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OF THE

DIRECTORS

OF THE

General Hospital Society

OF

CONNECTICUT

For the Year 1897

Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 27th, 1898.

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THE TUTTLE, MOREHOUSE & TAYLOR PRESS

1898

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS

1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the hospital, the Superintendent, as the representative of the Prudential Committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the wards is \$7.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. The price of private rooms may be obtained by applying to the superintendent.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriations, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$5.00 per week.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the late war, or in the quotas of other States if residents of Connecticut at the time of enlistment, and now residents, are admitted as State patients on an order from the executive officer of the Soldiers' Hospital Board.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the Collector of the Port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are immediately admitted.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.

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1898

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A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed for one hundred years, or during the lives of any three persons whom he may nominate.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, *for six months in each year*, for one hundred years, or during the lives of any three persons whom he may nominate; or to nominate patients to a free bed during his life.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

FREE BED FUNDS

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1874—The Henry Farnam,	One
1874—The William Fitch,	“
1874—The James E. English,	“
1878—The Ellen M. Gifford,	“
1881-83—The Henry Bronson,	Two
1883—The Thanksgiving,	One
1885—The Henry Hotchkiss Memorial,	“
1886—The William O. Armstrong,	“
1886—The Mary Webster Southgate Trowbridge Memorial,	“
1888-90—The Dr. Thomas Wells Memorial,	“
1888—The Mary P. Wade, of Trinity Church,	“
1890—The Harmanus M. Welch,	“
1892—The George Thomas Smith, Memorial of David Paige Smith, M.D.,	“

FREE BEDS FOR SIX MONTHS.

1886—The Dwight Place Society,	One
1886—The Trinity Church,	“
1888—The Home for the Friendless,	“

FREE BED FOR THREE MONTHS.

1883—The Rose A. Porter,	One
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THE MARETT FUND.

For the support of free beds for poor patients.

In 1897 the income supported ~~121~~ 98 patients for ~~24~~ 654 $\frac{2}{7}$ weeks.

THE JAMES E. ENGLISH FUND.

For the support of free beds for poor patients.

In 1897 the income supported 7 patients for ~~11~~ 117 $\frac{2}{7}$ weeks.

THE ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUNDS.

For the support of the Ellen M. Gifford Home for Incurables.

In 1897 ~~138~~ 136 patients were supported for ~~1048~~ 1053 $\frac{2}{7}$ weeks.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

Item.—I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of — dollars, to be paid by my executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the treasurer of said institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the directors thereof to the humane purposes of said institution.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its seventy-first annual report, as prepared by the Prudential Committee.

Number of Patients.	1897
Remaining First January, 1897,	115
Admitted,	1039
Whole number treated,	1154
Discharged,	902
Died,	139
Remaining,	113
Births,	28
Largest number any one day,	137
Smallest number any one day,	101
Daily average,	118.4
Daily average of	
(1) Attendants,	99.4
(2) Nurses,	41.5
Cost of food per inmate,	30 $\frac{1}{4}$
Current Receipts,	\$47,138.73
Current Expenses,	56,441.46
Deficit,	9,302.73
Ambulance Calls,	277
Hospital Sunday Collections,	2,232.02

The use made of the Charity Funds during the year will appear from the following table :

FUNDS.	No. Patients	Weeks Occupied	Daily Average	Paid by Patients	Drawn from Funds	Total Cost
Marett, -----	98	654 $\frac{2}{7}$	12.6	\$292.36	\$5,914.56	\$ 6,206.92
Gifford, -----	36	1053 $\frac{2}{7}$	20.2	537.50	9,417.86	14,955.36
English, -----	7	117 $\frac{2}{7}$	2.2	0.	1,051.80	1,051.80
Totals, ----	141	1824 $\frac{4}{7}$		\$829.86	\$16,384.22	\$22,214.08

It will be observed that the number of patients treated was the largest number which has been reached in any year for twenty years. It should be observed, also, that the number of deaths shows a decrease of five, and the number of those discharged an increase of twenty-one. Of those discharged five hundred and seventy-two were discharged cured; two hundred and seventy-two improved, and fifty-eight unimproved. This is, on the whole, an exhibit favorable to the Hospital, while it uncovers a year of active service.

Of the whole number under treatment, seven hundred and thirty-three were males, and four hundred and twenty-one were females. Of the twenty-eight births five were males and twenty-three were females. There were also two still births, not included in the list of deaths. Other statistics are given in the Superintendent's Report, which need not be introduced here, as his report is herewith transmitted.

The item in the above statement which will excite most attention is the exceptionally large deficit, showing an increase, as compared with last year, in spite of the addition of nearly five hundred dollars to current receipts, of \$3,352.16. So large an increase in expenditures requires of your Committee a full explanation. We therefore submit the following facts:

The increase in the daily average of patients is six and four-tenths; and the increase in the cost of supporting the patients has been eighteen and a half cents per week. This increased cost has been partly due to the addition of two to the staff of attendants, a head night-nurse, and another orderly for service in Farnam ward and on the ambulance. The first was at the urgent request of the Connecticut Training School for Nurses, and the other at the repeated and most urgent request of the Attending Surgeon, it having been represented to your Committee by the latter that the coming of an orderly from another ward into the Farnam ward, and his passing freely between the two, was disadvantageous to the condition of the Farnam ward; and at the same time such service was insufficient. This increase of our expenses was regretted by your Committee, but they felt constrained to consent to it.

In the second place, our insurance policies expired, and we had to pay the premium for renewal. Moreover, the companies

demanded that the Society either become a co-insurer with them or pay an increased premium. After much conference and correspondence we judged that the Hospital Society should not become a co-insurer, even if it had to meet the demand for higher premium. We asked for a lower valuation; for a lower rate, for a change in our policies. We finally substituted for our group of policies on separate buildings, a blanket policy on our whole plant with the exception of some detached buildings, and paid for five years insurance the premium of \$954.18, or less than \$200 per annum. But this premium was a heavy item in this year's accounts.

Another such item is an increased expenditure in Repairs and Improvements. The increase under this head, as compared with the previous year, is \$935.17, explained as follows: It became apparent to your Committee in 1896 that the plumbing in the west wing of the Congress Avenue building required to be renewed, and they went so far as to contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the work. But the necessity arising for installing a disinfecting apparatus which the Board of Directors ordered, your Committee ventured to ask the contractor to postpone the work for a few months, and he generously consented. But in the spring of 1897 it was done and cost \$664.40. The decay of floor timbers in our Laundry necessitated a further outlay of \$140, and a notification by the public authority to repair the Congress Avenue sidewalk of \$86.82. In none of these instances did the Committee overpass their obvious duty.

The serious illness of our office-clerk for several weeks imposed upon us the expense of additional help in the office, and this increased the outlay for salaries and wages.

Water cost us \$109 more than the previous year, and ice \$121.20 more. The Hygeia Co., which has supplied us hitherto at a lump sum per annum, has retired from that arrangement, and charges us by the hundred pounds. By reason of the very active service in 1897 the expenditure for medicines, instruments and surgical dressings shows an increase of \$484.42. From the advance in the prices of food in the latter part of the year, and the exceptionally large orders of meat and eggs by the physicians, the cost of food has increased as

compared with the previous year by \$1,463.36. The demand for meat has been increased by 7,955½ pounds, costing \$835.59, and for eggs by 2,080 dozen, costing \$544.83. Fuel has cost us \$451.81 more. To recapitulate the increased expenditures that have produced the large deficit are :

Food Supplies,	\$1,463.36
Insurance,	954.18
Extraordinary Repairs,	935.17
Medicines, Instruments and Dressings,	484.42
Ice and Water,	230.13
Fuel,	451.81
A total of	<u>\$4,519.07</u>

This amount more than covers the increase of deficit, even if there be added to the latter the increase of our current receipts.

Mention should be made in this connection of extensive repairs which have been made in the Gifford Building, and at the expense of the income of the Gifford fund, as provided in Mrs. Gifford's bequest, the cost of which does not appear in the current expense account. It was found necessary to make these repairs in the spring of 1897. The ceiling of the men's ward, and the adjoining rooms, which was of adamant plaster, was found to be in an unsafe condition, threatening to fall. It was replaced by metallic ceilings at a cost of \$335.04. We also took the opportunity, while the ward was vacated, to paint the walls, varnish the woodwork, and otherwise renovate it, besides re-covering the sun-room awnings, etc. The total outlay was \$704.08. It is extremely desirable that in another year the second floor of the building be treated as the first has been in this year, and that the woodwork on the outside of the building be painted. This will put the building as a whole in excellent order.

Before passing from the explanation of our deficit by our extraordinary expenditures, a large part of which will not occur in the coming year, it should be added that other expense accounts, such as "furniture and crockery," "barn and farm expenses," "boilers, machinery and tools," "laundry supplies," etc., show a noteworthy decrease.

The deficit has been met, as usual, from other resources than

current receipts, and the balance on hand and in bank after paying all bills is \$6,030.12. Of this \$3,000 is the legacy of the late Eli Whitney, and \$180 the uninvested portion of the gifts of Mrs. Leavenworth and her son, leaving \$2,850.12 in the general fund available for current expenses. This includes the recent Hospital Sunday collections, so far as they have been paid in, but probably not the whole of them, as they are not usually paid in so early in the year.

The following table will show the time occupied by the several classes of patients.

U. S. Marine patients	127 $\frac{5}{7}$	weeks.
State Soldier patients	125 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Town patients	1899 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Self-paying patients in wards	1378 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Self-paying patients in private rooms	247 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Free bed patients	542 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Marett Fund patients	654 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Gifford Fund patients	1053 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
English Fund patients	117 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
General Fund patients	27 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
A total of	6173 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
An increase of	317 $\frac{5}{7}$	"

Of the 139 deaths 37 occurred within 24 hours of admission, and 9 within 48 hours of admission.

The Gifford Home was opened in July, 1892.

The following table will show the weekly cost of supporting patients from that year to 1897, both included, and also the daily cost of food per inmate.

WEEKLY COST OF SUPPORTING PATIENTS FOR LAST 6 YEARS; ALSO COST OF FOOD PER DAY, PER INMATE.

Year.	Daily av. patients.	Daily av. attendants and others.	Weekly cost.	Cost of food per day per inmate.
*1892	112 $\frac{4}{10}$	83 $\frac{3}{10}$	\$8.46 $\frac{6}{10}$.30 c.
1893	121 $\frac{9}{10}$	96 $\frac{6}{10}$	8.95 $\frac{1}{10}$.30 $\frac{8}{10}$
1894	113	96	9.07	.29 $\frac{1}{2}$
1895	111 $\frac{8}{10}$	96 $\frac{6}{10}$	8.86	.30 $\frac{3}{10}$
1896	112	98 $\frac{7}{10}$	8.77	.29 $\frac{8}{10}$
1897	118 $\frac{4}{10}$	99 $\frac{9}{10}$	8.95 $\frac{1}{2}$.30 $\frac{1}{2}$

* Gifford Home was opened in this year.

The following table shows the number of patients of each class, the weeks occupied, the amounts paid, the actual cost, and the balance which was paid from the income of the funds.

Classification of Patients.	Number.	Weeks Occupied.	Rate per Week.	Amounts Received.	Average Cost at \$8.95½ per Week.	Loss.	Profit.
U. S. Marine	40	127½	57	992.00	\$ 1143.68	151.68	
State Soldier	10	125½	6	755.57	1,125.77	370.20	
Town	316	1899½	5	*14,954.39	17,008.10	2,053.71	
Self-paying in wards.	464	1378½	7	9,458.36	12,341.27	2,882.91	
Charity and Free Bed	226	2395½	0	829.86	21,449.78	20,619.92	
				26,990.18	53,068.60	26,078.42	
Private Room	98	247½	15	3,713.57	2,217.00		1,496.57
Totals	1154	6173½		30,703.75	55,285.60	24,581.85	Drawn from funds.

* Including State appropriation of \$5,000.

Weeks occupied by charity and free bed patients each year for the past ten years.

1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897
386½	459½	961½	1107½	1472½	2137½	1989½	2163½	2317	2395½

During the autumn of 1897 a complaint was made by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses that our laundry work was not satisfactory, that the nurses' garments were injured in washing, etc. In response, careful investigations were made, including the making a record of the condition of every piece that went into the laundry, and of the condition of it when it came out, and this for some weeks. The result of our investigations was a conviction that the damage done in the laundry was overestimated; that some injuries actually incurred by the garments or articles of bed-linen, etc., were due to other causes; but that there was some ground of complaint; and further that the laundry apparatus is actually inadequate to the demands made upon it. We have accordingly made careful estimates to ascertain what changes in or additions to

our machinery are necessary, and at what cost they can be supplied. But no actual expenditure has been made. We find that an additional washer is needed, and a large mangle. For the cost the following estimate has been given us by a responsible party.

1 No. 3 Metallic Washer, (latest pattern)	\$325.00
1 No. 5 H. E. Smith Mangle "	\$750.00
Less special 5% Discount	37.50
and allowance for old mangle	50.00
	<u>662.50</u>
	\$987.50
Estimated cost of fixtures and setting up	55.00
	<u>55.00</u>
Total cost	\$1,042.00

With this new apparatus no more labor will be required than at present, much better results will be reached, and the necessity of evening, or night work, which has been required to a considerable extent, during the latter half of the year particularly, will be averted. We think this improvement extremely desirable, but have not seen the way to meet the expense of making it.

We think it extremely desirable, also, that in the near future the plumbing of the east wing of the Congress Ave. building be renewed, in a measure corresponding to the work done last year on the west wing. Proposals have been made to do the plumber's work for \$390.00. The joiner's and mason's work would cost in addition about \$450.00. This would be a much needed improvement.

There is a great demand for more private rooms. There have been many weeks during the past year when we have been unable to meet the demand with our present number, and have had a waiting list of applicants.

We are still suffering from insufficient accommodation for the kitchen work, and for the table-service of the Nurses. This is a need increasing with every year. Either a new administration building, or an annex to the present one, for the above purposes, must soon be had, or the situation becomes extremely disadvantageous.

It is hardly needful to reiterate our plea for a new Maternity ward, strongly as we feel it. The fund for that purpose is still insufficient to warrant our beginning to build it, but we live in the hope that the means will be furnished.

Complaints have been made to some extent by patients, and emphasized by the visitors, of disturbance of the desirable quietness of the Hospital by the noise of those passing through the corridors. We have recently contracted for the supply of one of the principal corridors with a rubber mat, running the length of it, and desire to supply the others with the same as soon as our means will permit.

In June last Dr. Percy D. Littlejohn, a graduate of the last class in the Yale Medical School and a licensed pharmacist, became our Apothecary; succeeding Mr. A. C. Robertson, who resigned to take another position after an intelligent and faithful service of nearly six years.

As in former years, we have been indebted to generous friends of the Hospital for many kind attentions and generous gifts in aid of our work. Among these should be mentioned the ministers of the city who have conducted religious services in the Chapel every Sunday evening. Also the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Calvary Baptist Church, which has sent a quartette every Sunday afternoon to sing hymns in the different wards, greatly to the comfort of those confined to their beds of weariness and pain.

We are glad to acknowledge our further indebtedness to our President, Gen. S. E. Merwin, who, as in former years, has had the grounds ornamented with flowering plants. Also to Miss Rose Porter and other ladies associated with her, for continued regular instructions given to the invalid children by a Kindergarten Teacher. Also to the Yale Glee and Banjo Clubs for an extremely pleasing concert given in the Chapel last Spring at the suggestion of Dr. W. J. Sheehan. Also to the Hospital Aid Society for supplying one hundred and sixty-two garments; to the Needlework Guild, Mrs. Mary T. Gridley president, for supplying three hundred and nineteen garments; to "Our Society," Mrs. F. B. Dexter president, for supplying ninety-eight garments. Also to the kind friend who for the seventh year provided a Steamboat Excursion for about one hundred and twenty patients, nurses and attendants, and on the same day, refreshments for those remaining in the Hospital because unable to go. Also to the many donors, a full list of whose donations will be found in the Appendix.

Your Committee take pleasure in recognizing the fidelity and diligence of the members of the Medical Staff; the faithful and most efficient service of the Superintendent of the Hospital and of the Superintendent of the Training School for Nurses, with her corps of assistants, whose most exacting duties have been performed to our satisfaction in all circumstances. Nor would we fail to mention the House Staff, whose indispensable services contribute so much to the comfort and the usefulness of the Institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES RAY PALMER, } *Prudential*
CHARLES E. GRAVES, } *Committee.*
WM. G. DAGGETT.

New Haven, Jan. 27, 1898.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD

NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL, Jan. 27, 1898.

To the Board of Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN—The following statement of the medical, surgical and gynæcological work of the hospital, for the year 1897, is hereby respectfully submitted as the report of the Medical Board.

H. W. RING, M.D.,
Secretary of Medical Board.

DISEASES TREATED DURING 1897.

MEDICAL REPORT.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.		
Abortion			1	1					
Abscess, cerebral		2					2		
Alcoholism, acute	2	44		41	4				1
“ and opium habit	1				1				
Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	1								1
Anæmia		1		1					
Anteflexion of uterus		1						1	
Anteversio of uterus		1			1				
Aortic regurgitation		2					1		1
“ stenosis		2			1		1		
“ stenosis and mitral regur- gitation		1			1				
Aortic stenosis and phthisis		1					1		
“ stenosis and regurgitation		1			1				
Aphasia		1			1				
Appendicitis		1		1					
Arthritis deformans	1								1
Asthenia		3					3		
Asthma		1			1				
Biliary calculi		1						1	
Bronchitis, acute		2		2					
“ chronic		1			1				
Carcinoma of liver		3					3		
Carcinoma of stomach		4				2		1	1
“ urethra		1						1	

MEDICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.	
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.			Died.
Cardiac dilatation		1			1					
“ neurasthenia		1			1					
Cellulitis, pelvic		2			1			1		
Chlorosis		2		1	1					
Cholera nostras		1		1						
Cirrhosis of liver, hypertrophic		1			1					
Delirium tremens		12		10				1		
Dementia		2			1	1				
“ and diabetes		1				1				
Diabetes mellitus		1			1					
Diarrhœa, acute		4		3				1		
“ chronic		5		2	2		1			
Drowning		1		1						
Duodenitis	1			1						
Dysentery		10	1	10			1			
Dyspepsia, chronic	1	1			2					
Eczema		6			5		1			
Embolism, cerebral		1					1			
Emphysema		2			1	1				
Endocarditis		2					2			
Endocervicitis, chronic		2		1					1	
Endometritis		3			1	1		1		
“ and retroflexion of uterus		1						1		
Enteritis, catarrhal		1		1						
Epilepsy	2	8			8			1	1	
Erythema nodosum		1		1						
Fatty heart		1							1	
Fever, continued		1		1						
“ ephemerai		1		1						
“ typhoid	2	34		31			3		2	
“ “ and nephritis		1		1						
“ “ “ pneumonia		4		2			2			
Gangrene of penis		1						1		
Gastritis, acute		4		3	1					
“ and asthenia			1				1			
“ chronic		4			3	1				
Hemiplegia	3	10	1		5		4		5	
Hemorrhage, cerebral		9					7		2	
Herpes zoster		1		1						
Hysteria		8		4	3				1	
Hystero-epilepsy		2			1	1				
Impetigo		1		1						
Incontinence of urine		1							1	
Influenza		4		4						
Injury to spinal cord		1					1			
Innutrition		1					1			
Jaundice, catarrhal		1		1						
Lateral sclerosis	1	2	1			1			3	
Locomotor ataxia	1	2				2			1	
Malaria		26		22			3	1		
“ pernicious		1					1			

MEDICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Mania, acute		1		1						
“ á potu		2		1	1					
Melancholia		2			1					1
Meningitis		5		1				4		
Miscarriage		1		1						
Mitral and pulmonary regurgita- tion and mitral stenosis	1									1
Mitral, aortic and pulmonary regurgitation		1						1		
Mitral regurgitation	1	2			3					
“ stenosis and nephritis		1						1		
Morphine habit		1			1					
Myalgia		1		1						
Nephritis, acute			1					1		
“ “ and pneumonia		1						1		
Nephritis, chronic	6	9			6			6		3
“ “ and hemiplegia		1								1
“ “ “ phthisis		1						1		
“ “ ulcer of foot		1			1					
Neuralgia, occipital		1		1						
“ trigeminal		2		2						
Neurasthenia		2	1		1				1	1
Neuritis, diffuse	1	1			1					1
“ multiple, alcoholic		5			4					1
“ traumatic			1							1
Ophthalmia neonatorum		1		1						
Paralysis agitans	3	2			1	1		1		2
“ Landry's		1						1		
Peritonitis, acute		1		1						
“ chronic	1									1
“ diffuse		2						1	1	
“ tubercular		1							1	
Pleurisy, acute		2		2						
“ and pneumonia		1			1					
“ asthma and bronchitis		1		1						
Plumbism		3			3					
Pneumonia	1	19		8	1			9	1	1
“ and alcoholism		1						1		
Poisoning by absinthe		2		2						
“ aconite		2		2						
“ alcohol		1		1						
“ arsenic		1						1		
“ carbolic acid		3		3						
“ chloroform		1		1						
“ illuminating gas		2		2						
“ lead acetate		1		1						
“ morphine		1		1						
“ opium		3		3						
“ paraldehyde		1		1						
Polyuria		1						1		
Pregnancy	2	30		30						
Premature birth		2						2		

MEDICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.		
Primary muscular atrophy	1				1				
Pruritis of scrotum		1			1				
Pseudo angina pectoris		1		1					
Puerperal eclampsia		1			1				
Pyosalpinx		1						1	
Retroversion of uterus		3		2	1				
Rheumatism, acute articular	4	10		6	7		1		
“ chronic	2	5	1	2	3	1	1		1
“ gonorrhœal		1			1				
Rubeola		2	1	3					
Salpingitis		2							2
Scabies	1			1					
Scarlatina	1	1		1	1				
Sciatica		3			2			1	
Senility		4			2	1	1		
Strain of back		1		1					
Syncope		1		1					
Synovitis of knee		1	1					2	
Syphilis	1	5			4	1			1
“ cerebral	1	2	1		1	1	1	1	
Tachycardia		2			2				
Tetany		1		1					
Tonsillitis, follicular		1		1					
“ suppurative		1		1					
Torticollis		1						1	
Transverse myelitis		1							1
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	2	20			2	10	8		2
“ “ and de-									
lirium tremens		1							1
Tumor of cerebellum		1					1		
“ abdomen			1				1		
Ulcer of duodenum		1						1	
“ stomach		1							1
Uræmia		2			1		1		
Urticaria		1		1					
Vulvitis, follicular		1			1				
Totals	45	474	13	238	109	26	88	22	49

Respectfully submitted,

L. WINTHROP ABBOTT, *House Physician.*

RECORD OF BIRTHS.

January	2	August	4
February	2	September	2
March	5	October	3
April	0	November	3
May	3	December	3
June	0		
July	3	Total	30

SURGICAL REPORT.

DIAGNOSSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.		
Abdominal injuries.....		1						1	
Abscess of breast.....		1					1		
“ of broad ligament.....		1		1					
“ of hip.....		1							1
“ ischio-rectal.....		2	1	2	1				
“ of liver.....		1			1				
“ of neck.....		1			1				
“ pelvic.....	1	6	1	1	4			3	
“ perineal.....		1			1				
“ perirectal.....		1			1				
“ popliteal.....		1		1					
“ psoas.....		1		1					
“ shoulder.....		1			1				
“ of side.....		4		1	1				2
“ “ after nephrectomy.....		1							1
“ of testicle.....		1			1				
“ of umbilicus.....		1		1					
Adenitis of groin.....		1		1					
“ of neck.....		1		1					
Adhesions in knee joint.....		1			1				
Aneurism traumatic of radial.....		1		1					
Ankylosis of ankle and knee.....		1			1				
“ of hip.....	1				1				
Anteflexion of uterus.....	1			1					
Anterior poliomyelitis.....	1								1
Appendicitis.....	3	20		19	1			2	1
“ and gen'l peritonitis.....		1					1		
Arthritis tubercular of ankle.....	2		1	1	1				1
Arthritis tubercular of hip.....	10			4	6				1
“ “ knee.....		1							1
Atony of bladder.....	1			1					
Bed sores.....	1	1			1			1	
Biliary calculi.....		1	1		1			1	
Burn of arm.....		1		1					
“ “ and body.....	1							1	
“ back.....		1			1				
“ body and extremities.....		1						1	
“ “ and thighs.....		1						1	
“ eyes (powder).....		1			1				
“ face, body, extremities.....		3		1	1			1	
“ feet.....		1		1					
“ foot (old).....		1							
“ shoulder, arm and hand.....		1							1
Carbuncle.....		1							1
Carcinoma of breast.....		12		10		1			1
“ “ recurrent.....	1	2			2	1			
“ cervix uteri.....		1					1		
“ cheek.....		1		1					
“ heel.....		1			1				
“ lip.....		5		3		1		1	
“ intestines.....		1						1	

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNoses.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.	
Carcinoma of jaw		1				1			
“ mouth		2			2				
“ neck		1	1						
“ oesophagus		1						1	
“ rectum	1			1					
“ stomach			1					1	
“ “ liver and omentum		1			1				
Carcinoma of tongue		1						1	
“ urethra			1		1				
“ uterus		5		1	2	2			
“ vulva		1		1					
Cataract		9		8	1				
“ traumatic		1				1			
Cellulitis of face		1		1					
“ fingers		1		1					
“ foot		2		1	1				
“ “ diabetic		1						1	
“ hand	1			1					
“ “ diabetic		1			1				
“ pelvic		3	1		2				2
“ toes and scalp wound		1		1					
Cerebral concussion		6		3	2			1	
Concussion of spinal cord		3		1					2
Condyloma of anus		1			1				
Conjunctivitis and bruise of face		1			1				
Constipation habitual		2		2					
Contusion of abdomen		1			1				
“ back		3		3					
“ body		2		1	1				
“ chest		1		1					
“ elbow		1		1					
“ eyes		1		1					
“ face		1		1					
“ head		1		1					
“ “ chest and knee		1		1					
“ head and optic neuritis		1			1				
“ hip		1		1					
“ knee		2		1	1				
“ leg		2		2					
“ shoulder		2		2					
“ side		6		4	2				
“ and strain of neck		1			1				
“ thigh	1	2		1					2
“ wrist		1		1					
Crush of arm		2		2					
“ fingers		1		1					
“ foot		4		3	1				
“ hand		3		2					1
“ “ foot and toes		1		1					
“ leg		5		2				3	

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Crush of skull		1						1		
“ toes		2		2						
“ thigh and arms		1						1		
Cyst of mesentery		1			1					
“ ovary		3		2			1			
“ multilocular		1						1		
Cystitis	1	3		1	2	1				
Dislocation of clavicle, sternal end		1			1					
Dislocation of femur		1								1
“ humerus		3		1	1				1	
“ and clavicle		1			1					
Dupuytren's contraction		1								1
Dysmenorrhœa		2			2					
Ectopic gestation		1						1		
Elongated prepuce		1			1					
Empyema	1	2		2			1			
Endocervicitis		1			1					
Endometritis		4	1	3	1					1
“ and retroflexion			1	1						
“ neurasthenia		1			1					
Epididymitis	1	1		1	1					
Epilepsy		1			1					
Epiplocele		1		1						
Epithelioma of bladder		1			1					
“ lip		1			1					
Erysipelas		1		1						
Extravasation of urine and gan- grenous penis	1							1		
Extrophy of bladder		1					1			
Exuberant granulations in old sinus		1								1
Felon		1		1						
Fibro-cyst of uterus		1		1						
Fibroid of breast		1		1						
Fibroma of cervix		2		2						
Fibroid of uterus		4		2						2
Fissure of rectum		1			1					
Fistula fecal	1	2		1	1					1
“ in ano	1	6		4	3					
“ ischio rectal		1								1
“ urethral		1								1
Foreign body in bladder		1	1	1					1	
“ “ hand		3		2	1					
“ “ knee		1			1					
“ “ œsophagus		2		2						
Fracture base of skull		2		1				1		
“ bones of face		1								1
“ both tibiæ and fibulæ	1			1						
“ 4th, 5th, 6th cervical vertebræ		2						2		

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Fracture of clavicle		2		2						
“ Colles		1		1						
“ of both arms		1		1						
“ of and contusion of abdomen		1		1						
Fracture of femur	3	7		4	1			1	1	3
“ “ (neck)		2				1				1
“ “ tibia and fibula	1			1						
Fracture of fibula	1	1		2						
“ “ compound		1								1
“ humerus	1			1						
“ “ comp.		1		1						
“ “ comm.		1		1						
“ “ and ribs		1		1	1					
“ inferior maxilla		5		1	4					
“ 1st metacarpal										
comp.		1								1
Fracture of metatarsus comp.		1								1
“ nasal and frontal bones		1						1		
“ “ bones and scalp wounds		1		1						
Fracture of patella	2	3		5						
“ pelvis		1						1		
“ phalanges	2			2						
“ “ comp. com.		1		1						
“ 1st phalanx comp.		1		1						
“ Pott's		1		1						
“ “ comp.		1								1
“ of radius	1	1		2						
“ “ comp. com.		1			1					
“ “ and ulna comp.		1			1					
“ “ and laceration of eye		1			1					
Fracture of ribs		7		6	1					
“ “ contusion of back and scalp wounds		1		1						
Fracture of ribs and scalp wounds		1		1						
“ “ spinal vertebræ		1			1					
“ “ with emphysema		2		2						
“ “ femur, comp. of left leg and scalp wounds		1						1		
Fracture of sacrum comp.		1						1		
“ skull		3		1				2		
“ spinal column		1						1		
“ superior maxilla and lacerated wound of face		1		1						
Fracture of tarsus		1		1						
“ tibia		2		1	1					
“ “ comp.		3			3					
“ “ and fibula	2	4		5						1

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.		
Fracture of tibia and fibula comp.	---	4	---	1	---	---	---	---	3
" " " "	---	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
com.	---	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Fracture of 1st toe and wound of ear	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Fracture of ulna and strain of back	---	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Gangrene of foot	---	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
" " diabetic	---	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---
" penis	---	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	---
" senile	---	1	---	---	---	---	1	---	---
Gastritis	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Genu valgum	1	2	---	1	1	---	---	---	1
" varum	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Gigantism of foot	---	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Goitre	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	1
Gonorrhœa	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Gonorrhœal ophthalmia	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Hemorrhoids	7	---	---	7	---	---	---	---	---
Hepatic colic	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
Hernia femoral	2	---	---	---	2	---	---	---	---
" inguinal	1	3	---	2	---	---	2	---	---
" congenital	---	3	---	2	---	1	---	---	---
" umbilical	---	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Hodgkins disease	1	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---
Hydrocele	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Hypertrophy of cervix	2	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---
Hydronephrosis	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Impaction of feces	2	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---
Intestinal indigestion	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
" intussusception	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
" obstruction	1	---	---	---	---	---	1	---	---
Irido-cyclo choroiditis	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Iritis	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Keratitis	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Laceration of arms	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
" cervix	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
" " and endocer- vicitis	---	1	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Laceration of cervix and peri- neum and cystitis	---	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
Laceration of eye	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
" eyelid	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
" and erosion of cervix	2	---	---	---	---	2	---	---	---
" of perineum	---	3	---	3	---	---	---	---	---
" " and cervix	---	7	---	7	---	---	---	---	---
Lipoma of back	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
" forehead	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	---
Mastitis	1	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	---
Metrorrhagia	3	---	---	---	2	---	---	---	---
Myoma of vaginal wall	1	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	1

SURGICAL REPORT--CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved,	Not treated.		
Necrosis of femur	2				1				1
“ humerus		1			1				
“ inferior maxilla		1		1					
“ ilium		1							1
“ knee, tubercular	1				1				
“ metatarsus		1			1				
“ pubis		1			1				
“ ribs	1					1			
“ tibia		2		1	1				
Nephritis parenchymatous		1						1	
Neurasthenia		1	1			1			1
Onychia		2		2					
Ophthalmia neonatorum		2		1	1				
Orchitis		2		1	1				
“ and epididymitis		1		1					
Otitis media		3			2		1		
“ “ and mastoiditis	1			1					
“ “ purulenta	1			1					
Ovarian neuralgia		2			2				
Painful stump		1		1					
Pannus		1			1				
Paralysis of larynx, post-diph- theritic		1					1		
Paraphimosis		1			1				
Periostitis of tibia		1			1				
Peritonitis		1					1		
“ tubercular			1				1		
“ after appendicitis		1					1		
Perityphlitis		1		1					
Phimosis		2		2					
“ and balanitis		1			1				
Polyp of uterus		1		1					
Procidentia uteri		3		2	1				
Prostatitis		1		1					
Pyosalpingitis		4	1	2	3				
Retained placenta		1		1					
Salpingitis		1		1					
Sarcoma of abdominal wall	1						1		
“ breast	1			1					
“ foot		1		1					
“ neck	1				1				
“ thigh		1		1					
Scoliosis			1			1			
Sciatica		1	1		1	1			
Severed tendons of thumb		1							1
Sinus of back		1							1
“ thigh		1				1			
Spondylitis	1								1
“ and morbus coxarius	1								1
Sprain of ankle		6		5	1				
“ knee		1		1					

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1891.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Stenosis of cervix	1	1	1	1						
Strain of back	4		3	1						
Stricture of œsophagus	1					1				
“ rectum	1			1						
“ urethra	5		3	1			1			
“ “ and hypos- padias	1		1						1	
Subinvolution of uterus	1									
Subluxation of hip (old)	1						1			
“ shoulder	1		1							
Synovitis of ankle	3		1	2						
“ knee	3	2		3					1	1
Syphilis	1	4		1	4					
Talipes equino-varus	1									1
“ valgus	1		1							
Torticollis			1	1						
Tubercular glands of neck	1			1						
Tumor abdominal	2						1		1	
“ of brain	1					1				
“ breast	5		4	1						
“ orbit	1									1
“ pelvic	1		1							
“ thigh	1						1			
“ umbilicus	1									1
Ulcer of duodenum			1					1		
“ foot	1			1						
“ glans penis	1		1							
“ leg	3	7	1	6	2			1	1	1
“ “ and varicose veins	1			1						
“ neck	1			1						
“ patellar	1									1
Vaginitis	1		1							
Varicocele	1		1							
Vesical calculus	4		3	1						
Vicious union forearm	1			1						
Wound contused of fingers	1			1						
“ “ foot	1			1						
“ “ “ and frac- tured phalanges	1			1						
Wound of foot and scalp wounds	1			1						
“ gunshot of hand	1			1						
“ “ arm	1									1
“ “ intestines	1							1		
“ “ leg	1			1						
“ “ thigh	2			2						
“ incised of cheek and ear	1			1						
“ “ eye	2			1	1					
“ “ face	1			1						
“ “ “ and scalp	1			1						
“ “ hand	2			1	1					
“ “ leg	1			1						

SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1897.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1897.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Wound incised of leg and cheek	1	1	1	1						
“ “ scalp	3	3	3	3						
“ “ wrist	1	1	1	1						
“ infected of hand	1	1	1						1	
“ lacerated of abdomen	1	1	1				1			
“ “ arm	1	1	1							
“ “ and frac- ture of carpus	1	1	1							
Wound lacerated of ear	1	1	1		1					
“ “ fingers	3	3	3							
“ “ forearm	1	1	1		1					
“ “ hand	1	1	1							
“ “ and eye and powder burn of face	1	1	1							
Wound lacerated of hand and scalp wounds	1	1	1							1
Wound lacerated of lip and scalp “ penetrating of buttocks and side	1	1	1							1
Wound punctured of arm	1	1	1		1					
“ of scalp	14	14	12	2						
“ “ and nose	1	1	1							
“ stab of abdomen	2	2	2							
“ “ back	1	1	1							
“ “ thorax	3	3	1	2						
Totals	70	564	22	337	164	3	2	51	13	62

Respectfully submitted,

SANFORD WADHAMS, *House Surgeon.*

SURGICAL OPERATIONS DURING 1897.

Amputation of arm	3	Excision of carcinoma of urethra ..	1
“ cervix uteri	2	“ “ vulva	1
“ hypertrophied cervix uteri	1	“ fecal fistula	2
“ fingers	6	“ fibroid of cervix	2
“ leg	7	“ lipoma	2
“ legs (both)	1	“ myoma of vaginal wall	1
“ at shoulder joint	1	“ sarcoma of breast	2
“ of thigh	3	“ “ orbit	1
“ thumb	1	“ thyroid for goitre	1
“ toes	3	“ tongue	1
Appendectomy	21	“ traumatic aneurism	1
Aspiration of knee	1	“ tubercular glands of neck	2
“ thorax	1	“ tumor of breast	6
“ pelvic abscess	1	“ umbilical epiplocele	1
Bassini's operation	2	Exploratory coeliotomy	1
Breaking up adhesions in knee	2	Exploratory coeliotomy for biliary calculi	1
Castration	2	Exploratory coeliotomy for carcinoma of stomach	2
Cataract extraction	9	Exploratory coeliotomy for carcinoma of uterus	2
Cauterization of gangrenous penis	2	Exploratory coeliotomy for gunshot wound of intestines	1
“ ulcer of penis	1	Exploratory coeliotomy for lacerated wound of abdomen	1
“ for vaginitis	1	Exploratory coeliotomy for pelvic tumor	1
Cholecystotomy	1	Exploratory coeliotomy for stab wound of abdomen	1
Circumcision	3	Exsection of head of femur	1
Clamp and cautery for hemorrhoids	10	“ knee joint	1
Coeliotomy for cyst of omentum	1	Gastrostomy	1
“ ectopic gestation	1	Hysterectomy (abdominal)	1
“ tubercular peritonitis	1	“ vaginal	1
Curetting necrosed humerus	3	Incision and drainage of appendiceal abscess	2
“ “ ilium	1	Incision and drainage of abscess of broad ligament	1
“ “ inf. maxillary	1	Incision and drainage of abscess following nephrectomy	1
“ “ metatarsus	3	Incision and drainage of abscess of hip	1
“ “ tarsus	4	Incision and drainage of abscess, ischio-rectal	1
“ “ tibia	3	Incision and drainage of abscess of liver	1
“ “ tibia and fibula	2	Incision and drainage of abscess of pelvis	2
“ of tubercular knee joint	1	Incision and drainage of abscess of psoas	2
“ urethral fistula	1	Incision and drainage of abscess of shoulder	1
Curetting of uterus	6	Incision and drainage of abscess of side	1
Dilatation of sphincter ani for fissure of rectum	1	Incision and drainage of fractured metacarpus	1
Dilatation for stenosis of os cervicis	2	Incision and drainage of lacerated arm	1
Dilatation of urethral stricture	1		
Dislocation of femur	1		
“ humerus	1		
Enucleation of eye	5		
Excision of carcinoma of breast ..	10		
“ “ “ recurrent	2		
“ “ “ cheek	2		
“ carcinomatous glands of groin	1		
Excision of carcinoma of heel	1		
“ “ jaw and tongue	2		
“ “ lip	4		
“ “ mouth	1		
“ “ neck	1		

Incision and drainage of thorax ..	1	Removal of foreign body from oesophagus	1
Incision exploratory of gunshot wound of leg	1	Removal of foreign body from buttock and side	1
Incision and packing of fistula in ano	4	Resection of gut for carcinoma	1
Incision and packing of perineal abscess	1	Resection of tibia and fibula	3
Internal urethrotomy	1	Snaring of uterine polyp	1
Iridectomy and extraction of lens	1	Suprapubic cystotomy for foreign body in bladder	1
Lamnectomy for fracture of spine	1	Suprapubic lithotomy	2
Litholapaxy	2	Suturing and draining comp. fracture tibia and fibula	1
Multiple incisions for Dupuytren's contraction	1	Suturing of fecal fistula	1
Multiple incisions for extravasation of urine	1	“ gunshot wound of hand	1
Oöphorectomy	5	“ lacerated wound of arm	1
Osteotomy for genu valgum	3	“ “ eyelid	1
Perineorrhaphy	2	“ severed tendons	1
“ and anterior colporrhaphy	2	Tenotomy	2
“ and curetting	1	Thiersch skin grafting	4
“ “ trachelorrhaphy	6	Trachelorrhaphy	4
Plastic operation for gigantism of foot	1	Tracheotomy	1
Plastic operation for lacerated lip	1	Trephining	1
Radical cure for inguinal hernia congenital	1	Tube oöphorectomy	1
Radical cure for inguinal hernia ..	1	“ “ double	2
Radical cure for inguinal hernia with castration	1	Vaginal cystotomy for removal of foreign body	1
Reduction and suturing of comp. fracture of tibia	1	Vaginal hysterectomy	2
		Wiring fractured nasal bone	2
		“ “ patella	2
		“ ununited fracture of femur	2
		Total	283

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 19, 1898.

*To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society
of Connecticut :*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the seventy-first annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients treated in the hospital, their condition at time of discharge, and other items of information and interest connected with the business of the year 1897.

The number of patients remaining in the hospital December 31st, 1896, was 115—68 males and 47 females; admitted during the year 1897, 1039—665 males and 374 females; making a total of 1154 under treatment. Of this number, 572 were discharged cured, 272 improved, 58 unimproved, 139 died, and 113 remained under treatment December 31st, 1897. There were 28 births—5 males and 23 females; also 2 stillbirths, which are not included in the number of deaths.

The whole number of weeks occupied was $6173\frac{5}{7}$, of which $1899\frac{2}{7}$ were occupied by town patients receiving the benefit of State appropriation at the rate of \$2.63 per week. The average residence of each patient was $5\frac{1}{3}$ weeks. Deducting the patients supported by the Marett and Gifford funds, the greater portion of whom were inmates of the Home for Incurables, the average residence of the remainder was $4\frac{3}{10}$ weeks.

The patients admitted came from 72 different towns and villages in this State, and from 15 other States and countries; 708 were residents of the town of New Haven.

The largest number of patients any one day was 137; the smallest number 101; the daily average $118\frac{4}{10}$; the attendants, and other inmates not patients, averaged $99\frac{9}{10}$; making a total of $218\frac{3}{10}$; of these $41\frac{5}{10}$ were nurses (with matron and maid) of the Training School.

The Charity funds furnished support and treatment, wholly or in part, as follows :

	No. of patients.	Weeks occupied.	Daily average.	Amount received towards support.
Marett Fund	98	654 $\frac{2}{3}$	12 $\frac{6}{10}$	\$292.36
Gifford “	36	1053 $\frac{2}{3}$	20 $\frac{2}{10}$	537.50
English “	7	117 $\frac{2}{3}$	2 $\frac{2}{10}$	

The ambulance responded to 277 calls during the year.

The current receipts, less amount refunded to patients, were \$47,138.73; the current expenses were \$56,441.46; excess of expenses over receipts, \$9,302.73.

The average cost of supporting each patient in the hospital was \$8.95 $\frac{1}{2}$ per week; the daily average cost of food for all the inmates of the hospital was 30 $\frac{3}{4}$ cts. These items are made up as follows :

Total current hospital expenses	\$56,441.46
Less board of Superintendent's family, clerk's family, and extra nurses	1,156.24
Number of weeks of hospital care, 6173 $\frac{2}{3}$ ÷	\$55,285.22.
Cost per week per patient	8.95 $\frac{1}{2}$
Total cost of food	24,493.62
Average daily number of inmates, 218 $\frac{3}{10}$ × 365 days.	
Cost of food per inmate per day30 $\frac{3}{4}$

The accompanying balance sheet gives detailed statement of my receipts and expenditures for the year.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN H. STARKWEATHER,
Superintendent.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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To amounts received :		
From Balance Jan. 20, 1897.....	\$	17.13
U. S. Marine Patients.....		992.00
State Soldier ".....		755.57
Town ".....		9,954.39
Self-paying ".....		13,171.93
Marett Fund ".....		5,914.56
Gifford " ".....		9,417.86
English " ".....		1,051.80
State Appropriation.....		5,000.00
Board.....		1,156.24
Sales.....		342.04
Sundries.....		97.85
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		\$47,871.37
Orders on Treasurer.....		52,620.05
" " Gifford Fund.....		704.08
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\$101,195.50

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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By amounts expended :

For Flour, 8,264 lbs.	\$ 225.45
Meal and Rice, 6,230 lbs.	202.52
Bread and Crackers, 41,991½ lbs.	1,241.00
Cake	78.00
Butter, 9,470 lbs.	1,900.39
Cheese, 823 lbs.	93.15
Meat, 83,353½ lbs.	7,913.92
Poultry, 9,562¼ lbs.	1,389.85
Fish and Oysters, 11,005¼	947.17
Vegetables and Fruit	2,921.96
Eggs, 8,053 doz.	1,872.52
Groceries	2,480.68
Milk, 86,460 qts.	3,227.01
Ice, 278,825 lbs.	341.20
Ale and Liquors,	277.89
Medicines	1,419.32
Instruments	876.27
Surgical Dressings	1,441.56
Fuel, (Coal 1,158¼)	3,410.97
Gas, 1,423,000	1,721.20
Water, 6,642,690 galls.	518.13
Furniture and Crockery	810.82
Cloths and Bedding	1,536.67
Repairs and Improvements	2,506.53
Postage, Printing and Stationery	521.29
Barn and Farm Expenses	154.40
Boilers, Machinery and Tools	335.18
Salaries and Wages	13,023.26
Soap and Laundry Supplies	310.94
Insurance	1,311.78
Sundries	1,430.43
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	\$56,441.46
Repairs, Gifford Building	704.08
Refunded to Patients	715.51
Deposited with Treasurer	43,328.74
Balance, Jan. 19, 1898	5.71
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	\$101,195.50

APPENDIX

DONATIONS

HOSPITAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURER, 1897.

From "A Friend"	\$ 50.00
Prof. E. S. Dana	10.00
Mrs. F. B. Dexter	25.00
Dr. H. W. Ring	25.00
John Bright & Co.	5.00
Strong, Barnes, Hart & Co.	25.00
Robert Morgan	25.00
United Church	272.00
Trinity Church Parish	277.56
Prof. J. H. Niemeyer	5.00
Christ Church	6.00
St. John's Episcopal Church	11.73
Mishkan Israel Sabbath School	3.00
Howard Ave. Congregational Church	10.92
St. Thomas' Church	32.76
Center Church	741.76
Davenport Church	19.37
First Congregational Church, West Haven	11.36
Christ Church, Guilford	5.78
Church of the Redeemer	274.41
German Lutheran Evangelical Church	10.00
Westville Congregational Church	15.49
Grand Ave. Congregational Church	23.56
Calvary Baptist Church	95.54
Humphrey St. Church	7.25
Through Rev. E. S. Lines	25.85
Robert F. Ehni	5.00
From Trinity M. E. Church	25.00
Congregation Mishkan Israel	70.33
Plymouth Church	4.18
Dwight Place Church	73.17
St. John's R. C. Church	40.00
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	\$2,232.02

OTHER DONATIONS.

RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1897.

Publishers have kindly furnished the Hospital with the *Conn. Republikaner*, the *New Haven Morning News*, the *New Haven Daily Palladium*, the *New Haven Daily Register*, the *New Haven Evening Leader*, the *New York Medical Journal*.

BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND PAPERS.

Charles Hudson, John J. Kennedy, E. S. Osborn, Dr. H. W. Ring, Mrs. J. E. Burgess, Albert A. Tanyane, Mrs. Shipman, Mrs. Ewen McIntyre, A. H. Jackson, H. T. Blake, Rev. Henry Macbeth, Dr. T. H. Bishop, W. S. Holmes, Prof. E. S. Dana, Mrs. Farrell, Trinity Chapel, Isaac Thomas, Mrs. E. H. Carrington, Lowney S. Finch, Minnie Holcomb, Frank C. Sheldon, Miss Susie Robertson, Fred T. Murphy, Mrs. Julia T. Mansfield, Lewis S. Welch, Harry W. Asher, Mrs. S. Hemans, Paul S. Thompson, Mrs. J. W. Russell, Mr. E. H. Trowbridge, Mrs. Mary W. Burroughs, Starr H. Barnum, Mrs. Pauline H. Asher, Mrs. Moritz Spier, Mrs. E. V. Bristol, Dr. W. W. Hawkes, Mrs. Timothy Cowles, Eli Whitney, Mrs. Eleanor Shepard, Mrs. E. H. English, Benj. E. Brown, Yale Co-operative Association, Dr. W. H. Carmalt, Mrs. Thomas Booth, Dr. W. G. Daggett, Mrs. J. Ives, Mrs. Wm. Whiting, Mrs. Lydia W. Hale, Miss G. B. Lovis, Mrs. J. C. Punderford, Chas. H. Parker, Thos. S. Cooke, Mrs. T. W. Allen, Rev. Wm. G. Andrews, D.D.

CLOTHING, OLD LINEN AND OLD COTTON.

Miss Robertson, Mrs. Beach, (Our Society, 98 articles), (Needlework Guild, 319 articles), Mrs. E. S. Woolsey, Ladies Benevolent Society, Dwight Pl. Church; Mrs. Burgess, Ewen McIntyre, Mrs. Nancy Pardee, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Chas. Dickerman, Miss Harrison, Mrs. F. A. Monson, Dr. W. H. Carmalt, Miss Abby Cohen, Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. Oliver Abell, Miss Scott, Mrs. Brown, Col. D. R. Larned, Mrs. Julia E. Hodgson, Hon. H. B. Harrison, J. C. Hollister, Mrs. H. Linsley, Mrs. Isaac Bishop, Mrs. Whiting, Mrs. Myrick, Mrs. A. E. Verrill, Miss L. Lavinia Verrill, and numerous articles from friends—names unknown.

FROM THE HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY.

Mrs. J. B. Sargent, President; First Vice-President; Second Vice-President, Miss Emma Lawrence; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Emma F. Fitch; Executive Committee, Mrs. Clarence Stilson; Mrs. Elizabeth Ward, Mrs. E. L. Austin, Miss Florence Cowles, Mrs. J. Gibb Smith, Mrs. Ely Eliot, Mrs. Caleb Bowers, Mrs. Henry A. Warner, Miss Louise Towner, Mrs. M. B. Mallory, Mrs. W. D. Judson, Miss A. H. Allen, Mrs. H. H. Johnson, Mrs. J. M. Martin, Mrs. James Denver, Mrs. E. Coolidge, Miss Willard, Miss Chapman.

FLOWERS AND FRUIT.

Mrs. R. M. Everit, weekly, during month of June, Frank S. Platt, Mrs. J. M. Hoppin, John N. Champion & Co., Robert Veitch & Son, Mrs. Bennett, Branford, Center School, Mrs. Samuel Hayes, Essex Circle, King's Daughters, Mrs. Susan P. Candee, Eveline Hodgetts, Kindergarten So. Manchester, Welch School.

FLOWERING AND FOLIAGE PLANTS.

For ornamenting the grounds during the summer, General S. E. Merwin.

KINDERGARTEN.

Kindergarten instruction for the children, by a competent teacher, has been furnished by the following named ladies during the year: Mrs. Henry Farnam, Mrs. M. C. Read, Mrs. Francis Wayland, Mrs. G. A. Saunders, Mrs. J. B. Robertson, Mrs. Francis Bacon, Mrs. J. E. S. Porter, Mrs. Ezekiel Trowbridge, Mrs. F. B. Dexter, Miss Hillhouse, Miss M. E. Seranton, Mrs. O. F. Winchester, Mrs. T. G. Bennett, Mrs. N. A. Baldwin, Mrs. Stephen Whitney, Mrs. Eli Whitney, Mrs. J. S. Hotchkiss, Mrs. H. L. Hotchkiss, Mrs. E. Hayes Trowbridge, Mrs. Daniel C. Eaton, Mrs. Thomas R. Trowbridge, Rose Porter and other friends.

STEAMBOAT EXCURSION.

July 31st, taking about 120 patients, nurses and attendants, a sail out on the Sound and refreshments for those remaining in the Hospital unable to go, at the expense of the same kind friend who has provided these excursions for six previous seasons.

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. Ann S. Farnam, \$50.00; Prof. Henry W. Farnam, \$20.00; Gen. S. E. Merwin, \$10.00; Mrs. Lewis English, \$10.00; Dr. T. H. Bishop, \$5.00; Center Church Sunday School for Children's Ward, \$16.22; Mrs. Jane E. Winchester, 7 turkeys and 4 doz. oranges; Mrs. Thos. G. Bennett, 2 turkeys and 3 boxes oranges; Gen. S. E. Merwin, 1 box oranges and one keg grapes; Robert Morgan, 2 turkeys; Dr. T. H. Bishop, 1 turkey; Geo. F. Newcomb, 1 turkey; E. Schoenberger & Son, 10 turkeys; Mrs. E. C. Read, 6 chickens; Mrs. Francis Wayland, 1 turkey; and other gifts for Christmas and Thanksgiving from Children's Mission, Northfield; Welch School, No. 6; Michael Dillon, M. A. K. Wilson, H. Redfield, B. Pendleton, Webster School, No. 12; Irene and Louise Rohr, Georgie Adams, Lyman E. Porter.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mrs. Thos. G. Bennett, 2 pr. crutches; Wm. H. Wilson, 6 blue fish; Dr. T. H. Bishop, binding medical histories, 6 vols.; Fire Department, 50 ft. old hose; Children of Welcome Hall Mission, \$4.50; Mrs. Jane E. Winchester, 3 baskets pears; Mrs. Susan P. Candee, flowers for Chapel services; Mrs. Martha C. Read, lamp-lighters; Dr. Wm. H. Carmalt, surgical chair and books for Medical library. Bills for advertising annual meeting paid by Dr. T. H. Bishop, \$8 02; Mrs. J. C. Punderson, jellies; Dr. W. H. Carmalt, 1 doz. white gloves for operating room.

FUNDS OF THE SOCIETY

The only fund belonging to the Society, the income of which is unrestricted, is the General Fund, and that amounts to only \$17,720, as follows :

1874, Irene Larned Fund	\$5,000.00
1878, Nelson A. Hotchkiss Fund	5,000.00
1885, Mary A. Miller Fund	1,000.00
1890, Henry J. Prudden Fund	1,720.00
1894, Andrew L. Kidston	5,000.00

The Marett, Gifford, and English Funds are Charity Funds, and the income can only be used for the support of poor patients. There seems to be a general impression that these funds have made the Hospital rich, and that it does not need more money. This impression is an erroneous one. The funds mentioned are a very great help to the institution in carrying on its strictly charitable work, but there still remains each year the same failure of receipts to meet expenses, due to the fact that so-called self-paying, town, and state patients do not pay the cost of their support.

With regard to the Free Beds, it must be borne in mind that the income from the endowment of each bed (\$5,000) is not sufficient to support a patient continuously throughout the year.

SECURITIES HELD BY THE TREASURER.

GENERAL AND FREE BED FUNDS.

	Par value.
3 Notes, secured by mortgage	\$14,500.00
5 Bonds, Housatonic R. R., 5%	5,000.00
3 " Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., 6%	3,000.00
7 " N. H. & Derby R. R., 6%	7,000.00
7 " Denver Union Water Co., 5%	5,600.00
1 " Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R., 5%	1,000.00
10 " Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 5%	5,000.00
19 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4%	10,000.00
3 " Meriden Horse R. R., 1st Mortgage, 5%	3,000.00

700 Shares,	N. H. County National Bank stock	\$ 7,000.00
130 "	Merchants National Bank stock	6,500.00
15 "	Second National Bank stock	1,500.00
100 "	Yale National Bank stock	10,000.00
50 "	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock	5,000.00
5 "	Naugatuck R. R. stock	500.00
70 "	Danbury & Norwalk R. R. stock	3,500.00
68 "	Bridgeport Electric Light Co. stock	1,700.00
20 "	Ft. Wayne & Jackson R. R. stock	2,000.00

MARETT FUND.

4 Notes, Secured by mortgage		\$21,000.00
20 Bonds, Housatonic R. R., 5%		20,000.00
1 " N. Y., Providence & Boston R. R., 7%		1,000.00
17 " Danbury & Norwalk R. R., 5%		17,000.00
5 " Louisville & Nashville R. R., 7%		5,000.00
2 " Colchester R. R., 7%		1,000.00
10 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4%		10,000.00
6 " Denver Union Water Co., 5%		6,000.00
2 " New York & New England R. R., 6%		2,000.00
2 " Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 5%		2,000.00
1 " Consolidated Electric Light Co of Maine, 5%		1,000.00
2 " Naumkeag Street Railway Co., 5%		2,000.00
2 " Boston Electric Light Co., 1st Mortgage, 6%		2,000.00
150 Shares, N. H. County National Bank stock		1,500.00
100 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock		10,000.00
20 " Grand River Valley R. R. stock		2,000.00
35 " Ft. Wayne & Jackson R. R. stock		3,500.00
100 " Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Ry. stock		10,000.00
100 " Oswego & Syracuse R. R. stock		5,000.00
9 " National Tradersmens Bank stock		900.00

ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUND (LEGATEE FUND).

6 Bonds, City of Ottawa, Kansas, 6%		\$ 6,000.00
11 " City of Horton, Kansas, 6%		11,000.00
16 " City of Kansas City, Kansas, 5%		16,000.00
2 " North Muskegon, Mich., 5%		2,000.00
7 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4%		2,500.00
1 " New York & New England R. R., 6%		1,000.00
86 Shares, Bank of the Manhattan Co.		4,300.00

ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUND (EXECUTOR FUND).

3 Notes, Secured by Mortgage		\$22,000.00
14 Bonds, State of North Carolina, 4%		14,000.00
1 " New England Mortgage Security Co., 5%		1,000.00
3 " New York & New England R. R., 7%		3,000.00

6 Bonds, New York & New England R. R., 6%	\$6,000.00
2 " Denver Union Water Co., 5%	2,000.00
25 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4%	25,000.00
100 Shares, American Exchange National Bank N. Y.	10,000.00
700 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock	70,000.00
20 " National Tradesmens Bank stock	2,000.00
20 " Yale National Bank stock	2,000.00
14 " Bank of New York (N. B. A.)	1,400.00
6 " National Bank of the Republic, N. Y.	600.00

ENGLISH FUND.

5 Bonds, New York & New England R. R., 6%	\$5,000.00
5 " Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., 6%	5,000.00
718 Shares, N. H. County Nat'l. Bank	7,180.00

FITCH FUND.

5 Bonds, New York & New England R. R., 6%	\$5,000.00
20 Shares, Mechanics Bank	1,200.00

FUNDS FOR CHILDREN'S AND MATERNITY WARDS.

2 Bonds, New York & New England R. R., 6%	\$2,000.00
2 " Meriden Horse R. R., 1st Mortgage, 5%	2,000.00
2 New Haven Savings Bank books	1,372.53

NEW KITCHEN FUND.

1 Bond, Boston Electric Light Co., 1st Mortgage, 6%	\$1,000.00
40 Shares, Detroit, Hillsdale & Southwestern R. R.	4,000.00

FUND FOR ELEVATOR.

New Haven Savings Bank book	\$481.37
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MEDICAL LIBRARY FUND.

Gift of Dr. F. L. Dibble (invested with general fund)	\$250.00
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We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer, Charles E. Curtis, and find that they correspond with the foregoing list.

Dated January 12, 1898.

JOHN W. BRISTOL, }
OLIVER S. WHITE. } *Auditors.*

GENERAL STATISTICS

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in hospital, Dec. 31, 1896.....	68	47	115
Admitted during 1897	665	374	1039
Total	733	421	1154
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured	382	190	572
Improved	171	101	272
Unimproved	27	31	58
Died	93	46	139
Total	673	368	1041
Remaining under treatment, Dec. 31, 1897	64	49	113
Total	737	417	1154

MONTHLY ADMISSIONS.

FROM JANUARY 1, 1897, TO DECEMBER 31, 1897.

January	79	August	100
February	70	September	87
March	100	October	99
April	74	November	81
May	77	December	73
June	99		
July	100		1039

AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years	40	34	74
From 15 to 20 years	36	28	64
“ 20 to 30 “	219	91	310
“ 30 to 40 “	139	85	224
“ 40 to 50 “	91	66	157
“ 50 to 60 “	72	30	102
“ 60 to 70 “	36	15	51
“ 70 to 80 “	15	14	29
“ 80 to 90 “	4	5	9
Unknown	13	6	19
Total	665	374	1039

NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

Arabia	1	France	4	Spain	2
Armenia	1	Germany	61	Sweden	25
Australia	1	Hawaii	1	Switzerland	3
Austria	5	Hungary	3	Syria	1
Belgium	1	Ireland	177	United States	567
Canada	21	Italy	55	Wales	2
Cape Verde Isles	1	Norway	7	Unknown	11
China	1	Nova Scotia	3		
Denmark	1	Poland	8		
England	37	Russia	28	Total	1039
Finland	3	Scotland	8		

TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. Marine patients	127 $\frac{5}{7}$	weeks.
State Soldier patients	125 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Town patients	1899 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Self-paying patients, in wards	1378 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
" " private rooms	247 $\frac{4}{7}$	"
Free Bed patients	542 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Marett Fund patients	654 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
English " 	117 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Gifford " 	1053 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
	27 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
	<u>6173$\frac{5}{7}$</u>	"

OCCUPATIONS.

Artist	1	Expressman	1	Nurses	3
Auditor	1	Farmers	21	Office boy	1
Baggage man	1	Fisherman	1	Orderlies	5
Bakers	5	Firemen	4	Oystermen	3
Barbers	2	Forger	1	Painters	22
Bartenders	10	Fruit dealer	1	Peddlers	6
Blacksmiths	7	Gardeners	2	Physicians	7
Boiler maker	1	Glazier	1	Pilot	1
Boot black	1	Grain dealer	1	Plater	1
Boxmaker	1	Grocers	4	Porters	3
Book agent	1	Gun smiths	3	Rigger	1
Brass workers	8	Hackmen	2	Rubber workers	4
Brakemen	21	Harness maker	1	Salesmen	6
Brazier	1	Hatter	1	Saleswoman	1
Brick layers	3	Hotel keeper	1	Saloon keepers	9
Broker	1	Hostlers	6	Sausage maker	1
Buffer	1	Houseworkers	46	Seamen	34
Butler	1	Insurance agents	4	Sextons	2
Butchers	6	Iron workers	6	Shipping clerk	1
Cabinet makers	2	Janitors	5	Shoemakers	3
Carpenters	10	Joiners	2	Silver smith	1
Carriage makers	2	Laborers	118	Stenographers	2
Cigar makers	2	Lathers	6	Stair builder	1
Civil engineer	1	Laundress	1	Steward	1
Cleaners	2	Laundry man	1	Stone cutters	3
Clerks	17	Lead glazier	1	Students	5
Clock makers	2	Lighthouse keeper	1	Tailors	2
Clothier	1	Linemen	3	Teamsters	14
Clergyman	1	Liquor dealer	1	Tinners	3
Cooper	1	Longshoreman	1	Train dispatcher	1
Conductors	2	Machinists	6	Truckmen	2
Confectioner	1	Masons	3	Undertaker	1
Corset maker	1	Mechanic	1	Upholsterer	1
Cooks	8	Merchant	1	Waiters	2
Deck hands	3	Messenger boy	1	Watchman	1
Detective	1	Metal polishers	3	Wire workers	2
Dyers	6	Milkmen	2	Wood polisher	1
Electrician	1	Molders	9	Wood workers	3
Employment agent	1	Monument maker	1		
Engineer	1	Musicians	2		

REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN CONNECTICUT,

In the Hospital during the Year ending December 31, 1897.

Ansonia	12	Manchester	1	Seymour	1
Beacon Falls	1	Meriden	11	Shelton	4
Berlin	2	Middletown	10	Short Beach	1
Branford	15	Milford	3	Southbury	2
Bridgeport	2	Mount Carmel	2	Southington	8
Burrville	1	Mystic	1	South Windsor	1
Centerville	1	Naugatuck	3	Stony Creek	4
Clinton	2	New Britain	2	Stratford	1
Cornwall Bridge	2	New Hartford	1	Thomaston	4
Danbury	1	New Haven	702	Torrington	24
Derby	13	New Milford	1	Union City	1
Durham	2	Niantic	1	Unionville	1
East Haven	4	Noroton	1	Washington	3
East Hampton	1	North Branford	1	Waterbury	15
Foxon	1	North Haven	3	West Haven	20
Greenwich	1	Northfield	1	Westville	6
Guilford	2	Norfolk	1	Whitneyville	1
Groton	1	Orange	7	Willimantic	2
Hamden	7	Plainville	2	Windsor	1
Hartford	5	Plymouth	1	Winsted	1
Hebron	1	Ridgefield	1	Winthrop	1
Kent	3	Rockville	1	Woodbridge	1
Leete's Island	4	Roxbury	3	Woodbury	1
Madison	1	Sachem's Head	1	Woodmont	1

ANNUAL SUMMARY.

Years.	In Hospital at beginning of year.	Admitted during year.	Under care.	Discharged.	Died.	Remaining at the end of the year.	Daily average for the year.	Greatest No. on any one day.	Least No. on any one day.
1833-1867.....			4398						
1867-1868.....	37	220	257	207	20	30	34	45	22
1868-1869.....	30	266	296	235	30	31	40	53	27
1869-1870.....	31	308	339	271	33	35	38	48	24
1870-1871.....	35	303	338	256	32	50	41	56	30
1871-1872.....	50	328	378	270	48	60	51	70	34
1872, 9 months	60	319	379	275	28	76	60	78	44
1873.....	76	428	504	344	43	117	77	117	59
1874.....	117	408	525	361	47	117	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	125	83
1875.....	117	436	553	360	50	143	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	143	112
1876.....	143	382	525	339	45	141	136	165	116
1877.....	141	312	453	367	28	58	100	147	58
1878.....	58	336	394	285	38	71	69	93	57
1879.....	71	336	407	295	31	81	67 $\frac{5}{8}$	88	47
1880.....	81	440	521	373	56	92	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	92	72
1881.....	92	556	648	480	65	103	89	106	76
1882.....	103	605	708	516	96	96	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	122	89
1883.....	96	716	812	604	83	125	112	129	93
1884.....	125	748	873	642	107	124	115 $\frac{7}{10}$	136	100
1885.....	124	738	862	645	106	111	105	121	82
1886.....	111	786	897	691	96	110	113 $\frac{1}{2}$	127	97
1887.....	110	730	840	646	95	99	104	131	82
1888.....	99	772	871	642	119	110	103 $\frac{4}{10}$	125	86
1889.....	110	766	876	651	122	103	100 $\frac{7}{10}$	126	74
1890.....	103	774	877	671	111	95	101 $\frac{1}{2}$	122	81
1891.....	95	939	1034	799	118	117	103 $\frac{7}{10}$	126	90
1892.....	117	866	983	740	131	112	112 $\frac{4}{10}$	132	87
1893.....	112	871	983	742	119	122	121 $\frac{9}{10}$	142	101
1894.....	122	902	1024	777	131	116	113	131	91
1895.....	116	968	1084	843	135	106	111 $\frac{8}{10}$	132	95
1896.....	106	1034	1140	881	144	115	112	133	96
1897.....	115	1039	1154	902	139	113	118 $\frac{4}{10}$	137	101
			25,933						

REPORT OF BOARD OF VISITORS

To the Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Visitors in making their report for 1897 feel that, with existing financial conditions, it is useless to again emphasize what has been so constantly reiterated by this Board: the need of more adequate kitchen facilities and the immediate need of elevators in the shafts that already exist. There is one much needed improvement, however, which could be added at so little expense, that we are constrained to ask that it be adopted at some early period. We refer to rubber mattings in the alleys of the wards and in the general halls. There is considerable complaint from patients to the effect that they are disturbed and irritated by the noise of passing footsteps. This could be easily obviated by mattings, similar to those in use in other well appointed institutions.

So far as the general conduct of the Hospital is concerned, we have, on the whole, only words of commendation. The Superintendent and his staff are conscientious in their work and fulfil their duties faithfully. The House Surgeons render excellent assistance and deserve mention here. There is very little complaint from patients, and the nurses, under the direction of Miss Henry, are faithful to their obligations and sympathetic and kind. The Board would also add its commendation of the work of the Housekeeper, Mrs. Wiley, who with very inadequate facilities has rendered excellent service.

On the whole, we are gratified that the condition of both management and service grows better from year to year, and we hope that the much needed improvements may be realized in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. BOWERS, *Chairman*,
S. L. PENFIELD,
T. F. CALLAHAN,

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FREDERICK LYNCH, *Sec.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY VISITORS

To the Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:

GENTLEMEN:—Throughout the past year, the Board of Lady Visitors has made its regular visits weekly, to all parts of the Hospital usually viewed by its members, and has observed the workings of the several administrative departments, conversed with members of these and particularly with the patients.

We take pleasure in reporting everything in as satisfactory a condition as is possible in the existing state of the old or Administration building. Relatively few of us realize that this venerable edifice will soon have rounded out its full three score years and ten, having been erected, we are informed, in 1834. Knowing this, it is easy to appreciate the difficulties of this institution, striving for perfection along the lines of modern sanitary methods. The Hospital distinctly needs generous aid to raise the facilities of the effective departments of administration and housekeeping to a plane in keeping with and to the support of the medical, surgical and nursing departments, which are already in a high degree of perfection.

Practically no personal complaints have reached us, and we congratulate the Hospital and the heads of departments, each and every one, upon the results of their labors during the past year.

L. F. COWLES, *Chairman.*
J. W. HAWKES, *Secretary.*

CONNECTICUT

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES

The Training School for Nurses has been established for twenty-four years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six: within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the Prudential Committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, to nineteen in 1882, and to twenty-three in 1883. In 1884, the number was made to depend upon the number of patients in the hospital, and averaged during the past year with the head nurse and assistant 41.5. The pupils remain in the school for two years, pursuing their studies and daily routine of work under the charge of the superintendent of nursing. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept, to enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of disease, since he last saw his patient.

At the close of the term of study in the hospital the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for eight months such cases of private practice and missionary nursing as shall be assigned her. Her home is in the hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays the board of all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing, or with a true spirit of self-sacrifice have devoted themselves to the noble work of

ministering to others; consequently the duties of the department are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the Secretary of the School, when, if approved by the executive committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-three and under thirty-five years of age, and present a certificate from a clergyman and physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the school will be furnished by the President or other members of the executive committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Application for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Miss Emily Betts, No. 3 Hillhouse avenue, New Haven.

Physicians or others, in any part of the State, desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph, telephone or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for services of a trained nurse is \$12 in and \$15 out of the State,* unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical and safer for the patient to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

* An extra charge is made for nursing contagious diseases.

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