

Download The Blackest Streets Life And Death Of A Victorian Slum Sarah Wise

Wise brings the Victorian slum to life, weaving facts, interviews, research & court cases seamlessly together with prose-like writing. Can be a little heavy going in parts but overall a brilliant depiction of life in East End London at the turn of the twentieth century. The Blackest Streets focuses on the last fifteen years of the nineteenth century, a turbulent period in London's history, when revolution was very much in the air when unemployment, agricultural depression and a crackdown on parish relief provided a breeding ground for communists and anarchists. The Blackest Streets: The Life and Death of a Victorian Slum. by Sarah Wise. 276pp, Bodley Head, £20. Sarah Wise's first book, The Italian Boy, a study of murder and grave-robbing in early ... The Blackest Streets is set in a turbulent period of London's history when revolution was in the air. Award-winning historian Sarah Wise skilfully evokes the texture of life at that time- not just for the tenants but for those campaigning for change and others seeking to protect their financial interests. She recovers Old Nichol from the ruins of history and lays bare the social and political ...