came down with pneumonia. It will be months before she can return to work.

Amount needed, \$360.

Case attested and administered free of cost y the Association for Improving the Condi-ion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second treet. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 10.

In a Stable Live a Sorrowing Widow and Three Children.

Three cold, dark rooms in an abandoned stable in a back yard is the home of Jennie, 9: Maude, 2: Junior, 1 and their mother. On one side of them is a stable still in use, on another side a garage, on a third side a junk shop. They have lived there since the father died, a year ago, a few weeks before Junior was born. The mother regards the sta not only as a home but also as a hiding place. She is in dread that some one will come alcag and say, "You cannot bring up your children that way. We will have to take them from you and put them in orphan asylums." For the little she can earn by going out to work part of each day has not saved them from malnutrition. The two younger children have rickets. Jennie, who is in the fourth grade, is thin and anemic. The mother would have a widow's pension, except that an investigation showed, to her suprise, that her marriage had not been legal. Seeking to help the family by finding relatives of the father, the welfare workers discovered that he was a bigamist. A little money can still save this un-

Amount needed, \$250.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Scharmerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone

CASE 11.

A Family of Nine, the Victims of Many Misfortunes. Louis, 10, was knocked down by an

automobile and carried to a hospital. Three days later he was taken home by a hospital social worker. She found other members of the family in greater need of help than Louis. His father, a shoemaker, trying to earn extra money for his large family, had worked by the hour in a lumber yard. A huge timber thrown from a truck ruck him and crushed his face. Operation after operation was necessary, and his nervous system was deeply affected. The savings were ebbing and his wife was in great anxiety. Suddenly, in her own kitchen, she was badly hurt. The heavy ceiling fell on her, inflicting serious injuries. She was still in bed when the automobile accident happened to Louis: Moses, 15, will be at work in another year. There are five other children. Today there is no wage earner in this family of nine. Help will mean life and hope to them, Amount needed, \$1,125,

Case attested and administered free of cost y the Federation for the Support of Jewish hilanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 12.

At 71, This Kindly Old Marketwoman Can Work No More.

A friend found her bundled in a shawl and several skirts, sitting close to a tiny stove. She complained of chills and of pains all over. For three days she had lived on onions and dry bread. A neighbor's children had given her bits of wood for a fire. There was not a cent in the house. She is 71, and rheumatism had prevented her for a long time from taking her place with a basket of fruit in Washington Market. When she had her strength she was always doing for others. She would give up anything to help a person in trouble. She will not be able to work this Winter. It is doubtful if she will ever be able to work again. She must look to

Amount needed, \$350.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 13. A Widow and Her Seven Helpless

Children—Stranded.

When Thomas Wood, a laborer, died of pneumonia, there was an undertaking bill of \$400 for his widow and seven children to pay and the insurance was only \$150. Bruce, 16, the oldest boy, left school and found employment paying \$14 a week. The mother went to work at home finishing coats. Betty, 10, a beautiful child with great brown eyes, tried to help by pulling out bastings, but she bent too close over her work and jabbed a steel instrument in her eye. A doctor promised to save the child's sight but insisted on having \$100 in cash. The frantic woman borrowed it, Then It was found necessary, after all, to remove the injured eye. The child now needs an artificial eye, but the poor mother is deep in debt and the small amount that she and Bruce can earn will not even hold the family together. Pleading to stay at home three of the boys-Harvey, 13; James,

8, and Thomas 6-were taken away

and placed in an institution. Help is



This Picture Is Given by George Wright as His Contribution to The Hundred Needlest Cases.

asked to reunite the family and see it through its afflictions. Amount needed, \$600.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charittes, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, (Telephone Friangle 0710.)

CASE 14.

A Waif Descried by Her Parents in the Shanties.

The family lived in one room in a shanty. Helen never had a toy-nor even enough to eat. Rags were her only clothes and at times she nearly froze. Her sister did die of the cold. Then, one day, her father and mother left Helen with strangers without saving good-bye. Her second home was a shanty where traffic in whisky went on. She spent nights of terror because of the shouting and the fighting. At lest she was rescued, and, for the first time in her life, she is receiving good care and training. In spite of her tragic childhood she is a promising child, now 6 years old. She has a speech defect that must be corrected. Help is needed to continue her under the care of a good

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 Sast Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Framercy 1454) Gramercy 1454.)

Amount needed, \$400.

CASE 15.

A Boy of 16 Shoulders the Load for a Sick Mother and Two Sisters.

Jim, a sturdy boy of 16, is working in a box factory at \$8 a week and doing his level best to take a father's place in the lives of his two young sisters. Rose, 14, and Mary, 10. Their father, a street cleaner, died of tuberculosis some years ago, leaving his family almost penniless. For years the mother went out washing until the heavy work told on her health. Then she found employment as a finisher and sewed early and late, until the doctor warned her that she would lose her eyesight if she continued to sew for a living. Then Jim took up the burden. It will probably be a year before Rose, who is in 6B, can get her working papers and help him support the family. Meanwhile the load is too much for Jim's young shoulders, and he is in grave need of assistance. Amount needed, \$840.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066).

CASE 16. Two Newsboys, Fighting Bravely in a

Dead Father's Stead. The widow and three children live in the Bronx in a very small and very old house with a sagging roof and paintless walls. The mother, after years of hard work, is ill with goltre and heart disease. Louis, 14, and Albert, 13, earned \$20 a week between them selling papers. This did not interfere with their work in high school, where both have high ratings. Jennie, 10, and in 5A, does a large share of the housework, washing, mending and helping her mother make and remake

the clothes. They have had to develop

thrift to a science, saving crumbs. pennies, rags. They have but one extravagance. They spend 30 cents a year for flower seeds. Back of the weather-beaten little house is an cidfashioned garden, gay and brilliant in Summer. But these good people are at the end of their resources. Without help they cannot live to the time when the boys are old enough to go to work.

Amount needed, \$800. Case attested and administered free of cost ly the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040).

CASE 17.

A Young Mother and Her Seven / Fatherless Boys. Jimmie is called "Charlie Chaplin" because of the fit of his clothes. Nearv everything he wears belonged to his father, who died a year ago. Jimmie, at 13, is a little fellow and his father was a big longshoreman. No amount of cutting and remodeling could make the clothes look otherwise than grotesque; still the boy must

wear them, because they are the only garments he has. He has learned to pretend to ignore the ridicule they bring him. Jimmie's widowed mother takes in laundry and thus earns a few dollars a week. Jimmie, who is in grade 7B. delivers newspapers every day. But the two cannot support the family, for Jimmie has six younger brothers: Arnold, 12, in 6A; Arthur, in 6B; Burt, 10, in 5A; Charles, 8, in 4A; Joseph, 6, in 2A; and William, . Cancer took the father, though he was a young man, only 36. His widow is only 34. Help is asked to keep the family together.

Amount needed, \$1,250. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

CASE 18. A Widow Who Declined Aid Until She Could Go On No More.

A letter signed "A Neighbor" reported that the widow and her two daughters were "starving." Aid was offered. The mother refused it indignantly. "I can manage," she said. She would not think of taking charity.

Besides, Gertrude, who was 14, and Mary, 13, were in high school, taking commercial courses and in a year or two would be able to help. For three months longer the mother continued dling. By the end of that time they were starving in earnest, and the brave woman was obliged, for the sake of her children, to ask for help.

Amount needed, \$600. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jowish Philanthropio Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 19.

An Aunt Forgotten by the Two Motherless Boys She Reared.

Mary sent a large part of her wages to her sister every month to help her with her two boys. When the sister died, Mary moved down from Connecticut, where she worked, to New York and took the boys. She found employment here and was able to earn enough to support them. She raised them to manhood. They went to work. For a while all three lived comfortably. One morning the nephews did not appear at the usual time The aunt found their beds had not been slept in. She discovered a note from the boys, telling her that they were tired of New York and were going out to see the world. She has not heard of them since. Crippled from rheumatism, her eyes dimmed with age, she could no longer support herself. An old friend took her in The friend has become ill and they are at the end of their resources. The two aged women hope that they will be able to continue to enjoy each other's companionship, but outside help must make it possible. Amount needed, \$420.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0043.)

CASE 20. His Father in Prison, This Boy Faces the World Alone.

Albert thought the world of his father-they were almost chums. For some years they had lived together in the Canadian wilderness. Then, four years ago, they came to New York and Albert went to school. Although

did not know that his father training and a fair chance in life. Amount needed, \$375.

CASE 21.

culosis and must be sent to a sani tarium. His mother has kidney trouble, yet she keeps at work as janitress of her apartment house, earning just ber of the family is Arthur, 7. The practically no income, now that Sam. against his will, has been made to go back to school. It will be a year be

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066)

In a Heartbreaking Home Live Widow and Her Daughter.

Their home is one dark room in the rear of an old tenement. Their bed is a pile of rags on the floor; their furniture a set of empty boxes. All their household goods were moved to this home on one trip of a pushcart The mother gets the room rent free and \$8 a month for acting as janitress of the apartment. She goes out by the day to do cleaning, but she has rheumatism and goitre and she cannot earn enough for herself and her nineyear-old daughter Tessie, a thin, lonesome wisp of a girl. Tessie has learned to sew at her school, and she sit, on a wooden box mending her own threadbare garments and those of her mother. When the mother is away the child's companion is a gaunt dog whose eyes also have a heart-break ing look. She tells the dog all that the teacher said, and he regards her with profound attention. Mother and

he is 15 years old he is only in the fifth grade. On his return from school he would cook dinner for his father, and afterward they would go to the movies or sit at home and talk. Albert crack-brained and dangerous. One night the man did not come home. In revenge for a supposed wrong he set fire to a building: he was caught and taken to jail. His first thought was for his son. The police promised to look after Albert. Next morning a worker from the Children's Court found a tearful boy whose world had come to an end. The father, already 69, was sent to prison for many years. The boy, with light hair and clear blue eyes, has a pleasing personality. His knowledge of outdoor life makes him an authority on natural history among the children with whom he is thrown Help is asked so that he may have

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

A Boy of 14 Who Has Shouldered the Burden of a Man.

Sam, 14, a tall thin boy with red hair and freckles, caddied at the Pelham golf course last Summer to earn money for his afflicted family. His 10-year-old brother, Bob, has tuberenough for the rent. The fourth memfather has disappeared. They have fore he is of legal working age. Until then they must be aided. Amount needed, \$900.

A Boy of 12 Who Has Had Ten Homes and Still Is Homeless. CASE 22. Stuart was trying to sew up one of the larger holes in his stockings when

> the social worker arrived in answer to an "abandoned boy" report. He was in a grimy room at the head of a rickety staircase in the rear of a rickety building. Seated in the corner, with an old rag over her head, was an aged woman smokin; a pipe, "They left him on my hands." she said. "I can't feed him." The boy was in tatters. The old woman was not related to Zuart; she had him at tenth hand His mother had disappeared; his ther had deserted him; one group of relatives had him. then another, and gext he was thrust upon strangers. But they would not keep him. Ten times he was passed on. For months the boy had had nothing but angry glances and hard words. When he was taken from these surroundings, washed up and dressed in better clothes he proved to be an at tractive boy, with thoughtful brown eyes. He is only 12 years old. At school he is studying hard and is popular with his new playmates. He needs

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or to any one of the six charity organizations from whose lists these cases are selected.

daughter long to have Stanley at

home. The mother had to put the

boy, who is 12, in an institution

a year ago, when her husband was

sent to jail. The husband died in

prison and the plight of his family

was discovered by the Prison Asso-

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 23.

"Raggedy Ann" Is Only One of Six

Destitue Children.

Ann, 6 and in the first grade, came

home in tears. She said she had been

sent home because her dress was so

old and ragged, and told not to come

back to school until she had a new

one. Ann wanted a new dress; she

didn't wear rags because she liked

them She didn't like having fingers

pointed at her and being called Rag-

gedy Ann. But she was only one of

six children who all were wearing

clothes that were too old and ragged.

Her father, a carpenter, was des-

perately ill, and had been out of work

so long that their money was ex-

hausted. James, 11, is crippled on

one side from infantile pralysis. The

other children are Lillian, 4; Arthur,

3; Mary, 2, and Bertha, 5 months. A

policeman heard about them from

neighbors and notified the Brooklyn

Bureau of Charities. The mother was

afraid when a visitor rrived. "Prom-

ise me you won't take the babies,"

she said. They all need clothing and

medical attention. James should have

constant treatment to enable him to

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street. (Telephone Triangle

CASE 24.

A Crippled Husband and Four Chil-

dren Who Depend on Mother,

She struggled along for four months

acting as janitress of a five-story tene-

ment house, taking outside work and

caring for a crippled husband and four

children. But she found that her un-

aided effort would not supply them

with the necessities of life. Her hus-

band had been a grocer. He had to

give up the business when gangrene

developed in his right leg. The leg

had to be amoutated. As soon as he

could get around he opened a news-

stand. Then gangrene developed in

the other leg, which must soon be

amputated. The news stand had to be

given up. The children are Amy, 9,

Arthur, 8, Walter, 5, and a year-old-

baby who has no name because the

mother has been too distressed and too

busy to think of a name for it. Help

is required to save these little ones

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avonue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 25.

A Father in Jail, a Mother and Five

"I am in very bad need," she wrote.

Her husband had just been sent to

prison. Her heart was so weak that

she could do only very light work, Her

five children were hungry. She had

told her plight to the Judge who sen-

tenced her husband. He told her to go

to the charitable society, but she bor-

rowed a stamp and wrote a letter be-

cause she did not have the money for

carfare. The visitor found the woman

shrinking and timid. Since her hus-

band's arrest every knock at the door

had made her jump. She and her

children were stunned by the disgrace

that had befallen them, for they had

always thought their father the best

of men. The oldest boy, John, 13, is

in Junior High. Jennie is in 7A, and

Joseph in 6A. The others are Ellen,

6, and Mary, 4. The three schoolchil-

dren had left home that morning with-

out breakfast. Little Ellen and Mary

that day had had only sweet cakes

that a neighbor gave them for lunch.

Their eyes shone and they ate eagerly

when food was provided. The father,

a mechanic, has an indeterminate sen-

tence for receiving stolen goods. They

all believe that he yielded to the temp-

tation only because much sickness had

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 26.

left them without savings.

Amount needed, \$940.

from pressing want.

Amount needed, \$920.

regain the use of his limbs.

Amount needed, \$1,000.

Amount needed, \$450.

food and shelter until he can become self-supporting. Amount needed, \$350.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Ald Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

Case II.

In Dark Rooms Where Bulbs Die Lives an Invalid's Family. They lived in three of the poorest

and cheapest rooms in New York, which were dark even at midday. Before the situation of the family became so critical the mother tried to raise some flowers from bulbs to brighten the gloomy place. Not a bulb would grow. This depressed the mother, who knew that a place too dark for a plant was a very bad home for her four children, Gustave, 12; Kate, 9; Stella, 7, and Jackie, 2. Before her husband long ill with diabetes, died, he had beek out of work for months. They were lucky to have the three dark rooms, for they were far behind in the rent. The landlord did not have the heart to put the little family out on the street, and it was he who reported their plight to a district welfare soclety. Help here will ease real suf-

Amount needed, \$720. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 195 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066).

CASE 28. Pneumonia Takes the Father and a Mother and Four Are Penniless.

Leo's school report from Class 8A read "Not alert or active, rather listless, but very dependable." His face was wan and he never played or smiled. The reason became known when a neighbor asked for help for the family. The father had died of pneumonia, leaving a widow and four children without money. Leo had not been having enough to eat. He had been getting up before dawn to deliver breakfast rolls for a baker. His mother is too frail and sickly to do any outside work after caring for her four boys. The three others are Walter, 8; Arthur, 6, and Al, 4. The family must be helped.

Amount needed, \$1,100. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second treet. (Telephone Gramercy 7040).

CASE 29. A Scrubwoman, Struggling to Care

for Her Four Children. They live in a tottering old building that shakes and creaks in the wind. It is one of the few dwelling houses left in what was fifty years ago a residential district, but is now mainly factories, warehouses and shipyards. Each of the two sleeping rooms is a cubby hole-just room enough for a single bed and a chair. The mother id Agnes sleep in one narrow bed The three boys-Albert, 16; Harry, 12, and George, 8-sleep in the other. Every morning at 3 o'clock the mother rises to trudge through the deserted streets to a Brooklyn office building, where she scrubs floors till daybreak. Late in the afternoon she leaves her home again and works for three hours in the evening in another building. But her earnings are insufficient. Albert cannot work, because he is barely convalescent from a tuberculous hip and a siege of typhoid fever.

longer unless the world takes pity. Amount needed, \$450. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charlites, 69 Schermsrhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

The mother's health is badly under-

mined and she cannot keep up much

CASE 30.

The Father Is Helpless and the Mother Too Ill to Work for Four Children.

The younger children do not understand the change that has come over him. In place of their gay, affectionate father, there is a strange silent figure, deeply depressed, taking no interest in anything. His eyes are covered with heavy lenses, one of them painted green. He cannot go out to work, but stays at home all day, almost helpless. He is growing worse as a victim of that baffling malady - sleeping sickness. When their father became ill, their mother would come home carrying huge bundles of clothes and would work on them day and night. But she is sick. too. Her disease causes her hands to swell so that she can no longer work. Harry, 16, i. now a plumber's apprentice. He earns \$11 a week and is the only breadwinner. The other children are Mollie, 11; Helen, 8, ard Able, 4 months. Relief is asked to carry this distressed household through the Winter.

Amount needed, \$770. Case attested and administered free of copy the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue, (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

A Mother Is Defeated in Her Struggle to Keep Her Afflicted Son.

She was getting old. For twenty years she had scrubbed floors, but a little more than a year ago the corporation discharged her, gave her a year's extra pay. Because of her age she has been unable to obtain other work. A friend, a telephone girl in the great building where she had scrubbed, visited her recently and found her in dire want. The year's extra pay had been exhausted, for the aged woman has not only herself to keep, but also her middle-aged son Danny. Danny has never been quite right, although his mother will not admit it. Danny is harmless and

pleasant, but his mind slips. His

mother has always eared for him and

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loved him more than if he had been a mental giant. Now it is proposed to send Danny to a State hospital and his mother to a home for the aged, but they are despairing at the thought of being separated. It is hoped to keep them together a little while, longer.

Amount needed, \$600. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 32.

A Sick Baby of 2, Abandoned and in Need of Building Up.

Bert, an abandoned baby of 2, has had influenza, hernia, rheumatism, an operation for a crippled leg, heavy colds, trouble with teething, an adenoid and tonsil operation, and mastoid operations on both ears. He is geting better. He cannot walk yet, but he stands leaning on a stick and wabbling a little from side to side. To be saved he must have good care in a boarding home and plenty of milk, cod liver oil and sunshine. Amount needed, \$365.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 33.

Darkness Comes Upon the Mother of Three Little Ones.

Mary was left alone with three small children-Joseph, 5; Michael, 4, and Maria, 2. She had the children cared for at a day nursery while she beaded dresses. Her eyes were not perfect and they grew steadily worse as day after day she strained her sight to follow the microscopic bead patterns. One morning she found that nothing appeared before her left eye but a deep fog. She will have to undergo an operation. Generous help now will save her from the thing that she fears most-the possibility that her children may be taken from her and placed in asylums. Amount needed, \$1,080.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4968)

CASE 34.

Six Good Children, Fatherless, Hungry, Frightened.

A school teacher noticed how thin and haggard one of her pupils was. At her request a visitor went to the home and found a weeping mother and six hungry and frightened children. The little money left on the death of the father had been exhausted. The mother had taken up tailoring at home, but, with six children to look after, she could carn only \$3 a week. Their poverty had come on them suddenly. They had been well provided for until one day-the fourth day after last Christmas-their father, who had seemed in good health, died of cercbral hemorrhage. He left a family of exceptionally good children-Marion 15; Billy, 13; Nancy, 12; Harry, 10; Gus, 8, and Grace, 5. Just before her father's death. Nancy, a handsome child with bright dark eyes and dimples, was the winner in her school popularity contest. It is seldom that there is a mark below B+ on any of their report cards. Marion is hurrledly learning dressmaking, but it will be eight months before she can go to work. Meanwhile the family has no resources.

Amount needed, \$900. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040).

CASE 35.

A Widow Breaks Under the Burden of Supporting Three Little Ones.

It looks like a haunted house. There is not a trace of paint on its three stories. The boards are loose, warped and colored a water-soaked gray. Fragments of the tin coping hang crookedly from the edges of the roof. Up on the third floor, under the leaky roof, behind rattling shutters, lies a little boy in a plaster cast. This is Francis, five, the eldest child. Maude is three and Nicholas one. Their mother stays with them working on great bundles of men's clothes, which she carries to and from the factory. Dy unceasing toil she has managed to support her little folk during the two and a half years of her widowhood. She could not watch the children all the time. Francis got out into the street and was hit by an automobile. This anxiety, added to the heavy strain she is under, is draining her health. She will break down completely unless help comes from the outside.

Amount needed, \$650.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schemerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Teaphone Tainands (271)) Triangle 0710.)

CASE 36.

A Father Crippled, a Mother Overworked, and Ten to Support.

Jacob, 14, had done exceptional work in school and was recommended for a scholarship, but it was found that the small sum involved would be of little benefit to a family in such straits as Jacob's. There were ten of them. The father was badly crippled and unable to work. The mother was overworked and broken in health. The other children are Myer, 18; Grace, 15; Olive, 14; George, 12; Sam, 10;

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Janet, 3, and Alfred, 9 months. Myer

family is in want and will have to be helped through its trials. Amount needed, \$1,490. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

is learning the printing trade and

earning \$12 a week. It will be months

before the father can work again. The

CASE 37. Deserted and in Misery-a Wife and Her Four Little Ones.

"I can't go to school," Laurel, 9 years old, explained, "because haven't any shoes." It was found that she and the three smaller children and their mother had nothing to eat but tea and bread. They would have nothing more until the next day, when the mother, a scrubwoman, received her pay envelope. She was only 30, a thin, blue-eved woman, her beauty disguised by weariness and lines of anxiety. Ten years before she had lived in a mountain village near a sawmill in Tennessee. A new sawmill foreman who came from New York began to court her. Her family urged her to marry among her own mountain people, but she disregarded the warnings. It took nearly ten years to convince her that her family was right. He drank heavily and, after moving his brood back to New York, he finally deserted them utterly. The youngest children, Billy, 6; Alice, 4, and Grace, 2, are suffering from undernourishment.

Amount needed, \$650. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Avenue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 38.

Want May Separate This Mother and Her 8-Year-Old Daughter.

Mrs. Calder and her 8-year-old daughter. Virginia, live in a single room furnished with only a bed and a chair. They are allowed to cook on the kitchen stove of a family downstairs. Mrs. Calder has a weak heart-She supports herself and Virginia by fashioning tassels, lamp shades and silk flowers at home. They go to bed early to save light, and they eat almost nothing. The mother's heart condition makes it steadily more difficult for her to work at all. It has been suggested that she may have to give up Virginia, who is her only comfort and all that she lives for. "I can't give her up," says the mother. "I will work harder." But unless outside help comes the two must part. Amount needed, \$500.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Ald Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Framercy 1554.) Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 39. Crippled, He Labors to Keep His Family Together.

Robert Frazer, 27, hobbled daily to the hospital on his artificial leg to obtain treatment for blood poisoning which threatened to make necessary the amoutation of the other leg. He was completely broken and desperate. His conditio aroused the interest of an employe at the hospital who found that the patient, his wife, Louise, and their two little girls were facing eviction. For days every cent they could get had been used to buy milk for the babies. Immediate help tided them over that crisis. Under treatment the father's leg is improve ing. Before the amoutation, he was a truck driver. Now he is being taught to make paper hats, the kind that are popular at cabaret parties. But the Frazers have practically no income as vet. and Polly, 3, and Peggy, 1, should have special care.

Am unt needed, \$600. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy

CASE 40. A Young Waitress Struggling to Support a Family of Seven.

While her father was well, Mabel took piano lessons and looked forward to becoming a professional musician. Her teacher said that the girls' talent and industry made the hope possible But now her father is in a hospital, a chronic sufferer from heart trouble. Forsaking her dreams, Mabel has given up music and is working as a waitress for \$14 a week. She is the sole support of her mother and five small sisters and brothers. They all live in two rooms close to the waterfront in Erie Basin, surrounded by coal yards and shipyards, th 'tenement an ancient structure long ago abandoned to the very poor. Three of the children should have constant medical attention.

Amount needed. \$950. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 chermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

CASE 41. A Stricken Father, an III Mother and Four Children.

When Buckley had a stroke, in June, his wife had to become the breadwinner. She had one special talent, that of being a good mother. She was able to capitalize it. She found work in a day nursery where she earns \$40 a month. She left her well-trained little daughters, Katherine. 14. and Elsie. 13. in charge of the home. They do the housework and look after their invalid father and after Joan and Frankie, 8 and 10. They managed to get along during the Summer, when there was no fuel to buy. But early in the Fall the mother was taken sick and had to go to the hospital. She is at home again, but is FIFTEENTH ANNUAL APPEAL-

forbidden to work for two months. Their plight is extremely serious. Amount needed, \$700.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 42.

A Tubercular Father, a Mother With Pleurisy, Three Children in Want. When it was discovered that he had

tuberculosis he was told to go to a sanatorium. His illness had left him renniless and charitable help was offered. He refused it, saying that he felt better and would be able in a few months to save enough to take care of his family while he was gone. He went back to work as an upholsterer, lost many days and was soon too ill to work at all. Meanwhile his wife had had a serious attack of pleurisy and was too weak to toil. His children,

attention. Jane should have nourishing food, sunshine and constant care. Amount needed, \$325.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone

CASE 45.

A Widow Finds the Support of Her Three Children Beyond Her Power. In the early morning one row of

windows after another lights up in a great office building. The scrub women are at work. One of them is the mother of Frances, Eva and Sandy. Every afternoon at 5 o'clock she goes to work and leaves at 9 A. M. next day to get breakfast for the children. Formerly she paid a daily visit to her husband at the hospital. His death ended that. Frances is 12, Eva 10, and Sandy 7. It is far beyond the power of the mother, industrious

the family is independent, and until then it requires aid. Amount needed, \$700.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 47. Her Husband Is Dying and Her Son

Is Paralyzed. Victor had infantile paralysis when he was 9 months old. He is 9 now and is almost totally paralyzed on the left side. He has just enough control over his left foot to brace it at an odd angle as he shuffles along. He cannot play with

other boys. But Victor's future is only one of the problems of his family. His father, a machinist, is dying in a tuberculosis, hospital, Donald, 7, suffered a broken arm and is just recovering. The mother, an energetic

service department of a large hospital. Amount needed, \$1,450. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 49.

Four Children Whose Sick Father Cannot Come to Them. They trained the parrot to cry "Hello,

daddy!" when their father came home in the evening. The parrot still brings the three older children to their feet when it calls "Hello, daddy!" Jerry Jr. is too small to stand up. All he can do is wheel about on his hands and knees and look toward the door. But the parrot's shrick of welcome is a false promise. It is months since daddy has been home. He is away in a tuberculosis hospital, and there is only a faint chance that he will ever come home again. The children are

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Benjamin, 14; Kate, 8, and Moses, 4, were undernourished and suffering from ailments that called for medical care. Nothing had been saved. He was sent away to save his life, and his family is in great distress and must look to outside help to be saved.

Amount needed, \$890. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 43.

The Father Drowned, the Mother Must Have Aid for the Three Children.

Louise is now 10. Joseph. 8: William, 3. They used to live in a lighthouse; they played on the beach, watched the ships and waited eagerly for the boat that came now and then, bringing provisions and newspapers for their parents and sticks of candy for them. But keeping the lighthouse did not pay enough for the growing family, and they moved to New York. Their father got work checking boxes and bales on a pier. One night he did not come home. Next morning two policemen arrived. They showed the mother some water-soaked papers and. fearing the worst, she went with them. There was no mistake. It was her husband. It is still a mystery how he was drowned. The mother takes in sewing at home, but cannot earn enough for the rent. Friendly hands must help her to keep and raise her little folk.

Amount needed, \$840. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 44. A Neglected Child of 3 Who Cannot Walk or Talk.

Jane, going on 3 years, cannot walk or talk yet. She moaned almost constantly for months. She is improving a little now and has strength enough to sit in a chair and rock from side to side. Physicians do not understand her condition, but know that it comes from past neglect and malnutrition. Her mother died when she was born. Her father became crippled by infantile paralysis. Her grandmother, a very aged woman, did her best, but she could not give the sickly child proper

though she is, to feed, clothe and care for them.

Amount needed, \$900. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066)

CASE 46.

Two Child Breadwinners and Six Mouths That Must Be Fed.

It was a cold day. The visitor found the mother and five of her six children wearing their overcoats, huddling alout their tiny oil stove and shivering. The \$500 insurance left by the father was gone, most of it paying doctors' bills and funeral expenses. In the time that the mother had after caring for her little ones she worked feverishly, but she had been able to earn only \$2 to \$5 a week. Dorothy, 17, had left day school and was working in a factory for \$13 a week, while attending a night trade school. Julia, 16, is now earning \$10 a week as an errand girl. The younger children are Elizabeth, 12; Anna, 8; Robert, 6, and 4-year-old Jimmie, who has a paralyzed foot. They cannot be fed and dressed on the earnings of the two girls. It will be a year or more before

woman, has tried to provide for them by opening a candy booth with the help of a distant relative. She works night and day, but her earnings can be reckoned in pennies. As a last resort, when everything clse failed, she appealed for charity.

Amount needed, \$300.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone

CASE 48.

The Father Is Prostrate and the Only Wage Earner Is Stricken.

Irving's father became a complete invalid after several attacks of angina pectoris. His mother was in broken health and Irving, at 15, became the only wage-earner. With his pay envelope and the small savings that remained after all the sickness in the family, they managed to live for a while. Then Irving came down with double pneumonia. A few pieces of jewelry that had survived from more prosperous days were sold. Furniture followed, and then bedding. Mannie, 12, and Marian, 7, became extremely thin and anemic. Their plight was discovered by the social

too young to understand it. The oldest, Louise, is only 6. Their father was a bookkeeper, but failing eyesight cost him his position. Then he got a push cart. He could not earn enough for them that way, so he found work as a porter at night in addition to ped dling during the day. Soon his health broke down. His wife and little ones are left in great distress and cannot go on alone.

Amount needed, \$900.

Case attested and administered free of cot by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 50.

Two Little Boys Whose Parents Ran

Away From Them. They were two thin, white-faced little boys, frightened and crying. Emil was a mite of 6 years-with blond hair and blue eyes. Don, 5 years old was just like him, only smaller. They were alone in the world. Their father had run off; then their mother had deserted them. "Why didn't mother want us?" asked Emil, when he finally got up courage to inquire about what was happening to him and his brother. The social worker could not give a satisfactory answer. Don stutters, but after several trials he asked, "Where did father go?" There was no answer to that, either. Both children must have prolonged treatment and care. Amount needed, \$600.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 51.

A Mother and Six Children Evicted While Their Father Lay III.

While Walter Daniels was lying critically ill in a hospital his wife and six children were evicted from their home because there was no money to pay the rent. The furniture was taken because instalments were in

arrears. The father was an advertising man with a fair salary, but the demands of his large family were so heavy that nothing had been saved. The oldest child, Florence, 15, left school and found work as a clerk. She is now the only breadwinner. Charles, 14, is convalescing from an

CASE 52. The Father Killed in an Accident, the Mother and Two in Want. Ethel, 11, still wakes up screaming at night from the memory of the time her father was brought home dead. He was killed and terribly mutilated by a train on his way home from

appendicitis operation, and in a year

he will be able to help. The other

children are Richard, 11, in 6B;

Peggy, 8, in 3A; Arthur, 3, and

Patsy. 11 months. There is scant

hope of the father's recovery. The

little breadwinner must be assisted

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066).

until the other children are older.

Amount needed, \$1,300.

work. No one saw the accident, and there was no basis for a claim for compensation. A mother and two children were left penniless. Visitors found the home a good one for children to be reared in. It had a devoted and capable mother, who cooks, washes, irons, cleans and sews for her children and sits up until after midnight working on ribbon ornaments. But she earns less than \$5 a week. She must have help if the children are to remain with her.

Amount needed, \$725. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 53. Overwork and Illness Break Down the Father of Six.

School teachers took heed when the Hart children lost their color and grew pinched and pathetic. The family was found to be in the last extreme of poverty. Everything salable had been sold. Five children were sleeping in one bed. It was cold, and there were enough blankets only when they were packed together this way. The sixth child, Jack, a year old, sleeps in his carriage. The mother, besides caring for her six children and her invalid husband, was working as a janitress in the house, and her wages of \$2.50 a week was their only income. The father had undermined his health in his struggle to support his large family. He had held three jobs at oncecounterman in a restaurant from six in the morning to noon, waiter in another from noon to six, and dishwasher in a third thence until eleven at night. He almost died of pneumonia and is now recovering slowly. The five who had to share the same blankets are Joe, twelve, who is in 7B; Helen, ten, in 6B; Peter, nine, in 4A; Bruce, six, in 2A; and Jennie, four. They must be tided over.

Amount needed, \$725.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

CASE 54.

A Few Years Ago They Were Wealthy,

but Now They Must Have Aid. Julie, 15, left school and went to work as a stenciller. She is the only wage-earner for her mother, who was in the hospital, and her 11-year-old sister Demetra. Julie's wages will pay only a small part toward the care of the family. The mother, who is 50, accepts without self pity the great contrast between their present lot and their former days. A few years ago they were wealthy. Her husband was a banker in Greece, but the war ruined him. As he was trying to straighten out his affairs, he became sick and died. The mother took the little money they had and came to this country with her daughters. The daughter Marie died here of mastolditis. Repeated attacks of gallstones prevented the mother from working, Julie cannot win her struggle unaided.

Amount needed, \$580. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephono Ashland 5380.)

CASE 55.

A Father Strangely Ill, an Injured Mother and Five Helpless Children.

The father is an invalid suffering from swollen glands, a fever and other symptoms that are not understood. The X-ray does not reveal the cause of his condition. Specialists who have studied his case hold out no hope for his recovery. The mother went out daily to wash and clean in order to earn a living for her five little ones. One day she cut her hand badly on a broken pane. That same day she was threatened with eviction. Out of money and incapacitated for weeks, she at last appealed for charity. She has received temporary help for herself and the five children-Teddy, 10; Jimmie, 7: Elizabeth, 6: Rosie, 4, and Annie, the baby. Unless further help is given, these young children and the mother will have to be separated. Amount needed \$1,080.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-ue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 56.

Two Parentless Boys Who Have Never Known Kindness.

Junior, 9, and Harold, 11, have shifted for themselves so long that they have developed a fighting spirit and are mistrustful of everybody. They have never known the gentler side of life, a father's companionship and a mother's love- Rough men, quarreling and drinking, were familiar sights to them. One night that will long be a grim memory to them, uniformed men took their father away. He died in jail. Their mother gave up utterly and the boys were deserted. They are at the age when every step counts. With help they may become good citizens. Without help they may

go as their father went. Boarding

care and schooling are necessary to give them a new start in life. Amount needed, \$800.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

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CASE 57.

Three Bright Children Whose Father Is a Helpless Invalid.

Tom is only 13, but he is in 8B and has held the highest rating in the Regents examination in his class. In February he goes into high school. But as soon as the law permits he

must leave school and go to work. His father has become a helpless invalid from heart trouble. His mother has been trying to earn a living for them by cleaning offices. She cannot begin to earn enough to pay the rent and feed her brood. All of the children are remarkable for their fine work at school. Fannie, who is 12 and in 8A, has received the general excellence medal almost every month for two years. Jack, 10 and in 5A, never gets a mark below A. Help is asked so that these exceptional children may have a chance to fulfill their promise.

Amount needed, \$900. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 103 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4966).

CASE 58.

Aged and Crippled, He Strains to Support a Feebler One.

A nurse at a clinic who was treating a man of 64 for arthritis found him to be suffering more from lack of nourishment than from the disease. At her request a visitor went to his home. She found him living with an aunt who was 80, blind in one eye and very feeble. For several days they had had nothing to eat except soup made from a ham bone which a neighbor had given them. He had earned his living as a carpenter until arthritis crippled his hands. A kindhearted man, he had taken care of his old aunt for thirty years. His work had long been intermittent because of his illness. Recently it had stopped altogether, and they were literally starving when their plight was discovered. He is able to earn a little money at present cutting out tiny wooden elephants, lions and giraffes for Noah's arks. He earns \$8.85 a week when the arthritis will let him, but that is hardly a third of what they require to keep alive and to keep to-

Amount needed, \$700. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 59.

Her Husband Is Dying and Their Four Children Are Hungry. "My husband is dangerously ill." wrote Mrs. Thomas. "I am four months behind in my rent and we have insufficient food. I don't know what we are going to do if you cannot help us." A welfare worker found the family in a small bare lodging on the top floor of an old three-story frame tenement. Neighbors had just taken up a collection to pay the family's gas bill. There was no food in the house. Ellen was at a clothing factory, where she works from 9 to 6 to earn \$12 a week. William, 8, and Morton, 7, were at school. The father, virtually a dying man, was at home with the three-year-old child. Helen. He had been in a tuberculosis sanatorium. but he gave up his chance to recover in order to return home and try to

mediate wants have been met, but they must have further aid. Amount needed, \$350. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

help when he learned what straits his

wife and children were in. Their im-

CASE 60.

A Father Who Would Not Give Up

May Never Work Again. The school nurse found Bella, 11, to be fourteen pounds underweight. The other children were also undernourished. Their evening meal was thin soup and dry bread. The only wage carner was Morris, 15, who was earning \$10 a week as a messenger boy. Their father was in a sanatorium for tuberculosis. Their mother was slowly regaining her strength after two operations, one for appendicitis and one for tumor. Four years ago the doctor advised the father to go to a hospital, but he had then just opened a small tailor shop and would not give it up. To keep his family provided for, he insisted on remaining at work. It is now doubtful if he will ever be able to work again. Others must come to the rescue.

Amount needed, \$600. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue, (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

Sleeping Sickness Grips the Father of Eight Needy Children.

A painter receiving good wages succeeded not only in providing for his wife and eight children, but also in buying a home, subject to mortgage. Three years ago that dread disease. sleeping sickness, attacked him. Everything they had, even much of

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their furniture, has gone to keep the family and to provide medical attention for the father. He is still alive, but his condition is hopeless. His wife takes boarders and works out during the day as a chambermaid, besides doing heavy housework at home. But what she earns goes a very little way toward the care of her husband and the children, Vera, 14; Bert, 13; Ralph, 12; Jack, 10; Kate. 7: Jennie, 6, and the twins, Mollie and Frank, 4. Her burden must be lightened so that she can

Amount needed, \$1,200. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 62.

An Orphan Girl, Twice Homeless, Who Again Must Find a Shelter.

Her father died when Clara was 11 and her mother placed the child in an institution. Every day, as many times as she could, Clara would run to a window, hoping to see her mother come up the brick walk to visit her. For weeks she watched, but her mother never came. One day Clara found a chance to run away from the asylum. She went to the house where they had lived. There she learned that her mother was in a hospital. She hurried there and reached her mother's bedside. The woman was too sick to recognize her, and soon after she died. A family that had known Clara's father took the girl. They kept her for a long time. Misfortune befell them and they felt obliged to give her up. With aching hearts they broke the news to Clara. She went silently to her room and the next morning, when the agent of the association called, she could not keep back her tears. "They don't want me any more," she said. Clara has one more grade to finish in school. Then she can learn a trade. Shelter, food and kindness must be found for her. Amount needed, \$450.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 clast Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 63.

Their Father's Death Scatters a Brood of Six Children.

Last Christmas they were a happy family. Their father, an ironmolder, provided well for them, although with eight in the family they had not been able to build up a bank account. Pneumonia claimed the father in March. In April Margaret, the sixth child, was born. The five other children were scattered among friends and relatives. The mother is now struggling to reunite them. She earns comething by "beading" at home, and the oldest child, Kitty, 17, earns \$16 a week in a candy factory. Helen will soon go to work. Meanwhile, Donald, 13; Vivian, 10, and Clara, 4 are pleading to be taken home, but they cannot go back to their mother unless outside help makes it possible Amount needed, \$720.

Case attested and administered free of cos by the Charity Organization Society, 10 clast Twenty-second Street. (Telephon tramercy 4008).

CASE 64.

Two Aged Sisters Who Ask the Way to the Poor House.

One sister is 74, the other is 75 Mary, the older, has long been an in valid. For eighteen years Edith supported them both by working in a lunch room. It closed and since then she has done housework, practical nursing, caring for children, whatever she could get to do. Her health has not been good lately. Anxiously she sought work but in the last month earned only \$19.33. All this went for food and there was nothing left to pay the rent. They knew that their days of self-support were over, and they wrote to the church asking for directions to the poorhouse. "We do not know the way," said the letter, which was turned over by the church to the A. I. C. P. A visitor found them at work packing up their treasured belongings to move out. They were carefully tying newspaper pads about a spool table-it had been their mother's -and an old chair. A picture of their father playing the violin was taken from the wall. A little temporary aid has enabled them to remain in this old home, but unless further relief comes they will go to the almshouse. Amount needed, \$600.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 65.

A Crippled Father and His Helpless Family of Five.

Frederick was born three months ago in a bare room in the basement an old frame tenement. There was little preparation for his coming. His father was in the hospital and hig brothers and sisters were half-starved and in rags. Clothing was provided for the baby by members of a nearby church. Frederick's father was a skilled workman, a polisher of ornamental brasses. One day he made a false movement, and an emery wheel cut deep into his arm. It severed a nerve and left the arm half paralyzed. He received \$200 in compensation, but was never able to return to his trade.

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He became a plasterer's helper. A falling scaffold struck his back. He recovered, but both injuries developed after effects. A cancer on the arm resulted from one, tuberculosis of the spine from the other. His arm was amputated. His back is in a plaster cast. The mother, in the time she has remaining after looking after her family, earns about \$3 a week finishing coats. Louis, the oldest boy, is 14, but is only in the fifth grade, having been held back by physical handicaps. In spite of his lack of education he will soon go to work to help support the family. Ruth is 8, and Thelma is 3. Ruth is in the first grade and is self-conscious about her worn and ill-fitting clothes. Frederick, in spite of the environment that he was born into, is a promising baby. The family cannot go on without help. Amount needed, \$850.

Case attested and administered free of cost y the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 chermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone vience) 0710

CASE 66.

There Are Five in the Family and All of Them Struck Down by Illness.

A sick woman staggered into the office of the charitable organization and asked for help for her three sick children. The social worker found a neighbor, poor herself, feeding the children, pale, weak and just recovering from influenza. Their father had suddenly become ill with acute gastritis and a heart affliction and as suddenly died. The mother, though only 36, was an invalid from heart trouble. The children are Harry, 11, who has won a musical scholarship for his violin playing; Philip, 10, and Sol, 8. Until the family can find new ways of self-support, there must be help. Amount needed, \$950.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 67.

Four Children Thin From Undernourishment, and a Tired Mother.

Robert, 10, was one of her best pupils, and the teacher was worried when he grew thinner and paler. The boy assured her that he was all right. She asked him many questions. Then she telephoned his name and address to the charitable organization. "I am sure he is starving," she said. The visitor went to the home and found three others suffering as much as Robert. Janet, 11: Ralph. 8. and Marie. 7, were emaciated children with dark circles under their eves. Their mother was worn and tired from anxiety and toil. In addition to caring for the home she worked regularly scrubwoman. The grandmother was past 70 and blind. Help given now would enable the mother to make a better start toward self-support. Amount needed, \$520.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

One Year Old and Sorely Beset by Many Illnesses. 4

In one year of life Ben has had many narrow escapes from death. He has had rheumatism, pneumonia, ear trouble and intestinal trouble, and scables besides. His parents abandoned him. He is a pretty baby, with blue eves, a white skin, a merry expression and a fighting spirit. He's "worth raisin'," but kindly hearts must provide the means.

Amount needed, \$290. Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 69.

A Widow, Frail and Ill, Struggling to

Support Three Children. Maud, 7; Marjorie, 6, and Arthur, 3. ha.; a mother whom they adore, a mother who in spite of sickness and tragedy has always been cheerful and gentle. Their father, died from a stroke when Arthur was just a baby. The mother, suffering from heart disease, could not do heavy work. She is unusually intelligent and works hard to keep her home spick and span. From almost nothing she makes pretty and sensible clothes for her children. She does some sewing at home, but cannot earn enough to feed and clothe her family without outside help. Maud is in the first grade and Marjorle in kindergarten. Arthur, the baby, has been having trouble with his ear, which has meant many sleepless nights for the mother, but no matter how tired she may be she is always patient and hopeful.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 Cast Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Framercy 4066).

Amount needed, \$840.

CASE 70.

Two Elderly Sisters, Who Are Fearful of What the Future Holds. .

They are two aged sisters. Martha, 60, earns a few dollars a month by sewing at home. Agnes, 62, goes out to work, but has been able lately to earn only \$19.50 a month. Martha is epileptic and recently her attacks have been occurring at the rate of one a week. The doctor attributed their frequency to her worry over the neediness of the little household and over the future. The women were comfortably provided for until two years ago, when their brother died. They had then to sell most of their belongings and move into poorer and poorer quarters. Often they have fasted a day at a time to keep expenses down. made with water. The children are

Both are in fear of what the future may have in store for them.

Amount needed, \$525.

CASE 71.

Two Hungry Children Whose Parents Cannot Feed Them.

Three-year-old Mary and two-yearold Marian do not have enough to eat. ordinarily, but they have a feast when the kind-hearted grocer, who lives below them, sends up the package of broken crackers and the overripe fruit and unsalable vegetables that he always saves for them. Their father is in a hospital: their mother cannot move her right hand; their grandmother, 65, is helpless from rheumatism. The landlord has gone without his rent for several months, but he is becoming impatient. The mother is in despair at the thought that she will have to let Mary and Marian go to institutions unless help is forthcoming. Amount needed, \$675.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charittes, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

CASE 72.

There Are Days Without Food for This Mother and Her Four.

An appeal for the family was made by the hospital where the father was a patient suffering from a serious heart condition. The mother and her four children were found to be undernourished, sickly and without means. They had not eaten for two days. For some time they had paid for their food and medicine with borrowed money, but that too was gone. The children are Benjamin, 15, Sarah, 11, and the twins. Hattie and Rachel. To restore the family to strength will require help from others.

Amount needed, \$560. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue, (Tolephone Ashland 5880.)

CASE 73. Pitying Neighbors Ask Aid for a Mother and Five Little Ones.

A very poor woman who was receiving free treatment at a clinic called at the bureau one day to ask help for neighbors of hers. She said they were freezing and starving. The visitor found a frail, white-faced young mother seated by the kitchen stove nursing the baby. Ruth, 5, and Jane, 2, were playing at her feet. Mary, 10; Joseph, 9, and Richard, 7, were expected home from school. The mother was cooking a pot of coffee for them. Their only food was bread dipped in coffee. The grocer, because they were old customers of his, sent them bread free every day. Neighbors, though poor also, had furnished the fuel for the stove. The family's money was at an end. The father, a truck driver, was in the hospital and had been there for weeks. He is somewhat improved, but he cannot work. For a long time they must depend on charity.

Amount needed, \$725. Case attested and administer by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Avenue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 74.

Two Helpless Children Waiting for Homes and Parents.

It was once a happy home for the seven children. Then the father grew ill of cancer and died. The mother worked day and night until lung hemorrhages began. She has been sent away to a sanatorium, from which she never returned. The five older children have been provided for. The younger ones. Carter and Boyd, 4 and 6. are on the "waiting list" for adoption. They are very much run down and must have months of good care.

Amount needed, \$700. Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charifies Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 75.

Five Fatherless Children Who Are Always Having to Move.

Anna, 10, is only in the second grade, and Sally, 8, and Rose, 7, are only in the first, yet they are unusually bright children. They never have a chance to get used to their school. They are always on the move. They are dispossessed almost as soon as they get a new home. Their father died last March, leaving them penniless, and it has been a heavy struggle for them since then. In addition to the three school children, there are Bess, 4, and Edward, 2. Bess is barely recovering from diphtheria. For months they have hardly ever had a nourishing meal. The children are poorly clothed. They are all living now in three small rooms which the sun never reaches. The mother must have aid to raise her helpless brood.

Amount needed, \$660. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Charity Organization Society, 105 ast Twenty-second Strest, (Telephone

CASE 76.

Valiantly but in Vain, a Widow Labors for Her Four Little Ones.

Since the husband died after being ill for eighteen months with tuberculosis, the wife has tried to support her four children. She worked out the rent by acting as janitress of the apartment and received \$1 a month in addition. From 3 in the morning to 8 she scrubbed in an office building, then rushed home to feed the children and get them off to school. She clothed the four and herself by remaking old garments. They slept in two broken beds, one of which had, in place of a mattress, an old comforter stuffed with rags. When a visitor called on the family at the request of a clinic, it was found that for more than a day they had had nothing to eat except bread and cocoa

PARTING OF FAMILY PREVENTED

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL APPEAL

What the Money Given by Times Readers for Case 66 of Last Year's Hundred Neediest Has Meant.

NOUR Frail Little Girls" was the correct description of Case 66 a year ago. Their mother was worn out with the effort to support them since their father had died suddenly of pneumonia. Acting as a janitress, taking in washing in addition and looking after her four children, the mother had undermined her strength. They were always under the threat of being compelled to separate, the mother going to a hospital, the children to orphan asylums. Help a year ago made it possible for the mother to give up outside work and devote herself to her family. Fed and well taken care of, they are now plump and rosy. The improvement in the mother's health has been remarkable.

Contributions this year will give other mothers and children a chance

Walter, 13, Amos, 12, Hattle, 10, and Laura, 9. To sustain the mother in her struggle to bring up her children in their own home help is asked. Amount needed, \$1,000.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 77. A Father Flees, Leaving His Family of Five Destitute.

Bessie is 10, but is only in the first grade. When she was away from school for several days, the teacher asked about her. None of the other children knew what had happened and the teacher went to investigate. She had a good deal of trouble reaching the hut where Bessie lived. There were no streets near it, and finally she found it-a desolate spot near Jamaica Bay. The teacher learned that Bessie had to stay at home to look after and cook for the four other children, because her grandmother was ill. Her mother could not be at home in the daytime because she is the only breadwinner. She walks half a mile each day to and from a factory. The father was an iceman. A year ago he shot and killed another iceman for stealing his customers, and since then he has been a fugitive. At night the grandmother, the mother and the four children huddle in two big beds under thin blankets, piling their clothing over themselves for additional warmth. The children's toys are made-over pieces of tin from a junk heap. Julia, 5, and Etta, 3, are so thin that every bone shows. Baby Mat is greatly undernourished. The mother is worn out by hard work at the factory, long walks going and coming, and long

Amount needed, \$875. Case attested and administered free of cost y the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 chermerhorn Street. (Telephone Triangle

carry the burden alone any longer

hours washing, ironing and doing

other housework at night. She cannot

CASE 78.

Both Parents Are Suffering and There Are Two Children to Care For.

The father is a helpless invalid suffering intensely from sciatica and cancer. His wife, a patient under treatment for diabetes and varicose veins, is the janitress of the house doing a heavy day's work, but with great pain and difficulty. Aaron, 15, tried to help out as an errand boy. but a painful condition of the feet due to infantile paralysis put an end to that. The other child is Minnie, 13. They are in need of constant medical attention, better food and other necessities, and the children must quickly learn trades.

Amount needed, \$1,300. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue. (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 79.

Two Aged Sisters, Ill and Helpless, Fear They Will Be Separated.

Ellen, 63, and Harriet, 61, were both lying on cots in their single room. Ellen is suffering from cancer. Harriet is recovering from a broken jaw, a crushed leg and other injuries. Returning from the cigar factory where she works, she was knocked down by an automobile, which sped away. Their savings soon became exhausted. When an appeal for help was made, they were living on crackers, tea and soup sent in by neighbors almost as poor as they. Both women have dwelt all their lives in the neighborhood where their grandparents settled nearly a century ago. They cannot bear the thought of being separated and entreat to be allowed to remain together as long as they live.

Amount needed, \$450. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-nue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

Orphaned and Only 13, She Is Afraid of the World.

After her mother died of influenza and her father was killed in an accident, June, 13 years old, was taken by a relative who whipped her and starved her. She has been so repressed and terrified that today fear governs all her actions. She is afraid of other little girls. If she had her wish, all she would do would be to sit and sew. She has fine eyes and hair of deep brown and, beneath her timidity, an affectionate nature. A long period of care and training is necessary to make up for years of neglect and brutality. Then some one may give her a permanent home. Amount needed, \$325.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the State Charities Aid Association, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 1454.)

CASE 81.

A Son Assumes the Place of His Stricken Father.

"Is that your son, Mr. Graves?" asked the sanitarium nurse of one of the patients who had just had a visitor, "What a fine looking boy!" "George is a fine boy," replied the sick man; "the finest boy you ever knew! We were going to send him to college, but of course there is no hope now * * *" His voice choked.

Mr. Graves was a printer. He had been a healthy, hard-working man. In his fiftieth year he learned that he was in a bad way with tuberculosis of both lungs. George, who was 16, had to leave school and find work as a clerk. The mother is afflicted with increasing deafness, which makes it impossible for her to take up any outside occupation. The father is improving yery slowly. He may recover his health entirely in time, but they will be in great need for a year or

Amount needed, \$580. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4060.)

CASE St.

At 75 She Cannot Earn What Her Murdered Son Gave Her.

The information card on file with the charitable organization reads:

Name	Anna Hart Feb., 1849
Others in family	None
Income or wages	None

She was supported for years by her son. Two years ago he was killed by an unknown assailant. He left a very small sum of money. To make this last, she went out at the age of 75 to do light housework and sewing. From At the end of two years it was gone and her money had run out. When a settlement worker discovered her condition she was even without a blanket. She hopes to be able to rcmain in the room where she has lived for many years. Very little is required to maintain her.

Amount needed, \$300. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 83.

A Blind Father, a Broken Mother and Six Little Ones.

When her husband went blind she had to do something at once. There were seven in the family and very little money. She was allowed to take over her husband's work, that of caring for several teams of mules for a contractor. For months she watered and fed the mules, curried them and cleaned the stalls. But this, in addition to her housework, broke down her health and she had to apply for charitable help. James, 12, the oldest boy, leads his father through the streets to a training shop where the man is learning to make brushes. Hugo, who is 11 and in 6A, does his home work as quickly as possible, then goes out with 8-year-old Ellen to hunt for pieces of wood and lumps of coal that have dropped from trucks. The other children are Hazel, 5, and Betty, 5 months. All the children are clothed in cast-off garments obtained from neighbors. The family must have help to weather through to brighter days.

Amount needed, \$1,050. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charittes, 69 Schermerhorn Street. (Telephone Triangle

CASE 84.

Two Boy Workers Find Their Burden Too Heavy.

"They are starving and about to be dispossessed," wrote a neighbor. The

visitor found it to be true. George, 18, and Milton, 16, had gone to work as office boys when their father died, but they cannot earn enough for themselves, their mother and the three younger children-Alexander, 14. Charles, 13, and Sophie, 7. George and his mother are both under medical care for extreme anemia, Amount needed, \$725.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Eederation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, 114 Fifth Avenue, (Telephone Ashland 5380.)

CASE 85.

The Father Gone, a Mother and Four Children Facing Starvation.

The mother and four children sleep in one bed, the only one they have. A fifth child is expected soon. The rent is two months overdue and the landlord has threatened to dispossess them. Mother and children are undernourished and frightened. The oldest is Fred, 8, who is in 2B. Jack is 6, and Tom is 3. Mary, 2, is a cripple from infantile paralysis and walks with difficulty, dragging a heavy iron brace. They were well treated by their father until, recently, he lost his mind and disappeared. The mother must find a helping hand.

Amount needed, \$1,000.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Catholic Charities, 477 Madison Ave-ue. (Telephone Plaza 0543.)

CASE 86. Four Are Left Fatherless and a Mother Cannot Earn Enough for Them.

Arthur was born in June-three months after his father had been buried. Very little was left after the funeral expenses were paid. Arthur was one of four who were left fatherless, the others being George, 8, Harold, 6, and Josephine, 4. Griefstricken and bewildered, their mother, who was only 29, found a job as a janitress and took outside work when she could. She made over cast-off garments to clothe her children, and she keeps the little folk remarkably neat. Although only 8, George is in 4A. A school nurse noticed the undernourished condition of the two older children. A visit to the home showed that the young mother was breaking under her heavy burdens and that the suffering of the family was becom-

ing acute. Amount needed, \$700.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

A Mother Risks Her Life That Her Three Sons May Have Food. Last year Jennie, 16 died of tuber-

CASE 87.

culosis. The physician had said months before that she was undernourished. The mother sewed most of the day and far into the night to earn the money for better food and care for the girl, but it did not save her. This year the mother is working harder than ever. She has her three boys still to feed; Alex, 13; Jim, 11, and George, 9. They are undernourished too. The doctor has told her that she will kill herself if she keens on at her present pace. She is threatened with a serious breakdown, possibly tuberculosis. Help is necessary to maintain the home and let the mother

Amount needed, \$1,300. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066.)

CASE 88.

At Last the Mother of Three Little Ones Reveals Her Need.

Their savings were exhausted during the months of illness from tuberculosis which ended in the husband's death. A few weeks later the third child was born. For the mother to ask for charity was a painful ordeal. At first she made a secret of her own and the children's want of food. But she could not bear to see them suffer. so one day she walked to an office of the Brooklyn Bureau with her monthold child in her arms. It was found that all four were undernourished and sick. William, 4, developed tuberculosis of the bone and is in a plaster cast. Helen, 8, attends outdoor classes. Mrs. Martin is now able to earn \$10 a week, which is far too little for her family. She must have assistance.

Amount needed, \$400. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 chermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Chinagle 0.710.)

Triangle 0710.)

CASE 89. A Family of Five, in Want After the Death of the Father.

He had been a chef, earning \$75 a week, until sickness compelled him to stop work. His savings were used up during his long illness, which ended in his death from dropsy. A week after his death the widow was taken to a hospital for a second operation for cancer. Four children were left at home: Cordelia, 12: Nathan, 9: Pauline. 7: Helen, 2. Unless help comes they will have to be removed to institutions. Amount needed, \$840.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 90.

A Widow Who Cannot Earn Half Enough for Her Two Daughters.

They had saved for years. The father thought he saw a chance to improve their condition and he put all the money into a trucking business. A few weeks later he died of heart disease. When his affairs were wound up the widow found herself penniless. She has taken up sewing to support herself and the two children, Susan, 8, and Ellen, 6. But she

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has been able so far to earn less than half of what is necessary. She must have help.

Amount needed, \$590.

Oase attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066.)

CASE 91.

With Their Father in Prison, Eight Are Left in Distress.

Frederick is in an ungraded class He is 15 but has a mentality of 8. He is so tall, thin and white and has such flaming red hair that they call him "Candles" at school Because he is so backward it will be years before he has the education required by law and can go to work. His father is in prison and may be removed to an insane asylum. At home are his mother and his six younger brothers and sisters. There are only two beds in the house. The mother and four sisters sleep in one, lying crosswise. The three boys sleep in the folding bed in the kitchen, which is closed in the daytime to serve as a shelf. The kitchen is the mother's workshop; there she sews on coats which she hauls to and from the factory in a baby carriage. She earns \$8 a week. They are without food, clothes, furniture and necessi-

Amount needed, \$1,250.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Criangle 0710.)

CASE 92.

ties of every kind.

A Boy Ill, and Another Injured, in a Fatherless Home of Five. Billy, 12 years old, has been ailing since last Spring. Recently it was found that he was suffering from heart disease as a sequel to measles. Special diet and tonic have been prescribed for him, but his mother does not know where the money is coming from to pay for it. They cannot meet their ordinary expenses now. The father

tory. One of his fingers was caught in a machine. The finger had to be amputated and this experience at the beginning of his career as a breadwinner has greatly discouraged the boy. His mother is crippled with rheumatism. The other children are Charlie,

died of cancer two years ago. Joe,

then 15, went to work in a paper fac-

14, and Danny, 4. Amount needed, \$360.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4066.)

CASE 93.

The Father Is Paralyzed; the Anemic

Julian, a trustworthy and affectionate boy of 14, in 8A, will be able to go to work in a year to help support his mother, his brothers, Christopher, 10. and Lawrence, 6. At present they are destitute. They have too little to eat and their clothing has been patched over and over again. The mother, anemic and suffering from heart trouble, still goes out to work when she can, laundering and cleaning, but cannot eam an average of more than \$13 a month. The father suffered a stroke of paralysis along with an injury received at work. The compensation of \$440 which he collected more than a vear ago is exhausted and he is a hopeless paralytic. Help is necessary

until Julian can take up the load. Amount needed. \$850. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

This Girl of 15 Is the Only Wage Earner in a Family of Seven.

Catherine, 15, is the only wageearner. She works in a lace factory and earns \$12 a week, but this does not go far when there are seven mouths to be fed. The father, who had always been a hard-working man, is a hopeless invalid at the age of 38. A stroke left him with a paralyzed left side and a crippled heart. The other children are Julia, 14; Beatrice, 11: Angelina, 4, and John, 9, Catherine cannot win her battle without

Amount needed, \$1,000. Case attested and administered free of cost by the Charity Organization Society, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4060).

A Father and a Son in Hospitals; a Mother and Three Little Girls in Need.

The father and 10-year-old Lewis are both in hospitals suffering from tuberculosis. At home, in dark, bare rooms, under plaster that threatens to fall, are the mother and her three little girls, Eva, 6, Grace, 2, and Eleanor. 9 months. They all are undernourished. There is no money for

Amount needed, \$1,040. Case attested and administered free of charge by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 7040.)

CASE 96. Seven Fatherless Children and a

Mother Too Ill to Support Them.

One look at Nellie, 12, told the school nurse that something was wrong at home. She had dark circles under her eyes, and her little body was a bundle of skin and bones.

of heart disease after a long illness during which the savings melted away. The mother was worn out trying to care for the invalid and the six children and to earn an income by sewing on buttons. They were in three rooms, two of which had no windows. Tommy, 15, has been under treatment for tuberculosis and is now attending the boat school.

Amount needed, \$720.

CASE 97.

Four Hollow-Eyed Children and a

When the husband became an invalid from heart attacks, the wife sought to support the family by going out to sew on fur. A doctor, calling on the heart patient, noticed that the fou children were thin and holloweyed. The mother's earnings could not buy the necessities of life. Charles, 14, runs errands after school, and in a year will be permitted by law to go to work. The other children are Nicholas, 10, Louis, 8, and John, 4. The father and mother have always been industrious and independent; it is a tragedy to them to have to ask

Amount needed, \$1,050.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Association for Improving the Condi-tion of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street. (Telcphone Gramercy 7040.)

The mother and her five children were crowded in two corner rooms within a few feet of which the elevated trains thunder around a curve. The father had deserted them. They were all hungry, alarmed, bewildered. The mother could not earn a living for them. Neighbors said the children would have to be placed in institutions, and this threw the devoted mother and her affectionate children into a state of heartbroken anxiety. The children are Winifred, 12; Alice, 10; Virginia, 6; Fred, 8 and Charles 3. A church worker discovered their plight and appealed for help. The family must be

Case attested and administered free of cost

Four Neglected Children Living in a

Their home is a shack built on an ash and rubbish dump of the Street Cleaning Department, with a little squatter's garden where they raise beans, tomatoes, potatoes, rhubarb, squash and peppers. They have little else to live on. The only breadwinner is Claude, 15, who earns \$11 a week as a machinist's helper. May is 9, Theodore 7 and Elizabeth 5. The mother is suffering from hernia, the result of heavy work in the garden, and is partly crippled by arthritis. Theodore's chief toy is a small battered tin wagon that he rescued from the dump. He and May and Elizabeth are always searching the heaps for treasures of this kind. They help with the truck garden and also tend the small flower bed where they raise marigolds and zinnias. The younger children are much undernourished.

Amount needed. \$850.

Case attested and administered free of cost by the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn. (Telephone Triangle 0710.)

CASE 100.

frightened, starved appearance of the mother and two children who called at the hospital to see the dying man They were whiter, their eyes hollower each time they called. When at last the father died of tuberculosis, the nurse called on the family and then

asked the Association to help them. Besides undernourishment, the mother was suffering from rheumatism and did not even have a pair of rubbers to protect her feet on wet days when she went out as a laundress. The older boy, Albert, 12, did not have a coat. The younger boy, Jimmie, 4, is in need of food and care. The mother is so crippled that she earns very, little, and is in terror lest it should become necessary for the children to go to institutions. Amount needed, \$680.

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Nellie has asthma. The mother has a weak heart and needs rest. Con-

tributions are asked to keep the

mother and her children from being

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Father With a Weak Heart.

aided until the mother can take the

East Twenty-second Street. (Telephone Gramercy 4006).

Shack on an Ash Dump.

They all need better food, clothing and shelter.

A Woman, Widowed by Tuberculosis. May Have to Give Up Her Sons. The nurse's heart was wrung by the

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Amount needed \$1,140.