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REPORT AND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

For Year Ending
31st MARCH, 1944.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT.

A GAIN it is essential for reasons of economy to curtail the Annual Report, but the Trustees are glad to say that in spite of wartime difficulties, the crippled children in the Hospital and College are being cared for as well as ever.

As in previous years the Trustees are deeply grateful for the assistance given by our generous subscribers. Especially are they grateful for the support given by the Queen Alexandra League whose Local Honorary Secretaries have raised a record sum for the War years. The satisfactory financial position of the Hospital and College is due to the continued and loyal help of all our friends.

During the year there were on the average 372 beds occupied in the Hospital. The constant difficulty in obtaining sufficient nursing and domestic staff has been a source of anxiety and the excellent standard maintained is a reflection of the hard and devoted attention of all. Special attention has been given to the health of the nurses. In accordance with the recommendations of the King Edward's Hospital Fund it has been decided that every candidate should receive a special X-Ray examination before being accepted as a student nurse.

During the year under review a survey of the Hospital was undertaken by representatives of the Ministry of Health who expressed themselves as very satisfied with their visit. While at the moment it is impossible to forecast the future plans of the Government for a National Health Service, the Trustees are confident that no service will be considered satisfactory which does not meet adequately the demands of the health of children. As a consequence they foresee an increasing demand for the services provided by Treloars. In this connection the Trustees ask all subscribers and friends of the Hospital to bear in mind that financial assistance will still be required as the Government does not propose to meet the full cost of maintenance.

Once again it is good to be able to report that the clinics in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight have been maintained throughout the year. The function of these clinics in providing throughout this large area a consultant service for crippled children near their own homes is a very important feature of our work.

It is with very great regret that the Trustees have to record the retirement of the Steward, Mr. Aitken, after 30 years' loyal and devoted service. He retires with very best wishes for many years of well earned enjoyment and rest.

The Trustees were very pleased to welcome personal visits during the year from those interested in the welfare of the Hospital, and in particular the visit of the Bishop of Winchester, who showed a keen and practical interest in all departments of the Hospital. They were also honoured by the Lord Mayor of London, who invited the Trustees to meet him at the Mansion House. Such associations with the Cities of London and Winchester are a source of delight and are keenly appreciated. A very pleasant event of the year was the unexpected visit of a party of a hundred American Airmen on Christmas Day bringing sweets and presents for the children.

In conclusion the Trustees wish to thank all members of the honorary and resident Medical Staff of the Hospital for their admirable service in such difficult times. They have to record with very great regret the death of Dr. J. H. Thursfield, who for so many years was an active member of the Honorary Medical Board. They would also like to record their gratitude to the Nursing, Administrative and the Departmental Staffs who have by their constant endeavours enabled the work of the Hospital to be maintained in an excellent and efficient manner.

Once again the Trustees look forward to the time when it will be possible to establish closer contact with the many friends of the Hospital. Their loyal support through the difficult years of the war has been a source of great encouragement to the Trustees and the staff of Treloars.

BURNHAM,

Chairman.

A GRATEFUL PARENT.

As the result of reading an account of the Hospital, and in gratitude for the care and treatment of his own child at Alton, we recently received a very generous contribution of £21 from an Engine Driver who, with some friends, had kindly collected this sum from their colleagues.

This amount was sent to Mrs. William Baker, our collector in Basingstoke and district. It came as a welcome surprise and was a very practical expression of appreciation of our work and a parent's gratitude.

LORD MAYOR TRELOAR CRIPPLES'

Dr.

Income and Expenditure Account for

INCOME.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS	...	...	...	...	...				4,752	13	0
DONATIONS	...	...	...	...	...				3,603	16	2
QUEEN ALEXANDRA LEAGUE	...	...	...	...	...				7,500	0	0
ALEXANDRA ROSE DAY (per H.R.H. Duchess of Kent)	...	...	...	...	...	175	0	0			
Do. (per Stockbridge and District Collection)	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0			
									180	0	0
INVESTED PROPERTY—											
Dividends and Interest :											
From Investments	...	...	...	...	...	12,107	7	0			
From Loans and Mortgages	...	...	...	...	...	3,389	12	8			
From The Edward and Lillian Emily Budgen of Egham-Benefaction	...	...	...	...	...	6	11	7			
						15,503	11	3			
Rents (less outgoing)	...	...	...	...	...	1,107	18	10			
Income Tax refunded	...	...	...	...	...	9,118	1	6			
						25,729	11	7			
Less Annuities, etc., charged on Dividends	...	...	...	...	...	35	11	0			
War Damage Contributions	...	...	...	...	...	74	16	0	110	7	0
									25,619	4	7
THE JOSEPH BROWN MEMORIAL FUND FOR CRIPPLED AND CONVALESCENT POOR BOYS (per the Charity Commissioners)											
	...	...	...	...	...				289	11	4
CONTRIBUTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES TO PATIENTS—											
(a) From Parents and others	...	...	...	...	...	1,038	16	6			
(b) From County and Borough Councils	...	...	...	...	...	20,670	6	3			
(c) From Education Committees	...	...	...	...	...	11,172	4	10			
(d) From Ministry of Health (Emergency Hospital Scheme)	...	...	...	...	...	3,607	17	2			
									36,489	4	9
GOVERNMENT GRANT TOWARDS INCREASED NURSING SALARIES...											
	...	...	...	...	...				550	0	0
BOARD OF EDUCATION—EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL GRANTS—											
Hospital	...	...	...	...	...	1,275	10	0			
College	...	...	...	...	...	112	10	0			
									1,388	0	0
Carried forward				£80,372	9	10

HOSPITAL AND COLLEGE.

the year ended 31st March, 1944.

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EXPENDITURE.

Maintenance.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PROVISIONS				11,164	15	10
SURGERY AND DISPENSARY—						
Drugs, Chemicals, Disinfectants, &c.	550	13	8			
Dressings, Bandages, &c.	547	1	5			
Instruments and Appliances	1,561	4	2			
Sundries	20	9	4			
				2,679	8	7
DOMESTIC—						
Renewals and Repairs of Furniture, Bedding and Linen	607	14	6			
Renewals and Repairs of Hardware, Crockery, Brushes, &c.	437	10	5			
Cleaning and Chandlery... ..	270	0	2			
Water	416	7	3			
Coal, Oil, Wood, &c.	6,328	19	0			
Electric Lamps, &c.	148	19	2			
Electricity and Gas from Mains Supply	226	15	10			
Uniforms (Nurses', Porters', &c.)	341	18	7			
Patients' Clothing	212	5	5			
Sundries	322	19	2			
				9,313	9	6
LAUNDRY—						
Material	163	2	11			
Wages	1,165	9	9			
				1,328	12	8
ESTABLISHMENT—						
Insurance... ..	422	17	7			
Do. War Damage	95	0	0			
A.R.P. Expenditure	24	1	0			
Repairs and Renewals, and Equalisation Fund	2,519	19	7			
Garden—Wages and Materials	576	2	2			
Mains Electricity Supply	1,660	9	9			
				5,298	10	1
Carried forward				£29,784	16	8

Income and Expenditure Account for the

Dr.

INCOME.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				...			80,372	9	10
LEGACIES—									
The late	Admiral Oliver Backhouse	...	...	37	15	9			
"	Frederick Wm. Barton, Esq.	...	...	5	5	0			
"	Edgar Bates, Esq.	...	...	21	7	0			
"	Mrs. Isabel Bath	...	...	15	10	0			
"	H. S. Booth, Esq.	...	...	38	12	10			
"	Arthur C. Borlase, Esq.	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Mrs. Mabel E. Briard	...	...	20	0	0			
"	Miss P. Clapworthy	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Mrs. Edith R. Cole	...	...	18	13	4			
"	Mrs. F. H. Coles	...	...	3,320	0	0			
"	Col. Wm. Cooke	...	...	386	6	10			
"	Thomas Cryer, Esq.	...	...	100	0	0			
"	John Exley, Esq.	...	...	50	0	0			
"	Mrs. Lydia H. Ford	...	...	90	0	0			
"	Albert Francis, Esq.	...	...	75	0	0			
"	Miss Elizabeth A. Gradwell	...	...	230	0	0			
"	Miss E. A. Griffiths	...	...	3,250	0	0			
"	Edward M. Griffiths, Esq.	...	...	450	0	0			
"	George W. Hayes, Esq. (further on account)	...	...	111	12	0			
"	Miss Sarah S. Holloway	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Mrs. S. E. Hedderley	...	...	315	0	0			
"	Miss Gertrude E. Hugman	...	...	201	13	0			
"	Alfred H. Jacobs, Esq.	...	...	279	4	11			
"	A. E. Lacey, Esq. (further on account)	...	...	84	16	8			
"	George H. Leigh, Esq.	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Mrs. C. G. A. Lewis	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Miss Edith R. Nicholson	...	...	6,661	15	4			
"	John G. Nidd, Esq.	...	...	500	0	0			
"	Ernest Owers, Esq. (further on account)	...	...	285	0	0			
"	James Wm. Rant, Esq.	...	...	300	0	0			
"	Miss Marion Rocke	...	...	160	6	8			
"	Mrs. Alice M. Rylands (further on account)	...	...	90	0	0			
"	Mrs. Mary Scruby	...	...	200	0	0			
"	Mrs. Helen M. Simon	...	...	10	0	0			
"	Miss Rebecca S. M. Smart	...	...	2,870	8	2			
"	Mrs. Mary Spicer	...	...	37	2	4			
"	Mrs. A. M. B. Stokes	...	...	279	9	7			
"	Miss Marion Swingler	...	...	600	0	0			
"	Miss Fanny E. Thomas	...	...	248	0	10			
"	Miss Charlotte L. C. Upcher	...	...	300	0	0			
"	Miss A. M. M. Williams	...	...	50	0	0			
"	Mrs. A. R. Weigall	...	...	300	0	0			
"	Ernest C. Williams, Esq.	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Miss Beatrice M. Withers	...	...	100	0	0			
"	Mrs. Frederick Wyllie	...	...	200	0	0			
Carried forward				...	22,893	0	3 80,372	9	10

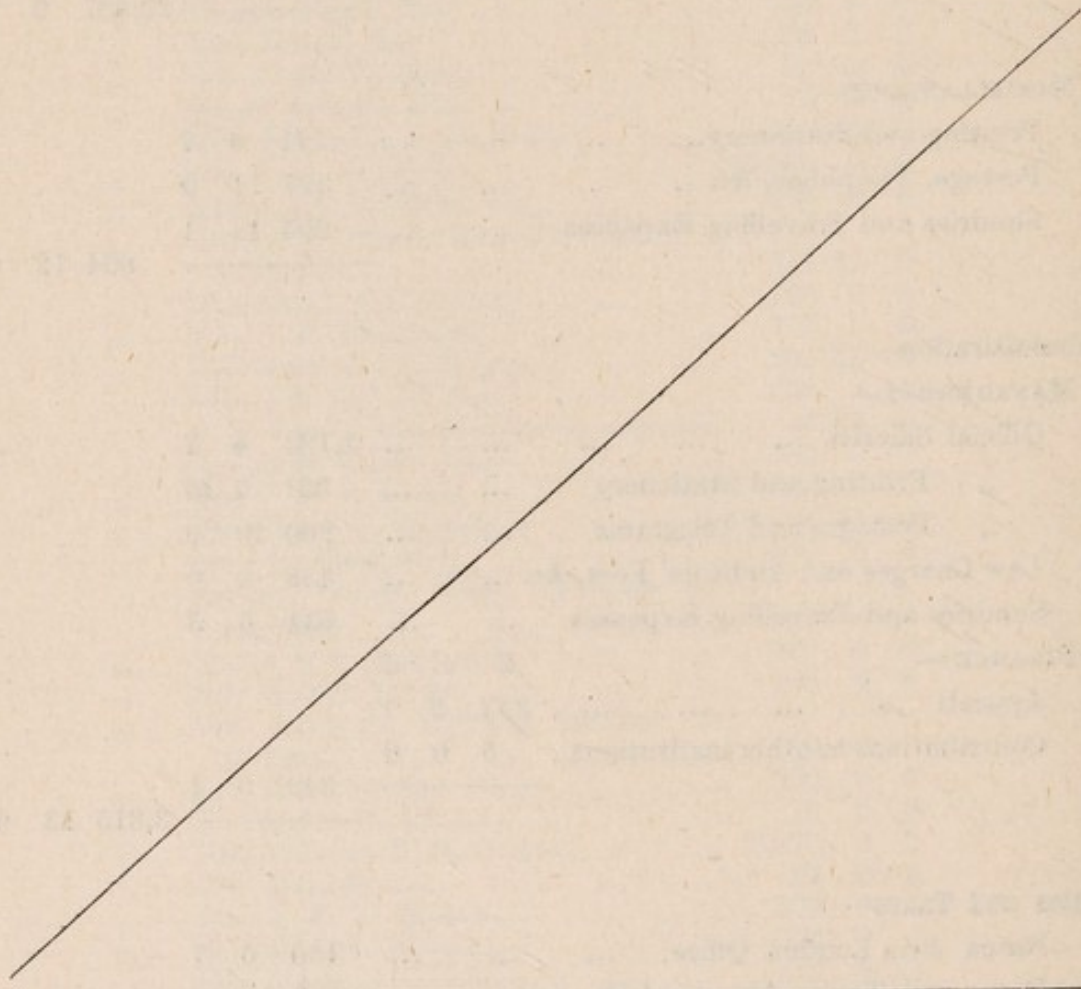
EXPENDITURE.						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward									29,784	16	8
SALARIES, WAGES, &c.—											
Medical	...	...	...	...	...	4,186	19	8			
Dental	...	...	...	...	...	105	0	0			
Dispensing	...	...	...	...	...	447	18	4			
Technicians	...	...	...	...	...	829	17	1			
Nursing	...	...	...	...	...	9,073	12	2			
Other Officers	...	...	...	...	...	1,939	4	9			
Mechanics, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	3,251	14	1			
Porters	...	...	...	...	...	1,972	10	4			
Domestic Servants	...	...	...	...	...	1,800	13	2			
									23,607	9	7
MISCELLANEOUS—											
Printing and Stationery...	...	...	...	...	...	171	6	7			
Postage, Telephone, &c....	...	...	...	...	...	427	11	9			
Sundries and Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	205	14	1			
									804	12	5
Administration—											
MANAGEMENT—											
Official Salaries	...	...	...	...	...	2,183	4	7			
„ Printing and Stationery	...	...	...	...	...	321	2	10			
„ Postages and Telegrams	...	...	...	...	...	200	19	9			
Law Charges and Auditors' Fees, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	338	0	0			
Sundries and Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	424	6	3			
FINANCE—						£	s.	d.			
Appeals	...	...	...	...	...	343	0	1			
Contributions to other institutions	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0			
									348	0	1
									3,815	13	6
Rates and Taxes—											
Rates, &c., London Office	...	...	...	...	...	150	6	7			
Rates and Taxes, Alton and Hayling	...	...	...	...	...	2,093	11	10			
Total Rates and Taxes	...	...	...	...	...				2,243	18	5
Carried forward											
									£60,256	10	7

Income and Expenditure Account for the

Dr.

INCOME.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	22,893	0	3	80,372	9	10
Less Legacy Duty on the Estate of A. H. King, deceased	65	1	6			
	22,827	18	9			
In Memoriam Gifts as per Schedule (p. 25) ...	241	11	0			
	23,069	9	9			
Donations received for investment— Micklefield School Cot	151	10	0			
	23,220	19	9			
Amount invested...	23,220	19	9			



Total Ordinary Income £80,372 9 10

The following Investments have also been received—

From the Estate of the late Miss E. R. Nicholson—£4,150 3½% War Loan.

From the Estate of the late Miss Rebecca Sarah Mary Smith—£1,150 3½% War Loan.

EXPENDITURE.							£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...										60,256	10	7
COLLEGE—												
Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	917	5	0			
Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	136	19	11			
Materials	...	...	...	...	...	...	700	9	7			
										1,754	14	6
Less Produce sold or used	...	...	...	...	...	...	822	3	9			
										932	10	9
COLLEGE SCHOOL—												
Salaries	...	...	...	...	...	...	349	19	8			
Materials	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	13	2			
										363	12	10
HOSPITAL SCHOOL—												
Salaries	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,830	15	10			
Materials	...	...	...	...	...	...	127	10	1			
										3,958	5	11
Less Produce sold	...	...	...	...	...	...	57	4	5			
										3,901	1	6
SURGICAL APPLIANCES SHOP—												
Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	570	2	9			
Materials	...	...	...	...	...	...	260	13	7			
										830	16	4
Less Appliances, &c., sold or used	...	...	...	...	...	...	554	7	2			
										276	9	2
AMBULANCE SERVICE AND TRANSPORT—												
Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	480	3	7			
Motor Ambulance Service	...	...	...	...	...	...	169	12	4			
										649	15	11
Total Ordinary Expenditure	...	...	...	...	...	...				66,380	0	9
TRANSFER TO PENSION FUND	...	...	...	...	...	...				13,500	0	0
BALANCE	...	...	...	...	...	...				492	9	1
										£80,372	9	10

We have examined the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March, 1944, above set forth with the books, counterfoil receipts and vouchers of the Hospital and find it to be in accordance therewith.

PANNELL, CREWDSON & HARDY,

Chartered Accountants.

9, Basinghall Street, E.C.2

11th August, 1944.

LORD MAYOR TRELOAR CRIPPLE

For Financial Year

INCOME.

RECEIVED FROM MONEYS PROVIDED BY
PARLIAMENT OR FROM LOCAL RATES.

Grant from Board of Education ...

Contributions from—

(a) Local Education Authorities...

(b) Other Local Authorities ...

(c) Other Government Departments

Contributions in respect of Scholars or Students otherwise than as above
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FROM OTHER SOURCES—

Sale of Work produced in School and College
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Sale of Splints and Surgical Appliances
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	1900	1901	1902	1903
SUPPLIED BY GENERAL FUNDS OF THE HOSPITAL

TOTALS	£51,814	3	11	2,613	16	8	3,539	17
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WE HEREBY CERTIFY that we have examined the above Statement of Account of the Hospital School, College School, and College Boys actually recorded as attending the Hospital School, College School, and College Boys.

EDUCATION RETURNS 32 D.
HOSPITAL SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.
ended 31st March, 1944.

EXPENDITURE.

	HOSPITAL SCHOOL.			COLLEGE SCHOOL.			COLLEGE CONTINUATION COURSES.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries of—									
(a) Head Teachers	333	5	11	15	2	11	20	11	2
(b) Assistant Teachers in Full Time Employment	2,806	18	10	107	11	0	145	19	0
(c) Instructors	—			389	2	9	528	2	3
Cost of Living and War Bonus	612	1	0	22	14	0	30	16	8
(d) i.—Medical Officers, Matron and Nurses	11,463	12	8	148	7	4	201	7	1
ii.—All other Officers, excluding the Secretary and Clerical Assistants	3,315	9	9	150	14	3	204	10	9
Administration—									
(a) Salaries of the Secretary and Clerical Assistants	1,660	6	11	75	9	4	102	8	4
(b) Printing, Office Stationery and Postage and other Expenses ...	1,853	7	1	84	4	10	114	6	8
Books, Stationery and other materials for purposes of Instruction	127	10	1	302	19	4	411	3	5
Clothing for Scholars or Students ...	175	15	0	58	2	4	78	17	7
Medical Treatment and Care of Scholars or Students, excluding payments in respect of Salaries entered under (d) (i) above	2,669	10	6	121	6	9	164	13	7
Boarding expenses in respect of 123 Officers and Servants, and 339 Scholars or Students	8,634	19	9	313	12	4	418	2	1
Wages of Servants	1,369	7	9	62	4	10	84	9	7
Washing	1,010	8	4	45	18	6	62	6	7
Replacement of Furniture, Apparatus and Equipment and Upkeep of Buildings and Grounds	7,297	6	5	331	13	2	450	2	7
Fuel, Light and Cleaning... ..	5,620	17	4	255	9	10	346	14	9
Rates and Taxes	1,706	9	9	77	11	4	105	5	4
Employers' Contributions (Teachers' (Superannuation Act, 1925)	157	0	3	6	2	8	8	6	6
Other Expenses—									
Uniforms—Nurses', Porters', etc. ...	505	13	0	22	19	8	31	3	10
Motor Ambulance Service	494	3	7	22	9	2	30	9	7
TOTALS	£51,814	3	11	2,613	16	8	3,539	17	4

and have ascertained by audit the correctness thereof. It is based on the average number of College Continuation Courses as approved by the Managers of the Institution.

PANNELL, CREWDSON & HARDY,
Chartered Accountants.

MEDICAL REPORT

FOR YEAR APRIL 1ST, 1943, to MARCH 31ST,
1944.

(Abridged.)

IN my last report I briefly reviewed the evolution and services undertaken by the hospital, since its foundation in 1908, in the treatment, education and technical training of crippled children.

I particularly drew attention to the fact that all crippled and otherwise physically defective children are eligible for treatment, education and training, and not merely Tuberculous cripples, who were the only cripples we accepted at the outset, and to whom, as far as possible, we still give priority.

Though our work has had to be undertaken in ever-increasing difficulty due to war conditions, it has been maintained in full efficiency and at almost full volume. Our greatest, and even now increasing, handicap is shared by many hospitals; that is the obtaining and retaining of adequate and efficient staff. This applies to medical, nursing and domestic aspects of the work, but perhaps especially the difficulty is greatest on the nursing side. Where, in normal times, many eligible would-be probationers would apply for appointment, there are to-day such numerous and attractive other opportunities for congenial employment that the numbers of suitable candidates for nursing has greatly diminished. Restrictions and kindly discipline, so essential for a nurse's training, tend often to be resented. A hoped-for additional attraction for candidates for nursing has been the increase of salaries on what is known as the Rushcliffe Scale. This added inducement, however, is of doubtful value in attracting the right kind of personnel.

Nevertheless, it is heartening to report that there are many probationers who face up cheerfully to their training, perform their duties well and loyally, and meet the unusual difficulties that present themselves with admirable fervour. To these we owe a very great deal, and by their loyal assistance we have been able to maintain to a very large extent the work of the hospital unchecked. On the domestic side, of course, it is well known that difficulties in attracting personnel are universally encountered. Few able-bodied men remain and heavy porter's work has to be undertaken by elderly men or young boys, who are physically unfitted for very strenuous labour. Fortunately, in replanning the hospital, everything was designed to

be as labour-saving as possible, and the electrically-propelled trolleys we employ have saved an immense amount of portage which otherwise would have had to be undertaken by hand.

We are very grateful indeed to those members of our Honorary Medical Board who continue to give us every possible assistance and encouragement, and it is very pleasing to record that one, Mr. T. Pomfret Kilner, has been appointed Nuffield Professor of Plastic Surgery to Oxford University; the first appointment of its kind in this country, and one which has been received with universal pleasure as a fitting reward for his very distinguished work.

The following members of our consulting staff have been appointed senior consultants to the Emergency Medical Services of the country :—

Mr. H. A. T. Fairbank ... Consulting adviser in orthopædics.

Sir Harold Gillies... ... Consulting adviser in plastic surgery.

Dr. Gordon Holmes ... Consulting adviser in neurology.

The work in the Treatment Block becomes ever more important, particularly on the operative side, and the admirable operating theatre which we fortunately possess has been in constant use during the past year. We have, in addition, a spare theatre for emergency cases, planned to be available in the event of the hospital being bombed. Happily we have not had to use it for that purpose hitherto.

The out-patient work continues to grow in extent and comprehensiveness, and it is a matter of great satisfaction that, in spite of war conditions and the additional calls on our medical staff, we have been able to continue this work, and in fact increase it. A further clinic has been started at Christchurch, and it may now be truly said that very few orthopædic conditions in children under the age of 16 years occurring in the County of Hampshire, the Isle of Wight and the boroughs of Poole, Portsmouth, Bournemouth and Southampton fail to come under the care of this hospital should they require treatment. These clinics are supervised, and in many cases conducted, by Mr. Langston, who has, as always before, performed excellent work.

142 surgeons' sessions were held at the orthopædic clinics, and the number of cases seen reaches the remarkable total of 4,365, the number of attendances for treatment reaching the total of no less than 24,663. We believe that this hospital can claim to be one of the few in the country that has maintained its clinic work in war-time at so high a level.

154 tuberculous, 251 orthopædic and 87 plastic cases were admitted during the year. During the preceding year corresponding

numbers were : 142 tuberculous, 234 orthopædic and 112 plastic cases.

657 operations and 207 aspirations of tuberculous abscesses were performed during the year.

In the Massage Department 318 orthopædic and 66 tuberculous cases received respectively 8,592 and 1,937 treatments. In addition 4,086 treatments with radiant heat were given, and 227 under-water gymnastic exercises were undertaken in the Pool-Room, most of these for partially or totally paralysed children.

In the Plaster Room 322 plasters were applied, 58 celluloid and 18 leather splints made, and in the orthopædic workshops 3,475 splints, braces, etc., were made or repaired.

In the X-ray Department 2,029 radiograms were taken. Probationer nurses on joining the staff have their chests X-rayed as a matter of routine.

In the Light Department the usual special treatments by various forms of artificial light were given with benefit to selected cases.

In the Dental Department 1,246 treatments were given, and the work there has also been of especial value in assisting Professor Kilner in his plastic surgery in nose and mouth cases.

In the Pathological Department the special pathological work for the hospital, over and above the day-to-day tests performed by the Resident Medical Officers, has been carried out by Dr. E. M. Martland, who, with a technician, has made a weekly visit from Salisbury.

Cases are seen, and many examinations dealt with on the spot, the more complex work, including chemistry, histology and animal inoculations, being done at the laboratories at Salisbury.

Analysis of the year's work is as follows :—

Bacteriological examinations	...	...	...	...	209
Hæmotological and serological examinations	...	...	...	...	616
Chemical examinations	...	...	...	...	67
Histological examinations	...	...	...	...	12
Milk bact. chemical examinations	...	...	...	...	6
Biological examinations	...	...	...	...	14
Total	...	...	...	...	924

Major out-patient clinics are held regularly in the following centres : Aldershot, Alton, Andover, Basingstoke, Bournemouth, Christchurch, Eastleigh, Farnborough, Fareham, Havant, Poole, Portsmouth, Isle of Wight, Southampton and Winchester.

It is with deepest regret that we have to record the death of Dr.

Hugh Thursfield, who had been consulting physician to the hospital almost since its inception and was a leading English paediatrician.

HOSPITAL SCHOOL.

Children are educated concurrently with treatment and all children above the age of two years are educated as far as possible as their condition permits, children from two to five years being assigned to what is called the Nursery School. In this hospital school work individual instruction is often needed, and in fact for many cases essential. Four crippled girls have taken the examination for entrance scholarships into Secondary Schools, and others have undertaken special courses in French to help them to reach the School Certificate standard. We are grateful to the Hampshire branch of the Red Cross Society for two gifts of books, which have supplemented those in the children's library for reference purposes.

The children have continued their contributions to the Red Cross Prisoner of War Fund and write regularly to their particular protégés. Parcels of knitted garments made by boys and girls are sent regularly to the Merchant Navy.

The tedium of ordinary school work is sometimes relaxed by performances of plays suitable for children performers, and the atmosphere in the Hospital School may be described as both happy and vigorous.

COLLEGE.

During the year eight College boys completed their training—four in the Tailor's Shop and four in the Shoemaker's Shop. One of the old College boys employed in the Splint Shop has secured a situation with a splint maker in south London at good wages. The other boys who completed their training are all now in excellent jobs. The demand for our boys, both from tailors and bootmakers, is still much beyond our capacity to fill. These demands come in many instances from old College boys who are now in business on their own account.

During their vocational training the boys' general education is continued and is especially designed to meet their probable requirements after leaving.

Since the war it has been impossible to hold the Annual Old Boys' Day on Whit Monday. This has not prevented many old boys visiting the College during their short summer holidays. It is very gratifying to note the affection many of them have for their old College. Not only do the recently trained boys come, but many who were trained ten and twenty years ago turn up unexpectedly, bringing in some instances their wives with them.

This year the Lord Ampthill Prize of £5 was presented to Reginald Stempt, who was trained as a shoemaker. The presentation on behalf of the Pro Minimus Lodge of Freemasons was made at the College by Miss Florence Treloar, one of our Trustees, in the presence of all the College boys. Stempt is now working with a surgical bootmaker in Reading.

It is with great regret I record the retirement of Mr. Robert Aitken, who for nearly thirty years was the Steward of the Hospital and played a large and valued part in the management of the College. He takes with him our affection and regard and our hopes that the leisure he so well deserves will be long and happy.

H. J. GAUVAIN,
Medical Superintendent.

Table I. Statistics of In-patients treated during the year.

Lesion.	Admitted.	Discharged.	Removed or transferred.	Completed treatment.	Disease arrested.	Died.	Percentage completing treatment with disease arrested.	Average stay in days.
Spine	13	20	2	18	17	1	94.44	876.35
Hip	35	28	—	28	27	1	96.42	847.82
Knee	12	22	—	22	22	—	100.0	716.81
Other	94	103	4	99	97	2	97.97	216.16
Non-T.B.	338	377	7	370	368	2	99.45	162.78
Totals	492	550	13	597	531	6	—	265.11

Table II. Statistics of In-Patients treated since the opening of the Hospital.

Lesion	Total admitted.	Total discharged.	Total removed or transferred.	Total completed treatment.	Total disease arrested.	Total died.	Percentage completed treatment with disease arrested.	Average stay in days.
Spine	1,887	1,836	175	1,661	1,585	76	95.42	796.08
Hip	2,109	2,025	108	1,917	1,862	55	97.13	569.9
Knee	884	829	37	792	778	14	98.23	484.6
Other	1,804	1,716	84	1,632	1,600	32	98.03	257.8
Non-T.B.	4,408	4,370	50	4,320	4,289	31	—	186.8
Totals	11,092	10,776	454	10,322	10,114	208	—	397.02

Table III: Hospital Bed Statistics for year ended 31st March, 1944.

*Average daily number of beds available during the year	387
Average daily number of beds occupied during the year...	372
Number of patient days during theyear	136,029
Number of days Hospital was open during the year	366

* Included in this figure are 45 beds available for E.M.S. cases of which an average number of 10 were occupied throughout the year.

REPORT OF THE
QUEEN ALEXANDRA LEAGUE OF SERVICE
AND LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

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In presenting this brief report of another year's work of the Queen Alexandra League, the Trustees of the Hospital are sure that all those who have given their time and support so loyally during these difficult years—Collectors and Subscribers alike—will be glad to know that their efforts have again been most successful, raising the sum of nearly £25,000. Not only is this a substantial increase over the income for the previous year, but it is also a record total since the outbreak of war. In acknowledging this splendid result the Trustees are very grateful to all those who, in spite of the numerous other calls upon them, still continue to serve the children at Treloar's, thus enabling those who are so sadly handicapped in their early days to have every opportunity of becoming normal and healthy citizens.

In these difficult war years, the loyalty of our friends has been a great encouragement, and the Hospital has been enabled to carry on its work unimpaired through their help and the generosity of many subscribers who have made every effort to keep up their contributions, even to the point of sacrifice.

It is impossible to give a detailed report of the branch activities ; we shall hope to do this again in better times, when we shall also hope to invite our friends to visit the Hospital and see for themselves the work which they have made possible. The happiness of the children will convey more adequately than any words of mine the thanks of all at Treloar's.

During the year many Schools have again sent most generous support in spite of evacuation and other difficulties, thus maintaining their interest in the children here.

A number of Church Collections have also been arranged and most generously supported, and this additional help is especially welcome.

Members of the Services have also come to our aid by arranging Dances, Whist Drives, and Entertainments in various camps.

We regret to record the loss of several of our older Collectors during the year, some by death and others by failing health, or increasing claims on their time in other directions. We are very grateful to those who have come forward to fill the gaps left by those who have served the Hospital so loyally in the past and tender to them all our thanks.

FLORENCE TRELOAR, *Vice-President*.

RULES FOR ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL

Application for admission must be made on a special form which will be supplied on request. This form, when completed and signed by a medical practitioner, should be immediately sent to The Secretary, The Cripples' Hospital, Alton, Hants.

Boys and girls crippled from any cause whatever and who would be likely to be benefited by treatment are admitted up to the age of 16 years. The term "crippled" may be widely interpreted. Priority is given to children crippled by tuberculous infections or deemed to be suffering from orthopædic conditions, but cases suffering from medical forms of crippling, as, for example, rheumatoid arthritis, the sequelæ to rheumatic fever, and chronic diseases generally, who might be benefited by treatment, are eligible for admission if vacancies occur.

Should surgical treatment become necessary it is to be understood that such will be carried out under the direction of the Medical Officers.

Cases with signs of active tuberculous disease of the lungs are not eligible for admission.

Patients found eligible for admission will be registered, and in due course orders of admission will be sent.

Patients will not be admitted unless clean in their persons and habits.

Patients are admitted for any period up to two years which the Trustees deem advisable, at the end of which time all cases shall be examined and reported upon by a Visiting Member of the Medical Board. If thought desirable, the period may then be extended on the recommendation of the Medical Board.

Patients on admission will be tested as to their susceptibility to diphtheria and if susceptible will be immunised.

A weekly charge towards the maintenance, treatment and education of patients is made to parents, friends or philanthropic societies in respect of children admitted to the Hospital.

The guarantee at foot of the form of application for admission must be completed by filling in the sum that parents or friends are able to contribute, and the signature of a responsible householder must be obtained.

The Trustees will give sympathetic consideration to any special case of need, and, if full enquiry warrants such a course, may receive a patient at a reduced rate or without charge.

For cases admitted through County Councils, Education Committees and Poor Law Authorities special rates are charged.

Parents and adult friends may visit patients between 2 and 3.30 p.m. on the first Sunday in each month on presentation of visiting card, except during the months of January, February and March, when visiting is not permitted.

RULES FOR ADMISSION TO THE COLLEGE

- 1.—Application for admission must be made on a special form which will be supplied on request. This form when completed should be immediately sent to The Secretary.
- 2.—Candidates for admission must attend for a preliminary examination by the Medical Superintendent.
- 3.—Final decision as to admission rests in all cases with the Trustees of the College.
- 4.—Successful candidates for admission will be registered, and in due course orders of admission sent.
- 5.—Crippled boys, between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years of age, who would be likely to be benefited by technical training, are eligible for admission.
- 6.—The blind, the deaf and dumb or mentally deficient, or those without the full use of both hands, are ineligible.
- 7.—Candidates suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis, or from any condition which makes it undesirable that they should associate with other lads, are ineligible.
- 8.—Should medical or surgical treatment be required while in residence it is understood that such will be carried out under the direction of the Medical Officers.
- 9.—Candidates requiring surgical appliances or special surgical boots can obtain these after admission at lowest Hospital rates. Renewal or repair of these instruments, when required, will be undertaken on the same terms.
- 10.—Boys are trained at the College in tailoring, and shoemaking. The selection of a trade for each lad is decided by the College authorities after admission. While undergoing training the general education of the lads receives special attention by means of classes designed to meet their individual requirements. The Syllabus is approved by the Board of Education.
- 11.—All boys come for a probationary period of three months. The full period of training is three years. Persistent bad conduct or uncleanness in person or habits render a boy liable to expulsion.
- 12.—Each boy when admitted must bring : 2 pairs of boots ; 1 pair of slippers ; hair-brush and comb ; tooth-brush.
Other necessary articles of Clothing are supplied as required, but boys having any serviceable clothing should bring this with them.
Should boots be required during the stay of the boys at the College, these are supplied at cost price from the College workshops.
- 13.—A weekly charge towards the maintenance of boys admitted to the College is made to parents, friends or philanthropic societies.
The guarantee at foot of form of application for admission must be completed by filling in the sum that parents or friends are able to contribute, and the signature of a responsible householder must be obtained.
For cases admitted through County Councils, Education Committees and Public Assistance Authorities, a charge at the rate of £136 10s. per annum is made for maintenance, education and training, as approved by the Board of Education.
- 14.—The College is closed for a week or ten days at Easter and Christmas, and during the month of August. Boys going home must provide their return fare a week before the holidays commence.
- 15.—Boys will be promoted as monitors (with special privileges), according to their good conduct and diligence. A bonus is given to boys for good conduct and diligence shown at their trade. This, in the case of successful boys, is usually sufficient to meet the cost of an outfit of tools when a boy has completed his training. Boys withdrawn before completion of training forfeit claim to bonus.
- 16.—Every effort will be made to place boys in situations on the expiration of training, but no guarantee to this effect can be given.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital and College, to be applied in and towards carrying on the charitable objects of the Institution,

.....
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