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'God help the Imbecile! more dark their lot
Than dumb, or deaf, the cripple, or the blind:
The closed soul-vision theirs, the blighted mind;
Babes though full-grown; the page of life a blot.

'Yet say, shall their affliction be abhorred?'
Their need o'erlooked? shall Charity pass by,
Leave them to perish with averted eye?
Forbid, the love that burns to serve her Lord!'

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OCTOBER, 1907.

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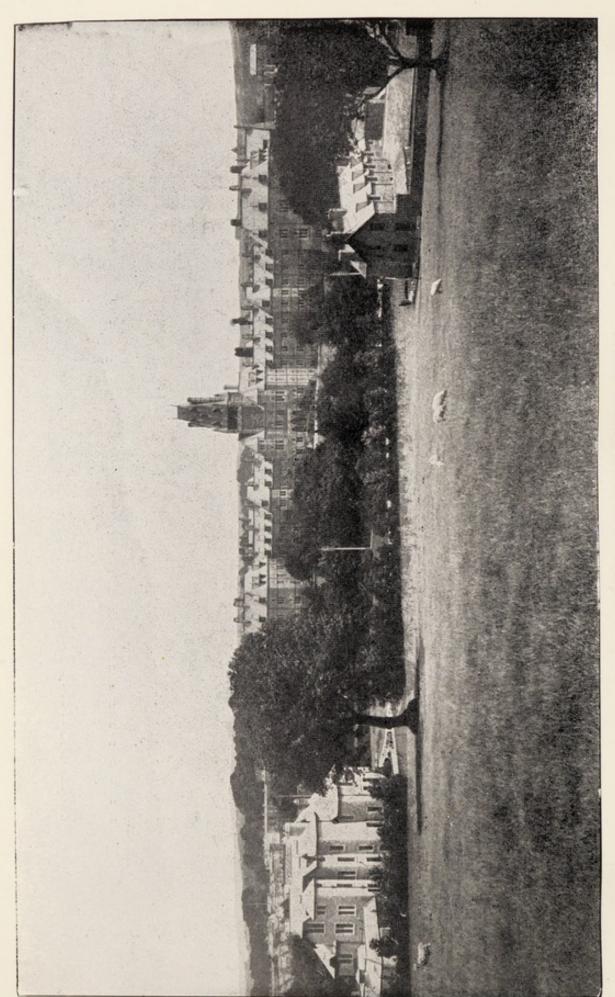
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FORM OF BEQUEST.

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I BEQUEATH TO THE ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM AT LANCASTER the sum of free of duty, to be applicable for the purposes of such Institution, and I declare that the receipt of the TREASURER, or other proper officer, for the time being, of such Institution shall be a sufficient discharge for the same.

I devise my [describe the property fully]
free of duty, unto the Royal Albert Asylum at Lancaster, for all
my estate and interest therein, the same to be for the absolute use
and benefit of the said Institution and applicable for the purposes
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* Until lately a Testator could give only money to a Charitable Institution, but now, by a recent Act of Parliament, he can give real estate (that is land, houses and other buildings, and chief rents) as well as money to such an Institution.

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THE ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM has been established for the care, education, and training of the Feeble-minded of all classes belonging to the Seven Northern Counties, viz.:—Lancashire, Yorkshire, Cheshire, Westmorland, Cumberland, Durham, and Northumberland. The number of Imbecile or Feeble-minded Persons in England and Wales returned at the Census of 1901 was 48,882. Of these, 13,893 belonged to the Seven Counties, 3,390 being under twenty years of age. But accurate statistics as to the prevalence of imbecility or feeble-mindedness are difficult to obtain, and there is no doubt that the foregoing returns are considerably below the actual number, owing to the general ignorance on the subject, and the natural desire in families to conceal the existence of the malady.

Imbecility being generally accompanied by an abnormal or imperfectly developed physical organisation, which retards the growth of the intellectual and moral powers, Imbeciles require a distinctive treatment in separate Institutions, where the resources of the skilful physician can be best employed for the modification or correction of those defects which obscure the mind. The Commissioners in Lunacy, and the medical profession generally, condemn the association of Imbeciles with Lunatics, as in all respects very objectionable and mutually injurious. In their Report for 1865, the Commissioners observe: "It has long been our opinion, as the result of extended experience and observation, that the association of Idiot children with Lunatics is very objectionable and injurious to them, and upon our visits to County Asylums we have frequently suggested arrangements for their separate treatment and instruction. It is always to us a painful thing to see Idiot children, whose mental faculties and physical powers and habits are capable of much development and improvement, wandering, without object or special care, about the wards of a Lunatic Asylum. The benefits to be derived, even in idiot cases apparently hopeless, from a distinctive system, and from persevering endeavours to develop the dormant powers, physical and intellectual, are now so fully established that any argument upon the subject would be superfluous." Again, in their Report for 1874, the Commissioners state: "We should be glad to see the noble example of the Northern Counties in this direction followed in other parts of the kingdom, since Idiots form a large proportion of the mentally afflicted, and require peculiar treatment, distinct from that applicable to the Insane." Referring to the ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM, the Lancet (June 20th, 1868) says :-- "We hail the establishment of this Asylum as another proof of the more scientific therapeutics to which the insane are now subjected. Till within the last few years the Idiot or the Imbecile child was invariably accommodated, not only in the same building, but in the same ward, with the victims to dementia, melancholia, or chronic mania. The effects of this indiscriminate classification and treatment were most pernicious. The young Idiot or Imbecile at the impressible and plastic period of his life, suffered from daily and nightly contact with those confirmed or aggravated cases of lunacy, and the only opportunity available for his rescue was then allowed to slip, until his case also became aggravated or confirmed. The benefits of the new system have been signally satisfactory."

That much may be done to render the poor Imbecile's life more tolerable to himself and less burdensome to his friends, has been abundantly demonstrated by the success of existing asylums. Dr. Langdon Down, speaking from long experience as Superintendent of the Earlswood Asylum, calculated that of the cases admitted into that Institution, "10 per cent. become self-supporting; 40 per cent. become so far improved as to cease to use up a sane life in their care, and become contributors to the common stock; and the remainder, all but 6 per cent., are invariably improved in their habits, and become

greatly lessened burdens on their families and society." Dr. Duncan, F.R.S., and Mr. Millard (of the Eastern Counties' Asylum at Colchester), in their work on the "Classification, Training, and Education of Idiots,"thus describe the success of specific treatment:-"Weak physical powers have been strengthened, uncleanly habits have been cured, the spiteful and irritable have become calm, the dependent self-depending; the idle have been rendered useful, the untutored have learned to read, write, count, and draw; the ability to earn much towards their own livelihood has been acquired by some, while in a few instances the capacity for earning sufficient for a maintenance and laying it out for themselves has been gained; and the moral and religious feelings have been aroused and fostered, so that excellent characters have been produced, and deeds of simple kindness have been performed by those who were once selfish, sensual, and depraved." The late Dr. Seguin, the distinguished physician, who may be regarded as the pioneer in this noble work, said, after thirty years' practical experience in the education and training of Idiots :-- "Idiots have been improved, educated, and even cured; not one in a thousand has been entirely refractory to treatment; not one in a hundred who has not been made more happy and healthy; more than thirty per cent, have been taught to conform to social and moral law, and rendered capable of order, of good feeling, and of working like the third of a man; more than 40 per cent. have become capable of the ordinary transactions of life, under friendly control, of understanding moral and social abstractions, of working like two-thirds of a man; and twenty-five to thirty per cent. come nearer and nearer the standard of manhood, till some of them will defy the scrutiny of good judges when compared with ordinary young men and women."

THE ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM is situated about a mile from Lancaster; and the Estate upon which it is erected consists of about 185 acres of excellent land in a charming and salubrious situation, commanding fine views of Morecambe Bay and the Lake Mountains. Accommodation has been provided for 700 inmates, and the arrangements comprise every convenience for the specific treatment of idiots and imbeciles. The system of training pursued in the Asylum is designed to secure, by special means, the physical, mental, and moral improvement of the patients. It includes gymnastic training, school education of a suitable kind, and instruction in a simple handicraft or other useful occupation. The Institution is under the care of a Resident Medical Superintendent and two Assistant Medical Officers.

Epileptic, Paralytic, Tuberculous, and Insane Persons are *not* eligible for admission; nor those who are incurably Hydrocephalic. Idiocy which is complicated with blindness or deafness, is also a disqualification.

The following are some of the principal Rules and Regulations:

PATIENTS.-Two classes of Patients, of both sexes, are admitted into the Asylum :

Free patients, between the ages of Six and Fifteen, whose friends are proved
to be unable to meet the lowest payment. They are elected by the votes
of the Subscribers, and received for Seven years, subject to the Rules
and Regulations of the Asylum.

 Paying patients admitted by the Central Committee, without election, and at any time. The charges vary according to the requirements and cir-

cumstances of the friends of applicants.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.—Applications must be addressed to the Secretary, from whom all necessary information may be obtained. The Central Committee will institute inquiries to ascertain if there be a reasonable probability that the Candidates will be benefited by the system adopted in the Asylum, and decide the terms on which they ought to be admitted. Previously to the election, a list of approved applicants from each County will be sent to the Subscribers entitled to vote for the admission of patients.

Mode of Electing Patients.—In order to meet the various opinions entertained as to the proper mode of electing patients. Subscribers have the option of voting directly by means of voting papers, or of transferring their votes to their respective Local or County Committees. Canvassing for Votes is prohibited.

Votes.—Donors of Five Guineas have a Life Vote, and Annual Subscribers of Half-a-Guinea an Annual Vote, for each vacancy due to their respective Counties. The right of voting, as regards higher sums, increases in the same proportion.

Votes of Ministers.—Any Minister preaching, or lending his pulpit for, a Sermon on behalf of the Institution, has a Vote for Life. The Minister of the Place of Worship where the Collection is made, is also entitled to Votes for the

amount thus raised.

PERPETUATION OF VOTES.—At the death of a Donor, a vote for every Ten Guineas of his gift is vested in perpetuity in the Committee of the County to which the gift was originally made; and Legacies confer the same privilege. This voting power is never to exceed one-fourth of the entire voting power belonging to the Donors and Subscribers in the County.

GOVERNMENT.-The Government of the Institution is confided to-

(a) A Central Committee, which consists of Representatives from each of the Local Committees; and of Fifteen Subscribers resident in the neighbourhood of Lancaster, to be chosen at the General Annual Meeting.

(b) County Committees constituted by the Members of the Central Committee forming themselves into Sub-Committees for promoting, in their respec-

tive Counties, the interests of the Asylum.

(c) Local Committees, for the purpose of obtaining funds and generally promoting the interests of the Asylum. Every Local Committee is entitled to send one Representative to the Central Committee, and an additional Representative for each entire Thousand Guineas in Donations after the first Thousand Guineas, and for each entire Fifty Guineas in Annual Subscriptions after the first Fifty Guineas, contributed in that district.

The number of patients *elected* by each County is regulated by the amount of its contributions. Of the 653 patients now in the Asylum, 277 belong to Lancashire, 198 to Yorkshire, 58 to Durham, 55 to Cheshire, 30 to Cumberland, 17 to Northumberland, 12 to Westmorland. Six full payment cases belong to counties not included in the

Asylum district.

Testimony to the successful working of the Royal Albert Asylum has been borne by the Commissioners in Lunacy; by the late Dr. Seguin, of New York; and by other eminent authorities. The Manchester Guardian, Manchester Examiner, Manchester Courier, Liverpool Courier, Leeds Mercury, Sheffield Independent, Yorkshire Observer, Yorkshire Post, Lancashire Daily Post, Preston Guardian, Preston Herald, Halifax Courier, Southport Visiter, Kendal Mercury, Waterloo Herald, Yorkshire Herald, and other leading journals, have sent Special Correspondents to describe the daily life of the Institution.

The OBJECT being one of broad Christian philanthropy, CHALLENGES THE SYMPATHY OF ALL CLASSES, and the Committee now confidently appeal for help to raise the Feeble-minded from their state of wasteful sloth, physical deterioration, and mental and moral darkness. The Applications for Admission are both numerous and urgent. The Central Committee, therefore, while gratefully acknowledging the generous support which they have received in the past, earnestly APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL DONATIONS AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS. Legacies are invested, under Rule 36, for the permanent benefit of the Institution.

Reports, Pamphlets, Regulations of Admission, and other information, will be gladly supplied by the Secretary, Mr. Samuel Keir, The Royal Albert Asylum,

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THE ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM having been established for the benefit of all classes of the Feeble-minded, the Central Committee have purchased a Detached House with extensive private grounds, in convenient proximity to the Asylum Estate, as a Home for special Private Patients attending the Schools and other Occupations at the Institution. BRUNTON HOUSE combines, for Private Patients paying remunerative rates, the seclusion and comforts of a Private Residence with the hygienic, educational and training resources of a Public Institution under responsible management, and the Senior Assistant Medical Officer is resident there.

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The GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING of the Subscribers to the ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM was held in St. William's College, York, on Friday, October 18th, 1907;

THE MOST HONBLE. THE MARQUE'S OF ZETLAND, K.T.,

PRESIDING.

The Report of the Central Committee was presented by Colonel W. H. Foster, D.L., and the Chairman addressed the Meeting.

The following RESOLUTIONS were unanimously passed:

That this Meeting adopts with cordial approval the Report now presented; congratulates the Central Committee upon the continued development and successful administration of the Royal Albert Asylum; and trusts that their appeal for adequate support may meet with a generous response from the benevolent public of Yorkshire and the other Associated Northern Counties.

Moved by Colonel W. H. Foster, D.L. (Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee), seconded by Sir George J. Armytage, Bart. (High Sheriff of Yorkshire); and supported by The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of York (Alderman Border).

2.—That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Lancaster Members of the Central Committee for their able and efficient co-operation in the management of the Institution; and that, in compliance with Rule 24, the Right Hon. Sir John T. Hibbert, K.C.B., and the following Gentlemen be appointed Members of the Central Committee for the ensuing year:

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Moved by Alderman C. F. Tetley (Chairman of the Leeds Local Committee); and seconded by Edwin Gray, Esq. (Under-Sheriff of Yorkshire).

3.— That this Meeting recognises with gratitude the efficient and disinterested services of the Collectors and Honorary Officers of the York and Thirsk Ladies' Associations and of the other Ladies' Associations in the Northern Counties; and also tenders cordial thanks to the members of the York Local Committee, and invites the following Gentlemen (with power to add to their number) to act in the same capacity;

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4.—That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Honorary Auditor, Henry Davies, Esq., and to the Professional Auditor, Mr. Alfred B. S. Welch, for their audit of the Accounts of the Royal Albert Asylum, and for their inspection of the Deeds and Certificates representing the Investments; and this Meeting, in accordance with Rule 34, hereby appoints the Rev. W. L. Appleford as Honorary Auditor, and Mr. Alfred B. S. Welch as Professional Auditor, for the ensuing year.

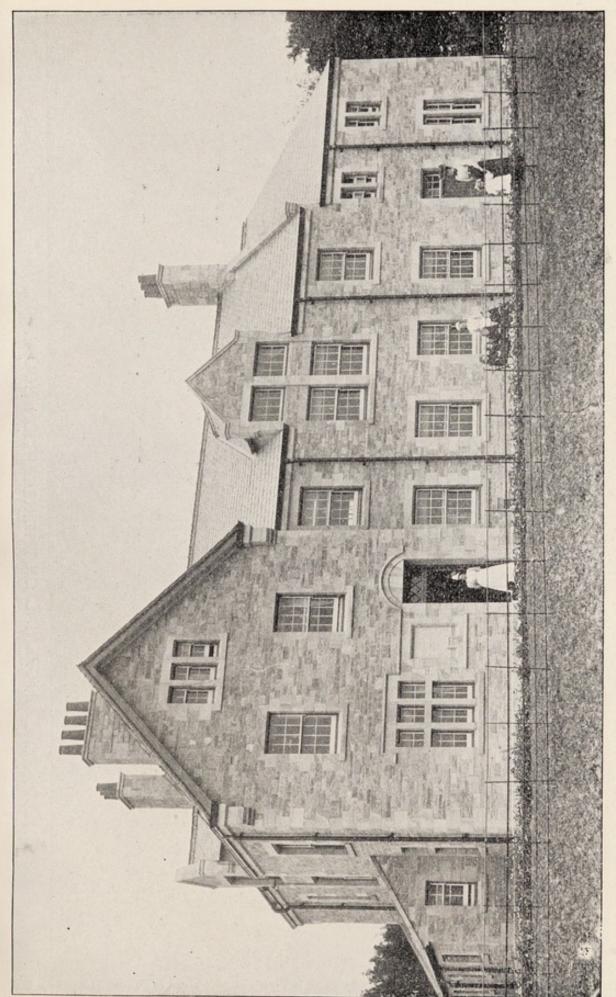
Moved by The Right Rev. the Bishop of Beverley; and seconded by Sir W. E. M. Tomlinson, Bart., Heysham.

5.—That, circumstances permitting, the next General Annual Meeting of the Royal Albert Asylum be held at LANCASTER, on Wednesday, September 30th, 1908; and that notice thereof be given in the Lancaster, Manchester, Liverpool, Rochdale, York, Leeds, Bradford, Halifax, Huddersfield, Sheffield, Chester, Kendal, Carlisle, Durham, and Newcastle Newspapers.

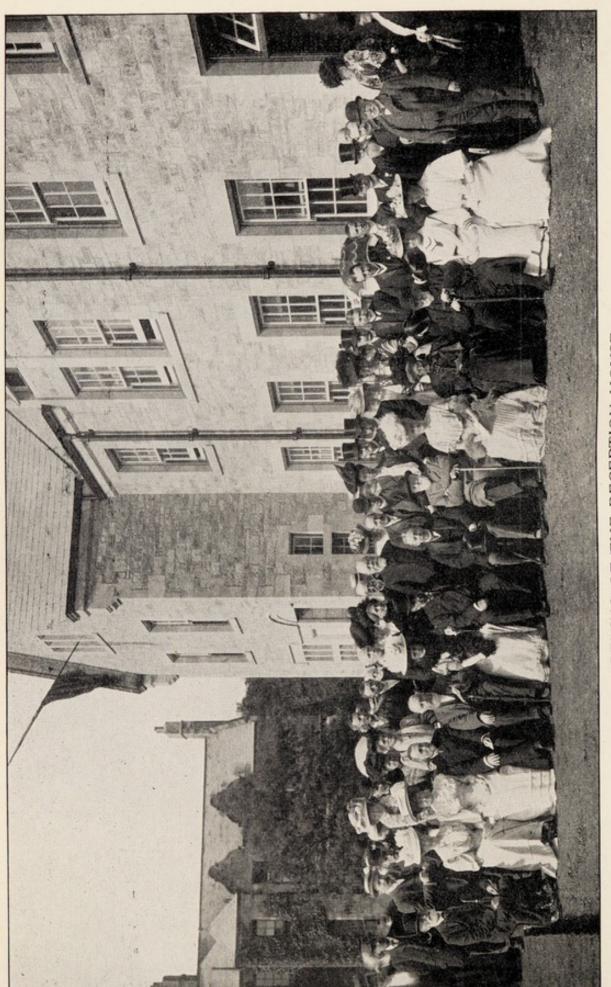
Moved by The Sheriff of York (S. W. Meyer, Esq.); and seconded by James Ramsay, Esq., M.D. (Hon. Secretary, York Local Committee).

A Vote of Thanks to the Chairman was moved by the Very Reverend the Dean of York, and seconded by J. R. Hill, Esq., York.

Prior to the Meeting the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of York (Alderman Border) entertained at Luncheon members of the Central and York Local Committees and other gentlemen, the guests including The Most Honble the Marquess of Zetland, K.T., the High Sheriff of Yorkshire (Sir G. J. Armytage, Bart.), the Rev. Canon Argles, the Rev. G. Trundle, Mr. Edwin Gray (Under-Sheriff of Yorkshire), Mr. S. W. Meyer (the Sheriff of York), Colonel Tuckey, Mr. F. Shann, L.R.C.P., Mr. H. C. Shann, L.R.C.P., Mr. H. Craven, Mr. C. E. Elmhirst, Mr. J. R. Hill, and Mr. D. L. Pressly (York); together with the following members of the Central Committee: Colonel Foster, Hornby Castle (Vice-Chairman), The Very Rev. the Dean of York, Sir W. E. M. Tomlinson, Bart. (Heysham), Sir George H. Philipson (Newcastle-upon-Tyne), Rev. W. L. Appleford (Lancaster), Dr. Ramsay (York), Mr. C. Frith-Hudson (Milnthorpe), Mr. Robert Jowitt (Leeds), Mr. J. R. Heape (Rochdale), Mr. George D. Killey (Liverpool), Mr. J. Selwyn Rawson (Halifax), Mr. Samuel Satterthwaite (Lancaster), Mr. E. Storey (Lancaster), Mr. C. F. Tetley (Leeds), and Mr. W. G. Welch (Lancaster); with the Medical Superintendent (Dr. Douglas) and the Secretary (Mr. S. Keir).



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OPENING OF THE RECEPTION HOUSE.

REPORT

Presented at the General Annual Meeting

held at York, October 18th, 1907.

It is with gratification that the Central Committee present to the subscribers and friends of the Royal Albert Asylum their Forty-third Annual Report; and in doing so they gladly avail themselves of the opportunity of tendering their warmest thanks to all who have helped to promote the success of the work in which they are engaged. The past year has been by no means uneventful, its closing days having been marked by the opening of the Reception House erected as a practical tribute to the memory of the late Principal; and the Committee feel that this record of another year's useful work and uninterrupted progress will be read with satisfaction by all who have at heart the welfare of the Institution.

While gratefully acknowledging the generous support Necessity for received during the last twelve months, the Committee again wish to draw attention to the need for a substantial addition to the annual income, if provision is to be made for the full number of 700 patients which the Institution is now capable of accommodating. During the last ten years, the average number of patients under treatment has greatly increased, advancing from 562 in 1897 to the present total of 637. To fill the places which still remain vacant, an additional income of at least

£1,750 a year is needed, so that there is good reason for a strong appeal to the generosity of the inhabitants of the Northern Counties. In especially requesting additional annual subscriptions, the Committee note with satisfaction that the decline in the income from this source, apparent for several years past, has now been arrested and converted into an increase, and they trust that the upward tendency thus indicated may be progressive.

York.

More than fourteen years have elapsed since York was last visited by the Committee, and they therefore welcome the opportunity which the General Annual Meeting affords for renewing acquaintance with their local friends and supporters. His Grace the Lord Archbishop of York presided at the meeting held in 1893, and earnestly pleaded the cause of the Institution. Since that time interest in its welfare has been kept alive by the efforts of the York Local Committee and the Ladies' Association. The value of the assistance thus rendered may be estimated by the fact that the York Ladies' Association, since its formation in the year 1879, has collected over £2,672, thus helping materially to reduce the local indebtedness to the Institution, which nevertheless still amounts to about £150 per annum. In view of this deficiency, it will be cause for thankfulness if the meeting results in a substantial augmentation of the income from the York district. It would be particularly gratifying if the collection of the York Ladies' Association could be restored to the level which it reached in earlier years.

General Annual Meeting at Manchester. The General Annual Meeting held at Manchester early last November was notable for the presence of four veteran members of the Central Committee, the Chairman (the Right Hon. Sir John T. Hibbert, K.C.B.) having now 40 years' service to his credit, whilst Sir Edward Lawrence (Vice-Chairman), Mr. E. S. Heywood (Manchester), and Mr. W. I. R. Crowder (Carlisle), have served respectively for periods of 42, 36, and 25 years. The other Vice-Chairman (Colonel Foster), who was also present, has been a member of the Committee for the last 23 years. It may be mentioned

that Sir Edward Lawrence presided over a meeting held at Liverpool on the 19th of January, 1865, when the movement for the establishment of the Institution received its first impetus outside Lancaster. The Manchester meeting was well attended, and the proceedings were enthusiastic and encouraging, subscriptions and donations to the amount of £212 being obtained as the result of the publicity given to the claims of the Asylum and the deficiencies of the Manchester district. The Lord Mayor of Manchester (Mr. J. Herbert Thewlis) presided, and at the close of the meeting the Lady Mayoress very kindly provided afternoon tea for all who were present. Addresses were given by the Lord Mayor, Sir John Hibbert, the Dean of Manchester (the Right Rev. Bishop Welldon), Colonel Foster, Sir Bosdin T. Leech, Mr. E. S. Heywood, Mr Alfred Simpson, Mr. Gerald Peel, Mr. V. K. Armitage, Mr. G. D. Killey, Mr. Samuel Satterthwaite, and the Rev. Canon Clarke, Sir Edward Lawrence being also prevailed upon to add a few words. Mr. Heywood, Mr. Simpson, and Mr. Peel, representing the Local Committee, entertained most hospitably the gentlemen taking part in the proceedings. Referring to the after-careers of children who had passed through the Institution, Sir John Hibbert said:

Since the Asylum was opened in 1870, there had been 1,502 patients discharged. Of that number, 396, or 26.4 per cent, were reported to have been much improved; 532, or 35.4 per cent., were moderately improved; 363, or 24.2 per cent., were slightly improved; leaving only 211 out of 1,502 patients, or 14 per cent., who had improved only in habits and disposition. He thought that was a great work to have done. Not only had many patients been rendered capable of earning their own living, for there were several who were earning more than 20s. per week, but some had enlisted, and one of these fell in the Boer war. That showed what could be done at the Asylum, and the figures respecting other patients who had left the Institution showed a similar state of things, particulars having been obtained of 33, discharged during recent years, who were earning wages or the equivalent. Not only were patients trained for industrial work and enabled to earn their own living, but more happiness was brought to the families of the children. Parents often wrote to say how delighted they were with their children's usefulness. Any one who gave money for furthering the objects of the Royal Albert had the joy of knowing that they were bringing light and pleasure into the homes of the patients. That surely was enough to appeal to the generosity of those present, and he trusted that all in the room and many outside would do all they could to further the objects of the Institution. The Ladies'

The Right Hon. Sir John T. Hibbert, K.C.B. Association for the Manchester district, which had been established some twenty years, had obtained in contributions no less a sum than £10,656, but he ventured to appeal to the ladies to improve upon the good work they had done in the past. He believed the object for which they were meeting did appeal to every one's sentiment and generosity, and that there would always be required such an Institution as the Royal Albert Asylum.

The Right Rev. Bishop Welldon. Appended is an extract from the Dean of Manchester's address in support of Sir John Hibbert's remarks:

The Royal Albert Asylum had from the very first occupied itself in fitting its inmates for usefulness in life, and no part of the Annual Report had impressed him more than the list of occupations pursued by various patients at the present time. The fact remained that a large number of the boys and girls in the Asylum were capable of doing work which, however obscure it might be in itself, was of some use to society, and no doubt of far greater use to the patients themselves. To fit such patients for some service in life, and to make them not a tax upon the community but-if only in a small degree-helps to it, was one of the most useful purposes any Asylum or Institution could serve. There were some remarkable facts in the Report relating to cases of patients who had left the Asylum. They were of high interest as evincing how signal were the benefits received. It had been remarked that, in addition to what had been done for the patients themselves, their withdrawal from their homes had been of immense practical benefit to the families. When the patients returned home, they did so more or less improved and useful. They bore their silent witness to the beneficent spirit that had made them what they were, for in all those cases he thought the sympathy and support of the Institution was but one branch of that great stream of Christian charity that flowed like a river through the modern world. He prayed that that meeting, held in the Lord Mayor's parlour—which now seemed to be a temple of charity—might result in the greatest possible assistance being given to the Asylum and to those who had so long laboured for it.

Annual Election of Patients. Carlisle not having been visited since 1901, arrangements were made for this year's Election of Patients to be held there on the 8th of May. Colonel Foster acted as presiding officer, and was assisted by the Mayor of Carlisle, Mr. W. I. R. Crowder, Mr. G. D. Killey and Mr. E. W. Wakefield as scrutineers. For the fifty vacancies which the Committee were able to announce, there were on this occasion 83 candidates, Lancashire having 32 applicants for 19 vacancies, Yorkshire 26 for 15 vacancies, Cheshire 11 for 6 vacancies, Cumberland 5 for 3 vacancies, and Northumberland 4 for 2 vacancies. Four applicants from Durham and one from Westmorland were elected without contest, the number of vacancies allotted to those counties being equal to the number of candidates.

The Committee again have pleasure in noting that only one second applicant failed to secure election, and in the case referred to they were subsequently able to make arrangements for the candidate's admission. This result is in accordance with the experience of recent years, and tends to show that it would be difficult to improve upon the present system of election.

The result of the Election was announced at a Public Meeting held in the County Hall during the afternoon, under the presidency of the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Carlisle, Chairman of the Cumberland Committee and one of the Presidents of the Asylum, who delivered an eloquent and thoughtful address. Unfortunately, Sir John Hibbert was prevented by indisposition from attending, greatly to the regret of all who were present, and the task of explaining the objects and methods of the Institution consequently fell to the share of Colonel Foster, by whom it was ably performed. His appeal for adequate support was warmly seconded by the Worshipful the Mayor (Mr. W. I. R. Crowder, junr.), whose kind hospitality to the speakers and other gentlemen taking part in the meeting the Committee desire cordially to acknowledge. Amongst others who spoke were Mr. W. I. R.

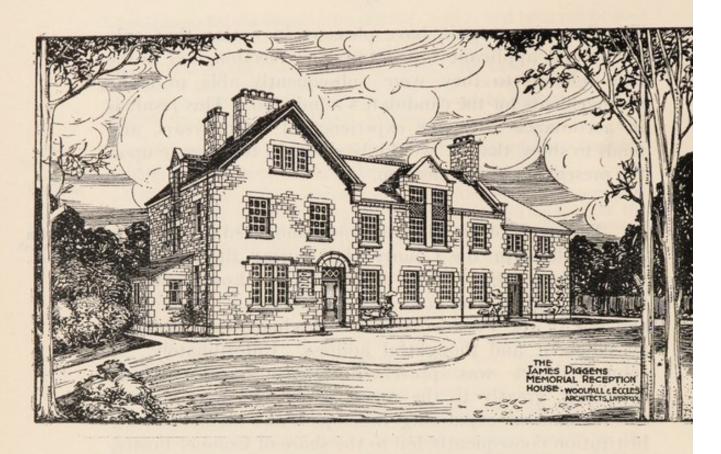
Crowder, Mr. G. D. Killey and Mr. E. W. Wakefield. The

following passage is taken from the Bishop's speech:

Election Meeting at Carlisle.

The benefit to the community of an Institution like the Royal Albert Asylum was practically immeasurable. It was called an Asylum, and he was not against the word, for the word was beautiful in its origin. It signified rest and peace and comfort and joy. If they did not like the word Asylum, let them think of it as a temple of wisdom and a sanctuary of mercy. It was a blessing to have these great voluntary Institutions. Lunatic Asylums for those who were dangers to the community were rightly supported by the rates, but a place like the Royal Albert Asylum supplied an outlet for voluntary benevolence and personal kindness. Nobody could take part in such a work who was not an enthusiast. He wished from the bottom of his heart there was more of the cultivation of enthusiasm and self-sacrifice and devotion to those who were impotent and in need of it. They all regretted that Sir John Hibbert, who took a deep interest in the work, was not able to be present, and would join in congratulating Sir John on his new appointment as Constable of Lancaster Castle.

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Carlisle.



Opening of the Reception House.

The close of the period now under review was pleasantly marked by the opening of the James Diggens Memorial Reception House, which ceremony was performed by Sir John Hibbert on the 28th of June. There was a large attendance of subscribers and friends, who partook of afternoon tea in the day-room, and by whom the new building was greatly admired. Besides making suitable provision for the reception and quarantining of new patients, which will now be greatly facilitated, the structure also includes sleeping accommodation for the nurses engaged at the Rodgett Infirmary, with which building it harmonises in appearance. Sixteen patients can be received at one time, besides the attendants or nurses in charge of them. The architects (Messrs. Woolfall and Eccles, of Liverpool), who also planned the Herbert Storey Industrial Schools and Workshops, have based their design upon plans approved by the Commissioners in Lunacy and prepared by Mr. Edward Storey, whose membership of the Central Committee dates back for twenty years, and to whose generous donation of £,500, given for Farm purposes, and received since the close of last

financial year, grateful reference may now appropriately be made. In response to the special appeal for the £2,650 required to cover the cost of erecting the Reception House, about £1,165 has so far been received, and a complete list of these subscriptions is appended to this Report. The Committee trust that the cost of the new building may be entirely met by special subscriptions, and further contributions towards the balance of £1,500 still outstanding will be thankfully received.

In reviewing the career of the late Principal, and the progress of the Institution during his period of office, which extended from the 19th of June, 1865, to his death on the 24th of February, 1906, Sir John Hibbert gave the following interesting particulars:

The Right Hon. Sir John T. Hibbert, K.C.B.

Mr. Diggens came very soon after the first subscriptions were received. As Secretary he had served for forty-one years, and for twelve years he was both Secretary and Principal. He had a strong will, a very sanguine temperament, and unbounded energy. When Mr. Diggens took office the donations already promised amounted to £21,000, and during his period of service the income obtained in voluntary subscriptions, legacies and donations amounted to £468,000. That was a remarkable sum to have been collected during the official lifetime of one man. The amount was now larger, of course. Something like £162,000 was contributed in legacies. Out of that large sum had been erected the splendid buildings, which, with the cost of the land, 185 acres, had involved an expenditure of £184,000. Mr. Diggens was privileged to see most remarkable gifts made to the Institution. First came the £30,000 from the Rev. Richard Brooke and Mrs. Brooke, commemorated by the erection of the Brooke Wing. He also saw the erection of the Winmarleigh Hall, which cost £6,600, mostly met by special subscription. Then came the Rodgett Infirmary, costing nearly £10,000, towards which Mr. and Mrs. Rodgett, of Preston, contributed £5,000. Mr. Diggens also saw the purchase of Brunton House for over £5,000; and then later came other notable additions provided by the munificence of very kind friends. There was the Storey Home, given by the late Sir Thomas Storey, at an expenditure probably of something like £8,000, providing a home for the after-care of forty imbecile girls and women. Then came the Herbert Storey Industrial Schools and Workshops, towards the cost of which Mr. H. L. Storey contributed 5,000 guineas. Last, but certainly not least, he must mention the Ashton Wing, provided at a cost of £15,000 by Lord Ashton, whose presence they missed that day. Now the friends of the Institution were met for the purpose of opening a building that had been called "The James Diggens Memorial Reception House," although the whole Institution was really a monument to the late Principal's memory.

Sir Edward Lawrence, Knt. Speaking as one who had been associated with the work of the Institution from the very beginning, Sir Edward Lawrence, in moving a vote of thanks to Sir John Hibbert, seconded by Colonel Foster, thus referred to the late Principal:

All he felt able to attempt was to say how thoroughly he joined in the tribute that had been paid to the memory of their friend Mr. Diggens, whose unfailing exertions on behalf of the Royal Albert Asylum had contributed so much to its success, and to whose memory they had raised the building which Sir John had just kindly opened. It was impossible to speak or think of Mr. Diggens without recognising the extraordinary ability with which he devoted himself to the work of the Institution. It was his privilege to be often in close contact with Mr. Diggens, who was always ready and willing to accept advice tendered to him and to listen to reason and argument. He might have had weak pointsevery one had-but they must not blame him for that, for the stronger a man the stronger his views and perhaps his weaknesses. They must all rejoice that his name was perpetuated with the Institution, and all who had to do with it could not do better than hold before themselves the bright example Mr. Diggens set them of devotion to the cause he took in hand and of determination that nothing of a personal character should stop him from securing the success of the work in which he was engaged. God knew how the work had prospered under his guidance, and those who had materially benefited-and there were many-whilst within the walls of the Institution would be able to think of Mr. Diggens as they gave thanks for the advantages they enjoyed.

Number and Classification of Patients.

The number of Patients in the Institution on the 30th of June was 653, of whom 415 were boys and 238 girls, being an increase of 3 upon the number for the corresponding date in 1906. The Committee also note with satisfaction an increase of 10 in the average number of patients resident during the year, the average having now been brought up to 637, whilst the maximum number in residence on any one day was 661. They trust that their endeavours to cope adequately with the influx of eligible applications may meet with practical appreciation, and that there may be a proportionate increase in the amount of the voluntary contributions. Of the 653 inmates, 270 were election cases and 345 were admitted at reduced rates of payment, these figures affording striking testimony to the benevolent character of the work done by the Institution. There were also 15 life patients, 1 presentation case, 17 full-payment cases, and 5 associated

and private patients. The following were the counties from which these inmates were received:

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Lancashire	277
Yorkshire	198
Durham	-
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Cheshire	55
Cumberland	30
Northumberland	-
Northumberland	17
Westmorland	12
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Finances.

Dealing with the question of finance, the Committee have pleasure in reporting that the revenue of the Institution continues to be well maintained. There has been a gratifying increase in the receipts from almost every source, the total income, not including Farm items, having risen from £26,604 14s. 2d. to £29,477 10s. 5d. The revenue on Maintenance Account has reached a total of £25,410 13s. 4d., as compared with £23,398 14s. 2d. last year, whilst £3,432 10s. has been received on Sustentation Fund Account and £589 11s. 5d. on Reception House Account, and £43 10s. od. on Estate and Buildings Improvement Account. More than half the sum received on Maintenance Account is made up of payments for patients; this item amounts to £13,313 is. 11d., including £786 contributed by the relatives of election patients. The Committee note with particular satisfaction the increase in the receipts from annual subscriptions and from interest on investments. Annual subscriptions have advanced from £4,038 19s. 6d. to £4,104 cs. 1d., and the investments have this year produced an income of £6,035 7s. 4d. Many large towns within the associated area, such as Hull, Blackburn, Wakefield, Warrington, Rotherham, St. Helens and Barrow, contribute very scantily towards the funds, and these districts might do much to swell the income from subscriptions and to make the total worthily representative of the wealth and importance of the seven northern counties. large drafts upon the Estate and Buildings Improvement Account must be met in the near future, the Committee

have thought it advisable to transfer £3,000 to that account from the balance standing to the credit of the Maintenance Account.

Investments.

During the year the sum of £3,759 19s. 4d. has been invested in the purchase of £4,344 18s. 6d. Consols. The steady growth of the investments on Sustentation Fund Account is most satisfactory, as the interest received therefrom helps materially to ensure the stability of the income.

Legacies.

From the first, the kindly remembrance of testators when arranging their bequests has contributed greatly towards the financial success of the Institution. Legacies amounting to fifty guineas or upwards are invested, and the income thus produced is placed to the credit of the county to which the particular benefactor belonged. The following bequests are gratefully announced:

	£	S.	d.
Mrs. Johanna Beetleson, Liverpool	2,000		
Francis William Webb, Crewe	500		
Adam Murray, Manchester	100		
H. Birley Smith, Birkenhead	100		
Mrs. Cullwick, Bridlington	90		
Miss Frances Holroyd, Harrogate	90		
Miss A. C. Suart, Lancaster	45	0	0

Contributions from the Seven Counties, Particulars of the contributions to the Maintenance, Sustentation and Reception House Funds received during the year from each of the Seven Associated Counties are contained in the following statement:

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Audit.

Ladies' Associations.

The Balance Sheets, together with the account books and vouchers, have been carefully checked and examined by the professional auditor, Mr. A. B. S. Welch, who has been assisted by the honorary auditor, Mr. Henry Davies, and reference to their report will show that they were thoroughly satisfied with the accuracy of the accounts. They also inspected the securities of the Sustentation Fund Investments, which were found in proper order. In addition to his services in the capacity mentioned, Mr. Davies has ever been ready to place his experience in financial matters at the disposal of the Committee, and to his son, Mr. Walter Davies, they are indebted for valuable assistance and advice with respect to the simplification of the system of book-keeping in use at the Institution.

The Central Committee again refer with the utmost pleasure to the ardour and unabated perseverance with which the members of the various Ladies' Associations have pursued their disinterested labours in aid of the Institution. It was scarcely to be expected that this year's collection would quite equal that for the previous twelve months, which included over £100 given in special donations for the Reception House, but the total of £2,775 15s. 7d. shows that the ladies are well maintaining their ground. There is an encouraging increase of £38 14s. 3d. in the amount collected in annual subscriptions, which account for £2,627 4s. 9d. of the total mentioned, and under this head increases in connection with the Halifax, Huddersfield, Bradford, Leeds, Cheshire, Northumberland, and Manchester and Salford District Associations more than balance decreases in Westmorland, Cumberland, Durham, Southport, York and Liverpool. How valuable is the assistance rendered by the ladies may be estimated from the fact that the amount collected by them since the year 1875 has now reached the total of £68,101 2s. 2d., and to them the Central Committee renew

Appended is a table showing in detail the amounts collected by the various Ladies' Associations during the year;

their heartfelt thanks.

Amounts Collected.

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Additional Ladies' Associations Suggested.

Wherever Ladies' Associations have been established in support of the Asylum there has been an augmentation of the income from the district, and the success of the recently-formed Northumberland Association encourages the belief that the establishment of similar organisations in other centres could not be otherwise than beneficial to the Institution. Last year the Committee expressed the hope that the income from this source might sh rtly be raised to at least £3,000 a year, and they feel that this ideal would soon be realised were the sympathies of other helpers to be enlisted in the way suggested. They therefore invite the members of Local and County Committees, and all who are interested in the good work they have so much at heart, to help in the formation of additional Associations for towns and districts now unrepresented, this being perhaps the most effectual way in which the welfare of the Institution can be promoted. The establishment of a Ladies' Association for the district of North Lonsdale has been mooted, and many places might be mentioned where such organisations would probably have a successful career, perhaps the largest and most important being Hull.

Individual Collectors.

Mention must again be made of the wonderful success which continues to attend the efforts of Miss Rayner, of Brighouse, who has collected the handsome sum of f. 118 15s. 6d., mainly in small amounts. Altogether, during the last twelve years, Miss Rayner has herself collected the large total of £1,032, leaving out of account collections which she made previously in conjunction with her predecessor. Other ladies who have been especially successful are Mrs. W. E. B. Priestley, Hon. Treasurer of the Bradford Association, £60 4s. od.; Mrs. Killey, Liverpool Association, £44 3s. od.; Mrs. E. J. Crossley, Halifax Association, £37 os. 6d.; and Mrs. John Powell, Cheshire Association, £37 5s. 2d., including £20 is. 2d. resulting from a benefit concert promoted by her. Here it may be mentioned that a similar concert arranged by the Wortley and District Branch Committee realised £15, enabling them, with subscriptions and donations, to remit £,25 to the Institution; and that Mr. John Whitley, Chairman of the Halifax Committee, has increased his collection in connection with the Halifax Ladies' Association to the sum of £51 9s. od.

There have happily been few changes amongst the Officers and Collectors of the Ladies' Associations during the year. Mrs. Rothband has succeeded Miss Maclure as joint Hon. Secretary with Mrs. Bridgen of the Manchester District Association; and Miss Dale has replaced Mrs. Warr as Hon. Treasurer of the Liverpool Association. Mrs. Gibbons Frost has resigned the Hon. Treasurership of the Cheshire Association, and the duties have been kindly undertaken by Miss Ashmall; Miss Hamer has succeeded Miss Emmet as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Southport Association; and the Halifax Association continues its successful career under the direction of Mrs. Crosslev Wright, who has taken Miss Hilda Wright's place as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. To all these ladies the most cordial acknowledgments are due, as well as to the many officers and collectors who continue their unselfish endeavours year after year, amongst whom may be especially mentioned Miss Hays, whose sister organised the Durham Association in the year 1875.

Changes,

Visits to the Institution.

Within the last few months successful excursions have been organised by the Bury Branch Association, the Manchester District Association, the Liverpool Association, the Southport Association, the Leeds Association and Local Committee, and the Cumberland Association and County Committee, and special programmes have been arranged in order to enable the members of these parties to see as much as possible of the Institution and its work during the time at disposal. The visitors have invariably expressed deep admiration of the Asylum and of the system of training and education therein pursued, and have gone away strongly impressed by all that they have seen. Bury may be mentioned as an instance of this feeling afterwards finding practical expression in an increased revenue from the district. Experience proves that a visit to the Asylum is the best and surest method of enlisting sympathy in the work.

Visit of Commissioners in Lunacy.

The Commissioners in Lunacy paid their annual visit on the 18th of July, and subscribers are referred to their Report, which will be found to be of an entirely satisfactory nature. Appended are a few extracts:

"In the course of our inspection we visited all parts of the Asylum and its Branches, including Brunton House where there were 13 patients, the Storey Home where there were 40, and the Isolation Hospital and Infirmary where there were 31, some undergoing open-air treatment, and all being very well nursed and cared for. We found all the wards very clean and comfortable and in excellent order, the dormitories, beds and bedding clean and well looked after.

"The patients were everywhere clean and tidy as regards their dress and persons, the dress of the girls being bright and pleasantly varied, and their smiling happy faces gave assurance that they are kindly treated.

"We saw a good and substantial dinner of meat and potato pie neatly served to the patients in the hall, preceded by a musical grace in which the children joined heartily. Their behaviour here, and indeed throughout the Asylum, was exceedingly good.

"About 41 per cent. of the patients are 'election' cases and received gratuitously, and about 16 per cent. are received at reduced rates. It will be apparent, therefore, that the Asylum continues to do a large amount of charitable work."

Press Support.

Much of the success of the Institution has been due to the powerful support of the Newspaper Press, whose continued advocacy the Committee desire gratefully to acknowledge. Special illustrated articles, descriptive of the Asylum and the work carried on therein, have recently appeared in the Liverpool Daily Post and Mercury, the Liverpool Courier, and the Southport Visiter.

Appeals have frequently been made on previous occasions for the assistance of Clergymen and Ministers, who can do much to aid the Institution and to make its claims more widely known by promoting collections in their churches or preaching in its behalf. Their duties frequently bring them into contact with cases likely to benefit by treatment in the Asylum, and many applications for free admission are received through them. Assistance of the kind suggested confers the right to vote at the annual elections of patients, and for such help the Committee are very grateful, as the income is to a large extent derived from voluntary contributions. Their thanks are especially due to the following gentlemen, who have during the year remembered the Institution in this particular way:

Rev. H. G. Croft, Chaplain of Sedgefield Asylum. Rev. Canon Garnett, Christleton Church, Chester. Rev. M. Headlam, St. John's Church, Keswick.

Rev. Phipps J. Hornby, St. Michael's-on-Wyre Church, Garstang.

Rev. John T. Lawton, St. Thomas's Church, Leigh.

Rev. Thomas Windsor (the late), Congregational Church, Skipton.

The Committee are particularly glad to note the subscriptions increase in the number of Contributions received from Co-operative Co-operative and Friendly Societies and organisations of a like character. Such recognition is all the more gratifying since it is from this section of the community that the Institution derives a large proportion of its inmates, and were the benefits thus conferred more widely appreciated there would certainly be a large increase in the income from this source. The subscriptions named below are cordially acknowledged. Touching upon this question in a recent speech, the Bishop of Carlisle made the following reference, which may serve as a reminder and an incentive:

Pulpit Advocacy.

Societies, &c.

"He had been delighted to read how the Co-operative Societies had contributed to the Royal Albert Asylum. It was a sign that the heart of the co-operative system was right, and that it recognised an ideal when it saw one, and could push it forward with enthusiasm. He wished the trade unions would follow that example."

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Rochdale Equitable Pioneers' Society	21	0	0
Brighouse District Industrial Society	10	10	0
Crewe Co-operative Friendly Society, Limited	5	5	U
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Jarrow and Hebburn Co-operative Society, Ltd.		5	0
Manchester and Salford Equitable Co-operative			
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Oldham Equitable Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Dewsbury Industrial Pioneers' Society	5	5	0
Great & Little Bolton Co-operative Society	5 5 3	5 5	0
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Preston Industrial Co-operative Society, Limited	2	2	0
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Great Harwood Co-operative Society	2	2	
Halifax Flour Society, Limited	2	2	
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Also from the Newbold Friendly Society, Rochdale 10 0 0

Special Grateful reference is made to the following Special Contributions:

The Executors of the late Mr. James Diggens	£ 52	s. 10	d. 0	
Anonymous ("H. A. S."), for Reception House	50	0	0	
Proceeds of Concert at Crewe, promoted by Mrs John Powell	20	1	2	
The Rochdale Provident Co-operative Society, Limited (additional, making £488 5s. 0d.)	15	15	0	
Proceeds of Concert at Wortley, promoted by the Wortley and District Branch of the Leeds Local Committee	15	0	0	
Mr. R. A. Allison, Carlisle (additional)	10	10	0	

Mrs. Jesper, Birmingham	7	0	0	
Do. (for Children's Amusement Fund)	7	0	0	
*The Brighouse Industrial Co-operative Society,				
"An Additional Contribution to celebrate their	-	-		
Jubilee," per Miss Rayner	5	5	0	
The Heywood Industrial Co-operative Society				
(additional, making £120 10s. 0d.)	5	5		
The Rochdale Board of Guardians	5	5	0	
The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Carlisle	5	5 5	0	
Mr. Gilbert T. Bates, Liverpool	5	0	0	
Mr. E. G. S. Hornby, Burton, Westmorland	5	0	0	
Miss Irwin, Carlisle	3	3	0	
Part Proceeds of a Jumble Sale, per Mrs. Nolloth,				
The Minster Vicarage, Beverley	2	12	0	
Mrs. Blades, Lancaster (for the Staff Library)			0	
Mr. H. L. Storey, Lancaster (for the Staff Library)	1	1	0	
Sir J. G. Tollemache Sinclair, Bart., 4 Grapho-				
phone Records.				
Mr. W. K. Powell, Preston, 150 Fancy Boxes of				
Biscuits for Christmas.				
Messrs. Dicksons Limited, Royal Seed and				
Nursery Establishment, Chester, 3,000 Bulbs.				

* Since the close of the financial year, a Donation of £5 has been received from the Brighouse Friendly Societies and Trades' Demonstration Committee, which will be included in next year's accounts.

To the Honorary Officers the Committee continue to be indebted for much valuable assistance, which has always been willingly rendered whenever necessary. Particular mention must be made of the services of the Honorary Solicitors, who have recently prepared the deeds conveying to the five present Trustees the whole of the real estate held by the Institution.

Cordial thanks are tendered to the Officers and Secretaries of the County and Local Committees for their sustained interest and support. Special appeals have been promoted at Manchester, Liverpool, Huddersfield, Leeds, Southport, and in Cumberland, the result of the Manchester effort being especially encouraging. Mr. E. S. Heywood, Mr. Alfred Simpson and Mr. Gerald Peel spared no exertion to ensure the success of the recent Manchester meeting; and similar help was readily given at Carlisle by Mr. W. I. R. Crowder, junr., Dr. Donald, Mr. C. W. Allan Hodgson, and Mr. R. A. Allison. In both instances the effective co-operation of the members of the Ladies' Associations must be acknowledged. At Bradford, with his

Honorary Officers.

County and Local Committees.

usual generosity, Colonel Foster provided luncheon for the Yorkshire Committee and the Bradford Local Committee; and Mr. William Brooke kindly invited to tea the ladies and gentlemen who attended the annual meeting of the Huddersfield Committees. Sir George Pilkington has succeeded to the chairmanship of the Southport Committee in consequence of the death of Mr. Richard Nicholson; and Mr. J. R. Thomson has become Treasurer of the Cheshire Committee in place of the late Ald. J. G. Holmes. The death of Sir W. W. B. Hulton has left vacant the chairmanship of the Bolton Committee; and another vacancy has been caused by the resignation of Mr. Arthur A. France, who succeeded his father as Hon. Secretary of the Bradford Committee. Mr. F. Shann, of York, has been added to the Yorkshire Committee, of which Dr. Ramsay, his energetic colleague in the Hon. Secretaryship of the York Local Committee, has long been a member.

Deaths and Changes in Central Committee.

The Central Committee have to deplore the loss by death of several esteemed members. Mr. Samuel J. Harris, of Halton Park, who expired suddenly in October last, had been a member for 19 years, and in point of service was the oldest member of the Finance Committee; and the death at a venerable age of Mr. Richard Nicholson, Southport, deprived the Institution of another very old friend, his membership dating back to the year 1878. The deaths of Alderman J. G. Holmes, Chester, and Alderman John Turner, Rochdale, and the loss of Mr. D. J. Crossley, Hebden Bridge, whose resignation was referred to last year, are also deeply regretted. A further loss has been sustained through the resignation of Mr. Thomas Gibson, caused by his removal from Lancaster. Mr. Gibson was appointed Hon. Solicitor in the year 1896, and in that capacity rendered valuable service. The vacancies thus created have been filled by the appointment of Sir Geo. Pilkington, of Southport, the Rev. W. L. Appleford, M.A., of Lancaster, and Colonel F. Cooper Turner, of Hay Carr, Lancaster; Mr. A. R. Crossley, of Hebden Bridge, having previously taken his father's place as a Yorkshire member of the Committee. During the year Mr. Dawson has been elected as an additional Vice-Chairman of the House Committee, and has succeeded Mr. H. L. Storey as Chairman of the Farm Committee. Although unable to spare the time required to fulfil the duties of the post in question, Mr. Storey continues to afford substantial help in another way.

That economy as well as efficiency is studied in the management of the Institution is proved by the fact that the average cost per patient remains at a very low figure, notwithstanding the tendency to an advance in the price of many commodities. Omitting the charges for building sundries, workshops, repairs, and furniture, the average weekly cost of each inmate has been 12s. 7d., as compared with 12s. 71d. last year and 12s. 91d. in 1905, thus showing a gradual but continuous decline. This the Committee regard as very satisfactory, and it is difficult to believe that the special advantages enjoyed by the patients of the Royal Albert Asylum could be provided at any less cost. Including the items mentioned, and all office and administrative expenses, the average cost has been 13s. od. per week, part of the difference being accounted for by the improvements mentioned in the following paragraph.

Average Weekly Cost of Maintenance.

The Improvements effected during the year have been Improvements. numerous and important, and will be dealt with in greater detail in the Medical Superintendent's Report. include the refitting of the printing department with modern machinery and new type, enabling the minutes of Committee meetings to be printed there and much useful work to be done for the Institution; the renewal of the cooking apparatus; the laying of a new sewer connecting the Reception House, the Infirmary and the Farm Buildings with the main drainage system; and the making and paving of a portion of the back road to the Asylum. The Brightside Engineering Company, Sheffield, from whom two calorifiers were recently purchased, have kindly replaced two calorifiers supplied by them three or four years ago by two new ones of their latest improved pattern; and it is felt that the provision of a new calorifier for the Winmarleigh Hall would be both

economical and advantageous. Arrangements have been made with the Lancaster Corporation for the removal and destruction of the whole of the refuse from the Institution and its dependencies. A new shippon has been built for the Scotforth Farm, the cost being defrayed out of Mr. Edward Storey's munificent donation of £500; and amongst improvements in contemplation are the erection of an additional barn and the completion of the back road. New grates have been fitted to several fireplaces in the tower block, and other improvements are referred to in the following extract from the Sanitary Committee's Report:

The Dining Hall floor has been relaid with wood blocks on a thick concrete foundation, and the new ventilating arrangements are working very satisfactorily. A new gas stove has been placed in the Kitchen, and the room, with the adjoining Scullery, has been repainted. A couple of fans have been fixed in the windows of the Bake-house, with very beneficial results; and the alteration of the ventilating arrangements in the Winmarleigh Hall has led to a marked improvement in the atmosphere of the room. A ventilating turret has been fixed on the roof of the Hall, and three fans ensure the rapid exhaustion of vitiated air. The earth closets in the Boys' Playground have been removed and replaced by a new W.C. block, this improved accommodation being in every way satisfactory.

Staff.

The Committee are glad to acknowledge the support they have received from a loyal and devoted Staff, many of whom have been in the service of the Institution for long periods of time. On the occasion of the opening of the Reception House, Lady Hibbert and Mrs. Foster had the pleasure of presenting long-service medals to nineteen members of the Staff, whose names are included in a list appended to this Report. The only important changes have been at Brunton House, where Miss Marie Campbell has been appointed Matron in succession to Miss Studdert, who resigned after an extended period of service, and at the Farm, where Mr. Edward Cock has been engaged as Farm Bailiff.

Testimony of Official Visitors. Visitors to the Institution often have experience which renders their testimony of additional value, and the following extracts from the entries in the Visitors' Book may consequently be of interest:

"One of the brightest and cleanest Institutions we have ever been into. The children are happy and well cared-for, and the kindness of the Attendants is splendid.

"N.A., A.S., and H.S., Hull."

"Have been very kindly conducted over the Asylum and grounds by Dr. Douglas, and have been much impressed by the thoughtful care which is exercised in carrying on the fine work in this splendidly-equipped Institution.

"W.H.S.O., Hoylake, and A.S., Lancaster."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Chorlton Union:

"Inspected the Workshops, and were surprised at the good work done by the children, and admired the patience of the capable teachers."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Blackburn Union:

"Visited this Institution on the 27th June, 1907, and were thoroughly satisfied with the condition and apparent treatment of the patients. The deputation were struck with the brightness and happiness of the children."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Holbeck Union:

"Have this day visited the Institution and seen the three patients from Holbeck. The deputation are perfectly satisfied with what they have seen of the Institution and the patients, and thank the officials for their attention."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Rochdale Union:

"Visited the Asylum this day, saw the patients chargeable to the Rochdale Union, and were satisfied with the arrangements made and the apparent care with which they are attended to. The deputation also inspected the Workshops and were very well pleased."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Salford Union :

"The Guardians of the Salford Union visited the Institution to-day, and were pleased to see the children chargeable to Salford in such excellent condition, and especially with their cheerful looks. They are quite satisfied that everything is being done for their welfare.'

Deputation from the Guardians of the Haslingden Union:

"Have this day visited this Institution, and under the guidance of the Medical Superintendent and the Matron made an inspection of the buildings, work and methods. All are deeply impressed by the manifestly humane spirit which marks everything observed, and wish to place on record their cordial appreciation thereof."

Deputation from the Guardians of the Hunslet Union:

"Myself and Mr. S. have this day visited this Institution. and desire to thank the Superintendent for his kindness and courtesy to us. We are extremely pleased with everything we have seen, and were particularly struck with the fine and useful work done in the Workshops, and also with the cheerful appearance of all the patients."

Every year, during the month of August, the parents Testimony of or relatives of patients are allowed to take the children home for a holiday, and on this occasion about 150 applica-

Friends of Patients.

tions of the kind were received. The privilege is one which is appreciated both by parents and patients, and it has the advantage of enabling the relatives to judge periodically of the improvement in the condition of the inmates. Arrangements were made for an excursion to Cockersand for the benefit of the children not remembered in this particular way.

That the improvement is often of a marked character is evident from the following reports, selected from a large number sent in by the parents:

- (B. 2603.) "We find W.H. heavier and stronger; he can talk better, and is very intelligent. I am pleased to see how tidy he is with his clothes, and his manners are perfect."
- (G. 2012.) "The patient continues to make good progress. Her health is good, and physically she is strong and active. Her education is the most marked of the improvements, being above our expectation."
- (W. 1679.) "We consider there are signs of improvement in Arthur; he is quieter, less excitable, and always anxious to be busy working. His memory is wonderfully good, and his habits are neat and tidy. His health has been very good during the month."
- (K. 1812.) "My wife and I are both gratified to note a marked change for the better in Nellie. To us she seems brighter and much more intelligent-looking than she was two years ago. She is certainly more alert mentally. Her powers of perception and discrimination are stronger and quicker, while her memory seems steadily to improve. Her habits and behaviour at table and in company could not be better."
- (H. 2444.) "C.S.H. has been in the best of health during his month's holiday. He has greatly improved in every way, and his learning is splendid. He had done very well up to his last year's holiday, but is much improved this year. There is only one thing that he does not seem to take to—he would rather be a shoemaker than a tailor. Do you think it possible to change the trade for him? It would perhaps suit him better."
- (Y. 2219.) "I am pleased to say, so far as my judgment goes, that my grandson, S.Y., is in good health, and has a greater desire to take longer walks than at any previous time. His habits are most cleanly and methodical, and he has a marked objection to receiving help in anything he can do for himself. His idea of things has greatly improved; he now treats with contempt the simple things which formerly pleased him, and remarks that such things are for babies and not for boys like him. Mentally, he has very much improved; he expresses his wishes and ideas in correct sentences. Of course, he is still slow, though not so much so as formerly. The pet subjects which my grandson talks about are joinery and cabinet-making. He is never tired of talking about them, but I am afraid his smallness would be a great obstacle to either of the useful trades I mention."

But perhaps the most striking testimony to the value Statistics as to Improvements. of the work done by the Asylum is contained in the table appended to this Report, giving particulars as to the whole of the patients who have passed through the Institution from the day when the doors were first opened down to the present time. These figures are a wonderful record of patient endeavour crowned with merited success, and show that the confidence of subscribers and the selfsacrificing devotion of the many helpers who have laboured to assure success have been well bestowed. When it is stated that altogether 2,772 patients have been admitted into the Institution, and that out of 1,595 who have been discharged all but a very small percentage have been more or less improved, many of them to a material extent, some idea may be obtained of the magnitude of the work accomplished. From time to time news is received of ex-patients who are doing well in the world, and letters are frequently arriving which breathe the deepest thankful-

ness for the blessings conferred by the Institution. Only the other day information came of a patient who was earning good wages as a marine stoker, several have joined the army, and particulars might be given of many who are maintaining themselves as the result of the training given at Lancaster, and in some cases even

helping to maintain others of the family.

Royal Commission on the

The Royal Commission which has recently been investigating the question of feeble-mindedness in all its ramifications, and to which reference has been made in Control of the previous Reports, is now nearing the end of its delibera. Feeble-minded. tions, and its recommendations will probably be known towards the end of the year. The result of the Commission's labours will be awaited with much interest, for the right solution of the difficult question which has been under consideration is a matter which concerns the welfare of the whole community. The Committee have repeatedly urged the necessity for permanent provision for the care of many of the cases discharged from the Royal Albert Asylum, and it may be hoped that in this direction at any rate the Commissioners have seen their way to invoke State

aid, as the task is one with which private philanthropy should not be called upon to cope.

Conclusion.

Not without a deep sense of the gravity of their undertaking, nor without a reverent regard for the apostolic injunction to "comfort the feeble-minded" and to "support the weak," which may fittingly be taken as the watchword of the Institution, do those associated with the work of the Royal Albert Asylum patiently persevere in their endeavour to nourish the weakly body, to train the aimless fingers for some useful and interesting occupation, and to strengthen and develop the stunted intellect and "re-mould it nearer to the heart's desire," steadfastly believing "that nothing walks with aimless feet," and that

Not one life shall be destroy'd Or cast as rubbish to the void, When God hath made the pile complete.

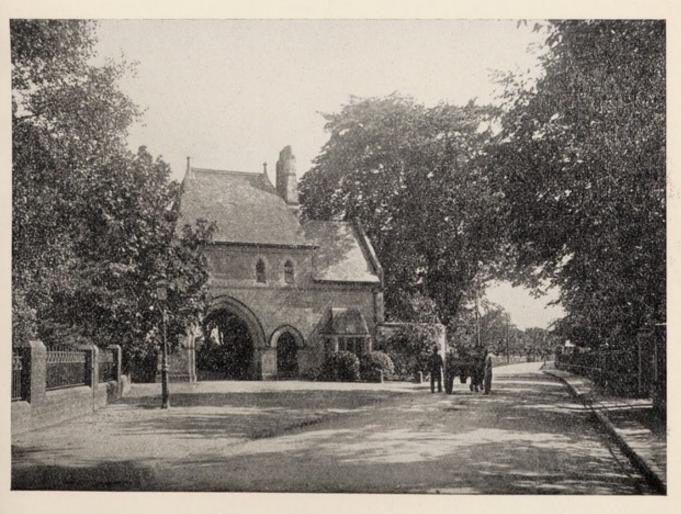
To all who hold like views, or who sympathise in any measure with suffering humanity, the Committee commend this record of their stewardship, containing as it does an account of earnest and successful work faithfully pursued and of progress which raises encouraging hopes for the future. The Committee in conclusion wish to recognise the able and energetic manner in which their Medical Superintendent, Dr. Douglas, has administered the affairs of the Asylum, since his appointment. He has not only maintained the usual high standard of efficiency, but also, with the loyal co-operation of the Secretary, Mr. Keir, has continued to carry on the varied work of the Institution with economy and success. Basing their appeal upon what has already been accomplished, and remembering with gratitude the bountiful support which has hitherto been vouchsafed, the Committee ask anew for help in their effort to clear the clouded mind and to bring some degree of brightness and happiness into homes where otherwise no ray of sunshine may ever chance to penetrate.

JOHN T. HIBBERT,

CHAIRMAN.



WHITSUNTIDE FESTIVITY GROUP.



MAIN ENTRANCE LODGE.



THE ASHTON WING.



THE RODGETT INFIRMARY.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT'S GENERAL REPORT.

To the Central Committee of the Royal Albert Asylum.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present the General Annual Report of the Medical Superintendent for the year ending June 30th, 1907.

The subjoined table shews the numerical changes which have occurred respecting the patients during that time:

Table of Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths.

I 41 1 1 204 1000		Females.	
In the Asylum, June 30th, 1906		227	650
Admitted	60	49	109
Discharged	59	34	93
Died	9	4	13
Aggregate number under treatment	483	276	759
Average		232	637
Maximum number resident on any			
one day	424	237	661
In the Asylum, June 30th, 1907	415	238	653

The general characters of the cases admitted do not Admissions. materially differ from those which have entered the Institution in former years. There were several who will doubtless benefit fully from the almost unique resources which exist here for education and training; there were also many backward ones and others, for whom, on account of their bodily feebleness, we cannot do much more than provide a comfortable Home, and endeavour as far as we can to ameliorate the sad conditions inseparably associated with their darkened lives. Although the Asylum is primarily a training Institution, it amply fulfils all its obligations as a charitable foundation, in that no case of low grade feeblemindedness is refused admission, unless specifically disqualified by any conditions enumerated in the regulations. Analysis of the 100 patients admitted shews that 53 were elected by the subscribers; 31 were maintained in the Institution by their respective Unions; 23 were reduced payment cases; and 2 full payment cases. Before leaving the subject of admissions, I should like to point out (as I

did last year) that, in addition to Brunton House, for Boys, there is at the Asylum accommodation of a suitable kind for Private Female Patients, and the advantages accruing from residence in a large Institution or one of its Branches are obvious, providing as it does, varied interests, social amenities and broader conditions of life generally, together with the facilities for education, training and recreation, which are not attainable in the smaller private establishments, and which, we trust, will commend themselves to the attention of physicians and practitioners, to whom the Asylum looks with confidence for support and consideration.

Discharges.

The number of discharges for the year ending June 30th, 1907, have been 93, and the annexed table indicates the degree of improvement attained, together with the numbers in each division:

		M	ales.	Females.	Total.
Much improved	 			17	37
Moderately improved	 		9	5	14
Slightly improved	 		13	4	17
Not improved	 		17	8	25
	ıl		-	34	93

It is pleasing to note that the number of those who have been benefited more or less by their term of training in the Institution is satisfactorily maintained, and that only a comparatively small section have not improved. This is easily explained by their degree of mental deficiency being of such a profound character as to be beyond the reach of our methods, and for them little could be hoped for at the outset. Still, even they have not been wholly unimproved, but have at least gained some advantage from their term of residence, as they have left us for the We continue to hear most part improved in health. cheering accounts from some of our old patients who correspond with or visit us during their holidays, and the following letter, written by a promising lad a few months after his discharge, is an example of what is possible by our system of training:

"I write these few lines to say that I am keeping well as usual, and I hope you are the same, as it leaves me at present. How are all my friends getting on, and what kind of a Christmas and New Year have you had? Would you mind sending me a newspaper with an account of them in? I am working with a furniture dealer, and am getting a small wage of seven shillings weekly."

We have also heard from another of our old boys, who is earning good wages as a marine stoker. Those who do

well, however, are in the minority, and the question of the after-care of the feeble-minded is still one which is extremely unsatisfactory. Too many of our ex-patients, who ought to have done better, have gravitated to the lunatic asylum, or to the workhouse, solely from the fact that they have lacked relatives or friends who might have undertaken to interest themselves on their behalf. The Charity which initiated the movement for the amelioration of the imbecile cannot unaided do more than remove the burden from the afflicted family for a term of years, and endeavour by training to fit the individual as far as possible for the duties and enjoyments of life. Surely, it is now time for the State to come forward and provide for these cases, several of whom could, by their work, contribute in some degree to their own maintenance, instead of becoming, as so many actually do, a burden to the community. The recommendations of the Royal Commission on the Care and Control of the Feeble-minded, still anxiously awaited, will it is hoped deal very fully with the important question of permanent segregation. The Central Committee have abstained from either comment on, or discussion of, any of the various problems connected with the actual application of remedial measures. Their original policy, which has consistently made for the success of the Institution, will, as formerly, be solely guided by a broad and scientific consideration of the entire situation, which will influence them in the expansion or modification of their resources, should either be deemed necessary.

I am fortunate in being able to announce a lower death rate for the period covered by this report than the previous one. Nine boys and four girls have died during the year, representing a percentage of 2.04 on the average number resident, and of 1.71 on the aggregate number under care. The attached table furnishes the causes of death, and the number under each heading:

				Males.	Females.	Total.
Tuberculosis				 4	2	6
Phthisis				 1	0	1
Meningitis				 1	9	1
Epilepsy				 1	1	2
Dementia				1	0	1
Acute Chorea	***			 0	1	1
Endocarditis			• •	 1	0	1
		Tota	1	 . 9	4	13

Deaths.

Infectious Disease.

I regret to state that, since my last report, 18 patients have suffered from chicken-pox, and one from scarlatina. Those attacked made good recoveries, but the occurence of the cases caused us the usual temporary inconvenience, and again demonstrated the necessity for more efficient means of isolation. During the latter part of the winter and early spring, Lancaster and the surrounding districts were visited by a somewhat extensive epidemic of measles and whooping-cough. As the feeble-minded are, by reason of their impaired powers of resistance, very liable to contract disorders of an infectious kind, the introduction of these maladies amongst them has repeatedly, in the history of the Institution, been serious in its results, both with respect to the numbers attacked, the mortality, and disturbance of the general routine, by the unavoidable disorganisation arising from the necessary imposition of quarantine. We found that it would be desirable to have recourse to some line of action when we were confronted by the existence of infectious disease in our neighbourhood, which might protect us from its importation into the It is customary for friends and relatives on the visiting days to obtain permission to take the patients into the town for a few hours, and it was felt by my colleagues and myself that, if this privilege could be discontinued during the time the epidemic was prevalent, we might possibly escape an outbreak at the Institution. I accordingly obtained the sanction of the Chairman to inform the relatives of patients of this temporary prohibition, which remained in force about three months, and we feel sure that, by the adoption of this measure, we avoided a more or less serious visitation of measles and whooping-cough at the Asylum.

Fresh Air,

The general health of the patients has, on the whole, Physical and Military Drill. been excellent, notwithstanding the number of those constitutionally feeble, and the severe winter which we have experienced. This has been in great measure due to the improved sanitation which has been effected throughout the Institution during the last few years. We are happily in the possession of extensive grounds, which are used daily by the patients for exercise and recreation, and full advantage has been taken of the breezy Victoria Walk by both the boys and the girls. Excellent results continue to be manifest from the systematic course of physical drill conducted by the Schoolmaster under medical supervision, and the military drill class under the Chief Attendant imparts smartness of appearance and improved carriage to the members of the class.

I have to report that, on the 30th of June, 1907, there were on our books the names of 64 patients who were subject to epilepsy, 14 of these having become so afflicted during the year. The former is a lower number than that of the preceding twelve months, and it is satisfactory to note that the existence of this disease being a disqualification for admission is becoming more generally known to the subscribers of the Asylum. The table below gives a record of the actual number of fits which have occurred during the year:

SUMMAR	Y OF	Ері	LEPT	ric F	ITS,	YEA	R EN	DINC	30т	н Ји	NE,	1907.	
Class.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	Total
Senior Boys Junior Boys Girls	10	98 2 27	96 0 22	134 8 16	136 2 18	107 2 26	88 4 22	78 3 30	75 3 23	83 7 30	88 29 18	104 7 70	1192 77 337
Total	150	127	118	158	156	135	114	111	101	120	135	181	160

Once more I beg leave gratefully to acknowledge the relief afforded us by the spacious Ashton Wing, in the treatment, not only of our epileptic patients, but of those who are crippled and feeble. The need for similar accommodation in the female department of the Institution continues to be felt, as the means there at our disposal is inadequate to secure the degree of observation and general environment which is so desirable for these cases.

I am glad to mention that the standard reached in the manual training given in the Herbert Storey Industrial Schools and Workshops continues at a high level of excellence, and the results attained reflect great credit upon the painstaking efforts of the instructors in the different departments. The basket-making industry deserves perhaps special mention as being particularly suitable for so many of our inmates. In addition to being able to supply the increasing demand for their work, from outside sources, they make all the baskets required for use in the Asylum. The printing department has been considerably developed during the year by the purchase of a new Arab machine, type and other accessories, thus enabling us to execute in

Epilepsy.

The HerbertStorey Industrial Schools and Workshops. the Establishment commissions of a kind formerly beyond our capacity, and which we hope in time will materially lessen the cost of that class of printing hitherto placed elsewhere. The carpenters and wood-carvers have also accomplished an amount of creditable work, and the former have, in addition to repairs, etc., made the furniture for the Nurses' bedrooms at the Reception House, as well as the tables for use in the day-rooms and dormitories.

The Schools.

The Schools have completed another satisfactory year under the direction of Mr. B. Vere, Schoolmaster, and Mrs. E. Pugh, Schoolmistress. Much patient attention is necessary on the part of all the Teachers in order to secure the results which have been so gratifying, not only to the friends of the inmates, but to ourselves, and I have pleasure in tendering my thanks to those two Officers and their Assistants for their successful efforts during that time.

Brunton House. The alterations and improvements recently effected at Brunton House have combined to render that Establishment an ideal Home for feeble-minded youths of higher social grade. The Senior Assistant Medical Officer continues to reside there, and Miss Studdert, who left last year, has been succeeded as Matron by Miss M. Campbell, who entered upon her duties on November 8th, 1906. The Committee desire to draw attention to several vacancies at present existing there, and, as they have been at considerable expense in providing the house with all necessary modern appliances for the reception of Private Pupils, they trust that these vacancies may be filled in the near future.

Administration.

The administration of the Institution has, I am glad to say, been carried on successfully, and notwithstanding some difficulties and changes inevitable in the commencement of a new regime, the work has proceeded otherwise smoothly and harmoniously. It is again my privilege gratefully to acknowledge the help and advice so kindly accorded to me at all times by the senior Vice-Chairman of the House Committee (Mr. Edward Storey). accordance with the wishes of the Central Committee, the eligibility to qualify for long service medals, which was formerly confined to the Officers, Instructors, Nurses, and Attendants, was extended to all ranks of the Staff. Nineteen employés therefore became entitled to the distinction, and Lady Hibbert and Mrs. Foster kindly made the presentations on the day of the opening of the Reception House. The recipients appreciated the honour to the full, and much respectful enthusiasm was shewn by all at the presence of the Chairman of the Central Committee, this occasion being his first visit to the Asylum since his serious illness last winter.

The Farm affords facilities for the employment of fourteen able-bodied lads, who are taught to make themselves useful about the buildings and on the land. Mr. Edward Cock has succeeded Mr. William Orr as Farm Bailiff, and evinces much interest, not only in the farm itself, but in the patients under his care. Our farmstead at Scotforth having become much dilapidated and lacking in modern requirements, the Committee decided to erect a new shippon there, and to alter the old buildings, which work is now being proceeded with. The generous gift of £500 from Mr. Edward Storev has relieved them of considerable anxiety in meeting this additional, but very necessary, outlay. During the year the Farm has supplied to the Asylum produce valued at £3,774, made up of the following items: 40,528 lbs. of beef, 14,580 lbs. of mutton, 471 lbs. of lamb, 16,445 lbs. of pork, 586 lbs. of veal, 253 fowls, 41,769 gallons of milk, 20,664 eggs, 10,193 stones of potatoes, 598 stones of turnips, 7 stones of carrots, and 123 lbs. of pears. The gardens at the Asylum and Brunton House have furnished produce to the value of f. 259. The Gardens and Grounds continue to be well kept, and there a number of patients are occupied daily. We find that this work is admirably suited for the delicate boys for whom open-air exercise is most essential.

The Storey Home provides the training necessary for those girls who, nearing the end of their term in the Institution, are capable of receiving instruction in the domestic branches of their education under the efficient management of Mrs. Smith, the Matron, by whom they are taught to take a useful part in the homes of their relatives upon their discharge.

The Rodgett Infirmary has again proved itself indispensable to the general efficiency of the Establishment as a whole. The upper floor being now reserved entirely for the accommodation of cases of infectious disease, no delay will be experienced in the future with regard to the admission of patients, and it is confidently anticipated that, by the more effective system of isolation now at our command, we shall be more easily able to prevent the spread of communicable disorders throughout the

Farm and Gardens.

The Storey Home, and the Rodgett Infirmary. Asylum. The two chalets in the grounds for the open-air treatment of tuberculosis have been in use all the summer, and a large marquee has also been of great advantage in enabling bedridden patients to be outside during the warmer part of the day. I am glad to report that Miss H. M. M. Rasey continues as the capable Matron of this important branch, and that Miss May Williams is still her second in command. To both those Officers, I gladly tender my best thanks for their self-denying labours for the comfort and alleviation of the sick and suffering who pass through their hands.

Sanitary Condition and

The general sanitary condition of the Institution is Improvements excellent, and many improvements have been carried out during the year. Among these I ought to mention that a new wood-block floor has been laid in the De Vitré Hall, a new system of ventilation by means of electric fans has been installed both there, in the Winmarleigh Hall and Bakehouse with manifest advantages. The old unwieldy block of dry earth closets in the boys' yard abutting on the Herbert Storey Workshops has been pulled down and a smaller new building erected, which has been fitted with the water carriage system. This alteration has considerably improved the approach to the Workshops by widening the road in front of them. Another matter which has had attention has been the paving of the road approaching the rear of the Asylum buildings. As an egress in case of fire, and also as a means of additional ventilation, French Windows have been constructed in both wards of the lower floor of the Rodgett Infirmary, which, in addition to their utility, have considerably improved both the interior and exterior appearance of each side of that department. For the supervision and arrangement of these various improvements, the Committee are again indebted to the kindness of Mr. Isaac H. Storey.

Reception House.

It is with much gratification that I have to announce the opening of "The James Diggens Memorial Reception House" by the Right Hon. Sir John T. Hibbert, K.C.B., Chairman of the Central Committee. This important addition to the resources of the Institution provides accommodation for the newly-admitted patients, for whom a short period of quarantine and observation is always necessary. The provision of a Reception House is a great relief to the administration generally, inasmuch formerly, admissions were unavoidably delayed when

infectious disease was prevalent at the Institution. The formal ceremony took place on Friday, June 28th, when Sir John Hibbert, who was presented by the Architect, Mr. T. E. Eccles, with a gold key, unlocked the door and declared the new building open. After a short inspection of the interior, Sir John addressed a large and influential assemblage in the day-room of the new structure, and spoke in eloquent terms of the services rendered to the Committee by the late Principal and Secretary, Mr. James Diggens, in whose memory it was erected. Sir Edward Lawrence followed, and alluded with much feeling to the long and satisfactory service of Mr. Diggens to the Asylum, Colonel Foster also testifying to the success which attended the efforts of the late Principal in the cause of the imbecile. It would perhaps not be out of place to recapitulate from the last Report the following short description of the Reception House: "It occupies a pleasant site on the rising ground to the south-east in front of the Rodgett Infirmary, with the general architectural features of which it harmonises. external walls are of local stone, and there are two main floors, containing a reception-room, with an adjoining examination-room, a large day-room, a spacious dormitory for 16 beds, three bedrooms, kitchen and scullery, and the requisite bathrooms, lavatories and storerooms, in addition to two attic bedrooms. The number of patients that can be received at one time will be 16, besides accommodation for the attendants and nurses in charge of them." In connection with the erection of this building, favourable mention should be made of the valuable services rendered by our Clerk of Works, Mr. F. W. Leach.

In the month of August, about 170 patients and Annual Picnic staff were driven to Cockersand Abbey for the Annual Picnic, which was most enjoyable, and, during the winter months, the usual weekly entertainments for the children, comprising concerts, dances, etc., have been held, as formerly. At New Year, three performances of Messager's Opera "The Little Michus" were given by members of the staff, and we are again indebted to Mr. George Edwardes for so kindly according us the necessary permission. The Christmas Trees were, as they always have been, an unbounded source of pleasure, and I must again express our gratitude to the many friends who so generously sent suitable gifts.

Christmas Festivities. Conclusion.

In conclusion, it is my duty once more to tender my best thanks to my medical colleagues, Dr. Wm. H. Coupland and Dr. J. Stothart Farries, for their loyal and hearty co-operation in the work of the Asylum. Dr. Coupland, as Deputy Medical Superintendent, has performed the duties very satisfactorily during my absences from the Institution. I also take this opportunity of placing on record the generally efficient manner in which the Steward, Mr. A. Macdonald, the Matron, Miss Siviour, and the Assistant Matron, Miss Bowyer, have carried out the work of their departments. Finally, to the Secretary, Mr. S. Keir, and to the Accountant, Mr. E. B. Shaw, I would like to express my indebtedness for the courtesy and kindness they have extended to me throughout our official relationships during the year.

To the Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Members of the Central Committee, I again most respectfully beg to convey my sincere thanks for the consideration and support which they have always accorded to me. There have been times of difficulty when I gratefully remember the kindness and encouragement which has lightened my burden of responsibility, and inspired me with renewed energy in endeavouring to maintain the high character and general prestige of the Institution.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ARCHIBALD R. DOUGLAS,

Medical Superintendent.



WARD IN THE RODGETT INFIRMARY.



STAGE IN THE WINMARLEIGH HALL.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

LANCASTER, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

I have the honour to report that, in accordance with the appointment of the last Annual Meeting, I have made a full and careful examination of the Books of Account of the Royal Albert Asylum, that I have seen proper vouchers for all payments, and that the accompanying Balance Sheets are true abstracts of the receipts and payments during the twelve months ending 30th June, 1907, as appearing in such books. It is with pleasure that I certify that the Books have been kept with neatness and accuracy, and that all my requirements as Auditor have been complied with.

Maintenance Account exhibits an increase in receipts of £1941 9s. 2d. Annual Subscriptions, it is satisfactory to note, are larger by £65 os. 7d. Expenses of maintenance have increased by £782 10s. 2d., and the average number of patients has been 10 higher.

The Estate and Buildings Improvement Account has received the sum of £3,000 by transfer from Maintenance Account. Further expenditure amounting to £862 9s. 9d. has been made upon paving, flooring, sanitary alterations, ventilation, and other improvements.

Sustentation Fund Account has received in Legacies £2880, a Donation of £52 10s. od., and a Life Interest Payment of £500. These sums, together with a portion of the balance held at the commencement of the year, have been invested in Consols. In company with the Honorary Auditor, Mr. Henry Davies, I have examined the Deeds and Certificates representing the Sustentation Fund Investments, and found them all in order.

A. B. S. WELCH,

AUDITOR,

MAINTENANCE

From June 30th, 1906,

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Keceipts.	c		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£	S. C	. £ s. d.
To Balance at Lancaster Bank. June 30th, 1906			1,029 16 10
" Donations		7 1	
" Legacy under Fifty Guineas		5 0 0	
" Annual Subscriptions	4,10	1 0 1	
Payments for Patients	13,31.	3 1 11	
"Interest on Sustentation Fund Investments 6,085 7	4		
(Including £12 ros. 4d., "Income from Joseph Nutter's Gift.")			
Less Sinking Fund 50 0	0		
	- 6,03	5 7 4	
Bank Interest		9 17 10	
" Bank Interest	23'	7 1 0	
	1,350		
,, Sundities	1,00	, 10 1	25,410 13 4
(Cumplied to the Agulum C7 777 10	10		40,410 10 4
,, Farm Produce Supplied to the Asylum £3,773 19	7		
,, Farm Floudee \ Sold 523 7	3		
4,297 7	1		
Less General Farm Expenses and			
cost of Stock, Provender, &c 3,657 18	2		
			639 8 11

£27,079 19 1

Examined and compared with the Books of Account and Vouchers, and certified to be correct.—12th September, 1907.

A. B. S. WELCH, Lancaster, Auditor. HENRY DAVIES, Lancaster, Honorary Auditor.

ACCOUNT,

to June 30th, 1907.

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	Expenditure.						
	THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRESS O	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ву	Expenses of General Annual Meeting at Manchester,						
	Meeting at Carlisle, and of Local Committees	206	_	8			
11	Expenses of Election at Carlisle	42	1	4			
53	Printing 5,000 Forty-second Annual Report, Reports of						
	Meetings, Appeals, Pamphlets, Books of Account, and General Printing and Stationery	294	1	9			
	General Advertising	48	0	1			
"	Postage of Letters, Annual Reports, Subscription Lists,			-			
,,	Voting Papers, Appeals, Pamphlets, &c	131	12	9			
,,	Offices (Lancaster and Manchester), Rent, Rates,						
	Telegrams, Carriage, and Petty Cash Sundries	108	13	0			
				-	831	8	7
,,	Salaries, Wages, and Travelling Offices £1,015 1s. 3d.)	8,799	0	3			
	Expenses (Asylum 21,105 195. 00.)	-,					
	Provisions {Purchased £2,338 8s. 0d. }	C 771	0	10			
"	From Condon (2000 15- 04)	6,371	2	10			
133		1,740	19	3			
,,	Gas	155		7			
	Water	377		10			
	General	294	9	11			
,,		1,332	0	11			
,,	Drugs, Surgery Requisites, &c	157	7	8			
11	Asylum Printing and Stationery	71	2	7			
"	Asylum Postage	16	8	6			
"	Insurance	108 589	3	6			
"	Workshope and Panaire	1,134		10			
"	Duilding Cundries	62		2			
"	Furniture: General	265	7	9			
.,	Ironmongery	69		8			
	Bedding	266	14	6			
	House Linen	38	16	7			
	Crockery and Sundries	77	0	9			
				-	21,929	15	0
,,	Property Expenses				60	19	2
,,	Bank Commission, &c				26	5	11
13	Grounds and Garden Expenses £432 1 2						
	Less value of Produce supplied to the						
	Asylum 258 15 0						
	Park In the second				173	6	2
12	Estate and Buildings Improvement Account				3,000	0	0
11	Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1907				1,058	4	3

ESTATE AND BUILDINGS

ESTATE AND BUIL From June	DINGS 30th, 1906,
Receipts. To Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1906	£ s. d. 2,272 17 4 43 10 0 3,000 0 0
Audited and found correct.—12th September, 1907. A. B. S. WELCH, Lancaster, Auditor. HENRY DAVIES, Lancaster, Honorary Auditor.	5,316 7 4
SUSTENTATION From June	FUND 30th, 1906,
THE CASE AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY	
## Secripts. ## S. d. ## To Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1906 ## June 30th, 1906	£ s. d. 658 13 11 3,432 10 0
A. B. S. WELCH, Lancaster, Auditor. HENRY DAVIES, Lancaster, Honorary Auditor.	4,091 3 11
THE JAMES DIGGENS ME: From June	MORIAL 30th, 19c6,
Receipts.	
To Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1906, Donations, Bank Interest, Balance due to Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1907	£ s. d. 562 5 9 586 8 4 3 3 1 1,108 2 6
A. B. S. WELCH, Lancaster, Auditor. HENRY DAVIES, Lancaster, Honorary Auditor.	22,259 19 8
Tr. SINKING From June	
Receipts.	
To Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1906 "Proportion of Interest on Redeemable Colonial Government Stocks "Bank Interest	£ s. d. 50 0 3 50 0 0 1 5 8
	2101 0 11

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IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT,	
to June 30th, 1907.	Cr.
By Paving Back Road	£ s. d. 209 5 6 188 10 0 179 11 9 117 0 0 83 0 0 54 4 3 22 4 0 8 1 2 0 13 1 4,453 17 7
	20,010 1 4
ANNUAL ACCOUNT,	
to June 30th, 1907.	Cr.
Expenditure.	
£ s. By Investments:—	d. £ s. d.
£2,307 1s. 10d. Consols; Interest at 2½ per cent 2,000 0 £692 1s. 5d Consols; Interest at 2½ per cent 600 0 £758 9s. 4d. Consols; Interest at 2½ per cent 659 19 £587 5s. 11d. Consols; Interest at 2½ per cent 500 0 ,, Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1907	0 0 4 0 3,759 19 4 331 4 7
	£4,091 3 11
RECEPTION HOUSE ACCOUNT,	
to June 30th, 1907.	Cr.
Expenditure.	
By Builder (Robert Thompson)	£ s. d. 2,150 0 0 100 0 0 9 19 8
	£2,259 19 8
ACCOUNT,	
to June 30th, 1907.	dr.
Expenditure By Balance at Lancaster Bank, June 30th, 1907	£ s. d. 101 5 11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

	1905-08	1008 07						Becoom	1111
	1.					1905-06.	1906-07.		
RECEIPTS.		of Patients 637.	Increase.	Decrease,	EXPENDITURE.	Average No.	Average No. of Patients	Increase.	Decrease.
Donotions	or ;	£ 8. d.	£ s. d.	1	100	£ 8. d.	£ 8. d.	8. d.	0 0 3
Townsie and The Committee	13	255 7 1		131 6 4	Expenses of General Annual			•	ė
Annual Subscriptions	0 9	0	25 0 0		, of Public M				
Payments for Patients	1975c a a	0,	= 0		L				
Interest on Sustentation Fund	0 7 00177	10313 1 11	204 TA 20		&c.	207 4 4	206 19 8		0 4 8
Investments	6 7173	1	0		Dring A property		42 1 4		-
est on Ban	67 5 1	69 17 10	2 12 9		of Meetings Flection Peturus				
Kent	287 18	-		0 17 0	Appeals, Pamphlete Booke of				
Sundries	172	18	1178 11 3	-	Account, & General Printing &				
rarm (value of Produce, less					Stationery	9 696	0 L F06	10	
Goet of Crook Decreed on Services	1000				General Advertising	21 9 8	48 0 1	96 10 10	
cost of Stock, Flovender, &c.)	759 18 11	639 8 11		120 10 0	General Postage		19	11	
					Offices(Lancaster & Manchester)		1	1	
					Rent, Rates, Carriage, Tele-				
					Salaries Wages and Transline	187 17 5	108 13 0		29 4 5
					Fynonese Hyperese	010000	-		
					Provisions	07		18 10 2	3
					NECESSADIRE - Cools	00	N C		62 5 3
					Gas Cas	100 00 1	1740 19 3	24 12 8	
					: .	00	15	10	
					General		904 0 11	20	
					Clothing	-	00	191	
					Drugs, Surgery Requisites, &c	07	-10	0	11 15 9
					Insurance	00	. 00		
					Sundries	645 9 0	4 1	81 15 11	
					Workshops, Repairs, &c	1	18	17	
					Building Sundries		19	15	
					rukniture:-General	13		13	
					Bodding	12 1	12	84 19 10	
					House I inen			100	
					Crockery & Sundries	43 15 0	00 10 77	20 10 20	
					Property Expenses	10	60 10 9	-	
N I I			100		nmissi	0	5 1		9 14 3
					Grounds and Garden Expenses.				
	24158 13 1	26100 2 3	2194 2 6	252 13 4	Ferote and Buildings Imment	212 9 0	173 6 2		39 2 10
			1		Estate and Dundings Improve-				
NET INCREASE £1,941 9s. 2d.					Sinking Fund Account	1850 0 0	3000 0 0	1150 0 0	
				to a	2 10s. 2d.	0 4	14.1	9088 17 10	156 7 8
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	25169 1 6	27129 19 1			Balance at end of year	1029 16 10	1058 4 8		
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Examined and certified to be correct.—12th September, 1907.
A. B. S. WELCH, Lancaster, Auditor.

SUMMARY OF TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS

(Including Donations to the General, Maintenance, and Sustentation Funds; and current Annual Subscriptions),

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FROM	DISTRI	CTS	W	HE	RE (CON	IMI	TTE	ES	HA	AVE	BEE	N	FO	RMED	Al	ND
	,			PU	BLI	CI	MEE	TIN	IGS	HE	ELD.				Annua		
												Dona	atio	ns.	scri	ptio	ns.
												£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	STER (36657	7 5	4	260	12	6
	POOL (2)											11918	3	3	335	9	0
	HESTER											11515	11	11	434	8	0
	ORD (4)											10558	9	8	267	2	8
PREST	ON (5)											9302	12	8		18	6
ROCHD	ALE (6)										7368	16	4		19	6
WESTM	IORLAN	D (7	7)									6638	12	6		4	0
HALIFA	(8) XA											6200		8		14	2
CUMBE	RLAND	(CA	RLIS	LE,	&c.)	(9)						5744		9		15	0
	(10)											5730			157		0
CHESH	IRE (11)						-					5623		0	443		0
SHEFF	ELD (12	2)										3537		1		19	6
OLDHA	M (13)										-	3313		0	44		0
YORK (14)									•••		2805		7	57		6
DURHA	M (Coun	TY)										2776		8	383	_	8
NORTH	LONSI	DALI	E ([JLVI	ERST	ON.	BAR	ROW	1. 800	:.)		2646		8	18		6
BURY (1	5)											2145		6		15	7
BOLTON	٧ (16)											2029		4	109	7	0
BLACKE	BURN (17)										1843		0		17	6
HUDDE	RSFIELI	D										1660		0.700	130	7700	8
NORTH												1480		2	125		0
SETTLE												1477			10	0	0
SKIPTO	N											1289		5	5	5	0
SOUTH	PORT											1138		6	28		0
BURNLI	EY											1163		7	40	100	-
WAKEF												993		7	100		6
KEIGHL											•••	875	6	0	6	6	0
WARRIN	GTON											765	2	6	5	5	0
ASHTON	N-UNDE	R-LY	NE									672			5	5	0
WIGAN														0		19	6
ROTHER	RHAM											529		0	32		6
SCARBO								•••					8	6	2	2	0
ST. HEL												366				14	6
HULL								•••	•••			295		6	2		0
DONCAS						•••		•••	•••		•••	277	5	8		17	6
	0th, 1907.			•••	•••							184	4	9	18		0
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⁽¹⁾ The Lancaster Donations include £15,000 from the Right Hon. Lord Ashton; £2050 from the late Mr. James Brunton, and £500 from the late Miss Brunton; £1000 from the Lancaster Banking Company; £1300 from Messrs. Storey Bros. and Co., who also contribute a Special Annual Subscription of £52 10s.; £1050 from H. L. Storey, Esq., and £525 from Mrs. E. Howard Dawson (now Mrs. Hayes). In addition to the Storey donations, the late Sir Thomas Storey presented to the Institution the Storey Home for Feeble-minded Girls, and Mr. H. L. Storey contributed £5,250 for the erection of the Herbert Storey Industrial Schools and Workshops.

- (2) The Liverpool Donations include £1500 from the late Mrs. Chas. Turner, who also bequeathed a legacy of £2000.
- (3) The Manchester Donations include £1105 from the late John Fernley, Esq.; £1000 from the late Robert Barnes, Esq.; and £1000 from the late William Atkinson, Esq.
- (4) The Bradford Donations include £5105 from the late Sir Titus Salt, Bart.; and £650 from Joseph Craven, Esq.
- (5) The Preston Donations include £5000 from the late E. Rodgett, Esq.; £677 10s. from the late Richard Newsham, Esq., who also bequeathed a legacy of £1000; and £542 from the late G. Buckston Browne, Esq.
- (6) The Rochdale Donations include £625 from the late Richard Hurst, Esq.; £525 from the late Henry Kelsall, Esq.; £525 from the late Henry Kelsall, junr., Esq.; £500 from the late John Fielden, Esq., Todmorden; £500 from the late Joshua Fielden, Esq., Todmorden; and £500 from the late Samuel Fielden, Esq., Todmorden, who also bequeathed a legacy of £2000.
- (7) The Westmorland Donations include £1000 from the late Mrs. Bindloss, who also bequeathed a legacy of £900; £675 from the late W. H. Wakefield, Esq.; £400 from the late John Wakefield, Esq.; £500 from the Executors of the late F. A. Argles, Esq.; and £560 10s. from the late Wm. Tattersall, Esq.
- (8) The Halifax Donations include £630 from the late Joshua Appleyard, Esq.; £768 5s. from the late Hanson Ormerod, Esq.; and £630 from the late G. Buckston Browne, Esq.
- (9) The Cumberland Donations include £525 from the late Thomas Ainsworth, Esq., Cleator; and £500 from the Right Hon. Lord Muncaster.
- (10) The Leeds Donations include £1105 from Messrs. Joshua Tetley and Son; £700 from the late Sir Andrew Fairbairn, Kut.; £525 from the late Arthur Lupton, Esq., and the late Mrs. Arthur Lupton; and £500 from the late Miss Dawson, of Bramhope Manor, Otley.
- (11) The Cheshire Donations include £500 from the late Duke of Westminster, KG.; and £500 from the late Right Hon. Lord Egerton of Tatton.
- (12) The Sheffield Donations include £525 from Sir F. T. Mappin, Bart., M.P.; and an Annual Subscription of £50 from the Sheffield Town Trustees.
- (13) The Oldham Donations include £631 5s. from the late Asa Lees, Esq., who also bequeathed a legacy of £10,000; £500 from the late Eli Lees, Esq.; and £500 from the late Charles Edward Lees, Esq.
- (14) The York Donations include £1000 from "A Friend," per the late Wm. Gray, Esq.
- (15) The Bury Donations include £1,050 from the late Miss Openshaw for the "John Openshaw of Irwell Bed," in memory of her father, the late John Openshaw, Esq, and £50 in memory of her friend, the late Dr. de Vitre.
- (16) The Bolton Donations include £500, "In Memory of the late Wm. Hampson, Esq."
- (17) The Blackburn Donations include £775 from the late Wm. Tattersall, Esq.
- (18 The Wakefield Donations include £520 from the late Daniel Gaskell, Esq.



THE STOREY HOME.



THE HERBERT STOREY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS AND WORKSHOPS.



THE FARM HOUSE.



THE FARM BUILDINGS AND THE INSTITUTION.

THE JAMES DIGGENS MEMORIAL RECEPTION HOUSE.

LIST OF DONATIONS.

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Formal W. D.	1	s.	d.
Ecroyd, W. Farrer, Credenhill Court, Hereford	100	0	0
	50		0
	50		0
Foster, Colonel, Hornby Castle, Lancaster	50		0
Ring, Miss, Oxton, Birkenhead	50		0
King, Miss, Oxton, Birkenhead Paget-Tomlinson, Dr. W. S., The Biggins, Kirkby Lonsdale Broadhurst, E. Tootal, Manchester	50	0	0
Broadhurst, E. Tootal, Manchester	26	5	0
Broadhurst, E. Tootal, Manchester Brooke, John A., Fenay Hall, Huddersfield Brown, James, Pittsmoor, Sydney, New South W. J.	25	0	0
	25	0	0
	25	0	0
Brown ou George A., Delle Vile Southmost	25	0	0
	25	0	0
	25		
	21	0	0
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Platt, John, Hyning, Carnforth	20	0	0
Timmis, T. Sutton Cleveley Allerton Livernal		0	0
	20	0	0
	10		0
		10	0
Foster, Major F. C., Prospect House, Queensbury		10	0
		10	0
Hignett, Miss B. W., Bankfield, West Derby, Liverpool		10	0
		10	0
Mappin, Sir Fredk. T., Thornbury, Sheffield Welch, W. G., Hampson Langueter		10	0
Welch, W. G., Hampson, Lancaster Ackers, Whitley and Co. Limited Leich L.		10	0
The Control of the Co		10	0
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Hibbert, Right Hon. Sir John T., K.C.B. Hampefeld C.	10	0	0
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*** Circuit did, Milos C., Lealinington Sno	10	-	0
	5	5	0
Armitage, Miss Louie M., Peel Hall, Little Hulton, Bolton	0	5	0
Ashton, Mrs., 37, Prince's Gardens, London, S. W	5	0	0
Bradshaw, John, Waldon House, Cheltenham	5	5	0
	5	0	0
Clay, Mrs. W., 14, Windsor Terrace, Newcastle-upon-Tyne	0	5	0
Clough, Thomas, Steeton, Keighley Crewdson, Theodore, Norcliffe Hall, Styal, Cheshire Crossley, D. J. (the late), Falling Royd, Hebden Prider	0	0	0
Crewdson, Theodore, Norcliffe Hall, Styal, Cheshire	0	5	0
Crossley, D. J. (the late), Falling Royd, Hebden Bridge Davies, Henry, Carus Lodge, Lancaster	5555555	5	0
Davies, Henry, Carus Lodge, Lancaster	5	5	0
Davies, Henry, Carus Lodge, Lancaster De Vitré, Henry Denis, Charlton House, Wantage, Berks. Dugdale, Arthur, Ivy Bank, Burnley	5		0
Dugdale, Arthur, Ivy Bank, Burnley			0
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	£	S.	d.
Foster, Colonel Herbert A., Littlemoor, Queensbury	5		0
Foster, Robert J., Stockeld Park, Wetherby			0
Foster, Robert J., Stocked Park, Wetherby	5	5	0
Hesketh, Colonel, Linwood, Astley Bridge, Bolton	5	5	0
Heywood, Edward S., Light Oaks, Manchester	5	555555555555555	0
Hignett, Mrs, Bankfield, West Derby, Liverpool	5	5	0
Kidd, Mrs., St. Olave's Road, York	0	0	
MacGillycuddy, Mrs., Bache Hall, Chester	5	5	0
Maclure, Lady, East Sheen, Surrey	5	5	0
Roper, W. O., Yealand Convers, Carnforth	5	5	0
Satterthwaite, Colonel J. H., United Service Club, London, S.W	5	5	0
Satterthwaite, Samuel, Croftlands, Lancaster	5	5	0
Storey, Frank, Caton Green, Lancaster	5	5	0
Storey, Isaac H., Loughrigg Brow, Ambleside	5	5	0
Tetley, C. F., Spring Bank, Headingley, Leeds	5	5	0
Torbock, Joseph, Crackenthorpe Hall, Appleby	5	5	0
Whitley, John, West House, Halifax	5	5	0
Whitley, John, West House, Hallax	5	0	0
Barbour, George, Bolesworth Castle, Tattenhall, Chester	5	0	0
Barrow, Thomas, Baldrand, Lancaster			
Cliff, Miss Ellen M., The Red House, Hawarden, Chester	5	0	0
Clark, Miss M. F., Queen Street, Lancaster	5	0	0
Finch, Rev. T. R., Penwortham Hall, Preston	5	0	0
Hesketh, Miss, Atherton, Manchester	5	0	0
Killey, George D., Bentuther, Waterloo, Liverpool	5	0	0
Kolp N Victoria Park Manchester	5	0	0
Lawrence, Sir Edward, St Michael's Hamlet, Liverpool	5	0	0
Musgrave, Walter M., Ashleigh, Bolton	5	0	0
Perkins, Mrs. Hugh, 17, Fulwood Park, Liverpool	5	0	0
Perkins, Mrs. Hugh, 17, Pulwood Falk, Liverpool	5	0	0
Simpson, Alfred, Dunham Woods, Altrincham	5	0	0
Willans, J. E., Rosehill, Edgerton, Huddersfield	7		
Birks, Mrs. E. Vaughan, Carsack Grange, near Sheffield	3	3	0
Hulton, Sir William, Bart. (the late), Hulton Park, Bolton	3	3	0
Lees, J. D., Pownall Hall, Wilmslow, Cheshire	3	3	0
Garratt, Miss B., Frodsham, Warrington	3	0	0
Lees, William, Linden Lea, Brooklands, Manchester	3	0	0
Robinson, The Misses, Ingleside, Sefton Park, Liverpool	3	0	0
Robinson, Wm. L., Ingleside, Sefton Park, Liverpool	3	0	0
Appleford, Rev. W. L., Ripley Hospital, Lancaster	2	2	0
Parana John Mere Wilte	2	2	0
Barrow, John, Mere, Wilts. Brigg, B. S., Burlington House, Keighley	2		0
Brigg, B. S., Burnington House, Reightey	2	2	0
Clarke, Rev. Canon, The Vicarage, Rochdale	2	2	Ö
Crewdson, F. W., Summerhow, Kendal	2	2	0
Douglas, Dr. Archibald R., R.A.A., Lancaster			
Farmer-Atkinson, H. J., Woodcote, Epsom	2	2	0
Frith-Hudson, C., Ashton House, Milnthorpe	2	2	0
Harrison, Wm., Exors. of, Moor Lane, Lancaster	2	2	0
Heape, Joseph R., Glebe House, Rochdale	2	2	0
Great and Little Bolton Co-operative Society, Bolton	2	2	0
Morison, John, 15, Roe Lane, Southport	2	2	0
Newall, Thomas, The Hollies, Lancaster	2	2	0
Newbold, Miss, The Springs, Bury	2	2	0
Newbold, Miss, The Spings, Dury	2	2	0
Priestman, Frederick, Pierremont, Manningham, Bradford	2	2	0
Royden, Miss A. D., Forton Hey, Frankby, Birkenhead			
Satterthwaite, W. H., Skelsfield, Lancaster	2	2	0
Shuttleworth, Dr. Geo. E., Parkholme, East Sheen, Surrey	2	2	0
Wakefield, E. W., Stricklandgate House, Kendal	2	2	0
Welch, A. B. S., Strathspey, Lancaster	2	2	0
Yorke, Miss, Duncombe Place, York	2	2	0
Mewburn, Miss E., 10, Crescent Parade, Ripon	2	0	0

Anonymous Foster, Mrs., Craig Vaén, Poole Road, Bournemouth Latham, M. H., 38, Nantwich Road, Crewe. Lees, Oswald, Egerton Street, Prestwich, Manchester Rimington, The Misses, Tynefield, Penrith Stroyan, Miss, 15, Westbourne Road, Forest Hill, London, S.E. Sundries Bank Interest	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 58 4		0 0 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 10
Rayner, Miss, Grosvenor Terrace, Garden Road, Brighouse. Taylor, Dr. C. Barrie, Half Edge Lane, Eccles, Manchester. Webster, Mrs., Crawshaw Villa, Pudsey, Leeds Anonymous, Lytham Alderson, Mrs., Park House, Worksop, Notts. Favell, Miss, Portinscale, Keswick Harrison, Mrs., Cranmore, Waterloo, Liverpool	0 0 0 0 0	0 10 10 10 10 10	0 0 6 6 6 0 0 0 0
Armstrong, Mrs., Broom Lodge, Hatfield, Doncaster Clay, Miss, Castle Fields, Rastrick, Brighouse Favell, Miss E., Portinscale, Keswick Goodwin, James E., Cheapside, Liverpool. Jennings, The Misses, Thornby Villa, Wigton Lipman, Miss, Hawthornden, Victoria Park, Manchester. Sandford, Mrs., Sandford, Whitchurch, Salon	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0000000	6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Tweedales and Smalley, Castleton, Manchester Wanklyn, The Misses, Grange-over-Sands Wildman, Wm, Blackpool Wood, E. H., Inglehurst, Harrogate Wood, Mrs., Fernleigh, Weaverham, Cheshire Wynne-Edwards, Rev. J. R., The Grammar School, Leader	1	1 1 1 1 1	0 0 0 0 0 0
Paley, Miss E. F., Scarthwaite, Caton, Lancaster Pearson and Knowles Coal and Iron Co., Limited, Nelson Street, Lancaster Ramsay, Dr., High Petergate, York Rawson, J. Selwyn, The Haugh End, Sowerby Bridge Redmayne, R. R., Carlton House, Low Fell, Gateshead Robinson, Mrs. Green Lane, Dalston, Cumberland	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	0 0 0 0
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Mansergh, Arthur H., Lancaster	£	, ,	s. d.

CASES OF IMPROVEMENT,

ILLUSTRATIVE OF REPORT,

JUNE 30TH, 1907.

BOYS.

H. (2336.) When admitted in October, 1902, at the age of twelve, knew a few letters, wrote poorly, counted fairly up to 30, knew nothing of time, recognised a halfpenny and penny, and a few sensations in sense lessons.

Can now read well a class reader, write very well, do dictation, composition and a letter, draw fairly well, work sums in all simple rules, tell time correctly, tell all coins and weights and calculate fairly, recognise most sensations of taste, smell and touch, and takes an intelligent interest in object and other lessons. He has improved in general intelligence, and is a useful lad in the shoe shop.

S. (2368.) When admitted in May, 1903, at the age of nine, knew one or two letters, wrote indifferently short words, spoke very indistinctly, knew one or two sensations of taste, smell and touch, but was otherwise very backward.

Can now speak more distinctly, read class reader fairly well, work sums in all simple rules, tell time correctly, do dictation and composition, draw well, recognise most sensations in sense lesson, tell all coins and weights and calculate fairly. He has become fairly intelligent, and is very useful in the printing department.

W. (2493.) When admitted in October, 1904, at the age of nine, was very defective in speech and hearing, knew one or two words, counted fairly, could do addition of hundreds, knew a few sensations of smell, taste and touch, but knew nothing of time or money.

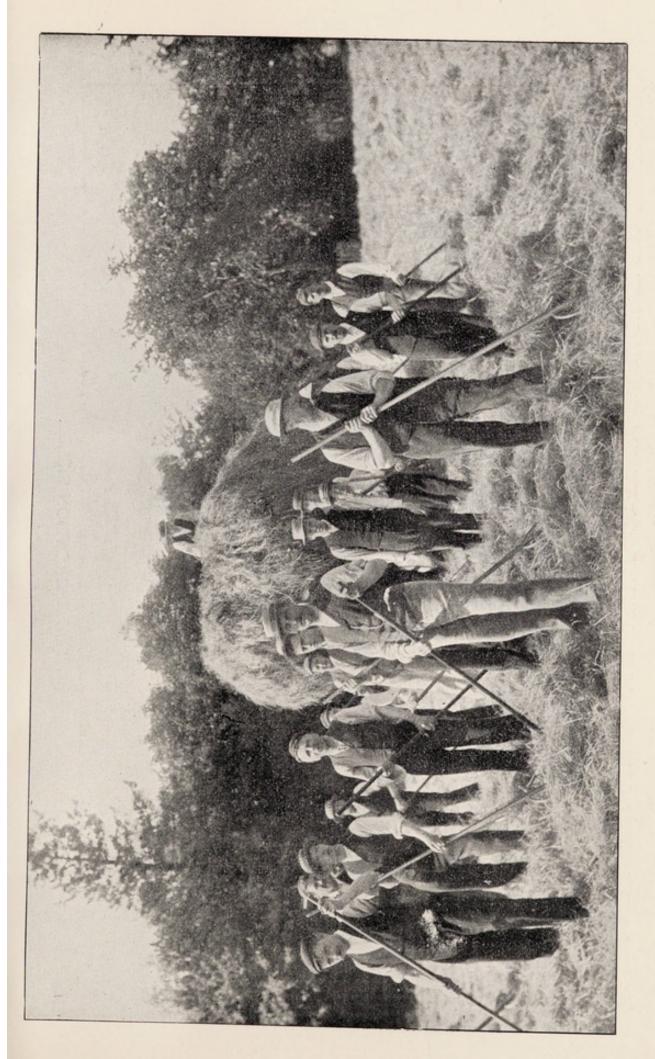
Can now speak better, read fairly well (considering his deafness), write well, do composition and a letter, work sums in all simple rules, tell time correctly, tell all coins and weights and calculate fairly, recognise most sensations of taste, smell and touch, draw well, and drill well. He has much improved in general intelligence and usefulness, and is making good progress in wood-carving.

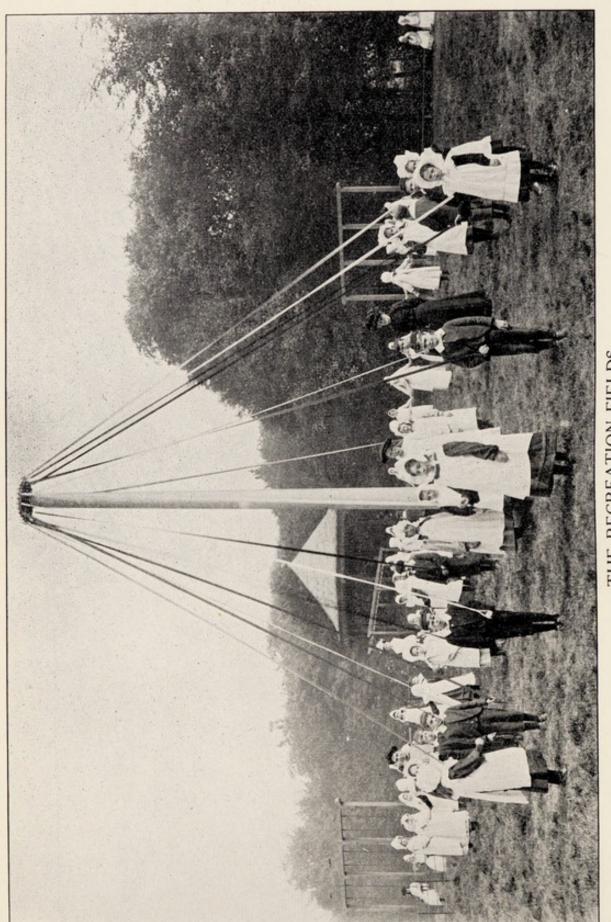
M. (2369.) When admitted in May, 1903, at the age of seven, read words of two letters, wrote easy words on slate from copy, counted up to 30, knew one or two coins, but was deficient in general knowledge.

Can now speak much better, read well and intelligently, do fairly difficult dictation and composition, work easy sums in compound rules, tell time correctly, tell all coins and weights and calculate well in shop lesson, recognise most sensations of taste, smell and touch, answer well in object and other lessons. He has much improved in general intelligence, and is doing fairly well in elementary basket work.

R. (2607.) When admitted in October, 1905, at the age of nine, could read words of two and three letters, and write a little, knew the value of units, but could not add them up.

Can now read class reader and take down dictation from it, do addition and subtraction of hundreds, knows most sensations of taste, smell and touch, all coins and weights, can tell the time to five miutes, answer well in object lessons, and do brushwork and drawing.





THE RECREATION FIELDS.

D. (2629) When admitted in April, 1906, at the age of thirteen, could read and write words of two letters, and knew the value of units.

Can now read an easy reader and take down dictation from it, add and subtract tens, knows most sensations of taste, smell and touch, most coins and weights, can answer well in object lessons, and do brushwork and drawing.

GIRLS.

S. (2407.) When admitted in October, 1903, at the age of nine, knew one or two letters, could write a few letters, and count a little.

Can now read class reader and take down dictation from it, do addition and subtraction of hundreds, knows most sensations of taste, smell and touch, answers well in object lessons, knows the coins and weights, can tell the time to five minutes, do needlework, knit stockings, and can do brushwork and drawing.

G (2394.) When admitted in October, 1903, at the age of twelve, knew a few letters, could write a few letters, and count a little.

Can now read the class reader and take down dictation from it, do addition and subtraction of hundreds, knows most sensations of taste, smell and touch, all coins and weights, tells the time to five minutes, answers well in object lessons, does needlework and knitting fairly well, also brushwork and drawing.

C. (2519.) When admitted in October, 1903, at the age of fourteen, could read very small words, write fairly, and knew the value of units up to four.

Can now read class reader and take down dictation from it, write a letter with a little help, do addition and subtraction of hundreds, knows most sensations of taste, smell, and touch, and all weights and coins, can tell the time to five minutes, answer intelligently in object lessons, sew well, knit stockings, do brushwork and drawing. She is also useful in domestic work.

D. (2565.) When admitted in October, 1905, at the age of eighteen, could read and write a little, knew the value of units, and could knit and sew a little.

Can now read class reader and take down dictation from it, write a letter with a little help, add and subtract hundreds, knows most sensations of taste, smell and touch, and all weights and coins, can tell the time to five minutes, answer well in object lessons, knit and sew fairly well, and can do drawing and brushwork. She is also useful in domestic work.

SCHOOL ATTAINMENTS OF PATIENTS.

This Table is compiled from the Quarterly School Reports.

	CL	ASSES OF	PATIEN	TS.		
GRADES.	1. Senior Boys.	2. Low Grade Boys.	3. Junior Boys.	4. Girls.	TOTALS	
	129	19	58	146	352	
I. SPEECH.		Cessimi			w.	
1. Make no attempt	0 0 1 22 45 61	1 3 2 8 5 0	1 3 3 31 2 18	7 1 1 29 28 80	9 7 7 90 80 159	
II. READING.					352	
1. Know no letters or words	5 14 10 6 46 48	15 3 1 0 0 0	31 14 3 8 2 0	52 15 3 20 31 25	103 46 17 34 79 73 352	
III. WRITING.						
1. Do nothing but scribble	5 8 7 14 27 68	17 2 0 0 0 0	27 14 2 9 6	31 22 8 20 8 57	80 46 17 43 41 125	
* 77 Patients write letters home with assistance and 61 without assistance. 789 Letters and postcards have been written and sent home during the past year.					352	
IV. ARITHMETIC.						
1. Cannot count at all	1 12 16 18 49 33	9 9 1 0 0	21 18 5 13 1 0	32 23 38 19 25 9	63 62 60 50 75 42	
* 19 Patients work sums in the compound rules.					352	

SCHOOL ATTAINMENTS OF PATIENTS-continued.

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GRADES.	1. Senior Boys.	2. Low Grade Boys.	Junior Boys.	4. Girls.	TOTALS
V. CLOCK LESSON.	129	19	58	146	352
1. Know neither hours nor minutes 2. Know some of the hours 3. Know all the hours 4. Know the hours and quarters 5. Do. do. and 5 minutes 6. Can tell the time to a minute	21 23 16 18 16 35	18 1 0 0 0 0	42 13 2 1 0 0	54 45 13 16 7 11	135 82 31 35 23 46
VI. SHOP LESSON.					352
1. Know no coins nor weights	6 37 30 15	9 10 0 0	37 8 13 0	50 30 39 14	102 85 82 29
6. Do. do. and calculate fairly	28 13	0	0	5 8	33 21
VII. COLOUR LESSON.			201		352
1. Know no colours	4 7 17 61 30	10 5 3 1 0	39 9 3 3 4	37 3 28 44 2	90 24 51 109 36
shades	10	0	0	32	42
VIII. MUSIC.			anidelia.	los se	352
1. No interest in musical sounds	0 14 38 72	0 12 4 3	1 34 16 7	5 43 30 68	6 103 88 150
symbols	5 0	0 0	0	0	5 0
IX. DRILL,					352
1. Have no idea of drill	0 21 25 57 16 10	0 19 0 0 0	20 15 6 3 7 7	20 17 34 7 13 55	40 72 65 67 36 72
* 72 Boys are instructed in Swedish deil	-	-1		AND THE	352*

^{* 72} Boys are instructed in Swedish drill, 32 in Military Drill and Free Gymnastics.

A R. DOUGLAS,

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT,

June 30th, 1907.

INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS OF PATIENTS.

This Table is compiled from the Quarterly Return of the Trade Instructors, Chief Attendant, and Head Nurse. It must be understood that the occupations are progressive, in order of difficulty; occupation in a higher grade usually implying familiarity with the lower grades.

OCCUPATIONS OF BOYS.			ed in each		Total number		
Grades of Work.	Indif- ferent.	Fair.	Good.	Ex- cellent.	em- ployed.		
I. SASH-CORD MAKERS AND UPHOLSTERERS. 1. Picking Hair, Wool, &c 2. Palliasse and Mattress making 3. Sash-cord making	3 0 0	4 0 1	5 0 0	1 0 2	16 Hair Pickers, &c.		
1. Preliminary Work	0 0 0 1	1 0 1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 1 0 1	9 Shoemakers.		
III. BASKET-MAKERS. 1. Making Basket Bottoms	0 0	4 0 0 0 0	0 0 2 1 0	0 0 0 0 0 2	16 Basket-makers.		
IV. JOINERS AND CABINET-MAKERS. 1. Preliminary Work		1 5 0	4 0 1	0 0 3	14 Cabinetmakers.		
1. Preliminary Work (use of tools) 2. Planing at Bench	. 0 2 0 0	0 0 0 1 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 2 3	02058		

OCCUPATIONS OF BOYS.	Numbe	r employ and quali	ed in eac	ch grade, k.	Total
Grades of Wcrk.	Indif- ferent.	Fair.	Good.	Ex- cellent.	number em- ployed.
VI. BRUSH AND MAT MAKERS. 1. Mat-making: filling	1 0 2 0 0	4 0 3 0 0	1 0 1 0 0	0 2 2 0 0	16 Brush, &c., Makers
1. Learning case 2. Setting type	0 0 0 1 0 0	0 1 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 1 1 1 0	0 0 0 0 0	5 Printers, &c.
1. Preliminary Work	1 0 0 0 0 0	4 3 0 0 0 0	0 2 1 1 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	13 Tailors.
IX. GARDENING. 1. Preliminary work in weeding class 2. Barrow filling and emptying 3. Weeding amongst crops 4. Picking peas, fruits, &c 5. Digging 6. Potato-setting, &c. (can also dig)	3 0 0 0 0	2 2 0 0 2 0	0 2 3 0 1	0 0 0 0 0	17 Gardeners.
X. OUT-DOOR WORK. Miscellaneous Work under Labour Master	3	1	0	0	*4
XI. FARMING. 1. Preliminary work—weeding, &c	0 0 0 0 0	0 3 0 0 1	0 2 0 0 2 0	0 0 1 0 2 1	12 Farm Boys.

^{*} Others employed during hay-time, &c.

OCCUPATIONS OF BOYS.	Number	Total			
Grades of Work.	Indif- ferent.	Fair.	Good.	Ex- cellent.	number em- ployed
XII, MISCELLANEOUS OCCUPATIONS.	ans		222.0	LA 1160	911 - 17
1. Shoe-cleaning	0	5	1	3	9 8
2. Corridor-cleaning and Ward-work	2	3	5	4	14 11 14
3. Laundry-work—mangling, &c	5	5	1	0	11 lane
4. Store-work and Kitchen and Dairy	0	5	6	3	14 \ ous
5. Assisting Stoker	0	0	0	1	1
6 Assisting Baker	3	0	0	3	employed
7. Employed in Office	0	0	1	0	1 yed.

Total number of Senior Boys employed in Industrial Occupations 191.

Twelve Senior Boys (also otherwise employed) act as Messengers to Lancaster.

Several others assist in Dormitory and Day-room arrangements, and in dressing and attending on other Patients.

12 Junior Boys are taught knitting, 14 do Kindergarten work, and 6 make beds.

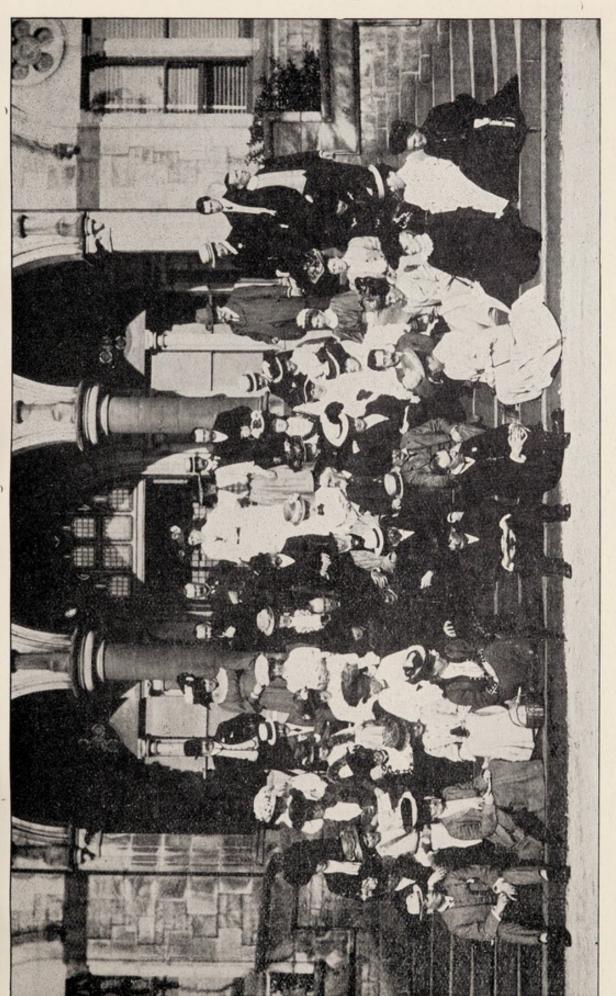
OCCUPATIONS OF GIRLS.		ployed in nd qualit			Total number
Chief kinds of Occupation.	Indif- ferent.	Fair.	Good.	Ex- cellent.	em- ployed.
1. Sweeping, dusting, &c	. 0	2 8 1 1 0	5 7 4 1 0	8 7 21 4 4	15 22 26 6 6 4
Storey Home for Girls— † Scrubbing and house-work	. 19	8	8	4	39

^{*} In School 22 Girls are engaged in preliminary work with needle, 25 hem, 17 sew fairly, 26 sew well, 90 knit, and 44 darn.

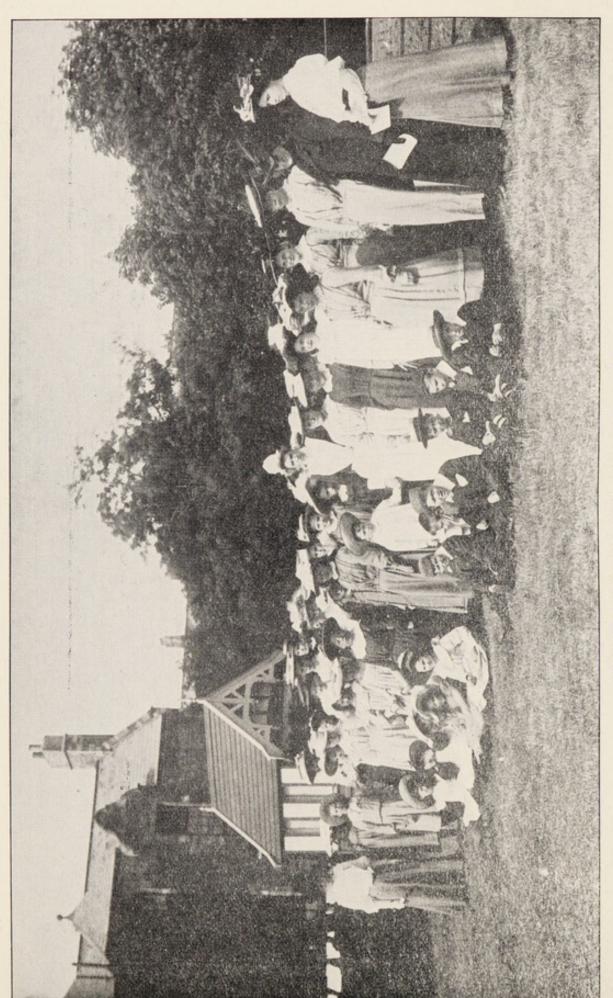
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[†] At the Storey Home 11 Girls sew and knit, 2 use the sewing-machine, 4 wash and 2 can bake.



GROUP OF LEEDS VISITORS.



GROUP OF PATIENTS AND TEACHERS.

STATISTICS AS TO PATIENTS.

CONDITION OF PATIENTS discharged during year.

E			Males.	Females.	Total.
Much improved Moderately improved Slightly improved Not improved	 	 	20 9 13 17	17 5 4 8	37 14 17 25
			59	34	93

Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, from December 14th, 1870, to June 30th, 1907.

	 1		2772
	 	1595	
907	 	653	
		_	2772
	 	/	1595

RESULTS OF TRAINING of all Discharged Patients.

Much Improved	 		27·15 pe	r cent.
Moderately Improved	 	546 or	34.23	13
Slightly Improved	 	380 or	23.82	1)
		1359 or	85.20	,,
Not Improved	 	236 or	14.80	**
Total	 	1595 or	100.00	,,

AGES OF PATIENTS who have resided in the Asylum, and of those who have died, during the fifty-two weeks included in the Medical Superintendent's Annual Report.

AGES.	No.	OF EACH RESIDENT		NO. OF EACH AGE DECEASED.				
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.		
From 5 to 10 years		42	32	74	I	0	1	
10 ,, 15 ,,		131	32 66	197	4	0	4	
15 ,, 20 ,,		160	104	264	I	4	5	
20 and upwards		150	74	224	3	o	3	
	06	483	276	759	9	4	13	

A. R. DOUGLAS,

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY.

THE ROYAL ALBERT ASYLUM,

LANCASTER,

18th July, 1907.

The changes among the patients in this Institution since it was visited fifteen months ago by two of our colleagues have been 158 admissions, 109 discharges, and 16 deaths, all from natural causes, which in three instances were verified by postmortem examination. There are now on the books the names of 650 patients, of whom 415 are males, and 235 females; 280 of the former and 128 of the latter are of the private class, "election" cases coming under this head.

There have been no serious accidents since the last visit.

The only cases of infectious disease have been 19 of chicken-pox, 2 of scarlatina, and 1 of erysipelas. No patient has suffered from bed-sore, and the 28 whom we saw

in bed to-day were free from this complication.

Under the law as it stands, Institutions for Idiots are not required to keep a register of mechanical restraint, and none is kept here. We saw two children restrained by soft gloves, and we understand that the mechanical restraint during the period has been limited to a few cases of similar treatment.

Divine Service is attended by 383 patients; a good number attend the entertainments given weekly in the Recreation Hall during the winter, and the dances, which are much appreciated; 244 are usefully employed. Several were seen by us doing work in the wards, kitchen, and elsewhere, and some of the boys were out making hay;

a large amount of good work is done in the joiners' and other shops.

The Reception House, built as a memorial to the late Mr. James Diggens, was opened on the 28th of June. It is well arranged, and affords good accommodation for 16 patients. The outdoor earth closets have been rebuilt, and supplied with watercloset apparatus. A new block floor has been laid in the dining hall. The floors in many other parts need renewal; and we would advise that the process of oiling and dry rubbing should be extended to all. Electric fans have been introduced with conspicuous advantage into the dining-hall and several rooms, and the air in the classrooms which were filled with pupils was fresh, but in some of the top dormitorics we noticed that the ventilation was defective on this hot day.

In the course of our inspection we visited all parts of the Asylum and its Branches, including Brunton House where there were 13 patients, the Storey Home where there were 40, and the Isolation Hospital and Infirmary where there were 31, some undergoing open-air treatment, and all being very well nursed and cared for. We found all the wards very clean and comfortable and in excellent order, the dormitories, beds,

and bedding clean and well looked after.

The patients were everywhere clean and tidy as regards their dress and persons, the dress of the girls being bright and pleasantly varied, and their smiling happy faces

gave assurance that they are kindly treated.

We saw a good and substantial dinner of meat and potato pie neatly served to the patients in the hall, preceded by a musical grace in which the children joined heartily. Their behaviour here, and indeed throughout the Asylum, was exceedingly good.

Though patients who are known to be suffering from epilepsy or phthisis are not received, yet there are at the present time 70 epileptics and many tuberculous cases.

We noticed that a large number had defective teeth, and think it would be of great

advantage if the services of a dentist were secured for the children.

About 41 per cent. of the patients are "election" cases and received gratuitously, and about 16 per cent. are received at reduced rates. It will be apparent, therefore,

that the Asylum continues to do a large amount of charitable work.

The management of the Institution is in the hands of Dr. Douglas, the Medical Superintendent, under the Committee. He appears to be well acquainted with his cases, and to take an active interest in his work. He has the assistance of two medical colleagues, one of whom resides at Brunton House.

> L. L. SHADWELL. Commissioners in F. NEEDHAM, Lunacy.



BOYS' CLASS.



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TAILORS.

PRESENTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

Anonymous, Lancaster, £1 is. for Christmas Tree.

Anonymous, Morecambe, Christmas Cards and Magazines.

Aitken, Dr, Lancaster, £1 1s. for Christmas Tree. Armstrong, P., Leeds, 3s. 9d. for Christmas Tree.

Arnold, Mrs., Lancaster, Oranges, Apples, and Magazines for Christmas Tree.

Arrowsmith, J., Glazebrook, Manchester, 10s. for Christmas Tree.

Arrowsmith, Miss J. A., Glazebrook, Manchester, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Ashburner, Miss, Kirkby-in-Furness, Knitted Woollen Cuffs and Scrap Book for Christmas Tree.

Atkinson, Mrs. W., Lancaster, Games, Balls and Toys for Christmas Tree.

Bagnall and Co., Lancaster, 36 dozen Candles for Christmas Trees. Baines, The Misses, Lancaster, Christmas Cards for Christmas Tree.

Barlow, T. V., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Barrow and Nicholson, Lancaster, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Barrow, Mrs. Thomas, Balrand, Lancaster, Toys and 100 Bags of Sweets for Christmas Tree.

Barrow, Mrs. W., Yewgarth, Lancaster, Bags of Sweets, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Barrow, Miss, Lancaster, Box of Lantern Slides.

Barwise, Miss, Lancaster, Sweets and Crackers for Christmas Tree.

Bayfield, Mrs., Farnley, Leeds, Toys for Christmas Tree. Bell, Thomas, Lancaster, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Bell, Mrs., Lancaster, Ribbon for Christmas Tree.

Benson, Mrs. T., Lancaster, Christmas Tree Candles and Crackers for Christmas Tree.

Berry, Mr. Harrop, Ossett, 5s. for Christmas Tree

Bingham, Misses, Lancaster, Dolls, Toys, Woollen Cuffs and Mufflers for Christmas Tree.

Binns, Mrs., Lancaster, Toys and Picture Books for Christmas Tree. Blades, Mrs., Parkfield, Lancaster, £1 1s. for Christmas Tree; £1 1s, additional for Staff Library.

Bleasdale, Miss Doris, Lancaster, Chocolates and Crackers for Christmas Tree. Bond, Miss, Oakbank, Lancaster, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Boots Limited, Lancaster, Sample Book of Christmas Cards. Bracken, Miss, Stockton-on-Tees, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Brodrick, Rev. F. E., and Mrs. Brodrick, Lytham, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Brunskill, J., Lancaster, 110 Hats and Materials for Decorations.

Bull, Mrs., London. 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Burlison, Miss, Durham, Christmas Cards for Christmas Tree.

Butler, Miss E., Ambleside, Balls, Scrap Books and Woollen Cuffs for Christmas

Cardwell, Mrs., Lancaster, Dolls and Toys for Christmas Tree.

Case, The Misses, Lancaster, Woollen Balls and Boxes of Chocolate for Christmas

Chaine, Miss M., Lancaster, Fancy Boxes of Handkerchiefs for Christmas Tree.

Clark, Miss, Queen Street, Lancaster, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Clark, Mrs. E. G., Lancaster, Boxes of Sweets and large Scrap Book for Christmas

Codd. Mrs., Brighton, £1 for Christmas Tree.

Cousins, Mr. and Mrs, Lancaster, large Santa Claus Stocking of Sweets and Toys for Christmas Tree.

Craven, Jeseph, Thornton, Bradford, £1 for Christmas Tree.

Crewe Branch of the Cheshire Ladies' Association, per Mrs. John Powell, Dressed Dolls, Toys, Handkerchiefs, Clothing, Balls, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Croft and Ewan, Lancaster, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Crossley, D. J. (the late), Hebden Bridge, £1 for Christmas Tree. Dagger, Mrs., Preston, Doll for Christmas Tree.

Dewhirst, A., Relatives and Friends, Colne, £1 5s. for Christmas Tree.
Dicksons Limited, Royal Seed and Nursery Establishment, Chester, 3,000 Bulbs of various kinds.

Elliott, Wm., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Ewan, The Misses, Lancaster, Woollen Balls, Sweets, &c., for Christmas Tree. Fendley, Mr. and Mrs, Lancaster, large Christmas Cake for Christmas Tree.

Finch, Rev. T. R., Penwortham Hall, Preston, £1 for Christmas Tree.

Fisher, R., Lancaster, Basket Chairs, Dolls and Games for Christmas Tree

Frith-Hudson, C., Milnthorpe, £1 1s. for Christmas Tree.

Foster, Colonel, and Mrs. Foster, Hornby Castle, Lancaster, large Case of Toys for Christmas Tree.

Gallaway, Mrs. A. T., Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Gill, T., and Mrs. Gill, Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Gillow and Co., Lancaster, Loan of Furniture and Carpet for the 2nd Act of "The Little Michus."

Gledhill, Mrs., Lancaster, Dolls for Christmas Tree.

Gorrill, Mrs. J. W., Lancaster, Hair Ribbons.

Goth, Walter, Manchester, 5s. for Christmas Tree. Greenwood and Whitehead, Lancaster, Barrel of Apples and Boxes of Chocolate for Christmas Tree.

Groves, W. G., Windermere, £1 is for Christmas Tree. Halksworth, A. M., Heaton Chapel, £1 is for Christmas Tree.

Happold, Mr. and Mrs., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Hartley, Miss S. E., Lancaster, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree. Harris, Miss, London, four named Parcels of Presents for Patients.

Heald, Mrs., Lancaster, Scarves, Whips, Balls, &c., for Christmas Tree. Helme, Norval W., M.P., and Mrs. Helme, Springfield Hall, Lancaster, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Herringshaw, Miss, Lancaster, Toy Books for Christmas Tree.

Hetherington, George, Scotforth, Knitted Woollen Scarves for Christmas Tree. Heywood, Master and Miss, Lancaster, Crackers and Scrap Books for Christmas Tree.

Hibbert, The Right Hon. Sir John T., and Lady Hibbert, Grange over-Sands, £2 for Christmas Tree.

Hill, M. A. and Co, Halifax, Picture Books, Building Blocks, Balls, Toys, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Hind, Rev. J., Hendon, 5s. for Christmas Tree. Hodgson, C. E., Skerton, Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Hodgson, Mr. Charles, Lancaster, Dolls for Christmas Tree.

Hoyle, Mrs., Lancaster, Sweets, Crackers and Dolls' Hats for Christmas Tree. Huddersfield Ladies' Association, per Mrs. Wrigley, Meltham, Knitted Woollen Articles, Toys, Dolls, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Huntington, Mrs. W., Ashford House, Lancaster, Toys, Dolls, Necklets, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Hutchence, John, Garstang, Barrel of Apples for Christmas Tree.

Hutchence, Walter, and Co., Lancaster, Sweets and Toys for Christmas Tree. Jackson, Miss Mabel, Lancaster, Dolls, Picture Books and Scrap Books for Christmas Tree.

Jackson, Councillor George, Lancaster, two Cases of Oranges for Christmas Tree. Jackson, Mrs. R., Ashton-under-Lyne, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Jackson, Mrs. Ellen, Ashton-under-Lyne, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Jeeves, Mrs., Malvern, £1 1s for Christmas Tree. Johnson, W., Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Jones, Mr., Lancaster, Bed Jackets for Christmas Tree Judge, M., Ashton-under-Lyne, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree

Irvin, Master and Miss, Lancaster, Toys for Christmas Tre.

Kathleen, Jack, and Josephine, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Keir, Mrs. S., Lancaster, 10s 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Kidd, Mrs., York, Chocolates for Christmas Tree.

Kidd, Arthur, R.A.A., Lancaster, Crackers for Christmas Tree,

Kilgour, H. M., Rochdale, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Kilgour, Miss, Rochdale, 2s. 6d for Christmas Tree.

Killey, G. D., Waterloo, Liverpool, £1 1s. for Christmas Tree. Knight, Miss, Ulverston, Dolls and Woollen Balls for Christmas Tree.

Lancaster and Skerton Equitable Industrial Co-operative Society, Limited, Case of Oranges, Nuts and Sweets for Christmas Tree.

Layfield, Mrs. Alfred, Leeds, 5s. for Christmas Tree. Lawson and Son, Lancaster, large Mechanical Toy. Leach, Mrs. F. W., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

London and North-Western Refreshment Room Staff, Castle Station, Lancaster, per Miss North, Box of Assorted Toys for Christmas Tree.

Lounds, Mr. S., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Macdonald, Mrs. A., Fern Bank, Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Mansergh, Mrs., Grange over-Sands, Toys, Books, Sweets, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Marsden, Mrs. J. W., Lancaster, Magazines, &c. Mason, Gordon, Lancaster, Sweets for Christmas Tree.

Maudsley, Mrs., Lancaster, Blotters, Books, Post Cards, &c., for Christmas Tree. McCalla, Mrs. W. E., Lancaster, Sweets and Crackers for Christmas Tree.

McRaith, Andrew, Lancaster, 43 numbers of "The Sketch," 1906.

McRaith, The Misses, Lancaster, Dolls for Christmas Tree. McWhinnie, Mr. and Mrs., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Millington, G., Lancaster, Coloured Paper for decoration for Christmas Tree. Milner, E. & J. L., Lancaster, Books and Boxes of Stationery and Pencils for Christmas Tree.

Naylor, Miss Clara (ex-nurse of R.A.A.), Apple River, Illinois, U.S.A., 8s. for Christmas Tree.

Naylor, Miss S. A., Liversedge, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Newall, Mrs. Thomas, Lancaster, parcel of "The Ladies' Pictorial."

Oddy, Fred, Leeds, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Paley, Miss E. F., Caton, 10s. for Christmas Tree.

Parr, Miss Eveline, Lancaster, Toys and Sweets for Christmas Tree. Parr, Miss Hilda, Lancaster, Toys and Sweets for Christmas Tree. Paterson, Mrs., Manchester, Dressed Dolls for Christmas Tree.

Pearson, C. S. (pupil of the R A.A.), Whitley Bay. 5s. for Christmas Tree. Pickford, Miss, Carnforth, Illustrated Papers, Christmas Cards, Woollen Cuffs and Scarves for Christmas Tree.

Pidgeon, Mrs., Southport, Packets of Christmas Cards for Christmas Tree. Pilkington, Mrs. J. R. B., Lancaster, Knitted Woollen Cuffs and Scarves for Christmas Tree.

Pilkington, Mrs., Lancaster, 5s. for the Christmas Tree. Platt, John, Hyning, Carnforth, £2 2s. for Christmas Tree.

Powell, Mrs John, Crewe, Articles of Clothing.

Powell, W. K., Preston, 150 Fancy Boxes of Biscuits for Christmas Tree.

Procter, Mrs, Barrowford, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Procter, Wm., Scotforth, Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Rawson, J. Selwyn, Sowerby Bridge, £1 1s. for Christmas Tree.
Religious Tract Society, per Rev. J. H. Colligan, Lancaster, Parcel of Magazines and Books for Christmas Tree.

Richardson, Miss E., Lancaster, Toys and Books for Christmas Tree.

Roberts, George R., Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Rodger, J. W., Cardiff, 10s. for Christmas Tree.
Roper, W. O., Yealand Conyers, £1 is. for Christmas Tree.
Satterthwaite, W. H., Lancaster, £1 for Christmas Tree. Satterthwaite, Samuel, Lancaster, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree. Shand, W., and Sons, Lancaster, Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Shaw, Mrs. E. B., Lancaster, 10s. for Christmas Tree.

Sherson, The Misses, Windermere, 10s. for Christmas Tree.

Shuttleworth, Dr., and Mrs., Richmond, Surrey, Dressed Dolls for Christmas Tree Simpson, The Misses, Lancaster, Dolls, Photo Frames, Balls, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Simpson, Mrs. S., Lancaster, Woollen Scarves for Christmas Tree.

Sinclair, Sir J. G. Tollemache, Bart., London, 5 Records for the Columbia Graphophone.

Singleton, John, Lancaster, Grotesque Effigy of a Policeman.

Skirrow, Mrs., Settle, Scrap Book, Dolls, Balls, &c., for Christmas Tree. Smiths, T. D., Limited, Lancaster, 2 Cases of Oranges for Christmas Tree. Smith, William, Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Stephenson, Mrs. W. K., Lancaster, Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Storey, Herbert L., Lancaster, £2 2s. for Christmas Tree; £1 1s. for Staff Library.

Storey, Edward, Crosslands, Lancaster, f1 1s. for Christmas Tree.

Storey, Isaac H., Windermere, Electric Fairy Lamps for Christmas Trees.

Stork, Mrs., Lancaster, 10s 6d. for Christmas Tree. Sumner, Mrs., Tarbock, Prescot, 5s for Christmas Tree. Sutcliffe, Mrs. E. M., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree. Sutcliffe, Mrs. A., Lancaster, 3s. for Christmas Tree.

Tatham, Mr. and Mrs. R., Lancaster, Barrel of Apples and Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Taylor, Dr. C. Barrie, Eccles, Bottles of Scent and Fancy Boxes of Chocolate for Christmas Tree.

Taylor, J. W., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Taylor, Miss, R.A.A. Farm, Lancaster, 2s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.

Taylor, Mathias, Didsbury, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Taylor, Miss, Planegg, Lancaster, Christmas Packets for 6 Patients.

Taylor, R. J., Lancaster, 24 Vols. Illustrated London News and 8 Vols. The Graphic.

Tennant, Miss, Lancaster, Dolls for Christmas Tree. Thompson, Miss, Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Till, T., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Todd, Mrs. and The Misses, Lancaster, Dolls and Balls for Christmas Tree. Towers, Mrs. H. E., Lancaster, Articles of Clothing for Christmas Tree.

Tyson, R., Lancaster, Box of Biscuits for Christmas Tree.

Vere, Mrs., Lancaster, 3s. for Christmas Tree.

Walker, Mr., Lancaster, a Case of Oranges for Christmas Tree.

Walker, The Misses, Lancaster, Christmas Cards, Illustrated Papers, and Paper Lanterns for Christmas Tree.

Walmsley, Mrs., Keighley, Christmas Decorations Warwick, Mrs. R. M., Lancaster, 3s. for Christmas Tree.

Weekes, G. H., Lancaster, Crackers and Boxes of Sweets for Christmas Tree.

Welch, W. G., Hampson, Lancaster, £1 for Christmas Tree. Whitley, John, West House, Halifax, £1 for Christmas Tree. Wilcock, Mrs., Lancaster, 12 packets of Presents for Patients.

Willis, Herbert, Bradford, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Wigley, Mrs. J. M., Market Street, Lancaster, parcel of Calendars.

Wingate-Saul, Mrs., Lancaster, 10s. for Christmas Tree. Wolstenholme, Mrs. J. T., Lancaster, 5s. for Christmas Tree.

Worthington, Mrs., Lancaster, Dolls, Books, Boxes of Games, &c., for Christmas Tree.

Woods, Miss, Lancaster, 10s. for Christmas Tree.

Wright, Mrs. L., Lancaster, Toys, Dolls, &c., for Christmas Tree. Wrigley, Miss, Windermere, Toys, Games, Books, Crackers and Christmas Cards for Christmas Tree.

"X.Y.Z.," Lancaster, 10s. 6d. for Christmas Tree.



SHOEMAKERS' SHOP.



BASKETMAKERS' SHOP.



JOINERS' SHOP.



THE PATIENTS' DRUM AND FIFE BAND.

CENSUS OF IMBECILE OR FEEBLE-MINDED PERSONS.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

Number of Imbecile or Feeble-minded Persons returned in the Householders' Schedules at the Census of 1901:

Males. Females. Total. 24,480. 24,402. 48,882.

The Seven Northern Counties comprising the Royal Albert Asylum District:

Administrative Counties (including the	Imbecile or Feeble-minded Persons. Under 20 years of age. Of all ages
County Boroughs). Population.	. Males, Females, Persons, Males Females, Persons
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Seven Northern Counties10,926,921	1963 1427 3390 7275 6623 13898

The returns are, undoubtedly, far below the actual number. There is a natural reluctance on the part of parents to call their children "Imbecile," and many even hesitate to designate them as "Feeble-minded." The Census Commissioners in their Report of the Census of 1881 (no separate returns for this class were required in the Census of 1891) stated: "In the earliest periods of life this imperfection in the returns is unavoidable. It cannot be expected, for instance, that a mother will return her child, as yet only two or three years old, as an idiot, however much in her own heart she may believe or fear this to be the case; for to acknowledge it as such would be to abandon all hope. But when the child has reached such an age that no doubt as to its mental incapacity can any longer be entertained, concealment of the fact by omitting all mention of it in the schedule is no longer equally excusable, and yet it is certain that such omission is excessively common." The Commissioners said further, in this Report, "the total number of idiots and imbeciles at all ages may be estimated at 41,940, instead of 32,717, as enumerated, and this estimated total is doubtlessly still too low."

The following is the Ratio of returned Imbecile or Feebleminded Persons to the entire population in the several places named (Census 1901):

Name.	Population.	Imbecile or Feeble-minded Persons.	One Imbecile or Feeble-minded Person in every
ENGLAND AND WALES	 32,527,843	48,882	665
THE SEVEN COUNTIES	 10,926,921	13 898	786
LANCASHIRE	 4,387,043	6,337	692
YORKSHIRE	 3.590,752	4,122	871
DURHAM	 1.187,474	1,166	1018
CHESHIRE	 827,191	1,139	726
NORTHUMBERLAND	 603,119	702	859
CUMBERLAND	 266,933	335	796
WESTMORLAND	 64,409	97	664

Note.—The Counties are the Administrative Counties (including the County Boroughs).

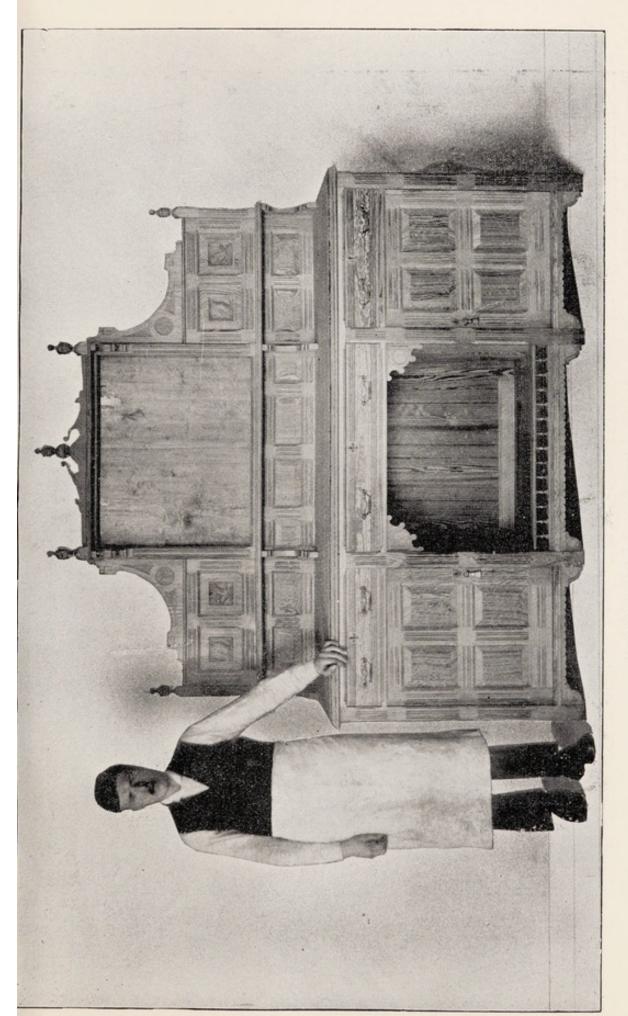
LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE STAFF TO WHOM MEDALS HAVE BEEN AWARDED,

WITH DATES WHEN SERVICE COMMENCED.

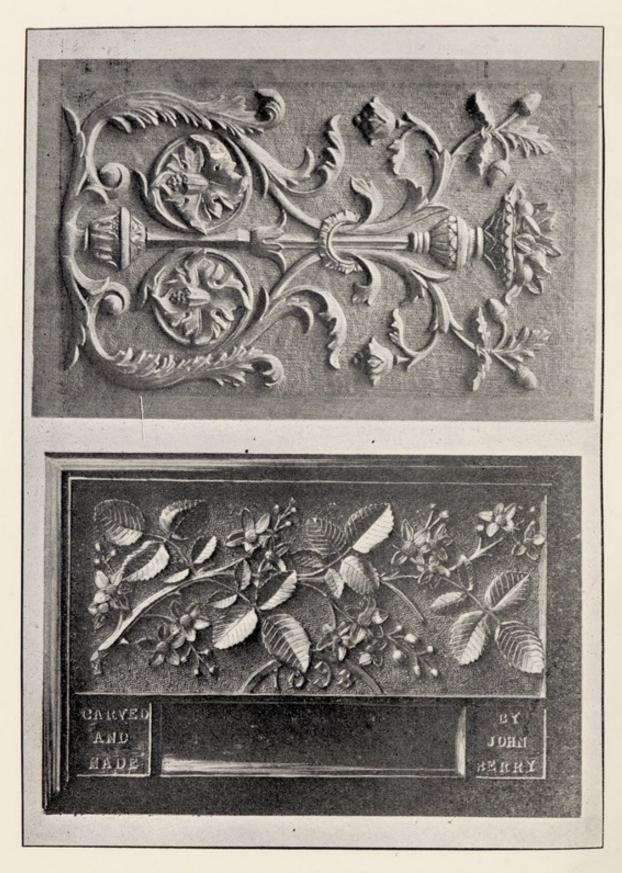
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James Diggens, Principal and Secretary (deceased) 1865 George Parsons, Master Shoemaker 1871 James Hodgson, Joiner 1872 James Nickson, Deputy Chief Attendant 1874 Worthy Parsons, Shoemaker 1875 Thomas Cumpsty, Head Plumber 1876 Oliver Mason, Tailor 1878 Jane Parkinson, Tailoress 1878 Mrs. Henrietta E. Smith, Storey Home Matron 1878 Henry Smith, Laundryman 1880 Edward B. Shaw, Accountant 1880 Andrew Yule, Attendant 1880 Elizabeth Atkinson, Nurse 1881 Joseph Holland, Baker 1881 Jane Irwin, Nurse 1882 Eleanor Huntington, Nurse 1883 Frederick Varey, Head Gardener 1883 Edmund M. Sutcliffe, Clerk 1883	Albert Macdonald, Steward
SILVER	MEDALS.
Benjamin Owen, Clerk 1891 Jessie McVicar, Brunton House Cook (left) 1891 Clara Naylor, Nurse (left) 1892 Alice Churchhouse, Laundress 1894 Mary Lamb, Brunton House Housemaid (left) 1894	Mary Jane Waters, Laundress 1894 Wm. Bond, Chief Attendant 1895 Jessie M. Henderson, Laundry Forewoman 1895 Emily E. Pugh, Schoolmistress 1895
PRONZE	MEDALS.
Dr. Archibald R. Douglas, Medical Superintendent *1893 Elizabeth J. Burton, Teacher (left) 1894 Harriet Hill, Nurse-Teacher (left) 1894 Robert Simpson, Attendant (left) 1895 Winifred H. Bolton, Teacher (left) 1896 Edward Edmondson, Farm Attendant (left) 1896 Benjamin W. Price, Attendant 1896 Joseph Smith, Plumber-Attendant 1897 Nelly Burdett, Schoolmistress (left) 1897 Dr. W. H. Coupland, Senr. Assistant Medical Officer 1897 Samuel Keir, Secretary 1898	Frances Simple, Sewing-maid

^{*-}Two periods of service included.



A SIDEBOARD AND ITS MAKER.



PANELS DESIGNED AND CARVED BY JOHN BERRY.

LIST OF PLACES

FROM WHICH THE PRESENT INMATES HAVE BEEN ADMITTED.

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Conisborough						1	Rastrick, Halifax						2
Doncaster						5	Rigton Huby, Lee	ds					1
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Goole						3	Ripon						3
Guisborough						1	Rishworth, Halifa	x					1
Halifax						11	Rotherham						4
Harrogate						1	Selby						2
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Hemsworth						1	Shipley, Bradford						1
Horbury, Wak						1	Silsden, Keighley						1
Huddersfield						12	Skipton						2
Hull						14	Slaidburn						1
Ilkley						1	Sowerby, Halifax						ī
Keighley						5	Stourton, Leeds						1
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Knaresborough						1	Wakefield						4
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