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|here is Foley Street..... | | |
| HERMITAGE LANE from Asylum-road. | | |
| Alison, Rev. Hy. Sylvester. B.A., chaplain to the County Asylum. | 15 Star Family and Commercial Hotel; Wain, Frederick J. | |
| | 16 Jackson and Smith, confectioners. | |
| | 18 London and County Banking Company, Ltd.; Edmund Pawlett, manager. | |
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| 6 CROWHURST, MRS. J., tobacconist and confectioner. | 32 RUSSELL, ALEXANDER J., gun maker, and manure merchant. Tel. No. 0137. | |
| 7 Barling, J. D., watchmaker. | here is Dann's Yard | |
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