

tained out of the funds of the Board, and of the distribution of charitable aid within the district.

Board may apply funds for erection and maintenance of institutions.

19. The Board may from time to time apply any of the moneys in its hands, in such proportions and in such manner as it thinks fit,—

- (a.) In and towards acquiring any land required as a site for an institution ; or
- (b.) In and towards the erection and maintenance of any building or institution, with all necessary outhouses and enclosures, for the purpose of being used as an institution under this Act ; or
- (c.) In and towards repairs, additions to, or alterations of any existing or future institution or building annexed or belonging thereto ; or
- (d.) In or towards the maintenance or relief of indigent, sick, infirm, or aged people ; or
- (e.) Generally in payment of all charges and expenses incurred by the Board in carrying out this Act.

Board may establish new institutions.

20. The Board may from time to time, with the approval of the Minister, establish new hospitals or branch hospitals, or other institutions, in any part of the district where it deems them to be required.

Board to submit plans.

21. No institution shall be erected, and no addition or alteration shall be made to any existing institution, unless previous notice in writing of such proposed erection, addition, or alteration, accompanied by a sufficient plan and description thereof, has been sent to the Minister, and the consent in writing of the Minister has been previously given.

Board may close any institution no longer required.

22. The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, close any institution vested in it that it thinks inexpedient to maintain any longer, and shall provide for the distribution of the inmates thereof among other institutions in the district.

Board may appoint officers.

23. The Board may from time to time appoint a Secretary, Treasurer, and such medical and other officers, matrons, nurses, attendants, and servants to assist in the execution of this Act as it thinks proper, and may from time to time remove any of them and appoint others in their stead :

Provided that the appointment of any medical officer or matron shall be subject to the approval of the Minister.

Board to provide medicines and attendance for the poor.

24. The Board may from time to time make such provision as it deems necessary for the supply of medicines, disinfectants, and medical and nursing attendance for the poorer inhabitants of the district, either free of charge or at such rate as the Board in each case thinks fit.

Expenses of administration.

25. (1.) The Board, out of the Hospital and Charitable Aid Fund,—

- (a.) May pay such salaries and general expenses as may be necessary in and towards the due administration of this Act within its district ; and
- (b.) May pay to its Chairman such annual allowance, not exceeding *two* hundred pounds, as it thinks fit ; and