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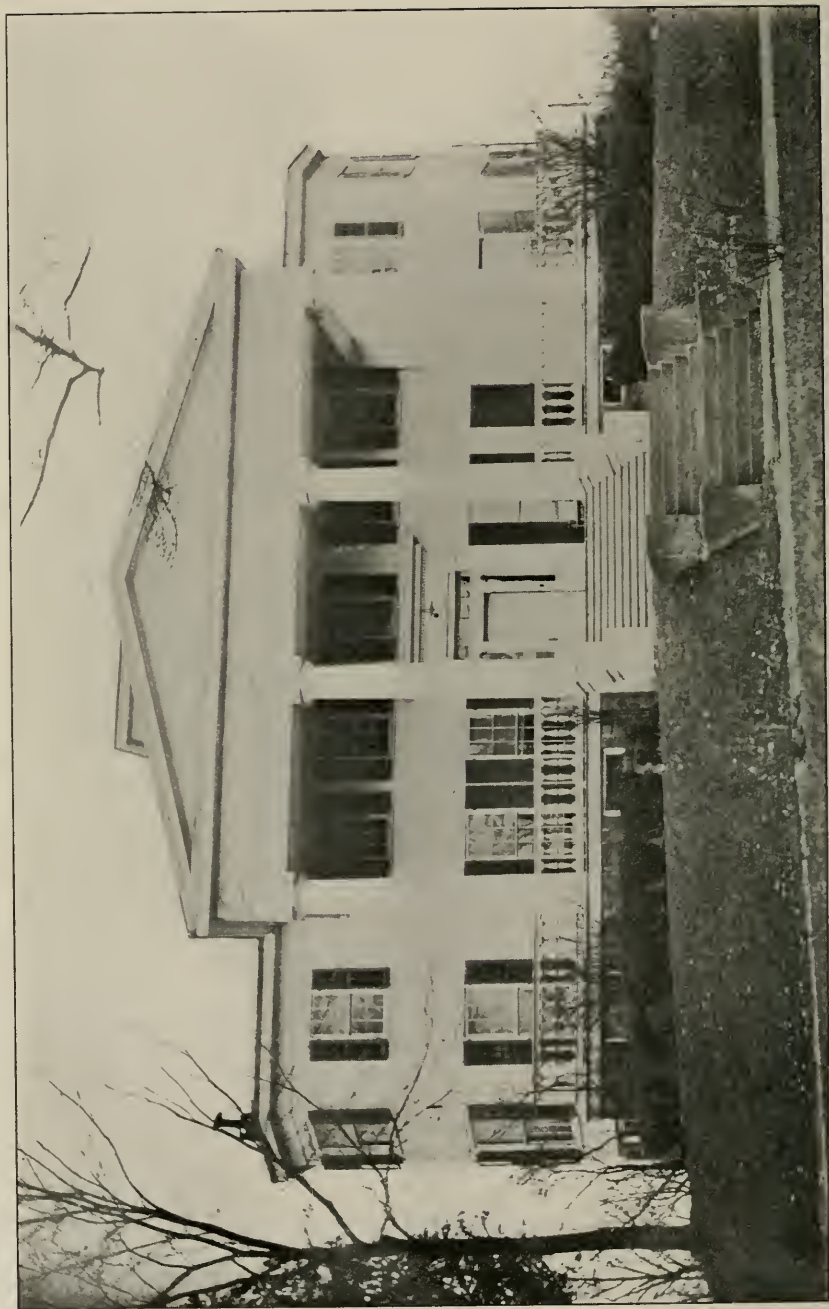
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## LOCATION OF THE HOSPITAL

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The hospital building is located on the main highway in West Haverstraw, N. Y., about one-half mile from the West Shore Railroad Station, and about one-quarter of a mile from the Erie Railroad Station.





"THE ORTHOPAEDIC CAT"

This kitten, with almost typical bowlegs due to a congenital bony defect in its forelegs, came unbidden to the hospital and has become a great pet with the children.





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A REAR VIEW OF THE HOSPITAL BUILDING



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MY DEAR SIR:

With this I beg to transmit to you the report of the Surgeon-in-Chief of the New York State Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children for the year ending September 30, 1909.

This report, I would add, has been submitted to the Board of Managers, and adopted and approved by them.

I am,

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE BLAGDEN,

*President.*

TO HON. HORACE WHITE,

*Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.*

*November 9, 1909.*



A GROUP OF TUBERCULOUS PATIENTS IN THE OUT-DOOR "SHACK."  
These patients remain in this shack night and day — winter and summer.





## TO THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NEW YORK STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE CARE OF CRIPPLED AND DEFORMED CHILDREN\*

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GENTLEMEN.— I have the honor to submit for your consideration, a detailed report of the work performed in your Hospital for the year ending September 30, 1909.

On the 1st of October, 1908, when the fiscal year began, there were 49 patients in our wards. Thirty new patients were admitted during the year, making a total of 79 patients treated. This is 10 more than were treated last year. This increase is due to the fact that the demand upon us is so great that we have crowded our wards to the utmost. With suitable accommodations for only 45 patients we had, for example, 49 under treatment when our new year commenced. The sympathetic aid of our efficient staff of resident officers makes this condition of affairs possible; more especially does it signify that our trained nurses devote themselves to the work of the hospital with more than ordinary interest and zeal.

Of the 79 patients treated, 33, or 41.77 per cent., were discharged, leaving 46 under our care on October 1, 1909. Compared with last year, when the percentage of discharges was 28.98, this is a favorable showing. The same care and discrimination have been shown, however, in selecting those who were discharged. The fact is that under the favorable conditions existing in our work in the matter of extensive, if not elaborate, out door life, our patients show a rapid, and in some cases exceptional, recuperative power.

Of these 79 patients, 44, or 55.69 per cent., had tuberculous disease of the spine or joints. Practically all our tuberculous patients are now living and sleeping out of doors. In a well equipped, but simple "shack" (erected from private funds), adequately protected

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\*Read before the Board of Managers of the Hospital at the stated monthly meeting held November 8, 1909. The report was duly approved, and ordered sent to the State Board of Charities and to the Legislature.

against wind and storms and from all forms of insect life, these patients are in the fresh air all of the time and in the sunshine during the day. They are under the care of a special nurse at night, and are periodically (every hour) inspected by the night watchman. What I believe to be the exceptional improvement of these patients is due largely to their fresh air environment, in an inland atmosphere especially adapted to their needs.

The 33 discharged patients are classified as follows:

Cured . . . . .	15
Improved . . . . .	16
Ineligible and unimproved . . . . .	1
Summarily removed by parent . . . . .	1

Of those discharged as "cured," 45.45 per cent. were of the tuberculous joint class; of those discharged as "improved," 48.49 per cent. were also afflicted with tuberculous disease of the joints. Many of those discharged as improved were practically cured. All were much benefited, and, through the ministrations of your Hospital were not only relieved of pain, disease and deformity, but were also placed in the way of becoming self-supporting citizens. The summary removal of a patient by its parents raises a question which demands the attention of the authorities. At present, the Surgeon-in-Chief and Superintendent has no power to retain a child in the hospital in opposition to the wishes of its parents, who, moved by a natural, but uncalled for sympathy, or influenced by purely selfish motives, can remove a patient when a few weeks or months more of treatment might result in a complete cure.

I again venture to call your attention to a summary of the total number of patients treated since the hospital was organized in December, 1900, nine years ago.

During this period there have been treated in all 197 patients. One hundred and fifty-one have been discharged. Of these *discharged* patients, 55, or 36.42 per cent. have been cured; 85, or 56.29 per cent. have been improved; 7, or 4.64 per cent. were discharged as ineligible or unimproved; 1, or .66 per cent. was summarily removed by its parents, and 3, or 1.99 per cent. have died. The percentage of deaths for the *whole number* under treatment (197) for the past nine years is only 1.52 per cent.

We make the attempt to keep track of those who are discharged as "cured" or "improved." It is not always possible to do this. A change of residence is the most frequent cause of failure. But



A GROUP OF THE HOSPITAL INMATES.



many of them have been heard from and so far as we know there have been no relapses among those who remained sufficiently long under treatment. We have been in the work long enough to see some of our ex-patients actively employed in various occupations. Some of them are self-supporting, while others are contributing to the support of the family. All of this shows the wisdom of retaining a patient until a cure is practically effected—a cure not only of the deformity, but of the disease which causes the deformity.

I call your attention to the fact that, though we have treated 197 patients in nine years, giving them in the aggregate 313 years of treatment, there has been no death, during this whole period, of any patient, from the ordinary *acute* diseases of childhood. There have been three deaths only from *chronic* disease, and these were all from tuberculous meningitis, in advanced cases of tuberculous hip or spine disease. That a family of 46 children should exist under one roof, for nine years, with no death from *acute* disease, is, I am sure, an exceptional record. No better indication could be presented, I am sure, that, not only is the site of the hospital especially adapted for its purpose, but also that the patients are given good and watchful care. It must be remembered in this connection that the majority of the patients under our care come to us with vitiated constitutions, with tuberculous disease and with greatly lowered vitality.

There were 43 boys and 36 girls treated during the year. The average daily attendance or residence was 46.323, and the total number of days of treatment is 16,909.

The average residence in the hospital of discharged patients is one year, five months and twenty-eight days. The average residence of continued patients is one year, nine months and twenty-five days. At present the average of both discharged and continued patients is one year, seven months and twenty-seven days, an increase of one month over last year. This is to be expected, and it is probable, from the very chronic nature of the disease treated, that this average will increase in years to come.

Our outdoor clinic continues to do a good work. The hospital is to a great extent a recognized center, for the treatment of deformities, within a radius of many miles. Patients, always of the poorer class (none others are received), eligible to the good offices of the hospital, are seen and treated in the examination room in the basement. During the past year 225 visits were made to this outdoor clinic, representing 35 families; of the number treated, seven were infants.

Of the 79 patients treated in the hospital during the year, there were :

Hip-joint disease.....	24
Pott's disease of the spine (humpback).....	8
White swelling of the knee.....	10
Tuberculous osteitis, near knee.....	1
Ankle-joint disease.....	1
Rheumatic knee joint.....	1
Congenital dislocation of the hip.....	4
Congenital club feet.....	2
Acquired club foot.....	1
Lateral curvature of the spine.....	4
Bowlegs.....	2
Knock-knee.....	1
Various forms of infantile paralysis.....	14
Deformities of spastic paralysis.....	6

The 79 patients represent the following counties of the State :

Albany.....	1
Broome.....	1
Cayuga.....	1
Chautauqua.....	1
Clinton.....	1
Columbia.....	1
Delaware.....	2
Dutchess.....	1
Genesee.....	3
Jefferson.....	3
Kings.....	6
Lewis.....	1
Madison.....	1
Monroe.....	1
Montgomery.....	1
New York.....	23
Oneida.....	1
Orange.....	3
Oswego.....	1
Putnam.....	3
Queens.....	1
Rensselaer.....	1
Richmond.....	1





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Rockland . . . . .	15
Seneca . . . . .	2
Sullivan . . . . .	1
Westchester . . . . .	2
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It is our wish to bring the attention of the proper authorities of the counties of the State, not included in the above list, to their claim to representation in the wards of the hospital. It is true that applications have been received from some of them, but with the many applications, and when only 33 were discharged during the year, it has been impossible to admit many very deserving and even urgent cases.

It will be further seen in the following table that there have been 182 *formal* applications for admission, representing 44 counties of the State, since October 1, 1907.

LIST OF APPLICATIONS BY COUNTIES, SINCE OCTOBER 1, 1907, TO  
OCTOBER 1, 1909.

1. Albany . . . . .	3
2. Allegany . . . . .	1
3. Broome . . . . .	1
4. Cattaraugus . . . . .	1
5. Cayuga . . . . .	2
6. Chautauqua . . . . .	2
7. Chemung . . . . .	1
8. Clinton . . . . .	2
9. Columbia . . . . .	1
10. Delaware . . . . .	3
11. Dutchess . . . . .	7
12. Erie . . . . .	5
13. Franklin . . . . .	1
14. Fulton . . . . .	2
15. Genesee . . . . .	3
16. Greene . . . . .	2
17. Jefferson . . . . .	7
18. Kings . . . . .	16
19. Lewis . . . . .	2
20. Madison . . . . .	1
21. Monroe . . . . .	5

22. Montgomery . . . . .	2
23. New York . . . . .	38
24. Niagara . . . . .	1
25. Oneida . . . . .	6
26. Onondaga . . . . .	1
27. Orange . . . . .	5
28. Orleans . . . . .	1
29. Oswego . . . . .	2
30. Putnam . . . . .	3
31. Rensselaer . . . . .	3
32. Richmond . . . . .	2
33. Rockland . . . . .	28
34. St. Lawrence . . . . .	1
35. Schenectady . . . . .	3
36. Schoharie . . . . .	1
37. Seneca . . . . .	2
38. Steuben . . . . .	1
39. Suffolk . . . . .	3
40. Sullivan . . . . .	3
41. Tioga . . . . .	1
42. Ulster . . . . .	2
43. Westchester . . . . .	3
44. Wyoming . . . . .	2

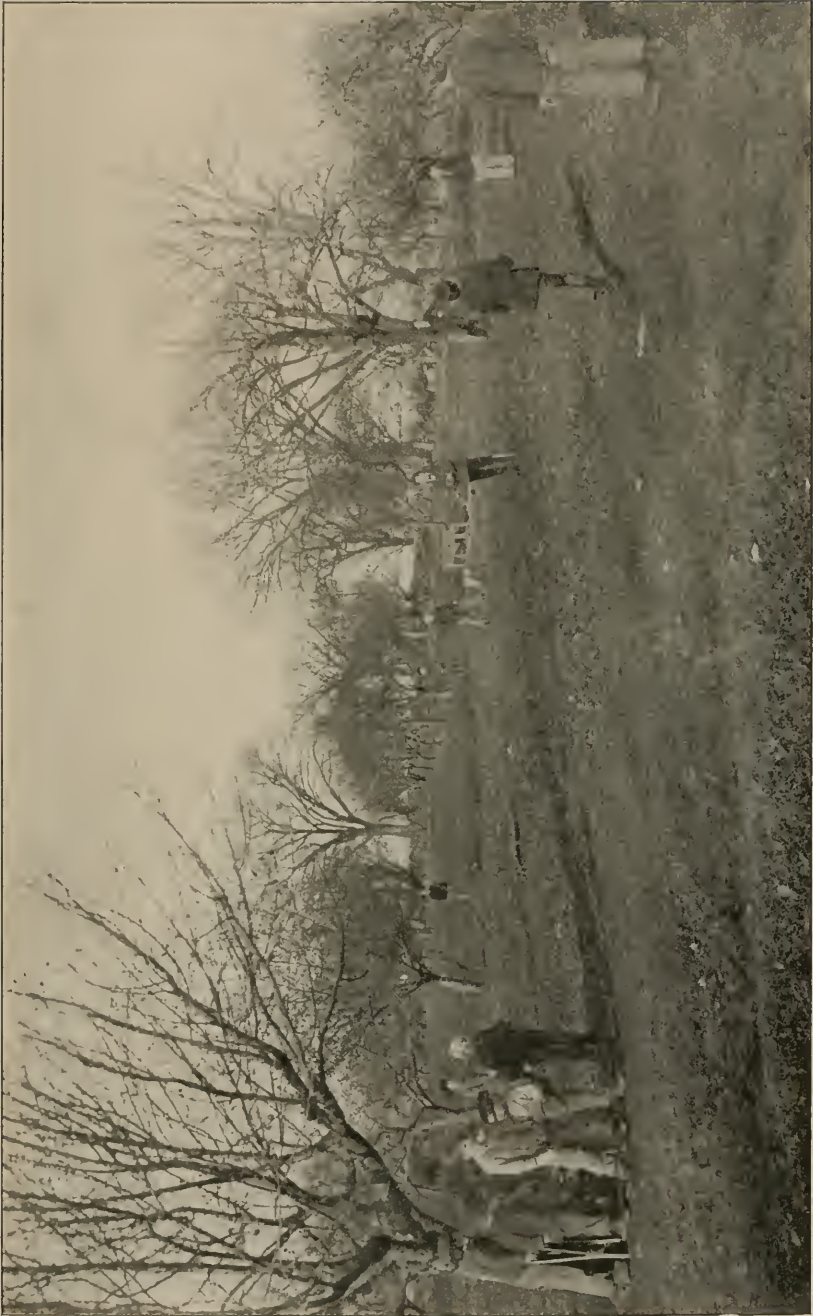
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These are, however, only those applications where the necessary affidavits, etc., have been duly made out, and all the formal requirements have been complied with. Many others have been received, but the applicants knowing of the long waiting list have failed to complete their applications. In addition to this the writer has received many verbal applications of which no note has been made. It may be safely stated that more than twice the above number have desired to enter the hospital during this period, and only 53 could be admitted. It is well known that there are thousands of children throughout the State (some in the almshouses) who are afflicted with deforming diseases and conditions, whose parents are too poor to provide the proper treatment for them, or to purchase the necessary apparatus for their relief or cure. In 1900 an investigation by the State Board of Charities developed the fact that over 100 children, many of them being eligible to the treatment of the hospi-



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tal, were found in various institutions which made stated reports to the Board.

The remedy for this unfortunate state of affairs lies in the construction and equipment of a much larger hospital. You all know of our persistent attempts to secure the necessary legislative action which would supply the demand for the many hundreds of children who are suffering, and for whom there is no adequate provision. The writer trusts that your Board will place the matter before the Legislature this year in a way which will bring about this much desired result.

Thirty-five surgical operations were performed on twelve patients during the year. All were successful.

The details of these operations and many other matters, I think, of great interest, are to be found in the tables appended to this report. I venture to recommend a study of these tables to those interested. One can judge from them, very accurately, the extent and nature of the work performed by the Assistant Medical Staff whose earnest and faithful work I desire, especially, to commend.

In conclusion I desire to say that the entire assistant resident staff, including the matron, the nurses, the school teacher, and the office force, have performed efficient work during the year. All have shown a disposition to help along lines which had in view the interests of the hospital and its patients. In our limited quarters, and with insufficient help, they have shown at all times a community of interest, and all have contributed their share toward making our hospital force, and large family, a pleasant home and, in many respects, an enjoyable place of residence.

To those who have remembered the patients by their contributions of clothing, reading matter, etc., the authorities express their sincere appreciation of these kindly acts.

Respectfully submitted,

NEWTON M. SHAFFER, M. D.,

*Surgeon-in-Chief and Superintendent.*

*New York, November 8, 1909.*



TABLE No. I.  
Summary of "Continued Patients."

Case number.	Date of admission.	Age, years.	Resident county.	Disease.	Application made and endorsed by—	Condition on admission as per last report.	Remarks.
1	Dec. 17, 1901	7	Monroe	Knee-joint disease and acquired club feet.	Superintendent of the Port.	Knee much deformed and very much swelled. Abscess. Was regarded as a hopeless case. In bed for months. Both feet deformed following infantile paralysis in early childhood.	Knee cured with excellent movement. Position of feet corrected and walk much improved.
2	April 21, 1903	4	Westchester	Pott's disease (humpback).	Grandmother	Pain. Head twisted to one side. In poor condition.	Discharged cured.
3	Oct. 10, 1903	10	Queens	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Right leg one-half inch shorter than left. Very little motion in any direction of hip joint. Duration, five years. Beginning abscess.	Discharged improved. Removed by mother against advice of medical staff.
4	Jan. 13, 1905	4	Orange	Pott's disease (humpback).	Mother	Marked deformity in lower dorsal region. Pain. Difficult locomotion.	Practically cured. Deformity arrested.
5	June 20, 1905	8	Oswego	Hip-joint disease	Guardian	Extreme flexion of thigh. Very acute symptoms	Practically cured. Deformity overcome. Movements about normal. Under observation.
6	July 19, 1905	8	New York	Knee-joint disease	Mother	White swelling of right knee. Extremely acute. Flexed to about 90 degrees. Very slight movement.	Discharged improved. Parents moved out of State.
7	July 19, 1905	12	Kings	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Very acute symptoms. Two abscesses. Very little motion. Thigh very much flexed.	Practically cured. Deformity overcome. Movement in all directions fair. All evidence of abscess has disappeared.
8	July 19, 1905	5	New York	Knee-joint disease	Father	White swelling of right knee. Knee flexed to 90 degrees. About 10 degrees of movement.	Discharged improved. Deformity overcome. Range of movement much increased.
9	Sept. 29, 1905	4	New York	Hip-joint disease	Superintendent of Randall's Island.	Very acute. Flexed to 150 degrees. No motion. Night cries.	All acute symptoms have disappeared. Deformity overcome. Good motion in all directions.
10	Sept. 29, 1905	4	New York	Pott's disease (humpback).	Superintendent of Randall's Island.	Disease both in lumbar and upper dorsal region. Acute symptoms.	Discharged cured, with no increase in deformity.
11	Sept. 29, 1905	7	New York	Pott's disease (humpback).	Superintendent of Randall's Island.	Marked deformity in the dorsal region	Apparatus removed. Under observation. Practically cured.
12	Nov. 7, 1905	15	New York	Hip-joint disease	Father	Moderate flexion deformity. Four inches shortening. Moderate atrophy. Acute symptoms present. Disease of eight years' standing. Several previous relapses. General condition excellent.	

13	Mar. 22, 1906	6	New York	Hip-joint disease	Father	Slight flexion. Marked spasm. No motion. Very acute symptoms have disappeared. No deformity present. Good motion in all directions.
14	May 15, 1906	4	New York	Bow-legs	Mother	Discharged cured.
15	May 16, 1906	9	New York	Pott's disease (humpback)	Father	Marked degree of flexion and abduction. Marked kyphotic deformity. Considerable pain. General condition fair.
16	June 4, 1906	5	Albany	Hip-joint disease	Superintendent of the Poor	Marked degree of flexion and abduction. Marked muscular spasm. No motion. Very acute symptoms. Night crises. General condition good.
17	July 31, 1906	4	New York	Congenital dislocation of the hip-joint	Father	Posterior dislocation. General condition good.
18	Sept. 14, 1906	9	Jefferson	Pott's disease (humpback)	Father	Well marked kyphotic deformity in upper dorsal region. General condition excellent.
19	Sept. 14, 1906	4	Rockland	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Moderate flexion and abduction. Marked muscular spasm. No motion. Very acute symptoms. Night crises. General condition good.
20	Sept. 27, 1906	7	Kings	Knee-joint disease	Father	Joint moderately swollen. Very tender. Position good. Marked muscular spasm. Five degrees of motion present. General condition fair.
21	Oct. 25, 1906	13	New York	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Right leg two inches shorter than left. Spasm marked. Very little motion present. Duration, eleven years. Beginning abcess.
22	Mar. 11, 1907	5	New York	Knee-joint disease (left) and right hip-joint disease	Mother	Knee flexed to right angle. Acutely painful. Night crises. General condition very poor.
23	Mar. 14, 1907	6	Rockland	Hip-joint disease	Father	Deformity present. Joint very sensitive. Night crises.
24	Mar. 15, 1907	8	Rockland	Hip-joint disease	Father	Marked deformity. Joint locked in muscular spasm. Pain. Suffered greatly from loss of sleep.
25	April 5, 1907	10	Orange	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Walks with limp. Abscess developing. Motion in joint limited.
26	May 4, 1907	13	Rockland	Ankylosis of the knee and contracted tendons	Sister Marcella	Knee flexed. Disease still present.
27	May 17, 1907	11	Rockland	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Limp, slight deformity and spasm present.
28	Aug. 14, 1907	13	Montgomery	Hip-joint disease	Father	Joint locked in spasm. Deformity marked. Pain present. General health fair.
29	Sept. 5, 1907	5	Kings	Congenital dislocation of the hip-joint	Father	Posterior dislocation with one inch shortening of leg.
30	Sept. 5, 1907	7	Rockland	Congenital dislocation of the hip-joint	Mother	Posterior dislocation of right leg, shortening one inch.
31	Sept. 23, 1907	6	New York	Acquired club feet	Father	Equino-varus of both feet, much more marked in left.

TABLE No. I — (Continued).  
Summary of "Continued Patients."

Case number.	Date of admission.	Age, years.	Resident county.	Disease.	Application made and endorsed by—	Condition on admission as per last report.	Remarks.
32	Nov. 4, 1907	10	Westchester	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Moderate flexion and abduction. Very little motion present. Joint sensitive.	Deformity overcome. Free motion in all directions. General health excellent. Discharged cured.
33	Dec. 6, 1907	4	Madison	Congenital equinovarus.	Mother	Severe grade of double equinovarus	Discharged improved, after operation and mechanical treatment.
34	April 8, 1908	12	Genesee	Spastic paralysis.	Father	Moderate spastic condition of both arms. Marked spasticity of both lower extremities. Talipes equinus deformity of both feet.	Improved. Under observation.
35	April 22, 1908	6	Delaware	Congenital dislocation of the hip.	Father	Posterior dislocation. Shortening, one and one-fourth inch.	Discharged improved. Spasms all closed. Hip in excellent condition. Practically cured.
36	April 29, 1908	15	Kings	Hip-joint disease	Father	Nine discharging sinuses. Spasm marked. Very little motion present.	Deformity corrected. Spasticity has disappeared in lower extremity and almost so in upper extremity after operation.
37	May 16, 1908	3	Rensselaer	Genu varum	Mother	Marked bony deformity of tibiae	Discharged cured.
38	June 5, 1908	12	New York	Spastic paralysis	Father	Marked spasticity of upper and lower left extremities.	Discharged cured.
39	June 6, 1908	7	Broome	Genu valgum	Superintendent, Susquehanna Valley Home, Binghamton.	Deformity marked	Discharged cured.
40	June 13, 1908	11	New York	Knee-joint disease	Re-admitted	Marked deformity of right knee; result of operation for injury. Flexed to angle of 90 degrees. No perceptible movement. X-Ray gives appearance of ankylosis.	Discharged cured.
41	July 1, 1908	3	New York	Pott's disease (humpback).	Father	Moderate kyphosis, spasm marked. Paraplegia. General condition poor.	Much improved. Paralysis cured. General condition excellent.
42	July 25, 1908	13	Rockland	Osteitis, right femur.	Re-admitted	A discharging sinus at lower end of right femur, inner side. Bone appreciably thickened.	Improved. Under observation.
43	Aug. 17, 1908	5	Columbia	Knee-joint disease	Father	Joint swollen and sensitive. Flexed to 45 degrees. About 15 degrees of motion present. Slight subluxation.	Other knee became involved shortly after admission. Both greatly improved. Motion in one knee almost normal; in the other of 45 degrees. Has been very ill from an intercurrent disease. Is slowly regaining strength.
44	Aug. 21, 1908	7	Chautauqua	Spastic paralysis	Mother	Spastic condition of upper and lower left extremities. Condition more marked in wrist.	Spastic condition improved. Wearing apparatus.
45	Sept. 1, 1908	11	Rockland	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Mother	Right scapula very prominent. Unable to raise right arm beyond a right angle. Slight cervico-dorsal curve.	Discharged improved, wearing apparatus.

46	Sept. 8, 1908	5	New York	Infantile paralysis	Mother	Moderate equino-varus of deformity of both feet.	Discharged improved. Deformities corrected.
47	Sept. 11, 1908	7	Lewis	Infantile paralysis	Mother	Marked atrophy of left leg. Equino-varus deformity of foot. Plantar tissues markedly contracted.	Discharged improved. Deformities corrected.
48	Sept. 11, 1908	5	New York	Hip-joint disease	Father	Permanent flexion 30 degrees. About 10 degrees of antero-posterior motion present in joint. Marked spasm. Considerable pain.	Deformity overcome. Spasm much diminished. No pain.
49	Sept. 29, 1908	8	Orcida	Congenital club feet.	Father	Equino-varus of both feet. The deformity is very pronounced.	Deformity much diminished.

TABLE No. II.—(Continuation of Table No. I).  
*Summary of new patients received during the year.*

Case number.	Date of admission.	Age.	Resident county.	Disease.	Application made and indorsed by—	Condition on admission as per last report.	Remarks.
50	Oct. 26, 1908	8	New York	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Acute spasm of muscles. Night cries. Movements very limited.	Discharged improved. Movements good. No acute symptoms. Removed by parents against advice of staff. Should have remained for period of observation. Practically cured.
51	Nov. 7, 1908	16	Putnam	Infantile paralysis	Re-admitted	Patient wearing braces, which needed alterations.	Discharged improved, with apparatus permitting her to walk.
52	Dec. 3, 1908	9	Putnam	Infantile paralysis	Mother	Bedridden for two years. Unable to use lower limbs at all.	Discharged improved.
53	Jan. 3, 1909	13	Genesee	Infantile paralysis	Father	Paralysis of anterior group of leg muscles, due to improper protection during existence of infantile paralysis.	Discharged improved, with apparatus permitting her to walk.
54	Jan. 8, 1909	6	Rockland	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Patient in great agony; flexed hip.	After exercises and application of braces, foot became practically cured. Discharged improved.
55	April 27, 1909	15	New York	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Suffering much pain. Abscess present. Deformity. No movement.	Deformity overcome. General condition excellent.
56	April 30, 1909	14	Rockland	Infantile paralysis	Mother	Talipes equinus of left foot, also paralysis of flexors and extensors of the knee, with contractures. Slight contracture of right tendon achilles, also lateral curvature of the spine. Patient had walked scarcely any at home.	Brace and extension applied, since which patient suffers no pain. Abscess discharging; gain in general health. Deformity lessened.
57	May 10, 1909	12	Orange	Hip-joint disease	Mother	Large abscess present. Anemic and had lost much weight. Flexion and abduction deformity present.	Contracted muscles stretched, brace and crutches given. Able to walk moderate distance. Discharged improved.
58	May 14, 1909	11	Genesee	Infantile paralysis, with a strongly flexed knee and useless limb.	Mother	Marked contractures at knee, left limb being otherwise flaccid and useless.	Patient up in portable apparatus. Deformity overcome. General health excellent.
59	May 24, 1909	16	Clinton	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Father	Marked rigid curvature. General muscular weakness and stiffness.	After operation for contracted muscles and application of brace, patient is walking without crutches.
60	May 30, 1909	14	Seneca	Lateral curvature of the spine and partial paralysis, with contracted knees and ankles.	Overseer of the Poor	Patient bedridden, unable to use lower extremities at all; back and arms very weak. Contracted muscles in lower limbs.	Discharged improved, with apparatus and instructions as to exercises. Patient being taught exercises to strengthen arms and back.

61	June 5, 1909	15	Cayuga	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Father.	Curvature had reached its extreme limit and was rigid.	Discharged not improved. Taken home by parent on account of homelessness.
62	June 24, 1909	12	Rockland	Infantile paralysis.	Mother.	Talipes equino-varus, with contracted tendons of the right leg.	Plasty of tendo Achillis. Deformity overcome. Discharged improved.
63	June 26, 1909	5	Seneca	Cerebral palsy.	Father.	Mentally defective, marked incoordination of lower limbs with muscular contractions.	Discharged improved.
64	July 1, 1909	6	New York	Tuberculosis of the knee.	Mother.	Ankylosis and flexion of the knee; discharging abscess. Had several operations in other hospitals.	Patient wearing brace. Deformity practically overcome. General health improved.
65	July 10, 1909	7	New York	Hip-joint disease.	Mother.	Marked spasm, slight pain. Flexion and abduction deformity.	Up and about with brace. No pain. Position normal.
66	July 22, 1909	8	Kings	Hip-joint disease.	Father.	Very sensitive joint. Flexion and abduction deformity.	Brace applied. In bed on incline plane. Deformity nearly overcome.
67	July 26, 1909	7	Delaware	Infantile paralysis.	Mother.	Almost complete paralysis of right arm and of anterior muscles of left foot, with contraction of plantar fascia and deformity.	Brace applied. Deformity being overcome.
68	July 29, 1909	5	Rockland	Infantile paralysis. Thighs and knees strongly flexed, preventing any use of the legs or application of braces.	Mother.	Both lower extremities involved and contractures at each knee and ankle. Unable to stand on feet; come moves about by creeping. Has never walked.	Tendons divided and deformities overcome. Transplantation of healthy muscles.
69	July 31, 1909	3	Putnam	Infantile paralysis.	Mother.	Both lower limbs affected. Marked weakness of entire right leg, with complete paralysis of the anterior muscles. Talipes equinus of left foot. Wearing braces which were doing more injury than good.	Receiving massage. Power returning to many muscles. Apparatus to be applied.
70	July 31, 1909	7	Kings	Infantile paralysis, with edema of foot from paralysis of the heel-cord.	Father.	Calcaneo valgus deformity. (Paralysis of heel-cord). Very marked limp in gait.	Healthy muscles transplanted to substitute for paralyzed ones. Deformity overcome and power returned to calf muscles.
71	Aug. 20, 1909	12	Rockland	Hip-joint disease.	Uncle.	Very sensitive hip. Marked spasm.	Up and about with an apparatus. Much improved.
72	Sept. 2, 1909	10	Jefferson	Infantile paralysis. Paralysis of lower extremities. Contracted muscles of both hips and knees. Deformities extreme.	Mother.	Thighs, knees and ankles contracted so that patient could only move by creeping and that with great difficulty. Patient has never walked.	Deformities overcome. Apparatus soon to be applied.
73	Sept. 4, 1909	15	New York	Infantile paralysis, with marked equino-valgus deformity from paralysis of tibialis anticus muscle.	Mother.	Marked club foot with paralysis of some muscles of foot.	Deformity overcome. Healthy muscles transplanted.
74	Sept. 9, 1909	7	Rockland	Ankle-joint disease.	Father.	Joint very painful, swollen and rigid in deformed position.	Less painful; swelling reduced. Deformity lessened.
75	Sept. 12, 1909	5	Richmond	Knee-joint disease.	Father.	Joint sensitive, stiff. Deformity slight.	Wearing apparatus. Improved.



TABLE No. II.—(Continuation of Table No. I)—(Concluded).

*Summary of new patients received during the year.*

Case number.	Date of admission.	Age.	Resident county.	Disease.	Application made and indorsed by—	Condition on admission as per last report.	Remarks.
76	Sept. 15, 1909	6	Sullivan	Spastic paraplegia marked in all extremities.	Father	Mental condition defective. Unable to attend to his slightest wants.	Discharged incurable. Not eligible.
77	Sept. 16, 1909	4	Rockland	Pott's disease (humpback).	Mother	Disease in lumbar region of spine, with some deformity. Sinus opened and discharging near knee-joint.	Bruce applied. Sinus discharging much less.
78	Sept. 19, 1909	12	Jefferson	Spastic paraplegia with marked deformity of all joints in both lower extremities.	Father	Patient has never walked. Condition severe. Unable to move hip, knees or feet.	Tendons divided and deformities corrected. Patient still in bed.
79	Sept. 25, 1909	15	Dutchess	Rheumatic knee	Mother	Knee slightly bent. No movement	Massage and Bier's treatment. Knee can be moved slightly.



TABLE No. III.

*List of surgical operations performed during the year ending September 30, 1909.*

Case number.	Age.	Date.	Disease.	Operations.	Remarks.
49.	8	Oct. 20, 1908	Congenital club foot.	Plantar tissues divided, achillotomy; manual correction.	Both feet have been retained in proper position, with normal movements in all directions. Practically cured, under observation.
58.	11	May 24, 1909	Infantile paralysis, with a strongly flexed knee and useless limb.	Tenotomy of gastrocnemius and ham string tendons.	Apparatus has been applied. Patient walks without crutches.
44.	7	June 7, 1909	Splastic paralysis.	Incision of thigh for abscess and drainage.	Pulebitis developed from some obscure cause. After severe illness patient is slowly improving.
62.	12	June 25, 1909	Infantile paralysis.	Tenotomy, under cocaine.	The club foot corrected.
40.	11	July 6, 1909	Knee-joint disease.	Knee-joint manipulated.	Cured, with limited motion.
42.	13	July 6, 1909	Osteitis right femur.	Curraige.	Improved, under observation.
60.	14	July 6, 1909	Lateral curvature of the spine and partial paralysis, with contracted knees and ankles.	Tenotomy of tendo achilles and ham string muscles in both sides.	Lower limbs are in normal position. Paralysis too extensive to warrant application of a brace.
68.	5	Aug. 27, 1909	Infantile paralysis. Thighs and knees strongly flexed, preventing any use of the legs or application of braces.	Tendon transplantation of sartorius into the patella and division of contracted (paralyzed) ham string. Both sides operated.	Limbs straight. Slight power of extension of knees present. Brace ordered.
68.	5	Sept. 23, 1909	Infantile paralysis. Thighs and knees strongly flexed, preventing any use of the legs or application of braces.	Right tendo achilles divided subcutaneously. Local anesthetic.	After previous operation, it was deemed advisable to divide the tendo achilles.
72.	10	Sept. 10, 1909	Infantile paralysis. Paralysis of lower extremities. Contracted muscles of both hips and knees. Deformities extreme.	Divided ham string tendons; also sartorius and rectus femoris muscles of both legs.	Deformities removed, except for some flexion of thighs, due to contraction of psoas muscles. This is being overcome by daily manipulations.
15.	15	Sept. 7, 1909	Infantile paralysis, with marked equinovarus deformity from paralysis of tibialis anticus muscle.	Foreble correction of deformity and achillotomy. Transplanted peroneus longus tendon posteriorly to ankle joint into scaploid, together with extensor longus pollicis.	Foot retains normal position. Slight inversion possible. Brace has been ordered. Massage is daily administered.
70.	7	Sept. 16, 1909	Infantile paralysis, with calcaneus deformity of foot from paralysis of the heel-cord.	Tendon transplantation. Peroneus longus and flexors longus digitorum tendons cut and transplanted into calcaneum at point of insertion of tendo achilles.	Patient can move the heel with the new heel-cord.
78.	12	Sept. 28, 1909	Splastic paraplegia, with marked deformity of all joints in both lower extremities.	Tenotomies of tendo-achilles, ham string muscles, and adductors on both sides.	both limbs in good position. Still in plaster.

TABLE No. IV.

Summary of discharged patients for the year ending September 30, 1909.

Case number.	Disease.	Condition on admission.	Date of discharge.	Condition on discharge.
46.	Infantile paralysis.	Moderate equino-varus deformity of both feet.	Oct. 1, 1908	Improved. Deformities corrected.
45.	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Right scapula very prominent. Unable to raise right arm beyond a right angle. Slight cervico-dorsal curve.	Oct. 6, 1908	Improved. Wearing apparatus.
30.	Congenital dislocation of the hip.	Posterior dislocation of right leg. Shortening one inch.	Oct. 27, 1908	Cured.
29.	Congenital dislocation of the hip.	Posterior dislocation with one inch shortening of leg.	Nov. 2, 1908	Cured.
6.	Knee-joint disease.	White swelling of right knee. Extremely acute. Flexed to about 90 degrees. Very slight movement.	Dec. 2, 1908	Improved. (Parents moved out of State.)
31.	Acquired club feet.	Equino-varus of both feet, much more marked in left.	Dec. 12, 1908	Cured.
51.	Infantile paralysis.	Patient wearing braces which needed alterations.	Dec. 24, 1908	Improved.
11.	Pott's disease (humpback).	Marked deformity in the dorsal region.	Jan. 31, 1909	Cured, with no increase in deformity.
34.	Spastic paralysis.	Moderate spastic condition of both arms. Marked spasticity of both lower extremities.	April 5, 1909	Improved.
17.	Congenital dislocation of the hip-joint.	Talipes equino-varus deformity of both feet. Posterior dislocation. General condition good.	April 29, 1909	Cured.
20.	Knee-joint disease.	Joint moderately swollen. Very tender. Position good. Marked muscular spasm.	May 8, 1909	Cured.
39.	Genu valgum.	Deformity marked. General condition fair.	May 15, 1909	Cured.
21.	Hip-joint disease.	Right leg two inches shorter than left. Spasm marked. Very little motion present. Dura-	May 25, 1909	Cured.
26.	Ankylosis of the knee and contracted tendons.	tion eleven years. Beginning a abscess. Knee flexed.	May 29, 1909	Cured, with a straight leg.
10.	Pott's disease (humpback).	Disease in both lumbar and upper dorsal region. Acute symptoms.	May 30, 1909	Cured.
61.	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Curvature had reached its extreme limit and was rigid.	June 5, 1909	Not improved. Taken home by parent on account of homesickness.
62.	Infantile paralysis. Equino-varus	Talipes equino-varus, with contracted tendon achilles.	June 26, 1909	Discharged improved.
56.	Infantile paralysis.	Talipes equinus of left foot; also paralysis of flexors and extensors of the knee with contractures. Slight contracture of right tendon achilles. Also lateral curvature of spine. Patient had walked scarcely any at home.	June 28, 1909	Improved. Contracted muscles stretched, brace and crutches given. Able to walk moderate distance.
33.	Congenital equino-varus.	Severe grade of equino-varus.	July 17, 1909	Cured.
47.	Infantile paralysis.	Marked atrophy of left leg. Equino-varus deformity of foot. Plantar tissues markedly contracted.	July 20, 1909	Improved. Deformities corrected.
59.	Lateral curvature of the spine.	Marked rigid curvature. General muscular weakness and stiffness.	July 24, 1909	Improved.
52.	Infantile paralysis.	Bedridden for two years. Unable to use lower limbs at all.	July 27, 1909	Improved. Discharged with apparatus permitting patient to walk.

53	Infantile paralysis	Paralysis of anterior leg muscles, due to improper protection during existence of infantile paralysis.	July 28, 1909	Improved.
63	Cerebral palsy	Mentally defective. Marked incoordination of lower limbs, with muscular contractions.	Sept. 5, 1909	Improved. Removed by mother against advice of medical staff.
3	Hip-joint disease	Right leg one-half inch shorter than left. Very little motion in any direction of hip joint.	Sept. 6, 1909	Cured.
27	Pott's disease (humpback)	Duration five years. Beginning abscess.	Sept. 10, 1909	Cured.
8	Hip-joint disease	Pain. Head twisted to one side. In poor condition.	Sept. 12, 1909	Improved. Deformity overcome. Range of movement much increased.
	Knee-joint disease	White swelling of right knee. Knee flexed to 90 degrees. About 10 degrees of movement.	No	Cured.
40	Knee-joint disease	Marked deformity of right knee; result of operation. Flexed to an angle of 90 degrees. No perceptible movement.	Sept. 12, 1909	Cured.
14	Bow legs	X-ray gives appearance of ankylosis. Marked bony deformity of tibiae. Considerable ligamentous relaxation at knee. General condition excellent. Relapsed after operation made in a general hospital before admission here.	Sept. 16, 1909	Cured.
76	Spastic paraplegia. Marked in all extremities.	Mental condition defective. Unable to attend to his slightest wants.	Sept. 16, 1909	Incurable. Non-eligible.
36	Hip-joint disease	Nine discharging sinuses. Spasm marked. Very little motion present.	Sept. 23, 1909	Improved. Sinuses all closed. Hip in excellent condition. Practically cured.
50	Hip-joint disease	Acute spasm of muscles. Night pain. Movements very limited.	Sept. 24, 1909	Improved. Range of motion good. Acute symptoms. Removed by parents against advice of medical staff. Should have remained for observation. Practically cured.

NOTE.—No deaths occurred during the year and none of the patients treated during the year have died since their discharge.

## Donations in Clothing, Materials, Etc.

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1908.

- Oct. 3. Charles and Harry Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., chestnuts for all the children.
8. Miss C. J. Spiro, Churchill Hall, Stamford, N. Y., a package of toys and scrap books.
15. Presbyterian Sunday School Class, through Mrs. John Van Dorn, Marion, N. Y., a box containing books, papers, toys, etc.
28. Miss Fannie M. Rees, Ashton Hotel, 93d St. and Madison Ave., New York City, a box of books and material for dolls' clothes.
31. Dr. Newton M. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, candy, nuts, and toys for a Hallowe'en party for the children.
- Nov. 26. Rev. Charles C. Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., cut flowers.
- Dec. 1. Mr. Fred Taylor, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of magazines.
5. A Friend, a package of "Youth's Companions."
6. Mr. Frank Case, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of "Sunday School Advocates."
16. Mrs. James P. Burrell, "The Beresford," 1 West 81st St., New York City, children's knitted balls and a quantity of bean bags.
17. Mrs. W. J. Williams, 54 Churchill Ave., Utica, N. Y., quantity of children's papers.
17. Mr. H. F. Dorl, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of magazines.
17. Mr. James Renn, Haverstraw, N. Y., 20 lbs. chocolate candy for Christmas.
18. Mrs. I. G. Sawyer, Boonville, N. Y., a quantity of scrap and puzzle books for the children's Christmas.
21. Mr. Harvey De Baum, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of magazines and periodicals.
23. Mr. F. W. Schaper, Haverstraw, N. Y., 1 box oranges.
23. Mr. S. Allen, Haverstraw, N. Y., 5 tool chests, 11 toy pianos, 3 dolls, 10 games, etc.

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- Dec. 21. Mrs. Margaret Washburn, Mrs. Archer and other friends of the Institution, Haverstraw, N. Y., 6 scissors, 4 baskets, 6 emerys, 6 tape measures, 2 bead looms, 3 pcs. ribbons, 6 skeins wool, 6 pkgs. needles, 6 prs. crochet needles, 5 books, 4 doz. hose, 2 doz. mitten, 3 boxes crochet cotton,  $\frac{1}{2}$  doz. harmonicas,  $\frac{1}{2}$  doz. thimbles, 1 tool box, 4 express wagons, 12 Teddy bears, 4 mechanical butterflies, 4 balls cord, 5 children's books, 4 boxes soldiers, 6 games, 1 Noah's Ark, 1 fish pond, 2 go-carts, 3 dolls (long clothes), and quantity of material for embroidery.
23. Mrs. Louise E. Tencate, Bethlehem, Pa., a box of home made fudge.
23. Sunshine Class, through Miss Iva E. Krause, Bethlehem, Pa., a large box of dressed dolls, games, toys and eatables marked for the different children.
23. Mrs. Margaret Washburn, Haverstraw, N. Y., a primary song book, scrap and picture books.
23. Mrs. Peter Weckehser, 838 East 156th St., New York City, 5 lbs. chocolate candy.
23. Mr. S. Goldberg, Haverstraw, N. Y., 12 toboggans, 12 Christmas bells, 5 dolls, 6 prs. stockings, 6 prs. gloves, 9 prs. mittens.
23. Sunday School Class of the M. E. Church, Stony Point, N. Y., 48 picture books.
24. Mrs. Bower's Sunday School Class of the M. E. Church, Stony Point, N. Y., a box of candy, oranges, peanuts, 1 game (fish pond), and A B C blocks.
24. Mrs. George Patten, 128 East 24th St., New York City, 14 hand-knit scarfs.
25. Heminover Bros., Garnerville, N. Y., 30 lbs. candy.
25. Mrs. D. Keesler, Stony Point, N. Y., 48 Christmas cards.
25. Mr. E. D. Keesler, Stony Point, N. Y., 22 boys' caps.
25. Miss Mabel E. Welsh, 27 West 81st St., New York City, ice cream and cake for all the children.
26. Mrs. H. Nelson Walker, 143 Prosepect St., Westfield, N. J., 12 pr. bedroom slippers.

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- Jan. 5. Mr. Charles R. Christie, Haverstraw, N. Y., one wheel chair.
11. Mrs. Bowen, 4 East 89th St., New York City, two large boxes of children's toys.

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- Jan. 20. St. Thomas Sunday School and King's Daughters Society of Newburgh, N. Y., a large box of books, toys, etc.
29. Ladies' Guild of Trinity Church, Garnerville, N. Y., a bread mixer.
17. Rev. C. C. Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., cut flowers for the bed patients.
- Feb. 14. Mrs. Newton M. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, 12 qts. of ice cream.
15. Ladies' Sewing Circle, Valley Cottage, N. Y., 67 petticoats, 12 prs. drawers.
16. Mrs. Newton M. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, a sleight-of-hand entertainment, with cocoa and cookies for all the children.
18. Miss Edith Wattles, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of apples.
23. Dr. Newton M. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, an out-door pavilion for the "fresh air" treatment of the tuberculous children.
- March 1. Ladies' Sewing Circle, through Mrs. John Rabian, Valley Cottage, N. Y., handmade night dresses.
3. Miss Edith Wattles, Garnerville, N. Y., a bushel of apples.
21. Mrs. Peter Weckehser, 838 East 156th St., New York City, cake for all the children.
- April 7. Mrs. C. C. Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of magazines.
8. Miss Harriet E. Moe, 26 St. Nicholas Pl., New York City, scrap books, games, beads, pictures and story books.
9. Ladies' Society, Trinity Episcopal Church, Garnerville, N. Y., 30 new night gowns, package of Easter post cards, 20 doz. eggs.
9. Miss C. J. Spiro, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., 2 post card albums and cards, 6 calico cats, 5 scrap books and paper dolls.
10. Mrs. Newton M. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, an Easter plant for each child.
10. Miss Grace Hand, Chatham, N. Y., 2 croquet sets, canned soups and jellies for the children.
11. Trinity Church, Garnerville, N. Y., cut flowers for Easter.



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- April 11. Mr. Adams, Garnerville, N. Y., a plant of Easter lilies.  
 13. Mrs. F. A. Filor, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of magazines and periodicals.  
 20. Collegiate Baptist Church, 33d St., New York City; the Whatsoever Circle, through Miss Daisy Jones, President, two hand-worked quilts for children's use.  
 28. Miss Anna Stecz, Haverstraw, N. Y., a package of "Ladies' Home Journals."  
 28. Misses Alice and Margaret Hargraves, Garnerville, N. Y., dolls, dolls' furniture, work boxes.
- May 10. Miss Clark, Ladies Aid. A quantity of scrap books.  
 12. Miss Addie Schreeder, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of paper dolls.  
 21. Mr. S. Goldberg, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of magazines.  
 24. Rock City Sunday School, Old Chatham, N. Y., a large box containing clothing, magazines, books, games, dolls, nuts, cake, candy, etc.  
 26. Mrs. Fred Taylor, West Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of magazines.  
 31. Mr. John S. Schreeder, Haverstraw, N. Y., scrap books, paper furniture, etc.  
 31. E. D. Heminover, Garnerville, N. Y., a box of candy.
- June 16. Rev. C. C. Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of cut flowers.  
 20. Charles Proffitt, Garnerville, N. Y., a quantity of "Youth's Companions."  
 27. Mr. Frank S. Allison, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of late magazines.
- July 27. Miss Buckley, New York City, a box of toys and games.  
 1. A Friend, a gift of one hundred dollars for rides and other forms of enjoyment for the children during the summer months.  
 3. Dr. Shaffer, 28 East 38th St., New York City, twenty-five dollars for fireworks, besides ice cream and cake for all.  
 4. Crescent Drug Co., Haverstraw, N. Y., ice cream for entire household.  
 4. Mrs. Peter Wackehser, 838 East 156th St., New York City, cake for all the children.  
 28. Mrs. James H. Thompson, West Haverstraw, N. Y., toys, candy and peanuts.



1909.

- Aug. 23. Valley Cottage Sewing Circle, Valley Cottage, N. Y.,  
13 handmade night gowns, and two skirts.
26. Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian Church, Stony  
Point, N. Y., 12 handmade night gowns, and a quan-  
tity of flowers.
27. Mrs. Louise Martin, 987 Bergen St., Brooklyn, N. Y.,  
a box of lollypops.
28. Miss Edith Wattles, Garnerville, N. Y., a basket of  
plums.
- Sept. 6. F. B. Case, Haverstraw, N. Y., a quantity of "Sunday  
School Advocates."
6. Miss Mary E. Smith, Chatham, N. Y., a quantity of  
ribbons and materials for piecing blocks, making dolls'  
dresses, candy, etc.
30. Miss Gilmore's Sunday School Class of the Presby-  
terian Church, Stony Point, N. Y., a quantity of scrap  
books, papers, etc.

## NOTE.

For the information of those interested, the following rules governing the admission of patients, and the forms of affidavit, are appended. Affidavit blanks will be forwarded upon application to the Surgeon-in-Chief, New York State Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children, West Haverstraw, N. Y.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **GOVERNING THE ADMISSION OF PATIENTS TO**

### **New York State Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children.**

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The New York State Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children, established by the Legislature of 1900, is now open for the reception and treatment of patients.

The hospital was established "for the care and treatment of any indigent children who may have resided in the State of New York for a period not less than one year, who are crippled or deformed, or are suffering from a disease from which they are likely to become crippled or deformed."

The following conditions are imposed upon all applicants: "No patient shall be received except upon satisfactory proof made to the Surgeon-in-Chief, by the next of kin, guardian, or a State, town or county officer, under the rules to be established by the Board of Managers, showing that the patient is unable to pay for private treatment. Such proof shall be by affidavit. If there was an attending physician before the patient entered the hospital, it shall be accompanied by the certificate of such physician giving the previous history and condition of the patient."

"Patients from four to sixteen years of age will be received for treatment, and all applications will be acted upon in the order of their reception. No patient will be admitted without an examination by, and a certificate from, the Surgeon-in-Chief, or in his absence, one of his assistants."

“No patient whose condition is such that death is likely to occur in the immediate future, or whose condition precludes a reasonable amount of relief as the result of treatment, will be admitted.”

“As this institution is a hospital, and not an asylum or home, it should be clearly understood by each applicant that the patient, if received, may be returned to the committing institution, parent or guardian, at the discretion of the Surgeon-in-Chief.”

It would aid the Surgeon-in-Chief very much in deciding upon the eligibility of a proposed candidate for admission, if, in addition to a written statement, giving the past history and present condition of the applicant, a photograph showing clearly the nature and location of the deformity should accompany the application. Application for admission should be made to Dr. Newton M. Shaffer, Surgeon-in-Chief, No. 28 East Thirty-eighth street, New York, who will appoint a time and place for the examination of the patient. Patients living at remote points in the State are referred to the following gentlemen (out-of-town members of the consulting staff): Dr. A. Vander Veer and Dr. S. B. Ward, of Albany, N. Y.; Dr. Roswell Park and Dr. Charles G. Stockton, Buffalo, N. Y.; Dr. Richard B. Coutant, Tarrytown, N. Y.; Dr. J. Van Duyn and Dr. Henry L. Elsner, Syracuse, N. Y.; Dr. Henry A. Gates, Delhi, N. Y.; Dr. Grant C. Medill, Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Dr. Frank W. Sears, Binghamton, N. Y.; Dr. John Sengstacken, Stony Point, N. Y.; and Dr. Eugene B. Laird, Haverstraw, N. Y.; Willis E. Ford, M. D., Utica, N. Y.

*Approved by the State Board of Charities and issued by order of the Board of Managers of the Hospital.*

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**AFFIDAVIT BLANK**  
**FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.**

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To NEWTON M. SHAFFER, M. D., *Surgeon-in-Chief,*  
No. 28 EAST 38th STREET, NEW YORK.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }  
COUNTY OF..... } ss.:

..... being duly sworn, says that ..... in  
the ..... of ..... aged ..... years; that the said  
..... is suffering from .....; that ..... has  
resided in the State of New York for over one year, and that  
I as ..... am unable to pay for private treatment for the  
said .....

Name. . . . .

Residence. . . . .

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And further this deponent says not.  
Sworn to before me this ..... day of ..... 191..











