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Starvation in England

"All is quiet in the East End." True, the streets are full of people, in silence. Even the groups of eagerly anxious women who gathered on Sunday and Monday at the places where bread and milk were being diitribuassembling at the feeding centres, men in the stripped houses, accepting the situation without remark beyond an occasional, "It's cruel hard on the children."

the hardship! Dockers marry young ter house one finds a woman surroundschool age that the situation is most cover them. As for the babies new come into the grim world, they would be in a sad plight indeed. if it were not for the charitable hands that have gainsaid .- London Daily News, sent garments to clothe them. From a single centre, on Saturday morning, there went out fourteen "maternity" parcels where there was not so much as a sheet to cover the bed where the mother was lying, nor a gown in which to wrap her new-born infant. I shall never forget the look in the eyes of a young fellow of about three-and-twenty, waiting to know if some such aid could be sent to his wife, who had just given birth to her first child. No provision had been made for her confinement; none could be, seeing that this was one of 2,000 households in a single district of Poplar which for a fortnight past have sustained life on four | dynamite in the hands of children.

shillings' worth of food tickets a week. I have spoken of the houses as "stripped." This is literally the case in many quarters in Dockland; but in standing or strolling for the most part some, inhabited by a more refined class, the families of the "permanent" men, a tremendous effort has been made to avoid "breaking up homes," and their faces look even more wan ted, the bare-footed, ragged children and pinched than among the rougher sort who have sacrificed all other kinds speak only now and again, and then of well being to the satisfaction of in low voices and few words. Some of hunger. Payment of rent and shop the children's voices, indeed, have be- bills has stopped so completely that it come so weak that one must stoop to will not be much longer possible for hear them. Such quiet is awe inspil the smaller landlords and provision ring; it is the stillness of a folk made | dealers to maintain a waiting policy. dumb by suffering and awaiting in a Many of them are themselves at the sort of helpless hush further impend- end of their credit and on the verge of ing catastrophe. In Rotherhithe and ruin. Evictions have begun, and the Bermondsay, in Bow, Poplar and West | pitiful sight may be seen of the last. Ham, the scene repeats itself-the few poor "sticks" on the pavement, pavement, full of silent men, the wo- and of a group of families, three orfour at a time, moving miserably to the workhouse.

Things are bad enough already. But : they are going to be much worse in a There are so many children to feel few days' time, when the schools close--unless, indeed, the London County, and have large families. In house af- | before these lines are in print, rescinds its refusal to continue feeding the need by six, eight, nine children. It is cessitous school children during the where there are several children under | holidays. The council-or that portion of it which by a narrow majority desperate; the destitute school child rejected the appeal of the Progressives gets at least one meal a day five days for the continuance of the feedinga week. I asked one small boy whose | might take courage and example from face of wistful pain will be a haunting | the neighboring council of West Ham, memory (he might have sat for a mod- which has school meals, but for weeks el of one of Count Ugolino's sons in past has given breakfasts as well as the Hunger tower) how many younger | dinners to destitute scholars. On purethan himself there were at home, and | ly economic grounds there is argument he answered "Three," showing me enough for the humane course. It is a with his hand how they stood like lit- costly saving that is effected at the tle steps one below the other. Like expense of constitutions undermined many boys under a certain age, he and brains dulled by semi-starvation, was shoeless and stockingless. This is of overflowing hospitals and poor law a common enough sight in the East schools. But if men and women who End; when times are bad, a boy runs argue in favor of inaction in this barefoot without exciting much com- strike as a whole would go and see for ment. But it is otherwise with girls | themselves what "neutrality" is enin ordinary seasons. Now they, too, tailing on a population equal to that of are without shoes, and many of the a great city, and above all on the most, smaller ones have scarcely clothes to helpless portion of it—the women and the children—the economic argument would not be needed. Common humanity would speak too loud to be.

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