

## CLUBS & SOCIETIES

*Paw Slingo writes*

### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Autumn Show was a great success with entries up and new members.

The prize winners were:

*W H Dunnett Cup - Flowers* **David Brown**

*Hilda George Cup - Roses* **Edna Green**

*J&G H Matthews Cup - Fruit* **John Everett**

*Vera Pritlove Cup-Vegetables* **Roy Laverick**

*Doreen Thorn Trophy-Cookery* **Ken Blake**

*Peggy Bower Rose Bowl- Floral Art*

**Janet Moore**

*Cramphorn Challenge Cup- Floral Art*

**Sue Langridge**

*Del Bower Trophy-Photography*

**Christine Byrne**

Junior Sections

Class 70

**Lauren Sims**

Class 71

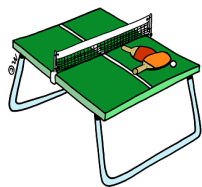
**Victor Whitock**

At our next meeting, on Wednesday 5 October at 7.30pm in the Assembly Rooms, our speaker will be Rodney Tibbs on *Patio Gardening*.

*George Berry writes*

### TABLE-TENNIS CLUB

We would like to thank all those people who supported our stall on the Bank Holiday. It's much appreciated and will assist our purchase of a new table. Please remember if you would like to play table tennis or be coached with a view to attaining a good standard (even league standard) or are already of a standard to be able to play for the Club in the league, please contact me on ☎ **323 229**.



*Daphne Langton writes*

### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

In August members enjoyed an outing to Walton and Frinton. On Wednesday 26 October at 2.30pm in the Assembly Rooms there will be a speaker from *Mission Aviation Fellowship*. This is an open meeting and visitors are welcome.

*Hayley Aherne writes*

### DEDHAM YOUTH CLUB

We have had a very busy summer with lots of new members. We have been practising for our two upcoming events, *DYC's Got Talent 2* at 7pm on 9 October in the Assembly Rooms, and *Cindy the Musical* which will be performed on 29 January 2012, at 2pm and 7pm. We hope to see you there.

*Betty Callaghan writes*

### GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Last month we enjoyed an informative tour on the way to Harwich. For our next meeting on Friday 14 October an outing will be arranged; details to be confirmed.

*Martin Broom writes*

### FOOTPATH GROUP

This month our walk will be on Sunday 16 October, beginning 2.30 pm. Meet at Mill Cottage, by the bottom of the hill and near the railway bridge, on the road to Manningtree. Parking will be available on the opposite side of the road. A circular walk will be led by Paul & Merriel Gallifant ☎ **394 202**. Refreshments afterwards.

## DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

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**2.30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday**

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## DEDHAM PARISH MAGAZINE October 2011

### SUNDAY SERVICES

**8.30 a.m.**

**Holy Communion BCP**

**10.30 a.m.**

**Family Service**

*1st Sunday in month*

**Morning Worship CW**

*2nd & 5th Sundays*

**Holy Communion CW**

*3rd Sunday in month*

**Morning Prayer BCP**

*4th Sundays*

**5 p.m.**

**Re:Vive @5**

*4th Sunday in month*

**6.30 p.m.**

**Evening Prayer BCP**

*1st Sunday in month*

### JUNIOR CHURCH

**10.30 a.m.**

**Family Service**

*1st Sunday in month*

*In groups on other Sundays during school terms*

**DEADLINE FOR  
NOVEMBER EDITION:  
19 October**

## CHURCH NOTICEBOARD



**TOWER FLAG DAY**  
**SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER**  
*HARVEST FESTIVAL*



*Your gifts of vegetables,  
fruit, jams and chutneys  
will be gratefully received.*



### HARVEST FESTIVAL

**Sunday 2 October**  
10.30 a.m. Festival Service

**Monday 3 October**  
10 a.m. Primary School Harvest Service

## *From the Registers*

### BAPTISM

31 July 2011 Harry Arthur HAYNES

### WEDDING

5 August 2011 Allan Craig EVANS & Samantha Susan JACQUES  
6 August 2011 Dean Laird FORD & Danielle Zo McCANN  
13 August 2011 Benjamin Martin Ross THORNTON & Claire Alison LOCKE  
20 August 2011 Richard John LLEWELLYN & Sarah Louise MACKINNON  
27 August 2011 Nathan James LEE & Helen Jane RICHARDSON  
17 September 2011 Robert John MERRIGAN & Emma Louise HAMILTON  
23 September 2011 Jonathan Roy STEPHENSON & Caroline ELIAS

### SERVICE of BLESSING

10 September 2011 Jamie Neil MORGAN & Claire Michelle WARNER

### FUNERAL

25 July 2011 Marjorie Ellen BARBER (85)  
2 September 2011 Sandra EAGLE (45)  
26 September 2011 Michael Brian CLOVER (81)



### THANK YOU

**Mick Norfolk**, *Contact Reprographics*, has printed this magazine for many years. He has recently been forced to retire through ill-health. We wish to thank him for his good service and kindness to Dedham - and to pray for God's mercy to be upon him.

## SONGS OF PRAISE

***Take my life, and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
Take my moments, and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise***

*Hymns Old & New No. 464*



*Frances R. Havergal*

This hymn has long been sung at Confirmation or Ordination services, where a commitment is being made to the Christian life. Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-79) was born in Astley, Worcestershire, where her father was the rector. She wrote her first hymn when aged 7. She led a classic Victorian life of good works and piety, but she did not enjoy strong health.

Her output of hymns was considerable, including; *I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus*, and *Who is on the Lord's side?* The hymn *Take my life* was written by Havergal at the end of her five-day visit to a friend's house. She later described how there had been ten people in the house, 'some uncovered and long prayed-for, some converted but not rejoicing Christians' and she wrote that God gave her a prayer, ' "Lord, give me all in this house" And He just did.' In that sense this is properly a Harvest hymn; not just of marrows and fruit, or unwanted tins, but far more importantly of people's lives for Christ.

Havergal expected her hymn to be sung to her father's tune PATMOS which was written for this hymn, later known as CONSECRATION. W.H. Havergal (1793-1870) was a notable church musician. Down the years, however, it has been sung to many tunes, among them ST. BEES, written by J. B. Dykes (1823-76), VIENNA by J.H. Knecht (1752-1817), INNOCENTS, a melody of unknown origin which was arranged by W.H. Monk (1823-69), and a tune called NOTTINGHAM, often thought to have been written by Mozart but in fact by Jeremiah Clarke (1670-1707), he of the 'Trumpet Voluntary' so often chosen for weddings.

The fourth verse is certainly among the most challenging ever written:

***Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.***

Fred Merrin writes

## ARDLEIGH SURGERY

We would like to know how we can improve our service to our patients and how patients perceive our surgery and staff. To help us with this, we are setting up a Patient Reference Group so that patients can have their say. We will ask the members of this group some questions from time to time, such as what you think the quality of the care or service you received. Members of the PRG can also raise questions or issues for sharing with other members of the Group.

We have decided to establish a virtual group rather than a physical one as we realise that many patients are unable to attend meetings but may want to have a say in what we do. This means that contact will be by post or by email. We also hope to establish a Discussion Bulletin Board on our practice website so that Group members may share their views and stimulate debate. We aim to gather around a hundred patients from a truly representative sample.

If you would like to join this virtual Patient Reference Group please request a registration contact form from the surgery or download or complete the online form on the practice website at [www.ardleighsurgery.nhs.uk](http://www.ardleighsurgery.nhs.uk) by the end of October.

Caroline Fisk writes

## BERGHOLT SURGERY

The 'flu vaccination is available free of charge to those meeting the criteria. If you have not received a letter or have queries about your eligibility please contact the surgery for advice.

The surgery apologises if patients have found difficulty in reaching the practice by telephone. Recent staff shortages and illness have meant that we have not had the normal level of reception cover over the last month. We are looking to resolve this issue as soon as possible. The telephones are very busy first thing in the morning. We would be grateful if patients needing to contact the surgery for routine issues and advance appointments could do so after 11 a.m.

The practice is offering free health checks for a limited group of patients, to assess the risk of developing heart disease, stroke, kidney disease or diabetes. If there are warning signs, advice can be given and action taken to improve your health and prevent the onset of these conditions. The health check is open to those patients aged 40-74 who have not already been diagnosed with the above conditions. It involves a simple blood test followed by a consultation about a week later with one of our specially trained nurses (Lesley or Anthea) which lasts 15-30 minutes. Please ring us to book your blood test and follow up appointment.



## 'ME' AND 'WE'

My mother has always done it for me. For many years so have several Dedham church members. I am very grateful to them for taking time to read far wider than I can and, when they see something they think would be of interest to me, keeping a cutting or copy of it for me to read.

The Chief Rabbi, Jonathan Sacks, is a particularly thoughtful writer. He has touched my 'honorary researchers' to draw attention to what he has written many times. Recently he was reflecting on the tenth anniversary of '9/11', in the context of the hard news that has gripped the West since. He listed:



*"...the disintegration of the family, the build-up of personal debt, the collapse of financial institutions, the downgrading of the American economy, the continuing failure of some European economies, the loss of a sense of honour, loyalty and integrity that has brought once esteemed groups into disrepute, the waning throughout the West of a sense of national identity; even the [recent] riots."*

Lord Sacks saw all these things as signs of the hardening of the arteries of our culture, of a civilisation that had grown old. With the candour of a consultant doctor speaking to a patient who had refused to change their bad habits and guard their health, he gives his diagnosis:

*"Whenever Me takes precedence over We, and pleasure today over viability tomorrow, a society is in trouble."*

Yet it is not enough simply to point to a bad situation. To do so would be like pointing to a beggar in the street and saying "Look!" We must also consider how such a bad situation may be improved. This is what the

great William Wilberforce did with regard to the British involvement in the slave trade (I have just finished reading a superb biography of him).

For Lord Sacks the 'treatment' is clear: *"The only way to save the world is to begin with ourselves. Our burden after 9/11 is to renew the moral disciplines of freedom."*

**Gerard Moate**  
Vicar & Lecturer





We are holding a special service  
**Service of Thanksgiving**  
to remember those who have died  
and whose memories we cherish :  
**3 p.m. Sunday 6 November 2010**



RELAXED AND FORMAL

Relaxed  
And  
FORMAL

MONDAY 29 AUGUST 2011  
IN DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

AN EXHIBITION OF  
THE ART & CRAFT OF  
MASTER SILVERSMITH

**ROY ALBERT FLEWIN**  
1930 -2010

EXHIBITION CATALOGUE  
\*REVISED VERSION\*

Over two thousand people streamed into the Parish Church on one day to see the exhibition of the work of the late Roy Flewin, a master silversmith who for more than thirty years was also a member of the church choir. More than fifty items of silver which he had made were generously loaned by their owners for the day and were on display. Together with photographs of many of his works which are now dispersed all over the world, this exhibition was a wonderfully successful celebration of Roy's craftsmanship and kindness. A documentary film of the exhibition was made by a long-time friend of Roy's, David Watson, and is available from him ☎ 322 130.

LAST PIXIE COTTAGE W/IE

For more than twenty years Tex & Margaret Carouth have held an annual event at their home in Brook Street for the Sally Noyes Fund in aid of St. Helena Hospice in Colchester. They have decided that, sadly, that this year will be the last year of that particular event. They are very grateful to everyone who has supported them over the years. It has given them great pleasure to welcome so many for the happy weekends for such a worthwhile cause. The remarkable sum of more than £200,000 has been raised for the hospice by these and other events through the Sally Noyes Fund. They want their friends and supporters to know that they haven't 'given up' the cause and that other events will continue to happen as usual.

[On behalf of the village of Dedham - thank you to you both! Ed.]

ST HELENA HOSPICE RETAIL

Our Furniture shop, on Magdalen Street, Colchester, will now be opening its doors for longer. We are also making an appeal for more donations. All of the Hospice's eight shops are all looking for good-quality donations. Please bring these items in to your local Hospice shop. The furniture shop also provides a delivery service for furniture purchased in the shop, as well as a free collection service. Please call the Hospice Furniture Shop for more information, ☎ 793 937.

The Dedham Players  
*The strangest, funniest and most sinister party you'll ever be invited to...*



**THE BIRTHDAY PARTY**  
by Harold Pinter

Wed 26th to Sat 29th Oct at 7.45pm Assembly Rooms Dedham

Tickets £7.50 from 01206323160 Hoods Newsagents Dedham High St www.dedhamplayers.org



**EARLY WARNING!**



**COME & ENJOY THE**

**BIG BREAKFAST**

**SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2010**

**Assembly Rooms, Dedham**  
**8.30 a.m. until 11.30 a.m.**

Tickets £7.50 on the door (donation for the under 14s)  
Raffle Further information: Jill ☎ 322 006 Newspapers

ALL PROCEEDS TO DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

# Dedham Films

in the Assembly Rooms, Dedham

**19 OCTOBER**

Le Placard

**16 NOVEMBER**

Tea with Mussolini

**15 DECEMBER**

It's a Wonderful Life

**Admission 7.00 p.m.**

**Film Begins 7.30 p.m.**

**Tickets £3.50**

## CONTACTS

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Jacqui Freeman ☎ 322 263

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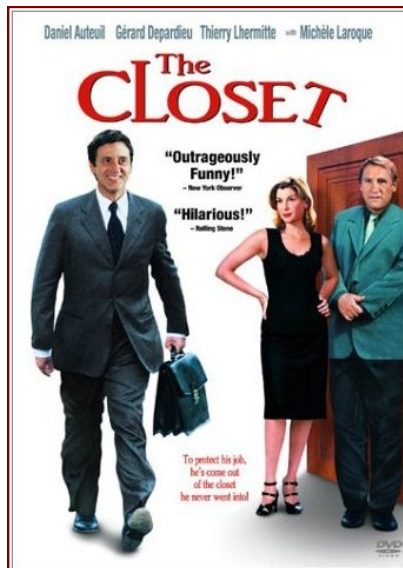
[www.dedhamfilms.co.uk](http://www.dedhamfilms.co.uk)

## LE PLACARD (THE CLOSET)



*Synopsis* : Written and directed by Francis Veber, 2000.

While there are plenty of stories about gay men who have pretended to be straight for the sake of their careers, this tart comedy from France considers the dilemma of a straight man doing just the opposite. Francois Pignon (Daniel Auteuil) is an accountant whose personality is bland to the point of being nonexistent; he's been down in the dumps ever since his wife left him two years ago, and he becomes even more depressed when he learns that his boss is planning on firing him after twenty years. Gérard Depardieu also stars in this gentle and astute comedy of manners.



## Jacqui Freeman writes NATIONAL AWARD

Dedham Films, launched just a year ago, has won a top award at the Film Society of the Year Awards 2011 in London last month. Over a hundred delegates, from film societies across the UK, gathered at Institut Français in London for the British Federation of Film Societies' National Conference for Community Cinemas and the Awards ceremony.

Our local community cinema not only won the Filmbank Audience Award but also walked off with a Distinction in the Best New Society category. This double recognition of Dedham Films, just a year after being set up, is a real boost for the committee who have worked so hard to make our first year such a resounding success. We also owe this success and a huge vote of thanks to our amazing audience, who voted for us. Whatever the weather, a large number of local residents come to the Assembly Rooms in Dedham, every third Wednesday of the month, to see a wide variety of films, funny and sad, classic and contemporary.

Pictured below receiving a cheque for £1,000 for the Filmbank Audience Award from actor and special guest presenter Togo Igawa, star of *Le Herisson*, are Dedham Films committee members Jax Horswill, right, and Jane Adams, centre.

To find about more about Dedham Films visit [www.dedhamfilms.co.uk](http://www.dedhamfilms.co.uk). For more information on the British Federation of Film Societies (BFFS) visit [www.bffs.org.uk](http://www.bffs.org.uk).



Photo courtesy of Ivan Lieman Photography

*Susanne Grimwade writes*

### **SMARTYS PRE-SCHOOL**

Children have taken part in various themed sessions covering a range of topics including family, dinosaurs and pirates. Over the coming months the children will also be introduced to different letters, sounds and numbers. The staff and committee would like to welcome all our new children and their families to Smartys. A limited number of spaces are still available for our Wednesday and Friday sessions. For more information please go to our **website [www.smartys.org.uk](http://www.smartys.org.uk)**

If you are a parent or carer of a child currently attending Smartys and would like to have a say in the running of the pre-school a number of committee roles will be available for election at our next AGM to be held on Monday 10 October. Please contact the Mark Orrin: [marklou.orrin@virgin.net](mailto:marklou.orrin@virgin.net) for further information.

*Shelley Ward writes*

### **ORCHARD BARNES**

We opened our Forest School in Stratford St. Mary in 2006 although planning for the event had begun long before. We offer children the opportunity to follow the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum in a natural environment. Problem solving takes place as the children build their camps; they learn about working together in teams showing respect for their environment and taking part in many and varied activities in the

beautiful woodland setting. We are holding an Open Day on Saturday 8 October, from 10am to 3pm.

Everyone is welcome. There will be refreshments, fires and lots of fun!

*Laura Valentine writes*

### **PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Another academic year begins and with it comes new challenges and adventures; certainly a new adventure for the thirty new children who we welcome into Reception this term. Class themes this term include Dragons & Vikings, Space, The Human Body and Ancient Egypt and already the classrooms are buzzing with activity. It was the toilets that were buzzing with activity over the holidays as they were completely gutted and refurbished with colourful new doors, smart new sinks and very exciting hand driers! For more information, ask any one of our delighted pupils!

School council elections take place this week and ballot papers are being printed as I write. In our polling station, the year six children enjoy their first duty as the eldest in our school and the stamping of ballot papers is certainly a highlight of the event! Very aware that the staff are watching their every move, the year six children also await news of who will take on roles such as Head Boy, Head Girl and House Captains this year. How quickly the year comes full circle. Hmmm, perhaps I'll be ready to take on the Dedham 10K next year...

*It's not too early to enter your team of six for the*

## **ANNUAL DEDHAM QUIZ**

*on*

**Saturday 11th February 2012**

**7.30pm. Assembly Rooms, Dedham**

**Tickets £7.50 including refreshments. Bar.**

**Call Anne Lipscomb 323723**

**or Karen Brown 853729**

*in aid of*

**Motor Neurone Disease (Dedham & N Essex Group)**

*Book your table early to avoid disappointment!*

### **DEDHAM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

*The Governors invite applications from residents in the Parishes of Ardleigh, Bradfield, Dedham, Great Bromley and Stratford St. Mary for financial grants that are available in the following categories.*

#### **Secondary Schools & Sixth Form Colleges**

Applicants must be at least 12 years old on the 1<sup>st</sup> August in the year of application.

#### **Universities & Colleges of Further Education**

Applicants must have lived in one, or more, of the five parishes for at least two years prior to the application date.

For an application form, or further details, contact the Clerk to the Governors, Mrs. Jean Flewin, Coppins, Crown Street, Dedham, Colchester, Essex CO7 6AT.

Closing date for applications:- **29 October 2011**

**MARQUEE WANTED**

The Primary School would like to have the use of a marquee for the evening of the Dickensian Market, on Friday 2 December, to be erected next to the Vicarage.

Do you - or someone you know have one you would lend /hire?

Please ☎ **322 242**

**VILLAGE FETE  
AUGUST BANK  
HOLIDAY**

**A great day  
with superb results:  
a total of £1,479  
for the Parish Church. \***

<b>Royal Square stalls</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>841</b>
<b>Bric-a-Brac</b>	<b>278</b>
<b>Bookstall</b>	<b>157</b>

**\* and also money for missions  
Thank you all who helped to  
make the day such a success.**

**SEASONAL 'FLU  
VACCINATION CLINICS  
EAST BERGHOLT**

The *Constable Country Medical Practice* will be holding their clinics at the Medical Centre, East Bergholt  
**Thursday 13 October**

and at Capel St Mary Surgery  
**Tuesday 18 October.**

*No Appointments Necessary*  
Patients can attend either session.  
*Open from 2.p.m.. until 7 p.m.*

Eligible patients will receive a letter, please bring this with you to show you are eligible for a free vaccination

**MUNNINGS  
COLLECTION  
Castle House, Dedham  
VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Do you enjoy art and historical buildings and have three hours a month to spare?

We require volunteers in many capacities particularly in ensuring exhibits are secure.

If you would like to help please  
☎ **322 127 Diane Roe**, email  
**info@siralfredmunnings.co.uk**

*Roy Laverick writes*  
**HALLFIELDS FARM SITE**

The disused farm buildings and yard of Hallfields Farm are located close to the junction of Manningtree Road and Crown Street. The area has been the subject of potential development plans for several years. A recent outline Planning Application offered the possibility of the site being developed with a number of relatively small houses, which would only be offered to purchasers who had previously lived or worked in Dedham for at least two years.

If adopted, these provisions would have gone some way towards meeting the desperate shortage of smaller houses in the village, which are much needed by first-time buyers and those wishing to downsize in later life. The proposals were therefore supported by the Parish Council, and by several other bodies and individuals, who saw this as an important step towards ensuring the continued development of the village as a balanced community.

Against this backdrop we were sorry that the Planning Committee of Colchester Borough Council saw fit to reject the application out of hand. This, and other less crucial decisions, which fly in the face of the clearly stated preferences of many residents, cause us to question the value of Government-inspired consultative exercises (such as our Village Design

Statement or the more recent Parish Plan) which have been completed at the cost of many hundreds of hours of voluntary work. We await developments with interest.

The next Parish Council meeting will be at **7.30 pm on Wednesday 12 October** in the Assembly Rooms. Please remember that the Minutes of Parish Council meetings, together with other useful information, are available [www.dedhamparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.dedhamparishcouncil.org.uk)

**STAY-AT-HOME CHRISTMAS?**

Are you staying at home for Christmas? Would you open your home and share Christmas with a student from China, India, or some other part of the world, who would otherwise be stuck at an almost deserted UK university? HOST invites you to give Christmas, perhaps for the first time in their life, to someone who is a guest in this country, who would love to experience your way of life and make your stay-at-home Christmas special. HOST will match you with one or two guests to suit your household.

More volunteer hosts are urgently needed for 1-3 days at Christmas, and weekends all year round. Please see [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or call your local voluntary organiser for a chat: Sandra Purrett ☎ **01296 681 625**



## PAST TIMES

### Ten Years Ago **October 2001**

◆ **VANDALISM** *The children's play area in the Recreation Ground [has been] seriously vandalised. The tower and slide, which comprised the biggest single item of play equipment in the area, was set on fire and subsequently damaged beyond any possibility of repair. As a result the whole area had to be temporarily closed off prior to inspection and clearance work. For the people of Dedham this act of wanton vandalism will cause, perhaps permanently, a significant amenity loss. It is hoped that the large space vacated by the combination unit will be filled by an equally popular piece of equipment – ideally a similar item – but this will depend upon sufficient funds being made available and other funding priorities being met.*

### Fifty Years Ago **October 1961**

◆ **HARVEST GIFT DAY** *'At the end of this month I propose to sit in the Church porch once again from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Between now and then you will receive a letter from me about this and I do hope you will support our Gift Day.*

◆ **UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX** *'We in Colchester are naturally delighted that the location of the University is to be in Colchester. That Chelmsford should be our County and Cathedral town, and Colchester the Garrison and University town is surely an equable division of labour and honour. What needs emphasising in any town to which a new University is coming is the challenge which it will present. Unless the University can be integrated into the life of the Community, the choice of site will inevitably be deplored.*

◆ **DEDHAM, MASSACUSSETTS** *'The Town celebrated its 325th Annivesary during the middle of September. We sent a cablegram congratulating them and have had a warm reply.*

### A Century Ago **October 1911**

◆ **DEDHAM STREET LIGHTING** *'We are very sorry that the Dedham Street Lighting Fund does not meet with the support that it deserves. The object of the fund is that the street shall be lighted during the winter months: that is, from Michaelmas to Lady Day. Dour years ago this was decided upon, and at some initial expense the existing lamps were got into order and others added. Since then the [High] Street has been regularly lighted...and the management of the fund has been in the hands of Mr. Percy Clover. We believe that he has had some difficulty in collecting the subscriptions, while other have dropped off and the deficit is now... £8 5s 1d.'*

## PAST TIMES

### 'OLD FLEMISH HOUSES' - SOUTHFIELDS



*A gentle and romantic idyll...?*

*(as drawn by Walter Hayward-Young in c.1904)*

*...or a tumble-down former factory set around a muddy quadrangle?*

*(from a photograph by F. Artis at about the same date)*



## WANTED

If you have photographs (or other memorabilia) that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the *Muniment Room Society* before permanently disposing of anything. A copy of photographs and prints can usually be made if your would prefer to keep the original.

☎ 01206 322 136