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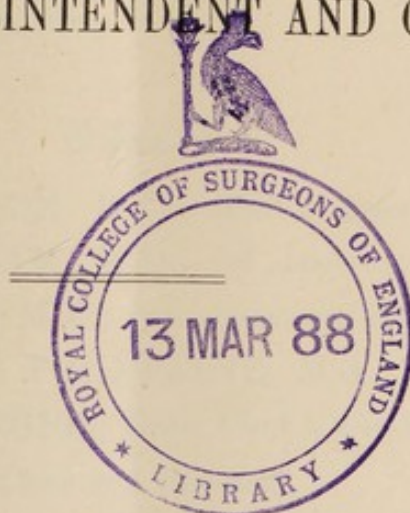
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REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE OF VISITORS
OF
THE LUNATIC ASYLUM
FOR THE
City and County of Bristol,
TOGETHER WITH
THE REPORTS OF THE
MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT AND CHAPLAIN.



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COMMITTEE OF VISITORS AND OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR 1888.

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ARTHUR ORME, *Clerk and Steward.*

CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

ARTICLE I

Section 1

Representatives and

Delegates in each State shall have

one Vote, but no Representative

shall have less than two Years

and no Person shall be a Representative

who has not attained to the Age of

twenty five Years, who seven

Years shall have been seven

Years a Citizen of the United States,

and who, when elected, shall

have been seven Years a Citizen

of the State in which he shall

be chosen.

Representatives and Delegates shall

be chosen by the People of the

several States, and the Electors

in each State shall have the

Qualifications requisite for

Electors in that State.

To the Town Council of the City of Bristol.

The Twenty-seventh Annual Report
OF
THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS
OF THE
LUNATIC ASYLUM FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY
OF BRISTOL.

YOUR Committee have much pleasure in reporting that the condition of the Asylum has been satisfactorily maintained during the past year, and that the present buildings are in a good state of repair.

The number of patients in the Asylum at the date of the last Report was 215 males and 203 females, total 418; besides 40 females in the new Gloucester Asylum. There is also one male at Fisherton House. There are now in the Asylum 217 males and 223 females, total 440. The highest number resident at one time was 218 males and 230 females, total 448.

Your Committee in their last Report referred to the fact that the works in connection with the proposed enlargements had commenced, and they have pleasure in reporting that the same have been carried on to the present time to their satisfaction, and they hope the buildings will shortly be in such a condition that the Architect may recommend your Committee to accept possession.

On the 22nd July last two Commissioners in Lunacy visited the Asylum, and again reported favourably of the general management of the establishment. A copy of their Report will be annexed hereto.

The Report of the Superintendent, and that of the Chaplain, are also appended herewith.

The several officers, attendants, and servants have discharged their respective duties to the general approbation of your Committee.

CHARLES WATHEN,

Chairman.

COUNCIL HOUSE,

30th December, 1887.

REPORT

OF THE

VISITING COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY.

BRISTOL BOROUGH ASYLUM,

22nd July, 1887.

OUR last visit to this Asylum was on 17th November, 1886. The matters for special mention in this Report are: the progress of the new blocks in construction, and the building of new workshops and mortuary; the purchase of furniture for the new blocks; better provision for heating; and more stringent regulations in regard to artizans' access to the female wards; the substitution of fresh meat for tinned, to a certain extent; and the supply of butter of a better quality. Two hundred and seventy men are at work upon the structural additions, and a block for women will soon be ready for occupation. In view to that occupation, 40 female patients at Gloucester Asylum are coming back on the 1st October. The blocks for male patients are not so forward as those for the women; but Dr. Thompson hopes to have the new workshops open soon, and the old workshops will then accommodate 18 men. The better provision for heating will be obtained by larger boilers, and Haden's coils.

The recommendations made by the Commissioners in regard to the enlargement of the kitchen and offices, and the provision of a suitable laundry, have not yet borne fruit. The present laundry shows serious settlements in the exterior walls, and is beside so inadequate in size, and so destitute of machinery, that we must again press the Committee to take in hand, without further delay, the substitution of another laundry. This work should be part of the general improvement of the administrative offices. We understand, upon enquiry, that the Bristol Town Council has voted a sum of money, the whole of which will not be expended in the erection of the new blocks, and we therefore are urgent that sketch plans for this improvement should be as soon as possible submitted to the Secretary of State, or the Commissioners, that no delay should occur in a direction where postponement is calculated to affect the welfare of the patients. The tell-tale clocks which we recommended at last visit will, we are assured, be obtained very speedily. At present there is no electric or telephonic means of communication between different parts of this Asylum. The diversion of the path referred to at last visit has not yet been sought, in consequence of an untoward occurrence in the neighbourhood. The pauper lunatic chargeable to Bristol Union, mentioned in the entry of 1886, is still at Fisherton House, and we are at a loss to understand why the man is not called in here.

The matters usually stated in our Statutory Reports here may be thus summed up. Patients on books—214 males, 225 females, of whom 13 (of both sexes) are private cases. The admissions since last visit have been 95, of whom 12 were re-admissions; discharges 50, including 34 recoveries; 29 deaths are also recorded. Post-mortem examinations 20. No inquest. Causes of death all natural, and the rate of mortality for the past twelve months nearly 7 per cent. According to returns made to

us, the general paralytics are 18; the epileptics are 106; and the patients actively suicidal appear to be 10 men and 10 women, or thereabouts; 154 patients are now under special observation at night. Numbers of each sex nearly equal. Save as aforesaid, there has been no change in the dietary. There are 45 men and 40 women chiefly employed in the wards; elsewhere, 64 men and 90 women are useful—the majority of the men on the land, of the women in the laundry, kitchen, &c. These figures bring up the total of employed to 228 of the 439 on the books. With the new shops, a better laundry, and more land, the figures would, certainly should, be higher. The staff is not too high—15 men and 16 women by day, 2 men and 3 women for night duty. Fourteen of the staff cannot count 12 months' service. The wages appear to be sufficient. Once a week about 50 men, and nearly 60 women, walk beyond the Asylum boundary. The number of patients confined to airing courts is stated to be 50 men and 30 women. When the boundary-walk wall is finished we trust that the walk will be utilised to the utmost.

Of the wards in occupation we can report very favourably; patients are well clothed, and kept tidy; their conduct was orderly during inspection, and contentment to-day was general. One man escaped last Monday, and has not yet been re-taken. One man and 3 women were in bed when we visited the wards; no one had a bed-sore; and only one a black eye, which she got before admission. One patient of each sex was restrained—the woman, to obviate exposure of her person; the man, to prevent self-injury, to which he is addicted. No one was in seclusion. According to the medical records, the only resort to restraint has been that of the man above mentioned, who has been subjected to that mode of treatment. And he has been almost always so treated. A short time ago the treatment was left off

for some weeks, but he relapsed, and then it was again resorted to, and is now in operation. Seclusion has been adopted with 10 men, on 45 occasions, for an aggregate of 281 hours; with 17 females, on 50 occasions, for 222 hours, chiefly for maniacal excitement. Special instructions do not appear to be given here in writing for the constant supervision by day of individual patients reported to be suicidally inclined. Knife-boxes with locks have lately been provided, as a double security, and these are kept in the locked receptacles previously provided for safe custody of the knives. The medical staff still employed is not in excess of the requirements of the Asylum.

(Signed)

CHARLES PALMER PHILLIPS,	} Commissioners
W. RHYS WILLIAMS,		in Lunacy.

The Twenty-seventh Annual Report

OF

THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

1887.

To the Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum.

January 1st, 1888.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you the Twenty-seventh Annual Report, which, together with the Statistical Tables annexed, will afford an account of the changes which have taken place in the Asylum during the past year.

The admissions, re-admissions, discharges, and deaths have been as follows:—

	MALES.			FEMALES.		
	Private.	Pauper.	Total.	Private.	Pauper.	Total.
On the Books Dec. 31st, 1886...	6	209	215	3	200	203
Admitted in 1887	6	58	64	7	47	54
Re-admitted in 1887	0	5	5	0	12	12
Discharged :						
Recovered	1	32	33	2	21	23
Relieved	2	8	10	1	5	6
Not Improved	0	1	1	0	0	0
Removed	0	2	2	0	1	1
Died	3	18	21	1	15	16
Transferred from Private to { Pauper List }	0	0	0	1	0	1
Transferred from Pauper to { Private List }	0	6	6	0	5	5
Remaining Dec. 31st, 1887 ...	6	211	217	6	217	223
Highest Number Resident ...	6	212	218	6	224	230
Average Number Resident ...	5	211	216	6	214	220

Comparison of
Numbers.

On comparing the foregoing Table with the similar one contained in the Twenty-sixth Report, it will be found that there has been an increase of six in the total number of patients admitted and re-admitted; of 14 in the total number under treatment; of 12 in the average number resident; and of 22 in the number remaining at the end of the year.

The Numbers on
the Books of
the Asylum.

There still remain 40 other women-patients, who are boarded in another Asylum, whose names remain on the books for financial reasons, and who bring the total number to be provided for at present to 480. These will be brought back, it is hoped, in a few months from now, when some portions of the new buildings are furnished and ready for occupation.

The Recoveries.

The recoveries amount to 41·5, calculated on the number of patients admitted and re-admitted. This is rather lower than the result gained in 1886, when the percentage of recoveries reached 43·4. Another recovery would almost have made the figure the same. The rate of recovery in all the similar English Asylums in 1886 was 40·2.

Other Patients
Discharged.

Twenty patients, not recovered, were discharged. Three of these were removed to other Asylums; the other 17 were taken care of by their friends or removed to a workhouse.

The Deaths.

Nine of the patients who died during the year, died within the year in which they were admitted. Several of them were but a short time in the Asylum, and were in fact sent in to die. One, admitted with serious heart-disease, died of that malady two days after admission. She was suffering from delirium arising out of acute endocarditis, and it seemed to me a pity that she should have been made to endure the fatigue attending an examination at the Magistrates' Court and a long journey to the Asylum. Whatever chance she had of being cured of the

bodily malady, that chance, I think, was seriously lessened by her journey. Eight deaths occurred in persons above sixty years of age, and twelve others died of general paralysis of the insane. The death-rate, taken on the average number of patients resident, was 8·4,—a very low death-rate for an Asylum deriving its patients from an urban population, as this does entirely. The death-rate in all similar Asylums in England and Wales in 1886 was 10·4; but that includes rural as well as urban populations, and it is well known that in the latter class of patients insanity is more intense when the patients are admitted, and death within a short period of residence in an Asylum is more likely to occur. The average age at death was 50 years. The number of post-mortem examinations made was 22.

There was no inquest.

No Inquest.

The patients remaining do not vary much in type from year to year. Reference to Table XII. will give the details. The proportion of epileptics in this Asylum is very large—nearly 25 per cent. of the whole number. One Asylum (calling the two Birmingham Asylums one) has more—26 per cent.; but with that exception, we stand far and away above any other Asylum in having the largest number of these almost hopeless, and always dangerous, people. I gather from the Lunacy blue-book of 1886, that the proportion varied in that year from 8·0 per cent. in the City of London Asylum to the 26 per cent. mentioned above.

The Residuum.

People often ask, "Is insanity on the increase?" To this I am in a position to say that, in proportion to the increase of population, it is not. The number of cases occurring, as fresh cases, is less now than it was twenty years ago. That the num-

The Increase in the Numbers.

ber rises in Asylums, is a point which a simple reference to figures settles. Table IV., in the blue-book referred to, shows that the total number of Pauper Lunatics, Idiots, and Persons of Unsound Mind, rose from 31,782 in the year 1859, to 72,443 at the end of the year 1886. Several causes for the *apparent* increase of insanity might be mentioned: the effect of legislation, which has long ago snuffed out the well-known "village fool"—a creature who often had a very bad moral influence on the rising generations; the facilities for conveying patients to Asylums; the less repugnance on the part of friends to let them be taken there; and the difference in the length of time which patients now live in Asylums. Looking through the columns of a Table III. in the Report of another Asylum, which dates its existence as far back as 1818, I find that in its early years the death-rate was frequently as high as 20 per cent. Think what effect such a death-rate would have on an Asylum like this! To produce the death-rate of 8·4 obtained here, required 37 deaths. To produce a death-rate equal to 20 per cent., would have required 87 deaths, or 50 more patients must have died. Such a state of matters would soon cause us to cease to ask, "Is lunacy on the increase?" This is not the place in which to make comparisons of treatment in Asylums, then and now; but something might well be said in favour of the more careful treatment of the insane now, and the very low mortality, as a cause of the increase in the numbers of the insane in Asylums.

Recovery of
General
Paralytics.

On referring to Table VII. (page 22), it will be seen that three patients, who at the time of admission were recognised to be general paralytics, recovered during the year. This fact no doubt will give rise to some sceptical remarks, which will emanate from my friends the critics who review the Annual

Reports of Lunatic Asylums. Perhaps I may tell them, in anticipation, that I am convinced that the patients were general paralytics when admitted, and that they have recovered. All the cases were received comparatively early as to the duration of the disease; and one, admitted so long ago as 1880, might have been mistaken by a physician of less experience than myself for acute mania without complication. I firmly believe that general paralysis is a curable disease; but, as I said in my last Report, it is never or seldom recognised until the case is driven into an Asylum by urgent or distressful symptoms. When medical men engaged in general practice are taught to recognise this disease in an early stage, and to treat it, then shall we have grounds to hope that few such cases will find their way into an Asylum at all.

I daresay my friends "the critics" will again scold me for not having yet introduced two additional Tables, which now appear in some Reports. These Tables are numbered I.A and II.A. Perhaps it will suffice if I say that when these Tables were presented to the Medico-Psychological Association for adoption, I objected that I could not see in what way they would be useful. I still fail to see that they can ever be turned to use. One Table (No. IX.) I did adopt; but the others I preferred, and still prefer, to leave out. There are other Tables that I can see no use for: I refer to Tables XV. and XVI., referring to Education and Religious Persuasion. Now I do not think that education ever drove a man mad; to acquire knowledge is a purely natural process, and if under the process madness comes on, it surely is not the fault of the "process." As to the Statistics of Religious Persuasion, what can be the use of them, when every ragamuffin who has not been "per-

suaded " in any way, and probably has never been in a church in his life, is credited by the relieving-officer who fills up the statement on the Form of Admission with being a member of the Church of England !

Death of the
Clerk to the
Visitors.

Mr. J. F. Williams, who has held the office of Clerk to the Visitors since 1864, died on Christmas Eve. He had previously performed the duties of Clerk to the Asylum from 1855, until the removal of the patients from St. Peter's Hospital to Stapleton necessitated the appointment of a resident clerk. The office of Clerk to the Visitors has been held by Daniel Burges, from 1846 to 1849; William Brice, from 1849 to 1864; and John Frederick Williams, from 1864 to 1887.

Death of an
Annuitant.

John Edmonds, referred to in the Twenty-fifth Report as having been granted a pension, died early in the year.

One Annuitant
remaining.

There remains therefore but one annuitant (William F——), who was granted a pension in 1873, after being disabled by the bite of a maniacal patient suffering from erysipelatous septicæmia.

The Staff of
Officers.

There has been no change in the staff of officers resident during the year. To each one I tender my thanks for loyal and faithful assistance.

In concluding my (seventeenth) Annual Report, I again thank you, Gentlemen, for your continued confidence and support, and I remain

Your obedient Servant,

GEORGE THOMPSON, M.D.,

Medical Superintendent.

STATISTICAL TABLES, 1887.

TABLE I.—*Shewing the Admissions, Re-Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1887.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
In the Asylum on the 1st January, 1887 ...	215	203	418
Admitted for the first time during the year...	64	54	118
Re-admitted during the year	5	12	17
Total under care during the year	284	269	553
Discharged or Removed :—			
Recovered M. F. T.			
Relieved 33 23 56			
Not improved 12 7 19			
Died 1 0 1			
... .. 21 16 37			
Total discharged and died during the year ...	67	46	113
Remaining in the Asylum, Dec. 31st, 1887 ...	217	223	440
Average number resident during the year ...	216	220	436

TABLE II.—*Shewing the Admissions, Re-Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, from the opening of the Asylum to the present date, December 31st, 1887.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Patients admitted during a period of 24 years	1226	1292	2518
Patients re-admitted	193	191	384
Total of cases admitted	1419	1483	2902
Discharged :—			
Recovered M. F. T.			
Relieved 493 606 1099			
Not improved 184 240 424			
Died 10 11 21			
... .. 515 403 918			
Total discharged and died during 24 years ...	1202	1260	2462
Remaining December 31st, 1887	217	223	440
Average number resident during the 24 years	143	152	295

TABLE III.—*Shewing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, with the mean Annual Mortality and Proportion of Recoveries per cent. on the Admissions for each Year.*

Years.	Admitted.			Discharged.						Died.			Remaining December 31 in each year.			Average Numbers Resident.			Per Centage of Recoveries on Admissions.			Per Centage of Deaths on Average Number Resident.		
				Recovered.			Relieved.																	
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Asylum opened in February																								
1861	92	115	207	5	10	15	4	12	16	2	0	2	73	87	160	65	77	142	5.5	4.3	4.8	12.3	14.3	13.3
1862	46	50	96	14	9	23	7	4	11	1	5	6	100	186	286	77	91	168	30.4	18.0	24.0	14.4	20.8	17.9
1863	39	30	69	8	14	22	3	5	8	1	1	2	97	102	199	98	108	206	20.5	46.6	32.0	16.3	7.4	11.6
1864	42	42	84	17	20	37	2	5	7	1	2	3	105	98	203	99	102	201	40.5	47.6	44.0	14.0	18.8	16.5
1865	47	39	86	26	17	43	4	5	9	0	1	1	106	103	209	105	99	204	55.0	43.6	50.0	15.2	11.1	13.2
1866	42	32	74	18	14	32	4	7	11	1	0	1	110	106	216	111	106	217	43.0	44.0	43.2	13.5	7.5	10.5
1867	48	38	86	21	14	35	12	4	16	1	1	2	114	112	226	112	106	218	42.5	37.0	40.6	8.9	12.2	10.5
1868	43	37	80	21	21	42	11	5	16	1	0	1	105	112	217	110	118	228	48.8	56.7	52.5	17.2	9.2	13.0
1869	52	30	82	25	15	40	1	2	3	0	0	0	117	129	246	113	122	235	35.4	48.0	42.4	16.8	5.7	11.0
1870	42	52	94	15	25	40	1	2	3	0	0	0	126	133	259	124	134	258	33.3	51.8	43.2	14.5	13.4	13.8
1871	48	56	104	16	29	45	5	5	10	0	0	0	137	141	278	133	137	270	36.5	58.1	46.3	12.7	6.5	9.6
1872	52	43	95	19	25	44	5	1	6	0	0	0	143	140	283	141	140	281	34.1	47.5	40.5	12.0	14.2	13.1
1873	44	40	84	15	19	34	6	2	8	0	0	0	129	143	272	139	146	285	46.6	47.0	46.9	18.2	10.2	14.0
1874	30	51	81	14	24	38	5	9	14	0	0	0	122	147	269	126	156	282	41.5	50.9	47.0	20.6	10.2	14.9
1875	41	57	98	17	29	46	5	7	12	0	1	1	136	166	302	128	162	290	28.0	37.3	33.0	14.8	7.4	10.6
1876	50	59	109	14	22	36	3	6	9	0	0	0	140	174	314	142	171	313	30.2	47.1	40.0	11.2	9.3	10.2
1877	43	55	98	13	26	39	10	5	15	0	0	0	156	189	345	150	187	337	28.9	40.2	35.5	11.3	9.0	10.0
1878	52	72	124	15	29	44	4	11	15	0	0	0	181	192	373	172	196	368	32.3	51.5	42.3	6.4	7.1	6.8
1879	62	68	130	20	35	55	5	16	21	1	0	1	180	207	387	184	205	389	37.7	36.0	36.9	15.7	8.2	11.8
1880	61	122	183	22	45	67	10	7	17	0	0	0	196	211	407	192	209	401	28.0	46.0	37.0	12.0	11.0	11.5
1881	68	63	131	19	29	48	10	7	17	0	0	0	209	226	435	197	218	415	41.8	41.0	41.5	10.6	5.9	8.1
1882	55	56	111	23	23	46	8	5	13	0	0	0	213	233	446	200	233	433	23.3	44.7	34.6	20.0	9.0	14.0
1883	60	67	127	14	30	44	5	4	9	0	0	0	210	209	419	211	224	435	28.5	37.0	33.3	9.0	6.6	7.7
1884	56	73	129	16	27	43	10	60	70	0	0	0	216	210	426	206	209	415	41.2	40.9	40.9	14.0	10.4	12.3
1885	68	69	137	28	28	56	12	18	30	0	0	0	215	203	418	212	212	424	35.8	51.6	43.4	9.9	8.5	9.2
1886	67	62	129	24	32	56	17	19	36	0	0	0	217	223	440	216	220	436	47.9	37.8	41.5	9.7	7.2	8.4
1887	69	66	135	23	56	79	12	7	19	1	0	1	217	223	440	216	220	436	47.9	37.8	41.5	9.7	7.2	8.4
Totals and averages	1419	1483	2902	493	606	1099	184	240	424	10	11	21	515	403	918	143	152	295	34.7	40.8	37.8	13.4	9.6	11.5

Year	Admitted.				Of each Year's Admissions Discharged and Died in 1887.												Total Discharged and Died of each Year's Admissions.												Remaining of each Year's Admissions Dec. 31, 1887.			
	New Cases.		Relaps'd Cases.		Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improv'd.			Died.			Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improv'd.			Died.			Male.	Female.	Total.	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.				
1861	92	113	0	2	0	0	207	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	20	31	17	28	45	2	4	6	50	59	109	12	4	16	
1862	44	49	2	1	0	0	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	12	30	7	6	13	1	1	2	16	29	45	4	2	6	
1863	36	28	3	2	0	0	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	10	19	2	8	10	3	2	5	25	10	35	0	0	0	
1864	40	42	2	0	0	0	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	20	44	5	7	12	1	1	2	11	11	22	1	3	4	
1865	38	36	9	3	0	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	19	41	7	5	12	0	0	0	17	14	31	1	1	2	
1866	36	30	6	2	0	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	14	30	6	7	13	0	0	0	16	10	26	4	1	5	
1867	39	35	9	3	0	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	16	33	7	6	13	1	1	2	21	14	35	2	1	3	
1868	31	31	12	6	0	0	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	15	33	5	3	8	0	1	1	20	13	33	0	5	5	
1869	44	26	8	4	0	0	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	20	48	4	4	8	0	0	0	17	6	23	3	0	3	
1870	31	47	11	5	0	0	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	24	35	6	10	16	0	0	0	19	15	34	6	3	9	
1871	40	51	8	5	0	0	104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	29	48	6	10	16	0	0	0	18	13	31	5	4	9	
1872	44	35	8	8	0	0	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	19	39	7	11	18	0	0	0	20	12	32	5	1	6	
1873	32	35	12	5	0	0	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	22	37	3	5	8	0	0	0	13	7	20	4	5	9	
1874	26	46	4	11	0	0	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	26	35	4	13	17	0	0	0	13	7	20	4	5	9	
1875	37	46	4	11	0	0	98	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	33	54	3	6	9	0	1	1	16	11	27	1	6	7	
1876	45	50	5	9	0	0	109	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	29	45	7	7	14	0	0	0	19	16	35	8	7	15	
1877	38	41	5	14	0	0	98	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	33	54	10	13	23	1	0	1	12	14	26	5	7	12	
1878	43	60	9	12	0	0	124	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	27	39	8	12	20	0	0	0	22	16	38	10	17	27	
1879	52	59	10	9	0	0	130	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	36	60	11	10	21	0	0	0	15	12	27	12	10	22	
1880	53	47	8	14	0	0	122	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	21	44	8	8	16	0	0	0	18	22	40	12	10	22	
1881	59	56	9	7	0	0	131	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	25	45	9	10	19	0	0	0	30	15	45	9	13	22	
1882	45	44	10	12	0	0	111	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	26	45	2	4	6	0	0	0	21	15	36	13	11	24	
1883	55	60	5	7	0	0	127	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	30	47	6	13	19	0	0	0	28	8	36	9	16	25	
1884	48	66	8	7	0	0	129	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	29	50	9	11	20	0	0	0	17	17	34	9	16	25	
1885	55	54	13	15	0	0	137	3	0	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	26	22	48	8	11	19	0	0	0	19	19	38	15	17	32	
1886	59	54	8	11	0	0	129	10	4	14	1	1	2	0	0	0	9	23	32	11	10	21	0	0	0	11	8	19	22	21	43	
1887	64	54	5	12	0	0	135	19	18	37	6	2	8	1	0	1	19	18	37	6	2	8	1	0	1	4	5	9	39	41	80	
Total	1226	1292	193	191	2902	33	23	56	12	7	19	1	0	1	21	16	37	493	606	1099	184	240	424	10	11	2	515	403	918	217	223	440

SUMMARY OF TOTAL ADMISSIONS, 1861-1887.				
		Male.	Female.	Total.
Per Centage of Cases Recovered	..	34.7	40.8	37.8
" Relieved ..	..	13.0	16.2	14.8
" Not Improved ..	..	0.7	0.7	0.7
" Died ..	..	36.3	27.2	31.7
" Remaining ..	..	15.3	15.1	15.0
Total ..	..	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE V.—*Shewing the Duration of the Disorder in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, during the Year 1887.*

DURATION OF DISEASE ON ADMISSIONS, IN FIVE CLASSES.												
CLASS.	ON ADMISSION.			RECOVERED.			REMOVED, RELIEVED, OR OTHERWISE.			DIED.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
FIRST CLASS. First Attack, and within three } months on admission ...	25	23	48	19	18	37	3	1	4	3	5	8
SECOND CLASS. First Attack, above three and } within twelve months on } admission	9	10	19	4	1	5	2	2	4	3	3	6
THIRD CLASS. Not First Attack, and within } twelve months on admission }	10	15	25	7	3	10	2	0	2	0	2	2
FOURTH CLASS. First Attack or not, but of } more than twelve months } on admission	22	15	37	3	1	4	5	3	8	14	6	20
FIFTH CLASS. Congenital	3	3	6	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	0	1
Total... ..	69	66	135	33	23	56	13	7	20	21	16	37

TABLE VI.—*Shewing in Quinquennial periods the Ages of those Admitted, Recovered, and Died during the Year 1887, and of those remaining on the 31st December, 1887.*

AGES.	THE ADMISSIONS.			RECOVERED.			DIED.			PATIENTS RESIDENT 31ST DEC., 1887.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
5 years and under 10 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 " " 15 "	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15 " " 20 "	7	3	10	5	0	5	0	0	0	9	4	13
20 " " 25 "	7	8	15	3	5	8	0	1	1	11	10	21
25 " " 30 "	8	9	17	3	6	9	1	0	1	20	25	45
30 " " 35 "	7	6	13	3	1	4	0	1	1	19	21	40
35 " " 40 "	9	3	12	4	0	4	6	2	8	33	18	51
40 " " 45 "	6	9	15	5	4	9	6	1	7	19	31	50
45 " " 50 "	6	8	14	1	0	1	2	1	3	32	26	58
50 " " 55 "	6	4	10	4	2	6	0	3	3	24	19	43
55 " " 60 "	2	5	7	1	2	3	2	2	4	17	22	39
60 " " 65 "	2	5	7	0	1	1	2	1	3	14	19	33
65 " " 70 "	6	3	9	3	2	5	1	2	3	11	13	24
70 " " 75 "	3	1	4	1	0	1	1	1	2	4	6	10
75 " " 80 "	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	7
80 " " 85 "	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	5
85 " " 90 "	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
90 and upwards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	69	66	135	33	23	56	21	16	37	217	223	440

TABLE VII.—*Shewing the probable Causes, Apparent or Assigned, of the Mental Disorder, in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1887.*

CAUSES.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed, Relieved, or Otherwise.					
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
MORAL.												
Domestic Trouble (including Loss of Relatives)	1	4	5	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adverse Circumstances (including Business Anxieties and Pecuniary Difficulties) ..	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	1	1	0	1	1
Mental Anxiety and Worry (not included under the above two heads) and Overwork	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Religious Excitement	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Love Affairs (including Seduction)	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fright and Nervous Shock ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHYSICAL.												
Hereditary Influence	11	12	23	5	4	9	3	0	3	0	1	1
General Paralysis	11	3	14	2	1	3	1	0	1	9	3	12
Epilepsy	10	3	13	3	0	3	2	0	2	3	1	4
Other Forms of Brain Disorganization	6	3	9	1	0	1	1	1	2	4	1	5
Intemperance in Drink	8	3	11	7	1	8	0	0	0	0	1	1
Puerperal Condition	0	6	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other Causes and Old Age ..	11	6	17	8	3	11	1	0	1	2	3	5
Privation and Ill Health ..	5	6	11	4	2	6	1	1	2	2	0	2
Unknown	4	12	16	2	6	8	4	4	8	1	4	5
Total	69	66	135	33	23	56	13	7	20	21	16	37

TABLE VIII.—*Condition as to Marriage in the Admissions, Recoveries, and Deaths, during the Year 1887, and of Patients Resident December 31st, 1887.*

Condition in reference to Marriage.	The Admissions.			The Discharges Recovered.			The Deaths.			Patients Resident Dec. 31, 1887.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Single ..	25	25	50	12	8	20	8	5	13	112	126	238
Married ..	38	29	67	16	12	28	10	4	14	93	61	154
Widowed ..	6	11	17	5	3	8	3	6	9	12	34	46
Unknown ..	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	2
Total ..	69	66	135	33	23	56	21	16	37	217	223	440

TABLE IX.—*Shewing the Causes of Death during the Year 1887, together with the Ages at Death.*

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Under 15 years.		15 and under 20		20 and under 25		25 and under 30		30 and under 35		35 and under 40		40 and under 45		45 and under 50		50 and under 55		55 and under 60		60 and under 65		65 and under 70		70 and under 75		75 and under 80		80 and under 85		85 and under 100		Not known.		Total.		
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
CEREBRAL AND SPINAL DISEASES :—																																					
General Paralysis	9 3 12
Epilepsy	1 1 2
Other Forms of Brain } Disorganisation	3 2 5	
Serous Apoplexy	0 1 1	
Acute Meningitis	
THORACIC DISEASES :—																																					
Heart Disease	1 0 1
Bronchitis
Pulmonary Consumption	3 2 5
Pneumonia (Acute)	0 1 1
ABDOMINAL DISEASES :—																																					
Acute Nephritis
Acute Peritonitis
Muco Enteritis
Bright's Disease
GENERAL DISEASES :—																																					
Miasmus	0 2 2
Old Age	3 3 6
General Tuberculosis	1 0 1
Necrosis	0 1 1
Total	21 16 37

Ascertained by *post-mortem* examinations—Males 13, Females 9. Total, 22.

TABLE X.—*Shewing the Age at First Attack, and upon Admission or Re-Admission during the Year 1887.*

AGE.	Age on First Attack.			Age on Admission or Re-Admission.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Congenital	1	0	1	0	0	0
Under 10 years	0	0	0	0	0	0
From 10 to 15 years	1	0	1	0	0	0
“ 15 to 20 “	5	4	9	7	4	11
“ 20 to 30 “	15	21	36	15	16	31
“ 30 to 40 “	17	9	26	16	11	27
“ 40 to 50 “	15	15	30	12	16	28
“ 50 to 60 “	4	7	11	8	9	17
“ 60 to 70 “	8	5	13	9	5	14
“ 70 to 80 “	1	1	2	2	2	4
“ 80 to 90 “	0	1	1	0	1	1
Unknown... ..	2	3	5	0	2	2
Total	69	66	135	69	66	135

TABLE XI.—*Shewing the Length of Residence in those Discharged Recovered, and those who Died during the Year 1887.*

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE.	Recovered.			Died.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under 1 month	5	1	6	2	2	4
From 1 to 3 months	9	9	18	1	0	1
“ 3 to 6 “	8	5	13	1	2	3
“ 6 to 12 “	6	5	11	2	3	5
“ 1 to 2 years	2	2	4	7	1	8
“ 2 to 3 “	2	0	2	1	2	3
“ 3 to 4 “	0	0	0	2	3	5
“ 4 to 5 “	0	0	0	0	0	0
“ 5 to 6 “	0	1	1	1	1	2
“ 6 to 7 “	1	0	1	0	0	0
“ 7 to 8 “	0	0	0	0	0	0
“ 8 to 9 “	0	0	0	0	0	0
“ 9 to 10 “	0	0	0	0	1	1
“ 10 to 12 “	0	0	0	2	1	3
“ 12 to 15 “	0	0	0	2	0	2
“ 15 to 20 “	0	0	0	0	0	0
Over 20 years	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33	23	56	21	16	37

TABLE XII.—*Shewing the Form of Mental Disorder on Admission, in the Admissions, Recoveries, and Deaths of the Year 1887, and the Form of Mental Disorder of the Inmates on the 31st of December, 1887.*

FORM OF MENTAL DISORDER.	ADMISSIONS.			RECOVERIES.			DEATHS.			Remaining in Asylum, Form of Mental Disorder, 31st December, 1887.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Congenital or Infantile Mental Deficiency :—												
(a) With Epilepsy ...	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	8
(b) Without Epilepsy ...	2	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	7	15	22
Epilepsy acquired ...	9	2	11	3	0	3	3	1	4	53	40	93
General Paralysis of the Insane ...	11	3	14	2	1	3	9	3	12	17	4	21
Mania :—												
Acute ...	9	11	20	7	5	12	0	2	2	4	3	7
Chronic ...	5	4	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	88	80	168
Recurrent ...	0	7	7	1	4	5	0	0	0	4	8	12
Apotu ...	4	0	4	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal ...	0	4	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	3
Senile ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Melancholia :—												
Acute ...	3	8	11	2	4	6	0	1	1	4	2	6
Chronic ...	1	3	4	0	0	0	3	0	3	9	26	35
Recurrent ...	2	4	6	2	1	3	0	2	2	2	2	4
Puerperal ...	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senile ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dementia :—												
Primary ...	10	5	15	6	1	7	1	0	1	6	12	18
Secondary ...	11	9	20	5	2	7	1	2	3	10	14	24
Senile ...	1	3	4	0	0	0	1	3	4	2	8	10
Organic, i.e., from Tumours, coarse brain disease, &c....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	7	2	9
Total ...	69	66	135	33	23	56	21	16	37	217	223	440

TABLE XIII.—*Shewing the State of Bodily Health and Condition of the Patients Admitted during the Year 1887.*

STATE OF BODILY HEALTH AND CONDITION.	Male.	Female.	Total.
A			
1st.—In fair bodily health and condition	15	11	26
2nd.—In impaired health and feeble condition ...	22	33	55
3rd.—In bad health and exhausted condition ...	11	16	27
B			
EPILEPTICS.			
4th.—In fair health and condition... ..	2	3	5
5th.—In depraved health and otherwise unfavourable condition... ..	8	0	8
C			
General Paralytics	11	3	14
Total	69	66	135

TABLE XIV.—*Shewing the length of time after Discharge at the time of the Re-Admission, 1887.*

LENGTH OF TIME AFTER DISCHARGE.	HAD BEEN DIS- CHARGED RECOVERED			HAD BEEN DIS- CHARGED IMPROVED.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under One Month	0	0	0	0	0	0
From One to Three Months ..	0	1	1	1	0	1
“ Three to Six Months ...	1	1	2	0	0	0
“ Six to Nine Months ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
“ Nine to Twelve Months	0	0	0	0	0	0
“ One Year to Two Years	1	1	2	1	0	1
“ Two to Three Years ...	0	1	1	0	0	0
“ Three to Four Years ...	0	1	1	0	0	0
“ Four to Five Years ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Above Five Years	1	7	8	0	0	0
Total	3	12	15	2	0	2

TABLE XV.—*Shewing the Condition in reference to Education in the Patients Admitted during the Year 1887.*

EDUCATION.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Of Fair Education	20	14	34
Can Read and Write... ..	29	29	58
Can Read only	7	7	14
Can neither Read nor Write	4	10	14
Unknown or Mentally Incapable	9	6	15
Total	69	66	135

TABLE XVI.—*Shewing the Religious Persuasion of the Patients Admitted during the Year 1887.*

RELIGIOUS PERSUASION.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Church of England	35	36	71
Protestant Dissenters	26	21	47
Roman Catholics	4	4	8
Unknown or Incapable	4	5	9
Total	69	66	135

TABLE XVII.—*Shewing the Occupation of the Patients Admitted in 1887.*

MALES.					FEMALES.				
				No.					No.
Agent				1	Charwomen				2
Baker				1	Domestic Servants				10
Barbers				2	Governesses				2
Bookbinders				2	Hawkers				3
Brushmakers				2	Housekeepers				4
Cattle Dealers				3	Housewives				18
Carpenters				2	Laundresses				2
Clerks				2	No occupation				11
Coachmen				2	Seamstresses				2
Compositor				1	Tailoresses				8
Custom House Officers				2	Warder				1
Engineers				4	Woodcutter				1
French Polisher				1	Unknown				2
Grinder				1					
Hatter				1					
Hawkers				5					
Labourers				18					
Lamplighter				1					
Mason				1					
No occupation				5					
Painter				1					
Plumber				1					
Railway Foreman				1					
Sailors				2					
Schoolmaster				1					
Shipwright				1					
Shoemakers				2					
Skinner				1					
Tailor				1					
Wine Merchant				1					
Total				69	Total				66

TABLE XVIII.—*Extracts from the Head Attendants' Journals, shewing the State and Occupation of the Patients on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th December, 1887.*

MALES.				FEMALES.			
EMPLOYED IN	Friday.	Saturday.	Sunday.	EMPLOYED IN	Friday.	Saturday.	Sunday.
Garden, Farm, &c. ...	34	34	0	Laundry	33	26	0
Stores and Cellar ...	3	3	1	Kitchen	7	12	5
Kitchen	3	3	3	Dwelling House ...	0	0	0
Bakehouse	1	1	1	Dressmaking	8	5	0
Laundry	2	2	0	General Needlework	25	33	0
Tailors	6	6	0	Stocking Mending ...	15	7	0
Shoemakers	4	4	0	Ward Helpers	30	31	45
Painters	4	4	0				
Coir Mat Makers ...	4	4	0				
Ward Helpers	43	43	44				
Total Employed ...	104	104	49	Total Employed ...	118	114	50
Admitted	0	1	0	Admitted	0	1	0
Discharged	0	0	1	Discharged	0	0	0
Died	0	0	0	Died	0	0	0
Sick (in bed)	5	4	6	Sick (in bed)	3	3	3
Fits by Day	29	23	28	Fits by Day	10	4	10
Fits by Night	5	9	6	Fits by Night	11	4	10
At Chapel	0	0	113	At Chapel	0	0	115
At Prayers	169	0	163	At Prayers	157	0	157
Out-door Exercise ...	154	0	215	Out-door Exercise ...	158	0	202
Evening Amusements	0	123	0	Evening Amusements	0	107	0
In Seclusion	0	0	2	In Seclusion	0	0	0
Accidents	0	0	0	Accidents	0	0	0
Escapes	0	0	0	Escapes	0	0	0
No. of Patients in } the men's division }	221	222	221	No. of Patients in } the women's division }	223	224	224

PATIENTS' ORDINARY DIET TABLE.

BREAKFAST.

MALES—1 pint Coffee (a) 6 oz. Bread, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Butter.
 FEMALES—1 pint do. 5 oz. do. $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. do.

DINNER.

SUNDAY - -	{ MALES—5 oz. Cooked Meat, free from bone, 16 oz. Vegetables, 4 oz. Bread. FEMALES—4 oz. Cooked Meat, free from bone, 12 oz. Vegetables, 3 oz. Bread.
MONDAY - -	Same as on Sunday.
TUESDAY - -	{ MALES—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Pea Soup (containing 3 oz. Uncooked Meat and 8 oz. Vegetables), 5 oz. Bread, and 1 oz. Cheese. FEMALES—1 pint Pea Soup (containing 2 oz. Uncooked Meat and 6 oz. Vegetables), 4 oz. Bread, and 1 oz. Cheese.
WEDNESDAY	{ MALES—Meat Pudding (containing 4 oz. Uncooked Meat, free from bone), 16 oz. Vegetables. FEMALES—Meat Pudding (containing 3 oz. Uncooked Meat, free from bone), 12 oz. Vegetables.
THURSDAY -	{ Same as Sunday, or 1 lb. of Uncooked Fish per head in lieu of the Meat.
FRIDAY - -	{ MALES—Meat Pie (containing 4 oz. Uncooked Meat, free from bone), 16 oz. Vegetables. FEMALES—Meat Pie (containing 3 oz. Uncooked Meat, free from bone), 12 oz. Vegetables.
SATURDAY -	{ MALES—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Soup (containing 3 oz. Uncooked Meat and 8 oz. Vegetables, 5 oz. Bread, and 1 oz. Cheese. FEMALES—1 pint Soup (containing 2 oz. Uncooked Meat and 6 oz. Vegetables), 4 oz. Bread, and 1 oz. Cheese.

TEA.

MALES—1 pint Tea (b), 6 oz. Bread, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Butter, or 6 oz. Seed Cake.
 FEMALES—1 pint do., 5 oz. do., $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. do., 5 oz. do.

SCALE FOR (a) COFFEE PER 100 PINTS.—1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. Coffee, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Chicory, 3 lbs. Sugar, 1 gallon Milk.

SCALE FOR (b) TEA PER 100 PINTS.—13 oz. Tea, 3 lbs. Sugar, 1 gallon Milk.

EXTRA DIET.

Rhubard or Fruit Pies in the season frequently, in addition to Sunday dinner, also salad of lettuce, &c., pickled cabbage or onions. Cabbages, leeks, parsnips, artichokes, turnips or carrots are frequently served with the dinners. Roast Veal and Bacon on Easter-Day and Whit-Sunday. Currant Buns for breakfast and tea on Good Friday. Pork, Mutton, and Bacon substituted occasionally for Beef. Sick Diet as considered necessary by Medical Officers. Lunch for Male Working Patients, 4 oz. Bread and 1 oz. Cheese. Female Patients employed in Laundry, the same Lunch; also, 1 Pint Tea, 4 oz. Bread, and $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Butter at 4 o'clock.

MALE ATTENDANTS AND SERVANTS

Are allowed daily 8 oz. Meat (cooked and free from bone), 12 oz. Vegetables, 1 lb. bread, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Milk. Weekly, 4 oz. Tea, 1 lb. Raw Sugar, 6 oz. Fresh Butter, 12 oz. Cheese, and 8 oz. Bacon. On Sundays Pastry is provided.

The Male Night Attendant is not boarded, but is allowed 1 lb. Bread and 1 pint Milk each night.

FEMALE ATTENDANTS AND SERVANTS

Are allowed daily 6 oz. Meat (cooked and free from bone), 12 oz. Vegetables, 1 lb. Bread, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Milk. Weekly, 4 oz. Tea, 1 lb. Raw Sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Fresh Butter, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Bacon. On Sundays Pastry is provided.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum.

December 31st, 1887.

GENTLEMEN,

I have again the honour of submitting to you the Annual Report of the Chaplain.

Throughout the year two services have been held in the Chapel on Sundays, and Morning Prayer said, and the Wards regularly visited on the remaining days of the week. The average number of Patients present at the Sunday services has been: Males, 113; Females, 117; total, 230. It is perhaps worthy of notice that since the Chapel was opened, upwards of six years ago, it has only twice been found necessary to omit the Service on account of bad weather.

On Sunday afternoon, January 23rd, 1887, the Bishop of the Diocese again preached in the Chapel, and afterwards observed "that the service was quite as bright and cheerful as last year, and the congregation most orderly and attentive."

It is often supposed, by those unacquainted with Asylum life, that the Patients are unable to understand and follow the Church Services. My experience leads me to think quite the reverse. Not only are the services understood and valued, but the lessons taught therein are afterwards dwelt upon by many, with far more care and thought than is always done by their more highly favoured brethren in the outer world.

In the early part of the year a new Library Catalogue was made, and an entirely fresh set of books put in circulation; but, I regret to say that a considerable number have been returned, from time to time, in a condition which showed signs of very rough usage. In almost every instance the explanation—not an unreasonable one, I think—which has been given, in reply to my enquiries, has been, that the book was suddenly taken off the table and damaged by a Patient—usually a non-reader—while the Attendant's attention was occupied elsewhere. I would venture to suggest, as a remedy for this, that a book-case be placed in each Ward, under the care of the Charge Attendant, who shall be held responsible for the safe custody of the books, and shall at once report when, and by whom, any volume is injured. By this means, the books would not only be kept out of the hands of destructive Patients, but also from being taken, as they frequently are now, into other Wards; and, moreover, the Chaplain would be able—which, under the present system, is impossible—to trace, with some chance of success, any missing volume.

Allow me, in conclusion, to thank you most heartily for the unvarying kindness and consideration which I have at all times received at your hands.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) J. FOUNTAINE, M.A.,
Chaplain.

*STATEMENT of INCOME and EXPENDITURE by the
Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum, from
the 1st January to 31st December, 1887.*

INCOME.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
FROM UNIONS WITHIN THE CITY, VIZ.:						
Bristol	3233	3	5			
Barton Regis	6268	6	9			
Bedminster	2230	17	1			
				11732	7	3
FROM TREASURER OF BOROUGH FUND FOR MAINTENANCE OF PATIENTS ...				270	10	8
FROM UNIONS WITHOUT THE CITY, VIZ.:						
Warminster	2	16	0			
Axbridge	5	12	7			
St. Pancras	2	18	0			
Prison Commissioners	19	14	0			
				31	0	7
FROM PRIVATE PATIENTS				667	13	0
FROM SALES OF STORES AND REFUSE				168	4	8
FROM SALES OF FARM PRODUCE ...				29	6	6
Total Income				12899	2	8

EXPENDITURE.

SALARIES AND WAGES, VIZ.:

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Officers	1694	10	0			
Attendants and Servants ...	1465	8	6			
				3159	18	6

PROVISIONS, VIZ.:

Arrowroot	5	2	6			
Barm	10	11	8			
Bacon and Hams (101 cwt.) ...	263	9	5			
Butter, Fresh (1539 lbs.) ...	103	13	10			
Do. Salt ($73\frac{1}{4}$ cwt.)	370	11	3			
Biscuits, &c.	0	4	3			
Cheese ($52\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.)	168	10	2			
Chicory	9	6	0			
Coffee and Cocoa (1932 lbs.) ...	103	17	2			
Candied Peel	2	8	0			
Currants and Raisins	15	8	1			
Caraways	2	11	6			
Eggs and Poultry	35	8	2			
Fish (64 cwt.)	60	13	10			
Flour (520 sacks)	631	0	0			
Lemons, Oranges and Fruit ...	2	3	7			
Lard	1	16	6			
Meat ($465\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)	1272	17	5			
Do., Preserved (15496 lbs.) ...	319	16	5			
Do., Extract of	6	15	0			
Milk	269	12	6			
Mustard	8	2	0			
Oatmeal	0	16	5			
Pepper	6	12	0			
Pearl Barley ($17\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.)	14	18	9			
Peas (62 bush.)	19	0	7			
Potatoes and Turnips	144	6	8			
Rice	1	1	0			
Sauces	3	13	3			
Sugar, Raw ($162\frac{1}{4}$ cwt.)	103	0	1			
Do., Lump ($2\frac{1}{4}$ cwt.)	2	1	0			
Salt	3	17	4			
Tea (1959 lbs.)	132	0	11			
Carried forward	£4095	7	3	£3159	18	6

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	...	4095	7	3	3159	18	6
Treacle	... ..	1	1	7			
Vinegar	... ..	9	6	4			
		<hr/>			4105	15	2

NECESSARIES, VIZ.:

Blacking and Blacklead	... ..	3	12	6			
Brushes, Combs, Baskets, &c....		23	15	0			
Coals, Brush (243½ tons)	...	132	10	3			
Do., Small (302½ tons)	...	97	19	8			
Do., Coke (105½ tons)	...	45	15	9			
Coal Hods...	... ..	3	6	8			
Earthenware and Glass	... ..	32	1	6			
Gas	... ..	267	16	3			
Grinding Scissors	... ..	1	4	6			
House Sand	... ..	1	17	6			
Kitchen Requisites	... ..	5	16	4			
Laundry Requisites...	... ..	13	0	0			
Matches and Candles	... ..	6	15	5			
Repairing Scales	... ..	1	16	10			
Soaps (99 cwt.)	... ..	95	19	6			
Soda	... ..	7	16	6			
Starch and Blue	... ..	2	18	0			
Scouring Flannel	... ..	23	13	4			
Water Supply	... ..	312	11	0			
		<hr/>			1080	6	6

CLOTHING, &c., VIZ.:

Attendants' Uniform Clothing..		96	4	11			
Check for Shirts	... ..	65	15	2			
Calico	... ..	24	9	4			
Cord and Cloth	... ..	81	17	5			
Dowlas	... ..	25	5	0			
Flannel	... ..	66	18	6			
Handkerchiefs	... ..	7	1	6			
Haberdashery (Thread, Worsted, &c.)	... ..	29	4	0			
Hats, Men's	... ..	21	0	0			
Leather, &c.	... ..	88	5	2			
Making Clothing	... ..	20	2	1			
Patients' Clothing	... ..	145	16	11			
Serge	... ..	19	10	8			
		<hr/>			691	10	8
Carried forward	... ..				£9037	10	10

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...				9037	10	10
FURNITURE AND BEDDING, VIZ.:						
Blankets and Counterpanes ...	52	12	11			
Bed Rugs	32	8	0			
Bedsteads	9	18	3			
Carpets and Carpeting	53	0	6			
Chairs and Repairs	2	3	9			
Chimney Glass	1	3	6			
Dining Tables	14	14	6			
Grand Piano	20	15	0			
Hearth Rugs	12	3	11			
Huckaback	9	1	1			
Linoleum, and Laying Down ...	23	12	2			
Linen Sheeting	52	11	5			
Mattresses and Cord	118	11	10			
Moulding	12	17	3			
Matting and Coir Yarn	21	14	6			
Repairing Billiard Table ...	5	0	0			
Settees	12	12	0			
Table Knife Boxes	4	0	6			
Table Linen	5	7	10			
Window Curtains and Poles ...	9	13	5			
Waterproof Sheeting	18	7	1			
				492	9	5
FARM AND GARDEN, VIZ.:						
Hauling, Ploughing, &c. ...	1	14	6			
Killing Pigs	5	3	6			
Kitchen Garden Seeds, Plants and Pots	30	15	9			
Meal, Sharps and Bran	20	15	9			
Manure	10	16	6			
Pigs	8	0	0			
Road Stone	2	16	0			
Tools and Implements	13	3	8			
Use of Boar	2	0	0			
Water Barrel	10	0	0			
				105	5	8
DISPENSARY, VIZ.:						
Drugs and Medical Instruments				82	2	0
WINES, &c., VIZ.:						
Wines and Spirits				50	4	0
Carried forward				£9767	11	11

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...				9767	11	11
RATES, TAXES, &C., VIZ.:						
General District Rate	36	2	6			
Income Tax	9	10	1			
Insurance	3	12	0			
Poor Rates	26	16	2			
Tithes	8	16	8			
				84	17	5
BUILDING AND REPAIRS, VIZ.:						
Asphalting	3	17	0			
Boiler Repairs	3	1	11			
Carpenters' Wages	140	8	0			
Engineers' Materials	186	4	9			
Fire Grates	5	5	0			
Ironmongery	56	19	2			
Joiners' Tools and Materials ...	37	3	0			
Labourers' Wages	52	0	0			
Masons' Materials	15	17	9			
Masons' Wages	76	4	6			
Mortuary Windows	8	5	0			
Oils, Colours, Varnish and Paint	41	9	10			
Painting and Glazing	114	6	11			
Painters' Wages	86	5	0			
Repairs to Towers and Roof ...	14	17	9			
Sanitary Fittings	19	17	10			
Sweeping Chimneys and Flues	5	13	8			
Timber and Moulding	36	0	2			
				903	17	3
MISCELLANEOUS, VIZ.:						
Advertising	18	18	2			
Amusements and Theatricals ...	10	7	0			
Auditing Accounts	15	15	0			
Bird Seed	0	1	10			
Cab Hire	24	16	0			
Do., per Clerk to Visitors ...	0	6	0			
Carriage of Goods	41	0	6			
Expenses, <i>re</i> Patients escaped...	0	12	6			
Library Books	8	18	0			
Music, Violin Strings, and Repairs	6	4	8			
Newspapers and Periodicals ...	20	6	6			
New Stop to Church Organ ...	32	10	0			
Postage, Telegrams, &c....	23	15	8			
Carried forward	£203	11	10	£10756	6	7

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward ...	203	11	10	10756	6	7
Patients' Maintenance (repaid)	64	4	0			
Removal Expenses (repaid) ...	9	15	6			
Repairs to Clocks	1	15	0			
Surgeon's Fees	4	4	0			
Stationery and Printing	60	17	5			
Do., for Clerk to Visitors ...	6	5	0			
Tobacco and Snuff	63	18	6			
Travelling Expenses and Mes- senger	8	5	5			
	<hr/>			422	16	8
Maintenance of 40 Patients at Gloucester Asylum				1353	15	3
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Total Expenditure ...				£12532	18	6
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ARTHUR ORME,

Clerk and Steward.

*Average Weekly Cost of Maintenance, Medicine, Clothing, and Care
of Patients during the Year 1887.*

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Salaries and Wages	2	9 $\frac{3}{8}$
Provisions	3	7 $\frac{4}{8}$
Necessaries	0	11 $\frac{4}{8}$
Clothing	0	7 $\frac{2}{8}$
Furniture and Bedding	0	5 $\frac{2}{8}$
Farm and Garden (including Rates and Taxes on Land, &c.)	0	2
Surgery and Dispensary	0	0 $\frac{7}{8}$
Wines and Spirits	0	0 $\frac{4}{8}$
Miscellaneous	0	4 $\frac{4}{8}$
	9	0 $\frac{6}{8}$
<i>Less</i> Moneys received for Sales	0	2 $\frac{1}{8}$
Cost \pounds head \pounds week as calculated in County Asylums	8	10 $\frac{5}{8}$
<i>Add</i> Buildings and Repairs, including the sum of £312 excess paid for Maintenance of 40 Patients at Gloucester Asylum over weekly charge of 10/- (usually received from County Treasurer) ...	1	0 $\frac{6}{8}$
Total paid from Maintenance Account ...	9	11 $\frac{7}{8}$
Weekly charge for Patients from the City and County of Bristol	10	0
Weekly charge for Out-County Patients	14	0
Weekly charge for Private Patients ... 16/- and	20	0

** Salaries and Wages of the Officers, Attendants, and Servants.*

OFFICERS.							£	s.	d.
<i>a</i>	Medical Superintendent	...	...	...	...	...	600	0	0
<i>b</i>	Chaplain	...	...	...	...	...	200	0	0
<i>c</i>	1st Assistant Medical Officer	...	...	...	...	...	188	0	0
<i>c</i>	2nd Assistant Medical Officer	...	...	...	...	...	150	0	0
<i>c</i>	Clerk and Steward	...	...	...	...	...	120	0	0
<i>f</i>	Engineer	...	...	...	...	...	100	0	0
<i>c</i>	Housekeeper	...	...	...	...	...	65	0	0
<i>c</i>	Head Male Attendant	...	...	...	...	...	66	0	0
<i>c</i>	Head Female Attendant	...	...	...	...	...	65	0	0
<i>i</i>	Storekeeper and Organist	...	...	...	...	...	59	0	0

ATTENDANTS, &c.—MALE DEPARTMENT.

<i>d</i>	Night Attendant	...	...	...	...	...	28	0	0
<i>d</i>	Tailor	do.	...	...	...	...	30	0	0
<i>d</i>	Two Ward	do.	...	...	...	at	39	0	0
<i>d</i>	Three do.	do.	...	...	...	at	37	0	0
<i>d</i>	Three do.	do.	...	...	...	at	34	0	0
<i>d</i>	One do.	do.	...	...	...	at	32	0	0
<i>d</i>	Five do.	do.	...	...	...	at	28	0	0
<i>d</i>	Porter	...	...	...	...	at	28	0	0
<i>b</i>	One Carpenter	...	...	...	...	per week	1	10	0
<i>b</i>	One do.	...	...	...	...	do.	1	4	0
<i>g</i>	Gardener and Bailiff	...	...	...	...	do.	1	7	0
<i>b</i>	Assistant Gardener	...	...	...	...	do.	0	18	0
<i>b</i>	Labourer	...	...	...	...	do.	1	0	0
<i>b</i>	Stoker	...	...	...	...	do.	0	17	0
<i>b</i>	Do.	...	...	...	...	do.	1	1	0
<i>h</i>	Baker	...	...	...	...	do.	1	4	0
<i>b</i>	Shoemaker	...	...	...	...	do.	0	17	0
<i>g</i>	Mason	...	...	...	...	do.	1	3	0
<i>k</i>	1st Night Attendant	...	...	...	...	do.	1	2	0
<i>b</i>	Painter	...	...	...	...	do.	1	10	0
<i>b</i>	Do.	...	...	...	...	do.	1	0	0

ATTENDANTS, &c.—FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

<i>d</i>	Night Attendant	...	...	...	...	...	22	0	0
<i>d</i>	Two Ward Attendants	...	...	...	...	at	27	0	0
<i>d</i>	Four do.	...	...	...	...	at	24	0	0
<i>d</i>	Two do.	...	...	...	...	at	20	0	0
<i>d</i>	Four do.	...	...	...	...	at	18	0	0
<i>d</i>	Six do.	...	...	...	...	at	16	0	0
<i>d</i>	Cook	...	...	...	...	...	24	0	0
<i>d</i>	Head Laundress	...	...	...	...	...	27	0	0
<i>d</i>	One Laundry Maid	...	...	...	...	...	20	0	0
<i>d</i>	Two do.	...	...	...	...	at	16	0	0
<i>d</i>	Housemaid	...	...	...	...	...	14	0	0
<i>d</i>	Ward Servant	...	...	...	...	...	14	0	0
<i>d</i>	Kitchen Maid	...	...	...	...	...	16	0	0
<i>e</i>	Lodge Keeper	...	...	...	...	per week	0	14	0

a Partially Furnished House, Rates and Taxes, Fire, Light, and Vegetables.

b Non-Resident—no Allowances.

c Board, Furnished Apartments, Washing and Attendance.

d Board, Lodging, Washing and Uniform.

e Partially Furnished House, Rates and Taxes free, Garden, Fire, and Light.

f House and Garden, and £10 per annum in lieu of Coals and Gas.

g House and Garden provided.

h Board found.

i Board and Washing, and 2s. 6d. per week in lieu of Rooms.

k House, Uniform and part Board.

* Corrected to January 1st, 1888.

*An Account of the RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS of the Committee of Visitors of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum,
from the 1st January to 31st December, 1887.*

Dr.

£s. d.

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hands of Treasurer, January 1st, 1887	492	16	By Salaries	1694	10
" Balance in hands of Clerk to Visitors, January 1st, 1887	2	9	" Attendants' and Servants' Wages	1465	8
" Balance in hands of Clerk and Steward, January 1st, 1887	69	5	" Provisions	4105	15
" Cash from Unions within the City			" Necessaries	1080	6
" Cash from Treasurer of Borough Fund for Maintenance	564	11	" Clothing	691	10
" Cash from Out-County Unions	11732	7	" Furniture and Bedding	492	9
" Cash from Private Patients	270	10	" Farm and Garden	105	5
" Cash for Sales of Stores and Refuse	31	0	" Surgery and Dispensary	82	2
" Cash for Sales of Farm Produce	667	13	" Wines and Spirits	50	4
			" Rates, Taxes, &c.	84	17
			" Building and Repairs	903	17
			" Miscellaneous	422	16
	168	4	" Maintenance of Female Patients at Gloucester Asylum	1353	15
	29	6		12532	18
			" Balance in hands of Treasurer, December 31st, 1887	852	6
			" Do. Clerk to Visitors, do.	5	0
			" Do. Clerk and Steward, do.	73	8
				930	15
				£13463	13
				9	

Examined and found correct,

J. H. LOCKLEY,

For the Committee of Visitors.

January 26th, 1888.

Dr. *STATEMENT of the FINANCIAL CONDITION of the MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT of the*
Asylum, on the 31st December, 1887. **Cr.**

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance in hands of Steward this day	73 8 4	By Amount due to Tradesmen this day for Goods supplied, and for Maintenance of Pauper Patients in Gloucester County Asylum, &c. ...	2071 8 7
“ “ Clerk to Visitors	5 0 2	“ Balance in favour of Asylum	2026 14 5
“ “ Treasurer	852 6 9		
“ Amount due from Unions and Borough Treasurer for Maintenance of Pauper Patients	3156 17 9		
“ Amount due from Private Patients	10 10 0		
	<u>£4098 3 0</u>		<u>£4098 3 0</u>

Examined and found correct,
J. H. LOCKLEY,
For the Committee of Visitors.

January 26th, 1888.

