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THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

OF THE

CHESHIRE COUNTY ASYLUM.

*To Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Chester,
in General Quarter Sessions assembled.*

THE Visiting Justices of Cheshire Asylum in submitting the usual Annual Report have much satisfaction in stating the Asylum to be in a thoroughly efficient condition, and that it has been conducted to their satisfaction during the past year by the various officers connected with its management.

No subject of importance out of the ordinary routine of the Institution has engaged their attention, excepting that of finding the Asylum rapidly filling, and the consequent necessity of taking immediate steps to provide additional accommodation. A Committee was appointed at the October Quarter Sessions to consider this subject, and their Report will be submitted to you. Early in the year the remaining Staffordshire patients were removed to their new Asylum, and the only patients now in this Asylum, not belonging to the County, are those chargeable to the City of Chester; these, also, the Committee have deemed it prudent to make arrangements for discharging in the present month.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
On the 31st December, 1864, the			
numbers in the Asylum were.....	228	231	459
Admitted since that date	81	73	154
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	309	304	613
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	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Discharged during the			309	304	613
same period	56	44			
Died	24	15			
	—	—	80	59	139
Remaining in the Asylum.....			229	245	474
Of this number there are chargeable					
to Parishes in Cheshire			198	216	414
County Treasurer			13	12	25
City of Chester			18	17	35
			229	245	474

This number does not altogether represent the number for which accommodation has been required during the year. Owing to the fluctuations in the number of admissions, as well as of the discharges and deaths, the range between the minimum and maximum numbers has been from 444 to 486. The males have varied from 215 to 240, and the females from 229 to 249; so that whilst, on one occasion, the male division was fully occupied to the extent of its accommodation, on another there were only six vacancies for females.

The Committee regret much having to report the resignation of Dr. Brushfield, consequent on his appointment to the new Asylum at Woking, and are glad to take this opportunity of bearing testimony to his valuable services during the past thirteen years. The Committee have appointed, as his successor, Dr. Henry Lewis Harper, who for five years has been connected with the Asylum as Assistant Medical Officer.

The Rate charged to the various Unions and Parishes for the care and maintenance of patients, has been uniformly throughout the year 8s. 2d. per head per week.

PETER EWART,
CHAIRMAN.

1st January, 1866.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR 1865.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

It is once more my duty to submit to you the customary Annual Statement of the condition of the Asylum and its inmates.

At the close of 1865 there were 459 patients in the Institution. In the course of the year there were 154 admissions, 100 discharges, and 39 deaths; and there remained, on January 1, 1866, 474 inmates.

ADMISSIONS.

Although the number admitted was 24 less than that of 1864, yet a comparison with all the preceding years shows a steady annual increase, with scarcely a hope of a diminution taking place to any material extent. In nearly one-half of the cases the bodily health was weakly or bad; and in several instances the patient was in a very deplorable condition when admitted; *e.g.*, a female was brought from her own home, in March last, having most extensive bed-sores and wounds, caused by mechanical restraint, which undoubtedly hastened her death; again, a male suffering from severe itch was admitted from a workhouse, where he had been an inmate for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years. More than a fourth of the cases were of the ages of 50 and upwards; whilst nearly a fourth of the total number (*vide* Table 9) suffered from epilepsy or general paralysis. The suicidal propensity

was present in more than one-third of the admissions, and amongst them are unusual numbers of those who had attempted self-destruction by cutting the throat. In March an application for the admission of a patient, who had been the recent subject of smallpox, was refused, under the bye-law made by the Committee in 1864. This was the only case of refusal during the year.

The following Table points out the gradually increasing number of admissions annually of Cheshire cases, and also the numbers remaining in the Asylum out of the admissions of each year.

YEARS.	ADMISSIONS.		REMAINING IN THE ASYLUM DEC. 31ST, 1865.	YEARS.	ADMISSIONS.		REMAINING IN THE ASYLUM DEC. 31ST, 1865.
	TOTAL NUMBER.	CHESHIRE CASES ONLY.			TOTAL NUMBER.	CHESHIRE CASES ONLY.	
1829	33	28	1	1848	72	71	4
1830	46	23	1	1849	71	71	6
1831	45	21	..	1850	77	72	1
1832	33	18	..	1851	96	83	3
1833	29	19	..	1852	104	94	8
1834	52	32	2	1853	106	100	10
1835	50	35	1	1854	103	97	9
1836	51	29	..	1855	125	110	13
1837	85	67	..	1856	124	116	13
1838	76	55	3	1857	103	98	18
1839	93	59	1	1858	90	86	11
1840	69	46	3	1859	119	117	20
1841	86	54	2	1860	132	115	16
1842	75	55	2	1861	129	111	34
1843	74	63	1	1862	175	108	39
1844	85	73	4	1863	165	127	43
1845	80	71	6	1864	176	159	69
1846	90	87	3	1865	155	135	89
1847	87	82	4				

RECOVERIES.

The number of recoveries was 64, being a proportion of $10\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. upon the total number under treatment, and $41\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the admissions.

DEATHS.

Both the total number, as well as the proportion of deaths, was much below the usual annual average—the number being 39, and the proportion 6·36 per cent. of the total number under treatment. Nearly one-half occurred amongst cases admitted within the year. In one only was an inquest held—the case of a man who was admitted with fractured ribs, in addition to acute mania. As usual, more deaths occurred amongst the males than the females, there being 24 of the former, and 15 of the latter. This marked difference was owing, as in former years, to the large number (12) arising from general paralysis amongst the males, whilst in one female only was this the assigned cause of death; so that one-third of the entire number of deaths—and one-half of those occurring in Males—was due to this terrible malady.

GENERAL HEALTH.

The general health of the patients has been very satisfactory throughout the year.

ACCOMMODATION FOR PATIENTS.

Of the 459 inmates in the Asylum on January 1, 1865, 25 were chargeable to the county of Stafford, and were removed in the early part of the year; nevertheless, the number of Cheshire cases increased so rapidly, that I felt it my duty, in July, to call the attention of the Committee to the subject by a special report, which was subsequently printed and circulated amongst the county magistrates. This was, afterwards, in an enlarged form, and with accompanying tables, laid before a special committee of magistrates, held in November, to inquire into the necessity, or otherwise of providing additional accommodation for patients. The following Table, copied from this Report, shows the annual numbers sent from each Union since the year 1848.

ANNUAL ADMISSIONS FROM UNIONS.

UNIONS.	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860	1861	1862	1863	1864	1865	TOTAL.
Birkenhead	12	7	7	12	16	15	13	30	25	19	23	36	24	24	26	24	24	25	123
Wirral	10	6	11	10	4	19	15	14	18	13	8	10	11	15	12	5	5	6	267
Stockport	7	14	11	14	16	6	15	12	6	7	9	8	13	5	11	27	21	14	238
Ashton-under-Lyne	8	10	8	7	15	11	15	10	8	10	9	11	11	13	9	12	21	11	198
Altrincham	4	6	7	9	15	11	7	12	9	11	15	11	12	10	8	10	16	14	197
Nantwich	6	6	6	6	7	6	5	3	16	8	4	6	13	10	11	8	8	9	176
Macclesfield	10	2	8	1	2	5	5	13	5	12	2	10	8	5	8	8	14	7	136
Congleton	4	7	3	6	7	9	4	3	10	5	5	13	6	5	7	8	13	15	133
Northwich	3	5	2	5	3	7	3	7	6	3	3	7	6	3	6	4	15	13	128
Runcorn	1	3	1	4	3	3	11	4	6	2	6	1	7	9	2	7	4	12	100
Great Boughton .....	..	4	8	4	6	3	2	..	1	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	6	80
Warrington .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	1	34
Hawarden .....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	10
Whitchurch .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	11
County and Small Unions	6	1	..	5	..	4	2	1	2	3	1	2	3	2	2	1	3	1	39
City of Chester	2	..	3	8	10	6	4	15	8	5	4	2	9	5	7	17	17	19	141
Out-County and Private Cases .....	..	..	2	5	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8	13	60	21	..	..	111
	73	71	77	96	104	106	103	125	124	103	90	119	132	129	175	165	176	154	2122

The wards have recently undergone a thorough survey, and they were found to afford ample provision for 240 males, and 255 females. On December 31, 1865, the number of male inmates was 229, and of females 245, so that there were only vacancies for 11 of the former, and 10 of the latter. As, however, the patients chargeable to the city of Chester will shortly be removed, there may perhaps be sufficient accommodation to last during the present year. Should, however, the admissions approach in number to those of 1864 and 1865, the Asylum will be crowded before the end of December next. This will point out the urgent necessity for providing increased accommodation for county cases at as early a date as possible.

EMPLOYMENT AND RECREATION.

The employment, as well as the recreation, of the patients have been continued in the same satisfactory manner as alluded to in former reports, and therefore require no further mention here.

CONCLUSION.

As this is the last Report I shall have to make of the condition of this Asylum, with which I have been connected for nearly 14 years, I take this opportunity of returning my grateful acknowledgments for the many acts of kindness shown me by the Committee of Visiting Justices, and of the confidence which they have reposed in me throughout my tenure of office. I beg, also, to thank the various officers, with whom I have been associated, for their cordial co-operation in the management of the Institution.

I have the honour to remain,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

T. N. BRUSHFIELD, M.D.,

Medical Superintendent.

*To the Committee of Visitors
of the Cheshire Lunatic Asylum.*

STATISTICAL TABLES.

TABLE I.

Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, during the Year 1865.

	M.	F.	TOTAL.	M.	F.	TOTAL.
Remaining in the Asylum, January 1st, 1865	228	231	459			
Admitted during the year 1865.....	81	73	154			
				309	304	613
Discharged recovered.....	35	29	64			
Ditto relieved	2	8	10			
Ditto unimproved.....	19	7	26			
Died	24	15	39			
				80	59	139
Remaining in the Asylum, January 1st, 1866 .....	..	..	..	229	245	474

Per centage of recoveries on total number under treatment.....	10.44
Ditto ditto admissions during the year	41.55
Ditto deaths on the average daily number resident.....	8.38
Ditto ditto on total number under treatment	6.36
Average daily number resident during the year	464.90

Greatest number resident at one time—

Of males only	240
„ females only	249
„ both sexes	486

Least number resident at one time—

Of males only	215
„ females only	229
„ both sexes	444

TABLE II.

Monthly Statement of the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1865.

	ADMISSIONS.			DISCHARGES. Cured and Relieved.			DEATHS.		
	M.	F.	Qtrs. of the Year.	M.	F.	Qtrs. of the Year.	M.	F.	Qtrs. of the Year.
January	4	9	42	2	3	12	2	2	12
February	10	5		3	4		3	1	
March	6	8		..	..		1	3
April	5	4	37	..	5	20	4	3	11
May	6	6		4	1		3	..	
June	11	5		5	5		1	..	
July	3	11	41	3	1	19	2
August	8	3		4	1		..	..
September	10	6		5	5		1	1	
October	9	6	34	4	5	23	2	2	14
November	7	3		4	4		5	3	
December	2	7		3	3		2	..	
	81	73	154	37	37	74	24	15	39

TABLE III.

Civil State.—Admissions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Single	30	27	57
Married	42	37	79
Widowed	8	8	16
Unknown	1	1	2
	81	73	154

TABLE IV.

Ages at time of Admission.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 10 years .....	..	1	1
Between 10 and 20 years	4	1	5
" 20 " 30 " 	15	19	34
" 30 " 40 " 	25	21	46
" 40 " 50 " 	16	13	29
" 50 " 60 " 	10	10	20
" 60 " 70 " 	7	5	12
" 70 " 80 " 	4	3	7
	81	73	154

TABLE V.

Duration of Insanity at time of Admission.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Less than 2 weeks	15	14	29
Between 2 „ and 1 month	1	9	19
„ 1 month „ 3 months	20	19	39
„ 3 months „ 6 „	7	11	18
„ 6 „ „ 12 „	5	2	7
„ 12 „ „ 2 years	6	2	8
„ 2 years „ 5 „	4	5	9
„ 5 „ „ 10 „ .....	..	1	1
Above 10 „ .....	..	1	1
From Birth	1	2	3
Unknown	13	7	20
	81	73	154

TABLE VI.

Occupations of those Admitted.

MALES.

Baker	1	Masons	
Boatmen	3	None or Unknown	
Book-keepers	2	Ostler	
Brass-moulder	1	Paupers	
Brazier	1	Puddler	
Bricklayers	4	Quarrymen	
Butcher	1	Railway Contractor	
Carter	1	Sailors	
Coach painter	1	Shipwright	
„ trimmer	1	Shoemakers	
Clerk	1	Soap Boiler	
Custom-house Officer	1	Soldiers	
Draper	1	Tailors	
Factory Hands	6	Ticket Collector	
Farm Labourers	6	Turner	
Hatters	2	Whipmaker	
Labourers	17		
Leather Cutter	1		
Lodge-keeper	1		

TABLE VI.—*Continued.*

FEMALES.

Charwoman	1	Housekeeper	1
Domestic Duties	30	None or unknown	12
Domestic Servants	12	Nurse	1
Dressmakers	6		
Factory Hands	9		
Hawker	1		
			73

TABLE VII.

Religious Persuasion.—Admissions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Church of England	53	41	94
Protestant Dissent	14	16	30
Roman Catholic	10	12	22
None or unknown	4	4	8
	81	73	154

TABLE VIII.

Bodily condition.—Admissions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Good	5	7	12
Moderate	39	23	62
Weakly	25	31	56
Bad	12	12	24
	81	73	154

TABLE IX.

Form of Mental Disorder.—Admissions.

	TOTAL.		COMPLICATIONS.					
	M.	F.	With Epilepsy.		With General Paralysis.		With Suicidal Propensities.	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Mania	41	41	2	3	8	1	8	14
Melancholia	19	24	2	1	1	1	15	14
Dementia	13	4	1	..	10	1	3	2
Amentia {	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..
	8	2	..	..	..	..	2	1
	81	73	5	6	19	3	28	31

TABLE X.

Supposed Cause.—Admissions.

MORAL.	M.	F.	TOTAL.	M.	F.	TOTAL.
Anxiety	1	..	1			
Depression of spirits.....	..	1	1			
Disappointment in love.....	..	1	1			
Domestic troubles	1	2	3			
Fright .....	..	1	1			
Grief at death of relatives .....	..	2	2			
„ loss of horses	1	..	1			
Jealousy .....	..	1	1			
Religious excitement .....	..	2	2			
				3	10	13
PHYSICAL.						
Accident	1	..	1			
Brain fever.....	..	1	1			
Childbirth .....	..	4	4			
Climacteric period of life.....	..	1	1			
Debility after pneumonia .....	..	1	1			
Disease of brain	1	..	1			
Epilepsy	5	3	8			
Erysipelas .....	..	1	1			
Fever	1	..	1			
Injury to head	2	..	2			

TABLE X.—*Continued.*

	M.	F.	TOTAL.	M.	F.	TOTAL.
Intemperance	12	2	14			
Hereditary causes	2	3	5			
Poverty .....	..	1	1			
Sunstroke	1	..	1			
				25	17	42
Congenital cases .....	..	..	..	1	2	3
Unknown or unassigned .....	..	..	..	52	44	96
				81	73	154
Hereditary predisposition ascertained to exist .....	..	..	..	4	11	15

TABLE XI.

Analysis of Suicidal Cases—Admissions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Attempted to commit suicide	13	15	28
Meditated suicide	15	16	31
	28	31	59

TABLE XII.

Suicidal Attempts.—Admissions.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
By bleeding .....	..	1	1
„ cutting throat	4	5	9
„ drowning	1	2	3
„ hanging	3	..	3
„ jumping through window .....	..	2	2
„ poison	2	2	4
„ strangulation	1	1	2
Form of attempt unknown	2	2	4
	13	15	28

TABLE XIII.

Duration of Residence of those discharged Cured.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 3 months	16	6	22
Between 3 „ and 6 months	6	8	14
„ 6 „ 12 „	8	11	19
„ 12 „ 3 years.....	3	2	5
„ 3 years and 5 „	2	2	4
	35	29	64

TABLE XIV.

Causes of Death.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Chronic disease of liver	1	..	1
Epilepsy	3	..	3
„ and Hæmoptysis	1	..	1
Exhaustion after acute mania .....	..	3	3
„ „ accelerated by fracture of ribs received prior to admission (inquest)	1	..	1
Exhaustion after acute melancholia	2	..	2
General Debility	1	2	3
„ „ with Phlegmonous Erysipelas.	..	1	1
„ Decay from long continued Epilepsy..	..	1	1
„ Paralysis	12	1	13
Marasmus	1	..	1
Organic Disease of Brain, with Hemiplegia ..	1	..	1
Phthisis .....	..	4	4
Puerperal Peritonitis .....	..	1	1
Senile Decay	1	2	3
	24	15	39

TABLE XV.

Ages at time of Death.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 20 years.....	1	..	1
Between 20 „ and 30 years	3	5	8
„ 30 „ „ 40 „	6	3	9
„ 40 „ „ 50 „	6	2	8
„ 50 „ „ 60 „	2	1	3
„ 60 „ „ 70 „	5	3	8
„ 70 „ „ 80 „	1	1	2
	24	15	39

TABLE XVI.

Duration of Treatment of those who Died.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 2 weeks.....	4	2	6
Between 2 „ and 1 month	1	3	4
„ 1 month „ 3 months.....	4	..	4
„ 3 months „ 6 „	4	2	6
„ 6 „ „ 12 „	4	1	5
„ 12 „ „ 2 years.....	3	..	3
„ 2 years „ 5 „	4	2	6
„ 5 „ „ 10 „ .....	..	2	2
„ 10 „ „ 20 „ .....	..	2	2
„ 20 „ „ 30 „ .....	..	1	1
	24	15	39

TABLE XVII.

Daily Account of the State of the Male Patients.

1865.						THURSDAY, June 22nd.		FRIDAY, June 23rd.		SATURDAY, June 24th.	
EMPLOYED.						Morn.	After.	Morn.	After.	Morn.	After.
Working in Land and Garden	..	..	..	..	..	80	81	71	81	77	18
Assisting Joiner	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..
" Engineer	..	..	..	..	..	11	11	11	11	9	3
" Plumber	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	1
" Painter	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	7	7	7	3
" Shoemaker	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	8	8	8	..
" Tailor	..	..	..	..	..	9	9	9	9	9	..
" Bricklayer	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	2	2
" Mattress Maker	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" in Kitchen	..	..	..	..	..	9	9	10	10	11	10
Carrying Coal and Cinders	..	..	..	..	..	11	11	6	11	11	..
Cleaning Wards	..	..	..	..	..	11	11	14	13	15	19
Clerks in Office	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	2	2	2
Working as Tinsmith	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	1
At School	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..
Working beyond Boundaries	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	10	10	12	12
Total Employed						161	162	153	166	188	71
UNEMPLOYED.											
Excitement with Seclusion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" without "	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	2	2	2	2
Sick	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	1
Quiet	..	..	..	..	..	63	63	72	59	37	154
Total Unemployed						66	66	75	62	40	157
Taking exercise beyond Boundaries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Admission	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..
Deaths and Discharges	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Total						227	228	228	228	228	228
At Prayers	..	..	..	..	..	76	..	29	..	72	..

TABLE XVIII.

Daily Account of the State of the Female Patients.

1865.	THURSDAY, June 22nd.		FRIDAY, June 23rd.		SATURDAY, June 24th.	
	EMPLOYED.					
	Morn.	After.	Morn.	After.	Morn.	After.
Cleaning Wards	26	17	26	17	26	19
Assisting in the Kitchen	12	8	12	8	12	8
" " Laundry	20	19	20	19	18	18
Making Men's Clothing	1	1	1	1	1	1
Binding Boots and Shoes	1	1	1	1	1	1
Making Hats and Bonnets .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mending Stockings	8	10	9	9	10	11
Knitting and Netting .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sewing and Quilting	76	59	98	114	103	113
Picking Flocks	4	4	4	4	3	3
At the Superintendent's House	2	2	2	2	1	1
At the Steward's House	1	1	1	1	1	1
At School .. .. .	..	34	..	..	..	..
Total Employed	151	156	174	176	176	176
UNEMPLOYED.						
Excitement with Seclusion .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
" without "	6	7	9	9	7	7
Sick	6	6	6	6	5	5
Quiet	72	66	45	43	44	44
Total Unemployed	84	79	60	58	56	56
Taking exercise beyond Boundaries	12	40	..	..	..	..
Admissions .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
Deaths and discharges	1	..	1	..	2	..
	235	235	234	234	232	232
At Prayers	84	..	83	..	82	..

TABLE XIX.

ARTICLES.										Made.	Repaired
IN FEMALE WARDS:											
Aprons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	499	672
Attendants' Dresses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	..
Bed Ticks..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	69	41
Blankets (overcast and marked)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	937	92
Bonnets (trimmed)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	164	19
Caps (day)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	574	219
Caps (night)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	7
Chemises ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	594	117
Counterpanes (hemmed and marked)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	149	64
Flannel Drawers ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	84	47
„ Petticoats	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	211	98
„ Vests	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	198	74
Iron Holders	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	..
Jackets (linsey)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	296	99
„ (print)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	129	87
Linsey Dresses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	72	3
„ Petticoats..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	94	65
Mats	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	..
Muslin Blinds	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	4
Neckerchiefs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	519	59
Pillow Cases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	314	102
Pinafores ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	3
Pocket Handkerchiefs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	500	19
Print Dresses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	6
Sheets	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	449	230
Shirts	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	654	904
Shrouds	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	..
Stays (pairs)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	98	12
Stockings (pairs) marked	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	947	..
„ „	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1942
Table Cloths	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	29
„ Covers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	67	7
Toilette Covers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	5
Towels	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	274	30
Window Blinds	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	69	14
IN SHOEMAKERS' SHOP:											
Men's Blucher Boots	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	526
„ Slippers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	151	314
Women's Boots	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63	67
„ Shoes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	186	254
IN TAILOR'S SHOP:											
Braces (pairs)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	205	..
Caps	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	97	53
Jackets	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	126	537
Suits (Trousers and Vests)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	63
Trousers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	180	1025
Vests	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	180	425
ATTENDANTS' CLOTHING (UNIFORM)											
Jackets	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	73
Trousers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	115
Vests	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	43

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN FOR 1865.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN, COUNTY ASYLUM,
March 21st, 1866.

I have the honour to lay before you a Report of my duties in connection with the Asylum, for the past year. There necessarily can be very little variation in my Annual Report, for the duties of the Chaplain are, for the most part, of a routine and uniform character.

The Services of the Church have been regularly conducted throughout the year. Two full Services every Sunday, and Daily Prayers each morning of the week. The Holy Sacrament has been administered Quarterly, and I hope with good effect. The number of our communicants have increased in a small ratio—of necessity there never can be many, as none are admitted who I have reason to suppose, are not in a fit state of mind to receive it reverently. The general conduct of the patients during Divine Service has, as usual, been extremely good, any disturbance being a circumstance of rare occurrence. We have a very good Choir, composed of attendants and a few patients, many of the patients join heartily in the chanting and singing, and I believe that it has a very beneficial effect upon them, and tends to lead their minds to the real source of comfort under their trials. The Church is completely filled every Sunday, the congregation numbering on an average 300 persons.

The School on both sides of the House continues to progress very satisfactorily. In the Men's School there is an average attendance of 25. There are on the books about 30, but of course they all cannot attend on each occasion. The new Master is very efficient in his duties. In the Women's School the average attendance is 35, with about 40 on the books. The Bible is read and writing taught, and in some instances arithmetic also. The progress in both Schools being very considerable, and doing much credit, both to the Master and also to the Nurses who, under my superintendence, conduct the Women's School.

Books and periodicals have, as usual, been distributed regularly through the House. I need hardly add, that a large portion of each day has been spent by me in the Asylum, and it gives me great pleasure to bear testimony to the good feeling that manifests itself between the Patients and Attendants generally, a presumptive proof of the kindness and attention with which the Patients are treated.

The Charitable Fund for assisting needy cases has been very useful, and I only hope that by the kind voluntary contributions of those interested in the welfare of these real objects of sympathy, we shall always be able to do a little towards restoring them to comfort and happiness.

I have the honor to remain,

Respectfully yours,
R. CONGREVE, CHAPLAIN.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
To Balance due from Treasurer, 1st January, 1865.....		1092	0	—
One Year's Rent of Land, per Rev. R. Congreve		4	0	0
Bank interest		18	19	10
<i>Sale of Farm Produce—viz.,</i>				
Sheepskins	£10 3 0			
Pigs	43 5 0			
Offal of Cows, &c.	6 5 0			
Hay	14 11 6			
Oats	2 18 0			
Exchange of Cow	3 0 0			
Keep of Pony	18 4 0			
		98	6	0
<i>Sundry Receipts—viz.,</i>				
Rags sold	5 11 8			
Bones ditto	7 3 8			
Old iron ditto	0 16 4			
Repairs of Officers' Clothing	5 16 0			
Attendants' Fines	0 7 6			
Tar and Lime from Gas Works sold	1 14 6			
Clothing, &c., sold for Patients.....	0 12 6			
		22	2	2
County Treasurer for Building and Repairs		1,325	14	6
<i>Maintenance of Patients—viz.,</i>				
Unions and Parishes in Cheshire	£8,349 9 3			
Patients chargeable to County.....	546 8 11			
Do. Do. other Counties	1,475 16 0			
Private Patients	36 8 0			
Criminal Patient paid for by Friends	21 5 10			
		10,429	8	0
Carried forward		£ 12,990	11	7

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
SALARIES AND WAGES.									
<i>Officers.</i>									
Superintendent	at £450 per annum..			450	0	0			
Assistant Medical Officer.....	120 ditto ..			120	0	0			
Matron	80 ditto ..			80	0	0			
Steward	100 ditto ..			100	0	0			
Chaplain	250 ditto ..			250	0	0			
Clerk	110 ditto ..			110	0	0			
Auditor	10 ditto ..			10	0	0			
Schoolmaster	13 ditto ..			13	0	0			
Organist	10 ditto ..			10	0	0	1143	0	0
<i>Male Attendants.</i>									
1 Head-Attendant	at £70 per annum..			70	0	0			
1 Attendant and Wife for separate Male Wards	50 ditto ..			50	0	0			
1 Attendant and Wife for Male Infirmary Ward.....	32 ditto ..			31	9	4			
12 Ordinary Attendants ..from £22 to	30 ditto ..			293	15	6			
1 Baker Attendant	at 35 ditto ..			32	6	2			
1 Engineer ditto	67 12/ ditto ..			67	12	0			
1 Assistant ditto	46 ditto ..			37	15	0			
1 Gardener ditto	41 12/ ditto ..			41	12	0			
1 Painter ditto	40 ditto ..			40	0	0			
1 Shoemaker do.	31 ditto ..			30	15	0			
1 Tailor ditto	35 ditto ..			35	0	0			
1 ditto ditto (occasional)				6	10	0	736	15	0
<i>Female Attendants.</i>									
1 Head-Attendant	at £20 per annum..			20	0	0			
16 Ordinary Attendants ..from £10 to	18 ditto ..			194	14	2			
Cook	17 ditto ..			16	15	0			
Housemaid	10 ditto ..			9	19	6			
Laundress	16 ditto ..			15	18	5	257	7	1
Carried forward							£ 2,137	2	1

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
To Amount brought forward.....	12990	11	7
Carried forward	£ 12990	11	7

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward					2137	2	1
PROVISIONS.							
Arrowroot.....	281 lbs., at 1/4 and 1/8	20	2	8			
Beer.....	12,420 gallons, at 25/.....	431	5	0			
Barm .....	.....	24	19	6			
Butcher's Meat, ...	43,756½ lbs., at 5½d. and 6½d.	1146	15	9			
Ditto	20,248 „ 7d., 7½d., and 7¾d.	647	8	3			
Ditto Dried Beef..	1 cwt., at 18/	0	18	0			
Butter,	1,445 lbs., at 14¾d.	110	0	0			
Ditto Salt.....	5,676 lbs., at 11d. and 11½d.....	266	2	9			
Buttermilk,	13,656 gallons, at 2d.....	113	16	0			
Cheese.....	43 cwt. 3 qrs. 11 lbs., at 65/.....	142	10	2			
Ditto	117½ lbs., at 9d.	4	8	11			
Chicory.....	450 lbs., at 8d.	15	0	0			
Coffee,	1,800 lbs., at 11d. and 11½d.....	85	6	8			
Ditto	5 lbs., at 1/8d.	0	8	4			
Currants and Raisins .....	.....	10	5	4			
Eggs .....	.....	6	13	0			
Flour,	550 sacks, at 25/, 26/, 27/, 28/, 31/	711	0	0			
Ditto	75 „ 19/, 21/, 24/, and 25/	76	10	0			
Fish and Poultry .....	.....	22	2	8			
Milk,	7,212 gallons, at 7½d.	225	7	6			
Peas,	21 cwt, 15/6 and 16/	16	9	0			
Rice,	59½ cwt., 11/3, 11/6, and 11/9	34	3	10			
Snuff and Tobacco .....	.....	53	2	0			
Sugar, Moist,	110 cwt., 34/, 35/, and 42/	198	18	0			
Ditto, Lump,	185 lbs., 6/6½	4	17	7			
Spices .....	.....	40	9	3			
Tea,	1139½ lbs., at 1/6 and 2/	107	5	3			
Ditto,	40 lbs., at 3/, 3/4, and 3/6	6	17	4			
Oatmeal.....	.....	2	14	0			
Biscuits.....	.....	3	8	2			
Confectionery .....	.....	1	0	6			
Potatoes,	92 bushels, at 3/8 and 4/.....	17	5	2			
Carried forward					£ 4547	10	7
Carried forward					£ 6684	12	8

* To arrive at the total consumption of Provisions, there must be added to this Account the value of Provisions, as shown in Farm Account, Page 39, value £488 4s. 4d.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Amount brought forward						6684	12	8
NECESSARIES.								
Coals for Gas, 103 tons 2 cwt. 1 qr., at 11/8, 11/11, 19/..	104	17	8					
Coals, 386 tons 4 cwt., at 9/10, 10/3, and 10/5..	170	6	6					
Slack, 642 tons 7 cwt. 1 qr., at 7/4 and 7/5	243	2	7					
Ditto, 3 tons 12 cwt. 1 qr., at 14/2 and 14/8....	2	12	2					
Candles and Tallow	15	9	0					
Cotton Waste	9	3	5					
Blacking, Blacklead, &c.	18	7	10					
Oil	4	8	4					
Soap, 76 cwt., at 25/6 and 26/6	99	14	0					
Ditto, 14 lbs., at 8d.	0	9	4					
Ditto, Soft, .. 16 firkins, at 17/6	14	0	0					
Starch, Soda, and Blue	14	7	7					
Bricks	2	1	0					
Lime	3	6	4					
						702	5	9
WINES, SPIRITS AND PORTER.								
Ale, 18 gallons, at 60/	1	10	0					
Porter, 792 ditto, at 58/	63	16	0					
Brandy, 56 ditto, at 20/½	56	1	9					
Gin, 6 ditto, at 10/	3	0	0					
Port Wine, .. 40 ditto, 13/	26	0	0					
Sherry, 12 Bottles, at 3/	1	16	0					
						152	3	9
SURGERY AND DISPENSARY.								
Drugs						53	14	0
FUNERALS.								
Coffins and Interments						47	10	0
CLOTHING.								
Male Attendants' Uniform	42	15	11					
Female ditto ditto	30	13	5					
Calico	36	15	2					
Caps and Bonnets	12	7	3					
Winsey	3	17	6					
Flannel	58	19	6					
Handkerchiefs	22	18	0					
Ribbon, &c.	7	12	9					
Hosiery	83	9	0					
Linsey	99	3	4					
Materials for Men's Clothing	176	1	11					
Ditto Women's Dresses	71	14	6					
Ditto Ditto Caps	7	15	0					
	654	3	3					
Carried forward						£7640	6	2

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,
Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
To Amount brought forward	12990	11	7
Carried forward	£ 12990	11	7

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.				£	s	d.	£	s	d.
By amount brought forward							£7640	6	2
CLOTHING—continued.									
Brought forward				654	3	3			
Linen.....				31	8	7			
Neckerchiefs.....				21	9	0			
Jean				15	2	0			
Shirting.....				82	10	0			
Shawls				4	9	6			
Tapes, Needles, Cotton, &c.				75	17	8			
Aprons, &c.				38	16	0			
Leather, &c., for Shoes				165	2	10			
							1088	18	10
FURNITURE AND BEDDING.									
Baskets				15	2	0			
Brushes				39	15	0			
Carpets				48	8	11			
Chairs, Tables, &c.....				115	15	0			
Cleaning Clocks, &c.				0	9	0			
Clocks (Electric)				19	15	0			
Earthenware				41	1	6			
Ironing Blankets and Scourers				4	1	6			
Ironmongery				84	9	3			
Mats				0	19	8			
Towelling.....				9	3	7			
Toilet Covers and Table Linen				38	0	3			
Upholstering				71	4	0			
Window Blinds				4	19	1			
Blankets				80	7	9			
Canvas, &c., for Mattresses and making.....				57	4	10			
Quilts				35	7	6			
Sheets and Pillow Linen				166	14	2			
Ditto Waterproof.....				18	0	0			
Ladder				0	8	0			
Thermometers.....				0	16	0			
Air Cushions and Beds				3	10	10			
Bagatelle Board				13	0	0			
							868	12	10
<i>Building and Repairs charged to County Treasurer.</i>									
Insurance				32	9	4			
Organ				70	0	0			
Recreation Hall, Balance of Contract				78	11	11			
Stair Case, ditto ditto				47	13	6			
Enlargement of Engineer's House, and Sundries.....				115	3	1			
Benches for Recreation Hall.....				56	0	0			
Repairs to Building				952	9	0			
							1352	6	10
Carried forward							£10950	4	8

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RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
To Amount brought forward	12990	11	7
Carried forward	£ 12990	11	7

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Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By amount brought forward							10950	4	8
BUILDING AND REPAIRS.									
Recreation Hall							21	2	3
GARDEN AND FARM.									
Blacksmith				2	10	1			
Bran				0	11	8			
Cow				9	9	0			
Pigs				6	6	0			
Horse and Machine Hire				15	4	0			
Implements				25	15	6			
Meal				76	7	0			
Manure				30	7	2			
Seeds				33	0	11			
Sheep				30	0	0			
Sheep Shearing, Killing Pigs, &c.				9	15	6			
Trees and Plants				6	0	6			
Twine, &c.				4	6	9			
Straw				60	0	10			
Sand				0	13	0			
Cutting Pea Sticks and Evergreens				1	7	6			
Insurance				0	7	6			
							312	2	11
MISCELLANEOUS..									
Amusements for Patients				23	10	9			
Books, Periodicals and Newspapers				47	15	7			
Bank Interest and Commission				28	14	9			
Carriage				8	2	11			
Cleaning Chimnies				6	0	6			
Postage and Carriage of Letters				17	7	0			
Rates and Taxes				36	13	3			
Recapture of Patients				6	11	4			
Removal of Patients				0	5	4			
Stationery, Printing and Advertising				57	0	9			
				232	2	2			
Carried forward							£ 11283	9	10

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE,

Between the 1st day of January, 1865, and the 31st day of December, 1865.

PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By amount brought forward				11283	9	10
MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>						
Brought forward	232	2	2			
Travelling Expenses	11	5	4			
Glazier's Diamond	0	17	6			
Grinding Razors, &c.	1	9	10			
Twine	1	19	0			
Flags	6	0	0			
Spirit Level	0	3	0			
Micrometer Eye Glass	1	4	0			
Spectacles.....	3	0	6			
				258	1	4
				11541	11	2
Balance.....				1449	0	5
<i>Examined and found correct,</i>						
JAMES WAKEFIELD,						
AUDITOR.						
10th March, 1866.						
PETER EWART,						
CHAIRMAN.						
				£ 12990	11	7

THIS MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT IS SIMPLY TO SHOW

MEMORANDUM—GARDEN AND FARM ACCOUNT

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1865—January 1st.						
Value of Stock on hand, as per last Statement, viz. :—						
1 Horse	25	9	4			
51 Pigs	107	13	0			
19 Sheep	19	0	0			
90 Fowls	6	15	0			
Implements	88	4	10			
Farm produce	150	18	0	398	0	2
Cash paid for						
Blacksmith	2	10	1			
Bran	0	11	8			
Cutting Pea-sticks and Evergreens	1	7	6			
Cow	9	9	0			
Horse and Machine Hire	15	4	0			
Implements (New)	22	2	0			
" (Repairs)	3	13	6			
Insurance	0	7	6			
Manure	30	7	2			
Meal	76	7	0			
Pigs	6	6	0			
Sand	0	13	0			
Seeds	33	0	11			
Sheep	30	0	0			
Sheep-shearing, Killing Pigs, &c.	9	15	6			
Straw	60	0	10			
Trees and Plants	6	0	6			
Twine, &c.	4	6	9	312	2	11
Value of Pig-wash from Asylum				15	0	0
Balance, which may be taken as a return for Rent on 32 Acres of Land, and the labour of Patients employed thereon				362	3	5
				£1087	6	6

THE RESULT OF THE WORKING OF THE FARM.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1865.

				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1865—December 31st.									
Value of Stock on hand, viz.:									
1 Horse	...	..	£25 9 4						
Less 10 per cent.		...	2 11 0	22	18	4			
83 Pigs	.. valued at	..	..	186	0	0			
60 Fowls	...	..	..	4	10	0			
Implements	...	..	88 4 10						
Less 10 per cent.		..	8 16 6	79	8	4			
Implements (new)	at	...	...	22	2	0			
5 Tons Hay	..	..	3 10 0	17	10	0			
61 Bushels of Barley	..	..	0 5 0	15	5	0			
160 Bushels of Oats	..	..	0 3 3	26	0	0			
172 Pecks of Onions	..	..	0 0 9	6	9	0			
30 Cwt. of Carrots...	..	..	0 0 6	0	15	0			
30 Tons of Mangold Wurzel	..	..	0 8 0	12	0	0			
30 Ditto Turnips	..	..	0 8 0	12	0	0			
20 Bushels of Peas	..	..	0 5 0	5	0	0			
350 Ditto Potatoes	..	..	0 2 6	43	15	0			
150 Ditto ditto (seed)	..	..	0 2 6	18	15	0	472	7	8
By Cash received for									
68 Sheep Skins	...	at	...	10	3	0			
31 Pigs	...	..	...	43	5	0			
Offal	...	..	...	6	5	0			
29 Cwt. of Hay	...	..	0 4 0	5	16	0			
39 Ditto	...	..	0 2 6	8	15	6			
2 Bushels of Oats	...	..	0 3 0	0	6	0			
16 Ditto ditto	..	..	0 3 3	2	12	0			
Exchange of Cows...	..	..	...	3	0	0			
Keep of Pony	...	..	...	18	4	0	98	6	6
By value of Miscellaneous Cartage							28	8	0
Value of Produce supplied to Asylum, and consumed by Patients, viz.:									
5,186 lbs Pork	...	at	0 0 6½	140	8	6½			
1,497 lbs Mutton	...	..	0 0 7¾	48	6	9			
1,621¼ Bushels of Potatoes	..	..	0 2 6	202	13	1½			
Vegetables	...	..	...	86	13	2			
3,244 Eggs	..	..	...	10	2	9	488	4	4
							£1087	6	6

Average Cost per head per week for 464'68 Patients.

							£	s.	d.	
Salaries and Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1	9	227
Provisions	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	9	168
Necessaries	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	6	975
Wine, Spirits, and Porter	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	1	512
Surgery and Dispensary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	533
Funerals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	472
Clothing ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	10	816
Furniture and Bedding ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	8	628
Garden and Farm ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	3	100
Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	2	563
							0	8	4	994
Less Produce of Farm, &c., sold	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0	1	196
							£0	8	3	798