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Members of the Distribution Committee also took part in the Visiting.

King Edward's Hospital Fund for London

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1944.

1. His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester presided at the Annual Meeting in July for the last time before his departure to Australia as Governor-General. In accordance with the constitution of the Fund, His Royal Highness appointed a President's Powers Committee to act during his absence in Australia, consisting of the Speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Wigram and the Governor of the Bank of England. The Duke of Gloucester was unable to attend the Distribution Meeting of the Council in December, and in his absence the Speaker of the House of Commons took the Chair at the Meeting.

KING'S FUND RECEIPTS.

2. The general receipts of the King's Fund for the year 1944, excluding legacies, came to £303,583, and were made up as follows :--

Annual subscriptions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£27,161
Donations...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,138
League of Mercy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,500
Reversion from the Nuffield Trust for the Special Areas (<i>less</i> special allocation of £250,000 to Guy's Hospital)	50,000
Dividends and Interest from Investments	214,784
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								£303,583
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The receipts from general legacies amounted to £50,420, making a total of £354,003. After allowing for expenses, the amount received exceeded the amount required for distribution and special services by £48,552, which was transferred from legacies account to general fund reserves.

A sum of £4,938 was also received for various special purposes. Receipts earmarked for capital account were £65. The total receipts, therefore, came to £359,006.

3. His Majesty King George VI, Patron of the Fund, was graciously pleased to give an annual subscription of £1,000. Her Majesty the Queen and Her Majesty Queen Mary were again pleased to subscribe generously to the Fund, as were also Their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Gloucester, the Princess Royal, and other members of the Royal Family.

The total sum distributed among hospitals and convalescent homes during the last ten years is £3,253,319. The total net amount thus disbursed since the foundation of the Fund has now reached £11,283,264.

GRANTS TO HOSPITALS.

4. The total of the ordinary distribution was again limited to £280,000 as last year, in view of the heavy expenditure that would confront the hospitals as a result of the war. The Distribution Committee have

again set aside the sum of £5,000 for the purpose of assisting and encouraging groups of hospitals to join together in the establishment of Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses. The details of the distribution are as follows :—

	1944	1943
Number of hospitals receiving grants	151	158
Number of convalescent homes receiving grants	25	26
Grants to hospitals :	£	£
For maintenance, including recovery and convalescent branches	234,500	232,215
Special maintenance	27,850	25,585
For the reduction of liabilities on extensions and improvements	8,650	13,200
Total ordinary distribution to hospitals including branches...	271,000	271,000
Allocation towards establishment of Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses...	5,000	5,000
Grants to convalescent homes not attached to London hospitals ...	1,500	1,500
	277,500	277,500
District Nursing distribution :—		
Grants to hospitals in respect of out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in relief of out-patient departments ...	2,500	2,500
	280,000	280,000
Special Services for hospitals	7,112	8,554
	<u>£287,112</u>	<u>£288,554</u>

5. The visiting of hospitals by Medical and Lay Visitors was continued in the year under review, and the reports were most useful to the Distribution Committee when considering the claims of the various hospitals.

6. The Statistical Summary of the income, expenditure and work of the hospitals on the books of the Fund covering the year 1943, and grouped in the form undertaken last year, was published in October.

BANK OF ENGLAND DISTRIBUTION AND OTHER SPECIAL TRUSTS.

7. The amount specially distributed on behalf of the Bank of England amounted to £2,255 10s. 0d. (see page 15).

The following payments were made out of trust funds earmarked for special purposes, viz., £939 18s. 2d. to the Miller General Hospital; £993 11s. 5d. to the Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital under the Will of the late Sir John Young; and £90 4s. 1d. to the Hostel of St. Luke under the Will of the late Mrs. L. L. Layborn.

A further grant of £100 was made to the Fund during the year by the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths towards the establishment of Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses (see page 15).

8. The late Mr. Alexander M. Levy, who died in 1941, bequeathed nineteen-twentieths of the residue of his substantial estate to the Fund towards the foundation and maintenance of a Surgical Home for person

of the educated middle classes in London unable to meet the cost in full, and during the year consideration has been given to questions arising out of the administration of the estate.

DISTRIBUTION IN AID OF DISTRICT NURSING WORK FOR HOSPITAL OUT-PATIENTS.

9. In 1944 it was found that, although the number of District Nursing Associations had decreased from 124 in 1942 to 113 in 1943, the number of patients treated by them had risen from 6,967 to 7,287. The sum distributed was, therefore, maintained at £2,500.

EXPENSES.

10. Expenses during the year amounted to £18,238 18s. 10d. This sum includes the cost of statistical and other ordinary services for hospitals, expenditure on the collection of funds, and all the other activities of the Fund except the special services.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE : ISSUE OF WHITE PAPER.

11. At the end of 1943, Mr. Ernest Brown was succeeded as Minister of Health by Mr. Henry Willink. In February the Government issued as a basis for discussion the long-expected White Paper on the Health Services, containing proposals which were bound to have far-reaching effects upon the hospitals. In the White Paper proposals were made for placing the control of the hospital services in the hands of groups of local authorities combined to constitute Joint Boards, and empowering the Joint Boards to contract with the voluntary hospitals. It was at once clear that the proposals would require considerable amendment before they could be regarded as acceptable to the voluntary hospitals, and that they fell far short of providing for a true partnership between the voluntary hospitals and the local authorities in the provision of hospital services. A Statement of Principles was accordingly drawn up in April, and after consultation with the British Hospitals Association and the Council and Committees of the Fund this Statement was issued in July and forwarded to the Minister. A more detailed memorandum, stressing the need for a true partnership and making detailed suggestions both as regards the administrative structure and the financial arrangements, was also prepared and issued in July. Both documents urged the need for a Central Hospitals Board and for regional machinery capable of ensuring the extension of the influence of the universities throughout the whole of the hospital service. On the financial side emphasis was placed both upon the need for securing the retention of voluntary support, and upon the desirability of a system of grants from the Exchequer on the analogy of the grants made by the University Grants Committee. Stress was also laid upon the need for elasticity in the total amount of the grant in order to assist the hospitals, both voluntary and local authority, to meet the rapidly increasing cost of hospital provision. It soon became apparent that the memoranda prepared by the Fund commanded a large measure of assent among the voluntary hospitals. Conversations with the Minister were resumed in October and have continued since that date. In these discussions the King's Fund was represented by Lord Donoughmore, the late Lord Dawson, Sir Edward Peacock, Sir Hugh Lett and Sir Ernest Pooley, acting in close collaboration with Sir George Aylwen and Professor Johnston, Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London. Close contact has been maintained throughout in all matters with the British Hospitals Association.

12. In their formulation of policy much help was derived from the work done in 1942-43 by the Joint Committee of the King's Fund and the Voluntary Hospitals Committee under the Chairmanship of Lord Donoughmore, and in particular from the statements prepared by the Medical Sub-Committee under the

Chairmanship of Sir Hugh Lett. The Joint Committee itself continued to meet in the first half of the year, but meetings were suspended during the autumn as it was felt that little further progress could be made until discussions with the Government had reached a more definite stage, and until the Survey of Hospital Services in London and the Home Counties undertaken by the Ministry of Health had been made available.

13. The voluntary hospitals provide in London, as elsewhere in the country, the backbone of the hospital services, and they have a magnificent contribution to offer to the comprehensive hospital service of the future. They are willing and anxious to co-operate with the local authorities, and it is much to be hoped that the machinery now being worked out will allow them ample scope to show the initiative and enterprise upon which the whole quality of the hospital service ultimately depends. The King's Fund has long recognised, on the one hand, the need for a more systematic approach to the problem of the hospital provision for the Metropolitan area ; and, on the other hand, the importance of encouraging voluntary initiative in meeting the public need. The Fund is confident that the voluntary hospitals will, in the future as in the past, give evidence of a strong sense of responsibility to extend their services so far as their means permit. The need for voluntary support will, of course, remain, for upon such support depends in the last resort the independence and freedom which is inseparable from the voluntary system.

WORK OF THE FUND IN OTHER DIRECTIONS.

14. An account of the work done during the year by the Committee on Hospital Diet appears in the report of that Committee. The two memoranda issued by the Fund in 1943 on Hospital Diet and on the Supervision of Nurses' Health continued much in demand throughout 1944. The work in regard to the Supervision of Nurses' Health was supplemented by the preparation and issue of Health Record Forms designed to meet the need for a system suitable for adoption in hospitals inaugurating a regular medical inspection of nursing and other staff. The demand for these Forms has also proved to be substantial.

15. Much valuable work was done by the Nursing Recruitment Service under conditions of exceptional difficulty. In the course of the year the general shortage of candidates (except to the best-known hospitals) became decidedly more marked, mainly as a result of the increasing demand for nurses, and partly also as a result of the claims made by other forms of national service.

PERSONAL.

16. During the year the Fund suffered loss by the death of Sir Cuthbert Wallace, who had been connected with the Fund for nearly 25 years and had served first as a Visitor, and then on the Council and Distribution Committee, and later as Chairman of the Radium Committee.

17. During the summer and autumn the offices at 10 Old Jewry were damaged by blast from flying bombs, which made it impossible to hold meetings of the various Committees. The Council would like to record their grateful thanks to the Master and Wardens of the Worshipful Company of Drapers for so generously allowing meetings of the many Committees and Sub-Committees of the Fund to take place at Drapers' Hall.

June 19, 1945.

LIST OF GRANTS TO HOSPITALS, 1944

(INCLUDING RECOVERY AND CONVALESCENT BRANCHES).

NOTE.—The reduction or absence of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction or diminished need.

NAME OF HOSPITAL	MAINTENANCE GRANT	SPECIAL GRANT TO MAINTENANCE	GRANTS TO SCHEMES OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
	£	£	
Acton	800	—	
All Saints'	100	1,000†	
Battersea General	750	500	
Bearsted Memorial	150	—	
Beckenham	300	—	£50 towards provision of short-wave equipment.
Belgrave Hospital for Children ...	1,500	2,000	
Bermondsey Medical Mission Hospital	200	—	
Bexley Cottage	50	—	
Bolingbroke	1,500	—	
Brentford	100	—	
British Hospital for Mothers and Babies	1,500	—	£500 towards purchase of country branch, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Bromley and District	1,250	—	£200 towards new diagnostic X-ray apparatus.
Bromley, Chislehurst and District Maternity	100	—	
Bushey and District	125	—	
Carshalton and District	250	—	
Catholic Nursing Institute	25	—	
Central London Ophthalmic	250	—	
Charing Cross	3,250	—	
Chelsea Hospital for Women	1,250	—	
Cheshunt Cottage	40	—	
Cheyne Hospital for Children	75	—	
Chislehurst, Orpington and Cray Valley	50	—	
City of London Maternity	600	—	
Connaught	1,750	—	
Croydon General	2,500	—	
Dreadnought (Seamen's)	1,750	—	
East and West Molesey and Hampton Court Cottage	50	—	
East End Maternity	500	—	
East Ham Memorial	1,500	500	£500 to deficit on children's and maternity wing, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.

† Subject to special conditions.

GRANTS BY THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE—continued.

NAME OF HOSPITAL	MAINTENANCE GRANT	SPECIAL GRANT TO MAINTEN- ANCE	GRANTS TO SCHEMES OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
	£	£	
Elizabeth Garrett Anderson ...	1,550	—	
Eltham and Mottingham Cottage ...	100	100	
Enfield War Memorial ...	150	—	
Epsom and Ewell Cottage ...	150	—	
Erith, Crayford and District ...	250	—	
Evelina Hospital for Sick Children ...	400	—	
Finchley Memorial ...	450	—	
Forest (Buckhurst Hill) ...	125	—	
French ...	300	—	
General Lying-in ...	50	—	
German ...	3,000	—	£500 towards cost of alterations to boilers.
Grosvenor Hospital for Women ...	25	—	
Guy's ...	8,000	—	£500 towards deficit on purchase of accom-
Hampstead General and North-West London	2,500	—	modation for nurses.
Hanwell Cottage ...	50	—	£150 towards temporary accommodation for nurses, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Harrow ...	650	—	
Hayes Cottage ...	35	—	
Hendon Cottage ...	200	—	
Hornsey Central ...	300	—	
Hospital for Consumption ...	2,250	—	
Hospital for Sick Children ...	1,500	—	
Hospital for Women ...	350	—	
Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth	800	—	
Hostel of St. Luke ...	100	100	
Hounslow ...	450	—	
Infants ...	10	—	
Invalid and Crippled Children ...	50	—	
Invalid Children's Aid Association	450	—	
Heart Hospital			
Jewish Home of Rest ...	250	—	
King Edward Memorial (Ealing) ...	1,850	—	£750 to deficit on building fund.
King George ...	5,000	—	
King's College ...	9,000	—	
Kingston-upon-Thames Victoria ...	125	—	
London Chest ...	2,500	—	
London Fever ...	25	—	
London Homœopathic... ..	1,500	500*	
London ...	9,130	—	
London Jewish ...	650	—	
London Lock ...	250	—	
Maida Vale Hospital for Nervous Diseases	1,250	250	
Marie Curie ...	400	—	

* Towards rent of flats for nurses' accommodation.

GRANTS BY THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE—*continued.*

NAME OF HOSPITAL	MAINTENANCE GRANT	SPECIAL GRANT TO MAINTENANCE	GRANTS TO SCHEMES OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
	£	£	
Memorial (Shooter's Hill)	2,250	1,000†	£1,500 towards new diagnostic X-ray apparatus, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Metropolitan	2,850	—	
Metropolitan Ear, Nose and Throat ...	50	—	
Middlesex	9,000	—	
Mildmay Memorial	220	—	
Mildmay Mission (including Annie McCall Maternity Branch)	1,000	500†	
Miller General	4,000	—	
Mothers' Hospital of the Salvation Army	1,500	250	
Mount Vernon Hospital and The Radium Institute	2,000	—	
National Hospital for Diseases of the Heart	550	—	
National (Queen Square)	4,500	500	
National Temperance	2,500	1,000	
Nelson Hospital for Wimbledon, Merton and District	700	—	£250 towards mortuary and orthopædic department, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Northwood, Pinner and District ...	100	—	
Norwood and District Cottage ...	100	—	
Paddington Green Children's	500	1,000†	
Plaistow Maternity	1,500	—	
Poplar	600	—	£300 towards maternity unit, in accordance with the scheme submitted to Fund.
Potters Bar and District	125	—	
Prince of Wales's General	4,000	—	
Princess Beatrice	1,500	—	
Princess Louise Kensington Hospital for Children	1,000	500†	£200 towards purchase of house for nurses' accommodation.
Purley and District War Memorial ...	150	—	
Putney	300	—	
Queen Charlotte's Maternity	2,500	—	£2,000 towards completion of nurses' home, in accordance with the scheme submitted to the Fund.
Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children	5,250	500	
Queen Mary's	3,500	1,500	
Royal Cancer	*	—	
Royal Dental	150	—	
Royal Eye	750	—	
Royal Free	9,000	3,500	
Royal (Richmond)	1,300	—	£500 towards purchase of house as nurses' home and preliminary training school for nurses.

* The Hospital does not apply for a maintenance grant from the Fund.

† Subject to special conditions.

GRANTS BY THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE—*continued.*

NAME OF HOSPITAL	MAINTENANCE GRANT	SPECIAL GRANT TO MAINTEN- ANCE	GRANTS TO SCHEMES OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
	£	£	
Royal London Ophthalmic	2,000	—	
Royal National Orthopædic	4,500	—	
Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear	2,080	500	
Royal Northern... ..	10,600	—	
Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women	1,750	1,500	
Royal Westminster Ophthalmic	900	—	
St. Andrew's (Dollis Hill)	350	—	
St. Bartholomew's	5,000	—	
St. Columba's	25	—	
St. George's	4,700	—	
St. John's (Lewisham)	1,000	—	
St. John's (Twickenham)	100	—	
St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin	25	—	
St. Luke's Hospital for Advanced Cases	150	—	
St. Mark's	700	—	
St. Mary's	8,000	—	
St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children (Plaistow)	1,750	500	
St. Paul's	150	—	
St. Peter's	200	150	
St. Teresa's Home	50	—	£50 towards deficit on conversion of operating theatre.
St. Thomas's Babies' Hostel	125	—	
St. Thomas's	10,000	5,000	
St. Vincent's Orthopædic	700	—	
Samaritan Free Hospital for Women...	1,000	—	
Santa Claus Home for Sick Children...	50	—	
South Eastern Hospital for Children...	400	—	
South London Hospital for Women and Children	2,500	1,500†	£250 towards temporary maternity unit.
Southall-Norwood	100	—	
Staines	125	—	
Surbiton	250	—	
Sutton and Cheam	450	—	
Teddington, Hampton Wick and Dis- trict Memorial	100	—	
Thames Ditton and District Cottage ...	50	—	
University College	11,000	—	
Uxbridge and District Cottage	60	—	
Victoria (Barnet)	200	—	
Victoria Hospital for Children	1,500	—	
Waltham Abbey War Memorial	50	—	
Weir	50	—	

† Subject to special conditions.

GRANTS BY THE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE—*continued.*

NAME OF HOSPITAL	MAINTENANCE GRANT	SPECIAL GRANT TO MAINTEN- ANCE	GRANTS TO SCHEMES OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
	£	£	
Wembley	450	—	£50 towards new portable X-ray apparatus.
West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases	2,000	500	£150 towards new electro-encephalograph.
Western Ophthalmic	400	—	
West London	6,000	1,000	
Westminster	8,000	2,000	
Willesden General	2,000	—	
Wilson (Mitcham)	250	—	
Wimbledon	300	—	
Woodford Jubilee	150	—	£250 towards purchase of house as nurses' home.
Wood Green and Southgate	150	—	
Zachary Merton Convalescent Hospital Home for Children (Winifred House)	175	—	

LIST OF GRANTS TO CONVALESCENT HOMES NOT ATTACHED TO HOSPITALS, 1944.

NOTE.—The reduction or absence of a grant must not be assumed to imply dissatisfaction.

NAME OF INSTITUTION	USUAL ADDRESS	MAINTENANCE GRANT
		£
Children's Heart Home... ..	Lancing	60
Children's Home	East Grinstead	40
Children's Hospital	Cold Ash, Newbury	20*
Convalescent Home for Women and Children	Limpsfield	50
Home Hospital for Women	Stevenage	50*
Invalid Children's Aid Association :—		
Charlton Convalescent Home	Shaftesbury	30
Clevedon Convalescent Hospital and Florence Emma Home	Sidmouth	50
Hawkenbury Convalescent Home	Tunbridge Wells	80
Knowle Convalescent Home	Sidmouth	100
St. Michael's Home	Southbourne	60
Stildon Convalescent Home	East Grinstead	70
Jewish Board of Guardians :—		
Zachary Merton Home (Clara, Baroness de Hirsch Foundation)	Grayshott	35
Hafod Convalescent Home	Woking	50
London and Ascot Priory Convalescent Home	Bracknell	40
Mental After-Care Association Homes	Fairlight	250
Metropolitan Convalescent Institution	Bexhill	50
National Association of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres :—		
Noel Home	Letchworth	30
National Sunday School Union Convalescent Home	Clacton	40
Pawling Home Hospital for Children	Barnet	40*
St. Helen's Home	Letchworth	30
St. John's Home	Kemp Town (Brighton)	40
St. Mary's Home for Children	Broadstairs	70*
Seaside Convalescent Hospital	Seaford	75
Surgical Home for Boys	Banstead	70*
Victoria Home for Invalid Children	Margate	70*
Total Grants for the year 1944 ... ..	... ..	£1,500

* The grant is given in consideration of the fact that convalescent cases are admitted.

SUMMARY.

Grants to Hospitals :	£	£
Maintenance (including Recovery and Convalescent Branches)	234,500	
Special Maintenance	27,850	
Schemes of Capital Expenditure	8,650	
		271,000
Allocation towards establishment by Hospitals of Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses		5,000
Grants to Non-Hospital Convalescent Homes		1,500
District Nursing Distribution, being grants to Hospitals, paid in March, 1944, in respect of Out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in 1943, in relief of Out-patient departments		2,500
Total Distribution ...	£280,000	

BANK OF ENGLAND DISTRIBUTION.

(See paragraph 7 on page 6.)

Of the amount entrusted this year by the Bank of England to the King's Fund for distribution the donations made at the discretion of the Fund came, with the annual subscriptions, to a total of £2,255 10s. 0d., allocated as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
(a) Annual Subscriptions originally paid direct by the Bank	360	10	0
(b) Donations recommended by the Distribution Committee :—	£	s.	d.
University College Hospital, to deficit on extensions and improvements	1,000	0	0
Belgrave Hospital for Children, to maintenance ...	250	0	0
Victoria Hospital for Children, to maintenance ...	250	0	0
St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, to maintenance	200	0	0
Paddington Green Children's Hospital, to maintenance ...	195	0	0
	1,895	0	0
	£2,255	10	0

GRANTS FOR PRELIMINARY TRAINING SCHOOLS.

King's Fund Grants (see paragraph 4 on page 6) :

Lyndhurst (North London) Preliminary Training School...	...	...	...	£1,500
Miller General Group do.	...	...	...	800
Royal Cancer Group do.	...	...	...	425
Royal Free Group do.	...	...	...	200
Belgrave for Children Group do.	...	...	...	200
Glebe House (Prince of Wales's) do.	...	...	...	1,875
				£5,000

Goldsmiths' Company Grant (see paragraph 7 on page 6) :

Lyndhurst (North London) Preliminary Training School	£50
Glebe House (Prince of Wales's) do.	50
				£100

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GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Administration Expenses :—							
Salaries, Pensions and Superannuation Contributions	...	11,433	18	2			
Establishment, including Rent, Rates, Heating, Lighting and Cleaning, Insurance, etc.	...	3,663	2	1			
Printing and Stationery, etc....	...	1,851	7	11			
Sundry Miscellaneous Expenses, including Advertising	...	1,290	10	8			
					18,238	18	10
Distribution and Special Services for Hospitals :—							
Ordinary Distribution :—							
Hospitals and Branches—Grants per Report, page	...	276,000	0	0			
Convalescent Homes not attached to Hospitals—Grants per Report, page	...	1,500	0	0			
					277,500	0	0
District Nursing Distribution :—							
Grants to Hospitals in respect of out-patients referred to District Nursing Associations in relief of out-patient departments	...		2,500	0	0		
					280,000	0	0
Special Services for Hospitals :—							
Emergency Bed Service	...	1,886	1	0			
Nursing Recruitment Service	...	4,708	0	2			
Less : Grant from the Nuffield Trust	...	1,500	0	0			
		3,208	0	2			
Dietetic Advisory Service	...	1,114	15	1			
Other	...	903	7	2			
					7,112	3	5
Total Distribution and Special Services	...				287,112	3	5
					305,351	2	3
British Hospitals Association :—							
Contribution towards Expenses (Pension)	...				100	0	0
					£305,451	2	3

LEGACIES

Transfer to Income and Expenditure Account	...	1,867	9	0
„ „ General Funds	...	48,552	4	0
		£50,419	13	0

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1944.

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INCOME.

									£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Annual Subscriptions	11,529	9	7			
Subscriptions for a stated number of years	15,631	17	0	27,161	6	7
Donations, Annual and other	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				8,138	4	10
Contribution from the League of Mercy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				3,500	0	0
Reversion from the Nuffield Trust for the Special Areas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300,000	0	0			
Less Special allocation to Guy's Hospital	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	250,000	0	0	50,000	0	0
Investments, etc.				214,784	1	10
												303,583	13	3
Transfer from Legacies Account (General)				1,867	9	0

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ACCOUNT.

										£	s.	d.
Legacies received during the year (see page 21) :—												
General	50,419	13	0
										£50,419	13	0

LIABILITIES.										£	s.	d.
Creditors	1,931	0	0
Bank Overdraft (Distribution Account)	2,436	7	10
Amounts retained by the Fund :												
Grants made to Hospitals, &c., retained by the Fund until payable, viz.:										£	s.	d.
Ordinary and Special distribution	40,325	0	0
Silver Jubilee distribution	7,500	0	0
										47,825	0	0
Contributions received in Advance	126	0	0
Suspense Accounts :												
Reserve held against uncalled capital (Investments)	40	0	0
Reserve held for dilapidations (Leasehold Property)	540	0	0
Amount awaiting allocation :—												
As at 31st December, 1943	30,250	17	8
Less : Expenditure during 1944	7,000	0	0
Transferred to General Fund	23,250	17	8
										30,250	17	8
Fund Account :												
Funds to be retained as Capital :												
As at 31st December, 1943	1,848,643	4	7
Add : Receipts during 1944	65	10	0
										1,848,708	14	7
General Fund :												
As at 31st December, 1943	2,527,571	14	5
Add : Transferred from Legacies Account	48,552	4	0
Transferred from Suspense Account	23,250	17	8
Transferred from Radium Fund	7,303	5	0
Grant now lapsed	250	0	0
										2,606,928	1	1
										4,455,636	15	8
Special Accounts, per Schedule on page 20 (partly invested <i>per contra</i>)	68,516	3	9
										£4,577,051	7	3

31st DECEMBER, 1944.

ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Securities and Investments :						
General Account	4,162,696	13	7			
Gift of His late Majesty King George V, to be retained as capital	20,000	0	0			
Special Accounts	45,144	18	7			
				4,227,841	12	2

Assets received or acquired before 21st July, 1908, are taken at or under values adjusted as at that date, in accordance with the terms of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London Act, 1907. Assets received or acquired since that date are included at or under the market value at the date of gift or purchase. The market value at 31st December, 1944, of the quoted securities (*i.e.* 99·9% of the total) was £5,383,903.

Freehold and Leasehold Properties and Ground Rents , valued at date of gift, or at cost ...	316,451	11	4
Cash at Bank and in hand	3,167	0	4
Reversionary Interests , taken for book-keeping purposes at the nominal value of ...	29	0	0
Debtors	29,562	3	5

NOTES.—(a) *The King's Fund also owns (i) a stock of Radium and three Mechanical Respirators, which are lent by the Fund to certain Hospitals in London ; (ii) a furnished freehold house and grounds for use as a convalescent home.*

(b) *There is a liability in respect of Legacy Duties on certain assets transferred to the Fund, the amount of which is not yet ascertained. In some cases legacies are subject to indemnities given to refund the sum, if any, required to meet the liabilities of Executors.*

(c) *The Fund has guaranteed the solvency of the London Association for Hospital Services Limited, up to a sum of £25,000 for a period of three years from 1st January, 1943.*

(d) *Provision is being made for instalments of contributions under the War Damage Act, 1941, as and when they become payable. Claims in respect of damage to property by enemy action have not yet been assessed.*

E. R. PEACOCK, *Treasurer.*

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We have examined the above Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1944, with the Books of the Fund and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Fund's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Fund.

5 LONDON WALL BUILDINGS,
LONDON, E.C.2.

September 17, 1945.

DELOITTE, PLENDER, GRIFFITHS & CO.,
Chartered Accountants, *Auditors.*

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS 31st DECEMBER, 1944.

FUNDS TO BE RETAINED AS CAPITAL (Specifically invested) :						£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
SPECIAL ANONYMOUS TRUST GIFT (1930)						20,000	0	0			
SIR JOHN YOUNG TRUST (1933) :											
Balance at 31st December, 1943						20,144	18	7			
MRS. L. L. LAYBORN TRUST, 1943											
Balance at 31st December, 1943						5,000	0	0	45,144	18	7
SPECIAL ANONYMOUS TRUST GIFT (1930) (INCOME ACCOUNT) :											
Income during 1944						939	18	2			
Less : Paid to the Miller General Hospital for the reduction of Capital											
Charges						939	18	2			
SIR JOHN YOUNG TRUST (1933) (INCOME ACCOUNT) :											
Balance as at 31st December, 1943						130	8	10			
Add : Income during 1944						957	2	11			
						1,087	11	9			
Less : Paid to the Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital towards											
the maintenance of the Dame Gertrude Young Memorial											
Convalescent Home						993	11	5			
									94	0	4
MRS. L. L. LAYBORN TRUST (1943) (INCOME ACCOUNT) :											
Income during 1944						90	4	1			
Less : Paid to the Hostel of St. Luke						90	4	1			
J. R. CATLIN, DECEASED, TRUST :											
Balance as at 31st December, 1943						555	8	2			
Add : Receipts during 1944						19	9	9			
									574	17	11
RADIUM FUND :											
Balance as at 31st December, 1943						31,208	15	11			
Add : Income during 1944						581	11	5			
						31,790	7	4			
Less : Expenditure during 1944						1,784	15	5			
Transferred to General Fund						7,303	5	0			
						9,088	0	5			
									22,702	6	11
BANK OF ENGLAND :											
Balance as at 31st December, 1943						5	10	0			
Subscription under Deed of Covenant for 1944						2,500	0	0			
						2,505	10	0			
Less : Annual Subscription to King Edward's Hospital Fund						250	0	0			
Contributions to Hospitals (per Report, page 15)						2,255	10	0			
						2,505	10	0			
WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF GOLDSMITHS :											
Earmarked Donation towards Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses											
received 1944						100	0	0			
Less : Contributions to Hospitals (per Report, page 15)						100	0	0			
Per Balance Sheet, page 18									£68,516	3	9

¶ Bequest of residue or share in residue.

REPORT OF NURSING RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE.

1. During the year 1944 it became increasingly evident that over the country as a whole the supply of recruits was gravely inadequate for the needs of the hospitals, so much so that many hospitals now report greater need of help in recruitment than they have experienced for a number of years. Not only has there been a general falling-off in the number and suitability of those applying for training, but also the "wastage rate" of those leaving hospital without completing their training has risen steeply during the war years and is now excessive. The Committee feel, therefore, that it is more than ever important to supplement the recruitment work of the individual hospitals by centralised recruitment to the nursing profession. As in previous years, the Nursing Recruitment Service employed many different means of commending to the general public the claims of nursing as a career. The activities of the Service were too diverse and many-sided to lend themselves easily to description in a brief report, but an attempt has been made here to indicate them under headings.

CONTACT WITH SCHOOLS, YOUTH ORGANISATIONS AND EDUCATION AUTHORITIES.

2. During the year lectures or talks on nursing as a career and on allied subjects were given as follows :—

In 61 schools.

To six other youth groups (Girls Training Corps, etc.).

At a National Service Rally of Youth Organisations.

At two Joint Committees of Headmistresses and Matrons.

3. In addition two talks were given on pre-hospital courses and means of "bridging the gap." Six visits to hospitals were arranged for schools. There were 14 visits and much correspondence, mainly with Directors of Education and Headmistresses, on the arrangement of pre-nursing courses, and 17 Conferences with Juvenile Placing Officers.

4. The schools at which lectures and interviews were given were for the most part the larger secondary schools and some of the public schools (Roedean, Battle Abbey, Mount School, York, Queen Ethelburga's, Ripon, etc.). Headmistresses often express appreciation of the Service, and the wish that similar information and lectures could be obtained about other careers.

5. Active co-operation was maintained with other careers advisory bodies, such as the Headmistresses' Employment Committee of the Ministry of Labour, the Vocational Advisers to the Institute of Industrial Psychology, the Women's Employment Federation, etc.

6. A letter drawing attention to the activities of the Service and inviting co-operation in recruitment, was sent to the Headmistresses of secondary schools for girls. The response was encouraging, and much interest in the subject was shown. Evidence has also been received subsequently that Headmistresses have emphasised the claims of nursing and teaching in their annual reports.

RECRUITMENT OF ELDER WOMEN.

7. The Recruitment Service has never confined its propaganda to school-leavers, but has aimed at recruiting from all suitable age groups. Many hospital Matrons prefer to have older candidates as student nurses, and many women between 20 and 25 find work in offices, banks, the Civil Service, etc., unsatisfying as a permanent career, and make enquiries about nursing. Even at the present time, when the majority of women of registration age are already committed to some form of national service and a large proportion are in the Women's Services and unable to leave the percentage of the Centre's accepted candidates who are over 20 is in the region of 26 per cent.

8. The aim throughout is to present the merits of nursing as a career in such a way as to interest the right type of candidate, and obtain a more constant and steady supply than can be secured by intensive advertising campaigns on non-professional lines.

9. General recruitment work has included frequent notes in various women's magazines, giving the address of the Centre. Advertisements designed to emphasise the professional aspect of nursing appeared regularly throughout the year in the "Times," "Telegraph," the Sunday papers, careers' magazines, School Year Book, and at intervals in the nursing press.

10. Literature and other material has been issued for recruitment exhibitions. Notes and literature have been supplied to many speakers. A section on nursing has been written for a British Red Cross Society pamphlet on post-war careers for their members. Talks on recruitment were given at the annual conference of the Sister Tutor Section of the Royal College of Nursing, and at the Swansea branch of the College.

11. With the co-operation of the National Council of Social Service, the Centre's posters and leaflets have been distributed to the Citizens' Advice Bureaux all over the country, and candidates are often referred to the Centre from the Bureaux.

RECRUITMENT FROM THE WOMEN'S SERVICES ON DEMOBILISATION.

12. Much thought has been given to the question of reaping the harvest of demobilisation from the Women's Services. Talks on nursing were given at several careers' conferences arranged for officers of the Services. Literature on nursing as a career (including large numbers of the Centre's leaflet), has been supplied on request to Education Officers of the A.T.S., and other services in many parts of the country, and advice has been given on educational work in preparation for nursing.

13. A letter was sent to the Matrons of all general training schools in England and Wales (471), inviting them to consider immediate applications from members of the Women's Services who hoped to train on demobilisation. The response was quite unexpected; 396 replies were received, and all except three or four expressed their willingness to consider ex-service candidates referred to them from the Centre.

ADVISORY WORK.

14. During the year 4,903 applicants were advised by the Service, 2,149 interviews were given, 12,207 letters received, and 17,150 sent out. This detailed advisory work, often involving correspondence and interviews over many months, seems more than ever necessary since the claims of all forms of national service have reduced the number available for nursing.

15. 1,733 of the Centre's candidates are known to have been accepted as student nurses by the hospitals during the year. Many others were advised at the Recruitment Centre but failed to notify their arrangements.

The number of acceptances is made up as follows :—

Accepted by voluntary hospitals in the Fund's area	...	..	...	694
Accepted by L.C.C.	...	...	...	154
Accepted by training schools (voluntary and local authority) outside the Fund's area	...	...	...	885
				<hr/>
				1,733

In addition, 280 have been guided into pre-nursing courses, day nurseries, the Civil Nursing Reserve, etc.

ASSISTANT NURSES.

16. The Nurses' Act (1943) provided for the recognition and State enrolment of a new category of assistant nurses. The proposed rules for the training of assistant nurses under the Act were considered by the Committee in relation to recruitment and to the staffing needs of the hospitals. It was noted that only hospitals for the chronic sick, for tuberculosis, and for infectious diseases, were listed as possible training places for assistant nurses. The Committee took this question up with the General Nursing Council and the Ministry of Health, pointing out that recruitment might be gravely hampered if assistant nurses were to be recruited as a category of chronic sick nurses only, and that the employment of well-trained assistant nurses could contribute to the problem of staffing the small general hospitals which are not training schools for the State register. It has at length been agreed that suitable general hospitals may be approved as training schools for assistant nurses. The Committee feel that this was an important step, but that there is still much work to be done in connection with the recruitment of assistant nurses.

HOSPITAL CONTACTS.

17. Ninety visits were paid to hospitals during the year. Advice on methods of recruitment was given, and in particular a number of hospitals were given help in producing a more attractive prospectus of their training facilities than the list of regulations which was all that had been available in the past.

18. The movement for the establishment of preliminary training schools made rapid progress during the year in the Fund's area, and by the end of 1944 only about ten of the smaller training schools were outside any preliminary training school scheme. In the provinces the Travelling Secretary made visits to 27 hospitals in connection with the arrangement of group preliminary training schools.

CONTACT WITH OTHER ASSOCIATIONS.

19. Close contact has been maintained with the Royal College of Nursing, which refers applicants for advice on training to the Recruitment Service. Equally, the Service is glad to pass on to the College various enquiries which come more properly within its sphere. Several matters affecting recruitment have been brought to the notice of the Association of Hospital Matrons. The Service is represented on the Ministry of Labour's National Advisory Council for the Recruitment and Distribution of Nurses, and is very frequently in touch with the Ministry's offices on questions connected with recruitment. The Service is also represented on the Nursing Advisory Committee of the British Hospitals Association, and the Secretary serves on the Rushcliffe Committee.

For the Nursing Recruitment Committee,

May 15, 1945.

H. MORLEY FLETCHER, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF EMERGENCY BED SERVICE COMMITTEE.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

1. The increase in the amount of work undertaken during the latter half of 1943 continued throughout the first six months of 1944 when 2,766 cases were dealt with as opposed to 1,874 for the corresponding months of 1943. But in June the flying-bomb attacks started and the abnormal conditions during the last six months of 1944 resulted in a decrease of over 1,200 cases. Hospitals had instructions to admit emergencies only, which meant that there were fewer cases being transferred from hospital out-patient departments as hospitals were able to admit their own emergencies, and in addition there was a big drop in the number of cases referred by doctors. The total number of cases dealt with in 1944 was 4,288—61 less than in 1943. Since conditions have returned to normal, cases have again increased and the cases for the first five months of 1945 were 2,421, only 33 less than for the corresponding months of 1944.

2. Doctors when enquiring for a bed are asked whether they would like their patients admitted to any particular hospital; in 1944 the choice of hospital was left to the Service in 77 per cent. of the cases; this was a considerably higher proportion than in previous years. 3,255 cases, *i.e.*, 85 per cent. of the cases for which admission was arranged, were admitted to voluntary hospitals: of these 1,240 went to the Teaching Hospitals as compared with 1,575 in 1943. Tables setting out the number of cases admitted and refused by the Teaching Hospitals and by the General Hospitals were again sent to the hospitals concerned. As in 1943 the number of cases referred to the different hospitals and admitted and refused by them bears no relation to their size or to their situation.

CANCELLED CASES.

3. The strict regulations concerning the admission of patients from June, 1944, onwards meant that it was even more difficult than usual to obtain accommodation for the borderline cases, *i.e.*, old people suffering from an acute phase of a chronic condition, patients whose emergencies were domestic rather than medical, etc., as hospitals, both voluntary and municipal, said they had been advised only to accept acute emergencies. It was suggested to doctors that they should get into touch with their local Relieving Officer, but Relieving Officers were only able to help if the patient was mental or destitute and in the latter case there was often considerable delay before accommodation could be arranged. The position became so desperate that a letter was sent to the Ministry of Health calling their attention to the hardship involved by the rigid interpretation of the regulations restricting the admission of patients to London hospitals. In reply the Ministry stated that the restrictions were not meant to exclude cases whose condition would deteriorate seriously if hospital treatment were delayed and they agreed that their letter might be quoted to hospitals.

4. As a result of this, the position became slightly easier, but even so the number of cancelled cases and cases for which the Service was unable to arrange admission was high—428. A hundred and thirteen of these were cases where the patient changed his mind or where the doctor having telephoned the Emergency Bed Service, then made other arrangements. Ninety were cases, such as fever, skin, septic abortions, etc., which

needed admission to an isolation hospital which has to be arranged through the local authority, and 84 were cases where a short waiting list was advised as they were not in need of immediate admission. The remaining 141, for whom it was impossible to arrange admission, were mainly borderline cases (see above) and elderly people with fractures. When suitable, doctors and hospitals were advised to get in touch with the appropriate Relieving Officer and hospitals were also asked to try their sector.

5. Following the circular letter sent out in November, 1943, concerning the admission of abortions, hospitals did everything they could to provide accommodation for these cases, and as a result the Emergency Bed Service was able to arrange for the admission of all cases of non-septic abortion (120) referred to it during the year.

CO-OPERATION WITH MUNICIPAL HOSPITALS.

6. The municipal hospitals, both in the County of London and in Outer London, co-operate with the Emergency Bed Service. Only one London County Council hospital will not accept cases from the Emergency Bed Service, and there are two or three others which, while they will accept a doctor's case, refuse to accept a case from the out-patient department of a voluntary hospital. This, as a general rule, is because they consider that a particular voluntary hospital has attempted to unload an undue proportion of unwelcome cases on to them. In addition, two municipal hospitals regularly refer cases to the Emergency Bed Service, while several others have done so on isolated occasions.

7. In 1940, 20 per cent. of the cases for which admission was arranged, were admitted to municipal hospitals. Since then the figure has varied between 13 per cent. and 15 per cent.; in 1944 it was 15 per cent., *i.e.*, 353 to London County Council hospitals and 206 to hospitals in Outer London. This comparatively small number of admissions to municipal hospitals does not reflect any lack of willingness to co-operate on their part; it is because as a general rule—apart from the few cases where the doctor has asked for a municipal hospital—the cases referred to them are those that are likely to prove unacceptable at a voluntary hospital.

FACTORS AFFECTING THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE SERVICE IS USED.

8. If it had not been for the flying-bomb attacks it is probable, judging by previous figures, that another 1,000 cases might have been dealt with during 1944; even so, this figure would have still been 2,000 short of the 7,298 cases dealt with in 1939; and it is nowhere near the volume of work which the Service might reasonably be expected to undertake.

9. The question as to why the Service is not used to a greater extent needs to be considered from two aspects:

- (i) Why more doctors do not avail themselves of the facilities offered by the Emergency Bed Service.
- (ii) Why there is so great a variation in the extent to which doctors do use the Service.

(i) At the beginning of 1943 steps were once again taken by means of circular letters to doctors, etc., to bring the Emergency Bed Service to the notice of general practitioners practising in the Metropolitan Police District. As a result there was a substantial increase in the number of cases and during the year 197 new doctors used the Service and 177 doctors who had not used it for a year or more started to do so again, but even so, the total number of doctors using the Service during the course of the year was only 629.

In 1944 no special steps were taken to bring the Emergency Bed Service to the notice of the general practitioners and only 116 new doctors used the Service while 111 re-used it after a lapse of a year or more. Altogether 727 doctors used the Emergency Bed Service during 1944, that is only about 10 per cent. of the general practitioners practising in the Metropolitan Police District.

Past experience indicates that if their attention is specially drawn to the Emergency Bed Service doctors will avail themselves of the facilities offered, and arrangements are again being made to bring the Service to their notice.

(ii) There is a great variation in the extent to which doctors avail themselves of the Service. Some of them telephone several times each month, and it is probable that every emergency is automatically referred to the Emergency Bed Service. Others only telephone once or twice a year. It is when there is a general shortage of beds that the Emergency Bed Service is busiest and it can be assumed that many doctors telephone their local hospital and their own Teaching Hospital direct, and only turn to the Emergency Bed Service when they have experienced particular difficulty in finding accommodation. Others doctors only make use of the Emergency Bed Service when they wish to arrange for the admission of a type of case which is likely to prove unacceptable to the hospitals, with the result that the Emergency Bed Service probably has referred to it an unduly high proportion of these cases and this helps to account for the comparatively large number of cases—to which reference has already been made—for which it was not possible to arrange accommodation as they were not suitable for admission through the Service.

AMBULANCES.

10. Every county and borough has different arrangements for its ambulance service and there is no uniformity in the charges. The Emergency Bed Service has constant evidence of the difficulties and complications caused by this lack of a co-ordinated ambulance service and it is hoped that under a National Health Service the present chaotic position will be rectified.

For the Emergency Bed Service Committee,

H. A. WERNHER, *Chairman.*

June 7, 1945.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITAL DIET.

1. The interest aroused by the Memorandum on Hospital Diet published in 1943 was maintained throughout the year. Evidence of this may be seen in the letters and articles which appeared from time to time in the Press. Many hospitals requested the help and advice of the Dietetic Advisory Service, and in consequence 66 visits have been paid to hospitals.

2. It soon became apparent to the Committee that there was need of a Second Memorandum on Hospital Diet which would suggest in greater detail the way in which a higher standard could be attained. The first draft of the Second Memorandum was sent to the printer at the close of the year and is in course of printing.

3. It was also apparent that there was need for practical help for those responsible for the catering in hospitals. To meet this need a Refresher Course in catering was arranged at the London Hospital. The course comprised six sessions of three hours each and included lectures on administration, dietetics and rations, and demonstrations. These latter were given by the Chefs of the London Hospital and included the preparation and cooking of sweets, pastries, supper dishes, vegetables and salads and methods of carving; a demonstration on the use of dried egg was arranged by the Ministry of Food. All voluntary hospitals in the Fund's area were invited to send representatives. Replies were received from 87 hospitals and 165 people accepted. The response was greater than was anticipated and it was necessary to divide the hospitals into four groups; this was done according to the number of beds. Unfortunately before all the groups were able to attend the London Hospital suffered damage from a flying-bomb, and further demonstrations had to be postponed until the Spring of 1945.

4. The representatives from hospitals who attended the courses were unanimous in their desire that periodical meetings should be held to enable them to discuss problems of common interest. They also asked that lectures and demonstrations should be arranged. The first of these meetings at which rationing was the subject under discussion, was held on January 30th at St. Thomas's Hospital, and the second at the National Hospital, Queen Square, on April 16th, 1945, when the Film "World of Plenty" was shown.

5. Close co-operation was maintained with the Ministry of Health, and the Committee was afforded an opportunity of commenting on the draft of a circular issued by the Ministry early in 1945. The circular, based largely on the recommendations made in the Memorandum on Hospital Diet, advocated the establishment of the catering department under a catering officer in hospitals with 150 beds or over. Much valuable help was given to the Committee by Dr. H. E. Magee who represented Sir Wilson Jameson at many of their meetings.

6. The Committee has to record with deep regret the death of Mr. A. E. Ceadel. Mr. P. H. Constable has served on the Committee as representative of the British Hospitals Association during Mr. Ceadel's illness.

For the Committee on Hospital Diet,

J. C. DRUMMOND, *Chairman.*

June 29, 1945.

KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL FUND FOR LONDON.

10 OLD JEWRY, E.C.2.

TITLE AND CONSTITUTION.

The Fund was founded in 1897, under the title of "The Prince of Wales's Hospital Fund for London," by His late Majesty King Edward VII. It was renamed "King Edward's Hospital Fund for London" in January, 1902.

By desire of King Edward it was incorporated under that title, and its constitution settled, by King Edward's Hospital Fund for London Act, 1907 (7 Edw. 7, Ch. lxx). Under Section 3 of the Act the Fund is empowered "to obtain from public benevolence by means of subscription, donation, bequest or otherwise "a continuance of the Fund," and to apply the capital and income of the funds and property of the Corporation or any part thereof "in or towards the support, benefit or extension of the hospitals of London or some or "any of them (whether for the general or any special purposes of such hospitals) and to do all such things "as may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the foregoing objects."

The Governing Body under the Act consists of the President and General Council (see page 1). The work of the Fund is carried on under the General Council by the standing Committees and the Officers as set out on pages 2 and 3.

On October 9, 1942, His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester was appointed President of the Fund in succession to his brother, His Royal Highness the late Duke of Kent. During the absence of His Royal Highness in Australia, the powers of the President have been delegated, in accordance with the Act, to a Committee consisting of the Speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Wigram and the Governor of the Bank of England.

RULES AS TO APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS.

Under its present rules the Fund receives applications for grants from :—

- (a) Voluntary Hospitals situated within the Metropolitan Police District.
- (b) Convalescent Homes which are situated within the District, or which, being situated outside, take a large proportion of patients from London.

All institutions applying for grants are required to publish their accounts in accordance with the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts (see list of publications below).

Every eligible Hospital applying for a grant is annually inspected on behalf of the Fund by two Visitors, a medical man and a layman in each case, specially appointed for the purpose.

Applications for grants, and all other communications, should be addressed to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London (G.P.O. Box 465A), 10 Old Jewry, E.C.2.

PRINCIPAL PUBLICATIONS OF THE FUND.

To be obtained, except where otherwise stated, from the publishers,
Messrs. Geo. Barber & Son Ltd., 23 Fumival Street, E.C.4.

HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Statistical Summary of the Income, Expenditure and Work of the London Hospitals. Ready in the Autumn.
From King's Fund, 10 Old Jewry, E.C.2. 1s. net, 1s. 5d. post free.

The Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts. Fourth Edition, extended and revised, January, 1926 (with Appendices on Methods of Internal Control of Expenditure and other matters) and Supplements Fiii 1/29 and Fiii 1/31. 5s. net, 5s. 4d. post free. **Index of Classification of Items of Expenditure** (for use with Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts). New Edition, 1926. 1s. net, 1s. 2d. post free. **Memorandum on Quantity Statistics.** 6d. net, 7d. post free. **Accounts for Small Hospitals, based on the Revised Uniform System of Hospital Accounts, 1928.** 2s. net, 2s. 2d. post free.

Specimen Forms of Tender. 2s. 6d. net, 2s. 8d. post free.

OUT-PATIENT ARRANGEMENTS.

- Out-Patient Time-Table at London Voluntary Hospitals. Bi-annually. Free.
 Report of Out-Patient Methods Committee, 1932. 1s. 6d. net, 1s. 9d. post free.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

- Voluntary Hospitals (Paying Patients) Act, 1936—Explanatory Memorandum. 6d. post free.
 Fire Precautions at Voluntary Hospitals. 6d. post free. (Revised edition printing, 1945.)
 Report of Sub-committee on Patients' Waking Hours, 1931. 6d. post free.

Among the most recent publications are the following :—

CO-ORDINATION OF HOSPITAL SERVICES.

- Some Aspects of the Post-War Hospital Problems in London and the Home Counties, 1945. Issued jointly by King Edward's Hospital Fund for London and the Voluntary Hospitals Committee for London. 1s. net, post free.

HOSPITAL DIET.

- Memorandum on Hospital Diet (for consideration by hospitals), 1943. 6d. post free.
 Second Memorandum on Hospital Diet (for consideration by hospitals). 1945. 9d. post free.
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NURSING STAFF.

- Memorandum on the Supervision of Nurses' Health (for consideration by hospitals), 1943. 3d. post free.
 Health Record Forms for Nursing Staff. 9s. 6d. per 100, post free.
 Do. do. do. (CONTINUATION SHEETS). 4s. 9d. per 100, post free.
 Do. do. do. (MANILLA FOLDERS). 8s. per 100, post free.
 (Including Purchase Tax.)

- Considerations on Standards of Staffing, 1945. 6d. post free.

NURSING RECRUITMENT. All obtainable from :

THE NURSING RECRUITMENT CENTRE,
 21 CAVENDISH SQUARE, W.I.

- Suggestions for the Establishment of Preliminary Training Schools for Nurses (for consideration by hospitals), 1944. 4d. post free.

LEAFLETS: "NURSING AT THE PRESENT DAY." Free.

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LIST OF APPROVED TRAINING SCHOOLS IN THE FUND'S AREA. Free.

LIST OF PRE-NURSING COURSES IN SCHOOLS AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES. Free.

HOSPITAL MAPS.*

- Map and Booklet showing the location, type, address and bed complement of all Hospitals within the Metropolitan Police District, 1944. 7s. 6d. post free.
 Map and booklet showing the location, type, address and bed complement of all Hospitals within the Home Counties, 1944. 10s. post free.

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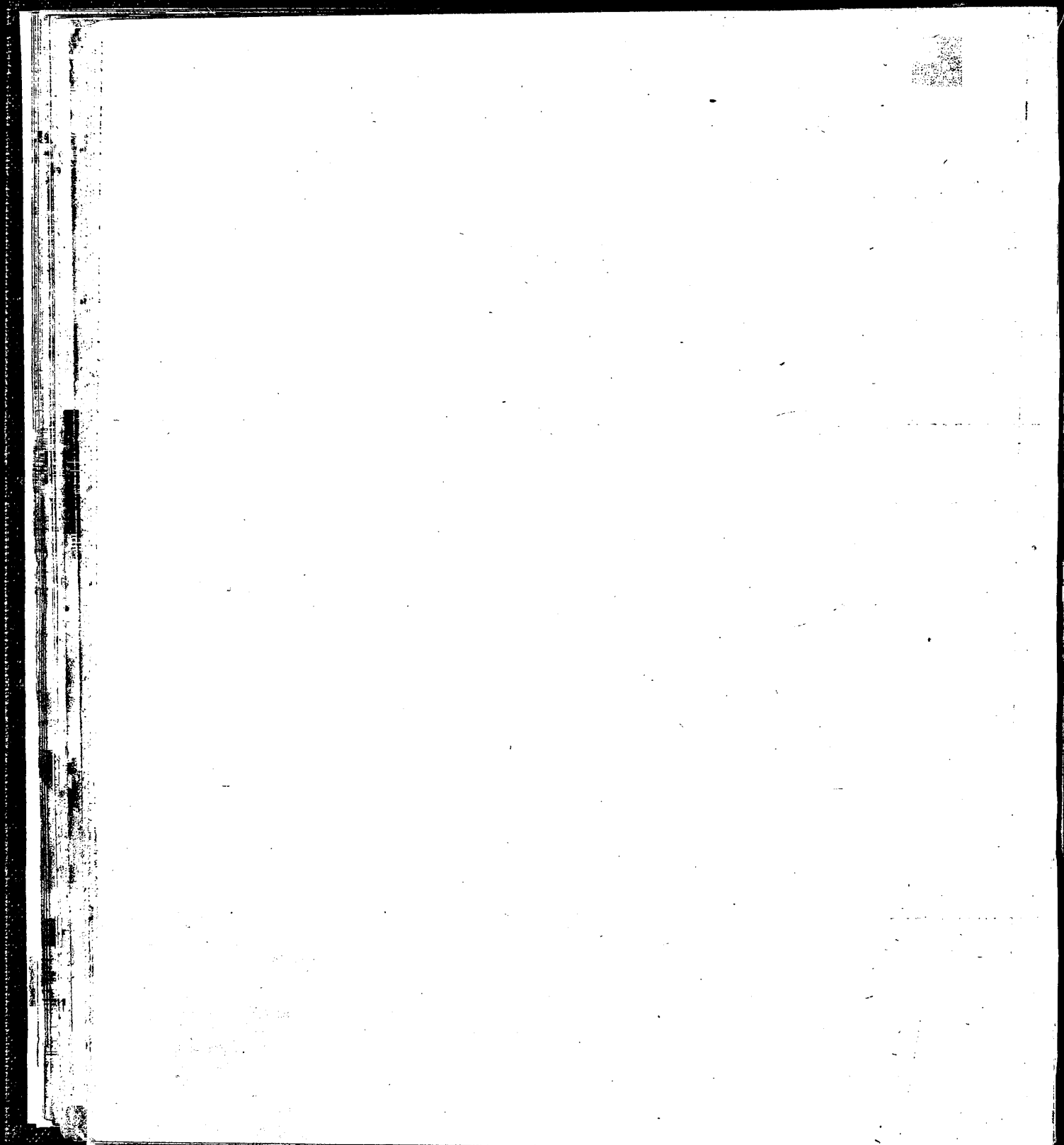
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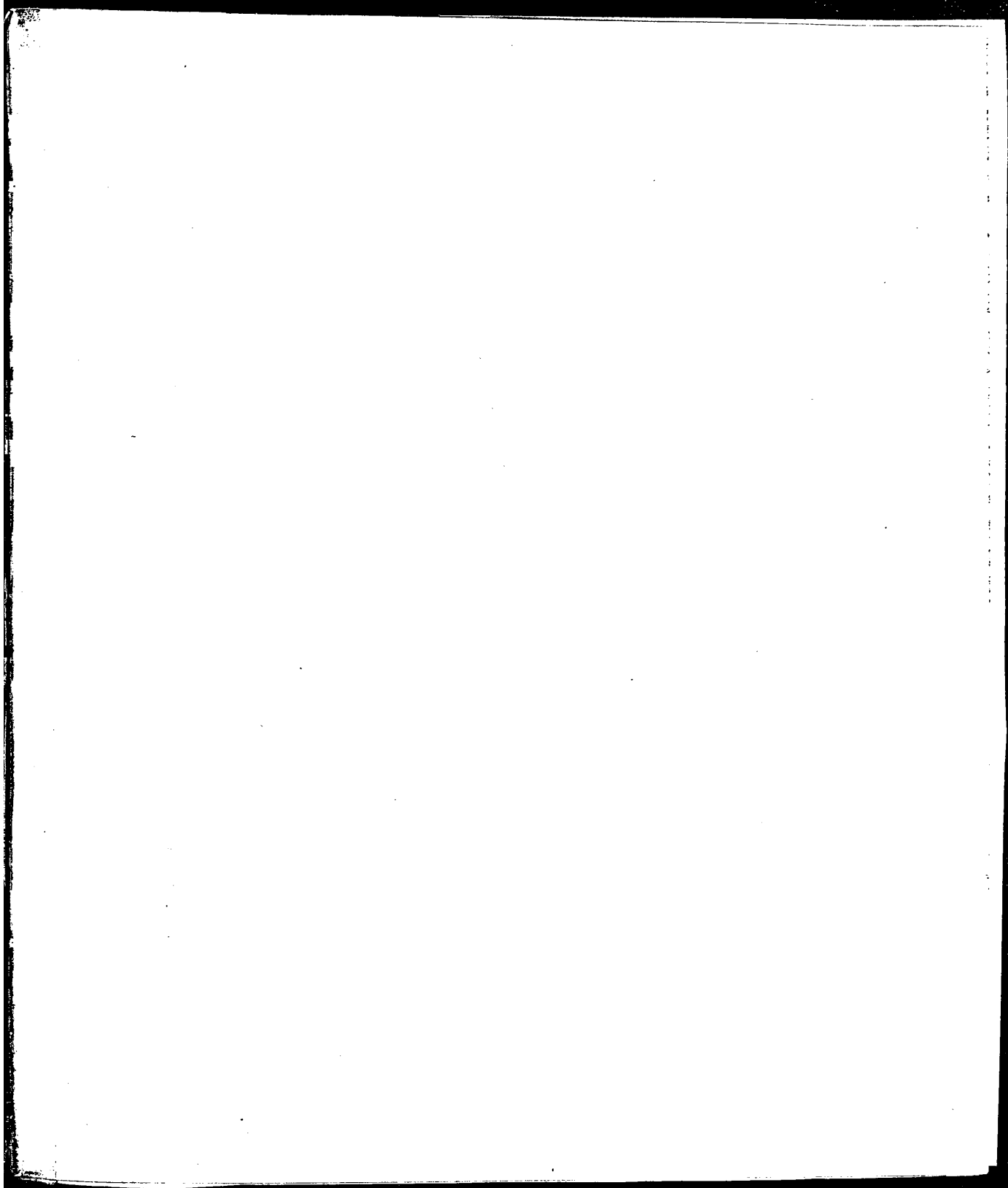
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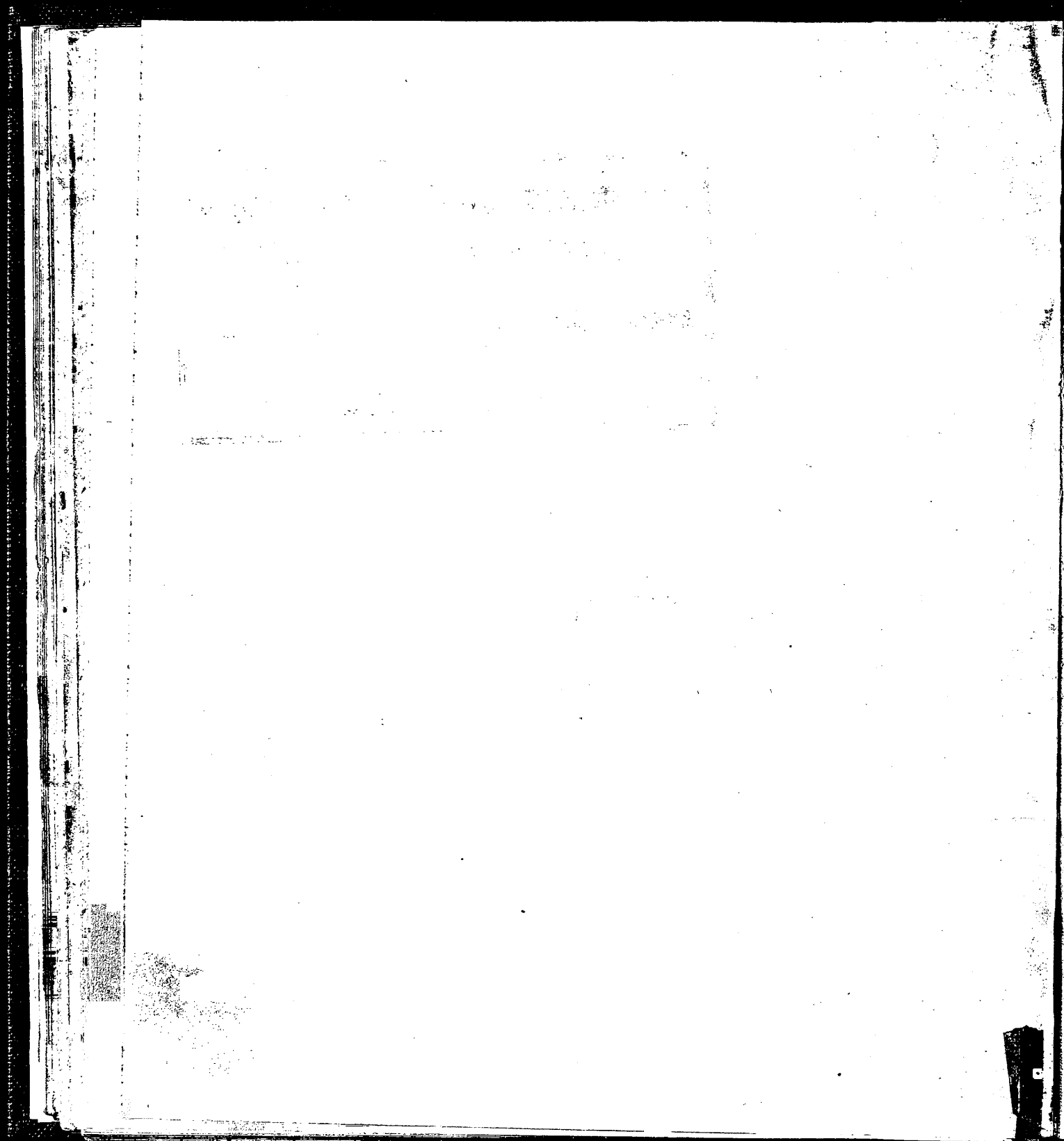
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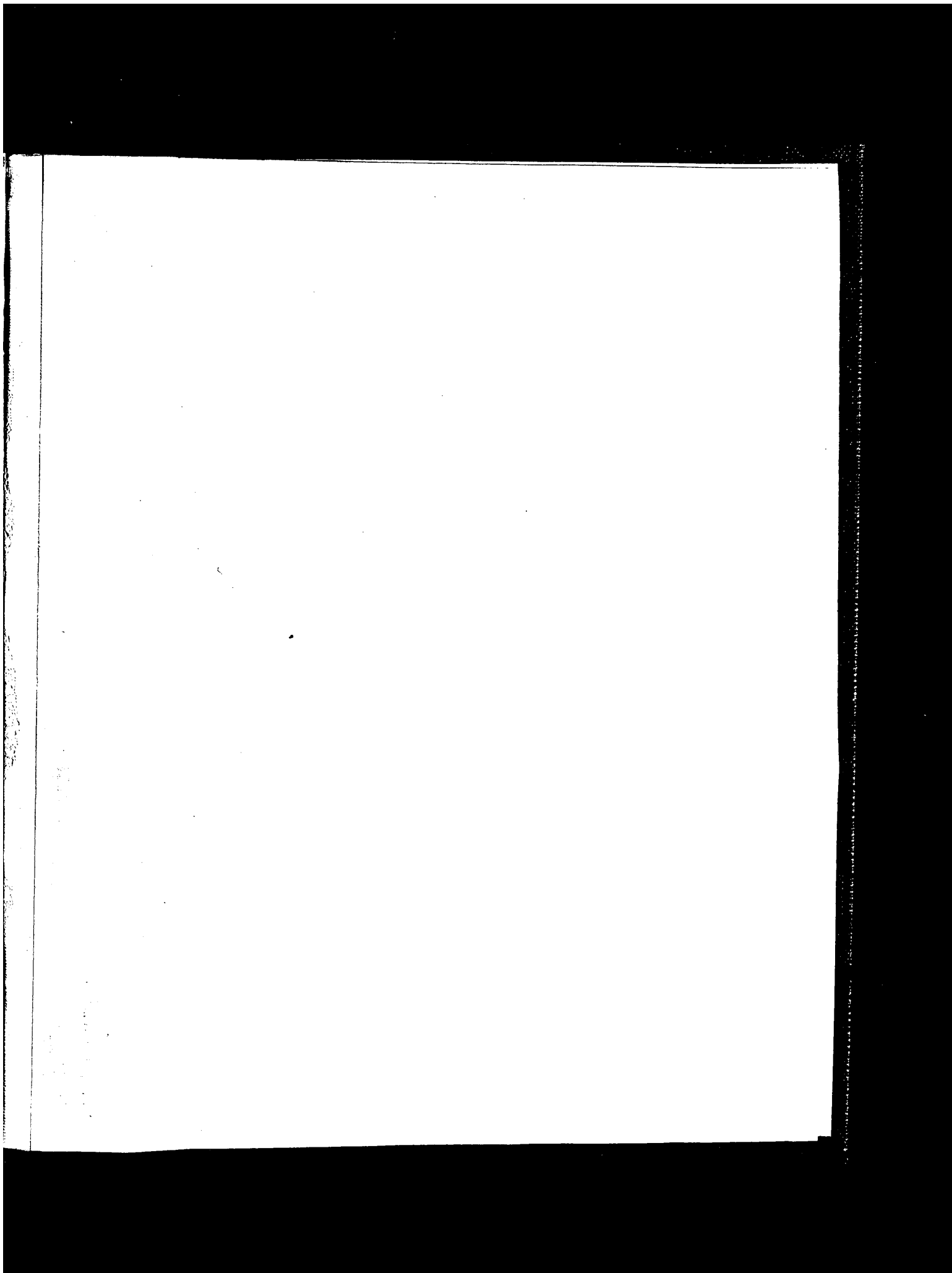
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