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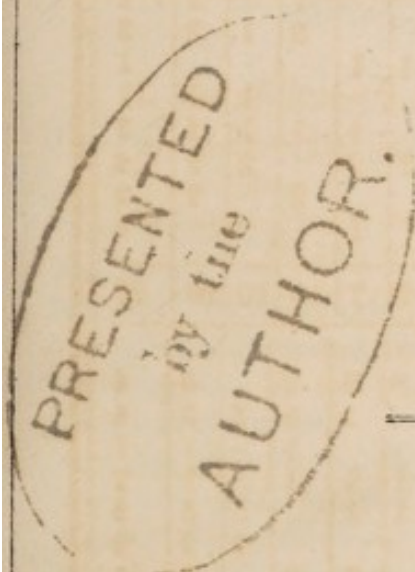
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MEDICAL REPORT.

THE history of an Hospital in the sixty-second year of its operations can scarcely be expected to present much of novelty in its particulars, and will probably be most acceptable in the form of a brief introduction to details which are to be best apprehended in the compact shape of Statistical Tables. These will be found annexed, and exhibit a fair progress in the success with which the Institution fulfils its design.

The number resident has been greater than at any former period. From 1st January to 31st December, 1861, there were four hundred and seventeen (417) persons under its care and treatment, the mean number being about three hundred and eighteen (318). The number of new cases admitted was a hundred and four (104), forty-two (42) being private patients, and eighty-three (83) the contribution of the several County Parishes. Many of the cases presented more than common difficulty, from vicious or troublesome propensities and conditions of disease, debility, and exhaustion, necessitating much attention in their management, and expense in their medical treatment.

The medical results of the year have been of a very

satisfactory character. The discharges — recovered — have been in the proportion of forty-six per cent. to the admissions, which is to be considered as a high ratio, being beyond the usual rate, and also above the average experience of the Establishment. From the statements regarding these cases in the table relating to them, it will be observed that the desired end was postponed for exceedingly varying lengths of time, there being a range in the term of treatment of no less than from four weeks to four years. The mean duration of such cases in this Report is about seven months.

Nineteen deaths occurred, which, in relation to the number of four hundred and seventeen Patients under care, will not seem by any means a great proportion, and is even under our own average record in this particular. Here again the durations of residence are found to be very different, and range from three weeks to forty years. The average residence was more than seven years. Although Insanity does not, as was at one time believed, act otherwise than as diseased states generally, in tending to shorten life, even when cared for in Hospital retirement, yet no fewer than four of these Patients were above seventy, and the average age of the nineteen at death was not much less than fifty-two years.

Sixteen pauper incurables were removed by the authority of the Board of Lunacy, on the petition of Parochial Inspectors, mostly to be placed in the fatuous wards of the City Poorhouses—a change not for the advantage of the lunatic—while their places were supplied by cases of more difficulty or danger—a change not for the financial benefit of the Hospital.

The year passed over without any accident, epidemic, or misfortune of importance. The open state of grounds, consequent on various alterations in progress, occasioned more than the ordinary amount of attempts at escape, and with fully more than the usual success; but in all instances the runaways were, after a short lapse of time, and a brief experience of extramural hardships, brought back safely, though in some cases after they had wandered to a considerable distance. One got northward as far as Fraserburgh, and another south as far as Montrose, apparently without any distinct object in view.

The Lunacy Commissioners visited as usual on several occasions, and extracts from their Reports will be found appended.

The Census Return was made on the 10th March, and an abstract of it will be found added to the Hospital Statistics.

The new House at Elmhill is far advanced towards completion, and together with its grounds, is considered by judges to promise accommodation beyond any elsewhere provided for Private Patients in connexion with a Public Institution for the Insane.

ROBERT JAMIESON, M.D.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

APPENDIX.

No. I.

Extracts from Drs. Browne & Cockburn's Report of 13th and 14th February, 1861.

THE present population of the Aberdeen Asylum, which was visited upon these days, amounts at present to 315, of whom 148 are Males, and 167 Females, there being an addition of 6 since last Report. The Statistics of the community show that 9 individuals are suffering under bodily disease; that 150—41 Males, and 109 Females, are employed in some way, and that 98 regularly attended Chapel. 48 Patients have been admitted, 42 of whom belong to the County of Aberdeen, and 27 were Paupers chargeable to the District. There have been 30 Discharges—21 as recovered, 6 as relieved, and 3 as unimproved. 13 Deaths have occurred—4 in the Pauper department, 3 are attributed to Paralysis, 3 to Epilepsy, 3 to the decay of old age, and 4 to Exhaustion, consequent upon maniacal excitement or chronic disease. 7 of the persons who died appear to have been above 60 years old; the oldest was 82, the youngest 25, and only two had been admitted within the current year. * * * * *

Among the matters for commendation which came under our observation, we would especially record the advantages secured by the separation and classification of the inmates in the four distinct buildings of which the Institution at presents consists.

2^{ndly},—The abolition of the refractory ward upon the Female side, and the drafting of its inmates into the different galleries. This change has already borne fruit in the greater tranquillity of the excited patients themselves, and does not appear to have acted detrimentally upon the groups of which they have become members. The change took place about 5 months ago.

3^{rdly},—Hair Mattresses have been, or are about to be, substituted for those formerly in use throughout the House, and a strip of carpet now lies in almost every room.

The Reporters saw the Patients at dinner, engaged in work, and under every variety of circumstance, and would express the great satisfaction which they derived from the impression received. There

was ample proof afforded, not only of general humanity and kindness, but that the Officers stand generally in the relation of friends and advisers, as well as of governors and guardians, of those committed to their charge; and that they attend not merely to their management as irrational beings, but that they endeavour to mitigate their sufferings, and to indulge their peculiarities, so far as that can be done consistently with their condition and restoration to health. * * *

No. II.

Extract from Dr. Coxe's Report of 30th July, 1861.

* * * * * Since last inspection great progress has been made towards completing the new Asylum. It is now completely roofed in, and the internal arrangements are being rapidly proceeded with. It appears well calculated to afford accommodation of a very superior description for the more tractable of the Private Patients, for whom every comfort sanctioned by modern experience will be provided. A year will probably elapse before it is ready for occupation, but the existing Asylum affords in the meantime adequate accommodation for all the Male Patients presenting themselves. It has, however, been necessary to refuse several applications for the admissions of Females.

Various improvements in connexion with the grounds and airing courts are being carried out. The principal of these is the shifting of the public road, by which a piece of ground formerly detached will be annexed to the general block; and a more private position will thus be given to the house formerly occupied by the Superintendent, and which now contains several of the better class of Pauper Male Patients, the tailors' workshop, and the billiard room. The grounds immediately in front of the Asylum have likewise been greatly improved by taking down the walls which bounded the avenue, and in course of time they will probably be further opened up by the removal of the front airing courts. Several other alterations, affecting the other airing courts, are also either being carried out, or are in contemplation, and their tendency will be to afford increased means of exercise.

Within the Asylum, too, various improvements have taken place, and others are in progress. Several of the day-rooms have recently been lined with wood, and it is intended to replace a considerable portion of the stone pavement of the passages and single rooms with

wooden flooring, and to paint in oil several of the halls and passages. These changes will tend to remove that bareness of appearance which has long been an unpleasing feature of a large portion of the accommodation occupied by the Parochial Patients; and which would be farther relieved by the introduction of additional furniture, such as wash-stands, &c., and by extending the painting and papering to the single rooms. * * * * *

All parts of the Establishment were found in excellent order, clean, and well ventilated; and the bedding, with the exception of a few sheets in need of repair, was in good condition and thoroughly clean. * * * * * No Patient was found in seclusion, and it appears from the Register that this mode of repression is very seldom resorted to. Since last Report, seclusion in bedroom has been used only four times for Females, not once for Males; and in the yard four times for Females, and once for Males. The period of its duration seldom exceeded an hour or two, and the cause is generally ascribed to violent conduct, or to the use of foul and abusive language. The experiment of drafting the Female refractory Patients among the others, has proved completely successful. Their former day-room continues to serve as a dormitory, and their airing court is at present unused. The sufficiency and appropriate nature of the diet are shown by the healthy condition of the inmates, and the prevailing low mortality. * * * * *

The general impression produced by the inspection was very favourable; and the Commissioner cannot conclude this Report without adverting to the spirit of enlightened progress which directs the management of the Asylum, and which is in steady operation in removing defects and in introducing improvements. He thinks it right also to state that he was very favourably impressed by the kind and conciliatory behaviour of the Attendants and Officers towards the Patients.

The Registers were examined, and found carefully kept. That of Visitors records 607 applications to see Female Patients since last inspection, of which 13 were refused; and 616 applications to see Male Patients, of which 37 were refused. The cause of refusal was chiefly the recent admission of the Patient, the fear of excitement, or the unsuitable character of the Visitor. Four visits were made by Inspectors, or other Parochial authorities.

TABLES.

TABLE I.

GENERAL RESULTS OF THE YEAR.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|---|--------|-----|----------|-----|--------|
| Patients in the Asylum, 1st January, 1861,... | 146 | ... | 167 | ... | 313 |
| Admitted during the year, | 53 | ... | 51 | ... | 104 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| Under care and treatment during the year, 199 | ... | | 218 | ... | 417 |

Removed during the Year:—

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|--|--------|-----|----------|-----|--------|
| Recovered, | 24 | ... | 24 | ... | 48 |
| Relieved, | 5 | ... | 6 | ... | 11 |
| Unimproved, | 5 | ... | 12 | ... | 17 |
| Dead, | 11 | ... | 8 | ... | 19—45 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| Remaining in the Asylum, 31st Dec. 1861, | 154 | ... | 168 | ... | 322 |

TABLE II.

AGE OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|----------------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|--------|
| From 10 to 20, | 1 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 3 |
| „ 20 „ 30, | 12 | ..... | 11 | ..... | 23 |
| „ 30 „ 40, | 16 | ..... | 13 | ..... | 29 |
| „ 40 „ 50, | 11 | ..... | 11 | ..... | 22 |
| „ 50 „ 60, | 6 | ..... | 10 | ..... | 16 |
| „ 60 „ 70, | 5 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 7 |
| „ 70 „ 80, | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 4 |
| <hr/> | | | | | |
| | 53 | | 51 | | 104 |

TABLE III.

RELATIVE NUMBER OF PRIVATE AND PAROCHIAL CASES.

| | Males. | Fem. | Total. | Males. | Fem. | Total. |
|--|--------|------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| Private cases in Asylum, 1st | | | | | | |
| January, 1861,..... | 48 | 35 | 83 | | | |
| Do. admitted during the year, | 20 | 22 | 42 | | | |
| Total of Private cases } during the year, ... } | | | 68 | 57 | 125 | |
| Parochial cases in Asylum, 1st | | | | | | |
| January, 1861,..... | 98 | 132 | 230 | | | |
| Do. admitted during the year, | 33 | 29 | 62 | | | |
| Total of Parochial cases } during the year, ... } | | | 131 | 161 | 292 | |
| Total number of cases, | 199 | 218 | 417 | | | |
| Private cases removed during the year, | 20 | 20 | 40 | | | |
| Parochial cases do. do. | 25 | 30 | 55 | | | |
| Total number of cases } removed during year, } | | | 45 | 50 | 95 | |
| Private cases remaining, 1st | | | | | | |
| January, 1862,..... | 48 | 37 | 85 | | | |
| Parochial cases do. do. | 106 | 131 | 237 | | | |
| Total number of cases } remaining, | | | 154 | 168 | 322 | |

TABLE IV.

CLASSIFICATION OF ADMISSIONS RELATIVE TO PLACES OF RESIDENCE.

| | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| From Aberdeen and Suburbs,..... | 27 | 17 | 44 |
| From Aberdeenshire, | 21 | 29 | 50 |
| From more distant localities,..... | 5 | 5 | 10 |
| | 53 | 51 | 104 |

TABLE V.

SOCIAL CONDITION OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

| | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Single, | 26 | 24 | 50 |
| Married, | 22 | 19 | 41 |
| Widowed, | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| | 53 | 51 | 104 |

TABLE VI.

OCCUPATION OR STATION IN LIFE OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

MALES.

| | | | |
|----------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Army Pensioner,..... | 1 | Hawker, | 1 |
| Basketmaker, | 1 | House Carpenter, | 1 |
| Blacksmith, | 1 | House Painter, | 1 |
| Carpenter, | 1 | Labourers, | 6 |
| Clergyman, | 1 | Lawyers, | 2 |
| Clerks, ... | 3 | Merchants, | 4 |
| Coachman, | 1 | No occupation,..... | 4 |
| Cooper, | 1 | Porter, | 1 |
| Crofter, | 1 | Quarrier, | 1 |
| Farmers, | 4 | Saddler,..... | 1 |
| Farm Servants, | 3 | Sailor, | 1 |
| Fishcurer,..... | 1 | Sawyer,..... | 1 |
| Fishermen, | 2 | Shoemakers,..... | 2 |
| Flaxdresser, | 1 | Tailor, | 1 |
| Gamekeeper, | 1 | Teacher, | 1 |
| Gardener, | 1 | Turner, | 1 |

FEMALES.

| | | | |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----|
| Blacksmiths' Wives, | 2 | Labourers' Wives, | 3 |
| Crofter's Wife,..... | 1 | Lacemaker, | 1 |
| Domestic Servants,..... | 5 | Mason's Wife, | 1 |
| Dressmakers, | 2 | Military Officer's Wife, | 1 |
| Farmers' Daughters, | 2 | Millworkers,..... | 3 |
| Farm Servant's Wife,..... | 1 | No occupation,..... | 10 |
| Farmer's Sister, | 1 | Sailor's Wife, | 1 |
| Farmers' Widows, | 2 | Shipmaster's Wife,..... | 1 |
| Farmers' Wives, | 4 | Shoemakers' Wives, | 2 |
| Hotel-keeper, | 1 | Teacher, | 1 |
| Housekeepers, | 4 | Washerwomen, | 2 |

TABLE VII.

FORM OF INSANITY IN CASES ADMITTED.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|-----------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|-----------|
| Delirium, | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 |
| Mania, | 27 | ..... | 15 | ..... | 42 |
| Melancholia, | 12 | ..... | 18 | ..... | 30 |
| Dementia, | 8 | ..... | 8 | ..... | 16 |
| Monomania, | 5 | ..... | 8 | ..... | 13 |
| Moral Insanity, | 0 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 |
| | <hr/> 53 | | <hr/> 51 | | <hr/> 104 |

TABLE VIII.

COMPLICATION OF CASES ADMITTED WITH NERVOUS DISEASE.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|--|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| Epilepsy, with Mania, | 5 | ..... | 0 | ..... | 5 |
| Epilepsy, with Monomania, | 1 | ..... | 0 | ..... | 1 |
| Hypochondriasis, with Monomania, | 1 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 4 |
| Hypochondriasis, with Melancholia, | 0 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 |
| Paralysis, with Dementia, | 3 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 4 |
| Paralysis, with Mania, | 1 | ..... | 0 | ..... | 1 |
| Spinal Disease, with Delirium, | 1 | ..... | 0 | ..... | 1 |
| | <hr/> 12 | | <hr/> 5 | | <hr/> 17 |

TABLE IX.

COMPLICATION OF CASES ADMITTED WITH DISEASED IMPULSE.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|---|---------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| Suicidal Impulse, with Melancholia, | 7 | ..... | 11 | ..... | 18 |
| Suicidal Impulse, with Dementia, ... | 1 | ..... | 0 | ..... | 1 |
| Homicidal Impulse, with Monomania, | 0 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 |
| | <hr/> 8 | | <hr/> 12 | | <hr/> 20 |

TABLE X.

NATURE OF CAUSES ASSIGNED.

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Cause assignable, in..... | about 67 per cent. |
| Hereditary predisposition, in | „ 31 „ |
| Moral cause, in | „ 9 „ |
| Physical cause, in | „ 30 „ |
| Moral and Physical causes combined, in | „ 8 „ |
| Previous attack, in | „ 23 „ |

TABLE XI.

CASES ADMITTED SUPPOSED ATTRIBUTABLE TO MORAL CAUSE.

| No. | EXCITING CAUSE. | SEX. | AGE. | FORM OF DISEASE. |
|-----|---------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Death of Child, . . . | M. | 35 | Dementia (Paralysis). |
| 2 | Death of Mother, . . . | M. | 29 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 3 | Devotional excitement, . . . | M. | 68 | Mania. |
| 4 | Devotional excitement, . . . | F. | 45 | Dementia. |
| 5 | Domestic distress, . . . | F. | 58 | Dementia. |
| 6 | Loss of employment, . . . | M. | 62 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 7 | Loss of money, . . . | M. | 60 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 8 | Misfortune in business, . . . | M. | 45 | Dementia (Paralysis). |
| 9 | Pecuniary disappointment, . . . | M. | 35 | Mania. |

TABLE XII.

CASES ADMITTED ATTRIBUTED TO COMBINED MORAL AND
PHYSICAL CAUSES.

| No. | MORAL CAUSE. | PHYSICAL CAUSE. | SEX. | AGE. | FORM OF DISORDER. |
|-----|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|--------------------|
| 1 | Death of Husband, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | F. | 31 | Melancholia (sui). |
| 2 | Devotional excitement, . . . | Change of life, . . . | F. | 45 | Mania. |
| 3 | Devotional excitement, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | M. | 34 | Mania. |
| 4 | Devotional excitement, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | M. | 18 | Mania. |
| 5 | Domestic trouble, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | F. | 22 | Monomania. |
| 6 | Ill success in business, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | M. | 29 | Mania. |
| 7 | Loss of employment, . . . | Hereditary, . . . | M. | 51 | Melancholia. |
| 8 | Pecuniary distress, . . . | Nursing, . . . | F. | 36 | Melancholia (sui.) |

TABLE XIII.

CASES ADMITTED ATTRIBUTED TO PHYSICAL EXCITING CAUSE.

| No. | CAUSE. | SEX. | AGE. | FORM OF DISEASE. |
|-----|----------------------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Age, | F. | 76 | Dementia. |
| 2 | Change of Life, | F. | 52 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 3 | Change of Life, | F. | 50 | Mania. |
| 4 | Change of Life, | F. | 50 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 5 | Change of Life, | F. | 48 | Melancholia. |
| 6 | Change of Life, | F. | 45 | Monomania. |
| 7 | Change of Life, | F. | 45 | Monomania. |
| 8 | Childbirth, | F. | 32 | Melancholia. |
| 9 | Childbirth, | F. | 31 | Mania. |
| 10 | Childbirth, | F. | 26 | Mania. |
| 11 | Childbirth, | F. | 23 | Mania. |
| 12 | Congenital, | M. | 30 | Monomania. |
| 13 | Dissipation, | M. | 40 | Dementia. |
| 14 | Injury of Head, | M. | 75 | Mania. |
| 15 | Injury of Head, | M. | 30 | Mania. |
| 16 | Intemperance, | M. | 72 | Dementia. |
| 17 | Intemperance, | M. | 61 | Monomania. |
| 18 | Intemperance, | M. | 61 | Mania. |
| 19 | Intemperance, | M. | 50 | Mania. |
| 20 | Intemperance, | M. | 50 | Mania. |
| 21 | Intemperance, | M. | 47 | Mania. |
| 22 | Intemperance, | M. | 38 | Mania. |
| 23 | Intemperance, | M. | 35 | Mania. |
| 24 | Intemperance, | M. | 31 | Mania. |
| 25 | Intemperance, | M. | 28 | Mania. |
| 26 | Intemperance, | M. | 28 | Mania. |
| 27 | Intemperance, | M. | 23 | Monomania. |
| 28 | Intemperance, | F. | 32 | Mania. |
| 29 | Nursing, | F. | 26 | Melancholia (suicidal). |
| 30 | Nursing and Pregnancy, | F. | 21 | Melancholia. |

TABLE XIV.

CASES DISCHARGED RECOVERED.

| No. | Sex. | Form of Mental Disorder. | Causes of Disorder. | Duration of Residence. | | | |
|-----|------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | | Y. | M. | W. | D. |
| 1 | M. | Delirium,..... | Hereditary,..... | ... | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| 2 | M. | Dementia,..... | Hereditary—dissipation,..... | ... | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 3 | M. | Mania,..... | Trouble in business,..... | ... | 4 | ... | 1 |
| 4 | M. | Mania,..... | Injury of head—loss of wife—relig. ex. | ... | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| 5 | M. | Mania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 2 | ... | 1 |
| 6 | M. | Mania,..... | Death of child—previous attacks,.... | ... | 7 | ... | 1 |
| 7 | M. | Mania,..... | ..... | ... | 6 | 4 | 1 |
| 8 | M. | Mania,..... | Hereditary—previous attacks,..... | ... | 6 | ... | 1 |
| 9 | M. | Mania,..... | Hereditary—devotional excitement, | ... | 2 | 3 | ... |
| 10 | M. | Mania,..... | Injury of head,..... | ... | 5 | 3 | 1 |
| 11 | M. | Mania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... |
| 12 | M. | Mania,..... | Hereditary—intemperance,..... | ... | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 13 | M. | Mania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| 14 | M. | Mania,..... | Hereditary,..... | ... | 3 | ... | 2 |
| 15 | M. | Mania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 3 | ... | 6 |
| 16 | M. | Mania,..... | Hered.—intem.—ill success in business | ... | 4 | ... | ... |
| 17 | F. | Mania,..... | Change of life,..... | ... | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 18 | F. | Mania,..... | Previous attacks,..... | 4 | 3 | 3 | ... |
| 19 | F. | Mania,..... | Nursing,..... | ... | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 20 | F. | Mania,..... | Hereditary—hysteria,..... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... |
| 21 | F. | Mania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 2 | ... | 5 |
| 22 | F. | Mania,..... | Childbirth,..... | ... | 5 | 3 | 5 |
| 23 | F. | Mania,..... | Childbirth—exposure to cold,..... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... |
| 24 | F. | Mania,..... | Childbirth,..... | ... | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| 25 | F. | Mania,..... | ..... | 1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 26 | F. | Mania,..... | Childbirth,..... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 27 | F. | Mania,..... | Change of life—devotional excite.... | ... | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| 28 | F. | Mania,..... | A fright,..... | ... | 9 | 3 | 5 |
| 29 | M. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Disappointment in love,..... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... |
| 30 | M. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Hereditary—devotional excitement, | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 31 | M. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Hereditary,..... | 2 | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| 32 | M. | Melancholia,..... | ..... | ... | 4 | ... | 6 |
| 33 | M. | Melancholia,..... | ..... | ... | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| 34 | F. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Nursing and conception,..... | ... | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| 35 | F. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Nursing—pecuniary distress,..... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 |
| 36 | F. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Hereditary—death of husband,..... | ... | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 37 | F. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Hereditary,..... | ... | 5 | 2 | 5 |
| 38 | F. | Melancholia (suicidal) | Hereditary,..... | ... | 8 | ... | 4 |
| 39 | F. | Melancholia,..... | Nursing and pregnancy,..... | ... | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| 40 | F. | Melancholia,..... | Change of life,..... | ... | 3 | ... | 4 |
| 41 | F. | Melancholia,..... | Hereditary,..... | ... | 8 | 2 | 1 |
| 42 | F. | Melancholia,..... | ..... | 1 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| 43 | F. | Melancholia,..... | ..... | ... | 4 | 3 | ... |
| 44 | M. | Monomania,..... | Hereditary—intemperance,..... | ... | 4 | ... | 1 |
| 45 | M. | Monomania,..... | Intemperance,..... | ... | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 46 | M. | Monomania,..... | ..... | ... | 10 | 1 | 5 |
| 47 | F. | Monomania,..... | ..... | 1 | 9 | 3 | 5 |
| 48 | F. | Monomania,..... | ..... | ... | 8 | 2 | 6 |

TABLE XV.
DEATHS.

| No. | Sex. | Age. | Form of Mental Disorder. | Causes. | Duration of Residence. | | | Cause of Death. |
|-----|------|------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|------|------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | Yrs. | Mon. | Wks. Days. | |
| 1 | M. | 22 | Amentia, . | Hereditary, . | 4 | 7 | 2 1 | Epilepsy. |
| 2 | F. | 25 | Delirium, . | Phthisis, . | 0 | 0 | 3 0 | Phthisis. |
| 3 | M. | 72 | Dementia, . | Age, . | 0 | 4 | 0 2 | Bronchitis. |
| 4 | M. | 42 | Dementia, . | Paralysis, . | 4 | 0 | 2 4 | General Paralysis. |
| 5 | M. | 29 | Dementia, . | Hereditary, . | 2 | 2 | 1 3 | Bronchitis. |
| 6 | F. | 78 | Dementia, . | | 7 | 7 | 1 4 | Decay of Age. |
| 7 | F. | 75 | Dementia, . | Childbirth—Domestic troub.—prev. att. | 40 | 6 | 0 4 | Apoplexy. |
| 8 | F. | 66 | Dementia, . | Death of Brother, . | 1 | 9 | 2 6 | Bronchitis. |
| 9 | F. | 54 | Dementia, . | Paralysis, . | 17 | 5 | 3 5 | Cancer. |
| 10 | M. | 69 | Mania, . | Devotional Excitement, . | 0 | 4 | 3 3 | Diarrhoea. |
| 11 | M. | 51 | Mania (suicidal), . | Intemperance—Falls on Head, . | 1 | 0 | 2 1 | Cerebral Disease. |
| 12 | M. | 46 | Mania, . | Previous attacks, . | 0 | 1 | 0 0 | Exhaustion (Mania). |
| 13 | M. | 32 | Mania, . | Quarrel—Disease of Brain—Hereditary, . | 4 | 1 | 0 0 | Cerebral Disease. |
| 14 | F. | 44 | Melancholia, . | Destitution—previous attacks, . | 8 | 5 | 2 6 | Phthisis. |
| 15 | M. | 53 | Monomania, . | Paralysis, . | 1 | 0 | 1 3 | General Paralysis. |
| 16 | M. | 53 | Monomania, . | Paralysis, . | 1 | 0 | 1 4 | Paralysis. |
| 17 | M. | 41 | Monomania, . | Poverty—Anxiety, . | 18 | 3 | 1 3 | Phthisis. |
| 18 | F. | 56 | Monomania, . | Domestic unhappiness, . | 22 | 5 | 2 6 | Pulmonary Disease. |
| 19 | F. | 76 | Moral Insanity, . | Previous attacks, . | 9 | 11 | 2 0 | Decay of Age. |

TABLE XVI.

RESULTS, AT PRESENT DATE, OF ADMISSIONS OF LAST 61 YEARS.

| Year. | Admitted. | Recovered. | Relieved, &c. | Dead. | Remaining 31st Dec., 1861. |
|---------|-----------|------------|------------------|-------|----------------------------------|
| 1800-24 | 563 | 443 | | 118 | 2 |
| 1825 | 52 | 23 | 19 | 9 | 1 |
| 1826 | 41 | 22 | 11 | 7 | 1 |
| 1827 | 36 | 15 | 13 | 7 | 1 |
| 1828 | 32 | 16 | 9 | 5 | 2 |
| 1829 | 46 | 16 | 18 | 11 | 1 |
| 1830 | 58 | 30 | 11 | 16 | 1 |
| 1831 | 33 | 13 | 7 | 12 | 1 |
| 1832 | 33 | 15 | 6 | 11 | 1 |
| 1833 | 42 | 19 | 14 | 9 | 0 |
| 1834 | 50 | 19 | 23 | 6 | 2 |
| 1835 | 42 | 22 | 8 | 10 | 2 |
| 1836 | 41 | 17 | 12 | 8 | 4 |
| 1837 | 43 | 17 | 11 | 14 | 1 |
| 1838 | 53 | 23 | 10 | 17 | 3 |
| 1839 | 74 | 32 | 18 | 19 | 5 |
| 1840 | 48 | 25 | 11 | 8 | 4 |
| 1841 | 56 | 21 | 16 | 14 | 5 |
| 1842 | 51 | 19 | 17 | 9 | 6 |
| 1843 | 71 | 35 | 19 | 14 | 3 |
| 1844 | 74 | 30 | 24 | 14 | 6 |
| 1845 | 93 | 45 | 24 | 19 | 5 |
| 1846 | 67 | 26 | 23 | 12 | 6 |
| 1847 | 95 | 43 | 25 | 21 | 6 |
| 1848 | 83 | 41 | 23 | 14 | 5 |
| 1849 | 81 | 36 | 22 | 13 | 10 |
| 1850 | 69 | 34 | 14 | 15 | 6 |
| 1851 | 85 | 37 | 24 | 13 | 11 |
| 1852 | 95 | 48 | 27 | 12 | 8 |
| 1853 | 107 | 48 | 25 | 26 | 8 |
| 1854 | 65 | 26 | 17 | 11 | 11 |
| 1855 | 61 | 34 | 11 | 6 | 10 |
| 1856 | 103 | 57 | 16 | 15 | 15 |
| 1857 | 84 | 32 | 18 | 14 | 20 |
| 1858 | 102 | 38 | 16 | 12 | 36 |
| 1859 | 84 | 27 | 15 | 11 | 31 |
| 1860 | 78 | 39 | 12 | 8 | 19 |
| 1861 | 104 | 28 | 10 | 3 | 63 |
| | 2994 | 2110 | | 562 | 322 |

TABLE XVII.

GENERAL RESULTS OF THE LAST 32 YEARS.

| Year. | Mean Number Resi- dent. | Admitted. | Recovered. | Dead. | Recovered per cent. to Ad- missions. | Recovered per cent. to mean No. Resident. | Deaths per cent. to Admis- sions. | Deaths per cent. to mean No. Resident. |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|---|--|--|---|
| 1830 | 102 | 59 | 27 | 8 | 45.77 | 26.57 | 13.56 | 7.84 |
| 1831 | 100 | 33 | 14 | 12 | 42.42 | 14.00 | 36.36 | 12.00 |
| 1832 | 106 | 33 | 15 | 10 | 45.45 | 14.15 | 30.30 | 9.43 |
| 1833 | 107 | 42 | 23 | 14 | 54.76 | 21.51 | 33.33 | 13.08 |
| 1834 | 114 | 50 | 16 | 6 | 32.00 | 14.91 | 12.00 | 5.26 |
| 1835 | 116 | 42 | 20 | 11 | 47.61 | 18.10 | 26.19 | 9.48 |
| 1836 | 109 | 41 | 24 | 5 | 58.53 | 22.02 | 12.19 | 4.59 |
| 1837 | 113 | 43 | 16 | 8 | 39.53 | 14.16 | 18.60 | 7.08 |
| 1838 | 124 | 53 | 20 | 14 | 37.73 | 16.13 | 26.41 | 11.29 |
| 1839 | 140 | 74 | 26 | 10 | 35.13 | 18.57 | 13.51 | 7.14 |
| 1840 | 144 | 48 | 25 | 19 | 52.08 | 17.36 | 39.58 | 13.19 |
| 1841 | 150 | 56 | 22 | 10 | 39.29 | 14.66 | 17.86 | 6.67 |
| 1842 | 152 | 51 | 26 | 11 | 50.98 | 17.10 | 21.57 | 7.24 |
| 1843 | 167 | 71 | 28 | 12 | 39.44 | 17.18 | 16.90 | 7.19 |
| 1844 | 183 | 74 | 30 | 7 | 40.54 | 16.39 | 9.46 | 3.83 |
| 1845 | 200 | 93 | 41 | 13 | 44.09 | 20.05 | 13.98 | 6.50 |
| 1846 | 213 | 67 | 29 | 12 | 43.28 | 13.14 | 17.91 | 5.63 |
| 1847 | 222 | 95 | 40 | 23 | 42.10 | 18.02 | 24.21 | 10.36 |
| 1848 | 229 | 82 | 47 | 17 | 57.31 | 20.52 | 20.73 | 7.42 |
| 1849 | 229 | 83 | 36 | 16 | 43.36 | 15.70 | 19.27 | 6.98 |
| 1850 | 230 | 69 | 32 | 17 | 46.37 | 13.91 | 24.91 | 7.39 |
| 1851 | 245 | 85 | 32 | 20 | 37.64 | 13.06 | 23.53 | 8.16 |
| 1852 | 263 | 95 | 42 | 18 | 44.21 | 15.97 | 18.94 | 6.84 |
| 1853 | 280 | 107 | 54 | 21 | 50.46 | 19.28 | 17.75 | 7.50 |
| 1854 | 281 | 65 | 39 | 19 | 60.00 | 13.87 | 29.23 | 6.75 |
| 1855 | 274 | 61 | 31 | 9 | 50.82 | 11.31 | 14.75 | 3.29 |
| 1856 | 291 | 103 | 44 | 20 | 42.72 | 15.12 | 19.41 | 6.87 |
| 1857 | 299 | 84 | 50 | 21 | 59.52 | 16.79 | 25.00 | 7.02 |
| 1858 | 295 | 102 | 39 | 15 | 38.23 | 13.22 | 14.70 | 5.08 |
| 1859 | 307 | 84 | 42 | 9 | 50.00 | 13.59 | 10.71 | 2.93 |
| 1860 | 308 | 72 | 32 | 22 | 41.02 | 10.39 | 28.29 | 7.14 |
| 1861 | 318 | 104 | 48 | 19 | 46.15 | 15.09 | 18.27 | 5.97 |
| Sum and Average of 32 years. | 6411 | 2227 | 1010 | 448 | | | | |
| | 200.34 | 69.59 | 31.56 | 14.00 | 45.35 | 15.75 | 11.14 | 6.99 |

TABLE XVIII.

ABSTRACT OF DAILY RETURNS, SHOWING DISTRIBUTION, &c. OF
PATIENTS REMAINING IN THE HOSPITAL.

| | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|--|--------|----------|--------|
| Number of Patients in the Asylum, 1st Jan., 1862, ... | 154 | 168 | 322 |
| " in Front House, | 26 | 25 | 51 |
| " in Back House,..... | 52 | 43 | 95 |
| " in East Wing, | ... | 76 | 76 |
| " in West Wing,..... | 64 | ... | 64 |
| " in Clarkseat House,..... | 12 | ... | 12 |
| " in Barkmill House,..... | ... | 10 | 10 |
| " in Gate Cottage, | ... | 14 | 14 |
| Number of Patients Sick, 1st January, 1862,..... | 2 | 7 | 9 |
| " Employed,..... | 57 | 103 | 160 |
| " Unemployed, except in exercise or amusement, | 97 | 65 | 162 |
| " attending Chapel, | 51 | 55 | 106 |

TABLE XIX.

ARTICLES OF CLOTHING MADE AND REPAIRED FROM JANUARY, 1861,
TO JANUARY, 1862.

| | Made. | Repaired. | | Made. | Repaired. |
|----------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|-------|-----------|
| Aprons, | 370 | 600 | Neckerchiefs, | 344 | 215 |
| Bed Covers, | 41 | 129 | Night Caps, | 242 | 543 |
| Bed Gowns, | 148 | 394 | Petticoats, | 358 | 998 |
| Bed Ticks,..... | 52 | 89 | Pillow Slips,..... | 169 | 404 |
| Blankets, | 70 | 271 | Pillow Ticks, | 43 | 119 |
| Bolster Slips,..... | 110 | 456 | Quilts,..... | 0 | 11 |
| Bolster Ticks, | 29 | 72 | Sheets, | 238 | 705 |
| Caps, | 3 | 38 | Shifts,..... | 430 | 543 |
| Carpets, | 0 | 7 | Shirts,..... | 92 | 984 |
| Coats, | 29 | 559 | Stays, | 9 | 46 |
| Collars, | 140 | 131 | Stockings, | 257 | 4860 |
| Day Caps, | 301 | 476 | Strong Dresses,..... | 37 | 88 |
| Drawers,..... | 114 | 1069 | Strong Quilts, | 8 | 18 |
| Frocks, | 6 | 136 | Tablecloths, | 19 | 68 |
| Gowns, | 338 | 630 | Towels, | 203 | 96 |
| Habit Shirts,..... | 108 | 165 | Trousers, | 66 | 687 |
| Jackets, | 23 | 306 | Waistcoats, | 56 | 476 |
| Linders, | 374 | 1520 | Wrappers, | 39 | 92 |

SUMMARY OF CENSUS RETURN, APRIL, 1861.

| | Males. | | Females. | | Total. |
|------------------------------|--------|-----|----------|-----|--------|
| Number of Officers, | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 |
| In Officers' Families, | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | 6 |
| Servants, | 5 | ... | 12 | ... | 17 |
| Servants' Families, | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | 6 |
| Attendants on Insane, | 10 | ... | 13 | ... | 23 |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | 20 | ... | 35 | ... | 55 |
| Patients, | 145 | ... | 168 | ... | 313 |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | 165 | ... | 203 | ... | 368 |

Royal Infirmary,

ABERDEEN, 9th June, 1862.

*At a Quarterly Court of the Managers held here
this day, the Medical Report of the ROYAL LUNATIC
ASYLUM, for the Year ending 31st March, 1862, by Dr.
JAMIESON, having been read, was approved of, and ordered
to be printed and circulated, along with an Abstract of the
Income and Expenditure prepared by the Treasurer.*

(Signed) ALEX. ANDERSON, P.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE LUNATIC ASYLUM, ABERDEEN,

For the Year from 1st April, 1861, to 31st March, 1862.

INCOME.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Patients' Board, | £8,807 15 7 |
| Produce of Ground, | 174 9 0 |
| Value of Joiners' work, | £46 11 3 |
| Value of Shoemakers' work, | 61 7 3 |
| ENDOWMENTS— | |
| Interest of Bedlam Fund, | £30 0 0 |
| Interest of Dr. Dun's bequest, | 40 3 8 |
| Interest of Jas., Geo., and Al. Chalmers' bequest, .. | 30 0 0 |
| Donation "From a Widow," Inverury, | 100 3 8 |
| | 2 0 0 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | |
|---|------------|
| PROVISIONS— | |
| Meal and Sids, | £696 13 2 |
| Bread and Barley, | 440 2 11 |
| Butcher Meat, | 897 17 8 |
| Butter and Cheese, | 226 11 9 |
| Table Beer, | 104 10 6 |
| Tea and Sugar, | 302 18 4 |
| Wine, Spirits, and Porter, | 130 3 7 |
| Milk, | 567 4 10 |
| Small necessaries, | 576 17 11 |
| | £3943 0 8 |
| FIRE AND LIGHT— Coals, Gas, &c. | £523 15 8 |
| WASHING— Soap, Soda, &c. | 63 0 9 |
| MEDICAL SALARIES, &c.— | |
| Medical Officers, | £520 0 0 |
| Medicines, | 23 10 11 |
| Chaplain's Salary, | |
| HOUSE SERVANTS AND ATTENDANTS— | |
| House Steward, £75; Matron, £70, | £145 0 0 |
| Attendants, House Tradesmen, & Servants' Wages, .. | 826 8 0 |
| | 971 8 0 |
| REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS— | |
| Repairs and Additions to Furniture, | £331 11 11 |
| Repairs and Additions to Buildings, | 309 2 7 |
| Repairs and Additions to Bedding, | 173 18 1 |
| Paupers' Clothing, | 260 16 10 |
| | 1,075 9 5 |
| MANAGEMENT— | |
| Clerk & Treasurer's Salary (9 months, to 31st Mar.) | £92 0 0 |
| Mr. Walker, late do. (to 31st December.) | 97 10 0 |
| Printing and Stationery, | 70 18 1 |
| Insurance, | 28 3 4 |
| Rates, Taxes, and Incidents, | 205 14 9 |
| Interest on Loans (£19,008), | |
| | 494 6 2 |
| | 661 14 6 |
| | £8,326 6 1 |
| Excess of Income above Expenditure, | 866 0 8 |
| | £9,192 6 9 |