

Medical Relief

Stratton St. Margaret 1837

HIGHWORTH & SWINDON UNION MEDICAL RELIEF

The Board of Guardians of this Union will receive TENDERS from MEDICAL GENTLEMEN, legally qualified to practice, who may be willing to Contract for MEDICAL RELIEF to the aged and other destitute Paupers permanently on the Relief Books, and also to all Paupers in the Workhouse, at a gross sum, for one year from the 25th March next. The number during the last year may be ascertained on application to the Clerk.

Should any case of sudden or urgent necessity arise, by reason of any able bodied labourer neglecting to secure to himself medical assistance, independent of his parish, by joining the medical Club established in this Union, such medical assistance will still be granted, but only by way of Loan, to be repaid by attachment of the applicant's wages, as soon as possible after his convalescence; therefore the Board wish to receive Tenders at so much per case for all such cases, but not to exceed a certain sum for each District. Should any such sudden or urgent cases last longer than 4 weeks, they will be considered as permanent ones, and, as such, will come under the Contract for aged and permanent paupers.

The Contract will include all cases of sickness, medicines, surgery, and vaccination for all paupers within the Districts, whether belonging thereto or otherwise (except Midwifery, for which 10s, 6d. per case will be paid) for which an order shall be given by a competent authority.

Separate Tenders for each District must be delivered at my office in Swindon, on or before TUESDAY the 21st February instant.

THE UNION IS DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRICT No. 1, comprises the parishes of Blunsdon St. Andrew, Castle Eaton, Hannington, Highworth, Inglesham, Rodborne Cheney, Stanton Fitzwarren, Stratton St. Margaret : - Population: 5736.

DISTRICT No. 2, Bishopstone, Chiseldon, Draycot Foliat, Liddington, Hinton Parva, Swindon, Wanborough, Wroughton: - Population 6875. Signed. By order of the Board A. S. CROWDY, Clerk. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette 02 February 1837**

© Wiltshire OPC Project/John Pope/2015