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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS.

Epiphany Sessions, 1863.

We are again enabled to present a satisfactory Report of the general condition of the Asylum. The building is in good order, the wards are clean and well ventilated, and the deaths which have occurred during the last year have not been caused by epidemic sickness, but by natural disease and decay.

Although the price of provisions has been lately a trifle lower, the cost of clothing has so increased that we have found it necessary to continue the charge of maintenance for the present at 8s. 9d., but we hope that during the current year we shall be able to reduce it.

The purchase of the additional quantity of land, in pursuance of the order of Court, at the last Midsummer Quarter Sessions, will be of great benefit to the institution, and be the means of supplying it with many articles of consumption which we have hitherto been obliged to purchase. The subject of laying out the farm to the best advantage is now under our consideration. The cemetery having been filled by interments we found it necessary to add to it a part of the adjoining land, and have enclosed it with a new boundary wall and constructed a new drain, at an expense altogether of £92, which has been defrayed out of the Building and Repair Fund.

The balance of the Building debt now due is £18,000.

The number of patients in the Asylum at the commence-

ment of the year 1862 was 616, viz., 254 males and 362 females. The admissions have been 208, viz., 98 males and 110 females,—99 have been discharged, of whom 85 were recovered, and 56 have died. There were in the Asylum at the time of our last monthly meeting, 672 patients, of whom 280 are males and 392 females.

This leads us to the most important part of our Report, viz., the very crowded state of the wards, which calls for immediate attention and relief. The Asylum was originally constructed for 400, but as the wings, at first intended as residences for the chaplain and engineer, have been since converted into wards for patients, we think it now capable of containing 450. Two detached buildings have since been added for 100 females and 40 males, so that the whole affords accommodation for 590 or 600 patients. That number is now exceeded by 75, and the consequence is that beds are placed in the galleries intended for recreation, and more are crowded into the dormitories than is desirable for the health and comfort of the inmates. The case therefore is one of pressing and urgent necessity, for the consequences would be serious if at any time an epidemic disorder were to occur in the Asylum in its present state.

The amount already expended on the building has been so large that we are unwilling to ask the County for a further grant until the present debt is paid off. We should much regret to have to declare the Asylum full, so that no more patients should be received until the number is reduced, because it would have the effect of refusing admission to those who might be entirely cured by an early treatment of their cases. We may also decline to renew our contracts with the boroughs, but we are precluded from doing so until the terms of the existing contracts have expired. That for Plymouth expires 9 September, 1866, and that for Exeter, 1 January,

1867. The contracts with the other boroughs are determinable at six months' notice. The only remaining course open to us is to avail ourselves of the provisions of the Lunacy Regulation Act of last session, which enables us to remove a certain number of chronic patients into the workhouses, and as this can only be done on the recommendation of the Superintendent, and with the sanction of both the President of the Poor Law Board and the Commissioners in Lunacy, there is sufficient security that no patients will be removed who are dangerous to themselves or others, and unless there is proper accommodation for them in the workhouses, and they can be placed there in separate wards and under proper superintendence.

In the meantime we take the liberty of suggesting to the Magistrates, that it is of the greatest importance that no chronic cases should for the present be sent by them to the Asylum.

During the last year several changes have taken place in the officers of the establishment. Dr. Bucknill having being appointed one of the Medical Visitors of Chancery Lunatics, resigned his office of Superintendent on the 24th September. We have recorded in our minutes "our high sense of his long services, for eighteen years, and of his constant efforts to promote the welfare of the Asylum; of the uniform assistance which, from the first opening of the Asylum, we have derived from his judgment and advice; and of the benefits which the patients have always received from his professional skill and constant attention to their welfare." This we have much pleasure in thus publicly reporting to the Court. We have elected Dr. Geo. Symes Saunders to supply his place, and from the experience we have had of his abilities and character during the time he held the situation of Medical Assistant, we have

every reason to think that he will prove a valuable officer. We have also elected Dr. W. G. Coombs, as Medical Assistant, and from the high testimonials which we received of his professional skill and general character, we have every reason to hope that this appointment also will be satisfactory. The only other change is that of the housekeeper, Miss Storey, who not having performed her duties in a satisfactory manner, was discharged, and Mrs. Cunningham has been appointed to succeed her.

We beg leave to remind the Court that it is their duty to appoint the Visitors at the present Sessions.

S. TREHAWKE KEKEWICH,

Chairman of the Visitors.

January 6, 1863.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

The Medical Superintendent submits to the Committee of Visitors the Seventeenth Annual Report.

During the year 1862, 208 patients were admitted into the Asylum, of whom 98 were males, and 110 were females.

During the same period, 99 patients were discharged, of whom 52 were men, and 47 were women ; of these, 85 were discharged recovered.

The total number under treatment during the year has been 824, and the average number resident has been 651.

The number of patients recovered has been 40·8 per cent. on the admissions.

The rate of mortality has been 8·75 per cent. on the mean population, and 6·8 per cent. on the total number under treatment during the year. The average age at death was 54½.

There are at present 15 "criminal patients" under care and treatment ; it is hoped that most of these will be removed to the State Asylum, in course of erection at Broadmoor, before the close of another year.

The following tabular statement exhibits the changes which have occurred in the Asylum during the year.

	<i>Male.</i>	<i>Female.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Number of patients, 31st December, 1861 .	254	362	616
Admissions during the year 1862	... 98	110	208
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Total during the year 352	472	824
Discharged	... 52	47	99
Died	... 21	35	56
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Remaining in the Asylum, Dec. 31st, 1862	279	390	669
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Average number resident during the year			651
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Number deemed curable	... 22	38	50

The general health of the patients throughout the year has been good, and no epidemic or endemic disease has prevailed.

The number of admissions during the year has far exceeded that of any other since the opening of the Asylum. The increase of admissions over the previous year is 38 ; there are 53 more patients in the Asylum than at the date of the last Report, and 90 patients more than there were at the end of 1860. The admissions have been remarkable for the large proportion of chronic and incurable cases, and the paucity of acute cases of a favorable kind which are likely to receive permanent relief.

In the tables of admissions, appended to the Report, it will be found that a large number of patients have been admitted with that fatal form of mental disorder known as General Paralysis ; it will also be observed that a considerable number of patients were admitted at an advanced age ; 23 patients were between 50 and 60 ; 26 between 60 and 70 ; 13 between 70 and 80 ; and 4 were above 80 years of age.

The obituary table presents but little material for comment. All the deaths have occurred from natural causes, and are principally referable to diseases of the nervous system and the pulmonary organs. The rate of mortality has been more favorable than might have been anticipated, considering the overcrowded state of the Asylum, and the ill health of the patients on admission.

Your Superintendent is glad to find, that the important subject of the excessively crowded condition of the Asylum, is at present under the consideration of the Visitors, and that steps are about to be taken to afford the requisite accommodation for the steadily increasing number of patients, who are sent to this Asylum. In this necessity for enlargement, this Asylum does but follow in the track of similar institutions throughout the country, in most of which, additional accommodation has been required from time to time.

A table (Table, No. 9) has been appended, shewing the annual number of admissions, discharges, and deaths, from the opening of the Asylum to the present time, and a reference to it will show the steady increase of the number of patients

remaining in the Asylum at the end of each year. If the time that has elapsed since the opening of the Asylum be divided into quinquennial periods, it will be seen that in 1851, there were 428 patients in the Asylum, in 1856, the number had increased to 520, in 1860 to 579, and at the present time there are 669 patients entered on the Asylum books. This increase in the number of patients accords with the evidence of the Commissioners of Lunacy as given in their Fifteenth Annual Report, where they state, that during the ten years from the 1st of January, 1849, to the 1st January, 1859, the number of patients in the County and Borough Asylums of England and Wales, have advanced from 6,494, to 15,845, making an increase of 9,351.

The great increase which has taken place in the number of patients in Asylums is limited almost entirely to pauper and criminal patients.

The Commissioners, after a careful consideration of the causes of the great accumulation of pauper patients, believe that it is mainly attributable,—

“1st. To the detection and registration of cases formerly left unnoticed.

“2nd. To the removal of a larger proportion of patients from the localities where they were exposed to causes of death, into Asylums favoring the prolongation of life.

“3rd. To the effect of sanitary regulations in Asylums, of improved diet, and of various means of sustaining the health and prolonging the longevity of the entire body of inmates.”

In the same report the Commissioners remark, “that such causes being still in operation, we can only calculate on a further progressive increase; and we accordingly draw attention to the subject, in the hope that Committees of Visitors will see the necessity of a timely accommodation.”

The annual returns also shew, that the number of insane poor in workhouses, or receiving out-door relief, have not diminished, but, on the contrary, have increased to a considerable extent.

The additional table affixed, (Table, No. 10), shewing the number of patients chargeable to the several unions in the

County, with the population of the districts according to the recent census, and the ratio of patients in the Asylum to the population, may be interesting. It will be observed that the ratio of the insane sent to the Asylum varies considerably in the different districts ; but doubtless, this disproportion is not attributable solely to the fact of lunacy predominating more in one district than another, but rather to the retention, at their own homes and in workhouses, of individuals suffering under the milder and more harmless forms of insanity. As the result of observation, it may be stated also, that from some workhouses cases are more frequently forwarded than from others, on the slightest outbreak. During the past year a considerable number of "workhouse cases" have been sent to the Asylum ; though suffering from mental deficiency, under the Asylum regime these have been found to be harmless and well-conducted.

A hot-air (Turkish) bath has been recently constructed by converting a drying closet, with an adjoining room little used, into suitable chambers for the purpose. This was effected at a comparatively small outlay, and the whole of the labour was done by our own artizans with the assistance of the patients. The plan is similar to that adopted by Dr. Robertson, of the Sussex Asylum, where a bath has been erected, and its employment has been found a valuable remedial agent in the treatment of insanity. Since the completion of our bath, it has been in constant use, and a number of patients of both sexes have employed it regularly. A few cases of melancholia, accompanied with the harsh dry skin so often observed in this form of mental disease, have derived very decided benefit from its use, but the experience obtained from its employment is too limited to give any very decided opinion at present as to the results which may be expected from its general use in the various phases of mental disorder. Although a valuable addition to other modes of treatment, it is doubtful how far it can supersede them.

The occupations have been the same as in former years, but since the addition to the farm, a larger number of men have been employed in out-door work, with benefit to them-

selves and to the institution. The amusements and sources of recreation continue as usual. The establishment of a half-holiday on Saturday has been very popular amongst the patients. During the summer a number of patients of both sexes made excursions to Haldon and to the sea side ; and the results were so gratifying, that it is hoped the Visitors will sanction similar excursions for the future.

In October last, Dr. Coombs entered on his duties as Assistant Medical Officer, and your Superintendent has much pleasure in acknowledging the valuable assistance rendered him by the constant attention and kindness shewn, by the former, at all times to the patients : he cannot also omit mentioning the cordial support afforded him, by the other officers and servants.

Your Superintendent cannot conclude without tendering to the Visitors his warmest thanks for their kind confidence extended to him in and since his election to the important management of this institution.

G. SYMES SAUNDERS, M.B. LOND.

Exminster, January 1st, 1863.

TABLE No. 1.
FORMS OF DISEASE ON ADMISSION.

Mania ..	..	..	..	..	106
Melancholia ..	..	..	..	..	52
Dementia ..	..	..	..	..	16
General Paralysis ..	..	..	..	..	25
Imbecility ..	..	..	..	..	1
Idiocy ..	..	..	..	..	6
Presented no Symyptoms of Insanity ..	..	..	..	..	2
Total					208

TABLE No. 2.
AGE ON ADMISSION.

From 5 years to 10	..	..	..	1
„ 10 „ 20	..	..	..	10
„ 20 „ 30	..	..	..	40
„ 30 „ 40	..	..	..	49
„ 40 „ 50	..	..	..	39
„ 50 „ 60	..	..	..	23
„ 60 „ 70	..	..	..	26
„ 70 „ 80	..	..	..	13
„ 80 „ 90	..	..	..	4
Unknown	..	..	..	3
Total				208

TABLE No. 3.
ASSIGNED CAUSES OF ILLNESS IN PATIENTS ADMITTED.

After Childbirth	..	..	..	..	3
Bad Treatment	..	..	..	..	2
Blindness	..	..	..	..	2
Cerebral Disease	..	..	..	..	4
Congenital	..	..	..	..	1
Death of a Mother	..	..	..	..	3
Destitution	..	..	..	..	1
Disappointed Affections	..	..	..	..	3
Domestic Troubles	..	..	..	..	4
Embarassed Circumstances	..	..	..	..	3
Epilepsy	..	..	..	..	11
Fall	..	..	..	..	1
Female Irregularity	..	..	..	..	1
Fever	..	..	..	..	2
Fright	..	..	..	..	2
From a Chill	..	..	..	..	1
Grief	..	..	..	..	2
Injuries of the Head	..	..	..	..	4
Intoxication	..	..	..	..	4
Loss of Property	..	..	..	..	4
Loss of Relatives	..	..	..	..	3
Over Fatigue	..	..	..	..	1
Religious Excitement	..	..	..	..	2
Rheumatic Fever	..	..	..	..	1
Spinal Complaint	..	..	..	..	1
Sunstroke	..	..	..	..	3
Unknown	..	..	..	..	139
Total					208

TABLE NO. 4.

DURATION OF ATTACK PREVIOUS TO ADMISSION.

Under 2 months	..	..	..	86
From 2 to 4 months	..	..	..	32
" 4 to 6 "	..	..	..	15
" 6 to 12 "	..	..	..	15
" 1 to 3 years	..	..	..	23
Above 3 years	..	..	..	12
Congenital	..	..	..	10
Unknown	..	..	..	15
Total				208

NOTE.—The above are taken from the Admission Papers.

TABLE No. 5.

OCCUPATIONS OF THOSE ADMITTED.

Agricultural Labourers	25	Millers	2
" " Wives	14	" Wife of	1
" " Widows	2	Needlewomen	3
" " Son	1	No Occupation	12
" " Daughter	1	Painter	1
Bakers	3	Painter's Apprentice	1
Beer House Keepers	2	Pensioner	1
Blacksmiths	4	Plasterer's Wife	1
" Wife of	1	Potter's Wife	1
Butchers	2	Professor of Music	1
Carpenters	5	Prostitutes	2
" Wife of	1	Quack Doctor's Wife	1
Charwomen	5	Quarryman	1
Chimney Sweep	1	Saddler	1
Clerk	1	Sailors	9
Coachman	1	" Wives of	3
Confectioner	1	Sawyer's Wife	1
Draper's Assistant	1	School Teacher	1
Dressmaker	1	Ship Carpenter	1
Domestic Servants	33	Shipwright's Wife	1
Druggist	1	Shoebinder	1
Errand Woman	1	Shoemakers	8
Factory Girl	1	" Wife of	1
Farmers	4	" Daughter of	1
" Wife	1	Small Trader	1
" Son	1	Soldiers	3
Gardener	1	" Child of	1
Glove Cutter	1	Stoker's Wife	1
Gloveress	1	Tailors	2
Greengrocer	1	" Wife of	1
Grocer	1	" Widow of	1
Gunsmith, Journeyman	1	Unknown	6
Lacemakers	4	Waggoner	1
Lacemender	1	Warder's Wife	1
Lady's Maid	1	Wardrobe Keeper	1
Light Porter	1	Weaver	1
Masons	3		
" Wife	1		
Matron of Hospital	1		
		Total	208

TABLE No. 6.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS ORDINARILY EMPLOYED.

MALES.

Cleaning Galleries, Bed-Rooms, Knives and Forks, Making Beds, and other Domestic Occupations	38
Assisting the Steward	1
" Masons	3
" Baker	3
" Brewer	3
" Engineer	5
" Porter	1
Blacksmith	1
Carrying Coals	3
Cutting up Firewood	1
Carpenters	4
Coir Pickers	28
Attending Piggery	3
Organist	1
Mat Makers	2
Painters	3
Turning the Mangle	1
Turning the Wringing Machine	2
Turning the Washing Machine	2
Gardening and Spade Husbandry	65
Shoemakers	5
Washing Clothes	2
Weaver	1
Working in the Stables and with the Horses.	4
Oakum Pickers	21
Total	203

FEMALES.

Cleaning Galleries, Bed-Rooms, Knives and Forks, Making Beds, and other Domestic Employments	51
Laundry, Washing House, &c.	32
Kitchen	17
Needle Workers	114
Stocking Knitters	4
Total	218

Total Number of Male and Female Patients ordinarily employed	} 421
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TABLE, No. 7.
DISCHARGES DURING THE YEAR 1862.

No. in Admission Book.	Age on Admis- sion.	Sex.	Length of time Insane on Admission.			Residence in Asylum.			Form of Disease.
			Y.	M.	W.	Y.	M.	D.	
1955	22	M			1	2	10	2	Dementia
1478	—	M	—	—	—	5	10	0	Chronic Mania
2413	50	M		2	0		1	2	Mania
2396	—	F			1		2	26	Mania
2381	52	F			1		4	2	Melancholia
2271	28	M	—	—	—	1	0	5	General Paralysis
2225	39	F			2		3	25	Melancholia
2427	32	F			1		2	7	Mania
2380	44	M			1		5	1	Mania
2370	22	F		2	0		5	17	Mania
2408	26	F			1		2	23	Mania
1575	26	M	—	—	—	5	3	12	Mania
2388	21	F			3		4	4	Puerperal Mania
2425	70	F			2		2	6	Mania
2430	42	F	—	—	—		2	3	Melancholia
2463	32	M		3	0		0	19	Mania
2086	48	M			1		2	22	Mania
2465	20	M		2	0		0	14	Mania
2203	40	M	—	—	—	1	6	15	Melancholia
2421	42	F			1		2	18	Melancholia
2304	39	M			3		10	15	Melancholia
1236	—	M	—	—	—	7	8	23	Chronic Mania
2462	50	M		3	0		1	21	Melancholia
2460	28	F			3		1	24	Mania
2475	30	M			3		0	23	Mania
2451	46	F			3		2	10	Mania
2409	33	F			2	1	5	15	Mania
2429	24	M			6		4	6	Mania
2470	74	M			1		2	6	Melancholia
2343	32	F	—	—	—		10	17	Mania
2269	48	F		1	0	1	3	17	Melancholia
2464	71	F			2		2	19	Mania
2488	39	F			2		1	7	Mania
2362	30	M		3	0		9	0	Melancholia
2415	25	F			1		5	0	Mania
1978	52	M		3	0	3	0	26	Mania
1257	48	M	—	—	—	7	9	0	Mania
2452	37	F		6	0		5	6	Melancholia
2494	57	F		5	0		1	24	Melancholia
2480	60	M	1	0	0		2	16	Mania
2456	18	F		2	0		4	1	Mania
2457	16	F			3		4	3	Melancholia
2504	40	M	—	—	—		1	7	Melancholia
2419	62	M	1	0	0		5	20	Mania
2472	22	M			1		3	27	Mania
1723	51	M		2	0	4	10	8	Mania
2437	34	F	—	—	—		5	23	Mania
2517	79	M		1	0		1	23	Melancholia
2502	71	F	—	—	—		2	9	Dementia

No. in Admission Book.	Age on Admission.	Sex.	Length of time Insane on Admission.			Residence in Asylum.			Form of Disease.
			Y.	M.	W.	Y.	M.	D.	
2527	88	F	3	0		1	3		No symptoms of insanity
2445	30	F	1	2		5	21		General Paralysis
2438	69	F		3		6	0		Melancholia
2516	22	M				2	2		Mania
2193	50	F	1	0	0	1	11	24	Melancholia
2544	45	M	1	1			25		Mania
2421	41	M		1		7	14		Melancholia
2498	33	F		1		3	14		Mania
2521	63	F	4	0		2	16		Melancholia
1965	33	M		1		3	2	8	Mania
2175	55	M		1		2	1	7	Mania
2513	56	F	4	0		3	0		Melancholia
2332	32	M	6	0		1	2	6	Melancholia
2534	59	F		5		1	9		No symptoms of insanity
2485	41	F		1		4	8		Mania
2519	28	M		3		2	23		Mania
1822	29	M	6	0		4	2	26	Mania
1572	50	M				5	10	8	Mania
2420	30	F				7	21		Mania
2554	—	M				1	7		Mania
2559	60	M	3	0		1	3		Melancholia
2549	60	M				1	17		Mania
2474	29	F		1		5	23		Mania
2533	42	F				2	11		Melancholia
2463	32	M	3	0		1	11		Mania
2522	48	M	1	0		3	14		General Paralysis
2242	65	F		3		1	9	23	Melancholia
2410	53	M		3	0		9	13	Mania
1711	45	F	1	9	0	5	1	1	Mania
2431	34	F		2	0		9	0	Mania
2507	22	F		2		7	3		Mania
2577	37	F	1	4	0	1	14		Melancholia
2416	33	M	Congenital				9	25	Imbecility
2594	56	M				1	0	1	Dementia
2512	63	F				5	3		Mania
2450	22	M				8	25		Mania
2386	51	M	3	0	0	1	1	8	Mania
2253	30	M		8	0		11	0	General Paralysis
1244	—	F				8	3	3	Chronic Mania
2254	50	M	10	0		2	0	13	Mania
2503	34	F		1		6	5		Mania
2580	21	M		8	0		2	6	Mania
1301	25	F				7	10	15	Melancholia
1348	60	M				7	7	14	Dementia
2598	38	M	4	0		1	23		Melancholia
2566	60	F				3	22		Melancholia
2598	50	M		6		3	6		Mania
2405	42	M	1	0		1	0	25	Mania
2286	20	F		1		1	9	1	Mania
2604	61	M	2	0		1	19		Mania

TABLE No. 8.

OBITUARY FOR THE YEAR 1862.

No. in Admiss. Book.]	Age at Death.	Sex.	Residence in Asylum.			Form of Mental Disease when admitted.	Apparent cause of Death.
			Y.	M.	D.		
2423	34	M	0	0	23	General Paralysis	General Paralysis
1574	80	F	5	3	4	Dementia	Senile Decay
2439	54	M	0	0	9	Mania	General Paralysis
2402	72	F	0	3	5	Dementia	Senile Decay
1746	54	F	3	2	23	Melancholia	Bronchitis, with Cardiac Disease
2087	49	M	1	2	1	Dementia	Epilepsy
2383	48	F	1	6	22	Dementia	General Paralysis
2189	31	M	2	2	1	Dementia	General Paralysis
1834	56	F	3	8	12	Mania	Dysentery
2115	67	M	2	1	15	Dementia	General Decay
1569	82	F	5	5	12	Dementia	Senile Decay
2074	57	F	2	4	19	Melancholia	Bronchitis
2122	56	F	2	1	2	Mania	Gradual Decay
24	70	F	16	8	6	Mania	Phthisis
715	32	F	12	3	25	Dementia	Epilepsy
2479	41	M	0	1	0	Dementia	Cerebral Disease
903	75	M	11	8	1	Dementia	Carbuncle and old age
2433	41	F	0	3	11	Mania	General Paralysis
1119	65	F	8	9	22	Mania	General Dropsy
1096	63	F	9	1	6	Dementia	Chronic Bronchitis and General Decay
424	48	M	14	10	17	Melancholia	Chronic Peritonitis
2340	28	F	0	11	19	Mania	General Paralysis
1511	23	F	5	11	17	Mania	Gradual Decay with Epilepsy
2476	38	M	0	11	27	Mania	Epileptic Decay
1738	50	F	4	7	12	Mania	Phthisis
1455	51	F	6	4	12	Melancholia	Gradual Decay
2489	80	F	0	1	25	Melancholia	Gradual Exhaustion
2527	68	M	0	0	22	Melancholia	Apoplexy
2486	36	F	0	2	27	Mania	Epilepsy
40	55	F	16	11	3	Mania	Bronchitis and Cardiac Disease
363	50	M	15	3	15	Melancholia	Phthisis
725	64	F	12	4	17	Melancholia	General Decay
2539	45	F	0	0	13	Mania	Mania, and Inflammation of the Parotid
1561	30	F	5	10	26	Mania	Phthisis
78	66	M	16	11	5	Dementia	Senile Decay
2493	45	M	0	7	21	Melancholia	General Paralysis
2081	30	F	0	8	13	Mania	General Paralysis and Phthisis
2326	45	M	1	2	20	Dementia	General Paralysis

<i>No. in Admis. Book.</i>	<i>Age at Death.</i>	<i>Sex.</i>	<i>Residence in Asylum.</i>			<i>Form of Mental Disease when admitted.</i>	<i>Apparent cause of Death.</i>
			<i>Y.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>D.</i>		
2093	76	F	2	7	19	Mania	Senile Decay
2567	68	F	0	0	12	Melancholia	Exhaustion from Melancholia
2358	50	F	1	1	0	Melancholia	General Paralysis
413	45	F	15	2	23	Mania	Epileptic Coma
2186	62	F	2	1	26	Mania	Decay from Chronic Mania
2249	75	F	0	9	26	Dementia	Senile Decay
1876	29	M	4	1	11	Dementia	Phthisis
2531	58	M	0	3	23	Mania	Exhaustion
2196	19	F	2	3	4	Dementia	Epilepsy
2500	72	M	0	7	1	Mania	Phthisis and Tubercular Peritonitis
2563	42	M	0	3	21	General Paralysis	General Paralysis
1950	17	M	3	8	24	Idiocy	Phthisis
2366	22	M	0	3	18	Idiocy	Epileptic Decay
2153	67	F	0	6	24	Dementia	Exhaustion
2599	64	M	0	2	1	Mania	Cardiac Disease
2440	72	F	0	10	25	Dementia	Apoplexy
605	75	F	12	10	0	Melancholia	Cancer of Liver & Duodenum
2252	36	F	2	0	23	Mania	Phthisis

TABLE No. 9.

SHEWING THE ANNUAL NUMBER OF ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, SINCE THE OPENING OF THE ASYLUM.

Year	Admissions	Discharges	Deaths	Number in the Asylum at end of Year	Average Number Resident during the Year
1845-46 } (18 months)	344	62	53	229	
1847	139	9	19	316	278
1848	116	46	35	351	335
1849	111	52	30	380	372
1850	131	62	37	412	395
1851	119	57	47	428	425
1852	116	56	30	459	449
1853	98	64	47	444	458
1854	133	52	49	476	451
1855	143	86	46	478	478
1856	156	72	40	520	490
1857	154	78	41	555	544
1858	157	92	51	569	566
1859	175	87	56	602	594
1860	165	108	80	579	592
1861	170	85	52	616	595
1862	208	99	56	669	651

TABLE No. 10

Table showing the aggregate number of Patients chargeable to the several Unions in the County, with the population of the Union Districts, according to the Censns of 1861, and the Ratio of insane in the Asylum to the Population.

	Males	Females	Total	Population	Ratio to the Population
Axminster . . .	8	8	16	20303	1 to 1269
Barnstaple . . .	14	18	32	38178	1 to 1193
Bideford . . .	14	14	28	17790	1 to 635
Crediton . . .	9	13	22	20274	1 to 921
Exeter . . .	29	24	53	33742	1 to 636
Devonport . . .	16	33	49	50440	1 to 1029
East Stonehouse . . .	3	11	14	14343	1 to 1024
Honiton . . .	12	21	33	22729	1 to 688
Holsworthy . . .	5	2	7	9876	1 to 1411
Kingsbridge . . .	10	13	24	19394	1 to 808
Newton . . .	30	35	65	59063	1 to 908
Okehampton . . .	8	11	19	18580	1 to 978
Plymouth . . .	23	24	47	62599	1 to 1332
Plympton St. Mary . . .	11	20	31	20502	1 to 693
Southmolton . . .	5	7	12	19209	1 to 1600
St. Thomas . . .	35	47	82	48405	1 to 593
Tavistock . . .	10	11	21	35265	1 to 1679
Tiverton . . .	8	24	32	31305	1 to 978
Torrington . . .	2	9	11	16876	1 to 1534
Totnes . . .	15	29	44	32942	1 to 748
To County Fund . . .	7	7	14		
Wellington . . .	1	4	5		
Taunton . . .	1	2	3		
	279	390	669		

General Statement of Receipts and Payments of the

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance due from Treasurer on 1st January, 1862	2842	7	10
Ditto ditto Steward on his Petty Cash Accounts, &c.	15	14	1
Received from County and Borough Patients	16323	12	8
From Sale of Barley	51	0	0
„ Old Iron, Rags, &c.	14	16	6
„ Yeast sold by Brewer	7	13	9
„ Coal Tar	1	8	10
„ Rhubarb	3	19	0
„ Mats	0	4	6
„ Lard, &c.	6	2	10

Carried Forward .

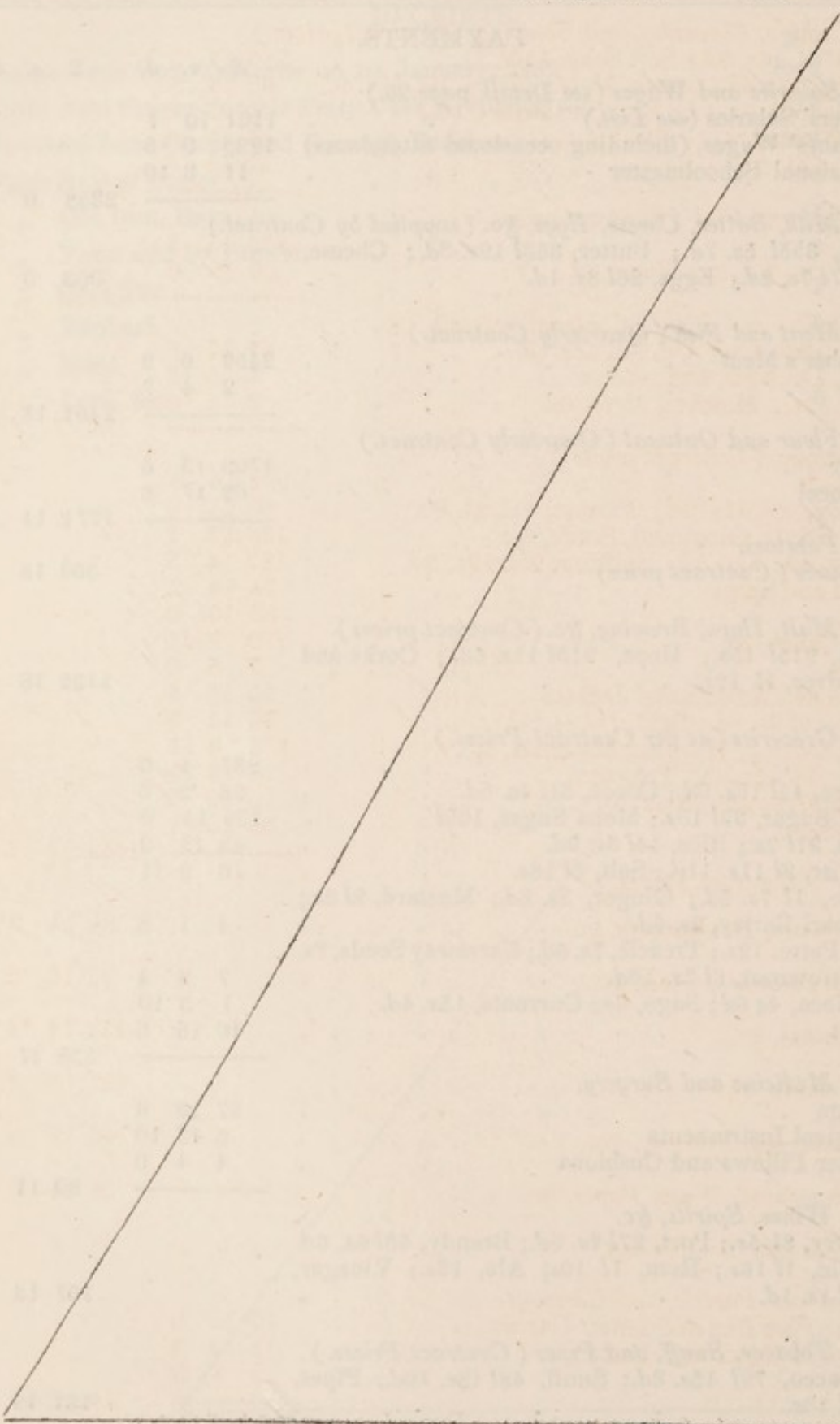
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Devon County Lunatic Asylum for the Year 1862.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Salaries and Wages (see Detail, page 28.)</i>						
Officers' Salaries (see List.)	1121	10	7			
Servants' Wages, (including occasional attendants)	1225	0	8			
Occasional Schoolmaster	11	8	10			
				2358	0	1
<i>Milk, Butter, Cheese, Eggs, &c. (supplied by Contract.)</i>						
Milk, 355l 5s. 7d.; Butter, 363l 19s. 3d.; Cheese, 157l 7s. 2d.; Eggs, 26l 8s. 1d.				903	0	1
<i>Meat and Fish (Quarterly Contract.)</i>						
Butcher's Meat	2459	6	9			
Fish	2	4	7			
				2461	11	4
<i>Flour and Oatmeal (Quarterly Contract.)</i>						
Flour	1708	13	6			
Oatmeal	62	17	6			
				1771	11	0
<i>Potatoes.</i>						
Potatoes (Contract price)				308	18	2
<i>Malt, Hops, Brewing, &c. (Contract prices)</i>						
Malt, 915l 15s.; Hops, 215l 11s. 5d.; Corks and Shives, 1l 12s.				1132	18	5
<i>Groceries (as per Contract Prices.)</i>						
Tea	237	4	0			
Coffee, 44l 18s. 0d.; Cocoa, 51l 4s. 6d.	96	2	6			
Loaf Sugar, 39l 15s.; Moist Sugar, 100l	139	15	0			
Peas, 31l 9s.; Rice, 14l 3s. 9d.	45	12	9			
Pepper, 9l 11s. 11d.; Salt, 6l 18s.	16	9	11			
Spice, 1l 7s. 6d.; Ginger, 3s. 8d.; Mustard, 2l 8s.; Pearl Barley, 2s. 6d.	4	1	8			
Salt Petre, 12s.; Treacle, 7s. 6d.; Carraway Seeds, 2s.						
Arrowroot, 6l 7s. 10d.	7	9	4			
Tapioca, 4s 6d; Sago, 6s.; Currants, 15s. 4d.	1	5	10			
Fruit	10	16	6			
				558	17	6
<i>Medicine and Surgery.</i>						
Drugs	67	13	8			
Surgical Instruments	8	13	10			
Water Pillows and Cushions	4	4	0			
				80	11	6
<i>Wines, Spirits, &c.</i>						
Sherry, 8l 5s.; Port, 27l 2s. 6d.; Brandy, 68l 6s. 6d.						
Gin, 1l 16s.; Rum, 1l 10s; Ale, 12s.; Vinegar, 1l 1s. 1d.				107	13	1
<i>Tobacco, Snuff, and Pipes (Contract Prices.)</i>						
Tobacco, 79l 15s. 8d.; Snuff, 48l 18s. 10d.; Pipes, 2l 18s.				131	12	6
Carried over				£9814	13	8

General Statement of Receipts

	£	s.	d.
Brought over	19267	0	0
			
Carried over	£19267	0	0

and Payments—continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought over				9814	13	8
<i>Washing, Cleansing, and Scouring, (Contract prices.)</i>						
Soap, 170l. 16s. 3d.; Soft Soap, 110l. 1s.	280	17	3			
Soda, 14l. 18s. 4d.; Starch, 9l. 17s.; Blue, 10l. 19s. 4d.	35	14	8			
Blacklead, 3l. 9s. 1d.; Scouring Bricks, 16s.	4	5	1			
House Flannel, 41l.; Blacking, 4l. 5s. 4d.	45	5	4			
Tallow, Oil, &c.	12	13	6			
				378	15	10
<i>Coals and Fuel (Contract prices.)</i>						
Coals	875	15	7			
Fire Wood, 24l. 3s.; Furze, 9l.	33	3	0			
				08	18	7
<i>Candles and Light (Contract prices.)</i>						
Candles, 23l. 19s.; Oil, 38l. 18s. 6d.	62	17	6			
Lamps, Lanterns, and repairs	7	5	7			
Wicks, 19s.; Matches, 2l. 5s. 6d.	3	4	6			
				73	7	7
<i>Clothing (Contract prices.)</i>						
Pilot cloth	169	16	8			
Corduroy, 49l. 11s. 9d.; Fustian, 11l. 2s. 9d.	60	14	6			
Cotton Prints, Gingham, Stuffs, &c.	156	17	1			
Shirting, 92l. 11s. 8d.; Shifting, 90l. 12s. 9d.	183	4	5			
Flannel and Serge	74	14	2			
Hose	83	10	0			
Linen, Calico, &c.	180	7	11			
Bonnets	7	6	0			
Liveries and Attendants' Jackets	55	16	6			
Shawls, 80l. 2s. 8d.; Drill, 16l. 8s. 9d.	96	11	5			
Other Clothing, Working Materials, &c.	176	3	11			
Making Jackets and Trowsers	71	12	5			
Canvas, Wrappers, &c.	5	10	0			
Smock Slops	35	16	1			
				1358	1	1
<i>(Contract Prices.)</i>						
Tinware, Ironmongery, &c.				84	14	0
Earthenware, Glass, &c.				93	10	0
Leather, &c.				133	14	1
Women's Shoes, &c.				264	3	3
Stationery, Printing, &c.				40	17	2
Advertising, Waste Paper, &c.				56	14	8
Books and Bookbinding				18	9	0
<i>Postages, Parcels, and Carriage.</i>						
Postage, Post Bag and Letter Carrier	20	10	0			
Carriage of Goods and Parcels	11	15	8			
Turnpikes	2	4	2			
				34	9	10
Carried over				13260	8	9

General Statement of Receipts

	£	s.	d.
Brought over	19267	0	0
Carried over	£19267	0	0

and Payments—continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought over	13260	8	9			
<i>Bedding, Furniture, and Matting (Contract prices.)</i>						
Sheeting	288	8	9			
Blankets	55	1	6			
Rugs	100	9	2			
Hair, Feathers, and Flocks	83	4	6			
Twine, Webbing, &c.	18	12	8			
Floor Cloth	17	9	6			
Carpeting	72	3	7			
Blind Cord	2	8	0			
Baize	9	13	0			
Table Cloth, Towelling, &c.	25	3	9			
Straw	94	8	3			
Brushes, &c.	82	16	0			
Staves, Hoops, &c.	20	19	10			
Bed Furniture, &c.	41	11	4			
Coir, Yarn, &c.	43	4	9			
Baskets, Flaskets, &c.	11	6	9			
				964	1	4
<i>Rates, Taxes, and Tithe.</i>						
Land and Assessed Taxes	7	0	3			
Poor, Highway, and Church Rates	6	9	1			
Property Tax	5	12	6			
Tithe	10	10	11			
Manor Rent	0	5	7			
				29	18	4
<i>Maintenance of Patients in Cottages on Trial, (7s. per week)</i>						
				179	12	0
<i>Coffins and Sawdust</i>						
				20	15	3
<i>Patients' Amusements</i>						
Paid for Teaching Singing	2	12	0			
Ditto to Musicians and Expenses of Pic Nics	3	9	4			
				6	1	4
<i>Farm, Garden, and Piggery.</i>						
Cash paid for Pigs	113	6	6			
Provender (Barley Meal, &c.)	53	7	10			
Seeds for Garden	11	1	9			
Mats, &c. for ditto	10	0				
Root Pulper	4	10	0			
Horse for Farm	25	0	0			
Shoeing Horses	1	10	0			
Harness Work	3	11				
Grinding Bones for Manure	4	2	3			
Hay and Oats for Farm Horses	27	13	2			
Repairing Carts and New Scarifier	18	5	0			
Paid for Thrashing Barley	2	4	4			
Hay, Peas, and Mangold	21	4	0			
Seed Potatoes	14	11	5			
				297	10	2
<i>Expenses incurred by the Escape of Patients</i>						
				4	14	0
<i>Ditto by the Removal of Patients to other Asylums</i>						
				1	16	8
Carried over	£14764	17	10			

General Statement of Receipts

	£	s.	d.
Brought over	19267	0	0

Balance due to Steward on his Petty Cash Account, 31st Dec., 1862 1 8 2

Total £19268 8 3

and Payments—continued.

<i>Miscellaneous.</i>			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
						147	64	17 10
Paid for Lithographing	.	.	2	14	6			
Ditto for Alarm Clock	.	.	0	18	0			
Grinding Cutlery	.	.	0	4	6			
Marking Ink, 1l 1s.; Christmas Boxes, 7s. 6d.	.	.	1	8	6			
Waste Paper	.	.	3	2	8			
Hay and Oats	.	.	25	6	2			
Sundry Small Bills	.	.	8	13	4			
Periodicals, &c.	.	.	6	7	2			
						48	14	10
Payment to Repair Account	.	.				12	15	17 6
Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31st December, 1862.						32	38	18 1
Total						£192	68	8 3

This Statement contains an Analysis made by the Clerk and Steward from Sundry Invoices of Goods received into Store at the Asylum, and for Receipts and Payments in Cash,—which have been Examined and Audited by the Finance Committee—monthly.

DAN. B. DAVY, Chairman of Finance Committee.

JOHN BADCOCK, Steward and Clerk of Asylum.

List of Officers and Servants.

OFFICERS.

	£	s.	d.
† Medical Superintendent	500	0	0
* Assistant Medical Officer	100	0	0
Chaplain	210	0	0
Steward and Clerk of Asylum	180	0	0
Clerk to the Committee of Visitors	60	0	0
* Housekeeper	60	0	0

SERVANTS, (MALE).

* Head Attendant	45	0	0
* 2 Attendants at £26 each	52	0	0
* 1 Ditto, at £25	25	0	0
* 3 Ditto, at £24	72	0	0
* 2 Night Watches at £23 each	46	0	0
* 1 Attendant at £23 and 1 ditto, at £22	45	0	0
* 4 Ditto, at £20 each	80	0	0
1 Gardener	46	16	0
* Brewer and Baker, 12s. per week each			
* House Porter	25	0	0
* Attendant and Tailor	27	0	0
† 1 Gate Keeper	20	16	0
† 1 Engineer and Gas Maker	54	12	0
1 Shoemaker	46	16	0
1 Assistant ditto	39	0	0
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	85	16	0

FEMALE.

* Head Attendant	30	0	0
* 1 Cook	25	0	0
* 1 Cook at New House	15	0	0
* 1 Assistant Cook	12	0	0
* 1 Kitchen Maid	12	0	0
* House Maid	12	0	0
* 1 Needlewoman	18	0	0
* 2 Night Watches at £15	30	0	0
* 1 Laundress	25	0	0
* 3 Assistant ditto, at £12	36	0	0
* Attendant	20	0	0
* 2 Ditto at £18	36	0	0
* 1 Ditto	16	0	0
* 4 Ditto at £14	56	0	0
* 14 Ditto at £12	168	0	0

† Marked thus, have furnished house, light, fire, vegetables, and washing.

* Marked thus, have apartments, board, and washing.

‡ Marked thus, have an unfurnished house.

Without a mark, are non-resident and have no other emoluments.

Repair Account for the Year 1862.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in Treasurer's hands, 1st January, 1862	40	2	19
The Extra Charge of 3s. 6d. per week for Borough Patients	12	15	17
Balance due to Steward, 31st December, 1862	6	10	4

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance due to the Steward, 1st January, 1862	0	3	9
Artizan's Wages, as per list*	247	9	5
Ironmongery and Tin for Repairs	69	10	5
Timber (used for various purposes)	111	13	4
Lime, 6l 12s, Brick, Tiles, &c., 18l 9s. 10d.	25	1	10
Ironfounder's Work, New Boiler for Laundry, &c.	242	1	8
Oil, Paint, &c., 37l 13s. 7d., Cement, 13l. 3s.	50	16	7
Plumber's Work, &c.	31	17	10
Glass, &c., 23l 10s. 8d., Stone, 2l 6s. 8d.	25	17	4
Gas Fittings, Taps, &c.	25	8	3
Iron, 5l 13s. 8d., Paper Hangings, 1l 5s. 10d.	6	19	6
Repairing Stoves, 4l 17s. 9d., Chair Legs, 10s. 4d.	5	8	1
New Chimney Sweeping Machine	10	1	0
Paid Fees for Licensing New Burial Ground	4	15	0
Turnpikes, &c.	1	7	2
Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31st December, 1862	766	16	1
	£1625	7	3

*The Staff on the Repair Account is as follows:

1 Carpenter at £1 0 0 per week.	1 Mason	1 0 0 per week
1 Ditto	1 Ditto	18 0 "
1 Painter and Attendant at £30 per year, with his Board, Lodging, and Washing.		

This Statement of Account is an analysis made by the Steward and Clerk of Asylum of the Receipts and Payments, which have been Examined and Audited Monthly by the Finance Committee.

DAN. B. DAVY, Chairman of Finance Committee.
JOHN BADCOCK, Steward and Clerk.

Farm and Garden Account for the Year 1862.

	£	s.	d.
To Value of Stock in hand 1st January, 1862, viz.—			
Pigs, 105 <i>l</i> , Horse, 35 <i>l</i>	140	0	0
Barley, 76 <i>l</i> 14 <i>s</i> . 3 <i>d</i> ., Straw, 7 <i>l</i>	83	14	3
Mangold Wurtzel	21	15	0
Cart and Implements	25	0	0
Cash paid for Pigs	270	9	3
" Provender for Pigs	113	6	6
" " Horses	53	7	10
" " Root Pulper	27	13	2
" " Seed Potatoes	4	10	0
" " Seeds for Garden	14	11	5
" " Mats, &c., ditto	11	1	9
" " Horse for the Farm	0	10	0
" " Rates, Taxes, Tithes and Manor Rent	25	0	0
" " Repairing Carts and New Scarifier	29	18	4
" " Shoeing Horses	18	5	0
" " Harness Work	1	10	0
" " Thrashing Barley	0	3	11
" " Grinding Bones for Manure	2	4	4
" " *Gardener's Wages	4	2	3
" " *Farm Man's Wages and Rations	46	16	0
" " Estimated Value of Hog's Wash and Grains from Asylum	52	0	0
" " Bones from Asylum	235	0	0
1280 Score of Potatoes consumed by Pigs as on other side	3	3	0
Annual Value of Land, 32 Acres at 2 <i>l</i>	32	0	0
Balance	64	0	0
	302	9	9
	£1312	2	6

* All other labour on the Farm and Garden is performed by the Patients.

JOHN BADCOCK, Steward and Clerk of Asylum.

£1312 2 6

DIETARY TABLE.

	BREAKFAST.		DINNER.		SUPPER.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
SUNDAY	1 pint of milk, thickened with oatmeal & flour, 6 ozs. of bread; (working wards 8 ozs.)	1 pint of milk, thickened with oatmeal & flour, 4 ozs. of bread, (working wards, 1 pint cocoa)	5 ozs. roast meat, without bone, 2 ozs. bread, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint beer, and vegetables or pudding	4 ozs. roast meat, without bone, 2 ozs. bread, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint beer, and vegetables or pudding	1 pint milk, thickened with oatmeal and flour, and 6 ozs. bread. Working wards, 6 ozs. bread, 2 ozs. cheese, and $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of beer
MONDAY	"	"	Meat and vegetable pie, viz., 6 ozs. paste, 2 ozs. meat; vegetables, a sufficient quantity	Same as Males	"
TUESDAY	"	"	Boiled meat, bread, and vegetables, the same quantities as Sunday	Boiled meat as Sunday	"
WEDNESDAY	"	"	Meat puddings, same quantities as Monday	Meat pudding same quantities as Monday	"
THURSDAY	"	"	Same as Tuesday	Same as Tuesday	"
FRIDAY	"	"	Ditto	Ditto	"
SATURDAY	"	"	1 pint pea soup, with 2 ozs. meat, 2 ozs. bread, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint beer, varied by substituting rhubarb, &c., when in season	Same as Males	"

LUNCHEON AND EXTRA ALLOWANCE } For Patients working in the Wards, Kitchen, { $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of beer at eleven o'clock and four o'clock,
 } Laundry, Workshops, Farm and Garden } 2 ozs. of bread and 1 oz. of cheese.

Extra diet for the Sick, with wine, brandy, &c., is ordered at the discretion of the Medical Superintendent.

