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THE GATEACRE SOCIETY

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Next meeting -

INFORMATION
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SERIALS SECTION

MAKING THE MOST OF SUMMER BEDDING

by

ALAN HEATH

TUESDAY, 10th APRIL 1990, THE GATEACRE INSTITUTE at

8 pm.

Mr. Heath, the manager of the Gateacre Nurseries in Whiston, who gave us such an informative and very entertaining lecture last July, has kindly agreed to come and help us with our gardens in time for Spring.

Since we last heard Mr. Heath he has landed a fortnightly programme on gardening featured on Radio City on alternate Fridays at 2 p.m.

IN AND ABOUT BROAD GREEN - on the 27th February we had two Mr. Barkers at our lecture - one to talk and one to project the slides - and we started our walk at the United Reform Church at Oak Vale, then went down Broad Green Road (Petticoat Lane) pausing at the Gardeners Arms (1924 architect Harold E. Davies), so called for the site of George Cunningham's Nursery from 1790-1835. Next we saw the Glass House Hotel which commemorates the glass works started by Tipton & Co., in the 1820s - later bought by Pilkingtons; Mill Lane Cottages for the glassworkers later became Shinkfield's dairy farm. We saw Broad Green Abbey Hotel and the Villa Bellomonte - later Rybank School - and Broad Green House of 1776 with its variegated brickwork with light coloured 'headers'. Railway Cottages in Old Thomas Lane became a marble works and next to 209 Thomas Lane we saw a picture of a thatched cottage. We seemed to see more pictures of thatch than we know of in Gateacre.

Highfield House, the home of Thos. Littledale c.1835, became an old peoples home in 1906 and is now Broad Green Hospital. In Thomas Drive is the Jewish Cemetery opened in 1904. We saw Ken. Dodd's house built 1752; and Ashfield - James Clemens home - now known as Thingwall House; and went on to Thingwall Hall (arch: Harvey Lonsdale Elmes) bought by Archbishop Whiteside for the Brothers of Charity in 1861, and still run by them. Court Hey park has a road lined with stone railway sleepers; c.1836 it was the home of Robertson Gladstone (1805-75) brother of William Ewart.

We were told that the Marquess of Salisbury once erected gates across the junction of Score Lane and Rocky Lane - like those we had in Grange Lane? We closed with a view of Childwall Gas Works, owned by the Marquess of Salisbury and run by George Harding - the father of our Mr. Harding who lives in the sandstone cottage opposite Grange Manor.

Mr. Barker is shortly to bring out a book about Broad Green (not Broadgreen he tells us) so we must look out for it.

S.M.L.

SOME NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS -

- 90P/185 3 Rockbourne Ave. erect single storey extens.
to both sides of property
- 90P/259 75 Woolton Hill Rd. to alter & extend bungalow
- 90P/341 6 Sandfield Road to erect 2-storey exten.
at side
- (we feel this last application, with its very good drawings, will not detract from the Conservation Area)
- 90P/488 Elm House Nursing Home to erect extension to
Childwall Abbey Road Nursing Home

This application must be resisted and we intend to write to the C.P.O. in support of the Childwall Society.

POLICY FOR CONSERVATION & LISTED BUILDINGS -

These Policies (there are 27 in all), drawn up by the Conservation Officer Mr. M. King, are extremely important to Liverpool and have been approved by the City Council. We intend to publish them in this and subsequent Newsletters -

BUILDINGS AT RISK

LB/1. The City Council will operate a Buildings at Risk Register which will indicate to the City Council and to English Heritage those listed buildings or buildings in Conservation Areas which should be considered as being in need of priority in terms of repair, and will support the principle of allocating funds when available towards emergency repairs. The Buildings at Risk register will give three options to a building owner in either the private or public sector:

- (i) to repair the buildings and put them to good use;
- (ii) to carry out emergency repairs in order to market the building;
- (iii) to dispose of the building by way of sale to a Building Preservation Trust or a new owner willing to repair the building.

In the case of Listed Buildings not in City Council ownership the Council will consider the serving of the appropriate notices to require the owner to carry out emergency repairs.

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