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Annual Report

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Institute

South Street

East River

Floating
Church
of Our
Saviour
in 1843

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Historic SOUTH STREET, which curves around the lower tip of Manhattan Island, is the rendezvous of seafaring men. Its history is the history of shipping and its fame the fame of a great seaport. Since 1843 the SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK has played a significant part in South Street's life. In this, our EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT, we offer to Lookout readers the quaint and historic illustrations on the following pages as a pictorial record of this famous street. We are indebted to Mr. Charles R. Patterson, Mr. Dwight Franklin, Mr. Hughson Hawley, Mr. F. Leo Hunter, Seidman Photo Service, Harper's Weekly, the New York Public Library, Harlow McDonald & Company, Museum of the City of New York and numerous South Street neighbors for supplying historical material and also for permission to reproduce these photographs and etchings.

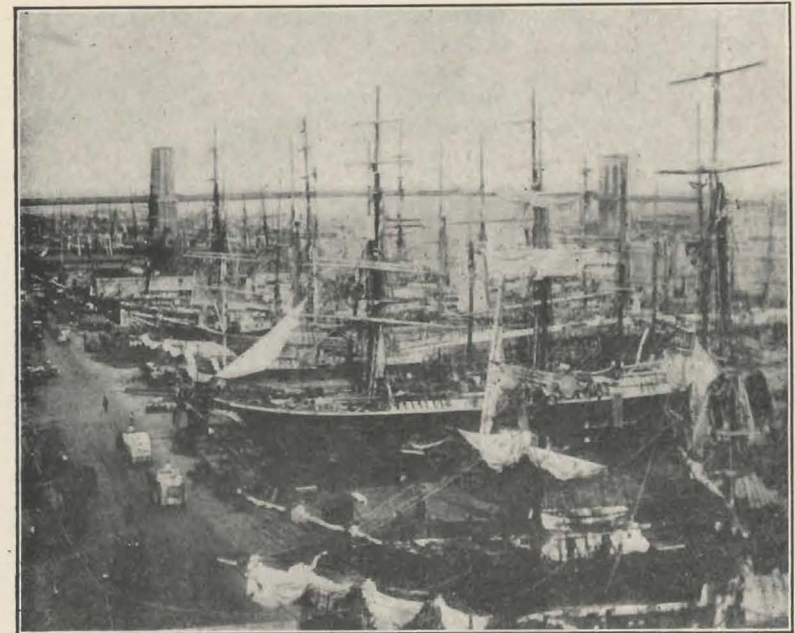
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MEMORIES OF YESTERYEAR—1843



Old Map of Lower Manhattan in 1843.

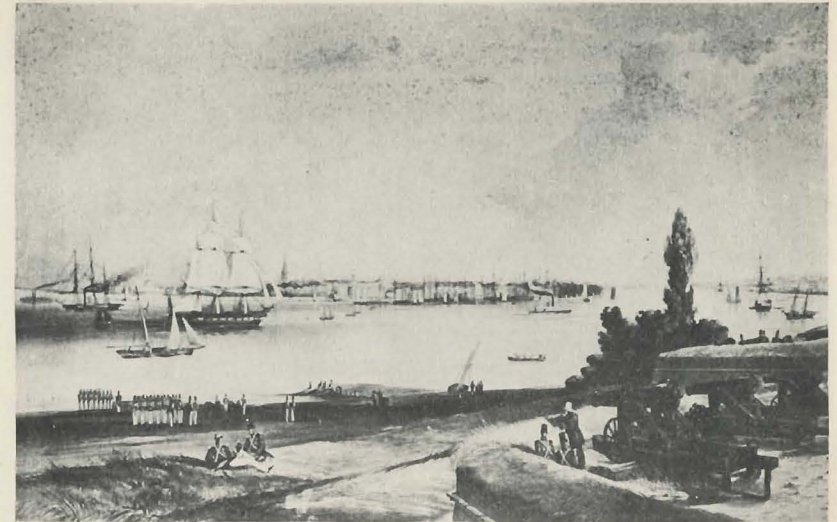
The year the INSTITUTE was founded as the Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for Seamen in the City and Port of New York. This name was changed in 1906 to Seamen's Church Institute of New York. The entire population of New York City in 1843 was 312,710 inhabitants. The **Great Western** and **Sirius** which made their maiden voyages to England in 1841, were the notable ships of this period. Note the arrow pointing to Coenties Slip, and Coenties Old Slip, the two wedge shaped openings which were destined to become an important location in the history of the **Institute**.

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EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

In 1843, more than eighty-eight years ago, a body composed of clergymen and laymen, leaders in the life of the City of New York, determined to devote its whole strength and undivided energies to the needs of Merchant Seamen, described as "that long much neglected portion of our fellow men". Eighty-seven successive Boards of Managers have kept alive the vision and have been actively engaged in promoting the great objects which this Society has had in view all these years. If we were to select a slogan for 1931 for the Seamen's Church Institute of New York, it would be—"We Kept Our Seamen Self-Respecting". 1931 has perhaps been the most unusual year in our history, bringing in its wake extraordinary situations and unprecedented demands and the tides of unemployment and destitution have been a challenge to our ingenuity and resourcefulness.

LOOKING BACKWARD—1844



Old New York as Seen From Fort Columbus, Governor's Island, in 1844.

This is the way the harbor looked 88 years ago when the Floating Church of Our Saviour was towed up the East River by the old side-wheeler **Hercules** to Pike Slip on February 19th. It was consecrated on February 20th. In this year the first telegraph line was constructed between Baltimore and Washington, James K. Polk was President of the twenty-seven States, Castle Garden and Bowling Green Park were the smart gathering places in downtown Gotham.

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TEN CENT MEALS

Those five simple words—"We Kept Our Seamen Self-Respecting," represented a gallant effort on the part of all connected with the Institute. As everyone knows, ships were constantly being put in drydock during 1931. Seamen were affected by the depression sooner than men in most other lines of work. Of course, out of a job, money running low, not knowing what to do, these sailors came pouring into the Institute, from eight to thirteen thousand a day, and the regular staff took care of them. A new venture that has brought down blessings from all hands on our Superintendent, is the TEN CENT MEAL. Dr. Mansfield met the desperate situation with the ten cent meal, which has proved to be a life-saver and a self-respect saver for thousands. Two of these meals were served daily, an ample breakfast each morning and a dinner between the hours of 3:00 and 4:00 p.m. From August 1st, 1931, to the end of the year, 121,216 of these meals were served. Naturally, there could not be any profit in a venture of this kind, but we feel that it is money well lost. On Thanksgiving Day a free turkey dinner was served to 1,420 seamen and on Christmas Day to 1,354. Six unemployed seamen earned their lodgings and meals by working as busboys and dish washers during the two rush periods daily serving the ten cent meals.



Coenties Slip, 1850, when Clipper Ships Reigned Supreme on the Seven Seas.

From an etching by F. Leo Hunter. Doggett's Street Directory for 1851 states that the building on the corner of South Street and Coenties Slip was owned by Diedrich Bushen, and Gorham, Bassett & Company, Ship Chandlers, and Foster & Nickerson, Commission Merchants. When the foundation for the Institute was dug in 1911 it was found that these old buildings had cribbage foundations 30 to 40 feet deep—made of spars woven crisscross and filled in with mud to keep out the water from the Slip. The swift clipper ships of A. A. Low, three times president of the New York Chamber of Commerce (to whose memory the main entrance of the Institute is dedicated) were at the peak of their careers in 1850. Among the most notable of his ships were the "Surprise," the "Houqua" and the "Great Republic." Among his descendants are William G. Low, a loyal and generous contributor and his son Benjamin R. C. Low, a member of the present Board of Managers. Capt. Isaac Bell (1768-1860), grandfather of Gordon Knox Bell of the Institute's Board of Managers, was also a shipowner in whose name a memorial room in our building was given.

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INFORMATION DESK

An information desk near the main entrance was opened in January 1931. The desk was a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Barrows of San Francisco, in memory of their son. The primary object of the desk was to establish an immediate direct friendly contact with the seamen as they enter the Institute and secondly, to render a specific type of social service. From this desk, the men have been routed through the building, directed to various places in the city, and an effort made to answer a multitude of questions asked. During the year, there was a total of 46,317 contacts.

CLINICS

Two other new services have been established. A dental clinic, the gift of Mrs. Elisha Whittelsey, is under the supervision of Dr. William D. Tracy, and is as modern as any in New York City. It became popular at once and now it is possible that it will become self-supporting, even with the very modest fees that are charged. The eye clinic, the gift of The John and Mary Markle Foundation, is under the direction of Dr. Conrad Berens. Both these clinics are filling a real need.



Coenties Slip, 1865, when the Civil War Ended.

The building at the extreme left is the site of the present Institute. Note the "bull-head" canal boats in the foreground with their open hatches. These boats were towed by horses walking along the banks of the canals. The Institute rented mission rooms at 21 Coenties Slip for the use of the canal boat population and barge men. One of the Institute's loyal friends who has made generous gifts to the Building Fund, including the Dental Clinic, is Mrs. Elisha Whittelsey, widow of a grandson of J. P. Whittelsey, a South Street commission merchant of this period.

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APPRENTICE DEPARTMENT

In the Apprentices' Room, nautically known as "The Half-deck", there has been an attendance of 4,747 apprentices and 4,234 officers, total 8,977. The apprentices were American, Belgian, British, Dutch, French and Polish. Dances, entertainments and sight-seeing trips were arranged.

SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF ASSOCIATIONS

We are happy to report that the Central Council of Associations, comprised of groups of women interested in the Institute, have responded with heart and hand during this year of trying need. The Associations have together raised, by various methods, a gross total of \$18,573.99. They also have shown gratifying progress in their increased membership.

ENTERTAINMENT

The entertainment activities have been especially valuable this year. There have been a great variety of high-grade sound pictures, boxing and wrestling exhibitions and other athletic events. The reading and game rooms have been well patronized. Lectures on Monday evenings have shown an increased attendance and the Institute has been fortunate in obtaining such men as Dr. Beebe and A. J. Villiers.



Along the Historic East River Front More than Half a Century Ago.

South Street looked like this in 1878. "25 South Street" was diagonally opposite the Erie Railroad Pier and was at the extreme left foreground of this quaint old etching. Note the numerous sailmakers' signs, the flour barrels along the docks, the sailing vessels with their bowsprits nosing over the cobblestones and the Brooklyn Bridge in the course of construction. Those were the days when sailors wore whiskers and berets. Along this street the ancestors of present members of the Board of Managers and contributors to the Institute conducted their businesses: Augustus A. Low, ship merchant, at No. 33 Burling Slip; Grinnell, Minturn & Company, merchants, at No. 78 (part of the land on which the Institute now stands is held under a benefaction of Robert Bowne Minturn (1805-1866) the founder of this firm.); Augustus Whitlock & Company, ship chandlers, at No. 57 (who are now the Whitlock Cordage Company); Schermerhorn, Banker & Company, ship chandlers, at No. 41 (Mr. Schermerhorn was the great great grandfather of Colonel Arthur Schermerhorn, a member of the Institute's present Board of Managers); Elias and W. Herrick, flour merchants, at No. 23 and Wetmore & Cryder at No. 73.

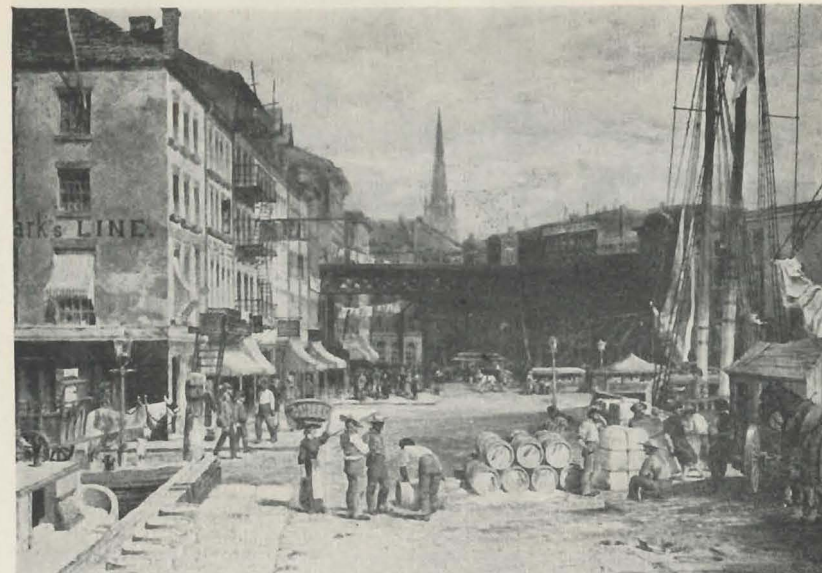
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ENGINEERING AND SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

Good housekeeping is something we expect as a matter of course at the Institute. The Engineering and Service Departments have kept the plant in fine condition and have made all necessary repairs. The Service Department also has charge of the house laundry. Over two million pieces of laundry have been washed and mangled and nearly twenty-one thousand bundles of guest laundry washed and ironed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The discipline in the Institute has been excellent. When we consider the widespread unemployment and unrest, and the persistent attempts of certain lawless agencies to exploit seamen, the record of our Police Force has been a notable one.



Coenties Slip, 1881, One Year Before It was Filled in by the City to form Jeanette Park.

From the original painting by Hughson Hawley, who recalls rising at 2 a.m. and painting until 6 a.m. daily to portray this vivid waterfront scene. The site of the Institute Annex, corner of Front Street and Coenties Slip, is the building to the extreme right. Note the elevated railroad—the chief transportation rival of the old horse car—winding its way above Pearl Street and continuing on Front Street so that its structure would not darken famous Fraunces Tavern at Pearl and Broad Streets. This was done out of respect for the memory of George Washington. The spire of Trinity Church is plainly seen. The present rector of this church is a clerical vice-president of the Institute which has been a benefactor of Trinity Corporation since 1845.

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RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

A total of 215 Religious Services were held in 1931, in the Institute's Chapel of Our Saviour and in the U. S. Marine Hospitals on Ellis Island and on Staten Island. Our two chaplains have made 703 visits to sick or convalescent seamen in these hospitals, in addition to visits to city and private hospitals, police courts, asylums, naturalization and immigration offices, et cetera. With more seamen in port and with increased problems of social adjustment, the staff of this department has carried the heaviest load in its history, a total of 68,994 interviews.

MISSING SEAMEN

Mrs. Janet Roper has full charge of this interesting service. During 1931 she made 2,280 personal contacts, wrote many letters, and located 330 missing seamen. No one better understands the sailor's point of view and his problems than Mrs. Roper, who, for more than forty years has been engaged in this work. Her outside contacts are of an inestimable value, addressing groups in and out of the City and speaking over the radio.



Coenties Slip, 1896, Bob Peach's clam stand in the foreground.

The buildings in the background occupied the entire site of the present Institute. The first three of these buildings were torn down in 1911 to make way for the 13-story Institute which became the tallest structure on the waterfront. On the extreme right is the Herrick Building. The famous firm of Alonzo Chase, Sail Maker, which was founded in 1860, occupied the entire top floor and Mahoney's junk shop the ground floor. Adjoining this was Fred's Hotel and Bar, then Von Glahn's, O'Connor's Saloon and George Meyer's Museum Bar. When Coenties Slip was filled in an old ship was found in the mud; pieces of this ship were made into the bar, which became known as the Museum Bar.

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EMERGENCY RELIEF

In September 1931, it was apparent that there was no adequate plan for caring for seamen during the approaching winter and that sufficient funds were lacking for relief work. A committee was appointed, with Dr. Mansfield as chairman, to deal with this situation. It was found impossible to secure aid from Federal, State, Municipal or Gibson Committees, and accordingly a Joint Emergency Committee of Seamen's Welfare Agencies was appointed for the purpose of raising \$100,000. A great tribute is due Mr. Charles S. Haight, chairman of this Committee, for what he has accomplished and the personal sacrifices he has made to raise the necessary funds. This Committee coordinated all relief through a Central Registration Bureau and provided one thousand lodgings and two meals per day at 65c per man per day. The Institute cared for five hundred of these one thousand destitute men. Dr. Mansfield has done many fine pieces of work during the 36 years he has been connected with the Seamen's Church Institute of New York but we feel that the Emergency Relief work now being carried on, surpasses anything heretofore undertaken. Surely it is a notable achievement. Up to the end of the year, the Institute had provided 24,227 lodgings in an emergency dormitory installed in our third floor Reading Room.



This is South Street in 1913 when our new Institute building was completed.

In the distance looms the Brooklyn Bridge and to the left, Jeanette Park as it was before the War Memorial bandstand was erected. It is hard to believe that this Park was once Coenties Slip, where sailing ships and canal boats moored. It was filled in by the City in 1882. The small building with the large white sign adjoining the Institute contained George Meyer's Museum bar, offices of Dumphy and Keegan, shipping masters, and the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union of Great Britain and Ireland. It was torn down in 1925 to build our new Annex. Remains of an Old Dutch Ship were discovered buried 25 feet below the street level at the corner of Front Street and Coenties Slip. When the foundation for the Equitable Building at 120 Broadway was dug, the dirt was conveyed to South Street and dumped into Coenties Slip.

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INCOME

In order to keep the budget apace with changing economic conditions, reductions in expenditures were started in February, and further reductions made as necessary. However, a note of explanation is due here about the relief expenditure which could not be carried as a normal operating charge, and this was taken care of through a separate appropriation by the Board of Managers. The Seamen's Church Institute of New York has thousands of friends who have loyally "stood by" in 1931. THE LOOKOUT is still an effective medium in making and holding friends and had the distinction of being awarded first prize for "the best house organ intended to interest the ordinary public", awarded by the National Social Work Publicity Council.

SEAMEN'S FUNDS DEPARTMENT

The Seamen's Funds Department reports 6,488 depositors as against 7,690 in 1930, a decrease of 1,202. Deposits amounted to \$545,211.62 as against \$609,483.13 last year, a decrease of over \$64,000. The checks for collection totaled 3,784 as against 789 in 1930, a gain of 2,995, largely accounted for by the increase in the number of government pension checks.



Even today the Institute cannot easily forget that its site is the bank of a Slip. (Two centrifugal pumps work day and night pumping out the water which seeps through the joints of the caisson walls 40 feet below the street at the rate of 20 gallons per minute.) The days of sail are gone forever—yet a few ship chandlers and sail makers still eke out a living on South Street filling orders from owners of pleasure yachts and sail boats. Immense new white stone structures spring up here and there along the waterfront but South Street seems to resent the invasion of skyscrapers and seeks to preserve its original salt tang and flavor. It is still the street of seafarers and the Seamen's Church Institute of New York dominates the scene, offering hospitality to men of all races and creeds who "go down to the seas in ships."

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RELIEF LOAN

The relief work accomplished by the Institute is the most extraordinary, efficient and far reaching of any similar relief work done by any seamen's welfare agency in the world. Owing to the tremendous demand for direct relief, this phase of the Social Service and Religious Department's work was segregated into a separate department to adequately serve the men in need. For the first nine months of 1931 the Institute carried alone the burden of its relief work, extending assistance in various forms, chiefly credit through loans to a total for the past year of 7,998 individual seamen. The number of personal interviews during the year was 36,277. The number of relief loan transactions was 25,286. The repayment of these loans has averaged 23 percent, a higher percentage than expected in view of the wide unemployment, and as shipping improves a fair part of these loans will eventually be repaid. 2,523 seamen received 5,008 articles of clothing.

In order to give seamen who are ambitious and who have idle time on their hands, an opportunity to improve their rating, special courses have been given by the Merchant Marine School. This school is of great value in making many contacts and friends for the Institute.

HOTEL DESK

The Hotel Desk reports that 448,377 lodgings were registered during 1931. This includes the handling of relief applications for shelter.

Please Note:

UNTIL July, 1931 the Seamen's Church Institute of America had an office in our building. Although that organization has never had anything to do with the maintenance or operation of this Institute (its work lying in a widely different field), yet the similarity in the names of the two organizations has proved to be the cause of frequent confusion in the public mind. For this reason the Board of Managers deemed it wise to terminate the tenancy of the Seamen's Church Institute of America in the Institute building. The Seamen's Church Institute of America now has its office in the Maritime Exchange Building, at 80 Broad Street.

While the Seamen's Church Institute of New York is commonly spoken of as the "Seamen's Church Institute", yet it is requested that all who have business dealings with us use our **full name**, and address: 25 South Street, New York City.

OBITUARY

As we go to press we deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Benjamin T. Van Nostrand on March 6th. Mr. Van Nostrand was a loyal and devoted member of the Institute's Board of Managers for forty-five years.

During the year certain specific projects have been taken over by individual members of the Board and handled by them with skill and patience, thus greatly facilitating the administrative work. The Institute faces 1932 with a confidence somewhat tempered by the experience of 1931, but with a feeling that in this period of distress a service to seamen can be extended as perhaps never before. With the knowledge that the problems of the past year were met one by one and solved, and with an able and understanding Board of Managers, and a loyal and alert staff, we face the future in full faith.

CALEB R. STETSON, Chairman Report Committee.
BENJAMIN R. C. LOW
GEORGE GRAY ZABRISKIE

*GENERAL SUMMARY OF WORK

January 1st to December 31st, 1931

Submitted by the Rev. Archibald R. Mansfield, D.D., Superintendent

Hotel Department

Lodgings registered	449,540
Mail—United States Post Office, statistics confidential	
Baggage received	56,347
*Meals served—including Relief ten-cent meals	368,034
**Sales at Soda Fountain—including Relief ten-cent meals	862,192
Barber, Tailor Shop and Laundry Customers	33,664

Religious and Social Service Department

Sunday Services at Institute and U. S. Marine Hospitals	207
Attendance	10,582
Communion Services	16
Communed	295
Hospital patients visited	703
Baptisms	17
Confirmations	
Marriages	19
Burials	96
Lectures	14
Attendance	4,781
Entertainments	198
Attendance	152,264
Office interviews	68,994
Seamen assisted	27,750
Literature distributed (Magazines and Books)	43,193
Knitted articles distributed	4,036
Dispensary—Medical, Surgical, Eye and Dental Clinics	4,104
Sent to Hospitals	467
Referred to outside agencies	361
Total attendance in Apprentice Room	8,977
Information Booth Contacts	46,317

Employment Bureau

Employed: On vessels, 1,192; Elsewhere, 1,114	2,306
Sea and Land employers served	144

Seamen's Funds Department

Deposits	6,488
Deposited for Safekeeping and Transmission	\$542,708.21
Transmissions	3,982
Transmitted	\$ 83,959.73

Department of Marine and Other Education and Harbor Service

Students enrolled for Officers' Courses	83
Examined and passed by U. S. Local Inspectors	47
First-Aid Lectures	349

* These facts are necessarily brief. Full and detailed information will be gladly furnished to any one interested.

** From July 27 to December 31 inclusive 122,656 Emergency Relief ten-cent meals were served.

SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

For the Year ended December 31, 1931.

Gross Income from Operating Departments:

Hotel and Laundry	\$230,154.84
Restaurant	110,324.84
Soda Fountain	85,598.73
All Other Departments	34,990.64
	<u>\$461,069.05</u>

Institute Operating Expenses:

Salaries and Wages of 260 employees	\$373,328.59
Food and Merchandise	95,611.26
Supplies	28,457.35
Light, Heat, Power and Water	37,151.44
Repairs	3,853.16
Insurance	10,565.04
Legal and Accounting	4,364.88
Publicity and Advertising	22,095.38
Miscellaneous	19,747.09
	<u>\$595,174.19</u>

Interest on Notes Payable in respect of Building Annex	50,145.29
Religious and Social Service Department (Salaries, Expenses and Relief)	83,123.32
	<u>728,442.80</u>
Excess of Expenditure over Income from Operating Departments	\$267,373.75

Deduct Income from Endowments, Bank Balances, Etc., for:

General Purposes	\$34,810.25
Religious and Social Service Work	3,781.70
Social Service Relief	4,384.98
	<u>42,976.93</u>
Deficit from Institute Operations	\$224,396.82

Contributions for:

General Purposes:	
General Contributions	\$104,477.61
Special Contributions and Income from Estates	88,121.09
Donation of Supplies	979.34
	<u>\$193,578.04</u>
Religious and Social Service Work	\$1,872.20
Social Service Relief	4,449.22
	<u>199,899.46</u>
Excess of Operating Deficit over Contributions	24,497.36
Carried forward	<u>\$24,497.36</u>

Brought forward		\$24,497.36
Appropriations by Board of Managers from General (Unrestricted) Funds expended for Emergency Relief and Publicity	\$19,864.54	
Appropriations and Transfers from other Funds	5,226.59	
Unexpended Balance of 1930 Appropriations	475.98	25,567.11
Balance transferred to Surplus Account		<u>\$ 1,069.75</u>

(Signed) Frank T. Warburton,
Treasurer.

To the Board of Managers,
Seamen's Church Institute of New York,
New York, N. Y.

We have examined the accounts of the Seamen's Church Institute of New York for the year ended December 31, 1931. In our opinion, based on our examination and information furnished to us, the accompanying statement of Income and Expenditure sets forth the result of the operations for the year.

(Signed) PEAT, MARWICK, MITCHELL & CO.

New York, N. Y.,
March 19, 1932.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRUST FUNDS

December 31st, 1931.

Summary of Assets

Securities, etc.	\$1,379,383.34
Mortgages	9,250.00
Cash on deposit	36,702.75
	<u>\$1,425,336.09</u>

Summary of Funds

Fund: (Unrestricted)	\$1,019,770.91
Endowments: General	200,618.63
Religious and Social Service	86,776.84
Social Service Relief	118,169.71
	<u>\$1,425,336.09</u>

DETAILS OF FUNDS

Fund: (Unrestricted)	
Principal and income at the disposal of the Board of Managers for the general uses of the Society,	
Amount as per last report	\$772,016.72
Additions to Fund.	
Estate J. Warren Harper	500.00
" James D. Freeman	5,050.64
" Martha C. Jayne on a/c share of residuary estate,	2,400.00
" William C. Ferguson	5,543.61
" Florence N. Fithian,	
Securities	\$ 49,872.75
Cash	124,006.40
Carried forward	173,879.15
	<u>\$959,390.12</u>

Brought Forward		\$959,390.12
Estate Martha deW. Sturgis, in memory of Captain S. F. Hazard, United States Navy		3,000.00
" Sarah C. Patterson, Mortgage	\$4,250.00	
Cash	750.00	5,000.00
" Mary C. Walker, (balance)		80.22
" Evelyn M. Breslin		500.00
" Mary J. George		25,000.00
" Charles P. Champion, in memory of his brother Captain John Cross Champion		10,000.00
" Jane E. Andrews (on a/c)		2,500.00
" Lucile Foster Erving		2,500.00
" Philip A. Urich, stock		1,050.00
" Mary Penniman		20,000.00
" Sheldon E. Minor		1,000.00
" Rice Lewis Julian, in loving memory of my mother, whose name was Sally Rice Julian		5,000.00
" Helen L. Fairchild, stock		5,602.75
Profit on securities sold		829.58
		<u>1,041,452.67</u>
Less amount appropriated for additional relief work, etc.		21,681.76
		<u>\$1,019,770.91</u>

ENDOWMENT FUNDS, AND FUNDS FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSES

General:

Anonymous	\$10,000.00
Mrs. S. R. Bartholomew, Pottsville, Penn.	500.00
Mrs. B. P. Cole, Cleveland, Ohio	200.00
Henry Lee Hobart Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Estate of Annie E. Mahnken	1,900.00
Estate of John A. McKim	10,000.00
William Decatur Parsons, in memory of his father, William H. Parsons, and his mother Abigail Garland Parsons	10,000.00
Share of profit on securities sold	6,883.93
William D. Quackenbush, wife, and daughter Janet	500.00
Kate S. Richardson	50,000.00
Estate of Mary C. Scrymser	11,690.00
Chas. H. Tissington	100.00
Estate of Sophia E. Lee, 1 bond Susquehanna Silk Mills	420.00
Henry E. Kummel and Anna Titus Van Nostrand Fund	1,000.00
H. C. Munger Fund, \$10,000. State of Georgia, Western and Atlantic R. R. 4½% bonds, due July 1, 1935, market value	\$9,700.00
less proportionate share of inheritance taxes on Estate	1,090.19
	8,609.81
Estate of Ellen W. Brown, in memory of my father, Captain David S. Babcock, of the clipper ship "Young America"	1,000.00
Estate of Amelia P. Dixon	300.00
Estate of Ellen N. Robie	100.00
	<u>\$114,203.74</u>
"C.A.R." Memorial (Income to be used for some needy object)	564.50
Carried forward	<u>\$114,768.24</u>
	<u>\$1,019,770.91</u>

Brought forward	\$114,768.24	\$1,019,770.91
Frederick M. Dearborne Memorial	28,770.21	
Charles E. Potts, (Income to be used for the maintenance of the rooms in the building now or at any time hereafter maintained by the Institute known and designated as the Isabella Potts and Philip Ruprecht Room)	22,758.68	
Charles E. Rhinelanders, (In memory of his wife, Matilda F. Rhinelanders)	26,813.67	
Fund given by Colonel and Mrs. Arthur Frederick Schermer- horn, in memory of his father and mother, George Stevens Schermerhorn and Julia M. Gibert Schermerhorn, to be applied exclusively to the maintenance and lighting of the cross surmounting the Institute Building, 25 South Street	7,507.83	200,618.63

Religious and Social Service:

William Waldorf Astor Trust, Income to be applied to the support of a Missionary em- ployed by the Society)	\$54,783.15	
Gerard Beekman, (In memory of his brother, James William Beekman. In- come to be used to befriend the seamen who make use of the room dedicated to his brother)	18,217.60	
Chapel Flower, (Income to be used for altar and hospital flowers) Amount as per last report	\$6,849.73	
Additions during 1931:		
Mrs. George Bowen de Long	20.00	
Miss Ida M. Miller	5.00	
Miss Eunice E. Smith	100.00	
Mrs. Henry S. Redmond	100.00	
Mrs. William McNier	100.00	
Miss Elizabeth Medlicott	100.00	
Mrs. Madeline S. Krischker (of the Seamen's Church Institute Association of Elizabeth, N. J.)	100.00	
Miss Ruth Marsh	105.00	
Mrs. J. M. W. Farnham	5.00	7,484.73
John Davenport, (Income to be applied to the purchase of books for dis- tribution among seamen)	2,234.02	
Roxy M. Smith, (In memory of her husband, W. V. R. Smith. Income to be applied to giving annually an entertainment for seamen on the birthday of W. V. R. Smith, August 2nd)	2,234.02	
Estate of Bonnie Wallace Le Clear	1,823.32	86,776.84
Carried forward		\$1,307,166.38

Brought forward		\$1,307,166.38
Social Service Relief:		
Hamersley Boat, (For the purchase or operation of a boat, and in the mean- time income to be used for relief work)	\$9,237.28	
Endowed Bedrooms, given by:—		
Barber Steamship Lines, Inc. In memory of Herbert Barber	\$4,000.00	
Beekman Family Association, In memory of Gerard Beekman	4,000.00	
Mr. Walker H. Belknap, In memory of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Aldrich	4,000.00	
Mrs. F. Kingsbury Curtis, In memory of George W. McLanahan	4,000.00	
William Harris Douglas, In memory of William Erskine Douglas	4,000.00	
Helen L. Fairchild, for Charles Stebbins Fairchild	8,000.00	
Mrs. Edward McClure Peters, In memory of Edward McClure Peters	4,000.00	
Mr. C. H. Ludington	4,000.00	
Howland Pell	4,000.00	
Estate of Bonnie Wallace Le Clear	4,000.00	
	\$44,000.00	
Share of profit on securities sold	3,192.05	47,192.05
Emily H. Bourne, (Income to be used in common with that of the Morrill Foundation)	5,362.72	
Mary LeRoy King, (Income to be used in common with that of the Mansfield Fund)	4,107.70	
Mansfield, (Established January, 1926, by friends, especially the members of the Seamen's Church Institute Associations, to commemorate the thirtieth an- niversary of the Rev. Archibald Romaine Mansfield, D.D., Superintendent, and in recog- nition of his years of service to this Society and to seamen), Amount as per last report	\$11,484.60	
Additions during 1931:		
Mrs. J. J. Riker, through Seamen's Church Institute of Epiphany	50.00	
Miss Mary O. Stevens, through Central Council of Associations, Sea- men's Church Institute of New York	5.00	
Seamen's Church Institute Association of Staten Island	120.00	
Miss Edith K. Brown, through Central Council of Associations, Sea- men's Church Institute of New York	100.00	\$11,759.60
Hosier Morgan, (Income to be used in common with that of the Morrill Foundation)	1,936.76	
Morrill Foundation, (In memoriam of the late Captain Charles Montgomery Morrill. Income to be applied exclusively to the relief of destitute mariners and those dependent upon them who may have been left destitute by their death while following the sea)	19,926.94	
Carried forward	\$99,523.05	\$1,307,166.38

Brought forward	\$99,523.05	\$1,307,166.38
Capt. William Wilson Owen Memorial, (Income to be used for destitute seamen)	268.14	
Ramage Endowment, \		
(Income to be used for the maintenance of dependent seamen)	3,378.52	
Henry F. Homes Estate	5,000.00	
The Captain Edward B. Cobb Fund, given by the Will of Augustus G. Cobb, deceased, in memory of his father	10,000.00	118,169.71
		<u>\$1,425,336.09</u>

Dated, New York, December 31st, 1931.

FRED'K A. CUMMINGS,
HARRY FORSYTH,
WALTER WOOD PARSONS,
FRANK T. WARBURTON,
JUNIUS S. MORGAN, JR., *Chairman,*
Committee on Trust Funds.

Assets examined and found to agree with the foregoing account.

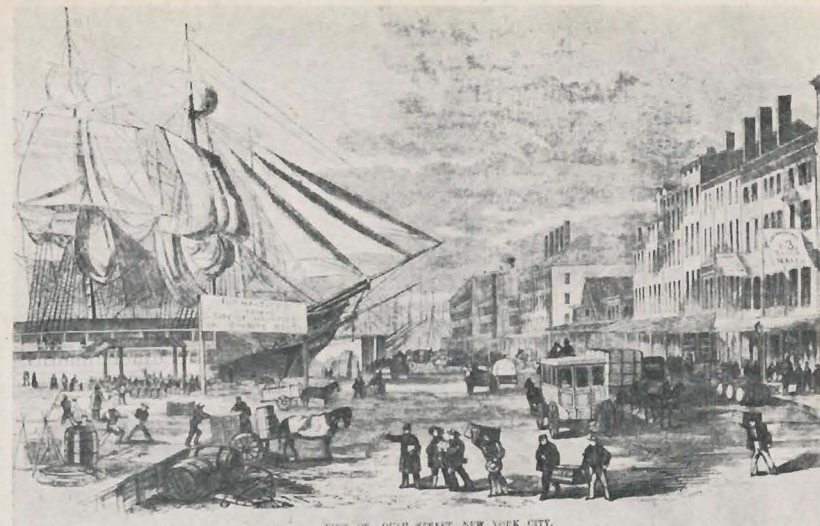
AYMAR JOHNSON,
JOHN JAY SCHIEFFELIN,
Auditing Committee.

THOSE "GOOD OLD DAYS"—1893



Corner of South and Whitehall Streets, 1893.

Reminiscences of New York in the gay nineties. The days of street lamps and telegraph poles—when the Old Belt Line of horse cars encircled lower Manhattan Island. X marks the spot where Dr. Mansfield occasionally preached to seamen under a tent erected on a pier. In the distance, spires of sailing ships still pierce the sky. South and Hamilton Ferries are in the right foreground. The old Eastern Hotel, one of the most notorious saloons on the waterfront, may be seen in the left foreground. Other famous saloons of this period along South Street were Blood House Bar, Shamrock House, Jimmy the Priest's, Jip and Jake's, Shanghai Brown's and Otto Parson's Bar.



A view of South Street above Wall Street in the 1860's. Note the lumbering stage coach in the center and the tall masted sailing vessel. Fulton Street Fish Market is in the right foreground.

IN MEMORY OF . . .

To the younger generation the age of "wooden ships and iron men" is ancient history. But to seasoned Manhattanites some of the illustrations in this issue of THE LOOKOUT may bring back fond recollections of childhood days. Some may recall the tales told by their grandfathers and grandmothers of the bygone days of sail, of the hardships sailors endured when at sea, and of the even greater ordeals they suffered at the hands of shipping masters and boarding house keepers when they came ashore. The Institute's Annex Building offers an opportunity to pay tribute to one's ancestors, through a memorial room or object of the type listed below, with inscription of their names on tablets of bronze, thereby perpetuating their memory through service to the living—the present day seafaring men. By subscribing to a Memorial you will reduce our Building Debt to the extent of the amount subscribed.

Among memorials still available are:

Seamen's Reading and Game Rooms.....	\$25,000.00
Cafeteria	15,000.00
Nurses' Room in Clinic.....	5,000.00
Additional Clinic Rooms.....	5,000.00
Chapel Memorial Windows.....	5,000.00
Sanctuary and Chancel.....	5,000.00
Endowed Seamen's Rooms, each.....	5,000.00
Officers' Rooms, each.....	1,500.00
Seamen's Rooms, with running water, each.....	1,000.00
Seamen's Rooms, each.....	500.00
Chapel Chairs, each.....	50.00

LEGACIES TO THE INSTITUTE

You are asked to remember this Institute in your will, that it may properly carry on its important work for seamen. While it is advisable to consult your lawyer as to the drawing of your will, we submit nevertheless the following as a clause that may be used:

I give and bequeath to "**Seamen's Church Institute of New York,**" a corporation of the State of New York, located at 25 South Street, New York City, the sum of.....Dollars.

Note that the words "of New York" are a part of our title. If land or any specific property such as bonds, stocks, etc., is given, a brief description of the property should be inserted instead of the words "the sum ofDollars."

It is to the generosity of numerous donors and testators that the Institute owes its present position, and for their benefactions their memory will ever be cherished by all the friends of the seaman.