

Constable

Henry

Dobson

Henry Dobson,  
H. M. Dockyard,  
Chatham,  
Kent.

February 9th 1845

Preliminary Examination on  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 1843

Promotion Board <sup>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup></sup> May 1844.  
Mr Howard Assistant Commissioner  
Capt Dean Chief Constable, Eastern District  
Supts Ferrett. (7) Division  
" Dodd. (H.) "  
" Wyborn (M) "  
" Cuthbert (X) "

THE DIARY

Hammersmith

May 11th 1884

I ~~most~~ respectfully <sup>ask</sup> ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~favour~~ ~~of~~  
my Superintendent to grant me leave of  
absence from the Section House on the night  
of the 11th Inst. it being my ordinary leave  
to enable me to visit friends at Brighton.

Henry Dobson

P. C. 759 T

Hammersmith

May 10th 1884

I respectfully <sup>ask</sup> ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~favour~~ ~~of~~ my Inspector  
<sup>allow</sup> ~~to~~ ~~grant~~ me permission to do my 8 hours  
hour of duty of tomorrow the 11th Inst to  
commence duty at 6 A.M. ~~to 2 P.M.~~ to  
enable me to meet some friends coming  
from the Country.

Henry Dobson.

P. C. 759 T

T Division

Hammersmith

May 15<sup>th</sup> 1844

Report  
on an  
accident

{ I beg to report while on duty in the  
Hammersmith Road at 1.30 P.M.  
15<sup>th</sup> Inst, near St Pauls Schools an  
accident occurred between an Omnibus  
owned by the General Omnibus  
Company and driven by George  
Williams, Badge No. 467 of 36  
Dalling Road, while on its way to  
Sharing Cross, And a Waggonette  
coming in the Opposite direction  
owned and driven by Mr Mortimer,  
of 208 Oxford Street, London, whose  
carrage had the shafts and front  
completely smashed, the owner being  
thrown violently on to the kerb of the  
pavement sustaining serious injury  
to his back; I immediately called  
a cab and with the assistance of

another constable had him conveyed  
at once to the West London Hospital  
where his injuries were attended to by  
house surgeon, fortunately none of  
the passengers were thrown from the  
Omnibus though the force of the  
collision all escaped without injury,  
except a gentleman named Hutchinson  
of 43 Shaftesbury Road, Hammermith  
who was traveling inside the Omnibus  
was thrown against the window  
receiving two slight cuts on face from  
the broken glass, but which did not  
prevent him continuing his journey.

Henry Dobson  
P.B. 759 T

T Division

Hammersmith

June 27th 1884

Report { I beg to report while on duty in King  
on an { St. West. at 11.30 P.M. 27th Inst an  
Accident { accident occurred between an M.S.B.  
No 207 owned by the General Omnibus  
Company, Drivers Badge 5858,  
and a Waggonette coming in the  
opposite direction, owned and  
driven by Mr Mallory of 62 Holland  
Road, Kensington, whose carriage  
had the shafts and front completely  
smashed. Mr Mallory being thrown  
violently on to the kirk of the pavement  
sustaining serious injury to his  
head and right arm. I immedi-  
ately called a cab and with the  
assistance of another Constable  
conveyed him at once to the West  
London Hospital where his injuries

were attended to by the House  
Surgeon, who certified him,  
having sustained a severe scalp  
wound and dislocation of the shoul-  
der which would necessitate his  
detention, he was detained, and  
P. b. informed friends.

Henry Dobson

P. b. 759 T

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T Division

Hammersmith,

June 27<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Report } I beg to report that at 2.30 A.M. an  
on a } alarm of thieves was raised at the  
Burglary } premises of Mr Bown's, provision  
merchant, King St, West, Hammersmith.  
I at once proceeded to the place and  
discovered that an entry had been  
effected by means of breaking the  
fan-light, and climbing over the top  
of the door. Search was made under  
the supervision of Inspector Stinal  
when it was discovered that a door  
in the passage leading into the  
shop had been forced, and at the  
back end of the passage a portman-  
teau was found which contained  
a variety of provisions ready for  
removal. The search was continued,  
and in the cellar behind a cask a

man was discovered to be concealed. The burglar on seeing me, suddenly rushed upon me, and a struggle ensued. The Inspector who was approaching the cellar door upon hearing the scuffle came to my assistance, whereupon the man drew a revolver from his trousers' pocket and fired two shots but fortunately without effect. On seeing this the Inspector seized his the mans arm and wrenched the weapon from his hand. He was secured and taken to Hammersmith Police Station. At the Station he was searched and several ball cartridges and other house breaking implements were found in his possession. He was charged, and subsequently taken before a Magistrate.

Henry Dobson  
P. 53 ✓

Expences incurred by P. 6. 759 Dobson in conveying a letter to Scotland Yard.

Date	Nature of Expence	Miles	£.	s.	d.
11/5/84	District Railway Hammersmith to Sharing Cross and return	7	..	..	7
Total		7	..	..	7

I certify that the above expences has been incurred and paid by me P. 6. 759 Henry Dobson.

Educational Examination.

Write down in words  $\$4,736,090,645$   
Four thousand seven hundred and  
thirty six millions, ninety thousand,  
six hundred and forty five.

Write down in five figures in one  
line, Forty nine thousand, forty nine  
hundred, and forty nine.

$53,949$

Addition

51294	94126
96878	26784
71423	40269
43129	67875
86875	34759
42796	58640
<u>94127</u>	<u>83579</u>
<u>486522</u>	<u>406032</u>

Hammersmith

June 5th 1884

I beg to report having received a gratuity of 5/- from the Lady Superior, of Maryareth House, for attention paid to premises during the past month, and <sup>respectfully ask</sup> ~~beg the favour of my~~ Superintendent to allow me to retain the same.

Henry Dobson

P. b. 759 T

P. b. 759 Dobson reports that at 12. P.M. 10th Inst being called to Mr Elliotts, 19 Shepherd Bush Road, who stated that some person was heard at the rear of his house at 11.45 P.M. and requests the attention of the Police, attention promised by P. b. 759 Dobson.

P.C. 759 Dobson reports finding front door open at 2 & Shepherds Bush Road, at 2.10 A.M. 9th Inst and calling the Inmates who stated the door had been left open in mistake. P.C. examined premises and found all correct.

P.C. 759 Dobson reports that at 4.45 A.M. 16th Inst discovering water oozing out from the roadway opposite No 2 Bendon Road, Starch Green Road, P.C. informed Turncock at the Station, No 7 Mardale Street.

Waltham

February 9th 1885

I respectfully beg the favour of my Inspector to grant me leave of absence from the Yard from 6.30 P.M. to 9.30 P.M.

Henry Dobson  
P.C. 53

Dictation,

Hammersmith,

June 27<sup>th</sup> 1884

Mr. Merricks, a Bkichester tradesman was crossing the Bkichester and Midhurst Railway near Fishbourne Junction on Sunday evening when he found a large stone, a square block of wood, and, further on, a post placed on the rails. He had only just time to remove them when a train rushed by. A Soldier was in the immediate vicinity but left on being observed. The line at this point runs at a steep gradient and on a sharp curve, and had the train left the rails the consequences must have been serious. It was found afterwards that the post had been dragged from a fence eighty yards away. —

Three children, from five to seven years of age, were brought before the magistrates at Stanley yesterday, charged with laying two fish plates on the metals of the North Staffordshire Railway, near Stanley. A train passed over them, and the jerk was felt by the passengers. The children were playing on the line, and the police merely brought them before the bench to show the public that no malicious attempt had been made to wreck the train. The children were severely admonished.

Henry Dobson  
P. 6. 759 T

## Memorandum

- ✓ Sworn in for duty in St. M. Dockyards and posted to Chatham on the 4th of August 1884 proceeded on the 7th and shown on morning states 8th.
- ✓ Volunteered for Dockyard duty June 27th 1884
- ✓ Left Lord Kensington's M. P. on the ~~21st~~<sup>16th</sup> of April 1883.

Frank Mallory came from America on the 11th of February 1885. Went to America on the 22nd of March 1882.

Duchess of Edinburgh <sup>launched</sup> the ship Edinburgh on the 18th of March 1882 at Pembroke Dock, Lunched at Brownslade on the 21st of March

Col Edwards married Lady Blanche Butler on the 14th of June 1882 (Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June)

Hon William Edwards went to Eaton on the 3rd of May 1882

Hammermith,

June 10th 1884

Application for long leave

Name	..	Henry Dobson
Rank	..	P. b. 759
Warrant No	..	67. 875
Date of joining	..	30th of April 1883
No of days	..	7
From	..	14th of June
To	..	20th of June
Place going to	..	York
Cause	..	To visit friends
When last leave granted	..	None
And period	..	None
		Henry Dobson
		P. b. 759 T

1st Division

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1885

Permission } I most respectfully solicit the  
to get } favour of my Inspect Superintendent  
married } to recommend me to the  
Commissioners, To grant me  
permission to marry Sarah  
Florence Lyons, now living in  
the service of The Lord Kensington  
M.P. 69 Grosvenor Street, London,  
also to allow me to remain in  
my Division.

Henry Dobson.  
P. 6. 5-3

1st Division

August ~~27<sup>th</sup>~~<sup>29<sup>th</sup></sup> 1885

Application } I most respectfully solicit the  
for a } favour of my Superintendent  
transfer } to recommend me to the Commis-  
sioners for a transfer to the R.  
Division to enable me to get married

Henry Dobson P. 6. 5-3 ✓

Special Leave Chatham  
1885

June 6th P.L. 38, 53, 85, 167.

June 29th P.L. 6; P.L. 101, 120, 139.

August 22nd P.L. 13 P.L. 53, 57, 120, 163.

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P.O. D. April 15th No 695

Transferred from A. Ratham to the N.  
Division, Stoke Newington, on Monday  
the 7th of September 1885. went to Waltham  
Abbey on Tuesday the 8th went on duty out  
10 P.M. to 3 A.M.

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1885

Leave, Sunday Sept 15th, Monday 21st changed  
it to Monday 28th, October, Tuesday 6th,  
Sunday 25th, November Friday 6th.  
Sunday 22nd, December Thursday 3rd,  
Sunday 20th Tuesday 29th, January 1886  
Sunday 17th, Monday 25th, Special Leave Friday  
29th.

Birthdays 1885

1864  
21

Mothers October 18th Age 53

Emmas June 2nd .. 21

Flores January 27th .. 25

George Ogden November 8th

Frank Mallory May 18th Age 27

Sarah Jane Potter July 27th 1885 age 15

Florence Sarah Hood, <sup>Born</sup> September 10th 1884

Christopher Herbert Hood, Born, December 25th 1885

Henry Dobson, Born at 6.15 P.M. <sup>Saturday</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of August

1886, Christened on Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup> 1886

William Moore Godfather. Etta Fessie Hicks

Godmother.

William Dobson, Born at 6.20 P.M. <sup>Friday</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> of  
January 1888. Christened Sunday February  
5<sup>th</sup> 1888.

1489  
1884  
-95  
Friday  
Ceil Dobson, Born at 5.30 Pm 9<sup>th</sup> August 1889

Florence Emma Dobson, Born at about 1.20 A.M. on 30<sup>th</sup> January  
1892 Saturday

Jane Grace Dobson Born at 7.50 Am Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
November 1893

Edith Dobson born at 10.25 am on Tuesday  
10<sup>th</sup> December 1895.

Robert Victor Dobson, Born at 8.15 Pm on  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1897.

Frank Dobson. Born at 10 Am 13<sup>th</sup> July 1899  
Thursday

Ellen Agnes Dobson, Born at 8.15 Pm Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
1901

Alice James Dobson Born at 2.30 am Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 1904

Joy Allanson Dobson. Born at 12.45 Pm Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 1905  
Died at 7 am 12<sup>th</sup> December 1905. Buried 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 1905

North Islington Division

Waltham Abbey Station  
May 25<sup>th</sup> 1886

Report ( I beg to report John Chilton, Robin Hood  
Re P.H. High Beach, for allowing a horse  
Obstruction and cart (his property) to stand in the  
Market Place, Waltham Abbey, for 35-  
minutes, (viz) from 2.5 till 3.40 P.M., the  
25<sup>th</sup> inst longer than necessary for  
loading or unloading, at 2.5 P.M. when  
he stood his cart there he was cautioned  
by me.

Henry Dobson P.C. 515 N

North Islington Division

Waltham Abbey Station  
May 25<sup>th</sup> 1886

Report ( I beg to report William Lawrence, of  
Re Rozdon, Essex, for allowing a horse &  
Obstruction cart (his property) to stand in the Market  
Place, Waltham Abbey Romeland for one  
hour (viz) from 2.15 till 3.15 P.M., 25<sup>th</sup>  
inst longer than necessary for loading  
or unloading.

Henry Dobson P.C. 515 N