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THE AUTHOR of this Publication never having met with any professed Lift of the different Charities eftablished either in London or in other Parts of the Kingdom, amufed himfelf with collecting fuch Accounts as fell in his Way, till he had got a good many of them together .- Thefe he has fhewn to different Perfons, who feemed defirous that they might have copies of them: In order, therefore, to oblige his Friends, and in hopes of obtaining a more complete Lift than what he now offers to the Public, he is induced to print this in its prefent imperfect State, hoping that fuch Information will be generoufly imparted to him as may render another Edition of the Work more worthy of the Public Acceptance. He therefore requefts of all Perfons knowing of any Charities not herein mentioned, that they will be fo kind as to transmit Accounts of them to H. G. at either of the Publishers' in London or York; and as from the short compressed Accounts which the Author has given of the different Charities, he may have omitted Circumftances or mif-ftated the Intentions, he hopes the Perfons concerned in them will fend him fuch Corrections as may ferve to replace the Omifion or rectify the Miftake.

INTRODUCTION.

TT is not the AUTHOR's Intention, in this Place, to give a Differtation upon CHARITY, as that has been already fo amply done at various Times from the Prefs and the Pulpit; and indeed it is a Virtue which feems to have extended itfelf of late fo univerfally over the Kingdom, that "there is fcarcely" fays an excellent Author "a Newspaper but records some Meeting of " Men of Fortune, for the most falutary Purposes. The " many noble Structures for the Relief of Diftrefs, " which are the Ornament and Glory of our Metro-" polis, proclaim a Species of Munificence unknown " to former Ages .- Subfcriptions, not only to Hof-" pitals, but to various other valuable Inftitutions, are " obtained almost as foon as folicited: and who but " must wish that these Monuments of Benevolence may " become more numerous and more extended."* It is with this View alone that the Author has undertaken the prefent Work, being neither folicitous as to Fame or pecuniary Emolument; his Intention being merely to bring together fhort Accounts of fuch charitable Inftitutions as are fpecifically different-that by thus introducing them to the Notice of the Public, they may have an Opportunity of fubfcribing to any of those already in Exiftence, or a Precedent for inftituting others of the like Kind, for the Benefit of the Poor, in their own Neighbourhood. The Secretary or Treasurer of each Charity, where the Author could learn the Name, is mentioned, that Perfons withing for further Information may know where to apply. Where there are

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* See " An Estimate of the Religion of the Fashionable World," third edition.

different Inftitutions, of the fame Kind, their Names only are mentioned; it being intended to keep this Publication in a fmall Compais, without leaving out any Thing which is thought neceffary to the Plan. The Author has, in this Work, chiefly confined himfelf to the Metropolis; though where any Inflitution differing from those in London came to his Knowledge, he has gladly availed himfelf of the Opportunity of giving it a Place: and he wifhes it to be underftood, that all those Charities are established in London, where it is not particularly mentioned to the contrary. As there are doubtless many charitable Inftitutions which may not have come to the Author's Knowledge, and certainly fome Difficulty in obtaining the neceffary Information here wanted, efpecially as he lives at a Diftance from the Metropolis, he hopes he shall be excufed for the Imperfections of the prefent Publication, relying upon the Affiftance of the Public to enable him, in every fubfequent Edition, to make nearer approaches to Perfection. It is with great Pleafure that the Author has purfued the Object of the prefent Undertaking, as it has convinced him, that whatever Sins we may be guilty of, as a Nation, there is yet a Spirit of that bleffed Religion fublifting amongft us, which teaches us, for the love of him who laid down his Life for us, to have Compassion one of another; to love as Brethren; to be pitiful; to be courteous; to be tenderhearted ; to visit the Fatherless and Widows in their Affliction; and to do unto all Men as we would they (bould do to us.

If, however, it were at all neceffary, in this Place, to urge any Argument why we fhould endeavour to cultivate in our Hearts a charitable Difposition, it must be mentioned, that it is by that Test we shall stand or fall at the last Day; for then shall our blessed Saviour, when he cometh in his Glory, as the King of Heaven, fay

INTRODUCTION.

fay unto us, "Come, ye bleffed of my Father! inherit "the Kingdom prepared for you from the Foundation "of the World:—For I was an hungred, and ye gave "me Meat; I was thirfty, and ye gave me Drink; I "was a Stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye "cloathed me; I was fick, and ye vifited me; I was in "Prifon, and ye came unto me: for inafmuch as ye "have done it unto one of the leaft of thefe my Bre-"thren, ye have done it unto me."

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CHARITY SCHOOLS.

THE first CHARITY-SCHOOLS in LONDON were establifhed in the Year 1688, to fecure the Poor from being enticed to fend their Children to the Popifh Schools and Seminaries, which at that Time abounded in the Metropolis, and where they were taught gratis: They have fince that Period increased very much; fo that I believe there is not now a Parish in or about London or Westminster, that has not its Charity School. These Schools are all very nearly upon the fame Plan; and although they may differ in fome Refpect one from another, it is not fo much fo as to need being feparately taken notice of .- The Children belonging to thefe Schools are taught Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic: in most of them they are cloathed, and in some maintained; and in others they are taught different Kinds of Work .- They are afterwards put out Apprentices, placed out into Service, fent into the Navy, or are taken out by their Friends. The Schools are fupported by Subscriptions, Donations, and Collections. A Charity Sermon is preached for the Benefit of each School once a Year

a Year or oftener, when the Children fing a Hymn composed for the Purpose; and some Time in the Beginning of June, all the Children educated in thefe Charity Schools meet in the Cathedral of St. Paul, on which Occafion, after Divine Service, a Sermon, provided by the Patrons of the Society for promoting Chriftian Knowledge, is preached, and a Collection made at the Door. *-No Perfon can be admitted without a Ticket, which may be had of one of the Patrons of the Anniverfary Meeting. The Children are that Day cloathed in new Dreffes, and walk in regular Proceffion from their respective Seminaries to the Cathedral, two and two, carrying before them a Board, with the Name of the School or Parish to which they belong, or fome defcriptive Emblem, painted upon it. About 7000 in Number are feated in Rows one above the other, in a Kind of circular Amphitheatre erected for the Occasion in the Dome of the Cathedral. During the Service, the Children fing Pfalms, or join in an Anthem.

It is impoffible to defcribe the Feelings which this Sight occafions in the Breaft of the Contemplative Obferver, when he beholds fo many poor Children fupported entirely by voluntary Subfcription ;—fees them decent and orderly in their Conduct, training up in the Knowledge of their God and Saviour ; when he hears their infant Voices break forth in the Praife of Him who made and redeemed them, and contrafts their prefent Situation with what it would have been, had not the foftering Hand of Charity been held out to their Affiftance.

There are fome Charity Schools, however, as differing from the common ones, which must not be omitted. The

* One Moiety of the Money collected, after the Payment of Expences, is given to the Society for the maintaining and educating poor Orphans of the Clergy; the other to the Support of the pooreft Charity Schools.

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The BRITISH, or WELSH CHARITY SCHOOL,

GRAY'S-INN LANE. Instituted 1718.

THIS is a Charity School for the Purpose of instructing, cloathing, maintaining, and putting forth apprentice poor Children descended of Welsh Parents, born in or near the Metropolis, having no Parochial Settlement within the Bills of Mortality. The Children from feven to ten Years of Age are admitted four Times in the Year, when any Vacancies happen, viz. The first Monday in the Month after Quarter-Days; and in Order to relieve the greatest Objects that offer, they are taken into Balloting of the Governors and Truftees prefent. They cannot be admitted without a Certificate of the Marriage of the Parents, and from the Regifter where the Child was baptized. The Father or Mother, if living, if not, the Friends of the Child, muft make Oath, that the Parents did not gain, or are not entitled to Parochial Settlement, within the Bills of Mor-The Parents of Children who may become tality. Candidates for Admiffion, must first be examined by the Board of Treasurers, Governors, and Trustees of the Charity; and if found eligible, are to be directed to the Schoolmaster for a Petition, which must be figned by two Governors or Subfcribers thoroughly convinced that the Circumftances of the Parents are really fuch as are fet forth in the Petition.

Secretary, Mr. HUGH OWEN.

The WESTMINSTER FRENCH CHARITY SCHOOL, WINDMILL-STREET, TOTTENHAM-COURT ROAD. Inftituted 1747.

THIS Charity School is intended for the fame Purpofes as the laft, excepting that the Objects of its Attention are poor Children descended of French Protestant Refugees, Refugees, having no Parochial Settlement here. The Children are taught to read and write English as well as French; and as fuch, must be useful Servants to those Masters and Mistreffes who have Need of Servants that speak both Languages.

Treasurer, Mr. E. ARTAUD, No. 22, Cheney-Walk, Chelsea.

There is alfo a French Charity School in Spittalfields. Treasurer,

The ROYAL CUMBERLAND FREE-MASON SCHOOL,

At SUMMERS-TOWN.

Inftituted 1788.

THE Intention of this Charity is the cloathing, maintaining, and educating of Orphan Daughters and other diftreffed Female Children of indigent Brethren of the Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Mafons. No Children are admitted to the School under five Years of Age, or above nine : they must have had the Small-Pox, and not be afflicted with any Infirmity; nor can any be admitted without a Certificate from the Mafter and Wardens (for the Time being) of the Lodge where the Father was a Mafon; another from the Grand Secretary, of the Father having been duly registered as a Mason, (if made fince the Year 1768,) and a Register of her Age from the Parish where she was born, or other fatisfactory Proof thereof; and a Certificate from one of the Medical Governors, of the present State of her Health. Blank Petitions may be had of the Secretary. The elder Children are employed by Turns in the Domeftic Offices of the Houfe; and, when of a proper Age, are placed out in Service.

Secretary, Mr. CUPPAGE, Warwick-Areet, Golden-Square.

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The SCHOOL for SOLDIERS' GIRLS,

At C H E L S E A.

Set up 1709.

THIS School is fupported by Ladies, feven of whom are Truftees. The Children are cloathed.

Secretary,

Mr. NEAL'S MATHEMATICAL SCHOOL,

No. 17, KING'S-HEAD COURT, GOUGH-SQUARE, FLEET-STREET.

Inftituted 1715.

THIS Charity, inftituted for the Purpole of teaching Navigation to poor Children, was formerly carried on in Hatton-Garden, and at that Time forty Children, felected out of the different Charity Schools within the Bills of Mortality, were to be taught gratis on Mondays, Wednefdays, and Fridays. The Number is now reduced to twenty, and they are inftructed every Day in the Week (Sunday excepted); after which they are put out to Sea.

Treasurer,

The MARINE SOCIETY,

BISHOPSGATE-STREET.

Inftituted 1754.—Incorporated 1772.

THIS Society will very properly follow the last one, tho' it differs in fome Respects from a Charity School, the Purport of it being to fit out Landsmen Volunteers to ferve as Seamen on board the King's Ships in Time of of War, and to equip diffreffed Boys to ferve at Sea at all Times. The Landfmen have a Bounty of Sea-Cloathing given them, on Condition of ferving on board the Royal Navy. The Boys, confifting of Orphans in Diffrefs, Vagabonds, Sons of poor Widows or Labouring People with large Families, are educated, maintained, and cloathed, and taught the neceffary Knowledge belonging to a Seaman, on board a Ship ftationed in the River Thames, between Deptford and Greenwich. Boys to be admitted on board the Society's Ship, muft be 4 Feet 6 Inches in Stature: they however receive none under 4 Feet 4 Inches.—Donations are fometimes given by the Society to the Widows of Seamen.

Secretary, Mr. JOHN NEWBY, at the Office.

The FOUNDLING HOSPITAL,

LAMB's CONDUIT-FIELDS.

Incorporated 1739.

THIS is an "Hofpital for the Maintenance and Education of Exposed and Deferted Young Children."

The firft Reception of Children was on the 25th of March, 1741.—The Children are admitted upon the Petition of the Mother or other Friends of the Child, if deemed proper Objects of the Charity by the Committee. The Children are fent into the Country to nurfe, under proper Infpectors, as foon as received into the Hofpital, until they are five Years of Age, when they are returned to London, and then they are not permitted to go without the Walls of the Hofpital, until they are placed out Apprentices. The Boys are inftructed in Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic ; fpinning Yarn, and in other Branches of Manufacture : and the Girls in in Reading, Plain Work, Knitting, and Houfehold Bufinefs. Both Boys and Girls are bound out Apprentice at the Ages of 11 or 12 Years, until they are 21, to reputable Houfekeepers, to be brought up to Trades, Hufbandry, the Sea Service, or as Domeftic Servants. Petitions for the Admiffion of Children are delivered at the Secretary's Office, referring to fome Perfon of Credit who can eftablifh the Truth of the Allegations contained therein. No Child is received who is above the Age of Twelve Months, or diftempered. The General Committee meet at the Hofpital every Wednefday, at one o'Clock. The Hofpital is fupported by private Bounty only.

Secretary, Mr. MERRYWEATHER, at the Hospital.

The ASYLUM,

At LAMBETH, near WESTMINSTER-BRIDGE.

Inftituted 1758.

THIS is a House of Refuge for the reception of Friendlefs and Deferted Orphan Girls, the Settlement of whofe Parents cannot be found. The Children are admitted from 9 to 12 Years of Age; the Death of the Farents being first proved, either by Parish Registers, or by the Oath of fome creditable Witnefs; and the Baptifm of the Child. No Negro or Mulatto Girl is admitted, nor any Child that is difeased, deformed, or infirm; and every one is to be examined by the Phyficians, Surgeons, and Matron, and one of the Surgeons to fign a Certificate that fhe is a proper Object to be admitted. The Children are taught to make and mend their own Linen; to make Shirts, Shifts, and Table Linen; to do all Kinds of plain Needle-Work; and to perform the Business of the House and Kitchen, to which latter eight are appointed weekly, according to their Abilities,

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(8) to affift the Cook; to wafh, iron, and get up all the Linen. They are likewife taught to read the Bible

Linen. They are likewife taught to read the Bible, write a legible Hand, and caft up a Sum in Addition. At the Age of 15, or fooner, the Children are bound Apprentices for feven Years, as domeftic Servants, in reputable Families; and, as an Encouragement to good Behaviour during Servitude, a Sum not exceeding 51. is given to each Child who fhall produce a Certificate thereof, figned by her Mafter or Miftrefs, or both, if living.—And fuch Orphans as have contracted any Difeafe or Infirmity which may render them unfit for Service, are put out to fome Trade or other, with a Premium not exceeding Ten Pounds.

Secretary, The Rev. SEPTIMUS HODSON, at the Hospital.

The ORPHAN SCHOOL,

CITY-ROAD, ISLINGTON.

Instituted 1760.

THIS Charity, much like the two laft, is inftituted for the Maintenance, Education, and Employment of Orphans and other poor Children, not under the Age of fix Years, nor exceeding nine, Regard being had to fuch as are most necessitous, especially Orphans. They are provided with Food, Cloathes, Lodging, and every Thing neceffary for them, till they arrive at the Age of fourteen, or longer, at the Difcretion of the General Committee; and are then placed out as Apprentices or Servants, and a Sum of Money, if required, given with them, for Cloathing. They are inftructed in Reading and Writing, and various Kinds of Work or Manufacture, particularly Carpeting; and on Sundays attend the public Worship of God in some Congregation of Protestant Diffenters, under the Inspection of the Master. Secretary, Mr. ROBERT SMITH, No. 36, Basinghall-street. SCHOOL

SCHOOL for the CHILDREN of the CLERGY.

Instituted 1749.

THIS is a "Society for the maintaining and educating poor Orphans of Clergymen, till of Age to be put Apprentice." This Charity takes under its fatherly Protection, Orphans and other Children of the Eftablished Church; but a Preference is given to those who have loft both Father and Mother. They admit no Children under the Age of feven or above the Age of twelve Years; and none are permitted to continue at the School after the Age of fourteen, without Leave at the Time from the Committee. The Boys are placed under the Care of the Rev. Daniel Addison, at Thirsk, in the County of York; and the Girls at the Society's School, No. 14, next the Chapel, in Chapel-ftreet, Leffon-Green. The Girls are taught all Kinds of plain Needlework, to mark and knit, and make and mend their own Wearing Apparel; and the elder ones are employed in the various domeftic Offices of the Houfe. This Society, as well as many others of the like Kind, take in all Sorts of plain Work. When the Children arrive at the Age of fourteen, Application is made to the Stewards of the following Society to affift them with Fees to put them forth Apprentice.

Secretary, JOHN TOPHAM, Efq; No. 5, Gray's-Inn Square.

The FEAST of the SONS of the CLERGY.

THIS Society, inftituted prior to the laft one, is formed for the Purpofe of raifing a Fund to put forth Apprentice poor Children of the Clergy; and as fuch comes very properly in this place. They have a Feaft once a Year, in the Spring, on which Day they attend B Divine Divine Service in the Cathedral of St. Paul, where they have a Performance of Mufic, and dine afterwards at Merchant-Taylors' Hall; at both which places a Collection is made for the Charity, as alfo at the Rehearfal of the Mufic a Day or two before.

Secretary, JOHN TOPHAM, Efq.

SOCIETY for the RELIEF of the WIDOWS and CHILDREN of CLERGYMEN.

Inftituted by Charter 1678.

As the Livings of the Clergy are often very fmall, and at the moft but Life-Eflates, those who have large Families must of Neceffity have little or nothing to leave behind them. But by means of this Society, which, as it were, belongs to the other two, many poor Widows and Children of the Clergy are annually relieved. This Society gives Sums of Money to fet up the Daughters of the Clergy in Trade who have ferved their Apprenticeschip; and fome Benefaction to poor Curates.

Secretary, JOHN TOPHAM, Efq.

*** There are many Societies of this laft Kind in different Parts of England, chiefly confined to the County or Riding to which the Objects of the Charity belong.

DAY SCHOOL of INDUSTRY,

PARADISE-STREET, St. MARY-LE-BONE. Inftituted 1791.

THIS School confifts of Children of both Sexes, who attend the School-Rooms and Working-Rooms alternately. The Boys put Heads upon Pins, and clofe Shoes Shoes and Boots intended for Exportation; the Girls fpin Wool for a Blanket Manufactory, make Shirts, &c. for a Warehouse, and knit their own Stockings. They are all taught to read, and fome to write fufficiently for the common Purposes of Life. On Account of the great number of the Children to be employed, it was found neceffary to have Recourse to Manufactures for Employment.

Secretary,

DAY SCHOOL of INDUSTRY,

No. 68, EDGWARE-ROAD, near PORTMAN-SQUARE.

Instituted 1784.

THIS is another Society of the fame Kind with the laft, uniting the Advantages of a *Charity School* and a *Day School of Industry*. This School is for Girls only, and is admirably conducted by a Society of Ladies.— The-Girls are taught to fpin, knit, and work at their Needles; they are alfo taught to read, nor is religious Inftruction omitted; and a few of them are maintained in the Houfe, and inftructed in every Thing requifite to qualify them for domeftic Servants.*

Secretary,

There is alfo a School known by the Name of the LADIES' CHARITY SCHOOL, in King-ftreet, Snow-Hill, fet up in 1702, in which 38 Girls are wholly maintained.

Treasurer, Mr. LOVEDAY.

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* See Mrs. Trimmer's late Publication on Charity-Schools, price 18. to be had of Mefirs. Rivingtons, bookfellers, St. Paul's Church-Yard. And a Female Charity School, lately eftablished, at Walworth, excellently conducted by Ladies, who take upon themselves the several Offices of Treasurer, Secretary, &c.

Secretary, Mifs GURNEY, No. 23, Richmond-Place, East-Street, Walworth,

The PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY,

St. GEORGE's - FIELDS,

Inftituted 1788.

THIS Charity takes under its Care the Children of Vagrants and Criminals, and by training them up to Virtue and Industry, prevents them from becoming injurious to Society. From the Line of Life which they feemed doomed to tread, they appeared to be running on to inevitable Deftruction; but this Society fnatches them, as it were, like a Brand out of the Fire, ftops them ere they are hardened in the Ways of Vice, and gently leads them into the Paths of Virtue. Thefe Children, inftead of following the criminal Courfes of their Parents, are rendered uleful Members of Society, by being brought up to different Trades.-The Boys are inftructed as Carpenters, Shoemakers, Taylors, &c. The Girls are educated as Menial Servants, and are employed in washing the Linen, making their own Cloathing, and Shirts for the Boys, &c. They are all taught to read, and are brought up in the Knowledge of that God of whom the most of them were before entirely ignorant.----Habitations are now building by Subscription, for the Refidence of the Children, &c. in order to exclude them from their former Connections.

Secretary, Mr. DEEY, King's-Arms Buildings, Cornhill.

St. ANNE's

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St. ANNE's SOCIETY,

Instituted 1709.

THIS Society, inftituted in 1709, for the Education of poor Children, was extended in the Year 1783, by eftablishing a Country School; and was farther extended in the Year 1791. The School has for fome Years been fituated at Lavenham, in Suffolk, upwards of 60 Miles from London: it is now intended to remove it to the Vicinity of Camberwell, where an Afylum is to be built for the Reception of the Children, in order that they may be more clofely inspected than their former Distance would allow of.---It is alfo proposed to build a Chapel, to be connected with the Edifice, for the Benefit of the Children, and those of the Parish not otherwife to be accommodated. Each Governor, in his Turn, has the Opportunity of prefenting any Object he may choofe, Male or Female, without Refpect to local Circumftances or civil Privileges. There are now 90 Children under the Care of this Society, 30 of whom are at the Country School, who are entirely cloathed. maintained, and educated.

Treasurer, HENRY THORNTON, Esq; M. P. King's-Arms Yard, Coleman-street.

CHRIST's HOSPITAL,

(Commonly called the BLUE-COAT HOSPITAL)

SMITHFIELD.

Eftablished as an Hospital 1552.

THIS is an Hofpital, or rather School, for poor Children, who are fupplied with all Neceffaries and Conveniences, cloathed, dieted, and taught. Befides the Children that are are maintained within the Walls of the Hofpital, there are a confiderable Number of the leaft and youngeft provided for in the Country, at Hertford, where there are a School Houfe, a Mafter's Houfe, and feveral Houfes for Nurfes employed in taking Care of the Children. Youths are taught in the Hofpital feveral Parts of Mathematics, particularly Navigation, to fit them for Apprentices to Mafters of Ships: there is alfo a Grammar School, from whence the most improved Boys are yearly fent to the University; a Writing School; and a School for the Girls, where they learn to read, to few, and to mark. The Girls' School is in the Country.

I See alfo Emanuel Hofpital, Bridewell Hofpital, and the Charter-Houfe.

Secretary,

SOMEWHAT on the Plan of Chrift's Hofpital, are the following:

The GREY-COAT HOSPITAL,

ARTILLERY-GROUND, WESTMINSTER.

Secretary,

The GREEN-COAT HOSPITAL, ARTILLERY-GROUND, WESTMINSTER. Secretary,

SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOLS,

First instituted at GLOUCESTER by Mr. RAIKES, 1783.

THESE Schools are now fo well known, being eftablifhed in most Parts of the Kingdom, that little need be faid concerning the Utility of them. However, the great Rapidity with which they spread over the Kingdom, and the Number of learned Men, both Clergy and Laity, who have written in their Favour, is no small Testimony of the Approbation they have met with.

Thefe Schools are intended to give Inftruction to the Children of the Poor, on the Sunday, without interfering with the neceffary Industry of the Week. They are fupported at a very fmall Expence, fo that every Parish may have its Sunday School; but for the Afsistance of those who may be inclined to promote fo excellent an Undertaking, there is a Society established, under the Name of

The SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETY,

Inftituted 1785.

The Intention of this Society is the Support and Encouragement of Sunday Schools in the different Counties of England. They give away Bibles, Teftaments, and Spelling-Books, for the Affiftance of fuch Schools, on Application from Perfons of Credit; and where a fufficient Salary cannot be raifed for the Support of a Mafter, they alfo give pecuniary Affiftance.

Secretary, Mr. THOMAS PESTILL, No. 47, Cornhill.

RAYNE's

RAYNE's HOSPITAL,

In the PARISH of St. GEORGE in the EAST,

Set up 1736.

THIS is an Appendage to the Charity Schools, out of which forty Girls are transplanted, who are entirely maintained, and trained up for Service. After the Age of 22, fix of them, producing Certificates of their good Behaviour during their Servitude, draw Lots twice in the Year for a Marriage Portion of 1001. to fettle them in the World with an honeft, industrious Mechanic.

Secretary,

SOCIETIES

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SOCIETIES

For the Promotion of Religious Knowledge.

The SOCIETY for promoting CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

Instituted 1699.

THE Plan of this Society is to promote and encourage the erecting of Charity Schools in all Parts of the Kingdom; to difperfe, both at Home and in foreign Parts, Bibles, Prayer-Books, and other religious Tracts. The Society alfo contribute to the Support of feveral Miffionaries in the Eaft-Indies; and one in the Scilly Iflands. The Society at prefent confifts of a Number of Members, both Ladies and Gentlemen, who are allowed the above Books and Tracts on very low Terms; a Lift of which, in a Book containing an Account of the Proceedings of the Society, is fent annually to each Member. A Perfon defirous of becoming a Member of the Society muft be recommended by two of the Members, according to a printed Form in the Society's Account; and be a Member of the Eftablifhed Church.

Secretary, The Rev. Dr. GASKIN, at the Society's Office, Bartlett's-Buildings, Holborn.

There is a Society of this Kind in Scotland.

Secretary, Dr. H. HUNTER.

And another established about two Years ago in Ireland.

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SOCIETY for promoting RELIGIOUS KNOW-LEDGE among the POOR.

Inftituted 1715.

To furnish the Poor with Bibles and other religious Books is the Intention of this Society, and the Members thereof are entitled in their Turn to Books to the Amount of double their annual Subscription, which, at the lowest, is One Guinea, and each Member is to pay One Guinea Entrance.—A Payment of Twenty Guineas at one Time, constitutes a Person Member for Life, and he is entitled to a Parcel of Books of Two Pounds Value, in the usual Rotation, and so in Proportion for any larger Sum.

Secretary, Mr. RICHARD WATTS, Founder's Hall, Lothbury.

SOCIETY for propagating the GOSPEL in FOREIGN PARTS.

Incorporated by Charter 1701.

By Means of this Society, Clergymen are fent out as Miffionaries to various Parts Abroad, each of whom have a certain Salary. Schools are eftablifhed, and Bibles, Prayer-Books, and other religious Tracts are difperfed among the Natives.—The Clergy fent as Miffionaries are of the Eftablifhed Church.

Secretary, The Rev. WILLIAM MORRIS, D. D. Gower-Street, Bedford-Square.

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The SOCIETY for the CONVERSION of NEGROES in the West-Indies.

Inftituted by Charter, October 30, 1793.

THIS is "a Society for the Conversion, and Religious Inftruction and Education, of the Negro Slaves in the British West-India Islands." It is proposed to fend out a fufficient Number of Clergymen, or other Perfons, of the Church of England, as by Law established, to be refident there, as Affiftants to the Parochial Clergy of those Islands, (who are few in Number, have very extenfive Parishes, and are hardly equal to the Care even of the White Inhabitants) and to be folely employed in the Conversion and Religious Instruction of the adult Negroes, and the Education and Religious Inftruction of the young Negroes under the Superintendance of the Parochial Clergy. This Society took its Rife from the late Honourable ROBERT BOYLE having, in the Year 1691, left a Sum of Money to be laid out by his Executors "for the Advance or Propagation of the Chriftian Religion among Infidels;" which Sum, vefted in the Hands of Truftees, was ordered to be applied in fuch Manner as the Earl of BURLINGTON, and the Bifhop of LONDON for the Time being, fhould appoint. An Eftate was then purchased, and the Profits were applied for "the Advancement of the Christian Religion amongst Infidels in Virginia," until the American War; fince then, the prefent Bifhop of LONDON observed, (fee the Charter) that in the British West-India Islands there were about 500,000 Negro Slaves, and who were all (with a few Exceptions) Infidels and Heathens in the literal Senfe of thefe Words; and that as they were made to labour for the Benefit of others, it was but fit and reasonable that they should in Return be taught the Doctrines, Precepts, Advantages, and Bleffings of the Christian Religion, which was intended for all Ranks and Conditions of Men, and would make the Negro Slaves C 2

Slaves more virtuous, more comfortable, and more contented here, and open to them (through the Merits of our Redeemer) a Profpect of endlefs Happinefs hereafter. On this Confideration, his Lordfhip recommended to the Truftees the above Plan, for which the Charter has been obtained.

The Society is to be fupported by the Produce of the faid Eftate; and, that not being at prefent adequate to the Magnitude and Importance of the Object, by Donations, Legacies, or annual Contributions.

This Charity is to be extended hereafter to the Caribbs and Mulattoes.

Secretary, THOMAS PORTEUS, Efq; No. 11, Northumberland-street, Strand.

The BIBLE SOCIETY,

Inftituted 1780.

THIS Charity is inflituted for the Purpose of giving Bibles to the Soldiers and Sailors in the Army, Navy, and Militia.

The Manner of Application for Bibles, is an Order figned by an Officer in the Army or Navy, addreffed to the Society, expressing the Number of Men under their Command.—The Bibles are fent free of Expence.

Secretary, Mr. DOBSON, No. 427, Oxford-Street.

The FRENCH BIBLE SOCIETY,

Instituted May 7, 1792.

THE Intention of this Society is the general Spreading of the Holy Scriptures, both of the Old and New Teftament, in the *French Language*, throughout France and its its various Provinces; that those who are defitute of that Divine Treasure, may be supplied with it. The Poor are to be supplied without any Expence; and a sufficient Number of Copies are to be placed in the Hands of proper Agents, where those who are benevolently disposed may have a Quantity to give away.

Secretary, Mr. MICHAEL NASH, at Haggerston.

Dr. BRAY's CHARITY,

Inftituted

THIS Charity is established for the Purpose of making Provision for Parochial Libraries, and for instructing the Negroes in America and the West-India Islands.— There are two Kinds of Libraries formed by this Charity: 1st. The fixed Parochial Library—originally intended for the immediate Use of the Minister; 2d, The Lending Library—intended for the Use of the Neighbouring Clergy, as well as the Minister. Many Books are fent for these Purposes.

> Secretary, The Rev. T. LYTTLETON, No. 5, Ave-Maria-Lane.

> > HOSPITALS, Sc.

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HOSPITALS, &c.

For the Benefit of the Sick, Sc.

SMALL-POX HOSPITAL; and HOSPITAL for INOCULATION.

Inftituted 1746.

THERE are two Hospitals belonging to this Charity, both in airy Situations;—one for the Purpose of Inoculation, at Pancras; the other for the Reception of Patients who have taken the Small-Pox in the natural Way, in Cold Bath Fields. In these Hospitals, Persons of both Sexes, and of all Ages, are carefully provided for both as to Physic and Diet, and properly attended to, in that Disorder. Every Person destitute of Friends or Money, and labouring under this melancholy Disease, or desirous of being inoculated, is feven Years old or upwards, is deemed a proper Object of this Charity.

Patients taken with the Small-Pox are admitted every Day at the Hofpital in *Cold Bath Fields*, provided there is Room, on depositing One Pound Two Shillings, and bringing with them neceffary clean Apparel; and they are admitted at the Hofpital at *Pancras* every Morning, provided they are there by Nine o'Clock, on depositing Five Shillings.

The Hofpital in Cold Bath Fields being in a decaying State, is going to be re-built by Subfcription.

Secretary, Mr. HIGHMORE, Bury-Court, St. Mary Axe.

* * Thefe were the first Hofpitals of the Kind in Europe.

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The GENERAL DISPENSARY,

ALDERSGATE-STREET.

Instituted 1770.

THE Defign of this Charity is to administer Advice and Medicines to the Poor, gratis, not only at the Difpenfary, but alfo at their own Habitations. Every Governor has a Right to recommend Patients in Number according to his Subfcription. Printed recommendatory Letters are given to each Governor, on Application at the Difpenfary, for him to fill up and fign. The Difpenfary is open at a certain Hour every Day (Sunday excepted), for the reception of recommendatory Letters, and the Admiffion of all Patients without Reftriction, properly recommended; but none can be vifited but fuch as refide within the City of London, or the Liberties thereof.

Secretary, Mr. ROBERT SMITH.

On the fame Plan are the following :

- PUBLIC DISPENSARY, Cary-street.-Inftituted 1783. Secretary, Mr. RICHARD GELDART.
- St. MARY-LE-BONE GENERAL DISPENSARY, Wells-street, Oxford street.-Inflituted 1785. Secretary, Mr. PITMAN.
- OSSULTON DISPENSARY, Bow-street, Bloomsbury.-Inftituted 1787. Secretary,
- CITY DISPENSARY, Bevis Marks.—Inflituted Secretary, Mr. NATHAN COOPER.
- LONDON DISPENSARY, Primrose-street, Bishop/gate-street.-Instituted Secretary, Mr. JAMES COLLINGS.
- WESTMINSTER DISPENSARY, Gerrard-Street, Soho.-Inflituted 1774. Secretary, Mr. JOHN GREY.
- MIDDLESEX DISPENSARY, Hound/ditch.-Inflituted 1778. Secretary, Mr. BENJAMIN HIND.

SURRY

SURRY DISPENSARY, Montague-Clofe, Southwark .- Inftituted Secretary, Mr. CHARLES CARPENTER.

EASTERN DISPENSARY, Whitechapel.-Instituted 1778. Secretary,

WESTERN DISPENSARY, Charles-street, Westminster.-Inflituted 1789. Secretary, Mr. F. NOBLE.

FINSBURY OLD DISPENSARY, St. John's Square, Clerkenwell. Inftituted 1780. Secretary, Mr. ABRAHAM RODES.

FINSBURY NEW DISPENSARY, St. John's Street, Clerkenwell. Eitablished Secretary, Mr. SMITH.

ROYAL UNIVERSAL DISPENSARY, Featherstone-Buildings, Holborn.-Inflituted 1791. Secretary, Mr. T. DAY.

N. B. The Royal Universal Difpensary extends its Relief to fuch Prifons as are not attended by proper Medical Affistance; and also renders proper Affistance to Lying-in Patients.

GENERAL LYING-IN HOSPITAL,

STORE-STREET, TOTTENHAM-COURT ROAD.

Inftituted 1767.

THIS Hospital is intended for the Purpose of affording Relief to the Poor, at the Time of Lying-in. Most Hospitals of this Kind confine themselves to married Women; but in this, unmarried Women, who have been seduced from the Paths of Virtue, find Protection, during the Time necessary for Lying-in, and are often admitted even without Letters of Recommendation from Governors. Applications may be made to the Weekly Committee every Monday.

Secretary, Mr. CHARLES DAWS.

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CITY of LONDON LYING-IN HOSPITAL,

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CITY-ROAD, OLD-STREET.

Instituted 1750.

THIS Hospital was erected instead of a former one in a confined Situation in Alderfgate-ftreet .- It affords every neceffary Accommodation and Affiftance for married Women in the laft State of their Pregnancy, Time of Labour, and Month of Lying-In. Patients defiring Admiffion, are to attend any Wednefday Morning before nine o'Clock, prepared to prove their legal Settlement and Marriage upon Oath. When admitted on the Books, they are received any Hour of the Day or Night, their Children baptized and registered, and both Mother and Child taken Care of till well enough to go out. No Security is required for the Charge of Burial, in Cafe of Death.

Secretary, Mr. HIGHMORE.

The LYING-IN CHARITY,

For delivering poor married Women at their own Habitations.

Instituted 1757.

By means of this Charity, poor married Women are delivered at their own Habitations, without being taken from their Families. They are fupplied with honeft, skilful, and humane Midwives, and with necessary Medicines. In all difficult or dangerous Cafes, they are attended by able and approved Phyficians and Men-Midwives, who are to deliver them if neceffary, to prefcribe for them, and to vifit them regularly both before and after Delivery, till they are perfectly recovered.

vered. The Midwives are inftructed in their Art at the Expence of this Charity, and placed in various Parts of the Town, where they are ready to attend any one in the fame Situation.

Secretary, Mr. WARING, Excise-Office, Old Broad-Street.

Befides thefe, there are the following:

 BRITISH LYING-IN HOSPITAL for married Women, Brownlow-ftreet, Long Acre.—Inflituted 1749. Secretary, Mr. T. YEWD.
WESTMINSTER NEW LYING-IN HOSPITAL, Surry Side of Westminster-Bridge.—Inflituted 1765. Secretary, Mr. W. LEAK.
QUEEN'S LYING-IN HOSPITAL, Bays Water Turnpike.—— Inflituted Secretary,
There is a LYING IN CHARITY also united to the MIDDLE-SEX HOSPITAL.

MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL,

CHARLES-STREET, TOTTENHAM-COURT-ROAD.

Instituted 1745.

THIS Hospital was at first inflituted for the Reception and Relief of Sick and Lame Patients only; but in 1747, the Governors extended their Plan to the Relief of the pregnant Wives of reduced Tradesmen, poor Mechanics, Sailors, Soldiers, &c. being the first Example of this Sort of Charity within the Kingdom. The Governors meet every Tuesday to receive Patients, who are then admitted, provided they have a recommendatory Letter from a Governor or Contributor, and are there by ten in the Morning: However, Accidents are admitted at all Times, without Recommendation.— The Patients are supplied with Advice, Medicines, Diet, Lodging, &c. Besides those admitted into the House, Relief is afforded to a considerable Number of OutPatients. Lying-In Women are admitted at every weekly Board, and attended at their own-Habitations by proper Midwives appointed for that Purpofe, under the Direction of the Phyfician Man-Midwife, who attends himfelf in all Cafes of Danger or Difficulty.— The Phyficians vifit the Patients every Tuefday, Thurfday, and Saturday; and intermediate Days, when particular Cafes require it: The Surgeons attend every Day. Two Governors are appointed weekly, to examine the Provifions, and fee that the Patients are properly taken Care of. Divine Worfhip is regularly performed in the Hofpital; and Patients confined to their Beds are vifited, and inftructed in their Duty. The poor Objects are admitted free of Expence; and when difcharged, a religious Tract is given to each of them.

Secretary, Mr. VAUGHAN.

There are other Hofpitals on this Plan; excepting, perhaps, that they do not administer to the Relief of Lying-In Patients: viz.

- St. BARTHOLOMEW's HOSPITAL, West-Smithfield.-Founded 1539. Secretary, Mr. T. WALL.
- St THOMAS's HOSPITAL, High-ftreet, Southwark.-Founded 1213, incorporated 1553. Secretary, Mr. OLIVER CROMWELL.
- St. GEORGE's HOSPITAL, Hyde-Park Corner.-Instituted 1733-Secretary, Mr. DARWELL.
- GUY's HOSPITAL, St. Thomas's ftreet, Southwark.—Founded 1722. Secretary,

LONDON HOSPITAL, Mile-End-Road.—Inflituted 1740, incorporated 1758. Secretary, Rev. Mr. BUCKHAM.

WESTMINSTER GENERAL INFIRMARY, James - Street, Westminster.-Inflituted 1720. Secretary, Mr. T. WELLS.

N. B. In Guy's Holpital, there is a Part appropriated for the Reception of Lunatics.

St. LUKE's

St. LUKE'S HOSPITAL, OLD-STREET. Inftituted 1751.

THIS Hospital is intended for the Reception of Lunatics. Patients are admitted into this Hofpital according to the Order of Time in which their Petitions, previoufly figned by a Governor, have been delivered to the Secretary, and without any Expence, except that the Parish Poor shall provide their Bedding, which they may take away with them at their Difcharge. No Perfon can be admitted who is not poor, and mad; or who has been a Lunatic more than a Year; or has been discharged uncured from any other Hospital of the like Kind: or who is troubled with Epileptic or Convulfive Fits; or who is deemed an Idiot; or who is infected with the Venereal Difeafe : nor any Woman with Child. Befides a Petition, the Governors require two printed Certificates : one teftifying the above Particulars, figned by the Minister and Churchwardens or Overfeers of the Poor of the Parifh where the Patient refides ; and the other to the fame Purpofe, figned by fome Phylician or Apothecary who hath visited such Patient-which Signatures nuft be attefted upon Oath, Secretary, Mr. THOMAS WEBSTER.

BEDLAM, or BETHLEHEM HOSPITAL, MOOR-FIELDS. Eftablished as an Hospital 1546.

THIS Hofpital is likewife eftablished for the Accommodation of Lunatics, who are maintained without any Expence to their Friends, except an Allowance for Bedding. Many of the Patients are relieved with Cloathes and Money at their Discharge. There are Apartments for Incurables.

Secretary,

Lunatics are also received into Guy's Hospital.

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LOCK HOSPITAL,

GROSVENOR-ROW, HYDE-PARK CORNER.

Instituted 1746.

THIS is an Hofpital for the Reception, Cure, and R'elief of indigent Patients afflicted with the Foul Difeafe; where they have every neceffary Attendance their Situation requires.

Secretary, Mr. JUBEX FISHER.

On the fame Plan is The HOSPITAL MISERICORDIA, Goodman's-Fields.--Inftituted 1774. Secretary,

HUMANE SOCIETY,

Inftituted 1774.

THIS is a Society inftituted for the Recovery of Drowned or otherwife Suffocated Perfons, who are apparently Dead. They have difperfed printed Directions for the Treatment of Perfons recently drowned or fuffocated, which may be had of the Secretary. They give a Premium of two Guineas amongst the four first Perfons who attempt to recover any Perfon taken out of the Water for dead within thirty Miles of London, provided they have not been longer than two Hours under Water, and provided the Affiftants perfevere in using the Means recommended, for the Space of two Hours, whether they are fuccefsful or not. Thefe Rewards include alfo every other Inftance of fudden Death, whether by Suffocation, from noxious Vapours, Hanging, Freezing, &c. They also give four Guineas wherever the Patient has been reftored to Life. They likewife give one Guinea to any Publican or other Perfon

Perfon who fhall admit the Body into his Houfe without Delay, and furnish the neceffary Accommodations; and they ensure them from the Charge of Burial in unfuccessful Cases. They also give honorary Medals to those Medical Gentlemen or others who give their Affistance gratis.

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Secretary, Dr. HAWES, Bury-Street, St. Mary Axe.

SEA-BATHING INFIRMARY

At MARGATE.

Instituted 1792.

THIS is an Infirmary for the Benefit of fuch poor Perfons to whom Sea-Bathing may be neceffary for the Re-eftablifhment of their Health, and who could not otherwife partake of the Benefits refulting from the Sea Air and Bathing, on Account of the Expence. The Diftance from London, and the eafy Paffage by Water, renders Margate a very fit Place for an Infirmary of this Kind.

Secretary,

HOSPITALS

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HOSPITALS AND OTHER CHARITIES

For the Benefit of the Aged, Infirm, and otherwise distressed Poor.

The CHARTER-HOUSE,

CHARTER-HOUSE SQUARE, St. JOHN-STREET, SMITHFIELD.

Founded 1611.

IN this College, (fometimes called King JAMES'S HOSPITAL, of SUTTON'S HOSPITAL) there are decayed Gentlemen to the Number of eighty, who are fubfifted with Diet, Cloathing, and Lodging.—They muft be Gentlemen by Defcent come to Poverty, or decayed Merchants; Soldiers, or other Officers of the King's Houfehold. The Conditions of Admiflion are, that they have no Eftate for Life worth 2001. nor 241. per annum income. They muft be fifty Years old, unlefs they have been maimed in the Public Service, in which Cafe the Age of forty fuffices. They wear a Livery within Doors.

There are also forty-four Youths, who are taught, and supplied with all Necessaries; and such of them as are fit for the University, are sent there, with an Exhibition of 201. per Annum, for eight Years.—The rest are put to Trades.

Secretary,

EMANUEL

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EMANUEL HOSPITAL,

TOTHIL-FIELDS, WESTMINSTER.

Founded 1601.

THIS Hofpital was founded by Lady DACRE, for twenty aged fingle Men and Women, each of whom have an Allowance of ten Pounds per Annum, with the Liberty of bringing up a poor Child. In 1735, the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen erected a School-Houfe, for the Reception of twenty poor Boys and Girls, who are fupplied with all the Neceffaries of Life. The Boys are taught to read, write, and account; the Girls, to read, write, and do plain Work.

Secretary,

BRIDEWELL HOSPITAL,

BRIDGE-STREET, BLACKFRIARS.

Inftituted 1553.

In this Hofpital are received Vagrants and other indigent and miferable People. They have Phyfic and other Relief at the Charge of the Hofpital, as their Neceffities require. There are alfo Youths cloathed and maintained in the Hofpital, and brought up to various Arts and Trades : After having faithfully ferved their Time of feven Years, they have their Freedom, and a Donation of ten Pounds each for carrying on their refpective Trades.

Secretary,

LONDON

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LONDON WORK-HOUSE,

BISHOPSGATE-STREET WITHOUT.

Founded 1611.

THIS Work-Houfe is established for the Relief and Employment of the Poor, the Punishment of Vagrants and diforderly Perfons. Vagrant Children are here taken in, and when arrived at a proper Age, the Boys are bound out Apprentices to Trades or the Sea Service, and the Girls placed in honess The Vagrants and Beggars who have no honess Means of Support, and lewd Women taken up in the Streets, are kept to hard Labour, in beating of Hemp, and washing of Linen; all of whom are not only supported, but, in Cafe of Sickness and other Accidents, have Advice, Physic, and Surgery gratis.

Steward, Mr. EDWARD ALDRIDGE.

HABERDASHERS' HOSPITAL and ALMS-HOUSE

At HOXTON,

Instituted 1692.

THIS Hofpital is eftablished for the Maintenance of twenty poor Haberdashers, and the Support and Education of twenty Boys. Each of the Pensioners in this Hospital has convenient Apartments, is provided with proper Diet and Firing, three Pounds yearly in Money, and a Gown every second Year.

Secretary,

*** There are many Work-Houfes and Alms-Houfes in various Parts of London, upon the fame Plan as thefe.

- CHELSEA

CHELSEA COLLEGE on HOSPITAL,

CHELSEA,

Founded 1690.

THIS Hofpital (fometimes called the ROVAL HOSPITAL) is an Afylum for difabled Soldiers, who are here prowided with Cloathes, Diet, Wafhing, Lodging, Firing, and one Day's Pay in every Week for fpending. The Qualifications required, to be admitted a Penfioner in this Hofpital, are, that the Candidate bring a Certificate from his fuperior Officer, that he has been maimed in the Service of the Crown; or that he has ferved the Crown twenty Years, which muft appear by Mufter-Rolls. There are many Out-Penfioners belonging to this Hofpital, living in different Parts of the Kingdom. Every Officer and common Soldier gives one Day's Pay in the Year to the Support of this Hofpital.

Secretary, SAMUEL ESTWICK, Efq.

GREENWICH HOSPITAL,

GREENWICH.

Founded 1694.

THIS Hofpital is a Retreat for Seamen, who, by Age, Wounds or other Accidents, are difabled from Service; and for the Widows and Children of fuch as are flain in the Service. The Penfioners are cloathed in blue, and are allowed Stockings, Shoes, Linen, and a Shilling a Week for other Neceflaries: The Victualling is four Men to a Mefs; each Mefs contains four Pounds of Flefh, a Gallon of Beer, &c. Every Sailor is required to allow Sixpence a Month out of his Pay, towards the Support of this Hofpital.

Secretary, Mr. JAMES IBBITSON.

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* " There are also Royal Hospitals at Portsnouth, and Plymouth, for the Relief of Sick and Hurt Seamen.

CORPORATION for SICK & HURT SEAMEN,

ROYAL EXCHANGE.

Incorporated 1747.

Secretary, Mr. WILLIAM ODDY.

CHEST at CHATHAM,

Instituted 1588.

THIS Charity is established for the Benefit of maimed and superannuated English Mariners, out of which Penfions are given to such for their Lives. This Fund was at first raised by voluntary monthly Contributions of the Mariners, out of their Pay; and afterwards made perpetual by Queen Elizabeth.

YORK EMANUEL,

Inftituted at York 1781.

THIS Charity is eftablished for the Relief of Ministers, and the Wives, Widows, and Children of Ministers, in any Part of the Kingdom, labouring under the Misfortune of Blindness or Idiocy, who shall appear to the Governors to be proper Objects of it. The Construction to be put upon Blindness or Idiocy may be so liberal, as to afford Relief, in necessitous Cafes, to those Objects who may not literally or technically come within that Description. However, in Cases of Blind-E 2 nefs, the Object must be fo far deprived of the Benefit of Sight, as not to have the Ufe of it for neceffary Purpofes; and, in Cafes of Idiocy, must have fuch a Deprivation of Reason as shall not then be deemed Lunacy, there being other charitable Provisions for fuch Cafes. All Perfons applying for Relief, are to transmit a true State of their Cafes in writing, mentioning their Age, Family, Circumstances, and Situation, which must be authenticated by one Magistrate and two Ministers in the Neighbourhood.

Secretary, Mr. GEORGE TOWNEND.

HETHERINGTON'S BLIND CHARITY,

Instituted

THIS is a Charity for the Relief of the Blind born in England only. The Candidates for this Charity muft have been blind three Years; muft not have any Income for Life, of the yearly Value of twenty Pounds; muft not have received Alms at any Time from any Parifh; nor who is a common Beggar: muft be fixty Years old at leaft; and muft have lived three Years in the Parifh from whence Application is made.

Petitions, to be properly filled up, are to be had at the Counting-House in *Christ's Hospital*, from the Middle of October to the first Week in November annually, upon the personal Application of any Friend of the Petitioner; and such of them who have been unsuccessful, are then to renew their Petitions.

Secretary,

INDIGENT

INDIGENT BLIND CHARITY,

Instituted at Liverpool 1790.

THIS is a Society for the Purpole of affording Relief to the indigent Blind, by furnishing them with fuch Employment as shall engage their Minds, and relieve them from the wearifome State of total Inactivity; and by thus diverting their Attention from their unhappy Lot, render them a less Burden to themselves, and by teaching them to labour, a less Burden to others; and to supply them with such a Portion of Religious Knowledge, as may reconcile them to their Situation in this World, and prepare them for Fternity. A School is opened, in which the Objects of this Charity are taught Music and various Kinds of useful Arts; and fuch as are disqualified by Age, Infirmity, &c. from learning any of these Arts, are to have some pecuniary Affiftance allowed them. In Addition to this,

A FRIENDLY SOCIETY

is alfo eftablished, to which the Blind, as soon as they begin to earn any Thing, are expected to pay Twopence a Week, as a Provision for themselves in old Age or Sickness.

Treasurer, The Rev. H. DANNET, Liverpool.

*** There is a Society of this Kind inftituted at Edinburgh.

The

The ASYLUM for DEAF and DUMB POOR, GRANGE-ROAD, BERMONDSEY.

Instituted 1792.

THIS is an Afylum for the Maintenance and Education of fuch poor Children as have the Misfortune to be Deaf and Dumb. There have been Schools of this Sort established fome Years, but on Account of the Expence attending the Education of the Children, the Poor have been excluded from receiving any Benefit from them; and it has been observed there are many Poor as well as Rich labouring under that unhappy Malady. The Lame and Blind meet the Eye of Obfervation; but these often pass unnoticed, because their Calamity is unknown. By Means of this Charity, the unhappy Objects of its Care are taught to fpeak and read articulately; to write and cypher, to understand the Meaning and Conftruction of Words, and to express, with Readiness and Accuracy, the Ideas they have received. They comprehend what is faid to them, by observing the Motion of the Lips. In short, from being a conftant Source of Uneafinefs to their Parents, and a Burden to Society, they are rendered useful and intelligent, capable of enjoying the Pleafures, and difcharging the Duties, of rational Beings and Chriftians.

No Children are admitted into this Afylum but fuch as are *deaf* and *dumb*, which muft be attefted by two credible Witneffes. Thofe who are deficient in Intellect, are not confidered as Objects of this Charity. None are admitted under nine Years of Age, nor fuffered to remain after they are fourteen. Candidates muft firft appear before the Committee, and be approved as proper Objects, before they can be admitted, at the General Meetings, which are held for the Admiffion of Children, &c. the fecond Monday in January, April, July, and October. The Parents are only expected to find them decent Cloathing.

Secretary, Rev. H. C. MASON, Grange-Road, Bermondfey. GOOD

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GOOD SAMARITAN SOCIETY; Or, A FRIEND in NEED.

Held at No. 48, SHOE-LANE, HOLBORN.

Instituted 1783.

THIS is a charitable Inflitution for the Relief of indigent Perfons, who, by Sicknefs or other Afflictions, are confined to their Habitations; as alfo to give them fpiritual Inftruction and Comfort. The Members whofe Names are entered in a Book, contribute one Shilling per Quarter, or one Penny or upwards per Week, towards a Fund for the Relief of the Sick. A certain Number of the Members are appointed Vifitors. Any Member knowing of Perfons in Diffrefs, may recommend them to the Society. Printed Recommendations to be filled, up may be had at the Office, or Perfons in Diffrefs may fend Petitions.

Secretary, Mr. SAVAGE.

ON THE SAME PLAN ARE

The BENEVOLENT SOCIETY; or, SICK MAN'S FRIEND. No. 9, Tower-Areet, Seven Dials.—Inflitted 1787. Secretary, Mr. ROBINSON.

AND

The BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, No. 15, Long-Lane, Smithfield, -Inflituted 1786. Secretary,

The

The CHARITABLE SOCIETY,

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For INDUSTRIOUS POOR, Held at the SCHOOL-HOUSE, HATTON-GARDEN, HOLBORN.

Inftituted

THIS Charity is inflituted for the Relief of those industrious Poor, who, by Sickness, Difease, or Accidents, have been deprived of the Means of Support, and want Affistance to recover their former Situations. Persons receiving Alms of a Parish, or having no active Employment for obtaining a Livelihood, are by no Means the Objects intended to be relieved; but only such whose Situation needs fome Affistance, to enable them to follow their feveral Occupations. An annual Subscription, of one Guinea, and upwards, entitles the Subscripter, in Rotation, to prefent a Petition for any Object to be relieved, according to the Discretion of the Members prefent. The Society meet at the School-House the first Wedness in every Month, at fix o'Clock in the Evening.

Secretary, Mr. J. COLE, No. 87, West-Smithfield.

The SOCIETY of UNIVERSAL GOOD-WILL,

Inftituted at Norwich

fuch Perfons falling under the Denomination of Strangers and Foreigners, and as fuch excluded from Parifh Relief by the Laws of England, yet being in unavoidable Diffrefs and Want, fhall be deemed proper Objects of the charitable Care, Attention, Relief, and neceffary Support of this Society.

Treasurers, Meffrs. GURNEY, Norwich.

The SOCIETY for CHARITABLE PURPOSES,

Held at No. 55, WARDOUR-STREET, SOHO.

Inftituted 1773.

THE general Intentions of this Society are to relieve immediate and extreme Diftrefs; to recommend to their Parishes such Objects as are proper for their Affistance; and to furnish Employment for such as are defirous of Work, and cannot procure any. The various Articles of Cloathing are made by these Person, deposited in the Society's Room, and given by the Members to the Poor as Opportunity offers; and thus the cloathing of the Naked refults in Bread to the Hungry. Begging Letters are received by the Society, and the feveral Cafes of the Writers inquired into. In Cafes of Sicknefs, the Patients are recommended to Hofpitals, and provided with fuch Neceffaries as are required for There are Perfons in different Parts their Admiffion. within the Extent of the Charity, who are termed Inquirers, and whofe Bufinefs it is to examine into all Cafes of Diffrefs recommended to the Society, to prevent Imposture, and who act as Visitors to the Sick. There is a Matron who refides at the Society's Room, to attend the Members, most of whom are Ladies, who meet there at flated Times to give out Work, &c.

This is generally known in the Neighbourhood by the Name of the LADIES' CHARITY.

Matron, Mrs. LATOCH.

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The SOCIETY

FOR THE DISCHARGE AND RELIEF OF PERSONS IMPRISONED FOR SMALL DEBTS.

Inftituted 1772.

THE Perfons relieved by this Society are fuch as are actually imprifoned, whether Male or Female, whofe refpective Debts, or the Composition for whofe Debts, fhall not exceed the Sum of ten Pounds. Printed Petitions are fent to the different Gaols in the Kingdom, which the Debtors applying for Relief are required to get properly filled up (as their Cafe may be);—and thofe are first relieved who have the largest Families unprovided for, those who are the most aged or infirm, or those by whose Release the Community will be most benefited. Such Families as are reduced to Poverty by the Faults of their Principal, are relieved at the Discretion of the Society.

Secretary, Mr. GRASSWELL, No. 7, Craven-Street, Strand.

So See the " Account of the Society," &c. fold for the Benefit of the Charity; Price 28. 6d.

SOCIETY for the Relief of poor pious CLERGYMEN.

Instituted 1788.

THIS Society is formed for the Relief of poor, pious, active Ministers of the Gospel in the Establishment, of unexceptionable Characters, residing in the Country, the Tenor of whose Preaching is according to the Doctrinal Articles of the Church of England.

To

To be eligible to receive Relief from this Society, it is neceffary that the Clergyman be either fingle, with an Income under 45l. per Annum in England, or 30l. per Annum in Wales—Married, and having no Children, with an Income under 60l. per Annum in England, or 35l. per Annum in Wales—Married, and having two Children, with an Income under 70l. per Annum in England, or 40l. per Annum in Wales— Married, and having four Children, with an Income under 80l. per Annum in England, or 50l. per Annum in Wales—Married, and having fix Children, with an Income under 90l. per Annum in England, or 60l. per Annum in Wales.

Secretary, The Rev. HENRY FOSTER, Wildernefs-Row.

QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY.

Instituted 1703.

THIS Bounty was granted by Queen ANNE to augment fmall Livings, for the better Maintenance of the POOR CLERGY. The Fund for this Purpose is paid out of the Revenue of the First Fruits and Tenths, amounting nearly to the annual Sum of 15,000l.; the whole of which, after the Payment of necessary Expences, is vefted in Government Securities, and appropriated to the Augmentation of poor Livings, in the two Modes of Lot and Benefaction. The former Mode directs Tickets to be prepared, infcribed with the concealed Names of fuch Livings as are intitled to the Bounty; which, to preclude all Sufpicion of Partiality, are drawn in a manner fimilar to those of a State-Lottery. The Tickets were originally confined to Livings under 10l.; in Process of Time, were extended to those under 201.; and now to those under 301. per F 2 Annum, Annum, amounting to near 2500l. The latter Mode was probably intended as a Motive to induce the Rich to contribute their Affiftance to this valuable Charity, by empowering the Governors to add 200l. to the fame Sum given by Benefaction, to increase any Living not above the annual Value of 50l. and with the fame View to allow them the Preference to Livings drawn by Lot. The Sum obtained is to be laid out in Land; until which is done, they allow two per Cent.*

Secretary, RICHARD BURN, Efq; Duke-Street, Westminster.

* See Bp. BARRINGTON's Letter to the Clergy of the Diocefe of Sarum.

SCOTTISH HOSPITAL,

CRANE-COURT, FLEET-STREET.

Incorporated 1665.

THIS Charity is intended for the Relief of the poor Natives of North-Britain, who are not entitled to any parochial Relief in England, and are relident in or near the Cities of London or Westminster. The Objects of this Charity must be either, in the first place, such poor Perfons as are difabled from earning a Livelihood, through Age or Infirmity ;-fecondly, fuch as, by Sicknefs or otherwife, are rendered incapable of affifting themfelves and Families ;- thirdly, fuch as, being ftill able to earn a Part of their Livelihood, are, by growing into Years, or by large Families, or accidental Loffes, frequently compelled to petition for occafional Relief; -or, fourthly and laftly, fuch as are required to return Home, and cannot pay their Way. All thefe receive a weekly Penfion, or are relieved. Petitions are given at the Hofpital, to be filled up and figned by a Governor.

Secretary, Mr. JAMES DOBIE.

FRENCH

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FRENCH HOSPITAL,

In the Parish of St. LUKE's.

Erected 1717.

THIS is an Hospital for the Relief of poor French Protestants, and their Descendants, residing in Great-Britain.

Secretary, DAVID ANDRE, Efq.

MAGDALEN HOSPITAL,

St. GEORGE's ROAD.

Inftituted 1758—Incorporated 1769.

THIS Charity is established for the Purpose of affording an Afylum to penitent Proftitutes, to refcue them from the Extremes of Mifery, and lead them back from Vice to Virtue and Happinefs. They are here treated with the greateft Humanity; cloathed, inftructed, and maintained. They are habituated to Industry, and taught fuch Things as will qualify them for Service, or other Situations wherein they may honeftly earn their Bread. Great Pains are taken to find out their Relations and Friends, to bring about a Reconciliation with them, and if they are People of Character, to put them under their Protection : If, however, the young Women are deftitute of fuch Friends, they are retained in the Houfe till an Opportunity offers of placing them in a reputable Service, or of procuring them the Means of obtaining an honeft Livelihood; nor is there an Inftance of a young Woman, who has behaved well during her Stay in the Houfe, being discharged unprovided for. They may be discharged at their own Request, or the Request

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Requeft of their Friends. Every Woman who is placed in Service, and continues there one Year, to the Approbation of her Mafter or Miftrefs, is entitled to a Guinea. Every Woman defirous of being admitted, provided fhe is not pregnant or difeafed, ‡ muft make Application the first Thursday in the Month, at the Hospital, where, without any Recommendation whatever, she will receive a printed Form of Petition, gratis, to be properly filled up, and afterwards delivered to the Committee for Confideration.

Secretary, The Rev. J. PRINCE.

‡ In which Cafe fhe may apply to fome Lying-In or other Hospital. f See the LYING-IN HOSPITAL, Store-fireet; LOCK HOSPITAL, Sc.)

FRIENDLY

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

THESE Societies may not properly perhaps come under the Name of Charities; yet as many Perfons are by their Means relieved in the Hours of Sicknefs, old Age, or Infirmities, they certainly anfwer the End of charitable Inftitutions;—and from their Utility in teaching the Poor to lay up a Portion of their Earnings againft the Day of Adverfity, inftead, perhaps, of fquandering it away, to the Deftruction of both Soul and Body, it is undoubtedly a Charity to promote the Inftitution of them. § There are a great Number of thefe Societies under different Appellations, not only in the Metropolis, but in various Parts of the Kingdom; fuch as

The AFRICAN FRIENDLY SOCIETY,

Inftituted 1790,

Held at Mr. SOUTHAM's,

The BLACKMOOR's-HEAD, JERMYN-STREET, St. JAMES's.

THIS Society is formed for the Benefit of People of Colour in the Metropolis. Perfons of this Defcription, under eighty Years of Age, paying five Shillings and Fourpence Entrance Money, and two Shillings weekly, are entitled to twelve Shillings per Week in Cafe of Sicknefs, and ten Pounds towards their Burial.

§ See Observations on the Act for the Encouragement of Friendly Societies: fold by Pridden, in Fleet-street; Price 18.

The

The FRIENDLY SOCIETY for BURYING the DEAD,

Inftituted

Held at Mr. OVERTON's,

The FOUNTAIN, in BROAD-STREET, CARNABY-MARKET.

To affift those Perfons who may have the Misfortune to lofe any of their Relations, and cannot give them a Burial, is the Intention of this Society. They pay. only Sixpence at Admission, Three-Halfpence per Week to the Box, and Twopence per Quarter to the Clerk. They are free Members at the Expiration of 6 Months, and receive five Pounds, towards the Expence of the Funeral. All Perfons, of either Sex, above feven and under fixty Years of Age, are admitted Members, if in Health, and approved of. They are not confined to Diftance, or limited to any fixed Number. They are to appear the first Meeting Night after their Admission, to give in their Names and Place of Abode; and fend their Money quarterly; and are not required to attend the Meetings afterwards, if they refide two Miles or upwards from the Place where the Society is held.

The FRIENDLY SOCIETY,

At ISLEWORTH, in MIDDLESEX.

THIS Society differs from many others of this Kind in the following Particulars, which are worthy of Notice:—That it is inftituted for the Support of each other in Sicknefs and old Age, and fome Allowance for those who may have more than two Children living under under eight Years of Age. Every Subscriber after one Year from the Time of fubscribing, in case of Illness will be intitled to receive Benefit, in Proportion to the Sum he or she shall subscribe, from 2d. per Week up to 1s. as is expressed in the following Table; and under such Regulations and Orders as shall be made from Time to Time by themselves or their Committee.

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N. B. Bed-Lying Illnefs is when a Perfon is fo unwell as not to be capable of earning any Thing.——'Walking Illnefs, when the Man is not able to earn more than 6d. per Day, or the Woman not more than 3d.——* Children muft be all under 8 Years of Age, to entitle the Parents to receive Pay.

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Parishioners,

Parifhioners, Men and Women, married and unmarried, will be admitted into this Society under 50 Years of Age, that are in Health, and muft be approved by the Committee for the Time being, on paying the following Sums at Entrance: Under 25 Years of Age, one Month's Subfcription; 25 to 30, fix Months; 30 to 35, twelve Months; 35 to 40, eighteen Months; 40 to 45, two Years; 45 to 50, two Years and a Half Subfcription.

Secretary,

The FRIENDLY SOCIETY,

For Painters, Grinders of Colours, and Labourers in the Lead Work.

Inftituted

THIS is a Society no Ways unlike others of the Kind, excepting in the Perfons to be admitted, who are fuch as from the hazardous Nature of their Occupations are not admitted into other Friendly Societies.

Secretary,

The FEMALE FRIENDLY SOCIETY,

Inftituted at YORK 1788.

THIS is a Friendly Society inflituted by fome benevolent Ladies, for the Benefit of those poor Girls who have been brought up at the Grey-Coat or Spinning-Schools, and Female Servants recommended by Honorary Members, who chuse to avail themselves of the Inflitution, for the Sake of preferving and improving the good Principles they may have gained at the Schools, as well as for their Relief in Time of Sickness, &c.*

* See the Rules of this Society in Hints for Sunday-Schools and Parifb Clubs.

SOCIETY

SOCIETY of GIRLS,

At SHERBORNE, in the COUNTY of DORSET.

Instituted 1771.

THIS is alfo a Kind of Friendly Society, in which the Members pay a weekly Sum. Every Girl who has attained the Age of 18, is at Liberty to leave the Society; and if fhe is married before fhe attains the Age of 25 Years, having lived a fober and virtuous Life, is on her Wedding-Day to be entitled to the Sum of 12l. as a Marriage Portion: If fhe remains unmarried at the Age of 25, fhe is likewife to be entitled to the fame Sum; and at the Birth of her firft Child, born in Wedlock, each Member is entitled to the Sum of 205.*

Secretary,

* See the Articles of the Society annexed to the Rev. Mr. Toogood's Sermon, preached at the Anniverfary of the Society: printed by Cruttwell, Bath.

The LAUDABLE SOCIETY, for the Benefit of WIDOWS.

Inftituted

THIS Society is fupported by certain annual Contributions made by the Hufband, for the Benefit of his Widow; as alfo a Payment at Admiffion.

Secretary, Mr. WILLIAM CUTLOVE, No. 11, Crane-Court, Fleet-Street.

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The SOCIETY for the Support of AUTHORS in DISTRESS.

Inftituted

IT is the Purport of this Inflitution to effablish a FUND, on which Authors properly recommended may rely for Affistance; and to afford temporary Relief to their Widows and Children.

Treasurer, Mr. E. BROOK, Bookseller, Bell-Yard, Temple-Bar.

Of this Kind alfo are

- The SOCIETY for the Relief of DECAYED ACTORS.—Inflituted Secretary,
- The ABCDARIAN SOCIETY, for the Relief of DECAYED SCHOOLMASTERS.—Inflituted Secretary,
- The SOCIETY for the Relief of DECAYED MUSICIANS.-Inftituted Secretary,

The ROYAL Ditto.-Inftituted

Secretary,

The NEW MUSICAL FUND for Ditto, their WIDOWS and CHILDREN.—Inflituted 1783. Secretary, Mr. THO. KING, No 358, Oxford-ftreet.

The SOCIETY for the Relief of MEDICAL MEN in the Neighbourhood of LONDON, their WIDOWS and CHILDREN.— Inflituted 1788. Secretary, Mr. WILLIAM CHAMBERLAINE, Aylefbury-ftreet, Clerkenwell.

The AMICABLE NAVY SOCIETY, for the Relief of OFFICERS, their WIDOWS & CHILDREN, MOTHERS & SISTERS, —Inflituted Secretary,

N.B. A School Houfe is now crecting by Subfcription, for the Reception of the Children belonging to the FREE-MASONS SCHOOL, (fee Page 4) fituated in St. George's Fields.

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The following Directions for the Recovery of the apparently Dead, being those which are referred to in the Account of the HUMANE SOCIETY, P. 29, it is thought proper to subjoin them here.

DIRECTIONS for the Recovery of the apparently DEAD.

I. THE Reftoration of Heat is of the greatest Confequence to the Return of Life: when, therefore, the Body is taken out of the Water, the Cloathes fhould be ftripped off; or, if naked at the Time of the Accident, it must be covered with two or three Coats, or a Blanket. The Body fhould then be carefully conveyed to the nearest House, with the Head a little raised. In cold and damp Weather, the Perfon fhould be laid on a Bed, &c. in a Room that is moderately heated ;--in Summer, on a Bed exposed to the Rays of the Sun, and not more than fix Perfons admitted, as a greater Number may retard the Return of Life. The Body is to be well dried with warm Cloths, and gently rubbed with Flannels fprinkled with Rum, Brandy, Gin, or Muftard. Fomentations of Spirits may be applied to the Pit of the Stomach with Advantage.- A Warming-Pan, covered with Flannel, fhould be lightly moved up and down the Back; Bladders, or Bottles filled with hot Water, heated Bricks or Tiles wrapped up in Flannel, fhould be applied to the Soles of the Feet, Palms of the Hands, and other Parts of the Body.

II. Refpiration will be promoted by clofing the Mouth and one Noftril, while, with the Pipe of a Bellows, you blow into the other with fufficient Force to inflate the Lungs;—another Perfon fhould then prefs the Cheft gently with his Hands, fo as to expel the Air. If the Pipe be too large for the Noftrils, the Air may be blown in at the Mouth.—Blowing the Breath can only be recommended when Bellows cannot be procured. III. The Bowels fhould be inflated with the Fumes of Tobacco, and repeated three or four Times within the firft Hour; but if Circumftances prevent the Ufe of this Vapour, then Clyfters of this Herb, or other acrid Infufions with Salt, may be thrown up with Advantage.— The Fumigating Machine is fo much improved as to be of the higheft Importance to the Public; and if employed in every Inftance of apparent Death, it would reftore the Lives of many of our Fellow-Creatures, as it now anfwers the important Purpofes of Fumigation, Infpiration, and Expiration.

IV. Agitation has proved a powerful Auxiliary to the other Means of Recovery: One or more of the Affiftants fhould therefore take hold of the Legs and Arms, particularly of Boys, and fhake their Bodies for five or fix Minutes; this may be repeated feveral Times within the firft Hour. When the Body is wiped perfectly dry, it fhould be placed in Bed between two healthy Perfons, and the Friction chiefly directed, in this Cafe, to the left Side, where it will be moft likely to excite the Motion of the Heart.

V. When thefe Methods have been employed for an Hour, if any Brewhoufe, Bakehoufe, or Glafshoufe be near, where warm Grains, Afhes, Lees, &c. can be procured, the Body fhould be placed in any of thefe, moderated to a Degree of Heat very little exceeding that of the Perfon in Health. If the warm Bath can be conveniently obtained, it may be advantageoufly ufed, in Conjunction with the earlieft Modes of Treatment.

VI. Electricity fhould be early employed, as it will increafe the beneficial Effects of the other Means of Recovery on the Syftem. "The Electrical Shock," fays Mr. KITE, in his Essay on the Recovery of the apparently Dead, "is to be admitted as the Teft or difcriminating Characteriftic of any Remains of Animal Life; and fo long as that produces Contractions, may the Perfon be faid to be in a recoverable State; but when that Effect has ceafed, there can no Doubt remain of the Party being abfolutely and positively dead." VII. If Convultions or other Signs of returning Life appear, a Tea-Spoonful or two of warm Water may be put into the Mouth; and if the Power of fwallowing be returned, a little warm Wine or Brandy and Water may be given. When this gradual Approach towards Recovery is obferved, and Breathing returned, let the Perfon be put into a warm Bed, and if difpofed to fleep, as is generally the Cafe, give no Difturbance, and he will awake, almost perfectly recovered.

The above Methods are to be used with Vigour for 3 or 4 Hours; for it is a vulgar and dangerous Opinion to suppose Persons are irrecoverable, because Life does not soon make its Appearance; an Opinion that has configned an immense Number to the Grave, who might have been restored to Life by Resolution and Perseverance.

Bleeding fhould never be employed in fuch Cafes, unlefs by the Direction of one of the Medical Affiftants, or fome other refpectable Gentlemen of the Faculty, who has paid Attention to the Subject of fufpended Animation.

On the first Alarm of any Person being drowned, let bot Water, Flour of Mustard, warm Blankets, hot Flannels, flat Bottles filled with hot Water, a heated Warming-Pan, Bellows, Brandy, Hartschorn Drops, and an Electrifying Machine be procured: These Articles being immediately employed, may be productive of restoring many useful and valuable Lives.

The common People will often reftore Life, by purfuing the Plans now recommended; but if Gentlemen of the Faculty can be obtained, their Affiftance fhould be immediately requefted, as their Skill will lead them judicioufly to vary the Methods of Treatment; and, in a Variety of Accidents, many more Lives will be reftored to the Community and to their Families.

The above Means of Reftoration have proved efficacious in APPARENT. SUDDEN DEATH by Convulsions, Suffocations, Intoxication, Hanging, intense Cold, and the tremendous Stroke of Lightning. When Perfons are FROST-BITTEN, BITTEN, they fhould be rubbed with Snow, previous to their being brought into a warm Room. In SUFFOCA-TION, occafioned by the Fumes of Sulphur, Charcoal, &c. dashing the Face and Breast with cold Water has been known to reftore Life.

** Publicans and others, who have been deterred from receiving the apparently Dead into their Houfes, or giving immediate Affiftance, under an Apprehenfion of legal Punifhment or Penalties, are now informed, that the Committee have obtained the following Opinion of an eminent SPECIAL PLEADER :--- "It is a "Mifdemeanour by the common Law, and an indictable Offence, to prevent the Coroner from doing his "Duty, or to obftruct him in the Execution of it; but the meddling with a Body apparently dead, for the "Purpofe of preferving Life, *is not a Tranfgreffion of the* "Law in either of thefe Refpects; nor do I know any "Statute by which fuch an Act is prohibited."

All Perfons who immediately admit the Drowned, or otherwife Suffocated, and afford Affiftance in the various Inftances of apparent Death, will be indemnified by the Managers of this Inftitution; and are informed, that the *Charges of Burial*, in unfuccefsful Cafes, will be paid by the ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

THE END.