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THE ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

Instituted in the year 1854.



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REPORT

For Year ended 30th September, 1932.

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It may surprise some readers to learn that the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney, is denied a share in the annual distribution from the King Edward's Hospital Fund and the Saturday and Sunday Collections for the Hospitals. Not one penny from these Funds ever finds its way to this Charity. The main reason for this is that the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney, does not cure patients, a task which it would naturally not pretend to undertake, since it only accepts cases which have already been discharged as incurable by other hospitals, or certified as incurable by two doctors. Surely, the fact that this hospital is denied a share in the distribution of these Funds lends added claim upon the generosity of the public?

In Memoriam.

WHY NOT COMMEMORATE THE PRECIOUS MEMORY OF THOSE DEAR TO YOU BY NAMING IN PERPETUITY A BED, OR A WARD, AT THE ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY, A MEANS WHICH WOULD NOT ONLY BE A LASTING TRIBUTE TO THE DEPARTED, BUT ALSO PROVIDE THE ADDITIONAL MERIT OF AFFORDING RELIEF TO THOSE WHO ARE WORTHY OBJECTS FOR SUCH PRACTICAL SYMPATHY, A BED WILL BE NAMED IN PERPETUITY FOR THE SUM OF £1,000. A PENSION FOR AN INCURABLE WILL BE NAMED IN PERPETUITY FOR THE SUM OF £500.

The Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney.

REPORT

FOR THE

Financial year ended on the 30th day of September, 1932.

Presentation at the Annual General Meeting, 25th November, 1932.

A Royal Visit.

THE 9TH JULY LAST WAS A MEMORABLE DAY IN THE HISTORY OF OUR INSTITUTION, FOR THE KING AND QUEEN THEN PAID A SURPRISE AND UNOFFICIAL VISIT. THEIR MAJESTIES WERE ATTENDED BY THE DOWAGER COUNTESS OF MINTO AND LIEUT.-COLONEL REGINALD SEYMOUR. THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTION, VISCOUNT LEE OF FAREHAM, AND VISCOUNTESS LEE (WITH WHOM WERE THE SECRETARY AND THE ASSISTANT MATRON) HAD THE HONOUR OF RECEIVING THEIR MAJESTIES AND OF ACCOMPANYING THEM ON THEIR TOUR OF THE EXTENSIVE PREMISES, WHICH LASTED AN HOUR-AND-A-HALF. THE ROYAL VISITORS SIGNED THE VISITORS' BOOK, AND SHOOK HANDS AND CHATTED WITH MANY OF THE PATIENTS. BEFORE LEAVING, THEIR MAJESTIES GRACIOUSLY EXPRESSED THEIR INTEREST IN AND SATISFACTION WITH WHAT THEY HAD SEEN.

SUBSEQUENTLY, A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM BUCKINGHAM PALACE, SAYING HOW MUCH THE KING AND QUEEN ENJOYED THEIR VISIT, AND "HOW SPLENDIDLY EVERYTHING HAD BEEN ARRANGED."



THIS PHOTOGRAPH WAS TAKEN BY ONE OF THE PATIENTS.

In the picture are the King and Queen, the Downger Counters of Minto, Viscount and Viscounters Lee of Fareham, and three of the officials.

The King and Queen visited the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Patney, on the 9th July, 1932.

To the regret of all concerned, Miss Potter, A.R.R.C., THE MATRON, WAS ABSENT, OWING TO THE FACT THAT SHE WAS ON HOLIDAY IN SCOTLAND.

In our last Report we published a paragraph A new Chairm explaining that, owing to the long illness of Major T. C. E. Goff, the responsible duties of Chairman had been undertaken temporarily by Mr. J. Turton Wright. At the first Board Meeting after the November Election, and in accordance with the terms of our Charter, the election of a Chairman for the ensuing twelve months took place, and Mr. Turton Wright was unanimously elected. After serving as a member of the Board for nearly thirty years, he has a thorough grasp of our Hospital's affairs; his conduct in the Chair has at all times been businesslike and impartial, and he has inspired affectionate friendships on all sides.

In January last the Board elected Mr. Godfrey Mr. Godfrey Foljambe as a colleague. Mr. Foljambe comes to Foljambe. us with wide experience. He was at Eton and Cambridge; he has practical knowledge of commercial affairs; he was an Alderman of the Cambridge County Council; he has served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Tenbury Cottage Hospital, and has done useful work on the Hereford Diocesan Board of Finance, and on the Executive Committee of the Society of Friends of the Poor. He is known in the world of cricket, and is not a stranger in fishing circles. It was particularly gratifying to the Board to be enabled to elect, in Mr. Foljambe, one who was a close personal friend for many years of the late Mr. C. M. Newton.

Also in January last the Board elected a third lady Mrs. Hitch, member of the governing body, in Mrs. Hitch, who for nearly twenty years has been a constant and

welcome visitor to our Institution. Mrs. Hitch has, with Miss Thorne, taken part in organizing the Annual Sale of Patients' Work. She has an intimate knowledge of the circumstances and needs of our patients; she has also for a long time identified herself with many of the social functions upon which our Institution has embarked. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to say that the work of the House Committee provides exceptional opportunities for the application of ladies who serve on that body; occasionally some matter crops up that is better understood by ladies than by members of the other

Mr. T. G. Marriott.

Again, in January last, Mr. T. G. Marriott was elected to the Board. Mr. Marriott, after a distinguished scholastic career, studied for some time in America. On returning to this country, he joined a Company which is connected with the development of the famous Pitch Lake in Trinidad; he is now a Managing Director of this Company, which has world-wide ramifications. We have no hesitation in saying that Mr. Marriott will bring to the Board valuable qualities based on his wide experience of men and affairs. He has been a resident in Putney for twenty years, and among his local activities he serves as a Trustee of the Nind's Wandsworth Church Trust, which is an important means of support to the fourteen churches in the Parish of Wandsworth.

Mr. Howard T. Cross.

In March last, Mr. Howard T. Cross joined the Board; he is a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, and the Manager of an old-established Life Assurance Society in London. In view of his special qualifications, he, obviously, has some knowledge of many of the subjects that are constantly up for consideration before every hospital Board of Management. His long and successful experience of sensitive professional matters is certain to be valuable, and our forecast is that he will find hospital work as engrossing as it is unending. We consider our Board to be particularly fortunate in adding to its resources and strength by the inclusion among its members of Mr. Cross. May his membership prove to be a long and happy one.

The Board record with deep regret the death of Death of a Mr. C. M. Newton, which occurred in January last. the Board. He was a Member of the Board for over twenty years. Charles Newton was a cultured Englishman, a true student, and a good fellow. His friends everywhere will cherish his memory. Our Chairman, in writing

to the widow on January 20th, said :-"Our House Committee is assembled to-day, and we have heard with profound sorrow of the passing of our friend and colleague, whose memory is so close to and treasured by us all. He has left with us an impression that only a rare individuality could leave. He had at all times and for many years the respect and affection which a Committee can offer individually and collectively, with the realisation that his interest in the affairs of this Institution was unsurpassed. We speak not only for ourselves but assuredly for many of our patients, when we say his loss will be personally felt."

At a Meeting of the Board held on January 28th a formal Resolution was carried unanimously, embodying an expression of the grief of the Board at the departure of their colleague.

On May 1st last Mr. Clement Alliston died, at Death of an ex-Member of Worthing. Mr. Alliston joined the Board in 1909 the Board.

and served faithfully and well until 1928, when he resigned because of failing health and removal from London. He was not one who would consent to occupy any public position when active work was beyond him. He was a sound business man, painstaking, genial, and a general favourite with his colleagues, who deeply deplore his passing. He has gone to the quiet haven of us all, and his sorrowing friends realise that, when life was his, he did much to make the path of others less difficult. At the time of his death he was engaged in canvassing for votes for one of the candidates on our waiting list.

Finance is a subject that must be touched upon in every hospital annual report. This year, the figures we present are somewhat misleading. The figures we present are somewhat misleading. total income of the Charity for the year ended September 30th was £65,566 11s. 6d., against last year's total of £64,326 15s. 2d. In spite of this apparent increase of income, the Board cannot help feeling a certain sense of insecurity, for, as the figures themselves will show, annual subscriptions are "down," life subscriptions are "down," and donations are "down." Legacies jumped from £21,922 12s. 5d. to £34,477 18s. 11d. It is, therefore, entirely due to legacies that the year's revenue was so satisfactory. Legacies, as everybody fully realises, are a wholly uncertain source of revenue. Profoundly thankful, as the Governors are, for this increase in legacies, the Board think it only right and proper to suggest that we must not always expect our revenue from legacies to go up and up. If past experience is any guide, this year's goodly list of legacies will probably be followed by some woefully leaner years.

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Ten Years' Legacies.

A patriotic duty was discharged by our Board conversion during July, when the Finance Committee Scheme. unanimously decided to convert such of our slender capital as was in War Stock 5 per cent. The assured income of the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney, is only one-fifth of the annual sum necessary for maintenance.

For some time past, the Board has had in mind Consolation the grievous disappointment experienced by some Prizes. candidates for admission, who, for various reasons, are an unusually long time in getting together

Festival Dinner. It was evident in the early part of the present year that raising money by means of a Festival Dinner would be a most difficult job. The task of persuading some well-known personage to take the Chair was made light and pleasant by a member of the Board, who was known to be a personal friend of Major Sir William Prescott, C.B.E., D.L., J.P., Chairman of the Metropolitan Water Board. Sir William not only consented to come to the rescue by presiding at the Dinner, but he himself gave a handsome donation. At the Dinner, which was held at Grocers' Hall, on the 14th June, Sir William made an eloquent and moving speech, listened to by the 200 guests with obvious

appreciation; he said: "Taking the Chair at a Festival Dinner of this kind is by no means an unpleasant task, for it brings one into touch with scores of people, it opens one's eyes to the great amount of sympathy and charity shown on all sides, and enables one to correct one's theories and wrong impressions. It has been a revelation to me, the genuine good-heartedness that I have found since I consented to take this Chair, and I have been immensely impressed by some of the letters which have reached me concerning the work attempted and done at Putney." The Chairman proceeded to state that, recently, he and Lady Prescott and their daughter had paid a visit to the imposing buildings down at Putney, where they had an opportunity of seeing much that deeply impressed them. Sir William not only spoke of the 250 in-patients, but referred to the 650 Pensioners, who live in all parts of the country, and, he added: "What an immense joy it must be to these poor sufferers to receive the monthly pension cheque."

Viscount Lee of Fareham responded to the Toast in a happy speech; he paid high and sincere tribute to Sir William Prescott and his courageous work for the Incurables; Lord Lee continued: "All who have had anything to do with this Institution are deeply grateful for every contribution made to Sir William's List—more grateful for every £1 collected this year than for £5 in some previous years, because money is so much more difficult to come by. I can only say, whatever money is subscribed, every penny of it is made to go as far as is humanly possible, for the benefit and comfort of those poor stricken folk whom

we endeavour to serve the thanks of all those connected with the Hospital and Home are due to our Chairman of to-night for what must be regarded as a fine sum of money (£5,122) from a people already overburdened with expenses. It must not be forgotten that those who have given so freely in the past are among the worst sufferers from the financial crisis we are now experiencing."

Sir Arnold Lawson, K.B.E., F.R.C.S., in proposing "The President and the Board of Management," paid a handsome tribute to Lord Lee and to the Board. Said Sir Arnold: "This wonderful quality of voluntary effort which we British people, as a race, have got, has built up a marvellous voluntary hospital system. It is that quality which has enabled the nation to make a response to the crushing Budget which the Chancellor of the Exchequer had to introduce, and which has made the whole world gasp with admiration; it is this quality which differentiates us from every other nation in Europe."

Mr. J. Turton Wright, the Chairman of the Board, said, in reply: "Sir Alexander Glegg was to have responded to this Toast, but I am sorry to say he is not well. He has, however, written a cheerful letter, in which he says that he will be drinking barley-water in his bedroom this evening, while you will be more profitably engaged." Mr. Turton Wright thanked Sir Arnold Lawson for proposing the Toast of "The President and The Board of Management," and he thanked the guests for their generous reception of it. He reminded his audience that Lord Lee is a President

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VISCOUNTESS LEE OF FAREHAM WITH A GROUP OF NURSES , THE GARDEN PARTY

who is also a leader, and he referred to the special pleasure the patients now have in Christmas Day, when Lord and Lady Lee make a practice of attending the Christmas Day Dinner at the Hospital.

Mr. T. G. Marriott proposed the Toast of "The Chairman," and he described Sir William as "a courageous, enlightened, and hard-working Englishman—the sort of man we like to honour on an occasion like this, and the sort of man who is entitled to give us the lead on such an occasion. He very pluckily came to our rescue just at a time when we thought that a Festival Dinner was almost out of the question, and we owe him a deep debt of gratitude for consenting to preside, and for having raised the sum of money that has been so thankfully announced."

Sir William Prescott replied in felicitous terms, and explained: "I think we have done very well in these hard times-that, though we have not raised a record sum, we may have succeeded in sowing, this evening, seed that will bring further material benefits to this great Institution.

On the 11th July a Garden Party was held in Goings On. the Hospital grounds for the patients and staff and a few local friends and supporters. Unfortunately, the weather was not favourable, yet the occasion was a success. When the heavy showers had ceased, some of the leading tennis players of the day very kindly attended and gave exhibition games on the Hard Court. A Band of police musicians took up a proud position in the centre of the main lawn, but had to retire to the friendly shelter of one of our wide verandahs; a series of weird side-shows were dotted about the edges

of the lawn; there was a coconut-shy on another lawn. Scores of young and merry probationers in uniform swarmed everywhere. Male attendants and porters and serving-maids and others joined in the fun of the fair; visitors and their children were in eager pursuit of prizes in return for pennies extracted by the side-show custodians. And looking on with unaffected pleasure were about 200 Incurables, seated in their wheeled-chairs or lying upon wheeled-couches. The invalids were, of course, helpless in sport, but they were engrossed by the movement and novelty of the scene. "Punch and Judy" and the "Revolving Horse" caused great fun, and some of the sudden and unpremeditated dismountings from the "Revolving Horse" caused shrieks of laughter. Late in the afternoon Viscountess Lee of Fareham distributed the annual prizes to nurses and male attendants.

This year, contrary to custom, the Annual Sale of Work was held in the month of May, instead of June. Lady Albertha Lopes (who is a Vice-President of our Institution by reason of her family's long and beneficent association with it), in opening the Sale on the 25th May, referred to the fact that she had visited the Home on many occasions, and said that she was very pleased to come again. Lady Albertha spent most of the afternoon inspecting the stalls and chatting to the patients, who greatly appreciated her visit. On the 26th May, Lady Power very kindly performed the opening ceremony, and urged all who could do so to spend generously, in spite of the critical times through which we are passing. Although the sum realised was somewhat less than it had been for many years, the Committee and patients are extremely grateful

to all those who helped to make the Sale the success that, in the circumstances, it undoubtedly was. The Hon. Secretary of the Sale of Work Committee is Mrs. Hitch, of 9, St. Simon's Avenue, Putney, S.W. 15.

The work of the Ladies' Association continues The Ladies' to be a marked success. Distinct from the regular Association. Hospital work as this organisation is, forces are joined at each Election, when the Association contributes to the Hospital as many guineas as its funds permit. Votes at the rate of four per guinea (for one Election only) are allotted, and these are divided among the members' cases on the Association's list of applicants for admission or the pension. The main aim of the Ladies is to help the more "unbefriended" among the candidates. Four-fifths of the votes secured are given to the candidate whose circumstances appear to be the saddest. By the death of Annie, Viscountess Cowdray, the Association has lost a generous President; she demonstrated a keen interest in the work, and subscribed to the funds generously. At the May Meeting of the Association it was decided to invite the Marchioness of Northampton to be President, and she kindly agreed. Lady Gray remains Deputy President, as before. The address of the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer (Miss Adelaide Lane) is 13, Longridge Road, S.W. 5.

The Authorised Lady Visitors have discharged The their duties regularly throughout the year, and have Lady been able to help the patients in countless ways. Those readers who have been confined to their beds or to their rooms for any length of time can appre-

ciate how eagerly these visits are looked forward to and how much they are enjoyed. Besides chatting with and generally cheering the patients by their visits, and being the means, as it were, of bringing them into touch with a world in which, unhappily, they can no longer take an active part, these ladies write letters for the patients, read to them, and execute various small commissions in the way of shopping, etc. The Authorised Lady Visitors consult with the House Committee and with the Matron from time to time, when discussions take place and suggestions are made as to any new way in which the comfort and happiness of our Incurables can be widened. The House Committee always welcomes any suggestions, and deeply appreciates the kindly and practical services of the Visitors.

Still Waiting.

In our last Annual Report a long note was published informing our friends and supporters that we are still without the Nurses' Home of which we have dreamed for so many years. Our new Matron is very anxious that the Governors should begin building operations, but at the present time the majority of the members of the Board are against embarking upon an expenditure involving some forty thousand pounds, unless they can obtain substantial assistance from sources outside the ordinary income of the Hospital. Hospitals and kindred institutions to-day provide their nurses with separate bedrooms, and unfortunately we are not yet in a position to do that.

The Library.

The days at the Hospital are often long, and many of the patients obtain solace from reading. A few of them have friends who supply them with books, a few subscribe to lending libraries, and a few take advantage of the books for which the Hospital subscribes to Mudie's. But most of them are dependent for their reading on the Hospital Library. This comprises some 3,000 books, and is housed in a beautiful room. But many of our readers are bedridden, and many are so physically disabled as to be unable to handle books in shelves. These drawbacks have, hitherto, been aggravated by the complete absence of anything in the shape of a Catalogue. This defect has now, however, been made good. Two ladies who live in the neighbourhood volunteered to prepare a catalogue, and their labours have now borne fruit. It was no light task for them to eliminate the books for which there was no demand, to rearrange the remaining volumes by subjects, to place a label in each book, and to prepare and see through the Press a complete Catalogue. This work, now so successfully accomplished, has brought the books within reach of many to whom they were previously unknown, and has given great satisfaction to a large number of the patients. The Board is extremely grateful to these ladies for their work in this direction, and is pleased to know that one of them is attending for two mornings in each week to give out books to readers and to receive those returned. Friends can help the readers among our patients by supplying from time to time gifts of suitable books to the Library. We have sometimes received offers of obsolete railway time-tables and other such volumes, which can hardly be termed suitable, but gifts of recent fiction and works of a more solid character are very welcome.

The House Committee have for some time had in Matters. mind the improvement of the sanitary fittings of our Institution, and, with the advent of a new Matron,

strongly in favour of such a scheme, these important matters were brought forward for practical attention. Our Architect made careful inspection of the existing sluice rooms, lavatories, etc., and made suggestions for bringing them right up to modern standards. The Architect's Report was considered by the Board, and it was agreed that the work be undertaken. The latest pattern bedpan and sluice-sinks have now been installed, the walls of the lavatories have been finished with white tiles up to a height of 6 feet, and the general arrangement of fittings has been improved-all of this will make for easier working and much more hygienic conditions. The approximate cost has been £470.

The Butter.

In our Report last year we printed a few lines with reference to the food supplied to our patients; we mentioned that one visiting lady had said she knew as an incontrovertible fact that margarine is given to the patients. We contradicted that statement by saying that not a particle of margarine had been on the premises for the last eight years. This information brought from a lady who has been an annual subscriber to our funds for thirty years the question: "Why should not the Patients BE SUPPLIED WITH MARGARINE IF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT SO DECIDE?" She added that many subscribers, like herself, have to be satisfied with margarine. It is not easy to answer that direct question unless one explains that a few of our visitors are critical on many matters concerning the patients: some of them say that the Incurables ought to be supplied with the best of everything, in order to mitigate, in some measure, their sad lot

In a delightful leading article published some An Eye to conths ago, the subject being "The Verger," a Guinea. months ago, the subject being The Times said: "In former days their very nearly clerical status, their inadequate pay, and a general slackness in the conduct of churches, combined to leave an impression of rusty black, crocodile tears, and an eye to half-a-crown." Now, if it were, or is, permissible for a Verger to have an eye to half-acrown, it is most reasonable for a National Charity to have an eye to a guinea, especially when the Charity in question needs no less a sum than fifty thousand pounds a year for its ordinary expenditure. After all, a guinea a year is only fivepence a weekless than a penny a day. If each of our subscribers would persuade his or her friends and acquaintances to give us a guinea a year, how grateful we should be, and how much better would our finances stand. We should be as polite as any Verger, if each of our eight thousand regular supporters would persuade a couple of friends a year to give us a guinea each. The result of this kindly effort on their part would be sixteen thousand guineas additional income.

A worthy Justice of the Peace, living up Oswald-Ogling at twistle way, wrote to us recently complaining that Oswaldtwistle. some of our Appeals had reached the good folk in his neighbourhood. This amiable and purposeful Justice of the Peace expressed his surprise, and very nearly went so far as to inflict his magisterial indignation upon us for badgering householders up in Lancashire over the affairs of a Putney Charity. He kindly promises to keep a watchful eye upon us, and hints at reprisals. When we answered his letter we pointed out that the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney, is not a Putney Charity, but a National concern, and that we had, we thought, a

perfect right to approach those who dwell up Oswaldtwistle way. We always try to tip the logic of our little arguments with the gold of good-temper, and we explained that we had, or have, beneficiaries from Manchester, from Liverpool, Wigan, Rawtenstall, Fazakerley, Bacup, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Skelmersdale, Crumpsall, and Maghull. We took some trouble over the letter to the misunderstanding gentleman. Whether we crushed him, or interested him, we cannot say, for he vouchsafed no reply. Next case!

In Conclusion.

How interesting it would be were the chairmen of twelve or twenty different London hospitals to accept an invitation to draft the concluding paragraph of this Annual Report: what arguments there would be among those called upon to adjudicate as to which paragraph should be printed. It is the final paragraph of every Annual Report that, perhaps, appeals most to the casual reader. Is the Report published to be forgotten directly it is read, or remembered for a long time afterwards? Our friends and supporters have, we hope, read the preceding pages, and an impression will have been gained as to the difficulty of obtaining £50,000 year after year from voluntary sources. Dr. Temple had a favourite saying, which ran: "FAITH IS NOBLER THAN CERTAINTY." That saying may be used very aptly as the concluding remark of this Report. There is no certainty that £50,000 will be raised during the coming year, but let us try and prove our striving for nobility of aim by praying and believing that it will.

> Signed by Order of the Board, CHARLES CUTTING,

25th November, 1932.

Secretary.

There are two Elections a year, one on the last Friday in MAY and one on the last Friday in NOVEMBER. The List of applicants for nomination as candidates for the May Election closes on January 1st, and the List for the November Election closes on July 1st. The Board can deal with only one Election at a time. Friends who send in applications for nomination after the 1st of January must please understand that the papers are held, over for the November Election; just as friends who send in applications for nomination after the 1st of July must understand that the papers are held over for the following Election in May. The enormous amount of work entailed by each Election renders a long time for preparation necessary.

The Matron will be glad to receive gifts of clothing of all kinds for the use of the male and female patients.

All presents of old Linen, large quantities of which are used, will be most thankfully received.

Presents of Game for the Patients are very highly valued.

Subscribers and Friends are cordially invited to visit the Hospital any afternoon between 2.30 and 5.30 o'clock; Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath to THE ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY, the sum of £ free of duty, to be paid, together with the duty thereon, out of such part of my estate as can be lawfully bequeathed for charitable purposes, and to be applicable to the general purposes of such Institution, and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of such Institution shall be a sufficient discharge for the same.

N.B.—By virtue of the "Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act, 1891," land may now be devised to a Charity, but it is liable to be sold within one year from the death of the Testator.

Date ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY, BOND COURT HOUSE, WALBROOK, E.C. 4. Address To MR. CHARLES CUTTING, Secretary. Remittance Form.

send you ast a Donation ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY. a Life Subscription

in aid of the funds of the

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DONATION entitles to Fost at the next ensuing Election, Four Posts being green for each Guinea contributed.

LIFE SUBSCRIBER has One Fost on Life for Five Guineas, and an additional Fost for Life for every additional Five Guineas.

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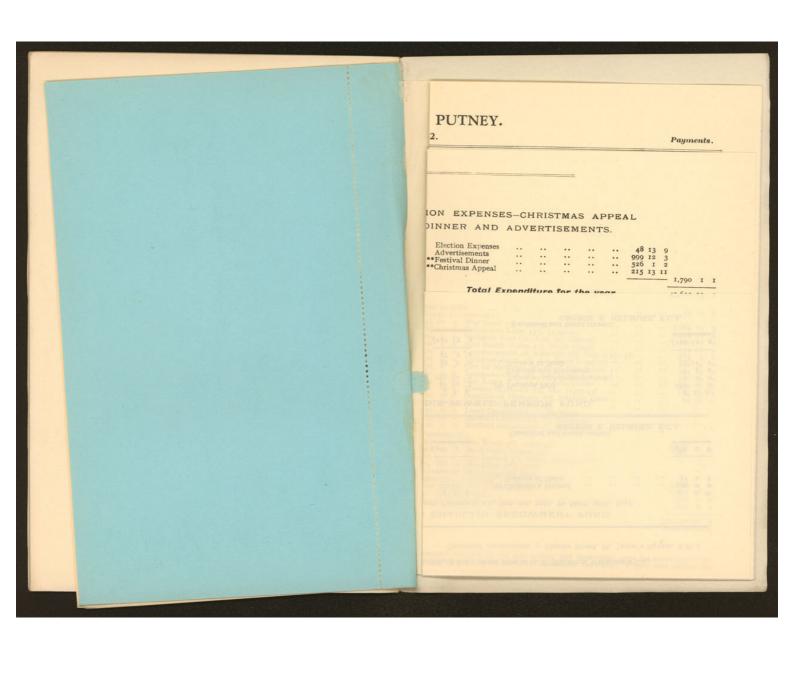
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Inquiries are invited from intending Subscribers.

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Home for Incurables, Putney, at Messrs. Glyn, Mills & Co., the sum of Please pay now and annually to the A/c of the Royal Hospital and 193 BANKERS' ORDER Gumeas. A.R. 1932.



ROYAL HOSPITAL AND HOME FOR INCURABLES, PUTNEY.

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