

SCOTTISH.

Mathlian Quin GRAHAM.
(Girl).

Admitted: 24.9.65.

Born: 27.4.61 in Edinburgh.
Not baptised.

Parents' Religion:
Church of Scotland.

Last consecutive six months address: c/o. Local Authority.

Payment:
£7.14s. p.w.

Admitted on payment by the
Midlothian, E. Lothian, and
Peebles Children's Department.

Information from:
L.A. form.

Applicant: Miss A. Sinclair, Children's Officer, 11, Holbourn Place,
Edinburgh.

Father: James Graham (28) dustman; health and character good; c/o. 76,
Woodburn Gardens, Dalkeith, Midlothian. No marriage particulars
given.

Mother: Margaret Graham formerly Smith (25) health - temporarily in hospital;
character good; address not given.

Brother: Charles Graham (born 10.4.64) admitted: 9.4.65.

Sisters: Margaret (4) and Alexandra (2) Graham; admitted: 29.6.65; restored:
14.9.65; c/o. Mrs. Weir, 1, Graham Street, Peebles.

Grandmother (pat): Mrs. Graham, 6, Cockburn Crescent, Poltonhall, Bonnyrigg.
Grandmother (mat): Mrs. Smity, 76, Woodburn Gardens, Dalkeith.

The brother Charles was admitted 9.4.65, and the sisters Margaret
and Alexandra on 29.6.65. A summary of the histories written up to the
latter date is as follows:- The family had been known to the Children's
Department since 1962 because of financial problems and their low standard
of living. They were evicted from their home in Bonnyrigg in June, 1964,
and went to the maternal grandmother in Dalkeith, but the arrangement broke
down, for the father did not work, and the mother was unable to make any
sustained effort at improving their circumstances. Charles —3rd Party Information—

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The mother suffered from T.B., but is now clear. Margaret
and Alexandra were boarded-out with a Mrs. Weir in Edinburgh, but eventually
they had to be moved, as the foster-mother had to go to stay with a blind
relative. We then took the 2 girls.

Charles has remained with us, but the 2 girls were restored on
14.9.65, and went again to Mrs. Weir. From 9.4.65 to 27.4.65 Mathlian
was boarded-out in Gullane, and then went to Mrs. Scott, —3rd Party Information—

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Edinburgh, but when Mrs. Scott was expecting confinement we were
asked to take Mathlian. The child was fretting, and soiling and wetting
badly, and the foster-mother was not well enough to deal with the
situation. In addition, Mathlian had cracked a bone in her left ankle,
which was in plaster. The mother, who comes from a very large family shows
real concern for her children, and both parents are likely to take an
interest in Mathlian. When Mathlian came to us, the attention of a
doctor was drawn to the fact that the child's body was bruised.

A.M.W.