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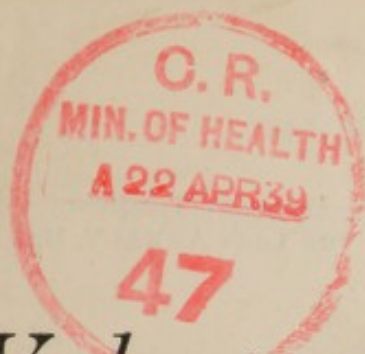
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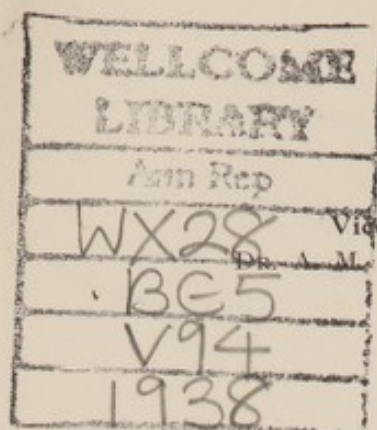
Voluntary Hospitals Committee

For London

REPORT

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Year 1938*

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Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London

Report for the Year 1938

Inception of the Committee

The Committee was first established in its present form in 1935, when an amalgamation was arranged between the London Regional Committee of the British Hospitals Association and the Committee which had been known since 1930 as the London Voluntary Hospitals Committee. The Committee has therefore a dual function as the representative hospital body for London, and acts

- (a) so far as the British Hospitals Association is concerned as the Regional Committee for London, ...
- and
- (b) as the recognised body for purposes of consultation with the London County Council.

The Committee is representative both of the governing bodies and of the medical staffs.

Amendment of the Constitution

The Committee's first three-year term of office expired in July, 1938. The Committee was then representative of hospitals within the County of London. As foreshadowed in the Report for 1937, steps have been taken to extend the area of the Committee to correspond with that of the King's Fund, viz., to cover an area of 11 miles from St. Paul's Cathedral. This extension of the area has brought in some 28 additional hospitals with some 2,146 beds.

It was felt that such a change would be in the interest of all concerned, and would not interfere with the Committee's functions in so far as they relate to the London County Council. The hospitals in the County of Middlesex (with one exception, the Prince of Wales' Hospital) decided however to remain members of the Middlesex Voluntary Hospitals Association, and are not represented by the London Committee.

The elections in 1938 took place therefore upon this new basis, and the opportunity was taken to effect several other alterations in the constitution of the Committee. The most important was that whereby, for the purposes of election, the general hospitals without undergraduate schools are grouped into six geographical areas, and the special hospitals in seven groups in accordance with their special types. These revised arrangements provided for a Committee of 41 members, with power to co-opt five additional members. The new electoral machinery functioned smoothly, and the Committee came into being in July, 1938. Full particulars of the revised constitution are set out in a document (V.H.C. 300), copies of which are available from the Secretary of the Committee.

At the first meeting of the new Committee officers were elected as follows :—

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|---------------------------|
| Chairman... | ... | ... | Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey |
| Vice-Chairman | ... | ... | Dr. A. M. H. Gray |
| Treasurer | ... | ... | Lord Annaly |
| Secretary | ... | ... | Mr. A. G. L. Ives |

The British Hospitals Association

The Committee is represented on the Council of the British Hospitals Association by :—Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey ; Major Raphael Jackson ; Dr. Reginald Jewesbury ; Sir Frank Newnes, Bt. ; Mr. G. T. Whiteley.

Subscriptions to the Association, based on a scale proportionate to bed complement, are collected by the Committee from its constituent hospitals. All hospitals on the list paid their subscriptions, which amounted to £422 11s. A sum of £300 was paid over to the Association in respect of the year 1938.

Relations with the King's Fund

Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey, the Chairman of the Committee, has been appointed a member of the Management Committee of King Edward's Hospital Fund.

The Fund has continued to afford facilities for the secretarial work of the Committee, and the Committee places on record its gratitude for this invaluable assistance.

Financial Relations between Voluntary Hospitals and the London County Council

It will be remembered that as long ago as 1930 an understanding was reached with the L.C.C., when it was agreed that grants by the Council either for capital purposes or for general maintenance, as distinct from maintenance grants for specific services rendered, should not be made.

The Committee, however, felt that the time had come when the understanding reached in 1930 should be reviewed in the light of present circumstances, and when it might be useful to discuss with the Council whether some form of financial assistance by the Council to the voluntary hospitals could not be devised which might go further to help the finances of voluntary hospitals than did the existing grants for specific services, such as those for V.D., Midwifery, etc. The Committee accordingly suggested that a discussion might take place between representatives of the Council, of the Committee, and of the King's Fund, and a conference duly took place early in 1939.

Voluntary Hospitals Emergency Bed Service

The Report for 1937 contained under the heading "Centralization of Arrangements for Admission of Emergency and Acute Cases," an account of the position then reached with regard

to a project for a central office to facilitate the admission of emergency cases to voluntary hospitals in London.

The Committee is happy to be able to record that with the co-operation of the King's Fund such a service has been established. Early in the year the King's Fund agreed to assume responsibility for the finance, and a Joint Committee under the chairmanship of Sir Harold Wernher was set up to control the service, the membership of which is set out on p. 17.

A staff of 12 operators was appointed and given a preliminary training with the help of the hospitals. The Service was opened on June 21st. Initially the Service was open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. only whilst the staff gained experience and confidence in their duties. A full 24-hour service was brought into operation on October 8th.

The Service telephones every hospital once or twice a day according to a special schedule and receives a report of the number of beds vacant. This report is sub-divided into some 40 categories according to the sex and medical category attaching to each bed.

By the end of the year the Service had dealt with over 3,000 calls from doctors, and had demonstrated its great value to patients, doctors and hospitals alike.

Ambulance Service

It had always been part of the scheme which has now become the Emergency Bed Service that the Service should be able to order ambulances to bring cases to the hospital when necessary. Some account of the difficulties arising from regulations of the London County Council's ambulance service was given in the last report, where it was explained that except in certain specified circumstances the regulations required that a patient must pay in advance unless going to a Council hospital. These difficulties were discussed with the Council, and the Council agreed to allow voluntary hospitals, willing to guarantee payment, to requisition

its ambulances for the conveyance of patients from their homes to the hospital, on the understanding that an account will be rendered to the hospital from time to time for the ambulances used, at the rate of 12s. 6d. per journey within the County of London.

The Council further agreed to accept requisitions on behalf of guaranteeing hospitals from the Emergency Bed Service. These arrangements were set out in a circular issued by the Committee in June, 1938 (V.H.C. 307).

The Home Service Ambulance Committee of the Joint Council of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem and the British Red Cross Society also agreed, when the service was first started, to undertake to supply ambulances in the same manner as that agreed by the L.C.C. The charge for these ambulances was agreed at 10s., and the service has been found very valuable.

The Emergency Bed Service has been asked to arrange ambulances for about one-half of the cases it has handled, and the procedure outlined above has worked smoothly. The number of ambulances obtained from the two ambulance services are about equal.

Contributory Schemes Committee

A number of questions affecting contributory schemes came before the Committee during the year, many of these matters being references from the Advisory Hospital Committee of the Hospital Saving Association. This latter body was originally appointed by the London Regional Committee, and the majority of its members have in the past been reappointed from time to time by the Voluntary Hospitals Committee. In the course of time it has become apparent that efficiency would be served and duplication of effort avoided if the responsibilities borne in the past by the Advisory Hospitals Committee were transferred to the Voluntary Hospitals Committee itself, and a standing Contributory Schemes Committee appointed.

Such a Committee has now been established, and its terms of reference provide that the Committee shall in all cases where the matters referred to it involve any alteration or change in practice make its recommendations to the main Committee, but shall be empowered to take action by way of advising any contributory scheme or any hospital. A list of the members of this Committee, which has power to co-opt members from both within and without the Voluntary Hospitals Committee, is printed on p. 17.

Hospital Saving Association : Contributory Scheme for Persons whose Incomes are just over Hospital Income Limits

Reference was made in the Report for 1937 to a proposal submitted by the Advisory Hospitals Committee of the Association recommending the establishment of a contributory scheme on a basis of 6d. a week, with income limits of (a) single man or woman, £5 per week, (b) married couple, £7 per week, (c) married couple with dependants, £8 per week.

In February a draft scheme was circulated to the hospitals with the approval of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee, and a recommendation that hospitals should co-operate with the Hospital Saving Association in giving effect to it. The British Medical Association took exception to certain features of the proposals, and requested the Medical Staffs of the hospitals to withhold their assent to the scheme, pending consultation between the Voluntary Hospitals Committee and the British Medical Association. Representatives of the British Medical Association subsequently met representatives of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee and of the Advisory Hospitals Committee of the Hospital Saving Association.

As a result of these discussions and of prolonged and careful consideration of the issues involved, the Committee agreed to accept the views of the British Medical Association on two

important points, and adopted recommendations which may be summarised as follows :—

- (a) that the services of the medical staff in respect of members of the scheme should receive financial recognition by means of a percentage deduction of not less than 20 per cent. of the moneys received by the hospital, and
- (b) that hospitals should take definite steps to bring to an end the practice of providing consultations in the out-patient departments for the class of persons included in the scheme, i.e., above the existing income limits of the Hospital Saving Association.

With these amendments the Scheme (issued as V.H.C. 346) was circulated to hospitals by the Committee in December, 1938.*

Insurance for the Middle Classes

The foregoing account of the extended scheme of the Hospital Saving Association is concerned with a proposal to include, within the ambit of the contributory scheme, those somewhat above the existing income limits of the Hospital Saving Association, but who normally receive treatment in the general wards.

The Committee had, however, for some time been considering the need for something more to be done in London to provide a simple provident scheme for the middle classes who might properly be expected to seek accommodation in the pay beds, and the Committee decided to place the whole position before the King's Fund.

The Committee is glad to be able to report that a Committee has been established by the Fund under the Chairmanship of

* A further statement has since been issued (V.H.C. 372) by the Contributory Schemes Committee following upon resolutions passed by a meeting of medical staffs convened by the British Medical Association

Mr. Bernard Docker, which is actively engaged in working out a scheme upon the lines suggested with the co-operation of representatives of the British Medical Association.

Air Raid Precautions

During the early part of the year, the Committee was represented by the late Professor Dudgeon at private conferences at the Ministry of Health, upon whom the responsibility for hospitals (hitherto borne by the Home Office) had been placed. In June, as the result of circulars issued to hospitals, the Committee asked that it might be consulted before any action were taken with regard to hospitals.

Responsibility was transferred to the Home Office and later back to the Ministry. In May, a Committee was appointed by the Home Secretary, under the Chairmanship of Sir Charles Wilson, M.D. The Chairman, Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey, accepted an invitation to serve on this Committee, which presented an interim report at the end of July.

During the crisis in September a provisional scheme on the lines of the Report was prepared by the Ministry and formed the basis of the arrangements then made. The Committee gave the Ministry all the assistance in its power and arranged for the calling together of groups of hospitals and for the issue of circulars on its behalf. As soon as the crisis had subsided steps were taken by the Chairman to establish the hospitals' claim to reimbursement of expenses incurred, and a draft circular on the subject, inviting the submission of claims, was agreed with the Ministry. At the end of the year hospitals were still awaiting a decision upon the matter.

In November, a further interview was sought with the officials of the Ministry, when it was stated that the Ministry was considering a long-term scheme for dealing with air raid casualties having regard to the evacuation of the civilian population and

other matters, and that it was its intention to communicate direct with individual hospitals or with groups of hospitals, and with the administrative as well as with the medical staffs, with the object of establishing the precise part which each hospital would play in the London Casualty Scheme; and that the Ministry would keep the Voluntary Hospitals Committee informed in this connection.

In December, it was resolved that a Committee be appointed to review the existing situation in regard to the Casualty Service for London in so far as the voluntary hospitals were affected and to explore the possibilities and means of securing the elimination of deficiencies, including lack of co-operation and precision existing at the time of the emergency in September last—both as regards any long-term scheme to be prepared and any temporary measures taken prior to the completion of the long-term scheme. The membership of this Committee is set out on p. 17.

Inter-departmental Committee on the Nursing Services

Evidence was prepared for the Inter-departmental Committee by a Sub-committee, consisting of Dr. Geoffrey Evans, Sir Frank Newnes, Bt., Sir Alexander Butterworth, and Mr. Harold Pearson. The Sub-committee attended before the Inter-departmental Committee on July 12, and gave oral evidence in support of a memorandum previously submitted.

The Committee drew special attention in their evidence to the lack of organisation for recruitment in London, and to the fact that a girl who wishes to take up nursing, but has no particular connections with any hospital, often does not know to which hospital to apply. She may apply to one of the best known hospitals and receive particulars which show that for educational or other reasons she stands no chance of acceptance, and may mistakenly conclude that she is not wanted as a nurse, whereas many other hospitals might be glad to accept her.

The Committee suggested that a central bureau should be set up in London, the main functions of which would be :—

- (a) to establish effective regular contact between the hospitals and the educational authorities, and generally to act as a Public Relations Department for nursing in the voluntary hospitals ;
- (b) to develop a system whereby girls on leaving school could be registered and kept in touch with the hospitals ;
- (c) to supply information as to the qualifications required and facilities offered by the different hospitals and as to the prospects offered by a nursing career ;
- (d) to keep a register of all trained nurses seeking hospital employment ;
- (e) to advertise in the daily Press.

The Committee felt that the establishment of such an office need not involve great expense, and decided to ask the King's Fund whether it could see its way to provide such an office. The Committee accordingly laid the position before the Honorary Secretaries of the Fund, and the matter is now understood to be receiving the serious consideration of the Fund.

The Inter-departmental Committee in their report issued in January, 1939, referred to this suggestion, and stated that they felt that the suggestion appeared to be a step in the right direction, and was one which might well be carried further by those concerned.

The Committee also expressed to the Inter-departmental Committee the view that the situation which had arisen indicated a certain lack of touch between hospital opinion and the central authorities responsible for the nursing profession, and that steps should be taken to provide representation of the Lay Committees of voluntary hospitals upon the General Nursing Council. The Committee stated that on a review of the situation as presented to the Sub-Committee, it appeared that in so far as conditions are improved by larger staffs the shortage as a whole will be

intensified, and that the situation in London in the next few years is likely to be serious, and accordingly recommended that some means should be found of providing the hospitals with grants from public moneys.

Fracture Service for London

The Inter-departmental Committee on the Rehabilitation of Persons Injured by Accidents, of which Sir Malcolm Delevingne is Chairman, indicated to the Committee its concern to secure that in any given area there shall be a fracture service adequate to the needs of the area, and that in a large area like London the services should be so arranged and adjusted in respect both of size or situation as to be reasonably convenient for all parts of the area. An interim report suggesting the lines upon which a fracture clinic should be organised has been issued by the Inter-departmental Committee.

Contact has been established between the Committee and the London County Council in the matter, and a series of conversations have taken place between representatives of the Committee and of the Council.

The Committee has been represented, first by Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey, the late Professor Dudgeon, Mr. Robert Milne, F.R.C.S. and Mr. F. A. Lyon, and at the request of the Committee, Sir Alfred Webb-Johnson, F.R.C.S., was nominated by the President of the Royal College of Surgeons to serve on the Sub-committee.*

It has been agreed in principle that each of the hospitals with undergraduate schools should provide a fracture clinic, and it is expected that some five or six other voluntary hospitals will provide fracture clinics. In some cases such clinics are already in existence and in others active steps are now in contemplation.

* In Sir Alfred Webb-Johnson's absence abroad, Mr. Max Page, D.S.O., F.R.C.S., has been nominated to take his place.

A departmental Committee of the County Council has for its part submitted to the Committee a tentative list of Council hospitals at which it would be proposed that clinics would be provided, and good progress is being made with the discussions. The Committee is grateful to the County Council for the ready collaboration shown by its officers in the initial stages of the task of providing London with an organised fracture service.

The Final Report of the Inter-departmental Committee is expected in April, and the Committee hopes that recommendations calculated to assist the voluntary hospitals with the finance involved may be contained in this Report.

New Midwifery Service

Last year's report contained an account of the part played by the London Maternity Services Joint Committee in the establishment of the new midwifery service in accordance with the Midwives Act of 1936.

The new scheme took effect as from January 1st, 1938, and grants have been paid by the London County Council in accordance with the agreements reached with the Committee. In the course of the year it has become apparent that, partly as the result of new regulations brought into force by the Central Midwives Board, the supply of pupil midwives is likely to be adversely affected; and the London Maternity Services Joint Committee has notified the County Council of its desire to review the basis of the grant in 1939.

The London Maternity Services Joint Committee is now (February, 1939) also considering in collaboration with other bodies affected, what steps can be taken to remedy the shortage of pupil midwives, and in particular to urge upon the Ministry of Health the need for some change in the system of grants for their training in view of the financial loss already being suffered by the hospitals.

L.C.C. Sunday Cinematograph Distributions

The attention of the Committee was drawn to a revised form of undertaking (S.E.41B) required by the London County Council, which included clauses which presented difficulties to voluntary hospitals and which, in the Committee's view, were not really applicable to them. The matter was discussed informally with the London County Council and, as a result of the Committee's representations, the Council readily agreed to amendments of the form of undertaking being made in the case of voluntary hospitals. Details of the arrangements made were circulated to hospitals as V.H.C. 291.

Extensions at London County Council Hospitals

Two proposals for additional accommodation at hospitals of the London County Council have been considered during the year, one for additional maternity beds at Hackney hospital, and the other for additional beds for convalescent male adolescent patients at Queen Mary's Hospital, Sidcup. In neither case did the Committee feel that the proposals called for their observations.

Extensions at Voluntary Hospitals

The Report for 1937 contained a comprehensive account of some of the more important proposals notified by the Committee to the London County Council in preceding years.

During the year, the Committee has considered and notified to the County Council a proposal from Charing Cross Hospital for the acquisition of a new site for the rebuilding of the hospital ; from the St. John Clinic and Institute of Physical Medicine for the provision of a ward for in-patients ; from Hampstead General

Hospital for removal of the Out-patient Department at Bayham Street to Haverstock Hill ; from the National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart for the acquisition of a property at Buckingham for use as a convalescent home, and as alternative accommodation in the event of war.

The Committee's attention has also been drawn to a proposal for extension by the Metropolitan Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, and the Committee is in communication with the hospital upon the subject.

Hospital Economies Association

There has been established with the assistance of the British Hospitals Association an organisation known as the Hospital Economies Association, with the object of serving the Voluntary Hospitals and kindred Institutions in Great Britain and Northern Ireland by providing them with a central buying bureau.

Mr. R. H. P. Orde, of the British Hospitals Association, and Dr. A. R. Snowdon, of the Hospital and Medical Section at the Building Centre in Bond Street, have undertaken to help the Association as far as possible, although, in the first instance, at any rate, neither the British Hospitals Association nor the Building Centre will have executive control of the Association, and it will operate independently on a non-profit making basis.

Membership

In October the Committee sustained a great loss in the sudden death of Professor L. S. Dudgeon, who had for five years been Honorary Secretary of the Committee and previously of the London Voluntary Hospitals Committee.

Professor Dudgeon's place on the Committee has been filled by the election of Dr. H. L. Tidy.

Membership of Committees

Voluntary Hospitals Emergency Bed Service Committee.

(See page 6.)

Sir Harold Wernher, K.C.V.O. (Chairman) ; Lord Luke, K.B.E. ; Sir Ernest Pooley ; Dr. A. M. H. Gray, C.B.E. ; Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey ; Dr. Geoffrey Evans ; and Mr. A. J. Gardham, F.R.C.S.

Contributory Schemes Committee. (See pages 7-8.)

Mr. P. W. L. Camps, F.R.C.S. ; Captain G. M. Eden, M.B.E. ; Mr. A. G. Elliott, O.B.E. ; Dr. Geoffrey Evans ; Dr. A. M. H. Gray, C.B.E. ; Major Raphael Jackson, ; Dr. R. C. Jewesbury ; Mr. G. G. Panter ; Sir Edward Penton, K.B.E. ; Mr. F. A. Lyon ; Mr. J. A. Ritchie ; Mr. Austin Taylor ; Mr. A. J. M. Tarrant ; Sir John Weir, K.C.V.O., M.B. ; Mr. G. T. Whiteley ; Mr. F. P. Whitbread ; Captain Robert Whitney, M.B.E.

Casualty Service Committee. (See page 11.)

Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey (Chairman) ; Dr. A. M. H. Gray, C.B.E. ; Lieut.-General Sir George Cory, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O. ; Mr. J. P. Wetenhall. *Co-opted members* :—Mr. George Aylwen ; Mr. C. H. S. Frankau, C.B.E., D.S.O., F.R.C.S. ; Sir Lancelot Barrington-Ward, K.C.V.O., F.R.C.S. ; Sir William Goschen, K.B.E. ; Professor T. B. Johnston, M.D. ; Colonel H. L. Nathan, D.L., M.P. ; Mr. C. Max Page, D.S.O., F.R.C.S. ; General Sir Kenneth Wigram, G.C.B., C.S.I., C.B.E., D.S.O.

Hospitals Represented on the Committee

GENERAL HOSPITALS WITH UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOLS

| <i>No. of Beds</i> | | | | <i>No. of Beds</i> | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Charing Cross | ... | ... | 293 | St. George's | ... | ... | 334 |
| Guy's | ... | ... | 691 | St. Mary's | ... | ... | 386 |
| King's College | ... | ... | 420 | St. Thomas's | ... | ... | 682 |
| London | ... | ... | 891 | University College | ... | ... | 617 |
| Middlesex | ... | ... | 602 | Westminster | ... | ... | 258 |
| Royal Free | ... | ... | 327 | | | | |
| St. Bartholomew's | ... | ... | 765 | | | | 6,266 |
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HOSPITALS WITHOUT UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOLS

| <i>No. of Beds</i> | | | | <i>No. of Beds</i> | | | |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
| West and West-central | | | | Croydon | ... | ... | 200 |
| French | ... | ... | 70 | Dreadnought (Seamen's) | ... | ... | 257 |
| Italian | ... | ... | 53 | Eltham | ... | ... | 39 |
| London Homœopathic | ... | ... | 200 | Miller | ... | ... | 172 |
| West London | ... | ... | 239 | Norwood | ... | ... | 32 |
| | | | <hr/> 562 | Philips Memorial | ... | ... | 20 |
| North-west | | | | St. John's, Lewisham | ... | ... | 102 |
| Hampstead | ... | ... | 138 | Sidcup | ... | ... | 15 |
| National Temperance | ... | ... | 158 | Woolwich | ... | ... | 112 |
| St. John and St. Elizabeth | ... | ... | 156 | | | | <hr/> 1,303 |
| | | | <hr/> 452 | East | | | |
| South-west | | | | Connaught | ... | ... | 118 |
| Battersea | ... | ... | 85 | East Ham | ... | ... | 104 |
| Bolingbroke | ... | ... | 135 | Forest | ... | ... | 40 |
| Kingston Victoria | ... | ... | 43 | German | ... | ... | 219 |
| Princess Beatrice | ... | ... | 81 | King George, Ilford | ... | ... | 207 |
| Putney | ... | ... | 76 | London Jewish | ... | ... | 109 |
| Royal Richmond | ... | ... | 111 | Metropolitan | ... | ... | 150 |
| Weir | ... | ... | 30 | Mildmay Mission | ... | ... | 58 |
| Wilson | ... | ... | 72 | Poplar | ... | ... | 122 |
| Wimbledon | ... | ... | 74 | Queen Mary's | ... | ... | 219 |
| | | | <hr/> 707 | St. Mary's, Plaistow | ... | ... | 71 |
| South-east | | | | Woodford | ... | ... | 55 |
| Albert Dock (Seamen's) | ... | ... | 55 | | | | <hr/> 1,472 |
| Beckenham | ... | ... | 54 | North | | | |
| Bexley | ... | ... | 26 | Mildmay Memorial | ... | ... | 47 |
| Blackheath | ... | ... | 32 | Prince of Wales | ... | ... | 238 |
| Bromley | ... | ... | 103 | Royal Northern | ... | ... | 384 |
| Carshalton | ... | ... | 62 | Victoria Barnet | ... | ... | 53 |
| Catholic Nursing | ... | ... | 22 | | | | <hr/> 722 |
| | | | | | | | <hr/> 5,218 |
| | | | | | | | <hr/> |

SPECIAL HOSPITALS

| | No. of Beds | | No. of Beds |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| A. Children | | D. F. Nervous | |
| Albany, Deptford ... | 22 | Maida Vale ... | 85 |
| Baby Hospital, Kensington | 30 | National Queen Square ... | 186 |
| Belgrave ... | 76 | West End... ... | 76 |
| Cheyne ... | 67 | | 347 |
| Evelina ... | 80 | | |
| Hampstead Children's ... | 45 | E. Ophthalmic | |
| Hospital for Sick Children | 326 | Central London | |
| Infants ... | 100 | Ophthalmic ... | 51 |
| Invalid and Crippled | | Royal Eye ... | 48 |
| Children | 36 | Royal London Ophthalmic | 200 |
| North Islington Infant | | Royal Westminster | |
| Welfare Wards | 18 | Ophthalmic ... | 100 |
| Paddington Green ... | 52 | Western Ophthalmic ... | 35 |
| Princess Elizabeth of York | 135 | | 434 |
| Princess Louise ... | 75 | | |
| Queen's ... | 160 | F. Ear, Nose and Throat | |
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