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*(PLUNKET SYSTEM.)*

# *Twelfth Annual Report*

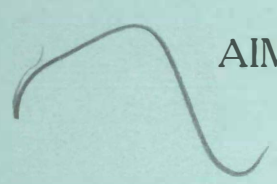


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## AIMS AND OBJECTS.

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1. *To uphold the Sacredness of the Body and the Duty of Health; to inculcate a lofty view of the responsibilities of maternity and the duty of every mother to fit herself for the perfect fulfilment of the natural calls of motherhood, both before and after child-birth, and especially to advocate and promote the Breast-feeding of infants.*

2. *To acquire accurate information and knowledge on matters affecting the Health of Women and Children, and to disseminate such knowledge through the agency of its members, nurses, and others, by means of the natural handing-on from one recipient or beneficiary to another, and the use of such agencies as periodical meetings at members' houses or elsewhere, demonstrations, lectures, correspondence, newspaper articles, pamphlets, books, etc.*

3. *To train specially and to employ qualified Nurses, to be called Plunket Nurses, whose duty it will be to give sound, reliable instruction, advice, and assistance, gratis, to any member of the community desiring such services, on matters affecting the health and well-being of women, especially during pregnancy and while nursing infants, and on matters affecting the health and well-being of their children; and also to endeavour to educate and help parents and others in a practical way in domestic hygiene in general—all these things being done with a view to conserving the health and strength of the rising generation, and rendering both mother and offspring hardy, healthy, and resistive to disease.*

4. *To co-operate with any present or future organisations which are working for any of the foregoing or cognate objects.*

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*N.B.—The Society was started as a League for mutual helpfulness and mutual education, with a full recognition of the fact that, so far as motherhood and babyhood were concerned, there was as much need for practical reform and "going to school" on the part of the cultured and well-to-do as there was on the part of the so-called "poor and ignorant."*

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*Twelfth*  
**Twelfth Annual Report,**  
~~1931-32~~ **1931-32.**

TO THE MEMBERS:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

The Council of your Society has much pleasure in presenting its Twelfth Annual Report.

As you read through this Report you will, we hope, appreciate the endeavours put forth to forward the aims of this Society, and realise that the results have amply repaid all those who have kindly and diligently helped in ensuring the future of the child by practical training of potential mothers and nurses, and the saving of child life—the greatest asset of a nation, which might otherwise be lost.

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**SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MEETING.**

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Society was held at the Windsor Hotel on August 6th, 1931, Lady Irvine presiding.

There were present Sir Truby King, Sir John MacFarlane, Lady Allen, Lady Cussen, Hon. Wm. Angliss, Mr. J. T. Tweddle, and many Government Officials and representatives of our own and other Societies.

Sir Truby King, in a short address, expressed unqualified satisfaction with the work that was being done by the Society, with which is incorporated the Tweddle Hospital for Babies and School of Mothercraft (Plunket System) at Footscray. He described how the Plunket nursing system had become established first in New Zealand, and had extended to Great Britain and the United States, and declared that the aim of his life at present was to bring about similar unity in the method of the teaching and training in mothercraft in Australia.

Dr. J. W. Springthorpe confined his remarks to "The Life of Helen Keller," a deaf and blind child who ultimately became one of



the best educated women in America, thus showing what science and education can do, even in the absence of hearing and seeing. There seems a great future in the further cultivation of the sense of touch.

Hearty votes of thanks were passed on behalf of Lady Irvine, Sir Truby King, Dr. J. W. Springthorpe and the Office-bearers for their work during the year in the Society's interest, the speakers being the Hon. Wm. Angliss, Mr. J. T. Tweddle and Mr. Levey.

The Minutes of the previous Annual Conference were confirmed, and the Annual Report and Balance Sheet adopted.

### EXECUTIVE FOR THE COMING YEAR.

The following were elected as Executive Officers for the ensuing year:—

Dr. J. W. Springthorpe, Dr. L. M. Downes, Dr. Charles Perry, Dr. Guy Springthorpe, Cr. T. B. Drew, Cr. G. E. Robinson, Cr. R. McIndoe; Mesdames Wm. Angliss, A. P. Anderson, John Adamson, W. A. Coxen, H. C. Forge, E. E. Dye, J. W. Springthorpe, John Adamson, P. Knight, H. Webster, H. Larcher; Misses May Rimmington L. C. Moreland; Hon. J. Hume-Cook, Mr. Stuart A. Davis.

During the absence of the Hon. J. Hume Cook at the Ottawa Conference, Mr. Edgar Dye has kindly undertaken to act as Hon. Treasurer.

### PROPAGANDA.

This has received due attention throughout the year, thus making the aims and objects of the Society still more widely known. As a means to this end, lectures and talks to Mothers' and Girls' Clubs, Church Guilds, etc., have been given. Demonstrations have been given at the end of each term by the Hospital Students. With these demonstrations a short lecturette is given on subjects dealing with the care of Mother and Child.

As in previous years, the Royal Show was used as a medium for getting into touch with country mothers and others. As an instance of how advice given is carried out and methods adopted, the following extracts from a letter received from Canton, China, under date 5th Feb., 1932, are valuable: "When I visited the Royal Show last year I went to the Plunket Society's pavilion. The nurse in charge gave me some patterns of baby clothes and some leaflets and "Guide to Baby Feeding." I have kept all these. I told the nurse I was going to China. She recommended me to continue breast feeding for the baby until he is nine months' old, and she also said that if I wrote you would tell me what to do afterwards. He has been fed entirely on the breast so far. If you recommend the use of Kariol and Karilac, please will you send a suitable amount. I will be most grateful for

any advice you may give me." And under date, 31st May, 1932: "I am glad to say baby is getting along very well since he started to have these things. I have lent one pound of Karilac to an American doctor's wife, whose baby boy, of just over a year old, is considerably under weight. I am fairly certain that if we do not need all the Karilac and Kariol for our baby, we can let other people have it; for the few people out here who use these things already are so enthusiastic about them that I think they may shortly be in more general demand." Their use is rapidly spreading throughout Australasia. Simple talks have been regularly broadcasted throughout the year by Sister F. McDonald, from the Station of 3DB. Such talks are far-reaching in effect.

### PLUNKET NURSES.

Plunket Nurses throughout the State, on Hospital Staffs, Bush Nursing and privately, are spreading the knowledge of our work generally, and the methods which enable a mother to fulfil her responsibilities to her children, by caring for them as nature intended. This is instanced by the following letter, received from a Plunket Nurse in charge of a Private Hospital in the country.

"Dear Matron,—I would intrude on your time by adding a little interesting experience.

"Mrs. X., who had booked up to come to me, developed erysipelas on the face two months before time due. Evidently the high temperature in conjunction with the toxins, brought about premature labour. Not being sure what to do, she left everything until the last minute. There was no means of getting a nurse in time, so she had to come to me. Next day we managed to get a private nurse. Doctor forbade the child to go to the breast. I could not go near the woman, nor could I handle anything the special nurse touched—consequently the babe was bottle fed. The mother was in the hospital exactly five weeks. After she had had a disinfectant bath, I examined the breast to see if there was any hope of there being any milk. There was a very little, thick yellow fluid. After showing the mother how to do the massage, and the hot and cold stimulation, and telling her to put baby to the breast regularly every three hours, and drink plenty of water, etc., she was allowed to go home. After three weeks, she was wholly feeding babe on the breast, and is now gaining, some weeks, up to half a pound in weight. Of course, that mother was anxious to feed her babe.—Yours sincerely, D.K.F."

### SCHOOL WORK.

This important branch of the Society's work has throughout the year been in the capable hands of Sister Wilson, who reports as follows:—"From July 1st, 1931, to June 30th, 1932, nine schools

have been visited regularly each week throughout the year, lectures and practical demonstrations being also given. The year commenced with large classes of children, but, owing to the depression, and the fact that a number of families are without a breadwinner, the girls, as soon as they could get work, were granted concession passes by the Education Department, to enable them to avail themselves of the opportunity. The Classes have proved themselves most interested in the instruction given, especially in the bathing and dressing of a baby, the making of its cot, and the tucking of it in. They are also keen on the methods adopted for the keeping of baby's food, and the making of a home "Cooler"; also the correct cleansing of bottles used in the feeding of an infant. Principals and teachers have also taken an interest in these matters and the work generally.

"Large classes of unemployed girls have also been instructed in Mothercraft and Infant Welfare. The majority of these have been very interested, and anxious to learn how to look after a baby, clothe him properly, bathe and care for his well-being generally.

"Lectures have also been given to Girl Guides and Rangers, to enable them to qualify for the "Child Badge." Talks have also been given to Mothers' Clubs, Girls' Clubs and Church Guilds."

School Girls to the number of 225 presented themselves at the Hospital for practical examination, in the making up of a baby's cot, the bathing of a baby, and demonstrating the care of baby's milk and feeding bottle in the home.

The names of the schools and the number of candidates from each were as follows:—

<i>School.</i>	<i>Candidates.</i>	<i>Certificates.</i>
St. Catherine's . . . . .	8	4
Homecraft Hostel, Toorak . . . . .	10	9
Williamstown Domestic Arts . . . . .	51	32
Fitzroy Domestic Arts . . . . .	24	11
Footscray Domestic Arts . . . . .	46	31
Flemington Domestic Arts . . . . .	26	23
Brunswick Domestic Arts . . . . .	29	20
Brighton Technical School . . . . .	12	12
Sunshine Technical School . . . . .	19	18
Total . . . . .	225	160

Fitzroy "Unemployed Girls' " Class also sent in examination papers to the number of 34, for correction. To these classes no certificates are issued.

Wednesday of each week is kept free by the School Nurse for special work, such as Talks and Lectures to Mothers' Clubs, etc.



## PLUNKET INFANT WELFARE CENTRES.

The Plunket Nurses in charge of the various Infant Welfare Centres have again demonstrated their usefulness to the general community, not only by the number of babies who have passed through their hands. Education of the mother in the care of baby is now manifest in countless homes, where, at one time, baby had just to take his chance.

Numbers of mothers from other suburbs attend Plunket Centres regularly for instruction in the principles laid down by Sir Truby King—the results of which in all cases, where properly carried out, speak for themselves.

The work of the Centres has been well and conscientiously carried out in the face of innumerable and disheartening difficulties, presented chiefly by the economic conditions encountered in the majority of homes where the baby is under Centre supervision.

### CENTRES.

<i>Centres.</i>	<i>Sisters in Charge.</i>
Braybrook ... ..	Sister L. Hancock.
Coburg . . . . .	Sisters L. Duff and K. Hughes.
Footscray . . . . .	Sisters B. Bird and K. Devine.
Kyneton . . . . .	Sister A. Forbes.
Newport . . . . .	Sister C. Moroney.
Swan Hill . . . . .	Sister E. Bergin.
Williamstown . . . . .	Sister M. Farrer.
Yarraville . . . . .	Sister I. Macpherson.

### EXTRAS.

Sister D. Williams (Plunket) is in charge of the Independent Centres of Donald and Birchip; and Sister Stewart is in charge of Red Cliffs and Merbein. Sister C. Williams was appointed to the Plunket Centre of Dandenong; and Sister Graham has been placed in charge of the new Plunket Centre recently opened at Corowa, N.S.W. Bush Nurses who are trained in Plunket methods are also carrying on the good work, by helping mothers in country districts to bring their little ones up on approved lines.

*Summary of Work done by Plunket Nurses in their several Centres from 30th June, 1931, to 1st July, 1932*

Name of Centre	Number of Invitations issued to Mothers	Total of New Cases Babies	Individual Babies attending Under 12 months	Babies Centre Over 12 months	Total Number Individual Babies attending Centre	Total Attendance Babies only	Ante-Natal		Visits to Homes	Referred to Doctor		Referred to Hospital	
							New Cases	Number of Con-sultations		Mothers	Babies	Mothers	Babies
Braybrook ...	150	163	178	143	321	3555	41	275	1313	12	27	11	14
Coburg ...	714	574	730	489	1219	10216	74	165	1135	12	71	6	63
Footscray ...	387	273	454	423	877	12983	63	402	2340	50	135	21	65
Kyneton ...	—	224	135	219	354	3107	42	209	1424	25	102	—	—
Newport ...	159	179	166	86	252	4338	37	132	1417	3	56	—	4
Swan Hill ...	141	140	139	86	225	1701	46	103	629	3	15	—	—
Williamstown ...	89	73	88	72	160	2844	6	12	1010	2	30	—	—
Yarraville ...	304	227	268	96	364	3914	10	36	697	4	47	6	12
Sub-Centre :													
Merlynston...	—	36	—	—	146	1064	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
West Coburg	—	48	—	—	121	1332	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	1944	2037	2158	1614	4039	45054	319	1334	9965	111	483	44	158

*Cases of Diarrhoea amongst Babies attending Centres.*

Centre	Simple, responding to Dietetic Treatment		Severe, needing continued Medical Attention	
	Under 1 year	Over 1 year	Under 1 year	Over 1 year
Braybrook ...	9	4	3	1
Coburg ...	1	—	5	—
Footscray ...	26	15	—	1
Kyneton ...	—	8	—	3
Newport ...	—	—	2	4
Swan Hill ...	1	5	2	—
Williamstown ...	1	3	—	—
Yarraville ...	9	—	5	—
TOTALS	47	35	17	9 = Total 108

### Mortality Amongst Infants Attending Centres.

Centre	Number of Deaths	Deaths under one month	Deaths from 1 to 12 months	Deaths over 12 months	Number of attendances at Centre	Cause of Death
Braybrook	2	—	1	—	3	Intussusception
Coburg	2	—	—	1	9	Drowning
Footscray	3	—	1	—	35	Pneumonia and Whg. Cough
		—	—	1	57	Colitis
		—	—	1	23	Meningitis
		—	—	1	30	Broncho Pneumonia
Kyneton	—	—	—	—	—	Broncho Pneumonia
Newport	1	—	1	—	20	Meningitis
Swan Hill	—	—	—	—	—	
Will'mstown	2	—	1	—	9	Whooping Cough
		—	—	1	5	Broncho Pneumonia
Yarraville	4	—	1	—	1	T.B. Meningitis
		—	1	—	2	Pneumonia
		—	—	1	35	Meningitis
		—	1	—	11	
Totals	14	—	8	6	220	

From the foregoing tables it will be seen that from July 1st, 1931, to June 30th, 1932, the total number of deaths among babies attending the various Centres numbered 14, and that out of 108 cases of diarrhoea reported only one death occurred from this cause amongst the babies attending our Centres.

### SOCIETY'S HOSPITAL AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

For the benefit of those who do not understand, we would again take this opportunity of bringing under notice the aims and objects of the Society's Hospital, known as the Tweddle Hospital for Babies and School of Mothercraft. This institution is primarily a training school for Baby Welfare Nurses, Plunket System and Primrose Mothercraft Nurses, and, secondly, a Hospital for Babies and Mothers. The type of baby for whom the institution is intended is the one in its first year of life who, for the time being, is failing to thrive satisfactorily, and may be suffering from some form of malnutrition or indigestion. The Hospital is also for those requiring special care and attention, such as a weakling or premature baby.

Mothers with an inadequate supply of breast milk are admitted, for restoration, and those with an overabundance, for regulation purposes.

More particularly are we concerned with the young mothers, whose inexperience is liable to lead her into many pitfalls. By instructing her in mothercraft and right methods generally she gains confidence and is able to nourish her baby as nature intended, when otherwise the probabilities are that baby would be deprived of its natural food and suffer from some disorder due to faulty handling and wrong methods of feeding.

Then there is the general educational work of the Hospital, full information being given to all visitors on the aims of the institution and the methods of Sir Truby King, which are carried out in detail, the success of the same being demonstrated by records and charts.

The Hospital also trains the Mothercraft and Baby Nurse, now widely known and recognised as "Primrose Baby Nurses." These Nurses undergo a practical and theoretical course, extending over a period of twelve months. When finished they are competent to take charge of babies such as are admitted to the Hospital for dietetic treatment, as well as the normal baby. The Primrose Baby Nurse is a boon to young mothers, a large number being engaged to accompany such from the Nursing Home when the mother returns to resume her ordinary life. In this way they are able to instruct the young mother in mothercraft details and right methods, and by so doing give her that confidence which is so essential to the well-being of her baby.

For the guidance of the Nurses and the mother engaging her services, the Rules relating to the duties of a Primrose Nurse when in charge of a baby have been revised, and now read as follows:—

#### RULES RELATING TO PRIMROSE NURSES.

1. The Primrose Baby Nurse is qualified to undertake the care of normal babies and young children or premature babies, but not the nursing of cases of definite illness other than digestive disturbances.

2. If she should be in charge of an ill baby under medical care, the Primrose Baby Nurse must carry out the Doctor's instructions to the best of her ability, at the same time making it known that she is not a general trained Nurse.

3. The Primrose Baby Nurse is to do everything possible, on the lines indicated during her training, to ensure the highest possible standard of health for the baby.

4. It is requested that the Primrose Baby Nurse be not asked to violate the direct principles of the Society regarding the care of babies—as, for example, the constant injudicious handling of a nervous baby, the use of the dummy, the use of patent foods when fresh milk is obtainable, etc.

5. In the management of a young infant it shall be the first duty of the Primrose Baby Nurse to do all in her power to promote and maintain natural feeding.

6. Once a fortnight, whenever practicable, and at the expiration of each case, she shall furnish a report to the Matron, stating the weight of baby, the amount and kind of food given it, the calorific value of the food supplied, and the general condition of the infant. A daily chart shall also be kept.

7. The Primrose Baby Nurse is responsible for the care, cleanliness and neatness of the baby's room or nursery, also of her own room; for the washing, ironing and mending of the baby's clothes, also for assisting with the making of simple clothes for the baby; for the care of everything in connection with the baby's food, and for all duties directly pertaining to her charge, including the baby's daily outing in the pram, if required.

8. By mutual arrangement between Mother and Nurse, in cases where the baby is normal and well trained, the Primrose Baby Nurse is to assist in the general routine of the home, especially in regard to the care of other children, provided such duties do not interfere with the requisite care of the baby.

9. A Primrose Baby Nurse shall be entitled to two hours off duty every day, or, if satisfied to make the arrangement, to a longer period off duty every second day, and to a full day off duty every second week.

10. The minimum fee for a Primrose Baby Nurse shall be two guineas (£2/2/-) per week, plus travelling expenses.

11. The Society would like Mothers to understand that the Primrose Baby Nurse holds a responsible position, and that her status in the household should be that of a trained baby nurse.

12. If either Mother or Nurse is in doubt or difficulty regarding the interpretation of these guiding lines or any other matter, she is earnestly requested to consult the Matron of the Tweddle Baby Hospital. All complaints from either side must be sent in writing to the Matron.

### TWEDDLE HOSPITAL FOR BABIES.

From July 1st, 1931, to June 30th, 1932, 80 babies and 33 mothers, making a total of 113, have been resident in the Hospital and under treatment for varying periods, the average length of stay being 29.1 days for babies and 11.3 days for mothers.

Nine babies in varying stages of prematurity were admitted; five of these were less than two days old when brought to the Hospital.

Of the 80 babies under treatment, two died, so giving an infant mortality rate of 2.5 per cent.

#### *Hospital Statistics.*

Admitted		Discharged		Deaths Babies	In Residence	
Babies	Mothers	Babies	Mothers		Babies	Mothers
80	33	71	31	2	7	2

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### *Analysis of Deaths.*

Age when admitted	Weight at Birth	Condition on Admission	Cause of Death	Length of time in Hospital
2 days ...	5 lbs	Cold Cyanosed	Prematurity	6 hours
3 hours ...	not weighed	Cyanosed	Prematurity	3½ hours

The cases admitted were drawn from the following country districts and suburbs of Melbourne:—

#### *Suburbs.*

Ascot Vale	Elwood	Spring Vale
Altona	East Malvern	Sunshine
Armadale	Footscray	Parkdale
Ashburton	Garden Vale	Prahran
Brighton	Glenferrie	Williamstown
Brunswick	Hawthorn	Yarraville
Black Rock	Moonee Ponds	Newport
Caulfield	Maidstone	St. Kilda
		South Yarra

#### *Country.*

Ballarat	Geelong	Scoresby
Cope Cope	Leongatha	Sunbury

### STUDENTS.

During the year 18 Nurses have taken the course of training in Infant Welfare (Plunket System). They all presented themselves for the prescribed examinations. Of these, 16 passed, so gaining the Society's Certificate of Efficiency in Mothercraft and Baby Welfare. The names are as follows:—Florence Hunter, Olive Doig, Kathleen Magee, Dorothy Edwards, Elfrida Luke, Ellice Lang, Dorothy Scholes, Florence Wilson, Marion Bergin, Gertrude Graham, Olive Bennett, Elizabeth Spring, Elvie Knight, Irene Brennen, Lesley Grant Stevenson, Marie Nelson.

Sixteen Nurses presented themselves for examination by the Nurses' Board. These all passed, and are registered as Infant Welfare Nurses.

The following have completed a twelve months' course of training and passed the prescribed examinations, entitling them to the Primrose Baby Nurse Certificate:—Bertha Wigg, Marjorie Burgess, Ruth Nevett, Ella Hansen, Edna Belyea, Joan Gatehouse, Barbara Morgan-Payler.

In addition to these students, during the months of October and November, 225 school girls attended the Hospital for practical examination in Mothercraft details. In some cases the work was excellent, and the standard throughout was good.

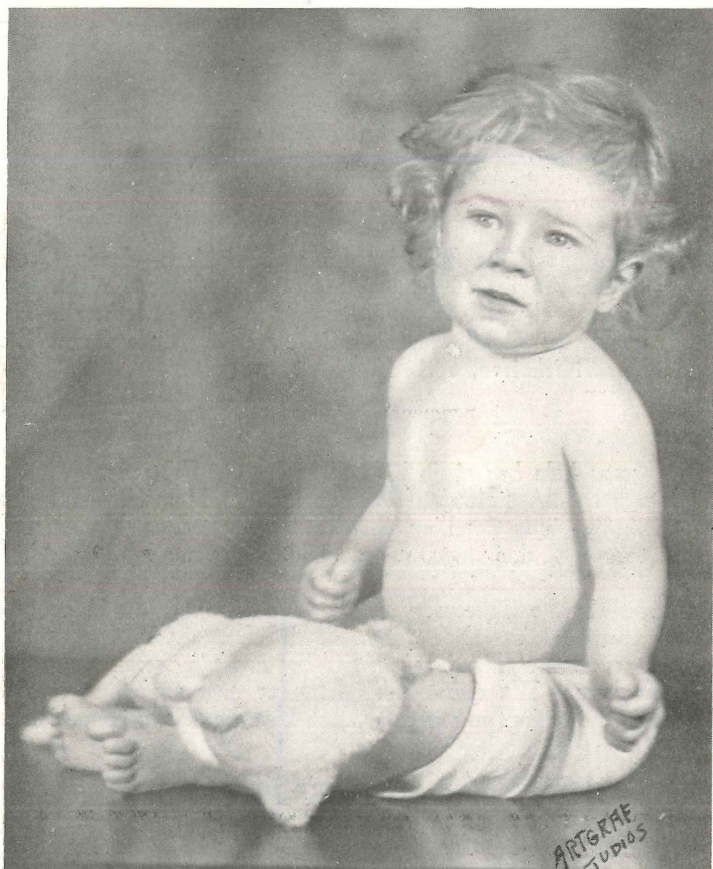
Companies of Girl Guides have also been examined.

### TYPE OF CASE ADMITTED.

The following picture illustrates the type of case admitted to Tweddle.



Age 10 months. Weight  $9\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Birth weight  $7\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.  
Discharged after  $2\frac{3}{4}$  months; weight 15 lbs.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  ozs.



Same Baby, age 14 months; weight 18 lbs.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

As heretofore, correspondence has had an important place in the work of the Hospital, for by this means a knowledge of our work is carried to town and country alike, as well as to other States and overseas.

## VISITORS.

The record of interested visitors is a large one, many of these coming from other States and overseas; some even from the United States of America. To all these the methods of Sir Truby King have been explained; the results achieved through putting these methods into practice, shown them per medium of charts and records, as well as actual cases under treatment at the time.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Hospital is greatly indebted to the Members of the Central Auxiliary, individually and collectively, for the generous donations throughout the year, which have materially helped toward the comfort of the Staff generally. Also for the wonderful financial help given, as evidenced by the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements included in this Report.

## GIFTS IN KIND.

We also thank the following for gifts in kind:—Lady Cussen, Mesdames Dye, Angliss, Coxen, Springthorpe, McIsaac, Knight, Parkhouse, Ward, Inglis, McCarthy, Apperly; Misses Metherrall, Donnellan and Ryan; Gentlewomen's Aid Society; Hyde Street State School; Mrs. Nicholson, N.S.W.

## OTHER HELP.

Generous help has again been given by the Footscray Auxiliary, as is shown by the following donations to the Hospital:—82 yards flannel, 151½ yards towelling, 22 doz. of assorted cottons, 40 yards cotton crepe, 8¾ doz. tape, canvas blind for verandah, groceries to the value of £6, and fruit to £3. Over and above which a cheque was handed to the Treasurer for the sum of £54, the same to go to the general maintenance fund. This cheque was the proceeds of a play entitled, "The Three Miss Seymours," presented by Miss Ruth Conabere. We also thank others for their valued co-operation and help in the various movements which have been held in the interests of the Hospital.

To the Primrose Nurses' Auxiliary also our heartiest thanks are due. Through its members the Hospital has benefited to the extent of £78. Of this sum £69 was spent on additions to the existing laundry and ironing room. This alteration has already proved itself of inestim-

able value to the Staff, giving, as it does, more facilities for drying and airing, as well as ironing.

We thank the management of the Orient Line of Steamships for the wonderful opportunity given us of holding a Dance and Bridge Party on the R.M.S. "Orford," which resulted in a cheque of £128 being paid into the Society Funds.

Finally, to the Hon. Medical Staff our thanks are due, for services rendered by the giving of lectures, the examining of students, and the prompt response to all calls for medical advice; also to the different Trusts and donors, to whom we are so much indebted.

For and on behalf of the Society,

J. W. SPRINGTHORPE, President,

STUART A. DAVIS, Secretary.



# GRANT IN AID.

Sate Government of Victoria .. . . . £450 0 0

## APPEALS AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Lord Mayor's Fund—				Mrs. Stuart A. Davis,			
Various Receipts ..	47	17	1	Bridge Party ..	4	0	0
Proceeds of Dance on				Footscray Auxiliary			
R.M.S. "Orford" ..	128	18	9	(Proceeds of play ar-			
Central Auxiliary ..	100	0	0	anged by Miss Ruth			
Proceeds of "Youth and				Corabere) ..	54	5	9
Laughter" Revue ..	14	4	0				

## TRUSTS AND BEQUESTS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Marks Herman Trust ..	5	0	0	Felton Bequest ..	240	0	0
Wm. Zeal Estate ..	8	0	0	H. G. Turner Estate ..	10	0	0
Jane Douglas Estate ..	50	1	5	Alfred Edments' Trust ..	80	0	0
Sumner Trust ..	9	0	0				

## GENERAL DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Angliss, Hon. Wm. ..	50	0	0	Johnston, Mrs. ..	0	5	6
Agnew, Mrs. J. ..	1	1	0	Jarman, Mr. Montague	0	10	6
Alcock, Mrs. S. L. ..	2	2	0	Kininmonth, Mr. J. C.	1	0	0
Allnut, Mrs. B. S. ..	1	1	0	Kozminsky, Mrs. A. ..	1	1	0
Bloomfield-Brown, Mrs.	1	0	0	Myer Emporium Ltd. ..	2	2	0
Bryams, Mr. A. L. ..	0	7	6	Melbourne Co-op. Brew-			
Bellars, Miss S. ..	0	3	0	ery Co. Ltd. ..	1	1	0
Ball & Welch Ltd. ..	1	1	0	Metropolitan Gas Co. ..	5	5	0
Banks, Miss V.—				McPherson, Sir Wm. ..	1	1	0
Junior Red Cross ..	1	0	0	Nicholas Pty. Ltd. ..	1	1	0
Commercial Bank of				National Bank of Aust.			
Aust. Ltd. ..	3	3	0	Ltd. ..	6	6	0
Commonwealth Fertil-				Nycander & Co. ..	0	10	6
isers & Chemicals Ltd.	2	2	0	Public Schools Charities'			
Coles, G. J., & Co. Ltd.	5	0	0	Fund ..	10	0	0
Creaton, Messrs. E. & A.	1	0	0	Prince, Mr. D. H. ..	10	10	0
Cato, Mrs. F. J. ..	1	1	0	Stock, Mr. E. J. ..	10	0	0
Connibere Bros. ..	5	5	0	Sargood, Mrs. K. J. ..	3	3	0
Colonial Gas Association	3	3	0	Shell Co. of Aust. Ltd.	1	1	0
Davis & Raven ..	2	12	0	Sun News-Pictorial ..	2	2	0
Eagle, Star & British				St. John's, 3rd Footscray			
Dominions Ins. Co.				Boy Scouts ..	2	2	0
Ltd. ..	2	2	0	Stanley, Miss ..	1	1	4
Field, Miss V. ..	2	13	0	Traill, Mrs. E. C. ..	1	1	0
Grice, Sir John ..	1	0	0	Treagus, Mr. ..	1	0	0
Gregory, Mrs. ..	0	5	0	Vacuum Oil Co. Pty.			
"G.G." ..	2	2	0	Ltd. ..	1	1	0
Holdenson & Nielson				Wyndham Lodge, Foot-			
Fresh Food Pty. Ltd.	1	1	0	scray ..	2	2	0
"Herald" & "Weekly				Walker, Fred, & Co. ..	2	2	0
Times" Ltd. ..	2	2	0	Williamstown School of			
Harrie, Miss L. ..	0	3	0	Domestic Arts ..	5	5	0
Hallenstein, Mrs. L. ..	0	10	0				



*Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended  
30th June, 1932.*

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
To Cash in hand, 1/7/31 . .	£8	7 1	By Overdraft, 1/7/31 . . . £2106	1	0
" Donations . . . . .	819	2 4	" Hospital Expenses:—		
" Government Grant . .	450	0 0	Provisions . . . . .	£409	15 5
" Lord Mayor's Fund . .	47	17 1	Fuel and Lighting . . .	313	18 7
" Bequest . . . . .	50	1 5	Medical Supplies . . .	18	6 7
" Hospital Takings . . .	251	14 2	Wages and Salaries . .	1034	15 10
" Nurses' Training Fees	448	10 0	Renewal of Furnish-		
" Interest on Fixed De-			ings and Equipment	2	0 11
posit . . . . .	56	7 8	Repairs . . . . .	57	15 6
" Overdraft, at 30/6/32,			Insurance . . . . .	33	0 11
Commercial Bank of			Telephone . . . . .	9	11 5
Aust. Ltd. . . . .	2462	14 5	Postages, Stationery and		
			Petties . . . . .	14	4 11
			Stores . . . . .	31	8 0
			" Society Expenses:—		
			Salary (Lecturer) . .	156	0 0
			Printing, Stationery,		
			Postages & Advertising	52	17 7
			General Expenses . . .	18	18 1
			Travelling Expenses . .	16	13 5
			Bank Interest . . . . .	155	9 9
			" Capital Expenditure:—		
			Furniture . . . . .	109	16 0
			Shew Ground Kiosk . .	30	0 0
			Cash on Hand, 30/6/32	24	0 3
	£4594	14 2		£4594	14 2

*Statement of Affairs at 30th June, 1932.*

The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd., Overdraft (plus unpresented cheques) £2462 14 5	Building . . . £6653 10 1 Less Depreci- ation . . . 166 6 3 — £6487 3 10
Sundry Creditors . . . . . 76 2 0	Improvements . . . 21 10 3 Less Depreci- ation . . . 3 1 6 — 18 8 9
Bills Payable (Show Ground Kiosk) . . . . . 30 0 0	Furniture Fit- tings & Equip- ment . . . . . 1485 17 4 Less Depreci- ation . . . . . 111 8 4 — 1374 9 0
Reserve Account—Bequest.. 1074 0 3	Show Ground Kiosk . . . . . 112 12 6 Less Depreci- ation . . . . . 2 17 6 — 109 15 0
Surplus at June 1st, 1931 . . . £5919 4 10 Less Loss for Year . . . . . 474 4 5 — 5445 0 5	Commercial Bank of Aust. Ltd., Endowment A/c. . . 1074 0 3 Cash in hand . . . . . 24 0 3
£9087 17 1	£9087 17 1

## Revenue Account for Year ended 30th June, 1932.

To Hospital Expenses:—		By—	
Provisions . . .	£407 18 3	L o r d Mayor's	
Fuel & Lighting	301 3 4	Fund . . . . .	£47 17 1
Medical Supplies	30 1 7	Donations . . . .	671 19 7
Wages & Salaries	1034 15 10	E n t e r t a i n m e n t s	
Renewals of Fur-		in Aid . . . . .	50 1 5
nishing and		Bequest . . . . .	448 10 0
Equipment. . .	2 0 11	Nurses' Train-	
Repair . . . . .	61 2 8	ing Fees . . . . .	147 2 9
Insurance . . . .	30 8 4	Hospital Takings	251 14 2
Telephone . . . .	9 11 5	G o v e r n m e n t	
Postage, Fares &		Grant . . . . .	450 0 0
Stationery, etc.	12 18 10	Interest, Fixed	
Stores . . . . .	29 3 6	Deposit . . . . .	56 7 8
Depreciation Fur-			£2123 12 8
niture and		Net Loss for year . . . . .	474 4 5
Equipment . . .	111 8 4		
Depreciation on			
Buildings and			
Kiosk . . . . .	169 3 9		
Depreciation Im-			
provements . . .	3 1 6		
	£2202 18 3		
To Society Expenses:—			
Salary (Lecturer)	£156 0 0		
Printing, Station-			
ery, Postage &			
Advertising . . .	47 17 7		
Travelling Ex-			
penses . . . . .	16 13 5		
Bank Interest . .	155 9 9		
General Expenses	18 18 1		
	394 18 10		
	£2597 17 1		£2597 17 1

Audited and found correct,  
 ERIC A. KELLAM, A.F.I.A.,  
 Honorary Auditor.

EDGAR E. DYE, Act. Hon. Treas.  
 STUART A. DAVIS,  
 Chartered Accountant (Aust.),  
 Hon. Secretary.

# CENTRAL AUXILIARY.

## THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

### TO OUR MEMBERS,—

We are pleased to report the close of another successful year, as indicated by the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 30th June, 1932, which, whilst not as good as 1930-31, is very heartening, having regard to the distressing times we are experiencing.

Well attended meetings have been held at the Town Hall, Melbourne, at monthly intervals, and many sub-committee meetings also were convened in order to carry on our work efficiently. The Annual Meeting was held at the Windsor Hotel, and the final meeting for 1931 at "Joyous Garde," where members were entertained at afternoon tea by Mrs. J. W. Springthorpe.

Entertainments held during the past year included two comedies, one entitled, "Lord Richard in the Pantry," given by the Helping Hands Dramatic Society at Kelvin Hall; and the other by the Merton Dramatic Society, at Mrs. J. T. Tweddle's home. A Garden Fete at "Grosvenor" and a Bridge Party at "Tudor Court" were organised by our members. These events were a success, both socially and financially, benefiting our funds to the extent of £94/16/8. A Bridge Party held at the Hawthorn Bowling Club and arranged by Mrs. Straun Robertson, considerably augmented our funds.

Many visits were made to the Hospital, and as a result, needful repairs and renewals were made at our expense, and all kinds of stores were either purchased or donated from time to time, the value of same being £46/8/8. A cheque for £100 was given to the Hospital for purposes of maintenance, in addition to the foregoing.

Mrs. Wm. Angliss, who is one of our most energetic workers, is at present at the Ottawa Conference, and her help is greatly missed; also we regret the resignation of Miss May Rimmington, who officiated very ably as Honorary Secretary for three years, and we tender to both these ladies our grateful thanks.

It is to be regretted that the Membership has fallen off, and we most earnestly ask that efforts be made to introduce new members during the current year, and thus help the good work being carried on by the Central Auxiliary for the Tweddle Hospital.

In conclusion, the Society most sincerely thanks our members and others for their generous support during the past year, and compliments them on the unflinching interest taken and the good spirit shown in all activities undertaken.

(Mrs.) J. C. FARREN-WEBB, Act. Hon. Sec.

(Miss) FLORA ANDERSON, Act. Hon. Treasurer.

*Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ended  
30th June, 1932.*

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
Balance in Bank, 1/7/31 ..	£48	8 0	Saucepans and Tumblers ..	£1	16 1
Subscriptions .. .. .	17	11 0	Crockery and Sheeting ..	10	4 8
Raffles .. .. .	10	11 0	Repairs to Store and Ice		
Tickets .. .. .	4	19 0	Chest .. .. .	10	8 11
Collection at "Windsor," for			Mats .. .. .	1	14 9
Tea given at Annual Meet-			Blind and Tray Cloths ..	3	14 9
ing .. .. .	2	8 9	Sugar .. .. .	3	15 0
Mrs. McLeod's Play .. ..	23	7 7	Eggs .. .. .	1	17 6
Mrs. J. T. Tweedle's Play ..	26	0 0	Paint .. .. .	0	5 0
Fete at "Grosvenor" .. ..	30	5 10	Typewriter .. .. .	10	0 0
Bridge at Tudor Court .. ..	14	18 9	Flowers .. .. .	0	15 0
Sale of Stamps .. .. .	0	4 6	Annual Meeting, Cost of		
			Afternoon Tea .. .. .	4	0 0
			Record Cabinet .. .. .	2	13 0
			Printing and Sundry Ex-		
			penses .. .. .	1	10 3
			Donated to Hospital Main-		
			tenance Account .. .. .	100	0 0
			Balance in Bank, 30/6/32 ..	25	19 6
	£178	14 5		£178	14 5

Audited and found correct,

ERIC A. KELLAM, A.F.I.A.,

Hon. Auditor.

FLORA ANDERSON, Hon. Treas.

D. SPRINGTHORPE, President.

## PRIMROSE NURSES' AUXILIARY.

### FIRST ANNUAL REPORT.

JUNE, 1932.

#### TO THE MEMBERS.

In presenting this, our First Annual Report, we feel proud of the interest the members have taken in the work of the Auxiliary.

This Auxiliary, with Mrs. J. T. Tweedle as its Patroness, was formed with the main object of bringing the Primrose Nurses together to discuss their work and to keep up their interest in their Training School. This was best done by having some object other than their own pleasure; so by forming themselves into an Auxiliary they were able to help the Hospital in a practical way and to meet socially.

The meetings, of which eleven have been held, have been a great success, and I feel sure of benefit to all. They enable the members

who are in training to get in touch with the old members, and by hearing them discuss their work outside it stimulates their interest.

It was decided to invite any visiting Karitane Nurses to join, as their work and training are the same. We have two members, one from Tasmania, and one from New Zealand.

We have reason to be proud of the way all the members have worked and interested their friends in the various entertainments arranged during the year.

Although the main work falls on the members in training, we feel that the others are doing their best, for when they are at cases they are not free agents.

The position of secretary is our main difficulty. We feel the necessity of having one at hand, which means that when they finish training they resign. Miss Thiesson was the first secretary appointed, and when she ceased her training in July, Miss Morgan-Payler was appointed in her stead. She carried out her duties every efficiently until last meeting, when she resigned on completing her training. Miss Lawson, the Assistant Secretary, is carrying on until she is appointed at the Annual Meeting.

We now have twenty-eight financial members and four Life Members. When the Auxiliary was first formed it was agreed to subscribe 5/- per annum to the fund, but at the meeting held in March it was unanimously agreed that members wishing to do so could become Life Members on the payment of £1; this has proved a move in the right direction.

During the year a Bridge Party was held in Georges' Tea Rooms; a dance in Kelvin Hall; a fete at the Hospital, and a jumble sale at the Drill Hall. The fete was such a success it was decided to make an annual feature of it. Members are asked to keep this in mind and to collect gifts during the year.

Altogether £78 has been spent on the Hospital—£69 of this was spent on the laundry. This was felt to be urgent, and has already proved a comfort to all the Staff. The Ironing Room was enlarged to more than double its size, with two extra windows for light (this, we hope, will decrease the electric light accounts), an extra plug and iron installed, and the floor covered with linoleum.

We wish to acknowledge various donations for raffling for the Auxiliary funds:—Miss W. Wilson, 10/- note; Miss Welby and Prestige Ltd., silk hose; Mr. J. Scott, hand-painted shawl; and Mrs. J. W. Springthorpe a crystal sweet dish.

We wish to express our gratitude to Matron Moreland for her kindness and help during the year, especially for permission to use



the Nurses' Sitting Room for the meetings, had it not been for her courtesy we could not have carried on so successfully. We also thank all the kind friends and well-wishers who have helped towards the success of our efforts, especially the members of the local Auxiliary, for their help with the fete. Also we express our appreciation of the support we have received from the local residents and business people, by which they have shown their interest in the work of the Nurses and the Hospital.

M. F. GALLAGHER, President.

**Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for Year ended  
31st May, 1932.**

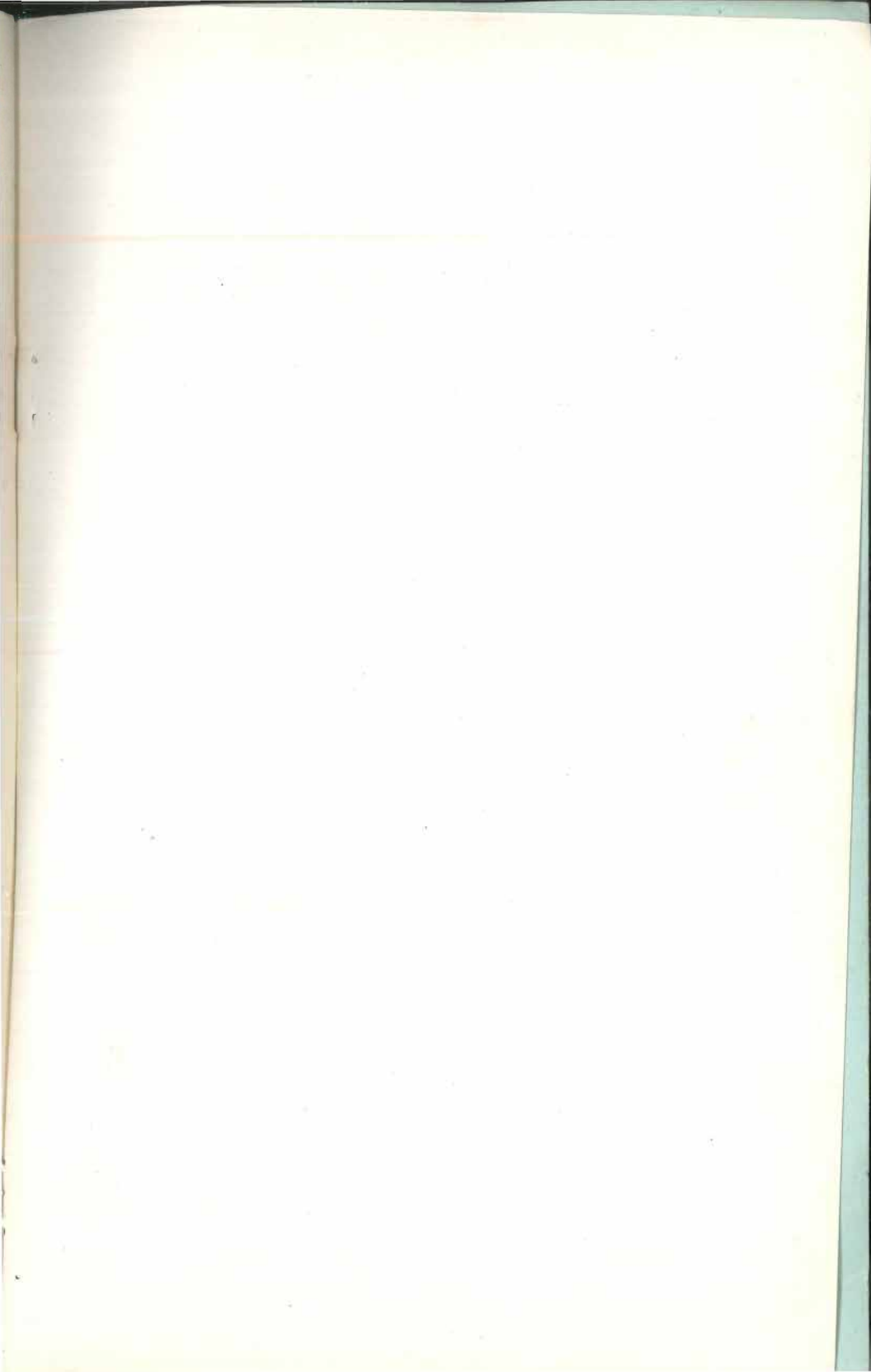
RECEIPTS.			DISBURSEMENTS.		
Members' Subscriptions ..	£9	15 0	Fire Irons for Cottage .. . . .	£0	17 0
Proceeds of Bridge Party ..	9	13 7	Paint for Cots ..	1	0 0
Proceeds of Dance .. . . .	30	2 1	Extension to Laundry .. . . .	60	0 0
Proceeds of Fete .. . . .	56	15 0	Linoleum .. . . .	7	10 2
Proceeds of Jumble Sale ..	14	10 5	Clothes Basket ..	0	8 9
Donations .. . . .	2	0 0	Recognition Plate ..	0	10 6
			Electric Iron ..	1	5 6
				£71	11 11
			Catering, Bridge Party ..	3	7 0
			Hall Rent for Dance ..	3	10 0
			Orchestra .. . . .	5	0 0
			Catering for Dance ..	12	3 0
			Drill Hall Hire ..	0	5 0
			Fete Expenses .. . . .	5	5 11
			Petty Cash .. . . .	2	12 0
			Cash in hand .. . . .	2	0 0
			Balance in Commercial Bank	17	1 3
				£122	16 1
	£122	16 1			

Examined and found correct,

L. C. MORELAND, Matron

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