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The Eye Infirmary of Edinburgh was founded in 1834. In 1883, departments for ear, nose and throat cases were added and the name changed to the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary of Edinburgh. In 1922 the Infirmary was amalgamated with the Eye Dispensary which had been founded in 1822. The Infirmary and the Dispensary were housed at 6 Cambridge Street, the bed complement of the Infirmary was 16.

On transfer to the National Health Service in 1948, the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary became part of the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh and Associated Hospitals Board of Management. The hospital ceased to provide in patient services on 1st April 1949. Thereafter the Infirmary buildings housed an orthoptic clinic, an artificial eye centre and the school eye service. These opthalmic services were transferred to the Princess Alexandra Eye Pavilion on its opening in 1969.

1 Managers' Minutes, 1914-1947

The Managers minutes record the administration of the Infirmary. They include the constitution and rules of the Infirmary, notes of bequests and donations,, senior staff appointments, election of managers, purchases of equipment; negotiations for amalgamation with the Eye Dispensary; financial statements.

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| 2 | Feb 1914-Nov 1947 | Minutes of Managers of the eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary, vol. 2. |

2 Annual Reports, 1946-1947

The annual reports contain lists of office bearers and staff; a report on the work of the Infirmary during the year, including patient statistics, abstracts of accounts, lists of subscriptions and donations.

- 1 1946 Annual Report of the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary of Edinburgh.
- 2 1947 Annual Report of the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary of Edinburgh.

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1 1938 Appointment card