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Twelve Ordinary and Two Special Meetings.

	Ordinary.	Special.	Total.
W. H. Robertson (Chairman).....	10	2	12
W. P. Shipton	0	0	0
R. R. Duke	7	0	7
R. Bennet	0	0	0
J. W. Taylor.....	3	0	3
F. Turner	0	0	0
F. K. Dickson	3	2	5
G. F. Barnard	6	2	8
W. H. Flint	1	0	1
I. Walton	8	2	10
A. A. Bagshawe	1	0	1
G. Robertson.....	5	0	5
J. G. H. Stamper.....	4	0	4
H. Shaw	1	0	1
P. Le Gros.....	8	2	10
J. Taylor	11	2	13
E. C. Milligan	9	1	10
W. Malam.....	12	2	14
A. Shipton.....	2	1	3
J. W. Maclure	0	0	0
N. Shelmerdine.....	0	0	0
E. Ashworth	0	0	0
P. Goldschmidt	0	0	0
G. Wainwright.....	6	1	7
T. H. Lowthian	9	1	10

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Twelve Meetings.

The Chairman.....	9	J. Taylor	8
B. R. Duke	7	G. Wainwright	4
I. Walton.....	9	G. F. Barnard.....	7
P. Le Gros	9	E. C. Milligan.....	7
F. K. Dickson	1	W. Malam	11

PREFACE.

The Buxton mineral water is discharged from several openings in very large quantities, at the temperature of 82 degrees, Fahrenheit. It is charged with nitrogen gas in, probably, a larger degree than any other mineral water. This gas is presented in water, which has, otherwise, alkaline, earthy, and saline properties; and is remarkably detergent and softening to the skin when used as a bath; while it is free from odour or disagreeable taste, is clear and bright in its appearance, and of a singularly beautiful faintly blue colour.

The medicinal action of the water, whether used as baths, or drunk, has been from time immemorial known to be great in relieving or curing all conditions of a rheumatic or gouty character. It is stated by Dr. Jones, so long ago as the year 1572, that it was then used for the relief of the same ailments as it is at the present time.

Dr. Jones says that in his time Buxton was much resorted to by poor afflicted persons; and towards the end of the sixteenth century this was considered to be so serious an injury by the inhabitants of the adjoining chapelry of Fairfield, as to render them unable to provide funds for the maintenance of their chaplain, by reason of the urgent and continued claims of the many poor sufferers resorting to the Buxton Baths, as set forth in a petition on this matter addressed by them to Queen Elizabeth. These poor persons had been from time immemorial so far aided, as to have had gratuitous baths of the mineral water provided for them; and there seems to have been a fund called the "Treasury of the Bath," by which their pecuniary necessities were more or less ministered to. Dr. Jones writes, in reference to this fund, what may be quoted in this place:—"If any think this magisterial imposing on people's pockets, let them consider their abilities and the sick poor's necessities, and think whether they do not in idle pastimes throw away in vain, twice as much yearly; it may entail the blessings of them who are ready to perish upon you, and will afford a pleasant after-reflection. God has given you physic for nothing; let the poor and afflicted (it may be members of Christ) have a little of your money,—it may be the better for your own health: Heaven might have put them in your room and you in theirs; then a supply would have been acceptable to you."

Beyond this somewhat vague earlier history, there is no record of the Buxton Bath Charity until the year 1785, of which date there is extant at the Hospital, a document (*vide* pages 34-35), apparently an annual report of the Institution, from which time the use of the baths and waters and pecuniary aid had been regularly given to the poor patients until the year 1859, when the Devonshire Hospital was provided for the reception of the patients.

It has been gathered from the annual reports that in the eighteen years from 1820, 14,906 patients were admitted to the benefits of the Charity, of which number 12,608 were discharged as cured or much relieved.

In the twenty following years, from 1838 to 1858, 23,319 patients were admitted; and of these, 16,575 were cured or much relieved; 5,859 were relieved in some degree; and 885 were no better at the time of discharge.

The Devonshire Hospital was opened for the reception of the patients of the Charity in the year 1859. It is the successful result of the conversion of a very extensive range of building, erected and used as stables since the commencement of the present century. The structure, which is of important and substantial character, surrounds a parterre of considerable extent, and contains a colonnade of handsome proportions, is situated on a commanding eminence, presenting views of the town and valley of Buxton, and is near to the baths, the railway stations, and the principal buildings.

From the year 1820, then, to the beginning of September, 1858, when the Hospital was opened, or in 38 years, the Institution had received 38,225 patients; of which number 35,042 were beneficially treated, and 2,183 were very partially if at all relieved. During those 38 years the Buxton Bath Charity received, on an average, upwards of 1,000 patients every year, and afforded cure or marked relief to 922 of that number. To a very large proportion of this important number of poor sufferers, chiefly from chronic rheumatism, the Charity gave a weekly allowance of 6s. during their stay in Buxton, in addition to all other benefits; until the funds became so seriously impaired that the weekly money allowance was necessarily reduced to 5s., at which sum it remained until the opening of the Hospital. From the time of reducing the weekly money allowance, the pecuniary prosperity of the Buxton Bath Charity may be dated. The funds accumulated year by year, until the time of rebuilding the Buxton Baths, on the part of the Duke of Devonshire, when a capital of nearly £3,000 had been gathered together by the scrupulous management of the Trustees. The names may be mentioned, first and particularly, of the late Bishop Spencer, at one time a trustee, and incumbent of Buxton, and more recently one of the Vice-Presidents of the Hospital; of Mr. Heacock, and Mr. Smithers, its successive Treasurers; and of Sir Charles Scudamore, Mr. Page, Mr. Cumming, Dr. Carstairs, and the Rev. R. P. Hull Brown,—as being no longer alive to witness and take part in the present development of the Charity; and also in order of seniority as to connection with the

Institution, of Dr. Robertson, and of the Hon. and Rev. F. R. Grey, as still living to rejoice in the well-doing of the Buxton Charity and its Hospital. Of these £3,000, £500 was judiciously expended on the rebuilding of the Charity Natural Baths; the large remaining sum which those baths cost, and the whole cost of the Hot Baths of the Charity, having been paid by the munificence of the late Duke of Devonshire. Again, in 1853-4, when the proposal of a hospital to receive the patients of the Institution was brought before the public by Mr. Smithers and the other Trustees, the sum of £1,000 from the accumulated fund was given towards the Hospital; leaving a residue of £1,500 consols, which sum remains thus invested. (See Estate Account.)

The history and doings of the Buxton Bath Charity have thus been summarily brought down to the time of forming the Hospital, the expenses of which were defrayed by the individual and collective liberality of the Trustees; by special subscriptions from the public; by the proceeds of a bazaar, that was bountifully supplied and supported, &c.—a total sum of £6,000 having been thus got together, and expended on the conversion of this valuable building to hospital purposes. This conversion with its anxious details and successful results, was mainly due to the untiring exertions of the late Mr. Wilmot, aided by the architectural skill of Mr. H. Currey, and the liberal consideration of the late Duke of Devonshire.

It forms an interesting episode in this history, that, in the winter of 1862-3, during what will be long remembered as the Cotton Famine, a special fund was obtained, chiefly by the exertions of the late Mr. Wilmot, and 100 young women, under 30 years of age, selected by the Relief Committees of their respective towns, as being most likely to be benefited by the change of air and the comforts of the Hospital, were received, and taken care of, as to food, and as to medicines, and restored to their homes in the subsequent spring, with renovated health and strength, and full of gratitude for what they had received. The balance of the subscriptions amounting, with interest, to £256, was invested as a separate fund for ever, to enable poor female operatives from factory towns to be received into the Hospital.

A very important circumstance in the history of the Hospital is that the grounds in front of it have been, with much kind consideration, made over to the Institution, on the part of the Duke of Devonshire; maintaining the detached position of the building, enhancing its appearance, and adding to the out-door advantages of the patients.

The building is the property of His Grace the Duke of Devonshire; and the conversion of it to the use of the Hospital for ever, on the payment of the rent of £5 yearly, was benevolently granted by the late Duke of Devonshire, as testified on the stone on the south front of the building, on which is inscribed: "The last munificent Charity of William Spencer, 6th Duke of Devonshire, K.G., who allowed these buildings to be converted to the use of the sick poor, January, A.D., 1858." A considerable sum of money that had been collected for the construction of the Hospital was expended upon the work. The

walls and roof of the structure were fortunately found to be in good preservation; the interior was entirely removed, and re-arranged; the subsoil carefully taken away; and about two-thirds of the building occupied for the purposes of the Hospital, by a chaplain's house, a dispensary, and a dispenser's apartments, a house for the master and matron, kitchen, day-rooms, dining-hall, and spacious dormitories, affording separate beds for 120 patients, in addition to the beds provided for cases of accident, and in addition to the rooms required for the servants of the establishment.

During the year 1868, a legal Conveyance of the buildings and grounds of the Hospital was given to the Trustees by the present Duke of Devonshire at the nominal rent of five shillings yearly, on the condition that they shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the Charity. (A copy of the Conveyance is appended at page 27.)

During the year 1872, the duties of Chaplain to the Hospital were kindly undertaken by the Vicar of Buxton, and the Chaplain's House was converted to the general purposes of the Hospital; the number of beds for patients was raised to 150; and better accommodation afforded to the out-patients, dispensary, &c.

During the twenty-five years since the Hospital was opened, there have been 35,185 patients under treatment, of which number 30,815 have been treated beneficially; and 3,866 or about one-ninth of the whole, were not suffering from any of the forms of rheumatism, but were such cases as are ordinarily met with in hospitals. On the average of the twenty-five years, the patients remained under treatment 24.11 days; and 31,319 cases of rheumatism, embracing every conceivable variety of this obstinate disease, were thus extensively relieved by the remedial agency of the Buxton mineral waters.

During the year 1881 the great extension works of the Hospital were practically completed, and the Hospital was formally opened by the Patron, His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, and the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund, on the 11th of October. The accommodation for the additional number of patients under the grant of £24,000 from the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund was obtained by the removal of the two walls which traversed the entire circuit of the main building, and formed the corridor communicating with the various wards; the whole space from the outside to the inside of the building was thus thrown open, and inner and outer windows supplied to all the wards; the internal area was thus increased very greatly, and ample space provided for wards and day-rooms to receive and accommodate the 300 patients. But an independent means of access to all the rooms of the Hospital was rendered necessary in consequence of this arrangement, and this could only be obtained by covering the large area of the interior, and giving access to the ground floor rooms from the floor of the inner basement, and to the rooms of the upper floor, from a gallery above this. This arrangement has, however, not only supplied the means of access to all parts of the Hospital, but has enabled all the wards to be practically detached from one another, almost giving the advantage of

the deservedly-praised pavilion principle of hospital construction, while it has facilitated the ventilation of the whole building to an important degree, and increased the free and ready admission of light to every part of the interior. The gallery has with much ingenuity been constructed exclusively of bricks and iron, by which it has been rendered entirely fire-proof, giving all possible security in the event of fire. The great, covered, dry, warmed area of half-an-acre, canopied by the largest dome that has ever been erected, supplies very obvious and valuable contingent advantages for the recreation of the patients in all cold or doubtful weather; advantages which must represent a value to the afflicted and often crippled inmates beyond any calculation. As the whole of the main building is now devoted to the patients of the Hospital, new buildings have been erected on the north side for all purposes that might be desirably detached, such as kitchens and kitchen offices, laundries, engine rooms, cellars, store-rooms, bedrooms for household servants, separate wards for accident cases, and rooms for the immediate isolation of any cases of infectious character that might become manifested. The £24,000 expended from the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund gives a prior claim on the 150 additional beds to the nominees of the Fund; and these beds have been allotted to the principal Hospitals within the area of the manufacturing districts. It cannot but be a subject of much regret that the extension has cost a larger sum than the grant by probably not less than £4,000. It is of evident importance that this outlay should not be left as a charge on the means and resources of the Hospital. It is hoped that by means of a bazaar, to be held in the Great Hall of the Hospital at some early date, a portion of this money may be obtained. The influence of all the supporters of the Hospital is anxiously and earnestly looked for.

This prefatory account has seemed to be needful for the information of those not already acquainted with the nature and merits of this Institution.

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The desirably-arranged partitioned corridors of hospital construction while it has facilitated the ventilation of the whole building to an important degree, and increased the free and ready admission of light to every part of the interior. The gallery has with much care and industry been constructed exclusively of bricks and iron, by which it has been rendered entirely fire-proof, and all possible security in this respect of the Hospital has been secured. The various and valuable contrivances for the ventilation of the patients in all cold or humid weather, and the arrangements which meet the wants of the patients of the Hospital, have been carefully considered on the north side for all purposes, the object being to despatchly deliver such as the rooms, beds, and rooms for the inmates of any cases of influenza, and rooms for the inmates of any cases of influenza.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

OF THE
DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL

AND
BUXTON BATH CHARITY,
FOR THE YEAR 1883.

The Members of the Committee of Management are enabled to report, year by year, the great and increasing usefulness of this Charitable Institution, adding, as it has done during the last twenty-five years, to the value of the ancient Buxton Bath Charity, by affording board and lodging, and every desirable care and attendance, to the Patients of the Hospital.

The greater power and usefulness of this building, in consequence of its more recent extension, is most interesting and satisfactory, and must be particularly gratifying to all who have been more immediately concerned in providing the funds for the extension, and in carrying it out. The experience of the second year, since the extension has been practically completed, confirms, in the fullest degree, the hopes and expectations of all concerned, as to the greater power and opportunity given to the Executive of the Hospital, of adding to the number of the Patients, and to the hopefulness of curative results. During the year, 2,230 In-patients have been admitted. It may be noticed that this is a larger number of Patients than has ever been received in the Hospital during any year. It exceeds the number of Patients received during 1882 by 374, and the number received during 1881 by 628. It is a no less gratifying statement that 410 of these additional Patients have been sent to the Hospital during the year under the powers of the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund; 234 Patients having been received under these powers during 1882; evidencing the broader and broader basis which the extension has given to the usefulness of the Hospital, and as these Patients are not provided for either by the subscriptions to the Hospital, or by any of its other sources of revenue, they add in no degree to its financial liabilities.

Of the 2,230 In-patients, 2,067 are reported as having been discharged improved, 101 as no better; it has necessarily to be regretted that no fewer than 10 had to be sent away on account of drunkenness; 4 were discharged at their own request; 2 were found to be unfit cases; 6 left without report; 2 had died, and 38 remained on the books on the 31st of December.

The number of Out-patients admitted during the year was 234, or within 9 of the number admitted during the preceding year. Of these, 193 are reported to have been discharged improved, 4 to have been no better, 34 to have left without report, and 3 to have been on the books on the 31st December. The Subscribers are again reminded that these unreported cases must be most unsatisfactory to all concerned. It is a matter which can only be dealt with by the Subscribers who recommend them. It is a gratifying circumstance that many of these Patients belong to the better classes of poor people, and deserve every charitable consideration, as not being able to obtain the medical advice and the gratuitous use of the Baths and waters without the help of this Institution; some consist of those who cannot defer the visit to Buxton until available vacant beds are obtainable, and probably the majority of them may not have been able to obtain In-patient's recommendations.

It had been a matter of regret, during the earlier years of the existence of the Hospital, that no report seemed obtainable as to the final result of the Hospital treatment; and during the last ten years a form, printed on a postal card, has been given to every In-patient on leaving the Hospital, to be filled up and returned six weeks after discharge. During the ten years 12,305 of these cards have been received, 8,873 are reported as improved, 3,376 as no better, and 56 as having died. During 1883, 1,890 of these postal cards have been received, and 1,345 are *self-reported, six weeks after having left the Hospital*, as improved, 537 as no better, and 8 are reported as having died. The long duration, the chronic character, and the severity of a very large number of these cases, must be borne in mind in estimating the value of this record. It may, perhaps, be imperfect at the best, and the inferences from it may be more or less uncertain. Any remaining lameness would influence the report of the Patient, or any other salient interference with health, strength, or ability, and notwithstanding any amount of general improvement in most particulars, constitutional or otherwise. Moreover, the number of the deaths thus recorded, within so few weeks after leaving the Hospital, is sufficient index to the grave nature of many of these cases. But, taking all the circumstances into consideration, as to the nature of the principal ailment, viz.: rheumatism, as to its probable chronic condition, and as to the failure of previous treatment, it must be held that the results thus reported are remarkable and satisfactory beyond any reasonable expectation.

The average number of Patients daily resident in the Hospital has been 145.2. The number in the Hospital has, as usual, varied considerably during the several months of the year. The number of beds occupied during January was only 33.9; during February, only 57.2; during March, only 92.2; during April, only 118.2; during May, 185.7; during June, 219.4; during July, 253.8; during August, 271.8; during September, 238.6; during October, 141.5; during November, only 80.8; and during December, only 50.9.

The average number of days in the Hospital per Patient has been 23.8. It is a reasonable assumption that a longer stay in the Hospital would often be desirable if the means were afforded.

The average cost per day of each Patient has been 2s. 3½d. The average cost for each Patient for three weeks has been £2 8s. 1½d. There is a certain outlay on what are known as medical comforts or medical necessaries, dependent upon extra diets, specially ordered by the medical staff. This charge is believed to be as small as would be desirable. A great difficulty in hospital management must always be to steer a middle course between kindly expenditure and unwise or needless outlay. Severe cases must add pro-

portionally to expenditure. The expenditure on the Hospital baths, &c., constitutes a much greater addition to the outlay of the Institution. It will be observed that there is the fractional increase in the charge per Patient, beyond that of the year 1882, of nearly one farthing per day. This small increase appears to be due entirely to additional price of provisions.

The financial position of the Hospital has been less affected, not only during the past year, but during the last five years, than might have been expected, and probably less than has been reported by similar Institutions throughout the country. The important sum of £1,089 16s. 3d., received on account of the Patients admitted under the powers of the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund, must be gratefully mentioned as most helpful in maintaining so much of the cost of the extended work of the Hospital. The receipts from annual subscriptions, from casual subscriptions, and from donations received at the Hospital have been severally somewhat in excess of the preceding year; but the donations received through the Buxton Hotels and Lodging-houses have been considerably less. The offertories and collections in Churches and Chapels, principally on what is now called Hospital Sunday, have been nearly the same as the preceding year, but have been received from a much larger number of Churches and Chapels. This must be a gratifying circumstance, and be hopeful as to the future. The receipts for extra time of In-patients, and for extra Out-patients, have been less than in the preceding year. Additional expenditure has been evidently due to increased work, or to a larger number of severe cases. It is, moreover, more or less strange, but probably quite true, that a larger Institution seems to be always proportionally more expensive. It may be trusted that this is due to more complete working, attended with a so far more satisfactory result. It is, at all events, a thankful record that the income of the Hospital should be found to have been fairly proportioned to the larger outlay occasioned by its extended usefulness.

Four legacies have been received during the year, amounting to £977 19s. 2d. One of these amounting to £450, under the Will of Mrs. Harriet Barnes, of Bentley Cottage, Ashbourne; one of £10 under the Will of Mrs. Irton, of Calder Abbey; one of £17 19s. 2d. under the Will of Mr. James Thurman, of Nottingham; and one of £500 under the Will of Mr. E. E. Mollady, of Manchester.

The Life Subscriptions received during the year amount to £199 10s.

The total sum obtained from Offertories and Collections in Churches and Chapels has been £180 3s. 1d. Offertories have only been granted in the Buxton Churches on the one Sunday. Those at St. John's and St. James' Churches have amounted to £91 4s. 6d. Efforts have been made during recent years by the unanimous and urgent wish of the members of the Committee of Management to obtain united action in aid of the Hospital from all the Churches and Chapels in Buxton and its neighbourhood on the given Sunday of the year. This wish has been readily and kindly responded to by the clergy and ministers of the Buxton, Burbage, Fairfield, Wormbill, Earl Sterndale, and Harpur Hill Churches, Trinity Episcopal Chapel, Bottesford Church, Arley Chapel, Belvoir Castle Church, Over Tabley, Taxal, Ketton, New Mills, Knipton, Bradbourne, and Ballidon Churches; Aldwick Mission Room, the Congregational Church, Buxton; Presbyterian Services, and the Buxton Wesleyan Chapel.

It is subject of reasonable regret that collections have not been obtained from many other Churches and Chapels. More might be expected to be received from these influential sources of benevolent action, and especially when situated in the manufacturing centres of population, obtaining, as

these towns and districts do, a very large proportion of the benefit derived from the work of the Hospital.

As to the working of the Hospital, the powers of the Subscribers, &c., these remain as heretofore. The 150 beds previously at the disposal of the Subscribers for the admission of the Patients recommended by them, remain exclusively subject to their recommendation. The 150 beds created by the £24,000 granted by the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund are subject to the prior claim on behalf of the Patients recommended under their authority. If not so utilised, these additional beds are at the disposal of the Patients recommended by the Subscribers, on the same terms as paid to the Hospital, under the arrangement with the Governors of the Convalescent Fund, namely, the payment of the actual average cost of the Patient to the funds of the Hospital. This evidently equitable arrangement, in reference to the financial position and necessities of the Hospital, in reference to the arrangement with the Governors of the Convalescent Fund, and in reference to the utilization of the vacant beds, has been acted upon by 163 Subscribers during the past year, and seems likely to be a most valuable means of increasing usefulness, without adding to the financial responsibilities of the Institution.

The final details of the Hospital Extension are virtually completed. The Baths for the use of the Patients, doubled in number, are found to be equal to the necessities of the Hospital. The new Drinking Well, for the exclusive use of the Patients of the Hospital, has relieved the public wells from undue pressure, and is a convenience to the Patients of the Institution. The arbitration which was found to be unavoidable for the adjustment of the final claims of the principal contractor, has not yet been completed, owing to the illness of the architect, and other causes. It is hoped that the award of the arbitrator cannot be much longer delayed. In the meantime, the advantage of the re-construction to the general powers of the Hospital, and the evident comfort and benefit of the Patients, is so great, as to be represented by no reasonable expenditure beyond the grant from the Convalescent Fund. The several advantages that have been secured under the improved and extended arrangements are thus great, quite independently of the indescribable advantage of having enabled the stables, with all their contingencies, to be removed to a distance from the Hospital.

The 150 beds assigned to the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund, have, with great kindness and judgment, been allotted to the several hospitals, &c., of Manchester, Salford, Ashton-under-Lyne, Blackburn, Lancaster, Macclesfield, Preston, Stockport, Wigan, and Oldham. If the conditions of this arrangement continue to be strictly complied with, and such cases only are sent as are most suitable to the curative influences of the Buxton Waters, and, in fact, the same class of cases as those heretofore received, the value of this Charity will have been doubled, without increased anxiety as to its maintenance by the benevolence of the public.

The Hospital has to lament the death of the Right Hon. the Lord Overstone, who, during fifteen years, has been kind enough to occupy the important position of President of the Institution. The Hospital has been greatly indebted to Lord Overstone, from time to time, for munificent benefactions to its funds.

The Committee of Management has sustained a loss in the death of the Rev. Augustus A. Bagshawe, M.A., Vicar of Wormhill, who had been a Trustee and Member of the Committee during 12 years.

Dr. Robertson has again been unanimously re-elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Committee of Management.

The Sheffield and Rotherham Banking Company have again been unanimously re-elected Treasurers of the Hospital.

The Chairman is *ex-officio* a member of the House Committee, and Mr. R. B. Duke, Mr. I. Walton, Mr. P. Le Gros, Dr. Dickson, Mr. Josiah Taylor, Mr. G. F. Barnard, Mr. E. C. Milligan, Mr. G. Wainwright, and the Rev. W. Malam, have again been unanimously re-elected members of this Committee.

Mr. A. Schofield and Mr. S. Taylor have again been unanimously re-elected Auditors.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Clergymen and Ministers who have allowed sermons to be preached in their Churches and Chapels on behalf of the Hospital, and also to the Clergymen and Ministers who have preached the sermons.

The sermons preached on behalf of the Hospital in the Churches and Chapels of Buxton and the neighbourhood, were by the Rev. W. Lear, B.A., the Rev. A. Pavey, M.A., Vicar of Mansfield; the Rev. J. G. H. Stamper, Vicar of Burbage; the Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson, Vicar of Fairfield; the Rev. G. Rogerson, Vicar of Peak Forest; the Rev. Gordon Robertson, M.A., Vicar of Earl Sterndale; the Rev. C. S. Green, Minister of Trinity Episcopal Chapel; the Rev. B. Dexter, Incumbent of Harpur Hill; the Rev. Alexander Hannay, D.D., the Rev. J. W. Blore, and the Rev. J. T. McGaw.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Proprietors of the Hotels and Lodging-houses of Buxton, and also to the Presidents at the public dinner tables of the several Hotels; to the Managers and Attendants, and to all who have in any way exerted themselves to obtain support for the Hospital; the powers of the Institution depend much on these exertions. The interests of Buxton are so greatly promoted by the prosperity and usefulness of the Hospital, that the claims of the Institution are urged upon the inhabitants as being identical with the interests of the town.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Members of the Buxton Local Board, for permission to place conspicuously in St. Ann's Well, a newspaper box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Directors of the Palace Hotel Company, for permission to place conspicuously in the Entrance Hall of the Hotel, a donation box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Directors of the Buxton Improvements Company, for permission to place conspicuously in the Entrance to the Pavilion, a donation and newspaper box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Proprietors of the Newspapers in which the quarterly reports, weekly reports, and meteorological reports, from the Hospital, are inserted. In no way can the interests of the Charity be more effectually promoted.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the ladies and gentlemen who have acted as Visitors to the Hospital during the several months of the year. The value of such services may be obviously very important; it is hoped that it will be increasingly felt, that these official visits should be frequent, and that the visits should not be of merely formal character, but that details should be enquired into, and any suggestions and remarks entered in the book kept for this purpose.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Members of the Medical Staff for their gratuitous services to the Hospital; any adequate pecuniary compensation for their services must be always beyond the means of the Institution, and probably would not be received from the Charity if it could be offered.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Honorary Chaplain, the Rev. W. Malam, M.A., Vicar of Buxton; to Dr. Sykes, the Honorary Meteorologist; to the Treasurers, to the Auditors, and to the various Officials, whether honorary or otherwise, who, in their several capacities, have served the Hospital during the year.

It will be noticed that the Annual Meeting of the Subscribers is to be held on the First Saturday in May, at half-past three in the Afternoon.

Statements are submitted of the Revenue Account for the year ending December 31st, 1888, the Estate Account, and General Balance Sheet; together with the Annual Statement of the Wilmot Relief Fund Account.

There is a nucleus for a Samaritan Fund, kindly and chiefly contributed by Frederick Cooper, Esq., Inspector General of Hospitals, aided by J. H. Challis, Esq., Miss Hall, Douglas Hebson, Esq., Alfred Hardwick, Esq., Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Garner, G. Walton, Esq., Dr. Sanderson, the Rev. T. France Hayland, F. A. Burrows, Esq., J. J. Edgar, Esq., Mrs. Nesfield, the Rev. F. G. Hodgson, the Rev. B. Winfield, H. Robinson Esq., Mrs. Pym Reading, Miss Forrest, Lady Emily Williams, Miss Annie Byre, and the King William Fourth Lodge of Odd-Fellows, Chesterfield, intended for the relief of urgent cases of distress on being discharged from the Hospital, the interest of which is available at the discretion of the Officials under the authority of the House Committee. During the past year a portion of this small fund has been utilized for the relief of necessitous Patients upon being discharged from the Hospital. Contributions to the Fund are earnestly solicited. The Statement of Account for the past year is submitted.

It is gratifying to state that Miss Emma Mitchell, Miss Russell, and other friends have again sent a quantity of warm clothing, &c., for the Patients; and that Sir A. Sassoon, Lady Borthwick, Lady Emily Williams, Mrs. Luck, Miss Trimmer, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Greenup, Mr. Fred. Coventry, the Rev. T. Eagar, Mrs. Ault, the Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson, Mrs. Hague, Miss Donner, Mr. W. D. Sutton, Mrs. Chandos Pole-Gell, Mrs. Leigh, Mr. B. P. Billbrough, Miss Armistead, Mrs. Malkin, Mr. W. W. Mackay, Mr. Barker, Mr. D. Johnstone, Mr. G. W. Grant Wilson, and various other ladies and gentlemen, have sent books, illustrated newspapers, periodicals, illuminated texts, tracts, &c., for the use of the Patients. The Vicar of Buxton and the Incumbent of Harpur Hill have presented the offerings of fruit and flowers from the Harvest Festivals in their respective churches. Gifts of fruit have also been received from other friends for the use of the Patients.

Mr. B. W. Bentley, of the Quadrant, Buxton, has, with kind and liberal consideration, presented to the Hospital a life-size photographic portrait of His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, as patron of the Hospital. The portrait is an admirable likeness, it is framed suitably in solid oak, and, in accordance with Mr. Bentley's request, it has been hung in the Entrance Hall of the Hospital.

The Countess of Meath has presented for the use of the Hospital Patients two seats, which have been placed at her ladyship's expense in

recesses midway between the Baths and the Hospital. The Countess of Erne and Mrs. Wyatt have each presented a wheel chair for the use of Patients who are unable to walk.

Mrs. and Miss Cooke, of Edgemoor, Buxton, and Dr. and Mrs. H. Taylor, of Bootle, have presented a large collection of mounted pictures for the permanent decoration of the wards of the Hospital.

Two plaques, painted by Miss M. Donald, have been presented and sold for the benefit of the Hospital.

Mr. Fred. Coventry has presented various appliances for games for the entertainment of the Patients.

To these kind donors the Committee desire to tender their thanks, and would also add their acknowledgments to the Misses Smith and Arthur, of Craigholme, for the aid rendered to the Hospital by a concert in the Pavilion by their pupils, the proceeds of which were given to the Hospital; and to the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted Mr. Aptommas, the well-known harpist, at a concert in the Hospital, by which the sum of £16 was obtained in aid of the Hospital.

A valuable public clock has been placed in the Clock Tower of the Hospital, by His Grace the Duke of Devonshire. It is of great advantage as completing the Clock Tower and making it useful, and is of importance, not only to the Hospital, but to the people of Buxton generally. The clock not only strikes the hours on a bell of full size and tone, but marks the quarters by what are known as the Cambridge chimes, with much musical sweetness. The dials are lighted by gas at night, by the kind consideration of the Buxton Local Board.

A report has been received from Mr. Edwin Simpson, the kind promoter of the Library Fund, &c., for the Patients of the Hospital, stating that the books in question are largely read by the less afflicted Patients of the Institution. It is hoped that this use of the valuable collection of books may continue to be adequate to expectation, and that, perhaps, other friends to the comfort and edification of the Patients, may from time to time add to the number of interesting books. Mr. Simpson's continued services to this good work deserves grateful acknowledgment. It is pleasing to note that Mr. Simpson designates himself as "Honorary Librarian."

The quarterly reports from the Hospital, during the year, have been rendered especially valuable by the introduction of a classified summary of the medical work and its results, by Dr. Lorimer and Mr. Craig, the medical residents. Mr. Craig has been obliged to resign his appointment, to the regret of the Committee of Management, from impaired health, and his position has been filled by the appointment of Dr. Buist.

Dr. Lorimer and Dr. Buist submit herewith a tabulated account of the year's medical work, which cannot but be interesting to the Subscribers and supporters of the Hospital, as most satisfactory evidence of the value of this Institution. The ability and painstaking care of the report are testified by internal evidence, and deserve the thankful consideration of the Committee.

CLASSIFIED SUMMARY OF THE MEDICAL WORK OF THE
DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1883,

By Dr. LORIMER and Dr. BUIST, the Medical Residents.

During the year 1883, 2,230 Patients have been admitted.

The subjoined classification indicates the diseases from which they suffered :—

I. RHEUMATISM :		Males	959	}	1,516
		Females	557		
II. RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS :		Females	192	}	227
		Males	35		
III. GOUT :		Males	68	}	70
		Females	2		
IV. SCIATICA :		Males	112	}	137
		Females	25		
V. GONORRHOEAL RHEUMATISM :		Males	25	}	27
		Females	2		
					1,977
VI. DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM :		Hemiplegia	38		
		Locomotor Ataxia	22		
		Progressive Muscular Atrophy	2		
		Lateral Sclerosis (3 Amyotrophic).. .. .	12		
		Lead Palsy	13		
		Writer's Palsy	1		
		Chorea	8		
		Neuralgia	10		
		Paralysis Agitans	1		
		Paraplegia	9		
		Infantile Paralysis	1		
					117
VII. The remaining 136 cases consisted of other diseases, such as struma, phthisis, bronchitis, caries of the vertebrae, anaemia, injuries to joints, diabetes melitus, dyspepsia..					136
					2,230

Referring to the first class of cases, for which treatment at Buxton is specially suited, the subjoined table shows the sex and period of life at which the disease began, with the nature of the commencement :—

	Males.	Females.	Acute.	Sub-acute.	Chronic.
Under 10 years	26	19	44	1	0
10 to 20	131	126	183	41	33
20 " 30	217	111	160	44	124
30 " 40	188	114	104	28	170
40 " 50	158	100	53	23	182
50 " 60	166	62	18	15	195
60 " 70	63	23	0	1	85
Above 70	10	2	0	0	12

The proportion of cases of rheumatism complicated with heart disease, was as follows :—

MALES :

37 per cent. of those who had had an acute attack.
12 " " " " a sub-acute attack.
4 " " " " who suffered from chronic rheumatism only.

FEMALES:

38 per cent. after acute.
 21 " " " sub-acute.
 51 " " " chronic only.

The period of life at which acute rheumatism is liable to be followed by disease of the heart is shown by the following table:—

	Number of Cases.	Heart Disease in
Under 10 years.....	44	28 = 63 per cent.
10 to 20 "	183	98 = 53 "
20 " 30 "	160	47 = 29 "
30 " 40 "	104	20 = 19 "
40 " 50 "	53	12 = 22 "
50 " 60 "	18	6 = 33 "

Referring again to the cases of rheumatism:—

The structures affected, the extent and amount of structural alterations and disablement, form a basis of classification in four divisions.

CLASS I. contained all those cases in which the following conditions were present:—

- (1) Articular contractions.
- (2) Swelling and depositions in and around the joints affected.
- (3) Partial, and in some cases complete, ankylosis with
- (4) Thickening of fasciæ.
- (5) Muscular atrophy.
- (6) Cardiac complication.

This class contained the most aggravated cases, and numbered 105.

CLASS II. contained those cases in which the above conditions were present to a less degree, or some of them (especially ankylosis and articular contraction) were absent altogether.

The class numbered 498.

CLASS III. contained those cases in which articular changes were only slightly marked.

Frequently, however, they were complicated with cardiac affections. These numbered 701.

CLASS IV. contained all cases of rheumatism of muscular aponeurosis, and sheaths of tendons, &c.

These numbered 212.

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS.

The subjoined table indicates the sex and period of life:—

	Males.	Females.
Under 10 years	0	1
10 to 20 "	3	18
20 to 30 "	2	47
30 to 40 "	11	35
40 to 50 "	18	61
50 to 60 "	6	23
60 to 70 "	2	7
	35	192

In 7 of these cases there was disease of the heart, traceable in 5 to a previous attack of acute rheumatism.

GOUT.

68 Males. 2 Females.

Of the 68 male cases 32 occurred in painters and plumbers, who had been exposed to the poisonous action of lead. The remaining 36 cases occurred in publicans, butlers, &c., and in 11 of the 36 there was also a hereditary predisposition to gout.

In both the females there was a hereditary predisposition.

Ages at which the gout occurred in male cases :—

20 to 30	3
30 to 40	13
40 to 50	28
50 to 60	17
60 to 70	7
	—
	68

Both the women were over 50 years of age, and past the climacteric.

SCIATICA.

The cases of SCIATICA were 137.

	Males.	Females.
From 10 to 25	1	3
20 to 30	9	4
30 to 40	23	3
40 to 50	33	6
50 to 60	29	6
60 to 70	16	2
Above 70	1	1
	—	—
	112	25

GONORRHOEAL RHEUMATISM.

Of the 27 cases of Gonorrhoeal Rheumatism, 15 occurred between the ages of 20 and 25 years.

The joints affected in the majority of the cases were the ankles and knees.

CURATIVE RESULTS IN CASES OF RHEUMATISM.

Passing now to the curative results, the benefit and value of the treatment may be best estimated by classifying the cases in four divisions, according to the severity and the amount of the disablement in the structures affected, the duration of the disease, and the period of life, and existing complications.

I. The first class contains the cases of the most aggravated character; where on admission the Patients were completely crippled, and in whom locomotion was quite impossible; where extensive alterations of the joints and surrounding structures existed, and the muscles were wasted; and where from long duration of the disease the general health had given way, or intercurrent complications had arisen.

This division comprised 105 cases: sixteen have made a complete and perfect recovery; fifty-five received varying degrees of benefit; thirty-four were discharged uninfluenced by the treatment. One case in particular, received from a Hospital for Incurables, who had been unable to feed himself, or to stand, was able, on discharge, to walk for some time with assistance under the Dome of the Hospital. This illustrates one of the ways to which the great space in question is used with advantage.

II. The second division differs from the first, not in kind, but in degree. It comprised all cases where joint disablement existed in a less severe form than in the preceding class; where Patients were able to go about but with difficulty; and where the general health was less impaired. It contained 498 cases, all of whom received varying degrees of benefit.

One note-worthy case, re-admitted, had been seven years crippled, and five years confined to a fixed sedentary position, and was enabled to walk, with the aid of crutches, several hundred yards.

III. The third class contains those cases in which rheumatism, having insidiously commenced, had become less pronouncedly chronic, and had not produced much damage in the articular structures; where there was pain without deformity; where the disease was combated at an earlier period of its history; and, secondly, it contains all cases which owed their origin to an attack of acute rheumatism not unfrequently in younger subjects.

It contained 701 cases.

The large majority were much improved.

IV. The fourth class includes all cases of lumbago, muscular rheumatism, and articular rheumatism, occurring in old age, in which the cases are often associated with the degenerative structural changes of advanced life, and the diseases incident to it.

This group contained 212 cases, and even in them the amount of relief was satisfactory and encouraging.

In reference to those cases in Class I. who made a complete recovery, it may be observed that although the term of treatment was more prolonged, and the attention bestowed greater, the result finally culminated in a curative achievement the value of which cannot be over estimated.

In Class III. the curative progress was rapid, the benefit marked, and, except where intercurrent complications existed, lasting benefit was realised, as these are for the most part known to have remained well since their discharge.

There were two cases of death during the year, both from disease of the heart; considering the large number of cases complicated by disease of the heart, it is satisfactory that the mortality was so low.

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS.

Of the 227 cases of Rheumatoid Arthritis treated during the year, 20 per cent. left *in statu quo*; of the remainder, all derived benefit, varying from relief in the more aggravated cases, to complete recovery in those less advanced.

Rheumatoid Arthritis, a disease probably of neuropathic origin, frequently associated with debilitated conditions, is generally regarded as an intractable and obstinate affection; and although in its advanced stages it would be impossible to hope for articular regeneration, yet the above results show that in its less advanced stages at any rate, the disease may be successfully combated.

GOUT.

The curative results in Gout, except in advanced cases with hereditary history, and whose previous habits of life had undermined their constitutions, or where the system was saturated with lead, were satisfactory and encouraging.

SCIATICA.

A similar statement may be made in regard to the cases of Sciatica, except where complicated with organic disease.

With regard to other cases which left without benefit, they did not properly belong to the class of cases which are known to receive benefit from treatment at Buxton.

At the Annual Meeting of the Committee of Management, held at the Hospital on Saturday, the 5th of January, 1884, it was moved by Mr. Walton, seconded by Mr. Duke, and resolved unanimously, that the thanks of the Committee be given to the Chairman (Dr. Robertson) for the report, and for his assiduous attention to the interests of the Hospital; that the report be adopted, and that it be printed and circulated as usual, with the Classified Summary of the Medical Work by the Medical Residents, the Annual Statement of Accounts, &c., amongst the Subscribers and supporters of the Institution.

Dr. *Devonshire Hospital, Buxton.—Revenue Account for the year ending Dec. 31, 1883.* Cr.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Annual Subscriptions—									
Received in 1882, brought forward	88	4	0				326	5	5
Arrears, December 31st, 1882	33	11	0				146	18	6
Subscriptions for 1883	3079	0	0				176	5	4
				2820	15	0	1003	11	0
Less Arrears, December 31st, 1883							10	14	1
Withdrawn and written off	451	9	0				1291	14	7
				267	14	0	238	2	8
							104	4	7
To Casual Subscriptions.							159	3	2
Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund				2533	1	0	69	17	8
Donations received at the Hospital				1063	19	6	99	0	6
Donations collected by Patients				1090	16	3	28	2	6
Donations per Hotels and Lodging-houses				307	3	6	1	14	6
Offeratories and Collections in Churches and Chapels				10	14	3	10	19	6
To Extra Time				307	19	9	13	8	2
To Extra Out-patients				180	3	1	5	0	0
				331	2	6	9	19	6
				43	1	0	76	6	1
To Interest—									5811 7 9
Downe's Charity	£4	10	0						
Three per Cent. Consols	122	9	8						
New Three per Cent. Consols	134	12	0						
Midland Railway Stock	3	17	10						
Reclaimed Income Tax on Dividends	1	0	4						
Banker's Interest	21	1	6						
To Sundry Receipts				277	11	4			
				85	5	5			
									289 17 4
									6101 5 1
									5 0 0
									103 12 6
									66309 17 7

By Hospital Expenses—
Provisions
Medicines and Drugs
Coals and Coke
Gas
Water
Salaries and Wages
House Expenses, Renewals of Furniture, &c.
Repairs
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery
Postage Stamps, Cards, and Wrappers
Rates and Taxes
Fire Insurance
Steam Boiler Insurance
Dispensary Charges
Surgical Appliances
Auditors' Fees
Bankers' Commission
Sundry Payments
5811 7 9

By Baths Expenses—
Coke and Coals
Wages
Water for Engine
Fire Insurance
Steam Boiler Insurance
Repairs
Sundry Payments
289 17 4

By Interest on Legacy of the late David Holland
" Balance carried to Balance Sheet
6101 5 1
5 0 0
103 12 6
66309 17 7

Examined and found correct, January 19th, 1884,

WILLIAM HENRY ROBERTSON,
Chairman of the Board of Trustees and
Committee of Management.

A. SCHOFIELD,
SAMUEL TAYLOR, } Auditors.

Estate Account (Continued).

<p style="text-align: right;">Brought down 54937 3 10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1883.</p> <p>To Legacies</p> <p> " Life Subscriptions</p> <p> " Donations for Extensions</p> <p style="text-align: right;">977 19 2</p> <p style="text-align: right;">129 10 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8 3 0</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£56122 16 0</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Brought down 54401 13 0</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1883.</p> <p>By Building and Extensions</p> <p> " Re-lating Main Building, Completion</p> <p> " Furniture and Fittings</p> <p> " Baths Extensions</p> <p> " Drinking Well Building Account</p> <p> " Architect's Commission on Baths Extensions and Drinking Well</p> <p> " Balance carried to Balance Sheet</p> <p style="text-align: right;">810 7 6</p> <p style="text-align: right;">301 2 10</p> <p style="text-align: right;">324 3 4</p> <p style="text-align: right;">230 16 9</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 15 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">77 10 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">72 7 7</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£56122 16 0</p>
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Devonshire Hospital, Buxton.—Balance Sheet, December 31, 1883.

<p style="text-align: right;">Brought down £1153 6 4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1884.</p> <p>To Revenue Account</p> <p> " Estate Account</p> <p> " To Amounts owing to Tradesmen and others</p> <p> " Annual Subscriptions received in advance</p> <p style="text-align: right;">103 12 6</p> <p style="text-align: right;">71 7 7</p> <p style="text-align: right;">861 16 3</p> <p style="text-align: right;">115 10 0</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£1153 6 4</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Brought down £1153 6 4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1884.</p> <p>By Provisions in Stock</p> <p> " Groceries in Stock</p> <p> " Medicines in Stock</p> <p> " Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund (December Account)</p> <p> " Amounts due to the Hospital for Sundries</p> <p> " Cash in Sheffield and Rotherham Bank</p> <p> " Cash in Secretary's hands</p> <p> " Cash in Steward's hands</p> <p style="text-align: right;">40 10 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5 8 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">83 0 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">42 2 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">31 1 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">917 19 9</p> <p style="text-align: right;">6 12 0</p> <p style="text-align: right;">26 13 7</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£1153 6 4</p>
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Wilmot Relief Fund, 1862-3.

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To Balance in hand, February 16th, 1866	£	s.	d.	By Buxton Local Board, Loan at 4 per cent.	£	s.	d.
	256	0	0		256	0	0
<i>Statement of Account for the Year ending December 31, 1883.</i>							
To Balance of previous Year's Account	£	s.	d.	By Devonshire Hospital for Patients admitted during the year	£	s.	d.
" Buxton Local Board, Interest	11	2	2	" Balance in hand, December 31st, 1883	19	4	6
" Banker's Interest on Account	9	19	3		2	3	11
	0	7	0				
	<u>£21 8 5</u>				<u>£21 8 5</u>		

Samaritan Fund.

To Balance in hand, December, 1880	£	s.	d.	By Buxton Local Board, Loan at 4 per cent.	£	s.	d.
	94	0	0		94	0	0
<i>Statement of Account for the Year ending December 31, 1883.</i>							
To Balance of previous Year's Account	£	s.	d.	By Doles for Relief of Destitute Patients on leaving the Hospital	£	s.	d.
" Donations—F. Cooper, Esq.	47	12	1	" Balance in hand	5	4	10
" " Miss Forrest	10	0	0		62	16	10
" " Miss A. Eyre	1	10	0				
" Buxton Local Board, Interest	1	1	0				
" Doles returned by patients' friends	3	13	2				
" Banker's Interest, on Account	2	19	11				
	1	5	6				
	<u>£68 1 8</u>				<u>£68 1 8</u>		

Examined and found correct, January 19th, 1884.

WILLIAM HENRY ROBERTSON,
Chairman of the Board of Trustees and
Committee of Management.

A. SCHOFIELD,
SAMUEL TAYLOR, } Auditors.

COPY OF LEGAL CONVEYANCE

OF THE

GROUND AND BUILDINGS OF THE DEVONSHIRE
HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made on the 22nd day of June, 1868, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire, of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the County of Derby, M.D.; Reginald Darwin, of Fern, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Samuel Turner, of Sylvan Park, Buxton, aforesaid, surveyor; John Milligan, of Winster Place, Buxton, aforesaid, draper; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, surveyor; Robert Bennet, of Hardwick Street, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Thomas Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Robert Broome, of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Marmaduke Walter Vavasour, of North Wood House, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Edward Levett Darwin, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. Stephen Ray Eddy, of the Parsonage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; The Rev. Charles Smith, of the Parsonage, Fairfield, near Buxton aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; and Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq., of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland suffering from rheumatism, gout, and certain other specified diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, is seized of the land and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said lands and buildings have, for some time past, by the permission of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, been used by the said parties hereto of the second part (in their character of Trustees as aforesaid) as the Hospital of the said Institution; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, being desirous of benefiting the said Institution, has agreed to convey the said premises to the said parties hereto of the second part upon the Trusts hereinafter expressed. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in consideration of the premises, He, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part, and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, in the county of Derby, containing by estimation 2a. 2r. 2p., or thereabouts, and abutting and bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents, and therein coloured pink; together with all buildings now standing and being thereon; and together with all ways, easements, and appurtenances whatsoever, to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim, and demand whatsoever, of Him,

the said William, Duke of Devonshire, in to and out of the said premises and every part thereof; to have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, yielding and paying unto the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs and assigns, the yearly nominal rent of Five Shillings, on the 29th day of September in every year. And it is hereby declared that the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivor or survivors of them, or the heirs of such survivor, shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to permit the said premises to be used as the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity" and for no other purpose. And it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted, or any or either of them, or any Trustee or Trustees, appointed as hereinafter provided, shall die, or desire to be discharged, or refuse, or become incapable to act, then, and in every such case, it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees for the time being, and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall, if willing to act in the exercise of this power, be considered continuing Trustees, or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee, to appoint a new Trustee, or Trustees, in the place of the Trustee or Trustees, so dying, or desiring to be discharged, or refusing, or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion, if it should be thought proper, the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees, with the new Trustees, shall not be less than five; and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees, jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees, or in such new Trustee or Trustees solely, as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding power who is not a member of the Committee of Management, for the time being, of the said Hospital. And this INDENTURE also witnesseth, that the said parties hereto of the second part, do hereby, for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, that they, the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, shall not nor will, without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted or conveyed any house or building whatsoever, other than those now standing and being thereon; and will keep the buildings now standing and being thereon in good repair, and will keep in a condition similar to the present, all such part of the said land as is now used for garden or pleasure grounds. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

(Signed.)

DEVONSHIRE.

W. H. ROBERTSON.

REGINALD DARWIN.

W. P. SHIPTON.

S. TURNER.

JOHN MILLIGAN.

R. R. DUKE.

ROBT. BENNET.

THOS. DICKSON.

ROBERT BEGOME.

M. W. VAVANOUR.

EDWD. L. DARWIN.

J. W. TAYLOR.

FREDK. TURNER.

F. K. DICKSON.

S. R. EDDY.

CHARLES SMITH.

G. F. BARNARD.

W. H. FLINT.

ISAAC WALTON.

COPY OF LEGAL CONVEYANCE

OF THE

ADDITIONAL GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS OF THE
DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made the twenty-first day of March, 1878, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the county of Derby, M.D.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, architect and surveyor; Robert Bennet, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. William Malam, of the Vicarage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. Augustus Adam Bagshawe, of Wormhill Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; the Rev. Gordon Robertson, of Earl Sterndale Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Alfred Hubbersty, of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. John Geoffry Henry Stamper, of Burbage Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Constantine Reushaw, of Chapel-en-le-Frith, in the said county, Esq.; Henry Shaw, of Corbar Villa, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Philip Le Gros, of St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton, aforesaid, hotel keeper; Josiah Taylor, of Buxton, aforesaid, accountant; and Edward Chambers Milligan, of Buxton, aforesaid, draper; of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland, suffering from rheumatism, gout, and certain other specified diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, is seized of the lands and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, has contracted with the said parties hereto of the second part for the sale to them of the land and buildings hereinafter described for the sum of £5,000. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in pursuance of the said agreement, and in consideration of the sum of £5,000 sterling now paid by the said parties hereto of the second part to the said William, Duke of Devonshire, the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part, and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, aforesaid, containing by estimation 3,065 superficial square yards, or thereabouts, and abutting or bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents and therein coloured pink; together with the cottages, blacksmith's shop, stables, and other buildings now standing and being thereon, and together with the right or easement of using the road or passage bounding the land hereby conveyed in part on the north-west side thereof, as shown on the said plan with the

colour dark brown, at all times and for all purposes; and together with all ways, easements, and appurtenances whatsoever to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, into and out of the premises and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, for ever; and it is hereby declared that the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs of such survivor shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to permit the said premises to be used as part of the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," and for no other purpose. And it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted, or any or either of them or any Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinafter provided shall die or desire to be discharged, or refuse or become incapable to act, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee for the time being, and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall if willing to act in the exercise of this power, be considered continuing Trustees, or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee to appoint a new Trustee or new Trustees in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or desiring to be discharged, or refusing or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion if it should be thought proper the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustees, together with the new Trustees, shall not be less than five, and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees or in such new Trustee or Trustees solely, as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding power who is not a member of the Committee of Management for the time being of the said Hospital. And the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs, and assigns, in manner following, that is to say, that for and notwithstanding any act, deed, matter, or thing whatsoever by him, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors made, executed, or permitted to the contrary, he, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, now hath in himself good right by these presents to grant and convey the said hereditaments and premises hereby intended to be conveyed unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, in manner aforesaid. And that the said hereditaments and premises shall be peaceably and quietly held and enjoyed accordingly, without any interruption, denial or disturbance of or by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any other person or persons whomsoever rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under, or in trust for him or any of his ancestors; and that free and clear, or otherwise, by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, and administrators well and sufficiently defended and indemnified of, from, and against all, and all manner of estates and encumbrances whatsoever made, done, or suffered by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors, or any other person or persons rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under, or in trust for him or them. And further, that he, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, and his heirs and all and every other person and persons having or rightfully claiming any estate or interest in or to the said hereditaments and premises from, through, under, or in trust for him or them or any of his ancestors shall and will at all times hereafter upon the reasonable request and at the cost of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, make, execute, and perfect all such further and other acts and assurances for the more effectually assuring the said hereditaments and premises unto and to the use of the said

parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in manner aforesaid as by the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns or their counsel in the law shall be devised and required. And this INDENTURE also witnesseth that the said parties hereto of the second part do hereby for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, shall not nor will without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted and conveyed any house or building whatsoever other than those now standing and being thereon, with such additions and extensions as are shown upon the plans, which have been submitted to and approved by the Agent of the said Duke, and will from time to time and at all times hereafter keep the said buildings in good repair; and also that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter pay one half of the expense of maintaining and keeping in repair under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Architect or Agent for the time being of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs and assigns, the said road or passage bounding the land hereby conveyed on the north-west side thereof for the full length of the frontage of the said land thereto. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

(Signed)

DEVONSHIRE.

W. H. ROBERTSON.

R. R. DUKE.

FREDERICK TURNER.

F. K. DICKSON.

W. MALAM.

G. F. BARNARD.

ISAAC WALTON.

AUGUSTUS A. BAGSHAWE.

GORDON ROBERTSON.

J. G. H. STAMPER.

HENRY SHAW.

PHILIP LE GROS.

JOSIAH TAYLOR.

E. C. MILLIGAN.

COPY OF LEGAL CONVEYANCE

OF THE

HOT BATHS OF THE DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made the 10th day of May, 1878, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire, of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the county of Derby, M.D.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, architect and surveyor; Robert Bennet, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. William Malam, of the Vicarage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. Augustus Adam Bagshawe, of Wormbill Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; the Rev. Gordon Robertson, of Earl Sterndale Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Alfred Hubbersty of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. John Geoffrey Henry Stamper, of Burbage Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Shaw, of Corbar

Villa, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Philip Le Gros, of St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton, aforesaid, hotel keeper; Josiah Taylor, of Buxton, aforesaid, accountant; and Edward Chambers Milligan, of Buxton, aforesaid, draper; of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland suffering from rheumatism, gout, and other specified diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, is seized of the land and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, being desirous of benefiting the said Institution, has agreed to convey the said premises to the said parties hereto of the second part upon the trusts hereinafter expressed in consideration of the sum of ninety-six pounds and of the annual sum hereinafter reserved. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in pursuance of the said agreement, and in consideration of the sum of ninety-six pounds to the said William, Duke of Devonshire, paid by the said Trustees at or before the sealing or delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof the said Duke doth hereby acknowledge; and also in consideration of the annual rent or sum of five shillings hereinafter reserved, be the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, in the county of Derby, containing by estimation 508 superficial square yards or thereabouts, and abutting and bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents and therein coloured pink. Together with the bath and buildings now constructed therein and standing thereon; and together with all ways, easements, and appurtenances whatsoever to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him, the said William, Duke of Devonshire in, to, and out of the premises and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, yielding and paying unto the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs and assigns, the yearly nominal rent of five shillings on the 29th day of September in every year; and the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in manner following, that is to say that for and notwithstanding any act, deed, matter, or thing whatsoever by him the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors made, executed or permitted to the contrary, be the said William, Duke of Devonshire, now hath in himself good right by these presents to grant and convey the said hereditaments and premises hereby intended to be conveyed unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in the manner aforesaid; and that the said hereditaments and premises shall be peaceably and quietly held and enjoyed accordingly without any interruption, denial or disturbance of or by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any other person or persons whomsoever rightly claiming or to claim by, from, through, under or in trust for him or any of his ancestors, and that free and clear or otherwise by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, and administrators well and sufficiently defended and indemnified of, from and against all and all manner of estates and encumbrances whatsoever made, done or suffered by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors or any other person or persons rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under or in trust for him or them; and further, that be the said William, Duke of Devonshire, and his heirs, and all and every other person and persons having or rightfully claiming any estate or interest in or to the said hereditaments and premises from, through, under, or in trust for him or them or any of his ancestors shall and will at all times hereafter upon: be reasonable request and at the costs of the said parties hereto of the

second part, their heirs or assigns make, execute and perfect all such further and other acts and assurances for the more effectually assuring the said hereditaments and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, in manner aforesaid as by the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, or their or his counsel in the law shall be desired or required; and it is hereby declared by the said parties hereto of the second part or the survivors or survivor of them, or the heirs of such survivor shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to pertain the said premises to be used as the Hot Bath in connection with the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity" and for no other purpose; and it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted or any or either of them or any Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinafter provided shall die or desire to be discharged, or refuse or become incapable to act, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee for the time being, and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall if willing to act in the exercise of this power be considered continuing Trustees or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee to appoint a new Trustee or new Trustees in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or desiring to be discharged or refusing or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion if it should be thought proper the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustees together with the new Trustees shall not be less than five; and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees or in such new Trustee or Trustees solely as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding power who is not a member of the Committee of Management for the time being of the said Hospital. And this INDENTURE also witnesseth that the said parties hereto of the second part do hereby for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns shall not nor will without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted and conveyed any house or building whatsoever other than those now standing and being thereon, and will keep the Bath and buildings now constructed therein and standing thereon in good repair; and also that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, shall and will for ever hereafter until the same shall be dedicated to and accepted by the Local Board of Buxton aforesaid or other public authorities maintain and keep in good repair and condition under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Architect or Agent for the time being of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, the footpath and half of the width of the roadways bounding the land hereby conveyed on the west and south sides thereof for the full length of the frontages of the said land thereto. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

(Signed.)

DEVONSHIRE,

WM. HY. ROBERTSON.

R. R. DUKE.

J. W. TAYLOR.

FREDERICK TURNER.

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BUXTON BATH CHARITY, A.D. 1785.

COPY OF REPORT OF THE CHARITY,
FOR THE YEAR 1785.

*The Original is in the Hospital, and was presented by Dr. Robertson,
December 29th, 1871.*

BUXTON.

RESOLUTIONS by the Stewards of the several Houses at Buxton, on behalf of the Contributors to the Charitable Fund established here, for the better regulation of the Charity, made September 13th, 1785.

1st. As to the Contribution.

WHEREAS, at the commencement of this Charity, in the year 1779, instituted for the purpose of rendering the Beneficence of the Noble Proprietor and his Ancestors (in setting apart a Bath for the Use of the Poor) more extensively beneficial; two Stewards were appointed in each House kept open for the Reception of Company to receive a Contribution of One Shilling only, from each Person residing in such Houses, for the Benefit of the Charity. And upon the Departure of one of the Stewards, the departing Steward hath nominated a Successor; and in order to ascertain the Sums contributed, the Stewards for the Time being, at each House, have kept a Subscription Book, in which the Contributors have respectively written their Names and the sum of One Shilling opposite thereto; and as the Subscriptions have amounted to competent Sums, the Stewards have paid over the same to Mr. Samuel Buxton, Apothecary, in Buxton, as Treasurer, to be applied by him towards the Aid and Support of the Poor, whose Infirmities have caused them to come to Buxton for the Use of the Waters; for which Sums the said Mr. Buxton hath signed Receipts in the Subscription Books. Resolved that such practice be continued, and that no Person be permitted to subscribe a greater Sum than One Shilling in the books; and that the Receipts of Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the time being, in the Subscription Books, be sufficient Discharges to the Stewards for what they receive.

Resolved, That it be recommended to future Stewards to hold an Audit on the 13th of September, yearly, to inspect the Accounts of Mr. Buxton, or of the Treasurer for the Time being, and to state Accounts of the preceding Year in like manner as the Accounts are this Day stated in the Subscription Book at the Hall. And it is declared, that the Allowance of a Duplicate of the Account by any two of the Stewards, under their hands, shall be a sufficient discharge to Mr. Buxton, and all future Treasurers.

Resolved, That all future contributors to the Charity do subscribe thereto upon the terms of these Resolutions.

2nd. As to the Admission of the Objects of this Charity.

Resolved, That no Inhabitant of Buxton, Fairfield, or of any place within Seven Miles distance from Buxton, be admitted to partake of the Charity; nor any Person be relieved during the months of November, December, January, February, March, or April; and that during the remaining six Months of the Year, not more than sixteen Objects, at one Time, be relieved by the Charity. And that no

Person shall be admitted on any other Day than Monday in every Week, between the Hours of eight and twelve in the Forenoon: on which Day, during such Hours, the weekly allowance to each Individual shall also be paid.

Resolved, That before the patient intending to take the benefit of the Charity be removed from where he or she dwells, Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, be applied to by Letter, Postpaid, signifying such Intention, mentioning the Patient's Name, Place of Abode, and Nature of the Disorder; and that no Person be admitted unless there be a vacancy in the Number of Sixteen, and unless he or she first produces to the Treasurer his own Letter written in answer to such Application, and also a Letter of Recommendation from some Lady or Gentleman, resident in the Neighbourhood, certifying whether the Patient is relieved by his or her Parish, or not, and if not, whether he or she is a proper Object, with Respect to Circumstances: and in case he or she is a Pauper, relieved by the Parish, then also a Certificate signed by the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor, that the Pauper's Settlement is in the Parish from which he or she is sent; and also a Certificate from a Physician or Apothecary, that the case is proper for the Buxton Waters.

Resolved, That the Names and Places of Abode of the Objects admitted, be entered by Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, in a Book (of which Book each Contributor is to have free Inspection), with a Description of the Patient's Disorder; and after his or her Discharge a Minute of the Consequence of the Use of the Waters.

3d. As to the Application of the Charity Fund.

It being the Intention of the Contributors, that the Money arising from the Contributions, be in every Case applied for the purposes of supplying the Patients during their Stay at Buxton, with Board, Lodging, and Medicines only: all Ladies and Gentlemen recommending Patients, and all Churchwardens and Overseers giving Certificates, are therefore particularly desired to take notice, that in Case the Patients shall be admitted to partake of the Charity, and shall die in the Parishes of Buxton or Fairfield, or in any Place within seven Miles Distance from Buxton, before he or she shall have actually returned to his or her own Parish, such Persons recommending, and such Churchwardens and Overseers certifying, shall be liable to pay the Expenses of the Funeral of such Patients respectively; and that the Charity Money, on no Account whatever, will be suffered to be applied to defray Travelling Expenses, either to or from Buxton.

Resolved, That no Patient be admitted more than once during a Season, nor be relieved, by the Charity, for a longer space of time than five Weeks, from the Date of his or her Admission, nor with a greater Sum than Six Shillings each Week. But for how long a Time he or she shall be relieved less than five Weeks, or what allowance shall be made him or her less than Six Shillings per Week, shall be at the discretion of Mr. Buxton, or of the Treasurer for the Time being, taking the advice of the resident Physician, or Physicians, on the Case, who it is hoped, will kindly consent to give gratuitous Assistance, when necessary.

Resolved, That Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, be at liberty to retain all his necessary Expenses, occasioned by the Administration of the Charity, over and above what shall be expended in Board, Lodging, and Medicines.

Resolved, That if any Object receiving the Benefit of this Charity, shall beg or receive Alms, during his or her stay at Buxton, or be guilty of profane Swearing, Drunkenness, Impertinence, or any gross misbehaviour, he or she shall be instantly (on complaint made) discharged from the Charity.

Ordered, That these Resolutions be printed, and hung up in as public a manner as possible, in the several Houses in Buxton, kept open for the Reception of Company, and wherever Contributions are received; and that the said Resolutions be sent by Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being to every Person recommending a Patient, as a proper Object to partake of the Benefit of this Charity.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Title.

1.—This Institution shall be known and distinguished by the name of **THE DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL AND BUXTON BATH CHARITY.**

Trustees.

2.—The property belonging to this Institution shall be vested in the Trustees for the time being.

3.—The number of Trustees shall not exceed nineteen, and any deficiency in this number shall be filled up by the Trustees from the members of the Committee of Management from time to time, as may seem to be expedient, according to seniority, care being taken that the number of the Trustees shall not be less than five, in accordance with the Deeds of Conveyance of the Hospital to the Trustees by His Grace the Duke of Devonshire.

4.—The Trustees shall meet at such time as they may find it expedient, upon the requisition of five of their number to the Chairman, at seven days' notice thereof.

Committee of Management.

5.—The power of making and repealing rules for the government of the Institution shall be vested in the Committee of Management for the time being.

6.—The Committee of Management shall consist of twenty-five members. The Vicar of Buxton, the Honorary Medical Officers, and five of the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund, shall be members *ex-officio*. The other members of the Committee shall be nominated from the Life and Yearly Subscribers who reside within a radius of six miles from Buxton.

7.—No new rule shall be made, or existing rule altered, without three months' notice being previously given; and all such alterations and additions shall be made at a special meeting called for that purpose, of which meeting the Committee of Management shall have, farther, two weeks' notice beforehand.

8.—The Committee of Management shall select from the list of subscribers and benefactors, persons of eminent rank, or who may have been distinguished by their contributions or services, to hold the honorary positions of Patron, President, and Vice-Presidents.

General and Special Meetings of the Committee of Management.

9.—The Committee of Management shall have full power to manage and conduct the Institution; but no member of the Committee shall be entitled to vote on, or be present at the discussion upon, any question in which he is *personally* or *peculiarly* interested; nor shall voting by proxy be allowed.

10.—Voting by ballot shall be adopted, and the proposer of a motion may have the option of taking the votes in this way.

11.—Should the number of members of the Committee of Management who reside within a six miles' radius of Buxton, fall below seventeen, they shall proceed to elect a new member or members at the next meeting, notice having previously been given that a vacancy has occurred.

12.—Any member of the Committee of Management being absent from the meetings for six months continuously, shall be disqualified to act, unless he shall have communicated, in writing, a sufficient reason for such absence to the Secretary before the expiration of the six months.

13.—The Committee of Management shall meet on the first Saturday of each month, at such place and at such hour as they may appoint, for the transaction of business: four forming a quorum. The order of business shall be as follows:—The reading and approving of the minutes of the previous meetings; the appointment of the honor-ry visitors; the examination of the visitors', chaplain's, and other books; the reception of the report of the House Committee; the passing and signing cheques for all payments due; and the transaction of any other business that may come before them. No member of the Committee of Management shall bring forward any motion or resolution unless he is provided with a seconder.

14.—The Annual Meeting of the Committee of Management shall take place on the first Saturday in January, when they shall elect from their number a Chairman and a Treasurer for the year ensuing; and also a House Committee, which shall consist of the Chairman, and nine other members; and may fill up any existing vacancies in the Committee of Management, which can only be done at this meeting, unless the number of members fall below seventeen. (See Rule 11.) Names of candidates for the office of member of the Committee of Management to be publicly announced at an ordinary meeting at least a month previously. The Chairman shall retain his seat as Chairman until the Annual Meeting of Subscribers in each year. The same rule to apply to the Treasurer and House Committee.

15.—They shall also hold an Annual Meeting of the Subscribers at such time and place as the Committee of Management may appoint, when the Annual Report of the Committee of Management, and Treasurer's accounts for the past year shall be received.

16.—The proceedings of the Committee of Management at their Monthly Meetings may be reported in the local papers.

House Committee.

17.—The House Committee shall meet at the Hospital once every month, or oftener if necessary, at such hour as they may appoint.

18.—They shall examine the books of admissions and discharges, and all other books kept by the Officials.

19.—They shall investigate any complaints of neglect or misconduct of any one connected with the Hospital.

20.—The register of attendance of the Medical Officers and the Chaplain shall be laid upon the table, and the remarks of the House Visitors' books read.

21.—They shall prepare a statement of, and examine and sign all such accounts as may require to be laid before the next monthly meeting of the Committee of Management for payment.

22.—They shall present at the monthly meeting all contracts for the supply of provisions and coals required for the use of the Hospital.

23.—They shall superintend all alterations, or improvements, the care of the grounds, and the conservation of the Hospital.

24.—They shall examine, from time to time, the inventories of household goods, furniture, linen, &c., belonging to the Institution.

25.—They shall replace and renew from time to time, as circumstances may require, all such internal fittings and furniture of the Hospital as may urgently require renewal; and make the contracts for these and all other ordinary domestic

purposes; and shall expend, should it seem to them expedient to do so, any sum not exceeding £10 in any one month for the general purposes of the Hospital.

(NOTE.)—Any member of the House Committee who shall be absent from the Meetings for three months continuously shall be disqualified to act.

Treasurer.

26.—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys and deposit them in such bank as the Committee of Management shall direct.

27.—He shall cause all moneys received on behalf of the Hospital to be paid into the bank, and all payments to be made by cheque, signed by the Chairman, and one other member of the Committee of Management, and countersigned by the Secretary.

28.—He shall cause all deeds, evidences, and writings relating to the Hospital to be deposited at the Hospital, in a chest provided for that purpose, the keys whereof shall be kept by himself and the Chairman of the Committee of Management.

29.—He shall insure from fire the building, furniture, &c., to such an amount and in such office, as the Committee of Management may direct.

30.—He shall annually cause a full statement of accounts of the Hospital to be made up to the 31st of December in each year, which, after having been duly examined and signed by the Auditors, shall be presented by him to the Chairman, and shall afterwards be printed and circulated with the annual report.

Medical Officers.

31.—The Medical Officers shall be appointed by the Committee of Management.

32.—No Medical Officer shall be considered eligible who is not a Fellow, Member, or Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians or Surgeons of London, Edinburgh, or Dublin, or who does not hold a degree in medicine of a recognised British University, such qualification having been obtained after due examination; and no medical man shall be a Medical Officer of the Institution who only resides during certain seasons of the year.

33.—The three senior officers shall attend every week-day in rotation, and shall take charge of the patients admitted on their respective days, such patients being under their charge during their residence in the Hospital. The number of acting Medical-Officers for the present to consist of four, to be from time to time increased as the exigencies of the Institution may require. No Medical Officer shall consult in reference to the Hospital patients with any medical gentleman who is not a member of the Medical Staff of the Hospital; and no medical gentleman who is not a member of the Hospital Staff shall be permitted to prescribe for any of the Hospital patients, or assist at any operation upon any Hospital patient, unless on an emergency, when the assistance of a member of the Medical Staff cannot be obtained. And no capital operation shall be performed upon any Hospital patient without a summons being sent to every member of the Medical Staff, to afford the opportunity of being present, unless the immediate emergency of the case renders such notice impossible. The members of the acting Medical Staff shall receive the accident cases in rotation. The care of the patients is entirely under the Resident Medical Officers, subject to the Acting Medical Staff. The patients are to be seen once or twice every week, or more frequently at discretion, by a Medical Officer. The Senior Resident Medical Officer in charge will enter the visits of the Acting Medical Officers in a book kept for that purpose.

34.—The last elected Medical Officer shall take the sole charge of the out-patients.

35.—Any Medical Officer, after officiating for twelve years, may, upon his resignation of his office, and subject to the sanction of the Committee of

Management, become a Consulting Physician or Surgeon. The consulting Medical Officers of the Hospital shall not have official seats on the Committee of Management beyond the number of three members, lest the medical element in the management of the Hospital might become in the future unduly predominant; such restriction not being retrospective. Consultants to succeed to vacancies amongst the official members according to seniority.

36.—Consulting Physicians and Surgeons may be summoned to attend consultations, operations, and inspections.

37.—No medical man shall be eligible as a candidate for a vacancy in the Medical Staff, who, in addition to his professional qualification, follows the occupation of a chemist and druggist.

Chaplain.

38.—A clergyman of the Church of England shall be appointed by the Committee of Management as Chaplain, on such terms as they may determine.

39.—He shall cause prayers to be read every morning and night.

40.—He shall visit the wards as often as he may see occasion, and such patients in particular as may request his attendance.

41.—He shall have the charge and superintendence of the books and tracts which may be supplied for the use of the patients.

42.—He shall cause a journal to be kept in which shall be recorded the times when prayer has been read.

[NOTE.]—Other ministers of religion are at liberty to visit such patients as are confined by sickness to their rooms and may desire their attendance.

Duties of Steward.

43.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall devote the whole of his time and attention to the duties of the Hospital. He shall, under the direction and with the sanction of the House Committee, engage all men servants. He shall have the care of the buildings, grounds, baths, and property of the Hospital. He shall take care that regularity, cleanliness, and economy be observed in every section of his department. He shall not absent himself from the Hospital, unless with the sanction of the Acting Chairman or the House Committee. He shall present a monthly report of the work in his department to the House Committee.

44.—He shall take care of all furniture, household goods, and stores in his department, and keep a correct inventory for production when required by the Committee of Management or House Committee.

45.—He shall have charge of all the keys of the Hospital, including those of the basement storey, and shall see that all the outer doors are locked, and shall keep the keys of them from five in the evening till eight in the morning from Michaelmas to Lady Day; and from eight in the evening till six in the morning from Lady Day to Michaelmas. He shall cause every key to be numbered progressively by an engraved figure, and the doors to which such keys belong to be marked with corresponding numbers, and shall keep a book with similar numbers shewing to what doors the keys belong.

46.—He shall purchase such provisions and stores as the Committee of Management shall direct, and shall see that their quality be good. He shall weigh or measure the whole as they are received, and enter them in a receiving-book with the exact particulars of their weight or measure. He shall not permit anything belonging to the Charity to be sold or disposed of without the knowledge of the Committee of Management.

47.—He shall ascertain morning and evening that all the patients are present; shall preside during the meals of the male patients, and shall take care that

grace be said at the commencement and conclusion of every meal, and that order is preserved during meals.

48.—He shall take care that all servants under his authority do their duty, and in case of improper behaviour shall have full power to discharge them, stating the particulars to the next meeting of the House Committee. He shall not employ any patient without first obtaining leave from the Medical Officer under whose charge the patient has been placed.

49.—He shall take care that daily prayers be read from a form of prayers approved by the Chaplain.

50.—None of the friends of patients, or visitors, shall be allowed to eat, or be entertained in any other way, at the cost of the Institution, nor to remain in the Hospital after the hour of locking doors for the night.

Duties of Matron.

51.—She shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. She shall devote the whole of her time to the duties of the Hospital, and shall see that the domestic affairs of the Institution are conducted with the greatest possible attention to regularity, cleanliness, and economy. She shall not absent herself from the Hospital unless with the sanction of the Acting Chairman or the House Committee. She shall be assisted by a competent cook, housemaid, and laundress, who shall be responsible for the work under their control. These upper servants to be engaged by the Matron, under the sanction of the House Committee. She shall hire all other women servants without reference to the Committee.

52.—She shall take care of all household goods, culinary and domestic utensils, furniture, linen, bedding, towels, &c., and keep a correct inventory for production when required by the House Committee; and shall cause every article to be marked with the words "Devonshire Hospital, Buxton," and to be numbered consecutively according to the several classes.

53.—She shall have charge of the provisions, and shall deliver only such a quantity at a time as shall enable her to know that it is consumed in the Hospital. She shall not permit anything belonging to the Charity to be sold or disposed of without the knowledge of the Committee of Management. She shall have charge of the laundry. She shall superintend the cook in preparing the food; and shall take care that the meals are served at the regular hours, and that no food is wasted. She shall cause the meals of the patients to be ready at the following hours, and see that these hours are punctually kept, viz.:—Breakfast, eight; dinner, twelve; tea, five; supper, eight. She shall preside during the meals of the female patients, and shall take care that grace be said at the commencement and conclusion of every meal, and that order is preserved during meals.

54.—She shall see that all servants under her authority do their duty, and, in case of improper behaviour, shall have full power to discharge them, stating the particulars to the next meeting of the House Committee.

55.—She shall, under the authority of the Honorary Medical Officers, engage two head nurses,—one for the men's wards and one for the women's wards, with under nurses to assist them. Applications for these appointments to be received by the Matron, but the selection to rest with the Honorary Medical Officers, who shall instruct the Matron as to the engagement or discharge of any of the nurses. She shall have supervision and control of the nurses when not engaged in the duties of their office. She shall attend to the domestic arrangements of the nurses and patients; but both nurses and patients shall be under the control of the Medical Staff, subject, when needful, to the supervising co-operation of the Committee of Management. She shall hire all ward servants and such other servants as may be directed by the House Committee.

56.—She shall present a monthly report of the work in her department to the House Committee.

57.—All Nurses, Ward Women, Maid Servants, and Men Servants shall be engaged subject to a month's notice on either side.

58.—She shall take care that all such patients as are able, and who may not plead difference of religious opinion, attend daily prayers, and also Divine Service in the Hospital, or at St. John's Church, or some other place of worship on Sundays.

Duties of Secretary.

59.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall attend all meetings of the Trustees and Committee of Management, and all Committees appointed by them; receive the recommendations of the patients to be admitted; and shall give to the patients who return thanks a note of their discharge to their recommenders. He shall read the minutes of the last meetings of the Trustees and Committee of Management, and the reports of the House Committee; report any new subscriptions, or subscriptions withdrawn, donations, or legacies; fill up the weekly reports for the newspapers; draw the minutes of the proceedings; and having read them over, shall procure their signature by the Chairman.

60.—He shall examine all bills presented for payment, and also examine the petty cash accounts of the several officials—draw the cheques for their payment; and, after they have been signed, enter them in the cash book; and shall keep all vouchers for payments made, with the name, date, and amount endorsed on each.

61.—He shall collect the annual and other subscriptions, under the direction of the Committee of Management, and give security to be approved of by them, if required.

62.—He shall keep an account of all the expenses under their proper heads, add up the payments at the end of every month, and produce the amount to the Committee of Management at the first ordinary meeting afterwards, with statements of the average cost per patient for provisions, and of the average cost per head of the whole establishment. He shall, as soon as possible after the 31st December, make up and lay before the Committee of Management the annual accounts of receipts and expenditure, with statements of the average cost per patient, and also per head of the whole establishment, for the year, for provisions and every other expense.

63.—He shall make up the cash book once a month, from the Treasurer's pass book, post the various items to their proper accounts in the ledger, state the balance due from the Treasurer, enter the subscriptions paid in the alphabetical subscription book, and, every year, lay before the Committee of Management, a list of the subscriptions more than twelve months in arrear.

64.—He shall examine the servants' wages accounts, quarterly, stating the amount due to each individual, when cheques for the total amount shall be drawn for their payment.

65.—He shall write all letters belonging to his department, and keep copies of them—make copies of orders and resolutions of meetings; when necessary, prepare and insert all advertisements. He shall, as soon as possible, after the 31st December, make out an abstract of the receipts and expenditure for the year, including a list of the collections, donations, subscriptions, legacies, and fines received, for insertion in the annual report, and attend the meeting of Auditors, for the purpose of passing the accounts, and attend to all other matters of a casual nature which pertain to his office, and shall attend at the Hospital during office hours, from 9.30 a. m. to 5 p. m.; and on Saturdays, from 9.30 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Duties of House Surgeon.

66.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management. He shall be a qualified and registered medical man. He shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of the Hospital. He shall receive all the patients, and prepare a statement of their cases in Case Books provided by the Hospital for every honorary Medical Officer, and also a tabulated statement of all the cases in a book as a record of the work of the Hospital. He shall treat all cases on emergency in the absence of the honorary Medical Officers. He shall have charge of, and be responsible for, the surgical instruments, microscope, and chemical and galvanic apparatus. He shall not interfere in the general management of the Hospital except by order of the honorary Medical Staff, or, for medical or surgical reasons, which orders or reasons must be stated in writing by him to the Steward or Matron, such statements to be submitted to the House Committee at their usual meetings. He shall not visit the female's wards, nor examine the female patients, unless in the presence of one of the female nurses, except in cases of great emergency. On no account shall he converse about any patient, excepting with the Medical Officer in charge of the patient, or the colleague left in charge during his absence. No opinion shall be given to the friends of any patient excepting that of the Medical Officer in charge of the case. He shall be required to enter into an engagement that he will not, after resigning his appointment, practice, or assist in the practice of medicine or surgery in Buxton, or within a radius of two miles from the Hospital. The appointment shall be held subject to three months' notice on either side.

Duties of House Apothecary.

67.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall be a qualified and registered medical man. He shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of the Hospital. He shall scrupulously attend to the orders, and promptly make up the prescriptions of the Medical Officers, and shall be generally responsible for the accuracy and regularity with which the medicines ordered are provided for the patients. He shall have the charge of, and be responsible for, the Dispensary and its contents. Unless under an emergency, he shall order all drugs, &c., from wholesale druggists, through and with the sanction of the House Committee. When not engaged in the duties of his department, he shall be expected to co-operate with the House Surgeon in the medical duties of the Hospital. He shall be generally subject to the rules and regulations applicable to the House Surgeon. He shall be required to enter into an engagement that he will not, after resigning his appointment, practice, or assist in the practice, of medicine or surgery in Buxton, or within a radius of two miles from the Hospital.

Auditors.

68.—The Auditors, not being members of the Committee of Management, shall examine the Annual Statement of the Treasurer's Accounts, previous to its being presented to the Committee of Management, and for this purpose all books and vouchers relating to the accounts shall be open to them, and on their being satisfied as to the correctness of the accounts, the signature of each Auditor shall be appended to the said statement. The honorary fee of £2 10s. only, to be paid to each Auditor.

Extracts from the Rules and Regulations for Patients.

1.—An In-Patient will be entitled to Board, Lodgings, and Medicines, for three weeks; should an extension of time be advised by the Medical Officers, the Patient may remain on payment of a *weekly charge, founded upon the cost of maintenance during preceding years.

An Out-Patient will be entitled to Medical Advice, Medicines and Baths for three weeks; but the Medical Officers will attend these Patients only at the Hospital at the appointed days and hours.

No Patient shall be allowed to remain on the Books of the Institution longer than six weeks at one time without special permission signed by at least two-thirds of the Medical Staff of the Hospital; and any Patient who has been on the books six weeks in any consecutive six months, shall not be re-admitted within six months from the date of discharge without such permission.

2.—All Applicants for admission, either as In or Out-Patients, will be required to produce a recommendation, signed by a subscriber, and countersigned by the officiating minister, churchwarden, or some other parochial officer, or respectable inhabitant of the place from which they come, certifying that they are fit objects of charity, and unable to pay for themselves.

N.B.—Particular attention is directed to this rule, as it is much feared many have been admitted who were not fit objects for any Charity.

3.—The Medical Staff are authorised to refuse admittance to, or discharge, any Patients they consider unfit objects of the Charity; such refusal, or dismissal, to be signed by at least two of their number.

4.—Every In-Patient will be required to bring a proper change of clean body linen, and will have to pay for his, or her, own washing out of the Hospital; and to deposit one shilling upon receiving the key of the clothes box appropriated to his or her use; this deposit will be returned to the Patient upon giving up the key. Out-Patients will have to provide their own towels for bathing. All Patients must be provided with money for their travelling expenses when leaving the Hospital.

All the Patients will be required to observe strictly the Rules laid down for their guidance; any infringement of the rules will render the Patient liable to immediate dismissal.

5.—Cases of Accident will be admitted to the Hospital on the recommendation of a Subscriber, or on payment of the usual weekly charge for board and lodging, and a guarantee given in either case for payment of any extra charges required.

6.—Application for the admission of In-Patients, accompanied by the usual Medical Certificate, to be made to the Secretary, who will intimate, by return of post, the earliest date upon which the Patient can be received. Patients are not on any account to come to the Hospital until they receive notice that there is room for them, as no allowance of any kind will be given to those who cannot be taken in.

7.—In-Patients are admitted into the Hospital on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., and during their residence in the Hospital are under the immediate medical supervision of the House Surgeon.

Out-Patients will be attended by one of the Medical Staff every Wednesday and Saturday, at 1.30 p.m.

General Rules and Regulations for Subscribers.

1.—A Life Subscription of Twenty Guineas shall entitle a Subscriber to recommend one In and two Out-Patients annually.

An Annual Subscription of One Guinea shall entitle a Subscriber to recommend one In or four Out-Patients; but no annual Subscriber shall send a Patient until he has been a Subscriber for at least three months; nor until his Subscription for the current year is paid.

All Subscriptions shall be considered as due in advance on the 1st of January in each year.

Annual Subscriptions not paid until after June 30th in each year, shall be considered to be in default, and shall not entitle to the recommendation of a Patient unless the difference between the amount of an Annual and a Casual Subscription be also paid. This rule does not apply to *new* Subscriptions paid after June 30th.

* The weekly charge for extra time during the year 1884, is 16s. 6d.

Recommendations are available only during the year for which they are issued.

Forms of recommendation will be sent by the Secretary on application.

- 2.—Persons not being Annual or Life Subscribers, may recommend an In-Patient on payment of a Casual Subscription, the amount of which is founded on the cost of maintenance during preceding years; and Life or Annual Subscribers may recommend additional Patients, beyond the number they are entitled to recommend annually, on payment of a casual Subscription with each.

Subscribers of One Guinea per annum are allowed to send, in addition to the Patient eligible from the Subscription, three Out-Patients per annum, by paying Seven Shillings with each.

Any Clergyman or Minister kindly preaching a Sermon or Sermons, on any one day in aid of the Funds of the Hospital, and contributing therefrom not less than £3. shall be entitled to one In or four Out-Patients' recommendations.

No money shall be received as a Subscription which can in any way be regarded as the proceeds of any public collection, or offertory, in any place of worship; but all such sums shall be received as Donations, with the privileges defined in this rule.

- 2.—Visitors to the Hospital are particularly requested not to interfere between the Patients and Medical staff under whom they are placed.
- 4.—No Patient can be admitted without producing a medical certificate specifying the nature of the disease, and certifying that the Patient has not been exposed to the influence of Infectious or Contagious Disease during the four weeks previous to his or her admission.
- 5.—Persons suffering from any incurable or infectious disorder—women more than six months advanced in pregnancy—persons in the last stage of consumption—or afflicted with itch, ulcers, fits, or insanity—or infested with vermin—cannot be admitted as In-Patients; or, if inadvertently admitted, cannot be allowed to remain.

† The amount of a casual subscription during the year 1884, is £2 8s. 0d.

The Annual Report and List of Subscribers, price 3d., by post 4d., may be had on application to the Secretary, Mr. JOSEPH TAYLOR, Devonshire Hospital, Buxton, to whom all communications should be addressed.

Cheques and Post Office Orders to be made payable to the Sheffield and Rotherham Joint Stock Banking Company, Limited Buxton.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

To those who may be inclined to be Benefactors to this Institution, of Personal Property, by Will, the following form is recommended:—

"I give and bequeath to A. B. and C. D. the sum of _____ upon Trust, and to the intent that they, or either of them do pay the same to the Treasurer, for the time being, of the Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity; which said sum of _____ I desire may be applied towards carrying out the charitable design of the Trustees of the Institution."

LIST OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS FOR 1883.

Those Names printed in *Italics* are New Subscribers.

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<i>Abbott James, Esq.</i>	1	1	0	Armitage & Rigbys, Messrs	2	2	0
Ackers Mrs. G. H.....	2	2	0	Armitage Mrs. H. L.....	1	1	0
Adams Lady.....	1	1	0	<i>Armitage Rev. F. J.</i>	2	2	0
Adams Rev. C. C.....	1	1	0	Armitstead Miss.....	1	1	0
Adams Miss.....	1	1	0	Armstrong I. K., Esq. ..	1	1	0
Adams Miss E.....	1	1	0	Armstrong Miss.....	1	1	0
Adlington W. D., Esq. ..	1	1	0	Arnold & Co., Messrs.—			
Adlington Miss.....	1	1	0	Workpeople.....	1	1	0
Agnew & Brothers, Messrs.	1	1	0	Ash W. Hargood, Esq. ..	1	1	0
Ailsa, Marchioness of....	1	1	0	Ashton Miss F.....	1	1	0
Ainsworth A. E. Esq.....	1	1	0	Ashton R. H., Esq.....	2	2	0
Ainsworth Mrs.....	3	3	0	Ashton Mrs. E.....	1	1	0
Alexander Mrs. B.....	1	1	0	Ashworth George, Esq...	1	1	0
<i>Alison Miss</i>	2	2	0	Ashworth Samuel, Esq...	1	1	0
Allen Mrs.....	1	1	0	Ashworth John, Esq....	1	1	0
Allen W. S., Esq., M.P..	5	5	0	" Cemetery Road".....	1	1	0
Allen J. R., Esq.....	5	5	0	Aspell the Misses.....	1	1	0
Allport James, Esq.	1	1	0	Aspinall Mrs.....	1	1	0
Allsopp Messrs. S. and				Astley Trustees.....	4	4	0
Son.....	2	2	0	<i>Ashton Edward, Esq.</i>	1	1	0
Alton T. L., Esq.....	2	2	0	<i>Atkinson Rev. T.</i>	1	1	0
<i>Ambler Messrs. J. & Sons</i>	1	1	0	<i>Atkinson John, Esq</i>	1	1	0
Anderson Miss E. A.....	1	1	0	Attwood Matthew, Esq...	2	2	0
<i>Anderson Mrs.</i>	1	1	0	Aynsley John, Esq.....	1	1	0
Anson Miss.....	3	3	0	Ayre J. J., Esq.....	1	1	0
Appleyard T. W., Esq. ..	2	2	0				
A. J.....	1	1	0	Bagot Lady.....	1	1	0
Appleyard Miss, Stoke ..	1	1	0	Bagshawe F. W., Esq. ..	1	1	0
Argles F. A., Esq.....	2	2	0	Bagshawe Rev. A. A... .	4	4	0
Arkwright A. P., Esq.....	2	2	0	Bagshawe W. H. G., Esq.	5	5	0
Arkwright A. W., Esq. ..	1	1	0	<i>Bailey Miss M. J.</i>	1	1	0
Arkwright Frederick, Esq	2	2	0	Baines C. J., Esq.....	1	1	0
Arkwright Alfred, Esq. ..	1	1	0	<i>Baker John, Esq.</i>	1	1	0
Arkwright John, Esq....	1	1	0	Bakewell John, Esq....	1	1	0
Arkwright Mrs., Sutton				Bakewell Miss.....	2	2	0
Scarsdale.....	2	2	0	Balguy Mrs.....	1	1	0
Arkwright Mrs. J. C.....	2	2	0	Ball Mr. Joseph.....	1	1	0
Arkwright Miss.....	2	2	0	Ball Miss.....	1	1	0
<i>Arkwright Miss M.</i>	1	1	0	Balme E. B. W., Esq....	5	5	0
Armfield Mrs.....	1	1	0	Balston Ven. Archdeacon	2	2	0

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Bancroft J., Esq.....	2	2	0	Benyon Rev. E. R.....	2	2	0
Banner Miss	1	1	0	Berry Mrs.	1	1	0
Barber Thos., Esq.....	2	2	0	Bethune Mrs.....	1	1	0
Barber Mrs. J. H.	2	2	0	Bevan Mrs. R. Lee.....	2	2	0
Barber, Walker, and Co., Messrs.	2	2	0	Bevan Mrs. F. L.	1	1	0
Barber J. T., Esq.	1	1	0	Beveridge, A., Esq.	1	1	0
Barclay Mrs.....	1	1	0	Bezant Miss	1	1	0
Barker H. F., Esq.	1	1	0	Bibbington S., Esq.	3	3	0
Barker Mrs. Edward	1	1	0	Bibby J. R., Esq.	2	2	0
Barker Mrs J. E.	2	2	0	Bickman W., Esq., jun.	1	1	0
Barker Miss Helen.....	1	1	0	Biddulph Richard M., Esq.	2	2	0
Barker J. L., Esq.	1	1	0	Bilborough B. P., Esq. ..	1	1	0
Barker Thomas, Esq. ..	1	1	0	Bingham Mrs.....	1	1	0
Barker Major J. R.	1	1	0	Birch T. J., Esq.....	2	2	0
Barlow Thomas, Esq....	1	1	0	Birks Mrs. E. V.....	2	2	0
Barlow James, Esq.	2	2	0	"A. B"	4	4	0
Barnard, Rev. C. W. ..	1	1	0	Birley Miss C. A.	1	1	0
Barnes Alfred, Esq., M.P.	1	1	0	Birley Miss Jane	1	1	0
Barnes-Slacke Rev. W. S.	2	2	0	Birley Herbert, Esq.....	3	3	0
Barnes Misses	2	2	0	Birley Rev. E. H.	1	1	0
Barnett Mr. A.	1	1	0	Blake T. J., Esq.	1	1	0
Barrett & Co., Messrs. ..	1	1	0	Blake W. Greaves, Esq. ..	1	1	0
Barrow Hematite Steel Co.	5	5	0	Blakiston Matthew, Esq.	1	1	0
Barrow J. B. Esq.	3	3	0	Blakiston Misses	1	1	0
Barry A. H. Smith, Esq. ..	3	3	0	Boardman Misses	1	1	0
Bartlett Thomas, Esq. ..	1	1	0	Boden & Co., Messrs. ..	5	5	0
Bartlett J. A., Esq.....	1	1	0	Boden Miss.....	1	1	0
Baskerville J., Esq.	1	1	0	Bond Miss Marie	1	1	0
Bass M. T., Esq., M.P. ...	7	7	0	Booker Rev. A. W.....	1	1	0
Bass Lady	1	1	0	Booker Rev. S. B.	1	1	0
Bass, Ratcliff & Gretton, Messrs	6	6	0	Boothby C. E., Esq.....	1	1	0
Bateman A. E., Esq.....	1	1	0	Boothby Hon. Mrs. C. E.	1	1	0
Bateman Mrs. A. E.	1	1	0	Bottomley George, Esq. ..	1	1	0
Bateman F., Esq.	1	1	0	Boucheret Miss.....	1	1	0
Bateson Hon. Mrs.....	1	1	0	Bouhey's Charity, Trustees	1	1	0
Battersby Rev. James ..	1	1	0	Boulter Mrs.	1	1	0
Bayley Rev. Chas. J.....	2	2	0	Bourne Mrs	2	2	0
Beasley C., Esq.....	1	1	0	Bradshaw John, Esq....	1	1	0
Beaumont John A., Esq.	1	1	0	Bradshaw Mrs. S.	1	1	0
Becker J. L., Esq.	3	3	0	Bradshaw Miss C.	1	1	0
Beckett Sir Edmund, Bart.	1	1	0	Brancker Mrs.....	3	3	0
Behrens Miss	1	1	0	Brewin Samuel, Esq....	1	1	0
Belcher Rev. G. P.....	2	2	0	Brickwell Mrs.	1	1	0
Belsher Rev. W. de Pipe	1	1	0	Briggs Arthur, Esq.	2	2	0
Belsher Mrs. W. de Pipe	1	1	0	Briggs Mrs. Swarth Hall	1	1	0
Bell Joseph, Esq.	1	1	0	Bright Messrs. J. & Bros.	1	1	0
Bell Mrs.....	1	1	0	Bright Joseph, Esq.	1	1	0
Bell Miss	1	1	0	Bright Mrs. Joseph	1	1	0
Bellhouse Wainwright, Esq.	2	2	0	Brittain Mr. G.	1	1	0
Bellhouse Charles, Esq. ..	1	1	0	Brittain Mr. T. W.....	1	1	0
Belper Dowager Lady....	1	1	0	Broadbent A., Esq.....	1	1	0
Benn G. C. Esq.....	2	2	0	Broadbent B., Esq.	1	1	0
Bennett Rev. E. Leigh ..	1	1	0	Broadbent Mrs. B.....	1	1	0
Bent Buckley, Esq.....	1	1	0	Brocklebank Mrs.	1	1	0
Benwell J. P., Esq.	1	1	0	Brocklebank Ralph, Esq.	1	1	0
				Brocklebank Mrs Ralph. .	1	1	0
				Brocklebank R., Esq., Jun.	2	2	0

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Woolton	1	1	0	Cameron Mrs. J.	1	1	0
Broocklebank Mrs. T.,				Cammell Geo. Esq.	1	1	0
Chester	1	1	0	Cammell Mrs.	1	1	0
Broocklehurst Messrs. &				Campbell Mrs.	1	1	0
Sons	1	1	0	Cantrell Rev. W. Heury	1	1	0
"Broker"	2	2	0	Carlile J. W., Esq.	1	1	0
Bromley Lady	2	2	0	Carlisle Mrs. John	2	2	0
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Mr. Kent	1	1	0	Donation Boxes at the Hospital	159	1	0
Edwin Lloyd, Esq.	1	1	0	Sums under £1	2	6	7
S. M. Alexander, Esq.	1	1	0				
Dr. Freeman and Friends A Visitor, per Sister Stuart	1	1	0				

DONATIONS COLLECTED BY PATIENTS AFTER THEIR DISCHARGE.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mr. Joseph Bonser, Bunny	3	14	7	Mr. Thomas Beresford, Peterborough	1	1	2
Mr. Henry Hutchins, East- wood	2	2	0	Mr. Geo. Plant, Longton.	1	1	0
Mr. E. G. Cole, Ponteland	1	9	0	Mr. John Lowry, Knotty Ash	1	0	6
				Sums under £1	0	6	0

OFFERTORIES AND COLLECTIONS IN CHURCHES AND CHAPELS, 1883.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
S. John's Church, Buxton	49	13	6	Trinity Church, Buxton.	3	1	2
S. James' Church, "	41	11	0	Belvoir Castle	3	0	0
Burbage Church	21	6	8	Ketton Church.....	3	0	0
Congregational Church, Buxton	10	10	0	New Mills Church	3	0	0
Arley Chapel	7	12	8	Presbyterian Services, Buxton	2	0	0
Fairfield Church	7	3	11	All Saints' Church, Bradbourne	1	19	10
Over Tabley Church....	4	4	0	Wormhill Church.....	1	7	6
Wesleyan Chapel, Buxton	4	4	0	Earl Sterndale Church	1	4	3
Bottesford Church	3	10	0	Aldwick Mission Room	1	0	0
Knipton Church	3	10	0	Ballidon Church	0	16	7
Harpur Hill Church	3	5	0				
Taxal Church	3	3	0				

DONATIONS PER HOTELS, LODGING-HOUSES, &c., 1882.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Palace Hotel.....	116	15	4	No. 1, Terrace Villas ..	2	6	0
Grosvenor Board'g House	40	14	3	Devonshire Lodge	2	0	0
St. Ann's Hotel	33	2	6	Holker House	1	13	6
Old Hall Hotel.....	27	2	6	Derby House	1	12	6
Nos. 3 and 4, Athelstane Terrace (Mrs. Turnell's)	19	6	9	No. 17, Broad Walk....	1	11	0
Eagle Hotel	18	10	10	Lee Wood Hotel	1	10	0
Crescent Hotel.....	17	14	0	Argyle Villas.....	1	1	0
Shakespeare Hotel	8	14	0	Hawthorne Villa	1	0	0
Malvern House	8	3	0	No. 1, Portland Villas..	1	0	0
				Sums under £1.....	4	2	7

BEQUESTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1847 Mrs. Foxlow	100	0	0	1873 Rev. C. Ingleby ..	19	19	0
1847 Mrs. Holland....	200	0	0	1873 Mrs. B. Robinson.	3384	4	3
1854 Mrs. Bamford....	100	0	0	1874 W. Barnett, Esq..	1000	0	0
1856 W. Lewis, Esq. ..	100	0	0	1874 J. Bagshaw, Esq..	450	0	0
1858 J. Craven, Esq. ..	27	5	0	1875 Mrs. S. Lockett ..	10	0	0
1859 J. Henderson, Esq.	100	0	0	1875 Mrs. E. Dolling..	10	0	0
1860 Miss M. Hall....	9	9	0	1879 Hon. Mrs. Ramsden	5	0	0
1865 W. Phillips, Esq..	100	0	0	1879 W. Poole, Esq. ..	10	0	0
1865 G. Davson, Esq..	19	19	3	1879 Miss Marriott....	100	0	0
1867 Miss E. Hurt....	100	0	0	1879 Miss E. Daine ..	900	0	0
1868 W. Gibson, Esq..	250	0	0	1879 Mrs. D.V. Harcourt	500	0	0
1868 W. Sharman, Esq.	261	5	10	1880 Miss J. Wheatley..	100	0	0
1869 Mrs. Ann Greenwood	45	0	0	1882 D. Holland, Esq..	90	0	0
1869 Mrs. Frances Pearson	100	0	0	1882 J. Hinckley, Esq.	45	0	0
1872 G. Smith.....	10	0	0	1882 W. Carter, Esq. ..	100	0	0
1872 H. Harris, Esq. ..	50	0	0	1883 Mrs. Barnes	450	0	0
1872 Mrs. Arkwright ..	50	0	0	1883 Mrs. Irton	10	0	0
1872 Chappell Fowler, Esq.	20	0	0	1883 J. Thurman, Esq.	17	19	2
				1883 E. E. Mollady, Esq.	500	0	0

DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL COMPLETION FUND.

DONATIONS

TOWARDS THE ERECTION OF
CLOCK TOWER AND PORTICO,

In recognition of Dr. ROBERTSON'S Services to the Institution.

	£	s	d.
His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, K.G.	200	0	0
James Chadwick, Esq.	200	0	0
Robert B. Duke, Esq.	25	0	0
"W.Y." (per Dr. Robertson)	21	0	0
In Memory of "E.R."	20	0	0
In Memory of "E.P."	20	0	0
Frederick Cooper, Esq.	20	0	0
Donations under £20.	485	16	0

Benefactions in aid of this Fund will be received at the Buxton branch of the Sheffield and Rotherham Banking Company, who are the treasurers of the Hospital, or by Mr. Joseph Taylor, Secretary, Devonshire Hospital, Buxton, Derbyshire.

The Clock Tower has been erected from the proceeds of the COMPLETION FUND. The Portico will be commenced as soon as sufficient funds are available. In addition to the value of the Clock Tower and Portico on general grounds, the erection of the Clock Tower has greatly enhanced the appearance of the Exterior of the Hospital, and has shown the architectural desirability of the Portico, independently of its value as shelter to the principal entrance.

RESIDENCES OF IN-PATIENTS

ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR 1883.

Abbots Bromley.. 1	Banbury 2	Bootle 1	Buxton, Fairfield, and Burbage ...47
Aberystwith 1	Barnsley 4	Boston 3	Cambridge 2
Accrington 4	Barrow-in-Frness 1	Bowdon 2	Cardiff 1
Alderley Edge ... 3	Barlow 1	Bradford.....57	Carnforth 2
Alfreton 6	Barnard Castle... 2	Bradwell 1	Carnarvon 5
Alstonfield 1	Barwick 1	Braintree 1	Castle Donington 3
Altrincham 9	Batley 2	Bramham 2	Castleton 1
Allstock 1	Bedale 1	Brenchley 1	Caverswall 1
Annesley 1	Bedford 6	Brighton 1	Chapel - en - le - Frith 8
Ambergate 1	Belford 1	Brindle 4	Cheltenham 3
Ambleside 1	Belper 4	Brimington 1	Chester 11
Arlsey 1	Berwick 1	Bromley 1	Chesteron 1
Arnold 2	Bicester 1	Buckingham 2	Chesterfield 33
Ashbourne 10	Birkenhead..... 13	Bulwell 1	Chichester 1
Ashby 2	Birmingham 14	Burnley 11	Chirk 3
Ashover 1	Birstall 1	Burslem 12	Chorley 6
Ashton 12	Blackburn 34	Burton-on-Trent 36	Chorlton 8
Aston 2	Bollington 4	Bury 11	
Bakewell 13	Bolton 33	BurySt.Edmunds 2	

Clay Cross	3	Hereford	3	Middlewich	3	Skipton	1
Cobridge	1	Higham Ferrers	1	Mirfield	3	Slesford	2
Colne	6	Hollinwood	9	Mossley	7	Stafford	4
Colton	1	Holmfirth	1	Mottram	1	Stalybridge	5
Colwick	1	Hoylake	1	Montgomery	4	Stamford	3
Congleton	4	Hucknall Torkard	3	Narberth	1	Stannington	1
Connah's Quay	2	Huddersfield	17	Nantwich	4	Stanton-in-Peak	1
Compstall	1	Hull	3	Neston	1	Staplehurst	1
Cork	1	Hunslet	1	Newark	13	Staunton	1
Corwen	1	Hurdsfield	1	New Brighton	2	Staveley	3
Coton-in-Elms	1	Hyde	4	Newcastle	7	St. Helens	6
Coventry	2	Ilkeston	4	Newton Heath	3	St. Neots	2
Crewe	23	Isle of Wight	1	Newtown	3	St. Neonards	1
Crich	1	Keighley	1	New Mills	4	Stockport	48
Cromford	1	Kendall	5	Newhall	1	Stoke-on-Trent	23
Darley Dale	5	Kettering	7	Newton-le-Willows	2	Stone	2
Darlington	3	Ketton	5	Norfolk	1	Stonebroom	1
Darwen	22	Kew	1	Normanton	5	Stony Middleton	1
Daventry	1	Kidsgrave	3	Northampton	5	Stourbridge	1
Denbigh	2	Kingsbridge	1	Northenden	1	Stourport	1
Derby	62	Kingsbury	1	Northwich	18	Stow	1
Dewsbury	6	Kingstead	1	Nottingham	65	Stratford	1
Didsbury	1	Kirk Langley	1	Ockbrook	1	South Shields	1
Doncaster	4	Kirkby	2	Odd Rode	2	Southampton	1
Dorking	1	Knarborough	1	Oldham	73	Southwell	3
Dove Holes	1	Knights	1	Openshaw	9	Southport	7
Dresden	1	Knottingley	2	Oswestry	8	Spalding	1
Droylsden	4	Knutsford	1	Oundle	2	Sudborough	1
Dublin	2	Lancaster	13	Oxford	2	Swansea	1
Duffield	3	Leamington	2	Packington	1	Swanwick	2
Dukinfield	3	Ledbury	1	Patricroft	1	Swindon	1
Dumfries	2	Leeds	43	Pontefract	4	Swinton	3
Dunse	1	Leek	11	Pendlebury	4	Tadcaster	1
Durham	5	Leicester	18	Pendleton	9	Talke	1
Earlsheaton	2	Leigh	5	Pemberton	1	Tamworth	2
Easingwold	3	Lenton	1	Pinxton	1	Tarporley	2
Eastbourne	1	Leominster	1	Plymouth	1	Taunton	1
Eastwood	5	Lewes	1	Prees	1	Thirsk	2
Eaton	1	Lichfield	10	Prescot	1	Thornhill	3
Eccles	1	Lincoln	12	Preston	23	Todmorden	3
Eckington	1	Lindley	2	Prestwich	3	Torquay	1
Edensor	1	Linivady	1	Quorndon	3	Towcester	1
Edinburgh	2	Liverpool	56	Ramsbottom	1	Tideswell	1
Edgbaston	2	Liscard	4	Ramsey	1	Tunstall	4
Eliand	1	Littleborough	1	Redgrave	1	Tunbridge	1
Eyam	1	Llanfair	1	Repton	3	Tutbury	1
Farnborough	1	London	81	Retford	1	Tyldesley	1
Farnworth	1	Londonthorpe	1	Richmond	3	Uffington	1
Faversham	1	Long Sutton	2	Ringwood	1	Uiceby	1
Fenton	4	Longton	7	Ripley	5	Ulverston	2
Flint	1	Loughborough	8	Ripon	3	Upton	1
Flixton	1	Louth	1	Rochdale	37	Uttoxeter	2
Flockburgh	1	Luton	1	Rochester	2	Uxbridge	1
Gainsborough	1	Lymm	1	Rossett	1	Wakefield	13
Glossop	3	Macclesfield	20	Rotherham	14	Walsall	3
Golborne	5	Maldon	1	Ruabon	2	Wanstead	1
Grantham	16	Malpas	3	Ruddington	4	Warford	1
Greenfield	1	Malvern-Link	1	Runcorn	1	Warrington	4
Grimesthorpe	1	Manchester and Salford	230	Rugely	5	Warsop	1
Guildford	1	Mansfield	13	Rugby	4	Wellingborough	2
Hadfield	1	Mansfield Woodhouse	3	Sandal	1	Welford	1
Halifax	12	Market Deeping	2	Sandbach	6	Wednesbury	1
Hanbury	1	Market Drayton	7	Scarborough	1	Weybridge	1
Handforth	1	Market Harboro'	3	Seaforth	1	Whaley Bridge	4
Hanley	7	Market Rasen	1	Sedburgh	2	Whitmore	1
Harlaston	2	Marple	2	Selby	1	Wigan	43
Harrow	1	Marton	1	Selkirk	1	Wilmslow	6
Hartlepool	1	Masbro'	1	Settle	2	Windermere	2
Haslingden	1	Matlock	6	Sevenoaks	1	Wingfield	1
Hathersage	2	Mayfield	1	Shardlow	2	Winsford	2
Haughton	1	Mellor	2	Sheffield	90	Wirksworth	6
Haverhill	1	Melton Mowbray	1	Shifnal	2	Wolverhampton	2
Hayfield	1	Middleton	3	Shipley	2	Worcester	4
Heaton Mersey	7			Shrewsbury	18	Worksop	11
Hebden Bridge	2			Silverdale	2	Wrexham	8
Heckmondwike	1					York	12

TRADES AND OCCUPATIONS OF THE IN-PATIENTS

ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR 1883.

Agents	10	Laceworkers	6
Bailiffs	5	Laundresses	19
Bakers	4	Licensed Victuallers	3
Barber	1	Macintosh Makers	2
Bible Women	3	Machinists	31
Bleachers	2	Midwife	1
Boatman	1	Millers	3
Book-keepers and Clerks	26	Milliners	3
Brassworkers	2	Moulders	11
Brewers	5	Musicians	4
Bricklayers	14	Nurses	25
Brickmakers	5	Overlookers	13
Butchers	6	Painters	31
Butlers	8	Paper Makers	2
Cabdrivers	12	Pattern Maker	1
Cabinet Makers	10	Paupers	3
Carriers	5	Plasterers	8
Carters and Draymen	24	Platelayers	5
Chemists	5	Plumbers and Glaziers	13
Children under 16 years of age	51	Police-men	8
Chimney Sweep	1	Porters	18
Civil Service Officer	1	Potters	15
Clogger	1	Printers	11
Clockmakers	4	Railway Servants	31
Clothworker	1	Roquemaker	1
Coachbuilders	3	Saddler	1
Coachmen	20	Salt Boilers	3
Colliers and Miners	105	Sawyers	2
Colour Maker	1	School Board Officers	2
Cooks	16	Seamen	9
Coopers	5	Seamstresses	17
Cotton Operatives (Male)	45	Servants (Male)	17
Do. do. (Female)	62	Do. (Female)	32
Curriers	2	Sextons	3
Cutlers	3	Shepherds	3
Domestic Duties (chiefly Married Women)	231	Shipwrights	2
Drapers	4	Shoemakers	18
Dressmakers	23	Shopkeepers	29
Dyers	2	Silk Weavers	22
Engine Drivers and Stokers	23	Slater	1
Farmers	21	Smiths	31
Filesmiths	9	Soldiers	4
Fitters	12	Stonemasons	32
Forgemen	7	Stonegetters	16
Framework Knitters	11	Surveyor	1
Gamekeepers	8	Tailors	29
Gardeners	31	Tanner	1
Gasmen	4	Teachers	12
Governesses	3	Tin-plate Worker	1
Greengrocers	6	Turners	13
Grinders	2	Upholsterer	1
Grocers	9	Vergers	2
Grooms and Ostlers	16	Watchmen	3
Hatters	7	Watermen	3
Hawkers	9	Warehousemen	20
Hosters	3	Weavers	40
Joiners and Carpenters	39	Wheelwrights	4
Labourers	227	Wireworkers	2
Lampmen	3	Woodcutters	2

THE METEOROLOGICAL REPORT FOR 1883,

FROM THE OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT THE

DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL, BUXTON.

The weather of 1883 may be considered on the whole quite equal to the best kind usually expected in this locality. The barometer maintained a height a little above the average, the range between the highest and lowest being narrower. In the average temperature we find a very slight decrease, merely a fraction of a degree; the average solar radiation is lower by upwards of two degrees; the average terrestrial radiation is higher by about half a degree. The average temperature of the dew point is less by about half a degree. The rainfall shows a decrease of upwards of 10 inches, and 34 days less on which rain, &c., fell. The number of miles traversed by the wind exceeded that of 1882 by upwards of 9,000 miles, the mean estimated force at the time of observation being also greater. Cloud and ozone are slightly less in amount. A larger total number of hours of sunshine has been reached in comparison with the past year, also a larger number of days on which sunshine was recorded. The month of January opened unexpectedly with a warm sunshiny day in the morning part, followed in the afternoon and evening by rough wind and rain, which continued, with more or less violence, for several days afterwards; fog or mist prevailed frequently during the month; a very heavy storm of wind, snow, hail, and rain occurred from the 26th to the 28th; the missed thrush was heard on the 2nd; buds were well developed on the flowering currants by the 5th, and were bursting into leaf by the 17th; a lunar halo was seen on the 17th. February commenced with a snow storm, which was repeated on several occasions during the first half of the month; the latter half was most conspicuous by a larger amount of bright sunshine and strong winds; a lunar halo and the aurora borealis were seen on the 16th, and on the 19th a lunar halo was seen also. The snowdrop and polyanthus were in bloom on the 2nd. Rooks were actively engaged in building operations on the 9th; buds on the lilacs and hawthorns were very prominent by the 17th, and on the rose trees, barberry, and privet by the 24th. The temperature of March was fairly of an average character for the first four days, afterwards followed a period of intense cold, retarding for a time the progress that had been so well established in the vegetable kingdom; this severity was of such an extent that, although many hours of sunshine were recorded, they appeared quite ineffectual to mitigate the evil influence of the decreased temperature, the result of this was that March had the lowest average temperature of any month during the year. Snow and hail fell on several days; the violence of the wind was most prominent from the 20th to the 23rd, this being the only period of wind other than ordinary during the month; the smallest monthly amount of rainfall was collected. A complete change in many respects was produced at the beginning of April, the warm temperature was again resumed apparently where February ended, sunshine prevailed throughout whole days, from which a beneficial power was soon exerted over vegetation, many of the half-expanded buds which had been blackened and shrivelled up during the inclement weather of March began once more to put forth new energy, causing a pretty green tint to be visible on nearly every bush or tree; the rhododendrons, after suffering perhaps the most from the late frost, began to revive, but many of the flower buds perished entirely;

the common daisy and coltsfoot were beginning to bloom before the 7th; buds on the lilac were bursting by the 11th, on the mountain ash by the 12th, and on the sycamore by the 13th; on the 14th the privet, sycamore, and hawthorn had come into leaf; the box was in flower on the 16th; swallows were seen on the 26th, and the cuckoo heard on the 27th. The first half of the month was totally without rain. May was essentially a flowery month, the warmth of April was continued with the exception of a few days at the commencement: many slight showers occurred. Snow fell on two or three days during the first fortnight; also during this period a thunder storm happened, accompanied by snow and hail; the limes and horse chestnuts were bursting into leaf on the 7th, the elms on the 15th, the broom and beech on the 20th, the barberry in flower and flower buds on the lilacs on the 24th; rhododendrons in flower on the 25th, and lilacs on the 28th. The first part of June was fair and sunshiny, the latter part stormy; there were two days during the month on which upwards of an inch of rain fell; thunder storms occurred on the 25th, 26th, and 29th. The mountain ash and broom were flowering on the 2nd; flower buds on the hawthorn bursting on the 5th. On two days upwards of 15 hours of sunshine were registered. The temperature continued high during the whole month of July; the rainfall was below the average; three thunder storms happened during the early portion of the month, on each occasion accompanied with rain. Sunshine was registered on every day of the month; a solar halo was seen on the 20th. There was fruit on the mountain ash and horse chestnut on the 15th, the lime was flowering at the same time; a little snow fell on the 14th; the wind was very quiet during this month. August maintained the high temperature of the previous month; a rainfall below the average was registered; strong winds were more frequent; sunshine was registered on 30 days. The privet was in flower on the 1st; the weather of this month was very satisfactory. September continued with a temperature considerably above the average; the first and last thirds of the month were somewhat showery. Sunshine was recorded on most days, some registrations being upwards of 8 hours; occasional heavy dews were observed; several heavy gales were noticed. The temperature of October was the first commencement of a retrograde movement, which without being very low was sufficient to be perceptible, more so on account of frequent showers of leaves from such trees as the lime and sycamores; some of the hardier trees retained their foliage much later; a thunder storm occurred on the 3rd; several gales more or less violent happened occasionally; the rainfall was a little above the average; there were only a few days without sunshine. There was a slight diminution in the temperature during November; this came about without any degree of suddenness or intensity; in this a very favourable comparison may be drawn with January, February, and March; towards the end of the month several storms of wind or snow were present, sometimes hail accompanied; a lunar halo was seen on the 11th; sunshine was recorded on most days. And the temperature of December suffered only a slight decrease on that of the previous month, mildness being an especial characteristic. Mist or fog prevailed on many occasions; snow and hail fell but rarely; towards the end of the month several terrific gales occurred, causing considerable damage in many districts, but of a very limited nature in this; the mildness of the month may be shown from the fact that many garden flowers, as the scarlet daisies and polyanthus were blooming uninterruptedly through the whole month; the rainfall was about the average; the greatest fall of rain in one day occurred on the 10th.

The Barometer.—The mean height of the barometrical readings for the last fourteen years was 29.869 inches; the mean height of the readings for 1883, when reduced to the sea level and corrected for temperature to 32° F., was 29.962 inches, or above that of last year by .075 of an inch. The barometer recorded its maximum height, 29.747 inches (unreduced), on February 23rd, being .090 of an inch below that of 1882; and its minimum, 27.780 (unreduced), on the 2nd February, below the minimum of last year by .071 of an inch. The range between the maximum and minimum was 1.967 inches, or .019 of an inch less than that of the previous year; the mean average range for the year 1883 was 1.219 inches, or .079 of an inch below that of 1882.

The Temperature in the Shade.—The average mean temperature of the air for the last fourteen years was 45°1; the mean temperature of the air for 1883 was 44°5, or .6 less than that of last year. The maximum degree of temperature in

the shade was 74°5 on July 2nd, or °1 more than that of the previous year; the minimum 5°0 was registered on March 10th, being an increase of 9°0 on the amount of the former year. The total annual range is 69°5, or 8°9 less than that of 1882; the mean monthly range is 35°3 or °8 more than that of the previous year. The mean diurnal range is 14°6 showing an increase of 1°1 on that of 1882. The greatest range of temperature that occurred in one day was 34°7, on September 8th; and the least 2°7 on January 11th.

Radiation.—The maximum degree of solar radiation was 130°8 on the 2nd July, which was 1°5 more than that of the previous year; the minimum degree of the terrestrial radiator was 6°6 on March 10th, above that of the previous year by 6°6. The total annual range between the maximum and minimum of radiation was 124°2, showing a decrease of 5°1. The mean average monthly range of radiation for the year was 89°2; the greatest range of radiation occurring in one day was 101°2 on March 9th; and the least 3°2 on January 12th. There were 171 nights on which the temperature was at 32° or below, which shows an increase of 1 night on the amount in the previous year.

The Hygrometrical Condition of the Atmosphere.—The mean temperature of the dew point for the last fourteen years is 41°. The average mean temperature of the dew point for 1883 was 41°4, °4 less than the mean of 1882; the mean degree of humidity (°844) was less than that of 1882—that is, assuming 1·000 as a standard point when the atmosphere is thoroughly saturated with moisture. The average mean elastic force of vapour was ·268 inches, or ·004 less than that of 1882; the mean weight of vapour in a cubic foot of air was 3·07 grains, or ·03 grains less than that of the previous year. The mean amount of additional vapour required to saturate a cubic foot of air was ·61 grains, or ·09 grains less than the quantity required in 1882.

The Rainfall.—The average mean amount of rainfall at Buxton for the last eighteen years was 58·258 inches. The amount collected at Buxton for 1883 was 55·345 inches, or 10°512 inches less than in 1882. The maximum fall of rain during 24 hours was 1·25 inches on the 10th December. Rain, snow, &c., fell on 183 days during 1883, being 34 days less than in 1882. The average fall for the Buxton district was 54·820 inches.

Wind.—The average of the mean directions of the wind may be proportionately represented by the following numbers, viz.: W. 11, N. 1, S. 4, and E. 2. The mean estimated force was 2·2, or ·3 more than that of the past year. The mean average number of miles traversed by the wind daily was 168·1.

Cloud.—The mean estimated amount of cloud was 7·3 below that of 1882 by ·1. March was the least cloudy month of the year.

Ozone.—The mean monthly average amount of ozone was 83·1 in the mornings, and 49·9 in the evenings; in the month of July the greatest amount was registered.

Strong winds occurred on January 2nd, 8th, 19th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th; February 21st and 22nd; March 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd; April 22nd and 26th; May 12th; June 4th; July 17th; August 9th, 14th, 15th, and 28th; September 6th, 26th, and 27th; October 7th, 16th, 17th, and 24th; November 10th, 20th, 24th, and 25th; and December 2nd, 3rd, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 19th, 21st, and 22nd.

Thunderstorms occurred on June 25th, 26th, and 29th; July 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 16th; and October 3rd.

An aurora borealis was seen on the 16th of February.

Lunar halos were seen on January 17th, February 16th and 19th, and November 11th.

A solar halo was seen on July 20th.

Snow fell on 50 days.

Fog appeared on 25 days.

Hail fell on 22 days.

Thunder was heard, but no lightning was seen, on May 11th and 29th, and November 11th.

Lightning without thunder occurred on May 26th.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, MONTHLY SUMMARIES, & MEANS, FOR 1883.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly Summary.
1.—Barometer:—													
2.—Mean height at 32° F. and reduced to Sea-level	29.963	30.037	30.034	30.055	29.993	29.937	29.810	29.298	29.818	29.964	29.772	30.129	29.963 mean.
3.—Highest Reading (unreduced)	29.650	29.747	29.671	29.649	29.435	29.380	29.306	29.312	29.292	29.498	29.240	29.600	29.747.
4.—Date	23rd.	23rd.	4th.	7th.	6th.	13th.	27th.	23rd.	13th.	8th.	1st.	25th.	February 23rd.
5.—Lowest Reading (unreduced)	27.973	27.801	28.243	28.447	28.561	28.600	28.430	28.449	27.780	28.190	27.884	28.492	27.780.
6.—Date	30th.	2nd.	26th.	19th.	9th.	26th.	13th.	10th.	2nd.	10th.	25th.	7th.	2nd September.
7.—Range	1.920	1.856	1.438	1.302	961	780	786	872	1.512	1.308	1.356	1.138	1.1219 mean. 1.967 absolute range.
8.—THERMOMETERS IN THE SHADE:—													
9.—Mean Temperature of the air	59.6	58.8	59.3	62.6	65.9	62.0	56.5	54.7	51.8	45.1	39.0	37.7	44.5 mean.
10.—Highest Temperature	51.1	53.1	51.1	63.6	70.1	73.7	74.3	72.4	71.6	59.8	52.2	51.1	74.5.
11.—Date	1st.	21st.	4th.	4th.	21st.	30th.	2nd.	13th.	18th.	8th.	24th.	14th.	2nd July.
12.—Lowest Temperature	8.9	27.7	5.0	23.0	29.5	35.8	38.1	40.0	36.9	36.5	19.0	25.0	5.0.
13.—Date	21st.	1st.	17th.	6th.	4th.	22nd.	21th.	19th.	9th.	22nd.	13th.	7th.	10th March.
14.—Range of Temperature (monthly)	43.1	25.4	46.1	39.6	46.6	37.9	36.4	32.4	34.7	33.9	33.2	26.1	35.3 mean. 69.5 absolute range.
15.—Ditto (daily)	9.7	19.5	16.1	17.9	17.5	17.3	21.9	18.0	14.2	12.0	10.7	9.3	14.6 mean.
16.—Greatest Range of Temperature in one day	30.7	19.3	34.0	34.6	27.8	27.1	29.4	30.1	34.7	24.4	25.1	16.3	31.7.
17.—Date	21st.	9th.	10th.	8th.	21st.	3rd.	8th.	19th.	8th.	4th.	13th.	4th.	8th September.
18.—Least Range of Temperature in one day	2.7	4.6	3.0	4.7	7.3	8.1	8.8	7.3	3.8	5.1	3.8	3.2	7.7.
19.—Date	11th.	5th.	22nd.	29th.	8th.	21st.	21st.	10th.	3rd.	10th.	2nd.	9th.	11th January.
20.—RADIATION:—													
21.—Mean of Observations of Solar Radiator	55.3	74.7	89.7	95.3	107.1	109.6	115.0	113.0	97.6	84.8	65.4	53.8	87.2 mean.
22.—Ditto Terrestrial do.	59.0	31.9	30.9	29.8	32.5	40.5	43.5	43.7	40.7	36.0	29.1	29.0	33.8 mean.
23.—Highest degrees of Solar Radiation	97.0	100.5	115.4	113.5	127.0	129.8	149.8	128.8	131.6	104.2	86.4	75.9	130.8.
24.—Date	30th.	23th.	9th.	4th.	22nd.	29th.	2nd.	13th.	19th.	15th.	9th.	24th.	2nd July.
25.—Lowest degrees of Terrestrial Radiation	19.6	23.9	6.6	16.1	20.3	29.4	30.9	36.5	31.1	21.1	15.1	15.9	6.6.
26.—Date	8th.	11th.	10th.	6th.	4th.	3rd.	24th.	8th.	24th.	22nd.	12th.	7th.	10th March. 89.2 mean. 124.2 absolute range.
27.—Range of Radiation (monthly)	77.4	74.6	108.4	99.4	106.7	100.4	99.9	92.3	99.7	68.1	71.3	60.0	101.2.
28.—Greatest Range of Radiation in one day	66.6	68.9	101.2	85.3	94.0	91.6	89.8	84.3	84.3	73.4	65.8	48.5	101.2.
29.—Date	30th.	20th.	9th.	6th.	22nd.	30th.	26th.	23rd.	19th.	6th.	12th.	9th.	9th March.
30.—Least Range of Radiation in one day	3.2	9.4	16.1	8.5	25.6	26.1	43.0	49.3	15.1	10.4	6.0	10.7	3.2.
31.—Date	12th.	1st.	30th.	29th.	8th.	7th.	21st.	10th.	29th.	19th.	1st.	23th.	12th January.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS FOR 1883 (CONTINUED).

1. —HYGROMETRICAL CONDITION OF THE ATMOSPHERE :—													
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly Summary.
2.—Mean Temperature of Dew Point (degrees)	34.0	37.3	50.7	40.5	42.9	48.3	49.0	50.2	49.7	42.5	37.0	34.7	41.4 mean.
3.—Degree of Humidity (sat. 1000)	921	968	870	833	767	788	763	759	831	874	800	911	844 mean.
4.—Elastic Force of Vapour (inches)	1.96	223	172	222	276	339	348	364	357	272	230	201	308 mean.
5.—Amount of Vapour in a cubic foot of air (grs) ..	2.27	2.59	2.0	2.88	3.18	3.9	3.92	4.00	3.99	3.4	2.54	2.3	3.07 mean.
6.—" " required to saturate do " ..	20	28	50	60	93	96	1.14	1.30	81	50	35	29	61 mean.
7.—RAINFALL :—													
8.—At Buxton (8 inch gauge) inches	0.690	1.790	1.770	2.500	1.785	5.010	4.305	3.505	7.335	7.030	3.990	4.985	55.345 inches.
9.—Greatest fall in 24 hours ..	810	600	700	810	410	1.240	900	810	1.200	900	800	1.250	1.250 inches.
10.—Date ..	28th	1st	19th	28th	11th	25th	21st	8th	3rd	3rd	4th	10th	10th December.
11.—Number of days on which rain, &c., fell ..	18	19	10	9	12	15	16	13	18	17	21	15	183.
13.—WIND :—													
14.—Prevailing directions	S. W.	W. S. W.	S. E.	W. S. W.	W.	W.	W. S. W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W. N. W., E. S. E., S. N. E.,
15.—Number of miles travelled by wind (monthly), ..	6021	5020	4820	4675	4645	4000	5335	4940	4635	5425	5110	7050	(61,386—5115.5 mean monthly.
16.—Average ..	194.2	189.2	155.4	135.8	149.8	133.3	172	159.3	154.5	175.0	170.3	227.7	168 mean daily.
17.—Mean estimated force (0—12) ..	2.4	2.2	1.8	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.2 mean.
18.—CLOUD :—													
19.—Mean amount (estimated) (0—10) ..	7.8	7.8	6.3	6.8	7.1	7.5	8.0	7.3	7.7	7.3	7.0	7.6	7.3 mean.
20.—OZONE :—													
21.—Amount at 9 a.m.	125	160	47	89	105	54	160	68	61	76	59	93	998 monthly mean 132.9.
22.—" " 9 p.m.	76	62	37	42	73	31	75	42	35	16	35	69	587 daily mean 4.3.
23.—SUNSHINE :—													
24.—Hours of Sunshine	31.50	65.35	110.15	128.60	177.05	146.25	160.75	164.60	87.25	60.70	56.25	35.75	(1224.20 daily mean 3.35, hours. monthly mean 102.1.
25.—Number of days on which sunshine was registered ..	12	17	25	56	58	58	31	30	23	22	24	16	252.
26.—Maximum number of hours of sunshine in one day ..	7.00	7.50	10.28	10.25	13.30	15.45	14.25	12.25	8.25	6.50	6.00	4.00	15.25 hours.
27.—Date ..	30th	16th	31st	1st	25th	3rd	28th	9th	9, 10th	5th	8th	22nd	3rd June.

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