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HOMŒOPATHIC  
MEDICAL INSTITUTION

And Dispensary,

No. 13A, CANNON ROW, WESTMINSTER.

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## Address.

IN the year 1842 some gentlemen connected with Lambeth, convinced of the success of the Homœopathic system in the treatment of disease, determined to found an Establishment conducted upon its principles in that quarter.

In conformity with these views, the Lambeth Homœopathic Dispensary was opened on the 13th of August of that year, and Dr. Laurie accepted the appointment of Physician. The founders relied solely upon the efficacy of the system as the means of its advancement, and their expectations have not been disappointed.

In order to afford the inhabitants of Lambeth an opportunity of testing, by their own experience, the benefits offered to them, no other qualification was required for admittance than the plea of illness; and among a population to whom the very name of the science was unknown, the cures performed gradually awakened attention, and the numbers of applicants augmented.

With these increased calls upon them, the Committee, anxious to extend to the poorer classes the advantages which they have themselves derived from the system, nominated Drs. Hamilton and Mayne to take a part of the duties, and in June 1843, opened an Establishment upon a more extended scale at No. 13A, Cannon-row, Westminster, called The Westminster and Lambeth Homœopathic Medical Institution and Dispensary. Since the latter epoch the applications have been so numerous, as to render it necessary to limit the admissions to those, who produced an order from a Subscriber,



or whose circumstances were proved, on investigation, to warrant an exception in their favour.—Still however this did not meet every case, as many presented themselves without orders, who could not be classed amongst the exceptions, such as small tradesmen, journeymen, &c.; which induced the Committee to adopt a middle course, and admit all such on the payment of the small sum of five shillings a quarter. This voluntary system they are happy to state has been attended with success. A reference to the accompanying statement will shew that the sum accruing to the Institution from this source is not large, but it must be gratifying to the friends of Homœopathy, to observe this indication of its progress amongst a class who can judge of it only by its effects.

The Committee feel satisfied, that investigation must lead to a reliance on the truth of the Homœopathic doctrines, and that nothing but a conviction of the benefits derivable from that system is necessary, on the part of the public, to induce them to come forward in support of an Institution founded for the alleviation of the sufferings of their humbler brethren, and for shortening the hours of illness to those, whose sole capital is their labour.

Subscriptions received by the Secretary, at the Institution; Mr. HEADLAND, Homœopathic Chemist, 15, Princes Street, Hanover Square; Mr. LEATH, Homœopathic Publisher, 5, St. Paul's Churchyard; and Messrs. MILLER and FIELD, Stationers, 6, Bridge Road, Lambeth.



## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

I. Every Subscriber of One Guinea Annually shall be entitled to have always one patient on the books; a Subscriber of Two Guineas, three patients; Three Guineas, five patients; Five Guineas, seven patients; and above Five Guineas, one patient for every Guinea.

II. A Donor of Five Guineas can have one patient continually on the books; Ten Guineas, two patients, and so on.

III. A Subscription of Three Guineas Annually, or a Donation of Twenty Guineas, entitles the Subscriber to become a Governor, and vote at the General Meetings.

IV. No patient can be admitted to the benefit of the Institution without a letter of recommendation from a Subscriber or Governor.

V. Indigent patients, who cannot obtain a letter, and *whose cases are urgent*, may be relieved on application to the Medical Officer at the Dispensary, for the day.

VI. Patients suffering from *acute disease*, and unable to attend, may be seen at their own houses if within one mile of the Dispensary, on forwarding a properly authenticated application to that effect.

VII. Patients dismissed for irregularity of attendance unless due cause be shown, are not re-eligible.

VIII. Every patient discharged cured, shall receive the form of a letter of thanks to fill up, and present to the Governor or Subscriber by whom he has been recommended.

IX. A Committee to be appointed every year to report on the state of the Dispensary, audit the Accounts, &c. &c.



# REPORT

*Of Cases at the Westminster and Lambeth Homœopathic Institution and Dispensary, from June to December, 1843.*

NAME OF DISEASE.	No. of Cases.	Cured.	Im- proved.	No im- provement.	Dead.	REMARKS.
Abscess, Chronic .. .. .	3	1	1	1		
Amennorrhœa .. .. .	2	1	1			
Arthritis .. .. .	3	2	1			
Angina tonsillaris .. .. .	2	2				
Asthma .. .. .	2		1	1		
Bronchitis, chronic .. .. .	9	4	4	2		
Bronchitis, acute .. .. .	3	3				
Blennorrhœa Urethræ .. .. .	1	1				
Cancer Uteri .. .. .	1		1			
Cephalalgia .. .. .	6	4	2			
Catarrh .. .. .	4	4				
Coryza, chronic .. .. .	1	1				
Convulsions, from Teething .. .. .	4	4				
Contusions .. .. .	4	4				
Cardialgia, (Spasm of the Stomach)	1		1			
Cholera, sporadica .. .. .	1	1				
—— Sequelæ of .. .. .	1	1				
Claudicatio spontanea .. .. .	1		1			
Diarrhœa .. .. .	4	4				
Diarrhœa Chronic .. .. .	2	1	1			The patient under improved ceased attendance when nearly well, from being obliged to work at a distance.
Dysentery .. .. .	2	2				
Dyspepsia & General Derangement ..	13	9	4			
Dismennorrhœa .. .. .	1	1				
Deafness .. .. .	2		2			
Dysuria .. .. .	1	1				
Epilepsy .. .. .	8	3	5			
Erysipelas .. .. .	3	3				
Enteritis chronica .. .. .	1	1				
Fever						
—— synochal .. .. .	1	1				
—— Rheumatic .. .. .	3	3				
—— Typhus, (Abdominal) .. .. .	2	2				
Gastritis .. .. .	3	2	1			
Gastro-enteritis chronica .. .. .	1	1				
Hooping Cough .. .. .	9	8				1 Average days under treatment 23. The case under dead was the child of a street sweeper, who took it out at all hours, to excite compassion.
Hernia, inguinal .. .. .	2	1	1			
—— scrotal .. .. .	2	1	1			
—— congenital .. .. .	1	1				
Herpes squamosa .. .. .	5	3	2			
Hydrocephalus .. .. .	1	1				
Hæmatemesis .. .. .	1	1				
Hæmoptysis .. .. .	2	2				
Hepatitis, chronica .. .. .	2	1	1			
Hysteria .. .. .	1	1				



NAME OF DISEASE.	No. of Cases.	Cured.	Im- proved.	No im- prove- ment.	Dead.	REMARKS.
Influenza .. .. .	17	17				This case was only under treatment a few days.
Induration of the Liver .. .. .	1			1		
Icterus.. .. .	2	2				
Leucorrhœa .. .. .	5	4		1		
Measles .. .. .	5	5				
— sequelæ of .. .. .	4	3		1		
Nephritis .. .. .	1	1				
Ophthalmia.. .. .	4	3	1			
Periostitis .. .. .	1		1			
Purpura .. .. .	1	1				
Phthisis .. .. .	7	1	4	2		
Prolapsus ani .. .. .	1	1				
Palpitatio cordis .. .. .	2	1	1			
Pneumonia .. .. .	3	3				
Rhachitis .. .. .	2	1		1		
Rheumatismus, acutus .. .. .	7	7				
———— chronicus .. .. .	6	4	2			
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	3	3				
— Sequelæ of .. .. .	2	1		1		
Spasmi .. .. .	1	1				
Stomacace .. .. .	3	3				
Scrofula .. .. .	7	4	2	1		
Syphilis .. .. .	2	2				
Syphilis Secundaria .. .. .	2	1		1		
Tumor Tarsi .. .. .	1		1			
Tumor of Hairy Scalp .. .. .	1	1				
Tussis .. .. .	12	9	2			
Ulcers .. .. .	3	2	1			
Cases discharged from June to December, 1843 .. .. .	228	168	46	13	1	
Left on Treatment .. .. .	89					
	317					

In analysing this Table, it is thought proper to state that no cases have been entered under the head of CURED, but such as were ascertained to be completely so when they ceased attendance. Many cases placed under the head of IMPROVED, had been restored to such a state of health that they required no further treatment; yet, strictly speaking, could not be considered as quite cured.

The total number of cases of all kinds, treated from June to December, 1843, were 317; of which

168 were discharged as Cured.  
 46 " " as Improved.  
 13 " " No Improvement.  
 1 " " Dead.  
 89 Left on Treatment.



*The Westminster and Lambeth Homeopathic Institution and Dispensary, in Account current with the Treasurer.*

Dr.

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	£.	s.	d.
To Amount of Subscriptions and Donations received from the opening of the Dispensary in York Road, to 31st December 128	9	6	6
“ 29 Donations of 5s. each, received from patients for their own treatment .. .. .	7	5	0
Balance .. .. .	1	10	3

	£.	s.	d.
By Sundry Expenses at the House in York Road, viz. Brass Door-plate, Window Blind and Painting, Writing Case, Ink, &c. &c. . . . .	2	8	6
“ Fuel and Candles, 16th August, to 17th April, 1843. . . . .	3	1	2
“ Rent to Mrs. Parker, 16th August, 1842, to 17th April 1843. . . . .	22	16	0
“ Advertising for larger House .. .. .	0	15	0
“ Sundry Expenses on entering the House in Cannon-row, viz. Sweeping Chimnies, Cleaning Cloths, Brooms, Brushes, Blacklead, Coals, Candles, and Wood .. .. .	2	7	6
“ Expenses of drawing the Lease to Messrs. Tooke and Son .. .. .	7	10	0
“ One Zinc Door-plate Engraved, to G. Barrow .. .. .	1	4	0
“ Two large ditto to Lawrence and Co. .. .. .	6	1	6
“ Painters, Plumbers, and Bricklayer's Work, necessary on entering the House .. .. .	18	0	0
“ Sundry Materials for above repairs .. .. .	1	2	4
“ Wages of man and woman, washing and cleaning House. . . . .	2	12	0
“ Putting in 14 squares of Glass .. .. .	1	1	0
“ Cost of Sundry Furniture, viz. 4 Tables, 18 Chairs, Druggett for Committee room, Roller Blinds, Door Mats, and Benches for Patients' room .. .. .	15	4	11
“ Sewer Rates .. .. .	0	17	6
“ Petty cash to 31st December, 1843 .. .. .	1	17	6
“ Porter's Wages to ditto .. .. .	10	2	4
“ Insurance from Fire on 1000l. House and Furniture to Church of England Insurance Office .. .. .	2	15	0
By Sundry Account, viz. for Coal now due but unpaid, this day, s 6	99	15	5
Stationery .. .. .	10	2	3
Water Rate .. .. .	0	16	9
Quarter's Rent of House .. .. .	20	0	0
37	9	0	0

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E. E. J. M. DOUGLAS,

*Treasurer.*

London, 30th December, 1843.



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