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THE VISITORS REPORT

THAT the number of Patients in the Asylum January 1st, 1861, was 375, viz: Males 177, Females 198. The number admitted during the year was 115, and the number discharged and dead 122, leaving on the 26th day of December, 368, viz: Males 174, Females 194, shewing a decrease of 7 compared with January 1st, 1861. The accommodation afforded in the Asylum is sufficient for the number of the Patients.

That they continue to place confidence in the management of the Medical Superintendent Dr. Oliver, the Assistant Medical Officer Mr. Bayley, and the Matron Mrs. Oliver. The conduct of the Attendants and Nurses has been throughout the year satisfactory; three Male Attendants only having been dismissed, and only one of these for illtreatment of the Patients.

That the Commissioners in Lunacy visited the Asylum in January of this year; they made suggestions, some of which had been anticipated by the Visitors, and others which the Visitors have thought it desirable to adopt, but some the Visitors did not think were consistent with the economical character or good government of the Asylum.

That the Pigsties which from the enlargement of the Asylum were found to be inconveniently situated and offensive, have been removed to a distance from the Asylum into the centre of the lately purchased ground.

That the Laundry and Washhouse will be completed in a fortnight, so that it can be occupied. Whether a small Steam Engine should be erected to assist the washing has engaged the consideration of the Visitors, but as it appeared that there was a sufficiency of hand labour, and that there would be no saving of expenditure in adopting steam power, they have declined to introduce the change, but if at any future time the other view should be adopted by the Visitors, an Engine might be erected without materially interfering with the New Building. Under these circumstances the additional £150 asked for at the last Sessions will not be at present required. In coming to the above conclusion, the Visitors have been influenced by the desire of employing with the consent of the Superintendent, the labour of Male Patients in the Laundry to work the Washing and Wringing Machines.

That the Pigsties have been completed within the sum allowed by the Court, and the Laundry also will not exceed the estimate.

That in the erection of the Laundry and Pigsties, the usual course of having the work performed by contract has been departed from; and under the circumstances, the Visitors think, with advantage; as it has found employment for some of the Patients, and prevented the introduction of a large number of strange workmen among the Lunatics.

That the Brewery continues to give satisfaction.

That the weekly charge for maintenance during the year owing to the increased price of Provisions, has been 9s. 6d. Last year the charge was 9s. 0d.

That the Regulations for the management of the Asylum which were adopted in 1848, having become partly unnecessary and partly unsuited to the altered circumstances of the Asylum, the Visitors have drawn out New Regulations, which they have ordered to be printed and circulated among the Magistrates of the Counties and Boroughs concerned.

JOHN BATHER,

CHAIRMAN.

That the Laundry and Washhouses will be completed in a fortnight, so that it can be occupied. A better small steam engine should be erected to assist the washing, but as it appeared that there was a sufficiency of hand labour, and that there would be no saving of expenditure in adopting steam power, they have declined to introduce the change, but if at any future time the other view should be adopted by the Visitors, an engine might be erected without materially interfering with the New Building. Under these circumstances the additional £150 asked for at the last Session will not be at present required. In coming to the above conclusion, the Visitors have been influenced by the desire of employing with the consent of the Superintendent, the labour of Male Patients in the Laundry to work the Washing and Wringing Machines.

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ON the first of January, 1861, the number of Patients on the Register of the Asylum was 375 (viz: 177 Males and 198 Females). In the course of the year, 1861, 117 Patients (viz: 49 Males and 68 Females) were admitted; 87 (viz: 36 Males and 51 Females) were discharged recovered; 7 (viz: 2 Males and 5 Females) were discharged relieved; 1 Female was discharged not improved; and 29 (viz: 13 Males and 16 Females) died. The number of Patients remaining in the Asylum on the first of January, 1862, (including 1 Male and 3 Female Patients who were out upon trial as convalescent at that time) was 367 (viz: 175 Males and 192 Females).

This shows, for the first time since the Asylum was opened, a *Decrease* on the number of Patients remaining at the end of the preceding year of 8 (viz: of 2 Males and 6 Females).

A comparison between the average daily number of Patients resident during the year 1861, and the average daily number resident during the preceding year, was very nearly in an exactly inverse ratio to a comparison between the actual population of the Asylum at the end of the year 1861, and the actual population at its beginning. In 1860, the average daily number was 355 (viz: 162

Men and 192 Women,) whilst in 1861, the average daily number was 363 (viz: 173 Males and 190 Females).

Comparing the number of Recoveries with the average number of Patients resident during the year 1861, the proportion is found to be very nearly 24 per Cent.—or about 20.8 per Cent. on the Men, and 26.8 per Cent. on the Women. (See Table A).

This is considerably above the annual average proportion of Recoveries during the preceding 16 years;—that having been about 18.75 per Cent. on both Sexes; or about 17.12 per Cent. on the Men, and 20.63 per Cent. on the Women. Compared with the previous year (1860,) the proportion is more than double.

TABLE A.—exhibiting the average number of Patients in the Asylum during each year from the period of its opening in 1845, with the actual annual numbers of Recoveries, and the per Centage of those upon the respective annual average numbers of each sex.

Years.	Average number of Patients.			Actual Number of Recoveries.			Per Centage of Recoveries.		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
1845	36.173	29.26	66.	4	3	7	11.07	10.06	10.565
1846	50.44	49.56	100.	7	14	21	13.86	28.28	21.
1847	61.	57.	118.	14	25	39	22.9	43.8	33.005
1848	69.84	63.15	133.	11	16	27	15.75	25.2	20.4
1849	80.44	74.54	155.03	14	30	44	17.03	40.02	28.5
1850	95.12	91.18	186.30	20	26	46	21.02	28.5	24.3
1851	103.87	108.57	212.44	16	22	38	15.307	20.26	17.88
1852	105.18	121.42	226.53	16	20	36	15.22	16.47	15.88
1853	104.78	136.25	251.03	19	32	51	16.54	23.49	20.01
1854	131.34	162.288	293.4	26	27	53	19.82	16.66	18.24
1855	152.	164.	216.	29	25	54	19.08	15.24	17.16
1856	154.	166.	320.	17	20	37	11.04	12.03	11.56
1857	154.134	174.865	329.	27	28	55	17.419	16.091	16.717
1858	156.	180.	336.	22	26	48	14.102	14.444	14.273
1859	164.	183.	347.	30	39	69	18.20	21.3	19.61
1860	162.	192.	355.	21	20	41	12.96	10.71	11.84
1861	173.	190.	363.	36	51	87	20.8	26.8	23.8

With respect to the Mortality of the Patients during the year 1861, the general per centage of Deaths on the average number of Patients of both sexes resident during the year was the slightest fraction above 8 per cent.—at least one third less than that of the year 1860; and more than 2 per cent lower than the average of the preceding 16 years: the Mortality of the Men being slightly under 7.5 per cent., and that of the Women a little over 8.5 per cent. (See Table B.)

TABLE B.—exhibiting the average number of Patients in the Asylum during each year from the period of its opening in 1845, with the actual numbers of Deaths, and the per centage of those on the respective annual average numbers of each sex.

Years.	Average Number of Patients.			Actual Number of Deaths.			Per Centage of Deaths.		
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
1845	36.173	29.826	66.	5	0	5	13.9	0.	7.
1846	50.44	49.56	100.	10	4	14	20.	8.	14.
1847	61.	57.	118.	13	3	16	21.3	5.26	13.28
1848	69.84	63.15	133.	9	7	16	13.8	11.1	12.
1849	80.44	74.59	155.03	8	8	16	9.9	10.7	10.32
1850	95.12	91.18	186.30	10	11	21	10.5	12.06	11.28
1851	103.87	108.57	212.44	19	11	30	18.3	10.1	14.21
1852	105.11	121.42	226.53	16	10	26	15.2	8.2	11.7
1853	114.78	136.25	251.03	5	10	15	4.3	7.3	5.8
1854	131.34	162.288	293.4	16	10	26	12.2	6.2	9.4
1855	152.	164.	316.	17	13	30	11.1	7.9	9.5
1856	154.	166.	320.	19	14	33	12.3	8.7	10.5
1857	154.134	174.865	329.	23	23	46	14.93	13.21	13.98
1858	104.610	112.764	217.40	15	18	33	9.615	10.	9.79
1858	156.	180.	336.	22	26	48	14.102	14.444	14.273
1859	164.	183.	347.	17	18	35	10.3	9.8	10.1
1860	162.	192.	355.	17	27	44	10.48	14.	12.39
1861	173.	190.	363.	13	16	29	7.49	8.53	8.01

As this is the first Annual Report since the opening of the Asylum in which the Medical Superintendent has had to show a

smaller number of Patients on the Register at the end of a year than at its beginning, he deems it necessary to indicate the circumstances which have led to this apparent deviation from the ordinary sequence of other years, so as to prevent any false inferences being drawn with respect to a diminution of the necessity for accommodation in the Asylum.

The following Table (C.) representing the numbers of Patients admitted in each year from the opening of the institution in the year 1845, down to the present time, will serve in some measure, when compared with the actual numbers of Discharges and Deaths in each year, (See Table D.) to elucidate this apparent discrepancy.

TABLE C.—exhibiting the number of Admissions in each year from the commencement.

	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
1845	51	38	89
1846	23	37	60
1847	42	28	70
1848	31	31	62
1849	37	51	88
1850	40	63	103
1851	48	51	99
1852	39	44	83
1853	45	68	113
1854	65	64	129
1855	65	43	108
1856	52	48	100
1857	51	62	113
1858	50	50	100
1859	50	73	123
1860	54	72	126
1861	50	67	117

TABLE D.—exhibiting the number of Discharges (including Deaths) in each year from the commencement.

	MEN.	WOMEN.	TOTAL.
1845	10	4	14
1846	19	23	42
1847	26	22	48
1848	23	25	48
1849	22	42	64
1850	33	38	71
1851	40	38	78
1852	37	34	71
1853	29	45	74
1854	51	44	95
1855	51	43	94
1856	46	45	91
1857	54	54	108
1858	39	52	91
1859	51	63	114
1860	41	59	100
1861	51	73	124

The year 1861 is remarkable on account of the good fortune through which a larger number of Recoveries took place than during any other single year since the Asylum was opened. In the year immediately preceding it, the number of Patients of both sexes discharged recovered—was 41; but in this year the number of Recoveries was no fewer than 87; and by comparing the Admissions with the Discharges, as set forth in Tables C and D, it will be seen that this is also the only year in which the latter have actually exceeded the former.

Had the proportion of Recoveries not so materially exceeded the annual average of the preceding 16 years; it is probable that before this time the question of a necessity for augmenting the amount of accommodation in the institution might again have been pressing itself upon the attention of the Visiting Justices.

In the course of the year several important improvements have taken place in the arrangements of the institution which must

materially promote the main object of its establishment, although some of these can hardly be said to have yet come into operation.

The removal of the Piggeries from their original site near the Laundry and near the South East or newest Female Wing, to a separate and detached position about 70 yards from the nearest part of the inhabited Building, has not only done away with an abominable nuisance, but has afforded the vacated space for an enlargement of the Washhouse and Laundry that was much wanted, and for the introduction of most efficient means for washing and drying the Clothes and Bedding of the Patients. This most desirable object has not yet been quite accomplished; but it is expected that in the course of a few weeks, the new arrangements in this department will be in full operation.

The arrangements of the Kitchen and the Brewhouse continue to give complete satisfaction.

An improvement has been effected in many of the Windows, which were formerly so loosely fitted in their frames, and so inconvenient on account of their having been made to slide horizontally, that they afforded little protection against the vicissitudes of external temperature. They are now in a very satisfactory state.

The Drainage and the Water supply are in an efficient state, and the general sanitary arrangements of the institution are satisfactory.

The ordinary means for the employment of the Patients have undergone no material change during the past year, and the principal desideratum in this way now is the establishment of a good Carpenters' Shop and general work yard.

The improvement and great extension of the Washhouse and Laundry will shortly afford the means for employing a much larger number of Women in this department than has hitherto been practicable.

The employment of all the best workmen in the institution upon these works has caused the postponement of several matters which usually obtain immediate attention. Among these may be particularly mentioned its interference with the regular half-yearly White-washing. The detriment occasioned by this postponement is a more serious thing than might be supposed by persons who are not

accustomed to consider the necessity of preserving the strictest attention to order and cleanliness in such an institution. One untidy thing suggests another; and where there is a deficiency in the means for enforcing strict discipline at every point, it is astonishing to see how rapidly things fall into a slipshod condition.

The necessity for placing all the arrangements of an institution of this nature upon as perfect a footing as possible from the beginning, can only be understood by those who have had "to fight with broken weapons," and to win a way over difficulties which formerly appeared to be insurmountable, but which are now almost lost sight of amidst the receding imperfections of times long past.

The recent adaptation of the Regulations for the management of the Asylum to its present condition and necessities, will, no doubt, do much to promote the efficiency of its arrangements; and although some defects still remain to be remedied, it is hoped that these will not long continue to be objects of complaint. The principal thing of this kind is the want of Baths in some of the older Wards.

The acquisition of the Land on the Eastern side of the institution, in addition to the South Garden, continues to yield very great advantages. Besides affording scope for the employment of a large proportion of the Male Patients, its cultivation is found to return a handsome profit.

Among the improvements that have been effected in the arrangements for the care of the Insane in this Country, few have been followed by more beneficial results than that Law (16 & 17 Vict., cap., 97, sec., 79,) by which the Visiting Justices of County and Borough Asylums are empowered to permit certain Patients to be absent upon trial for definite periods, and to grant such allowances in aid of their maintenance in the meanwhile as they may have reason to think fit. The principal effect of this practice is to relieve the minds of such Patients from all apprehension as to the intentions of those friends, or other persons, who may have been concerned in their sequestration. The return to the bosoms of their families, especially when the straitened circumstances of their homes are to some extent counteracted by the allowance here referred to, is a most important step in the treatment of their malady; and tending as it does in many instances, to restore the feelings of hope and confidence which have been lost, is a main instrument in promoting their eventual recovery.

From this institution there have been sent out upon trial at various times no fewer than 236 individuals; and out of that number

the experiment has failed in only 41 instances. A large proportion of the persons thus sent out were assisted by the allowance ordered by the Visiting Justices; and there is reason to believe that the successful issue in most of these cases was mainly attributable to the support thus administered. For this reason it is evidently most desirable that there should be no obstacle to the operation of this beneficial arrangement, so that the relief directed to be given should be promptly and regularly afforded, and that there should be no doubt respecting the individual whose duty it may be to pay over the weekly allowance.

It unfortunately happens, however, that, in the Lunacy Act above referred to, the authority vested in the Visiting Justices to order the allowance here spoken of, is unaccompanied by any power to enforce its payment; and although no objection has been made by Parish Authorities up to a late period to the application of money thus ordered to be advanced for the relief of Lunatics going out of Asylums upon trial as convalescent, some embarrassment has recently been occasioned by an assertion that no money can be legally advanced for the relief of a Patient thus going out of an Asylum upon trial, beyond the first weeks' instalment of the Allowance ordered by the Visiting Justices, excepting an Officer of the Asylum shall assume the duty of Relieving Officer, and pay the allowance over to the Patient or his friends every week, during the period of his experimental absence from the Asylum, which is usually 4 weeks.

Now although the spirit and intention of the Lunacy Act in relation to this matter is as clear as day-light, and as the object of making these allowances involves a concurrent advantage to the funds of the Unions, a want of co-ordination in the Acts of Parliament under consideration may defeat this beneficent purpose, unless either a direct legislative enactment, or a special rule of the Poor Law Board be brought to bear upon it, or unless an understanding should be established upon the subject between the Visiting Justices of Asylums on the one hand, and the Boards of Guardians of Unions upon the other, so that the Union Officers should be instructed by the latter to carry out the orders of the Visiting Justices in these cases without fail.

One event may be here noticed which will probably have the effect of removing a serious cause of complaint on the part of certain small Parishes who have hitherto been separately charged with the maintenance of their insane Poor in Asylums. A change in the Law, which will take effect on the 25th of March next, will henceforward diffuse the pressure of this burden by transferring it to the general

accounts of the Unions; and will consequently tend to prevent Patients being detained at home, as they too frequently have been, when they ought to be placed under appropriate treatment in Asylums.

As in every other institution of the same kind, the desire of Patients to repossess themselves of liberty is manifested in a variety of ways. In the course of the year 7 individuals (one of them upon three occasions) succeeded in getting over the Boundary Wall, and in eluding apprehension for periods varying between a few minutes and five days. In one instance the individual concealed himself in a Barn, and is supposed to have remained there without food or drink for three days and nights. He subsequently went to the house of a friend, and was brought back to the Asylum without having apparently sustained any serious injury.

RICHARD OLIVER, M.D.

January 1st, 1862.

Window Blinds	1	Window Blinds	1
Window Box	1	Window Box	1
Step Ladders	1	Step Ladders	1
Chairs	24	Chairs	24
Coal Boxes	2	Coal Boxes	2
Boys	8	Boys	8
Shower Baths	5	Shower Baths	5
Fire Grates	8	Fire Grates	8
Door Pads	3	Door Pads	3
Knife Boxes	2	Knife Boxes	2
Salt Boxes	3	Salt Boxes	3
Room Racks	2	Room Racks	2
Window Sashes	1	Window Sashes	1
Banisters	1	Banisters	1
Baskets, Buckets, and Coal	2	Baskets, Buckets, and Coal	2
Boxes (Shoeing)	2	Boxes (Shoeing)	2
Screen Benches	1	Screen Benches	1
Cupboards	8	Cupboards	8
Ladders	2	Ladders	2
Wicket	1	Wicket	1
Air Pipes	3	Air Pipes	3
Water Barrel	1	Water Barrel	1
Wheelbarrows	33	Wheelbarrows	33
Hand Cart	2	Hand Cart	2
Washing Machine	1	Washing Machine	1
Brewing Vats	1	Brewing Vats	1
Window Frames Fixing	1	Window Frames Fixing	1

The following are Lists of the various Articles made and repaired
by the Patients during the year 1861.

CARPENTERS' WORK.			
NEW.		REPAIRED.	
Wardrobes	4	Locks.....	32
Cupboards	5	Shutters.....	16
Picture Frames	85	Ventilators	5
Map Frames	6	Water Closets	27
Table	1	Bedsteads	17
Wash Tables	4	Bed Stretcher Frames	7
Pivot Shutters	22	Tables	12
Water Closets	2	Floors	6
Window Blind Rollers	12	Night Tables	8
Knife Box	1	Window Blinds	7
Bench	1	Step Ladders.....	6
Spittoon Boards.....	24	Chairs	8
Steps	3	Coal Boxes	4
Gas Bosses	8	Doors	7
Towel Rails	5	Shower Baths	2
Casings for Water Pipes ...	8	Fire Guards	4
Window Shutters	3	Door Pads	3
Bird Cages.....	2	Knife Boxes	4
Sets of Shelves	3	Salt Boxes	2
Broom Racks	2	Broom Racks.....	2
Night Table	1	Window Sashes.....	2
Clock Case.....	1	Benches	5
Boards for Fire Places	3	Baskets, Buckets, and Coal Boxes (Shoeing)	28
Fitting up of Sculleries.....	2	Screen Benches	2
Alterations of Attendants Bedrooms	6	Cupboards	3
Ladders	2	Ladders	2
Step Level.....	1	Wicket	1
Wheelbarrows	3	Air Flues	3
Axe, Pick, and Mattocks ...	5	Water Barrel	1
Tent Pegs	35	Wheelbarrows	12
Ladder Brackets	2	Hand Cart.....	1
The entire Timber Work of the New Piggeries.		Washing Machine.....	1
A considerable portion of the Woodwork of the New Washhouse and Laundry.		Brewing Vats	2
		Window Frames fixing.. ...	30

SMITHS' WORK.

The whole of the jobbing work in this way is done by Patients.

BRICKLAYERS' WORK.

Patients were employed during the year in this way; but although they mainly executed the Walls and Roofs of the New Piggeries, and aided effectually in building the Washhouse and Laundry, the number of other ways in which their services were made available is so great as to render it difficult to specify them.

PAINTERS' WORK.

Patients are generally employed in Painting, and are of great service; but it is not easy to make out a detailed account of their work.

TAILORS' WORK.

NEW.

Coats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Waistcoats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74
Trowsers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	120
Stocks	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	194
Mattresses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	499
Pillows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	216
Sofa Cushions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Carpet Bindings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65

The Tailors, like the Needle Women, are as much occupied in mending articles as in making them.

SHOEMAKERS' WORK.

NEW.

Mens' Pairs of Strong High Shoes	...	...	...	...	79
Womens' Pairs of Boots	...	...	...	...	8

SHOEMAKERS' WORK.

REPAIRS.

Mens' Pairs of Strong Shoes soled and Heeled...	...	...	...	310
Womens' Shoes soled and heeled	...	...	...	436

LIST OF ARTICLES MADE BY THE WOMEN.

Aprons and Pin-a-fores	...	...	...	...	...	315
Caps Day	...	...	...	...	...	110
„ Night	...	...	...	...	...	102
Dresses Woollen	...	...	...	...	...	48
„ Print	...	...	...	...	...	103
„ Night	...	...	...	...	...	86
Drawers Pairs of...	...	...	...	...	...	55
Handkerchiefs	...	...	...	...	...	1160
Petticoats Flannel	...	...	...	...	...	115
Pillow Cases	...	...	...	...	...	62
Rugs Quilted	...	...	...	...	...	30
Sheets	...	...	...	...	...	198
Shifts Cotton	...	...	...	...	...	199
„ Flannel	...	...	...	...	...	99
Shirts Linen	...	...	...	...	...	263
„ Flannel	...	...	...	...	...	191
Stockings Pairs of	...	...	...	...	...	334
Shrouds	...	...	...	...	...	32
Table Cloths	...	...	...	...	...	15
Towels	...	...	...	...	...	152

The foregoing is a List of New Articles only. The time of the Female Patients is occupied as much in mending as in making.

TABLE 1: Showing the number of Patients in the Asylum, with the numbers of Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths in the year ended December 31st, 1861.

	Remaining January 1st, 1861.	Admitted	Discharged Recovered.	Discharged Relieved.	Discharged Not improved.	Died.	Remaining Jan. 1st, 1862.
MALES.....	177	49	36	2		13	175
FEMALES...	198	68	51	5	1	16	192
TOTALS ...	*375	117	87	7	1	29	†367

* This number included 7 Females who were out upon trial as convalescent.

† This number includes 1 Male and 3 Females who are out upon trial as convalescent.

TABLE 2: exhibiting the numbers of Patients with respect to the conditions of Celibacy, Marriage, and Widowhood, admitted during the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Single.....	22	27	49
Married	23	29	52
Widowed	5	11	16

TABLE 3: showing the Ages of the Patients admitted during the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Under 15	0	1	1
Between 15 & 20	3	2	5
„ 20 & 25	5	9	14
„ 25 & 30	3	8	11
„ 30 & 35	3	8	11
„ 35 & 40	9	6	15
„ 40 & 45	3	6	9
„ 45 & 50	3	5	8
„ 50 & 55	6	7	13
„ 55 & 60	5	4	9
„ 60 & 65	4	4	8
„ 65 & 70	3	2	5
„ 70 & 75	2	2	4
„ 75 & 80	1	1	2
„ 80 & 85	0	2	2

TABLE 4: exhibiting the supposed duration of the Malady at the time of admission in the whole of the Cases admitted during the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Less than 1 month ...	21	23	44
" 2 months...	6	12	18
" 3 " ...	6	5	11
" 4 " ...	3	7	10
" 5 " ...	1	3	4
" 6 " ...	1	3	4
" 9 " ...	5	5	10
" 12 " ...	1	0	1
More than 1 year ...	1	3	4
" 2 years ...	3	0	3
" 9 " ...	0	1	1
During Life ...	2	2	4
Uncertain ...	0	3	3

TABLE 5: showing the supposed duration of the Disease at the time of admission in the Cases discharged recovered in the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Less than 1 week ...	11	13	24
" 2 weeks ...	2	6	8
" 3 " ...	5	8	13
" 4 " ...	2	1	3
More than 1 month...	8	11	19
" 2 months..	2	3	5
" 3 " ...	3	5	8
" 6 " ...	2	1	3
" 1 year ...	1	0	1
" 2 years ...	0	1	1
" 3 " ...	0	1	1
Uncertain ...	0	1	1

TABLE 6: showing the Occupations or Stations in life of the Patients admitted during the year 1861.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
Baker's Journeyman	... 1	Basket Woman	... 1
Basket Maker's Apprentice..	1	Blacksmith's Wife	... 1
Blacksmith	1	Butcher's Daughter	... 1
Carpenter	1	Charwomen	... 2
Carpenter's Journeyman	... 1	Charwoman's Daughter	... 1
Colliers	3	Coachman's Wife ...	... 1
Draper	1	Cooper's Widow ...	... 1
Drapers' Assistants...	... 2	Labourers' Widows	... 5
Gardeners	3	Labourers' Wives...	... 15
Grate-fitter	1	Miller's Widow ...	... 1
Grocers' Assistants...	... 2	Moulder's Wife ...	... 1
Haulyer	1	Puddler's Wife ...	... 1
Hawkers	2	Sawyer's Wife ...	... 1
Labourers	9	School-master's Wife	... 1
Miner, (Lead)	1	Sempstresses	... 6
Miller's Journeyman	... 1	Servants ... ..	... 18
Pauper Idiots	2	Shoemaker's Wives	... 3
Plate-layer	1	Tailor's Wives ...	... 2
Puddler	1	Tanner's Widow ...	... 1
Servant, (Farm)	1	Vagrant ... ..	... 1
Shoemakers	3	Washer-woman's Daughter	1
Surveyor	1	Weaver's Wife ...	... 1
Tailor	1	Wheelwrights' Wives	... 2
Tanners	3		
Tapster	1		
Whitesmith... ..	1		
Wool-sorter	1		

NOTE. The number of Male Individuals admitted during the year 1861 was 47; but two of them having been admitted twice in the course of that period, the actual number of Male admissions was 49.

TABLE 7: exhibiting the degrees of Education of the Patients admitted during the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Well educated ...	4	1	5
Moderately educated	6	7	13
Could read and write	22	22	44
Could read only ...	14	32	46
Could not read ...	3	6	9

TABLE 8: showing the Forms of the Malady in the Cases admitted in the year 1861.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Mania	6	18	24
Monomania ...	5	9	14
Melancholia ...	15	25	40
Dementia	18	12	30
Transient Delirium..	3	1	4
Idiocy	2	2	4
Malingering ...		1	1

TABLE 9: exhibiting the Number of Attacks of the Malady sustained by the Patients admitted during the year 1861.

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	18th.
Males	31	13	1			1	1	2	
Females... ..	42	14	5	3	1	2			1
Totals	73	27	6	3	1	3	1	2	1

TABLE 10: showing the conjectured principal Causes of the Malady in the Cases admitted during the year 1861.

	Males.	Fe- males.	Total.
Age		2	2
„ and Poverty	2	1	3
Anxiety on account of loss of Employment.	3		3
„ „ „ „ and previous Attacks		1	1
Anxiety on account of Embarrassment in Business	1		1
Anxiety on account of Disappointment in Love... ..		1	1
Anxiety on account of Domestic Trouble and one previous Attack	1		1
Anxiety on account of Domestic Trouble and Poverty... ..		1	1
Attacks previous	7	4	11
„ „ and Hyperlactation		2	2
„ „ and Poverty	1	3	4
Climacteric Debility	1	2	3
„ and Poverty		1	1
Constitutional Debility	1	4	5
„ Inheritance	2	5	7
„ „ and previous Attacks	2	8	10
„ „ & Climacteric Debility		2	2
„ „ and domestic trouble..		1	1
„ „ and the Puerperal state		1	1
„ „ and defective develop- ment		1	1
„ „ and Poverty... ..	1	1	2
Developement defective	1	1	2
Disease of Brain and Spinal Cord... ..	1		1
„ Epileptic	4	2	6
Fever		1	1
Grief on account of the Deaths of Children.		2	2
Habit of life Intemperate	10	2	12
„ „ Sedentary		1	1
„ Masturbation	1		1
Hyperlactation		3	3
Hysteria and a previous Attack		1	1
Injury of Head	1		1

CONTINUATION OF TABLE 10.

	Males.	Fe- males.	Total.
Poverty	3	7	10
„ and Intemperance... ..	1	1	2
Prostitution		1	1
The Puerperal state		2	2
Dubious	5	4	9

TABLE 11: exhibiting the Causes of Death in the Cases
which terminated fatally in the year 1861.

	Males.	Fe- males.	Total.
Abscess Lumbar		1	1
Brain Chronic Disease of: viz. Atrophy with General Paralysis	2	4	6
Brain Chronic Disease of: resulting in Marasmus—without Paralysis	4		4
Brain Chronic Disease of: resulting in Sang- uineous Apoplexy—without General Paralysis		1	1
Brain Chronic Disease of: resulting in Gangrene of Feet—without Paralysis... ..		1	1
Bronchitis supervening on Acute Dementia. Dysentery „ „		1	1
Epilepsy resulting in Exhaustion from the severity of the Fits	1		1
Fever Adynamic	2	1	3
Heart—Fatty Degeneration and Atrophy of with Abscesses of the Liver		1	1
„ Atrophy of, Dilatation of Aorta: Inanition	1		1
Phthisis	2	4	6
Puerperal Mania		1	1
Rheumatism (Articular) inducing extreme Debility	1		1

AN ACCOUNT
OF ALL MONIES RECEIVED AND PAID
BY THE TREASURER,
OR OTHERWISE, ON ACCOUNT
OF THE
SALOP AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES
LUNATIC ASYLUM,
FOR THE YEAR 1861.

An account of all Monies received or paid by the Treasurer or other-Asylum, in respect of Maintenance, Building, and

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
By Balance in Treasurer's hands, January 1st, 1861.				1462	13	3
Received in respect of Maintenance, from						
Aitcham—Union	874	17	9			
Bridgnorth "	285	1	10			
Church Stretton "	172	1	1			
Cleobury Mortimer, "	219	0	1			
Clun "	189	8	2			
Ellesmere "	372	14	6			
Knighton "	24	8	11			
Llanfyllin "	623	16	1			
Ludlow "	397	8	3			
Machynlleth "	50	6	4			
Madeley "	728	9	9			
Market Drayton "	292	17	2			
Newport "	346	13	6			
Newtown "	570	6	5			
Oswestry "	570	2	6			
Berriew—Parish	119	13	0			
Castle Caereinion "	24	2	4			
Chirbury "	63	7	0			
Montgomery "	59	17	9			
Pool Middle "	99	17	7			
" Lower "	24	8	11			
Trelystan "	24	8	11			
Uppington "	30	7	3			
Worthen "	55	10	0			
Shiffnal—Union	211	6	3			
Holy Cross—Parish	107	0	8			
Brace Meole "	24	8	11			
St. Alkmond "	113	0	0			
St. Chad "	329	11	0			
St. Julian "	72	3	8			
St. Mary "	234	13	11			
Tenbury—Union	61	3	6			
Wellington "	469	16	2			
Wem "	293	11	5			
Whitchurch "	389	16	8			
Aston "	24	8	11			
Colchester "	18	4	0			
Towcester "	24	8	11			
West London "	30	2	1			
Total	8623	1	2	1462	13	3

Account.

wise, on account of the Salop and Montgomery Counties Lunatic Repairs, for the year ending December, 31st, 1861.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Paid in respect of Maintenance for—						
SALARIES AND WAGES.						
Medical Superintendent	500	0	0			
Assistant Medical Officer	100	0	0			
Clerk	75	0	0			
Chaplain	60	0	0			
Treasurer	20	0	0			
Steward and Semstress	60	0	0			
Engineer	52	0	0			
Brewer	46	16	0			
21 Male Attendants	559	6	5			
18 Female ditto	209	9	7			
Cook and Laundress	30	0	0			
Laundry, Kitchen, House, and Scullery						
Maids	35	5	4			
Gate Keeper	6	10	0			
Assistants	12	19	0			
Consulting Surgeon's Fees	6	3	0			
				1773	9	4
PROVISIONS.						
Beef, 39,740lbs. at 5½d. to 6d.	992	13	10			
Mutton, 6144lbs. at 6½d. to 7½d.	180	5	8			
Other Meat	1	17	6			
Suet, 502lbs. at 6½d. to 7d.	14	6	3			
Cheese, 9208lbs. at 6d. to 6¼d.	231	11	7			
Butter, Salt, 9176lbs. at 11d. to 13½d	487	6	6			
„ Fresh, 35½lbs. at 1s. 3d. to 1s. 6d.	2	11	1			
Milk New, 618½qts. at 2d.	5	3	1			
„ Skimmed, 26,776qts. at 1¼d.	95	12	6			
Bread, 150622lbs. at 1¾d. to 1¼d.	1153	6	5			
Flour, 68 sacks, at 47s. 6d. to 50s.	164	0	0			
Oatmeal, 14 sacks, at 37s. to 39s.	26	15	0			
Cakes, &c.	5	12	4			
Tea, 689lbs. at 3s. to 3s. 3d.	107	9	4			
Coffee, 2352lbs. at 1s. 2d. to 1s. 3d.	144	18	0			
Sugar, Loaf, 132lbs. at 6½d. to 7d.	3	16	0			
„ Moist, 9968lbs. at 40s. to 42s. 6d.	185	19	6			
Rice, 24 cwt. at 15s. to 15s. 6d.	19	7	0			
Mustard, 156lbs. at 1s. 4d. to 1s. 8d.	11	19	9			
Pepper, 164lbs. 1s. 3d. to 1s. 4d.	10	14	8			
Carried forward	3845	6	0	1773	9	4

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Amount brought forward... ..	8623	1	2	1462	13	3
Salop County Treasurer, for the Care and Maintenance of Patients charge- able to the County of Salop ...	181	7	7			
Shrewsbury Borough Treasurer, for the Care and Maintenance of Patients chargeable to the Borough of Shrews- bury	48	17	10			
				8853	6	7
Cash received by Steward for—						
Grains and Barm	33	11	9			
Vetches	0	11	0			
Rye Flour	7	10	11			
Trees	0	10	0			
Vegetables to Superintendent... ..	2	11	9			
Pigs	59	8	6			
Rags and old Cask	5	4	4			
Relation of a Patient	0	10	0			
Balance in hand last year	10	0	0			
				119	18	3
Rates deducted by St. Julian				4	14	6
Received in respect of Repairs—						
From County of Salop	239	5	7			
" Montgomery... ..	95	17	11			
Borough of Wenlock	24	16	6			
				360	0	0
Received in respect of Rent—						
From Shrewsbury Borough Treasurer	166	0	0			
" Oswestry " "	40	10	0			
				206	10	0
Received in respect of Building—						
From County of Salop	598	4	0			
" Montgomery... ..	239	14	9			
Borough of Wenlock	62	1	3			
				900	0	0
Carried forward				11907	2	0

Account CONTINUED.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Amount brought forward...	3845	6	0	1773	9	4
Vinegar, 34 gals. at 2s. ...	3	8	0			
Sago, Arrowroot, and other Grocery, ...	55	9	2			
Tobacco, 218lbs. at 4s. ...	43	12	0			
Snuff, 22lbs. at 5s. 4d. ...	5	17	4			
Salt, 43 cwt. at 2s. 4d. ...	5	5	0			
Potatoes, 778 bu. 5s. 6d. to 6s. 6d. ...	220	0	7			
Fish ...	5	8	11			
Geese ...	2	16	0			
Eggs, Poultry, and Fruit ...	11	3	2			
Porter ...	4	10	0			
Malt, 1300 bu. at 8s. 6d. to 9s. 4d. ...	594	3	4			
Hops, 1119lbs. at 2s. to 2s. 1d....	112	17	0			
Sundry Small Payments ...	8	2	7			
				4917	19	1
NECESSARIES.						
Coals, House, 537 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons. at 12s. 10d. } to 13s. 4d. ...	235	8	5			
„ Furnace, 589 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons, at 12s. 10d. } to 13s. 4d. ...	388	8	11			
„ Cannal and Carriage of ditto ...	94	3	11			
Charcoal, 367 bu. ...	20	0	6			
Lime, 65 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt. ...	2	5	2			
Blacking, Bathbricks, Matches, &c. ...	15	8	7			
Engine Oil and Tallow ...	4	6	2			
Soap, 27 cwt. at 31s. 6d. to 32s. 6d. ...	58	2	0			
Soda, 19 cwt. 15lbs. at 8s. 6d. ...	8	5	6			
Starch, 136 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. at 6d. ...	3	8	3			
Blue, 3lbs. at 1s. 4d. to 2s. ...	0	5	4			
Candles, 156lbs. at 7d. to 12d. ...	5	0	6			
Lamp Oil, 12 gals. at 4s. 6d. ...	2	14	0			
Linseed ditto, 4 gals. at 3s. 4d. ...	0	13	4			
				838	10	7
DISPENSARY.						
Drugs and Instruments ...	112	19	10			
Wine, 26 gals. at 19s. ...	24	14	0			
Brandy, 4 gals at 28s. ...	5	12	0			
Rum, 15 gals. at 18s. ...	13	10	0			
Gin, 8 gals, at 12s. 6d. ...	5	0	0			
				161	15	10
Carried forward ...				7691	14	10

Account CONTINUED.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Amount brought forward... ..				7691	14	10
CLOTHING AND BEDDING.						
Draper and Mercer for Materials	631	18	11			
Leather	128	8	5			
Shoemaker's Wages	53	14	8			
Straw for Beds	18	1	9			
Hair for ditto	143	13	5			
Tailor and Upholsterer's Wages... ..	29	12	0			
Waterproof Sheets	8	7	5			
				1013	16	7
KITCHEN AND DOMESTIC FURNITURE.						
Tin Goods and Ironmongery	28	13	11			
Earthenware	29	2	11			
Brooms, Brushes, Oil Cloth, Matting, &c.	53	3	1			
Baskets	4	12	0			
Thermometers &c.	1	12	11			
Gutta Percha Chamber Utensils... ..	9	11	2			
				126	16	0
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.						
Printing, Advertisements, Bibles, Com- mon Prayers, Account and other } Books	64	5	7			
Newspapers, &c	14	4	5			
Glass and Glazier's Wages	32	1	2			
Ironmongery	5	6	4			
Funerals	39	4	6			
Removals, Escapes, and Payments to } Patients on Trial	16	0	0			
Postage and Stamps	13	11	0			
Cartage	8	11	1			
Taxes	0	15	0			
Sweeping Chimneys	4	5	0			
Destroying Rats	1	5	0			
Bottles and Corks	1	10	6			
Surplice for Chaplain	1	18	0			
Carried forward	202	17	7	8832	7	5

Account CONTINUED.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Amount brought forward... ..	202	17	7	8832	7	5
Plans of Asylum	3	3	0			
Sundry Payments	10	9	4			
				216	9	11
Total Paid in respect of Maintenance ...				9048	17	4
" " Garden and } Piggeries				113	8	5
" " Repairs ...				417	5	9
" " Building ...				1060	10	10
				10640	2	4
Balance in Treasurer's hands	1244	13	5			
" Stewards ditto	22	6	10			
				1267	0	3
THOMAS EVEREST, Clerk of the Asylum.				11907	2	7
Examined and found correct. C. M. CAMPBELL,						

Account.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
By Sale of Pigs	59	8	6			
" Vetches	0	11	0			
" Rye Flour	7	10	11			
" Trees	0	10	0			
" Vegetables to Superintendent	2	11	9			
				70	12	2
ARTICLES CONSUMED.						
Pork, 2260lbs. at 6d.	56	10	0			
Bacon, 4236lbs. at 8d.	141	4	0			
Potatoes, 552 bu. at 4s. 10d. (average)...	134	8	0			
Carrots, 36 cwt. at 2s. 6d.	4	10	0			
Furnips, 102 cwt. at 1s.... ..	5	2	0			
Cabbage, 43½ cwt. at 4s.	8	14	0			
Onions, 1144lbs. at 9s. 4d.	4	15	4			
Other Vegetables... ..	26	7	2			
				381	10	6
				452	2	8

Repai

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Received for Rent—						
From Shrewsbury Borough, 1 year ...	166	0	0			
„ Oswestry ditto, 1 year ...	40	10	0			
				206	10	
Proportions charged to—						
County of Salop	239	5	7			
„ Montgomery	95	17	11			
Borough of Wenlock	24	16	6			
				360	0	
Balance chargeable in the following proportions—						
County of Salop	140	1	4			
„ Montgomery	56	2	8			
Borough of Wenlock	14	10	6			
				210	14	
				777	4	

Building

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Proportions charged to—						
County of Salop	598	4	0			
„ Montgomery	239	14	9			
Borough of Wenlock	62	1	3			
				900	0	
Balance chargeable in the following proportions—						
County of Salop	345	14	0			
„ Montgomery	138	10	10			
Borough of Wenlock	35	17	4			
				520	2	
				1420	2	

Account.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
By Balance				359	18	9
Paid for Timber	11	8	2			
Bricks, Stone, and Cement	16	0	10			
Bricklayer's Wages	37	9	1			
Plumber's Work	140	0	1			
Ironmonger, Founder, and Smith	56	0	5			
Locksmith	8	3	0			
Paint, and Painter's Wages	63	13	10			
Gravel	14	4	1			
Cartage	4	12	6			
Insurance... ..	20	12	0			
Salaries, (Surveyor, Engineer, & Treasurer)	40	10	0			
Paper Hanging	4	11	9			
				417	5	9
				777	4	6

Account.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
By Balance of last Account				359	11	4
Furniture	34	1	8			
Timber	63	9	4			
Bricks, Stone, and Cement	22	11	4			
Bricklayer's Wages	20	2	4			
Plumber	54	13	9			
Ironmonger and Founder	56	8	7			
Steam Pump and Donkey Engine, &c.	84	10	4			
Wire Work	10	15	9			
Draining Land	4	19	9			
Apple Trees, &c.... ..	8	18	0			
Payments on account of Piggeries and } Laundry	700	0	0			
				1060	10	10
				1420	2	2

Summary of the

MAINTENANCE.				£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Balance in hand January 1st, 1861	...	...	...	2182	3	4			
Cash received by Treasurer	...	...	...	8853	6	7			
" " Steward	...	...	...	119	18	3			
Rates deducted by St. Julian	...	...	...	4	14	6			
							11160	2	8
REPAIRS.									
Received for Rent	...	...	...	206	10	0			
" from County and Borough	...	...	...	360	0	0			
Treasurers	...	...	...	210	14	6			
Balance due December 31st	...	...	...				777	4	6
BUILDING.									
Received from County and Borough	...	...	...	900	0	0			
Treasurers	...	...	...	520	2	2			
Balance due December 31st	...	...	...				1420	2	5

Salop

An account of the Receipts for the County of Salop, in respect of charges thereon as shewn in the Building and Repairs

				£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.									
Mar. 22nd.	From County Treasurer for	Repairs	...				239	5	
May 3rd.	From County Treasurer for	Building	...	265	17	4			
Oct. 4th.	From County Treasurer for	Building	...	332	6	8			
							837	9	

foregoing Accounts.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Paid during the year	9048	17	4			
„ „ for Garden, &c.	113	8	5			
Balance in hands of Treasurer and } Steward December 31st	1997	16	11			
	<hr/>			11160	2	8
Balance due January 1st, 1861	359	18	9			
Paid during the year	417	5	9			
	<hr/>			777	4	6
Balance due January 1st, 1861	359	11	4			
Paid during the year	1060	10	10			
	<hr/>			1420	2	2

County.

Building and Repairs as shewn in the General Account, and of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1861.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.						
Mar. 22nd. By Charge for Repairs ...	239	5	7			
May 1st. „ Building ...	265	17	4			
Sep. 18th. „ „ ...	332	6	8			
	<hr/>			837	9	7

Montgomery

An account of the Receipts for the County of Montgomery, in respect charges thereon as shewn in the Building and Repairs

		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.							
May 22nd.	From County Treasurer for Repairs				95	17	11
„	From County Treasurer for Building	106	11	0			
Dec. 17th.	From County Treasurer for Building	133	3	9	239	14	9
					335	12	8

Wenlock

An account of the receipts for the Borough of Wenlock, in respect of charges thereon as shewn in the Building and Repairs

		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.							
Mar. 22nd.	From Borough Treasurer for Repairs				24	16	
May 3rd.	From Borough Treasurer for Building	27	11	8			
Oct. 14th.	From Borough Treasurer for Building	34	9	7	62	1	
					86	17	

County.

of Building and Repairs as shewn in the General Account, and of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1861.

				£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.									
Mar. 22nd.	By Charge for	Repairs	...	95	17	11			
May 1st.	„	Building	...	106	11	0			
Sep. 18th.	„	„	...	132	3	9			
				<hr/>					
							335	12	8
				<hr/>					

Borough.

Building and Repairs as shewn in the General Account, and of Accounts for the year ending December, 31st, 1861.

				£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1861.									
Mar. 22nd.	By Charge for	Repairs	...	24	16	6			
May 1st.	„	Building	...	27	11	8			
Sep. 18th.	„	„	...	34	9	7			
				<hr/>					
							86	17	9
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Average weekly cost per head.

	s.	d.	s.	d.
Salaries	1	10 $\frac{3}{8}$		
Provisions	5	2 $\frac{3}{8}$		
Necessaries	0	10 $\frac{1}{2}$		
Dispensary	0	2		
Clothing and Bedding	1	0 $\frac{7}{8}$		
Kitchen and Domestic Furniture	0	1 $\frac{5}{8}$		
Miscellaneous Items	0	2 $\frac{5}{8}$		
Garden and Piggery	0	1 $\frac{1}{2}$		
			9	7 $\frac{7}{8}$
Deduct Articles Sold			0	1 $\frac{5}{8}$
			9	6 $\frac{1}{4}$

No 9