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OF THE
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APRIL QUARTER SESSION, 1846.

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LIST OF
THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS
OF THE
HANWELL LUNATIC ASYLUM,

Appointed at the January Quarter Sessions, 1846.

CHAIRMAN,

CHARLES AUGUSTUS TULK, Esq. Totteridge Park, Herts.

HENRY POWNALL, Esq., Spring Grove, Hounslow.

CHARLES ELLIOTT, Esq., 47, Portland Place.

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OF THE
Middlesex.

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

*THE FIRST REPORT of the COMMITTEE
of VISITORS of the County Lunatic Asylum
at Hanwell.*

It is gratifying to the Committee of Visitors that upon this, as upon many former occasions, they can speak of the condition of the Asylum in terms of cordial approval. The Ward Attendants are observant of the humane regulations adopted at Hanwell; and on the part of the officers, there is no relaxation of effort in their several departments to obviate every difficulty against which it is possible in such an Institution to guard. It is due to the Officers that this testimony be borne to their continued exertions and zeal; and the more so, as the Commissioners in Lunacy, whose office it is to watch over the condition of such Asylums, have, at a recent visit, recorded their opinion of our Establishment, notwithstanding its magnitude, in the following terms:—

“ *Hanwell County Asylum, 17th March, 1846.* ”

“ We have spent this day and yesterday in officially visiting and inspecting this Asylum. We have gone through the various wards, yards, workshops, and out-buildings, and have seen all the Patients now in the Institution. We have also examined into the quality and the allowance of the Food supplied to the Patients, and have made the other enquiries relative to the Patients and the management of the Asylum, and the general condition of the Establishment, which are directed by the Act of Parliament.

“ The fare of the Patients appeared to us to be of excellent quality, and the allowance to be liberal. The Clothing and Bedding were clean, comfortable, and good. The Galleries, Day-rooms, Dormitories, and single Bed-rooms were clean and well ventilated, and, with some slight exceptions, free from any offensive smell.

“ The Patients are at present 981 in number, of whom 413 are males, and 568 females. None of them at the time of our visit were under any mechanical coercion. Two of the females were under seclusion.

“ Generally speaking, they were in a quiet and comfortable state.

(*Signed*)

“ J. W. MYLNE,	} <i>Commissioners in Lunacy.</i> ”
J. R. HUME,	
B. W. PROCTER,	
J. C. PRICHARD,	

On the County-day of the August Session, the Court granted £750 for the purchase of a piece of Freehold Land

for the purposes of the Asylum, situate near Hanwell Bridge. The purchase has now been completed, and the land conveyed to the County; but the amount granted having been found insufficient to cover the costs of the conveyance by the sum of £21 1s. 9d., the Committee request to have authority from the Court to order the County Treasurer to pay the last mentioned sum out of the moneys raised for the purposes of the Act of the 8th and 9th Vict., cap. 126, now in his hands.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS TULK.

7th April, 1846. "The fare of the Patients appeared to us to be excellent quality, and the allowance to be liberal. The Galleries, Bedding were clean, comfortable, and good. The Galleries, Day-rooms, Dormitories, and single Bed-rooms were clean and well ventilated, and with some slight exceptions, free from any offensive smell. The Patients are at present 981 in number, of whom 413 are males, and 568 females. None of them at the time of our visit were under any mechanical coercion. Two of the females were under seclusion. Generally speaking, they were in a quiet and comfortable state of ———— (signed) J. W. MYLNE, J. R. HUME, B. W. PROCTER, J. C. PRICHARD.

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Middlesex.*

£23 9s. 10d. And that of attending at the Police Courts
and on Parish Officers in the eleven
Cases of which notice had been given to the Clerk of the
Peace, and of making returns in all of them, amounts to
£19 18s. 10d. All which Messrs. Allen submit, &c.

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

*THE TWENTY-FIFTH REPORT of Messrs.
ALLEN, of Carlisle-street, Soho-square, Attor-
nies at Law.*

MESSRS. ALLEN have to Report that since the County-day of the last Quarter Session, they have defended an Appeal in which the Clerk of the Peace was Respondent, touching the Settlement of Aaron Botibol, and in which the Order was confirmed. They have likewise ascertained, and obtained, and served an Order adjudicating the Settlement of Eliza King, a lunatic, sent under the warrant of the Secretary of State to the Asylum at Hanwell, to be in the Parish of Finchley. And Messrs. Allen have corresponded in the cases of — Fowler and James Farmer with the view of protecting the interests of the County.

In consequence of Notices given to the Clerk of the Peace, Messrs. Allen have likewise attended at the Metropolitan Police Courts and at Petty Sessions and on Parish Officers in eleven cases. In one of them the application to charge the County with the maintenance of the lunatic was abandoned; and in the remaining ten Cases the Magistrates decided that the Paupers were chargeable to the County, and made orders accordingly.

The Expence of defending the Appeal, of obtaining the Order adjudicating the Settlement of Eliza King, and for correspondence in the cases of Fowler and Farmer, is £23 9s. 10d. And that of attending at the Police Courts and at Petty Sessions, and on Parish Officers in the eleven Cases of which notice had been given to the Clerk of the Peace, and of making inquiries in all of them, amounts to £19 18s. 10d. All which Messrs. Allen submit, &c.

C. & J. ALLEN.

8th April, 1846.

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AN ABSTRACT
OF THE
ANNUAL RETURNS OF PAUPER LUNATICS,
(Made pursuant to the 47th sect. of the 8th & 9th Vict. cap. 126.)
CHARGEABLE TO PARISHES AND PLACES IN MIDDLESEX.

UNIONS.	County Asylum.		In Private Asylums.		In Workhouse.		In Lodgings.		With Friends.		TOTAL.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Barnet	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	3

	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Brentford	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3
	5	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	3
	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2
	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	2	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5
Edmonton	..	3	1	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	4	9
	..	3	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	
	3	3	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	4	5	
	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	
	3	3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	3	5	
Hackney	6	13	5	7	20	16	..	..	1	1	32	37
	..	..	2	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	3

UNIONS.	PARISHES.		In County Asylum.		In Private Asylums.		In Workhouse.		In Lodgings.		With Friends.		TOTAL.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Stepney.....	Brought forward.....	77	60	30	55	30	30	..	..	2	3	122	165
	Linnehouse	7	2	4	6	4	2	..	..	..	..	10	15
	Mile End, Old Town	8	11	9	16	5	6	..	..	..	..	25	30
	Ratcliff.....	1	4	5	5	4	2	..	..	1	..	14	8
	Shadwell	1	3	3	8	3	1	..	..	1	..	10	10
Strand	Wapping	2	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	3	4
	St. Anne, Westminster	6	10	1	306	3	310	3	3	13	14	14	8	
	St. Clement Danes	13	8	1	4	6	3	..	..	..	..	15	20
	Covent Garden	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2
	Rolls.....	14	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Uxbridge.....	Savoy	486	349	189	308	128	319	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Strand	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
	Cowley	13	11	14	19	51	55	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Drayton, West .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Harefield	22	31	11	14	9	10	..	..	..	..	11	..
Whitechapel.....	Hayes	4	2	3	8	3	..	..	..	1	..	4	..
	Hillingdon	40	39	11	14	33	20	..	..	..	..	42	..
	Ickenham	31	..	2	4	1	1	..	..	..	1	11	3
	Northolt	81	..	9	12	7	2	..	..	..	..	11	..
	Norwood	11	15	12	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..
Whitechapel.....	Ruislip	19	11	9	11	6	9	..	..	..	..	11	..
	Uxbridge	18	11	21	41	11	11	..	..	..	2	15	3
	St. Katharine	151	12	21	31	2	11	..	..	..	..	31	3
	Christ Church	35	12	6	19	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Mile End, New Town	53	14	14	18	7	9	..	..	..	..	2	1
Whitechapel.....	Norton Folgate	17	12	7	10	1	2	..	..	..	..	14	26
	Smithfield, East	2	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	5
	Whitechapel	14	14	15	11	1	3	..	..	..	..	1	2
	Whitechapel	2	6	11	6	1	9	..	..	..	..	4	6
	Whitechapel	15	15	11	6	6	9	..	3	..	..	24	33

Parishes not United	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	84	32
Bethnal Green	14	13	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	27	36
Bloomsbury	14	6	22	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	23	35
Chelsea	7	3	15	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	17	31
Cerkenwell	13	5	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	24	34
George, St., East	9	14	22	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	23	40
Hanover-square	15	6	32	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	22	59
James, St., Westminster	16	8	17	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	27	28
Isington	11	3	18	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	14	26
Kensington	7	15	15	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	16	32
Lake, St.	12	11	11	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	27	27
Margaret St., & St. John	11	6	21	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	18	37
Martin, St., Westminster	9	5	27	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	14	34
Marylebone, St.	35	11	42	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	78	109
Paddington	2	2	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	15
Pancras, St.	21	11	53	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	41	83
Sepulchre, St.	17	12	12	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	52	50
Shoreditch	340	190	486	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	702	1,021
County of Middlesex	68	..	74	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	68	74
Other Counties	78	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	5
Total	415	190	565	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	308	190	159	777	1,100
Total	1,877														
Wales	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	19
London	3	2	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	155	162
Other Counties	4	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	102	102
Wales	11	3	0	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	19
London	3	4	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	10	19
Other Counties	60	30	11	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	155	162
Wales	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	19
London	3	2	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	155	162
Other Counties	4	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	102	102
Wales	11	3	0	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	19
London	3	4	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	10	19
Other Counties	60	30	11	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	155	162

MIDDLESEX PARISHES

MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM.

	£	s.	d.
1845.			
Dec. 31. To Balance of Cash this day	1,430	14	10
1846.			
Mar. 31. To Cash received from Parishes for the Maintenance, &c., of Patients	4,997	5	11
To ditto from County Treasurer for ditto of County ditto	835	10	11
To ditto from ditto for the ordinary Repairs of the Asylum to 31st December, 1845	468	14	9
	£7,732	6	5

	£	s.	d.
1846.			
Mar. 31. To Balance of Cash this day (brought down)	1,411	2	7
To amount due from Parishes for the Maintenance, &c., of Patients	4,203	13	5
To ditto from County Treasurer for ditto of County ditto	822	14	6
To ditto from ditto for the Ordinary Repairs of the Asylum from 1st January to this day	284	3	2
	£6,721	13	8

Hanwell, April 8th, 1846.

QUARTERLY ACCOUNT from 1st January to 31st March, 1846.

	£	s.	d.
1846.			
Mar. 31. By cash paid sundry Tradesmen's Bills, Salaries of Officers, Wages of Servants, and other Disburse- ments, from 1st January to this day	5,931	8	1
By ditto paid sundry Tradesmen's Bills due on account of the Ordinary Repairs of the Asylum to 31st December, 1845.	175	11	2
By ditto paid on account of ditto to this day	214	4	7
Balance { At Messrs. Twining £1,288 9 7 { In hand 122 13 0	1,411	2	7
	£7,732	6	5

	£	s.	d.
1846.			
Mar. 31. By Amount due to sundry Tradesmen on account of the Maintenance, &c., of Patients.	4,330	10	7
By ditto to ditto on account of the ordinary Repairs of the Asylum from 1st January to this day	69	18	7
Surplus.	2,321	4	6
	£6,721	13	8

(Errors excepted.)

J. MORRISON, Clerk of the Asylum.

MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM.
PATIENTS ADMITTED, RE-ADMITTED, DISCHARGED,
AND DEAD.

Quarter ending 31st March, 1846.

	Males.	Females	Total.
Patients in the Asylum on 31st December, 1845	418	566	984
Admitted during the Quarter.....	18	16	34
Re-admitted...do.....do.....	—	—	—
	436	582	1,018
	Males.	Females.	
Cured	3	2	
Discharged, { Relieved, or } { not Improved }	1	1	
Died	16	10	
	20	13	33
Remaining in the Asylum on 31st March, 1846	416	569	985
Daily Average Number of Patients.....			983

PATIENTS EMPLOYED,

Quarter ending 31st March, 1846.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
Garden and Agriculture	74	Needlework	178
Helpers in the Wards	50	Kitchen and Dairy	15
Tailors	9	Helpers in the Wards	50
Shoemakers	8	Laundry	66
Brushmaker	1		
Bricklayers	2		
Carpenters	7		
Tinmen.....	2		
Printing Office.....	7		
Upholstery Room	41		
Store-room, Kitchen, Bake- house, Brew-house, and Engine-house	15		
Foul Linen Wash-house.....	3		
Employed.....	219	Employed.....	309
Unemployed.....	170	Unemployed.....	231
Sick	27	Sick	29
Total in Asylum (as above)	416	Total in Asylum (as above)	569
Males	416		
Females	569		
Total.....	985		

J. MORRISON, *Clerk of the Asylum.*

Middlesex.

AN Abstract of the Lists of Pauper Lunatics in the Asylum at Hanwell, for the County of Middlesex, on the 1st January, 1846, transmitted to the Clerk of the Peace by Drs. Begley and Hitchman, the Medical Officers of the Asylum, and laid before the Court on the 9th April, 1846; in pursuance of the Act 8 & 9 Vict. c. 126, s. 46.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number chargeable to Unions or Parishes	340	494	834
Number chargeable to the County ..	66	71	137
Number of Criminals	8	1	9
	414	566	980

CONTRACT PRICES of the Principal Articles of Consumption in the Hanwell Lunatic Asylum for the Quarter of the Year ending 31st March, 1846.—The Articles are delivered at the Asylum free of Carriage.

	568	71	194	8		£	s.	d.
Ox Beef	0	7	4
Prime Wether Mutton, the whole Carcase (without head, shanks or inside suet)	0	7	4
Beef and Mutton Suet (in equal proportions)	0	7	4
Flour	2	6	0
Malt	2	18	0
Oatmeal	0	15	0
Cheese	2	14	0
Butter	4	10	0
Sugar (Raw)	2	14	0
Sugar (Lump).....					3	12	0

CHAS. WRIGHT, Clerk to the Committee of Visitors.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND, SOCIETY OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

County of Middlesex, in the Parish of St. Andrew's, in the City of London.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

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1847	3	15	0
1848	5	14	0
1849	4	10	0
1850	3	14	0
1851	0	12	0
1852	3	14	0
1853	5	14	0
1854	5	0	0
1855	0	1	4
1856	0	2	4
1857	2	2	0

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