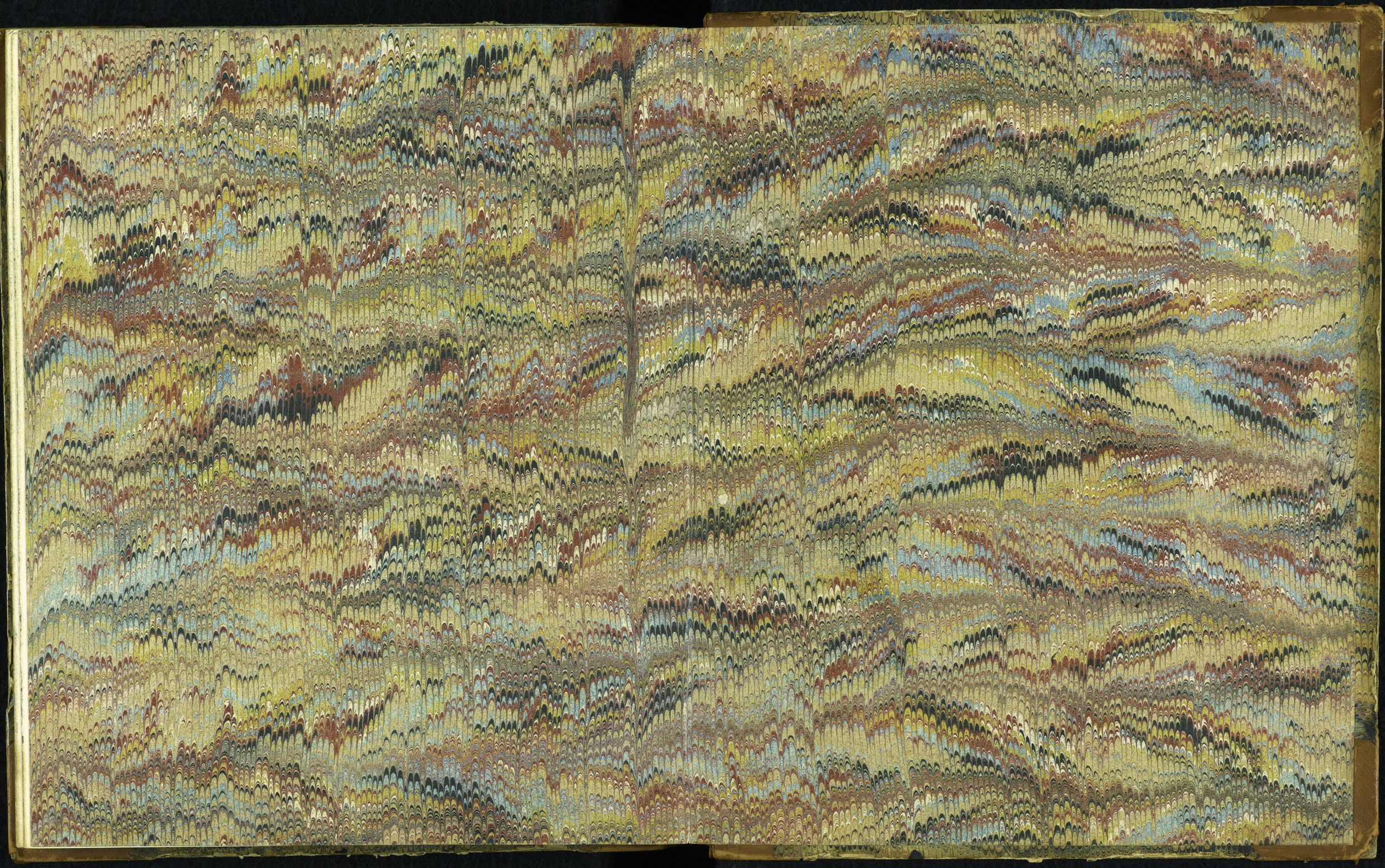
CAMBRIDGE

FEMALE REFUGE.

FROM OCT. 23. 1838. TO MARCH 1. 1842.

ROOM 21



Cambridge Refuge.

The object of this Institution is to afford to Females who have been leading a sinful course of life, and express a desire of returning to the path of virtue, a temporary refuge, where they may be sheltered from temptation, be provided with proper employment, and receive religious and useful instruction, until an opportunity occur for restoring them to their friends, transferring them to a Penitentiary, or placing them in some situation where they may procure for themselves an honest livelihood.

General Rules of the Institution.

1. That the affairs of this Institution be conducted by a Committee of twenty one, consisting of the resident Incumbents of the several Parishes in Cambridge, by whom the remaining members shall from time to time be elected out of the body of Subscribers; — three of the elected Members going out by rotation every year. And that the Committee shall appoint a Treasurer, one or more Secretaries, and two Auditors.
2. That the General Committee shall appoint from their own body a Managing Committee, consisting of Seven Members, by whom the domestic arrangements shall be superintended, and who shall meet weekly for general business.
3. That the Managing Committee shall appoint a Committee of Ladies to visit and assist in regulating the internal management of the Asylum.
4. That a person be appointed by the Committee to serve the Office of Matron, who shall conduct the Establishment under the superintendence of the Ladies and Managing Committee.

5. That the General Committee meet half yearly, or oftener if called together by the Managing Committee.

6. That the Ladies Committee meet weekly, or oftener if necessary, to receive the report of the Matron, and to attend to business relative to the inmates, and other matters that may call for attention.

7. That applications for admission be made to any member of the Committee, who shall lay the case before the Managers at their next weekly meeting.

8. That the Religious Instruction of the Inmates, which is an object of special attention, shall be committed to the parochial Clergy of the Town.

9. That the Inmates shall be supplied with employments suited to their respective abilities, and the proceeds of their work applied towards defraying the expences of the Institution.

10. That a Report of the Proceedings with a statement of the accounts shall be published annually.

Treasurer, Revd G. Spence, LLB.

Secretaries, { Revd T. Boodle. / Mr Wm Wickes.

Committee.

Revd Edwd Baines, A.M.
" Thos Boodle, A.M.
" Wm Carus, A.M.
" Geo. Coulcher, A.M.
" Geo. Langshaw, A.M.
" G. Ray, A.M.
" Hy Robinson, A.M.
" Profr Scholefield, A.M.
" Geo. Spence, LLB.
" Thos Webster, A.M.
" - Maddison A.M.

Mr Wm Adams.
Revd Profr Corrie B.D.
" J. E. Dalton. A.M.
Mr R. Foster Junr.
Mr Robt Haylock.
Revd F. Hose. A.M.
" S. A. Kingdon. A.M.
" F. W. Lodington A.M.
" G. Perry A.M.
Mr Thos Stevenson
" Wm Wickes.

Managing Committee.

Mr Wm Adams.
Revd T. Boodle A.M.
Mr Robt Haylock.
Revd F. Hose A.M.
Revd Profr Scholefield A.M.
Revd G. Spence LLB.
Mr W. Wickes.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 23rd October 1838, present Revd Profr Scholefield in the Chair — Revd T. Boodle, Revd F. Hose, Mr Wm Adams, Mr Robt Haylock, Mr W. Wickes.

It was resolved: that the following Ladies be respectfully requested to form the Ladies Committee.

Mrs Scholefield
" Webster
" Owen
" Stevenson
" Morrison.
Mrs Wickes
" Crowe
" Gell
" Chas Finch

It was also resolved: that Hazriet Beasley aged 16 ¼ lately residing at Mr Rookery, Barnwell daughter of Sarah Baldwin, residing in East Road, Cambridge be admitted an Inmate of the Institution, subject to the approbation of the Ladies Committee —

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 30th October 1838, present Revd T. Boodle in the Chair Mr Robt Haylock, Mr W. Wickes, Mr Wm Adams.

The Ladies Report having been read

It was resolved: that the same be received and adopted.

The following Ladies consented to be on the Committee

Mrs Owen, Secretary
Mrs Scholefield
" Webster
" Wickes
Mrs Crowe
" Gell

The Ladies Committee having unan-

-imously recommended Harriet Beasley as an Inmate of the Institution, it was Resolved that she be admitted accordingly

The following tradespeople's Bills were presented & approved

Mr. Newmans Bill amount for Repairs &c £ 11.19.3

do do for Painting ——— " ——. 16.—

Miss Page's Bill for Stationery ——— " ——. 15.3

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 6th November 1838, present Rev.d Prof.r Scholefield in the Chair, the Rev.d G. Spence, the Rev.d T. Boodle, the Rev.d F. Hose, Mr. Wm. Adams, Mr. Robt. Haylock, Mr. W. Wickes.

Agreed to the Ladies dietary Recommendations as to quantity.— The Matron to send into the Ladies the weekly account. This arrangement to continue for the present.—

It appearing from the report of Mr. Hammond (Surgeon) that Harriet Runham (who had been admitted conditionally) is in a State of Pregnancy, resolved: That steps be taken for her Removal from this Asylum.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 13th November 1838, present Rev.d Professor Scholefield in the Chair, the Rev.d G. Spence, the Rev.d T. Boodle, the Rev.d F. Hose, Mr. Robt. Haylock, Mr. W. Wickes Mr. Josiah Hammond The

The Ladies Report was received and adopted.

Mr. Hammond having kindly offered his gratuitous Services as Medical attendant on the Refuge— Agreed That this offer be accepted and that the cordial thanks of the Managers be presented to him.— It is understood that Medicine is not included in this engagement.

A similar offer having been made by Mr. Fawcett Agreed— That Mr. Boodle be requested to Communicate to him the thanks of the Managers for the same, & to inform him of the previous offer and acceptance of Mr. Hammond's Services.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 20th November 1838, present Rev.d Professor Scholefield, in the Chair, the Rev.d G. Spence, the Rev.d T. Boodle, Rev.d F. Hose, Mr. Robt. Haylock, Mr. Wm. Adams, Mr. Josiah Hammond, Mr. W. Wickes.

Mary Webb, aged 21, admitted if approved by the Ladies.

Harriet Beasley, having greatly misconducted herself & been very violent in her language to the Matron, was summarily dismissed, in the Charge of Policemen on Thursday last the 15th Nov.r.—

Harriet Runham ordered to be dismissed to morrow morning in time to make her application to the board of Guardians.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 27th November 1838, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, Revd G. Spence, Mr Wm Adams, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

Susan Palmer aged 16½ years now in the Spinning House Daughter of John Palmer (at Ann Wales', Gas lane) to be admitted on Wednesday December 5, on coming out of the Spinning House.-

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 4th December 1838, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, Revd G. Spence, Revd F. Hose, Mr R. Haylock, Mr Wm Adams, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

The Revd Mr Maddison Fellow of Catherine Hall having been appointed to the Vicarage of all Saints Resolved that that Gentleman be added to the General Committee.

Resolved - That a Book prepared by the Revd George Spence be left with the Matron, for the purpose of enabling each Clergyman who shall in future administer Religious Instruction to the Inmates, to enter the days & hours of his attendance & also any observations he may think it right to make, for the Consideration or information of the Committee of Management.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 11th December 1838, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, the Revd T. Boodle, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr R. Haylock, Mr Wm Adams, Mr W. Wickes. Resolved that:

Charlotte Palmer aged 19 years daughter of John Palmer (whose present place of residence is not known) has been living at Ann Wales's Gas lane, Trinity Parish, having been examined by the Ladies Committee, be now admitted.-

Resolved - That two additional Iron Bedsteads be ordered, an additional mattrass, rug, & two Blankets.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 18th December 1838, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, the Revd T. Boodle, Mr R. Haylock, Mr Wm Adams, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr W. Wickes

It being mentioned in the Report of the Ladies Committee that Susan Palmer has been supplied with her accustomed tea & Sugar in the Hospital - It was resolved:

That it be not the rule in future to extend the same indulgence in similar Cases.

That in all cases in which disease shall make its appearance in any young woman after being received into the Refuge, she be immediately removed from the Institution; but that when recovered, She shall be at liberty to apply for re-admission.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Monday the 24th December 1838, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, Revd G. Spence, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Adams, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

The Revd G. Spence produced a letter signed "A Friend" inclosing the Sum of Five Pounds as a Donation to the Refuge.

Emma Earl aged 18 lately from Ely applied for admission but was refused on the ground of being diseased.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 1st January 1839, Revd G. Spence in the Chair present also Mr W. Adams, Mr Josiah Hammond, Mr W. Wickes

Resolved - in reply to a Question from the Ladies Committee that where absolutely wanting the Inmates be supplied with Shoes.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 8th January 1839, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair Revd F. Hose, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Adams, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Wickes.

Adjourned to 15th January.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 15 January 1839, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair

Revd

Revd G. Spence, Revd T. Boodle, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Adams, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Wickes

Resolved - That in future at the regular Weekly meetings of the Committee no business be entered upon except reading the Ladies Report & attending to Cases of application for admission, with any thing else that may be necessary, and that the first Tuesday of every Month be reserved for General Business & that these monthly meetings be always commenced with prayer.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 22nd January 1839, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, Revd G. Spence, Revd T. Boodle, Mr Wm Adams, Mr R. Haylock, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

Resolved That Susan Palmer (received into the Refuge on 5th December, having since been sent to the Hospital & now discharged from thence) be ... readmitted into the Refuge.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 29 January 1839, Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, ~~Revd G. Spence~~, Revd T. Boodle, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Adams, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

Adjourned to 5 February

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday February 5th 1839. Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair. Revd G. Spence. Revd F. Hose. Mr W. Adams Mr J. Hammond Mr R. Haylock Revd J. Boodle. Present.

The Meeting was opened with prayer by the Revd Professor Scholefield, being the first Tuesday in the Month.

The Ladies Report was then read, and adopted.

The Matrons House Bills from Decr 18. 1838. to Feby 5th 1839. being approved by the Ladies, were directed to be paid.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday February 12, 1839 - The Revd ~~Professor Scholefield~~ G. Spence in the Chair, Revd F. Hose, Mr W. Adams, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Wickes, Mr R. Haylock.

Adjourned to 19 February.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday 19 February 1839 - The Revd G. Spence in the Chair Revd J. Boodle, Mr W. Adams, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Wickes, Revd F. Hose, Mr J. Hammond.

Resolved that the following Notification be painted outside the Refuge: "Female Refuge" on or over the door & on the door "Information respecting admission may be "obtained within, on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday between "the hours of 10 & 12 O'Clock."

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday 26th February 1839 - The Revd G. Spence in the Chair, the Revd F. Hose, Mr R. Haylock, Mr Hammond, Mr W. Adams, Mr W. Wickes,

Adjourned to Tuesday the 5th March.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 5th March 1839 - The Revd G. Spence in the Chair, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Adams, Mr W. Wickes, Mr Hammond.

The Revd G. Spence opened the Meeting with prayer.

Amelia Sparrow, aged 20, requested admission & made the following statement - "I have neither father nor Mother, have "been in the Cambridge Union 3 Months, brought up at Ipswich "by a Stranger, have no known settlement, have had two places in "London, been on the town since August last, my last place was "at Mr Miller's a Baker in Tooley Street, left there in "May & went to Colchester, where I first commenced bad ways - "My illness first led me to desire to return to the paths of "virtue. I attended places of Worship both at Ipswich "& London. I am most anxious to leave bad ways. I "pray God to give me repentance. I trust if I were "perfectly well I should never again enter upon my evil course. "I would do any thing rather than return to it. I wish to "go to Service. I left the Infirmary yesterday. Mr "Battiscombe found me a place last night by the Chapel. "Mr Cribb said I was well a month ago. I am a

" stranger in Cambridge. I came from Royston 3
" Months ago. I am sure I have had no improper
" intercourse since I have been in the Infirmary. "

Mr. Hammond reported her not free from disease, and in a dreadful state of filth. It was thought well to provide her with a night's lodging out of the house and then to morrow to get her into the Hospital, until she should be recovered.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday 12th March 1839 – The Revd G. Spence in the Chair, Mr W. Adams, the Revd F. Hose, Mr J. Hammond, Mr W. Wickes.

Adjourned to 19th March 1839.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 19 March 1839 – The Revd G. Spence in the Chair, Mr Adams, Mr W. Wickes, The Revd F. Hose, Mr J. Hammond.

Mary Bowler, aged 18 applied for Admission, her statement as under

" Was born in Cambridge, thinks that she belongs to St Peters, Parents both dead – has been 3 weeks in the Spinning house, has been 2 years on the Town, in Cambridge – is very unhappy & desirous of leaving it, a dreadful thing if cut off in such a course, can read a little, has brothers & Sisters in London, lived a year with Turner a Bricklayer opposite

the Common, lived also as laundress with Mrs Dealtry in Little St Mary's, before she lived with Turner. "

After examination by the Medical Attendant it was agreed to admit her on probation.

Amelia Sparrow was received ~~was received~~ last Week into the Hospital, from whence she will be discharged as cured to morrow – her conduct has been so violent & unruly as to make it very questionable whether she should be admitted here. On examination into the facts & considering the same it was thought right to have a Conference with the Ladies on the Subject. – Mr Hose & the Secretary undertook to meet them for the purpose.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 26 March 1839. The Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair, The Revd F. Hose, Mr R. Haylock, Mr Adams, Mr Hammond, Mr Wickes.

On farther examination of the Case of Amelia Sparrow, the conduct of that female being favorably reported during the last Week at the Hospital, she was conditionally admitted an Inmate of this Institution.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee on Tuesday the 2nd April 1839 – The Revd G. Spence in the Chair, the Revd F. Hose, Mr R. Haylock, Mr W. Adams, Mr J. Hammond Mr W. Wickes.

Resolved - That Mrs Hose be added to the Ladies Committee.

From the Report of the Ladies it appeared that some communication had been made by the Matron with the Ladies Committee as to a desired increase of stipend by reason of her Son who had been an assistant with Mr Smyth (a School-Master) having now to pay for his board. The subject was partially considered, but in the absence of Mr Boodle by whom the original agreement was negociated, & of Professor Scholefield, it was thought right to postpone the further Communication of the subject until the next Monthly board.

Tuesday april 9. 1839

At a Meeting of the managing Committe - Present Rev: George Spence, Treasurer, in the chair, Mr Adams, Mr Hammond & Rev: F. Hose.

In consequence of a suggestion in the Ladies' report that it is desirable to open a window in one of the back rooms for the purpose of ventilation the Committee inspected it & gave directions for its being done, two iron bars being put inside for protection.

The matron reported the conduct of the inmates to be orderly & hopeful

The treas: stated that he had sent in two minion Bibles in exercise of his privilege as a subscriber to the Bible Society, & that Mr Hall the distributor for Cambridge had done the same

as an offering of good will on his part to the institution - The treas: had ordered besides four testaments for the use of the inmates.

Tuesday ~~March~~ april 16. 1839

At a meeting of the managing Committee - Present The Rev: George Spence, Treas:, in the Chair, Mr Adams Mr Haylock Mr Hammond & Rev: F. Hose

The Treas: stated that an applicat: had been made to him on Friday last when attends as visiting clergyman by Eliza Nunn for admiss: into the Institut: - that he had taken minutes of her statemt & desired her to attend to day - her statemt was to the effect that she was born in & belongs to Royston that her father was a respectable medical practitioner there - that she has been in the ~~Cambridge~~ Infirmary of the Cambridge Union from 3 wks before Xtmas until about a month since - Is 30 years of age - [looks much older] before she came to the Infirmary was 9 months in the Royston Union - left because of illness by reason of inhaling the gas - came to Cambridge in the hope of obtaining admiss: into the Hospital, but could not obtain an order - more than a year & a half since she was on the Town - Was 2½ years in the Magdalen in the Blackfriars Road - this was when she was 15 yrs old - had then not transgressed - her Father got her in thro' interest & paid for her maintenance - her mother lives at Royston w[h] a marr[d] Sister - has a Brother a Saddler at Oxford in easy circumst[ces] - Such being the statement, the Treas: said he had given her

a shilling to enable her to return to Royston & desired her to attend here to day - and the case being now considered & a report read from the Ladies, from which it would appear that her statement was untrue in several particulars, it was decided that she be not admitted - principally on the ground that sorrow for sin & a desire of forsaking it, is less her object in applying, than ~~for~~ the obtaining a lodging, & that her friends possessed the means of providing this for her.

Amelia Sparrow. Mr Hammond the Surgeon stated that this inmate was again ill - that the disease which had appeared to be subdued by the treatment at the Hospital had broken out afresh - that it may take two months to eradicate it - & that separation from the others was essential to prevent the communication of the disease (under particular circumstances) to the others - arrangements were made for meeting the emergency as far as practicable in the limited room which the house affords & the Surgeon undertook to furnish the necessary medicine - The consideration of this case suggested the expediency of endeavouring to provide some better accommodation in times of sickness.

Relaxation & Exercise for the Inmates. This subject was introduced & partially considered, & the Ladies were requested to take it up at their next meeting.

Tuesday April 23. 1839

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee. Present The Revd Profr Scholefield in the Chair, Revd J. Hose Mr Adams & Revd George Spence. The Ladies' report was read from which & the entry of the Visiting Clergymen all appeared to be going on well - - Half a year having now elapsed since the formation of the Institution & the rules requiring that the General Committee meet half yearly, it was resolved that a meeting be called for this day week at ½ past one Oclock at the Refuge, & that the Treasr be requested to prepare a statement & analysis of the receipts & expenditure to submit to the General Committee.

Mr Hose was deputed to call on the Landlord of the premises occupied for the purposes of the refuge & confer with him as to the practicability & cost of providing some additional accommodation in the event of ~~their~~ increase in the number of the inmates & also in case of sickness

General business - Resolved that as Profr Scholefield will be kept away by circumstances from the monthly meetings hitherto held on the first Tuesday in the month, for several months to come, that the day of transacting general business be changed, for the time, from the first to the second Tuesday in the month.

A letter was read from Mr Hammond the Surgeon stating that he was prevented from attending by reason of the death of his Father, in which bereavement the committee desire to express their sympathy.

Tuesday April 30. 1839.-

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee Present the Revd Professor Scholefield in the chair. Mr. Haylock & the Treasurer & Revs Thos Boodle & Revd J Hose & Mr Hammond.

The ladies report very satisfactory, suggests the printing the prices of the work by the inmates.

The Treasr stated that there had been recd during the half year £159.15 & expended £88.9.2 leaving a balance at the bankers of £71.5.10 - besides subscriptns unpaid of £14.2.6.

At half years meeting of the general Committee held ater same day Present The above mentioned Members of the Managing Committee Also The Revs Thos Webster. The Revd Charles Perry The Revd F. Robinson The Revd George Ray The Revd George Richardson Richard Forster jun Esqr

On the motion of The Revd J Webster seconded by R Foster Esqr It was Resolved unanimously

That the Managing Committee be empowered to treat for the purchase of the premises now occupied by the Refuge or any others that may be more eligible for the purpose and take all necessary steps for that end at their discretion

Tuesday May 7. 1839

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present Revd George Spence in the chair. Mr Haylock & Mr Hammond.

The ladies report & the Matron concur in representing the family as going on well.

The general business of the first tuesday was postponed, for the reasons stated in the Minutes of the 23d april. until the 2d tuesday.

Adjourned.

Tuesday May 14 1839

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee. Present Revd. J. Hose in the chair Revd George Spence Revd J Boodle Mr Haylock Mr Adams Mr Hammond.

The Ladies report was received and read.

The following Bills were presented & approved.

	£	s	d
Wallis	3	11	6½
Sutton		10	2
Mrs Green Sundries	1	7	7
Cook — — —		3	9
Do — — —		6	—
Gollock — —		5	3
Wood — — —		2	6
Mrs Hoffe House Bill 5 Weeks to April 30	6	5	—
	£ 12	11	3½

Tuesday May 21st At a meeting held this day
Present Revd G. Spence in the Chair W Adams
Mr Hammond Mr Haylock & Revd F Rose.
The Ladies Report was read requesting that
application be made by this Committee to the
Female Penitentiary Pentonville for the admission
of Mary Bowler into the Institution

Tuesday May 28th At a Meeting of the Managing
Committee Present the Revd George Spence in the Chair
Revd F. Rose.
The Ladies report was read Stating the household
to be going on Satisfactorily

Tuesday June 4th At a Meeting of the Managing
Committee Present Revd G. Spence in the chair. Mr Adams
Mr Haylock Revd F Rose Mr Hammond Revd T. Boodle
The Ladies report was read, and the
Matrons report coincided with it in representing the
females to be going on well. The Revd T. Boodle
undertook with Mr Rose to arrange for making application
for the admission
of Mary Bowler to the Penitentiary at Pentonville
The Revd F Rose reported as the result of a
communication with Mr Bowbank (The Brother in
Law of Mary Webb one of the Inmates) that Mr B. Expressed
a willingness to receive her into his

Family as a domestic Servant, but that at
present since pleased God to remove Mr Bowbank
by death such arrangement is necessarily interrupted.
It is however here recorded as a pleasing testimony
to the good effects of this Institution.

Tuesday June 11th 1839
at a meeting of the managing Committee
Rev: F. Rose in the chair
Rev. T. Boodle. Rev: G. Spence. Mr: Adams. Mr: Haylock
Mr: Hammond.

After Prayer by Mr. Boodle

The following bills were ordered for payment

Making & painting the board over the gate	2 – 13 – 6
The Matron, maintenc of the inmates from april 30 to June 4. 1839	6 – 5 – 0
Hayles for Shoes	4 "
	9 – 2 – 6

Mr. Hammond stated that he was professionally called in on Saturday to attend Mary Palmer one of the inmates she having been seized with a fit as far as he cod judge of an hysterical complexion which though severe was now gradually mending – & that Mary Bowler had also been attacked with Erysipelas, but that she also was recovering –
Mr Hammond took occasion at the same time to call the attention of the Committee to the closeness & exceeding heat of the dormitory which was such that he considered it sufficient to generate,

or at any rate

or at any rate greatly to aggravate disease should very hot weather set in, there being four persons sleeping in it and the sun ~~setting~~ very hot upon it.

It was suggested that as a temporary expedient the board room might be used as a sleeping room during the night for the healthy portion of the inmates -

It being reported that Mr Newman the landlord was ~~unwilling~~ unable at present to make up his mind as to the terms of Sale, it was resolved that an advertisemt. be inserted in the two Cambridge papers requesting parties having land or premises suitable for the purposes of the institutn to send in the terms on which they wod be willing to dispose of them, to the Rev: T. Boodle Hon Secy.

That a Sub. Committee be appointed concurrently to make enquiries upon the subject, & that Mr Adams Mr. Haylock & Mr Hammond be requested to be such Sub. committee. The Rev. T. Boodle being ex officio Hon a member thereof.

Mr. Adams kindly presented to the board for the inmates ~~as~~ ~~copy~~ six copies of James' anxious Enquirer for which the Committee desire to record their thanks.

Tuesday June 18. 1839

at a Meeting of the managing Committee

Present Rev: Prof. Scholefield in the chair - Mr. Adams - Rev: George Spence, Mr. Haylock.

The Treas. stated that he had inserted the advertisemt in last weeks paper as directed - & that two proposals had

been received but neither of them appeared to be suitable - The Committee of enquiry had not as yet any report to make.

The report of the ladies' Committee stated the invalids to be recovering, & suggests that a Ventilator in one of the upper rooms wod contribute much to cool the rooms.

The managing Committee think that it wod be preferable to remove the hindrance to the upper part of the window opening to the extent of four inches - & also gave directns to the matron that the two healthy inmates shod sleep in the board room, the mattrapes being brought down the last thing ~~at~~ at night & removed early in the morning

Tuesday June 25. 1839

at a meeting of the managing Committee

Present Rev. Thos Boodle. Mr Adams. Rev. George Spence

The ladies report states the health of the inmates to be restored & the attent. of the entire household to the instructn. afforded to be most satisfactory.

Half a years rent being due paymt. was ordered.

Charlotte Prime. aged 18. applied for admission - is ignorant of the place of her birth - was brought up by her grandfather - has neither father nor mother - has two Sisters, one in London & one living with Mrs Asplen in Rose Crescent in service. She has been only four months on the town - is in good health - is certain of this - has wished to leave her present way of life more than a fortnight - has found it to be indeed a miserable course all the way along - did once attend church when living in service

with

Mrs Scott in Ram yard, - at St Michaels - has never actually been in the Spinning house - was once a little unwell - not so now - Mrs Stunnyburn has interested herself about her & removed her from Mrs Pearson, Brazen George yard where she was living - hopes she is sensible of the wickedness of her way of life - once lived in a family where the Scriptures were read & prayer was used - can only read a little - has never been happy in her recent way of life - thinks if she cd escape from it she shod never return to it - At Sturbitch fair she found means to let herself ~~&~~ out after the family had gone to rest & did not return till 3 Oclock in the morng - She does not date her actual ruin from this, but it may be considered the ~~actual~~ commencent of that course of misconduct which has so terminated.

The case having been examined by the medical officer of the institutn he reported that she was at present ill - & in such a state that he is confident she must have known it

By the rules of the institutn therefore she is inadmissible On apprizing her of this she appeared much dishoped in mind, & vehemently asserted that she had no intention to deceive - Mrs Lane, with whom she has been living the ~~last four~~ days kindly promised to permit her to remain until after the meeting of the ladies to morrow when it will be seen if any thing can be done by private subscription ~~towards~~ towards her recovery.

Tuesday July 2. 1839

at a Meeting of the managing committee - Rev: George Spence in the chair - Rev: Thos Beedle, & Mr Adams.

Eliza Munn renewed her applicatn for admission, but as there did not appear to be any new circumstances to alter the decision to which the committee came after much enquiry on the 16th april, admission was refused.

Ordered that the Institutn be advertized in the two Cambridge papers of Saty next containing the accot of the M. A. commencement, togr with the list of subscribers

Susan Palmer came before the board & expressed a wish to leave the Institution for the purpose as she stated of taking charge of her Fathers house & family, but as it was understood that her father did not really want her & in fact ~~did~~ was not able to maintain himself, she was addressed by the chairman on the risk she wod incur of temptation from her old associates & former habits & was requested to think over the matter during another week; & in the interval Mr Adams undertook to see her father upon the subject

The matron applied for leave of absence from Saturday eg to Tuesday morng in the present ~~week~~ or the following week - the Committee expressed a wish that her absence should be postponed until Susan Palmers case should be determined - Occasion being had of reference to the rules relating to the Matron & inmates, it was resolved that they be entd in the Minute-book for the convenience of turning to them.

Rules
relating to the Matron.

I. The Matron shall regulate the internal arrangements of the house under the direction of the Committee

II. She shall conduct family worship Morning & Evening.

III. She shall provide food, Coals Candles & other necessaries for the inmates according to the arrangements entered into with the Committee

IV. She shall keep the clothes of the Women & deliver them out as they shall be wanted; & she shall be responsible for the Linen, Bedding & other articles committed to her charge

V. The matron shall closely superintend the inmates, observe their general deportment, receive the materials for Work, & attend to the same being safely returned when finished, She shall keep proper books & acco^{t} in which shall be entered ~~&~~ every matter relative to the house & the Work carried on therein.

VI. She shall make a weekly report of the conduct of the inmates of the asylum to the Committee of Ladies.

VII. She shall not allow the books of the Institut^{n} to be inspected by any person without the sanction of the Committee

VIII. She shall not be one night absent from the house without permission from the Committee & having provided an approved substitute.

Rules
relating to the Inmates

I. These rules shall be read to each female on her admission into the institut^{n}; they shall also be read aloud in the presence of all the inmates after family worship on the morning of the first monday in every month; & a printed copy of them shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each room; & any woman obstinately refusing to conform to these rules, in all things, shall, upon being reported to the committee, be expelled

II. No Inmate shall be allowed to go out of the Premises until discharged except on very urgent & very extraordinary occasions & ~~shall~~ accompanied by a trust worthy female

III. Every inmate shall attend family worship morn^{g} & Evening

IV. The inmates shall be kept in constant employment wth the except^{n} of the time allowed for meals, exercise, instruct^{n} & rest; & shall at all times preserve a becoming silence & a decent department; nor shall any one leave her employment without permission from the matron whose direct^{n} & orders shall at all times be promptly obeyed.

V. Care shall be taken to repress all reproaches for past misconduct, Railing, & all angry expressions, disregard of truth, swearing, or coarse & indecent conversation or dishonesty, & disobedience to authority indecorous behaviour, ~~or reproaches~~ shall be punished by the Committee by expulsion or in such other way as they shall judge to be expedient

VI. From the 1st of April to the first of Nov^{r}, the inmates shall rise

rise at 6 Oclock & go to bed at 10 Oclock & from the 1st of Novr to the 1st of april they shall rise at 7 & go to bed at 10 Oclock. after bed-time no fire or candle shall be allowed, except in the Matrons room or in the case of sickness - Each ~~woman~~ female to sleep in a separate bed.

VII. No Woman can be received into the house if diseased or pregnant - the report of the medical officer to be conclusive

VIII No letter or message shall be conveyed to or from the house without previous inspection by the Matron .. The Parents or other relative of an inmate, known to be such, may be permitted to see & converse with her in the presence of the matron on any monday between 10 & 12 Oclock

IX. Any ~~woman~~ female desirous of leaving the asylum before it shall appear suitable for her to do so, shall, after ~~means~~ persuasions have been used without effect to induce her to remain, & an order signed by two of the Committee be discharged: & such person shall not be allowed to be readmitted

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Tuesday July 2. 1839 contin[d]

The ~~Secretary~~ Treasurer ment[d] that in a conversation between Prof[r] Scholefield & M[r] Humfrey the latter had expressed his willingness to dispose of a piece of ground South of M[r] Baltiscombes chapel having a frontage towards the common of about 120 feet & a depth of seventy feet at the rate of three pounds per foot of frontage .. Resolved that the sub-committee appointed

on the 11th of June to look out for sites or buildings be requested to look at & consider this piece of ground in reference to its ~~comparative~~ advantages & cost as compared with the present premises - the quantity of ground appears to be nearly the same - the one being 87 by 105 & the other 126 by 70 - taking therefore the cost ~~at~~ of the ground at the same sum - say £360 - the question will be are the present erect[ns] worth as much more as M[r] Newman asks for the entirety of his premises - & might not more commodious premises be built for the difference? The Committee were requested also to look at two houses recently advertized to be sold near the Theatre.

Tuesday July 9. 1839

At a Meeting of the managing Committee

Present Rev: George Spence in the Chair - Rev[d] Tho[s] Boodle - M[r] Adams - M[r] Haylock - M[r] Hammond

Prayer having been offered up by the Chairman the minutes of the several weekly meetings, ~~were~~ since the last monthly meeting were read for the purpose of bringing the subjects thereof prominently before the Board & the convenience of this proceeding having been found, it was resolved that it be adopted for the future

The ladies report was read from which it appeared that since the last meeting Charlotte Palmer had been taken ill, & that this circumstance had through Gods blessing altered her Sister Susans determination to leave the house - M[r] Adams reported that he had seen the

Father

of these young woman & found him by no means wishful that his daughter shod return to his house he having but two rooms, in one of which he worked, & in the other of which he had but one bed for himself & the four childn now with him - that his utmost earnings did not exceed 10/ per week & were more frequently by only 7/6 - - On Susan Palmers being called in she appeared to be convinced of the undesirableness of her leaving the house; - more especially while her sister continued ill - It seemed that the sisters illness was much aggravated by Susans wish to leave

Charlotte Prime - It appears also from the ladies' report that this young woman had been sent into the hospital, & the report expresses a strong wish that on her recovery she shd be admitted into the Refuge -

Elizabeth Fuller - a note was read from Mr Owen recommending the case of this young woman to the Board - She was accordingly called in & examd as follows - is 28 yrs old - born at Huntingdon - belongs to Eversden having gained a settlemt there by service with a Mr Strickland, & was upon one occasion relieved by the Parish - has been living in a state of prostitution nine years, during a great part of the time lived chiefly with one young man, but he was not her seducer - first went wrong at a country feast at Barton -

staid out late & was introduced by a female friend of light character to a young collegian from Cambridge to whom she surrendered herself - she herself was pretty well aware what wd probably be the end of going to the feast - has no father - only left her mother yesterday afternoon - last night slept at Mr Webbs at Burnwell - On asking her as to her wish to enter the Refuge & stating to her its nature & object, she said it was no use for her to come in, for she was afraid she shd not settle - all she wanted was that the Govrs shd speak to the farmers at Eversden to employ her, & this being shewn to be out of the province & power of the Board, she was admonished by the chairman & kindly addressed by other members, & dismissed to her mothers.

The following bills were ordered for payment

Mrs Tofts Salary to Mids^{t}	5 . 0 . 0
Maintce of 5 inmates to July 2	5 . 0 . 0
Parkis making & painting board	2 . 13 . 6
Young fa Soap Candle &c	1 . 5 . 4 1/2
£	13 . 18 . 10 1/2

The Treas^{r} reported that the advertisements had been inserted in both the papers of Saty last as directed.

Tuesday July 16 1839.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee. Present
Revd G Spence, in the Chair, Revd F Goss, Mr G Adam,
Mr Haylock Revd J Goodlet. —
The Ladies report was received and read, whereby it appears that Susan Palmer came forward at the Ladies meeting, and with many tears expressed her sorrow that she had ever desired to leave the Institution, & her hope that she might be permitted to remain. —
Charlotte Palmer continues ill but is better, application has been made for the admission of Mary Bowler into the Female Penitentiary, Pentonville. —

Tuesday July 23. 1839

At a meeting of the Managing Committee. Present the Revd Prof. Scholefield in the Chair, Revd G Spence Revd F Goss Mr Haylock Revd J Goodlet. —
The Ladies report was received & read, whereby it appeared that a favorable answer had been received from the Matron of the Penitentiary, for the admission of Mary Bowler, & proper arrangements had been made for her going on this day, but a temporary indisposition made it desirable that her departure should be delayed for another week, by which time it was the opinion of the Medical Officer of the Institution, she would be fit to be removed. —
Charlotte Byrne, having left the Hospital unrestored,

again renewed her application for admission into this Institution being still desirous of turning from her former evil ways. — It was resolved that she be admitted, being strongly recommended by the Ladies Committee, as appears by the minutes of July 9. —

Tuesday July 30. 1839.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee
Present Revd Prof. Scholefield, in the Chair
Revd G Spence, Mr Adam, Mr Haylock, Mr Hammond.
The Ladies report with reference to the address by them to Mary Bowler, previous to her departure for the Penitentiary. It appears that she left this morning by the Telegraph. It also appears by the report, that Susan Palmer had also expressed a wish to go to the Penitentiary, but the Committee considering the wish to be connected with the unsettled state of mind lately manifested in her, do not think it expedient at present to accede to it.
Charlotte Byrne. It also appears that this female had shewn some symptoms of vacillation and had expressed reluctance to be sent to the Penitentiary, should it prove desirable, & had somewhat mistaken the objects of the Refuge. — She was therefore called in, & examined, & now stated her wish to remain in accordance with the rules, & her willingness to go to the Penitentiary if wished. The case being considered, it was agreed to allow her to remain, in the hope that even if not now really

contribs. she might be brought under more decided co-
-ections through the Ordination of the instruction here
furnished. Rules. The Ladies report recommends
the printing the rules to place in the chambers & whilst
the Committee suggest that as the yearly meeting is at no
great distance, at which time the annual report will have
to be printed with the rules & subscriptions, it will be wise
to wait till that occasion, when the Rules being in type
they may be separately worked off without expense.

Tuesday August 6 1839

The Minutes supposed to be at the Refuge

Tuesday August 13, 1839

Present Revd. F. Rose. Mr. Taylock and Mr. Hammond
The Medical attendant. Meeting adjourned No Quorum

Tuesday August 20, 1839

At a Meeting held this day Present in the chair Revd
Professor Scholefield Revd F. Rose. Revd J. Brodie & Mr. Hammond.
The Ladies report was received and read.
Elizabeth Beadsworth and Mary Anne Beadsworth made
application to be admitted as inmates of this
Institution
Elizabeth Beadsworth was called in and examined.
Aged 18 or 20 years. Has been living in a course of pro-
-stitution since last Midsummer Fair when she was led astray.
Mother died a fortnight before the Fair. Has never been out
to service. Helped to support Father & Mother by needlework at
home. Is now tired of her sinful course, being unhappy in
it, has left them about a fortnight. Has never been
deceased. Has been living in New Street Barnsley in
house next to the Flower pot. A man kept her & lived with
her, has never had connection with any other man. Had
been in the habit of attending St Giles's Church 3 times on the
Sabbath day until I sent to Barnsley. Can read, has
never been to church since can read her bible, has never
been in the habits of saying her prayers. Was in St Giles's

Sunday School under Professor Farish & Mr Batisombe.
Was led astray by bad girls whom she met in the Baths. Had no distressing worldly matters to induce her to enter course of sin as her brothers would have taken care of her until she could have obtained a proper situation. Has no reason to believe that she is in the family way. Wishes to come into the Refuge because a Lady who advised her to come said she would get her into service. Does not know whom the child is living does not know of her intention of entering the Refuge. Would be willing to go to the Penitentiary if thought necessary by Board of Mrs Newman the Lady above mentioned. Her sister did not accompany her to the Fair but followed her to Barnwell

Mary Anne Beadsworth was called in and examined
Aged 16 or 18 years. Has been living in a sinful way since last Midsummer Fair, was led wrong by a Gentleman whom she met there in a Booth, she had gone to the Fair with intention of running into sin. Left my Sister that night at the Fair and returned to Castle End where she had lived. Since that time went to live in same house with her sister Elizabeth in New Street Barnwell. Has not been happy but distressed ever since she went wrong. Had not been drinking the night of the Fair. Has long wanted to go home & live Barnwell. Had been in habit of staying longer before went wrong but never since. Wishes to come in here to get away from her sin, desires nothing more than to leave

it and stay back. Would submit to anything thought necessary at Refuge or Penitentiary. Can read a little but not much, was in St Giles's Sunday School. Lived with no one man, the same who seduced her at the Fair, he is aware of intention to leave such courses. Sister was living in Barnwell whilst lived at Aunt Hopes under Rantey Chapel near Mr Downton.

Mrs Hope was then called in and examined.
I speak Aunt to the two young women Elizabeth & Mary A Beadsworth. Has known them for the last 12 years; they did not conduct themselves well before their mothers death, & say they had gone wrong before the Fair but not to such an extent as since their Mothers death. The young Mr A is accustomed to use very bad language. She has understood that they have not lived with any one man but with several, they lived in a house by themselves no man in particular living with them. They have both been living at my house since Thursday last & have never left the house.

Elizabeth Beadsworth was then recalled & examined
Rented the house in New Street of Barker, the man with whom she lived paid 4/ per week as the rent. Had been seduced 6 months before she went to the Fair by a gentleman whom she met at her brothers wife's house; only met him once, her sister did not know it. Had no feeling of sorrow about it until Easter. Brothers wife is a woman of bad character & aware of the purpose for which she

best there. Since the Fair lived on[illegible] with the person before named a Cabowray man. Agreed well with her sister untill Cate's sister's use had Language.
Elizabeth & Mary Anne Beadsworth were admitted inmates of the Institution subject to the approval of the Ladies Committee

Tuesday August 27. 1839.
Present The Rev Prof. Scholefield in the Chair. Rev F. Rose. Mr Taylock Mr Hammond. ~~Ladies~~
The Ladies Report was read, also a letter from Mary Bowden late an inmate of the Refuge, addressed to Mr Owen, expressing her regret that she had refused to comply with the regulations of the Penitentiary, and announcing that she was now admitted Sixty days.
The two Beadsworths admitted last week, having been found to be infected with the itch had been sent back to their Aunts to remain there till cured

Tuesday September 3. 1839.
At a meeting held this day Present Rev Prof. Scholefield in the Chair. Rev F. Rose. Rev J Bowdler Mr Taylock Mr Hammond. The Ladies report was read by which it appeared that Charlotte Palmer although remaining in a very delicate state of health was in a very desireable frame of mind. —
Elizabeth Beadsworth returned to the Institution.

cured, and Mary Beadsworth being also cured of the itch was sent for admission into the Hospital having ulcerated legs.

Tuesday September 10. 1839
At a meeting held this day Present Rev Prof. Scholefield in the chair Mr Owen. Mr Taylock Rev J Bowdler. — Being a Monthly meeting was opened with Prayer by the chairman. The minutes of the last month were then read, also the Ladies report which was satisfactory except as to the state of Charlotte Palmers health who was seriously ill. The following Bills were approved.

	£	s	d
Mathers Grassehill for 7 months	5	"	5 —
Mr Owen for the Beadsworths board		"	13 —
Skills for window mending		3	6

Mr Hammond reported that Elizabeth Beadsworth was affected with inveterate disease of a recent character. She was called in and examined, when after ~~Examination~~ the case had been investigated the committee being convinced of the shameful misconduct of Elizabeth Beadsworth she was dismissed the Institution.

Tuesday Sept 17. 1839.
No Quorum

Tuesday Sept 24. 1839
At a meeting held this day. Present The Rev

ges Spence in the Chair. Revd F. Rose Mr Haylock Mr Hammond and the Revd J. Boodle

In the case of Mary Webb. Mr Rose stated that the inmate had been engaged in service to Mrs Collier at Stapleford a most desireable place, but that through circumstances not originating with Mary Webb, Mrs Collier had been since otherwise provided

Mr Pryors Bill for a hip bath £.1.6 to be paid.—

Mary Anne Beadsworth. The aunt of this unfortunate girl made application that she might be received again into this Institution as soon as her legs should be cured in the Hospital. The Committee entertained an unfavourable impression of her case from a statement made by Mr Hammond of a conversation he had had with her in the Hospital, as also from the Matrons opinion of her, formed during the short time she was an inmate of the Refuge. But it being thought better that Mary A Beadsworth should when cured make application to the Board in person that at all events they might give her a word of admonition.

Tuesday Octr. 1. 1839

at a meeting of the managing Committee

Present Revd: George Spence in the Chair, Revd: J. Boodle, Revd: Fredc Rose Mr. adams, Mr. Hammond Mr Haylock

Mary Ann Beadsworth.. The Ladies report strongly urging the admissn of this young woman, the subject was brought forward for further considerat.. and Mrs Tofts the matron was called in & questioned as to her conduct. as follows." I did not myself see or hear any thing objectionable.. She & her sister were together when one of the two said that they did not come into the house to stop but even this I did not myself hear.. my impression is that she is a bad temper. The night before she left she said to me that she was happier than when she came in, & she hoped she would be able to make progress in her reading.. It was the elder sister who endeavoured to incite the inmates to escape over the wall.. Charlotte Palmer one of the inmates was then called in & stated as follows. I did not myself hear what passed at the time of the supposed insubordination. my sister Susan did I believe hear it & from her it is that I know what I know.. Susan Palmer being called in & said "I heard what passed. it was the sister Elizth Beadsworth who made the proposal to escape. & it was Elizabeth who said that they had only come in for a time.. Mary ann certainly used bad language.. I told her that the matron would be displeased.. she replied that she had forgot herself & that she would try for the future to be more careful.. I heard nothing more that was objectionable"... Charlotte Byrne, another inmate was then called, & in answer to questions from the board stated that both of the sisters agreed that they only came in for a season, until October, & I think both concurred in the proposal to Charlotte Palmer & myself to get over the wall. Elizabeth said this but Mary ann appeared to me to agree to it.. I heard bad language from Mary Ann very often. they were frequently talking of their past goings on, but most at first. they did not shew any

thing like contrition at their former ways.. Mary ann said she supposed Bowler was a rare methodist when she left the house. Mr. Hammond informed the board that the aunt had stated that the Soldier was not the only one who had had accep to the Sisters, but that several others had also... Jemima Thorpe the aunt was then called & stated that what had been alleged against the Sisters as to the Soldier & others took place (if at all) in my absence.. all I know is from hearsay.. Mary Ann certainly used to make use of bad ~~ha~~ words but she has broken herself of it of late in a great measure. I dont think I could leave her at home wth my daughter.. I shouldnt like to do it"... The young Woman herself being called in said, I dont know my age, I may be 18 or I may be only 17 - I wish to come in to the house - to leave my evil ways - I never was comfortable, - a dread always on my mind - the last midsr. fair was the first time of my going wrong - I did not go with the deliberate intention - I went with my Sister - She left me & I fell into sin - when I first came into the Refuge I did not feel the same earnest desire I now feel.. What Mr. Owen said to me has influenced me very much to desire it. I hope I shod speak the truth.. I know that my Sister talked to the other inmates about her goings on.. I can read a little.. I used to read a little every day.. I have asked God to forgive me I was not present when my Sister proposed to get over the wall nor when she said that she did not come in ~~to~~ to stop - supposing she said such things I mean I did not hear them.

The case was considered at great length by the board & with much painful anxiety, & there appeared to be but one feeling that if there was any separate probationary ward she shd be admitted, but that the danger of admitting her at once amongst the others would be great. yet a strong impresn pervaded the board that an effort shd be made to rescue her from her miserable way of life. Resolved that a communicatn be had wth the ladies as to the practicability of placing her for a week or two with some trustworthy person by way of experiment as to her sincerity - Mr. Boodle mentioned a person whom he considered suitable.. Mr. Boodle Mr. Hose & Mr. Spence deputed to meet the ladies to-morrow.

Tuesday October 8th 1839

At a meeting of the managing Committee
Present Rev: Prof. Scholefield in the chair. Rev: J. Boodle. Rev: George Spence, Mr. Hammond. Mr. Adams & Mr. Haylock

Prayer was offered up by Mr. Spence.

General Monthly meetings. Resolved that the monthly meetings for the transaction of general & special business be held as formerly on the 1st tuesday in the month - see the minute as to the temperary alterat & the reason for it on 23d april last.

Mary Ann Beadsworth Mr. Spence stated that he had attended the ladies committee upon the resolutn of the last week when it appeared that an insuperable difficulty existed in the way of placing this applisant with the party mentd by Mr. Boodle

and that no other suitable person could on the instant be found to receive her, on which rather than turn her adrift it had been judged right to take her into the house, keeping her in a room apart by herself, & suffering her to join the other inmates only at meal times & prayers, until the next Board-meeting ... The Committee now assembled expressed their approval of what had been done .. & the matron having been called in & examd as to the conduct of the candidate, & reporting favorably of it, It was resolved that she be admitted on further probatn, to take part wth the other inmates after which she was called in & a suitable admonition addressed to her by the chairman.

The following bills were ordered to be paid

Newman for a quarters rent	7 - 10 - 0
The Matron for maintenance	5 - 5 - 0
Do ..... for Salary	5 - 0 - 0
A. Young Soap & Candles	3 - 15 - 7
Thompson for mattrasses	4 - 4 - 0
	£ 25 . 14 . 7

The Treasr stated that the accot wth messrs Mortlock being very low he had paid in to the credit of the Institutn as a temporary advance & loan the Sum of £88 . 12 „ 11 until the subscriptns for the coming year shod be in a course of paymt

General annual meeting of Subscribers - Resolved that a general meeting be shortly held & Mr Haylock undertook to apply to the Mayor for the use of the aldermans parlour

for the purpose on tuesday the 22d inst: at one Oclock ... & that circulars be printed & sent to each subscriber

That the half yearly meeting of the general Committee be held on Wedy next at ½ pt 1 Oclock, & that the managing Committee meet on the same day half an hour before to make the requisite arrangements

That the general Committee appoint auditors of the Treasrs accounts

That Profr Scholefield & the Treasr be requested to prepare a report to the Subscribers & drafts of suitable resolutions for proposition to the meeting.

Wednesday Octr 16. 1839

One Oclock

At a meeting of the managing Committee, Present Revs. Profr Scholefd W. Adams M Haylock, Rev Thos Boodle, Revd F. Rose, Rev: G. Spence

From the Ladies' report & the testimony of the matron it appd that the conduct of all the inmates had been very satisfactory; & this report specially including Beadsworth, who was admitted last week on probation, she was now fully admd

Mary Ann Bowler. a letter was read from the matron of the Penitentiary in London stating that under the ~~grand~~ pretence of a desire to visit an uncle this unhappy girl had left the institution, & that there was too much reason to fear she had returned to her former evil courses, for that her conduct had been very unsatisfactory while within the walls & the language used by her very bad ... the

Committee heard this account of one of whom they had had so much reason to hope better things, with deep regret...

Mr. Haylock reported that the Mayor had granted the use of the Aldermans room for the meeting of the Subscribers on tuesday the 22d. Inst: at 1 Oclock

Insurance agt. Fire Resolved that the Furniture in the Institution be insured... the property belonging to the matron in the Sum of £30 & the furniture of the Establishmt in £20. in all £50. in the Norwich Union, through Mr. Elliott Smith, either in the name of the Treas: or Treas: & Secretaries as may be found desirable

Wednesday Octr. 16th. 1839

Half past One Oclock

at a half yearly meeting of the General Committee.

Present Rev: Profr. Scholefield, Rev. George Langshaw, Revd. Thos. Boodle, Rev. F. Hose, Rev. Chas Perry, Revd. George Coulcher, Rev George Spence, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Adams, Mr. Haylock

The following appointmts were made for the ensuing year Treasurer The Rev: George Spence. Secretaries The Rev: Thomas Boodle & The Rev: George Coulcher.

Managing Committee Mr. Wm Adams, Rev Thos. Boodle, Rev: George Coulcher (in the room of Mr. Wickes) Mr. R. Haylock Rev: F. Hose, Rev: Profr. Scholefield, Rev: George Spence.

Surgeon Mr. Hammond. Auditors of the Treasurer's Accot. Mr. Wm Adams & Mr. George Fisher, & if Mr. Fisher should be unable to attend, then Mr. Woodley.

The Rev. Professor Scholefield & Rev. George Spence were requested to prepare the report to be read at the general meeting of the Subscribers on tuesday next. and a Statemt. was made to the present meeting by the chairman to the effect that there had been admitted into the Institutn during the year eleven young women -- of this number, two had been dismissed for misconduct, & one had left by reason of pregnancy; two had been sent to the Penitentiary in London: of which two, one, Mary ann Bowler, of whom the Committee had always entertained a very favourable opinion had quitted it, & it was to be feared had returned to her former evil course of life, & the other, Ellen Sunge, still continued an inmate conducting herself satisfactorily... the remaining six were still inmates of the Refuge & their conduct affording good hope of reformed lives... of these, one had been supposed to be at one time in a dying state but had since been raised up again.. such had been her behaviour during her illness as to impress the ladies & Committee & those of the Clergy who had visited her, with a conviction that had she died there was every reason to hope that a soul had been recovered from perdition.

Four cases had been refused, either on the score of health, or as not coming within the scope & design of the Institution... On this point the Committee are keenly alive to the difficulty of avoiding the giving pain to the minds of many benevolently disposed persons, who, sympathizing in the

the misery of an unhappy female, wish her to be sheltered & relieved, & for that purpose to be received into the establishment; but this would be to convert a Refuge for the really penitent into an hospital, & in many cases to make it a substitute for ~~the~~ a Parish poor-house. Its object & design are entirely different from such places; having respect chiefly to the formation of such principles & habits as may under the Divine blessing qualify the inmates to live reputable & useful lives.

In regard to the present inmates it was stated that there had been a general improvem[t] in their habits. in their reading & needle work, & the earnestness & attent[n] which they manifested to the instruction furnished by the ladies & the clergy - some who co[d] scarcely spell at first can now read well. There had been rec[d] for needle work done by the inmates £5. 16. 8 & if this sho[d] appear to any small, it sho[d] be remembered that the prices are unusually low.

The most entire satisfaction was expressed as to the conduct of the matron.

As to the religious instruction afforded - it consisted of prayers ~~read~~ offered up by the Matron, daily, with reading instruction in the Scriptures. and thrice a week one of the Parochial clergy attended & read a portion of the liturgy & a chapter in the Bible, the inmates reading round & being examd & instructed in what they read. that there had been much ground for thankfulness in the general seriousness of

manner & attention & not infrequently in the deep convictions evidenced by the inmates. In the commencem[t] of the institut[n] the Committee had met w[th] much to discourage them & sometimes even since to disappoint, but on the whole they have ~~had~~ been permitted in a measure to realize the promise "in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not", & they wo[d] therefore desire to act out the spirit of the injunct[n] on which it rests "not to be weary in well doing".

The chairman in conclusion reported that the committee had been led to consider the practicability of ~~procuring~~ securing by purchase the present or some other eligible premises. having been frequently led to feel the want of a probationary ward, & moreover had frequent intimations from their medical Officer of the defectiveness of the present sleeping rooms especially in very hot weather. The subject is still under consideration.

The above is the substance of the chairmans statement as before mentioned hastily taken down; & it was referred to Prof[r] Scholefield & the Treas[r] to prepare a report founded upon it to be read at the meeting of the subscribers.

Tuesday Octr 29th 1839

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present — Revd Profr Scholfield — Revd Geo: Spence — Mr Adams —
Mr Hammond & Revd Geo Coulcher —

It appeared from the Ladies Report that:

"Mary Webb was beginning to express anxiety to obtain a situation
Mary Ann Beadsworth continued to conduct herself satisfactorily as also
did all the others —

Mrs Reynolds declined being any longer on the Ladies Committee —

The Ladies had ordered some common slates to be purchased in order that
the Inmates might be instructed in writing — "

Mr Hammond Surgeon gave a very favorable Report of the Inmates
health during the last month. —

Tuesday Octr 22 1839 1st Meeting

At a General Meeting of the Subscribers held at the Town Hall
(in the Aldermens Room)

The Revd Professor Scholefield in the Chair,

The Report having been read by the Treasurer, the following Resolutions
were agreed to unanimously

I Upon the motion of the Revd G. Archdall DD Master of Emmanuel
College, seconded by the Revd Professor Whewell —

That the Report now read be received approved and printed, with
the names of the Subscribers for general circulation. —

II On the motion of R. Foster Junr. Esqr. seconded by the Revd C. Perry
Fellow and Tutor of Trinity College

That this Meeting entirely agrees with the Committee in the great
desirableness of establishing the Institution on such a permanent
basis, that its advantages may, if possible, be commensurate with
the evil which it is designed to meet. —

III On the motion of the Revd Geo: Langshaw B.D. Vicar of St Andrew
the Great, seconded by the Revd Michael Gibbs A.M Fellow of Jesus
College and Pro-proctor —

That the Committee — the Treasurer — the Secretaries the Surgeon —
& the Ladies Committee be requested to continue their exertions on
behalf of the Institution, both in regard to its present maintenance
& permanent establishment —

Thanks were voted to the Chairman for the kindness & ability mani-
fested by him in the Chair — and to the Mayor for the use of the room —
and the Meeting separated. —

Tuesday Novr 5th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Revd Geo: Spence — Mr Adams — Mr Hammond — Revd J. Boodle — Revd F. Hose & Revd Geo: Coulcher

Prayer was offered up by Mr Coulcher —

Mary Bowler — A letter from this person addressed to the Matron — expressing great sorrow for her behaviour in London & begging to be again admitted into the Institution — having been read — it was resolved that Mrs Owen be requested to return an answer to the effect that readmission is contrary to the Rules of the Institution & therefore the Application cannot be attended to — at the same time the Committee earnestly pray she may have grace given to continue steadfast in the right way —

Ladies Report — was received & read — the account given of the Inmates' attention to their reading &c and obedience to the Matron was very favorable — The suggestion relative to "the propriety & utility" of making known Mary Bowlers case to the Inmates having been taken into consideration it was resolved that the particulars should be made known to them which was accordingly done by Professor Scholefield who impressively admonished them to take warning &c —

Charlotte Palmer — was reported to have been taken ill on Wednesday Octr 30 & to continue still so —

Surgeon — Resolved that Mr Hammond be requested to send in his Account for Medicine at the time most convenient to himself —

Purchase of Premises — Resolved — that Revd F. Hose & Mr Adams do call upon the Landlord & beg him to make in writing a specific proposition relative to the purchase of the Land & Premises with a view to its being

laid upon the table at the next Committee Meeting —

Matrons Bill — for maintenance of 6 Inmates £6 0s 0d was allowed —

Reports — resolved that Reports be sent to the principal Inhabitants of the Town as had been already done with respect to the University —

Tuesday Novr 12th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present — Revd Profr Scholefield, Mr Adams, Revd Geo: Spence

Revd F. Hose

The Ladies Report — stated all to be going on well — Charlotte Palmer a little better — Susan Palmer remarkably improved in her needlework — Mary Bowler had been written to

Purchase of Premises — Mr Adams & Mr Hose reported they had called on Mr Newman relative to this matter who had promised to send in a proposal — & a letter from him was read stating the price for the entire property to be £1000 —

Resolved — that such a price being far beyond the value the proposal be declined — & further that the Committee be requested to ascertain from Mr Humfrey the lowest price of the piece of ground belonging to him behind Mr Battiscombe's Chapel & also to keep an out look for other suitable premises —

Tuesday Novr 19

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present — Revd G Spence — Mr Adams — Revd J. Boodle — Mr Hammond Revd F. Hose —

The Ladies Report – was read by which it appeared that Mrs Young of Occupation Road Barnwell had made application to the Institution for a servant – & the Matron reported that Amelia Sparrow was the only inmate who could undertake the place being an entire Stranger to Cambridge before her admission into the Refuge –

Resolved unanimously that whilst the Committee were duly sensible of the kind & Christian motives which induced Mrs Young to make the application they judged it unadvisable to place an Inmate of the Refuge in a situation so near the haunts of vice –

Clothes Horse &c – Ordered that the Matron be authorized to purchase a new Clothes Horse & 2 new Clothes Baskets for the use of the Institution –

Tuesday Novr 26th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd G. Loutcher – Revd G. Spence – Mr Adams – Mr Hammond Revd T. Boodle –

Ladies Report – stated the Inmates were all well & happy –

Medicines &c. – The Secretary read a letter from Mr Hammond (in answer to an application made in accordance with a Resolutn of Novr 5th for his account for Medicines supplied to the Inmates of the Refuge) to the effect that he Mr H. "had no such account against the Institution" –

Resolvd – That the Committee desire to record their grateful sense of Mr Hammonds kindness but as it appears by a Minute Novr 13th 1838 that there was an understanding when the Committee accepted Mr H.s services that all Medicines &c supplied to the Institution were to be charged & paid for – the Secretary do again write to Mr Hammond requesting

him kindly to furnish the Committee with the aforesaid Account –

Ordered that 2 Loads of Gravel be laid upon the Pathway in the Garden –

Tuesday Decr 3rd

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Profr Scholefield – Revd G. Spence – Revd T. Boodle Revd T Hose – Revd G Loutcher

Prayer was offered up by Profr Scholefield –

Medicines &c – Another Letter was read from Mr Hammond in answer to one from the Secr containing a copy of the minute at the last Meeting – in which Mr H. again declined making any charge for Medicines &c on the ground of the pleasure he experienced in associating with the Committee in so good a work –

Resolvd unanimously that the Committee again desire to record their grateful sense of Mr Hammonds valuable services & great kindness & agree to accept for the present the continuation of those services

Mary Webb – having been received as servant into the family of Mrs Dobson with the consent of the Members of the Committee separately obtained

agreed that this proceeding have the full sanction of this Committee & that Mrs Owen & Mrs Hose be requested to procure necessary & suitable articles for her outfit with strict attention to Economy –

Hannah Stittle – The Ladies Report stated that this person had been brought to the Refuge on Wednesday Novr 27th by Revd J. Fuller Proproctor who having found her in the Streets on the previous night

put her in the Spinning house - having no particular charge against her & having learnt from personal enquiry that her statement was true he went in the morning to liberate her - telling her that "the door was open & she might return again to her sin - but that another "door was open that would shelter her from it - & that was the Refuge" finding her thankful for this information Mr P - brought her to the Institution - The Ladies upon examination - believing her contrition to be sincere (tho' saying) that she had no friend to shelter her at night thought it desirable that the general rule should be infringed upon & as the Surgeon certified her good state of health, admitted her until the meeting of this Committee - in the meantime requesting Mrs Finch to make enquiries - As the result of these enquiries was favorable & the Matron gave a good report of her behaviour since her admission Hannah Stittle was called in & stated as follows -

Was 21 years of age - born at Dry Drayton - illegitimate - her mother died 16 years ago - was brought up by an Aunt - went to service in a Public house at Drayton when 13 years old - fell into sin between 3 & 4 years since became an inmate of Chesterton Union in consequence thence obtained a situation at Mr Kings the Brown but left on account of neighbours telling tales of her behaviour during Mr & Mrs K's absence - after this was servant at Smiths a Policeman for 4 months but left about 3 weeks ago having quarrelled with her Mistress - since that time has been living in sin - how desirous of getting that mode of life - willing to submit to all the Regulations of the Institution & cheerfully to receive the instruction afforded therein - cannot read well -

after having been admonished by Prof^r Scholefield she was admitted on probation -

Matrons Bill - for maintenance of 6 Inmates - £1.0.0 was allowed -

Matrons Report very favorable -

Tuesday Dec^r 10^th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Rev^d Professor Scholefield - Rev^d T. Boodle - Rev^d F. Hose - Mr Hammond - Rev^d Coulcher

Ladies Report - was read & stated that all were going on well -

Mary Webb - the accounts from different quarters speak favorably of -

Hannah Stittle - goes on satisfactorily -

Tuesday Dec^r 17^th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Rev^d Prof^r Scholefield - Rev^d T Boodle - Rev^d F Hose - Mr Hammond & Rev^d Coulcher.

The Matron reported favorably of the Inmates - H. Stittle included -

The Ladies Report stated application for admittance had been made by Ann Clarke who having been brought from the Spinning house where she had stayed voluntarily from Saturday - gave the following account -

"I was 18 years old last August - can read - my Father is a small "Farmer at Elm near Wisbech - poor - attends Church regularly - I have "3 Brothers & 1 Sister older than myself - lived at Mr Hinckes a Solic^r "of Wisbech for 1½ year as Nurse maid - was discharged by him about "6 weeks ago on account of levity of conduct - & the same night through

"advice of bad companions - I came to Cambridge - went to lodge
"at Mrs Hacks Blucher Row & fell into Sin but have felt desirous
"to quit the mode of life ever since" & am quite willing to conform to
"all the regulations of the Institution if admitted" —

Resolved that the Secretary do write to Mr Hincles & the Father to enquire into the truth of this Statement & whether the Father would receive her again at the end of weeks or months as the Committee should think most desirable - & in the meanwhile that permission be asked for the Applicant to stay in the Spinning house & that her own request to be placed alone. —

Ann Darnell - Application was made by the Mother of this young Woman that she might be admitted into the Refuge as she had fallen into Sin & for the last years had been very disobedient & & more lately had lived idly - keeping late hours &c

The Girls Statement was as follows: -

"I am 16 3/4 years old & first fell into Sin about 1 year since whilst
"living at Grantchester - my seducer was a young
"Woman - a Pupil - I remained with the Family till they left G. -
"& after having been at home for 2 months went into Service but
"quitted my places for various causes - I left my last place last
"week & have since been living at Mrs Sidney Street - Sunday
"my own lodging at night - have not committed Sin since I
"left Grantchester" —

Resolved that this Applicant be admitted on probation -

Tuesday Decr 24th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Revd G Spence - Rev. T Boodle -
Revd F. Hose - Mr Hammond - Revd G Gaulcher

Ladies Report - Stated all was going on well -

Ann Clarke - The Secretary read a letter received from Mr Hincles of Wisbech contradicting some part of this Girls Statement which upon being called in - she was acknowledged to be untrue & consequently was severely admonished by Profr Scholefield - after examination & much painful deliberation it was

Resolved that she be admitted on probation & that the Secr do again write to her Father from whom no Answer had been received. -

Jane Darnell - The Surgeons report being unfavorable leading the Committee to suspect that J. D - had deceived them last week - She was severely rebuked by Profr Scholefield & it was

Resolved that should the Surgeons suspicions be confirmed, power be given to Mr Boodle & Mr Hammond immediately to deliver her over to her Mothers care -

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Tuesday Dec: 31st -

A meeting of the Managing Committee was held -

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Revd F Hose - Revd G Spence -
Mr Hammond & Revd G Gaulcher -

Ladies Report - was favorable -

Ann Clarke - The Secr. read a Letter from the Father in which after thanking the Committee - he expressed a desire to leave his

undutiful daughter in their hands for a few months if they thought proper but at the same time stating his willingness to receive her now or at any future time if she would promise "to return to the path of duty & of God" -

Ann Clarke was then called in & this letter having been read to her & kindly admonition given she was remanded for another week -

A. C-s Clothes - Resolved that Secr do consult Rev. M. Gibbs. Pro Procta- as to best mode of obtaining her Clothes from the hands of her late Landlady -

Jane Darnell - The Surgeons report being decidedly unfavorable Resolved that this Person be delivered over to her Mother - who was consequently sent for & sympathized with & at the same time had a hope held out that her Daughter might be again received upon application after recovery -

J. D- was then called in & severely admonished on account of her deceit & faithfully warned as to her future conduct since upon that would mainly depend her prospect of re-admission -

Building Fund - The Treasurer having reported that several sums (amounting to between £30 & £40) had been paid in on this account which he considered should be kept apart from the General Funds Resolved that if Messrs Westlock will allow of it - a Separate Account be opened under this head & that at the next Meeting - four Persons be nominated Trustees of this Fund -

The Treasurer further reported that he had drawn out the whole Amount temporarily advanced by him. ——

Tuesday Janr 7th 1840.

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Revs: Professor Scholefield - Rev. T Boodle Rev. J Spence Rev. F. Hose - Mr Hammond - Rev J Goulcher

Prayer was offered up by Rev F. Hose -

Ladies report stated their entire satisfaction with the Inmates' conduct & that Ann Clarke had behaved extremely well & was most anxious to be fully admitted -

The Matrons report having confirmed this - it was Resolved that Ann Clarke be fully & finally admitted - accordingly She was called in & kindly admonished -

A. C-s Clothes - The Secretary having read a letter from Rev M. Gibbs Pro Procta to the effect that he could obtain the clothes by paying her 10/- for the payment of £1 8s. - the Rent demanded by the Landlady - it was - Resolved that he be requested so to do & that the Secr do write to her Father requesting him to advance the money or to authorize the Committee to sell part of the Property in order to raise the Sum required -

Bills allowed -

	£	s	d
Thompson for Mattrass &c -	1	1	-
Young for Brushes Coals &c	6	8	-
Vail - Whitesmith - - - -	16	6	
Hinson for Clothes horse -		9	6
Fuller for 2 loads Gravel &c -		8	-
Wallis - Draper - for Webb's Outfit -	1	6	1½
Do do - for Sundries - -	7	0	9
Hales Shoemaker - -	1	8	-
Matron 12 Mo Salary -	5	-	-
— Bill for 6 Inmates & Staff & also Daniell & Webb 2.6	6	7	8
— Bill for Sundries -	£30	13	- ½

Building Fund – The Secretary having read a note from the Rev: George Ray announcing the payment of a Donation of 20£ to/and this Fund by an Anonymous Friend

Resolved unanimously that the cordial thanks of the Committee be presented to their Anonymous Benefactor through Rev G Ray with an expression of their humble hope that God will enable them to carry out his benevolent views by stirring up others to imitate his liberality. –

Trustees of Building Fund – Resolved that Professor Scholefield Rev G Spence Rev J Boodle & Rev C. Perry do Consult respecting the appointment of these –

Collector – Resolved that the Treasurer & Secretary do appoint a Collector of Subscriptions at a Stipend not exceeding 6 in the £. –

Tuesday Jan: 14th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Rev J Boodle – Mr Adams
Rev G Goulcher

Ladies Report – favorable

Matrons Report – satisfactory on the whole – Ann Clarke extremely well conducted –

Ann Clarke – The Secy read a letter from the Father containing a Post Office Order for £1 8s – & expressing an earnest desire for his daughters return in a week or two

Resolved That Secy acknowledge the receipt of Money with thanks & at the same time propose that A. C. be permitted to remain in the

Refuge for a month at least as her future welfare depended much (under God's blessing) upon present treatment. –

Tuesday Jan: 21st

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Rev J. Boodle – Rev F. Hose – Mr Hammond
Rev G Goulcher

Ladies Report was favorable –

Tuesday Jan 28th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Rev J Boodle – Rev G Goulcher

Ladies Report stated that Mary Webb was recovering from the fever for which she had been sent to the Hospital – that Miss Dobson had kindly consented to take her to Shelford on her dismissal from the Hospital & afterwards again to receive her into the family – that the Ladies feeling greatly for the disappointment & expence M. W's illness had occasioned Miss Dobson had determined to assist in reimbursing it –

The inmates of the Institution were going on very well –

Tuesday Feb: 4th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Rev G Spence – Mr Hammond
Mr Adams – Rev F Hose – Rev J. Boodle

Professor Scholefield having offered up Prayer

Ladies Report was read stating that in consequence of Mary Webb being unfit for service and likely to remain so for some weeks she had found a temporary Asylum in the Union Infirmary.

Bills allowed. —

	£	s	d
Rev G. Coulcher for sending out Reports		8	6
Newman 1/2 Rent to Christmas	7	10	—
Do for Sundries		17	—
Mrs Page for Stationery		2	6
Matrons Bill for 5 Weeks to Jan 28	9	—	—
Thomas Bradford for care of Garden		14	5

Jane Darnell made application for re-admission & Mr Hammond having reported that her health was restored & her Mother having stated that her conduct had been satisfactory during the time she had been at home, she was admitted after having been admonished by the Chairman

Building Site — A conversation took place as to an eligible site for the Refuge — Mr Woodle was deputed to make enquiry about a piece of land on E. of Lambridge Place Hills Road

Building Fund — It having been resolved to form a separate Trust for this Fund and the Rev. Professor Scholefield — Rev. C. Perry — Mr Adams and C. Pemberton Esqr having been recommended as Trustees, to which the Rev Professor S. Rev C. Perry & Mr Adams consented — the Professor & Rev G. Spence were requested to communicate with Mr Pemberton & obtain his consent also

Tuesday Feb. 11th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present — Rev G. Spence — Rev F. Hose — Mr Hammond — Mr Adams Rev G. Coulcher

Ladies Report stated all the Inmates were going on well —

Purchase of the Premises — The Treasurer stated that when Mr Newman the Landlord called a few days since for the Rent to Xmas — some conversation had arisen as to the Purchase of the Premises — from which it seemed that he would be willing to sell at such fair valuation as should be set upon them by Mr E. Smith or Mr Wentworth or some other competent Surveyor — that therefore he (the Treasurer) had called the Managing Committee together on Saturday who had fully authorized him to proceed with the purchase if it could be effected on such terms — that Mr Newman had called upon him yesterday pursuant to appointment & had given his final answer that "he would "not agree to any such mode of ~~valuation~~ ascertaining the value & would "not sell at a less price than £950" which sum the Treasurer considered so far beyond the value that he had closed the negotiation. —

Ladies Committee — There being two vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Mrs Reynolds & the departure from C— of Mrs Wickes — it was resolved — that the Ladies now on the Committee be requested to propose the names of two Ladies to fill up the vacancies for the approbation of the Managing Committee — Rule V.

Matron reported that Ann Clarke had received a letter from her

Father giving his full consent to her remaining in the Institute until she could obtain a place in or near Cambridge as he did not wish her to return to her former neighbourhood until her character had been re-established. —

Tuesday Feb: 18th -

At a meeting of the Managing Committee
Present - Rev T. Boodle - Rev J. Spence - Rev F. Hose - Rev G. Coulcher -
Ladies Report was read which stated they found all well - & that Mary Webb - had been taken into the service of Mrs Watson Petty Cury as Miss Dobson could not receive her again for some time -
Ladies Committee - The names proposed to fill the vacancies were those of Mrs Boodle - Mrs Coulcher - Mrs Maddison - Mrs Cooper -
Mrs Boodle having declined through Rev: T. Boodle - it was resolved that the Secretary do request Mrs Coulcher & Mrs Maddison as being Clergymens wives - to accept the office —
Reports - resolved that these be sent out to Members of the University and Friends now at a distance from Cambridge & that
100 Copies - on thin paper - whole sheets -
150 Copies - do - half sheets } of a Statement
relative to the present amount of Building Fund & a pressing appeal for its immediate increase - be printed & employed as Envelopes & Wrappers —
Building Site - Mr Hose reported that he (accompanied by Mr Boodle & Mr Coulcher) had examined a piece of ground on the Hills Road belonging to Mr Collins & it being thought an eligible site for the

Institution it was determined that farther enquiries should be made privately -

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Tuesday Feb: 25th.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee
Present — Rev: F. Hose - Rev T. Boodle - Mr Hammond - Mr Adams
Rev: G. Coulcher -
Ladies Committee - The Secretary reported that Mrs Maddison had declined & Mrs Coulcher had consented to become a Member of this Committee & as the Ladies Report stated that Mrs Cooper had kindly consented to attend - the vacancies were declared to be filled up -
Ladies Report was favorable as to the Inmates &c -
Building Site — Mr Hammond reported that Mr Collins would on no account sell the Land on the Hills Road — Mr Hose having stated that some Freehold Premises comprising 4 Cottages with gardens attached - having a frontage of about 120 feet & a depth of 90 to 100 feet - situated near the Church on Newmarket Road - belonging to Mr Gates - were for sale - & the Committee conceiving this a most eligible situation for the Refuge - Mr Adams & Mr Hose were requested to take whatever steps they might think necessary for securing time for the consideration of the purchase of these premises - The price mentioned was £700 -

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Tuesday March 3rd

At the meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Rev.d J. Coulcher – Rev.d Spence – Rev.d F. Hose – Mr. Hammond
Rev.d T Boodle – Mr. Adams –

Prayer was offered up by Rev.d Coulcher –

The Minutes of the last month having been read

Building Fund – Mr. Spence reported that no communication had yet been made to Mr. Pemberton to request him to act as a Trustee of this Fund –

Reports – Mr. Spence also stated that the Envelopes & wrappers having been printed he had sent out some – for Professor Scholefield & himself & in consequence had received from Rev.d Dr. Dodd £5 –
Rev.d J. Hemming £2 & Rev.d Dr. Wightman £1

Building Site – Mr. Adams reported that having called on Mr. Spinks (who had first mentioned the ground on the Newmarket Road as a site for the Refuge) he had requested him to obtain Mr. Gates consent to give the Committee time to consider the purchase of it which he had promised to do – Mr. Hose & Mr. Adams were requested to see Mr. Spink again & ascertain the result of his communication –

Bills allowed –

	£	s	d
The Matrons House Bill subject to the usual signature of Mrs. Cox which was not attached	7	" 15	" –

Amelia Sparrow – The Matron presented a letter received by A. S from the Person who had brought her up at Ipswich – expressive of her

thankfulness to God for the reformation which appeared to have taken place in the conduct of A. S. – & exhorting her to persevere in well doing & urging her to gratitude to the Institution which had given her Shelter – –

Tuesday March 10th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Rev.d T. Boodle – Rev.d Spence – Mr. Adams Rev.d F. Hose
Mr. Hammond – Rev.d Coulcher

Ladies Report – was read – stating all the Inmates were well & very fully employed with needle-work –

Matrons Report was very favorable –

Insurance – The Treasurer reported this was completed in accordance with directions – vide Minutes Oct.r 16th 1839. –

Building Site – Mr. Hose & Mr. Adams reported that Mr. Gates had given up possession of the Title deeds of the premises on Newmarket Road & therefore was not able to offer them for sale –

Elizabeth Twitty – application was made for admission of E.T – by a Mrs. Twing who keeps the "Archers" Publichouse St Andrews Street – Mrs. T – stated she heard of this poor Girl as living at the Britannia East Road in a deplorable state having known her Parents she went to see her & found her nearly naked starving & diseased – In conversation E.T expressed a desire to get into the Hospital & an earnest wish to forsake the sinful course of life on which she had entered – Through the kindness of a Friend she was admitted into the Hospital whence she was to be dismissed – as in Patient tomorrow

Her Father & Mother who once kept the Fox & Ball Kentford near Newmarket were both dead & her only Relations were Grandfather & Grandmother poor people living at Snailwell –
E.T. was called in & stated as follows – She was 18 years of age – cannot read – had lived in Service with a Mr Rutledge a Clergyman near Dublin & then had attended Church – Afterwards got into service in London & having quitted it was led astray by a Barrister with whom she lived 4 months – but becoming ill was dismissed – & arriving at the Britannia on her way to Snailwell had become (lived) Servant there until found out by Mrs Thring – was desirous of forsaking evil Courses & when recovered hoped to get again into Service –
Mr Hammond reported that she was to be continued as Out Patient at the Hospital for a time & when recovered he thought her general State of health to be such as required Country air & therefore it would be very injurious to shut her up in the Institution –
It not being thought advisable to dismiss her entirely until she was recovered & Mrs Thring having stated that a Relation of hers named Trudgett in Blue Lion Yard St Andrews Street would willingly take charge of her & board & lodge her for 5s 0d a week – the Committee determined to defray this Expence by a private Subscription until she was totally dismissed from the Hospital & then that some steps should be taken for her removal to Snailwell for a time –

Tuesday March 17th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee
Present – Rev G Spence – Rev T Rose – Rev T Boodle Rev G Coulcher
Ladies report – satisfactory –
Matrons report – the same
Building Fund – The Treasurer reported that Mr Emberton had kindly consented to become one of the Trustees –
E. Twitty – had been visited by Mr Boodle & Mr Adams & appeared very comfortable & going on well –
Eliza Battle – made application for admission through the Rev Mr Gibbs & Mr Coulcher – when called in stated as follows –
"I am 25 years of age – was born in the Falcon yard – my mother
"died when I was 13 years old – then brought up by my Maternal
"Grandfather & – Mother who are both dead – My Father
" is now living at Ely – have not seen him since I
"was 8 or 9 yrs old – received help from him until I was 14 & not since –
"have lived 8 yrs in sin but am now very anxious to forsake
"that mode of life – know not what has now moved me to do this
"but have often thought about it – indeed 5 months ago I forsook it
"& lived Servant at a house of ill fame but finding the more I tried
"to escape the more I was entangled in it there – I left & am lodging
"at – Wiffens Shoemaker Wellington Row who offered me a home –
"supported myself lately by selling some of my Clothes & pledging others.
"can read well but have not a Bible – hope I have prayed – never
"attended a place of worship through a feeling of shame"
E.B was kindly spoken to & required to attend at the Ladies Meeting. –

Tuesday March 24th

At Meeting of the Managing Committee was held –
Present – Rev F Hose – Mr Adams Rev G Coulcher –
The Ladies report spoke favorably of the Inmates & their progress in needle work – recommended that Darnell's Parents be applied to for a pair of Shoes for J. D – & stated that Eliza Battle had been admitted subject to the Surgeons report & the pleasure of the Managing Committee –
It was resolved therefore that Mrs Tofts do apply to Darnells Parents immediately and that as no Surgeons report had been received the case of Eliza Battle do stand over until the next Meeting
E. Twitty – Mr Adams stated he had called upon E. T – found her very comfortable & improoving in health – was much pleased with her attention & behaviour when he spoke to her seriously –

Wednesday March 25th

At a Special Meeting of the Managing Committee
Present – Rev. Professor Scholefield – Rev T Boodle – Rev G Spence – Mr Adams Rev F. Hose & Rev G Coulcher –
Building Site – Mr Boodle stated that a piece of ground immediately behind the New Church of St Andrew the less containing a width of 150 feet might be purchased in any quantity at £5.5 pr foot of frontage – The Committee having considered this piece in comparison with the site before looked at
Resolved unanimously that it is desirable to purchase 100 feet thereof & that with a view to secure an accep to the Church direct from

the Premises it is also desirable to purchase the halfway or avenue between the ground & the Churchyard at £2.2.6 pr ½ footage –
That Mr Boodle be authorized to enter into an Agreement for the purchase to be completed at Midsr –
That each Member exert himself meanwhile to obtain the sum still required to make up the Amount of Purchase Money –

Tuesday March 31st

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee
Present – Rev G Coulcher – Rev G Spence – Mr Adams – Rev F. Hose Mr Hammond –
Eliza Battle – The Surgeons report not being unfavorable & the Matron having stated that her conduct during her probation had been unexceptionable – E. B. was called in & having been questioned as to some little supposed discrepancy from the truth in her original statement as to the Number of years she had been living in Lyon – she was fully & formally admitted –
Ann Clarke – The Ladies having reported this Inmate as desirous of leaving the Refuge & also as being in a restless & uncontrollable State of mind. She was called in & spoken with but the effort thus made to dissuade her from her purpose being unsuccessful
Resolved – That the Secretary do write to her Father informing him of the circumstances & requesting him to take some immediate steps for securing her safe reception at home –
The Ladies report also stated that Mr & Mrs Ketley B.A. Queens Coll: residing near Eden Chapel were willing to take an Inmate of the Institution as Servant that if she suited them & conducted herself well

they would take her with them when they leave in July next—
The precedent furnished by the application of Mrs Young on
19th Novr last & the reasons on which that application was
refused being now considered at length—it did not seem to
the Committee that they could consistently come to a different
conclusion now or swerve from the general understanding
that it is most undesirable to send an Inmate into Service
in a situation so near the haunts of vice—

Half yearly Meeting of the General Committee—was appointed for
Tuesday the 28th April at ½ past 1 o'clock P.M.—the Managing
Committee meeting as usual ½ an hour beforehand—

Bibles & Prayer Books—The Secretary was requested to make Application
to the District Society for promoting Christian Knowledge for a
grant of Bibles & Prayer Books for the Institution

Tuesday April 7th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee
Present—Rev: Professor Scholefield—Rev F Hose—Rev: G. Spence
Mr Hammond—Rev: T. Boodle—Rev G Coulcher

After prayer was offered up by Rev: T. Boodle

Ann Clark—The Secretary read a letter received from A.C's Father
stating that he was too ill to come for her & it was too expensive
to send any one for her but that if A.C was willing to come
home & would promise to turn to the path of duty & to God
the Committee if they thought it desirable might send her by
Waggon or Coach & he would meet her at Wisbech

The Ladies Report having stated that A.C appeared to be wavering
& the Matrons report that she was unsettled though her conduct had
been extremely good—A.C was called in & having had the dangers
of leaving pointed out to her strongly but kindly by Professor S.
she agreed to remain another week & reflect more upon the Subject—

Bills allowed—

	£	s	d
The Matrons Salary for 12	5	—	—
Matrons Bill for Inmates	10	10	—
Young for Candles Coals &c	6	19	10
	£22	9	10

Building Fund—Treasurer reported the following Donations to this Fund:

	£
A. Gordon Esqr	50 — —
Anonymous through Revd Langshaw	25 — —
R. Foster Esqr (Mayor)	10 — —
Revd L. Powys—Stalbridge—	5 — —

Also Annual Subscription from A Gordon Esqr 5 — —

E. Tritty—Mr Boodle having reported favorably of this Person & Mr
Hammond having stated that her health is not sufficiently
re-established to allow of her being shut up in the Institution & that
her grandmother at Swaffham is willing to receive her
Resolved that Mr Boodle do make enquiries respecting the Grandmother
& if answers be favorable that he take the necessary steps for sending
E. T over to Swaffham & putting her under her Grandmothers care—

Tuesday April 14th

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Rev. Professor Scholefield - Revd G Spence - Boodle - Hore Coulcher & Mr Hammond

The Ladies Report gave a very favorable Account of the Inmates & also of Mary Webb -

E. Twitty - Mr Boodle reported that E.T. had this day left for Snailwell with apparently an earnest desire to seek better things - Mr B. had written to Revd J. Hill, Rector of Snailwell. stating the particulars of her case & recommending her to his especial notice

Ann Clarke - having been called in & questioned as to the result of her weeks reflection said she should be thankful to remain as long as the Committee might think proper - She appeared penitent & humble -

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Tuesday April 21 -

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Rev. Professor Scholefield - Revd G. Hore - Boodle & Mr Adams -

Ladies Report was read -

Matrons account of Inmates highly satisfactory -

Building Site - The Agreement for the purchase of 100 feet of the Land behind Christs Church Barnwell at 5.5. pr foot & of the Halfway or Avenue between the ground & the Churchyard at 2.12.6 pr foot frontage (subject to a slight deduction until the Road & the drain be made on E. side) as a site for the Refuge was presented duly

signed with a proper Receipt for 105 deposit Money - to be laid before halfyearly Meeting of the Committee next week -

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Tuesday April 28th

One O'clock.

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Revd Profr Scholefield - Spence - Boodle - Hore - Coulcher Mr Adams & Mr Hammond -

Ladies Report was read - it expressed gratitude to Almighty God for the evident tokens of His Love & mercy continued to the Institution during the last Half year - It stated the conduct of the Inmates as highly satisfactory & most gratifying to the Matron - their industry & improvement in needlework (with which they were continually supplied very great - that they commit to memory 12 or 14 Vs of Scriptures together with a Hymn weekly - & take their daily share in household work - It reported that Jane Darnell had lately told the Matron "She had never "felt herself a Sinner until she came here - that she had been very wicked "& had often wished her Parents dead for sending her to church but now "she felt pleasure in hearing the word of God read & explained - "She hoped God would forgive her - she often wished to pray but was so "ignorant She did not know how - She every morning thought how wrong "it was to quarrel & made up her mind not to do so again" - On her Father being allowed to see her lately - She expressed her great sorrow for her past faults - begged very heartily that he would forgive her - this she had never done before -

Eliza Battle too had declared the morning after service that she had

never gone to bed so happy before –
Ann Clarke was much more settled & rejoices that she was not permitted to quit – N.B. This feeling she afterwards strongly expressed to the Minister for the day –
Mary Webb was conducting herself much to the satisfaction of her Mistress – N.B. Revd Boodle & Langshaw spoke of the respectability of her appearance as a Servant –

The Ladies concluded their Report by expressing their entire approbation of the Matron who is in every respect well qualified for the situation she holds –

E. Twitty – A Letter was read received by Mr Boodle from the Rev N.J. Hill of Snailwell stating the conduct of E.T – the attention to her Grandmother (who was sick) as highly gratifying & satisfactory – but that the Grandmother being supported by the Parish of Snailwell in consequence of her sickness – though not belonging to it – it was necessary that E.T – should not be cast as an additional burden upon the Parish – & thus Mr Hill recommended that as her health was greatly improved she should if possible be admitted into the Refuge in a fortnight's time – & in the meanwhile he would endeavour to destroy the weeds & foster & encourage the good seed which had been so kindly implanted in her mind – Mr H – concluded by sending a Donation of 1 Guinea –

It was resolved that an allowance of 3.6 p.w. per week beginning April 25th – There being no room in the Institution for her reception at present should be made for her support as she had applied for admission before one or two now in the Refuge had virtually been under the care of the Committee since March 10th –

Tuesday April 28th
Half past One O'clock

At the Half yearly meeting of the General Committee
Present – Rev Professor Scholefield – Revd G Spence – Perry – Ray – Hose – Boodle – Langshaw – Maddison – Coulcher – Mr Adams & Mr Hammond

The Chairman made a short statement relative to the Inmates – that their health was most satisfactory – their conduct most cheering – in confirmation of which Professor Scholefield read a few extracts from the Ladies Report – He also made known the case of E Twitty & having read part of Rev N.J. Hills letter stated the resolution which the Manag. Committee had come to in consequence – Mary Webb was also mentioned as one on whose account the Managers of the Institution had most especial cause to give thanks to Almighty God –

The Professor then called the attention of the Committee to the number of Inmates – 9 – in a house only fitted to hold 7 with comfort & spoke of the fear excited by the present hot weather & the approach of summer & also of applications made which could not be listened to on account of smallness of accommodation – He then stated that the Managing Committee had endeavoured to come to terms with the Proprietor of the present Premises but had failed through the unreasonableness of his demand – that they had consequently been on the look out for sometime for another Site & had at last found one at the back of Christ Church Barnwell & had agreed to purchase 100 feet there of frontage at £5.5 p.r foot – the width being 150 feet & vide Memt Apl 21) –

The Agreement was then laid before the Committee – It was immediately Proposed by Rev C. Perry – Seconded by Rev G Maddison & carried unanimously

That the Managing Committee be authorized to purchase 150 feet of Frontage at the back of new Church -

Proposed by Rev C. Perry - Seconded by Rev G Langshaw & Carried unanimously

That the Managing Committee be authorized to take Steps for obtaining Plans & Estimates for the Building of the Institution -

The Treasurer then presented the following Abstract of Receipts and Expenditure between Oct 21 1839 & April 28 1840

Tuesday May 5th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee

Present - Rev: Professor Scholefield - Revd Hose - Boodle Coulcher - Mr Adams & Mr Hammond

The Ladies report was read - all well -

The Secretary Stated he had been informed by the Secy of Lambeth's Branch of Socy for Promot: Christian knowledge that a grant had been made of 6 Bibles & 6 Prayer books - but Matron reported none had been received -

The Chairman laid some Circulars on the table which he had been requested to draw up & which having been approved it was resolved that they be sent out immediately -

The following Bills were allowed

	£
The Matrons Bill for Inmates	9 " - " -
Shoemakers Bill	- " 13 " 6
	£ 9 " 13 " 6

Wednesday May 13th

The meeting of the Managing Committee was held this day in consequence of the Anniversary Meeting of the Church Missionary Society

Present - Rev Professor Scholefield - Revd Spence Boodle - Hose - Coulcher - & Mr Hammond -

Ladies Report satisfactory - Mary Ann Clarke going on exceedingly well -

The Treasurer reported that at the suggestion of Professor Scholefield he had inserted the advertisment which the Professor had been

authorized to draw up & insert in the Ecclesiastical Gazette)
in the "Record" of Thursday last which containing a report of the
Annivsary Meeting of Church Mis^{y} Soc^{y} at Exeter Hall had a larger
circulation than usual - she now asked the sanction of the
Committee to this step which was immediately & unanimously granted
The Chairman then announced the receipt of 1 Sovereign by Post enclosed
in a Paper containing the words "for Cambridge Refuge from an
"Oxford Undergraduate" -

Mary Ann Arminger made application for admittance & stated:
"I am 23 years of age - am the Eldest of 5 children - have a Father &
"Mother - my Father was gardener & now same keeper to C. Partridge Esq^{r}
"Hockham Norfolk - was in Sunday School at Hockham - can read but
"not write - was in service 4 years at Mildenhall - fell into Sin there -
"have been in Cambridge 2 winters - leaving in Summer returning
"in Winter - considered my course of life a sinful one - often very unhappy
"and wished to leave it these last 12 months - cannot go home as my Father
"Master would turn him out of place were I admitted into his house -
"have been in the Town Gaol 14 days for riotous conduct - since leaving it
"6 weeks ago have lived in Sin at Barnwell - I am now anxious to
"quit my former mode of life and would not object to going to the
"Penitentiary London though my hair should be cut off - once did object
"to this but now do not - I think more about my soul than ever I
"did - would be glad to be admitted into the Refuge - am aware of the
"discipline - work & restraint - am willing to submit to it as I do not
"wish to live idly but am desirous of amendment" -

Mr Hose said that her statement corresponded to the one made by her in

the Gaol & that the Governor felt great interest in consequence of her
good conduct -

after some discussion it was resolved
That M. A. Arminger be admitted on probation with a view to her
gaining admission into the Penitentiary London -

Chairs - Mr^{r} Hose was requested to purchase half a dozen Chairs for the
Institution cheap and good. -

Tuesday May 19th

At a meeting of the Managing Committee
Present - Rev^{d} Professor Scholefield - Rev^{d} Hose - Spence - Coulcher -
- Mr^{r} Hammond had just left -

Resolved that Secretary do acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the
6 Bibles and 6 Prayer Books granted by the Cambr^{e} Branch of
Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge -

Also that Circulars be sent to the Noblemen, Bishops, &c who are or have
been members of the University...

Mr^{r} Hose reported the purchase of ½ dozen Chairs at 2^{s} 2^{d} each.

Matron gave a favorable report of the Inmates - M. A. Arminger especially -

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Tuesday May 26th 1840

at a meeting of y^{e} managing Committee - Present Rev Prof^{r} Scholefield
Mr Adams, Rev: J. Hose, Rev: Geo: Spence, Mr Hammond

The matron reported that arminger had left this morng by
the Telegraph for the penitentiary, & that Mrs Owen had kindly written
to request that some one from y^{e} Institut^{n} wod meet her at y^{e} nearest
point

point of ye route which ye Coach now takes in its altered course. The Treasr reported that he had advanced ye sum, viz/.

The following extract from a letter from Mr Tym to Mr Kingdon was read touching ye admission of inmates from Bedfordshire.

"I have had a letter from the Refuge Committee at Bedford requesting me to communicate to ye Cambridge Committee, with whom they will most gladly join .. They wish to know "whether ye Cambridge Committee will agree to ye terms of Union being that ye amt subscribed shall be in proportion to ye inmates sent, & what wod be ye expense per head" .. This strikes me as being oddly worded, but perhaps you will be so good as to ascertain upon what terms ye Cambridge Committee will admit us into Union. I shall be at Cambridge on Friday"

The subject having been considered it seemed to be ye Opinn of ye Board that there should be a fixed annual payment to meet ye extra cost of maintaining an Establishm: adequate to ye receiving at all times additional inmates, - say £25 per annum, - & that, then, a sum at ye rate of 7/ per week should be paid in respect of each inmate, exclusive, of course, of ye Expenses of conveyance to & fro.. It being also understood that, in all cases, ye parties proposed for admission shall be strictly those contemplated by ye rules & such as this board wod approve of had they arisen within ye Town

The Treasr reported ye following sums rec[d] since ye statement recently printed, on account of ye Building fund

Amount as per printed Statement

	£.	s.	d.
Adams, Mr W	25	0	0
Anonymous (by Rev. G. Ray, Minister of St Mary the Less)	200	0	0
Boodle, Rev. Thos. (Secretary)	5	5	0
Christian, Mr W. B., Trinity College	1	0	0
Coulcher, Rev. Geo. (Secretary)	3	3	0
Dodd, Rev. Philip, Penshurst Rectory	5	0	0
Foster, Rich. Jun. Esq. Brooklands	10	0	0
Friend, A, by Rev. G. Langshaw, St John's Coll.	25	0	0
Gaskin, Rev. Thos. Jesus College	5	0	0
Gordon, Alexander, Esq. London	10	0	0
Gosset, Rev. T. S. Senior of Trinity College	5	0	0
Hemming, Rev. Geo. Little Parndon, Essex	2	0	0
Law, Hon. C. E., M.P. for the University	5	0	0
Malcolm, Mr W. C. Trinity College	1	0	0
Martin, Rev. F. Trinity College	5	0	0
Owen, Mrs, Hills Road	3	0	0
Perry, Rev. C. Trinity College	25	0	0
Powys, Rev. L. C. Rector of Stalbridge, Dorset	5	0	0
Scholefield, Rev. Professor	5	5	0
Spence, Rev. Geo. (Treasurer)	25	0	0
Thurtell, Rev. A. Caius College	5	0	0
Travis, Rev. W. J.	1	0	0
Turner, Rev. H. J., Henham, Essex	5	0	0
Wightman, Rev. Dr., Clare, Suffolk	1	0	0

382 „ 13 „ 0

Archdall Rev: Dr Master of Emmanuel ..... ✓ 10 „ 0 „ 0
Grant Sir alexander M.P. for Cambridge ..... ✓ 26 „ 5 „ 0
Holland Rev: E. ..... ✓ 100 „ 0 „ 0
Scoborough Lancs Esq ..... ✓ 1 „ 0 „ 0
an Oxford undergraduate ..... ✓ 1 „ 0 „ 0
Selwyn Rev: G. A. ..... ✓ 1 „ 0 „ 0
Venble The archdn of Ely ..... ✓ 5 „ 0 „ 0
Usher Thos Esq ..... ✓ 5 „ 0 „ 0
Smyth, Profr ..... ✓ 5 „ 0 „ 0

536 „ 18 „ 0

Tuesday June 2. 1840

Present Rev: Profr Scholefield, Mr Hammond, Rev: J. Hose, Rev: George Spence.

After Prayer by Rev: J. Hose, The Minutes of ye several Weekly boards for ye past month were read..

The Treasurer reported a donatn from Profr Whewell of £5. not yet paid Oct 5 1840

Two bills, the one to Mrs Toft for maintce of Inmates to 26th May ..... } 9 „ 10. 0
& the other for the 6 Chairs purchd by Mr Hose 0 „ 13. 0
were ordered to be paid.

The Treasr reported that he had forwarded a copy of the minute

of y^e last meeting relative to y^e union with the Bedfordshire clergy to M^r Kingdon ~~&c~~ by whom it had been communicated to M^r Pym who had approved his opinion very favourably to y^e reasonableness & moderation of the terms proposed.

Some conversation passed as to y^e best method of proceeding in regard to y^e plans for y^e new building - Prof^r Scholefield being about to visit to London undertook to call & see y^e Penitentiary at Pentonville, & on his return it was resolved to meet & draw up some general instruct^ns for architects who might be disposed to send in plans; ~~with~~ & resolut^n as to y^e terms on which plans sh^d be invited..

Monday June 9. 1840

Present Rev: T. Hose in y^e Chair. M^r adams. M^r Hammond Rev. Geo: Spence ... & (as a Visitor) The Rev: T. Sheppard y^e new Incumbent of S^t Mary Edwards.

The Treas^r reported y^e receipt of a letter from the B^p of Ely's examg chaplain, expressing his Lordships great gratification at hearing of y^e establishm^t & progress of y^e institution, & wishes for success in its excellent object, enclosing a donation of £10 towards the B.F.

The B.F. acc^t now stands as follows	£	s	d
Amo^t reported on 26^th May 1840	536.	18.	0
Rev: Prof. Whewell ~~not paid~~	5.	0.	0
The Lord B^p of Ely	✓10.	0.	0
Harvey Goodwin Esq, Caius coll:	✓2.	0.	0
Rev: W^m B. Dalton	✓1.	0.	0

554 18. 0

534. 18. 0

S. T. Ficklin Esq £1. annual - & B. F. £2	✓3.	0.	0
anonymous, by Rev: George Langshaw	✓40.	0.	0
The Lord B^p of Durham	✓10.	10.	0
W^m Adams Esq (in addition to £25 before)	✓50.	0.	0
P. H. Frere Esq, Fellow of Downing College	✓3.	3.	0
W. D. Balance of an acc^t by Rev: Prof^r Scholefield	✓1.	13.	2
M^r Joseph £1. M^rs Joseph 10/	✓0.	10.	0
	£663.	14.	2

Tuesday June 16^th 1840

Present M^r adams, Rev. T. Hose, Rev: Geo: Spence..

The Treasurer reported y^e following subscriptions towards the Building Fund.

Amo^t reported at y^e last meeting	663.	14.	2
Rev: C. B. (thro' Prof^r Scholefield)	5.	0.	0
Richard Lowndes (thro' Bankers)	5.	0.	0
M^r Elliott Smith (thro' y^e Treas^r)	5.	0.	0
a Friend (through Rev: Geo: Coulcher)	20.	0.	0
	698.	14.	2

The Ladies report stated all to be going on well ... that M^rs Owen had heard of y^e safe arrival of Arminger .. & that y^e acc^t of Tunge in y^e Penitentiary was very satisfactory... also that a person, by y^e recommend^n of M^rs Wanfor y^e aunt of Hannah Stittle wishes to take her into Service immediately & had promised to attend y^e board to day ... But no one came...

Tuesday June 23. 1840

Present Rev: Profr Scholefield, Rev: Geo: Spence

Ladies report favourable

Profr Scholefd reported that when in London he had visited ye Penitentiary, but found nothing in its arrangemt particularly worthy of note - it was not built on purpose, but converted to its present use. he had seen & spoken wth a prisoner who seemed thankful for ye shelter afforded her though she wod greatly have preferred ye Refuge here.

Building Fund. The Treasurer reported that he had received from Mr Perry the Sum of £150 on loan in order to ~~ex~~ ye completion of ye purchase of ye Site. It is understood to be lent free of Interest, & that Mr P. wishes it to be repaid by xtmas, in which wish ye Committee heartily concur.

Sarah Freeman. the ladies' report states that this young woman had applied to Mrs Owen yesterday being desirous of returning to ye paths of Virtue. her wish is to go to ye Penitentry but from her delicate appe Mrs Owen fears she will not be ~~xx~~ a fit object for ~~xx~~ admission. She has lately been discharged ye hospital, where Mrs Owen saw her several times. ye report states that she will appear before ye Board to-day

Tuesday June 30th 1840

Present - Rev Geo Goulcher - Mr Adams - Revd J. Spence - Mr Hammond

Mrs Owen reported she had received several Anonymous letters signed T. K. relative to a female named Emma Jaggard whom the writer was anxious should be snatched if possible from the course of sin she had just entered upon - Mrs Owen consequently made enquiries & discovered E. J. living in Burleigh Street with a Mrs Moule (of whom Mr Hammond spoke by no means favorably having known her for many years) & requested her to attend the Committee this day -

Emma Jaggard upon being called in answered as follows: -

I am 18 years of age - have neither Father nor Mother - my Father was a Wood-ward - have brothers living at Newmarket - Stetchworth & Dullingham - have also a Sister living with Mr Davis at Newmarket - I can read but cannot write - have been in Service - with Mr Piper for 2 years - afterwards for the last 1½ year with Mr John Robinson - a Training groom - at Newmarket - left him about 3 weeks ago in consequence of a quarrel & warning given - then came to Cambridge - to a relation's named Elsden or Elliston - not sure where they lived - believe in Green Street - but they have moved - I know not where - Mrs Moule came to fetch me away from thence - cannot tell how she knew of my being there except that I visited at a Mrs Smiths King Street (whose husband is a bookbinder) whose little girl visited at Mrs Moules - have been living ever since in Burleigh St - fell into sin first in Cambridge with a perfect stranger - had a sweet-heart at Newmarket

"but considering he had broken his engagements with me
"thought I would be revenged on him—
"have been used to attend school & the Parish Church of Newm[n]—
"do not know the nature of this house — but having now heard
"the object of the Institution think I should wish to come in
"& that I would not again sin as before — but do not know on
"what ground I rely — am willing to wear the dress & would
"rather have my hair cut off than live in sin" —

Agreed that Emma Jaggard be admitted for a week or two until some further information be obtained —

Tuesday July 7[th] 1840

Present — Rev[d] F Hose — Rev[d] Spence — Mr Adams — Mr Hammond
Rev[d] Coulcher

After Prayer offered up by Mr Spence the Minutes were read —
Ladies report & Matrons report of Inmates satisfactory —
Emma Jaggard — Mrs Owen reported that Mr Hayler Church Warden of Barnwell was the Anonymous Correspondt — who having been accosted by E. J. in the fair was induced to make enquiries & feeling compasion for her took the method he had done in the hope of rescuing E. J. from further sin & ruin —
The Matron reported she had held conversation with E. J. relative to her accosting Mr H — &c — it was not satisfactory — cannot help feeling suspicion as to her motives for coming here — cannot see any marks of sorrow & repentance — her conduct however is good —
Resolved that the Secretary do write to Mr Robinson for further information

& endeavour to find out the relations —
Advertissment — Resolved that the last Circular addressed to former members of the Benevolent Society (with some alterations) be inserted in the Chronicle & Independent Press of Saturday next —
Bills allowed —

	£
Matrons Salary 12 to June 24[th]	5 " — " —
Do for Maintenance of Inmates to June 30[th]	11 " 5 " —
	£16 " 5 " —

The Treasurer reported the following Subscriptions —

	£	
Mrs Raymond Hills Road	A.	1 " 1 " —
Miss Raymond do	A.	1 " — " —
Miss Flavel (renewed Subscription)	A.	1 " — " —
Mrs Elliston	A.	— " 10 " —
Mrs Smelt Trumpington Street	A.	1 " — " —
Mrs Owen (to make A.S. £1)	A.	— " 10 " —

Also the following Donation to the Build[g] Fund.

	£
Rev A. Martineau — Whitkirk Yorkshire	2 " — " —

Tuesday July 14[th]

Present — Rev[d] F. Hose — G Spence — J. Boodle & Mr Hammond
Ladies Report gave an unfavorable account of Mary Webbs impertinence to her Mistress —
Emma Jaggard — A letter was read from Mr Robinson of Newmarket by which it appeared that E. J.s Statement was not quite correct — having been called in & spoken to seriously she appeared humbled

explained the apparent inaccuracies to the satisfaction of the Committee – The name of the young man who broke his promise of marriage (which was the chief reason of her coming to Cambridge when she lost her place) was Stebbings – of Icousden Yorkshire who had come to R – to train horses –
Upon being questioned E.J. said Mr Robinson had not dismissed her for anything which would prevent him giving her a character She would be willing to stay here but would prefer going again into service – She would rather stay than return to the sinful life she had commenced –

Agreed That Secr. do write again to Mr Robinson with the view of interesting him in favour of E.J. – hoping that he would either receive her back or obtain for her some place of service – E.J however did not wish to return to Mr R.s service –

Building Fund – The Treasurer reported the following Donations:
A Friend by Rev. G. Williams 5 „ 0 „ 0
Rev: Geo: Maddison 5 „ – „ –

Ann Clarke – A Letter from her Sister read expressing kind offer of forgiveness of ale that was past & of receiving her again into the bosom of her Family – Upon being called in A.C wished to leave the whole matter to the Committee – was very thankful for the letter & very grateful for the shelter she had found while there

Agreed that the Matron do write to the Sister stating that the Committee were willing she should return home & appointing Tuesday 21st for her being fetched away –

Plans for the proposed Building by Mr Poynter were laid before the Committee

Tuesday July 21st

Present – Revd G. Spence – Boodle – Hare – Goulcher & W. Adams –

Ladies Report – favorable –

Work for Inmates – An offer was made through Rev – Harding by the Minister of Westwicken to supply the Inmates with work through the Winter – Resolved that Mr Goulcher do call upon Mr Harding to enquire more particulars in order that work from other quarters should not be excluded by such an offer –

Emma Jaggard – Mr Boodle reported he had received no answer from Mr Robinson – much discussion ensued with Rev Mr Gibbs Contractor as to the best plan of obtaining her clothes &c
It was resolved that Secr. do write to her Brother at Stotchworth requesting him to fetch her home as she was hardly considered a fit object for the Institution. –

Tuesday July 28th

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Spence Boodle Goulcher – Mr Adams & Mr Hammond

Ladies report favorable – Susan Palmer had been taken ill but was better –

Emma Jaggard – Mr Boodle read a letter from Mr Robinson stating the inability of either of her Brothers to take her home – the undesireableness of her future place of service being at a distance from Newmarket & his willingness to give her a character for strict honesty –
Mr B. stated further that he had been over to R – & made enquiries was sorry to say the result was most unfavorable – her character was most light – going out at improper hours joining evil Company –

a total want of any right religious notions - & that she had been living at Barnwell in service previously to her going to Wm Robinsons - On being called in E.J. confessd she had lived servant to Wm Bailey Boatman Anns Sun Street denied her having gone out without leave & adhered to her former Statement as to her falling into Sin &c - The Matrons report & the impressions of the Chaplain in the work being favorable - it was

Agreed that she be continued on probation for another week -

Ann Clarke - Matron reported that her Sister being unable to get a place in Coach on Tuesday 21st had come on the Wednesday & received A.C. into her charge -

Mary Smith - applied for admission - stated as follows -

"Am 19 years of age - am a native of Cambridge - have no Father -
"My Mother married again to Prime - Princes St - Bricklayers labourer -
"was brought up by my Grandmother since dead - have been living
"in Sun since October - have been in Spinning house - am desirous
"of quitting an evil course of life -"

The Surgeons report being unfavorable she was dismissed after having been kindly admonished by Profr S. - & advised as to her conduct until she might properly make application again -

Building Fund - Some discussion as to the mode of raising this having ensued upon a hasty consideration of Mr Poynters plan for the Building Mr Adams most handsomely offered to lend £100 in 4 separate sums of £25 each for 5 years free of interest - Mr Spence also made the same handsome offer - both of which were most thankfully accepted & the Secy requested to record them ——

Mary Webb - Professor Scholefield & Rev. F Hose were requested to call on Miss Dobson & admonish M. W. -

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Tuesday Aug. 4th

Present - Rev Professor Scholefield - Revs Hose - Spence - Goodwin - Cockshaw Mr Adams & Mr Hammond -

After prayer by Professor S. - the Minutes were read -

Ladies Report highly satisfactory -

Mary Webb - Professor stated he had called but not finding Miss D - at home had said nothing to M. W - Mr Hose stated he understood Miss D - had determined not to keep her - the Professor & Mr Hose were requested to call again & admonish her -

Emma Jaggard - having received a satisfactory character from the Matron as to her conduct during her probation was fully admitted -

Building Site - The Treasurer laid the Deed of Conveyance upon the Table - fully executed excepting Rev C. Perrys signature - It stated also that the Purchase Money had been paid -
It thought it right that this Deed sh[d] be "enrolled" which was agreed upon -

Bills - The following were allowed:

	£
H. Thompson	1 " 1 " —
Mr E. Lilleys Bill for Shawls	— " 12 " —
Matrons Bill for Inmates	9 " 15 " —

Matrons Report of Inmates very favorable - produced a letter from Ann Clarke requesting readmission into "that blessed house of

"mercy" on the score of her Fathers inability to support her
" & her own inability to get into service through loss of character.
After some discussion it was resolved that having been restored
to her Fathers home by her Fathers wish she could not be
re-admitted - that the Secretary do write to that effect - at the
same time advising her to endeavour to regain her character
by her conduct at-home & to wait with prayerful patience until
God shd be pleased to open some way of support &c.

The Treasurer reported the follow^g donations & Subscription: —

	£	s	d
A small Society of Undergraduates	1	5	—
X. Y. Z	2	2	—
Ignotus by Rev. J. Brown	1	—	—
Rev. George Ray — BF	15	15	—
Rev. W. Nind — AS	1	1	—

Special Meeting
Friday Aug: 7th

Present - Rev^d Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Hose - Spence & Rev^d Char^s Perry

Plans for the Refuge - Mr Poynter having gratuitously presented to the Committee plans for the proposed Building & Mr Walter having also been asked to do the same but not having yet sent in such design

resolved that Mr Walter be requested to complete his plans & that Mr J. Smith another resident Architect be asked if he be willing to prepare & present to the Committee such plan -

Resolved that invitations to send plans be confined to Messrs Poynter Walter & Smith

Also - that the Architect whose plan shall be preferred shall be employed to superintend the erection of the Building - on the assumption that the charge for commission &c shall be the usual charge of £5 p^r cent - —

That the following general Instructions & suggestions be furnished to the Architects

I. As to the position of the Building -

Probably the principal front wd be best placed facing the rear of Christ Church. —

II. As to the Foundation &c

It is wished that especial attention be given to the solidity of the foundation: — the drainage: - & to the providing the means of a plentiful supply of spring & soft water. —

III. As to the Elevation - —

This should be suited to the object of the Institution - without expensive or superfluous decoration. —

IV. As to the internal arrangements

Provision shd be made for the permanent habitation of about 24 Inmates - besides a Probationary ward for 5 or 6 - & a Sick-Ward for about the same number - & also a Laundry which might suffice for taking in washing besides doing that of the family — there should be a Matron's ordinary sitting room (on the ground floor) & two bed rooms for her - a Board room - & a place for the religious services of the household — It might be

desirable that the Board room shd be so contrived as to serve for this last purpose — The Building generally shd be so planned as to admit of enlargement at a future day.

The thickness of the walls — the Scantlings of the principal timbers & the dimensions & height of the several rooms should be specified.

V. As to the Enclosure &c

The whole must be surrounded with fence-walls of a proper height, embracing a principal & secondary entrance — the latter of which being for Tradesmen &c should have as little communication as possible with the wards of the Inmates — There must be a communication between the premises & the Church yard.

VI. Outlay —

A careful estimate of the Expense is required — that of the building & incidentals separately from the fence-walls —

It is indispensable that the entire expense be under £2000 —

VII. That it is desirable to have the plans, if possible, on or before Thursday the 27th Inst.

Further particulars may be had of the Secretaries. —

Tuesday Aug: 11th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Hore & Spence & Mr Hammond —

Ladies Report was read stating that the Ladies Committee had given the Inmates a tea party with fruit as an encouragement for their industry & good conduct on the Evening of Tuesday 4th Inst. —

The following Resolution was adopted in consequence —

The Gentlemens Committee feel it to be so delicate & difficult a duty to conduct the management of such a Family so as to make it the most suitable & effectual training for the trials & hardships which the young women may be expected to have afterwards to put up with in Service — that they are of opinion that in future any such deviations from the ordinary habits of the house — as that adverted to in the Ladies Report — should not be ventured upon without previous consideration & mutual understanding between the two Committees —

They are confirmed in this view by the remarkable coincidence that on that very day a letter was laid before the Gentlemens Committee from Ann Clarke expressing a wish to return to the Institution from her Fathers house & also Mary Webb in a conversation with two of the Gentlemen declared in a complaining way that she had been more comfortable in the Refuge than she was in Service —

Deed of Conveyance — The Treasurer reported that this was fully executed & had been sent to London for Enrolment. —

Anniversary Meeting — the 25th Oct. was considered a desirable day for this — Rev. T. Dale has consented to preach on behalf of the

Refuge in the morning & evening of Oct^r 18^th at S^t Michaels.—
It was hoped also that Rev. G Fiske would consent to preach at Christ Church in Nov^r.
Treasurer stated that at the Anniversary meeting a power must be asked for to charge the Premises with a sum of money to be borrowed—

The Treasurer reported the following Subscriptions & Donations—

July 8^th omitted —	Miss Harris - Hedleys		B.F.	5 . 0 . 0	
	Rev G.A. Carrick	—	B.F.	1 . 1 . —	
	— J.H. Howard	—	B.F.	1 . 0 . 0	
	— F. Wilson	—	B.F.	1 . 1 . —	
	Miss Cooper	—		— . 5 . —	
	G.H. Harris Esq^r - Hedleys		A.S.	1 . 1 . —	9 . 8 . 0
August -	A.M. by Rev G. Langshaw		B.F.	10 . — . —	9 - 8 - 0
	Lady M^c Gregor	—	D	1 . — . —	
	Do	—	A.S	1 . — . —	
	Lady Harvey	—		— . 10 . —	
	T.K. by M^rs Owen	—		— . 10 . —	
	M^c M. Mathew Trin: Street			— . 10 . —	
	Rev. Fra^s Curtis Colchester			1 . 1 . —	

Tuesday Aug. 18^th

Present Rev^d. Propsor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Hose - Spence & M^r Hammond
Ladies report - very favorable - as also the Matrons —
E. Twiddy — M^r Boodle reported he had heard very favorable accounts of E.T. & Simpson going to visit Rev. N.I. Hill. when he w^d make further enquiries —

Tuesday Aug^t. 25^th

Present - Rev^d. Profesor Scholefield - Boodle - Hose - Spence - Coulcher & M^r Hammond -
Ladies report & Matrons report as usual -
M.A. Smith — A Letter from M^r Skrine to M^rs Owen was read in which M^r S promises to interest himself in favor of this Person now in Townsgaol for misconduct at the Union House — —
Number of Inmates —
Resolved - That taking the circumstances of the House into consideration it is not expedient that the Number of Inmates sh^d exceed 8 — & that under no circumstances sh^d it be allowed to exceed 9. —
Building — A Letter from M^r Poynter was read which it was Resolved sh^d be entered upon the minutes —

- Copy -

" Dear Sir, When I had the pleasure of furnishing you with
" some suggestions with regard to the Refuge for the information
" of the Committee I had no idea that any thing like a
" competition was contemplated — As I object upon
" principle to Architectural Competitions except in some particular
" circumstances to which the present case does not apply & have
" moreover received the information so late that is impossible
" for me to modify the plans according to the suggestions of the
" Committee I must decline competing — but if my plans are
" of any use to the Committee I shall be most happy to leave them
" in their possession — I am Dear Sir Faithfully Yours
" Cambridge 25^th Aug^t 1840 " Ambrose Poynter —
" Edward Thos Boodle

In consequence of this Letter it was

Resolved – That the Committee very greatly regret that through want of due consideration at the time any misunderstanding should have existed on their part on the terms of the original communication between the Committee & himself –

That – the Secretaries be requested to write to Mr Poynter to ask an explanation of his letter whether under the circumstances he will be willing to allow his plans to be considered by the Committee & whether in the event of their being chosen he will be willing to superintend the execution of the works. –

That – in case Mr Poynter declines to accede to this suggestion the competition be limited to Mess^rs Walker & J. Smith –

That the Sec^y do send a copy of these Resolutions to Mr Poynter at Mr Boodle's requesting he will be so good as to favor the Committee with his Answer before Thursday Evening when the other plans are to be received. –

Tuesday Sept^r 1^st

Present – Rev^d Mr Hose – Boodle – Coulcher –

After prayer offered up by Rev^d Mr Hose the Minutes were read –

Building Plans – of Mess^rs Walker & J Smith were laid on the table –

The Secretary also reported he had sent the Resolutions agreed to at the last meeting to Mr Poynter & had received the following Answer:

" Sir – In answer to your letter of yesterday I beg leave
" to say that I can have no objection to my plans being
" considered by the Committee since they are prepared to

" view them with reference to the circumstances under which
" they have been made – & in case of their being chosen
" I am quite willing to superintend the execution of the
" works – I am Sir, – Your Obed^t Serv^t – Ambrose Poynter –
" Cambridge 27^th Aug 1840 – The Sec^y to the Comb^e Refuge Committee –

E. Priddy – Mr Boodle stated that the Rev N. J. Hill had called upon him & told him that E. P was in good health & her grandmother was recovering – therefore he thought it advisable that she sh^d be admitted or he w^d endeavour to get her a place –

as the Refuge is now full Mr Boodle was requested to go over to Snailwell & endeavour to make some arrangements for getting her into service –

Mr Boodle presented the account of monies paid for weekly support of E. P from April 27^th to Aug: 24^th in accordance with Resolution passed April 28^th – this was allowed. –

Ladies Report – all well –

M. Webb – has left Miss Dobson & gone to Rev Robinsons Barrington –

M A Smith – Matron reported that M. A. S. had called this morning to make application but was advised to go back to the Union as the Refuge was full & she did not appear in a fit state for admission –

Mr Hose stated the Gov^r of the Gaol gave her a very good character

Matrons report of all the Inmates favorable – especially of Beadsworth. –

Bills allowed –

	£	s	d
Matron for Inmates from July 28^th to Aug 25^th	9	–	–
E. Priddys Account for 17 wks	2	19	6
Thompson for Matting &c	1	1	–
	£13	–	6

Building Fund – Secretary laid on the table a letter from T. Dawes Esq^r which had enclosed a £5 note for this Fund

Tuesday Sept^r 8^th

Present Rev^d Hors – Coulcher & M^r Hammond –
Ladies & Matrons Reports satisfactory

Tuesday Sep. 15^th

Present – Rev^d Boodle Coulcher & Hors –
Ladies & Matrons Reports as before

Tuesday Sept^r 22^nd

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield & Boodle – M^r Adams & M^r Hammond.
Ladies report as before –
E. Twiddy – a letter from Rev. N. Hill of Snailwell was read –
recommending Twiddys re-admission into the Hospital –
Agreed that M^r H. be requested to send Twiddy to the Hospital on
Wednesday next – 29^th inst –
A Clarke – Matron produced a letter from A.C. expressing great
thankfulness for what had past & giving a very encouraging view
of her State of mind –

Tuesday Sept^r 29^th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield & Spence & M^r Adams. –
Ladies reported they found all well –
The Treasurer reported the following receipts –

			£	s	d
Aug 11^th	Rev. Francis Curtis	D	1	1	–
	M^rs Rufell	D	1	–	–
Sep. 26^th	A Friend by M^rs H Bull	D	1	–	–
	Rev G Coulcher	BI	3	3	–

Tuesday Oct^r 6^th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle Coulcher Spence –
M^r Adams & M^r Hammond –
After prayer offered by Professor S – the Minutes were read –
Ladies Report – Satisfactory –
E. Twiddy – M^r Boodle stated she had been sent over free of expence by
M^r Hill & having received a recommendation was now in Hospital –
Bills allowed –

	£	s	d
Young for Groceries &c	2	5	3
Matrons Salary for 1 Quarter	5	–	–
Matrons Bill for 5 weeks	11	5	–
	£18	10	3

Half-yearly Meeting of Genral Committee –
Agreed that this be held on Tuesday next Oct^r 13^th at ½ past 10 o'clk
when Auditors will be appointed – the Vacancy in the Managing
Committee occasioned by M^r Haylocks withdrawal be filled up –
& authority be required for borrowing Money for building the
Institution – if needful –
The Manag^g Committee to meet ½ an hour before as usual –
The 2^nd Anniversary Meeting – determined that this be held on
Tuesday Oct^r 20^th at 1 o'clk – that M^r Adams do request the

Mayor to grant the use of the Aldermens Parlour in the Town Hall – that Professor Scholefield & Mr Spence do request the Master of Jesus Coll: to take the chair & that the Secretary do send out the requisite notices –

Sermons – to be preached on Sunday Oct^r 18^th – at S^t Michaels in the Morning & Evening by Rev. T. Dale Vicar of S^t Brides Fleet Street & at Christ Church Barnwell in the Morning & Even^g – by Rev. G. Fisk Rector of Walsall – & in the afternoon by Rev Professor Scholefield the requisite handbill was drawn up. –

Charlotte Sampson – Mr Owen laid a letter on the Table from Rev. H. Battescombe recommending this person for admission into Refuge – It appeared upon enquiry that C. S was an Orphan – 17 yrs old – could read a little – had lived in service with Mr^s W^m Webb of the Public house last the End – was persuaded to leave her place & enter upon a course of sin about a week before Mich^s Fair by a Girl whom she had become acquainted with in the Union & who was living in sin herself – About 7 weeks since had gone to her sisters house – Mr^s Shadbolt Gas Lane – where she had conducted herself steadily – was anxious to leave her sin through the reproaches of conscience – when in service had no opportunity of attending a place of worship – had lately attended Mr Battescombe –

The Committee feeling interested in the case – proposed as the refuge is full – that C. S sh^d go to the Penitentiary which being willing to do – it was agreed that the Committee w^d guarantee half the expence & request Mr Owen to endeavour to raise the other half through Mr Battescombe – & that C. S sh^d call upon

Mr^s Owen on Thursday M^g – at ½ past 9 for further conversation

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Tuesday Oct^r 13^th

One O Clock

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Hose – Spence & Coulcher Mr Adams & Mr Hammond –

Ladies Report was read – With much thanksgiving for the continued Mercies vouchsafed by Almighty God to the Inmates of the Institution the Ladies could not help feeling anxious about the future welfare of those who had been nearly 2 years in y^e Asylum from the general good conduct & the fixed attention & apparent love of instruction in Divine truth manifested by the Young Women the Ladies were encouraged to hope the good work was begun in some of them & w^d be continued (they trusted) so as to be a preservative against yielding to temptation whensoever they sh^d again enter into the world –

The Ladies also gave it as their decided & unanimous opinion that fresh Bills sh^d be printed & the prices raised to that paid to the Schools for the Childrens work – that done by the Inmates being ⅓rd less – nevertheless the sum received for work done in the past year amounted to £33.14.10 – & for washing £3.3.7 – making a total of £36.18.5 which was in the Savings Bank –

Charlotte Sampson The Secretary of the Ladies Committee had written to the London Penitentiary but no answer had been received –

Annual Meeting – Mr Adams reported the Mayor had granted the use

of the Town Hall on Tuesday next —

Managing Committee agreed to meet on Wednesday next at 1 o'clock in consequence of the Annual Meeting on Tuesday —

Tuesday Octr 13th

Half past One O'Clock —

The Halfyearly Meeting of the General Committee was held

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Coulcher - Hose - Spence - Langshaw & C Perry - & Messrs Adams - Hammond & Fawcett.

The Chairman - Professor Scholefield - at the close of another year expressed thankfulness to Almighty God for having helped us hitherto & given us so much encouragement - He stated the No of Inmates to be 9 - 6 having been admitted during the year & 3 having left - 1 for the Penitentiary - 1 to her Fathers house & 1 to Service - admission had been refused to on acct of want of room -

A. Clarke who had been sent home - had sometime ago manifested an impatient desire to quit the Refuge but after a weeks reflection was willing to remain & had conducted herself very satisfactorily up to the time of her Sister coming to fetch her - Since her arrival at home not finding a situation she had requested to be re-admitted but this being contrary to the Laws - she had written to the Matron expressing her thankfulness for the instruction & counsel received - her willingness to remain contented in the place appointed of God & her gratitude to God for having rescued her from her sinful course - The Chairman stated the great importance of finding a place for her - He then read Extracts from the Ladies Report - pointing out particularly the time some of the Inmates had been with us & the opinion of

the Ladies relative to the prices of the Needlework -

He reported that the Managing Committee unanimously recommend Mrs J. Gotobed as Successor to Mrs Haylock in their Number - Alluding to the Building of the Institution, Professor mentioned the Correspondence with the Bedfordshire Clergy & reported that the general basis had been accepted - He stated also that the price given for the Site was not higher than nor indeed so high as that of some of the surrounding portions - concluded with praying that the blessing of God which had followed us hitherto would still continue with us & guide & help us -

Treasurer produced his Accounts from Octr 21 1839 to Octr 13 1840 which are given below - He stated that some of the Subscriptions had not been collected & that several Donations had been appropriated to the Building Fund - That the receipts for Needlework &c had not been paid in to his account - This wd make up the deficiency in the years Income - He reported also that a Separate Account had been opened at Messrs Smallbrooks in the names of the Trustees of the B. Fund 2 of whom wd be able to draw -

A question having arisen whether the Committee wd be justified - (should the receipts by the Sermons not be large) - in proceeding at once to build by borrowing the money needful or whether they shd wait until the whole Amount be obtained by Donations Legacies &c it was proposed by Rev C. Perry & carried that

We shd endeavour during the next Term to raise as large a sum as possible 1st by Donations & 2dly by loans of 25£ for a term of years free of Interest - & if 1000£ be thus raised a special Meeting shd be called

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Analysis of Receipts Octr 21 1839 to

I General Purposes

1839	Of the Treasurer on loan (a balance of £16.3.9 being due to him at the Audit)			57 . 9 . 2
	Annual Subscriptions	97 . 14 . 6		
	Donatns to General Purposes	53 . 12 . 0		156 . 18 . 2
	Work done by Inmates	5 . 11 . 8		
1840	Loan by Treasurer			100 . — . —
				314 . 7 . 4

II Building Fund.

Donations appropriated by the Committee or expressly given to the Building Fund	739 . 19 . 2		
Loan by Rev C. Perry to complete the Purchase of the Site	150 . 0 . 0	889 . 19 . 2	
			£1204 . 6 . 6

Octr 13 . 1840 Analysis of Disbursements

I General Purposes

1839	Repaid the Treasurer balance due at last audit & advance subsequently made by him			73 . 12 . 11
	Maintenance of Inmates	109 . 1 . 0		
	Furniture Bedding Clothes	15 . 9 . 6		
	Coals Candles Soap &c	15 . 13 . 2		
	Rent Taxes Repairs &c	32 . 12 . —		
	Matron's Salary	20 . 0 . 0		202 . 14 . 3
	Books Stationery Postages	2 . 2 . 7		
	Printing Annual Report &c	7 . 4 . —		
	Advertizing	— 12 . 0		
	Balance at Bankers			38 . 0 . 2
				314 . 7 . 4

II Building Fund

Purchase of Site	790 . 0 . 0		
Printing	4 . 2 . —		
Advertizing	11 . 16 . 8		805 . 18 . 8
Bill for Conveyance not received	0 . 0 . 0		
Balance transferred to the Account of the Trustees of the Building Fund			84 . 0 . 6
			£1204 . 6 . 6

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The above Accounts audited and found correct —

Thos Stevenson
Thos H. Fisher } Auditors

at Christmas or before to ask the necessary authority for borrowing the remainder on Mortgage —
Rev C. Perry then proposed & R. M. Fawcett Esq seconded a Vote of thanks to the Managing & Ladies Committees with grateful thanks to Almighty God for his goodness in prospering their labours —
Proposed by Rev G. Langshaw seconded by R. M. Fawcett Esq that Mr James Gotobed Junr do fill up the vacancy in the Managing Committee occasioned by the withdrawal of Mr Haylock —

Monday Octr 19th

At a special meeting of the Majority of Incumbents - Members of the Committee - held at Rev G. Spence's - for the purpose of determining the three elected members of the committee who shd go out by rotation this year - & choosing three out of the body of the Subscribers to fill up the Vacancies thus occasioned according to Rule iii

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Langshaw - Spence & Swinney -

Resolved that the term "rotation" in Rule 3rd be understood to mean that those members who have attended the Committee Meetings the fewest times shd be taken alphabetically —

Resolved consequently that the Revs Cooper & Kingdon do go out & that the Vacancies thus left together with that made by the resignation of Mr Haylock be filled up by Rev J. Romilly - C. C. Harris Esq & Mr Law St Andrews Street - & shd any of these decline the office then that G. H. Harris Esq be requested to undertake it

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Tuesday Octr 20th

At a General Meeting of the Subscribers & Friends of the Institution held at the Town Hall (in the Aldermens room)

The Rev. G. Archdall D.D Master of Emmanuel College in the Chair

The Report having been read by the Secretary the following Resolutions were agreed to unanimously

I Upon the motion of the Revd T. Dale M.A Vicar of St Brides London - seconded by Rev Professor Scholefield

That the Report now read be received approved and printed with a list of Donations & the names of the Subscribers for general circulation —

II Upon the motion of Rev C. Perry M.A Fellow & Tutor of Trinity College - seconded by Rev G. Fiske Rector of Walsall Staffordshire

That this Meeting entirely approves of the Steps taken by the Committee for securing a Site for the proposed Buildings in all respects so eligible; and rejoices in the prospect of establishing upon a permanent basis an Institution so excellent in its design and so urgently required and pledges itself to the utmost increase of individual exertion in order to make the Site available by raising funds for the erection of the building —

III Upon the motion of Revd C. H. Malkin M.A - Fellow of Kings College and Senr Proctor - seconded by Revd M. Gibbs M.A Fellow of Caius College

That the Committee be authorized if they shall see fit with a

wish to forward the early erection of the building - to solicit Loans without interest of sums of £25 and upwards to be repaid at such future period by lot or by arrangement as shall be agreed upon —

IV. Upon the motion of Sir George Hamage Bart. seconded by Chas. Pemberton Esq.

That the Committee - the Treasurer - the Secretaries - the Surgeon and the Ladies Committee be requested to continue their exertions on behalf of the Institution both in regard to its present maintenance and permanent establishment —

Thanks were voted to the Chairman for the kindness & ability manifested by him in the Chair - and to the Mayor for the use of the Room & the Meeting separated —

Wednesday Oct. 21st

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present Rev. Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Hoare & Spence & Messrs. Gotobed & Hammond -

A Prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God for prospering the work on Sunday last & at the Gen. Meeting having been offered up -

The Ladies Report was read - all well -

The Secretary of the Ladies Committee laid a letter before the Committee received yesterday from the Matron of the Penitentiary London in answer to an application for the admission of Charlotte Simpson (who has called every day during past week on Mrs. Rosh & appeared much dejected at no answer having been received before) — The following are Extracts: — "The young woman may be sent up (on the usual "conditions) on Tuesday next. —

"Armitage - who was sent from Cambridge in May last - though "a strong healthy Woman became unwilling to work & preferred "leaving the Institution to doing so - therefore on Wednesday last "she was dismissed at her own earnest request - She refused to go "to Cambridge: therefore our Messenger took her to the Waggon to "go home to her Father: — O! what a sadly disappointing people "are these poor Outcasts! —"

Plans of Building - A special Meeting for considering these be held on Friday Nov. 5th at 1 o'clock. —

Receipts for Needlework &c - Agreed that the Secretary to the Ladies Committee be requested to pay the Money received for the Inmates work (deducting the portion due to the Inmates which may remain

in the Savings Bank) to the Account of the Treasurer at Westbrook.
Mr Boodle reported that R. M. Fawcett Esq. had offered a Donation of £5 now or a Loan of £50 free of Interest for 7 years after Jan. next.
Resolved that the Loan be accepted with thanks.
Mr J. Gotobed Junr. presented a Donation of £5. — accepted with thanks.
The Treasurer then reported the receipts & loans &c of the last few days as follows —

Loans free of Interest

A nameless Friend (through Prof. S.)	£25	for 7 years
R. M. Fawcett Esq.	£50	do
Mr Adams	£100	for 5 years
Rev. G. Spence	£100	for 5 years
Anonymous (through Rev G.S.)	£100	do
Rev G. Ray	£25	do 4 years
Sir. G. Harrage Bart	£25	for 3 years
	£425	

Donations &c.

	£	s	d
Rev. Dr James	21	—	—
Rev H. H. Swinny	5	—	—
Rev. W. Carus	5	5	—
Sermons at St Michaels by Rev T. Dale	66	5	6
Do at Christ Church by Rev G. Fisk & Prof. S.	44	14	6
Rev Dr French Master of Jesus Coll.	5	5	—
T. B	6	12	—
J. Paynter Esq. by Rev G. Spence	10	—	—
Rev. A. Martineau	2	—	—
Carried forward	£166	2	—

	£	s	d
Brought forward	166	2	—
A Lady by C. Pemberton Esq.	100	—	—
Jas Gotobed Junr Esq.	5	—	—
Rev C. Perry	25	—	—
M. O'Brien Esq. Jesus Coll.	5	—	—
	£301	2	—
Balance of Building Fund	84	—	6
	£385	2	6
Deduct Loan repaid to Rev C. Perry	150	—	—
Available Balance	£235	2	6

Sums unpaid:

Mr Elliott Smith	£5	—
Professor Whewell	5	—
Rev Dr Wightman	1	—
	11	—
	£246	2	6

E. Priddy — Mr Boodle reported that E. P. had left the Hospital this day & gone back to Swaffham in an encouraging state of mind — Her Brother who had come to see her in the Hospital had promised to take care of her. —

General Committee — The Secretary reported that Rev J. Romilly had declined the proposal to fill up a vacancy but that Mr Law — C. P. Harris Esq. & G. H. Harris Esq. had acceded thereto —

Thursday Oct^r 29

At a meting of the Managing Committee (postponed from Tuesday on account of the Jews Society Anniversary)

Present - Rev^d Prof^r Scholefield - Hose - Spence - Mr Gotobed & Mr Adams - Rev^d T. Boodle. -

Ladies Report - satisfactory - also stated the Ladies had ordered the Amount paid into the Savings Bank on account of work done by the Inmates to be withdrawn on Sat^y next. -

The Treasurer reported the following Receipts & Subscriptions

	£	s	d
Christopher Pemberton Esq^r	100	"	-
Sermons at All Saints Church by Rev G Spence & The Hulsean Lecturer	25	"	-
Rev^d C. Thackeray D.D. Provost of Kings	10	"	10
Sermon at St Botolph by Rev G. Fisk	10	"	11

Also by Mr Adams the follows Donations:

Mr James Fuller	2	"	-
Mr Thos Hemmy Bush	3	"	-
Geo. Thos Fisher Esq^r	5	"	5
Mr Jas Nutter	10	"	-
Wm Cooke Esq & Wm Sheet	5	"	-
Wm Eaden Market Sheet	5	"	-
Mr Gotobed	10	"	-
Mr J. Gotobed	5	"	-
Mr Mrs Gotobed	5	"	-
	£191	6	-

also Mr Metcalf annual Sub^n — 1 " - " -

	£		
Also a Loan by Rev. Prof^r Whewell	25		6 years

Loans — The subject being brought forward it was considered expedient that the period from which the time should run should be Lady Day 1841 before which it is not probable that any sum will be wanted by the Builders —

Subscriptions - The following Persons reported their willingness to increase their Annual Subscriptions:

Mr Adams from £2 2s to £3

Rev^d G. Spence from £1 1 to £2 2 —

Tuesday Nov^r 3^rd

Present - Rev^d Professor Scholefield - Boodle Coulcher Hose Spence Mr Adams & Mr Hammond

After prayer by Rev^d Spence & the Minutes of last month were read

Ladies Report was read - announcing that the Sec^y of the Ladies Committee had placed £27 to the Treasurers Account at Westbrooks - leaving £5 in the Savings Bank as the portion due to the Inmates - the interest on the sum £37 deposited in the Sav^gs Bank not to be paid until Dec^r — It stated also that

Charlotte Sampson had arrived at the Female Penitentiary but the Medical men are fearful that her health is very delicate -

Bills allowed -

	£		
Matrons Bill for maintenance of Inmates	9	"	-
Shoemakers Bill for mending &c	-	2	8
	£9	2	8

The Secretary reported the offer of a Loan of £25 for 3 years by

R Suckling Esq= Caius Coll — accepted with thanks —
The Treasurer was requested to consider the form of a charge to the Parties lending sums of £25 —
He reported a Donation of £1 from L. Jones Esq= —

Friday Nov= 6th

A special meeting was held for the consideration of the Plans of the Building & the appointment of the Architect
Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Hose — Spence & Mr Gotobed — Mr. Adams being absent at Bedford —
Read the Architects specifications or explanatory letters accompanying their designs — & after much discussion it was resolved to adjourn till Wednesday Nov= 11th at ¼ past 2 PM in the mean time enquiry should be made of Mr Poynter as to the 3 following particulars — viz
1. The thickness of the walls & scantlings of his proposed Building
2 The intended height of his rooms
3. If this were only 9½ as supposed by the Committee — then what the cost would be of raising them to 11 feet. —

Tuesday Nov= 10th

Present — Rev^d Boodle — Spence — Coulcher — Mr. Adams & Mr Hammond
No Ladies report — but Matron stated all were well &c —
Inmates portion of receipts for work — The Secretary referred to Rule X by which the whole proceeds of work done by the Inmates are applied towards defraying the Expences of the Institution

& suggested the alteration of this Rule in order to sanction the proposal of the Committee to give a portion of the receipts to the Inmates themselves upon their leaving the Refuge with good characters &c — This however can only be done at a General Meeting
Exchequer Bills — The Treasurer gave notice that he wd propose at the first meeting next month that the amount in hand on the Building Fund account being upwards of £100 the Trustees be requested to direct Mess^rs Monklock to purchase Exchequer Bills therewith —
Mr Poynters letter in answer to the application directed to be made to him at the Special Meeting on Friday last was laid before the Committee stating
1. Thickness of walls to be 14 inches — of Scantlings — Joists across the Wards 11½ inches deep 2½ inches wide. Joists deep front rooms & wings 10½ inches by 2½ —
2. Intended height of rooms was 9½ feet
3. The cost of raising them to 11 feet will be £70

Wednesday Nov= 11th

At a Special Meeting held for the purpose of deciding upon a Plan for the proposed Building
Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Hose & Spence & Mr Adams —
Mr Poynters letter was read — furnishing the required information — it was then proposed by Mr Hose & seconded by Mr Adams & carried unanimously that the plan sent in by Mr Poynter be adopted —
Resolved that Mr Boodle do write to Mr Poynter informing him of the decision of the Committee & requesting him to consider by that

means the Matrons Room may be transferred to the ground floor also in what way a bath-room a washing place & a beer cellar may be contrived —

Resolved also that the Secretary do return their plans to the other Architects accompanied with the best thanks of the Committee & the information that after much & anxious deliberation the plan of Mr Poynter seemed to all the Committee to be the most eligible. —

Tuesday Novr 17th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Goulcher — Hose & Spence and Mr Hammond

Ladies Report — all well —

Exchequer Bills — Treasurer proposed that an order be given to Messrs Mortlock to invest the sum of £700 or so much as shall be necessary in the purchase of Exchequer Bills to that Amount on account of the Building Fund —

E. Twiddy — Mr Boodle read a letter from Rev N. I. Hill of Swaiswell stating that E. T's grandmother was dead — that E. T's conduct had been exceedingly good & attentive — that having now no female relative or Friend it would be advisable that she should return to the protection of the Committee —

Agreed that Mr Boodle do have a conference with Mr Hill. —

Charlotte Palmer — having stated that she has a Grandmother named Harris living at Mr Williams Grocers &c Market Deeping Lincolnshire who she thought was likely to assist her

agreed that the Secr do write to Mrs Harris

Tuesday Novr 24th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Hose Spence & Messrs Adams & Gotobed

Professor Scholefield mentioned that Mrs Scholefield had received a letter from Mrs Hayles in which she stated that Mrs Webb of Clare Hall Lodge had kindly offered her services to the Ladies Committee —

Some difficulty having arisen to the Ladies Committee in conducting their monthly service with the Inmates for want of a suitable form of prayer — some conversation arose as to the propriety of providing one & a general opinion expressed in favour of doing so. —

Mr Spence mentioned a proposal from Mr H. Rose Chairman of the Victoria Benefit Asylum to have a Bazaar at the Commencement next July for the two Institutions jointly — unanimously disapproved & Mr Spence was requested to convey the sense of the meeting —

E. Twiddy — Mr Boodle reported he had seen Mr Hill of Swaiswell & the girl Twiddy — She was at present going on with propriety & hoped that either her Brother or her Mothers former Mistress living in Ireland would procure her a situation as Servant which she was now able to undertake — Should she fail she would thankfully avail herself of the kind offer of the Committee to give her a temporary shelter

Ladies Report was satisfactory —

Wednesday Novr 25th

Tuesday Dec^r 1^st

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle Coulcher Spence
Mr Adams & Mr Hammond

After prayer by Rev G Coulcher – the Minutes were read –

Ladies Report stated the Inmates were all well – also that Mrs Knight of Milton had expressed herself favourably towards the Institution of the existence of which she had been hitherto ignorant –
also that Mr Robinson had given a satisfactory Account of Mary Webbs steadiness &c to Mrs Finch –

Ladies Committee – The Sec^y was requested to obtain from Mrs Rowe the names of the Ladies Committee – in consequence of the omission (by mistake) of the name of Mrs Rowe in the Report –

Reports – resolved that a Copy be sent to each Donor & Subscriber free of postage –

Also that a Copy of the 1^st & 2^d Reports be stitched together in blue & sent to each Member of the Managing Committee & be laid upon the table of the Board room –

Donations – resolved that all Donations under £5 having been once acknowledged in the Printed Report be afterwards discontinued –

Perpetuity of the Institution – resolved that the Treasurer do confer with Mr Pemberton on the expediency of preparing a Deed of Trust with all necessary powers for perpetuating the Institution.

Bills allowed

	£	s	d
Mathews Bill for Maintenance	9	–	–
Rowe Grocer	1	4	4
	£10	4	4

Tuesday Dec^r 8^th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose & Spence –

Ladies Report stated that the Inmates were well except C. Palmer who is very ill – the other Inmates had evinced great kindness & sympathy towards her great harmony & peace amongst themselves –

Ellen Tunge – having completed her 2 years at the Female Penitentiary London has been provided with an excellent situation

Surgeons Report dated Dec^r 8^th as follows –
"C. Palmer is seriously unwell but I do not apprehend
"any immediate danger" J. Hammond –

C. & Palmer – The Secretary produced a letter received from Mr Williamson Market Dereping in answer to one sent to Mr Harris (Palmers Grandmother) – see Minute Nov^r 17 – stating that Mr Harris died in Jan^y last & that the Aunts not knowing any thing of the Palmers could render them no assistance –

Exchequer Bills – The Treasurer reported that Exchequer Bills to the Amount of £50 had been purchased by an outlay of £46 7s 6d

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Tuesday Dec: 15^th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose – Spence
Mr Adams & Mr Hammond –

Ladies Report – referred merely to C. Palmers illness –

Surgeons Report – favorable – if necessary Mr H. would not hesitate to call in Dr Haviland –

Tuesday Dec 22nd

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Rose - Coulcher - Spence
Messrs Gotobed & Hammond -

Building Plans - Mr Poynter attended by appointment & the amended plans having been considered in detail were finally adopted -

Tenders for the Building - Messrs Bell - Papworth - Peck - Lawrence & Whittaker - Builders - having in private communications with the Architect expressed their willingness to send in tenders for the building - It was agreed that the Secy do inform them that the Plans &c will lie at from Monday 25th inst to Monday 11th Jany -

Agreed also that the Parties to the Contract on the side of the Institution be the Chairman - the Treasurer & the Secretaries -

Ladies Report - stated that prayer had been offered up with the Inmates in consequence of C. Palmers illness & that all appeared well & happy - very attentive & repeated lessons better than usual -

C. Prynne - having been reported by the Ladies Secretary as guilty of insolence & disrespect to the Matron - the Matron was called in who reported as follows:-

"On Wednesday Morning last I had occasion to reprove Charlotte Prynne on account of the badness of the work - She immediately flew into a violent passion & spoke very improperly & disrespectfully saying She would go out & try to give satisfaction elsewhere &c - I said little or nothing more except that she was behaving very wrongly - The next morning Mrs Owen came in who with Miss

Gotobed spoke to her very seriously: urging her to seek pardon from God & to acknowledge her fault to the Matron - if not they must report her to the Govrs Committee - She replied only by weeping violently - During the remainder of the day she performed her work as usual but on the Evening having been sent to wash up the tea things remaining longer than necessary I went to look for her & found that she had escaped from the premises - I immediately informed Mr Boodle & Mr Spence - On my return home her Uncle - Ryder a bricklayer - came & told me she was at her Sisters - I immediately went over & found her sitting by the fireside - together with her Uncle I spoke to her of the impropriety of what she had done - flying in the face of her best friends - I urged her to return - She refused - I then told her all might be well if she returned instantly but if she stayed out of the Institution one night I could hold out no hopes of her being readmitted - & it would be bad for her having run away with the clothes belonging to the Institution - After some more conversation She at last consented to return in order to change her clothes - on getting her within the gate I locked it & would not suffer her to leave - She did not break out into passion but remained sullen & silent - going on with her work as usual during the 2 next days - On Sunday morning I went to Church & begged her to take her Bible & read to Charlotte Palmer - I did so again in the Afternoon - After Supper She expressed a wish to speak to me - said She was very sorry for what she had done - confessed she had an evil temper through

"which she had lost several places – that she had not been
"what she ought to have been for 2 or 3 weeks past –
"I urged her to pray for grace to overcome this besetting sin
"but she replied she dared not pray as that would be only
"adding sin to sin ——— She has not manifested any bad
"temper since & conforms to the rules &c but does not speak"–

After some conversation amongst the Committee

Charlotte Peyme was called in – upon Professor kindly addressing her she burst into tears & turning her face away continued weeping the whole time –

"My reason for going out was that Mrs Owen said I must beg the matrons pardon or be reported – this I could not bear – the matron has not behaved unkindly – I have no wish to leave the house – am not tired – on my return was willing to stay but could not bear the thought of being reported –
I was very angry with some of the other Inmates when the matron came in – this occasioned my disrespect to her –
I now think I was very wrong to act in the way I did – had no thought how I was to live when I left the house – am sensible & sorry for my fault as I told the matron – have no wish for my liberty but would rather stay if the Gent^n think proper if permitted to stay hope I should not again give way to temper – have not prayed lately to God to subdue my evil temper – have tried to do so since this happened but could not – I am so wicked –
If I had my choice would rather stay than go out –

"Charlotte Palmer on Sunday begged me to pray – I said I could
"not – she replied I will pray with you" – Her conversation induced
"me to go to the Matron after Supper" –

Mrs Pratt – Grandmother to C. Peyme – was called in & said she wished C. P to stay but if not permitted – her Son & his wife living in Jesus Lane would willingly make some sacrifice in order to shelter & befriend her –

It was agreed however that she should be permitted to stay in the hope that what has occurred may lead to more self knowledge & earnest prayer & may be overruled by God to her Eternal welfare –

Charlotte Palmer – Surgeons report was very favorable –

Tuesday Dec^r 29^th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose – Spence & Mr Hammond –

Ladies report stated that the Ladies Committee had spoken to C. Peyme relative to the lenity shewn her in her being re admitted & advised her strongly as to her future conduct – The other Inmates also had been seriously admonished not to follow her example –

Plans & Specification – The Secretary reported that these had been laid for the inspection of the Builders at 23 Fitzwilliam Street – Heals – from Monday 28^th to Saturday Jan: 9^th

Surgeons report – C. Palmer is going on favorably –

C. Peyme – was reported by Matron as having told her & the Grandmother on leaving the Boardroom last week that she wished to go to her Uncles but upon being questioned by the Ladies said again that she felt

she had been so kindly treated that she was desirous of remaining in the house — The Matron reported that C. Byrne had conducted herself very well during the past week —

Tuesday Jan 5th 1841

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle Coulcher & Hose

After prayer by Revd Hose the minutes of the past month were read —

Ladies report stated at the meeting of Ladies Committee — being the last day of the year — suitable reflections were made & thanksgiving offered for mercies received —

Mr A. Clarke — a letter from this Individual to Mrs Owen in answer to one written by her was laid before the Committee — highly satisfactory —

Matrons report that C. Byrne was going on very steadily —

C. Palmer still very ill — The other Inmates well & happy —

Bills allowed —

	£	s	d
Matrons Salary	5	—	—
Matron for Inmates to Decr 29th	11	5	—
Young for Grocery &c.	7	12	6
Purvis for Boots & Shoes	1	7	3
Wallis — Linen draper for Inmates clothing & House Linen for 1 year	9	17	1
	£35	1	10

Tuesday Janr 12th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle Coulcher Hose & Mr Hammond —

Ladies report was favorable as to the health — conduct & progress of the Inmates —

Surgeon reported that C. Palmer was much better —

Tenders for Building — agreed to meet specially on Wednr 13th at Mr Spence's house to open them

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Wednesday Janr 13th

¼ past 12 Clock

A Special Meeting was held at Mr Spences house to decide upon the Tender to be accepted

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Spence & Mr J. Gotobed

Upon the Tenders being opened they were found to be as under:

	1st Contract	Second Do	Total
Messrs Bell & Sons	£1493 — —	£824 — —	£2317 — —
— Whitaker	1420 — —	823 12 —	2243 12 —
— Lumsden	1317 8 —	695 3 —	2012 11 —
— Peck	1478 — —	520 — —	1998 — —

Resolved that Mr Lumsdens Tender of £1317 8 be accepted for the 1st Contract —

— that the Secretary do acquaint the several Parties with this decision —

Tuesday Jan^{y} 19th

Present – Rev^{d} Profesor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hon^{r} & Spence

Ladies report stated all were well – C. Palmer rather better –

Profesor Scholefield reported the receipt of a very kind letter from the Rev. H. Robinson late of S^{t} Edwards offering a loan of £25 – free of Interest for 3 Years & expressing the unabated interest he felt in this Institution &c –

Profesor announced also his intention of giving a 2nd Don^{n} of £15 . 15 . 0 to the Building Fund –

Tenders &c – The Sec^{y} reported he had ~~sent~~ delivered the following Letter to Wm Dunsee –

Cambridge Jan^{y} 13 1841

"Sir – The Committee of the Cambridge Refuge request me to apprize you that they accept your Tender of the 11th Inst. for the erection of the Cambridge Female Refuge & the Committee are now prepared to enter into a Contract for the performance of the first Portion of the Works mentioned in Mr Poynters Specification reserving to themselves the right & option of calling upon you to enter into a Contract for the remainder of the Works before the 15th of March next in accordance with the provision in that behalf contained in the same Specification –

To Mr William Dunsee for the Works. – I am &c – G. Coulcher Sec^{y} to the Building Com^{e}

Securities – Secretary reported that Mr Dunsee had called & stated his Securities would be Mr C. Finch & Mr Widnall. –

Contract – Resolved that the Sec^{y} do request Mr C. P. Harris to prepare the proper contract as soon as possible Monday next – that Mr Dunsee be at liberty to commence Operations –

Advertisement &c – Agreed that a special statement relative to the Building Fund &c be inserted in the two Cambridge Papers on Saturday next & be forwarded in Circulars to the County Gentlemen Clergy &c & that two of the Committee do call upon the Heads of the University & the Principal Inhabitants of the Town who have not yet assisted in their support to the good Work

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Tuesday Jan 26th

Present Rev^{d} Profesor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Spence & Messr^{s} Adams & Hammond. –

Ladies Report – all well except C. Palmer & full of work – C. Palmers State of mind compared & thankfull – anxious that her Companions may (now they are in health) seek that Saviour whose value to her own Soul she now experiences on her bed of sickness –

Surgeons report – Mr H. had called in Dr Paget whose opinion on the case coincided entirely with his own – C. Palmer decidedly much better. –

The Secretary reported a letter from Mr Poynter in which he says – "I can arrange (subject to Mr Parrys consent) with the Clerk "of the Works at the Church to give an Eye to the Building"

Building Fund – The Treasurer reported the following Donations :–

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Mrs Milner	10 .. ..
Edw^{d} Foss Esq^{r} London	2 .. ..
Rev F. W. Collison MA. S^{t} Johns	5 .. ..
Rev J. D Lane MA S^{t} Johns	5 .. ..
	£ 22 .. ..

She imagines she has a claim upon the Institution because she has kept her place — She left chez Dobson at end of 3 months —
Agreed that this claim together with the whole subject of rewards to be bestowed on Inmates leaving & being in Service shall be considered at the next monthly Meeting. —
The Treasurer presented a bill from F. Randall Esqr for the conveyance of site of the new Building & on the Registration of the Deed of Conveyance — amounting to £ 23 „ 5 „ 6 d —
Also reported a Donation from F. Randall Esqr of the cost of his own charges amounting to £ 6 „ 10 „ 6
Ordered that the Bill be paid immediately & the Donation be accepted with thanks. —
The Treasurer also reported the following Donatns to the B.F. —

The Master of Clare Hall	£ 5 „ 5 „ —
E. H. Fitzherbert Esqr	5 „ 5 „ —

Also following Donns to General Purposes —

E. H. Fitzherbert Esqr	5 „ 5 „ —

Wednesday Feb: 17th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Coulcher — Hove — Spence
+ Mr Gotobed —
Ladies report — none —
Contract — The Secr reported that a difficulty had arisen in completing the Contract for erection of the New Building as Wm Dunsee was a Minor — It had therefore been agreed by a Majority of the Managing Committee called together on the Emergency that according to the suggestion of the Legal Adviser Mr Farrer — the name of James Bullock the Foreman should be inserted instead of Wm Dunsee — the Sureties remaining the same as before — viz Mr C. Finch & Mr Widnall — This was confirmed. —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported the following Donns —

Miss Sutton	£ 5 „ — —
The Rt Hon the Earl of Hardwicke	10 „ — „ —
Rev J. W. Lodington-Brenton — (Print)	10 „ 10 „ — pd
Revd The Master of Peter House	5 „ — „ — pd
Mr J. Law	5 „ — „ pd
Mr Hotham Jesus Coll —	5 „ — „ pd
	£ 40 10 „ —

Also to General Purposes —

Miss Archer	£ 10 „ —

Wednesday Feb: 24th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Spence
+ Mr Adams
Ladies report — all well —

Wednesday March 3rd

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Spence
+ Messrs Adams & Hammond —
After prayer by Revd ~~W. Boodle~~ R. Coulcher, the Minutes of last Month were read —
Ladies report as usual —

Tuesday Feb 2nd

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Coulcher – Spence – & Messrs Adams & Hammond –

After prayer by Rev Professor S. – the Minutes were read –

Ladies Report – all well & happy –

Surgeons Report – C Palmer very decidedly better

Contract – Mr Quinsee's tender for the 2nd Portion of the Works being the lowest –

Resolved – in order also that the Contract may be simplified – that such Tender be forthwith accepted & that Mr Quinsee be informed of this decision –

Also that Mr Harris be requested to complete the Contract immediately

Clerk of the Works – Agreed that it is very desirable that some arrangement should be made for securing the services of the Clerk of the Works that Mr Poynter be requested so to do. –

Building Fund – The Treasurer reported following Donatns

John Hall Esq	Weston Colville	20 .. ..
The Master of Trinity Hall		10 .. ..
C. Finch Esq		10 .. ..
Rev: J. H. Evans Asst Master of Sedbergh School		5 .. ..
		£45 .. ..

Professor reported that he had called with Mr Spence on the Heads of Houses – only 2 of whom they saw – the others being ill or out of Town – the Master of Pembroke promised to

consider the matter – The Master of Corpus declined. –

Bills allowed –

	£	s	d
Tuition for Stays		11	6
Matron for 9 Inmates 4 wks	9	0	0
	£9	11	6

Alteration of day of Meeting –

Agreed In consequence of commencement of Profr Scholefields Lectures that during the months of February & March the Managing Committee do meet on Wednesday at 1 o'Clock & the Ladies Committee be requested to meet on the Tuesday –

Wednesday Feb 10th

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Spence and Mr Adams –

Ladies Report – Stated that amongst several visitors on the 3rd Inst – was Mrs Hayward who seemed to take so much interest that the Ladies are desirous of filling up the Vacancy in their Committee occasioned by the death of Mrs Webster – by the insertion of the name of Mrs Hayward –

Also that at their meeting on the 9th Inst – C. Palmer was sufficiently recovered to attend – Her Brother had called to see her when she gave him good advice –

Also that Mary Webb had called upon Miss Dobson & the Matron who both spoke of her very respectable appearance – she expressed herself happy in her situation which she has now held for 6 months –

Contract — Mr Bullock the Contractor and the Clerk of Mr Harris Solr attended & obtained the Signatures of Professor Scholefield Revd Boodle Coulcher & Spence to the Contract & the Plans of the Building —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported following Donations —

A. Friend by Rev G. L.	£	5 " — " —
Francis Hoare Sprague Esqr (Livorno)		5 " — " —
Chas Colson Esqr Fell: of St Johns		1 " —

Bills allowed —

Mc Intosh (brazier) for Sundries		— " 13 " 6
Matron for Inmates		9 " — " —
	£	9 " 13 " 6

The consideration of Mary Webbs application was adjourned to the next Monthly Meeting. —

Wednesday March 10th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield Boodle Coulcher Spence and Messrs Adams & Hammond. —

Ladies report — all well —

Mr Owen reported an application on behalf of Elizth Allenby aged 16 for admittance — as this was impossible Mr Owen had written to the Matron of the Female Penitentiary London — & A. promising meanwhile to remain in the Spinning House —

Building Fund — Mr Adams presented the Treasurer with a Cheque for 100 in lieu of his promised Loan of that Sum for 5 Years —

the other Members present voted him most hearty thanks for his preceding liberality. —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported following Donations:

Mr E. Maxwell B.A. Trin Coll:		2 " 2 " —
Rev H. Wood Fenstanton		1 " 1 " —
Rev J. Brown Vice Master of Trinity		5 " 5 " —
Rev J. D. Wastell Rushby Suffolk		5 " — " —
A Friend by Rev G Spence		1 " — " —
Do do		1 " — " —
Mrs Cautley		1 " — " —
Mr G. Stokes Colchester		2 " — " —
Mr J. May B.A. St Johns Coll		2 " 2 " —

General Purposes — Also following Donations:

Rev J. Hailstone	Bottisham	3 " — " —
A Friend by Do		2 " — " —

Annual Subscriptions —

Rev C. J. Vaughan	Fell. Trin: Coll	1 " — "
Rev G. Barlow		1 " —
Rev G. Cotton		1 " 1 " —
Rev R. A. Denton	Kings Coll	2 " 2 " —

Wednesday March 17th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Hove — Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond —

No Ladies report —

Notice to quit at Michas next — was reported by the Treasurer to have

been served on Mr Newman the Landlord —

Forms of equitable Mortgage for Loans of £25 were submitted by the Treasurer for approval —

Approved & ordered that 100 be printed & be stitched in a Cover —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported following Donations: —

Rev J. Hailstone Vicar of Trumpington	5	—
A Friend by Professor Scholefield	2	2
A do by do	2	2
George Wagner Esq — Jun: Coll. —	—	10

Wednesday March 24th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — Hose Spence Mesdrs Adams & Hammond

Ladies Report stated that Elizabeth Allen by had gone to the Female Penitentiary on Monday 22d Inst —

also that Miss Gotobed had doubled her Subscription —

Securities for Loans of £25 — Sixteen of these were executed by Professor Scholefield & Mr Adams —

Building — A cheque for £350 was drawn (payable to the Contractor) agreeably to the report of Mr Poynter —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported following Donations: —

The Rev Dr Chafy Master of Sidney Coll:	10	10 —
The Provost of Kings Coll.	10	10 —
H. Dupuis Esq — M.A. Fell: of Kings Coll:	10	— —
Charity Fund Kings Coll —	10	— —
Honble Algernon Herbert Skeleton —	5	— —

Wednesday March 31st

Present Revd F. Hose — Coulcher — Spence — & Mr Adams

Building Fund — Treasurer reported the following Donation

Rev: Latham D.D Master of St Johns	£5	5 —

The Treasurer reported also receipt of between £12 & £13 from the Secretary of the Ladies Committee for Needlework done by the Inmates —

Tuesday April 6th

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield — Boodle Coulcher — Hose — Spence — Messrs Adams & Hammond

After prayer by Rev G. Spence the Minutes of past Month were read —

Ladies Report All well —

Ladies Committee — resolved that Mrs Webb & Mrs Hayward be requested to fill up the vacancies in the Ladies Committee occasioned by the deaths of Mrs Webster & Mrs Hose — if agreeable to the present Members of that Committee —

Situations for Inmates — resolved that the Ladies Committee be requested to examine & report which of the Inmates are fit for service & for what service —

Fence Walls — Agreed that Professor Scholefield & Mr Spence be a Sub-Committee to confer with Revd Boodle & Perry relative to the Boundary on the side of the Churchyard of Christ Church —

Half yearly Meeting — resolved that this be held on Tuesday April 20th —

Loans free of Interest — Rev J Boodle reported the promises of two Loans of £25 each for 3 Years free of Interest & the probability of his obtaining 2 more —

Annual Subscriptions – Treasurer reported the following –

Mrs Maxey	——	5. —
Miss Hodson	——	" 10 " —
Revd H. Guillemard Mr. Fell. of Pembroke		1 " 1 " —
Mr E. Venables Pembroke		1 " 1 " —

Bills allowed –

Matrons Salary for 1 Quarter	—	5 " — " —
Do for Inmates 5 weeks	—	11 " 5 " —
Hallow & Coleman for Bedsteads &c		4 " 14 " 6
		£20 " 19 " 6

Tuesday April 13th

Present – Revd Hose – Coulcher – Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond

Ladies Report – all well except C. Prime – The ladies absent to the nomination of the two ladies mentioned last week as persons whom it would be desirable to have on their Committee – They state also that they do not be desirable to examine the Inmates themselves as to their abilities lest it should raise expectations not likely to be realized but the Matron reported that Susan Palmer would make a good plain servant & Amelia Sparrow a good Kitchen-maid – that Charlotte Palmer's health precludes the hope of her going to service in any other capacity than as needlewoman –

Building Contract – read a letter from the Contractor & the Treasurer giving notice of requiring a further Sum of £400 on the 1st of May –

Enclosure Walls – read a letter from Mr Poynter stating that he conceived the difference between Brick Walls & Concrete Walls would be so small that it would be better to have them of Brick but that when the Plan of the Entrances should be determined on he could easily (if it were wished) make a drawing & Specification for a Concrete wall & tenders might be received for both ways

The Sub-Committee appointed last week to consult with the Patron & Incumbent of Christ Church as to the Entrance & enclosure had not met on account of Mr Boodles illness. –

Tuesday April 20th

1 P.M.

At the meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Coulcher Hose Spence & Mr Hammond

Ladies Report – all well – very thankful for Gods continued goodness – End Walls of Building – a letter from Mr Poynter was read proposing to make the end wall near the Tradesmans Entrance somewhat ornamental – Agreed to –

Donations &c – Treasurer reported he had been advised of an intended donation of £400 by an anonymous friend –

Also –	Revd Wm J. Totton – Dobden Rectory	——	£ 10 " — " d —
	Mrs Frances Totton – do –	——	10 " — " —
&	Mrs Totton Dobden Rectory Ann: Subs:		1 " 1 " —
	Revd W. J. Totton do – do –	—	3 " 3 " —

Half past One Oclock.

At a meeting of the General Committee

Present as above together with Revd Lane Langshaw & Maddison R Foster & C.P. Harris Esqrs. —

Professor reported the Committee had had much cause for thankfulness for the great encouragement received in raising funds hitherto & were not alarmed by the large Amount still needed for the completion of the Building &c — more especially as the state of the Inmates had been for the past half year & still continued to be most cheering — as an illustration of this Professor stated the circumstances relative to Charlotte Bryne (see Minutes Dec 22.29. & Janr 5th) Since which last date she has been going on most steadily & given evident tokens of sorrow for what then past — & better purposes for the future — Professor mentioned also the good account still received of Mary Webb & the Encouraging & hopeful letters written to the Matron by Anne Clarke who was in Service at the last date —

Professor then announced that the new Building was so far advanced that in all probability it would be roofed & slated by the end of next week & therefore that the Committee fully expected to remove the Inmates into it at Michas —

The Treasurer then reported the State of accounts as follows —

General Account

At the Audit on Octr 16 1840		
There was a Balance at the Bankers of		38 . 0 . 2
But the account was indebted to the Treasurer on an advance by him of £100		
Between the 16th Octr 1840 & the 25th April 1841 there have been received:		
On account of Annual Subscriptions	90 . 12 . 6	
Outfit for a particular Inmate	10 . — . —	
Donations for General Purposes	45 . 14 . 4	
Work	45 . 17 . 7	
		192 . 4 . 5
		230 . 4 . 7
The loan by Treasurer has been repaid	100 . — . —	
and there has been expended for Maintenance Clothing, Salaries & General Purposes	111 . 4 . 5	
		211 . 4 . 5
Leaving a Balce in hand on this account of		£19 . 0 . 2

Building Fund

Balance in hand at Audit Oct^r 15^th 1840		84 . 0 . 6
{But a debt owing to M^r Perry of £150}		
Since the Audit received as follows, viz:		
Sermons	141 . 13 . —	
Proctors Fine by Rev. J. E. Dalton	5 . — . —	
Free Donations	712 . — . 6	
Free Loans	175 . — . —	
		1033 . 13 . 6
		1177 . 14 . —
Expended since the Audit as follows viz:		
Repaid M^r Perry Loan	150 . — . —	
Bill for Conveyance of Site	23 . 5 . 6	
Purchased Exchequer Bills	406 . 7 . 6	
Contractor on Account of Building	350 . — . —	
Postages & Petty Expences	1 . — . 3	
		930 . 13 . 3
19 April 1841		
Balance at Mess^rs Mortlocks		187 . 0 . 9

Building Fund

Liabilities		
Amount of Contract for Building, deducting £350 paid on Account (say)	1700 . — . —	
Enclosure Fence Walls &c say	450 . — . —	
Architects Commission (say)	150 . — . —	
Laying out the ground &c say	50 . — . —	
Fittings up & Furniture say	200 . — . —	
Probable Amount of Liabilities		2550 . — . —
Assets		
Balance at Bankers	187 . — . 9	
Exchequer Bills cost	406 . 7 . 6	
Unpaid Donations (A)	41 . 15 . —	
Unpaid Loans (B)	275 . — . —	
Donation recently notified not yet received	400 . — . —	
		1310 . 3 . 3
Still wanting		1239 . 17 . 9

Tuesday April 27th

Present Revd Professor Scholefield - Coulcher Hose - & Messrs Adams Gotobed & Hammond -

Ladies report - All well - Mrs Hayward joined the Committee & Mrs Webb who was from home expressed her intention of doing so with pleasure on offering the Institution any other service in her power -

Loans - Professor reported for the Treasurer the receipt of the 2 loans of £25 each for 3 years promised through Mr Boodle -

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Tuesday May 4th

Present Revd Professor Scholefield & Coulcher - Messrs Adams & Hammond -

After prayer by the Professor the Minutes of last month were read -

Ladies report - All well & very attentive -

Building Contract - Professor reported for the Treasurer that he had paid the Contractor £400 on account on May 1st -

Bills allowed - Station for Inmates 4 weeks to April 27th £9 . 0 . 0

Wednesday May 12th

The Committee met this day in consequence of Anniversary Wm of Ch: Mission &c

Present - Revds Professor Scholefield - Coulcher & Spence -

Ladies report as usual - announced a Vacancy in Ladies Committee - Mrs Copson having left -

Poynters Letter - stated he had sent a drawing & specification for the boundary walls to the Clerk of the Works - & had asked Messrs Bell & Quinsee to send in tenders - also that the height of the side walls must be 12½ feet in height - of the back wall 10 feet for the present to be raised when the houses are brought nearer - of the middle wall between the 2 yards 9 feet would be sufficient - Agreed to -

Bills paid - Metcalfe for printing Bills of needlework - £7 . — . —
Assessed taxes - £11 . 6½
Hall Coach hire for Charlotte Sampson to Town &c - £8 . —
£1 . 6 . 6½

Tuesday May 18th

Present - Revd Geo: Spence - Coulcher - Hose - Messrs Adams & Hammond -

Boundary Walls - Tenders from Messrs Bell & Quinsee were laid before the Board - as follows

	Messrs Bell & Sons	
Digging	per Cubic foot	£ s 6
Brickwork	P Rod	10 . 15 . —
Extra for brick edge in Cement	P foot run	— . 2 . —
Concrete	per Cubic yard	— . 8 . —

	Wm Quinsee	
Digging including filling in - removing and wedling	— per yard	9
Brickwork includ - all rolling in Vamping	10 . — . —	P Rod
Extra on Brick on Edge Coping in Cement being first measured with the rest of the work	—	— . 1½
Concrete	— per yard	— . 7 . 6

The Treasurer reported that Mr Quinsee's being the lowest he had

accepted it on May 17th 1841 on behalf of the four Parties to the Contract - Professor Scholefield - Mr Boodle - Coulcher & Spence & that James Bullock had agreed to this for Mr Lucas & the Exors on the conditions of the Contract for the Building - This acceptance was confirmed by the Committee

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Tuesday May 25th

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Coulcher - Hose & Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond -

Insurance of the New Building - Treasurer spoke of the advisableness of insuring the new Building -

Agreed that this be done to the Amount of £1400

Also that the Treasurer do communicate with the Contractor as to the necessity of insuring the Building in the intermediate time before Michas -

Building Fund - Treasurer reported the following Donations:

	£	s	d
Rev Dr Archdall. Master of Emmanuel (additional)	25	0	0
Rev C. Upham Barry Minr of St Edwards	5	0	0
Miss Dodd	5	0	0
	£35	0	0

The Contractor announced by letter to the Treasurer that he should require £50 on or before the 21st of June 1841 -

Opening of the New Building - Agreed that it is desirable to have Divine Service at Christ Church Barnwell on Sept 28th if the Incumbent give his consent -

Sermon at Commencement - Rev G. Langshaw has kindly offered the use of his Church for this purpose -

Tuesday June 1st 1841

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Coulcher - Hose & Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond -

Prayer was offered by Rev T. Hose - Minutes were read -

Ladies Report - May 19th - All well - except Susan Palmer who appears in a very declining state of health - All very industrious & well supplied with work -

May 26th - Inmates delighted with finding text relative to the given subject - the Ministry of Angels - each produced from 3 to 5 appropriate portions of Scripture - Mrs Olivier had kindly presented them with a Bible with marginal References -

Resolved that the thanks of the Managing Committee be returned to Mrs Olivier for her kind present -

Mary Webb - had called on Mrs Owen who was much struck with her respectable appearance & the alteration in looks & manner & also much pleased with her gratitude to God & man for what had been done for her -

E. Fungs who is visiting her mother on change of air also called on Mrs Owen - She has been in the service of a pious family since she left the Penitentiary - 6 months - a very hard place - but cheerfully borne by Fungs in order to regain her character - her gratitude for admission into the refuge is very marked -

She said - I never can forget it nor be too thankful for it"
Mrs Orson is sorry to perceive she is looking very delicate. -
Mary Ann Annunger (see Minutes May 13th 1840) who had left the London Penitentiary at her own request (see Minutes Oct 21st 1840) had been visited by the Matron of the L.P. who found her very industrious in a respectable situation -
Insurance of Building - The Treasurer reported the receipt of a letter from the Contractor thanking him for the suggestion relative to the insuring the Building & stating his perfect willingness to bear the Expence to Michas next -
Consequently the Treasurer had sent instructions to Mr Elliot Smith to insure the Building in Norwich Union office to the amount of £1400 -
Work - Treasurer reported the receipt of £6 from the Ladies Secretary - in payment of work done by the Inmates
Bills allowed -

Mr Hitzman for cleaning the Clock	1 .. 6
Bradford - gardener - for 2 days work	5 .. -
Matron for Inmates 4 wks to May 25th	9 .. - .. -
A. Young for Grocery - Coals &c	4 .. 13 .. 10
	£14 .. 0 .. 4

Tuesday June 8th

Present - Revd Hose - Boodle - Coulcher & Spence -
Ladies Report - very satisfactory -
Mrs Archdall accompanied Mrs Webb to look over the Refuge - & was exceedingly gratified -
Insurance - Treasurer laid the Policy of Insurance No 240152 upon the Table - Building insured for £400 - payable at Michas

Expence from May 28th 1841 to Sept 29 1841 including Extra Expence whilst in course of Erection	} 1 .. 14 .. 8
Do from Michas per Annum	3 .. 0 .. 0

Donations to Gen Purposes - Treasurer reported the following -

E. Bayshaw Esq C.C. Coll	- .. 10 .. -
W.J. Watts Esq Kings Coll	3 .. 3 .. -
One Anonymous by Junr Proctr	3 .. 3 .. -
Mrs George Newcomb	1 .. 1 .. -
	£7 .. 17 .. -

Tuesday June 15th

Present - Revd Spence - Boodle - Coulcher - Hose - Miss Adams Hammond & Mr Poynter the Architect -
Ladies Report - all well -
Insurance of Building - Mr Poynter said it was his decided opinion that the Building when complete should be insured for £2000 at least - as in case of an extensive fire the value of the old materials would not much if at all exceed £100 -
Exchequer Bills - Treasurer announced that he must request

Mess^rs Mostock to dispose of the Exchequer Bills in order to meet the payment of £45 required by the Contractors on the 2^d of June — Leave granted —

Adjournment of Meeting to the Building was moved by Mr Roode seconded by Mr Coulcher & agreed to —

Adjourned Meeting at the Building
Tuesday June 15^th —

Present — Rev^d Roodle — Coulcher — Hore & Spence — Mess^rs Adams & Poynter the Architect —

The following matters were then considered & determined on —

Probationers Airing Ground — The relative Expence of an Iron Palisade & a brick wall was considered when it was found that the former was about three times as much as the latter — Consequently Agreed — to have a brick wall 5.6 high setting back one brick from the line of wing & running in a straight line towards the Eastern fence wall —

Mr Poynter suggested in order to the enlargement of the airing ground that the inclosure wall instead of running in a line with the front of the Building should run in a line at right angles to it in the direction of the Churchyard Wall but this was not adopted as being unnecessary & as spoiling the appearance of the fore-court — It is not expected that the Probationers in general will be more than a Month in that ward —

Kitchen Court — a wall of similar materials & height was agreed to — to correspond to the above —

Entrance to the ground at the rear — Agreed that a plain close strong door be made in the western wall as an approach to the garden about 5 or 6 feet from the end of the premises so as to allow of a border along the South wall —

Division Fence-wall at the rear — A similar door in a similar position to be made in this wall —

Southern Fence-wall — It had been proposed to have this wall as abutting on private premises only 10 feet high but it was now considered better to have it of equal height with the Eastern & Western walls — a Stone to be inserted with an inscription thereon stating that the entire wall built on the ground belongs to the Refuge —

Coal cellar & Dust bin — Agreed to excavate the Coal cellar 2 feet or 2 feet 6 inches & to erect a brick bin in the corner about 4 feet square for the dust & ashes. —

Principal Entrance to the Front of the Building —

The principal Entrance had at a former Meeting been determined on as sufficient — Agreed now that it consist of a Pair of Iron Gates & brick Piers — The whole space from the churchyard Pier to the wall inclosing the Kitchen Court having been measured was found to be 42 feet long —

Agreed that the first Pier for the Gates be placed at the corner of the Refuge ground (excluding entirely the 6 feet Pathway) — that the Gates be 9 feet wide or thereabouts & of the same height as the Fence walls viz 12 ft 6 in: — divided into 2 parts in height — that the upper part be fixed & lined on the inside with Sheet iron

to include the view from the windows of the Upper houses. the lower part to be open that foot-passengers may see the courtyard & Elevations of the Building — that it was not necessary to have the gates so high as to admit carriages but high enough to admit a fire engine or a cart —
The Piers & Gates will occupy about 15 feet - this will leave 21 feet on the right hand side enough for a Porters Lodge if needed at a future day —

Churchyard Wall — Agreed with the leave of Mr Boodle the Incumbent to raise the Churchyard Wall abutting on the Refuge Premises to 12 feet 6 inches at the cost of the Refuge — to insert a wooden door in the centre in lieu of the present open iron gate — Mr Poynter reports the wall to be quite strong enough. —

The Six-feet Pathway — South of the Churchyard —
Agreed with leave of the Patron & Incumbent to take & include this Pathway - originally laid out & left for the Public use — within the Refuge fore court — & at the Expence of the Refuge to remove the present iron Entrance gate in the centre of the
S Churchyard Wall & re-erect it in the Eastern wall of Ch: yard & also to supply another similar gate to be erected in the Western wall of the Ch: yard opposite to it. By this arrangement the Public will have two entrances instead of one — each equally direct if not more so with the present Entrance — whilst the Refuge will be spared the Expence of erecting a wall along the line of, and bounding on, the Path — At the same time it is

considered advisable not to build anything on this Pathway — the Freehold being still out standing. —
An explanatory Memorandum of the facts & circumstances to be prepared by Mr Spence & one Copy given to the Patron — another to the Incumbent — & a third to be entered in the books of the Refuge —

N. B — by Mr Spence — I am much inclined to think that it would be better to purchase this Slip of ground from Mr James — it will prevent all possibility of cavil hereafter — I would simply take a Memorandum of Agreement to convey. —

Wash house & Laundry —
Agreed — with a view to enlarge this department — to convert the entire Building intended both as a Wash house & a Laundry into a Wash house — & to erect a Laundry at right angles to it along the Eastern boundary Wall as far in extent as the main body of the Building viz about 24 feet its width to be 11 feet —
agreed also to raise the front wall of the Wash house to about 9 feet 6 inches & to cover the roof with Welldon's & Patent Metal instead of slate by which much space will be gained —
the front wall of the New Laundry to be of the same height —
a door of communication to be left between the two buildings —

Tradesmans Entrance — Considered not necessary further to enclose this from the Kitchen Court yard at present —

Oven for baking the bread of the Family —
Agreed to consult the Ladies Committee as to erecting an

oven in the Kitchen on one side of the fire place & a copper on the other – or whether there is any practical objection to this in such an establishment –

Tuesday June 22nd

Present – Revd Boodle – Coulcher – & Spence – Mrs Adams & Hammond

Ladies report all well – the Inmates want shoes –

Contract Treasurer reported that the Contractor had received a further sum of £450 on account of Contract – & that he had proposed to them for the future payment of £400 at Michas next supposing the Building to be then satisfactorily finished & the residue at Xmas next to which the Contractor made no objection arrangement – The Meeting approved of this general arrangement by the Treasurer on behalf of the Trustees –

Report of adjourned Meeting – last week was read & the particulars then agreed to by the Committee were now confirmed –

Sixfeet Pathway – It was agreed to that Mr Boodle the Incumbent of Christ Church (& one of the Secretaries of the Refuge) should communicate with Dr James or his Agents for the purchase of the outstanding legal Estate of the Six feet Pathway from Victoria Street & the back of Christ Church – for the sum of £5. –

Matrons report all well – produced a most satisfactory letter from Emma Jaggard to her Sister Excusing her to think of her soul & making known her own change & perfect contentment & happiness –

Tuesday June 29th

Present – Revd Hose – Coulcher – Spence & Mr Adams –

Ladies report – all well – speak of the pleasure the Inmates take in finding out the texts illustrating Scripture doctrines & characters –

Donations – Treasurer reported the following:

Miss Clarkson –	1 . 0 . 0
Miss Ellen Clarkson –	1 . 0 . 0
Henry Stapleton Foster Esqr –	2 . 0 . 0
	£4 . 0 . 0

Walls &c – A letter from Mr Poynter states that he had given to the Clerk of the Works instructions for the alteration in the Washhouse & Laundry – the formation of the door in the outer wall next Victoria Street & in the wall between the two back airing grounds – & the enclosure walls to the Probationers Ground & the Kitchen Court & additional Elevation of the Churchyard wall behind –

Estimated Expence of –

	£
Alterations in the Washhouse & Laundry about	45
Enclosure Walls & Iron gates in Victoria St &c –	340

but not of the removal of the gate in the Church yard Wall which is day work & very trifling –

Mr Poynter enquires as to expediency & practicability of putting the oven for baking in the Laundry or Washhouse – to be considered next week being the first Tuesday in the Month –

Matron reported that Jaggards Sister had called to see her

& appeared very respectable & greatly delighted with her Sisters present happiness & comfort —

Also that an application had been made by a person living in Chesterton Road — a Laundress — to take Stiffle out of the Refuge — She came accompanied by Stiffles aunt — but from the dress & appearance of the applicant & the contiguity of the party to Cambridge it was not thought advisable to entertain it. —

Tuesday July 6th

Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher Hors & Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond —

After prayer by Rev T. Boodle — read the Minutes of past Month —

Ladies Report — all well — much gratified with account of L. Jaggards interview with her sister —

Building Fund — The Treasurer reported the following Donations &c.

The Hon^ble J. T. H. Manners Sutton —	15 " 15 " —
Sir Alexander Cray Grant —	15 " 15 " —
Rev A. Martineau —	1 " — "
Rev J. Davis, Ayott St Lawrence —	1 " — "
Rev G. Williams. Fell: of Kings Coll —	2 " 2 " —
— Professor Corrie (before announced)	10 " 10 " —
Collect^n at G^t St Andrews Church after Sermon by Rev^d Spence —	22 " 7 " —
	£ 68 " 9 " 0

Six feet Pathway — Mr Boodle announced that he had had no communication with Mr James or his Agents —

Contract for Wall — Treasurer presented a Letter from the Contractor requesting the payment of £100 on Account — Agreed to. —

Bills allowed —

	£
Matrons Salary to Mids^s 12^s	5 " " "
— for Inmates from May 25^th to Jan 29^th	11 " 5 "
	£ 16 " 5 " —

Assistant Matron — Agreed to bear this Appointment in mind — looking out especially for one who can superintend the Laundry —

Subscriptions &c — Resolved that the Secretary do write to the County Members — sending a Copy of the Report & inviting at the liberality of the Town Members. —

Dorn &c — Mr Poynters suggestion taken into consideration together with the letter of the Secretary of the Ladies Committee — Agreed that the Ladies Committee be invited to a Conference with this Board on Tuesday July 27th in the new Building to consider this & sundry other matters that require joint consideration —

Sermon at the opening of the Refuge — Ordered that the 2 Secretaries do write to Rev Hose of Cheltenham & requesting him to preach for the Charity at Christ Church on Tuesday Sept^r 28th —

Stone in the Enclosure Wall — denoting the Trustees property in the Wall and ground on which it is built — The Committee (having adjourned to the New Building) fixed upon the position of this

Stone - viz in the Centre of the Wall & 4 Courses of brickwork from the top - the outer pier to be rolled in to the Wall -

Tuesday July 13th 1841

Present Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Corderoy - Hope - Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond -

Ladies report - all well - very industrious - full of work - & giving the greatest satisfaction to their Employers -

Susan Palmer - an offer was made by Miss Gotobed on behalf of the Misses Read St Andrews Street (through Mrs Orton) to take Susan Palmer into their service - She Misses Read keep a small School & keep no other Servant - they are serious persons residing in a respectable part of the Town & there seems to be every prospect that they would give more than ordinary superintendence to her conduct - Under these circumstances under a feeling of the difficulty of getting the Inmates out into places in the country the Committee were disposed though not without reluctance to assent to the proposition provided the Ladies at their meeting tomorrow shall concur therein after full consideration - The Matron was called in & asked her opinion - She stated that S. Palmer was a good servant - in other respects than cooping - can get up a good wash & wash it off well - is of improved character - not my good temper but better than formerly - very quiet - much kinder to her sister than at first - This remarked by all - There is less fear of her going back to sin than perhaps of any other -

Resolved that Professor S - & Mr Spence do confer with the Ladies tomorrow at ¼ past 12 o'Clock -

Letter from Mr Poynter was read in answer to one from the Treasurer stating that the Estimate for the inclosure walls comprised every thing except as before excepted the removal of the Churchyard gate - Except also the Carriage gates which appeared from the former letter to have been included - the brick & extra stone work to the piers only being then meant - The separate expense for the iron work of these gates (which will open to the height of 10 feet & the rails above which will be closed up - will be about £28 -

Mr Poynter also finds it necessary to alter the Estimate for enlarging & the Laundry & Washhouse in consequence of learning from the Manufacturers that the price of Weddersteds Metal is 3 p lb & the least weight in which it is made for Coverings is 1½ lb to the foot - consequently Mr P now gives the estimate for Washhouse & Laundry at £71 instead of £45 - The Estimate of proposed alteration of buildings next Victoria Street he gives at £28 -

Agreed that the enlarging &c of Washhouse & Laundry be carried into effect as most desirable notwithstanding the increased expence - but that the proposed alteration in the buildings next Victoria Street be abandoned -

Tuesday July 19

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose & Spence & Mr Adams –

Ladies report stated that the Ladies Committee after conference with Professor S. & Mr Spence had gladly consented to Susan Palmer going to service at Mispleads –
Also that S. P. had been very comfortably & properly clothed at an expense of £2. 8s. 9d. –

Matron reported she had left Susan Palmer at Mispleads on Saturday night last –
also she had learnt that Bradsworths sister was married living at Castle end – conducting herself very respectably –

Gardener – Bradford applied for the job of laying out the ground at the New Refuge &c – decision postponed –

Treasurer reported 2 Loans of £25 each for 4 years free of Interest by Rev. E. Maxwell of Leeds –

Bills allowed –

Smith (in the Crescent) for advertising the Sermon at St Andrews the Great in the Stiff Post & Cambridge Advertizer – & for printing & posting Handbills	1.. 7.. 6
W. Parker of Pitt Post for Printing &c	3.. .. ..
Wallis Linendraper for Palmers Outfit	2.. 8.. 9
	£6. 16. 3

Six feet Pathway – Mr Boodle reported he had seen Mr Randall & Mr Smith – & James Agents – but had received no further communication –

Sermon at Christ Church – Mr Close had declined preaching this Resolved that Professor S. Boodle & Spence do look out for a Preacher –

Conference with Ladies – July 27th – Questions to be discussed Assistant Matron – Matrons Servant – Proportion of Receipts of Work to be given to Inmates – Oven – Copper –

Tuesday July 27th

At a Meeting held at the New Refuge according to the Resolution of July 6th

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose & Spence & Messrs Adams & Hammond –

Also Mrs Coulcher – Crowe – Finch – Hayward – Gotobed – Ann & Scholefield

The questions proposed for consideration were determined as follows –

1. Assistant Matron – That she be one to apply to the Female Penitentiary London for the terms on which washing is undertaken thereat – both by the year & the piece –
and that the Ladies do consider of the Appointment of an Assistant Matron to superintend the Laundry & assist generally both as regards her duties & remuneration & do report thereon to the Managing Committee –
Mem:- Advisable that she should be able to read & write & have some knowledge of accounts. –

2 – Matrons Servant – That the Matron have the sanction of the Committee to take Charlotte Palmer as Servant with

a caution as to allowing her to go out &c

3. Proportion of receipts from Needlework to be given to the Inmates
Agreed that upon an Inmate leaving the Institution for a place
her outfit be paid by the Institution – that the Proportion of
receipts from Work allotted to ~~the~~ Inmates be $\frac{1}{8}$th of the Whole
that $\frac{1}{4}$th of the Sum due to ~~each~~ any Inmate upon her leaving for
a place be invested in the Savings Bank jointly in the
names of the Ladies Secretary & such Inmate – that at the
end of 6 months if she continue to conduct herself satisfactorily
another $\frac{1}{4}$th be added thereto – at the end of 12 months the
remainder – that at the end of 2 years if she continue
in the same situation with a good character & present
of One Guinea be made to her from the Funds of the Institution –
but that if the necessary expence of the Outfit exceed £2
then the Surplus be deducted from such Pocket Money –

4. Oven & baking – Agreed that the Inmates do make the
bread for the household but that it be baked out & therefore
that no oven be erected –

Copper – Agreed that a Copper of proper dimensions be put
up in the Kitchen under the oversight of Mrs Owen & Matron

5. Bells – Stoves &c – That a Subcommittee Consisting of
Mrs Owen & Mrs Crowe & Revd Boodle & Hore be appointed to
consider & make the necessary arrangements for these

Six feet Pathway – Mr Boodle reported he had received no answer
yet – was requested to press for one as the works are at a
stand. –

Tuesday Augt 3rd

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Hore – & Messrs Adams
& Hammond –

Read minutes of the last Month & prayer offered by.

Six feet Pathway – Mr Boodle had received no communication
from Mr Tandall –

Preacher of Sermon at the Opening of New Building – The Revd G
Spence was requested to apply to the Bishop of Lichfield
to undertake the duty – in the event of his refusal then
application to be made to Revd Hugh Stowell –

Susan Palmer – Mr Adams reported she had conducted herself
much to the satisfaction of Miss Read who spoke well of
her religious feeling –

Laying out the ground – referred to Mr Hore & Mr Boodle the Subcommittee
for bells &c –

Ladies report – Spoke of the good conduct of the Inmates upon Susan
Palmers leaving the Institution – enquired as to the portion
of money arising from work due to her – this was referred
to the Treasurer & Secretary – mentioned the case of two
females who had made application for admission & who now
appeared before the Committee. –

Elizabeth Read – said – she was 18 last April – can read – was in
Sunday School at St Goldarts Chapel – have been in Sin
4 months – lived in Service at Mrs St George's – left 2 years
last Midsr Fair – fell into sin first just before leaving –
have been ill & in the Spinning House once on that account –

wished to forsake sin 3 weeks – having been talked to much by my Mother & Brother living in Jews Street – have been in want of bread & am in debt 8/ for grocery to Garwood – this is all I owe – Sarah Haynes lives with me in Lupel Street – pay rent to Mr Mortimer the Landlord – owe 2. 6 – furniture is paid for – by S. H. to Golden Newmarket Road – left sin last week have been doing needle work for Mrs Owen – have received enough to find us in bread – am willing to go into the Spinning house until I can be received – have a real desire to leave sin because all my friends are against me – have attended Methodist Chapel with my Mother & Little St Marys Christ in Grove – have parted with my clothes – wish to come into this Institution that I may get into service – went back into sin a few months after going to Mrs Baker Willow Walk

Case was deferred in order that the Secy might confer with Mr Spence & Mrs Owen as to admitting Sarah next week

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Saturday August 7

A Special Meeting was held at the New Building to advise with Mr Poynter on various matters –

Present – Revd J Spence – Boodle & Hose –

Resolved –

1. Board room – that it be furnished with Chimney piece of Stone jambs & stone mantel piece –
2. Alarm Bell – that an Estimate be required for the bell & hanging & communication with Matrons room – to be fixed between the Chimneys in the centre of the Building referred to the Sub Committee –
3. Tradesmans Entrance – that a sliding Wicket be furnished for the door –
4. Water Closets in back yards – that a wooden fence be erected to close them –
5. Tank – that this be examined as to supposed imperfection & made secure – Stone covering to be so laid down as to allow of turf being placed over it & to be morticed into the brick work –

Tuesday Augt 10th

Present – Revds Boodle – Hose & Spence –

Ladies report – Inmates all going on well – stated that Elizabeth Lead (or Reid) having objected to go into the Spinning house – has been received into her Brothers house until the decision of the Board – owes 8/ for Grocery & 5/ for rent – is afflicted with Spasms –

Before she was brought in a description ensued as to payment of her debts & it was the expressed opinion of the Board that not only the Board would not pay these debts but also that friends would suggest that her relatives must give an undertaking to pay them –

Lead was then called in & on further examn stated – was born at Little Shelford – was hired by the week at Mrs Scroggs – has not gained any Settlement in her own right – Her

parents belong to Shelford now - has been living with her Brother James Read - lace maker in new street - wishes to come in to get steady - to save her character - her mother she thinks would certainly make herself responsible for her debts - can read a little but not work - has joined in prayer with her Mother & Brother - is certain she does not wish to come in in the expectation of leaving in a month or two -

The Rules were then read to her & she still expressed a desire to come in

Resolved that She be admitted a Work on probation in her own clothes & subject to her mothers undertaking for her debts -

She was then called in - solemnly admonished & admitted -

Application for a Servant - The Matron stated that a Mrs Cockle a friend of Miss Gotobed - had made application to see Jaggard with a view to her being placed as a Servant with Mrs C's Sister a widow lady living at Bluntisham - that she had declined permitting the Lady to see Jaggard until the Board had been informed of & decided on the case lest undue expectations should be raised - Jaggard has been in the house 14 months -

The Board approved what the Matron had done -

The Treasurer reported the receipt of following Sums -

J. G. Rayland Esq. B.A. 3d: of Clos Christ Coll:	BF	2	0 0
H. S. Foster Esq.	BF	2	— —
A Friend by Rev J Boodle	BF	1	1 —
Do by Rev G Spence	BF	5	— —
Do by Mrs Mortlock	GP	1	— —
E. Brunell Esq. B.A. St Johns Coll	GP	5	—
Mrs Owen - Needle Work	GP	10	— —
R Beacon Esq.	GP	1	1 —
S. W	GP	1	— —
J. C. Chambers Esq.	GP	—	10 —
		£28	12 —

The Treasurer being about to leave Cambridge for a few weeks proposed to the Board, in case any one could be found willing to take an assignment of his four loan Notes of £25 each, to assign or relinquish them for the benefit of the Institution - he made this proposition in preference to cancelling the Notes, in the hope that by a little exertion some one might be found to take an assignment of them & so the Institution receive a present benefit -

Tuesday Aug 17th 1841

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield & Boodle - & Mr Gotobed -

Ladies report - All well except Charlotte Pryme - whose sight was affected through pains in the head - Mr Hammond had attended to her -

Mrs Owen had refused an application to pay £.8.8 for E. Read -

had seen Susan Palmer - going to a Place of worship with improved looks though still delicate - S.P expressed herself quite happy & comfortable in her Situation -

E. Read - Matron reported the conduct of this Inmate had been satisfactory & that she was still desirous of remaining in the Institution -

L. R – was then called in – expressed a wish to continue in the house – her Mother & Brother had promised to pay her debts – sincerely desired to lead a course of life hoped that her mind will not be changed —

After having been addressed by Professors – She was fully admitted —

S. Jaggard – the Matron reported that Mrs Cockle had called to say that her Sisters Servant having returned she would not require the services of the above Inmate —

Tuesday Augt 24th

Present – Revd Professor Scholefield & Boodle –

Ladies Report – all well except Charlotte Pryme whose eyesight appears to be getting worse daily –

Charlotte Palmer – Ladies enquire whether the Inmate shd be acquainted with the intention of the Committee of allowing her to act as Servant to the Matron – if so it shd be done soon as her clothes must be made she may be benefited by the news –

Consequently she was called in having been informed of this expressed much gratitude –

E. Read – Matrons report satisfactory – hopes entertained of her Amendment. —

Tuesday August 31

No meeting – there not being a Quorum —

Tuesday Septr 7th

No Meeting – there not being a Quorum —

Tuesday Septr 14th

Present – Revd Hose – Boodle – Coulcher – & Messrs Adams & Hammond –

Ladies Report – Charlotte Prymes eyesight had returned – but her mind is very weak – does not cease talking day & night – sensible of this but cannot resist the impulse – her heart & temper manifest themselves occasionally & caused much destress to the Matron & much interruption to the Family – Septr 8th –

C. Pryme more composed since Saturday – Septr 13th –

Surgions Report that she is a very singular case of Hysteria – but that she is going on well & will soon be better —

New Building – Resolved to have a Special Meeting thereat on Friday next –

Sermon at Opens – The Secr reported a letter from Archdeacon Wilberforce declining to preach this as he was so much engaged with the Visitation & Confirmation –

Agreed to postpone application to Revd E. Selwyn, Hon. & Revd Grey until Mr Spences opinion be asked on Friday –

Friday Septr 17th

At a special Meeting held at the New Asylum

Present – Revd Spence – Boodle – Coulcher – Hose & Mr Adams –

Opening of New Building Sermon – Agreed to postpone this until the 1st week in October in consequence of the backwardness of preparations & necessary alterations – that the Advertisement

announcing this be inserted in the 2 Saturday Papers
That the Secy do write to Rev W Selwyn soliciting his assistance.

Furniture – Resolved that an effort be made to furnish the principal Day & Sleeping wards by the opening of the Institution
That the No of Beds & Bedsteads be made up to 12 – that these last be all of the same general character & dimensions –
That there be corresponding Settles –

Day Ward – That there be 12 good plain substantial Windsor chairs with 2 Elbow Do to match – the Table was understood to be already ordered –

Furnishing Committee – That Revd Coulcher Hose & Spence & Mr Adams be appointed a F. C. – to meet every day at 1 Oclock at the New Building (except Saturday) & that their attention be requested to the following matters –

1. Raising Churchyard Wall –
2. Enclosure of Public Path leading to the Churchyard –
3. Laying out the Fore court – Probationers Ground & Kitchen Court.
4. Providing an Alarm Bell –
5. Arrangements as to Opening the Institution
6. Board Room & Furniture –

Special Meeting was resolved on – to be held on Monday the 20th at 10 Oclock & that the Ladies Committee be invited to a Conference relative to the Matters in hand –

Monday Sept^r 20th

At a special meeting held at New Building
Present – Revd Boodle – Coulcher – Hose Spence & Mr Adams together with Mr Crowe – Finch – Hayward – Owen & Bishop Gotobed –

The Committee appointed on Friday reported –

" 1. That they had agreed to recommend that the Ch: yard wall be raised 3 feet – & if necessary there shd be put thereon an iron railing – "

Mr Spence however has now suggested that the wall shd not be raised but that a railing & Chevaux de frise similar to that at Sidney Coll. should be placed upon the present wall in order to admit as much air as possible & yet keep out intruders

Resolved that Mr Bullock be requested to present an Estimate of such railing & Chevaux-de-frise tomorrow – the general opinion was in favour of this plan –

" 2. That they had determined upon nothing relative to the Enclosure of Public Path (Six feet Pathway) as they waited an answer from Rev Dr James to an application made some time since for the purchase of the Fee simple of this plot – "

" 3 – That they had resolved in laying out the Fore court that there should be a Carriage drive in front of the House & that the remainder of the ground beyond the House be set apart as a Garden for the Matron to be separated by a fence or hedge –
& that they had requested Mr Hose to prepare plan & specifications –

Mr Hose now presented his plan which was agreed to with thanks & it was resolved that Plan & Specification be referred to Messrs Scott & Catlin

for Finder – to be finished by

"4 – That they had determined it was expedient to have an alarm bell both on the grounds of intruders from without as well as of fire from within – That they had received an Estimate from Mess^rs J & W. Vail as follows –

"The price of a large Bell & fixing at the Refuge

A Bell to weigh 3 Cwts ——— £2 . 10 . 0 –

Rope Pullies Carriage & Frame — £2 . 5 . 0 –

£4 . 15 . 0 –

Sir, you can have any sized Bell you think proper as they vary in Weight but it will be 1/2 per Cwt. – "

That consequently the Sub: Comm: determined the Bell should weigh ½ cwt –

That they had requested Mr Hose to give the Order & superintend the fixing &c – – "

This arrangement respecting the Alarm Bell was agreed to –

"5 That they had not made any further arrangement relative to the opening of the Institution – "

"6 That they had requested Mess^rs Adams & Hose to look out for Carpet & Chairs & Mr Spence to enquire in Town about a Library Table with drawers &c for the Board Room – "

After the reception of & agreement to the Report other Matters were considered & resolved as under –

Pavement to the Wash house & Laundry — That the present Pavement be removed into the middle of the space between the Wash house & grass-plot & continued to the Laundry door with Stones

to join it to the Wash house & laundry door –

Closet-door near Sick ward – That this be turned so as to open from right to left –

Settles — That there be 12 – but that the bedsteads be first put up in order to proportion their size shape &c to the spaces to be filled up

Table for Day ward 12 ft long & 3 ft 6 in wide had been ordered but without drawers – Resolved that 2 drawers be made &c 1 at each end – 2 ft 6 in long with a partition in the centre of each –

Mangle – Mr Finch said that a friend at Norwich was willing to present the Refuge with nearly a new Mangle provided the Society would pay Carriage &c — Accepted with thanks. —

Linen Posts – That there sh^d be 9 sound oak Posts – charred at the bottom – fixed around the drying ground –

Tuesday Sept^r 21^st

At a Meeting of the managing Committee held at the Refuge but afterwards adjourned to the new Building

Present – Rev^d Boodle – Loudcher – Hose – Spence & Mess^rs Adams & Hammond

No Ladies report – but Matron stated all well – E. Payne better –

Read going on pretty well – improving –

Insurance – Resolved to insure the Premises & Furniture from Fire in the Norwich Union Fire Office next for 1 year – for £750 – viz

The Building for £600

The Furniture including the Matrons & also all Linen &c which may happen to be on the Premises for Washing &c — 150

Donation of £400 – Treasurer announced that he had received a communication from the Friend who had promised the £400 & an appointment to meet on Friday next at 10½ AM. to receive the Check –

Chevaux de frise – Mess^rs Shallow & Coleman sent in through Mr. Bullock the following Estimate –

Iron railing & Chevaux de frise –	£65 „ 0 „ 0
Mr Swinton 23 Stones to receive the Brace bars –	5 „ 15 „ 0
	£71 „ 0 „ 0

Resolved that this plan be abandoned on account of heavy & plain

Iron Gate in Ch: yard Wall – Agreed that this be removed at once to the side Wall of Ch: yard next Victoria Street & be inserted therein in the place to be pointed out by Mr Broodle –

Retaining Wall next Ch: yard – that this be raised at once & before the opening of Institution 3 feet –

Six feet Pathway – that the Refuge Wall be continued across the entrance of this from the Iron gate Pier to the Church yard wall –

Door way in Ch: yard wall – that a strong door united in shape on the one side to the Architecture of the Church & on the other to that of the Refuge – be inserted in the Wall bounding the Ch: yard & the Refuge Premises immediately opposite to the entrance proposed for the Inmates into the Church –

Front door of Refuge – Resolved that this be gained on the outside –

No 13. Mr Adams offered to be No 4 of 4 Persons who should be at the Expense of completely furnishing the Board Room –

Wednesday Sept^r 22^nd

At a Special Meeting held at the New Building

Present – Rev^d Spence Hose Goodeve & Mr Adams –

Also Mrs Orsen – Finch – Hayward – Crowe & Miss Goldsmid –

Agreed that the Ladies do form a Sub Committee to purchase Crockery & Copper in Wash house – decided that this sh^d be fixed at the other side of the 2^nd fire place – to make more room for the Washers –

Day Ward – agreed to have 12 Chairs as proposed & also 6 deal Forms – viz 2 to be placed on each side of the Table & 1 at each end –

Closet outside day ward – agreed that a Shelf be inserted in the Closet all round it – of the same width as the space on either side of the door –

Nail Pegs – ordered to be put up for Bonnets outside the Ward near the Staircase

Laundry Table – to be placed near the Mangle – ordered to be looked for –

Laying out Fore court &c – Mr Hose presented the following Tenders:

		£	s	d
Mr Catling –	Laying out the ground in front of the Refuge with the Probationers airing ground & the ground by the Kitchen according to Plan &	20	„	„
Mr Scott –	Laying out the front grounds of the Refuge together with the corresponding grounds for the Kitchen – The Carriage way to have 6 inches of fine hard Stuff for the foundation with 3 inches of best gravel – the Borders to be surrounded with a good box Edging – to find & lay down the Sod – The 2 small Gardens to have a border of 3 feet & the rest gravel	15	„	14 „ 6

Resolved that Mr Scotts tender be accepted —

Friday Sept^r 24^th^

No business was transacted on Thursday —

Present this day — Rev^d^ Coulcher Hose Spence & Mr Adams —

Sermon at Opening — The Rev^d^ E. Selwyn having a prior Engagement for Tuesday Oct^r 5^th^ as announced by letter from Archison of Hemingford Abbots — ayed that the Sec: do apply to Rev^d^ Thos Hankinson Grantham Lambeth —

Table for Board room — Letter from Wilson 68 G^t^ Queen St^t^ — Stated he had an excellent Table 6 ft long & 4 ft wide — on Stout reeded Legs — 3 drawers on each side with good Tumbler Locks — price £2 Packing 7^s^ — Patent Locks 15^s^ £3, 6 extra

Agreed that as the Sum is large Mr Spence do again write & enquire for a 2^nd^ hand Stout Table similar to the above but perhaps less wide —

Washing Stands in the Dormitory — ayed that there be 2 — each to contain 2 Basins & fixed on Wooden brackets — 1 at each End of Dorm^y^ —

Occupation of Old Premises — Resolved that the Sec^y^ do write to request Newman the landlord to grant the Committee permission to occupy these Premises for a period not exceeding 10 days after Mich^as^ at a proportionate rent without prejudice to the Notice to quit at Mich^as^ already given —

Closet in Matrons room — ayed that one be put up in recess on left hand of fireplace with shelf & Pegs & folding doors —

Laundry — ayed that there be 3 Pullies with corresponding hooks for drying lines to hang from end to end —

Monday Sept^r 27^th^

Present — Rev^d^ Professor Scholefield — Coulcher Spence Hose & Mr Adams —

Sermon at Opening — Sec^y^ presented Notes from Rev^d^ Hankinson & Selwyn declining the honor intended & from Mr J. Hankinson announcing Rev^d^ J. Hankinsons absence from Town & improbability of his coming down —

A question was then raised of further postponement or of abandoning any Public Opening altogether —

Resolved that there be a Public Opening on Oct^r 5^th^ — that Professor Scholefield be requested to preach the Sermon (to which he kindly assented) & after Service that Premises be open for inspection — that Circulars be sent to all the County Gentlemen Clergy &c — as well as to the Inhab^ts^ of the Town — —

Donation of £450 — Treasurer announced the receipt of £450 from the Anonymous Friend who had promised to give £400 — the £50 being additional —

Occupation of Old Premises — The Secretary reported he had written to Mr Newman the Landlord as follows: —

" Sir, The Committee of the Cambridge Infirm^y^ request me to enquire
" of you whether you will allow them (should they wish it) to continue
" the occupation of their present Premises for a few days (say not
" exceeding 10 days) beyond Michaelmas day without prejudice
" to the Notice given you to determine the Tenancy, on their paying
" for the Number of days excess — Your answer in writing before
" Monday at 12 will oblige, Sir, Your Ob^t^ Serv^t^ — G Coulcher
sc.
" Trumpington St^t^ 24 Sept^r^ 1841 "

And that he had received the following Answer—

East Road Cambridge Sept^r 27 1841

" To the Committee of the Cambridge Refuge, In answer to your
" request I am quite willing to let you remain in the House &
" Premises for the short time as you have requested and if it is
" for a few days longer I shall not have any objection whatever
" I remain Your respectfully Chas Newman —"

This answer being considered satisfactory it was resolved to continue the occupancy of the Premises till Oct^r

Postponement of Meeting — till Wednesday at 1 Pclk agreed upon in consequence of Laying Foundation Stone of Nat^l Schools at Swavesey —

Wednesday Sep 29th

Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Broodle — Coulcher — Hose — Spence & M^r Adams — M^r Poynter the Architect

No Ladies Report — Matron however reported all well —

Churchyard Wall — 2 Stone Caps ordered for the Extremities —

Iron Gate — to be painted dark green —

Table for Boardroom — A letter from Wilson stated he had not a 2nd hand table but was willing to give his Profits £2 & the Packing £1 as his contribution to our Excellent Institution thus making the Price of Table £5 — Agreed that this sum be given with thanks for the liberal donation —

M^r Adams kindly promised to give a Check for the Amount —

Shelf in closets in Store room ordered —

Fly wire to window of Pantry about to be ordered when the perforated

zinc was suggested — resolved to enquire the difference in Expence

Plate rack in Kitchen — ordered —

Advertisement of Service for the Opening drawn up for the two Saturday Papers —

Gate for fence between free court & matrons garden similar to the Iron gate & painted dark green ordered by Messrs Hose Coulcher & Adams —

Thursday Sep 30th

Present — Rev^d Coulcher Spence & M^r Adams — Also Rev^d Professor Scholefield & Broodle — M^r Hose having left through illness —

Fly wire to Pantry window — Was now ordered as Zinc plate was much dearer & the window was too wide for the usual size of a Sheet —

Water Pipes along back front of Kitchen Offices — ordered of Zinc — the one at the back to discharge itself into the Scullery drain — the other in front of covered way to have "a shoot" at the beginning of the brickwork of Tradesmans Entrance Lobby — for pails to be set under —

Coal cellar — Ordered that the Space between the Dustbin & the door be filled up by brickwork as high as top of dustbin & the Steps from landing into Coal cellar to be removed for the purpose —

Titles over the doors in the Interior of Building ordered to be painted

Friday Oct^r 1^st

Present - Rev Profesor Scholefield - Coulcher - Hose & Mr^r Adams

Saturday Oct^r 2^nd

Present - Rev^d Profesor Scholefield - Boodle - Hose - & Mr Adams.

Monday Oct^r 3^rd

Present Rev^d Profesor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher Hose Spence & Mr Adams.
Various arangements suggested for the Collection after the Sermon tomorrow
& on the inspection of the Premises -

Tuesday Oct^r 7^th -

Committee met at 10 - & at 11 attended Service - After a Sermon from Matt IX
10^th to 13^th v^s by Profesor - Collection was made from pew to pew by the Committee &
amounted to £61 .. 13 .. - The Premises were then thrown open until 3 Pclc.

Wednesday Oct^r 6^th

The Inmates having been removed to the New Building this Morning
a meeting was held at 1 Oclock for a special Service & thanksgiving
Present - Rev^d Profesor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher Hose Spence
& Mes^rs Adams & Gotobed
Also the Ladies Committee with several Visitors
The Service commenced with Hymn
The Treasurer then read Psalms XXXII & CXLV - after this the Litany
with a appropriate Collect -
Profesor Scholefield expounded Luke xv 1-7 v^s
& Mr Boodle closed with Prayer
The Managing Committee afterwards met in the Board room -
Pew in the Church - Mr Poynter sent two plans for this - Mes^rs
Boodle Coulcher & Spence were appointed a Sub Committee to
determine upon one & report -
Half yearly Committee Meeting - appointed to be held Tuesday 19^th inst
at 1½ Pclc - the Managing Committee meeting at 1 Pclc as usual -
Anniversary Meeting - Monday 25^th inst. considered a good day
for this as Rev^d Dale may be induced to be present -

Tuesday Oct^r 12^th

Present - Rev^d Profesor Scholefield - Boodle Coulcher Hose Spence
& Mr Adams -
Mr Hammond sent to announce the decease of his Mother in law
the Committee immediately returned a letter of Condolence -
Ladies Report - spoke of the gratitude & happiness of the Inmates at

the change of abode –

Mary Webb – The Report called the attention of the Committee to this person who had commenced her 2d Years service with Mrs Robinson in August last + hoped for some token of approbation The Ladies suggested that 10/ sh be placed to her account in the Savings Bank –

Agreed that (the Minute book not being at hand) a Gratuity shall be voted at the next Meeting –

Ellen Wright – applied for admittance – stated – "I am 17 or 18 years of age was born in Barnwell – Parents are dead – have no relation except as I am told a Sister in London – never went to School – cannot read – was in service at Mrs Johnsons Farmer of Chesterton used to attend Church then – fell into sin about 12 months since through promise of marriage – the person left for London – have been in Spinning House twice – felt desirous of leaving the mode of life 3 months – Mrs Butler of the Boars Head persuaded me to apply to Mr Battescombe who sent me to Mrs Owen – have been in great want – am in debt in 2 places – if in Prospect should wish to leave sin – have not attended a place of Worship during the last year until Sunday last when I went to Mr Battescombes – have not thought much about my soul – Know that I have one + it will live after my body in the grave – Know there is a Heaven + a Hell – Sin leads to Hell – if taken in shall be contented + submit to the descipline of the House does not signify what dress I wear so long as I am neat + clean – Have been intoxicated only twice – am now in good health"

E. W. was then sent with a Note to Mr Hammond whose report was altogether unfavorable – consequently the Professor admonished her solemnly against telling falsehoods – told her she could not be admitted now + advised her to go to the Infirmary in the Chesterton Union + to make application again when thoroughly restored to health – .

Bills allowed

	£	s	d
Matrons Salary 12 weeks ending March	5	–	–
do for Inmates from Aug 31 to Sept 28th	9	–	–
	£14	–	–

The Treasurer reported as follows Donations to Building Fund: –

		£	s	d
Rev J. Brockle bank	Rector of Fowlmere	5	–	–
Rev J. Tinkler B.D	Fellow of Corp: Christi	5	–	–
Rev H Philpott B.D	Fellow of Cath Hall	5	–	–
Rev G. Coulcher	(additional)	2	2	–
Mr Swann		1	–	–
		£18	2	–

Also following Donations to General Purposes –

		£	s	d
Lady Cotton	Madingley	1	1	–
Mrs Ann Turner		1	–	–

Also following Annual Subscriptions:

	£	s	d
Rev J. Graham D.D Vice Chancellor	1	1	0
Mrs Purchas	1	0	0
Mrs Bock	1	0	0
Miss Raymond	1	1	0

Matrons Salary &c – Mess^rs Adams Boodle & Hose – Sub Committee to take this matter into consideration & Report

Assistant Matron – The Daughter of W^m Payne late Gov^r of the Gaol & Mrs Louth – Widow – are named as applicants

Charlotte Sampson – A letter from the Matron of London Penitentiary stated that this person was discharged at her own request on Sept^r 16^th last – requested payment of her fare back as promised – vide Minutes Oct^r 6^th – 21^st & Nov^r 3^rd 1840 –

Payment agreed to –

Iron bedsteads – The new ones furnished by Skelton & Gleaves not corresponding with the old ones – Resolved that S & G – be requested to take them back – alter & paint them –

Settles – Ordered that 6 of the same size with the present – be made by Hinson –

Washstands – Ordered that Hinson do make 2 – long enough to hold 3 basins each – with raised edges to prevent the basins falling off

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Monday Oct^r 18^th

At a Special meeting of the Parochial Incumbents

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Loutcher Langshaw Maddyn & Spence

It was Resolved in compliance with Rule III & the Resolution made Oct^r 19^th 1840 that the G. Fisher Esq^r Rev C. Perry & Mr Stevenson be replaced in the Committee by G & H. Harris – J. Fisher & J Butler Esq^rs who as was understood were willing to be enrolled in the Committee –

Tuesday Oct^r 19^th

1 o'clock –

At a Meeting of the Managing Committee

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Loutcher – Hose & Spence

Mess^rs Adams Gotobed & Hammond –

Ladies Report called attention to the State of Charlotte Payne who was unable to attend to any kind of duty & whose mind seemed failing –

Also to the vacancy in the Ladies Committee

C. Payne Surgeon thought it advisable that C. P. shd – if possible be removed for a month or 6 weeks into the Country –

Ladies Committee – Agreed that M^rs Reynolds be requested to join this –

Builder – Agreed that £50 be paid on account to the Builders as a mark of satisfaction (generally) with the work done – this sum not being due according to Contract – until Christmas 1841 –

Susan Hearn applied for admission – Stated as follows – Am 18½ years of age – was born at Mildenhall Suffolk – both Parents dead – have an Uncle & Aunt at Barton Mills named Haggis a Carpenter – never was at School – was taught to read by my Grandmother – 2 years ago was in Service in London 2 months – fell into sin – was sent home by my sisters to Mildenhall Union – was there ½ a year – left on purpose to come here in sin here not liking the confinement – remained in Cambridge 8 or 9 weeks – went back to Union – came again to Cambridge & having heard of the Refuge had a wish to come in & applied to M^r Battiscombe 2 months ago – could not be received – went to M^rs Grange's Infant School Chesterton – went back to Mildenhall & remained ever since – have

not gone on in sin since my application – had a wish to leave it 2 months since – thought I was doing wrong – never applied to any other refuge – never thought of my soul until I came 2 months ago – attended worship in the house – think my mind is changed – am now sorry for what I have done – know I shd be for ever miserable if I continued in sin – know I shall be confined here – am willing to submit to the confinement & labour of the place – can wash – cannot use my needle well – am not in debt – my clothes are at my lodgings in Gas Lane – am in good health"

The Matron being called in stated she understood from Mr Cleave that S. Hearn was a thorough bad one at the bottom – but had been a little better the last week –

Mr Adams understood that idleness was her chief fault –

S. Hearn being again called in stated – I have been living at Mrs Cleaves did work for her – never heard a complaint – Mr Cleave thought I was rather idle because I used to go into the other houses here – had some words with him – as he thought I was neglecting my work – did not conduct myself there as I ought to have done" –

Admitted – after having been seriously admonished by Professor Scholefield –

Sarah Aimes – 17½ – Have no Father – Mother lives in Gas Lane – father in law is a bricklayer – lived in Service at Mrs Wests New Square – afterwards at Mrs Smiths – the Black Swan – Daughter of Parker – fell into sin through bad company – became acquainted with Mary Ann Graves who persuaded me to leave Service – lived in sin 6 months – have never been in the

Spinning House – was brought up to attend the Chapel in St Andrews St – was at Sunday School Barnsley 5 years since – know E. Read – lived with her at Mrs Brightwells New St – who took us in to keep us – from sin & persuaded us to go to Mr Battiscombs – through his advice applied with Read in Augt last – but was persuaded by some other girls not to come again – they said the Inmates were very uncomfortable & used very ill – do not believe it now & therefore am anxious to come in – willing to undertake all labour & to wear the dress – am used to needlework & scouring &c – can read – am in debt £3 to Mrs Brightwell – am in sound health"

Admitted after admonition by Professor Scholefield –

Eliza Gibson stated – am 19 – have no Parents – a Brother living near the Hat & Feather Barton Road – lived in Service 1½ years with Mrs Smith Broker St Andrews Hill – left her about 1 year ago to go into the Hospital on account of a tumor on my shoulder – remained there under Dr Payet & Mr Lestourgeon 6 weeks – when discharged went to my Brothers but having words with his Wife I was turned out – then lodged at my Cousins Mrs Hancocks near Waggon & Horses East Road – took to a sinful course of life – lived in it 6 months – have been in Union twice – have been all but never in the Spinning House – have been lodging at Mrs Brightwells New St – who keeps a shop & once kept a Public House on Wards Causeway – She persuaded me to apply here – am in debt to her 9d – am in good health except the tumor which has been coming this 3 years & is now much larger – could not do laborious work on account of it – can do plain work –

should not like to go back to the Union but would rather do that than go back to sin —

The Surgeons Report being decidedly unfavourable but the Committee not wishing to deprive Applicant of all hope remanded her for a week in order to ask the Surgeon more particulars —

Tuesday Octr 19th
Half past One Oclock

At a Meeting of the General Committee

Present as above together with Revd Barry - Langshaw - Maddison & C. P. Harris Esqr -

Professor Scholefield ~~reported~~ began by alluding to the hope expressed last year that the new Building would be erected by this time - & though then it was thought too sanguine it was now realized & therefore he & the Manag Committee could now meet the Committee with feelings of unfeigned gratitude & thankfulness -

He was thankful to report that the Inmates continued progressing very satisfactorily - through Gods mercy the Managers had experienced little trial as to the health & none as to the Conduct of the Inmates which had been beautiful - as the Ladies reported most truly - "the "whole establishment had been kept free from those jarring & angry "feelings ~~passions~~ which are the melancholy effects of sin - while peace & "harmony - kindness & goodwill have reigned among them - "and when called forth sympathy & tenderness exhibited not "often surpassed — their continued attention to the general rules "& regulations together with respect & obedience to the Matron "often manifesting their gratitude towards her - have enabled her

"to persevere in those arduous duties which continue to call "forth the full approbation of the Ladies" -

Professor then said the accounts of those who had gone to Service were not satisfactory - one having left us nearly 2 years - another 3 months also the accounts of those sent to the Penitentiary are on the whole satisfying though not so at first - —

There had been 4 applications for admission lately - two of the Applicants were in abeyance on account of health & the other two were now in the house - all this is a mark of God prospering our endeavours & makes us truly thankful for the Probationers Ward of which we feel the real comfort —

As to the union of the County of Bedford with us - a hope of which had been held out at last meeting - nothing had been done but a letter from Mr Pym stated his intention of mentioning the subject at the Quarter Sessions if not agreed to - would send his donation to the Building Fund —

A Clergyman of Huntingdonshire had expressed a wish that that County would unite with us -

And on the whole there was a very cheering & encouraging prospect before us - indeed such as to exceed all anticipation - we cannot give up the hope therefore that the Lord will enable us to complete the work so well begun - Professor concluded by echoing the prayer at the end of the Ladies report - "May the blessing of "Almighty God be continued to this most interesting & increasing "field of usefulness - so that when many others are withdrawn "as some have already been during the past year who rejoiced at

"its commencement - it may be followed up with increasing
"zeal & activity by the servants of the most High keeping continually
"their blessed Masters example in view" —

The Treasurer then reported the state of the Funds — that for General Purposes flourishing inasmuch as at every previous meeting of the Committee there had been a small balance at the Bankers & a great debt due to the Treasurer — now there was no debt & a large balance —

In the Building Fund was a large deficiency which however was gradually being reduced — nevertheless exertions must be made &

The abstract of accounts are given below as audited — & attention is called to the Amount of monies received for the Inmates work being no less than 65.13.— —

Auditors — R M. Fawcett & C. P. Harris Esqrs were requested to undertake the office of auditors —

The meeting then broke up —

Tuesday Octr 26

Present — Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle Coulcher — Hose — Spence — Mesdames Adams - Gotobed & Hammond —

Ladies report — Inmates well & happy — Annie & Hearn conducting themselves satisfactorily — much struck on being admitted to family worship the first Evening — with the singing & reading —

Washing — Ladies had examined the Norwich list of prices — but think it better to defer the matter until Spring as a Superintendant cannot be dispensed with —

Probationers dress — a discussion arose respecting this — ultimately

agreed that Probationers should wear their own clothes during the 1st week & if the Matrons report were satisfactory they shd then be permitted to wear the House dress —

Annes & Hearn — the Matrons report being satisfactory — they were called in — admonished — told they should put on the house dress tomorrow but still be kept apart from the other Inmates —

Eliza Gibson — Mr Hammond reported he understood from Mr Desborough that E.G was not turned out of the Hospital as incurable but was told to apply again if the tumor increased & consultation of the medical men would take place — Consequently he advised that an order shd be obtained for her admission to the Hospital on Wednesday Novr 3d being Mr L's day —

In consequence however of her destitute state Mr H said he would endeavour to get her admitted this week. —

Mary Webb's gratuity was postponed till next week — —

Window Tax — Mr Hearn reported the Surveyor had overlooked the House — & stated the Amount of Tax would be about £4. —

The Institution being considered a Public One & therefore ought to be exempt — Agreed that Mrs Coulcher & Hose do make enquiries relative to the Hospital &c — —

Dilapidations at the late Premises —

The Landlord Mr Newman having made a Charge for these according to the Estimates of the Glazier Gardener - Bricklayer & Sundries amounting to £6.7.9 & at the same time offering to allow £1.7 for the wooden Boards in front of the House —

Resolved that as the Committee think the Gardeners & Glaziers Estimate

too high & refer to work not to be done as outgoing tenants by them — Mssrs Adams & Spence do call upon him & make arrangement with him

Donations &c — The Treasurer reported the following:

Building Fund — G. Fisher Esqr — 2nd Donation — £5 5 —

Rev W. Reid Cherry Hinton — 5 — —

General Purposes:

Mrs Maddeson — — 1 — —

Annual Subscriptions:

Rev G. Maddeson — — 1 1 —

Rev W. Reid — — 1 1 —

Mrs R Angier Coton — — 10 —

Collection at the Town Hall — amounted to — 11 1 4

Resolved that this be put to the Account of the Building Fund. —

Accounts of Treasurer as audited — Resolved that these be advertized in the Papers of Saturday next as suggested by the Auditors —

Loan on interest —

The Treasurer on the part of a friend stated that he was willing to lend the Refuge in case of need at Xmas next the sum of £50 or such other sum as shd be wanting on the Building Fund Account at £5 Per Cent for a term of 5 years certain to be secured by a charge on the Premises without requiring the personal Security of the Trustees or Committee provided that no more advantageous offer shd be made & that the proposal be accepted by Novr 20th next so as to allow of a 6 months notice being given for the calling in of an existing Security —

Meeting on Tuesday Novr 2nd was postponed to 2 Oclock on account of the Anniversary of the Jews Society —

General Meeting

Monday Octr 25th 1841

At a General Meeting of the Subscribers & Friends of the Institution held at the Town Hall

George Fisher Esqr Mayor in the Chair

The Report having been read by the Rev T. Boodle one of the Secretaries the following Resolutions were agreed to unanimously —

I Moved by Rev Professor Corrie B.D — Seconded by Rev T. Dale A.M Vicar of St Brides London. —

That the Report now read be received approved & printed with a list of Benefactors & Subscribers for general circulation —

II Moved by Rev Professor Scholefield A.M — Seconded by Rev George Spence LLB —

That this Meeting heartily approves of the steps which have been taken by the managing Committee for carrying out the Resolution passed at the last Anniversary by the erection of a Building in every respect so suitable for establishing the Institution on an enduring basis —

III Moved by Rev W. Clark A.M Curate of Hastingsfield — Seconded by Rev T. Boodle A.M. —

That the Managing Committee be requested to take the necessary steps for preparing a proper Foundation deed — to adapt the existing Rules to the altered circumstances of the Institution; & that they be authorized to borrow such sum as may be wanting to meet the outstanding demands on the Building Fund Account either without Interest, or at

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Accounts of

The Treasurer

General Meeting concluded

Interest on the Security of the Premises in such way as shall appear to them most for the interests of the Institution. —

IV - Moved by Rev S. S. Kingdon B.D Fellow of Sidney Sussex College - Seconded by G. H. Harris Esq[r] —

That the Committee the Treasurer - the Secretaries - the Surgeon & the Ladies Committee be requested to continue their valuable services on behalf of the Institution —

V. Moved by Rev G. Coulcher A.M — Seconded by Rev C. U. Barry A.B

That the Thanks of the Meeting be given to the Mayor for his kindness in presiding & for permitting the use of the Hall on this occasion —

Tuesday Nov[r] 2[nd]

2 P.M. on account of Anniversary of Jews Society —

Present — Rev[d] Professor Scholefield — Boodle — Coulcher — & Spence & M[r] Hammond —

After prayer offered by Professor — The Minutes of last month were read —

Ladies Report — all well —

Mary Webb — agreed that £5 be voted as a gratuity — of which £4 to be invested in the Savings Bank as suggested by the Ladies Committee (vide Oct[r] 12[th]) & the rem[r] £1 be presented to her by the Treasurer on the first opportunity —

Matrons Report — all going on well — the Probationers very satisfactorily — Charlotte Bryme rather worse — mind & memory failing — very desirable can do no needle work — anxious to try — worked well in the Kitchen last week — very neat & clean —

Chimney in Washhouse & Laundry — require to be blocked up —

Roofs of ditto — still out of repair — & Guests men in despair —

Resolved that Mess[rs] Bonnor Bullock & Hedland be requested to consult as to what is best to be done —

Mess[rs] Brightwell's Bills against Ames & Gibson —

M[r] B. presented these to the Committee — they were as under:

Sarah Ames for Board Lodging & washing £8.10.½.

E. Gibson do. do. to Saturday last — 14.4.

but it appearing that Ames bill & Gibsons bill to the amount of £9 had been contracted by them previous to their application to the Committee — Resolved that the Institution is not answerable for such debts — but that as E. Gibson had been remanded for a week

at the last meeting had consequently contracted a debt of £5..4 with Mr Brightwell under whose care she was in some measure placed by the Committee – that such sum be paid out of the Funds of the Institution by the Treasurer. —

Dilapidations &c at the Old Refuge – The Treasurer reported that Mr Adams himself had agreed with Mr Newman to pay his demand as follows.

"Dilapidations claimed by Mr Newman of the Committee of the Refuge "on ceasing the occupation of the Premises held by them of him in "East Road at Michaelmas 1841 –

	£	s	d
Repairing Venetian Window Shutters	0	6	0
Emptying & making good the Privy	1	2	6
Use of Water butt 3 years	0	7	6
Re-instating the Copper	0	7	0
Bradford's Bill for work in Garden (Feb 4th 1840)	0	14	3
Do Estimate for present work in Do	0	17	0
Glazier's Bill for repairing Windows &c	1	8	0
	£5	2	3
Allowance for wooden Boards in front	1	7	0
Balance due	£3	15	3

Bills allowed –

Newman for Dilapidations &c as above	3	15	3
Do for 8 days rent beyond Michaelmas	0	13	4
Brightwell for Gibson from Oct 26th	0	5	4
Matron for Maintenance of Inmates	9	10	–
Do Charwoman for cleaning Refuge	0	12	0
	£14	15	11

Building Fund – Treasurer reported there was in hand £195..9..10 on account of this Fund

Resolved that a Gratuity of £5..15..0 be given to Mr Bowron Clerk of the works for his attention in overlooking the building of the Refuge

that £100 be paid Messrs Dunnico the Contractors on account —

Catling Gardener – who laid out the back gardens –

Treasurer reported C had applied for payment – Treasurer told him he must send his bill in to the Committee & at the same time hinted that he had not done his work properly as the borders were not trenched – he answered "those were beds & not borders & that they "had not been specified in the Contract" – The Treasurer told him he considered such a fine-spun difference to be little better than quibbling &c – No bill now being before the Committee no determination could be come to.

Business of Committee – Resolved that the Secretary be requested to prepare from time to time from the minutes a list of business to be brought forward in the order of time & that new business except in very urgent cases be put at the foot of the paper to be considered in turn. —

Tuesday Nov^r 9th

Present – Rev^d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Hoyle – Spence & Miss Adams & Hammond —

The Hon^ble Proctor – Rev^d J. Cooper – came to state that he had ordered a young woman named Maria Laxton to apply for admission –

He learnt she had left her home at Wisbech on account of the conduct of her father in law - was a natural child - her father was living but would do nothing for her unless she would lead a proper & steady life - Mrs - had written to her mother & had received two letters - one this morning expressing warmly a mothers feelings & her desire of her daughters return or getting into Service -

Ladies report - All well - announced 2 new Subscribers & a Donation.

Also that the Ladies begged to present the Institution with the Board room Carpet & Rug & also the Oilcloth in the Hall -

Resolved that the Secretary do write to the Ladies Committee & acknowledge their great kindness with the thanks of the Man^g Comm^e -

Chairman of the Managing Committee - Resolved that Professor Scholefield be requested to accept the Office of Chairman de jure as he has hitherto been de facto for the current year -

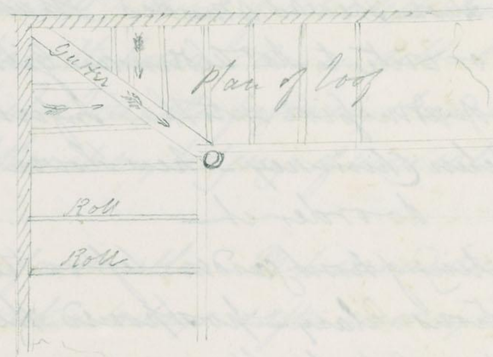
The Professor acknowledged the compliment & accepted the Office

Clerk of the Works - The Treasurer presented 2 letters from Mr Bonner the one acknowledging with thanks the receipt of the gratuity of 15 Guineas & offering his further services if requisite - the other relative to the roofs of the Main Building & Wash House &

To the Cambridge Refuge Committee

Gent^n - I have exam^d the roof over the Laundry & wash house & am of opinion that it will never be free from leakage in the manner it is at present laid - and I sh^d advise it to be taken up & relaid with wooden rolls to cover the joints instead of being lapped together (as at present done) - and there should be a gutter

at the Angle about 6 in: wide to prevent the two waters meeting as shewn in the sketch



The metal will first have the edges turned up about ½ an inch & the wooden roll having 2 grooves in it is nailed down to the boarding & secures them both -

The wooden rolls will be painted the same colour as the metal -

The same day I went on the roof of the Main Building & found several slates broken - probably some were broken in hanging the Alarm bell but they sh^d be made good as soon as possible - I do not think the bell properly hung for the purpose intended & will see the bellhanger respecting it - I remain Gent^n Yours truly

Nov^r 9^th 1841 Elisha Bonner

Resolved - that the whole matter sh^d be left in Bonners hands under his superintendance

Charlotte Bryne - The Surgeon reported there was no hope of her getting better unless she were removed from the house - ⅗ of the disease was hysterical but something must be done -

Mr Spence recommended the Margate Sabathing Infirmary -
Agreed that Mr Hammond do see Mrs Hunnybun by whose recommendation she was admitted & that the Sec^y do see Rev^d Mr. Gibbs Cains or write to Mr alderman Gibbs Walbrook London for an order of admission into that Infirmary —
Kitchen Chimney - new flower was required - agreed that Mr Hose do order it —
Planting of front garden - left in the hands of Mess^rs Hose & Spence
Matrons Salary - postponed the consideration of. —
Matrons report - Hann going on very steadily & quietly - Annis had manifested a little trifling Laxity

Cattle's
Maria Harvey Laxton applied for admission & stated as follows -
Am 23 years of age next January - a Shoebinder by business - have a Father in law & mother living near Wisbech at Elm - can read - have been in Sunday School at Wisbech - left home about 2 yrs since & lived in Sin at Peterborough - being anxious to leave Sin returned home again - but in consequence of my Father in law's improper behaviour left home about 10 weeks ago & came to Cambridge seeking Employment but finding none took to my former course of life about 6 weeks - lived at Mrs Smiths East End (146) - had money for the first few weeks have long wished to leave this course of life - have felt concern for my soul - know that this Sin lead to destruction of body & soul - have prayed to be taken from it - feel a desire for my souls salvation - do not know the nature of this house - heard I must work & wear a dress - do not care about this if I am but happy in mind - am

accustomed to needlework & washing - have been in service - should be glad to get into it again — lived at Mrs Blackburns Elm - belong to Tidd St Giles - am in good health - think if I once kept alone for a time should not wish to leave the house - am in debt - a workment &c & to Mrs Binder Blucher low - also for grocery & bread to Mrs Everett Union Road - have clothes at my lodging of more value than the amount of my debts —
The Surgeons report being rather unfavourable - M. L was advised to go to the Spinning house for a week or 10 days & after recovery to apply again —
Catling the Gardener - applied for the settlement of his account which he had given to Mr Boodle about a fortnight ago - after the Committee had told him of their complete dissatisfaction with the work done which he declared was exactly according to the specification, "the border next the street having been trenched" - as the Specification & Bill were at Mr Spences it was agreed to adjourn thither —

Adjourned Meeting at Mr Spence's

Catlings Specification & Bill having been inspected - it was ordered that his Bill amounts to 3£ 3s as per Contract be forthwith paid —

Tuesday Nov^r 16^th

Present - Rev^d Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Hose - Spence & Mess^rs Adams & Gotobed
Ladies report — All well except Payne whose case demands anxious consideration - Laxton not having been sent for by the Inspector (as was agreed) to be conveyed to the Spinning House was spoken to by the

Ladies —

Mary Webb & gratuity — The Ladies Sec^y reported she had enclosed 5^s in a note to Mary Webb but had not been able to insist the 5^s — the Savings Bank not receiving a less sum than 1^£. —

Ladies Sec^y reported that a person named Johnson would apply for admission who had been in the Spinning House a few days for the purpose — Matrons report — all very satisfactory except Pryme whose mind seemed entirely gone —

Charlotte Pryme not appearing now to be a fit case for the Margate Sea Bathing Infirmary (a report of which was laid on the table by the Sec^y received from Rev^d M Gibbs who in accompanying note expressed greatest willingness to assist in any way) Resolved that the Surgeon be consulted as to what sh^d be done —

Donation to Building Fund — Treasurer reported announced receipt of £5 from an Anonymous friend who requested that it might be acknowledged in both the Sat^y Papers in order that his example might be followed by others — this was accordingly done —

Loans free of Interest — M^r Boodle announced the offer of 2 loans of £25 each free of interest for 3 years certain & in all probability they w^d be renewed if needful at the end of that time —

Loan on Interest (see Minute Oct^r 26)

Agreed that Professor & M^r Spence do call upon Mess^rs Monbleck & ask whether they were willing to lend money on Security of the Premises &c not on what terms & at what rate of Interest — if unsuccessful — then it was agreed that on Tuesday next the Committee sh^d avail themselves of above offer & that thankfully —

Architect — Resolved that a report be sent to M^r Poynter together with a note from the Treasurer declaring the Committee's perfect satisfaction with his labours & announcing that £50 sh^d be placed to his account in part payment of his Commission

Contractor — Resolved that Sec^y do write to M^r Quince requiring him to come immediately & make good the defective roofing of the Laundry & Washhouse & expressing their surprise & displeasure at his delay — Also requesting him to see that the Alarm Bell be properly hung —

Notices of Chaplains' weeks — Agreed that 500 notices be printed & forwarded to each Chaplain at the beginning of a week reminding him that his turn of duty comes on in the ensuing week —

Bedsteads — Ordered that 3 new ones be obtained immediately —

Charlotte Pryme — The Surgeon not having arrived (as he expected & sent word he sh^d be able to do) at 2 o'clk — nothing could be done in this case except to advise the Matron to humour her &c —

— Johnson — not having applied — Agreed the Sec^y do enquire at the Spinning House whether she had been released before 1 P.M. —

Tuesday Nov^r 23^d

Present — Rev^d Prof^r Scholefield — Boodle — Goulcher — Hose & Spence & M^r Adams. —

Ladies report — all well except colds —

"Several of the Ladies consider it will be quite requisite that the "females sh^d be screened in some way from the observation of "the Public when they go to Church — They consider it will be very

"irksome for them to sit in the Church half an hour before the
"service begins & till the congregation have left & all dispersed —
"independent of the observations from the windows of the houses
"surrounding & the iron gates" —

"The mangle will be useless & indeed dangerous to the females
"unless it have a patent wheel or an Iron handle. —
"Johnson had left the Spinning House on Tuesday last before I left
"as her mind was unsettled not likely she wd have remained in
"the Refuge —
"Layton had conducted herself very satisfactorily but was anxious
"to leave the Spinning house as it was so dirty — She had fetched
"her clothes from the lodgings & deposited them with the Matron — having
"sold some of her most costly garments to pay her debts" —

Mangle — Agreed that as Mrs Finch was not at the Ladies Committee
Mrs Hoar be requested to confer with her — The general opinion was
that a new one of the best possible & ground be purchased —
Screen through Churchyard — The following resolution was adopted unanimously —
"That the Board feel that every effort shd be made to secure
"for the Inmates the advantages & privileges of attending Public
"Worship on the Sabbath — especially having regard to the price
"paid for the ground on this account & the representations made
"to the public in reference to it" —

Also — "That the first attempt of the Inmates to go to Christ Church be
"made without the covered way & without the gate being cased
"with sheet-iron" —

Matron reported all well & going on satisfactorily —
Annie's improving — Hearne's conduct very good & quiet — but

her blindness so great that she had twice cut herself in fine —
(Mr Adams said he had ordered a pair of Spectacles but had not yet received them)
also that Charlotte Rayne had left on Saturday for a visit to Mrs Lane
in Dixon Fields — a relation of the Matron — had written to
Matron to say she was much the same —

Maria Harvey Layton having been dismissed from the Spinning
House by Mr Oakes as well — appeared before the Board — & stated
"Having had much time for reflection have thought very much about
"my soul & feel very great desire to come into the Refuge —
Have paid my debts by selling some of my Clothes — the remainder
are in the house —
Admonished kindly by Professor & admitted as Probationer —

Loan on Interest — Professor & Spence reported they had called on
Miss Mostock but were told — lending money on such terms was
out of the way of business — Bankers loans being for months not for
years — The Trustees shd give personal Security & keep the deeds
for their own Security &c

Agreed that Professor & Mr Spence do call upon & confer with Mr
Pemberton One of the Trustees & a large Donor —

Building Fund — Treasurer reported following Donations:

	£
A. B. C. — —	10 0 0
Rev J. Rayner St Johns Coll — —	2 0 0
C. Wagner Esq — — —	2 0 0
Rev R. S. Smith — Brighton —	1 0 0

General Purposes — also following donation to —

C. P. W. — — — —	2 10 0

E. Twiddy – W.m Boodle stated he had received a letter from Rev.d R.d Hill of Snailwell informing him that E. T. was in service with a very respectable family at Fordham – who aware of all that was past – would pay every kind attention to her – She had been with them 6 weeks & conducted herself most satisfactorily –

Stone Sink – Agreed that one of these be put down near the Wash-house door –

Tuesday Nov.r 30th

Present Rev.d Professor Scholefield – Boodle – Coulcher – Spence & Mess.rs Adams & Gotobed –

Ladies report all well except Hearne – for whose failure of sight there appears no remedy – & who grieves much at the thoughts of being turned out of the Refuge –

Hearn was called in & spoken very kindly to – advised to think of her soul & more of the future world than the present – especially to reflect much upon Gods mercy in bringing her under this roof & the purpose for which doubtless He had sent this heavy affliction upon her – therefore to pray most earnestly for grace & a new heart &c – & to use diligently the opportunities afforded during the time she sh.d be permitted to remain –

Matrons report of Annes Hearn & Laxton was satisfactory –

M. H. Laxton – In consequence of this Probationer having been a fortnight in the Spinning House after her first application & conducted herself well there since her admission into the Refuge – it was resolved that she be permitted to put on the

house dress – & if the Surgeon report favourably of her health that she be immediately admitted fully –

Contract for Garden – Scott having presented his Bill as follows:

	£	s	d
Amount of Contract	15	14	6
Work at Walks in Churchyard paid		9	6
For Shrubs Laurels Box &c – 10 doz.n Shrubs & Trees –	3	14	10
For plants French – Lettuce & Cabbage plants & –		19	6

Agreed that the 3 first Items amounting to £19.18.10 be paid out of the Building Fund & that the last (19.6) be paid out of the Fund for General Purposes –

Poynter's Letter – a letter of acknowledgment & thanks received from the Architect for £50 paid to his account –

Loan on Interest – Professor & Spence reported they had called upon W.m Pemberton, to enforce a claim on the subject of the proposed loan, who received them kindly & promised to take the ~~rejected~~ subject into consideration & send answer to Mr Spence on or before Tuesday (this day) – No answer having been received it was ~~considered~~ presumed that Mr P. ~~would not comply with it~~ had no client disposed to lend on more favourable terms.

Resolved therefore that Messrs. Adams Coulcher & Spence be a Sub-committee to consider the matter in all its bearings & report next week –

Washhouse Roof – The new plan not having answered Mr Coulcher was requested to see the Clerk of the Works & ask him to write to the Patentee for further instructions –

Tuesday December 7. 1841

Present Rev: Profr Scholefield in the chair Mr Adams Mr Hose Mr Spence Mr Boodle Mr Gotobed.

After prayer by Rev: George Spence, Read Matrons Report.

The following Bills were examd & paied

Chaldron & Coke	1.0.0
Rowe, Grocer, Candles Soap &c	2.19.3
Young Cals, Starch, Brushes &c	17.16.4
Mrs Tofts maintce to Novr 30	13.12.6
Baldry copying lists of Subscribers & collecting arrears	4.19.0

A Certificate read from Mr Hammond as to Laxtons health

Read Minutes of the last five monthly meetings.

The following Donations &c were announced

By Mr Adams .. Thos Hall Fisher Esqr donr towds G F .. 5.5.0
Also a free loan by Mr Fisher of £50 for such a term as shod best fall in wth ye existing engagemts of the Institn

By Profr Scholefield .. W. G. Gibson Esq Sapperton Wks Donr to B F £10.0.0
Fras Gibson Esq. do ..... do do £5.0.0
Mrs Kitty Cooch Baldock £1.0.0

By Mr Boodle .. A Friend to the Institn ..... B F .. 10.0.0

The Treasr reported the Balce in hand to be about £130 .. whereupon it was resolved that as soon as a satisfactory report shall be recd from the Contractor as to the roof of the Wash-house another £100 be paid to him

The Matron reported that Hannah Stittle had manifested very great skill & industry & taken much interest in ye washing department both in getting up the linen & in teaching the other Inmates, & she suggested that perhaps she might with propriety be encouraged by some token of the Boards satisfaction .. The subject was looked at in various points of view. & as a present result it was determined to let the matter go on for anor month to afford further proof of disinterested effort on her part, & opportunity for considerati by the Board

Proposed Loan of £500

The following Report was read..

A report from the sub-Committee appointed by the Board of Managemt on Tuesday the 30th Novr 1842 to consider of & report upon the best mode of raising the Sum of £500 which it had been found necessary to borrow, & of the proposal of the Rev: George Spence in respect thereof.

Your Committee having met & taken into consideration the existing Engagemts & probable prospects of the Institn, & having conferred with the Treasr on his proposal to advance ye sum required beg to recommend that his offer be thankfully accepted.. The following are the terms proposed.

I The Amount, £500, to be advanced on the 1st of Jany 1842 for a term of five years (subject as after mentd) at £5 per cent Interest, payable half yearly on the 1st of July & the 1st of Jany.

II. The repayment of the Principal, & the halfyearly Interest to be secured by an agreement or Memorandum of charge by way of Equitable Mortgage, accompanied by a deposit of the Conveyance deeds of the 10th & 11th July 1840, such document to be signed by the Trustees & Stamped with the proper Advalorem duty; but the Trustees are not in any way to make themselves personally responsible for the payment of either principal or Interest.

III. It is understood that such proposed security shall not be construed to give preference to Mr Spence over those parties who have already made advances to the Institution of free Loans, but that he shall be considered a Trustee for their benefit equally with himself. See Schedule.

IV. The Trustees or Board of Management shall be at liberty upon the expiration of two years, on any 1st day of July or 1st day of January to repay the said sum of £500 in one entire Sum, on giving six months previous notice in writing to Mr Spence of their desire to do so.

V. The Expense of preparing the said Security, & of enforcing the same in case of default of Payment in manner aforesaid shall be borne & defrayed by the said Institution.

These terms your Committee consider favourable to the Institution, especially having regard to the fact that ~~it was~~ the Trustees could not be asked to enter into personal engagements on behalf of the Institut^n, & that the lender has not any security but that of the premises, which yield no rent.

Your Committee are not without hope that, by the Divine blessing on their diligent endeavours, the whole of the amount borrowed may be paid off in five years. In the mean time it is most satisfactory to know that the annt which will be payable in the shape of Interest will be less by £5 per an: than the rent lately payable for the temporary dwelling in the East Road. Your Committee have set forth hereunder a schedule of the existing loans referred to in their treaty with the Treasurer. Witness our hands this 1st Dec: 1841 (signed) Wm Adams
George Coulcher.

Name of Lender	Sum	Term of years	From what time	When due	Payable in each year	
Harnage Sir Geo:	25. 0. 0	3 years	25 Mar: 1841	25th Mar: 1844		
Suckling Revd R.	25. 0. 0	3 years	Do	Do		
Robinson Rev: Hy	25. 0. 0	3 years	Do	Do	125	1844
Chalwes Mrs Jane	25. 0. 0	3 years	Do	Do		
Chalwes Mrs Eat	25. 0. 0	3 years	Do	Do		
Ragland Mrs	50. 0. 0	3½ years	29 Sept 1841	25 Mar: 1845		
Ray Rev: Geo:	25. 0. 0	4 years	25 Mar 1841	Do .... "	125	1845
Maxwell Rev B	50. 0. 0	4 years	24 June 1841	24 June 1845		
Harris Mr C P	100. 0. 0	5 years	25 Mar. 1841	25 Mar 1846		
Fisher Mr Thos H	50. 0. 0	4½ years	29 Sept 1841	Do "	150	1846
Hamlyn Friend by Profr Scholefield	25. 0. 0	6 years	25 Mar. 1841	Do 1847		
Whewell Revd Profr	25. 0. 0	6 years	25 Mar 1841	Do "	50	1847
Fawcett Mr Robt	50. 0. 0	7 years	25 Mar 1841	Do 1848	50	1848
	£500. 0. 0				£600	

Resolved that the Report be approved & acted upon & that the Trustees be requested to execute to the Treas^{r} a valid & effectual security in accord^{ce} therewith

Providing for the Maintenance of the Inmates.. This subject was taken up & discussed & the Dietary Table of some other kindred institutions referred to & considered in part.. & the consideration^{n} adjourned

Tuesday Dec^{r} 14. 1841

Present Rev: Prof^{r} Scholefield in the Chair.. Spence, Gotobed Adams, Doodle, Coulcher, Rose

Ladies Report read.. all well except Hearn.. mentions an application^{n} from Mr^{s} Ball of Burwell for the admiss^{n} of a young woman named Hunt who wo^{d} apply in person to day.

The Treas^{r} reported a collect^{n} from several Colleges in the University which had been chiefly set on foot by Mr Hotham a Fellow Commoner of Jesus Coll: amounting to £60.3.6 which had been paid into the Bankers.. Resolved that the best thanks of this Board be given to Mr Hotham for his very kind exertions in this matter & that he be requested to convey the thanks of the Board to the Collectors in the several Colleges for their successful efforts in behalf of the Institution

Wash-house Roof.. Bullock called in.. hopes that it is pretty well stopped, for the present ~~for the present~~ at any rate.. but seriously questions the sufficiency of the metal to stand the wear & tear of the roof.. to lay it down in lead wo^{d} probably cost £40 perhaps more.. does not know whether the Patentee was written

to as suggested by Treas^{r}.. has done his best to make a job of it.. Resolved that a cheque be drawn for £100 as proposed at last meeting

Bryne.. Mr Hammond reported that this young woman was no better, & advised her being removed into the Hospital for further advice

Hearn.. Mr Hammond also stated that this Inmate was suffering under a severe attack of Rheumatism.. not removed to sick Ward.. nothing contagious.. but feared she wd be some time ill

Window Taxes.. Assessor sent notice of charge.. ten Windows only.. amounting to £1.8.0.. highly satisfactory..

Agreed to pay Mr Poynter Esq^{r} the Architect an^{o} £50..

Susan Hunt.. I came from Newmarket Union.. I have been in & out of Union five years altogether.. when out lived with my mother in Law.. have lived in sin 3 years.. am 17 yrs of age.. went into Union because I wanted bread, not because I was sorry for sin.. now I do feel it & wish to leave it.. can read a little.. have no parents.. Father been dead 8 yrs.. my mother twelve.. have brothers & Sisters living in Soham, 20 & 26 yrs.. have a strong wish to leave sin.. left it some time since.. in union about a Week.. lived to wks at Burwell.. not steadily.. am in good health.. not sure how long since indulged in sin may be more than two weeks, not three.. am in good health.. am sure.. not thought much abt my Soul.. Subsequently she refused to be examined by a medical man in order to learn particulars of her health & no

reasoning

or remonstrance was of any avail. was determd she would not - either now or at any other time. wd not assign any grounds for y refusal. The Committee therefore declined to receive her & she returned by y carrier. while under exam.n was visited with severe attack resembling epilepsy. The Committee were much pained at sending away this applicant, but feel that their rule is of too much importance to allow of a departure from it.

Tuesday Dec 21st

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle Coulcher Hose Spence & Mr Adams -

Ladies Report - all well except Beadsworth & Ham - Laxton conducts herself highly satisfactorily -

Washing Prices - the ladies wish to know whether these should not be printed? -

Medicine &c - a letter from Mr Hammond was read suggesting the necessity of having medicines in the house - which he was most willing to supply as heretofore - but he thought a sum of about £3.10.0 might be granted for the purchase of bottles - a Mortar a pair of scales & some graduated measures --

Hime was convalescent - Beadsworth still & Pryme was in the Hospital -

Upon the above subject Mr Spence said that Mr Deck had offered to supply the drugs gratis - once some time ago & again at the opening of the new Building

Mr Spence was therefore requested to confer & make all needful arrangements with Mr Hammond -

Mary Ann Tavener applied for admission & stated:

Am 21 years old - can read a little - wash & iron & do needlework - have a mother living in Rupert Street & 7 Brothers & Sisters - My Mother attends Mr Batchcombe's - lived in Service 6 years since at Capt.n Baker's Banton Place for 2½ years - afterwards at a Mrs Isaacs's Feedchool Lane where I was ruined about 2yrs ago by a young man who promised marriage - was turned away by Mrs I - because he came backwards & forwards - then lived at home for a year in Adam & Eve Row - afterwards lived as a common girl with Mrs Griffin S. Road. 5 months - was never in the Spinning House nor accosted by the Doctors - was married about 5 or 6 months ago at Barnwell Church to a Mr a Farmer at - who left me about a month since to live with another wife at Castle End whom he married at about a year ago but who left him with another man until lately - during this period I walked the streets (with my husbands knowledge & consent) as he brought me little or no money - we lived at 18 South Street which he hired - & on which ¼ years rent is owing -

My object in applying is to redeem my Character as I have seen my folly - do really feel sorrow for sin - have supported myself by selling my Clothes during the last 3 weeks - did not associate with other young women - am in good health & am willing to submit to the work & discipline of the house -

admitted as a Probationer - after admonition & subject to Surgeons approval -

Matron laid on the table "Pocket Prayer by Rebecca Wilkinson" presented by Rev J. E. Dalton being sanctioned by Mr Hose it was accepted with thanks –

Books presented – Matron ordered not to put any books that may be presented into the hands of the Inmates before they have been seen & sanctioned by the Committee –

Loan of £50 free of interest offered by Rev G. Maddox for 1½ year – to be considered on 1st Tuesday of next month —

Matrons Salary &c – A letter from Rev J. Kyland Edgbaston together with a Report of the Magdalene Birmingham was laid on the table – after some conversation it was agreed that Messrs Adams Hose & Spence be a Subcommittee to attend to this matter & report

Mangle – Resolved that a new one be purchased immediately & the old one sold – Messrs Adams & Hose to enquire about the properties &c of the various Patent Mangles

Probationers – Mr Boodle threw out a suggestion as to whether applicants might not be admitted on any other day than the Board day – Carried forward —

Tuesday Dec 28th

Present – Revd Spence – Boodle – Coulcher & Hose & Mr Adams – & Mr Hammond –

A note having been received from Professor Scholefield announcing indisposition, the Treasurer was voted into the Chair –

Ladies report – All well – Tavernor pronounced in good health by

the Surgeon — "As the numbers increase how are those who have "been in so long to be provided for?" – Amelia Sparrow has been an "Inmate 3 years & appears anxious to get a place" –

Medicine Chest &c – Carried forward —

Matron reported that Tavernor's conduct was satisfactory – was unclean in person – had not used the bath —

Also that Reads mother (very likely to die) very ill, had expressed a wish to see her – Matron sent to Prof Scholefield for leave which was granted accordingly on Sunday Lord at 5 PM her Brother came to fetch her & brought her back at ½ past 6 as requested, to be in time for the Service – The interview understood to be affecting & satisfactory

The Committee most cheerfully sanctioned what had been done –

Mary Ann Tavernor – called in – still expressed a wish to remain – thought her desire to forsake that mode of life was because it was sinful – "if Mr —— wished me to live again with him I would "not not with any one else except in lawful matrimony" – after admonition was admitted to wear the clothes —

Bath – considered absolutely necessary – Messrs Adams Hammond & Hose were appointed to make enquiries & if satisfactory to give the necessary orders for its completion —

Washhouse roof – Rain still comes in as if through some small holes but it is less than before –

Water in Tank – very bad – likely to endanger the health of the Inmates who wash – Agreed that Messrs Bonner & Bullock be requested to meet 2 or 3 of the Committee tomorrow at 2 o'clock in order that the Tank may be opened & examined —

Letter from Wm Poynter acknowledging the receipt of £50 voted to him Dec 14th —

Donations to Building Fund - Treasurer reported the following —

A. B. by C. P. Harris Esq. £21 .. 0 .. 0

A. S. B. by Rev. J. Boodle received Dec 25th 5 .. 0 .. 0

Mary Stevens applied for admission —

Am 23 - can read a little - cannot write - lived with my Father & Mother in Peter Street Bristol - who made me attend at St James church Bristol - Revd. Biddulphs - both my Parents have been dead nearly 4 years - have 2 Brothers Fredrick & Thomas - the one a Cookeper the other a Grocer still living at B — lived 2 years in Service at Mrs Thomas Ivory Place Clifton Bristol afterwards for 1½ year at Mrs Toogood's a Laundress & Wrights Court Bristol Hotwells - Have lived in sin 2½ years - "a miserable life unless one is smothered with drink" - used about from Town to Town & came to Cambridge 5 weeks ago from London. Lodged at Mrs Farrands opposite Grogs the IV St Road - a respectable woman - am desirous of coming into this house - I know the nature of it - this for those who wish to leave sin - had my present wish only since last Wednesday night - was going past Mr Batts Combes chapel heard them singing a hymn - the tune I had often heard at home - went in sat down & have never been out for sinful purposes since - I went there again on Sunday night last - heard the same preacher speaking of the value of prayer & the awful state of a prayerless soul - I was so deeply affected ~~Mr Boodle after I had left the room was deeply affected~~

by the address to "the one in the Congregation who perhaps was living without prayer" that she rose up & acknowledged herself that miserable one)

"I first spoke to Mr Batts combe last night - he mentioned this house to me - I did not know of it before - am desirous to come in - willing to work & wear the dress - am not in debt - have no wish to speak of my past life - hope I am not deceiving you or myself - it was my own folly - my fathers words on his dying bed — "

Being too much affected to say more & the whole case appearing the most hopeful yet brought before them from the evident deep conviction of sin the Committee admitted her as Probationer —

1842. Tuesday Jan 4th

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield - Boodle - Coulcher - Hare & Spence & Mr Adcocks

After prayer was offered by the Chairman the Minutes of the last Month were read —

Ladies Report - all well —

Washing Pieces - Agreed that the Ladies be requested to lay them before the Board next week with a view to their being painted —

Tank - Matron reported that all the water had been pumped out as being unfit for use —

Mangle - Mrs Adams & Hare reported that a New Patent Mangle had been ordered —

Admission of Applicants - Resolved that in cases of urgent need

an Applicant may be admitted on any day by the
order in writing of two Members of the Board at least
as a Probationer — subject to the approval of the Committee
(on certificate of the medical officer) and to the
at the next Board day —

Pew in Christ church — The following Estimate was received
from Mr Papworth Builder for fitting this up &c —

Redcliff
Jan 3d 1842

An Estimate to build a Refuge Pew in Christ Church —
the framing to be 9 ft high — 1½ Inch thick — to correspond
with the other fittings (?) — the Gate to be framed with
open backs — the upper Panels of framing to be covered
with crimson cloth and nailed — the whole to be
painted and grained for the sum of £30 . 0 . 0 —

by your obed Servant
W. Papworth —

Agreed that the above be accepted & that Messrs Scholefield
Bootle & Spence be a Subcommittee to superintend the work —
curtains of damask — fluted — were suggested instead of cloth —

Matron reported that all the Inmates are going on well —
Susan Palmer had called on Wednesday last & dined with her
sister — her conduct & demeanour highly satisfactory — she
was going on well in her place but her health was not strong —

Laytons conduct very satisfactory —

Tavernor — the report of — being very favourable she was called in —
she had been in the house a fortnight — she expressed herself
very thankful she had ever come into the refuge was desirous

of remaining — being perfectly willing to submit to the
rules of the Institution —

After admonition by the Chairman she was admitted fully —

Stevens conduct had been unexceptionable —

One of the Inmates — Amelia Sparrow — informed the Matron she had
met the Probationer Stevens 6 years ago at a Public house in
Biggleswade in company with ~~bad~~ Persons of loose Character —
She was quite sure of the Person —

Mary Stevens was consequently called in — & upon enquiry stated —
I am 28 years of age — was born at Bristol near Redcliffe
baptized at St James' Mr Wish Minister — lived in Sun 2½ years —
attended Mr Biddulph's — lived at a Lavender when I went
astray — never lived away from Bristol previously — first
came to this country about 5 weeks ago — never was in
Bedfordshire — Always went my travels alone — My Eldest
Brother the grocer who has my age is about 30 — his name
Frederic James Stevens Redcliff Street — have a brother Thomas
& a Sister Sophia between me & my eldest brother — do not
know whether they would receive me back — am sure that
they will not — for they turned their backs upon me in Bristol —

Agreed that the Secretary do write to the Brother acquainting him
with the circumstances of her application & admission into
the Institution — requesting her age & her Baptismal Certificate
& also what Parish she was born in —

Hannah Stittle — Matron reported her great usefulness in the
Washhouse & Laundry, her willingness to teach the other Inmates

She worked harder than the rest being ~~made~~ in the Workhouse
sorry work -
Consequently Shittle was called in & spoken to kindly by the
Chairman - encouraged to go on in usefulness & promised
a mark of approbation (a book or something) at a future time -
Loan of £500. - Treasurer reported this had been paid into the Bank -
also reported he had instructed Mr Harris to prepare the necessary
deed & forward it to Counsel in London - The deed had been
returned with a suggestion that "a Foundation deed" be
prepared immediately. -
Resolved that the necessary instructions be given to Mr Harris for this
purpose -
Contractor - Agreed that £100 be paid on account of Contract -
that £100 also be paid on account of the Walls.
Donation to Building Fund - Treasurer announced
Mr Peter Isbourne £2 . 0 . 0
Also do Annual Subs^n - - - . 10 . 6 . -
Application for Admission -
The Mayor of Huntingdon being anxious to obtain admission
for a Female of Papworth requested (through the Sec^y) to know
the terms &c -
Agreed that the Party be received on the following conditions
1. That a Medical Certificate be sent of her being in sound health &c
2. That expence of her conveyance be paid to Cambridge & in case of
non admission after examination that the expence of Conveyance
back again be also defrayed

3. That 7^s p^r week be paid for her Maintenance during her
stay if admitted -
4 - That expence of conveyance back be also paid in case of her
future dismissal at her own request or for misconduct or on
account of ill health &c -
Agreed also that the Sec^y do write to this effect & draw the Mayors
attention to the proposed terms of Union with the County of Bedford
in the 2^nd Report -
Offer of Loan by Rev^d. Maddison - carried forward
Medicine Chest ——— d^o
Matrons allowance ——— d^o
Bath ——— d^o
Getting out of Inmates ——— d^o
Bills to the Amount of £123 carried forward to Tuesday Feb: 1^st. -

Tuesday Jan 11^th

Present - Rev^d Prosper Scholefield - Boodle Coulcher Hose
& Spence - & Mess^rs Adams & Hammond.
Ladies Report - All well - it was understood that - Susan Hunt
who made application for admission Dec 14^th now repented her
obstinacy & was anxious to come in -
Agreed that the Sec^y do write to Mr Ball of Burwell stating the
willingness of the Committee to receive her on compliance with the
Rules of the Institution. -
Matrons Report - good - Laxton & Taverner going on well -
The Probationer Stevens' conduct highly satisfactory

Mary Stevens was then called in & after much kindly admonition was fully admitted——

Secretary reported no answer had been received from her brother— neither had any further communication been received from the Mayor of Huntingdon

Foundation-deed - Carried forward —

Mangle a new one had been purchased & was being put up. -

Mary Ann Simco made application for admittance & stated —

Am 16 yrs 9 mos - last June - can read - was in St Clements Sunday School my Mother lives in that Parish - is a Laundress - have an elder Sister unmarried but about to have a baby - She lives with my Mother I went astray about 2½ months since - went to live on Union Road with Caroline Farren - went for the purpose of sin - remained in sin 6 weeks & returned home a month ago - desirous of leaving that course of life - sensible of its wickedness - have thought much about it - do feel that it is a wretched life - know that I have a soul & by leading that life am destroying it - am desirous of coming into the house - know that Caroline Farren would not come in on any account - not liking to be shut up - I am anxious to come in - Since my return home have never been committed sin (Her Mother sincerely believed this to be true) have been to Barnwell 2 or 3 times to see Wm Hall or rather Edward who is living with a person named Hall in Gas Lane & whose banns are to be asked at Barnwell Church next Sunday - I never went to Barnwell for sinful purposes after my return home do feel a desire of leaving sin - think this desire sincere one —

have never been in the Spinning House - was once stopped by the Doctors - am in good health - am willing to comply with all the arrangements of the House "—

Much & anxious deliberation ensued amongst the Committee as to the propriety of admitting her - seeing that she was living honestly under her Mothers roof - But as it was evident from the Mothers answers to the questions of the Committee that there was much laxity of principle & but very little control & a most decidedly bad example constantly before her eyes - it was proposed to admit her if she could give a satisfactory answer to the following question - "Why do you wish to come into this house & be shut up & made to work hard rather than continue to live virtuously at home"

Upon being again called in & asked this question - She replied - "Because there would be no temptation here to lead me astray again"

Upon this after much warning &c She was admitted as Probationer

Mem: it appeared that since her return home Caroline Farren & another had endeavoured to entice her back to sin more than once —

The Surgeons report was highly satisfactory —

Elizabeth Clack applied for admission - & stated

Am 24 years old in February next - lived at Warboys Huntingdonshire my Father a wheelwright - have no Mother - 4 Sisters - 1 married 2 at home - am the youngest - have been well brought up - can read & do needlework - cannot wash - lived in sin 3 years last July - with a person whom I left the week before last Stourbridge Fair because he behaved ill to me - lived at his house - never before or during that time had been with any other — have a desire

to come in here because I have no other means of obtaining a livelihood — have lived 2 months at Tinjay's 42 Wellington Row — have now a feeling of concern for my soul more than I once had — this last month this feeling is stronger — suppose if I come here I shall repent for what I have done — am in debt for board & lodging to Mrs Brooks Shortstreet who keeps a Public house — have a watch there — am not in want — have been selling my clothes — knew I was living in sin when I was living with that person — have never been in the Spinning House — fully understand if I come in here I shall have to wear a dress & work hard — do not mind what I do to be admitted "

The medical mans report being unfavourable it was arranged that admission sh^d be obtained for her into the Spinning house —

Tuesday Jan 18th

Present Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Woodle Coulcher Hose & Spence & Mes^rs Adams & Hammond —

Ladies report — All well & attentive —

E. Clack — Mrs Owen reported this person had gone to the Spinning house but left the next morning saying "she would not remain in such a place" — refused to light her own fire saying "she had not been used to light fires or do any sort of work — or to wait on herself &c —.

Mr Woodle stated he had seen Clack previous to her admission. & she gave as her reason that she had no idea of the nature of the place she was going to — for that she would rather sell all her clothes to

maintain herself — She still expressed an anxious desire to come into the Refuge when fit for it —

Mr Hammond kindly promised to see her & give her advice which may benefit her health in a few days. —

Matilda Raynes — Mrs Owen reported M. R. had applied for admission The Vice Chancellor had committed her to the Spinn^g House for 14 days but was willing to release her if admitted into the Refuge — her Mother was with her & willingly take her home but a Second husband has for some time forbidden her so doing. —

M. Raynes was called in & stated —

Am 17 years of age — belong to Linton — can read but not write — can wash & do household work — my mother is married again — left my home because my Step father was unkind & would not support me — his name Swann a labourer — having 9^s p^r week — this was about 7 months ago — had lived when very young at Mr Birds Swan Inn Linton — came to my Aunts when I came to Cambridge (very respectable person) — was with her 3 or 4 days then seduced by a Gownsman — went back to the Union — left the Union to obtain Service in Cambridge — came to Mrs Bayleys Globe Bridge Street — a house of ill fame — neither my mother nor myself knew this — afterwards about 6 weeks ago came to live at Mrs Skippers Short Street (belonging to Goulding) — think this a very wicked life & am anxious to reform as I have respectable friends — very much distressed at it & am really desirous to quit it — was taken by the Proctors on Thursday morning & committed for a fortnight — am in debt owing £2 to Skipper as she says who has my clothes in pawn —

am in good health & am willing to work with pleasure —
attended Church when at home - never since I went astray —"

The Surgeons Report being satisfactory

M. R was admitted on probation & ordered into the Sick ward so as to be kept apart from M-A. Simes. — Very thankful for admission having been admitted — but

M-A. Simes was then called in - expressed her desire to stay & thanks &c. The Matrons report being by no means good - Saying soon after her "admission & behaving rudely to the Matron &c" —

She was strongly but kindly admonished by the Chairman - & allowed to stay but not to wear the dress as yet —

Bills allowed having been carried forward from Jan 4th —

Vail for hanging Bells &c	—	12	7	4
Hinson for Boardroom Chairs & work done &c	—	8	5	4
Groves for Brushes Baskets &c	—	2	7	3
Wood for Hair Clothes line	—	—	15	—
McKintosh - Tinman	—	1	3	8
Wallis Linendraper - C. Palmers fitting out	—	2	17	3
Barrett for Crockery	—	2	5	5
Wallis - Draper for Sundries £6 to G.P. - £13.3.11 to BE		29	3	11
C. Finch - fitting up &c	—	55	17	6
Thompson for Mattrasses	—	6	10	2
E. Smith & Son for Articles bought at Auction	-	3	5	0
Union House for Mats	—	1	14	0
Mrs Owen for Sundries	—	1	6	6
Matron for Maintenance of Inmates from Novr - 30th to Dec 28th	—	11	5	0
		139	3	3

Sober coloured Crimson baize door to the Board room - thought necessary to prevent the Committee from being overheard -

Agreed that the Secr - do order it to be put up by Mr Lennie & at same time express the Committees disappointment at not having received his Account —

Table in Ward - Matron reported that was absolutely necessary as the Numbers of Inmates were increasing -

Agreed that a new one be ordered similar in every respect to the one now in Ward (1) except that it be made in 2 parts to be joined together at pleasure by hooks & eyes underneath -

Mangle - now put up & after inspection much approved —

Bath - carried forward —

Medicine Chest - carried forward -

Matrons Allowance &c - The Sub Committee laid their report on the Table & after a little conversation it was agreed that it be received & be put in circulation for the further consideration of the Committee - The Gentlemen agreeing to call in the Ladies - each - certain specified Ladies of the Committee -

Washing Prices - resolved that these also circulate with the above report before they be printed —

Professor S - agreed to take them - first consult Mrs Scholefield & pass them on to Mr Boodle —

Tuesday Jan 25th

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield & Hose & Mr Hammond -
Ladies report - all well -
Amelia Sparrow - a letter was read from Mrs Owen offering to take
A. S. as a Servant & to train & instruct her;
as the Meeting was small agreed to make it known to the other
Members in the course of the week -
Probationers Raynes & Sunes were called in admonished &
allowed to sit on the deck of the House - their conduct
especially that of Raynes having been quite satisfactory. -

Tuesday Feb 1st

Present - Revd Professor Scholefield Hose - Spence & Coulcher
& Mesdms Adams Gotobed & Hammond -
Prayer offered by Mr Hose & Minutes read -
Ladies Report - All well -
Matrons report - very satisfactory -
Probationers Raynes & Sunes having conducted themselves well
particularly Raynes were called in - admonished as to future
conduct & fully admitted -
Palmers letter - A letter was read from J. Palmer Father of C & S.
Palmer expressing his thankfulness to the Board for kindness
shewn her Daughters & gratitude to God for their recovery from
State of sin. -
Annis' Brother - Matron asked leave for this person to see his Sister
granted -

Donations &c - Treasurer reported the following receipts -

		£	s.	d.
by Mrs Owen - for Needlework by Inmates			3.	8
— Washing	—		6.	11. 9
A Christmas Offering	—		1.	0. 0
Revd - Mr Wastell	—		1.	0. 0
Mrs Webb	—		1.	0. 0
Mesdms Webb	—		1.	0. 0
	£	18.	15.	5

- by the Treasurer -

Lord Hardwicke	—	10.	0.	0
A Friend by G.S	—	1.	0.	0
Ditto Ditto	—		10.	-
Mesdms Heathcote	—		10	
Colt Glover Don"	—	1.	1.	0
Do A.S	—	1.	1.	0
	£	14.	2	

Bills ordered to be paid:

Matron for Inmates Maintenance to Jan 25.		13.	15.	0
Salmon for Chairs	—		6.	11. 8
Finch for Mangle	—		17.	7. 0
Wiseman for binding Reports &c	—			14. 0
	£	38	7	8

Loans - Treasurer reported that 2 offers of Loans of £25 had
been made -
Agreed that thanks be given to the proposed Lenders but that

the loan of £500 on interest having been accepted for 2 years at least (see Minutes Dec^r 7^th) there would be no need of the sale & Loans —

Amelia Sparrow — Professor Scholefield reported Mrs Owen desire to have Amelia Sparrow as an Underservant to prepare her for another situation — especially as her upperservant is an elderly person — Sparrow also is not known in Cambridge —

Agreed with thanks that Mrs Owens kind offer be accepted —

A.S. was then called in — informed of the proposed change & advised as to future behaviour — She expressed much thankfulness —

Bath — reported by Messrs Adams & Hood as fitted up & complete with a Service pipe for cold water from the Cistern upstairs — After inspection the Committee expressed their perfect satisfaction —

Pews in the Church carried forward —

Tuesday Feb: 8^th

Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Beadle — Hood — Corbelier & Messrs Adams & Hammond

Ladies report — All well — except Charlotte Palmer —

The Ladies kindly ~~admonished~~ counselled Amelia Sparrow previous to her leaving the House with Mrs Owen — She appeared very sensible of the interest taken in her & expressed her gratitude for the instruction & comfort she had received in a very simple but affecting manner

Mary Webb — Mrs Owen reported that M. W. had left her place for reasons best known to herself — her Mistress was sorry to part with her & will give her a good character — She appears very steady — says she is no longer a giddy thoughtless girl values her character now & hopes the grace of God will keep her in the right way — She is with her Sister Mrs Bowbank —

Tuesday Feb 15^th

Present — Rev^d Professor Scholefield — Beadle — Corbelier — Hood & Spicer & Messrs Adams & Hammond

Ladies report — all well — except C. Palmer —

Surgeon reported C. Palmer better —

Matron reported — that Sisters Stephens & Manns were all going on well — These still sleep in the Probationers & sick wards as the large Ward is full —

Agreed Taxes — a bill of £5. 4^s 2^d was presented as due for ½ years Window Taxes due Michas last —

The house not having been inhabited until after Michas

none was due — The Treasurer was therefore requested to explain the mistake to the Collector

Pew in Church carried forward —

Tuesday Feb: 22nd.

Present Rev.d Professor Scholefield Boodle Coulcher Hose & Spence & Mr. Adam Hammond

Ladies Report — All well — alluded with thankfulness to the Inmates having been astonished & displeased at Sims's singing a Song when the Probationers staid

also set forth the necessity of having an Assistant Matron now the family is increasing so fast — in case of Mrs. Tofts illness for fear she should be overburdened in mind & body —

This matter was carried forward —

Application from Brampton Hunts —

The Sec.y laid a letter on the table from Rev.d J. T. Browne curate of Brampton requesting admission for the daughter of a poor Parishioner who having seen the error of her ways had returned from Leamington where she had lived in sin & appeared thoroughly contrite & most anxious to regain her character & for this most willing to enter a Penitentiary —

Mr B. had seen the communication made to the Mayor of Huntingdon (see Minutes Jan 4th) containing the terms of admission &c. but wished to know whether the terms would be somewhat lowered in his case as the expence could be met with difficulty by him —

After long & anxious deliberation it was resolved that at present no lower terms could be accepted but that as the whole Expenditure of the Establishment was about to undergo revision — if any reduction could be made Mr Brooke should have the full benefit from the day of the young woman's admission —

Resolved that the Sec.y do write Mr Browne to this effect —

Contracts &c. — The Treasurer reported that he had not received the Accounts as Mr Poynter had left them by mistake in Town — but that according to Mr P's rough guess the sum still due for the Contract — the Walls & Extras amounted to about £240 —

Agreed that £200 be immediately paid to Messrs Lemmee & Bullock on the general account —

Matrons Report — All going on well — C. Palmer quite recovered — Sims conduct better — Stevens had met with an accident having cut her arm — this had made her more thoughtful —

Report of Matrons Allowance carried forward —

F. Bittles Case — considered next week —

bless the instruction the Refuge affords with its many & paramount advantages — Her Father was a most wretched cripple but an advanced Christian — C.D had been the most obstinate sullen & perverse young offender Mrs B had ever met with — so abandoned that he had her turned out of her Fathers doors & from two other houses in her Parish —

Charlotte Donnington called in — Stated as follows —

Am 19 next April — was born at Brampton — can read quite well — do washing & needlework — left Brampton 12 months ago — did not fall into sin before I left — but was deluded away by a young man — lived at Huntingdon for 8 months in common course of sin — then went to Leamington where I kept company with a young man for 1 month — broke off connexion with him through a quarrel — the person with whom we were lodging wished me to go to meeting — he did not like it — after this I forsook sin — attended Chapel & Church at L — applied to my Father to receive me back which he at last consented to — have left him for 3 months — am truly sorry for my sin — have a concern for my soul — know if admitted I must work for my living — that I wish to do — the chief object of my desiring to come in is that my soul may be saved — my constant prayer to God is that He would pardon my sin — am in good health" —

The Surgeons report being very satisfactory

C.D after counsel & advice was admitted as a Probationer

Agreed that the Secr do inform Mr Browne of this & at the same time

thank him for his remittance & begin to consult his own convenience as to future payments either at the end of 1, 2 or three months — also state that the Committee will be most glad to shew him the Refuge &c —

Application for a Servant — Secretary read a letter from Rev G. Maddison stating he had been applied to by an intimate friend — a Widowed Clergyman with 3 young Children — living in a village in Bucks — for a housemaid — to be quick cleanly "good tempered & obliging somewhat acquainted with the work "of the sincerity of whose Reformation there can be no doubt" — Mr M. stated this to be a most desirable situation in every point of view — his Friend being anxious to benefit "that Admirable Institution the Refuge" —

Upon enquiring of the Matron she said Mary Ann Beadworth was the inmate she could recommend for the place — as quick cleanly & obliging — but rather hasty in temper though her passion soon cooled — & had never been out —

Agreed that the Secr do acquaint Mr Maddison with this with thanks for the opportunity afforded of getting another Inmate out —

Charlotte Prime — Mr Hose stated Dr Paget had reported C. Prime as quite well & therefore must leave the Hospital

Agreed that Hose do arrange with Mrs Stunnybun for her coming back tomorrow or next day —

Contractor — Agreed that £50 be paid to the Contractor on account — leaving a balance of about £5

Bibles & Prayer Books — Matron reported some were now wanted —

Bills allowed –

		£	s	d
	Whybrow for mending window		2	6
	Purvis for repairing boots		3	–
	Gifford for Coke		19	–
	Matron for maintenance of Inmates from Jan 25 to Feb 22nd	14	0	0
B.F.	Brown for Printing advertizing &c	7	5	0

Settles Reward – Agreed that "Nicholls help to the profitable reading of the Scriptures" be given as one book & that some other say Pilgrims Progress be added

Matrons Stipend & Dietary Table

The Report of the Sub Committee of Jan 18th was again read.
Resolved that the Report be entered on the Minutes – & further that the Report be left with Mrs Tofts for a week & that she be requested to confer thereon with the Sub Committee –

Report upon Matrons Salary &c –

18 January 1842

The Committee to whom it was referred to enquire and report as to the Salary which under the altered circumstances of the Institution it will be proper to pay to the Matron, and as to some other matters connected therewith, and with the future maintenance of the Inmates beg to report.

That hitherto the Salary of the Matron has been £20 per Ann. without any specific allowance for her board.
That she has heretofore farmed the Inmates, and received an allowance of 5/ per head per week on that account, from the profits of which it is assumed she has derived the means of her own board.

That up to the time of removing the family from the temporary dwelling to the new premises, the Matron received employment from Mr Law the Tailor from which it is believed she derived considerable emolument especially in keen time. This has been discontinued both the sanction of the Board; and it is clearly desirable that the whole time and energies of the Matron should be given to the Institution. The Committee are also of opinion that the time has arrived when the maintenance of the Inmates should be provided directly by the Institution, and that an allowance

should be made to the Matron for her own board.
The committee find that it has not been the practice of the Matron to dine with the Inmates, or even to preside at their table during their meals. The committee are disposed to assent to the continuance of this arrangement as well with regard to the maintaining undependant authority of the Matron, as from consideration to her own wishes; and the more so, as the appointment of an assistant Matron, which it is apprehended must soon take place, will furnish a suitable person to preside at the meals of the Inmates. It is right to say that in some of the Institutions to the rules of which the committee have had access, the Matron herself presides at, if she does not share in, the meals of the Inmates.

If the Board of management shall agree in these suggestions of the committee, they would further recommend that the Salary of the Matron be £30 per annum from christmas last and that she be allowed as, and for her board a further sum of £20 per annum to commence from the time at which the maintainance of the Inmates shall be provided directly by the Institution. In regard to the amount of the Salary, the committee do not find that in any similar Institution out of London the Matrons Salary is more than £30 per annum. The case of peculiar

merit or extraordinary service may be recompensed if thought fit by an occasional gratuity. And as regards the matter of her board, after well weighing the whole subject and estimating carefully the particular items, the committee consider a money payment to be altogether preferable either to the furnishing a separate table for her, or the allowing her in whole or in part to participate in the provisions of the Inmates. In addition to her stipend the Matron will be allowed coals and candles and the use of such vegetables as the garden may produce, concerning which the committee would observe by the way that they think it ought to supply all or nearly all the vegetables required for the establishment except potatoes.

As to the Matrons servant, the committee consider that as an assistant Matron and a porter will probably soon be needed, there will on their appointment no longer be required a special servant for the Matron. One of the most steady of the Inmates may always be advanced to this office without the payment of any salary being called for.

In the case of Charlotte Palmer, perhaps, it may be not unsuitable to make to her an allowance at the rate of £4 per ann: until an eligible place shall be found for her. It is assumed that she

boards with the other Inmates.

There remains only to report upon the Dietary table for the Inmates: and on this head considering that it is desirable in the change of plans to make as little alteration as possible in the quantity and quality of the food, the committee recommend that the Matron should be directed to continue to make, on the account of the Institution, the same provision as heretofore in all respects going to certain tradesmen, to be approved by the Board. Notes or orders in writing the form to be printed, signed by her for all the articles required for the family, and entering into a Book to be kept for the purpose daily, or at any rate weekly, the actual provisions supplied and the cost.

This plan being continued for two or three months will give to the Board full opportunity of ascertaining by actual experiment the best and most economical Dietary table. The committee would recommend that once a week Rice as a wholesome nutritious vegetable be substituted for flour puddings.

The committee are aware that much supervision by the Ladies Committee and the Board will be requisite on the adoption of changes so material as those here reported on, but they do not doubt

that both will gladly co-operate in carrying them out into effect, and that both will continue to seek their Counsel and blessing by which both the external and internal affairs of this Institution have been hitherto so remarkably prospered.

All which matters the undersigned beg to present to the good judgement and decision of the Board.

George Spence.
Secd Phos

Janry 18. 1872.

Wm Adams

Cambridge Refuge
Half yearly Abstract
Oct^r. 21. 1839 to April 28. 1840

Cambridge Refuge.

Abstract of Receipts between Oct^r 21, 1839 & Ap^l 28, 1840.

Of the Treasurer on loan		57	9	2
(a balance of £16 . 3 . 9, being 1/2 cen due)				
Annual Subscriptions	84 . 9 . 6			
Donat^ns to General Purposes	35 . 11 . 0			
Doubtful whether D, or A.S.	8 . 8 . 0			
Work done by Inmates	5 . 11 . 8			
		134	0	2
Donations to Building Fund		343	10	"
		£ 534	19	4

534 . 19 . 4
274 . 0 . 5
260 . 18 . 11

Abstract of Disbursem^ts between Oct^r 21, 1839 & ap^l 28, 1840

The Treasurer, bal^ce due, & loan repaid		73	12	11
Maintenance of Inmates ...	45 . 12 . 6			
Furniture, Bedding & Clothes	12 . 10 . 0			
Coals, Candles, Soap, brushes &c &c	13 . 7 . 11			
Rent, Taxes, Repairs, & Insur^ce ..	17 . 9 . 6			
Books, Station^y, postages &c &c	1 . 7 . 8			
Matrons Salary, 2 quarters,	10 . 0 . 0			
		100	7	7
Deposit on signing agreem^t for purchase of Site ..		100	"	"
Balance at Bankers		260	18	11
(Building Fund acco^t)				
Amount received *	343 10 0			
Deposit paid	100 " "			
	£ 243 10 0			
* One Sum of £25 to this acco^t, not yet paid in ...				
		£ 534	19	5
Balance at Bank	260 19 0			
on B.F acco^t.	243 10 0			
On Gen^l acco^t ...	£ 17 9 0			

Cambridge Refuge.

Half yearly abstract

28 april 1840.

March 7. 1843

Elizabeth Gathercole .. am desirous of being
last August
rec^d into the Refuge .. am 17 yrs of age .. & my
Parents reside at Chesterton .. I was ~~seduced~~ first
led astray by a medical man in Cambridge
being then 15 yrs of age .. he seduced me from my
home .. I then resided in Coronation Street. New
Town .. he continued to visit me there for a month
or so & then left me .. I was then on the Town
three weeks .. at that time a gownsman
became acquainted w^th me .. & with him
occasional
I have had, intercourse from that time
until recently - Once (viz in Dec^r 1841)
I was taken to the Spinning house by Mr.
Thompson one of the Proctors & was there
a week .. went home .. & remained at
home until last Oct^r. (1842) I then left
home being pregnant & went to live
in Nor^k last
at Granteh^m where I was prematurely
brought to bed of a dead born child .. I was

to hide it from my Parents .. My Mother
will not receive me - says she will leave
the house if I do .. I have 3 sisters & two
brothers .. my Sisters are younger -- now
live at Trumpington - I have carefully
read the Reports of the Refuge (I can
both write & read) & I am really anxious
to avail myself of its shelter in order to
reformation of heart & life - I have no
design tho' or wish to renew my intercourse
with the Gentleman tho' he has been very
kind to me - I earnestly desire to
not to mention his name .. I was afraid
of the Refuge, but was much struck with
that rule in which forbids reproaches in
respect of past conduct - I am willing to
wash or to do any work in my power &
to conform to the rules in all things

Refuge Report

Feb 2d

Present - Mrs Owen - Mrs Webb - Mrs Hayward
Mrs Finch — Miss Yotobed

Having much to say & read to the ladies who had been some weeks absent - little could be done except singing a hymn & prayer - Amelia Sparrow came in & was kindly admonished by the ladies previous to her leaving the house with Mrs Owen - She appears very sensible of the interest taken in her, & expressed her gratitude for the instruction & comfort she had received, in a very simple but affecting manner -

Mary Webb has left her place - for reasons best known to herself. Her ~~Mistress~~ Mistress was sorry to part with her - & will give her a good character She appears very steady - says she is no longer a giddy thoughtless girl - values her character now & hopes the grace of God will keep her - in the right Way She is with her sister Mrs Babcock

M. A. Owen
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