AN

A C C O U N T

OF THE

CITY OF LONDON LYING-IN HOSPITAL

FOR

MARRIED WOMEN,

At SHAFTESBURY-House in ALDERSGATE-STREET,

Instituted MARCH 30, 1750.

REASONS for the INSTITUTION.

HE good Effects of the many noble Institutions for training up Orphans, and other indigent Children, in the Knowledge and Practice of their Duty to God, and their Country, for relieving the Industrious Poor, under the accidental Calamities of Sickness, Lameness, or Lunacy, and for restraining, and if possible reclaiming the Dissolute and Debauched, together with the truly Christian Spirit of Benevolence which at this Time so generally prevails amongst us, to the great Honour of this Age and Nation; were Inducements with several worthy Aldermen and Citizens of London, to establish a proper Provision for the Wives of poor Tradesmen or others

labouring under the Terrors, Pains and Hazards of Child-birth, as the only kind of Charity that appeared wanting in this Populous and Opulent City.

It cannot but greatly move our Compassion as Men. and deserve our Attention as Members of the Community, to reflect how many unhappy Women, together with their tender Infants, have for want of the timely Affistance of a Man-midwife, in difficult and uncommon Cases, and even after a safe Delivery, for want of proper Diet, Medicines and Attendance, either perished, or been deprived of the Use of their Limbs, or otherwise impaired in their Constitutions, so as to become useless to their Families and burthensome to the Public; and how many of them are daily obliged to apply for Relief to other Hospitals for a Variety of Maladies arifing from the Want of due Care and Affistance, in that perilous Time of their Lying-in, is but too well known! And therefore it is hoped that an Institution of this Nature, calculated to support and provide for Married Women of good Character, in the last Stage of their Pregnancy, Time of Labour, and Month of Lying-in, with all suitable Helps and Necessaries, proper Diet, Advice and Medicines, will be thought a most necessary Charity, and accordingly meet with suitable Encouragement from every humane Person, especially from the Ladies, who cannot but feel, and it is hoped will gladly contribute to relieve, such imminent Distresses, so peculiar to their own Sex.

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CONDITIONS.

- I. SUCH Persons as subscribe Twenty Guineas are Governors for Life, and may recommend one Pregnant Woman to be upon the Books at a Time.
- II. THOSE who subscribe Five or Three Guineas per Annum, are Governors so long as they continue their Subscriptions, and intitled to recommend as in the First Article.
- III. A N N U A L Governors may make up their Subscriptions Twenty Guineas, within one Year from their last Payment, and thereupon become Governors for Life.
- IV. ALL Noblemen and Ladies are at Liberty in all Elections of Officers, to Vote by Proxy fignified in Writing.
 - N. B. All lesser Benefactions are thankfully received. And for the Satisfaction of the Public, that the Women are well and properly taken Care of, Ladies, though not Governesses, are permitted to go into the Wards at proper Times.

RULES

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RULES of the HOSPITAL.

A GENERAL COURT of the Governors is held four Times a Year; namely, in the Months of March, June, September, and December, to receive the Report of the Quarterly Committees, elect a new Committee, and transact such other Business as may then be laid before them.

House-Committee.

A House Committee is appointed at every general Quarterly Court, consisting of Thirteen Governors, three of whom are a Quorum. This Committee meets every Tuesday Morning at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at the said Hospital, to receive and discharge Women, inspect the Diet and Provisions, order any Furniture and Conveniences that may from Time to Time be wanted, and to examine into and regulate the Conduct of all the Servants and Patients of the House. These Committees are to make their Reports to the General Quarterly Courts.

SERVANTS.

A Matron, who is a skilful Midwife, constantly resides in the Hospital, and acts as such in all natural and easy Labours.

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A sufficient Number of Nurses and Servants to take Care of the Lying-in Women, and do the common Business of the House.

Also a Beadle, who constantly resides at the Hospital, to be ready to go on all Messages, on sudden Emergencies, and summon the Governors, &c.

Note, The Servants of the House are forbid to take any Fee or Reward from the Lying-in Women, on any Pretence whatsoever, on Pain of being discharged.

QUALIFICATION for ADMISSION.

Married Women, admitted into this Hospital, must previously produce a Certificate of their Marriage from a Lawful Minister, or in Case they cannot, then an Affidavit of their being married, and the Time when and Place where, and also of the Settlement of their Husbands, and by what Means such Settlement was obtained. And no Woman is to be taken into the House, who hath any Contagious Distemper.

Such Gentlemen and Ladies as chuse to favour this laudable Charity, are desired to send their Subscriptions, with their Names and Places of Abode, to the Treasurer, Isaac Henckell, Esq; at his House in Fenchurch-Street; to Messrs. Vere, Glynn, and b Hallifax,

Hallifax, Bankers, in Lombard-Street; or to the Weekly Committee, on Tuesday in the Forenoon, at the said Hospital, where proper Receipts will be given.

Such as are inclined to become Benefactors by their last Will, have the following Form of a Legacy recommended to them:

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto A.B. and C.D. the Sum of upon Trust, and to the Intent that they or one of them do pay the same to the Treasurer (for the Time being) of a Society, who now call themselves, The Governors of the City of London Lying-in Hospital for Married Women; which said Sum I desire may be applied towards carrying on the charitable Design of the said Society.

A LIST

LIST of the NAMES

OF THE

PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENTS,
TREASURER, and GOVERNORS

OF THE

CITY OF LONDON LYING-IN HOSPITAL for MARRIED WOMEN,

At Shaftesbury-House in Alders GATE-Street, the 19th of June 1755.

*** SLINGSBY BETHELL, Esq;

ALDERMAN, and one of the Representatives of this City in Parliament, PRESIDENT. Tower-Hill.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

*** Mr. Deputy JAMES HODGES, London-Bridge.

*** Mr. Deputy George Nelson, Breadstreet-Hill.

*** Mr. Deputy RICHARD MOLINEUX, Cateaton-Street.

*** Mr. Deputy NATHANAEL NASH, St. Paul's Church-yard.

TREASURER,

*** ISAAC HENCKELL, Esq; Fenchurch-Street.

Those marked thus (*) are Annual Governors of Three Guineas, and those thus (**) are of Five Guineas, and those marked thus (***) are Perpetual Governors.

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*** R S. Martha Ardesoif Bread-Street.

* Mr. John Axtell Dyer's-Court, Holbourn.

* Mr, James Ayscough Ludgate-Street.

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В Laurehce-pountney-lane, Canon-*** Sir Henry Blunt, Bart. Northaw, Hertfordshire. *** Samuel Blackwell, Efq; *** Mr. William Ball, Lothbury. *** Mr. James Ball, Cheapside. Princess-Street, Lothbury. *** Mr. Richard Ball, *** Mr. William Barton, St. Bartholomew-Lane. *** Mr. Thomas Barnard, *** Mr. Joseph Blandford, Swithin's-Lane. *** Mr. William Brady, Newgate-Street. *** Mr. John Brown, Northon Falgate. *** Mr. John Beard, East-Street, Red-lion-Square. ** Rev. Mr. George Berkeley, Oxford. * Rev. Mr. John Ball, M. A. Chesham in Bucks. Devonshire-Square. * Mrs. Anne Bristow,

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 Thomas Carew, Esq;
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*** Mr. Arthur Davis, Aldermanbury.

* General Dalziel, Sun-Court, Charing-Cross.

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* Mr. John Farrer,

* Mr. Thomas Fleming,

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*** Mr. James Garmson,

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*** Mrs. Mary Girardot, • Dr. Moses Griffith,

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*** Mr. Jacob Ilive.

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*** Mr. William Kemp,

*** Mrs. Elizabeth Kent,

** Mrs. Katherine Knap,

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*** Sir Robert Ladbroke, Knt. 3 St. Peter's Hill.

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Tower-Hill.

King's-arms-yard, Coleman-Str'.

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near Guildhall.

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Fleet-Street.

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St. Bartholomew-Lane.

Broad-Street.

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* Beverley Ogborn, Efq;

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*** John Patterson, Esq;

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*** Samuel Rush, Esq;

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** Mr. Abel Rigail,

* Mrs. Elizabeth Rudge,

Watling-Street.

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Stoke-Newington.

Cateaton-Street.

Little Bell-alley.

Grosvenor-Square.

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*** Earl of Shelburne,

*** Mrs. Anne Singleton,

*** Mrs. Mary Savage,

*** Mrs. Sarah Stanley,

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*** Mrs. Rachel Spellerberg,

*** Mr. William Singleton,

*** Mr. John Steward,

*** Mr. John Saffory,

*** Mr. Charles Green Say,

*** Mr. Jenner Swaine,

*** Mr. Richard Shrapnell,

** Mr. Richard Stratton,

* Mrs. Mary Sweeting,

* Mr. John Salt,

* Mr. Thomas Smith,

* Mr. Nathaniel Sheffield,

Hackney.

Cheapside.

Queen-Street.

Lothbury.

Newgate-Street.

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Basinghall-Street.

Coleman-Street.

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*** John Thornton, Efq;

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*** Mr. Dangerfield Taylor,

*** Mr. Thomas Thompson,

*** Mr. Samuel Thorpe,

*** Mr. Daniel Torin,

* Mr. James Torin,

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*** Mr. David de la Vau, Princes-Street, Spittlefields.

*** Mrs.

*** Mrs. Mary Webb, Lothbury.

*** Mrs. Anne Whitaker, London-street, Fenchurch-street.

*** Miss Cecilia Watson, Clapham.

*** Dr. Samuel Wathen, Pater-noster-Row.

*** Mr. Richard Wilson, Minories.

*** Mr. Henry Wright, Cornhill.

*** Capt. John Wilkins, Jewin-Street.

*** Mr. Abel Wife, Lothbury,

*** Mr. Samuel Whitbread, Chiswell-Street.

** Capt. Edw. Woolstencraft, Primrose-street, Spittlefields.

• Mrs. Elizabeth Wathen, Pater-noster-Row.

* Mrs. Hannah Wilberforce, King's-arms-yard, Coleman-Str'.

* Mr. John Wathen, Cannon-Street.

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* Mr. Lake Young,

Watling-Street.

The Number of Beds at present in this HOSPITAL is Thirty-three.

ACCOUNT



ACCOUNT of WOMEN Delivered, from the Institutution of the Hospital to the 19th of June 1755.

Women delivere	d, Te	en of	who	m ha	d Tw	ins,	1141
Children born,			. —	:		,—	1151
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Males Females			552 599				
			1151	• 		٠.	
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Relieved Out-Patients the first Year - 301

Total Number of Women and Children that have received the Benefit of this Hospital, — — — — 2593

At a General Court held the 6th of September 1751, the supplying Out-Patients with Medicines at the Expense of the Hospital was set aside, in order the more effectually to answer the Design of a LYING-IN-HOSPITAL.

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Account

Account of Money Received, from the 24th of June 1754, to the 19th of June 1755.

	£.	5.	d.
Governors for Life, — —	179		
Annual Governors — —	75	12	O
Legacies and Benefactions, —	277	1	3 1 4
Church, Chapel, and Hall, -	214	19	3
Interest on £ 1000 Old South Sea Annuity Stock — —	47	5	0
Received this Year, —	794	8	6‡
Total Received to the 24th of fune 1754, — — }	3853	8	11 <u>t</u>

Total Received from its first In
stitution 1750, —

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Account of Money Expended, from the 25th of March 1754, to the 25th of March 1755.

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	£.	s.	d.
Rent, Taxes, Repairs, Furniture and Linnen — — — — }	£. 112		
Housekeeping, Servants Wages, and }	134		81/4
Bread, Meat, Butter, Cheese, and Crocery,	320	14	6
Soap, Candles and Coals, — —	75	17	0
Medicines, — — —	37	13	0
Printing, Advertisements, Stationary, and Burials, —	50	11	6
This Year's Expences being —	732	8	1 1/4
Total Expences to the 25th of } March 1754 — }	2765	8	9=
Total Expence of the Hospital from its first Institution, 1750,	3497	16	103
£ 1000 Old South Sea Annuities cost	1004	12	0
Cash in the Treasurer's Hands, —	85	8	10 ³ / ₄
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An Account of LEGACIES and BENEFACTIONS.

LEGACIES.

	£.	s.	d.
Part of a Legacy left by Wm. Wbitaker, Esq; late Alderman of this City, deceased, — — —	3 7 2	7	10
Part of a Legacy left by the Earl of Thanet to Charitable Uses,	200	0	0
A Legacy of Mrs. Mary Wickless, late of the Corner of St. Paul's Church-Yard, deceased,	50	0	0
A Legacy of Mrs. Jane Clocker, deceased, — — — — }	5	0	0
A Legacy of Mr. George Cornwall, } deceased, — —	150	o	9
A Legacy of Lewin Cholmley, Efq.	50	0	0
A Legacy of the Rev. Mr. May, dec. 3			

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BENEFACTIONS.

	£,.	s.	d.
Miles Man, Esq; Town-Clerk, —	10	10	0
Mr. William Grainger — —	1	11	6
Mr. Michael Barlow, — —	I	11	6
Rev. Mr. Spark Canham, M. A. —	10	10	0
By R. G. fent to the Hospital, —	I	I	0
Mr George Chamberlain, — —	I	11	6
Mr. Daniel Capel, — — —	I	I	0
Rev. Mr. Jepson, — — —	I	1	0
Mr. John Nicholfon, — —	1	ΙI	6
Mr. Mount — — —	1	I	0
Mrs. Mary Sweeting, — —	1	11	0
From a Lady at Battersea, by the Hands of the Rev. Dr. Church,	2	2 ·	0
Rev. Edward Wilson, — —	I	I	0
John Patterson, Esq; — —	2	2	0
From a Lady, by the Hands of Thomas Page, Eiq; — — — — 3	5	5	0
Mr. Stephen Wethered, — —	1	11	6
Mr. Francis Baker, — —	I	II	6
Mr. William Singleton, — —	I	I	0
Mr. John Shipton, — —	5	5	0
From a Lady unknown, sent to the Hospital	1 5	5	0
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BENEFACTIONS.

	£.	s.	d.
Mr. James Williams — —	1	ΙI	6
Mrs. Mary Perry, — — —	1	11	6
From a Lady unknown, fent to the Hospita	l 1	1	9
From a Lady unknown, sent to the Hospita	lı	1	0
From a Lady unknown, sent to the Hospital	0	13	6
From a Lady unknown, sent to the Hospital		10	6
Mrs. Rachael Tatterfall — —	2	2	0
From a Lady unknown, sent to the Hospital	I	I	0
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Mr. Riccards, by the Hands of Mr. John Steward — — — 3	1	1	0
Mrs. Grand — — —	I	I	0
From a Person unknown, sent to the Hospital — — — — — }	5	5	0
From a Lady, by the Hands of Mr. Thomas Smith — — — — — — —	I	I	0
From a Lady, by the Hands of Mr. William Ball — — — S	I	I	0
Francis Crasteyn, Esq; — —	31	10	0
From a Person unknown, sent to the Hospital in a Letter signed, A hearty Well-Wisher to the Charity	0	10	6
Sent to the Hospital at different Times, by Persons unknown	1	14	o .