



Balsall Heath Local History Society

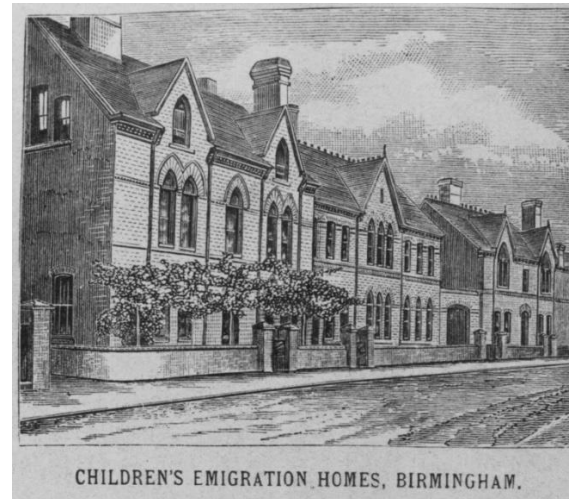
THE GAZETTE

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New Lottery Bid

Balsall Heath Local History Society has put in a bid to the Heritage Lottery.



This is for:

- Raising awareness of the Children's Emigration Homes which were originally opened in Highgate in 1873 and continued to send children to Canada until 1924
- Mounting touring displays and an exhibition about the Homes and on the theme of migration.
- Contacting families of children who were sent to Canada and collecting case studies.
- Disseminating work from our project on the internet
- Putting on a Dramatic Lecture about the Homes (a talk illustrated with dramatic episodes and music)
- Producing an illustrated booklet about the Homes
- Working with schools and older people's groups
- Recruiting more volunteers to help.

The Schoolroom Northfield Hub, Princes Square B31 2NG OPEN DAY & LAUNCH



Tuesday, January 16th 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
A unique resource for schools and groups,
offering a Victorian or World War 1 or 2
experience with costumes and artefacts.
For more information, please contact:
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Local History Resources at the Society's Local History Base

We have a good collection of resources which are available for people to look at, by appointment.

- An excellent collection of photographs, indexed.
- Some Kelly's Directories for Birmingham
- Past issues of the Gazette, our monthly newsletter, indexed.
- An almost complete collection of the 1888 Ordnance Survey maps for Balsall Heath
- A range of local history books relating to Balsall Heath and nearby areas.
- A collection of artefacts relating to: Victorian and Edwardian house and home; World War 2; Health; children's toys and games; the 1950s & 60s.
- 60 laminated exhibition panels on objects from the last 60 years

In addition we hire out themed collections of artefacts and costumes .

To make an appointment please e mail:
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Family History Resources- Donations to the Society.

At the recent Local History exhibition, several people brought along items to donate to us. These included a number of Parish Magazines from St Paul's Church on the Moseley Road. These contain details of baptisms, marriages and deaths, which are useful for family historians.

The dates of the ones donated are:

1892: Feb; May; June; July; Dec.

1893: April; Dec.

1894Aug; Oct;

1895: April; June.

We were also given a parish magazine for Holy Trinity, Bordesley for June 1889 and a copy of the Birmingham Daily Mail for Aug 4th, 1914.

Many thanks to donors.

Back issues of the Gazette

The Gazette has been produced every month since Sept 2010, with a wealth of local news and information. A complete set is available in the History Base at St Paul's Venture and there is also an index of articles, which has been compiled by Jenny Lloyd.

Next meeting.

The next meeting of the Society will be on Thursday January 25th at 7.15 for a 7.30 start, at St Paul's Venture in Malvern St. This will be a members' meeting when we will be discussing how we and our families came to Balsall Heath, whether it was to live here, or for work, or leisure.

**Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year**