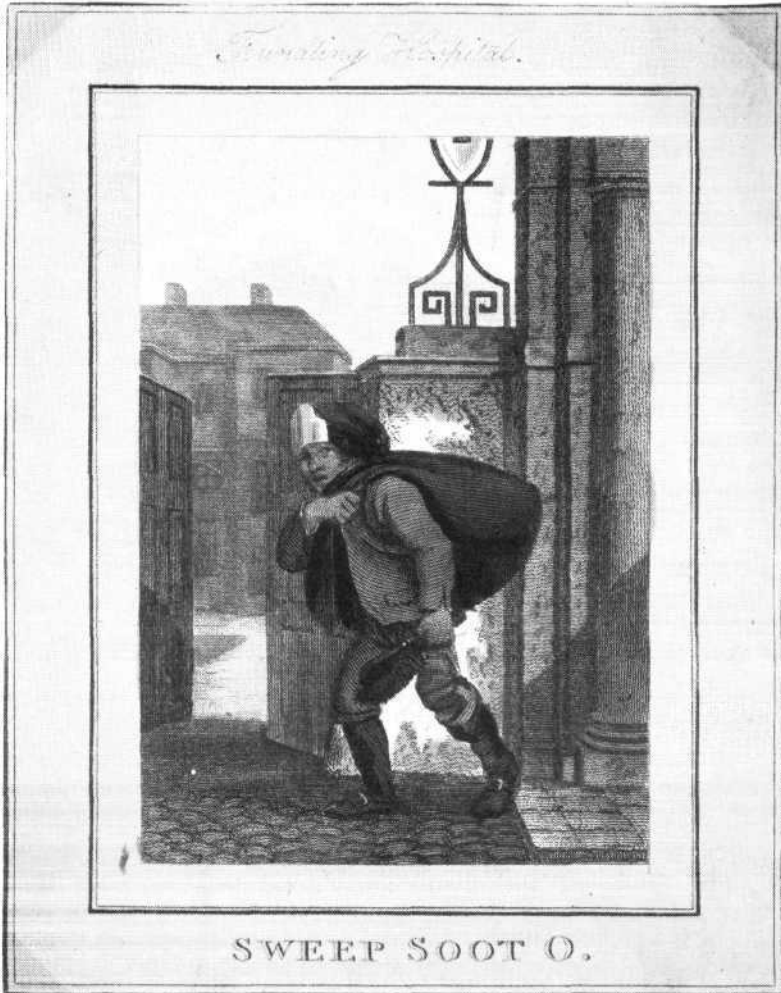


In that year William Tooke, Hon. Treasurer of the London Society for Superseding the Employment of Climbing Boys, recommended that a Bill be passed to repeal the Act of 1788. His intention was that the boys' work should be more closely regulated by a new Act, and that none under fourteen should be apprenticed or should climb flues to



A boy goes out from the Foundling Hospital. (The brass cap badge is clearly showing.) Engraving by Richard Philips, 1804.