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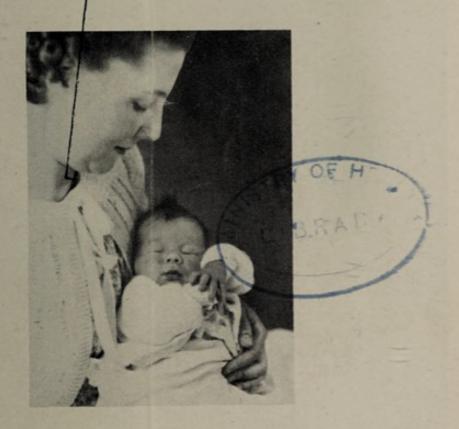
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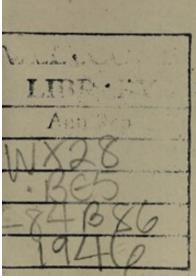
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Report of the Committee of Management

WE record with the deepest regret the sudden death in November of Miss Alice Gregory, one of the three founders of the Hospital, and its Honorary Secretary from 1905 to 1945. The Hospital owes its existence to the three friends, Mrs. Parnell, Miss Gregory and Miss Cashmore, who devoted their lives to improving the training of midwives, and the care of Mothers in child-birth. Mrs. Parnell died in 1931, and now the second strand of the threefold cord has been broken. The loss to the Hospital cannot be estimated, but we pray that as the work goes on it may be a living memorial to the three great founders. Our sympathy goes out to Miss Cashmore in her great loss.

It is with much regret that we report the retirement from the Committee of the Viscountess Mersey, Mrs. Napier, and Rev. Cyril Smith, and we are grateful for the service they rendered to the Hospital. Lady Mersey acted for some time as Vice-Chairman of the Committee, travelling up from the country during the war years, often with great difficulty, and we should like to express our special thanks to her. The following new members were appointed, and in welcoming them we hope they will enjoy their work:—Mrs. Brett, Rev. R. C. Thompson, Hon. Julian Holland Hibbert, Mr. Neville Lee, Mr. F. C. Halse, and Mrs. Howlett.

1946 has been a difficult and arduous year, with current expenses rising rapidly, and much capital expenditure to be faced. Permission has been granted to rebuild part of the first floor of our damaged block, and work there is already in progress. It had been hoped to have it ready for occupation by February, but owing to the difficulty of obtaining materials, the date has had to be postponed until April. As no decorations, either internal or external, were carried out during the war years, it is now necessary to decorate the whole of the building, and we are planning to start this work in the Spring. Moatlands we have been greatly handicapped by lack of accommodation for nurses, and during the year we have been able to convert the old stables into nurses' quarters. The result is very successful, and should go far to increasing the comfort of the staff. Another additional expense at Moatlands is the necessary installation of the main electricity, owing to the inadequacy of the present plant. This means the re-wiring of the entire building, but it will enable us to use power for sterilization and for heating.

On the appointed day the management of the Hospital is due to be taken over by the Government, and meanwhile it seems that all schemes for new buildings must be held over until that date. The Hospital is, however, preparing its plans for extension to a total of 100 beds, in order that they may be ready to present to the Government at the appropriate moment.

Report of the Matron

The year 1946 has been a busy one. 1,304 mothers were delivered in the Hospital and 94 in their own homes. This constitutes a record in the history of the Hospital—nearly four babies for each day. 24 patients were admitted under the Emergency Bed Service Scheme.

Fifty post-graduates came to the Hospital in 1946 for special courses. 56 nurses obtained the certificate for Part I Midwifery. We had our own post-graduate day in March, lectures being given by Dr. Harold Waller, Mr. Keith Vartan, Dr. Bruce Pearson, and Miss Raynor (of Paddington Hospital). The College of Midwives and the Royal College of Nursing each sent a group of post-graduates to see the work at the Hospital. Lectures and demonstrations were given by Dr. Waller and Mr. Vartan. A visit was also paid by the Supervisors of Midwives.

In November Dr. Dingle of Redhill County Hospital gave a lecture on an abnormal midwifery case, and Dr. Elam has again given his services for lectures and examinations in Gas and Air Analgesia. 98 nurses and post-graduates obtained certificates of proficiency.

We are hoping to see St. Gabriel's ward restored to its full use in the coming year, which will give us accommodation for at least an additional 100 Mothers each year.

We should like to thank all our Voluntary workers; those who have helped in the wards and clinics, and in transport for Moatlands. More members are needed for the Linen League, also for our Sewing Party which has met every Tuesday afternoon for a year, and has done the greater part of the ward mending.

In conclusion I should like to thank all members of the staff for their co-operation during the past year.

MARGARET L. S. EDESON,

Matron.

Miss Alice Gregory

On November 8th, 1946, at her home on the Sussex Downs, Miss Alice Gregory died at the age of 79 years. It was exactly one year since she had retired from her work as Honorary Secretary of the Hospital, and her friends will always wish that her retirement, which she so richly deserved, could have lasted a little longer. But her passing was just as she would have wished it, swift and peaceful, and we can give thanks that she was not called to endure a long illness, which would have been so irksome to her.

Her life story is a remarkable one, and our friends will remember reading details of it in our report last year. Since her death we have received many tributes to her character and work, and they have made us realise how widespread was her influence. It was my great privilege to work as her assistant at the Hospital for 14 years, and I can say that I was conscious always of that influence. She was a charming person, with a delightful, joyous sense of humour which never failed her, even under the most difficult circumstances, and it was, perhaps, her most endearing characteristic. All who knew her were conscious too of her great determination and tenacity of purpose. The Hospital, which is her lasting memorial, owes its being to her faith and steadfastness. It is true to say that once convinced of the rightness of her cause where the welfare of her patients was concerned she enjoyed a fight, and would pursue her convictions through all difficulties to the very end. Two great triumphs of her life's work stand out—the fact that she and her friends stood alone in demanding a longer training for Midwives as long ago as 1905, and continued to fight for it for 21 years, when their standards were made compulsory; and that during the second world war she refused to have the Hospital turned into a Casualty station, to what she considered to be the detriment of her patients. During those years of war, through bombs, flying bombs, and rockets, 6,263 patients passed through the Hospital, and all the time Miss Gregory remained at her post, though the time for active work that she had set herself was long since past. When at last she was able to go, her greatest interest was the Hospital and its well-being, and her greatest pleasure a visit from someone who would give her details of what had been happening since she last heard. I visited her very frequently with problems and difficulties, and I never came away without a solution. It is indeed an honour to have known her.

JOAN M. WILD

The Linen League

It is with great regret that we record the resignation of Mrs. Hawkes from her position of Honorary Secretary of the Linen League, which she has held since it was first formed, many years ago. The Hospital owes a very great debt of gratitude to her for the amount of work she has done in this connection, particularly through the difficult years of war.

She is succeeded by Miss Gilbert, a past member of the Nursing Staff, who will be glad to send details to anyone who is interested. Her address is: Carisbrooke, The Park, Sidcup, Kent.

List of Presents, 1946

BAUMANOMETER-H.R.H. The Princess Royal.

24 Cot Blankets-Nursing Staff, Hartford Hospital, U.S.A.

TREASURE COTS—Supervisors and Staff, Telephone Room, Queen Anne's Mansions.

BIBLE AND PRAYER BOOK FOR MOATLANDS CHAPEL—Mr. and Mrs. Eacott.

CHILDREN'S AND INFANTS' CLOTHING—Kohimarama Sewing Circle, Auckland.

Toys and Clothing-American Red Cross.

Brown Sugar-Mrs. Forster, Barbados.

WOOL AND SOAP-Miss Hardy, Mount Lofty Red Cross, Australia.

CAKES-Australia.

MEDICAL PREPARATIONS-Messrs. Phillips.

TINS OF MEAT AND DRIED MILK FOR PATIENTS—per Dr. Bennett.

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14 Cot Blankets-Mrs. Webb.

Sweets-Argentine and Canada, per W.V.S.

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Western, Dr. A. E	***	***	****		2 2 2	0	
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White, Miss					1 1	0	-
Whitley, W., Esq					2 0	0	_
Wilkinson, Mrs					2 0	0	
Williams, Major F					_		1 1 0
Williams, Mrs. Jocelyn					2 0	0	
Williamson, Mrs. A. B.		3			40 0	0	
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Wilson, M. E., Esq	***		***	***			
Withers, Mrs					1 1	0	
Wood, B., Esq				:	1. 1	0	
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Wragge, Miss Stella :					3 3	0	-
Wright, Bernard, Esq.					4 4	6	All The Board
Wynford, The Lady					1 1	0	
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Yorke, Vincent, Esq		***					The state of the s
Plus Tax returned, 1945					182 7	7	-
				-		-	-
				£	874 4	11	£620 16 11
				-			

British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, Woolwich BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December, 1946

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P		. 3031	200	2479			14607			465006	£185403
9	942	2078		2312	1252-		2000		147770	15654	
9						12755	1	147727	+3		
ASSETS 1. Cash at Bank and in Hand—	(a) Endowments (b) Special Fund, Research Account	Extension Fund	2. Stock of unused Stores on Hand	3. Sundry Debtors— General Fund War Damage Suspense Account	4. Investments—	(b) Buildings and Equipment— Extension Fund as at 31/12/45 Less Sales	(c) Suspense Account	5. Land, Buildings and Equipment— Expenditure to 31/12/45	During year to 31/12/46	Extension Fund to 31/12/45 Reconstruction Fund to 31/12/45	
3 1116	. 269	2			9			•			£185403
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9			. 594	134078	. 3950	. 10294 . 1843	8451	01	2 2285	1	
LIABILITIES Sundry Creditors—General Fund	Loans to Hospital—Bank Overdraft	(a) HOSPITAL ENDOWMENTS, as at 31/12/45	31/12/45	(c) BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT, as at 31/12/45 134078 Extension Fund, as at 31/12/45 £30529 Add Net Receipts 219 30748	Chapel Fund	(d) General Fund, as at 31/12/45 Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for year	PAIRS AND REN	Per Income and Expenditure Account 160	. Less Amount spent 412	Suspense A/c.—Maintenance Emergency Fund	

for London relating to the treatment of Free Legacies dated December, 1940, and to the treatment of Reserve for Repairs and Renewals dated March, 1945, have been followed. We have examined the foregoing Accounts with the Books and Vouchers and certify the same to be correct, and to the best of our knowledge and belief the regulations of the Revised Uniform System, as modified by the instructions of King Edward's Hospital Fund

31, Great Queen Street, London, W.C. 2 24th April, 1947

W. H. KIDSON, SON & Co., Chartered Accountants,

Income and Expenditure Account for the

	INCOME		£	£	£
ORD	INARY—				
I.	Voluntary Gifts—				
	1. Subscriptions, Donations, Etc.—		-		
	Annual Subscriptions		872 1677		
	W F A IF I		6125		
	Entertainments		161		
	Other Voluntary Gifts		2		
				8837	
	2. Central Funds—				
	King Edward's Hospital Fund		1250		
	Hospital Sunday Fund		290	1540	
			1000		103
II.	Receipts on Account of Services Rendered—		1		
		2-511			
	1. Contributions on Account of Services to P	ATIENT	s-	1000	
	(a) From Patients and their Societies— Patients		2032		
	Contributory Schemes—		2002		
	Hospital Saturday Fund—		277		
	Hospital Saving Association		6172		
	(b) From Public Authorities—	£	8481		
		354			
		2659			
	State Grant towards "Rushcliffe"				
	Rates of Salaries for Nurses and				
	Midwives 1	233	5015		
-			5246	13727	1
	2. Fees—				
	Nurses' and Probationers' Fees		337		
	Do., per Ministry of Health		1409	1740	
			Page 1	1746	154
II.	Invested Property—				
	Interest, Dividends, etc			49	
	Rents			21	
				1000	196
					259
	Excess of Expenditure over Income for Year				18
		1000			1 2000

AND BABIES, WOOLWICH

Year	ending	31st	December,	1946
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Cr. EXPENDITURE £ £ £ DRDINARY-I. Provisions 3979 Surgery and Dispensary-1. Drugs, Chemicals, Disinfectants, etc. 816 2. Dressings, Bandages, etc. ... 469 3. Instruments and Appliances ... 417 ... 1702 III. Domestic-1. Renewal and Repair of Furniture, Bedding, Crockery, etc. 1204 ... 2. Laundry 1071 3. Cleaning and Chandlery ... 367 4. Water 183 5. Fuel and Lighting 2435 6. Uniforms ... 53. *** 7. · Sundries ... 12 B 5325 IV. Salaries and Wages (Maintenance)-1. Medical 1779 Nursing 7432 Other Officers and Employees 4331 ... 13542 Miscellaneous-1. Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc. 203 2. 34 3. 113 4. Garden 815 Sundries 239 1404 VI. Administration-1. 536 Printing, Stationery, Postages, Telephones, etc. 408 3. Auditor's Fee 26 4. Sundries ... 149 1119 VII. Establishment-1. Reserve for Repairs and Renewals 160 VIII. Finance-1. Interest 45 ... 2. Rent 47 ... 3. Rates and Taxes 439 ...

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STATISTICAL TABLES

British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, Woolwich, and Brenchley, Kent.

Statistics for Year to 31st December, 1946 Compared with those of the previous Year

I.—IN-PATIENTS

(a) Number of Beds and In-Patients.

(1)		Numbers in 1946		Numbers in 1945
(1)	BEDS—(a) Complement at 31st December	. 69		69
	(b) Average Daily Complement during the			
*	year	69		. 69
	(c) Average Daily Number closed during			
	the year, owing to :-			
	(i.) Re-building or Extension			
	Schemes			Marie Con
				The state of the state of
	(ii.) Repairs, Re-decoration,			
	Cleaning or Infection	-	***	
	(d) Average Daily Number Open during			
	the year,	69		69
	(e) Average Daily Number Occupied			
	during the year	60.7		62.8
(2)	Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at begin-			
-	ning of year	61		54
(3)	Number of In-Patients admitted during year	1319		1369
	Number of In-Patients in the Hospital at the end	1015	***	1007
(1)		57		61
*(5)	of the year			ALTERNATION OF THE PERSON OF T
(3)	Average Number of days each Patient was resident	16.7	·	16.7
	Ascertained by dividing the yearly total of daily counts, viz., 221		of P.	
(6)	Number of Patients admitted and discharged	1946		1945
	during the year who were resident for:-			
	(i.) Only 1 day	9		42
	(ii.) 2 and 3 days	6		3

(b) Annual Expenditure on In-Patients apart from that on Out-Patients; Average Cost of each In-Patient per week; and Average Cost of each In-Patient.

	Expenditure on In-Patients (Pounds only)	In-	f ear	ch	0	Cos f ea	
			194	6			
(1) Provisions (including Board of Officials		£	s. 2	d. 0	£ 2	s. 12	d. 8
(2) Surgery & Dispensa			9	4	1	2	6
(4) 13	4659	1	9	5		10	5
(4) Salaries and Wag (Maintenance) (5) Miscellaneous		3	14 7 6	-	8		1 7 10
STATISTICAL COS	т 23686	7	9	9	17	18	1
(7) Establishment— Renewals & Repa (8) Finance				11 11		2 7	1 0
TOTAL COST	24291	£7	13	7	£18	7	2

^{*}Average Cost per week found by dividing the amounts of Expenditure shown against each heading and total by the average number of In-Patients resident daily [No. 1 (e) in (a) above] and dividing by the number of weeks in the year $(viz. 52\frac{1}{7} \text{ or } 52\frac{2}{7})$.

Average Cost per In-Patient found by dividing the amounts of Expenditure shown against each heading and total by the number of In-Patients treated during the year [Nos. 2+3-4 in (a) above].

II.—OUT-PATIENTS

(a) Numbers.

			Numbers in 1946	Numbers in 1945
(1)	Total	number of new Out-Patients	3813	 3888
(2)	Total	number of Out-Patient Attendances	16,914	 17,479
	(a)	Number of Patients on books at the beginning of the year	-	 -
	(6)	Number of Casualty Patients included in No. 1 above	_	 -
	(c)	Number of Maternity Patients in- cluded in No. 1 above, attended at		
		home	94	 25
	(d)	Number of Attendances on Maternity Patients included in No. 2 above	1535	 807

(b) Annual Expenditure on Out-Patients and Average Cost of each Out-Patient Attendance and of each Out-Patient.

			Expenditure on Out-Patients (Pounds only)	Average Cost of each Out-Patient Attendance	Average Total Cost of each Out-Patient
				1946	
	111	Desvisions (including	£	pence	pence
	(1)	Provisions (including Board of Officials)		7.06	31.28 .
	(2)	Surgery and Dispen-			
۰		sary	. 213	3.03	13.41
	(3)	Domestic	. 666	9.46	41.94
	(4)	Salaries and Wages (Maintenance)	1693	24.03	106.56
	(5)	Miscellaneous	176	2.46	11.08
	(6)	Administration	. 140	1.99	8.79
		STATISTICAL COST	. 3385	48.03	213.06
	(7)	Establishment—			
		Renewals and Rep	airs 20	•28	1.24
	(8)	Finance	. 67	.95	4.21
		TOTAL COST	£3472	49.26	218.51

^{*}Average Cost per Out-Patient Attendance found by dividing the amounts of Expenditure shown against each heading and total by the total number of Out-Patient Attendances [No. 2 in (a) above].

[†]Average Cost per Out-Patient found by dividing the amounts shown against each heading and total by the total number of new Out-Patients [No in (a) above]

TWO FORMS OF BEQUEST

1). WHERE MONEY, STOCKS OR SECURITIES ARE CONCERNED.

I give and bequeath unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, which is situated at Woolwich, the sum of sterling, free of Legacy Duty. And I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of the said Hospital shall be a sufficient discharge for the Legacy, which is to be applied, as they think proper, for the benefit of the said Hospital.

(2). WHERE LAND OR HOUSES ARE CONCERNED.

I give unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, which is situated at Woolwich, all those lands, houses or premises, known as (here describe them in situation, boundaries, extent, and occupation as nearly as possible) to be sold or held by the said Treasurer or Treasurers, as he or they think proper for the benefit of the said Hospital.

[The Will or Codicil giving the Bequest must be signed by the Testator (or Testatrix) in the presence of two witnesses, who must be present at the same time, and subscribe their names and addresses in his (or her) presence, and in the presence of each other.]

PAYMENTS OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Subscribers to whom it is convenient are particularly asked to aid the Committee by remitting as early in the year as possible; those having Banking Accounts will find in the Bankers' Standing Order a very simple and convenient way of arranging for the payment of their Annual Subscription. The Bankers' Standing Order remains in force until cancelled, and no cheque or other remittance is necessary.

Cheques, etc., should be sent to the Hon. Sec. at the Hospital or to the Westminster Bank, Woolwich Branch, direct, and crossed "Westminster Bank."

British Hospital for Mothers and Babies

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Vice-President—
The Countess of Stamford, o.B.E.

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Report of the Executive Appeal Committee on the Maintenance Emergency and Extension Fund

The Executive Appeal Committee have pleasure to report that the total income for the year 1946 was £11,043 17s. 7d. This figure includes the sum of £4,079 15s. 0d., being proceeds of the Film Premiere held in 1945. £4,791 5s. 6d. was received in donations and subscriptions which includes £200 received from King Edward's Hospital Fund. From the total income £6,124 18s. 6d. was transferred to the General Fund for maintenance.

Many large donations received during past years have now ceased owing to the closing down of War Charities. In spite of this an appreciable increase was shown in ordinary donations and subscriptions owing to the large number of new friends we were able to add to our list of donors and subscribers. Our sincere thanks go out to these new friends and the many friends who have continued to support the Hospital through the recent difficult year.

Our grateful thanks are extended to the Chairman, Mr. Trevor A. Bowen and Directors of Messrs. John Barker & Co., Ltd., for their kindness in allowing us the use of their beautiful Derry Roof Garden for a week during September. The week proved a great success, over 6,000 people visiting the gardens during that period. Our thanks are also extended to the following who kindly opened the gardens on our behalf during the week:—

Monday ... Lady Manson-Bahr Tuesday ... Lady McArthur Wednesday ... Lady Towle

Thursday ... Mdme. Dorothy Pouishnoff

Friday ... Mr. Leslie Banks

The Garden Party and Fete held in the Hospital grounds during August was also a great success. An old friend of the Hospital, Mr. Leslie Banks, acted as opener, and among the many notable visitors who attended during the afternoon were the Mayor and Mayoress of Woolwich and Mr. Berry, M.P. The Garden Party Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Keith Vartan, are to be congratulated on a very successful effort.

The Ball sponsored by Lt.-Col. Hoare and held at the Dorchester Hotel in June was a great success, and the Committee would like to tender their sincere thanks both to Lt.-Col. Hoare and his Ball Committee for such a splendid result.

Another outstanding event during the year was the Ball held at the Dorchester Hotel in November. Our most grateful thanks are due to Lady Waddilove. Chairman of the Ball Committee, who worked untiringly for its success.

An Entertainments Committee was set up in Woolwich during the autumn and many functions, such as dances and whist drives, helped to benefit the finances of the Hospital.

Special I	Onations		£	s.	d.
Fitton Trust (per J. F. Morton, I	Esq.)		250	0	0
King Edward's Hospital Fund			200	0	0
Sir Jeremiah Colman			100	0	0
Lady Alice Waddilove			100	0	0
Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd	d		50	0	0
Sir Albert Levy Benevolent Fund			50	0	0
D. G. Ryder, Esq	£25	0 0			
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			50	0	0
Messrs. Hoover, Ltd			26	5	0
Chas. Ansell, Esq			20	0	0
Rt. Hon. Countess of Stamford			20	0	0

The continued support of the Cinema Companies who so generously allocate part of the proceeds of their Sunday performances is greatly appreciated. The figures for the year are as follows:—

		£	s.	d.	
Carlton Theatres	 	 72	18	7	
Gaumont British	 	 496	18	9	
Globe Cinemas :	 	 144	12	5	
Granada Theatres	 	 104	5	.6	
Odeon Theatres	 	 .51	5	2	

Besides the above-mentioned special donations there were a large number of smaller but equally valuable gifts.

The death of Mrs. H. J. Tennant is a sad loss to the work of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Tennant had taken a great interest in the welfare of the Hospital over a number of years.

The coming year is one that will present many difficulties and it is essential that the many friends of the Hospital should continue to rally round us. In an effort to meet the ever-increasing demands for accommodation, we have undertaken new commitments. This, with the greatly increased cost of maintenance, will tax our resources to the utmost with the result that the need for help is greater now than ever before.

British Hospital for Mothers and Babies-Appeal Committee

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st December, 1946

	Maintenance ‡	Extension		Maintenance ‡	Extension
	7	. f		Emergency Fund	bund f
o Balances, 1st January, 1946	2	459	By Printing, Stationery, Postages, etc	754	57
, Donations and Subscriptions	4500	92	., Salaries	1	171
, , King Edward's Hospital Fund	. 1	200	" Amount transferred to Hospital for Main-		
, Dividends, Interest, and Income Tax recovered	. 18	755	" Purchase of £1802/12/9 3½% Conversion	6210	1
, Proceeds of Film Premiere (November, 1945)	4080	1	". Balances, 31st December, 1946	7,000	2078
, Proceeds of Sales of Investments— £1400 National Defence Bonds		1400			
‡ Formerly War Emergency Fund	£8879	£2906 .		68879	£2906

We have examined the above Statement of Account with the Books and Vouchers and certify the same to be in accordance therewith.

31, Great Queen Street, London, W.C. 2 24th April, 1947

W. H. KIDSON, SON & Co., Chartered Accountants,

Auditors

A FEW OF OUR NEEDS.

THE COMPLETION OF THE BUILDING

NEW ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS—

Please give a guinea or more, everyone who reads this, that we may not get into debt. Remember that we have helped to secure a longer training for midwives, not in Woolwich only, but throughout the Empire.

Nota Bene—Any subscriber who agrees to continue his subscription, if still living, for seven years, adds thereby the Income Tax payable on that sum to the subscription. Further particulars to be obtained from the Secretary.

NEW MEMBERS FOR THE LINEN LEAGUE—

Each undertaking to provide two garments and at least 1s. yearly—also Group Secretaries, each responsible for enlisting five members. Hon. Secretary: Miss Gilbert to whom our most grateful thanks are again due. Address: Carisbrooke, The Park, Sidcup, Kent.

PERSONAL HELP-

We need very badly the help of our friends in the following ways:—

Stall Holders at our Annual Sale.

New Members of the Birthday League (minimum subscription 1s., paid on member's birthday).

Gifts of Rabbits (Oh! that they might come weekly, as in past days), Eggs, Vegetables, etc., for Hospital consumption.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO ALL OUR SALES-

Their name is legion. Things new and old, useful and pretty, to eat, to wear, and to give away. Rabbits, Game, Fruit, and Vegetables for our Annual Sale. Materials to be made up by patients and Staff, *i.e.*, knitting silks, wool, cotton. Remnants of Material—silk, wool or cotton. Patterns of cretonne.



Date

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Sir,

I enclose herewith

which I send as a*

towards the Funds

of THE BRITISH HOSPITAL FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES.

Mrs. (Signed)

Address

* Annual Subscription or Donation.

BANKERS ORDER FORM

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SECRETARY of the HOSPITAL so that it may be noted and refacilitates the financial arrangethis ORDER and return it to the their Bankers are invited to SIGN their ANNUAL payments through FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES Subscribers who prefer making The adoption of this plan saves BRITISH HOSPITAL the subscribers, and SAMUEL STREET, WOOLWICH, S.E.18. account. on behalf of THE BRITISH HOSPITAL FOR MOTHERS To BABIES the sum of Also be good enough to pay the same amount annually on the Please pay to the Westminster Bank Ltd., Woolwich Branch, S.E.18, Address (Signature) until further notice. GUINEAS and charge the same to my STAMP 2d. (Bankers)

ments of Hospital.

trouble to

mitted to the Bankers.

