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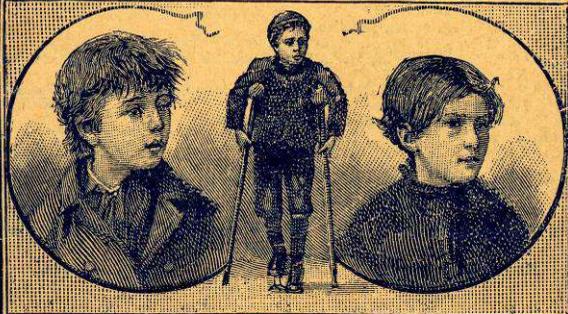
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“What has Barnardo done?”

An Every-Day Question

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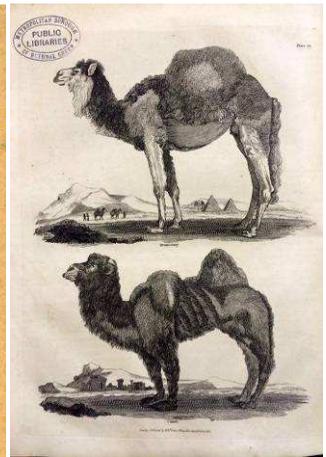
W. J. GORDON.



WAIFS AND STRAYS.

LONDON: THE CHILDREN'S BOOKROOM, 279, STRAND, W.C.

London Offices: 18 to 26, Stepney Causeway, E.
[Price Sixpence per Dozen.]



the owners of the custom-house to the merchants, upon entering their goods, certifying that the goods are culomed.

COCKLE (S.) a weed called rofo-corn; also a well-known eatable shell-fish; and in *Archi-ecture*, a pair of winding-flairs.

COCKLE (V.) to shrivel, gather or shrink up; to pucker like an ill-fown team, &c.

COCKNEY (S.) a name of reproach given to those persons born in or near London, from their supposed intire ignorance of all manner of country affairs, extending so far as not to know the reigning of a horse from the crowing of a cock.

COCKPIT (S.) a place where game-cocks fight, to make sport for the lookers on.

COCKREL (S.) a young cock, especially of the game, or fighting kind.

COCKS COMB (S.) the red, tufted, fleshy part of a cock's head; also the name of a simple, otherwise called yellow rattle grass; also a nick-name for a filly, prating, ignorant, pretending fellow.

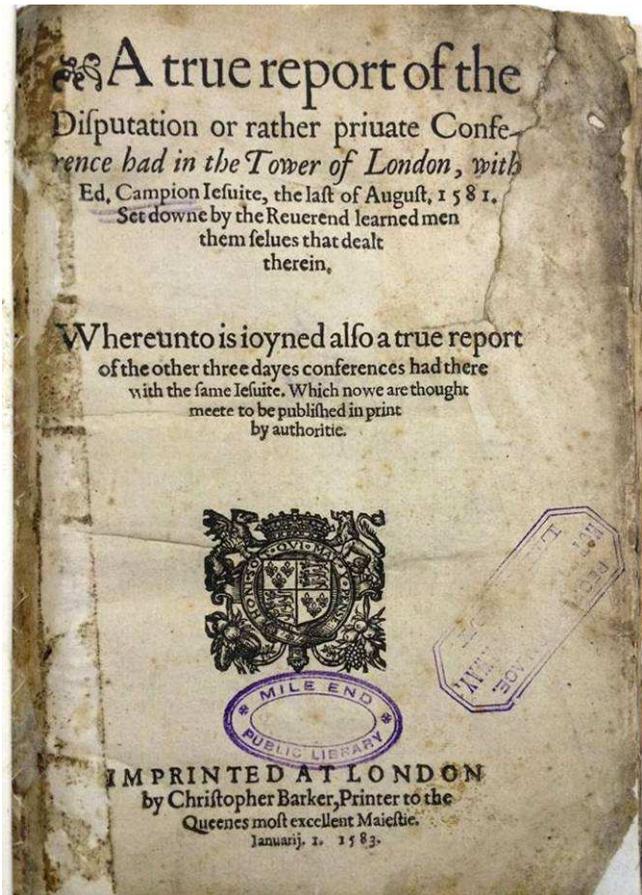
COCQUET (S.) a general lover, or gallanting person, either male or female; one who delights to deal generally in love affairs, without determining any thing particular; but commonly is restrained to a woman that entertains many sweethearts, without intending marriage with any of them.

COD (S.) an excellent fish, both for present use, while fresh, and also to fat up, for store for ships, garriens, &c. also the bag, skin, shales,

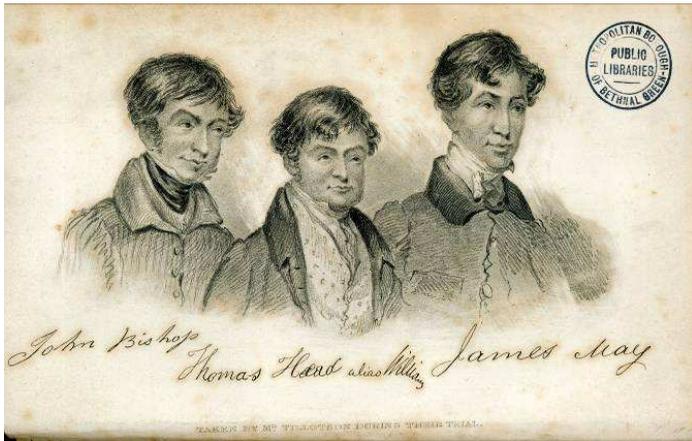
The Tower Hamlets Local History Library has over 1200 items that were published before 1900.

The earliest of these is from 1583 and is entitled,

A true report of the disputation or rather private conference had in the Tower of London, with Ed. Campion, Iesuite ; the last of August, 1581 set downe by the reuerend learned men them selues that dealt therein, whereunto is ioyned also a true report of the other three dayes conferences had there with the same Iesuite, which nowe are thought meete to be published in print by authoritie.



The book was originally purchased and held at the People's Palace on Mile End Road, then transferred to Bethnal Green Library, and then made its way here, as the stamps on the title page indicate.



Highlights of the collection include:

A treatise on the police of the metropolis (1796)

The Blind Beggar of Bethnal Green (1741)

The Spitalfields weaver, or, Tom Shuttle and Blousalinda : a dolorous ditty (1821)

A catalogue of the materials of Saint Katharine's church, near the tower (1825)

The follies of fashion : a comedy in five acts (1830)

The history of the London Burkers (1832)

A history of the Huguenots (1840)

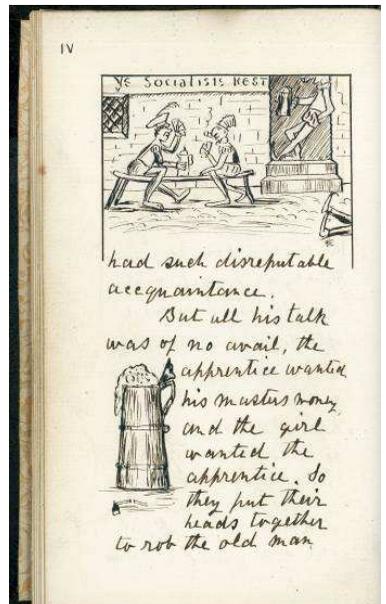
Days at the factories, or, The manufacturing industry of Great Britain described, and illustrated by numerous engravings of machines and processes (1843)

The Witch of Wapping (1843)

The Asiatic in England (1873)

Vagabondiana, or, Anecdotes of mendicant wanderers through the streets of London 1874

A history of vagrants and vagrancy, and beggars and begging (1887)



The particular strengths of the collection are:

- Books about London
- 17th Century Sermons by local clergy
- Acts of Parliament relating to the borough
- Early English dictionaries
- Early 19th century dissenting and evangelical magazines
- Biographies of local personalities from the 18th and 19th centuries

