

1809

Christopher W. Stevens,
General Manager.

Royal Hotel, Asylum,
Park Street, Bristol.





Instituted 1793.



For with the Year

Seasons return, but not to me return
 Days, or the sweet Approach of Ev'n or Morn,
 Or Sight of Vernal Blossom, or Summer's Bower,
 Or Flocks, or Herds, or Human Face I desire,
 But Clouds instead, and ever during Dark
 Surround me, from the sheepish Wags of Men
 Cut off; and for the Book of Knowledge fair
 Presented with an universal Blank

MILTON

AN
ACCOUNT
OF
THE ASYLUM
FOR
THE INDIGENT BLIND,
IN
BRISTOL,

Instituted in the Year 1793:

CONTAINING

The Rules and Regulations,

LEGACIES AND DONATIONS,

GIVEN TO THE INSTITUTION;

WITH

A LIST OF THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS,

AND

THE STATE OF THE CHARITY

FOR

1809.

BRISTOL:

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AUGUSTINE'S-BACK.

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Mr. JOHN HELTON.

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ADDRESS TO THE PUBLIC.

THE design of this benevolent Institution is to instruct the Indigent Blind in some useful Trade, by which they may be enabled, either wholly or in part, to provide for their own maintenance.

Among all the distressed and destitute objects with which society abounds, perhaps there are none who have stronger claims on our compassion and assistance than the blind poor. Deprived of one of the greatest springs of enjoyment and activity, their days have been past in listlessness and torpor, the consequence of which has been, that they have either pined away in early life, under the weight of accumulated distress, or have protracted a sorrowful existence through years of want and misery; but that day is now happily past by, and the humane heart will learn with joy and interest, that the hand of benevolence, guided by the suggestions of ingenuity, has succeeded in its endeavours to rescue these deserving objects from the gripe of want and wretchedness. For how widely different, with respect to happiness, is the condition of a blind person with his faculties benumbed by idleness, and his spirits depressed by want, and that of one who being engaged in constant employment, feels that by his honest labour he is able to provide for himself?

But exclusive of the happy effects, which habits of industry necessarily produce on the health and morals of

the blind, as well as rendering them useful members of the community, the charity must be found not only beneficial to society at large, but in an especial manner, to the parishes or poor friends of this indigent class, on whom the expences of their maintainance becomes frequently a heavy burthen.

The benefits of this establishment are extended to both sexes: There are at present Twenty-one Males, and Ten Females in the Asylum. The Females who come from distant parts, are boarded and lodged in the house, and the lads are placed out in decent, sober families in the neighbourhood. They are supported partly by the Charity and partly by their friends or parishes who send them, until they are sufficiently instructed in some manufacture to provide for themselves. The Institution encreasing their weekly allowance in proportion to their proficiency and diligence.

The principal occupation of the Blind, at present, is Basket-Making: the Men, in common and White Rod Work-Baskets, Cradles, &c.; and the Females, in fine Skain Work-Baskets, Table-Mats, and a great variety of curious Flower-Baskets, &c. in which they have made considerable proficiency, as the extensive and encreasing sales fully evince: and it is hoped, that by the continuance of public beneficence, it will be still conducted on a much larger scale, and some other useful branches introduced, which may prove equally beneficial to the blind.

The undertaking is novel, but its conductors have the peculiar satisfaction in finding that it has answered the most sanguine expectation of its warmest friends. Several Blind Persons in the Asylum have made such proficiency in Basket-Making, that they now support themselves without any expence to the charity, or the parishes to which they belong; and several have returned to their friends, sufficiently instructed to set up business on their own account; and as they had conducted themselves with propriety during their residence in the Asylum, they were ordered, agreeably to the Rules of the Institution, a set of Tools, and Five Pounds each to purchase Willows. The accounts since received from them are of a very favorable nature. Others are preparing to follow their example, and the establishment appears to be in an improving state.

ACCOUNT OF SALES,

From the commencement of the Institution, 1793.

1794, 1st year, £18 8 6	1802 £438 19 6
1795 82 17 11	1803 467 16 3
1796 125 7 10	1804 617 1 2
1797 154 15 6	1805 753 11 8
1798 188 12 7	1806 904 3 1
1799 262 2 6	1807 1005 10 0
1800 391 10 0	1808 1044 2 10
1801 366 12 3	1809 1099 18 6
	Total <u>£7921 10 6</u>

The above Statement of the amount of the sales cannot fail to be highly interesting to the friends of the charity, as it shows the progressive improvement of the establish-

ment, and it may be reasonably hoped, that in conjunction with similar establishments in London, Liverpool, Edinburgh, and Norwich, it will prove in no slight degree the means of bettering the condition and encreasing the comforts of a considerable number of this otherwise helpless part of the community. And the Committee embrace this opportunity of expressing their earnest desire of a free communication with these sister Institutions, which may prove mutually beneficial.

Not only the benevolent inhabitants of Bristol, who have largely contributed to this Institution, but also the numerous occasional visitors from other parts of the kingdom, who have been eye witnesses of the gratifying scene, have warmly expressed their satisfaction, and several of them have become annual subscribers, or given handsome donations *to a Charity, not confined to the City of Bristol,* its doors being open to all objects, from every part of the United Kingdom.

Those who are desirous of seeing to what extent the situation and faculties of the blind are capable of improvement, may easily be satisfied, by visiting the Asylum which will be readily shewn to them by the Matron, (from ten to one o'clock in the morning; and from two to seven o'clock in the afternoon); nor need they be apprehensive of meeting with any thing which can shock their feelings, or cause painful reflections. They will not find the blind sitting (as is commonly the case) in melancholy listlessness, silently

bewailing their mournful condition : on the contrary, they will behold a number of individuals of a class, whose condition has hitherto been considered as hopeless, actively and cheerfully employed in manual labour, or animated and happy, during the allotted hours of recreation.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

This Institution is under the direction of a Treasurer, and a Committee of Twenty Four Members. A subscription of one guinea annually, or not less than ten guineas, at once, or within one year, constitutes a Member.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

One shall be annually on the Wednesday immediately following the 1st of March, to be convened by public advertisement, inserted one week previously in two Bristol Newspapers. An extraordinary General Meeting may also be called in the same manner, by the Committee, or at the requisition of five Members, specifying the particular business to be taken into consideration, giving at least five days notice, previous to the Meeting, and no other business shall be then discussed. All questions at General Meetings to be decided by ballot.

General Meetings shall have controul over the whole Institution; and shall have power to make, alter or annul the rules, under the following restriction, that such alterations must be confirmed by a subsequent General Meeting: nor shall any General Meeting have power to sell

or appropriate any part of the funded property, until the order made by it for that purpose be confirmed by a subsequent General Meeting, consisting of not less than nine Members, of whom seven, at least, shall vote for such confirmation.

TRUSTEES FOR THE FUNDED PROPERTY.

All investments in the public funds or otherwise, shall be in the joint names of the Trustees: as often as any vacancy shall happen, or a change appear necessary to a General Meeting, the same shall be supplied by the next General Meeting, or by an extraordinary General Meeting to be called for that purpose.

THE TREASURER.

Shall be annually elected, and shall present his accounts to the General Meeting. He shall be a member of all Committees.

COMMITTEE.

Shall be elected from such of the Members as have contributed Ten Guineas or upwards, or are annual subscribers of not less than One Guinea. Their Meetings shall be held at Ten o'clock in the Morning, on the second Wednesday after the 25th March, 24th June, 29th Sept. and 25th December. And three Members shall be competent to transact business. A special Meeting of the Committee may at any time be called by a summons, signed by order of the Treasurer.

The Committee shall form regulations for the internal management of the Charity, and for the instruction of the Blind. They shall have power to hire, suspend or discharge the instructors and servants;—order all the proper supplies, payments and salaries, and take the superintendance of the Institution, subject to the controul of the General Meetings.

They shall have power to encourage the exertions of the Blind, by occasional rewards.

They shall elect Visitors, and Sub-Committees, when necessary, the Members of which shall be chosen from the Committee.

AUDITORS

Shall be elected annually, by whom the Treasurer's accounts shall be examined and audited, previous to their being laid before the Annual Meeting.

SECRETARY.

He is to keep a correct account of all book debts, collect them carefully, as well as the annual subscriptions, and pay them to the Treasurer.

To receive from the Matron the amount of the sale of goods, and pay the same to the Treasurer weekly, or as often as he may require it.

To keep a regular weekly account of the work done by each blind person in the Asylum.

To keep an account of those who absent themselves during the hours of work, the time they are absent, and report the same to the Committee, or Treasurer.

To pay no wages to the blind for the time they are absent from the Asylum, without orders from the Treasurer.

To make a faithful report to the Treasurer, from time to time, of the conduct of the several persons employed in the house. To observe that the house be properly ventilated.

MATRON.

To attend in the sale-room, taking all possible care to accommodate the customers; behaving to them and all strangers with great civility.

To see that the house is kept neat and clean, and that all the Females are neat and decent in their persons.

She is frequently to visit the Rooms in which the Females are employed, and pay particular attention to their conduct during their hours of relaxation. Reporting their behaviour to the Treasurer.

THE MANNER OF APPLYING FOR ADMISSION.

Subscribers applying for the admittance of a Blind Person into the Asylum, will be handed a printed paper, (of which the following is a copy) the contents of which must be punctually complied with; and they are requested

to observe, that the object of this charity is not to provide for the permanent support of those taken under its protection: it is an Institution for teaching some useful trade—when this is accomplished, it is expected that they shall be discharged, to make room for others, when a set of tools, and any other gratuity, which the Committee shall judge their good conduct to have merited, shall be given them.—

BRISTOL ASYLUM
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INDIGENT BLIND.

At a General Meeting of the Subscribers to the Asylum for the Indigent Blind, in Bristol, held there on Wednesday the 18th of April, 1810,

IT WAS ORDERED—“ That such persons as mean to recommend candidates for admission, be requested to observe, that no application can be attended to, unless accompanied with answers to the subjoined QUERIES, addressed, post-paid, to the Secretary of the Bristol Asylum for the Blind, and signed respectively by the several parties required, residing within the parish to which the candidate may belong.”

As many persons have been mistaken in supposing that the Blind were maintained by, and boarded, and lodged in the charity, (to which at present the funds are not equal) it is therefore deemed necessary to state, that it is simply an Institution for teaching them some useful trade, by which, if they have a tolerable capacity, and are diligent, in about three years, it is expected, they will be able to procure a comfortable livelihood, without being any longer an expence either to the charity, or the parishes or friends who send them.

From the trouble and inconvenience experienced by the Committee, in obtaining the reimbursement of the weekly allowance advanced by them, to several of the blind, at the

request of their friends, or of the parishes to which they belong—IT IS ORDERED, that previous to the admission of any candidate in future, the friends or parishes from which such allowance is to be received, shall pay the first half-year in advance, and engage some respectable inhabitant of Bristol to become responsible to the Committee for the payment half-yearly of such allowance always in advance, and on failure thereof, such blind persons are ordered to be sent home to their friends or parishes.

QUERIES,

ANSWERS.

TO BE ANSWERED BY THE MINISTER, OVERSEERS, OR SOME RESPECTABLE PERSON OF THE PARISH TO WHICH THE BLIND PERSON BELONGS:

- 1.—*What is the name, age, parish, present residence, occupation, and maintenance of the applicant?*
- 2.—*Is the party capable of receiving instruction and of being taught some trade?*
- 3.—*Is the person married? and if married, what is his or her family?*
- 4.—*Does the applicant bear the character of regularity, decency, and sobriety?*
- 5.—*Has he or she wandered about as a beggar, or played on a musical instrument in the streets or in ale-houses?*
- 6.—*Will the parish, or friends, to which the blind belongs, engage to pay the sum of per week, half yearly, in Bristol towards the support of till is taught some trade?*

QUERIES,

ANSWERS.

TO BE ANSWERED BY A MEDICAL GENTLEMAN:

- 1.—*What is the nature and supposed cause of the applicant's blindness?*
- 2.—*Is it partial or total?**
- 3.—*Is the blind person free from epileptic or other fits, and from any disorder which may be prejudicial to those already in the Asylum?*
- 4.—*Has the party had the small-pox or cow-pox?*

N. B. It is expected that when blind persons are sent to the Asylum, they shall come decently clothed, and with proper changes.

* Those partially blind are deemed inadmissible, as are all under the age of 14, or above 50.

FORM OF ENGAGEMENT :

The undersigned of the parish of do hereby engage to pay the sum of half-yearly to the Secretary of the Bristol Asylum for the Indigent Blind, by the hands of Bristol, while continues in the said Asylum, and contribute towards supplying with proper clothing ; and do hereby also engage to take back whenever shall be discharged from the same.

Dated this day of 18

HOURS OF LABOUR FOR THE BLIND, &c.

The Blind are required to attend at the Asylum punctually at eight o'clock in the morning, and to continue there till eight in the evening, with the allowance of one hour for dinner. A discretionary power being placed in the Treasurer to permit occasional non-attendance:

They are to come neat and clean, to conduct themselves with diligence, and behave with respect to the Superintendent, Matron, and Masters, and with the greatest civility to all persons visiting the Asylum.

They are particularly requested to remember, that as their situation deprives them of being sensible of the presence of many respectable persons who frequently visit, and are interested in the prosperity of the institution, that they should at all times behave with the utmost propriety, avoiding all noisy, unbecoming behaviour, which has a tendency to injure the charity. The same caution is equally necessary in their walking the streets, as most who pass them take notice of their conduct.

Every morning a bell shall be rung at nine o'clock, when the doors shall be shut, and all the blind shall reverently attend to hear a portion of the scriptures read.

They are strictly required to attend some place for religious worship twice on Sundays, and there to behave with great decency.

They are to be careful not to waste any of the property or materials belonging to the charity.

No blind person is permitted to leave the Asylum, either to visit their friends, or on any other occasion, without obtaining permission from the Treasurer, which leave of absence, except on some particular account, shall be to each individual but once in the year, and shall not exceed two weeks, unless the distance requires a longer time to perform the journey, which shall be fixed by the Treasurer.

No servant or instructor in the institution shall accept of any fee or gratuity from any person who may visit the charity, on pain of being dismissed.



LIST OF DONATIONS AND LEGACIES OF £5.
AND UPWARDS.

1794.	£	s.		£	s.
Horatio	5	5	R. Thornton, esq. <i>London</i>	10	10
Anonymous	21	0	Mrs. G. Hoare. <i>ditto</i>	5	5
Richard Vaughan, esq.	10	10	W. Wilberforce, esq. M.P.	5	0
T. W. Smith, esq. <i>London</i>	5	5	Anonymous, Barret's Li- brary, <i>Bath</i>	5	5
1795			Mrs. Methold, <i>ditto</i>	20	10
Anonymous	20	0	James Vaughan, esq.	10	10
Joseph Haythorne, esq.	5	5			
Mrs. Ann Phillips	5	0	1798.		
Samuel Felton, esq.	5	5	Legacy of the late Ald. Harris, per Mess. Maxse and Sutton, net	94	0
1796.			A Friend, by Mr. Thomas Edghill	10	0
Anonymous	21	0	1799.		
H. Thornton, esq. <i>London</i>	10	10	Richard Willoughby, esq. by Mr. R. Hawkeswell	6	0
Samuel Hoare, esq. <i>ditto</i>	5	0	Friend to the Institution	25	0
Anonymous, Barret's Li- brary, <i>Bath</i>	5	5	Legacy of the late Mrs. Methold, <i>Bath</i>	47	0
Executrix of the late Mrs. Chandler	5	5	Mrs. Coulthard, <i>Bath</i>	50	0
Mrs. Barbason Harington, <i>Newton, Somerset</i>	5	0			
1797.			1800.		
Philip Peusey, esq. <i>London</i>	20	0	Taken out of the box, Pump-Room, Hotwells	50	0
Anonymous	20	0			
1801 and 1802.					
<i>Donations for Purchasing the Premises of the Institution in Maudlin-Street.</i>					
F. Adams, esq. <i>Dowry-sq.</i>	21	0	Peter Baillie, esq. M. P.	10	10
John Ames, esq.	21	0	W. Baldwin, esq. <i>Bath</i>	21	0
Levi Ames, esq.	21	0	William Battersby, Esq.	21	0
Charles Anderson, esq.	21	0	Mr. Richard Bevington, <i>London</i> , the Residue of a ten pound bank note found, for which no Claimant has appeared deducting 18s. for ad- vertising	9	2
Anonymous, per the Rev. E. Davies	5	0	Samuel Birch, esq.	21	0
Mr. Edward Ash	21	0			
Miss Martha Ash	21	0			
Assignee to a Bankrupt's Estate	29	9			
Evau Baillie, esq. M. P.	25	0			

	£	s.		£	s.
Mr. Thomas Bonville	21	0	A Friend, by H. Elder-		
Box at the Hotwells, by			ton, esq.	5	5
Mr. Helton	100	0	W. Fripp, esq.	20	0
Mr. A. Brakenbridge	5	5	Mr. Samuel Fripp	21	0
Edward Brice, jun. esq.	5	5	Mr. Joel Gardiner	5	5
Lowhridge Bright, esq.	21	0	James George, esq.	10	10
Richard Bright, esq.	21	0	William Gibbons, esq.	10	10
Rev. Mr. John Bull	5	5	Mr. John Harding	10	10
Mr. Francis Bull	5	5	Edward Harford, esq.	25	0
Robert Bush, esq.	21	0	John S. Harford, esq.	25	0
Mr. R. Cartwright	5	5	Mr. James Harford	21	0
Robert Castle, esq.	10	10	Mr. Samuel Harford	10	10
John Cave, esq.	21	0	Charles J. Harford, esq.	21	0
Stephen Cave, esq.	21	0	Richard Hawkeswell, esq.		
Mr. James Charlton	10	10	being the amount of		
Robert Claxton, esq.	10	10	sundry Fines on riding		
Edward R. Clayfield, esq.	21	0	Bounds of the City,		
A. P. Collins, Esq.	21	0	20th August, 1802	4	7
Mr. John Cobbam	5	5	John Haythorne, esq.	10	10
Mrs. Cobham	5	5	Mr. John Helton	10	10
Mr. Benjamin Coole	5	5	Mr. L. Hanniken	5	5
Mrs. M. Coulthard, Bath	50	0	Jere Hill, esq. Clifton	21	0
(2d donation)			Hendry Hopper, esq. Dur-		
Thomas Daniel, esq.	21	0	ham, by Mr. Helton	10	0
R. H. Davis, esq. M. P.	21	0	Mr. John Hurle	10	10
Mark Davis, esq.	25	0	Henry King, esq.	21	0
Mr. Abraham Davis	10	10	A Lady residing in the		
Mr. J. Davis, Kingsdown	5	5	Island of Barbadoes, by		
George Dauheney, esq.	21	0	Thomas Daniel, esq.	50	0
Messrs. Dowell and Ewer	10	10	A second Donation by		
Samuel Edwards, esq.	25	0	Ditto	52	10
W. Elton, Esq. Bridge-			Sir Henry Lippincott	21	0
Parade	21	0	Dr. Abraham Ludlow	25	0
Mrs. S. Evans, Castle-green	50	0	Mr. John Lury, jun.	5	5
Mr. George Fisher	10	10	John Maxse, esq.	10	10
Mr. Francis Fisher	5	5	Philip John Miles, esq.	21	0
Mr. Lewis Fisher	5	5	Philip Miles, esq.	21	0
Mr. James Fowler	5	5	Richard Nemes, esq.	21	0
Mrs. Sarah Fox	21	0	John Noble, esq.	10	10
Mr. Thomas Fox, Welling-			Arthur Palmer, esq.	10	10
ton, by Mr. J. Helton	10	10	William Parsons, esq.	21	0
Dr. Fox	10	10	Henry Partidge, esq.	10	10

	£	s		£	s
Mr. William Petty	5	5	Mr. John Winwood	10	10
A. Pinney, esq.	21	0	Mr. Thomas Winwood	5	5
Edward Protheroe, esq.	21	0	E. W. Gloucester, by Mr. J.		
Philip Protheroe, esq.	21	0	Helton	8	8
Sir Henry Protheroe	5	5	S. Worrall, esq. Clifton	50	0
Miss Elizabeth Piydr	21	0	H. Worrall, esq. Dowry-sq.	21	0
Mr. W. Rathbone, Liver-			Mr. Philip John Worsley	5	5
pool, by Mr. J. S. Fry	10	10	Mr. Matthew Wright	21	0
Mr. W. Reed, Somerset-st.	5	5			
Mr. R. Reynolds, Coalbroke			1803.		
Dale, by Mr. Helton	21	0	Legacy transferred, £100		
Jacob W. Ricketts, Esq.	10	10	4 per Cent. late Mrs.		
Mrs. H. Rogers's Legacy	94	0	Williams, Exeter		
W. Russell, esq. Brancepeth			Anonymous, by Benjamin		
Castle, near Durham, by			Hobhouse, esq.	20	0
Mr. John Helton	50	0	Lady Broughton, Hamp-		
Mr. John Ryland ^d	5	5	shire, by Mrs. Smith,		
Mr. Thomas Sanders	10	10	Puitney-street, Bath	21	0
John Savery, esq.	10	10	Mr. John Elliott, London	10	0
Sir Hugh Smith	21	0	Col. Wm. Peachy, esq. by		
T. W. Smith, esq. London	21	0	Philip Miles, esq.	20	0
Brook Smith, esq.	5	5			
Samuel Span, esq.	25	0	1804.		
Mr. Thomas Stock	5	5	Donation, of £1000 3 per		
Thomas Stokes, esq. Hean			Ct. red. transferred by		
Castle, Tenby, by Mr.			E. W.		
Helton	14	14	Mrs. Coulthard, Bath, 3d		
Mr. John Thomas	5	5	Donation	100	0
George Thorne, esq.	10	10	Rev. William Wait	20	0
R. Jones Tomlinson, esq.	10	10	Henry Bosanquet, esq. by		
Mr. P. D. Tuckett	21	0	B. Hobhouse, esq.	10	10
Mr. John Tuckett	10	10	E. H. by ditto	5	0
W. Turner, esq. Belmont	25	0	Legacy of the late Mr.		
Thomas Tyndall, esq.	21	0	Hunt, by Mr. W. P.		
Richard Vaughan, esq.	50	0	Lunch	10	0
James Vaughan, esq.	50	0	Ditto of £100 5 per Cent.		
Rd. Vaughan, jun, esq.	10	10	late T. Power, esq. Sidcott,		
Mr. Daniel Wait	5	5	transferred		
Daniel Wait, esq.	5	5	1805.		
Mr. John Waring	10	10	Lady Bruughton, 2d do-		
Mr. John Weeks	10	10	nation, by Mr. Hazard,		
John Wilcox, esq.	10	10	Bath	10	10

	£	s.		£	s.
Mr. J. Lewis, <i>Pontypool</i>	10	0	Harmonic Society, <i>Clifton</i> ,		
Mrs. Wedgewood, by Mr. Hazard	8	0	by Mr. J. Kemp	5	5
L. W. by B. Holhouse, esq.	5	0			
E. H. by ditto	5	0	1807.		
Mrs. S. Beasley, <i>Worcester</i>	5	0	Miss Whitechurch, <i>Paul's</i>		
A Legacy of the late Mrs. T. Barton, <i>Fork-Hill, Co. Armagh</i> , by Dr. Craufuird	5	0	Street, by Ald. Daniel	10	10
			Mr. J. Harford, <i>London</i>	10	0
			Mr. T. Snodgrass, <i>ditto</i>	5	5
			Lord Bishop of London	5	0
			1808.		
1806.			E. Hanfield, esq. by Benj. Hobhouse, esq.	100	0
Legacy of the late Mrs. Katherine Douglas, by Mr. Bonville	54	5	A Lady, ditto	20	0
Ditto, Mr. Paul Orchard, by Mr. Ash	45	0	Mrs. K. Cotton, ditto	10	0
Ditto, Mrs. Halston, by Dr. Small	33	15	Mr. H. Wheeler, <i>London</i>		
Ditto, Mrs. S. J. Douglas, by Mr. Bonville	27	0	by Mr. M. Wright	10	10
Ditto, of the late Mrs. J. Hunt, by S. Gomond, esq.	18	18	Legacy of the late Miss Watson, <i>Plymouth</i> , by Mr. T. Saunders	90	0
Joseph Waldow, esq. 1st and 2d Donations	10	5	Ditto, of the late Doctor Ludlow, by Mrs. Walker	50	0
E. H. <i>Bath</i> , by Benjamin Hobhouse, esq.	10	0	Ditto of the late Mr. Rich, by Mr. C. Penny	18	0
Surplus of Money raised in Exeter, towards the board of Eliz. Porter, a Blind Girl deceased, by Mr. J. Dymond, <i>Exeter</i>	7	1	Ditto £100 of the late Mrs. Lewis, 5 per Ct. Con. transferred per Messrs. Smith & Orton		
A Legacy of the late Jas. Willet, late a Servant of <i>Clifton</i>	5	0	1809.		
			By order of Gen. Warde, for Contraband Goods, seized at the French-Prison, Stapleton	23	17
			Lord James Murry	20	0
			Admiral Nicholls	10	10
			Mrs. H. Moore	5	0

	£	s.		£	s.
Mr. John Chubb	1	1	Rev. J. Edwardes, <i>Gileston</i>	1	1
Mrs. Clark, <i>Marlborough</i>			<i>Glamorganshire</i>	1	1
<i>Buildings, Bath</i>	1	1	Mrs. Elliott, <i>Berkeley-sq.</i>	1	1
E. Rolle Clayfield, esq.	1	1	W. Elton, esq. <i>Bridge Parade</i>	1	1
J. Cobham, esq. <i>Berkeley-sq.</i>	1	1	David Evans, esq.	1	1
Lady Colebrook, <i>Marl-</i>			Mrs. Ewer	1	1
<i>borough-Buildings, Bath</i>	1	1			
Mr. Benjamin Coole	1	1	F		
Miss Crofts, <i>Bath</i>	1	1	Mrs. Sarah Fox	2	2
			Mr. Samuel Fripp	2	2
D			Mr. George Fisher	1	1
Mrs. Sarah Darby, <i>Cole-</i>			Mr. Francis Fisher	1	1
<i>brook Dale</i>	3	3	Miss Foot	1	1
Mr. Edmund Darby, <i>ditto</i>	3	3	Mrs. Ford, <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
Mr. Francis Darby, <i>ditto</i>	2	2	Mr. T. Fox, <i>Wellington</i>	1	1
Mrs. Dacres, <i>Marlborough-</i>			Mr. E. Fox, <i>Wadebridge</i>	1	1
<i>Buildings, Bath</i>	1	1	Mrs. C. Fox, <i>Falmouth</i>	1	1
Mrs. Danby, <i>Swinton,</i>			Miss C. Fox, <i>ditto</i>	1	1
<i>Yorkshire</i>	1	1	Mrs. Freeman, <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
Mrs. Daniel	1	1	Wm. Fripp, esq.	1	1
Mr. James Date	1	1	Miss Sarah Fry	1	1
Henry Davis, Esq.	1	1	Mr. Joseph S. Fry	1	1
George Daubeny, esq.	1	1	Philip Furse, esq. <i>Exeter</i>	1	1
Mr. Francis Daubeny	1	1			
Mr. Dawe, <i>Exeter</i>	1	1	G		
Mr. Delpratt	1	1	Mr. S. Albyn Gravenor	2	2
Mrs. Dennison, <i>Gay-st.</i>			Mrs. Gage, <i>Paragon Build-</i>		
<i>Bath</i>	1	1	<i>ings, Bath</i>	1	1
Richard Blake Deverell,			Rev. Mr. Genest, <i>Bath</i>	1	1
esq. <i>Clifton</i>	1	1	William Gibbons, esq.	1	1
Mr. William Dighton	1	1	Miss Elizabeth Gibbons	1	1
Mr. Isaac Dighton	1	1	George Gibbs, esq.	1	1
Mrs. Dimsdale	1	1	Mrs. Ann Goldney	1	1
Mrs. (William) Dowell	1	1	Samuel Gomond, esq.	2	2
Andrew Drummond, esq.	1	1	Mrs. Gorden, <i>Rodney-</i>		
Mr. William Dymock	1	1	<i>Place, Clifton</i>	1	1
Needham Dymoke, esq.			Miss Gray, <i>Stapleton</i>	1	1
by Hobhouse & Co. <i>Bath</i>	1	1	Mrs. Guest, <i>ditto</i>	1	1
			Miss P. Gurney, <i>Bath</i>	1	1
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Mr. S. Evans, <i>Castle Green</i>	2	2	H		
Mr. John Eames	1	1	John S. Harford, esq.	2	2
			John S. Harford, jun esq.	2	2

	£	s.		£	s.
Mr. James Harford	2	2			
Mr. R. Sommers Harford	2	2			
Samuel L. Harford, esq.	2	2			
Mr. Richard Hawkeswell	2	2			
John Haythorne, esq.	2	2			
J. Hill, esq. <i>Frenchay</i>	2	2			
H.E. House, esq. <i>Widcomb</i> , by B. Hobhouse, esq.	2	2			
Hon. Mrs. Hamilton, <i>Circus, Bath</i>	2	0			
Countess of Harcourt	1	1			
Mr. Harding, <i>Portland-sq.</i>	1	1			
William Hare, esq.	1	1			
Mrs. Harford, <i>Dighton-st.</i>	1	1			
Mr. John Harford	1	1			
Mr. Samuel Harford	1	1			
Mr W. Harris, jun.	1	1			
Mrs. Harvey	1	1			
Mrs. S. Hayter, <i>Salisbury</i>	1	1			
Thomas Hellicar, esq.	1	1			
Joseph Hellicar, esq.	1	1			
Mr. John Helton	1	1			
Mrs. Heyes	1	1			
Jere Hill, esq. <i>Clifton</i>	1	1			
Mrs. Hill, <i>Durdham Down</i>	1	1			
Mrs. Hole, <i>North Parade</i> , <i>Bath</i>	1	1			
Wm. Houlston, esq. <i>Nine</i> <i>Elms, Surry</i>	1	1			
H. Hopper, esq. <i>Durham</i>	1	1			
Rev. Henry Horace Hayes, <i>Swanwick, near Bath</i>	1	1			
C. Hereford, esq. <i>Clifton-</i> <i>Down</i>	1	1			
Mrs. Hopkinson, <i>Circus</i> , <i>Bath</i>	1	1			
Miss Horaman, <i>Clapham</i>	1	1			
Mrs. J. Hickee, <i>Paddington</i> , <i>Glostershire</i>	1	1			
Miss Hume, <i>Dowry square</i>	1	1			
Mrs. Hurle	1	1			
W. Hyatt, esq. <i>Stampton Mallet</i>	1	1			
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			Mrs. Jackson, <i>Sneed-Park</i>	1	1
			Mrs. Jessard, by Benj. <i>Hobhouse, esq.</i>	1	1
			F. Johnson, esq. <i>London</i>	1	1
			Richard Ivyleaf, esq.	1	1
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			Charles Knatchbull, esq. <i>Babington</i>	2	2
			Mr. Stephen Knight, <i>New-</i> <i>foundland</i>	2	2
			Henry King, esq.	1	1
			Mrs. Kingston, <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
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			James Lackington, esq.	2	2
			Mr. H. Laird, <i>Park-street</i>	1	1
			Mrs. (General) Lambert, <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
			Mrs. Lilly, <i>Stoke Lacey</i> , <i>Herefordshire</i> , by Mr. <i>Burgess</i>	1	1
			Mrs. Langham, <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
			Mrs. Jane C. Lee, <i>Close</i> , <i>Salisbury</i> , by Mr. Bims	1	1
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			Mrs. Merlott	2	2
			Miss Morgan, late <i>St.</i> <i>Georges</i>	2	2
			Miss Maltby, <i>Crescent</i> , <i>Bath</i>	1	1
			Miss E. Mason, <i>Queen-</i> <i>Parade, Bath</i>	1	1
			Miss Ann Mason, <i>ditto</i>	1	1
			Mrs. Metcalfe, <i>Marlborough</i> <i>Buildings, Bath</i>	1	1
			Mrs. (Richard) Miles, <i>Mor-</i> <i>dan, Wilts</i>	1	1
			Mr. John Mills, Printer of the <i>Bristol Gazette</i>	1	1

	£	s.		£	s.
Adrian Moens, esq.	1	1	Mrs. Pideaux, <i>Sidney-place</i> .		
Mrs. Mogg, <i>Stapleton</i>	1	1	<i>Bath</i>	1	1
Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan	1	1	Andrew Pope, esq.	1	1
F. B. Morgan, esq. <i>Shepton</i>			Mr. T. Pritchard, <i>Ross</i>	1	1
<i>Mallet</i>	1	1	Miss Elizabeth Pryor	1	1
Mr. Charles Morgan	1	1	Mr. John Pugh	1	1
Mr. T. Morgan, <i>King's square</i>	1	1			
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Richard Nelmes, esq.	2	2	Mr. Richard Reynolds	5	5
Mrs. Nelmes	1	1	W. Russell, esq. <i>Israncepeth</i>		
O			<i>Castle, Durham</i>	5	5
Rev. Mr. Ogle, <i>Southampton</i>	1	1	Mrs. Randolph, <i>Lanscomb-</i>		
Mrs. Ogle, <i>Burlington-</i>			<i>street, Bath</i>	10s.	6d.
<i>street, Bath</i>	1	1	Mr. John Ryland	1	1
Mead Ogle, esq. <i>Alfred-st.</i>			S		
<i>Bath</i>	1	1	Mrs. Sarah Shapland	2	2
Mr. Wm. Oliver	1	1	Sir Hugh Smyth, Bart.	2	2
Mr. Joseph Orlidge	1	1	Mrs. Smyth, <i>Stapleton</i>	2	2
P			James Sutton, esq.	2	2
Wm. Parsons, esq.	2	2	Mrs. Sutton	2	2
Mrs. R. Plaister, <i>Burton</i>	2	2	John Sykes, esq. <i>Kingston</i>		
Edward Protheroe, esq.	2	2	<i>upon Hull</i>	2	0
Sir Henry Protheroe	2	2	L. Schimmelpenninck, esq.	1	1
Philip Protheroe, esq.	2	2	Mrs. Schimmelpenninck	1	1
Miss Jane Page, <i>Tooling,</i>			Mrs. Shaw, <i>Englewood, Berks</i>	1	1
<i>Surrey</i>	1	1	William Skinner, esq.	1	1
Miss Sarah Page, <i>ditto</i>	1	1	R. Smith, esq. <i>Clifton</i>	1	1
Mr. Arthur Palmer	1	1	Brook Smith, esq.	1	1
Mr. Charles Payne	1	1	Mr. John Smith	1	1
Mrs. Payne, by Mr. Binns,			Mrs. Stratton, <i>Camden-</i>		
<i>Bath</i>	1	1	<i>Rox, Bath</i>	1	1
Mr. Thomas Perkins	1	1	R. Surtees, esq. <i>Mainsforth,</i>		
Mrs. Picton, near <i>Lridgend,</i>			<i>Durham</i>	1	1
<i>Glamorganshire, by Mrs.</i>			Richard Symes, esq.	1	1
<i>Thatcher</i>	1	1	Mrs. Sturges, by Mr. Binns,		
Mr. William Pine	1	1	<i>Bath</i>	1	1
Mrs. Pinney	1	1	Miss Sturges, by ditto	10s.	6d.
Rev. H. Place, <i>Marnhull</i>	1	1	T		
John Pideaux, esq.	1	1	Walter B. Trevelyan, esq.		
			<i>Neithor Wotton, Morpeth</i>	2	2

£ s.		£ s.
2 2	The Trafalgar Society, by the President	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Tapscott	1 1
1 1	Mr. John Thomas	1 1
1 1	Mr. John Thomson, <i>College Green</i>	1 1
1 1	George Thorne, esq.	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Ann Tilladams	1 1
1 1	R. Jones Tomlinson, esq.	1 1
1 1	Mrs. (Joseph) Tomkins, <i>Abingdon, Berks</i>	1 1
1 1	Rev. Walter Trevelyan, <i>Henbury</i>	1 1
1 1	Mr. P. D. Tuckett	1 1
1 1	Mr. John Tuckett	1 1
1 1	Mr. J. D. Tuckett, jun.	1 1
1 1	J. Fernel Tuffen, esq.	1 1
V		
2 2	Richard Vaughan, esq.	1 1
2 2	Richard Vaugtan, jun. esq.	1 1
W		
2 2	N. Wells, esq. <i>Pierrefield</i>	1 1
2 2	Mr. Matthew Wright	1 1
1 1	A. Walter, esq. <i>Cave-street</i>	1 1
1 1	Lieut.-Col. Warne, <i>Parngou Buildings, Bath</i>	1 1
1 1	Mr. John Waring	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Wason, <i>Berkeley-sq.</i>	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Webb, <i>Stoke-Bishop</i>	1 1
1 1	Miss Webb, <i>ditto</i>	1 1
1 1	Mr. W. Webb, <i>New-Church, St. George's</i>	1 1
1 1	Colonel Whatley	1 1
1 1	Miss C. and M. Were, <i>Wellington</i>	1 1
1 1	Samuel Whitchurch, esq.	1 1
1 1	W. Wilkins, esq. <i>Brecon</i>	1 1
1 1	Miss Wilson, <i>Clifton</i>	1 1
1 1	Mr. John Winwood	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Winwood	1 1
1 1	Mrs. Worrall, <i>Dowry-sq.</i>	1 1
1 1	Philip J. Worsley, esq.	1 1
1 1	Miss Willis, <i>Chavenage- house, Tetbury</i>	1 1
10s. 6d.	A Well-wisher, by Mrs. Bonville	
Y		
2 2	John Yerbury, esq.	1 1
1 1	Mr. Samuel Yeates, near <i>Wotton-under-edge</i>	1 1

DONATIONS.

£ s.		£ s.
21s. 17s. 6d.	Sundry Sums by order of Gen. Warde, for Con- traband Goods, seiz'd at the <i>French Prison, Stapleton</i>	5 0
20 0	Lord James Murry	11s. 11s. 6d
10 10	Admiral Nicholls, <i>Clifton</i>	3 3
	Mrs. Hannah Moore	1 1
	Gentlewoman in a Bath Coach, per Mr. Hel- ton	1 0
	L. G.	
	Anonymous	
	Dr. Ferguson, <i>Dublin</i>	

Dr. The Treasurer in Account with the Asylum for the Blind,
For the Year 1809

	£	s.	d.
To Balance of last Year's Account	-	-	252 15 4
In the hands of the Secretary for Contingencies	-	-	10 10 0
Amount of Subscriptions	-	-	343 11 6
Donations	-	-	66 3 4
Cash taken out of the Hotwell Box	-	-	2 13 10
Ditto out of the Boxes at the Asylum for Clothing the Blind	-	-	50 15 0
Ditto for Baskets, &c. sold	-	-	1099 18 6
Interest on Government Securities	-	-	160 13 0
Half a Year's Rent from Mr. C. Load	-	-	17 10 0
Ditto from the Rev. William Day	-	-	20 0 0

*Cash from the Parishes or Friends of the following
Blind Persons towards their Board, viz.*

	£	s.	d.
Martha Whittern, Bath	-	-	5 4 0
Sam. Langmead, Ringmore, Devon	-	-	2 12 6
Elizabeth Ralls, Langton, Dorset	-	-	7 9 0
Elizabeth Galpin, Marnhull, ditto	-	-	7 16 0
Gilbert Holloway, Tamworth, Stafford	-	-	1 16 0
Sarah Snow, Exeter, arrears for 1808	-	-	5 0 0
Sophia Day, Hamden, Gloucestershire	-	-	7 16 0
Philip Davis, Plymouth	-	-	13 0 0
Mercy Hyde, Horsley, Gloucestershire	-	-	3 0 0
Edward Baker, Wick, ditto	-	-	3 6 0
Wm. Mann, Ashburton, Devon	-	-	3 18 0
Frances Beverscomb, Dorset	-	-	1 1 0
Jane Newman, Box, Wilts	-	-	11 4 0
		73	2 6
		<u>£2097 13 0</u>	

Annual Meeting, 18th April, 1810.

Audited and found correct.

RICHARD REYNOLDS.
EDWARD ASH.
E. ROLLE CLAYFIELD.

The Treasurer in Account with the Asylum for the Blind, Cr.
For the Year 1809.

	£	s.	d.
By Weekly Wages to the Blind for their Labor, &c.	425	14	10
Cash taken out of the Boxes at the Asylum and given them for Clothes	-	-	-
Ditto part of the Interest of £1000. 3 per Cents. the gift of E. W. and as per request, given to the Blind for Clothes	50	15	0
Ditto on account of the Parishes &c. of the Blind	10	0	0
Purchase of £500 3 per Cent. Consols	76	8	0
Two Masters and a Journeyman, for their Labor and Instructing the Blind	341	17	6
Secretary, Matron, Servant and Porter	172	14	7
Willows—Stripping and Sorting them, &c.	100	19	6
Flower-Stands, Rockers for Cradles, &c.	468	18	4
Painting ditto and Dying Scains	24	3	0
Baskets bought	11	0	0
Tools for the Blind, Brimstone, Nails, Twine, &c.	4	0	8
Sundry Articles of Furniture, Mops, Brushes, &c.	3	5	0
Coals and Candles	8	4	6
Insurance of Premises, Collecting Subscriptions, and Distributing Annual Statements at Bath	19	8	0
Allowance to Mr. Load, for giving up a Stable	5	17	9
A large Wooden Trough for Steeping Willows	1	11	6
Duty, &c. on the Transfer of £100 3 per Cent.	4	10	0
Legacy of the late Mrs. Williams	6	14	3
Printing 750 Annual States, Stationary, &c.	15	10	0
Sundry Repairs, at the Rev. Mr. Day's House and Asylum	33	9	10
Annual Dinner to the Blind and sundry small Disbursements	-	-	-
Arrears of Subscriptions	6	2	5
Cash in the hands of the Secretary	11	11	0
Ditto in the hands of Ireland, Bengough & Co.*	10	10	0
	284	7	4
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	£2097	13	0
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* A considerable sum always wanting at this season, to purchase Willows, &c. for the ensuing year's consumption.

FORM OF A LEGACY.

I give and bequeath to A. B. and C. D. the sum of upon trust, that they pay the same to the Treasurer for the time being of a certain Charitable Institution in Bristol, known by the name of *The Asylum or School of Industry for the Blind*; which sum I charge upon my personal Estate, and desire it may be applied under the direction of the Committee for the time being of said Institution, to the charitable uses thereof.

☞ Subscriptions or Donations are received by the Treasurer; by either of the Gentlemen of the Committee; Mr. BINNS, Bath; Mr. RICHARD BEYINGTON, Gracechurch-street, London; or at the Asylum, where there are for sale a variety of curious BASKETS, &c. the work of the Blind.

[*Note*—Since printing the before mentioned, we have the pleasure of informing the Subscribers, that in the course of the next month two of the Lads are going to open an Asylum for the Blind, under the patronage of Dr. HAWKER, at Plymouth, for which they appear to be well qualified.]





