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Middlesex.

BY HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE
FOR THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX IN GENERAL QUARTER
SESSION ASSEMBLED.

*The SEVENTY-FIRST REPORT of the VISITING
JUSTICES appointed to superintend the
Management of THE COUNTY LUNATIC
ASYLUM AT HANWELL.*

The Visiting Justices have to announce to the Court, that since the date of their last Report the County has lost the valuable services of the Chaplain of the Asylum, and of the House Surgeon of the female side. The Reverend John Thomas Burt had been engaged in the labours of his ministry for three years, and during that time he has displayed the most active zeal, and sound judgment in the discharge of his arduous duties. Animated by the pure and gentle spirit of Christianity, his course has been uniformly such as to conciliate all, and to offend no one. Being convinced on principle of the excellence of the system which is pursued in

the Asylum, and with a mind singularly devoted to the task affording instruction to the ignorant and comfort to the afflicted, the Medical Officers have at all times found in him a zealous coadjutor, and the Visiting Justices an intelligent, kind, and efficient Officer.

The Visiting Justices are happy to say that the resignation of this gentleman has been occasioned by his appointment to the situation of Assistant-Chaplain to the Pentonville Prison.

Dr. Davey has filled the office of House Surgeon in the Asylum for nearly four years, and the Visiting Justices have great satisfaction in bearing testimony to the zeal, attention, and ability, which he has shewn in the exercise of his office. They have always found him to be that which he professed to be from the beginning, a sincere supporter in the doctrine that the Insane may be best controlled without bodily coercion. Upon a conviction of the truth of this he has steadily acted, and the Visiting Justices feel greatly indebted to him for assisting by his exertions in removing professional prejudices, and in proving that there is less of real danger in the vigilant supervision of the Insane, than in bodily coercion, which while it produces an exasperated state of the feelings, can scarcely be remitted without the greatest danger.

The Visiting Justices are happy to know that the talents and conduct of Dr. Davey as House Surgeon of the Asylum have led to his appointment by Her Majesty's Government to the situation of Medical Superintendent of a Lunatic Asylum about to be established in the Island of Ceylon.

Since the resignation of Dr. Davey, the Visiting Justices have elected Dr. Pearce Rogers Nesbitt as his successor. The office of Chaplain is not yet filled up.

The Lectures of Dr. Conolly have this season been again given at the Asylum to a limited number of pupils from the different London Hospitals. The Visiting Justices are satisfied that they will be attended with the most useful results, as they convey much important information on the subject of Insanity, and on the best modes by which the Insane are to be governed.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS TULK,

Chairman.

17th July, 1844.

MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM.**PATIENTS ADMITTED, RE-ADMITTED, DISCHARGED, AND DEAD.***Quarter ending 30th June, 1844.*

| | Males. | Females | Total. |
|---|--------|----------|--------|
| Patients in the Asylum on 31st March, 1844 .. | 412 | 568 | 980 |
| Admitted during the Quarter | 21 | 17 | 38 |
| Re-admitted do. do. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | 434 | 586 | 1020 |
| | Males. | Females. | |
| Cured... .. | 6 | 9 | |
| Discharged Relieved | 1 | 3 | |
| Died..... | 15 | 2 | |
| | 22 | 14 | 36 |
| Remaining in the Asylum on 30th June, 1844 | 412 | 572 | 984 |
| Daily Average Number of Patients | | | 980 |

PATIENTS EMPLOYED.*Quarter ending 30th June, 1844.*

| MALES. | | FEMALES. | |
|-----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|----|
| Garden and Agriculture..... | 126 | Garden..... | |
| Helpers in the Wards..... | 48 | Laundry | |
| Repicking Coir | 5 | Kitchen and Dairy | |
| Store Room, Kitchen, and | | Helpers in the Wards .. | |
| Engine-house..... | 15 | Repicking Coir | |
| Tailors..... | 10 | Needlework..... | 17 |
| Shoemakers | 14 | Knitting | |
| Upholstery Room | 7 | | |
| Bricklayers..... | 2 | | |
| Painters | 3 | | |
| Carpenters | 9 | | |
| | | | |
| Employed | 239 | Employed | 35 |
| Unemployed | 145 | Unemployed | 22 |
| Sick | 28 | Sick | |
| Total in Asylum (as above) | 412 | Total in Asylum (as above) | 57 |

| | |
|---------------|-----|
| Males... .. | 412 |
| Females... .. | 572 |
| Total | 984 |

JOHN GODWIN, Governor.

MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Dr.

QUARTERLY ACCOUNT from 1st April to 30th June, 1844.

Cr.

| 1844. | | 1844. | |
|---|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| | £. s. d. | | £. s. d. |
| Mar. 31. To Balance of Cash at this date | 2,633 19 4 | June 30. By Cash paid sundry Tradesmen's Bills and other Disbursements to this date | 4,034 12 11 |
| June 30. To Cash received from Parishes £3,458 18 7 | | Balance—At Messrs. Twining .. | £2,224 4 11 |
| To ditto from County Treasurer | | In hand..... | 436 13 1 |
| for Lunatic Vagrants..... | 602 13 0 | | 2,660 18 0 |
| | <u>4,061 11 7</u> | | <u>£6,695 10 11</u> |
| | £6,695 10 11 | | |
| June 30. To Balance of Cash this day | £2,660 19 0 | June 30. By Amount of Tradesmen's Bills, due at this date..... | 4,546 5 0 |
| To amount due from Parishes.. | £3,930 3 11 | Surplus..... | 2,678 17 5 |
| To ditto from County Treasurer | | | <u>£7,225 2 5</u> |
| for Lunatic Vagrants..... | 634 0 6 | | |
| | <u>4,564 4 5</u> | | |
| | £7,225 2 5 | | |

(Errors excepted,)

Hanwell, 9th July, 1844

JOHN GODWIN, Governor.

CONTRACT PRICES of the Principal Articles of Consumption in the Hanwell Lunatic Asylum for the Quarter of the Year ending 30th of June, 1844. The Articles are delivered at the Asylum free of Carriage.

| | £. | s. | d. |
|---|----|----|----|
| Ox Beef, entirely free from Bone..... | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| Prime Wether Mutton, the whole Carcase (without head, shank or inside suet) . | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| Beef and Mutton Suet, (equal proportions) | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| Flour..... | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Malt | 2 | 19 | 0 |
| Oatmeal..... | 0 | 13 | 6 |
| Cheese | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| Tea..... | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| Sugar (Lump) | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Sugar (Raw)..... | 3 | 3 | 0 |

JOHN GODWIN,
Governor.

MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM.

A List of all Sums for Payment of which Orders have been made on the County Treasurer, under the authority of the 33rd Section of the Act 9th Geo. 4th, Cap. 40, from the 1st of April to the 30th of June, 1844.

| | £. | s. | d. |
|--|-----|----|----|
| James Morrison, Advances to Workmen | 46 | 10 | 10 |
| James Harris, Superintending Repairs to 31st March..... | 13 | 15 | 0 |
| Charles Francis and Sons, Cement and Mastic .. | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Robinson and Jenkins, Drying Machine | 38 | 0 | 0 |
| P. Hayes, Brass Work | 7 | 8 | 11 |
| Society for promoting Christian Knowledge, Books and Tracts | 8 | 2 | 7 |
| John Smith, Twine | 0 | 11 | 8 |
| Thomas Harold, Carpenters Work | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Adams, Wire Work | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Thwaites and Reed, Spring Clock | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Forest, Paving Tiles, &c. | 42 | 13 | 0 |
| Graham and Sons, Iron Pipes | 106 | 7 | 0 |

| | £. | s. | d. |
|---|----|----|----|
| T. M. Bowden, Clothes Baskets. | 6 | 16 | 0 |
| George Chad, Carriage of Goods | 11 | 11 | 8 |
| C. F. Seyfang, Account Books and Printing .. | 12 | 17 | 6 |
| Carpenter and Westley, Phantasmagoria Lantern | 5 | 11 | 6 |
| Charles Sims, Ironmongery | 5 | 16 | 8 |
| Bailey, Pegg and Co. Hot Water Sockets. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| George Reynell, Advertisements and Papers | 27 | 15 | 6 |
| George Stephenson and Son, Ironmongery | 0 | 6 | 2 |
| F. Davis, Zinc Work | 6 | 14 | 6 |
| Thos. Edgington and Co. Coal Sacks. | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Mountjoy and Son, Grass Seeds, Trees and Shrubs | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| John Morgan, Turnery | 1 | 10 | 8 |
| Pontifex. and Jacklind Pontifex, Steam-Washing | | | |
| Copper | 45 | 4 | 9 |
| Pontifex and Wood, Repairing Copper Boiler .. | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| George Simpson, Cutlery | 11 | 8 | 6 |
| P. and M. A. Norbury, Periodicals, &c. | 6 | 18 | 7 |
| H. F. Turner and Son, Feathers | 10 | 19 | 4 |
| James Russell and Sons, Steam Tubing | 7 | 9 | 6 |
| James Montgomery, Timber | 31 | 2 | 10 |
| Chater and Hayward, Window Glass and Lead | 48 | 12 | 3 |
| John Faulkner, Ironmongery | 11 | 9 | 3 |
| Charles Robinson, Iron Castings | 23 | 3 | 3 |
| Edward Suter, Account Books &c. | 9 | 5 | 9 |
| Edward Beck, Lime, Cement, York Paving and | | | |
| Tiles | 31 | 13 | 4 |
| Wathling and Wheatley, Earthenware and Glass. | 15 | 9 | 8 |
| Edward Westbrook, Bricks | 12 | 5 | 0 |
| Elizabeth Farmer, Ironmongery | 49 | 12 | 2 |

| | £. | s. | d. |
|--|-----|----|----|
| William Terry, & Co. Painting Materials, Brooms and Brushes | 54 | 7 | 7 |
| Charles Roope, Bedding, &c | 157 | 18 | 4 |
| James Morrison, Advances to Workmen | 440 | 18 | 7 |

CHARLES WRIGHT,

Clerk to the Visiting Justices.

TO HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES OF THE PEACE
FOR THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX IN GENERAL
QUARTER SESSION ASSEMBLED.

*The EIGHTEENTH REPORT of MESSRS. ALLEN
of Carlisle Street, Soho, Attornies at Law.*

SINCE the County Day of the last Quarter Session Messrs. Allen have attended before Magistrates at the Metropolitan Police Courts and in Petty Sessions in thirteen cases. In four of them in consequence of the opposition offered by Messrs. Allen, orders upon the County Treasurer for the maintenance of the Lunatics were refused. In two others the Settlements were adjudged; and in the remaining seven cases the Paupers were found to be County Patients—but, in one of those seven cases, a Settlement has since been discovered and adjudicated—so that in six only of the thirteen cases the Lunatics remain chargeable to the County.

The Settlements of William Wilbeam, Mark Bacon, and William Brown, who were admitted to the Asylum before the County day of the last Quarter Session, have also been discovered and adjudicated. The amount directed to be repaid to the County Treasurer in those three Cases, and in the one Case before mentioned, is

£18 19s. 2d., and two of the four Lunatics belong to Parishes out of the County.

Messrs. Allen have likewise attended Parish Officers, and made enquiries and corresponded in five other Cases, with the view of protecting the interests of the County.

The expence of their attending at the Police Courts and Petty Sessions in the thirteen Cases, and tracing out evidence in most of them, amounts to £25 13s. 2d. and that of discovering and adjudicating the four Settlements, and of the other business done with reference to the five other Lunatics, including payments to Witnesses, is £44 3s. 2d.

All which Messrs. Allen submit, &c.

C. and J. ALLEN.

11th July, 1844.

£15 10s 2d, and two of the four pounds belong to the County of the County.
Messrs. Allen have likewise attended to the affairs, and made enquiries and correspondence in five other cases, with the view of protecting the interests of the County.
The expense of their attending at the Police Courts and Petty Sessions in the County, and tracing out evidence in most of these, amounts to £20 13s 2d, and that of discovering and refuting the four statements, and of the other business done with reference to the five other cases, including payments to Witnesses, is £44 8s 2d.

All which Messrs. Allen submit, &c.
O. and J. ALLEN.
11th July, 1841.