

Durham Hospital

Weekly Hours
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At the Quarterly Board of the Trustees & Governors of the
Blue Coat Hospital, holden Dec: 31st, 1748, being the first Monday
after Christmas Day,

Present,

John Bolton Esq ^r , Treas ^r , in the Chair	James Gerard M. D.
Ralph Peters Esq ^r	Edgar Corrie, Esq ^r
Edward Houghton Esq ^r	Nicholas Ashton, Esq ^r
John Roscoe, Gent.	Thomas Naylor Esq ^r
John Greenwood Gent.	Rev ^d . Sam. Renshaw,
Patrick Black, Gent.	Rev ^d . Richard Formby,
Thomas Staniforth, Esq ^r	Rob ^t . Richmond, Gent.
Stephen Waterworth, Gent.	

On the Motion of Nicholas Ashton Esq^r seconded by John
Greenwood, Gent.,

Ordered that a Committee of Enquiry (to be
termed "The Board of Economy") be & was thereby appointed to
inspect & regulate the Expences of this Hospital & Charity School &
all other Business relative thereto, & make their Report to the next
Quarterly Board, Also,

Ordered that the Gentlemen next hereafter
named, constitute such Board viz. The Rev^d. Sam. Renshaw, The Rev^d.
W. A. Houghsedge, The Rev^d. Richard Formby, Nicholas Ashton Esq^r,
Stephen Waterworth, Gent. John Greenwood, Gent., William Dickson Esq^r,
Edward Houghton Esq^r, James Gerard M. D., Thomas Staniforth Esq^r,
Thomas Naylor Esq^r, John Bolton Esq^r,

Ordered that any Three of the above Gentlemen,
constitute a Committee, & that they be summoned to meet at the said
Hospital on Friday the Eleventh Day of January next, at 11 O'Clock
in the Forenoon, & every other Friday afterwards.

Blue Coat Hospital, Jan^y 11th, 1799.

Agreeable to the preceding Order of The Quarterly Board, the
undermentioned Trustees met this Day at the said Hospital.

Edward Houghton Esq ^r ,	Thomas Staniforth Esq ^r ,
Rev ^d Richard Formby,	John Greenwood, Gent.
Rev ^d Samuel Poushaw,	James Gerard, M.D.
William Dickson Esq ^r	Stephen Waterworth, Gent.

They first proceeded to enquire into the Number of Servants
employed in the House, their Names, & the Services expected of
them, a List whereof follows, viz.

- 1 Ann Greaves -- wages £5^{..} 5^{..} p^r Ann. Nurse of Sick; has Care
of the Bed Room on the Dames
- 2 ✓ Hannah Jones -- Do 2^{..} 12^{..} 6^{..} her assistant.
- 3 Alice Williams, not yet hired, her assistant.
- 4 ✓ Ann Bardsley, wages £5^{..} 5^{..} p^r Ann. has Care of Boys Stables
& Cloaths, & of Bread Room.
- 5 ✓ Ellen Barton -- Do -- 5^{..} 5^{..} 6^{..} Cook.
- 6 ✓ Mary Roberts -- Do -- 4^{..} 4^{..} 6^{..} Care of Bed Rooms, on the
Boys Side.
- 7 Mary James -- Do -- 4^{..} 4^{..} 6^{..} Do Do

M^{rs} Ann Brown Do £15 Schoolmistress.

Miss Ann Brown Do 10 her assistant.

Mary Hollivale (bro^d up in the School) sews & assists.

On further Enquiry, it appeared that the Number of Servants
was inadequate to the necessary Service of the House, & that the
Children, particularly the Girls, were frequently taken from
their Learning to assist in Housework.

At the same Time M^{rs} Ann Brown & Miss Ann Brown
gave Notice of their Intentions to retire from their Situations
in the School.

Ordered,

That the following Advertisement be
inserted in the Liverpool Newspapers,
viz.

Wanted at The Blue Coat Hospital,
A Matron or Schoolmistress, to superintend and
teach the Girls, in Sewing & Reading; to whom an adequate &
proper Salary will be allowed; no one, that cannot bring a respectable
character need apply.

Also four women for House Servants;

Any, that wish to engage for the above purposes, may
apply at The Board of Economy, to be held at The Blue Coat Hospital,
on the 8th of February at 11 O'Clock in the Morning.

Blue Coat Hospital, Jan. 25, 1774
A Board of Economy was held this Day,

Present,

Edward Houghton Esq^r

Thomas Staniforth Esq^r

Rev^d Samuel Kenshaw,

John Greenwood, Gent.

William Dickson Esq^r

Thomas Webster, who contracted to make and mend the Childrens' Shoes, last Year, having neglected to fulfill his Agreement: Hugh Williams, of Park Gate, attended, and then agreed to furnish the Childrens' Shoes, for the ensuing year, as follows, viz. New Shoes at Four Shillings for Pair, & to mend (by capelling, foresooling & heel peccing) at One Shilling & four pence for Pair, agreeable to Patterns produced, & to the Satisfaction of the Board; - to bring in his Bills & receive payment quarterly; which Proposal was accepted. —



Blue Coat Hospital, Feb. 4th, 1799.
A Board of Economy was held this Day,

Present,

Thomas Leyland, Esq^{re},

Thomas Staniforth Esq^{re},

Thomas Naylor Esq^{re},

John Greenwood, Gent.

Edward Houghton Esq^{re},

The Rev^d Richard Formby.

William Dickson Esq^{re},

At this Board appeared three Candidates for
the Situation of Schoolmistress, viz. Martha Turner,
Frances Worrall and Marg'et Brown; - the last person
seemed most eligible and was requested to produce
Testimonials of her Character at the next Board.

At the same Time the undermentioned Servants
were engaged, viz,

Mary Brown - - wages £5. 5/ per Ann^m

Sarah Barton - - - - 3. 10 D^s, & a gratuity of 10/-
(if her Services merit it.)

The Blue Coat Hospital Feb. 4 22.

A Board of Economy was held this Day,
Present,

Rev^d. Richard Formby Thomas Staniforth Esq^r.
William Dickson Esq^r. John Greenwood, Gent.
James Gerard, M.D.

At this Board Mrs. Marg^{ret} Brown attended & produced Testimonials of her good Character; when the Rule ⁱⁿ the Quarter Board Book (Page 19), declaring the Duty of a Schoolmistress was read to her: and she, on promising to fulfill it to the best of her Power, was engaged as Schoolmistress, at a Salary of Fifteen Pounds *per* Annum, over & besides being found (at the Expence of this Charity) with such Provisions as are usually procured for the Children & Servants (Tea & Sugar excepted, which she is to provide at her own Expence)

Mrs. Ann Brown then appeared, & said that she was sorry for the hasty Notice she had given to retire at a former Board: that she was desirous of being Assistant Teacher in future:— when the Board, in Consideration of her past Services, appointed her Assistant Teacher at the Salary of Fifteen Pounds *per* Annum as heretofore.

Ordered that the Master keep an Account of the Names of all the Children, Date of Admission, Date of their Birth & Baptism, or Age when admitted, Their respective Numbers in the School, their Parents Names & Occupations, Places of Residence, Time of Discharge, to whom disposed of & how, their respective Masters or Mistresses Residence & Trade.

Upon enquiring into the Expenditure of Provisions in this Hospital for one week, commencing with Saturday 16th Feb^r: 1799, and ending with 22nd Feb^r: 1799 (both Days inclusive) found the same to be as follows, viz.

1442 Lbs Bread & Flour @ 1 1/2	10	7	11
304 Lbs Beef @ 5	6	6	0
552 Lbs Oatmeal @	4	"	9
58 Lbs Cheese @ 5	1	4	2
7 Oz. Pepper 1 1/2, 20 Lbs. Onions 2 1/2	"	3	6 1/2
11 Lbs. Salt	"	10	3
20 Lbs. Molasses	"	11	1
24 Gals Beer	"	8	"
23 Bushels Potatoes @ 1/6	1	14	6
81 Gals Sweet Milk @ 3	1	"	3
151 Lbs Butter Milk @ 1 1/2	"	10	10 1/2
1/2 Fresh Butter 6/6, 16 Lbs. Salt Butter 10/0	"	17	2
Servants in Lieu of Leaf Sugar	"	5	"
Leaf sugar for sick Children & Wash Room	"	1	6
In all	28	9	8

259 Boys
60 Girls
327 Servants
1 Taylor
3 Schoolmistress
340 in all

21
14
5

36
28
64

@ 20 each amounts to £28 6 8

Ordered, that the Rectors be requested to solicit Mr. Wainwright to select & instruct a certain number of the Children of this School in Psalmody, for the Use of St. Peter's Church, & that they appoint a proper place in the Church, for the Children to sit & sing in.

Blue Coat Hospital, April 5th, 1799.

A Board of Economy was this Day holden,
Present,

Edward Houghton Esq^r

James Gerard M.D.

William Dickson Esq^r

It being represented to this Board, that James son of Mathew
Banks was, at a late period of the last Quarterly Board,
admitted into this Charity of a Brother of his (to wit Thom
Banks) having been at a former Quarterly Board admitted
while being within the said Charity,

Resolved that this Board (adjudging itself
inadequate to proceed in the premises) do refer the same
to the next Quarterly Board.

At the same Time Edward Houghton Esq^r took
possession of the Treasurer's Box & Keys, after having previously
examined the several Securities for money &c. therein
lodged, & signed a Receipt thereof to the late Treasurer.

Blue Coat Hospital, April 19th 1799.
A Board of Economy was this Day holden,

Present,

Thomas Stanforth Esq^r, John Greenwood Gent^l
Edward Houghton Esq^r,

Thomas Jones son of Thomas and Margaret Jones,
a poor Boy belonging to this Charity, having, on the Morning
of this Day, about 11 O'Clock, effected an Escape out of his
Bed Room, by the Assistance of two other Boys, William
Crossley & William Williamson, who let him down from the
window by Means of Bed Sheets: & the said Thomas Jones,
having previous to such Escape, taken sundry Articles of
wearing Apparel, besides Two pence in Copper, belonging to
other Boys; — The Board, taking the same into Consideration,
Resolved that Crossley & Williamson be reprimanded, &
Jones dismissed from this Charity.

On Application of Captain Huddleston of the Ship Fletcher,
belonging to Harroport (now bound to the Baltic) that John
Gandy, a poor Boy belonging to this Charity, may (tho' not
13 years of age) be bound to him, as an apprentice, for the Term
of six years; this Board (at the Request of the said Boy's Uncle,
Chief Mate of the same Ship, & upon his ^{amf} who was also present,
signifying that the Boy's Mother was desirous that it should
so be) resolved that the said Boy should pursuantly
become bound.

Blue Coat Hospital May 3^d, 1799.
A Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present,
Edward Houghton Esq^r,

Rev^d Samuel Mershaw,

James Gerard M. D. —

Resolved that the Trustees of this Charity be summoned
to attend a special Board to be holden here
on Friday next, the 10th Inst.

Blue Coat Hospital May 17th 1794.
This being a Day appointed for holding a Board
of Economy, & there being only Two Members
Present,

Edward Houghton Esq^{re},
Rev^d. Samuel Kershaw,

Not any Business was of Course done, for Want of
a Board.

At the same Time Mr. Thomas Spencer of
Worcester Chief Creditor of the late John Smith Schoolmas-
ter of this Hospital appeared & claimed £23. 10. 0¹/₂,
being a Balance apparently due from the said Charity
to the Representatives of the said John Smith:—

And also Mr. Baines, Schoolmaster; Mr. Capper, Cooper;
& Mr. Collins, Organ Builder; severally appeared
in Refutation of certain Charges brought by Mrs. Margaret
Brown & others against the Rev. John Shackleton:—

The said several Parties were requested by the Treasurer,
to attend at the next Board of Economy, & the
aforesaid Claim ordered to stand over to that Board.

Blue Coat Hospital, May 31st, 1799.
A Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present,

For Edward Houghton Esq^r Treas^r; Robert Richmond, Gent.

Rev^d Sam^l Mershaw, James Gerard, M.D.

William Dickson Esq^r, John Greenwood, Gent.

The Claim of M^r Tho^s Spencer, ordered the last Board-
Day to stand over to the present Board; & also a Claim
made by M^r John Pascoe, Jun^r, for the Sum of £3.14^s
due from the late Schoolmaster John Smith deceased,
for Cash had in Discount of Bills, for the Use of this Charity,
being severally taken into Consideration,

Resolved that both these Claims stand over to the
next Quarterly Board.

It appearing to this Board that Ann Grimes, the
present Nurse of the sick Children, &c. within this Charity,
is not only in other Respects a disorderly & drunken Woman,
but also far advanced in an illegitimate Pregnancy,
Resolved that the said Ann Grimes be forthwith dis-
charged from her Service, & her Wages be forthwith
paid to her up to this Day.

Also, pursuant to the Treasurer's Request, the last
Board Day, Mess^{rs} Baines, Capper & Collins attended
on the Behalf of Rev^d J. Shackleton, as before, but
were advised (as being more proper) to attend at the
next Quarterly Board.

Various Proposals being made of Potatoes for the Use of
this Charity, Resolved that there is already on Hand
a sufficient Quantity to serve the same till August
next, & that (as there is a Prospect of a Fall in the present
Price) not any more Potatoes be purchased as yet.
Also, at this Board, the Gentlemen then present
contracted with William Jones for 10 Cwt. of Cheese at
52 Shillings per Cwt.

Blue Coat Hospital June 11th 1799.

A Board of Economy was holden this Day.

Present,

For Edward Houghton Esq^r, Treas. Robert Richmond Esq^r
Thomas Staniforth Esq^r, The Rev^d Samuel Kershaw.

At this Board appeared Edward Kummer of Edge Hill,
The Master of an Apprentice, John Bispham (late a poor Boy
belonging to this Charity) together with the said Apprentice
& his Mother, a widow Woman. — The Circumstances were
these: the Master had (at a former Board) requested to deliver
up his apprentice with the Indentures, complaining of
the Apprentice's Idleness & Misbehaviour: & in pursuance
of the advice & direction of the Gentlemen then present, took
further Trial of his Apprentice, & (finding no amendment
in his Behaviour) applied to Thomas Staniforth Esq^r,
as a Magistrate, to have the Indentures cancelled. On
that Application, being referred to the Exchange, the
several Complaints were there heard before Thomas Naylor
Esq^r (the Magistrate sitting) on Tuesday last, as well on the
behalf of the Apprentice & his Mother, as that of the Master;
and the final Determination thereof, referred to the Decision
of this Board. — This Board having taken the Premises
into Consideration resolved that Thomas Staniforth Esquire
now finally hear & determine the same. All Parties being
heard, & the Trustees then present consenting, the Indentures
were cancelled. — Resolved also that Robert Kershaw,
Thomas Lawson & James Waugh be severally put Apprentice
to Masters then approved of.

Blue Hospital, June 20th, 1799

A Board of Economy was holden this Day.

Present,

John Bolton Esq^{re}, Rev^d Samuel Renshaw,

Dr Gerard.

No Business transacted

Blue Coat Hospital July 19th 1799
This being a Day appointed for holding a Board of
Economy, and there being Only Two Members

Present.

Edward Houghton Esq. Treasurer

James Gerards M.D.

Not any Business was of course done for want of
a Board.

Blue Coat Hospital August 2nd 1799
This being a Day appointed for holding a
Board of Economy, and there being only two Members

Present.

Edward Houghton Esq. Treasurer

John Greenwood Gent.

Not any Business was of course done for want of a Board

Blue Coat Hospital, August 23^d 1799.
The Board of Economy, was this day holden.

Present.

Edw. Haughton Esq. Treasurer
Thomas Staniforth Esq.
William Dickson Esq.
Rev. J. Renshaw
James Gerard M.D.
John Greenwood Gent.

Blue-coat Hospital Nov. 1st, 1799.
The Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present.

Edward Boughton Esq^r
Thomas Staniforth Esq^r
James Gerard M. D.
John Greenwood Gent.

Ordered that Mr. Parks, Mr. Owen, and Mr. Jones attend
the Boys during the Time they are at Breakfast, Dinner,
(and Supper to preserve Regularity, and prevent Waste of
Meat, — and, that Mr. Brown and Mr. Margret Brown
attend the Girls at the same Time — on the like Occasion.

Ordered that Mr. Owen and Mr. Jones attend the
Boys alternately, of Evenings after School-hours to keep
up proper Decorum.

Ordered that the Master contract for the Sale of
the Swillings, and that the Money arising therefrom be
accounted for to the Treasurer.

Ordered that a Servant be engaged to assist Mr.
Slays in cooking in the Kitchen.

Blue-coat Hospital Nov^r 15, 1799th
The Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present

Edward Moughton Esq^r
James Gerard M.D.
John Greenwood Gent.

M^r Mansworth is to send to the Charity 200 Bushels
of Potatoes in 10 Days or a Fortnight and 150 Bushels
out of the Stores when wanted at 2^d of a Bushel of
G. M. Weight.



Blue-coat Hospital Nov^r 29, 1799.
The Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present

Edward Houghton Esq^r. Treas^r.
Thomas Staniforth Esq^r.
James Gerard M.D.
John Greenwood Gent.

Ordered that neither of the Masters, Caterer, or Mistresses
be allowed to keep Pigs, — and that what Pigs are on the Pre-
mises, be removed in a Week, from this Day.

M^{rs} Hays having sent in her Resignation in con-
sequence of bad Health — ordered that M^{rs} Parks assist
M^{rs} Brown in taking care of the Provisions — till the next
Quarterly-board.

Blue-coat Hospital Dec: 13, 179th
A Board of Economy was this Day holden

Present.

Rev: Jam: Renshaw

D: Gerard — John Greenwood Gent.

Ordered that M: Parkis keep an Account from
this Day of the daily Expenditure of Provisions, with
their Prices and Cost to be made up every Friday
Evening, and laid before this Board.



Blue-coat Hospital Dec^r 27, 1799
A Board of Economy was this Day holden.

Present

Edward Moughton Esq. Treas^r

James Gogard M.D.

John Greenwood Gent.

Do

Said Mrs. Hays's - Wages 8 " 8

Peter Gasciane for Potatoes 17 " 8

Mrs. Brown's Wages 3 " 15

Rich^d. Jones Shoemaker 7 " 14

Marg^r. Davies for Baking 12 " 12

Wright & Birchall for Coals 6 " 10

Blue-coat Hospital Jan^{ry} 10, 180th

A Board of Economy was held this Day.

Present

D^r. Gerard - Treasurer.
 Edw^d. Moughton Esq^r - John Greenwood Gent.

The following is a List of the Servants engaged at the Hospital for the present Year.

List

Matron	----- Mrs Brown	15 - 11 - 11	D ^r . Board
Schoolmistress	----- Mrs Mary Brown	15 - 11 - 11	D ^r .
Assistant	----- Mary Hollowell	6 - 6 - 11	D ^r . Board
Care of Boys Heads & Head room	----- Ann Bazley	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .
Care of the Bed room on Boys-side	----- Mary Roberts	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .
Care of the Bed room on Girls-side	----- Mary Marsh	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .
Care of the Bed room on Dames-side	----- Mary Brown	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .
Nurse of the Sick	----- Hannah Jones	3 - 13 - 6	D ^r . D ^r .
Cook	----- Ann Postlewright	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .
	----- Ellen Barton	5 - 5 - 11	D ^r . D ^r .

The^s. Cupard & Nepe - 12 Shillings p^r Week.
 Mary King for Jacket-making 1 Shilling
 each, for Bunches-making 6 each.

Blue-coat Hospital ^{th.} Jan^{ry} 24, 1800.

A Board of Economy was held this Day.

Present.

D^r James Gerard, Treasurer
Edward Moughton Esq^r
Mr. John Greenwood

Ordered that Linen be purchased by the Treasurer for
Pair of Sheets and that - Pair be washed weekly, that every
Bed may have a change of Linen in Rotation once every
Month; that the Beds be numbered N^o 1, N^o 2, &c. and the
Names of the Children placed at the Head of each Bed they are to
keep in.

Ordered that as much Linen be purchased for Shifts
and Shirts as will admit of the Children having a change of
Linen twice every Week.

Ordered that the Purchase which Mr. Greenwood has
made from Mess^{rs} Downwards and Bullin of one Ton of
East India Rice at 28 S. per Ton be continued, and he be
requested to order six Pieces of Blue Woollen Cloth for the
Boys' Jackets.

Ordered ten Dozen of Caps from Mess^{rs} Wakefield's.

Ordered that the undermentioned Children, who have
not returned to the Hospital since the Christmas Holidays,
be refused Admittance into the School, till they send their

Friends appear and then, shew just cause for their Absence.

Jane Robinson - 14 Years of Age.

Mary Rostern - 12 D. D.

Ordered that the Boys undermentioned be bound out Apprentices for seven Years.

John Mantle, 14. Jan^y 23 ¹⁸⁰⁰ - to Thomas Darwin - Baker

James Beeklebank, 14. Nov^r 29, 1799 - John Gore Printer

John Parry, - 14 Oct^r 9, 1799 - John Barkhouse, Sailor

James Newble - 14 Jan^y 29, 1800 - John Mannip, Cordwainer

John Edwards - 14 Nov^r 20, 1799, M^{rs} Charters D. D.

Ordered that Nothing be purchased for the Use of this Charity, above the Value of forty Shillings, by either the Stables, Caterer, or Stationer without an Order from the Treasurer, - nor any Tradesman employed without his Direction.

Ordered that the Tickets for the Butcher's - meat, Potatoes, Straw and Coals be kept by Mr Parks.

Ordered that Mr Jones see the Coals thrown up in a Heap - every Wednesday and Saturday Forenoon and the Yards swept, and cleared.

Ordered that a Book, with the Names of 200 Children employed in the Pin Manufactory, be kept and that such Book, shall have two Columns, one for Morning and another for Afternoon - and that it be laid before every Board of Economy.

Blue-coat Hospital Feb. 7th 1800.

Present

D^r James Gerard Treasurer.
Thomas Mansforth Esq^r
Edward Houghton Esq^r
M^r John Greenwood

The Treasurer having represented to this Board that the Order of the last quarterly Board which appointed M^{rs} Ann Brown the Matron, subject to the Direction and Superintendance of M^r and M^{rs} Parks is not complied with, it is now ordered that the said Appointments be enforced and that the Treasurer make it known by reading both the original Appointment and the present Order to M^{rs} Ann Brown in the Presence of all the other Servants.

Ordered that the Scales, Weights, and Measures be adjusted by the Standard at the Market-house.

Blue-coat Hospital Feb. 21, 1800

A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

D^o James Gerard Treas^r

Rev^d Sam^l Renshaw

Rev^d Rich^d Formby

Thos. Naylor Esq.

Edw^d Moughton Esq.

John Greenwood Merch.

The six Pieces of blue Woollen-cloth M^r Greenwood was requested to write for are ordered.

The Boys ordered to be put Apprentices are respectively bound to different Masters with the Approbation of their Friends and have left the School.

The Number of Children now remaining in the House is 227 Boys and 89 Girls.

The Scales, Weights, and Measures have been adjusted.

Very soon after the last Board, Circumstances came to the Knowledge of the Treasurer which in his Opinion required an entire Change of all the Servants. He, therefore thought it unnecessary to read the Order of that Board respecting Dame Brown, and this Board (after hearing the Treasurer's Report) being of the same Opinion and thinking it desirable to get Servants that have no Connections in the Town, do request M^r Park's will go amongst her Friends at Harwarden as soon as M^r Brown is well enough to attend to the Business and get them to assist her in procuring such Servants as she thinks will be able to execute the Business of the House to her Satisfaction.

Ordered that all the Keys be given up to M^r Park's when she returns from Harwarden.

Ordered that the Allowance of Flour to the Servants be discontinued except to Mr^s Ann Brown, Mr^s Mary Brown and Mary Hottiwell - and that in Lieu thereof each of the other Servants shall have one Pound $\frac{1}{2}$ Day of the same Bread that is made use for the Children.

Ordered that the Application of Mr^s Harrison, Mr^s Barrow, and Mr^s Richardson, who supply the House with Milk, &c. for an Advance of one half-penny $\frac{1}{2}$ Gallon both on sweet and sour Milk, making the former $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Gallon, and the latter $\frac{3}{4}$ - be complied with; but it is required that each Person shall deliver it on a different Day to the other two, and that they give full Measure.

Ordered that the Treasurer request Mr^s Woods to write to his Correspondent at Ulverstone for 50 lb. Weight of Blue Worsted - 25 lb. of black, and 25 lb. of white as $\frac{1}{2}$ Samples.

Ordered that as many Bed-sticks as are wanted be permanently repaired, and that an Account be taken of the Number of them in each Bed-room.

Ordered that such Bed-ticks, Quilts, Blankets and Sheets as require it be also effectually repaired, and that an Account be afterwards made out of the Number of each of these in each Bed-room, and how many of each will necessarily be required to admit of having a proper Change upon all future Occasions either of Repair or Washing, or for additional Warmth in Winter.

Ordered that all the Childrens Clothes be effectually repaired, and that an Account be taken of each Part of their Dress both Boys and Girls including Linen, Stockings, and Shoes, and the Charge they have of each; - and that an Account be given in to the Treasurer of the Stock of new Clothes on Hand, and the new Materials for making others, and what Supply of each Article is required to make such a Stock of the different Parts of their

respective Dresses as will put all the Children into decent Attire.

Ordered that sufficient temporary Assistance be procured to get these respective necessary Repairs effected as soon as possible.

Ordered that this Board meet every Friday Morning at 10 o'clock, till the Quarterly Board in March.

Blue-coat Hospital ^{th.} March 7, 1800.
A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

James Gerard, M.D. Treas.
Edw. Moughton Esq.

Thos. Manifold Esq.
Jn. Greenwood Gent.

The Master, having represented, that on Monday Evening last, Vance, Grayson, Thornton, Wakefield, Madeline, Gibbons, and Lee effected an Escape out of the Hospital, and went into a Methodist's Chapel in Pit street, where they behaved in the most indecent manner: One of them attempted to steal a Hat. Same Evening Gibbons threw a Brick into a Mug-shop at the Top of Church-street, and broke Mugs to the Value of Half-a-Crown, and that he had punished Gibbons and Lee, who are returned:

Ordered that Vance be told, that he must expect to be dismissed after the Quarterly-board, and that the other Boys who are not returned be refused Admittance until their Friends appear with them at the next Board of Economy.

Mr Woods has obligingly complied with the Request of the Board in writing for Moxsted.

An adjourned Meeting of the Board
of Economy held 14th of March 1800.

Present

D^r James Gerard - Treas^r Thos^s Stanforth Esq.
Rev^d R^d Formby Thos^s Saylor Esq.
John Greenwood Gent.

Wakefield and Thornton two of the Boys who had absconded, having returned to the House the Treasurer thought proper, in consequence of their former uniformly good Conduct to receive them until the Meeting of the Board of Economy this Day - and the Board do for the same Reasons order them to be continued in the School, and at the same Time direct the Master to discharge Vance, Penkethman, Watkins and Grayson - on account of their former bad Conduct, - as an Example to the other Boys.

M^rs Parks, having returned from Hawarden and reported that she had engaged three Servants; and three others (Strangers in the Town) having offered - who were approved of - ordered that the former Servants be discharged, and those from Hawarden sent for.

Blue-coat Hospital March 21st 1800.
A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present.

Dr. James Gerard - Treas^r. Tho^s. Stanforth Esq.
Rev. Sam^l. Kershaw, Edw^d. Moughton Esq.
Rev. Rich^d. Formby.

The following Boys left the Hospital since last Friday
but are returned - Wakefield, Gibbons, Knox, Richards,
John and Edw^d. Jones, Morgan, Ford, Waites, Maywood,
Scarrott, Wilding and Develling.

The Order of the last Meeting for expelling four Boys
having had a contrary Effect to what was intended and
encouraged others to absent themselves: — ordered
that the Mode of correcting this Offence be left to the
consideration of the approaching Quarterly — board.
Ordered that the Treasurer inform Mr. Owen and
Mr. Jones, that the Board of Economy mean to recom-
mend it to the Quarterly board to employ single Men
in their Stations, and therefore advise them to look for
other Situations.

Blue-coat Hospital. ^{the} March 28, 1800
A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

Dr. James Gerard. Treas^r. Edw. Moughton Esq.

No Business was done for want of a sufficient
Number of Members to constitute a Board.

Blue-coat Hospital April 14, 1800.

A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer.
Robert Richmond Esq.

On Wednesday last as Mr. Donald, Richards, & Know were going to Mr. Meredith's to sing - they stole six Pocket Handkerchiefs, & a Shilling Loaf of Bread: for which the Treasurer ordered them to be confined till this Board should direct what Punishment should be inflicted. Richards & Know have absconded two or three Times since Christmas, and are very disorderly Boys, but Mr. Donald always behaved with Propriety till now.

The Rule in the original Decree which appoints the holding of a weekly Meeting of the Governors directs that six Trustees shall constitute a Board, - the Gentlemen who met therefore not being a Board, ordered that the above named Boys should still be continued in confinement till the next Meeting.

Blue-coat Hospital April 21, 1800th
A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

D^r James Gerard, Treas^r.

Jonathan Campbell was last Week taken out of the Hospital by his Mother - in consequence of not having Permission to go to see her on Saturdays as usual.

The Boys reported last Monday as having stolen some Handkerchiefs and Bread, are still in close confinement.

On Tuesday last M^{rs} Morgan stole a Handkerchief and gave it to a Boy belonging to the Charity, but had not returned to the Hospital since. The Handkerchief has been restored to the Owner.

For want of a Board the Treasurer directed that the Boys should be kept in close confinement.

Blue-coat Hospital April 28, 1800

A Board of Economy was this Day held.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas.^r Tho. Stanforth Esq.
Rev. Sam. Renshaw John Greenwood Gent.

The Treasurer reported that he had consulted the Mayor Alderman Naylor, and Mr. Matham respecting the Boys who had stolen the Handkerchiefs & Bread, and they being of Opinion, that it would hurt the Charity to have them publicly examined, & also that the Boys would most probably be ruined if they were expelled: He has ordered them to be received into the School again, but with the greatest Disgrace, and after being severely flogged.

The Mother of Mr. Morgan who stole the Handkerchief on Tuesday the 15th Inst. has brought him back & petitions to have him readmitted.

The Motives mentioned before respecting the other Boys induced the Trustees present to readmit him, after reprimanding and ordering him to be flogged.

On Saturday Evening last, Nancy Powell & Margt. Roberts (two of the Servants) got leave to go to visit their Friends: They did not return, however, till Sunday Morning, and had three Men locked up with them in the Kitchen at 12 o'clock that Night: A Bowl of Rice was also secreted by Powell, which it is supposed, was intended to be put into the Swilling Tub, as the Woman who purchased the Swillings had given her some Tea, &c.

Altho' there is not a Board the Trustees present ordered the Servants to be discharged immediately - paying them their Wages up to this Day and no longer.

Ordered also that the Practice of setting the Swillings
be discontinued, and that instead thereof, a Pig, or two be
occasionally purchased & fed for the Benefit of the
Hospital.

Desired the Treasurer would request the Rev^d Rob^t
Roughsedge to order 100 Prayer-books from the Society
for the Promoting Christian Knowledge for the Use
of such Children as can read.

The Trustees present also directed Mr. Parks to pay
Thos. Oxford the Taylor sixteen Shillings p^r Week and
his Dinner every Sunday till further Orders instead
of twelve Shillings p^r Week and the Perquisites he
has been accustomed to have; and that he pay
Mr. Jones seven Shillings p^r Week from the first of
April on account of the Services his Wife has rendered
the Charity, in Washing and Combing the Children, &c.
and that he continue to pay the same till further
Orders, or whilst there is a Want of Servants, and
she continues to do the Business of one.

Ordered that the Children who wet their Beds
have no Liquid for Supper, and that they be called
up to make Water every Night at ten o'clock or
later, and be made to clean after themselves.

Blue-coat Hospital ^{111.} May 5, 1800

Present

D^r James Gerard Treas^r Ralph Peters Esq.
Rev^d Sam^l Renshaw Fr^s Greenwood Gent.

No additional Servants having been taken since Powell & Roberts were discharged, & Nancy Jones with the Assistance of some of the Girls, - having got the Rooms into better order than they were before, that is, sweeter and cleaner & the Beds better made - The Trustees present recommend Mrs Park's to employ the eight following Girls, on Washing & Baking Days: and four of them Daily in the other Business of the House, changing the four every other Week alternately, viz. Ann Stringer, Eliza Langley, Ann Arrowsmith, Elizabeth Lea, Jane Satimore, Mary Budge, Eliza Hays, and Ann Stephenson.

Blue coat Hospital ^{the} May 12, 1800
Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.
Wm. Cubbin Esq. John Greenwood Gent.

The Boys who were accustomed to wet their Beds have been much better since the Regulations ordered on the 28th of April have been adopted and the Rooms are nearly as sweet and clean as the others.

M^{rs} Wheeler the Washerwoman having applied for an Advance of Wages, the Trustees present agreed to their being raised to 13^{/-} per Day and her Meat until farther Orders.

Blue-coat Hospital May 19th 1800.
Present

D^r James Geiard, Treasurer
Rev^d Sam. Kenshaw Tho^s Stanforth Esq
Edw^d Moughton Esq. John Greenwood Gent.

Several Charges were made against Mrs. Margt. Brown, but not being substantiated — it was thought proper not to record them, although it appeared that she had unthinkingly given some ground for Enquiry into them. She afterwards reminded the Treasurer that she had more than once informed him of her Intention to resign her Situation, and repeated that she wished to be at Liberty, as it was become very uncomfortable to her. The Trustees present therefore accepted her Resignation, and ordered Mr. Parks to pay her up to the 26th of this Inst. May, on which Day she is to leave the Hospital and deliver up the Linen, and other Articles under her Charge to the care of Mr. Parks.

The Masters having represented that Ann Arrowsmith, Eliza Mays, and Ann Stephenson were the only Girls out of those named by the Board on the 5th of May who could execute the Work, or on whom she could depend, and they being nearly of Age to leave the School, it was thought proper to employ them as Servants and make them such Allowance by Way of Wages, as the next quarterly Board shall direct, but without being bound apprentice to the Charity as has been done formerly.

Blue-coat Hospital [#] May 26, 1800

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas.^r Edw. Houghton Esq.
Rev. Sam. Kenshaw John Greenwood Gent.

Mrs. Marg^t. Brown having resigned her Situation of School-mistress, and Mrs. Byrne, who has been some Time employed in assisting to repair the Linen - having solicited the Place and produced a Recommendation, - The Trustees present agreed to her being continued till the quarterly Board as the School-mistress, subject to Mr. and Mrs. Parks' Superintendance and Direction, at 7/8th of a Week and her Provisions, for which she is to attend every Day, Sundays included from 6 o'Clock in a Morning till 8 o'Clock in an Evening.

Blue-coat Hospital June 2nd 1800.
Present

Dr James Gerard, Treas^r.

The Prayer-books written for by the Rev. Rob^t Roughsedge being arrived the Treasurer directed that such Children as can read correctly be provided with them, and that all the Others be furnished with them as soon as the Master thinks them sufficiently improved in their Reading - that they be given out every Sunday Morning and returned in the Evening that they may be taken care of - and that they be withheld from such Children as abuse them.

Blue-coat Hospital July 7, 180th

Present.

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r

Waites and Gibbons - two Boys belonging to the Hospital have absconded again. It is the fourth or fifth Time since Christmas, and their general Conduct is bad.

No Trustee having attended except the Treasurer - no Business was done.



Blue-coats Hospital July 14, 1800th
Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.
Rev. Sam. Renshaw, Tho. Stanforth Esq.
Rev. Rob. Roughtledge Henr. Mundell Esq.
Jm. Greenwood Gent. Edw. Sloughton Esq.

Waites and Gibbons not being returned and their conduct being bad - it was determined they should not be readmitted, and that they should forfeit the usual Fee and Books.

The Treasurer having drawn up the Heads of such Rules and Regulations respecting the Government of the House and of the Children as occurred to him read the same to the Trustees present, and being in general approved of, the Treasurer requested the Assistance of the Rectors to revise and arrange them if possible against the next Meeting, that such as it might be thought proper to print, may be ready to be presented to the Board which should assemble on Monday the 28th Instant. *Fr*

The Trustees present consent to the Admission of Mary Wilding in the Place of her Brother James Wilding dismissed on account of his being afflicted with epileptic Fits.

On the same Grounds Henry Marsland is admitted in Exchange for his Brother Abbott Marsland on the Representation of the Mother, that her present Husband who was only Step-Father to these Boys was partial to the Latter, and would treat them better than he did the Former.

Blue-coat Hospital July 21, 1800¹¹
Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas.
Henry Blundell Esq. W^m. Cubbin Esq.
Tho^s. Stanforth Esq. Rob^t. Richmond Esq.

Since the Children have not been allowed to go to their Parents, & many of them at different Times have deserted from the Nest when they have been walking out, for which they have been chastised, but that having had little Effect — Mr. Parks was recommended to send any who should abscond in future to work the next Time they should walk out.

On Thursday last W^m. Ford (recommended by Tho^s. Earle Esq.) was taken out of the House by his Aunt.



Blue-coat Hospital July 28, 1800.

Present

D^r James Gerard, Treas.
Robert Richmond Esq.

The Rules being again produced, were read and approved of by Mr Richmond.

On Friday the 25th Inst. (being the Fair Day) the Boys were so determined upon a Holiday, that they drew the Staple of one of the Gates and went out to the Number of 10⁷, and many are still absent.

Some of those who have been brought back by their Parents and Friends, (tho' received without Punishment) have gone again the next Day, and Tho^s Barton in particular, having repeatedly absented himself, and being an incorrigible and wicked Boy: The Treasurer and Robert Richmond Esq. recommend, that he be taken before the sitting Magistrate at the Exchange, and an Order procured to send him to the Workhouse, as an Example to the other Boys.

Blue-coat Hospital ^{st.} Aug. 4, 1800

Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r.

The Boys whose Names are hereafter mentioned are still absent, *viz.* Joseph Hokinson, James Wakefield, John Richardson, John Bromfield, Matthew Smith, John Dwellling, John Williams, Alexander Young, Richard Kingrow, John Rowland and Edward Meacock.

No other Trustee having attended, the Treasurer recommended Mr. Parks still to be lenient with respect to the Boys who are and have been absent, as the House is not yet in State, that they can be actually confined.



Blue-coat Hospital Augth 11, 1800.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r

William Cubbin Esq^r

Rev^d R. H. Roushedge

The Rules were again produced, and having been seen by several other Trustees individually, it was thought they might be printed against the next weekly Board.



Blue-coat Hospital Aug: 15, 1800th
Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.
Rev. Sam. Renshaw Rev. R. H. Roushedge
The Parks Esq. W. M. Gubbin Esq.

More than twelve Trustees having at different Times seen the Rules and expressed their approbation of them: the Gentlemen present assented to their being read to the Children this Day and henceforth acted upon; and also to the Children being permitted to go to their respective Parents or Friends to inform them that such as will come to the Hospital Tomorrow, will have a copy of the Rules given to them.

Tho. Barton, who was sent into the Workhouse on the 28th of July last, was again admitted into the Hospital, in consequence of his Mothers Request, and his having behaved well whilst there.

Blue-coat Hospital Aug. 25th, 1800.

Present

D^r James Gerard, Treas^r

No Business was done for want of a sufficient
Number of Members to constitute a Board.

The following is a Catalogue of Absentees:

Jos ^r Hokinson	Edw ^r Sheacock	Peter Richards
John Richardson	Alca ^r Young	James Bridge
Rich ^d Kingrow	David Miller	John Devolling
John Bromfield	Matt ^w Smythe	John Williamson
John Williams	John Rowlands	Ja ^s Wakefield

Jos^r Gibson, James Dougharty and John M^c Neale
are taken out by their respective Mothers.

Blue-coat Hospital ^{no.} Sept: 1, 1800

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r;

No Business was done for want of a Board.

The present List of Absentees is as underneath.

Jos ^r . Hoshinson	John Bromfield	Math ^r . Smythe
John Richardson	Edw ^r . Measock	John Rowlands
Rich ^d . Kingrow	David Miller	Ja ^s . Wakefield
John Pickering	Tho ^s . Jones	Henry Kenyon.



Blue-coat Hospital Sept^r 8, 1800.

Present

Mr James Gerard, Treas.^r Rev^d Sam^l Renshaw
Thos^s Naylor Esq. John Shaw Esq.
Rob^t Richmond Esq. John Greenwood Gent.
W^m Cubbin Esq. Patrick Black Gent.

Catalogue of Absentees continued.

Jos ^s Hoshinson	John Bromfield	Matt ^w Smythe
John Richardson	Edw ^d Meacock	John Rowlands
Rich ^d Kingrow	Dav ^d Miller	James Wakefield
John Todd	Rob ^t Hogarth	Jn ^o Dewelling
Ja ^s Pattison	Ja ^s Duggin	Ja ^s Bridge
Jn ^o Williamson	Thos ^s Jefferson	Geo ^d Harroce

A great Number of the Boys' Parents and Friends attended this Board in Order to lay Complaints against the Agent of the Pin-factory, most probably in Consequence of the Boys having in some Way sent them Information that Mr Meredith would be there. Upon their being heard however in the Presence of Mr Meredith, they were universally of so frivolous a Nature, that the Trustees found great Reason to reprimand the Conduct of all the Parents on the Occasion instead of redressing their trivial and idle Complaints of Abuse.

The Treasurer observing that the Boys still continued to run away, suspected that the Regulations for preventing their working out of their Party, had not been acted upon, and finding upon Enquiry, that it was the Case, - ordered it to be enforced, in consequence of which Mr. Meredith came over from Manchester on Saturday last, apprehending from the Representation of his Agent, that the Regulation was inimical to the Contract and to his Interest: Several Trustees were therefore desired to attend at the Board this Day, to meet Mr. Meredith, who was finally reconciled to the Regulations, and both he and his Agent were present when they were read to the Boys; wherefore, they were ordered to be acted upon from that Time, and a fair and legible Copy of them fixed up in the School with Copies of the other Rules respecting the Children.

This Day Thomas Buek was by the Consent of the Trustees present and Mr. Meredith, taken out of the House by his Mother.

Blue-coat Hospital Sept: 15, 1800. ¹¹

Present

D^r James Gerard, Treasurer.

John Greenwood, Gent.

List of Absentees continued

Col ^l : Moskinson	Sn ^r : Bromfield	Sn ^r : Rowlands
Sn ^r : Richardson	Edw ^d : Mearock	Sa ^r : Wakefield
Rich ^d : Kingrow	Sam ^l : Miller	Sn ^r : Develling
Sa ^r : Pattison	Tho ^s : Jefferson	Sa ^r : Bridge
John Williamson	Math ^s : Smythe	Tho ^s : Barton
Sn ^r : Williams	Alex ^r : Young	W ^m : Morgan
Sa ^r : Maquire	Tho ^s : Jones	W ^m : Devenport
John Pate	John Ford	John Postlewhite
James Knox	Peter Richards	Peter Daily
Col ^l : Jones	Geo. Harrocks	

Blue-coat Hospital Sept. 22, 1800

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.

John Greenwood, Gent.

No Business transacted.

List of Absentees as before.

Blue-coat Hospital Sept. 29, 1800. #

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer.
John Greenwood, Gent.

No Business transacted.

No.

Blue-coat Hospital Oct^r 6, 1800.

Present.

D^r James Gerard, Treas^r

Rev^d Sam^l Renshaw

Jn^r Houghton Esq.

Jonas Bold Esq.

W^m Dickson Esq.

Jn^r Greenwood, Gent.

W^m Atkinson, Gent.

Patrick Black, Gent.

Jn^r Parkhouse Esq.

Rob^t Richmond Esq.

Edu^d Houghton Esq.

Hen^{ry} Blundell Esq.

Nich^l Ashton Esq.

The quarterly Board being held this Day - for
the Transactions thereof see the quarterly
Board-book.



Blue-coat Hospital Oct^r 13, 1800.

Present.

D^r James Gerard, Treas^r.

Rob^t Richmond Esq.

David Miller having escaped out of his Bedroom Window, and taken a Pair of good Shoes belonging to another Boy, his own being bad ones: Ordered, that, (as this is the third Time of his absenting himself since the Rules were distributed) he be dismissed the Hospital.

Blue-coat Hospital Oct: 20, 1800th
Present

D^r James Gerard, Treas^r

John Richard having absented himself from the Hospital on the 13th Inst. and its being the third Offence: ordered, that he be dismissed.

One of the Boys admitted at the last quarterly Board of the Name of Charles Hamilton, was taken out of the Hospital on the 14th Inst. by his Mother, who observed she had not been happy since she parted with him, and that she could not comply with the Rules, a Copy of which had been given her.

On the 16th Inst. Mary Bride went out to Service in Mr. Diggles' Family to learn Housewifery.

Blue-coat Hospital Oct. 27th, 1800.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.



Blue-coat Hospital Nov^r 3rd 1800

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer.

On Monday last William Catterall, one of the Children admitted at the last Board, was taken out of the Hospital by his Mother - because Mr Buckley had corrected him: On examining the Boy, it did not however appear, that it had been done immoderately.

Blue-coat Hospital Nov: 10th, 1800.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasr.

On Wednesday the 5th Inst. John Place, at the Re-
quest of his Uncle, was bound Apprentice to
Mr. Tho: Fletcher of this Town, Merchant.

Blue-coat Hospital. Nov. 10th, 1800.

Present,

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r.

On Wednesday the 5th Inst. John Place, at the Re-
quest of his Uncle, was bound Apprentice to
Mr. Tho^s. Fletcher of this Town, Merchant.

Blue-coat Hospital Nov^r 17, 1800.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treas^r

Blue-coat Hospital Nov. ^{the} 24, 1800.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas.

No Business transacted.

Blue-coat Hospital Jan^{ry} 5, 1801.

Present

Dr. James Gerard Treas^r Edw^d. Moughton Esq.
Geo^r. Venables Esq. Wm^m. Dickson Esq.
John Greenwood Esq.

William Dutton was this Day dismissed, at the earnest Desire of his Mother, on Account of bad Health and his Brother Peter Dutton admitted in his Stead.

Blue-coat Hospital Janth 12, 1801.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r.

Mr. Greenwood Esq. Mr. Houghton Esq.

Mr. Greenwood is desired to order three Pieces of Velvret agreeable to Pattern from Mr. Tho^s. Holland of Manchester, at 2 1/2 St. Yard, 18 Inches wide.

Ordered thirty Dozen of blue caps from J. J. Wakefield.

Mr. Mr. Houghton proposes the daily Attendance of a Clergyman as a Schoolmaster to instruct the Children in the Principles of Religion.

Blue-coat Hospital Jan^r 19, 1801th

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas.
Mr. Moughton, Esq. Geo. Venables, Esq.

Ordered 18 Pieces of Linen Cloth, at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ p. Yards
for Sheets, Shirts and Shifts from Mr. R. Richards

Blue-coat Hospital Jan^r 26, 1801th

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.
Geo. Venables Esq. Edw. Moughton Esq.

Blue-coat Hospital Feb. 16, 1801.

Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r.
W^m. Cubbin Esq. Geo. Venables Esq.

Blue-coat Hospital Feb. 23, 1801.

Present

D^r. Jas. Gerard, Treas^r. Rev. S. Renshaw
Geo. Venables, Esq. W^m. Atkinson, Gent.

Ordered, that W^m. Culley, John Pickering,
Edw. Meetwood, John Hall, W^m. Frances, Rob^t.
Hogart, John Chamley and Hugh Starling, being
Disorderly Boys, and each having absented himself
three Times, be in Conformity to the Rules expelled.

Blue-coat Hospital, March 2, 180th
Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r. Rev^d. Sam^l. Kenshaw
Rev^d. R. H. Roughtledge Geo. Venables, Esq.
W^m. Cubbin, Esq. Edw^d. Houghton, Esq.
Tho^s. Stanish, Esq.

Ordered one Park or Bale of blue Worsted
and half a Bale of White from Mess^{rs}. Brancker,
Blind St^o. to complete a Change of Stockings
for the Children.

There not having been a sufficient Num-
ber of Trustees assembled at any of the weekly
Meetings since the last quarterly Board do
constitute a weekly Board, the Trustees now
met being competent, do confirm the Proceedings
of the Treasurer and Trustees on those Days,
particularly on Monday last when eight Boys
were in Conformity to the fifth Rule expelled
for having run away from the Hospital three
Times each.

Made further Progress in considering the
Expense of providing a Table for the Masters
and Mistresses.

Also in providing a complete Change of
new Clothes for every Child against Whitsuntide,
as directed by the quarterly Board.

Took into Consideration the many Inconveni-
encies attending the Children going to sing at the
different Churches on Sundays, and the consequent
Disadvantages arising from their going to prac-
tise on other Days and at all Hours: and the
Rev. Sam. Kenshaw undertook to represent the
Same to the Clergy of the respective Churches and
to desire they would point out the Inconveniencies
to the Church Wardens and other respectable Mem-
bers of each Congregation, and reconcile them
to the Discontinuance of the Practice after
Whitsuntide next, by which Time they may
provide other Singers if they wish it.

Blue-coat Hospital, March 9th, 1801.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.

Rev. Sam. Kenshaw. Geo. Venables, Esq.

Agreed with Mr. King the Taylor for mak-
ing and numbering 230 Suits of Clothes for
the Boys, at 5/6 Suit, he finding Silk Twist
and Thread and cutting them out on the Pre-
mises, to the Measure of each Boy.

On the Recommendation of Mr. Matthews, the Shoemaker, who has offered his Services to cut out and superintend the Execution of a Man laid down by him, of providing Leather at the Expence of the Hospital, getting the Shoes made by the Pair, and repaired by a Workman to reside on the Premises: Ordered, that a Quantity of Leather be provided, and a Man engaged, for the Purpose of making Trial of the comparative Advantages or Disadvantages of this Plan, compared with the present Mode of providing Shoes and repairing them.

Blue-coat Hospital April 13th, 1801.
Present,

D ^r . James Gerard, Treas ^r .	Wm. Crosbie, Esq.
Wm. Cubbin, Esq.	Rob ^t . Richmond, Esq.
Wm. Dickson, Esq.	Rev ^d . R. H. Roush Edge
Geo. Venables, Esq.	Rev ^d . Sam ^l . Renshaw
J ^r . Moughton, Esq.	Edgar Corrie, Esq.
Ralph Peters, Esq.	Jonas Bole, Esq.
Tho ^s . Manforth, Esq.	John Backhouse, Esq.

The Treasurer reported, that he had attended upon Mr. Peters and Mr. Richmond respecting the proposed Alterations to be made in the Rules of the Decree, - those Gentlemen, however, being

present, said, they had not been able to make that Progress in the Business since, as to have it ready for the Consideration of this Board.

Samuel Evans, Henry Sherlock, Richard Moffit, Thomas Bradshaw and Thomas Pendleton, (all of whom were admitted by the last quarterly Board) having been found addicted to wetting their Beds. ordered, that it be left to the Treasurer's Discretion, to dismiss them, if they cannot in a moderate Time be cured of that Habit, as it is attended with many Inconveniencies; and their Parents had asserted, that they were not liable to it.

Ordered also, that Ellen Potter, admitted likewise at the last Board, but not received by the Treasurer, because, he found she had already a Sister in the Hospital; be on that account refused Admittance.

Ordered, that a List of Subscribers to the different Charities, be made out by the Master, that such Persons as do subscribe to those Charities and not to this, may be solicited.

Blue-coat Hospital, April 20, 1801.

Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treasurer.

John Houghton, Esq. W^m. Cubbin, Esq.

Rob^t. Richmond, Esq. W^m. Crosbie, Esq.

W^m. Dickson, Esq. Rev. R. H. Roushsege.

Mr. Peters being out of Town, and the Papers and Observations respecting the proposed Alterations in the Decree, being in his Possession, could not be procured: Of Course, the Consideration of that Business was again postponed.

Blue-coat Hospital, ^{Th.} April 27, 1801.

Present,

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r John Houghton, Esq.
Robt. Richmond Esq. John Backhouse, Esq.
Wm. Dickson Esq. — Wm. Cubbin, Esq.

Mr. Peters having been engaged at the Quarter Sessions all last Week, & being this Day employed in passing Sentence upon the Convicts, the Alterations of the Decree could not be proceeded in.

No suitable Person having applied in Consequence of the Advertisements for a second Master and Mr. Owen having continued to act in that Capacity with increased Attention and Assiduity, particularly since John Jones was dismissed, and his Wife having assisted in the Girls School in making different Parts of their new Clothes, — and, they also having jointly been of great Use by their Attention in calling up the Children to make Water every Night, in Consequence of which, the Expences, Inconvenience, and Nuisance, arising from wetting the Beds, has been very greatly lessened. Ordered, that the Treasurer do pay Mr. Owen ten Pounds for the above Services.

The Taylor ^{having} been long unwell, and, at present ^{so} much out of Health, as to render it probable,

he will not recover, and requiring such constant
Attendance from his Daughter, that she has been
unable to assist her Mother in mending the Boys
Clothes, and she the old Woman, not being able to
keep them in Repair herself: ordered that Mr.
Parks do pay him two Shillings p^r Week, extra (whilst
he continues unwell) for a Person to attend upon
him, that his Daughter may be able to devote
more her Time to the Business of the House.

Blue-coat Hospital, May 4th, 1801.

Present

D ^r James Gerard, Treas.	Wm. Cubbin Esq.
John Houghton Esq.	Wm. Crosbie Esq.
Geo. Venables, Esq.	Rob ^t . Richmond, Esq.

Blue-coat Hospital, June 22nd 1801.

Present

D^r James Gerard, Treas:
John Greenwood, Esq. Hen^y Blundell, Esq.
Wm Cubbin, Esq. Wm Crosbie, Esq.

The weekly Board having at different Meetings taken into Consideration the Expence of providing a Table for the Masters & Mistresses, are of Opinion, that it will cost the Charity about £19.0.0 p^r Head to maintain them; the Trustees now met, however, recommend to the Quarterly Board, the Deduction of £18.0.0 only p^r Head, p^r Annum from the Salaries of M^r Parks & M^r Owen who are the only Persons who had to provide themselves out of their Salaries.

It is ordered, however, that with respect to Tea, Sugar & Butter, the Mistres shall give out the following Quantities weekly, and no more, viz. 12 Oz. of Tea at 6/ p^r lb. for each Person belonging to the Masters Table.

$\frac{3}{4}$ of a lb. of good brown Sugar, at 10 and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a lb. of fresh Butter. They are to eat their Dinners and Suppers together in the Board-room, and their Breakfasts & Tea, either in the same Room, or by themselves, as may be most agreeable to them; so that they do not occasion extraordinary Fires to be made, nor get those Meals in the Presence of the Children.

The Servants are to have the like Allowance of Tea, Sugar & Butter p^r Week, only the Price of the Tea is not to exceed $\text{4}\frac{1}{6}$ p^r lb. and they are to mess together, and to get all their Meals including Breakfast & Tea in the Kitchen.

Blue-coat Hospital July 13th 1801.
Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas^r Alan Pearson, Esq.
Rev. Sam. Renshaw George Venables, Esq.
Hugh Taylor, Esq. W^m Dickson, Esq.

The Advertisement for an Assistant Master having produced several Applications for the Place and the respective Letters being read over, - the Board gave a decided Preference to Mr. George Chambers, and requested Mr. Pearson to communicate that Information to him, - and desire he will come here as soon as convenient, and Mr. Parks was directed to write to the other Candidates.

Mr. Crosbie having taken the Trouble to prepare twenty Books for the Purpose of facilitating Applications for Benefactions or new Subscriptions to this Institution: the Rev^d. Mr. Renshaw undertook to solicit in the District marked N^o 3.

Mr. Venables undertook N^o 10

Mr. Taylor ----- N^o 15

Mr. Crooke ----- N^{os} 3 & 4

Mr. Staniforth undertook N^o 9.
Mr. Greenwood ----- Nos 17, 19 & 20.
Mr. Lubbin ----- N^o 14
Mr. Pearson ----- N^o 18
Mr. Roughsedge ----- N^o 1
Mr. Brundell ----- N^o 4

Blue-coat Hospital July 20th 1801.

Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r. W^m. Dickson, Esq.
Geo. Venables, Esq. W^m. Cubbin, Esq.
Hugh Taylor, Esq. Allan Pearson, Esq.
Edw. Houghton, Esq. Rob^t. Richmond, Esq.

No Business occurred that was worthy of
being recorded.

Blue-coat Hospital, July 27th 1801.

Present

D^r. James Gerard, Treas^r.
Tho^s. Staniforth, Esq. Allan Pearson, Esq.

No Business worthy of Recording.

Blue-coat Hospital Aug. ²² 3, 1801

Present,

D ^r . James Gerard, Treas ^r .	W ^m . Dickson, Esq.
Allan Pearson, Esq.	Rev ^d . Sam ^l . Renshaw
John Backhouse, Esq.	Rob ^t . Richmond, Esq.
Geo ^s . Venables, Esq.	Tho ^s . Manjorth, Esq.

Blue-coat Hospital Aug. th 17, 1801

Present

D ^r . James Gerard, Treas ^r .	Geo. Venables Esq.
W ^m . Cubbin Esq.	

The Treasurer having given Mr. Parks permission to go to Newark, for the Purpose of seeing his late Employer, Mr. Willett, who had by Letter solicited him to resume his former Situation of Assistant in his School. Mr. Parks now reports that he has agreed to accept Mr. Willett's Proposals, and gives this Board notice thereof, that a Successor may be appointed against Christmas next, and also

a Matron in the Place of his Wife.

Ordered that Cornelius Anson be in Conformity to the Rules, expelled for having Absented himself from the Hospital three different Times for one Night or more each Time.

Blue-coat Hospital Augth 24, 1801

Present

Dr. James Gerard
Wm Cubbin, Esq.

John Pate & William Morgan having absented themselves from the Hospital three different Times for one Night or more each Time: Ordered, that they, in Conformity to the Rules, be expelled.

Blue coat Hospital Oct 12. 1801.

Present,

J^r James Guard, Treasurer,
William Crosbie, Esq.
George Venables, Esq.
Allan Pearson, Esq.
William Atkinson, Esq.
William Lubbin, Esq.
Thomas Naylor, Esq.

Agreeably to the intimation communicated by notice from the Treasurer, that Mr. James Meredith of Manchester Pin Manufacturer was desirous of meeting the Trustees for the purpose of making a new contract for the employment of the Children in that branch of business, he attended at this Board & proposed as the best way of removing all the difficulties & inconveniences which had been found to arise from the former contract to pay the Charity for the quantity of work done at the prices he paid to people he employed at Warrington, viz, 3^d per lb. for Middlings & 2^d for calking pins, he finding all Materials and impliments, & a Man to keep the Tools in order, and see that the work was well done, he also is willing to suffer all loss or case of waste, and if at any Time there should be a want of materials

he agrees to pay the same as if the Boys had worked agreeably to the average of that week. On the other hand he expects the Trustees to allow him the same House for his Man to reside in, which he at present occupies, and the room to work in, rent free, and also that a Superintendent shall be provided at the expence of the Charity, to assist his man in keeping the Children to their work as they are too many for one person to overlook, and he says it will be the interest of the Charity to do so. Mr. Meredith will expect an answer to this proposal on this day fortnight & refers the Trustees to a Mr. Allen Johnson & a Mr. Sam. C. Edleston both Tin-makers of Warrington to make enquiry as to the prices he has offered. — If this plan is approved of, Mr. Meredith is to give up the other parts of the Building, which he retires for £29. 19. 0 per Annum.

Blue coat Hospital.

Oct. 19th 1801.

Present.

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer.
Rev. Sam. C. Renshaw.
William Cubbin, Esq
George Vinables, Esq
Robt. Richmond, Esq
Jm. Horton, Esq
William Crosbie, Esq.

The Treasurer reports that since the last Board he has been
over the premises with Mr. Postet, who is of opinion that the
House occupied by Mr. Meredith's Man is worth £20 Per Annum
& that the rest of the premises exclusive of the upper room occupied
by Mr. Meredith might perhaps be let for £40 more, but
not being very eligible premises it might possibly be difficult
to get other Tenants if the present ones were removed. He also
reports that he has not received any answer to letters he has
written both to Mr. Ellen Johnson, & to Mr. Sam^l Edleston
but Mr. Meredith's agent informs him, that the return made
last week (in which one afternoon was a Holyday) amounts
for the work of the Children to 7. 16. 10. & that the
average earning of 100 Boys is about £8. 10. 0 Per
Week. He says that he has got from £4. 15 to 5. 7
Per Week, by only 26 Boys, from 5. to 11 or 12 Y^{rs} of Age
working only one Hour longer each Day.

Blue coat Hospital.

October the 26th 1801.

Present.

James Gerard Treasurer
Mr. S. Renshaw
William Crosbie, Esq.^{to}
John Houghton Esq.^{to}
Robert Richmond Esq.^{to}
John Backhouse, Esq.^{to}
William Lubbin, Esq.^{to}

Resolved that Mr. Meredith's proposals be
acceded to, & that the Treasurer be desired to write him
to that effect but at the same time to endeavour to
prevail upon Mr. Meredith to pay a part of the rent of
the House reserved for his Foreman to live in, or to
contribute 5 Guineas p. an. to the Charity.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 2nd 1801.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 9th 1801.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer
William Lubbin, Esq.^{to} Allan Pearson Esq.^{to}
Robert Richmond, Esq.^{to} William Dixon, Esq.^{to}

The following letter was written by the Treasurer to
Mr. Meredith in conformity with the order of the Board
held the 26th ultimo

Liverpool 26th Oct. 1801.

Sir,

The Trustees assembled at this days
Board, took your proposals into consideration, respecting
a further agreement for the labour of the Boys, & desire me
to inform you, that they accede to them; but they think
you should allow £10 per annum for the House, as it
is larger & of more value than is necessary for a Man
in the Situation of Mr. Nimes; or at least that you keep
the premises in repair, and put your name down as an
annual subscriber of five Guineas, which I hope you will
think a good compromise. — Whenever it suits you to
come to Liverpool, a contract to the above effect, containing
likewise the other particulars you mentioned, can be
drawn up, & the earlier it is done the better.

I expected you would have paid me the
difference betwixt the money, I had rec^d, & the amount of the
half Years rent, — Viz £41. 7^s before you left Town,
hope it will not be long before you remit it to me, as I do
assure you there is great need of it,

I'm Sir
Y^r very Humble St^t

James Gerard

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 16th 1801.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treasurer.
William Atkinson, Esq.^r
Allan Pearson, Esq.^r

The Master reported that William Griffiths had on the 26th of Oct.^r purposely set fire to some straw, at the door of the straw-house, whereby it was in danger of being burnt down, the circumstances were inquired into, & being fully proved, and the Boy having confessed that it was his Intention to destroy the building for the Purpose of effecting his escape, ordered that he be expelled this very day.

Blue-coat Hospital Nov. 23rd 1801.

Present

Dr. James Gerard, Treas.^r
Allan Pearson, Esq.^r
William Cubbin, Esq.^r
George Venables, Esq.^r
John Backhouse, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 30th 1801.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treas.^r

William Cubbin, Esq.^r

John Spud having absented himself from the Hospital
three different Times for one Night or more each Time;
Ordered, that he in Conformity to the Rules, be expelled.

Blue Coat Hospital Dec. 7th 1801.

Present

Dr James Gerard, Treasurer

No important Business

Blue-coat Hospital Dec. 14th 1801.

James Gerard, M. D. Treasurer.

George Vnables, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital Dec. 21st 1801.

Present

James Gerard M. D. Treasurer

Allan Pearson, Esq.^r

George Vnables, Esq.^r

Thomas Manforth, Esq.^r

Edward Houghton Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital Jan. 4th 1802.

Present.

William Lubbin, Treasurer.
Dr James Gerard, M. D.
Allan Pearson, Esq.
Nicholas Ashton, Esq.
Sam^l. Renshaw, Rector

Blue Coat Hospital Jan. 11th 1802.

Present.

William Lubbin, Treasurer.
James Gerard, M. D.
Allan Pearson, Esq.
George Venables, Esq.

Ordered that M^{rs}. James Drinkwater, be requested to purchase the best Butchers Meat, on the same Terms as he does for the Infirmary, viz. at 6^d. Per Pound for 12 Months.

Blue Coat Hospital Jan. 18th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer.

James Gerard. M. D.

Liverpool Corporation Water Works Office 12th Jan. 1802.

Sir

An Application having been made to the Proprietors of the Liverpool Corporation Water Works at their general Meeting this Day, to serve the Infirmary with Water, it was unanimously acceded to, to supply that & other Charities with Water gratuitously. I have the Pleasure, by Order of the Meeting to beg your Acceptance of the Water in Behalf of the Blue Coat Hospital, to be served on the same Days with the Houses in the Neighbourhood. The Trustees being at the Expence of laying a Pipe of Communication with the Company's service Pipe, and the Reservoir into which the Water is convey'd being previously approved by the Water Work Committee.

I remain respectfully, Sir,

Y^r. most Obedt^h Humble Serv^t
Jⁿ O'Kill

Secretary.

The Treasurer's Answer, to the aforementioned Letter.
Sir

I have laid your obliging Letter of the 12th Ins.^{ts} before the weekly Board at the Blue-coat Hospital, and am requested by the Trustees that were present to give the Proprietors of the Liverpool Corporation Water Works, their best Thanks for this very handsome Offer, they have made of supplying that Charity with Water, which they request me to say, that they will accept of under the condition that your Letter has prescribed, and as Treasurer of that Institution for this Year, I shall take care that you shall be informed, when we lay the Pipes down,

I remain respectfully, Sir,
y.^r most Obedt Serv^t

[Signed] William Lubbin.

Liverpool 18th Jan^y 1802.

Blue Coat Hospital Jan. 25. th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. ⁶ Treasurer
Dr James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Feb. 1. th 1802

Present

Sam. ⁶ Renshaw, Rector
Dr James Gerard
William Lubbin Esq. ⁶ Treasurer
Allan Pearson Esq. ^x

Blue Coat Hospital Feb. 8th 1802

Present

William Lubbin, Esq. Treasurer,
George Venables, Esq.
Hugh Taylor, Esq.
Mr James Gerard,
Robert Richmond, Esq.

This Day's Board declines entering into any further Agreement with Mr Meredith at present, but agrees to proceed upon the present Plan until June next, when it will then be fully ascertained what the Children can then earn.

In consequence of the Representation made by Richardson & Barrow (the Persons who at present supply the House with Milk) that they cannot continue to do so, as hitherto paid, viz 3^d per Gallon for the Sweet Milk, & it appearing that the Parish Committee at the Workhouse pay 4^d per Gallon for the Sweet Milk, and at the said House, it is agreed, that they shall be paid 4^d per Gallon in future, & 2^d per Gallon for Butter Milk, on a Promise from them, that the Milk shall be of a better Quality, and it is also agreed that they shall be paid 1^s 4^d per lb for the Fresh Butter of which they are each to supply the House, with 4^d per lb Weekly

On last Saturday the Mother of James Leay came to the School, & took him away without any previous Notice, & contrary to the Advice and approbation of the Master, on which Acc^t it is ordered, that by this Board, he be not rec^d again without the Direction of the quarterly Board.

Blue Coat Hospital Feb. 15th 1802

Present

William Lubbin, Esq. Treasurer

Dr. James Gerard

Allan Pearson, Esq.

Hugh Taylor, Esq.

The Treasurer reported that having found as many inconveniences to arise from the Pin factory on its present Plan, as the late Treasurer had done on the former one, he was induced to express a wish that it could with propriety be given up, & desired the Trustees present would turn it in their thoughts against the next weekly Board and be prepared to give him their advice upon the subject.

Blue Coat Hospital Feb. 22nd 1802
Present

Mr. William Lubbin, Esq. & Treasurer.

Mr. James Gerard.

Mr. Hugh Taylor, Esq.

Rev. R. H. Roushedge, Rector

Thomas Staniforth, Esq.

George Venables, Esq.

Robert Richmond, Esq.

On the Subject of the Pin factory being resumed the following Observations were ordered to be printed, and a copy thereof sent to each respective Trustee to consider of previous to the next quarterly Board, when the Treasurer will make a proposal for discontinuing that employment & reverting to the original plan of the Institution, viz that of instructing the Children only.

The idea of miring the Children brought up in the Hospital to labour, or to habits of industry, by employing them half their time in making pins, is very plausible, and the emolument arising from it, may be thought a strong inducement to continue it; but it is probable both these appearances are illusory, and if not contrary to the Rules of the Society, not strictly conformable to them, as the daily interruption to the Childrens' education, very

materially retards their progress in learning.

With respect to inuring them to labour, it is not to be supposed that end can be obtained by an employment that is not laborious, and habits of industry and application, especially as far as the mind is concerned, are more promoted by the Book than the Block, and is besides more healthy. As to emolument, it is true that Mr Meredith has paid £450 per Annum for a few years back, that is, for the labour of 100 Boys, and Buildings that would rent for £70 or ~~80~~ per annum, but he says he would not give more than £400 for a renewal of the contract, as he has lost money by it lately; for the Children, it seems, did more work in the two first years, than they have ever done since. The plan which has been pursued since Christmas, would not produce so much as £400 per Annum, though 100 Boys should be sent into the Factory, which cannot be done out of the present compliment. If then £70 be deducted for the rent of the premises, and £30 for deficiency of number, £300 per annum is the most that can be considered as likely to arise from the labour of the Children.

That is a large sum, and ought not to be relinquished without mature deliberation, but the impression naturally excited by such a proposal is not to absorb our whole attention; the primary object of the Institution, viz. the feeding, clothing, educating and bringing up the children in the principles of

Religion and Morality, thereby making them more useful members of society, and fitting them for many situations either in the service of the Merchant or Mechanic, which they would not otherwise be capable of, is at least of equal importance, and of course demands an equal share of consideration.

The present Masters declare that they cannot expect to do any credit to themselves or to the School, whilst the Pin factory is continued, that it is a continual source of uneasiness and discontent, not only to themselves, but to the Children and to their Parents, and that it is made a place of interview for the latter, on which occasions many improprieties are committed, over which they can have no controul, as they are done without their knowledge; they have however been informed of practices that are so entirely at variance with all the objects of the Institution, that it is thought they would be more completely attained in three years, if that impediment was removed, than they now are in six, and at less expence, because of the shorter length of Time; for the earnings of any individual in the whole six years, will not amount to half the expence of three years extra maintenance: The benefits would in that case, be extended to nearly twice the number of children, and twice the number of families; which is more desirable than doing a greater and more continued service to a few, by maintaining their children for three years longer

than is necessary. It therefore appears, that although a clear income of £300 per Annum, should arise to the charity, by the labour of the boys, it is far from being again, that the benefits of the School may be more widely extended if it be given up, and the children retained only three, or from three to four years.

Such a regulation would not be repugnant to the rules, which only forbids the Trustees taking any child before he be eight years old, or keeping him after he has attained fourteen; as few, however, are fit to be bound apprentice at an earlier age, it follows, that upon this plan, no child can be admitted before he be ten years old; to which it may be objected, that the Parents would be oppressed with the maintenance of their children two years longer than they now are, before they would be admissible, and there would be danger of their being corrupted in that time. It is to be feared that it might sometimes happen so, to some children of the description that have generally been admitted; but are not such more fit objects of the Work-House than the Blue Coat Hospital? and would not the Town of Liverpool always furnish as many children annually as the Hospital can accommodate, or its income support, who yet are objects of such a charity, although their parents have by their exertions and commendable industry, lived in some decency, and kept their children at School until they have attained ten years? such would seem to be

intitled to a priority of those advantages of education afforded there, and the feelings of humanity are perhaps carried too far, when they operate so as to promote the child of poverty and wretchedness, merely because it happens to be in that forlorn situation, in preference to those just mentioned, some of whose parents may perhaps have seen better days.

The advantages of selecting the children from other schools, which is the practice of the Blue Coat Hospital of Chester, would be many and great; the conduct of the Parents, as well as the abilities of the children, could be ascertained, and where the talent of acquiring learning shewed itself, it might be cultivated to some effect as in the days of the late Mr. Houghton when Navigation was taught, and several of the children became Masters of Ships. The credit to the School would then revert to its former renown, and both Masters and Parents would have more satisfaction than at present. If in addition to the above, the admission was limited to once a year, the attraction would be still more complete, as many smaller advantages would arise from it, which would contribute most essentially to the regularity of the Family, and leave three quarter

days for the transacting of other business; and it is but reasonable, that those who are admitted to the privileges of such an Institution, should submit to receive them under such restrictions, as may be most conducive to the good government and convenience of the House.

After so much has been said upon the subject, it may all be summed up in this, that without militating against the rules of the Institution, the intention of its Founders may be more completely obtained without the Orphanage than with it, at less expence too, and with infinitely more satisfaction to all parties; and being effected in half the time, more families would be served, and the benefits extended to a greater number of Children.

Blue Coat Hospital March 1. 1802.

Present

William Lubbin, Esq. Treasurer,
Dr. James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital March 8. th 1802

Present

William Lubbin, Esq. Treasurer

William Grosbie, Esq.

Blue Coat Hospital March 15. 1802.
Present.

William Cubbin, Esq.⁶ Treasurer.
Dr James Gerard.
George Venables, Esq.ⁿ
Hugh Taylor, Esq.⁶

Blue Coat Hospital March 23rd 1802

Present

William Lubbin, Esq.^r

Dr. James Gerard.

Rev. Sam. C. Renshaw, Rector.

Jonathan Blundell, Esq.^r

Edward Houghton, Esq.^r

John Backhouse, Esq.^r

John Brown, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital April 5th 1802.

Present.

William Cubbin Esq. Treasurer

Allan Pearson, Esq.^r

Dr James Gerard,

Mr Meredith

Sir

The Quarterly Board of this Institution, held the 29th ultimo, having resolved unanimously that the Children brought up in that Charity should not in future be employed in any Manufactory whatever, it is necessary you should be made acquainted with the Circumstance, that you may arrange your business accordingly, & it is hoped you will not find any Inconvenience in dismissing the Children, & settling the Acco^{ts} at the end of this half year. I am &c

Blue Coat Hospital April 12.th 1802.
Present.

William Lubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer
J^r James Gerard.
Edward Houghton, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital April 19.th 1802.
Present.

William Lubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer.
J^r James Gerard.
Allan Pearson, Esq.^r
George Venables, Esq.^r

Mess^{rs} Marditt & Brothers having by letter to the
Treasurer signified the great inconvenience and
disadvantage they should sustain by the Manufactory
being given up so soon as June, & having claimed 6 months
notice according to the tenor of the former contract.
The Board desired the Treasurer to inform them that
it should be complied with, & that of course the
engagement would terminate on the 5.th of October
next.

Blue Coat Hospital April 26th 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer.

or James Gerard

George Venables, Esq.^r

Hugh Taylor, Esq.^r

Allan Pearson, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital May 3^d 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer.

No Business transacted.

Blue Coat Hospital May 10th 1802.

Present.

William Cubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer.

Blue Coat Hospital May 17th 1802

Present

William Cubbin, Esq.^r Treasurer.

Hugh Taylor, Esq.^r

Blue Coat Hospital May 24th 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq. ^r Treas.

D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital May 31st 1802

Present

William Cubbin, Esq. ^r Treas.

D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital June 7th 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq. ^r Treas.

D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital June 14th 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq. ^r Treas.

D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital June 21st 1802.

Present

William Cubbin, Esq. ^r Treas.

D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital July 5th 1802.

Present.

William Cubbin, Esq.
George Venables, Esq.
Allan Pearson, Esq.

Blue Coat Hospital July 12th 1802.

Present.

William Cubbin, Esq. Treasurer,
D^o James Guard,
Allan Pearson, Esq.
Rev. & Sam. C. Renshaw.

Mr. Simpson having communicated to the Treasurer that he had an offer of a situation at Nottingham with a Salary of £40 per Annum. The Treasurer reported the same to the weekly Board w^{ch} being of opinion that his Services in this Charity merited that Salary. The Trustees present came to the resolution of recommending to the next quarterly Board that his Salary should be raised to £40 per Annum. from the last quarter-day on w^{ch} Mr. Simpson agreed to continue in his present employ.

Blue Coat Hospital August 2.^d 1802.

Present.

William Cubbin, Esq. ^u Treas. ^{to}
Dr. James Gerard.
Allan Pearson, Esq. ^u

Ordered that William Blakeway be in
Conformity to the Rules expelled for having
absented himself from the Hospital
three different Times, for one Night or
more each Time.

Blue Coat Hospital August 9.th 1802

Present.

William Cubbin, Esq. ^u Treas. ^{to}
Dr. James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Oct. 31.th 1802.

Present

William Cubbin Esq. ^u Treasurer.
Dr. James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 8th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer.
D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 15th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer
D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 22nd 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer
D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Nov. 29th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer
D^r James Gerard.

Blue Coat Hospital Dec. 6th 1802.

Present

William Lubbin Esq. Treasurer
D^r James Gerard
Hugh Taylor Esq.
Robt. Richmond Esq.

Blue Coat Hospital Dec. 14th 1802.
At a special Board,
Present

William Lubbin, Esq. Treas. D. James Gerard
Robt. Richmond Esq. Jn. Brown, Esq.
Thomas Staniforth, Esq. William Crosbie, Esq.
George Venables, Esq. Hugh Taylor, Esq.
William Atkinson, Esq. Rev. R. H. Roughsedge, Rector
Edward Houghton, Esq. Tho. Parke, Esq.

The Treasurer having procured the Terms which
the Committee of the Common Council require for the
Sale of the reversionary interest in the premises in School
lane, and also estimates of the reversionary Interest
in Fenwick St. belonging to this Charity now in the
occupation of the Corporation, & of Mr. Edmund Molyneux
has called this Special meeting in compliance with
the directions of the Trustees assembled on the 4th
Oct. last, and the Trustees now met being unanimously
of opinion that it would be greatly to the advantage of the
Charity to purchase the premises in School lane &
dispose of those in Fenwick St. agreeable to the requisition
of the Common Council do agree to recommend it to the next
Quarterly Board to carry both into effect & in the mean time
they deput to Tho. Staniforth, Esq. to signify the same to the
Committee.

It having been suggested that Mr. Chorley might not have occasion for the Warehouse in Hanover St. for any length of time as it was generally understood that he was withdrawing from Business.

Tho: Staniforth, Esq.^r & George Venables, Esq.^r were deputed to wait upon Mr. Chorley thro' desire to know if it was his intention to give them up or long.

On their return, they reported, that Mr. Chorley would relinquish them at the end of the year, which is on the 12th of Oct.^r

It was however thought proper that those Gentlemen should take an opportunity of presenting Mr. Chorley with a regular Notice to quit the premises, at the same time to signify to him that it was merely done as a matter of form.

Blue Coat Hospital 27th Jan. 1804
Present.

J. Keay, Esq. Treas. James Guard, M. D.
William Cubbin Esq.^r Hugh Taylor Esq.^r

Resolved that (in conformity with the printed rules given to the Parents) John Cornthwait be expelled the Hospital in consequence of the ill Behaviour of his Mother to Mr. Carl the second Master when walking out with the Children, which it is hoped will operate, as an Example in deterring others from behaving in the like Manner.

Representations to the Quarterly Board respecting Diet -

But before it be hung up, it is thought advisable that some representation should be made to the Quarterly Board as to its quality: it appearing to the Trustees present that a more nutritious and solid diet, might contribute not only to make the complaints of the children's wetting their beds less common, but also to strengthen their constitutions, & especially to render them less prone ^{to} Scrophula.

Order of the last minutes complied with.

Order of last meeting, respecting the entering of the minutes, is duly complied with.

List of Benefactions entered.

List of Benefactions & Legacies is read out but not entered on the Tables in the Chapel.

Minutes of the Quarterly Board

Ordered 1. th That the minutes of the last Quarterly Board, be immediately entered in the Book

Resolution respecting the girls.

2. ^d That the resolution respecting the Girls (See page 313 of Quarterly Board Book) directing a copy of the rule to be hung up in the Girls School ^{& attended to}, & the rule replaced.

Account of Books

3. ^d That M^r Chambers have an account of what Books there are at present for the use of the Children in the Schools, & at Church, and what are wanted.

Weekly Board Nov. 9. 1807

Present

John Keay Esq. Treasurer.
Dr. Howard Dr. Briggs

Minutes of the last meeting read.
Order respecting the bread baking complied with.
Also, that respecting the benefactions.

Minutes of Quarterly Board not copied.

Rule respecting the girls not complied with.

List of Books made out, but not quite correct.

M^r. Bowman reports that in consequence of the improper articles of food brought by the Parents on Saturday the 7th Inst. several of the Children were sick at supper, and in the Church next day, & that several of them have dirtied their beds, & it appearing notwithstanding a strict rule to the contrary, ^{that} some parents continue to give the children meat and money as they come from Church.

Ordered that whatever fruit or provisions the Parents bring when they come to see the children be either sent back or taken into a basket to be distributed equally among all the children, & that they be informed that if these practices be continued after notice, they will be prevented from seeing their children, or it will be recommended to the Board to expel them.

Minutes read.
Order complied with.

Quarterly Board

Rule respecting the girls.

List of Books made out.

Improper food brought by the parents.

Fruit or provisions sent back or taken into a basket

Parents And that the Parents of Benson, Geyson, Knox,
that have Bibby, and such others as may be discovered to
broken have broken the Rule be ordered to attend the
the Rule. next Weekly Board at 12 O'clock to be admonished
to attend and that on all similar occasions this Rule be
observed.

Books to be provided. Ordered that a Visitor's Memorandum
Book be provided.

Lancaster's Tables. Dr. Gerard is requested to write to London
respecting Lancaster's Tables.

Weekly Board Nov. 16th 1807.

Present

D. Gerard D. Briggs

Minutes of last meeting read.

Minutes of Quarterly Board copied

Rule respecting the girls complied with.

Number of Books at present in the Schools,
as follows.

10 Bibles, 40 Testaments, 18 Spelling Books,
6 Tutor's Assistants, 150 Prayer Books
for the Church

Girls' School

7 Bibles, 6 Testaments, 1 Tutor's Assistant

Books wanted as follows,

Boys' School

18 Bibles, 20 Tutor's Assistants, 100
Prayer Books, 100 Bibles, when they are
bound.

Girls' School

18 Spelling Books, 60 Prayer Books for
the Church.

New Books on hand

3 Bibles, 33 Prayer Books, 62 Testaments.

Books to
be procured.

Ordered that they be procured.

Parents
have been
admonished.

Parents of children who were made sick
have been admonished.

Order re-
specting fruit
reserved.

The order respecting the fruit reserved
for reconsideration.

The best way
of procuring
Lancaster's
Tables.

It appears that the best way of procuring
Lancaster's Tables will be for Mr. Gore
to apply to Darton & Harvey, Booksellers
Grace Church Street. Dr. Gerard will
speak to Mr. Gore.

Book is
provided

Visitors Memorandum Book is provided.

Rules for
baking
bread.

The Rules for baking bread should have
been copied into the Book, they are as
follows.

Directions for baking the Bread used in this Hospital.

<u>Clock</u>	<u>1st Batch</u>	<u>2^d Batch</u>	<u>3^d Batch</u>
5	set		
6	Breakfast		
8	knead		
9		9 set - 2	
9 1/2	2 ^d Breakfast		
10 1/2	put into Tins		
11 1/2	into Oven		
12		12 knead	
1			1 set
1 1/2	dine		
2	mend fire & draw Bread		
2 1/2		2 1/2 put into Tins	
3 1/2		3 1/2 into Oven	
4			4 knead
5	Tea		
6		6 mend fire draw Bread	
6 1/2			6 1/2 put into Tins
7 1/2			7 1/2 into Oven
8 1/2	Supper		
10			10 draw Bread.

Flour of N. B. 112 Lbs of flour, of the quality of good
 the quality seconds will gain 44 Lbs. when baked
 of good into Bread, that is the whole will be
 seconds. 156 Lbs

Baked June 6th 1806. Baked three Batches
 three Batches of Bread, the flour used in each Batch
 of Bread. was 110 Lbs. after baking,

1 st Batch	The 1 st weighed	135 Lbs of Bread
2 ^d do	The 2 ^d do	137 do
3 ^d do	The 3 ^d do	141 do
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		413.

Second Flour of the quality of good seconds should
 flour will increase $\frac{1}{4}$ in weight when baked,
 increase $\frac{1}{4}$ in weight when baked into bread.
 that is 12 Lbs of flour should give 16 Lbs
 of Bread of course 330 Lbs of flour of that
 quality should make 440 Lbs of Bread
 or 27 Lbs more than the above weight.

103^{lb}
 Coals & Ladders were consumed.
 103 Lbs of Coals & Ladders mixed were
 consumed on a former day in making
 three Baking.

Weekly Board Nov^r 30th 1807.

Present

John Keay Esq^r Treasurer
D^r Gerard D^r Briggs

Minutes
read

Minutes of last meeting, & Visitor's Memorandum
read

Rule respecting
the Parents
bringing
fruit.

On reconsidering the Rule respecting the parents
bringing fruit &c. It is thought absolutely
necessary that the practice should be
discontinued, & that the following notice
be publicly read next Saturday, & that a
copy of it be hung up in the Room.

Concator's
Tables.

D^r Gerard has applied to M^r Gore
respecting Concator's Tables, no
answer received.

The Organist
of St. Nicholas
Church

The Organist of St. Nicholas' Church having
wished the children to attend at the
Church to practise the Hymns previous
to the annual Charity Sermon.
M^r Chambers is directed to request the
Rev. R. H. Koughsedge Rector to represent to
her, that it is contrary to the Rule of the School,
great inconveniences having been experienced
from it.

Provision for Water. Provision for a quicker delivery of water from the Corporation Water pipes to be attended to.

Respecting the Bath. Also an arrangement respecting the Bath.

Respecting the Parents & Friends of the Children. Notwithstanding the Parents & Friends of the Children have repeatedly been told, & Friends that their ill judged indulgence, in bringing of the Children so many disagreeable consequences; that if bringing persisted in, the Trustees would be under them put the necessity of forbidding any thing of the cakes &c. kind being brought in future; yet on the last visiting day, few could eat their supper, eight were sick, three actually dirtied their beds, & nine returned sick, and otherwise unwell from Church on the following day; they can not therefore be surprised, at being now informed, that in consequence of their own misconduct, they will not be permitted, after this Day, to bring, send, or give their Children any kind of eatables whatever, either on the first Saturday in the month, or at any other time; but they may

bring them any innocent Toy, such as
Marbles, Balls, Tops, Dolls for the
Girls, or any instructing Book; and they
may leave in the Master's hands,
whatever money they can spare, of
which each Child will be allowed
to spend one penny, but no more, on
the Monday following, instead of on
the visiting day.

Such rule
must not
be broken,
not in the
smallest
degree.

Such rule being for the good of the whole,
cannot be suffered to be broken, in the
smallest degree, and every attempt, if
discovered, which is almost certain, will
be punished by turning out such Parent,
& not allowing him or her to see the
Child on the next visiting Day.

The same
rule will
be observed
in going to
or returning
from the
Church.

The same rule will be observed, with
respect to those who may give their
Children any thing as they go to, or
return from Church at any time, and
a repetition of such conduct, will inevitably
occasion the Child to be expelled, and
prevent the admission of any other
Child of that family in future.

Weekly Board Dec. 7th 1857

Present

John Keay Esq. Treas.
Dr. Gerard Dr. Briggs.

Mr. Roughsedge. Mr. Chambers has not seen Mr. Roughsedge.

Dartou & Horvey. Mr. Gore has written to Dartou & Horvey, no answer.

have been written to.

Dr. Gerard will see the agent of the Corporation Water Works.

Dr. Gerard will see the agent of the Corporation Water Works, & arrange with him respecting the delivery of water.

The present cold Bath is inconvenient, & cannot be used without inconvenience.

The Boys walking naked through a part of the yard. It is therefore thought better to have a Bath in the room used for combing the Children.

Terras-
Listan will
be required.
Cold Bath
inconvenient

Complaints
respecting the
Scholars tearing
of Clothes

A Terras-Listan, at a lower level, will
be required in the situation of the present
cold bath ~~which is also inconvenient~~

There being frequent complaints of the Scholars
tearing & injuring their clothes through
carelessness. Ordered that any scholar
guilty of such extravagance shall forfeit
a penny for every offence to go to the
fund for rewarding merit, & shall
not be allowed to spend his weekly
penny in fruit.

Weekly Board Dec. 14th 1807.

Present

Rev. R. H. Roughsedge, Rector

Edward Houghton Esq.^r Rev. William Blundell

Dr Gerard Dr Briggs.

Minutes read.

Minutes of last meeting read.

Respecting
the Organist
of the Old
Church.
Dartton &
Harvey.

Mr. Roughsedge will speak to the Organist
of the Old Church before the next
Sermon.

No answer from Dartton
& Harvey.

Agent of
the Waterworks.

Dr Gerard has arranged with the
Agent of the Waterworks.

Rule about
the tearing
of clothes.

Rule respecting the boys tearing their
clothes attended to.

No Boy to
go home
that has
the Itch
till he be
cured.

It appearing that several of the Boys have
the Itch. Ordered that none who are
in that state, be permitted to go home till they
be cured, & that it be a part of the duty of
the Monitors under the inspection of Mr.
Carle & Mr. Newby to examine the hands
of every Boy in their respective Classes daily
and to report all whom they find infected
in the slightest degree, & that the Mistresses
inspect the Girls.

Mr. Hanforth That Mr. Hanforth be requested to write
to the Society for promoting Christian
knowledge for 70 nonpareil Oxford Bibles
single in 12^{mo} & for 70 Oxford Common
Prayer Books with the new version of
Psalms 24^{to} for the use of this School, but
it is suggested that application ought not
to be made till the end of this year.

Dr. Gerard Dr. Gerard is requested to write Mr. A. H. Brown
now in London, to enquire the
lowest price at which these books may
be had from a Bookseller.

Mr. Chambers is directed to borrow a
copy of Man's, Lewis's & Newell's Oxford
exposition of the Catechism, to be laid before
the next meeting.

Weekly Board 21. th Dec. 1807.

Present

D^r Gerard D^r Briggs

Minutes read.

Minutes of last Meeting read.

The Children
to receive
their weekly
money, and
the Balance
transferred
to the next
years account.

Ordered that after the Children shall
have received their weekly money
on the 26th each account shall be cast
up & the Balance transferred to next
years account, that the old account may
be given to them when they go out.

The Children
that have
the Sick, not
to go home
until they
are free
from it.

Such Children as are free from the Sick
and such as shall be perfectly cured of it
by the time may be permitted to go home
on Monday the 28th Inst^h after Breakfast
at which time the Masters & Mistresses
shall give each Child its account, but
not its money, & shall explain the
state of its Balance for the information
of the Parents. They shall also furnish

Each Child
to have
printed
Papers,
and pinned

each Child with a copy of the following
order, and one of the annexed printed papers
both of which Mr Chambers is hereby
ordered to get printed for the purpose.
To prevent the Papers being lost they

to their
dress.

should be pinned to some part of their
dress, & out of sight.

The Children
to return to
School the
2^d of Jan^y by
one o'clock to
have their
Coats ex-
amined.

The Children must return to School,
on Saturday the 2^d of January, by one
o'clock that their clothes may be
examined in order to prevent the
introduction of Vermin, into the House;
and it is expected that the Parents will
see that they do return at the time
appointed, or they must take the
consequence of their own neglect, and
maintain their Child till the next
Quarterly Board Day. — They must also

The Parents
may give
their Children
Play things,
Dolls, Books
&c.

observe that as it is the First Saturday
in the Month they must give their Children
what Play things, Dolls, Books, or Money
they may choose to bring in with them
to serve them till the next Visiting Day,
which will not be till the First Saturday
in February.

The poor
labouring
Man.

The poor labouring Man, by Sin &
Wickedness, makes Poverty insupportable,
For,

Lying makes him despised:
Drunkness ruins himself, and his Family:
Idleness produces Beggary:
Discontent is Unhappiness:
Swearing is serving the Devil without Wages:
Stealing leads to the Gallows:

And,
What is worst of all,
Wickedness, which makes him unhappy in this World,
carries him into everlasting Misery in the next.

The poor
Man.
On the other Hand,
The poor Man,
By Virtue & Religion may become as happy
as this World can make him,
For

Honesty gives him a Character:
Truth makes his Word respected:
Sobriety preserves his Health:
Kind Behaviour makes his Home pleasant:
Industry prevents Want:
Contentment is real Happiness:
Faith in Christ, various Piety, & a good Conscience
give him Peace on the Bed of Death,

And
Everlasting Happiness crowns all.

Darton &
Hovvey.

Darton & Hovvey have sent word
that M^r. Lancaster has himself under-
taken to print his tables, that he
is from home, and it is uncertain when
they will be finished.

Lewis's &
Mann's —
expositions
have been
procured.

Mr Chamberly has procured copies of
Lewis's, & Mann's expositions of the
Catechism. — Newells is not to be had.
It is left to the Clergy to select the one
which they most approve of.

The Corporation
will relinquish to the Treasurer,
the Free School intend to relinquish the Free School
the 12th May 1808.

Mr. Foster having intimated by note
that the Corporation
the Free School intend to relinquish the Free School
on the 12th May 1808. or sooner if
agreeable to the Trustees.

The sense
of the Quarterly
Board to be
taken respecting
the Free -
School

Ordered that the sense of the ensuing
Quarterly Board be taken thereon and
that the opinion of the Board be also taken
as to the future appropriation of that
Building.

Weekly Board Jan. 4th 1808.

Present

William Lush Esq. Treasurer, D. Gerard.

Minutes read. Read the minutes of last meeting, and of the Quarterly Board.

The following children have disobeyed the order to return to school on Saturday last, viz.

Children's Names that have disobeyed the order respecting the holy days.

Joseph Jones	John Burk
Robt. Collier	Joseph Finney
Gerard Dean	William Scott
Thomas Jones	James Thomas
William Cumstey	James Reynolds
Rowland Johnson	William Cowen
John Griffiths	John Taylor
Mary Ann Best	Isabella Casement

Respecting Jos. Jones.

Ordered that Joseph Jones who did not return till this morning be maintained by his father till he get a Master to whom he may be bound, and that then he may have his clothes, and books, but that in the mean time he have only his commonest clothes.

Respecting Robt. Collier.

That Robt. Collier be not readmitted before the next Quarterly Board on any application whatever, his Mother having threatened that she would have him

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admitted, and that she would apply to
different Trustees for that purpose. and
that he had not meat enough -

Respecting
Garard Dean.

That Garard Dean he received this
time; it appearing that himself, and
not his friends were to blame, but that
he be flogged, and not permitted to spend
any money nor wear his better clothes,
for a whole month nor see his friends
on the next visiting-day, though they
may leave money for him.

Thomas Jones
may be sent
for at the
end of fortnight.

Thomas Jones is sentenced not to be admitted
till the next Quarterly Board, but may
be sent for at the end of a fortnight.

Respecting
William Cumstey.

William Cumstey sentenced in like
manner, but may be sent for at the
end of a fortnight; his Mother alleging
that he was sick in consequence of her
having given him Sulap

Respecting
Rowland
Johnson

Rowland Johnson also alleges sickness,
not to be admitted now but his Mother
may attend the next Weekly Board.

Respecting
John Griffiths.

John Griffiths not to be admitted but
his Aunt or his friend Mrs. Williams
may attend next Weekly Board.

Respecting
J. M. Croy.

John M. Croy returned to the School much intoxicated on Monday the 28th (the very first day of holy days) and was ordered to be confined for the rest of the holy days as a punishment but having been left to the care of the Taylor Woman he escaped on Wednesday afternoon, and was not seen again till he was sent from the Work House (where his Mother is) on Friday; after which he was confined in the Taylor's shop. The Mother having been the cause of his situation by his Uncle giving him Spirit, she was sent for & was severely reprimanded to day, & told that she would not be allowed to see him next visiting day.

Minutes
deferred.

The consideration of the other minutes deferred till next meeting.

Weekly Board th Jan. 4 1808.

Present

Dr. Gerard D. Briggs.

Respecting
John Burk

John Burks Mother appeared rather to desire he might have some better clothes than to request that he might be readmitted about which she was so indifferent that she does not appear worthy of having him received on the next quarterly Board day if she should apply, the excuse she made for his not returning was that he had sore feet. M^r. Chambers paid her 1. which is all the money belonging to him.

Respecting
Jos. Pinney.

Joseph Pinneys Mother appeared to say it was his Fathers intention to take him out & to put him to another School at this he is now so good a Scholar as to be one of the 1st Monitors, M^r. Chambers likewise gave her $3\frac{1}{2}$ which belonged to him.

Respecting
William Scott.

William Scotts Mother came here on Saturday and said he was lame, and could not come that day, —

(he had two small sores from frost when he went out) and not appearing at the Weekly Board on Monday, some inferior clothes were sent to him requiring those he had gone out in (which were better) to be returned which she refused to do and said she would apply to Mr. Formby to ask him if those Mr. Bowman had sent were fit for him, on Tuesday they were again sent for when she was told that she might apply at the Weekly Board this day if she chose, in answer to which she told the servant who took the clothes, that she did not intend him to return.

Respecting James Thomas returned to the school, James Thomas on Tuesday last, for readmission, but could not come sooner, from having a bleeding at the nose. Ordered that he be readmitted on the 18th.

Respecting
James Reynolds till Tuesday, but it appearing
that he was ill at Preston, and
the weather unfavorable, and
that he brought a reasonable
apology from his Father, he
was readmitted. The clothes which
the above Boys went out in were all
exchanged for their old jackets &c.

Clothes exchanged.

Cowan

William Cowan has not returned, nor
has he been heard of.

Respecting
John Taylor.

John Taylor has not returned, but
his clothes have been exchanged.

Respecting
Mary Ann Best
& Isabella
Casement

The Parents of Mary Ann Best, &
Isabella Casement not having
appeared at the last Weekly
Board, their inferior clothes were
sent to each of them in exchange
for those which they had gone
out in, on which occasion Best's
Mother said she was not well, and
her feet were sore, & she could not
think of bringing her till she was
well, and that she should not
apply to have her readmitted till
the next quarter.

Respecting
Casements
Mother.

Casements Mother said she should
attend the Weekly Board this day,
but has not appeared, her
Daughter is 14 years of age.

Weekly Board Jan. 18th 1808.

Present

D^r Gerard D^r Briggs

Minutes read.

Minutes of last meeting read

The Aeth
appears on
some of the scholars.

The Aeth having appeared on several
of the scholars. Ordered that the
Rule of Dec^r 14th be strictly enforced.

D^r Gerard to
speak to
M^r Manforth.

D^r Gerard is requested to apply to
M^r Manforth to write to the Society
for promoting christian knowledge,
and for the Bibles and Prayer Books
see Dec^r 14th. Ordered that
100 of each be procured from the
Booksellers in Liverpool

Mann's
exposition of
catechism

Ordered that 100 Copies of Bishop
Mann's exposition of the Catechism
be procured.

D^r Gerard to
speak to the
Rectors and
Mayor.

D^r Gerard is requested to confer with
the Rectors, and the Mayor to arrange
the plan for assembling the Children
of the different Schools to go to Church.
see order of last Quarterly Board

Weekly Board 25th Jan. 1808.

Present

William Lush Esq^r Treasurer
Dr Gerard Dr Briggs

Minutes read. Minutes of last meeting read.

54 Children Number of Children in the Stch, 38 Boys
in the Stch. and 16 Girls = 54.

Mr Stanforth Mr Stanforth has written for the Books

Books are ordered. The others are ordered

Dr Gerard Dr Gerard has not had an opportunity
has not of seeing the Mayor.
seen the Mayor?

Wahly Board Feb. 1st 1808

Present

William Lusk Esq. Treasurer

D. Gerard D. Briggs

Minutes read

Minutes of last meeting read

Children

The Children reported last week as having the Itch are all cured.

ward of the Itch.

Boys have the Itch.

28 fresh cases are reported. all Boys

D. Gerard has not seen the Mayor.

D. Gerard has not yet seen the Mayor.

Weekly Board May 30th 1808.

Present

Rev. R. F. Koughsedge, Rev. William Blandell
Dr. Gerard Dr. Briggs.

The Children's
annual
meeting

It appears that Tuesday July 5th will
be a convenient day for the annual
meeting of the Children; and Dr. Gerard
is requested to confer with the Mayor, &
to report next Monday

Mann's
Catechism

Bishop Mann's Catechism not yet procured.