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you a copy of the
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pleasure in so doing,
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Institution should not be developed, so as to render all the benefits to

I am drawing your
attention to a matter
of the highest importance
to our humanity

Believe me

Sir

Yours obt. Servant

Wm. Epps. M.D.



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To the Editor of the Edinburgh
Medical & Surgical Journal

Dr. S. P.

14, Gloucester Place, Portman Square,
July 7, 1835.

At a Committee Meeting held this Afternoon, John Underwood, Esq. the President, in the Chair, the following Report and Resolutions were unanimously adopted.

REPORT.

The Trustees, appointed for the purpose of promoting the establishment of Harrison's Infirmary, feel it to be their duty to present to the notice of the donors, and the subscribers to the Infirmary, the following brief statement:—

The primary object which the trustees have had in view, is the accumulation of a FUND—the interest of which will enable the trustees to meet a large portion of the annual expenses connected with the Institution. This fund they have not as yet realized; and it is evident, that, *such a fund will not be realized*, unless by great exertions on the part of those friends of humanity, who are convinced of the great, the almost inconceivable benefits connected with the *mode of treatment* adopted by Dr. Harrison, in the cure of SPINAL disorders.

The trustees being still more deeply convinced of the efficacy of Dr. Harrison's mode of treatment, since the last anniversary, call most earnestly upon the subscribers and the friends to the Institution, to use additional exertions in the cause of this charity, as thereby they will be doing a good, for which they will receive the blessings of some of the most afflicted of the human race.

Should, however, a sufficient fund not be obtained by July 7, 1836, the trustees will recommend to the meeting then to be called, that the monies previously subscribed with the interest produced, shall be returned to the parties who came so liberally forward to aid the Institution; and, in the mean time, recommend that the yearly subscribers be not called upon for their subscriptions, until the experience of another year, establishes the certainty of success, or the reverse.

The trustees can scarcely endure the thought, that, after the noble commencement, made by Dr. Harrison's subscription of £1,000, the Institution should not be developed, so as to render all the benefits to

be derived from such a charity available to the children of misery, on whom deformity has laid her cruel hand. They, therefore, hope that they will be liberally aided by the friends of humanity—that numerous subscriptions will be paid previous to July 7, 1836, into the banking-house of Messrs. Coutts & Co., on behalf of the charity.

The trustees cannot conclude their Report without noticing the fact, that Dr. Harrison has prepared for publication, a valuable Letter on his Mode of Treatment, addressed to Sir Benjamin Brodie; the profits of the sale of which Dr. H. intends to appropriate to the purposes of the Infirmary.

The trustees therefore hope that the donors and the subscribers will have the kindness to use their best exertions in circulating this letter; and, thus, by disseminating the facts which it contains, induce many benevolent individuals to encourage the prosperity of the Institution.

The letter contains five engravings, taken from the *casts* of misshapen backs, which casts are still preserved. Two of them illustrate a severe example of the lateral distortion. The first shows the deformity before the treatment commenced. The second, when every trace of it was eradicated. The third explains the common cause of a disproportionate length in the lower limbs, and how it may be overcome. The remaining plates describe a very strongly marked case of the posterior curvature, or humpback, when the deformity was greatest, and after its complete removal. This letter not only details the practice of Dr. Harrison, but establishes its vast superiority over every other in its mildness, its efficiency, and in the improvement of health. The profits, as already observed, are to be wholly applied in aid of the Infirmary; and therefore every purchaser will contribute towards the success of the charity.

RESOLUTIONS.

I. That, on account of the crowds of destitute sufferers labouring under deformities in the back and limbs, who daily solicit Dr. Harrison's assistance, and to whom, on account of their extreme poverty, none can be extended, an institution for the cure of these disorders is greatly wanted.

II. That the interest, £43 per annum, arising from £1,439 1s. 4d. in the 3 per cent consols, the sum already accumulated for the purpose, is much too small to encourage the trustees to begin the undertaking; and therefore that a general appeal be made to the benevolent for pecuniary aid, to enable them to provide a suitable establishment, and maintenance for persons so afflicted.

III. That subscriptions and benefactions continue to be received by the Treasurers, Messrs. Coutts & Co., Bankers, No. 59, Strand.

IV. That in order to explain the necessity and advantages of the proposed charity, these resolutions with a copy of the letter now produced be published, and extensively distributed among the opulent and humane, in the hope of procuring from them the funds wanted.

V. That a subscriber or benefactor to the amount of one guinea and upwards, is entitled to the letter sent.

VI. That all others desirous of retaining the letter, are requested to pay shillings, the selling price, to Mr. of or to any of the subscribers, whose names are inserted on the list below.

VII. That the monies so received, together with the name of each contributor, be forwarded to the Treasurers.

VIII. That a list of the subscribers and benefactors, with the amount and disposal of their respective contributions be subjoined.

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