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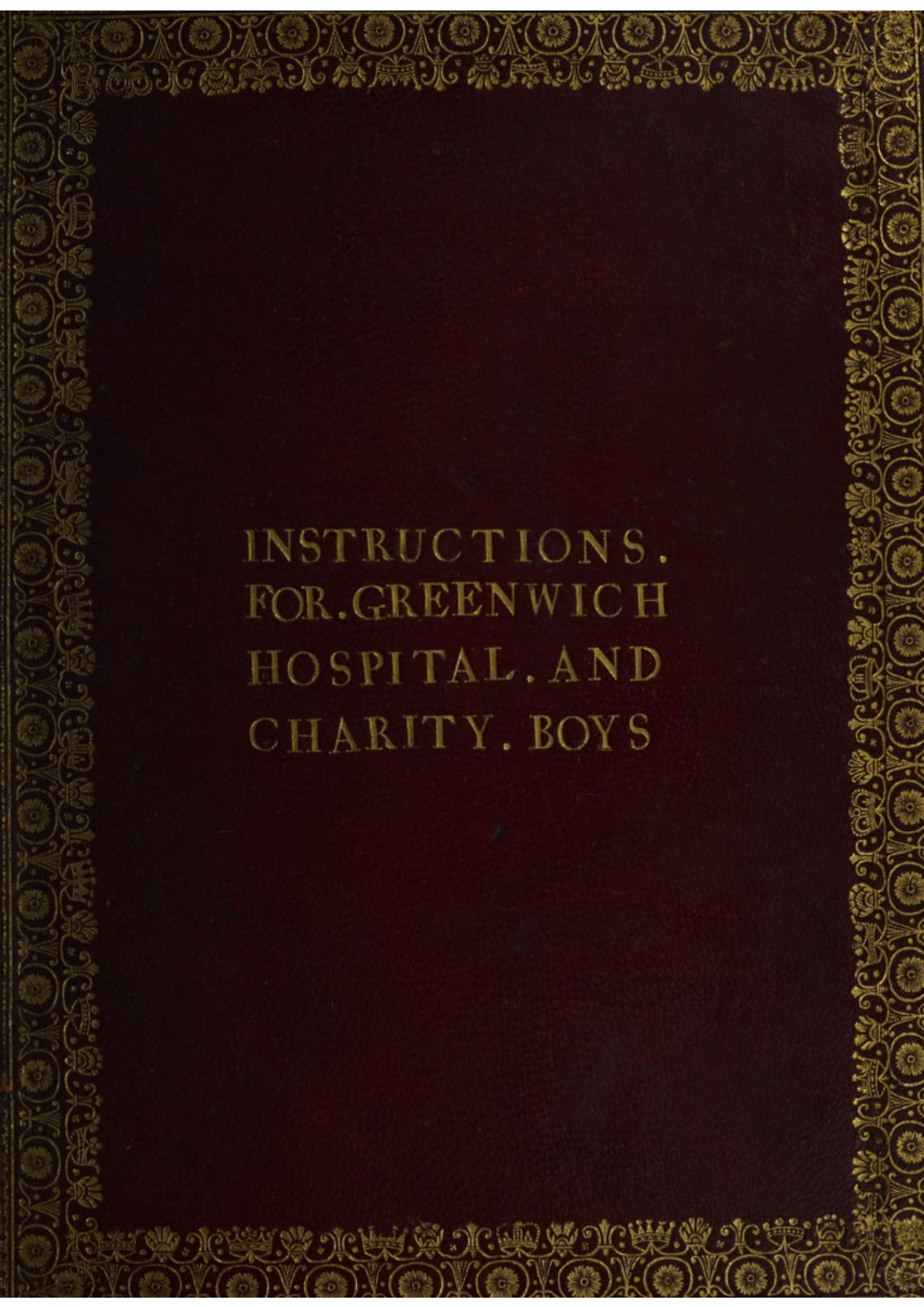
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INSTRUCTIONS.
FOR GREENWICH
HOSPITAL. AND
CHARITY. BOYS





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ESTABLISHMENT

For Admitting, Maintaining and Educating of

POOR BOYS,

IN THE

ROYAL HOSPITAL

FOR

SEAMEN

At *GREENWICH,*

And for Binding them out Apprentices to
the *Sea-Service.*

Established at a GENERAL COURT, held
at the *ADMIRALTY-OFFICE* the 22^d
of *December, 1731.*

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ESTABLISHMENT
FOR
POOR BOYS
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ROYAL HOSPITAL
FOR
POOR BOYS
FOR
GIRLS

AND FOR BINDING THEIR OWN APPRENTICES TO
THE SEVERAL TRADES
THIS PART OF THE ACT SHALL BE
ENFORCED AS A GENERAL COURSE OF
LAW AND JUSTICE
OF DUBLIN 1714
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ESTABLISHMENT
OF THE
POOR BOYS

IN THE
Royal Hospital for SEAMEN

AT
GREENWICH.

ARTICLE I.

THE present Number of Boys shall be augmented to Sixty, subject to such Increase or Diminution, as the Board of Directors shall think fit.

II.

No Boys shall be admitted to the Benefit of this Charity, but the Sons of disabled Seamen ~~main-
tained~~

*Gen. Court
13 Decr. 1732*

~~in the Hospital~~, or whose Fathers were slain, kill'd, or drown'd in the Sea Service; of which they are to produce proper Testimonials, to the Satisfaction of the Board of Directors.

III.

No Boys shall be admitted under Eleven, or above Thirteen Years of Age; to be proved by Certificate of the Minister of the Parish where the Boy was baptized, or by such other reasonable Proof as shall be satisfactory to the Board of Directors; nor shall any be continued in the Hospital longer than Three Years.

IV.

No Boys shall be admitted who are in an ill State of Health, or Blind, Crooked or Lame; or under any sort of Incapacity of Body or Mind to answer the End of this Charity; and in order to prevent Imposition herein, the Physician and Surgeon shall carefully examine them, and certify their Condition under their Hands.

V.

No Boys shall be admitted, who cannot Read.

VI.

The Nomination of poor Boys shall be in the Directors, each naming a Boy in his Turn, subject to the Qualifications above mentioned; Certificates of which are to be produced, and the Boy to be seen by the Board, at the time of Nomination.

VII.

Before any Boy is admitted, the Parents or next Relations, shall give sufficient Security to the Board of Directors, that he shall be at their Disposal; and that they will indemnify the Hospital if he should run away with the Cloaths, Instruments, or other Things belonging to the same.

VIII.

If any Boy shall get in by false Testimonials, or other indirect Means, upon Discovery thereof, he shall be stripped of his Cloathing, and turned out of the Hospital, and never be re-admitted.

IX.

A Register shall be kept by the Steward, and another by the Clerk of the Checque, of all Boys admitted upon this Foundation, and of the Disposal

fal of them, according to the Form hereunto annexed, pag. 20.

X.

The Allowance of Diet to each Boy, for every Day in the Week, shall be as follows, viz.

Four Ounces of Bread, and one Ounce of Cheese to each Boy for Breakfast; and five Ounces of Bread, and one Ounce of Cheese for Supper, every Day; And

For Dinner, on

Sunday---5 Ounces of Bread, and half a Pound of Mutton with Broth.

Monday--5 Ounces of Bread, 1 Ounce of Butter, and Milk-Pottage.

Tuesday-- 5 Ounces of Bread, and half a Pound of Beef with Broth.

Wednesday 5 Ounces of Bread, 1 Ounce of Butter, and Firmity, with Sugar sufficient.

Thursday-- 5 Ounces of Bread, and half a Pound of Beef with Broth.

Friday --- 5 Ounces of Bread, 1 Ounce of Butter, and Pease Pottage.

Saturday - 5 Ounces of Bread, 1 Ounce of Butter, and Water-Gruel with Sugar, and Currans sufficient.

Beer, a Quart every Day, viz. half a Pint at Breakfast, a Pint at Dinner, and half a Pint at Supper.

XI.

The Cloathing of the Boys, as well Linnen as Woolen, shall be the same in Quality with that of the Pensioners ; and the Boys be new Cloathed as often as the Board of Directors shall think fit. And each Boy shall have an Every-Day Jacket and Serge Waistcoat, made out of the Pensioners old Clothes, as often as needful ; and an Irish Ram Skin pair of Breeches once in two Years.

XII.

Each Boy shall have a clean Shirt, Neck, and pair of Hose once a Week ; Pillow-Case once a Month ; and Towel as often as necessary.

*Each Boy supplied with two Handkerchiefs. Minute 28.
December 17*

XIII.

The Boys shall lie in Hammacoes, and the Bedding to each Boy be, viz.

- 1 Flock Bed,
- 1 Feather Pillow,
- 2 Chequer'd Pillow Cases,
- 2 Blankets,
- 1 Rug.

*A Flock Pillow
Minute 16 Febr'y 17*

XIV.

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The Boys Wards shall be supplied with Mops, Brushes, Brooms, and other Stores, in the same manner as the Pensioners Wards are supplied.

XV.

The Boys shall eat all together at a Table, in the Dining Hall, which shall be furnished with clean Cloths twice a Week, and provided with Knives, Forks, Wooden Platters, Trenchers and Piggons ; and Pewter Spoons, Salts and Drinking Pots, as there shall be Occasion.

XVI.

The Phyfician and Surgeon shall take the necessary Care of the Health of the Boys, and of their Guardian and Nurfes ; and an exact Account shall be kept of the Medicines they are supplied with, and the same laid before the Board of Directors at the End of every Year, attested by the Phyfician and Surgeon, with the Value, which shall be repayed to the House out of the Charity-Stock.

XVII.

An additional Nurse shall be allowed to the Hospital for every thirty Boys, to be warranted and ap-

appointed by the same Authority that the other Nurses are; but the Designation of the particular Nurses for the Service of the Charity Boys, shall be in the Governor and Council of the House.

XVIII.

The Wages of the Nurses appointed to the Charity Boys, shall be 10 *l.* a Year each; with a Gown, Coat, Provisions, Bedding, and all other Stores, together with Money for Washing their Linnen, in the same manner as is allowed to the Nurses of the Pensioners.

XIX.

The Duty of the said Nurses, shall be as follows, *viz.*

1. To take Charge and Care of, and be accountable for, all the Stores and Furniture, each of her respective Ward, or part of a Ward.

2. To be likewise charged with, and accountable for their respective Boys wearing Apparel, both Linnen and Woolen; and to keep their Linnen and Hose in constant good Repair.

3. To Comb the Boys Heads frequently with small Tooth'd Combs, to keep them clean from all sorts of Vermin ; to see they Comb their own Heads with great Tooth'd Combs, and wash their Hands and Face every Morning before they go to School, and their Feet every *Saturday* Night before they go to Bed ; and that each put on a clean Shirt, Neck, and pair of Hose every *Sunday* Morning.

4. To make the Beds of such Boys as shall be unable to do it themselves ; and be careful to observe whether any do wet, foul, or otherwise damage their Bedding, or any thing else belonging to them ; and, if they do, to acquaint the Steward with it.

5. To acquaint the Physician or Dispenser when any Boys happen to fall Sick, or have contracted any Distemper ; and the Surgeon, or one of his Assistants, when any chance to be Hurt ; and to take proper Care of them, until they are removed into the Infirmary, according to the Directions given for that Purpose by the Physician or Surgeon.

6. To be at Table with the Boys at Meal-times, the Senior Nurse at the Upper End, and the other at the Lower ; and to distribute to them their Provisions in the established Proportions.

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7. To acquaint the Steward from Time to Time, when any of the Boys Apparel, Bedding or Necessaries, or the Stores in their Wards want to be chang'd or repaired, and to apply to him as there shall be Occasion, for what may be needful to mend their Linnen and Hose.

8. To take Notice of any of the Boys who shall be guilty of Lying, Cursing, or Swearing, or any other Prophaneness, Immorality or Ill Behaviour, and to acquaint the Guardian therewith, in order to their being properly corrected for the same. And,

Lastly, To be very sober and circumspect in their own Behaviour, and not fail of going to Chappel, at least every *Sunday*.

XX.

The Chaplains of the Hospital are to cultivate in the Boys the Principles of Religion and Morality, and give them such Instructions therein as they think proper.

XXI.

The Clerk of the Chappel shall be appointed to teach the Boys *Psalmody*, with a Salary of 5 *l.* a Year ; and he shall employ the Space of Two
 B 2 Hours

Hours in that Service every *Wednesday* and *Friday* Evening after School Time, between *Lady-Day* and *Michaelmas*, and an Hour in those Evenings between *Michaelmas* and *Lady-Day*; and as much on the Evenings of *Sundays* throughout the Year.

XXII.

There shall be a discreet Person appointed to be Guardian of the Boys, with a Salary of 10 *l.* *per Annum*, whose Duty shall be to take Care of them; and to attend them to and from School twice every Day, at the School Hours, except *Sundays* and *Holy-Days*; on which Days he is to attend them to and from Chappel, and no Boy is to be excused from either, upon any Pretence, except Sickness.

XXIII.

The said Guardian shall be present always in the Hall when the Boys are at Dinner, and keep them in good Order; and when they return from School in the Evening, see that they spend a convenient Time in their Ward, to perform their Tasks against next Morning.

XXIV.

The Senior Boy shall, in the Presence of the Guardian, and the Rest of the Boys, read the *Lessons* and *Psalms* of the Day, with a Prayer or Two, every Night before they go to Bed; and a short Prayer only in the Morning before they come down; and on *Sundays* and *Holy-Days*, the Guardian shall take Care that some of the Boys do, out of Church Time, read Chapters alternately in the Bible.

XXV.

The Boys shall be kept constantly at School, where they are to be taught Writing, Arithmetick and Navigation, in the following Manner, *viz.*

1. The Four first Fundamental Rules in Arithmetick, with the Rule of Three, Practice, and the Extraction of the Square and Cube-Roots.

2. Plain Trigonometry, Geometrically, Arithmetically and Instrumentally, in all the various Cases of Rectangles and Oblique Triangles.

3. Plain Sailing; namely, the Working of Traverses, and the Application of plain Triangles to Oblique Sailing; and the Doctrine of Currents, together with Sailing by the middle Latitude.

4. Mer-

4. *Mercator's Sailing.*

5. The usual Methods for finding the Golden Number, Epact, and Moon's Age, and Time of Southing ; as also the Times of High Water at any Port.

XXVI.

If any Boy, after Six Months Trial, proves incapable of Learning, the Master shall acquaint the Board of Directors with it, that they may dispose of him as they think proper, in Order to make Room for another.

XXVII.

If any Boy prove of an untoward, vicious and incorrigible Behaviour, the Master shall acquaint the Board of Directors therewith, in Order to the Expulsion of such Boy ; and no Boy expelled, shall ever be re-admitted, but by Order of the Directors.

XXVIII.

At the End of each Year, the Master shall bring all the Boys to be viewed by the Directors, at their Meeting at *Greenwich*, and the Boys shall bring
with

with them Specimens of their Performances ; and the Master is to deliver to the Directors a List of such as shall be then fit to be bound out.

XXIX.

No Boy shall be bound out to serve in any Way but that of a Seaman (except a Boy to be educated in the Dispensary) and none shall be bound out, but by Order and Approbation of the Board of Directors.

XXX.

In the putting out of the Boys, Regard shall be had to bind out such as are best qualified, to substantial Commanders using the Southern Navigation, for the better Improvement of their Talents, and becoming able Seamen, and good Artifts.

XXXI.

Every Boy, upon being bound out, shall be fitted by the Clerk of the Cheque, with the Cloathes and other Necessaries hereunder mentioned ; the same to be done in such Manner, as that the Charge thereof may not exceed the Sum of 7*l.* and the Steward shall defray that Expence out of the Charity-Stock, *viz.*

the 16th Feby 1731. To carry their Bedding with them, & the value deducted from the £ 7.

- A Suit of Flock Bedding,
 A Double-Breasted Pea Jacket,
 A coarser *Ditto*,
 A Serge Waistcoat,
 A Blue Kersey *Ditto*,
 A Pair of good Cloth Breeches,
 A Pair of ordinary Shag *Ditto*,
 A Drugget Coat and Pair of Breeches,
 2 White Shirts,
 3 Cotton Chequed Shirts,
 3 Silk Handkerchiefs,
 2 Pair of Yarn Stockings,
 1 Pair of Worsted *Ditto*,
 2 Pair of Shoes,
 1 Hat,
 1 Plush Cap,
 1 Chest.

Together with the Books and Instruments he made Use of in the School.

XXXII.

The Steward shall provide from Time to Time, the Provisions, Cloathing, Stores, and other Necessaries for the Boys, the Guardian and Nurses, under the Inspection of the Clerk of the Cheque, and according to the Orders of the Board of Directors.

XXXIII.

XXXIII.

The Steward shall pay the Guardian, Nurses and Clerk of the Chappel their Salaries Quarterly ; but is not to pay any other Money on Account of this Charity, but by Order of the Board of Directors.

XXXIV.

The Funds appropriated to the Support of this Charity, shall not be charged with any Expence, but what shall properly belong to it.

XXXV.

A true State of this Stock, by Way of Debitor and Creditor, shall be kept by the Steward, and all Receipts and Issues charged therein under proper and distinct Heads ; and he shall lay the same, being first examined and attested by the Clerk of the Cheque, before the Board of Directors, at the End of each Year, or oftner, if they think it necessary ; and the Overplus Money, if there be any, shall be laid out in such of the Publick Funds, and in the Name or Names of such Person or Persons, in Trust for the Benefit of this Charity, as the said Board shall think fit.

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If the Guardian, Nurses, or Clerk of the Chappel do negligently acquit themselves of their respective Duties, the Persons offending shall be liable to such Forfeiture of Wages, or other Punishment, as the Board of Directors shall think proper.

XXXVII.

No Boy shall be suffered to go without the Gates of the Hospital, except to School, without Leave from the Lieutenant-Governor, or the Commanding Officer, by Ticket, which he is to shew to his Guardian, or to any Body that shall ask him for it.

XXXVIII.

No Officer, or other belonging to the Hospital, shall employ any of the Boys in going on Errands, or upon any other Business whatsoever.

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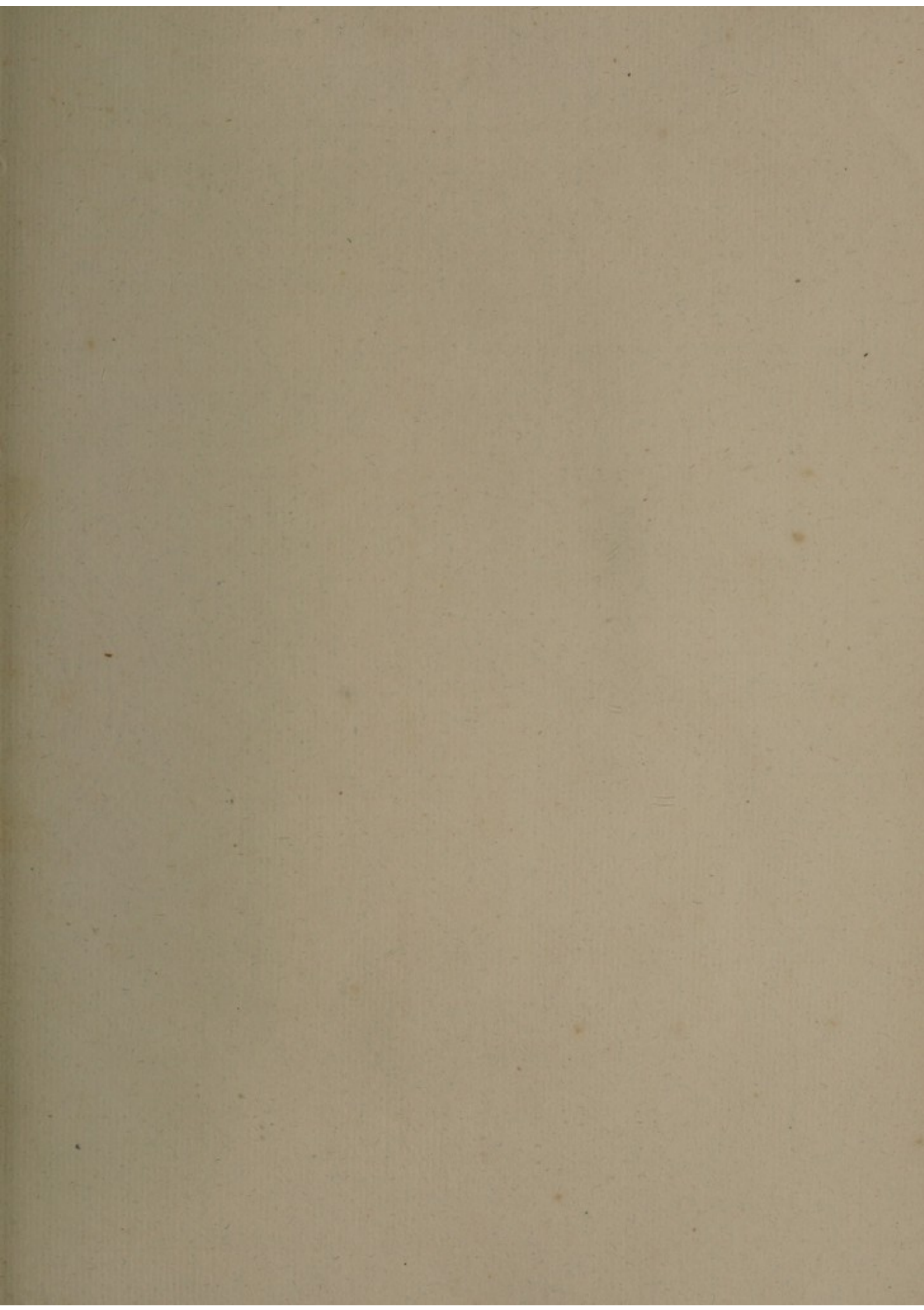
The School-Master shall be made acquainted, from Time to Time, by the Guardian, with such Faults and Misdemeanors, as any of the Boys may have been guilty of, who shall either admonish or punish them according to the Nature or Degree of the Fault.

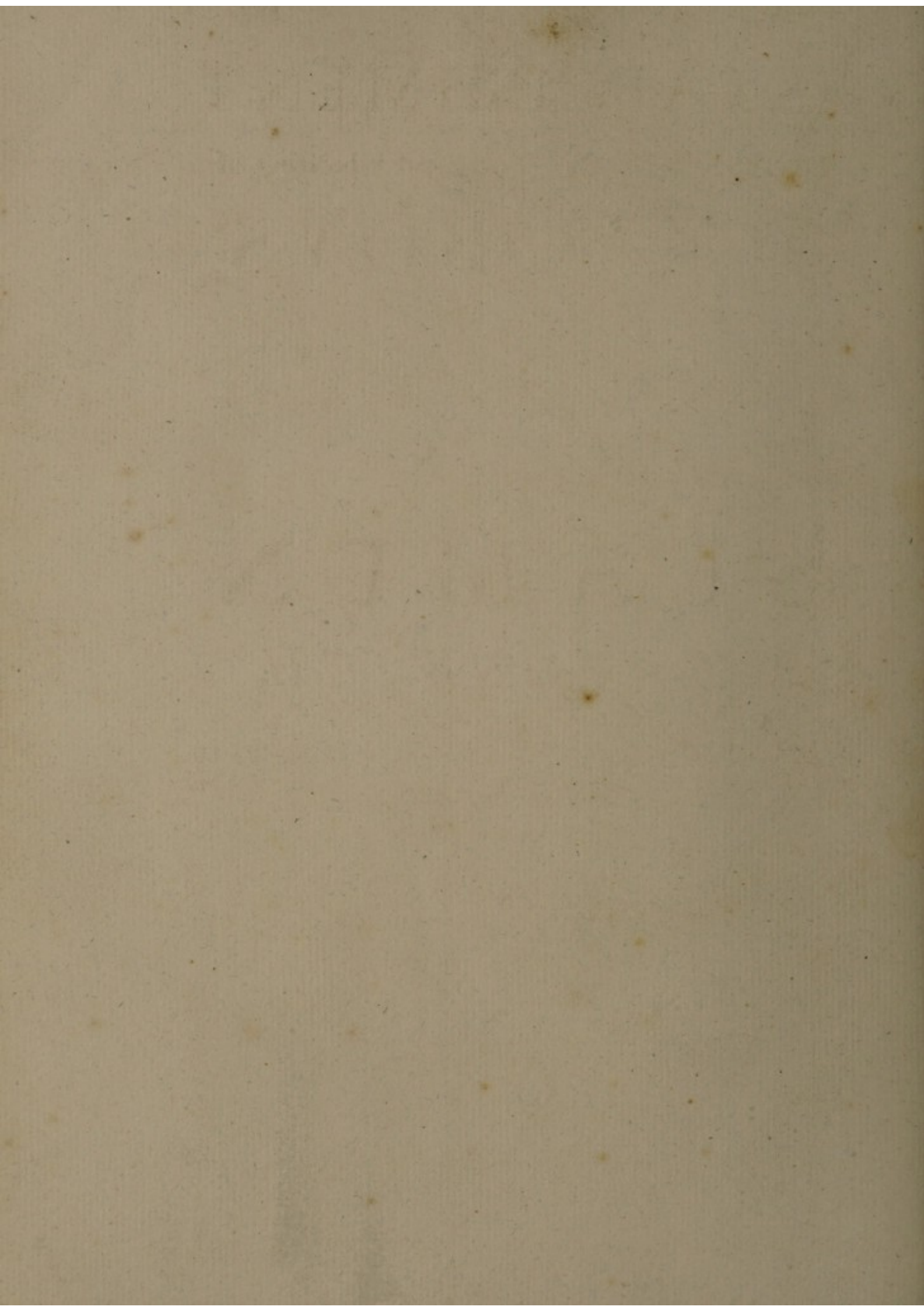
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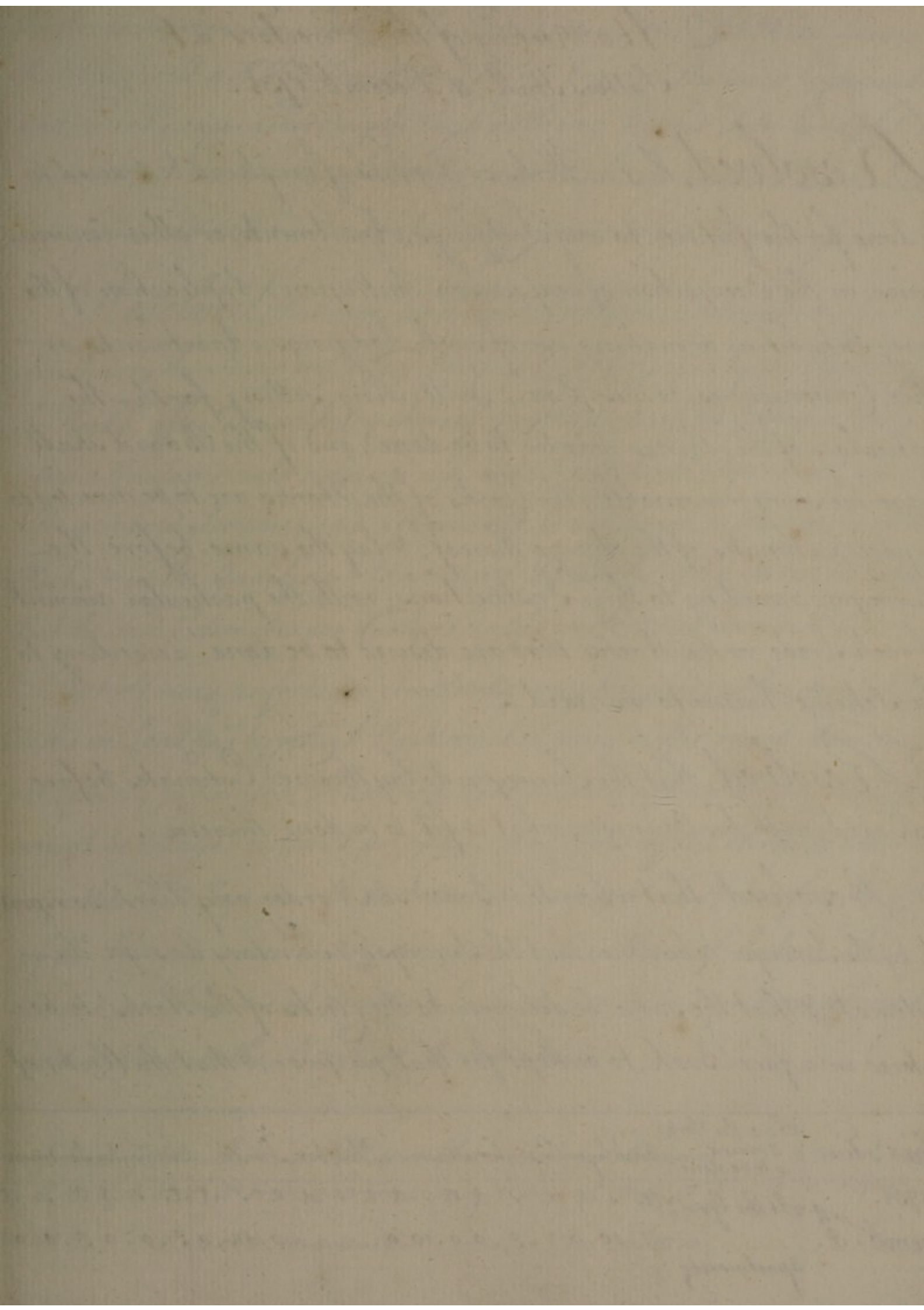
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No.	Time of Admission.	Quality of the Father.	Names of the Boys.	Time of binding out, Discharge, Running away, or Expulsion.	No. of Years bound for.

To whom bound.	Of what Ship Commander.	Burthen	Of what Place.	What Trade he uses.







At a Meeting of the Directors at
Saller's Hall 8 Decemb. 1731.

Resolved, that no Works or Repairs of any kind be Ordered to be done, for the future, to any Lodgings, Apartments, or other Conveniencies, in the Occupation of any person, but upon Application of the Party Inhabiting or making use of such Lodgings, Apartments, or other Conveniencies, to this Board in Writing, setting forth the particulars of the Things wanted to be done, and if the Board shall judge the same reasonable, the Clerks of the Works are to be directed to prepare Estimates of the charge thereof, & lay the same before the Surveyor, according to their Instructions, with the particular amount of each Trade in the Works, that are desired to be done, according to the Scheme hereunto annexed.

Resolved, that the Surveyor do lay the said Estimates before the Board, with his Opinion, what is fit to be done therein.

Resolved, that when the Board shall order any Work, so reported by the Surveyor to be done, that the Surveyor & Secretary do sign the Estimate, & that the same be delivered to the Clerks of the Works, to be entered in a fair Book, to be kept for that purpose, & that the Clerks of

When Ordered	Where the Work Ordered is to be done	Bricklayer	Carpenter	Mason	Plumber	Smith	Brickmaker	Sandman
1731. Decemb. 8.	At the Gov ^{rs} Apartments	2. 10. 0	1. 5. 0	0. 10. 0	0. 14. 0	3. 0. 0	5. 0. 0

At a General Court held at the Admiralty Office
22 Decemb^r. 1731.

Resolved, that for the future, when any Officers of the Works shall order any Works or Repairs to be done, without an Order from the Directors, that the value of the said Works shall be deducted from their Salary, except in such extraordinary Accidents as cannot stay for the Order of the Directors, in which Case they are to give Notice thereof to the Clerk of the Checque, & lay the particulars before the Directors, at their next Meeting, otherwise the value of the said Works shall be deducted from their Wages.

At a Meeting of the Directors for Greenwich Hospital at Salters Hall ^{the} 5 Janry 1731.

Proposals for regulating Accounts to be kept of the Brewings and Expence of Beer and Ale in the Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich.
That

1st..... That the Master Brewer do from time to time, give the Steward & Clerk of the Cheque an Account, under his hand of the real produce of each Brewing; what part thereof was laid into the Cellars; and what Beer was furnished to the Officers, specifying the particular Quantity to each Officer.

2^d..... That the Cooper be charged with & accountable for all Beer & Ale, from time to time laid into the Cellars, & that he give the Steward & Clerk of the Cheque an Account, under his hand, of the Quantity of such Beer & Ale; That he issue the Beer daily, and the Ale on the usual Festivals, to the Butler, for the Pensioners, Servants & Boys, according to the Orders he shall receive, in Writing from the Steward, and that he do take the Butler's Receipts for the same, by his writing his Name, on the Back of those Orders.

3^d..... That the Steward do give the Cooper, such Orders as is above mentioned, agreeable to the daily Musters.

4th..... That the Butler do not only give the Cooper, such Receipts as are mentioned in the 2 Article; but also
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keep an exact Account in a Book to be given him for that purpose, by the Steward; of all his Receipts from the Cooper, and of his Issues of the same; wherein is to be distinguished, how much thereof was issued to the Pensioners, & Servants, and how much to the Boys.

th5 That, if at any time, the People should leave any part of their Allowance of Beer in the Hall, the Butler do take care to return the same to the Cooper, acquainting the Steward & Clerk of the Cheque with the quantity thereof, that so the Cooper may be recharged with it.

th6 That, the Butler do at the end of each Month, give the Steward a Transcript of the said Account under his hand, and that the Cooper do at the same time return him the indorsed Orders, mentioned in the 2^d Article, with an Account of the remains in the Cellars, and that the Steward do visit those Places, as often as he may judge it proper, & see whether the Remains, do in fact agree with the Coopers Report thereof.

7..... That, if any Disagreement appear between the Returns of the Master Brewer, Butler & Cooper, the Steward & Clerk of the Checque do adjust the same, or lay the matter before the Board of Directors, if they think it more convenient.

8..... That by the said Returns of the Master Brewer, Butler & Cooper, and by the daily Musters in the Hall, the Steward do make out at the end of each Quarter, an exact Account, in the Form hereunto annexed, of the Receipts, Expence & Remains of Beer & Ale from that time, and when it shall have been Audited & Attested by the Clerk of the Checque, lay the same before the Board of Directors.

9..... That the Cooper be also charged with, & Accountable for all the Casks, Iron Hoops Coopers Tools, & Utensils belonging to the Cellars, and that he keep the Casks in as good Repair as he can, and those & the Cellars always Sweet & Clean.

10..... That as an Encouragement to him to acquit himself well of his Duty & because he will thereby be obliged
to

to give his Attendance on Sundays, as well as Work Days
 he be allowed Two Shillings a day for the Sundays as he
 is now for the others.

An Account of Beer &c. for the Quarter ending with June 1731.
 D. L.

	Barrils	Gall.		Barrils	Gall.
To remains in the Cellar the 1 st of April	52	29	By 70,826 Muster'd for a day at 2 ^d . each	983	25
Brewings in the Quarter	1118	18	5,664 Must. ^d in the Infirmary at 1 ^d each		39.12
<u>Total</u>	<u>1171</u>	<u>11</u>	Officers		33.10
			Wast at 10 Gallons of Ton		47.12 ³ / ₄
			Boys		5.6 ³ / ₄
			Ball. ^{ce} remain. in the Cellar 1 July		62.8 ¹ / ₂
To Ale in the Cellar 1. Apr.	14	0	By the Pensioners & Servants on 12 th April & 11 June who are not included in the Musters above mentioned	1171	11
D. ^o Brewed in May	15	18			29.10
	29	18			

At a Meeting of the Directors for Greenwich Hospital
 at Salters Hall 26th Janry 1731.

The Butler presented a Memorial to the Board representing,
 that by the 2 Article of the Proposals for regulating the
 Account

Account of Beer, established by the Minutes of the 5th Instant,
the Charge of the Beer is taken from him, and given to the
Cellar Man, contrary to the Settlement made by a General
Court, upon which the Board Order'd the execution of
the said 2^d Article to be suspended for the present; and
the Steward & Clerk of the Cheque are to call to them the
Butler, and to reconsider the 2^d Article, and to deliver
their Joint Opinion, whether the said Article should be
put in Practice; or the Practice to remain as it did before.

At a Meeting of the Directors for Greenwich
Hospital at Salters Hall th 16 Feby 1731.

Resolved, that the Execution of the 2^d Article of
the Scheme for regulating the Accounts of Beer, be
suspended, till the Surveyor has made his Report
upon the Proposal for bringing the Beer by a Pipe
immediately from the Cellar to the Dining Hall.

