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MORAL INSTRUCTORS,

## FOR THE YEAR 1898.

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# INSPECTORS' REPORT.

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
INSPECTORS' OFFICE.

*Hon. David Ogden Watkins, Acting Governor:*

SIR—The Board of Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison herewith present their Annual Report for the year ending October 31st, 1898.

During the past year twenty-one meetings were held (of which twelve were regular meetings and nine special meetings) by the Board.

The Visiting Inspectors have visited the Prison once or twice weekly; the other members of the Board have made special visits to the Prison at various times, and have personally inspected the buildings and shops and given particular attention to the discipline and management of the Prison.

The efforts of the Board have been especially directed toward promoting the personal welfare of the convicts consistent with the proper discipline; to improving the physical conditions of the Prison and to an economical administration, and the results show that the Prison and its management will compare favorably with any and all other penal institutions.

The general health of the convicts has been better than ever before and entirely satisfactory to the Board. Fourteen convicts have died during the past year, a death-rate of 1.16 per cent., as compared with 1.30 per cent. in 1897.

The detailed operations of the Medical Department are fully set forth in the accompanying report of Mr. Thomas H. Mackenzie, M.D., the Prison Physician, from which the causes of death are shown to have been as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Tuberculosis | 6 |
| Valvular disease of the heart | 1 |
| Cancerous degeneration of liver | 2 |
| Potts' disease of the spine | 1 |
| Erysipelas | 1 |
| Scrofulous hip joint | 1 |
| Bright's disease of kidneys | 1 |
| Suicide | 1 |
| Total | 14 |

We attach hereto report of Mr. W. J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Prison, in which will be found the ages, nativity, terms of sentence, crime and other details respecting the inmates of the Prison.

The following statement will show the changes which have taken place in the population of the Prison during the year:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number of prisoners October 31st, 1897 | | 1,131 |
| Discharged by reason of expiration of term | 453 | |
| Discharged by order United States Commissioner | 2 | |
| Discharged by Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of Peace | 3 | |
| Pardoned | 24 | |
| Paroled | 27 | |
| By payment of fine | 1 | |
| Fines remitted by Court of Pardons | 6 | |
| Died | 14 | |
| Removed to Hospital for Insane | 14 | |
| Removed to Florence Mission by order of the Prison Physician under the Pregnant act | 2 | |
| | | 546 |
| | | 585 |
| Received under commitments | 640 | |
| Returned from Florence Mission | 2 | |
| Returned from Hospital for Insane | 1 | |
| | | 643 |
| Remaining in Prison October 31st, 1898 | | 1,228 |

The daily average for the year was 1,207.

It is only proper that the Board should here express their appreciation of the very faithful services rendered by Clerk O'Donnell. He has shown in his office, not only the utmost capability and attention, but also loyalty to the State and its interests.

The total expenditures for all purposes connected with the Prison for the year have been one hundred and ninety-five thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and eighty-four cents ($195,663.84).

The expenditures were as follows :

| | |
|---|---|
| Maintenance | $89,990 69 |
| Furniture and Repairs | 9,797 74 |
| Salaries of Deputies and Minor Officers | 84,456 06 |
| Salaries of Executive Officers and Inspectors | 9,500 00 |
| Paid Discharged Convicts | 1,919 35 |
| Total | $195,663 84 |

Deducting from this sum cash receipts, eighty-nine thousand and seventy-nine dollars and seventy-five cents ($89,079.75), the entire cost of the Prison for the past year was one hundred and six thousand six hundred and eighty-four dollars and forty-four cents ($106,684.44).

The revenue of the Prison during the past year from all sources increased thirty-two thousand three hundred and ten dollars and forty-five cents ($32,310.45) over the previous year. This increase is due to the efficiency and ability with which the Supervisor, Hon. E. J. Anderson, has managed the workshops and business operations of the Prison, he having given especial and personal attention to the details of these branches of the business.

The increased expenditure for repairs is due to the following permanent improvements : A new ceiling in the Center, new floor in the South Hall, the fitting up of the old Cook-House for a Broom Shop, in placing stone floors in many of the cells, and a new Shipping-House.

There is an increase of $5,520.36 in cost of maintenance due to the increased population.

In the report of the Supervisor, a complete statement of the business operations will be found, and we would request special attention thereto.

The new Cook-House, Bakery and Cold Storage Warehouse have been completely and fully occupied.

The Female Department, under the supervision of Miss Georgia Lloyd Moore, the Matron, and her efficient assistants, has been managed with the most excellent care and the very best possible results have been obtained. The effects of discipline, strictly yet kindly enforced, are manifest in the excellent order, cleanliness, neatness, general good health and cheerfulness of the inmates, and the amount of work accomplished. The women do the cleaning of the wing and their own laundry work ; manufacture all the underwear for both male

and female inmates; blouses for the men; cell towels and bedding and all general repairs of clothing, &c.

The moral influences brought to bear upon the inmates through the medium of good counsel, pure literature and religious exercises and the work of the Moral Instructors have given most satisfactory results as shown by the improved deportment of the female prisoners and the fact that a second return to the Prison is a rare occurrence in this department.

The Board submits for the earnest consideration of your Excellency and of the Legislature, the following specific recommendations for improvements:

*First.* An appropriation of $22,000 (twenty-two thousand dollars) for an electric lighting plant. This is absolutely necessary, the present system of gas-lighting being unsatisfactory and costly. Suitable room is at hand in the buildings within the Prison walls in which to erect the necessary electric light machinery and appliances, and the principal expense of installation would be the cost of machinery and appliances. The plant could be erected and operated mainly by convict labor and the expense of operation would be reduced to the cost of fuel and supplies, estimated at $3,500 per annum, and a further expenditure of about $1,500 per annum for expert labor, making a total annual cost of operation of about $5,000 per annum. This expenditure would enable the Board to efficiently and properly light the Prison buildings and grounds and would diminish the risk of escape of prisoners, and enable the Board to make a saving in the expense for watchmen. The experience of other penal institutions warrants the Board in saying that it is to the interest of the State that the matter receives prompt and favorable action.

*Second.* The Prison should have an independent source of water-supply, and our investigations convince us that a proper system of artesian wells will secure an abundant supply of pure water. The expenditure for this purpose would amount to about $10,000.

*Third.* The Board would call the special attention of your Excellency and of the Legislature to the pressing necessity of increased accommodations in the Woman's Wing of the Prison. There are forty (40) female prisoners. There are but twenty-eight cells in the Woman's Wing. No comment is necessary to show the disadvantage of such a condition of affairs. There are several plans which may be adopted to give the increased accommodation. To give the desired

accommodation, an appropriation of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000) should be made at once to enable the Board to make this absolutely necessary improvement.

The Moral Instructors have attended to the spiritual wants of the inmates, holding religious services in the Chapel on Sunday and visiting the prisoners in their cells and Hospital during the week.

The reports of the Moral Instructors are appended hereto, and give full and interesting details as to the work under their charge.

Mr. Samuel S. Moore, the Principal Keeper, has greatly improved the discipline of the Prison during the past year, and has maintained proper good order and quietness. The Principal Keeper has made a very great improvement as to the cleanliness of the inmates and cells.

The Board desire to acknowledge their appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered to them by the Hon. E. J. Anderson, Supervisor; Mr. S. S. Moore, Principal Keeper; Mr. Thomas H. Mackenzie, Prison Physician, and to all the subordinate officers, for valuable assistance and co-operation in the discharge of their duties.

Respectfully,

M. E. STAPLES, *President*,
E. H. HOLCOMBE, *Secretary*,
W. H. BROWN,
W. H. CARTER,
S. F. STANGER,
W. LAWRENCE,
Board of Inspectors.

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# SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE,
NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
TRENTON, November 1st, 1898.

*Hon. David O. Watkins, Acting Governor:*

SIR—In accordance with established custom, I have the honor to present to you a report of the transactions of this office during the fiscal year just closed, exhibiting the financial and business operations of the Prison during the year with the usual detail.

The number of inmates of the Prison at this time is one thousand two hundred and twenty-eight (1,228), being ninety-seven (97) in execess of the number at the date of my last report. The daily average during the year was one thousand two hundred and seven (1,207), being an average of one hundred and thirty-two (132) greater than that of the preceding year.

The following statement shows the changes which have occurred during the year in the different classes of which the population of the Prison is composed :

NUMBER OF PRISONERS OCTOBER 31ST, 1897.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Committed under sentence of State Courts | | 1,003 |
| Committed under sentence of United States Courts | | 128 |
| Received within the past fiscal year | | 1,131 |
| Committed under sentence of State Courts | 487 | |
| Committed under sentence United States Courts | 153 | |
| Returned from Insane Hospital | 1 | |
| | | 641 |
| | | 1,772 |

REMOVED WITHIN THE PAST FISCAL YEAR.

| | |
|---|---|
| Discharged by reason of expiration of term— | |
| State prisoners | 402 |
| United States prisoners | 53 |
| Removed to Hudson County Penitentiary | 3 |
| Discharged by order of Court of Pardons | 23 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Discharged under pardon by President of the United States | | 1 | |
| Paroled by Court of Pardons | | 27 | |
| Released upon remission of fines by Court of Pardons | | 6 | |
| Discharged upon payment of fine | | 1 | |
| Removed to Insane Hospitals— | | | |
| State prisoners | 13 | | |
| United States prisoners | 1 | | |
| | | 14 | |
| Died— | | | |
| State prisoners | 12 | | |
| United States prisoners | 2 | | |
| | | 14 | 544 |
| Convict population October 31st, 1898 | | | 1,228 |

These inmates of the Prison are classified as follows :

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State prisoners— | | | |
| Males | | 973 | |
| Females | | 30 | |
| | | | 1,003 |
| United States prisoners— | | | |
| Males | | 215 | |
| Females | | 10 | |
| | | | 225 |
| Total | | | 1,228 |

The highest number of prisoners at any one time during the year was one thousand two hundred and eighty-four (1,284).

The increase in United States prisoners over the number confined in this prison one year ago is ninety-seven (97). These were received under an arrangement made with the Department of Justice of the United States in 1896, but in the past year it was found that the number of United States prisoners being sent to this institution was so great as to arouse apprehensions that this prison would presently be unduly crowded, and accordingly the reception of United States prisoners, other than those sentenced by the Court of the District of New Jersey was practically discontinued.

The total amount expended for maintenance of the Prison during the past year was eighty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars and sixty-nine cents ($89,990.69), an increase over the amount expended in the preceding year of five thousand five hundred and twenty dollars and thirty-six cents ($5,520.36).

A portion of this increase is, of course, due to the greater number of prisoners required to be maintained, but as a matter of fact the

average cost of maintaining the prisoners has been less than in the preceding year, and the greater part of the increased cost has been due to the higher prices which were required to be paid for nearly all of the principal articles of subsistence.

This is illustrated by the fact that while the percentage of prisoners during the year shows an increase of a fraction above twelve per centum over the preceding year, the percentage of increase in the cost of maintenance was about six and one-half per centum, notwithstanding the fact that the cost of subsistence (or food), which is the principal item of expense in the maintenance account, averaged about fifteen per centum above such cost in the preceding year. These statements are presented to show that by the exercise of watchful care in the purchase and use of the articles required for the maintenance of the prisoners, the average cost of such maintenance has been kept far below the figures which the increased population of the prison would seem to render necessary. A comparison of the expenses for the past year with some preceding years furnishes striking illustrations of the possibilities in the direction of an economical management of the Prison. Taking, for instance, the year 1892, before the Prison came under its present business management, it appears that while in 1898 the number of prisoners to be maintained was greater by twenty-nine per centum than in 1892, the increase in the cost of maintenance in 1898 over 1892 was but eight per centum, although I have, since my assumption of this office, established a much higher grade of almost every article provided for the subsistence and clothing of the inmates of the Prison. In the item of clothing alone as between the two years in question, the decrease in cost has been over seven thousand dollars ($7,000), notwithstanding the increase of twenty-nine per centum in the number of prisoners, and the additional fact of the greatly improved character above referred to of the clothing provided for prisoners while in confinement and the suits furnished them on their discharge. These gratifying results have been attained through my constant effort to apply strict business principles to the operations of this branch of the Prison management; to introduce into the Prison service a better business system than has heretofore been practiced or deemed necessary, and to exercise the strictest economy consistent with the importance of the institution, the dignity of the State, and the proper care and welfare of the Prison inmates. These purposes have not been accomplished without meeting with many obstacles, some

of them inseparable, perhaps, from an institution of this character, but they have met with a gratifying measure of success, and will be continued to such an extent as the resources of this office will allow.

The different purposes for which expenditures for maintenance were made and the amount for each specific purpose are set forth in the following classified statement :

## STATEMENT.

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Subsistence | $42,988 89 |
| Hospital | 5,784 38 |
| Clothing | 5,932 78 |
| Bedding | 989 29 |
| Tobacco | 1,353 00 |
| Stationery | 814 66 |
| Convict stationery | 77 99 |
| Fuel | 11,551 91 |
| Light | 9,083 36 |
| Water | 4,239 66 |
| Library | 86 77 |
| Forage | 345 66 |
| Live stock | 216 35 |
| Insurance | 1,052 00 |
| Shop stationery (blanks and reports, &c.) | 40 75 |
| Sanitary (disinfectants, &c.) | 193 15 |
| Advertising and printing | 341 54 |
| Stock | 209 85 |
| Miscellaneous (freight, expressage, &c.) | 650 16 |
| Clothing for discharged convicts | 3,335 74 |
| Appliances | 693 80 |
| Total | $89,990 69 |

It is proper to note that in the above statement are included the cost of the fuel and other materials used for supplying power to the shops. These are not strictly a part of the expense of maintaining the prisoners, but it would be practically impossible to separate them from the general maintenance account, and, as their purpose and effect is to produce a revenue to the State, it has not been deemed necessary to enter upon the difficult task of separating and specifying them.

REVENUE.

There remained in my hands of Prison funds at the date of my last report one hundred dollars and thirty-five cents ($100.35), and the cash receipts since that date have amounted to eighty-eight thousand nine hundred and seventy-nine dollars and forty cents ($88,979.40), making a total as shown below :

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance on hand October 31st, 1897 | $100 35 |
| Received from October 31st, 1897, to and inclusive of October 31st, 1898, | 88,979 40 |
| Total | $89,079 75 |

The disposition of this revenue has been as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid to State Treasurer | $86,769 34 | |
| Balance remaining in my hands October 31st, 1898 | 2,310 41 | |
| | | $89,079 75 |

By comparing these figures with the receipts of the preceding year it will be seen that the amount paid into the treasury during the year now in consideration has exceeded the sum so paid during the preceding year by thirty thousand two hundred dollars and seventy-four cents ($30,200.74), and by including these payments and the sum now remaining in my hands, it appears that the total revenue of the Prison has exceeded that of the year 1897 in the sum of thirty-two thousand five hundred and eleven dollars and fifteen cents ($32,511.15), and has exceeded that of the year 1896 in the sum of forty-four thousand sixty-two dollars and ninety-two cents ($44,062.92) which latter sum shows the actual increase in the sum which the State Prison has contributed to the revenues of the State in the past two years.

From a comparison of the revenues of which the State has received in past years, it will appear that the revenue of the fiscal year just closed has largely exceeded the revenue of any year since the existing system of working the prisoners was inaugurated fourteen years ago.

A part of this increase in the annual revenue of the Prison is due to the sum received for the support of United States prisoners, but much the larger portion of this gratifying financial outcome is due to my continued efforts to direct the labor of the prisoners and conduct the operations of the Prison shops on strictly business principles, having in view at all times the interest of the

State, the obligations of the State to the contractor and the health and efficiency of the prisoners whose labor was involved.

For carrying out my plans to effect these objects I have, of course, encountered many of the obstacles possible under the defective and somewhat contradictory prison laws to which I called the attention of the Legislature in my report for the year 1896, but although my suggestions as to the amendment of the laws have not been adopted, I have, by a careful, conservative and judicious course of action been to a large extent able to avoid, overcome or ignore the obstacles with which I have had to contend, and it has been found possible to conduct the operations of this office to the satisfactory and gratifying results set forth in this report.

The following statement shows the sources from which the revenue for the fiscal year was derived :

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance received of Prison earnings of 1897 | $11,014 68 |
| Received from earnings of 1898 | 63,302 50 |
| Received for support of United States prisoners | 13,471 95 |
| Received for water supplied to Gas Contractor | 34 80 |
| Received for cloth for officers' uniforms | 75 83 |
| Received for old iron, barrels, &c., sold | 1,079 6- |
| | $88,079 75 |
| Balance on hand October 31st, 1897 | 100 35 |
| Total | $89,079 75 |
| Amount paid to the State Treasurer | 86,769 34 |
| Balance on hand October 31st, 1898 | $2,310 41 |

The amount of money due as revenue of the past year, but yet unpaid, is twelve thousand eight hundred and twenty-two dollars and thirteen cents ($12,822.13), and this will be paid into my hands and paid over to the Treasurer early in the next fiscal year, but I have not included this sum in my statement of revenue, because as stated in my former reports it does not constitute any part of the actual cash receipts of the past fiscal year.

The appropriation made by the Legislature for the salaries of the minor officers of the Prison was eighty-five thousand dollars ($85,000). The Supervisor has no control of the amount to be paid under this appropriation, the salaries of the subordinate officers being, under the laws of the State, fixed by the Board of Inspectors, and the monthly payments, as shown by the pay-roll, after approval by the Board, being made through the office of the Supervisor.

Monthly payments are made by the State Treasurer to the Supervisor upon the order of the Board of Inspectors, and the sums as specified by the pay-roll are distributed by the Supervisor to the subordinate officers. During the year there has been received from the State Treasurer and paid for this purpose to the subordinate officers of the Prison the sum of eighty-four thousand four hundred and fifty-six dollars and six cents ($84,456.06), being five hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-four cents ($543.94) less than the amount appropriated for this purpose for the fiscal year under consideration.

The following statement shows the whole cash operations of this office within the fiscal year :

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Revenue from all sources | $89,079 75 |
| Received from State Treasurer to pay salaries of minor officers | 84,456 06 |
| Total | $173,535 81 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid to State Treasurer for account of Prison receipts | $86,769 34 |
| Paid to minor officers as salaries | 84,456 06 |
| Balance on hand October 31st, 1898 | 2,310 41 |
| Total | $173,535 81 |

The amount expended during the year for the purchase of furniture and appliances and for repairs to the Prison buildings was nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven dollars and seventy-four cents ($9,797.74). These payments, together with the payments for maintenance, were made from the State Treasury upon bills certified by the Supervisor and approved by the Board of Inspectors. The payments of salaries of Inspectors and executive officers are made directly from the State Treasury, and the gratuities given to prisoners upon their discharge are paid by the Principal Keeper from moneys paid to him in bulk by the State Treasurer, so that neither of these accounts is included in the transactions of the Supervisor's office. I have, however, included them in the following statement in order to show in concise form the entire amount of Prison expenditures :

ALL EXPENSES.

| | |
|---|---|
| For maintenance | $89,990 69 |
| For salaries of Deputies and minor officers | 84 456 06 |
| For salaries of Inspectors and executive officers | 9,500 00 |
| For furniture and general repairs | 9,797 74 |
| For payment to convicts upon their discharge | 1,919 35 |
| | $195,663 84 |

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash paid State Treasurer | $86,769 34 | |
| Cash on hand | 2,310 41 | |
| | | $89,079 75 |
| Expenditure over revenue | | $106,584 09 |
| Net cost per capita per annum | $88 30 | |
| Net cost per capita per diem | .02419 | |

The average number of men employed during the year upon contract work was five hundred and seventy-nine and one-half (579½), those employed at their own trade numbered seven (7), and the number employed in the necessary work of the Prison was two hundred and fifty-one (251), making a total average of eight hundred and thirty-seven and one-half (837½) employed during the year. The computed value of the services of those engaged in ordinary labor is forty-five cents (.45) per day, and of the skilled labor employed at mechanical work, seventy-five cents (.75) per day. At these rates of computation the following statement shows the computed value of the utilized labor of the prisoners, and the cash receipts from the revenue-producing labor and other sources, together with the relation of this labor to the entire cost of maintaining the Prison :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amount of revenue paid State Treasurer | | $86,769 34 |
| Cash on hand | | 2,310 41 |
| Estimated value of utilized labor of prisoners | | 42,865 25 |
| | | $131,945 00 |
| Total cost of maintenance, including food, clothing, fuel, medicine, and all necessary supplies | $89,990 69 | |
| Cost of furniture and repairs | 9,797 74 | |
| | | 99,788 43 |
| Cash receipts and estimated value of prisoners' labor over total cost of maintenance and furniture and repairs | | 32,156 57 |

The following statement shows the cost per capita of subsisting the prisoners, and also the per capita cost of the entire maintenance without including the estimated value of service rendered, for which no pecuniary remuneration was received :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total cost of subsistence | $42,988 89 | |
| Revenue in excess | 46,090 86 | |
| | | $89,079 75 |
| Cost per capita per annum without deducting receipts | $35 62 | |
| Cost per capita per diem without deducting receipts | 0.976 | |

MAINTENANCE.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Including subsistence, clothing, bedding, fuel, medicine and all necessary supplies | $89,990 69 | |
| Maintenance in excess of receipts | 910 94 | |
| | | $89,079 75 |
| Cost per capita per annum without deducting receipts | $74 56 | |
| Cost per capita per diem without deducting receipts | 0.2043 | |

GENERAL EXPENSES.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Including maintenance, furniture and repairs | | $99,788.43 |
| Cost per capita per annum without deducting receipts | $82 67 | |
| Cost per capita per diem without deducting receipts | 0.2265 | |

BALANCE SHEET.

*Dr.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Maintenance | $89,990 69 | |
| Furniture and repairs | 9,797 74 | |
| | | $99 788 43 |

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|---|---|---|
| By amount of revenue paid to State Treasurer | $86,769 34 | |
| Cash on hand | 2,310 41 | |
| | | 89,079 75 |
| Net cost of maintenance and repairs | | $10,708 68 |
| Net cost per capita per annum | $8 87 | |
| Net cost per capita per diem | 0.0243 | |

A number of prisoners have been employed as usual in making up articles of clothing for both male and female prisoners, and in making the bedding used throughout the Prison. The following list shows the number and kind of articles thus produced during the past year :

BY FEMALE PRISONERS—FOR CONVICT USE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Top shirts | 2,438 |
| Towels | 1,157 |
| Sheets | 1,335 |
| Bedticks | 303 |
| Pillow-slips | 1,075 |
| Undershirts | 707 |
| Pillow-ticks | 347 |
| Tick aprons | 8 |
| Suspenders, (pairs) | 252 |
| White aprons | 54 |
| Night dresses | 13 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Flannel petticoats | 18 |
| Shawls | 5 |
| Chemises | 26 |
| Gingham aprons | 8 |
| Sleeves, (pairs) | 336 |
| Oil drill aprons | 18 |
| Jumpers | 66 |
| Cook's caps | 2 |
| Gingham dresses | 37 |
| Canton flannel towels | 17 |
| Sack aprons | 163 |
| Hair cloths | 8 |
| Unbleached muslin drawers (pairs) | 24 |

FOR DISCHARGED AND DECEASED PRISONERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Blue flannel dresses | 20 |
| White drawers (pairs) | 19 |
| White chemises | 20 |
| Shrouds | 5 |
| White muslin petticoats | 5 |
| White shirts | 511 |

BY MALE PRISONERS, FOR CONVICT USE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Trousers | 1,211 |
| Shoes (pairs) | 754 |
| Caps | 338 |
| Coats | 221 |
| Vests | 16 |

REPAIRED FOR CONVICT USE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Coats | 183 |
| Trousers | 538 |
| Shoes (pairs) | 490 |
| Bedticks | 137 |

FOR DISCHARGED PRISONERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Trousers (pairs) | 432 |
| Coats | 443 |
| Vests | 422 |

The Prison shops have been operated during the year under new contracts (with one exception), the contracts in existence at the date of my last report having all but one expired, and the new contracts, then referred to, having been put in operation.

My anticipations as to the increased number of prisoners whose employment was possible, and the increased revenue to be derived from their labor have been fully realized, as the average number of

men employed during the year just past was five hundred and seventy-nine (579), while the average number employed in the preceding year was but four hundred and twenty-six (426), an increase of one hundred and fifty-three (153) men, while the increase in revenue from the labor of prisoners employed was nineteen thousand one hundred and four dollars and eighty-five cents ($19,104.85).

The number of prisoners, with the daily average number employed during the past year, the kind of articles produced, the names of the parties for whom articles were manufactured, and the revenue earned by the labor employed, is set forth in the following statement:

| | |
|---|---|
| George Rendell, shoes | $12,819 32 |
| Thomas H. Lynn & Sons, mats and matting | 14,984 79 |
| John Tobin, brushes | 9,539 15 |
| John Tobin, blocks | 2,157 19 |
| V. Henry Rothschild & Co., shirts | 8,304 67 |
| Oppenheim & Co., trousers | 7,792 98 |
| F. Coit Johnson, mail sacks and pouches | 10,992 26 |
| Quaker City & Globe Mfg. Co., brooms | 644 36 |
| Total | $67,234 72 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Average number of men at work per diem | 579½ |
| Number of days worked | 278½ |
| Total number of days' labor in the year | 161,396 |

A statement showing the operations of the shops more in detail is set forth in a summary appended hereto; also, a general balance sheet in condensed form, showing all the financial operations of the Prison for the fiscal year under consideration.

The amount expended under the title of repairs during the past year was nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven dollars and seventy-four cents ($9,797.74).

This is not wholly represented by repairs made to the Prison during the year, for the reason that the legislative appropriation was for "furniture and repairs," and a considerable portion of this sum has been expended for articles which come under the head of furniture, such as mess-kettles, baking pans, mess-pans, cups, pails, chairs, tables, trucks and the endless list of appliances needed for the daily service of the institution, but there have nevertheless been made, and charged to this appropriation, many important and needed repairs. A new shipping-house has been constructed in connection with the shops, substantial, convenient and well protected

from the weather, replacing the old, dilapidated and exposed platform, which was originally unsuited to its purpose, and became more so daily under the wear and tear of constant use and the decay attendant upon old age and nurtured by a false economy; in one of the principal halls of the Prison a new, substantial and much-needed floor has been laid; in many of the cells in the south hall (the oldest part of the prison) new floors of permanent character have replaced the old floors originally illy constructed, and which by reason of years of use and repeated unskillful patching had in many cases become a disgrace to the institution; the building used for a cook-house before the construction of the present efficient cooking plant has been repaired and altered to adapt it for shop purposes, and a contract has been put in operation therein which furnishes employment to over eighty men; sculleries have been constructed in the south hall; an appartment has been altered and fitted up for the use of the Matron and her assistants in the female wing; a much-needed improvement has been made in the arrangement and fitting of the room assigned to the use of the Board of Inspectors; an apartment, convenient to the centre, has been designed, adapted and fitted up with bath-tub, water closets, &c., for the reception of prisoners, and many other needed improvements have been made which it would be tedious to recite here, while the constant repairs to the engines, steam connections, boilers and all departments of the Prison, consequent upon the unending wear and tear, have received the daily attention of the Supervisor, which was necessary to keep in good condition the property of the Prison which is by law placed in his charge. Almost all of the work done in making the repairs and improvements above referred to has been done by the labor of prisoners, who, being proficient in their several trades before coming to the Prison, have been utilized for this service, and in my constant efforts to keep pace with the daily requirements of the institution I owe much to the intelligent and skillful assistance of Mr. Charles R. Lacy, the Master Mechanic, under whose direction a detail of convict mechanics are kept constantly engaged on such work as he may be by me directed to perform, and as the Board of Inspectors may request me to execute.

On the night of September 21st, 1898, a fire was discovered in the upper story of the building recently erected for a cook-house, store-house, &c. Through the prompt and efficient efforts of the Trenton fire department, and the assistance of some of the Prison officials, the

fire was confined to the part of the building in which it originated, and was extinguished without damage to any other part of the Prison property.

As there was no damage whatever done to the cooking apparatus, nor to the steam connections therewith, nor any destruction of the provisions on hand, there was no interruption to the daily operations of the Prison.

I took measures at once to have an estimate made of the damage done and the amount required to repair such damage. Upon investigation it was found that the roof of the building was so damaged that it would have to be replaced, and much damage had been done by fire and water to the ceilings, walls and the interior fittings of the upper story. A contract for repairing the damage was made under authority of the Board of Inspectors, and at this date the restoration is practically completed.

The cost of this restoration and of replacing the small amount of personal property destroyed will be six thousand five hundred dollars ($6,500).

The appropriation for the past fiscal year having been practically exhausted at the time the fire occurred, it will be necessary to pay the expenses consequent upon the fire out of the appropriation for the fiscal year now beginning, and, as this appropriation is no more than sufficient to defray the current expenses for repairs and furniture for the year to come, it will be necessary for the Legislature to make a special appropriation of six thousand five hundred dollars ($6,500) to supply the deficiency which was occasioned by the fire, and which to that extent reduced the amount already appropriated to defray the necessary expenses of furniture and repairs during the year now beginning.

There is pressing necessity for increased accommodations for the female prisoners. No extension of these accommodations have been made for many years, and they are at this time wholly inadequate. There are but twenty-eight (28) cells and the number of female prisoners at this time is forty (40), with the prospect of a very considerable increase within a short time by commitment of prisoners awaiting trial and sentence. The facilities for increasing these accommodations are limited in the extreme, and the plans through which this can be accomplished have not yet been considered and matured. A separate building for the female prisoners, with proper surrounding space for air and exercise, would, of course, be the best solution

of this difficulty, but this is at present impossible, because there is no unoccupied area of the prison grounds upon which such a building could be erected.

Probably the best plan for immediate relief in this direction would be the addition of a story to the present female wing, which would furnish about fifteen (15) additional cells, and which could be constructed in a comparatively short time.

I have had no estimate made of the probable cost of such an addition, and am not now prepared to suggest the sum which should be appropriated, but if this plan were adopted, it is probable that the cost would not exceed twelve thousand dollars ($12,000).

The laundry facilities of the Prison are wholly inadequate. The building used for laundry purposes was erected years ago, when the Prison population was much smaller than it now is, and is not well adapted for its present use. The appliances are old and worn, and much inconvenience is experienced through the want of sufficient room and modern appliances. I recommend the appropriation of two thousand dollars ($2,000) to erect and furnish a laundry suitable to the present requirements of the Prison.

The appropriations above suggested amount in the aggregate to twenty thousand five hundred dollars ($20,500), and are all of pressing and urgent necessity.

Should they be made the subject of favorable legislative action, they should take effect within the fiscal year now beginning, so that the improvements suggested can be commenced at the earliest practicable moment.

The usual yearly appraisement of the personal property under my charge on hand October 31st, 1898, was made by the Hon. Howell C. Stull and Hon. A. Judson Rue, both of Trenton, and the appraised value of such property as returned by them was forty thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifteen cents ($40,236.15).

The most cordial official and personal relations have existed during the year between myself and the Board of Inspectors, and I desire to express my thanks for the support and co-operation they have given me in the performance of my official duties, and in the improvement of the branches of the Prison service which are placed

by law in my charge, or which have, through obvious necessity, come under my supervision. My thanks are also due to Mr. S. S. Moore, the Principal Keeper of the Prison, and to all other officers of the institution for such assistance and co-operation as I have received from them in the exercise of my duties.

I desire to express my high appreciation of the services rendered during the whole period of my incumbency of this office by Mr. William A. Hall, the Supervisor's Clerk. His thorough knowledge of his duties, his untiring devotion to the interests of the Prison, and the intelligence and good judgment with which he has performed the exceptionally laborious duties of his position, have been of the greatest service to me in the exercise of my official functions, and have been of inestimable service to the State.

To Mr. William J. O'Donnell, the Clerk of the Prison, I am under obligations for the promptness and unfailing courtesy with which he has performed such duties as were required by his relations to this office; and I owe much to the co-operation of Mr. Eli B. Stetser, the Storekeeper, who is in charge of the personal supplies, which are, under the law, committed to my custody, and who has been of the greatest service to me by his faithful, intelligent and discreet efforts to carry out the economic reforms which I have sought to institute. For the services of Mr. James E. Kersey, the efficient Marshal of the Prison, Mr. Jacob Reinhard, the capable and energetic Commissary, whose duties bring them into somewhat close relations with this office; Mr. Elijah C. Burd, whose duties, under resolution of the Board of Inspectors, are largely directed by the Supervisor, and for the conduct of such of the officers assigned to duty in the shops (under contracts in charge of the Supervisor) as have recognized their lawful relations to this branch of the Prison service, I desire to express my high commendation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. ANDERSON,

Supervisor of the New Jersey State Prison.

## SUMMARY OF CONTRACTS—PIECE-PRICE SYSTEM.

**November 1st, 1897.** **Fiscal Year, 1898.** **October 31st, 1898.**

| CONTRACTORS. | Industries. | Expiration dates of contracts. | Average number of men at work per diem. | Number of days worked. | Number of day's labor employed. | QUANTITIES FINISHED. | | | | | | | | | | | Earnings—amount. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | Dozen pairs. | Mats, shirts and trousers—dozens. | Holes drawn in brushes. | Holes bored in shoe-dauber blocks. | Stock prepared—pounds. | Blocks and brushes finished—gross. | Sacks and pouches. | Tents, hammocks. | Matting—square yards. | Mats, square feet. | Brooms. | |
| George Rendell | Children's shoes | November 30th, 1901. | 95 | 260 | 24,725 | 20,354¼ | | | | | | | | | | | $12,819 32 |
| Thomas H. Lynn & Son | Matts and matting | October 31st, 1901. | 100 | 278½ | 27,974½ | | 7,383¼ | | | | | | | 121,341 | 9,284¾ | | 14,984 79 |
| John Tobin | Blocks | February 28th, 1902. | 18 | 278½ | 5,031½ | | | | 214,416 | | 13,304 | | | | | | 2,157 19 |
| John Tobin | Brushes | February 28th, 1902. | 82 | 278½ | 22,965½ | | | 89,086,060 | | 849½ | 6,207 $\frac{90}{144}$ | | | | | | 9,539 15 |
| V. Henry Rothschild & Co | Shirts | October 31st, 1901. | 100 | 276 | 27,579 | | 21,872 $\frac{2}{12}$ | | | | | | | | | | 8,304 67 |
| Oppenheim & Co | Trousers, &c | November 30th, 1901. | 99 | 278½ | 27,628½ | | 14,482 | | | | | | 5,456 | | | | 8,011 98 |
| F. Colt Johnson | Mail sacks and pouches | May 31st, 1901. | 75 | 278½ | 20,892 | | | | | | | 252,377 | 15,293 | | | | 10,992 26 |
| Quaker City and Globe Manufacturing Company | Brooms and whisk brooms | July 31st, 1902. | 60½ | 76 | 4,600 | | | | | | | | | | | 130,083 | 644 36 |
| Total | | | | 278½ | 161,396 | | | | | | | | | | | | $67,453 72 |

Average per capita per diem earnings ..... .4179

Average per diem number of men at work ..... 579½

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# BALANCE SHEET, DEPARTMENT OF SUPERVISOR, NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31st, 1898

| ACCOUNTS. | Cash on hand October 31st, 1897. Stock and accounts receivable October 31st, 1897. | Expenditures made during fiscal year 1898 and paid by the State treasurer on warrant of the comptroller. | Amount of cash received during the fiscal year 1898, on hand October 31st, and accounts receivable for 1898. | Total of cash on hand. Stock and accounts receivable for 1897. Expenditures made in fiscal year 1898. Cash on hand and accounts receivable October 31st, 1898. | Amounts derived from labor of prisoners and other sources during fiscal year and credited to their respective accounts. | Net amount credited of prison earnings for fiscal year 1898 and amount of cash returned to State treasurer. | STATE OF NEW JERSEY. | | TRIAL BALANCE. | | Inventory of stock on hand October 31st, 1898. | COST AND REVENUE. | | STOCK. | | NEW BALANCE. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | Receipts. | Expenditures. | Dr. | Cr. | | Cost. | Revenue. | Dr. | Cr. | Assets. | Liabilities. |
| | | | | | | | Dr. | Cr. | | | | Dr. | Cr. | | | | |
| Stock | | $209 85 | | $209 85 | $209 85 | | | | | $48,034 69 | | | | | $48,034 69 | | |
| Cash | $100 35 | | $2,210 06 | 2,310 41 | | | | | $2,310 41 | | | | | | | $2,310 41 | |
| Subsistence | 171 50 | 42,988 89 | | 43,160 39 | 20,124 81 | | | | 23,035 58 | | $576 17 | $22,459 41 | | | | 576 17 | |
| Hospital | 565 25 | 5,784 38 | | 6,349 63 | | | | | 6,349 63 | | 459 83 | 5,889 80 | | | | 459 83 | |
| Clothing | 6,983 66 | 5,932 78 | | 12,916 44 | 34 77 | | | | 12,881 67 | | 8,362 39 | 4,519 28 | | | | 8,362 39 | |
| Bedding | 5,211 74 | 989 29 | | 6,201 03 | | | | | 6,201 03 | | 4,666 20 | 1,534 83 | | | | 4,666 20 | |
| Discharged convict clothing | 642 91 | 3,335 74 | | 3,978 65 | 573 30 | | | | 3,405 35 | | 1,037 23 | 2,368 12 | | | | 1,037 23 | |
| Stationery | 220 67 | 814 66 | | 1,035 33 | | | | | 1,035 33 | | 249 30 | 786 03 | | | | 249 30 | |
| Convict stationery | 104 35 | 77 99 | | 182 34 | | | | | 182 34 | | 85 89 | 96 45 | | | | 85 89 | |
| Light | 20 90 | 9,083 36 | | 9,104 26 | | | | | 9,104 26 | | 12 21 | 9,092 05 | | | | 12 21 | |
| Tobacco | 62 65 | 1,353 00 | | 1,415 65 | | | | | 1,415 65 | | 31 91 | 1,383 74 | | | | 31 91 | |
| Prison earnings | | 49 75 | | 49 75 | 49 75 | $69,235 46 | | | | 69,235 46 | | | $69,235 46 | | | | |
| Officers' uniforms | 158 36 | | | 158 36 | 75 83 | | | | 82 53 | | 82 41 | 12 | | | | 82 41 | |
| State of New Jersey | | | | | | 86,769 34 | $86,347 19 | $99,788 43 | | | | | | | | | $13,441 24 |
| Appliances | | 693 80 | | 693 80 | | | | | 693 80 | | | 693 80 | | | | | |
| Advertising | | 275 54 | | 275 54 | | | | | 275 54 | | | 275 54 | | | | | |
| Printing | | 66 00 | | 66 00 | | | | | 66 00 | | | 66 00 | | | | | |
| Sanitary | 115 74 | 193 15 | | 308 89 | | | | | 308 89 | | 62 58 | 246 31 | | | | 62 58 | |
| Fuel | 1,027 00 | 11,551 91 | | 12,578 91 | | | | | 12,578 91 | | 1,666 23 | 10,912 68 | | | | 1,666 23 | |
| Water | | 4,239 66 | | 4,239 66 | 79 20 | | | | 4,160 46 | | | 4,160 46 | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | | 650 16 | | 650 16 | | | | | 650 16 | | | 650 16 | | | | | |
| Live stock | 540 00 | 216 35 | | 756 35 | | | | | 756 35 | | 515 00 | 241 35 | | | | 515 00 | |
| Forage | | 345 66 | | 345 66 | | | | | 345 66 | | | 345 66 | | | | | |
| Insurance | | 1,052 00 | | 1,052 00 | | | | | 1,052 00 | | | 1,052 00 | | | | | |
| Library | 602 98 | 86 77 | | 689 75 | | | | | 689 75 | | 603 78 | 85 97 | | | | 603 78 | |
| Furniture and repairs | 20,612 59 | 9,797 74 | | 30,410 33 | 102 37 | | | | 30,307 96 | | 21,825 02 | 8,482 94 | | | | 21,825 02 | |
| Accounts receivable | 11,103 89 | | 12,732 92 | 23,836 81 | 11,014 68 | | | | 12,822 13 | | | | | | | 12,822 13 | |
| | $48,244 54 | $99,788 43 | $14,942 98 | $162,975 95 | $32,264 56 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expenditures over receipts | | | | | | | 13,441 24 | | | 13,441 24 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | $99,788 43 | $99,788 43 | $130,711 39 | $130,711 39 | $10,236 15 | | | | | | |
| Net cost, over revenue and stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6,107 24 | $6,107 24 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | $75,342 70 | $75,342 70 | | | | |
| Net resources, stock being credited | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 41,927 45 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $48,034 69 | $48,034 69 | | |
| Resources and liabilities | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $55,368 69 | $13,441 24 |
| Net resources over liabilities | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 41,927 45 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $55,368 69 | $55,368 69 |

N. B.—The amount debited to State of New Jersey on this sheet as receipts, is $422.15 less than the actual amount returned to the State treasurer during the fiscal year. That amount being credited to discharged convict cash, is therefore omitted from this balance sheet.

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# GENERAL BALANCE SHEET OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31st, 1898.

| ACCOUNTS. | Cash on hand October 31st, 1897. Stock and accounts receivable October 31st, 1897. | Expenditures made during fiscal year 1898 and paid by the State treasurer on warrant of the comptroller. | Amount of cash received during the fiscal year 1898, on hand October 31st, and accounts receivable for 1898. | Total of cash on hand. Stock and accounts receivable for 1897. Expenditures made in fiscal year 1898. Cash on hand and accounts receivable October 31st, 1898. | Amounts derived from labor of prisoners and other sources during fiscal year and credited to their respective accounts. | Net amount credited of prison earnings for fiscal year 1898 and amount of cash returned to State treasurer. | STATE OF NEW JERSEY. | | TRIAL BALANCE. | | Inventory of stock on hand October 31st, 1898. | COST AND REVENUE. | | STOCK. | | NEW BALANCE. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | Receipts. | Expenditures. | Dr. | Cr. | | Cost. | Revenue. | Dr. | Cr. | Assets. | Liabilities. |
| | | | | | | | Dr. | Cr. | | | | Dr. | Cr. | | | | |
| Stock | | $209 85 | | $209 85 | $209 85 | | | | | $48,034 69 | | | | | $48,034 69 | | |
| Cash | $100 35 | | $2,210 06 | 2,310 41 | | | | | $2,310 41 | | | | | | | $2,310 41 | |
| Subsistence | 171 50 | 42,988 89 | | 43,160 39 | 20,124 81 | | | | 23,035 58 | | $576 17 | $22,459 41 | | | | 576 17 | |
| Hospital | 565 25 | 5,784 38 | | 6,349 63 | | | | | 6,349 63 | | 459 83 | 5,889 80 | | | | 459 83 | |
| Clothing | 6,983 66 | 5,932 78 | | 12,916 44 | 34 77 | | | | 12,881 67 | | 8,362 39 | 4,519 28 | | | | 8,362 39 | |
| Bedding | 5,211 74 | 989 29 | | 6,201 03 | | | | | 6,201 03 | | 4,666 20 | 1,534 83 | | | | 4,666 20 | |
| Discharged convict clothing | 642 91 | 3,335 74 | | 3,978 65 | 573 30 | | | | 3,405 35 | | 1,037 23 | 2,368 12 | | | | 1,037 23 | |
| Stationery | 220 67 | 814 66 | | 1,035 33 | | | | | 1,035 33 | | 249 30 | 786 03 | | | | 249 30 | |
| Convict stationery | 104 35 | 77 99 | | 182 34 | | | | | 182 34 | | 85 89 | 96 45 | | | | 85 89 | |
| Light | 20 90 | 9,083 36 | | 9,104 26 | | | | | 9,104 26 | | 12 21 | 9,092 05 | | | | 12 21 | |
| Tobacco | 62 65 | 1,353 00 | | 1,415 65 | | | | | 1,415 65 | | 31 91 | 1,383 74 | | | | 31 91 | |
| Prison earnings | | 49 75 | | 49 75 | 49 75 | $69,235 46 | | | | 69,235 46 | | | $69,235 46 | | | | |
| Officers' uniforms | 158 36 | | | 158 36 | 75 83 | | | | 82 53 | | 82 41 | 12 | | | | 82 41 | |
| State of New Jersey | | | | | | 86,849 99 | $86,769 34 | $195,744 49 | | | | | | | | | $108,894 50 |
| Salaries of deputies and subordinate officers | | 84,456 06 | | 84,456 06 | | | | | 84,456 06 | | | 84,456 06 | | | | | |
| Salaries of keeper, supervisor and board of inspectors | | 9,500 00 | | 9,500 00 | | | | | 9,500 00 | | | 9,500 00 | | | | | |
| Discharged convict cash | | 2,000 00 | | 2,000 00 | 422 15<br>80 65 | | 80 65 | | 1,497 20 | | | 1,497 20 | | | | | |
| Appliances | | 693 80 | | 693 80 | | | | | 693 80 | | | 693 80 | | | | | |
| Advertising | | 275 54 | | 275 54 | | | | | 275 54 | | | 275 54 | | | | | |
| Printing | | 66 00 | | 66 00 | | | | | 66 00 | | | 66 00 | | | | | |
| Sanitary | 115 74 | 193 15 | | 308 89 | | | | | 308 89 | | 62 58 | 246 31 | | | | 62 58 | |
| Fuel | 1,027 60 | 11,551 91 | | 12,578 91 | | | | | 12,578 91 | | 1,666 23 | 10,912 68 | | | | 1,666 23 | |
| Water | | 4,239 66 | | 4,239 66 | 79 20 | | | | 4,160 46 | | | 4,160 46 | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | | 650 16 | | 650 16 | | | | | 650 16 | | | 650 16 | | | | | |
| Live stock | 540 00 | 216 35 | | 756 35 | | | | | 756 35 | | 515 00 | 241 35 | | | | 515 00 | |
| Forage | | 345 66 | | 345 66 | | | | | 345 66 | | | 345 66 | | | | | |
| Insurance | | 1,052 00 | | 1,052 00 | | | | | 1,052 00 | | | 1,052 00 | | | | | |
| Library | 602 98 | 86 77 | | 689 75 | | | | | 689 75 | | 603 78 | 85 97 | | | | 603 78 | |
| Furniture and repairs | 20,612 59 | 9,797 74 | | 30,410 33 | 102 37 | | | | 30,307 96 | | 21,825 02 | 8,482 94 | | | | 21,825 02 | |
| Accounts receivable | 11,103 89 | | 12,732 92 | 23,836 81 | 11,014 68 | | | | 12,822 13 | | | | | | | 12,822 13 | |
| | $48,244 54 | $195,744 49 | $14,942 98 | $258,932 01 | $32,767 36 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expenditures over receipts | | | | | | | 108,894 50 | | | 108,894 50 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | $195,744 49 | $195,744 49 | $226,164 65 | $226,164 65 | $40,236 15 | | | | | | |
| Net cost, over revenue and stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | 101,560 50 | $101,560 50 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | $170,795 96 | $170,795 96 | | | | |
| Net cost, stock being credited | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 53,525 81 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $101,560 50 | $101,560 50 | | |
| Resources and liabilities | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $55,368 69 | $108,894 50 |
| Net cost over resources | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 53,525 81 | |
| Total expenditures over receipts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | $108,894 50 | $108,894 50 |

# KEEPER'S REPORT.

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
October, 31st, 1898.

*Hon. David O. Watkins, Acting Governor of New Jersey:*

I beg herewith to present a report of the management of the State Prison for the year ending October 31st, 1898:

NUMBER OF PRISONERS OCTOBER 31ST, 1897.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| From State Courts—Males | | 974 | |
| From State Courts—Females | | 29 | |
| | | | 1,003 |
| From United States Courts—Males | | 123 | |
| From United States Courts—Females | | 5 | |
| | | | 128 |
| Total | | | 1,131 |

RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| From State Courts—Males | 463 | | |
| From State Courts—Females | 24 | | |
| | | 487 | |
| From United States Courts—Males | 143 | | |
| From United States Courts—Females | 10 | | |
| Returned from Hospital for Insane—Males | 1 | | |
| | | 154 | |
| | | | 641 |
| Total | | | 1,772 |

DISCHARGED.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| By expiration of time—State— | | | |
| Males | 383 | | |
| Females | 19 | | |
| | | 402 | |
| By expiration of time—United States— | | | |
| Males | 49 | | |
| Females | 4 | | |
| | | 53 | |
| By order of Hudson County Court of Common Pleas—Males | | 3 | |



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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pardoned—State— | | | |
| Males | 21 | | |
| Females | 2 | | |
| Pardoned—United States— | | | |
| Female | 1 | | |
| | | 24 | |
| By remission of fine—State— | | | |
| Males | 6 | | |
| By payment of fine—State— | | | |
| Male | 1 | | |
| | | 7 | |
| By parole—State— | | | |
| Males | 26 | | |
| Female | 1 | | |
| | | 27 | |
| By death—State— | | | |
| Males | 11 | | |
| Female | 1 | | |
| By death—United States— | | | |
| Males | 2 | | |
| | | 14 | |
| By removal to Hospital for Insane—State— | | | |
| Males | 13 | | |
| By removal to Hospital for Insane—United States— | | | |
| Male | 1 | | |
| | | 14 | |
| | | | 544 |
| Total remaining October 31st, 1898 | | | 1,228 |

AS FOLLOWS:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| From State Courts— | | | |
| Males | 973 | | |
| Females | 30 | | |
| | | 1,003 | |
| From United States Courts— | | | |
| Males | 215 | | |
| Females | 10 | | |
| | | 225 | |
| | | | 1,228 |

DAILY AVERAGE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Males | 1,172 |
| Females | 35 |
| General average | 1,207 |

The number of prisoners varied from 1,132, on November 1st, 1897, the lowest, to 1,284, July 14th, 1898, which was the highest number.

The average number for the year was 1,207. The highest average for any previous year was 1,075, for the year ending October 31st, 1897.

| | |
|---|---|
| The average number confined in the Prison Hospital was | 32 |
| The average number of patients outside of the Hospital who received Hospital diet and treatment was | 12 |

The report of the Clerk of the Prison, annexed, gives a detail of age, sex, place of nativity, crimes, &c., as required by law.

Statement of receipts and disbursement of money appropriated for the payment of discharged prisoners :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received from Hon. G. B. Swain, State Treasurer, on account of the appropriation of $3,000 | | $2,000 00 |
| Paid 422 State prisoners | $1,409 00 | |
| Paid 53 United States prisoners, which is refunded to the State Treasurer by the United States | 510 35 | |
| Returned to Hon. G. B. Swain, Treasurer | 80 65 | |
| | | $2,000 00 |

Statement showing the receipts and disbursement of moneys belonging to prisoners held in trust by the keeper :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance October 31st, 1897 | $2,770 67 | |
| Received during the year | 5,949 90 | |
| | | $8,720 57 |
| Paid as follows : | | |
| To prisoners on their discharge, and cash remitted to their families, &c | $3,597 00 | |
| Purchase of postage stamps | 135 32 | |
| Purchase of merchandise allowable under the Prison rules | 698 45 | |
| | | 4,430 77 |
| Balance on hand November 1st, 1898 | | $4,289 80 |

The average annual cost of all salaries for superintendance, guarding and policing the Prison, including the salaries of Inspectors, Keepers, Supervisor, Physicians and Moral Instructors for the last four years :

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| In 1895 | $95.73 | for each prisoner. |
| " 1896 | 93.87 | " " " |
| " 1897 | 87.35 | " " " |
| " 1898 | 78.57 | " " " |

This considerable decline in the cost of superintendance, guarding and policing the Prison (per capita) was brought about by the fact

that the number of deputies was not increased in proportion to the increase of prisoners.

It was found that by careful and economical assignments of the officers, and that by increasing the number of prisoners in the care of each, that the increased number of prisoners could be safely cared for without increasing the Prison force.

Statement showing quantities and weight of food furnished for the sustenance of the prisoners :

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fresh beef | 131,188 | pounds | 29.78 | pounds | daily for | 100 | prisoners. |
| Corned beef | 116,645 | " | 26.48 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Mutton | 45,172 | " | 10.25 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Shoulder | 73,640 | " | 16.72 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Salt pork | 18,259 | " | 4 15 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Fresh pork (Thanksgiving) | 1,900 | " | .43 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Chickens (Christmas) | 1,743 | " | .39 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Lard | 841 | " | .19 | " | " | 100 | " |
| | 389,388 | " | 88.39 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Fish | 36,549 | " | 8.29 | " | " | 100 | " |
| Scrapple | 17,350 | " | 3.94 | " | " | 100 | " |

Of flour there was consumed 2,432½ barrels, weighing 476,770 pounds, from which was baked 516,078 loaves of bread.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Flour | 476,770 | lbs. | 108.22 | lbs. | daily for | each | 100 | prisoners. |
| Oatmeal | 9,865 | " | | | | | | |
| Hominy | 325 | " | | | | | | |
| Cornmeal | 4,595 | " | 3.36 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| | 14,785 | " | | | | | | |
| Peas | 11,425 | " | | | | | | |
| Beans | 28,300 | " | | | | | | |
| Rice | 4,124 | " | 9.95 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| | 43,849 | " | | | | | | |
| Potatoes 6,339 | bushels | 380,340 | " | 86.33 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| Turnips 587 | " | 32,874 | " | 7.46 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| Onions 242 | " | 13,520 | " | 3.06 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| Carrots 234 | " | 12,104 | " | 2.75 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| Cabbage 1,494 | barrels | 134,460 | " | 30.50 | " | " | " | 100 | " |
| | | 573,298 | | 130.10 | " | " | " | 100 | " |

In addition (of vegetables) there was used of

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| Onions | 15,675 Bunches. |
| Carrots | 5,300 " |
| Tomatoes | 567 Baskets. |
| Apples | 49 Barrels. |

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| 4,264 gallons of Molasses— | 7.74 pints daily | for each 100 prisoners. |
| 982 " Vinegar.. | 1.78 " " | " 100 " |
| 10,240 pounds of Coffee..... | 2.33 pounds " | " 100 " |
| 158,052 pints of Milk..... | 35.88 pints " | " 100 " |

Also the following, which was used almost entirely in the Hospital, or for the extra meals which are supplied on July 4th, Thanksgiving and Christmas days :

| | |
|---|---|
| 864 pounds of Butter. | 365 pounds of Tea. |
| 4,403 " " Sugar. | 1,611 dozen Eggs. |
| 825 " " Mince Meat. | 84 gallons Canned Pumpkin. |
| 100 bushels Green Peas. | 310 cans Tomatoes. |

The cost of maintenance and subsistence will be found fully detailed in the report of the Supervisor.

The market or contract prices of provisions vary so much from time to time that the actual cost does not show to the full extent the economical appropriation of food. The cost taken with the per capita consumption aids in arriving at correct results.

By comparing the above with the supplies used by other institutions of this character, and by supplies furnished the army and navy, leads me to believe that the Commissary Department of the Prison has been wisely and economically administered.

The general health of the Prison has been good. The report of the Prison Physician, annexed hereto, shows that the sickness and death average has not been excessive.

The productive industries show a marked improvement as to the number of prisoners employed and the amount of production ; although the number of prisoners has largely increased for the last two years, the number employed on productive industries has kept pace with the increase.

The report of the Board of Inspectors and Supervisor will give detailed information on this subject.

The Visiting Inspectors have made weekly visits and examinations of the Prison. Their reports to the Board show that good discipline has been maintained, and that the Prison has been kept in a satisfactory manner as to cleanliness and sanitary conditions, and

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that the food has been sufficient in quantity and of wholesome quality, as required by the rules of the Board of Inspectors and approval of the Physicians.

### DISCIPLINE.

It is evident to all that an institution of this kind, with over 1,200 prisoners, many of them of desperate character, strict discipline is necessary.

This I have endeavored to maintain in a firm, strict and kindly manner, in no case with passion or vindictive feeling. I have used this authority with the greatest care possible, and have tried to settle each case on its own merits, making the punishment certain rather than severe. Corporal punishment is prohibited by law, having been found unnecessary. The only punishments used are limitation of privileges, standing in the center and confinement in the dungeon, not to exceed six days at any one time.

In conclusion, I beg to return my thanks to the Board of Inspectors and Supervisor for their kindly advice and co-operation, and to the Deputies of the Prison for their loyal and determined efforts to bring the institution to the highest standard of excellence. I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL S. MOORE,
Keeper.

# STATISTICAL REPORT.

# STATISTICS.

OFFICE OF NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON.

*To the Honorable the Board of Inspectors:*

GENTLEMEN—Herewith please find statistical table compiled from the records of this institution for the year ending October 31st, 1898.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM J. O'DONNELL,
Clerk of Prison.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| At the date of last report, October 31st, 1897, the number of prisoners remaining in confinement was | | 1,131 |
| Received during the year ending October 31st, 1898, under terms of sentences | 640 | |
| Returned from Insane Asylum | 1 | |
| | | 641 |
| | | 1,772 |
| The number discharged during the same period by remittance of time (act of April 2d, 1869), was | 454 | |
| By order of Hudson County Court of Common Pleas | 3 | |
| By order of United States Commissioners | 1 | |
| Pardoned by the President of the United States | 1 | |
| Pardoned by the Court of Pardons of New Jersey | 23 | |
| Paroled under provision of Chapter 231 of the laws of 1891 (approved April 16th, 1891) | 27 | |
| Died | 14 | |
| Removed to Asylum for Insane | 14 | |
| By payment of fine | 1 | |
| By remittance of fine | 6 | |
| Removed to Florence Mission by order of Prison Physician, under Pregnant act | 2 | |
| Returned by order of Prison Physician, under Pregnant act | 2 | |
| | | 544 |
| Remaining in Prison at date of this report | | 1,228 |



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TERMS OF SENTENCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Natural life | 8 |
| Forty years | 1 |
| Thirty-four years. | 2 |
| Thirty years | 1 |
| Twenty-five years | 1 |
| Twenty-one years | 1 |
| Twenty years | 39 |
| Eighteen years | 5 |
| Seventeen years | 1 |
| Fifteen years | 32 |
| Fourteen years | 4 |
| Thirteen years | 4 |
| Twelve years | 11 |
| Eleven years and six months | 1 |
| Ten years and three months | 1 |
| Ten years | 105 |
| Nine years | 1 |
| Eight years | 23 |
| Seven years and six months | 14 |
| Seven years | 47 |
| Six years and six months | 1 |
| Six years | 29 |
| Five years and six months | 1 |
| Five years and one day | 1 |
| Five years | 174 |
| Four years and six months | 2 |
| Four years | 47 |
| Three years and six months | 25 |
| Three years | 146 |
| Two years, six months and one day | 1 |
| Two years and six months | 23 |
| Two years and five months | 6 |
| Two years and two days | 6 |
| Two years | 267 |
| One year and ten months | 4 |
| One year and nine months | 1 |
| One year and eight months | 1 |
| One year and six months. | 57 |
| One year and four months | 1 |
| One year and three months | 3 |
| One year and one day | 18 |
| One year | 96 |
| Ten months | 5 |
| Nine months | 4 |
| Seven months | 2 |
| Six months | 5 |
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COUNTIES WHERE CONVICTED.

| | |
|---|---|
| Atlantic | 29 |
| Bergen | 40 |
| Burlington | 26 |
| Camden | 62 |
| Cape May | 3 |
| Cumberland | 58 |
| Essex | 107 |
| Gloucester | 9 |
| Hudson | 235 |
| Hunterdon | 25 |
| Mercer | 47 |
| Middlesex | 40 |
| Monmouth | 65 |
| Morris | 49 |
| Ocean | 2 |
| Passaic | 84 |
| Salem | 28 |
| Somerset | 17 |
| Sussex | 15 |
| Union | 46 |
| Warren | 13 |
| United States District Court of New Jersey | 13 |
| Supreme Court | 1 |
| Mercer and Bergen | 1 |
| Mercer and Monmouth | 1 |
| United States District of Columbia | 210 |
| United States District of Delaware | 2 |
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CRIMES FOR WHICH COMMITTED.

| | |
|---|---|
| Assault and battery | 55 |
| Assault and battery and robbery | 11 |
| Assault and battery, breaking jail, rescue | 1 |
| Assault and battery and rape | 3 |
| Assault, with intent to kill, atrocious assault and battery, grand larceny | 2 |
| Assault and carnal abuse upon a woman child under the age of sixteen years | 2 |
| Assault and battery and extortion | 1 |
| Assault on officer | 1 |
| Assault and battery and riot | 1 |
| Assault, with intent to commit rape, assault on woman child | 1 |
| Assault and battery, with intent to commit rape | 6 |
| Assault and battery, with intent to kill | 11 |
| Asssault and battery, entering and larceny, assault, with intent to kill | 3 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, entering, with intent to steal | 1 |
| Assault and battery and resisting an officer | 4 |
| Assault on woman child and incest | 1 |
| Assault and battery, assault on officer | 1 |
| Assault and battery, attempt to rape | 4 |

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| Assault | 3 |
| Assault, with intent to kill | 33 |
| Assault, with intent to kill, &c | 1 |
| Assault, with intent to ravish | 3 |
| Assault, with intent to kill, and for assault with a pistol | 1 |
| Assault, with intent to kill, breaking, entering, with intent to rob | 1 |
| Attempt of highway robbery | 1 |
| Assault, &c. | 2 |
| Assault with knife, with intent | 2 |
| Assault, with intent to kill, breaking, entering, &c. | 1 |
| Assault, with attempt to commit rape | 4 |
| Aggravated assault | 5 |
| Atrocious assault and battery | 43 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, conspiracy | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, with intent to kill | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, robbery | 1 |
| Attempt to break and enter | 2 |
| Abusing infant | 3 |
| Attempt to wreck a railroad train | 1 |
| Assault and battery, affray | 1 |
| Attempt to break, and breaking | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, murder in the second degree | 1 |
| Aiding escape | 1 |
| Attempt at rape | 3 |
| Assault and battery, with intent to rob | 5 |
| Altering a Treasury note | 1 |
| Assault, with intent to commit murder | 1 |
| Arson | 10 |
| Arson, breaking and entering, with intent | 2 |
| Assault and battery and abuse | 4 |
| Assault and battery, with intent to murder and robbery | 3 |
| Assault on an officer, obstructing process, &c., assault and battery | 1 |
| Assault and battery, unlawful cohabitation | 3 |
| Attempt at rape, breaking and entering | 1 |
| Atrocious assault | 3 |
| Attempt to break and enter, with intent to steal | 1 |
| Assault and battery, breaking, breaking, entering, with intent to steal, resisting officer, assault and battery | 1 |
| Attempt to commit murder | 1 |
| Assault and battery and attempt to kill | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery on officer, attempt at prison escape | 2 |
| Attempt to kill | 3 |
| Adultery | 1 |
| Assault, with intent to ravish, indecent exposure of person, aggravated assault | 1 |
| Assault and battery, with attempt to rob | 2 |
| Attempt to break jail | 2 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, atrocious assault and battery on officer, prison escape, burglary | 1 |

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| Attempt to escape jail, assault and battery on officer, kidnaping | 1 |
| Assault with a pistol, breaking, entering, larceny and receiving | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, breaking with intent larceny | 1 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, and assault and battery | 2 |
| Atrocious assault and battery, highway robbery | 1 |
| Burning dwelling-house | 2 |
| Breaking jail | 4 |
| Breaking and entering, larceny and receiving, breaking and entering, with intent to steal | 2 |
| Breaking and entering, larceny and larceny | 1 |
| Breaking and entering, atrocious assault and battery | 3 |
| Breaking, entering, breaking prison | 2 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny from person | 1 |
| Breaking | 10 |
| Breaking and entering | 44 |
| Breaking, entering, with intent larceny, larceny of horse, wagon, &c | 1 |
| Breaking and entering, with intent | 4 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny | 72 |
| Breaking, with assault and battery, with intent to kill | 10 |
| Breaking and entering, with intent, robbery, atrocious assault and battery, grand larceny, escape | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, burning barn | 1 |
| Breaking, entering, larcency and receiving, false pretenses | 1 |
| Breaking, entering, larceny and receiving | 21 |
| Breaking, entering, with intent to steal, larceny | 1 |
| Breaking and larceny | 6 |
| Breaking and entering, larceny and receiving, entering, larceny and receiving, larceny and receiving, breaking, entering by day, larceny and receiving | 1 |
| Breaking, entering, &c., assault on an officer | 1 |
| Breaking, with intent | 20 |
| Breaking, entering, &c | 5 |
| Breaking, with intent and robbery | 2 |
| Breaking and entering railway car, larceny | 3 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, having burglars' tools | 1 |
| Breaking, with intent, &c | 4 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, breaking jail | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and stealing | 11 |
| Breaking, entering, with intent to steal | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and grand larceny | 1 |
| Breaking, with intent and larceny | 1 |
| Breaking, assault and battery | 1 |
| Burglary, breaking, entering and stealing | 2 |
| Breaking and entering, assault with intent to kill, breaking prison | 1 |
| Bigamy | 12 |
| Burglary | 19 |
| Breaking, entering, grand larceny, escape | 4 |
| Burning, &c | 3 |
| Burning barn | 1 |
| Burglars' tools and receiving stolen goods | 1 |

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| Burglary, etc | 3 |
| Breaking jail, larceny | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, breaking with intent, &c., breaking with intent | 1 |
| Burglary, robbery, assault and battery | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and petit larceny | 1 |
| Breaking, entering and larceny, breaking with intent | 1 |
| Breaking and entering, burglary | 1 |
| Breaking and entering by night | 1 |
| Breaking and entering, larceny and receiving, assault and battery | 2 |
| Breach of law as to lotteries | 2 |
| Breaking, &c., and receiving | 1 |
| Conspiracy, abortion, &c | 1 |
| Carnal abuse | 2 |
| Concealing birth of infant | 1 |
| Carnal knowledge of a female under the age of sixteen years | 1 |
| Carnal abuse of girl under sixteen years of age | 2 |
| Carrying concealed weapons, second offense | 2 |
| Disorderly house | 9 |
| Entering and larceny | 12 |
| Entering, larceny and receiving | 1 |
| Entering, with intent | 8 |
| Entering and stealing | 1 |
| Entering, escape | 2 |
| Embezzlement | 2 |
| Entering, with intent and having burglars' tools | 1 |
| Entering, with intent to steal, larceny and receiving | 1 |
| Embezzlement and grand larceny | 1 |
| Forgery and uttering and embezzlement | 1 |
| Forgery and misdemeanor | 4 |
| Forgery | 10 |
| Forgery and uttering | 1 |
| False pretense | 22 |
| Fighting | 1 |
| Forgery, attempt abduction | 1 |
| Grand larceny, breaking, &c | 1 |
| Grand larceny | 45 |
| Grand larceny, breaking, entering and larceny, entering and larceny | 1 |
| Grand larceny and arson | 1 |
| Grand larceny as bailee | 1 |
| Grand larceny and larceny | 1 |
| House-breaking, second offense of petit larceny | 1 |
| Homicide | 1 |
| Having in possession and passing United States obligation | 1 |
| Having in possession counterfeit plate of United States obligation, &c | 1 |
| Having burglars' tools | 5 |
| Highway robbery, with intent to commit rape | 3 |
| Highway robbery | 7 |
| High misdemeanor, carnal abuse of child | 1 |

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| Having in possession counterfeit silver dollars | 1 |
| High misdemeanor | 1 |
| Highway robbery, assault, with intent to rob | 2 |
| House-breaking | 58 |
| Highway robbery, sodomy | 1 |
| House-breaking and larceny | 1 |
| Indecent assault | 8 |
| Indecent exposure | 2 |
| Indecent proposal, &c | 1 |
| Illegal sale of liquor | 1 |
| Incest | 1 |
| Keeping disorderly house | 5 |
| Keeping disorderly house, illegal liquor-selling | 2 |
| Keeping disorderly house, aiding to commit rape | 1 |
| Larceny and receiving above the value of twenty dollars | 1 |
| Larceny and receiving stolen goods | 1 |
| Larceny | 50 |
| Larceny, &c | 5 |
| Larceny and receiving | 16 |
| Larceny from the person | 37 |
| Larceny from the person and receiving | 8 |
| Larceny and forgery | 1 |
| Larceny and cruelty to animals | 1 |
| Larceny and receiving stolen goods, burglary and receiving stolen goods | 2 |
| Larceny from the person, and assault and battery on an officer | 1 |
| Larceny of fowl | 1 |
| Lewdness | 4 |
| Larceny, breaking, entering and larceny | 4 |
| Larceny and forgery | 1 |
| Larceny of bicycle | 1 |
| Larceny of horse and wagon | 1 |
| Misdemeanor, and larceny and receiving | 1 |
| Manslaughter | 31 |
| Manslaughter, assault and battery | 1 |
| Murder | 39 |
| Murder first degree | 6 |
| Murder second degree | 17 |
| Malicious mischief | 6 |
| Misdemeanor | 3 |
| Mayhem | 1 |
| Open lewdness | 1 |
| Obtaining money under false pretenses, atrocious assault and battery, aiding escape | 1 |
| Obtaining goods under false pretenses | 2 |
| Obstructing railway | 1 |
| Polygamy, embezzlement | 1 |
| Passing, and having in possession, counterfeit quarter dollars | 2 |
| Personating pension officer | 1 |
| Passing, and attempting to pass, counterfeit money | 1 |

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| Passing, and having in possession, counterfeit silver dollars | 1 |
| Passing, and having in possession, counterfeit fifty-cent pieces | 2 |
| Petit larceny | 3 |
| Petit larceny, stealing domestic fowl | 1 |
| Policy | 1 |
| Polygamy | 2 |
| Passing counterfeit five-cent coins | 1 |
| Perjury | 10 |
| Poisoning | 1 |
| Rape | 18 |
| Receiving | 5 |
| Resisting an officer | 3 |
| Resisting an officer, assault and battery | 4 |
| Rape, indecent assault, &c | 1 |
| Rape, and attempt to commit rape | 1 |
| Rape and incest | 1 |
| Rape, assault and battery | 1 |
| Robbery, assault with intent to kill, atrocious assault and battery, assault with intent, &c, breaking, entering and larceny, and receiving, assault with intent to commit robbery | 1 |
| Robbery on highway, assault, with intent to rob | 1 |
| Receiving stolen goods, &c | 6 |
| Robbery | 41 |
| Robbery from the person | 1 |
| Robbery, &c | 5 |
| Receiving and having in possession stolen United States property | 2 |
| Second offense, petit larceny | 17 |
| Stealing fowls | 2 |
| Statutory rape | 1 |
| Seduction of infant, &c | 1 |
| Stealing ducks | 1 |
| Stealing chickens | 1 |
| Setting fire to buildings | 2 |
| Sodomy | 7 |
| Seduction of female under promise of marriage, pregnancy following | 1 |
| Unlawful and carnal abuse of woman under sixteen years of age | 1 |
| Unlawful assembly | 1 |
| Unlawful cohabitation | 1 |
| Unlawful assembly, riot, assault and battery | 1 |
| Unlawfully taking letter | 1 |
| Uttering forged instrument and forgery | 1 |
| Vis act, February 10th, 1891 | 1 |
| Violation of Section 5209, United States Revised Statutes, and Section 5440, United States Revised Statutes, as amended by act of Congress of May 17th, 1879 | 2 |
| Violation of Section 5431, Revised Statutes United States | 2 |
| | 1,228 |

AGES WHEN RECEIVED.

| | |
|---|---|
| Thirteen years | 1 |
| Fifteen years | 8 |
| Fifteen to twenty years | 145 |
| Twenty to twenty-five years | 363 |
| Twenty-five to thirty years | 246 |
| Thirty to forty years | 311 |
| Forty to fifty years | 98 |
| Fifty to sixty years | 28 |
| Sixty to seventy years | 26 |
| Seventy to eighty years | 2 |
| | 1,228 |

PLACES OF NATIVITY.

| | |
|---|---|
| New Jersey | 395 |
| New York | 158 |
| Pennsylvania | 83 |
| Delaware | 6 |
| Maryland | 66 |
| Virginia | 57 |
| North Carolina | 9 |
| South Carolina | 3 |
| Louisiana | 1 |
| Kentucky | 3 |
| Georgia | 5 |
| Florida | 3 |
| Missouri | 3 |
| Texas | 3 |
| Ohio | 6 |
| Indiana | 3 |
| Illinois | 6 |
| Wisconsin | 1 |
| Arkansas | 1 |
| Dakota | 1 |
| District of Columbia | 107 |
| New Hampshire | 3 |
| Vermont | 2 |
| Massachusetts | 23 |
| Rhode Island | 2 |
| California | 8 |
| Connecticut | 9 |
| Canada | 2 |
| Alabama | 2 |
| Colorado | 5 |
| Tennessee | 1 |
| Montana | 2 |
| Nebraska | 3 |
| Maine | 1 |
| West Virginia | 3 |

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|---|---|
| Arizona | 1 |
| Minnesota | 1 |
| Mexico | 2 |
| At Sea | 2 |
| Germany | 52 |
| Ireland | 42 |
| England | 28 |
| Scotland | 4 |
| Italy | 42 |
| France | 5 |
| Holland | 8 |
| Switzerland | 6 |
| Austria | 6 |
| Sweden | 2 |
| Russia | 14 |
| Hungary | 2 |
| Denmark | 2 |
| Prussia | 1 |
| Norway | 1 |
| West Indies | 6 |
| Wales | 1 |
| Poland | 3 |
| Greece | 1 |
| Belgium | 3 |
| East Indies | 1 |
| Panama | 1 |
| Cape De Verd Island | 1 |
| Cape Colony | 1 |
| Russia Poland | 1 |
| Bahama Island | 1 |
| Spain | 1 |
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YEARS IN WHICH RECEIVED.

| | |
|---|---|
| 1872 | 1 |
| 1881 | 1 |
| 1885 | 3 |
| 1887 | 4 |
| 1888 | 4 |
| 1889 | 1 |
| 1890 | 12 |
| 1891 | 15 |
| 1892 | 18 |
| 1893 | 34 |
| 1894 | 52 |
| 1895 | 75 |
| 1896 | 147 |
| 1897 | 353 |
| 1898 | 508 |
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NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| First commitment | 1,019 |
| Second commitment | 143 |
| Third commitment | 44 |
| Fourth commitment | 13 |
| Fifth commitment | 6 |
| Seventh commitment | 1 |
| Eighth commitment | 1 |
| Ninth commitment | 1 |
| | 1,228 |

EDUCATION.

| | |
|---|---|
| Can read and write | 994 |
| Cannot read and write | 194 |
| Read only | 33 |
| Write name only | 7 |
| | 1,228 |

COLOR AND SEX.

| | |
|---|---|
| White males | 839 |
| White females | 20 |
| Colored males | 349 |
| Colored females | 20 |
| | 1,228 |

DAILY AVERAGE INMATES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Males | 1,172 |
| Females | 35 |
| General average | 1,207 |

# REPORT OF THE PHYSICIAN AND MORAL INSTRUCTORS.

# PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable Board of Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison:*

GENTLEMEN—No unusual conditions have occurred in the administration of the Medical Department of the Prison during the present year which demand special notice.

There have been no epidemics or contagious diseases to interrupt the usual routine of complaints common to all prisons.

So long as labor is solely peenetive, unaccompanied by any remunerative feature, its distastefulness to the prisoner will be manifested by an effort on his part to avoid its responsibility.

The time and attention of the physician is, accordingly, more occupied in discriminating between feigned and real diseases, than in the treatment of those that are actual.

Through such decision he secures to the State a larger amount of service in the workshops than would be otherwise obtained.

The deaths which have occurred during the year, showing a small percentage in ratio to the daily average of the Prison population, viz., 1,207, were chiefly from chronic diseases of the lungs, heart, liver and the general scropeloses, with two exceptions, viz., one from suicide and one from acute erysipelas, the latter being in the case of an aged patient; one complicated with organic disease of the abdominal viscera and accompanied by obstinate singultus.

Numerous surgical operations have been performed with successful results, due largely to the employment of scientific aids and appliances generously provided by the State. By means of such operations many of the otherwise disabled prisoners are restored to a condition of useful activity.

The liberal amount of open-air exercise in the yards, as recommended by the Medical Department and accorded by the Prison authorities, doubtless contributes largely to the favorable hygienic condition of the Prison, and at the same time renders the periods of long confinement more tolerable to the prisoners.

In the administration of this department due regard for the preservation of the quiet and good order of the Prison has been observed by the prompt examination and transfer of the insane to the institutions properly provided by the State for their care and treatment.

The general sanitary condition of the Prison is fair, and no recommendations are made, save those referred to in the previous reports.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. MACKENZIE,
Prison Physician.

## SUMMARY

### Of Sick in the New Jersey State Prison for the Year Ending October 31st, 1898.

| | Number of convicts in prison at close of each month. | Sick in hospital at close of each month. | Died in hospital or cell. | Discharged by expiration of sentence whilst in hospital. | Pardoned whilst in hospital. | Paroled whilst in hospital. | Transferred to State Hospitals for Insane. | Returned from State Hospitals for Insane. | Remaining sick from last month and excused from work. | Taken sick during the month and excused from work. | Total treated during the month and excused from work. |
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| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 1,160 | 32 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 45 | 71 | 116 |
| December | 1,156 | 36 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 48 | 86 | 134 |
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1,173 | 32 | ..... | 2 | 4 | 2 | 5 | ..... | 57 | 84 | 141 |
| February | 1,193 | 33 | 2 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 45 | 83 | 128 |
| March | 1,214 | 35 | 1 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | 93 | 143 |
| April | 1,199 | 29 | 2 | ..... | 3 | 2 | 3 | ..... | 50 | 82 | 132 |
| May | 1,211 | 31 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 42 | 79 | 121 |
| June | 1,257 | 27 | 2 | 3 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 51 | 66 | 117 |
| July | 1,264 | 24 | 1 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 40 | 62 | 102 |
| August | 1,243 | 35 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 41 | 94 | 135 |
| September | 1,233 | 31 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 55 | 67 | 122 |
| October | 1,228 | 38 | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | 53 | 69 | 122 |
| Total | 14,531 | 383 | 14 | 22 | 11 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 578 | 936 | 1,513 |
| | 1,210 | 31 11-12 | 1 1-6 | 1 5 6 | 11-12 | ⅓ | 1 1-12 | 1-12 | 48 1-6 | 78 | 126 1-12 |

# MORAL INSTRUCTORS' REPORT.

*To His Excellency D. O. Watkins, Acting Governor of New Jersey:*

HONORED SIR—As Moral Instructor of the New Jersey State Prison, I herewith submit to you my annual report.

My whole time is employed in the work assigned me by the law which created the office of Moral Instructor. I employ every suitable agency within my reach to impress those under my care as to the necessity of reformation. The privileges of an excellent library, an abundant supply of good reading, Sabbath services regularly held and conversation with the prisoners are among the means used to bring them to a sense of their deplorable condition and to awaken within them better thought and earnest effort on their part that they may recover their lost estate. The amount of good accomplished I cannot tell. Men and women, again and again have professed penitence and promised reform, but, as with many on the outside, have lapsed into evil ways; this tends to discouragement. But were it not for the many letters received from discharged prisoners, telling me of victory over temptation and their daily striving to be and to do better, I should be almost discouraged in the work of trying to do those good who are imprisoned. The not infrequent letters received speak of happy homes and families, of lives of honesty and temperance. Like the rainbow of beauty and promise on the bosom of the dark cloud, telling us that the storm is passing over, these communications—rainbows of promise—tell us that the storm of sin is passing, giving us the assurance that our effort has not been in vain; still, the work here begun, must, in order to be lasting in its effects, be continued after liberation, both by the church and by those who have at heart the saving of the fallen, for one great obstacle in the way of the salvation of the criminal is the treatment given him after his discharge from the prison. Were his reception, after leaving behind the narrow cell, the stone walls and iron bars, the same as is given to him who has never been incarcerated, but who righteously deserves it, he, in the majority of cases, would be saved. A cele-

brated divine, in a sermon, puts it as follows: "That men will treat with courtesy and social hospitality a man whom they have good reason to believe criminal up to the moment he dons the striped suit furnished by the State, but have no hospitality for him after the suit comes off." When the community comes to realize that its safety depends not simply and alone upon the punishment of the violator of the law, but also upon his redemption from criminal life, and extends to him the helping hand as he evidences promise of change to the better, then will come the brighter day long looked for—the day in which will be more perfectly imitated the Great Teacher when He said to the repentent sinner, who, with tears, acknowledged his need of help, "Thy sins, which were many, are all forgiven thee, go in peace and sin no more."

In the discharge of my duty during the past year I have had the cheerful and hearty co-operation of the Supervisor, E. J. Anderson, Esq. His ear has ever been attent to every request that had in view the betterment of the prisoners, and he has never failed in hearty helpfulness to me in my work. The Principal Keeper, S. S. Moore, Esq., has been untiring in his efforts to second every scheme for the uplift of those imprisoned. The Deputy Keepers, without an exception, have gladly helped as well in my work. The Physicians, Drs. Mackenzie and Brewer, whilst active in ministering to the physical ailments of the prisoners, have never hesitated to assist me in the greater work of doing them good in the moral and spiritual realm. The Board of Inspectors, in their official capacity, have always been ready to give me a helping hand.

To all I am profoundly grateful, for without their help a great deal would, of necessity, have been left undone.

Respectfully,

GEORGE C. MADDOCK,

Moral Instructor.

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TRENTON, N. J., December 6th, 1899.

*The Honorable Board of Inspectors, New Jersey State Prison:*

GENTLEMEN—Another year has rolled by of activity in behalf of the moral and religious improvement of the convicts by you committed to my care.

During this twelvemonth the services of the Catholic Church have taken place every Sunday morning, and have been attended by the

Catholic convicts with gratifying alacrity and devout feeling. Their moral natures have been worked upon both publicly and in private; sermons and exhortations in common, the influence of the confessional, individual admonishments have been brought to bear upon them, all with the aim to enlighten their minds, to excite in them good impulses and to foster determined efforts towards higher and nobler ideals. The strong agency of good reading has been called in to aid in this work. Good books from the Prison Library and religious periodicals have been furnished, that thus, even in the solitude of their cells, their thoughts might be turned to matters that tend to make them men of loftier principles and stronger self-control. My own efforts have been aided by others in many ways.

The Right Reverend Bishop of the Diocese, James A. McFaul, has given me encouragement by the deep interest he has shown in the spiritual welfare of these unfortunates now temporarily members of his flock. On Sunday, June 5th, he visited the Prison, and after having directed words of advice to the convicts, he administered the sacrament of confirmation to a large class of both sexes.

The Sisters of St. Francis, in addition to their other arduous duties of school teaching and school management, have generously taken upon themselves the task of frequently visiting, instructing and consoling the female Catholic convicts. The influence for good that their visits exert is perceived by even the most casual observer.

Mr. S. S. Moore, Head Keeper, with most commendable alacrity, has in every way in his power made easy my intercourse with my charges. Miss Georgia Moore, Matron, has done likewise in the Female Department.

Mr. E. J. Anderson, Supervisor, has always shown a readiness to provide for the needs of my position, in as far as they would fall within the sphere of his authority.

Dr. Brewer, Resident Physician, has promptly made known to me the condition of the sick that stood in need of my spiritual ministrations.

The Deputies and Assistant Matrons have always met me in a spirit of kindliness and of promptness to be helpful to me. Deputy James Fitzgerald, in particular, generously put much of his time, when not on regular duty, at my disposal in several details of my work of moral instruction.

The Misses Ellen Hogan, Jane Powers, Ellen and Julia Sweeney, without recompense, have given their aid to our Sunday services by accompanying them on the organ and singing religious hymns.

The managements of the "Ave Maria," at Notre Dame, Ind., and of the "Catholic News," at New York, have regularly contributed copies of their publications, thus giving our convicts instructive and fruitful reading.

I deeply appreciate the aid afforded me by the personages I have mentioned, and while offering them the expression of my gratitude, I earnestly ask a continuance of their favors.

I thus submit my second annual report to you, gentlemen, and beg to be regarded, as ever,

Most respectfully yours,

ALOYS M. FISH,

Moral Instructor for Catholics.