

*Suggestions to the Commissioners for enquiring into Charities, for Returns, to be applied for from Christ's Hospital.*

1. The nature of the classes or qualifications by which the governors are distinguished (such as aldermen, common councilmen, nominees, donation governors, &c.), and the number in each class.
2. The number of governors who attended at each court during the last five years, distinguishing those governors who were almoners, and also distinguishing the courts at which elections took place.
3. The date of the first appointment of a committee of almoners, and the period for which the appointment was then made.
4. The number of appointments on the committee during the last fifty years, and the date of each appointment.
5. The number and names of the present committee, distinguishing the class of governor to which each member may belong, with the date of his first appointment, and the amount of the donations of such as are donation governors.
6. The smallest number of almoners at any one time before a new list has been presented to the court to make up the full number.
7. Whether from the passing of the Act of Parliament in 1782 to the year 1835, the lord mayor, or any of the aldermen, or any governor elected by the common council of the city, has been appointed on the committee of almoners, and, if any, when, and what number.
8. Whether any person proposed by the committee of almoners to be appointed as one of their body has ever been rejected by the court within the last fifty years, and if so, at what period.
9. The number of attendances of each member of the committee during the last five years at the several committee and sub-committee meetings; the number of members who did not attend any such meetings in each of those years, and the average number at each of the regular meetings.
10. The number of attendances at courts in the year 1834 of those almoners who did not attend the committees.
11. Whether any donation governors are or have been admitted

by the almoners (except nominees of aldermen) at a less sum than 400*l.*; if so, the number in each of the last seven years, and on what terms.

12. What part of the estates, lordships, manors, rectories, vicarages, and churches granted by King *Edward* the Sixth are now held by the hospital.

13. What bequests have since been made to the hospital, and what other trusts are held by the governors.

14. Statement of all the real and personal property of the hospital, distinguishing that portion of it which is charged with any particular trust.

15. The amount of the income derived from the licensing of carts, between Michaelmas, 1835, and Lady Day, 1836.

16. The number of trust accounts kept by the hospital.

17. The gross amount (if any) advanced from the hospital cash on account of any trust funds being insufficient to pay the bequests, &c., charged upon them.

18. The gross annual amount of the counting-house expenses.

19. The average amount of the balance in the hands of the treasurer, and the amount of the balances in his hands upon all the accounts of the hospital on the 1st *February*, 1st *May*, 1st *August*, and 1st *November* in each of the last ten years.

20. The amount of the arrears of rent due and uncollected at Christmas, 1835.

21. Copies of the annual statements of accounts of every description, as signed by the auditors, for the last ten years.

22. The amount of property insured in 1823 and 1833 respectively, specifying the offices at which the insurances were effected, and the amount at each.

23. The expense incurred in repairs in each of the last ten years, and the outlay in new buildings at *London* and *Hertford* during the same time.

24. A list of all the officers of the hospital at *London*, *Hertford*, and elsewhere, president, treasurer, masters, clerks, receivers, stewards, matrons, nurses, beadles, land-agents, surveyors, &c., with the duties and charges of each, and specifying by whom and when appointed. Also a statement of the salaries, emoluments, allowances, and privileges of each by virtue of his or her office; if paid out of various funds and trusts, distinguishing the several

payments; and a list of fees allowed to be taken by them or any of them under the authority of the hospital.

25. The period for which the existing contracts are made, and the prices at which they have been taken for each of the last five years.

26. The present number of boys at the school in *London*, the various branches of education afforded to each, distinguishing those designed for the naval service and the Grecians, the plan of teaching, the number of classes, and the number of boys in each class.

27. The present number of boys in the school at *Hertford*, the rules upon which boys are sent to and continued there, the branches of education carried on, the number of classes, and the number of boys in each class.

28. The number of visits made to *Hertford* by the treasurer and the committee during the past year, and the expense of the same.

29. The number of boys out of the whole number who go through a classical course completely, and the number who generally attain the last stage of what may be called the ordinary classical education.

30. The number of exhibitions to college belonging to the hospital, and whether there are any not filled up.

31. Statement of the date of admission, age at that time, time spent in the hospital and cost *per annum*, outfit, allowances, &c., at college, and for what period, the college prizes, university prizes and honours, fellowships, &c., obtained by every Grecian, and the total expense of each individual, since the year 1800.

32. The cost of each boy in each of the last ten years, for clothing, board, education, including attendants, medical advice, and medicine alone; and also the cost of each on a calculation of the gross expense of the hospital.

33. The rules under which the masters are allowed to take pupils, and the regulations of the hospital to which such pupils are liable.

34. The number of boys who are taught book-keeping, and the system that is taught.

35. The number of persons receiving pensions, or other similar allowances, the amount received by each, under what circumstances granted, and the date of the order for the same, distinguishing whether by the court of governors or the committee of almoners.

*Questions suggested to the Commissioners for enquiring into Charities, to be used in their investigation into the Management and Control of Christ's Hospital.*

1. What is the governing body of the hospital?
2. How are the governors elected and chosen?
3. Are the names of the persons proposed to be admitted governors furnished in any way to the governors at large previously to their admission?
4. Are the lists of governors printed from time to time, and is a copy sent to every governor?
5. Can any governor have a list without paying any fee; if not, what is the fee required?
6. Who receives this fee, and by what order or authority is it demanded?
7. How often are the governors assembled as a court?
8. Are there any fixed days for courts to be holden; if not, by whose orders are courts summoned?
9. Are there any printed rules and regulations for the government of *Christ's Hospital*?
10. Has there been any book of rules printed since the year 1792?
11. Was it not usual at that time, upon a new governor receiving his charge, to give him a printed book of rules; and how long has the practice been discontinued?
12. Have not many of the old rules and regulations become obsolete, and quite incompatible with the present times; or has there been any alteration or revision of them since 1792?
13. Is there not a committee of almoners appointed, who have the control and management of the several funds and the income and expenditure of the hospital; and of what number does it consist?
14. What is the mode of electing members upon the committee; and for what period?
15. Is there any order of court that all persons nominated to be upon the committee of almoners should have their names printed and sent to each governor?