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Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital,
Moorfields.

Founded in the Year 1804.

PATRON



THE QUEEN.

REPORT

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AND THE

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The origination and early success of this Hospital as a School for Ophthalmic Surgery are attributable to a great Surgeon, JOHN CUNNINGHAM SAUNDERS, who first adapted the operation for Cataract to the condition of infancy. It is the earliest, in order of time, of the Institutions of this class, now so general throughout this Empire and in other countries.

It is deemed right to draw attention to the delay in submitting children with Cataract to the care of the Surgeon. In 550 cases of that description brought to the Hospital, the average age is estimated at seven years, although the condition of early childhood is most favourable for the operation.

Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital,

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Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital.

REPORT for 1882.

THE Committee of Management of the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, Moorfields, have the pleasure to present their Annual Report for the past year to the Donors, Subscribers, and friends of the Institution.

At the commencement of 1882 the financial prospects of the Hospital were not such as the Committee could congratulate the Governors upon, and they were compelled to make an earnest appeal to the public in consequence. The work of the three previous years had resulted in a very large deficiency, caused by the great decrease in the income as compared with former years, and also by the heavy expenditure necessitated by the increase of In-Patients and the greater number of beds placed in the Hospital for their accommodation. The Committee feared that it might be necessary to reduce the number of beds by closing one or two of the Wards; it is therefore with much thankfulness that through the assistance of very kind friends and the receipt of some legacies, they have been able up to the present

time to continue their good work in its entirety, and without in any way curtailing the inestimable benefits the Hospital confers on the afflicted poor.

It will be seen, on reference to the account of receipts and expenditure, that during the year the former have been in excess of the latter; but it is well to call attention to the fact that this result has only been obtained by bringing into account the whole of the Legacies received during the year, amounting to £2,984. 13s. 10d. Receipts from this source are obviously of a very precarious nature, and should, if possible, be capitalised to a large extent, and the Committee must mainly depend upon the Contributions of the living to enable them to keep in use the full number of 100 beds now at the disposal of the Surgical Staff.

Of the 24,018 Patients who have attended and received the benefits of the Hospital in the past year, 1,868 were In-Patients. Of this number 808 were suffering from cataract, and the Committee are happy to be able to say that the operations for this very serious disease have been during the year more than ordinarily successful in their results. The attendances of the Out-Patients have been 110,750; and it is a most pleasing duty of the Committee, in considering this vast number, to acknowledge the great amount of work thrown upon their Surgical Staff, and to thank them most cordially for their willing labours, and for the time and attention so cheerfully given by them to the relief of the suffering poor.