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TH = Trades House Pensioners

Visitation November 1921 Visitors: (Ex Deacons Robin and Anderson)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue Rutherglen TH	Visited 3 rd November 1921. Found her well and in good spirits. Still like "Take [], shoddy clothes, rated cheeks apple" Son still incapacitated, suffering many treatments.
2.	Andrew Torvart, c/o Kerr, 1048 Cathcart Road, Mount Florida	3 rd November 1921, Very well and wonderfully improved in health. Catarrh and Jaundice [] []
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dunndrennan Road, Langside TH	3 rd November 1921. Still suffers from Rheumatism – daughter – pair, left school (15) & at Athenium, typing, shorthand & office training.
4.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road TH	3 rd November 1921. Mrs Davies reports Mrs Gilmour well, sends money weekly. T.H. sends four each year and fill up.
5.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fonntain, 87 Cartvale Road, Langside	No remarks

VisitationNovember 1922Visitors: (The Late Deacon and Collector)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue Rutherglen TH	Visited 27 th October. Was employed as a Cooper by I & I White, Shawfield, and on the death of Mrs W I Chustal about a year ago, received a legacy of £10 and a pension of 15/- per week against a previous pension of 10/-. His sons pay sent to taxes and housekeeper. Found him as usual in good spirits.
2.	Andrew Torvarit. c/o Kerr, 1048 Cathcart Road, Mount Florida.	Visited same date. Circumstances much changed. Will be 81 next week. Seems in good health considering his age.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	Visited same date. Still putting up a good fight and facing her troubles bravely. Son apprenticed to a firm of C.A.s. Daughter a mite less of 16, has not yet got a situation., though applying for many, & is continuing her studies at the Atheneum .
4.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road. TH	Called upon Mrs Davies on same date. Her sister, Mrs Gilmour, is still at Los Angeles, California and reported to be in good health.
5.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fonntain, 87 Cartvale Road, Langside TH	Visted same date. Still cheery though eyesight steadily failing. Since his wife's death in February last, has given to live with his married daughter, Mrs Fonntain. Circumstances otherwise unchanged.

Visitation

November 1923

Visitors: (The Deacon and Collector)

Date of Visitation: 29th October 1923

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road. TH	Mrs Davies reports that her sister, Mrs Gilmour with whom she is in constant touch, is still at Los Angeles, Cal. Is still in good health & being under the same circumstances, as at date of visitation in 1922.
2.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fonntain, 87 Cartvale Road, Langside TH	Still suffering from bad eyesight. Has a slight but sharp illness a few weeks ago. Seems to be well cared for by his married daughter, Mrs Fonntain. Appears to be quite happy.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	Fighting an uphill battle. Daughter now a clerkess in Central Agency. Son still with C.A. abkut to embark on his final exam, his employer is obliged to dispense with his services owing to being overstaffed. Mrs G. evidently handles her troubles bravely but her children will soon be able to fight life battles for themselves.
4.	Andrew Torvarit, c/o Kerr, 1048 Cathcart Road, Mount Florida	On the eve of his 82 nd birthday. Cheery and in wonderful health informed that he has a very comfortable home and is obviously happy.
5.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue, Rutherglen. TH	Still enjoys a pension of 15/- weekly from his old employer I & I White, Shawfield. His sons pay rent Taxes & have housekeeper. Is contented and satisfied with his lot. Enjoying very good health.

Visitation

November 1924

Visitors: Ex Deacon John Malcolm &
Ex Deacon J W MacGregor

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road. TH	Still in Los Angeles. Mrs Davies (her sister) reports that she is keeping well but that as she is over 70 she is unlikely to return home. In her letters she states that her circumstances are as formerly stated.
2.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fonntain, 87 Cartvale Road, Langside TH	Although his blindness is no worse it shows no signs of improvement. Otherwise he is well and cheerful. Seems to be carefully looked after by his daughter Mrs Fonntain. Circumstances unchanged.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	House was closed but a neighbour informed us that Mrs Galbraith was well. The Collector states that she called for her pension last month and that she looked well and was grateful for assistance
4.	Andrew Towart, c/o Kerr, 1048 Cathcart Road, Mount Florida	We called on his 83 rd birthday, found him hale and healthy & very contented. Having just undergone a slight operation. Is made most comfortable by his son-in-law, with whom we wished him "many happy returns."
5.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue, Rutherglen. TH (near N.W. corner of Public Park)	Hale and healthy and very cheery. Is most grateful for pension. There is no change in his circumstances.

Visitation

November 1925

Visitors: Ex Deacon Robin

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road. TH	73 last October. Health very bad now & cannot read. Health otherwise very poor, writes regularly.
2.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fontain, 87 Cartvale Road, Langside TH	Very well and bright, health poor and cannot read.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	Very well, leg cured. Son now in Barnsley, Sheffield – better pay
4.	Andrew Towart, c/o Kerr, 1048 Cathcart Road, Mount Florida	Very bright, clean old man; 84 years old & does not look it. Very nice house.
5.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue, Rutherglen. TH (near N.W. corner of Public Park)	Well and no voluble as can.
6.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 101 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (1 up)	Very well.

Visitation

November 1926

Visitors: Deacon Robin and the
Collector (Davidson)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Mary Gilmour, c/o Mrs Davies, 167 Langside Road - top. TH	Sister of Mrs Davies and Mrs Gibbons. Health now not so good. In rather precarious condition.
2.	William Gibbons, c/o Mrs Fonntain, 2 Nithsdale Drive - ground TH	Sight which was poor, is if anything rather better recently. Very happy in his new home.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	Quite well in every way except suffering from heavy cold but recovering: specially nice house.
4.	Andrew Towart, c/o Kerr, 92 Ormonde Avenue, Muirhead	In splendid health. 85 years of age, our visit was on the anniversary of his joining the Coopers 56 years ago. Very active and interested in even things. Comfortably situated in nice house with daughter and son-in-law.
5.	George McNaught Scott, 1 Watson Avenue, Rutherglen. TH (near N.W. corner of Public Park)	He is very happy, situated in nice district & looked after by a housekeeper. – 78 years of age.
6.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 101 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (1 up)	Remarkably well and cheery, but doesn't go our much.

Visitation

November 1927

Visitors: William Davidson

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. TH	In usual good health. Family, 1 son and daughter doing well.
2.	Andrew Towart, c/o Kerr, 92 Ormonde Avenue, Muirhead	Health very poor. The home comfortable. His daughter looks well after him.
3.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 101 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (1 up)	In fairly good health – very appreciative. Family doing well.

Mrs Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields

March 1928

Discussed pretty fully. Understood her say she was a year older than her husband, who appears to have been 70 at decease. She states that she is very poorly off, having supported herself by lodgers who, during her absence in Germany, were discharged by husband, and she has not been able to get any since. She states that she is desirous to do anything, including knitting etc. – that funeral expenses are not yet squared off, not having funds, and that Mr. Gibbons left nothing. Understood that she only realised £13: 10/- for insurance. Seems very poorly off.

Visitation

November 1929

Visitors: Deacon Nisbet & Collector (Leslie)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside - top. TH	In good health and quite comfortable.
2.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 80 Cartvale Road, Langside (1 up) TH	In good health and very comfortable.
3.	Mrs Margaret Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields – ground floor right. TH	In fairly good health but in very miserable conditions through inability to secure satisfactory lodgers.
4.	George W Scott, 189 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields (Dead 4/7/1930)	NOT KNOWN AT THIS ADDRESS

Visitation

November 1930

Visitors: Deacon The Collector & Late Collector

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside - top. TH	In good health & very comfortable.
2.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 80 Cartvale Road, Langside (1 up) TH	In good health considering age, and very comfortable.
3.	Mrs Margaret Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields – ground floor right. TH	In comparatively good health but states that she finds great difficulty in making ends meet. Only one young man as lodger at present.

Visitation

November 1931

Visitors: Collector Leggat & Deacon Allan

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside - top. TH	
2.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 80 Cartvale Road, Langside (1 up) TH Now 26 Battlefield Avenue (2 up)	In good health: living with unmarried daughter who has returned from America. Have one boarder and are looking out for one or to more. Most appreciative of help given.
3.	Mrs Margaret Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields – ground floor right. TH	Health not too good: eyesight bad. Has sub let part of house. Tennant out of work and behind with payments.
4.	James B Murdoch, c/o Stevenson, 40 Tantallon Road, Shawlands S.1. Top left (From Dennistoun, Eastern District)	In good health but memory fading. Living with married daughter & her husband. Very comfortable indeed.

Visitation

November 1932

Visitors: Ex Deacon Robin & Mr Leggat

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside - top. TH	In good health & very comfortable.
2.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 26 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (2 up) TH	In good health & very comfortable.
3.	Mrs Margaret Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields – ground floor right. TH	76 years. Had accident with gas in room, resulting in three weeks in Victoria Infirmary: has cough and chest trouble as well as failing sight and hearing. People who board in house in chronic state of arrears with rent.
4.	James B Murdoch, c/o Stevenson, 40 Tantallon Road, Shawlands S.1. Top left (From Dennistoun, Eastern District)	Not know at this address

Visitation

November 1933

Visitors: Ex Deacon David Miller
Ex Deacon M Robin

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside - top. TH	Quite comfortable and contented. Grateful for Trades House extra allowance of £2 : 10/- granted last April.
2.	Mrs Jessie Livingston, 26 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (2 up) TH	Now 84 years of age. Unmarried daughter resides with her – keeps a boarder. Seems to make [] much and no more. Wonders why she did not get extra Trades House allowance in April last?
3.	Mrs Margaret Gibbons, 8 Kenmure Street, Pollokshields – ground floor right. TH	Now 78 years of age. Has no other means of subsistence beyond her allowance and what she makes of sub letting part of her home. Has an uphill fight – son in America with her []. Seems must be on the verge of poverty.
4.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, (Top right)	Lives with her married daughter. A very clean and suitable house. Has nothing but her pension and relies upon her daughter for any extras. A modest person who would greatly appreciate a Trades House pension for which she now makes application. I would suggest that we take the [] []

Visitation

November 1934

Visitors: Ex Deacon W King
Ex Deacon David Miller

21st March 1935

<u>No.</u> <u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside – (Top right) TH	Living under very comfortable circumstances. Has help of a daughter who is in the reins of linked aging & keeps a very tidy home and is very grateful for our assistance.
2. Mrs Jessie Livingston, 26 Battlefield Avenue, Langside (2 up) TH	Now 85 years of age. Keeps well and is very cheerful and contented, most grateful for our help which is incidentally much appreciated and enables her to live in a modest form of comfort. Has the help of an unmarried daughter.
3. Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, (Top right)	The circumstances under which she lives are much the same. She is well and fairly active. Has the benefit of being able to visit with her daughter, Mrs McFee, who is incidentally very comfortably married. She is highly appreciative of our assistance. The home is well kept and the whole surroundings give the impression of the humble living a [] and domesticated family life.

Visitation

Spring 1936

Visitors: Ex Deacon M Robin

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>		<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. S.1. – (Top right)	TH	30/4/1936. Called at 11a.m. Mrs Galbraith well, and for time being free from pain.
2.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right)	TH	All above in house spring cleaning, well and same circumstances as before. Aged 65 years.
3.	Miss Isabella Wilson, 33 Albert Avenue, S.2. (1 up left)	TH	Very well 77 in October. Lady and gentlemen lodgers. Lady good cook and does all her own. Thinks she has [] [] enough. Has a lot to do with Spring Cleaning.
4.	Mrs Jane Davis, 167 Langside Road, S.2.	TH	Very well, also Spring Cleaning. 72. Canadian son unemployed staying with her, was at Trades House School.
5.	James Scott Gardner, 14 Netherhill Avenue, S.4		Wonderfully wellbeing, had [] trouble, no major operation. Had long talk about old Coopers. Well looked after by her daughter.
6.	Miss Catherine Livingstone 12 Battlefield Avenue, S2		Very Well and able.

Visitation

Spring 1937

Visitors: David Miller
W Dawson

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>		<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Jean Galbraith, 7 Dundrennan Road, Langside. S.1. – (Top right)	TH	No change, Has a nice home. Is supported by a daughter who has a comfortable position in Central Agency. The son is a C.A. in New Zealand, keeps in touch with him.
2.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right)	TH	Keeping very fit and most contented. Has no other means than our pension and that of the Trades House. Most appreciative of our help.
3.	Miss Isabella Wilson, 33 Albert Avenue, S.2. (1 up left)	TH	In a poor state of health. Not so much has physical condition as her mental state. Gives us the impression of suffering from a deranged mind. Scarcely fit to be left alone.
4.	Mrs Jane Davis, 167 Langside Road, S.2.	TH	Circumstances just the same. Very grateful to us. Is 73 years of age. Has old age pension. In wonderfully good health.
5.	James Scott Gardner, 14 Netherhill Avenue, Netherhill, S.4		Has had a severe operation but is fairly hail. Has old age pension. His wife who is much younger than the hundred will be entitled to old age pension next year. Very happy and contented. A well kept home.
6.	Miss Catherine Livingstone 12 Battlefield Avenue, S2		Has no means other than our pension. Is 58 on 25 th May 1937. Is healthy and is looking for employment which she hopes to secure. She is much fit to work and really wanting to do something.

No.	Pensioner	TH	Remarks
1.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right)	TH	Health fair. Home clean and tidy. Very contented. Happy and thanks the Coopers for all there help and attention. Looking forward to getting teeth and for which he thanks the Coopers for promise of.
2.	Mrs Jane Davis, 167 Langside Road, S.2.	TH	Remarkably happy and content. Health good. House tidy and clean. Amount contributed looking [] and does not amount to £52 per annum. States however fits all requirements [] her being in comfort. A wonderful woman for her age.
3.	Miss Isabella Wilson, 33 Albert Avenue, S.2. (1 up left)	TH	Given up house. Cannot attend it. Physical condition let al] financial. She has just been existing and to our mind stationary. Looking for a single room living. Guild Coopers not let her in old woman's home. Was nothing done last year attempt at old age pension for her. She has no one to advise or help her.
4.	Mrs Jean Galbraith 7 Dunndrennan Road Langside, S.2.	TH	Likes tried hear. Son in New Zealand, wants her to come for a trip and Doctor advise her to accept. Also daughter will assist payments and remit her. Clerk will be advised when and if she does. Circumstances same as last report. Delightfully tidy house.
5.	Miss Catherine Livingstone 12 Battlefield Avenue, S2		Fitting some sewing work to do which brings in some odd sums, and a sister helps her in regular visits with pensions. Has position of house let is many into and [] fits 15/- a week which covers rent of house. Delightfully tidy house.
6.	James Scott Gardner, 14 Netherhill Avenue, Netherhill, S.4		Keeping better physically and indebted to daughter, with whom they stay. A delightful little house they are sub letting. It was pleasing for us to see the comfort and happiness fit by the above from from the pension viewed by the Coopers.

Visitation

Spring 1939

Visitors: Wm. Paterson & R B Wadaur

26/4/1939

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>		<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right)	TH	No change circumstances. Been very well all year except for cough which [] her at times.
2.	Mrs Jane Davis, 167 Langside Road, S.2.	TH	Very well and happy. Son who is abroad, now married and not sending her odd £1 notes. Another son now staying with her and working as a barkeeper, gives her £1 per week for accommodation and food.
1.	Miss Isabella Wilson, Glenafton Nursing Home 50 St. Andrews Drive Pollokshields	TH	The question of fitting this pensioner into a home should be considered. Not able to look after herself physically or otherwise. Was not in though addressed her report at meeting.
2.	Mrs Jean Galbraith 7 Dunndrennan Road Langside, S.2.	TH	Not at home, house closed. Is she not abroad seeing her son, see last year's report.
3.	Miss Catherine Livingstone 26 Battlefield Avenue, S2		Been unwell and away since January 1 st . Teeth all one meeting later, however fine now, gets 15/- from bureau when working. Has niece staying with her, she pays 10/- per week at moment.
4.	James Scott Gardner, 14 Netherhill Avenue, Netherhill, S.4		Left this address 6 months ago, informed staying at: 56 First Avenue.

VisitationSpring 1940Visitors: Ex Deacon Leslie

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right) TH	No change. Keeps well, very happy and contented.
2.	Mrs Jane Davis, 16 Langside Road, S.2. At 142 Butterbiggins Road TH	In hospital. Left here some time ago. Has son lives here. See letter from son herewith.
1.	Miss Isabella Wilson, Glenafton Nursing Home 50 St. Andrews Drive Pollokshields	Fairly well but in bed at present. Waiting on warmer weather to get out. Quite cheery. No change in position.
3.	Mrs Jean Galbraith 7 Dunndrennan Road Langside, S.2. TH	Abroad
4.	Miss Catherine Livingston 26 Battlefield Avenue, S2	Position unchanged. Seamstress out working today but from enquiries made, she seems to be doing her best to improve her position.
5.	James Scott Gardner, 7 Williamwood Park Netherlee, S.4.	Nice house. Well and very cheery. 54 years. With late Deacon King as a Cooper. No change in position.

Visitation

Spring 1941

Visitors: Sir William Whyte

8/6/1941

<u>No.</u>	<u>Pensioner</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mrs Annie Scott, 27 Paterson Street, C.5. (1 up right) TH	No change. Keeps well. Very happy and contented.
2.	Mrs Jane Davis, 16 Langside Road, S.2. TH	In hospital at present.
3.	Mrs Catherine Wellwood Nursing Home 82 Dalziel Drive S.1.	No change in circumstances. Has been in a nursing home following upon an accident but is now very much better and hopes to return to her own home on 21 st June. Cheerful and contented.
4.	Miss Catherine Livingston 26 Battlefield Avenue, S2	Circumstances much the same as last year. Her kitchen and parlour are sub let at a rent of 17/- per week. In beginning of May this year she was granted an old age pension of 10/- per week. She has not been employed since October last and has no work in prospect. She suffers from varicose veins and fears a return of this ailment if she undertakes any strenuous work. Quite bright and cheerful. She has made application for a Trades House pension.