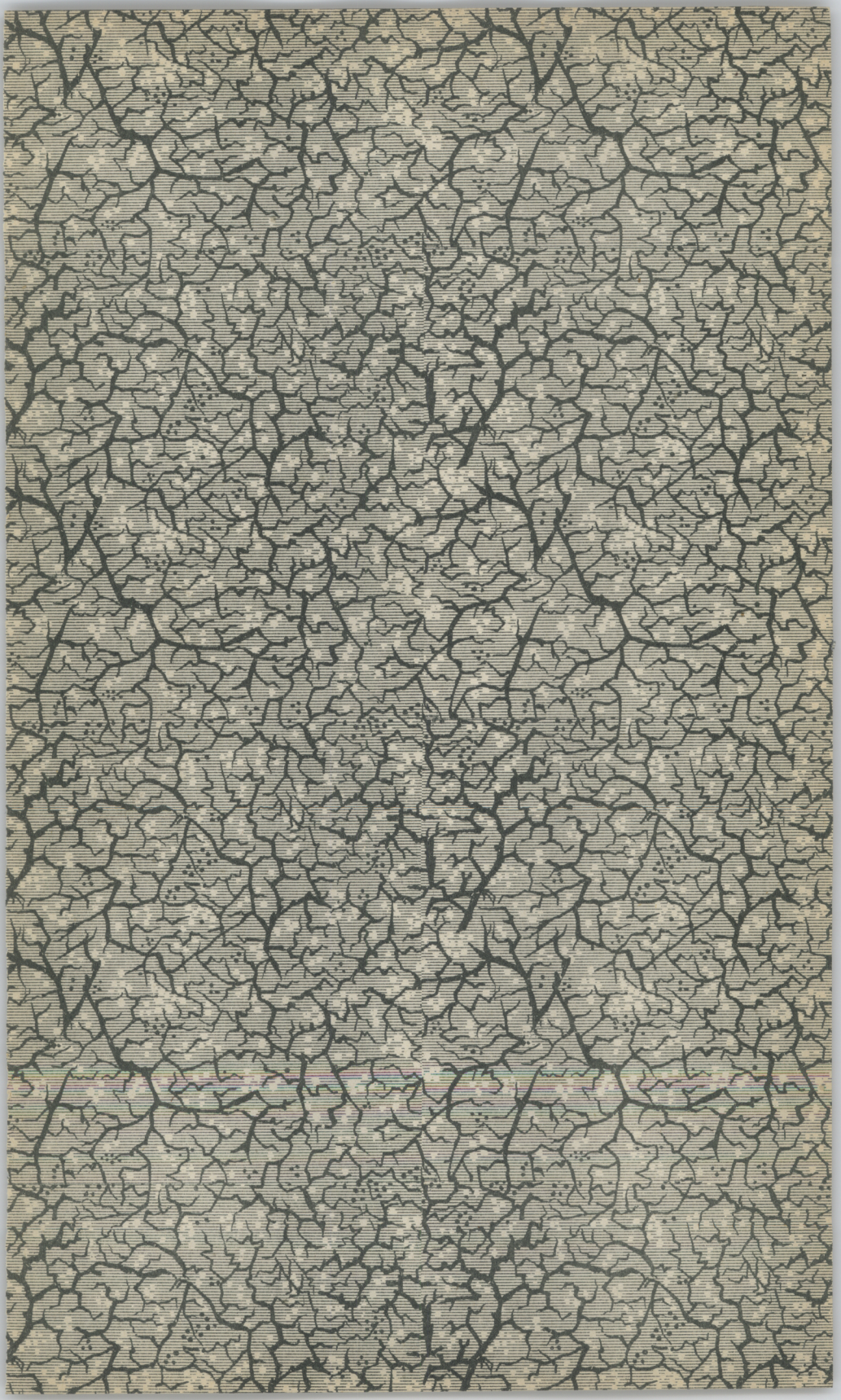
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NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON

1897



REPORT

OF THE

New Jersey State Prison

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MORAL INSTRUCTORS,

FOR THE YEAR 1897.

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Inspectors' Report.

INSPECTORS' OFFICE.
NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
October 31st, 1897.

Governor John W. Griggs:

SIR—The Board of Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison herewith present their Annual Report for the year ending October 31st, 1897.

During the year eighteen meetings, twelve regular and six special meetings, have been held by the Board.

The Visiting Inspectors have visited the Prison weekly, and other members of the Board have at various times personally inspected the institution.

The efforts of the Board have been especially directed toward promoting the personal welfare of the convicts, and improving the physical conditions of the Prison, with a degree of success which warrants the belief that it will compare favorably with the penal institutions of this or any other country.

The general health of the convicts has been good. The new hospital affords opportunities never before enjoyed for the proper treatment of the sick. Twelve (12) convicts have died during the year, a death rate of one and eleven-hundredths (1.11) per cent., as compared with one and thirty-hundredths (1.30) per cent. in 1896, and of one and sixty-three hundredths (1.63) per cent. in 1895.

The death rate the past year was the lowest in the history of the Prison, and no better evidence can be adduced to show the beneficent results which have accrued from the improved sanitation and increased facilities for the care of the sick.

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

Phthisis (Consumption),	6
Meningitis,	2
Occlusion of Gall Ducts,	2
Abscess of Liver,	1
Intestinal Hemorrhage,	1
Total,	12

The bane of prison life is consumption, and it is gratifying to the Board to report that the hospital now affords facilities for the isolation of convicts undergoing treatment for that disease, in wards provided with the most improved system of ventilation, surrounded by sanitary conditions which it is confidently believed will materially contribute toward maintaining, if not still further reducing, the death rate.

Changes in the Prison population have taken place during the year, as follows:

Number of Prisoners, October 31, 1896,		1,023
Discharged by reason of expiration of term,	410	
Discharged by order of Supreme Court,	2	
Discharged by order of U. S. Commission,	4	
Discharged by payment of fine,	2	
Pardoned,	19	
Paroled,	18	
Fines remitted by Court of Pardons,	3	
Died,	12	
Removed to Hospitals for Insane,	13	
		483
		540
Received under Commitments,	588	
Returned from Hospitals for Insane,	3	
		591
Remaining in Prison, October 31st, 1897,		1,131

The daily average for the year was 1,075, an average daily increase of 75 over the previous year.

In the report of Mr. W. J. O'Donnell, the faithful and efficient Clerk of the Prison, attached hereto, will be found the ages, nativity, terms of sentence, crimes, and other details respecting the inmates of the Prison.

The total expenditures for all purposes connected with the Prison during the year, have been one hundred and eighty-nine thousand six hundred and fifty-one dollars and sixty-two cents ($189,651.62), an increase of fourteen thousand four hundred and thirty dollars and thirteen cents ($14,430.13), as compared with the previous year.

The expenditures were as follows:

For Maintenance,	$84 470 33
For Furniture and Repairs,	6,940 41
For Furniture and appliances for New Wing and Hospital,	2,876 64
For Salaries of Deputies and Minor Officers,	84,404 74
For Salaries of Executive Officers and Inspectors,	9 500 00
Paid Convicts upon their discharge,	1,459 50
Total,	$189,651 62

Deducting from this sum, cash receipts ($56,668.95), the entire cost of the Prison for the year is shown to have been one hundred and thirty-two thousand nine hundred and eighty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents ($132,982.67).

The revenue of the Prison from all sources increased nine thousand two hundred and twenty nine dollars and four cents ($9,229.04) over the previous year. This increase is due to the efficient manner in which the Supervisor, Mr. E. J. Anderson, has managed the Workshops and conducted the other business operations of the Prison.

The increased expenditure for repairs is due to the following permanent improvements, viz.:—new boiler, steam fittings, utensils and appliances for the new Cook House and Bakery; furniture, fittings and appliances for the new Hospital; a new ceiling in Wing No. 3; and an entire renovation of the sanitary conditions in the Woman's Wing, including new water-closet and wash-basins in the cells, and a thorough renewal of the plumbing and drainage to connect with the new sewer system, in accordance with the most improved modern methods.

There is an increase of nine thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars and forty-one cents ($9,634.41) in cost of maintenance, due to the increased population, the occupation of the new Wing and Hospital, with the consequent increased consumption of supplies, fuel, light and water.

In the report of the Supervisor, a complete statement of the business operations will be found, to which especial attention is directed.

The New Wing, Cell House and Chapel have been completed and occupied during the year, and they are admirably adapted to their several purposes. The new Cook House, Bakery and Cold Storage Warehouse are about completed, and will be shortly occupied. These buildings are all an honor to the State, and reflect credit upon the Commission under whose direction they were designed and erected.

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

First. An appropriation of twenty-two thousand dollars ($22,000) for an Electric Lighting plant.

The present system of lighting is unsatisfactory and very costly. The expense the past year for an ordinary quality of gas was six thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight dollars ($6,868.00), and for electric lighting, in addition, eight hundred and ninety-one dollars and ninety-five cents ($891.95), making a total expenditure for lighting the Prison and grounds of seven thousand seven hundred and

fifty-nine dollars and ninety-five cents ($7,759.95). Suitable room is already at hand in buildings within the prison walls in which to erect all the necessary machinery and appliances for electric lighting, and the principal expense of installation would be the cost of machinery and appliances. It could be erected and operated mainly by convict labor, and the expense would thus be reduced to cost of fuel and supplies, estimated at three thousand five hundred dollars ($3,500.00) per annum, with a further allowance not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00) per year for expert labor, making the total annual cost of operation five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) per year. By an outlay of twenty-two thousand dollars ($22,000.00) for plant, and an annual expenditure for operation and supplies not exceeding five thousand dollars ($5,000.00), the Prison buildings and grounds can be efficiently and thoroughly lighted. It would diminish the risk of escape, and enable the management to effect considerable saving in expense of watchmen, and thus effect a further saving in expense. As a business proposition this is so manifestly to the interests of the State that the board deem it their duty to strongly urge prompt and favorable action.

Second. The Prison should have an independent source of water-supply, and it is believed that by a system of artesian wells an abundant supply of pure water would always be available.

Last year the water-supply cost three thousand five hundred and forty-two dollars and thirty-four cents ($3,542.34). From investigations made the board believe that by an expenditure not to exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) for an artesian well system an abundant supply for all purposes would be assured. If it were found necessary to pump from the system, it could be done at a trifling expense by utilizing power now available.

This improvement is also earnestly recommended for favorable consideration as a business proposition that should commend itself without argument.

The Moral Instructors minister to the spiritual wants of the inmates by holding religious service in the Chapel on Sunday, and visiting them in their cells and in the Hospital during the week, and thus endeavor to lead them to an improved mental and moral condition, thereby fitting them for a better life when they go out into the world again. That their efforts have been attended with success is evidenced by a commendable improvement among the convicts, with a decreased percentage of punishments for infractions of the rules, to an extent that is gratifying to the management of the prison.

The reports of the Moral Instructors appended hereto will be found to give interesting information as to the work under their charge.

Under the management of the Principal Keeper, Mr. Samuel S. Moore, the usual discipline has been maintained, good order and quietness, and a satisfactory condition of cleanliness pervades the Prison and inmates.

The Supervisor, Mr. E. J. Anderson, in addition to his efficient work in connection with the Prison extension, while acting as President of the Building Commission, has suggested many important improvements and repairs during the past year, which, being approved by the Board of Inspectors, have been carried out under his supervision.

The Board acknowledge their indebtedness to the Executive Officers for their active co-operation, and to the Subordinate Officers for many courtesies extended while in the discharge of their duties.

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Secretary.

Supervisor's Report.

SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE,
NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
TRENTON, November 1, 1897.

Governor John W. Griggs:

SIR—I have the honor to submit herewith the customary annual report relative to the transactions of this office, and to such other business operations of the Prison as have come within my official purview during the past fiscal year.

The number of convicts confined in the Prison at the date of my last report, November 1st, 1896, was one thousand and twenty-three (1,023), who were classified as follows:

Committed under sentences of State courts,	1,015
Committed under sentences of United States Courts,	8
Total,	1,023

During the year the following have been removed:

Discharged by reason of expiration of term—	
State prisoners,	410
United States prisoners,	4
Discharged by order of Supreme Court,	2
Pardoned,	19
Paroled,	18
Released upon remission of fines by Court of Pardons,	3
Removed to insane hospitals,	13
Died,	12
Released on payment of fines,	2
Total,	483

The following have been received within the past fiscal year:

Committed under sentences of State courts,	462
Committed under sentences of United States courts,	126
Returned from insane hospitals,	3
Total,	591

The convict population of the Prison at this date is one thousand one hundred and thirty-one (1,131), classified as follows:

State prisoners:	
Males,	974
Females,	29
United States prisoners:	
Males,	123
Females,	5
Total,	1,131

From these figures it will be seen that the population of the Prison is greater by one hundred and eight (108) than it was at this time last year, but this is not due to an increase in the number of prisoners committed by the courts of the state. In fact, the number of this class of prisoners is somewhat smaller than it was one year ago, and the increase in the number of prisoners is due to the fact that an arrangement was made about the beginning of the year to receive and maintain a limited number of United States prisoners, sentenced by courts outside of the district of New Jersey, the United States agreeing to pay a fair per diem allowance for their maintenance. Of this class, and of prisoners sentenced by United States Courts sitting within the State, there have been received during the year one hundred and twenty-six (126).

The highest number of inmates of the Prison at any one time during the year was one thousand one hundred and thirty-four (1,134), and the daily average during the year was one thousand and seventy-five (1,075).

The total amount of the expenditures for maintenance of the prisoners during the past year was eighty-four thousand four hundred and seventy dollars and thirty-three cents, ($84,470.33); an increase for the year of nine thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars and forty-one cents ($9,634.41), which increase is partly due to the increased number of prisoners maintained during the year, and partly to the fact that considerable quantities of supplies were purchased and paid for near the close of the year which although necessarily included in the expenditures for the year will be available during the year now beginning.

The different purposes for which expenditures for maintenance were made are set forth in the following classified statement:

STATEMENT.

Expenditures for Maintenance.

Subsistence,	$36,222 19
Hospital,	4,706 89
Clothing,	6,283 37
Bedding,	2,794 83
Tobacco,	1,480 00
Stationery,	745 95
Convict stationery,	138 97
Fuel	13,194 09
Light,	7,759 95
Water,	3,542 34
Library,	656 09
Forage,	364 62
Live stock,	100 85
Insurance,	400 00
Piece-price system (expenses),	296 25
Cloth for officers' uniforms,	178 75
Sanitary,	232 85
Advertising,	423 60
Printing,	52 75
Stock,	180 00
Miscellaneous (freight, expressage, &c),	411 73
Clothing for discharged convicts,	2,8599 9
Appliances,	1,444 27
Total,	$84,470 33

The amount which came to my hands during the year from all sources, as revenue of the Prison, was fifty-four thousand two hundred and forty-five dollars and eighty-seven cents ($54,245.87), and at the beginning of the year there remained in my hands a balance of two thousand four hundred and twenty-three dollars and eight cents ($2,423.08), making a total of fifty-six thousand six hundred and sixty eight dollars and ninety-five cents ($56,668.95), all of which has been paid into the State Treasury except one hundred dollars and thirty-five cents ($100.35), which balance now remains in my hands.

The following statement shows the sources from which this revenue has been derived:

Balance received of Prison earnings of 1896,	$6,693 97
Received from earnings of 1897,	43,064 75
Received for support of U. S. prisoners,	2,422 10
Received for water supplied to Gas Contractor	50 40
Received for cloth for officers' uniforms,	84 93
Received for old iron, barrels, &c., sold,	1,078 11

Received for services of Deputy Keeper,	$784 93
Received for rent,	66 68
	$54,245 87
Balance on hand October 31, 1896,	2,423 08
	$56,668 95
Amount paid to State Treasurer,	56,568 60
Balance on hand October 31, 1897,	$100 35

There are accounts receivable as proceeds of the services of the prisoners during the year amounting to eleven thousand one hundred and three dollars and eighty-nine cents ($11,103.89), which will be received and paid into the State Treasury early in the coming year. This is part of the revenue for the past year, but it has been my practice to not include in my financial statement any sums which have not actually been received.

The amount paid into the State Treasury during the year from Prison receipts exceeds the amount paid in the preceding year by the sum of eleven thousand five hundred and fifty-one dollars and seventy-seven cents ($11,551.77). A small portion of this increase is represented by the amount received for the support of United States prisoners, but the major part of it is due to my continued efforts to increase the production of the shops and to utilize the work of the prisoners to the greatest extent that the space at hand will permit.

During the year I have received from the State Treasurer, in monthly installments, the sum of eighty-four thousand four hundred and four dollars and seventy-four cents ($84,404.74) with which to pay the salaries of the minor officers of the Prison. These salaries are for convenience paid through the Supervisor's office, and, as has been explained in former reports, do not enter into the Supervisor's general accounts.

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

RECEIPTS.		
Revenue from all sources,	$56,668 95	
Received from the State Treasurer to pay salaries of minor offices,	84,404 74	
		$141,073 69
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Paid to State Treasurer for account of Prison receipts,	$56,568 60	
Paid to minor officers as salaries,	84,404 74	
	$140,973 34	
Balance on hand October 31st, 1897,	100 35	
		$141,073 69

The amount expended during the year for the purchase of furniture and appliances and for repairs to the Prison buildings was six thousand nine hundred and forty dollars and forty-one cents ($6,940.41), and there was expended for furniture and appliances for the new cell house, hospital, cook-house and chapel, the sum of two thousand eight hundred and seventy-six dollars and sixty-four cents ($2,876.64). 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 payment 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 are 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 during the year:

ALL EXPENSES.

For maintenance,	$84,470 33
For salaries of Deputies and minor officers,	84,404 74
For salaries of Inspectors and executive officers,	9,500 00
For furniture and general repairs,	6,940 41
For furniture and appliances for new buildings,	2,876 64
For payments to convicts upon their discharge,	1,459 50
	$189,651 62

RECEIPTS.

Cash paid State Treasurer,	$56,568 60	
Cash on hand,	100 35	56,668 95
Expenditure over revenue,		$132,982 67

Net cost per capita per annum,	$123.71
Net cost per capita per diem,	0.3389

The average number of men employed during the year upon contract work was four hundred and twenty-five and three-quarters (425 3-4), and the number employed in the necessary work of the Prison was two hundred and forty-eight (248), making a total average of six hundred and seventy-three and three-quarters employed during the year. The computed value of the service 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 from other sources, together with the relation of this labor to the entire cost of maintaining the Prison:

Amount of revenue paid to State Treasurer,		$56,568 60
Cash on hand,		100 35
Estimated value of utilized labor of prisoners,		45,684 30
		$102,353 25
Total cost of maintenance, including food, clothing, fuel, medicine and all necessary supplies,	$84,470 33	
Cost of furniture and repairs,	6,940 41	$91,410 74
Cash receipts and estimated value of prisoners' services over total cost of maintenance and repairs,		$10,942 51

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,	$36,222 19	
Revenue in excess,	20,446 76	
		$56,668 95
Cost per capita per annum without deducting receipts,	$33 68	
Cost per capita per diem without deducting receipts,	0.0923	

MAINTENANCE.

Including subsistence, clothing and all necessary supplies,	$84,470 33	
Maintenance in excess of receipts,	27,801 38	
		$56,668 95
Cost per capita per annum without deducting receipts.	$78 58	
Cost per capita per diem without deducting receipts.	0.2153	

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Including maintenance, furniture and repairs		$91,410 74
Cost per capita per annum, without deducting receipts	$85.03	
Cost per capita per diem, without deducting receipts	0.2330	

BALANCE SHEET.

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Maintenance	$84,470 33	
Furniture and repairs	6,940 41	
		$91,410 74

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By amount of revenue paid to State Treasurer	$56,568 60	
Cash on hand	100 35	
		56,668 95
Net cost of maintenance and repairs		$34,741 79
Net cost per capita per annum	$31.38	
Net cost per capita per diem	0.0860	

From the statement it appears that the net per diem cost of maintaining the prisoners during the past year was virtually the same as in the preceding year, notwithstanding the increased expenditures for furniture and repairs, and the unusual expenditures for clothing material and other supplies made toward the close of the year, not to be used until within the coming year, but charged in the expenditures of the year now under consideration. These causes would have produced an advance in the per capita cost of maintaining the prisoners, but for the facts (1) That I have exercised the utmost care to procure the necessary supplies of food and clothing at the lowest possible prices consistent with the proper care and treatment of the prisoners; (2) that I have instituted some regulations governing the issue of supplies which have remedied some defects in the system heretofore in vogue and which have worked largely in the interest of economy, and (3) that by a vigorous and diligent enforcement of the contracts, and by a careful cultivation of other sources of revenue I have increased the receipts of this office and the payments to the State treasury during the past year over those of the preceding year by the sum of eleven thousand five hundred and fifty-one dollars and seventy-seven cents ($11,551.77).

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,	1,717
Towels,	813
Sheets,	1,305
Bed ticks,	187
Pillow slips,	871
White shirts,	424
Undershirts,	2
Pillow ticks,	189
Tick aprons,	282
Suspenders, pairs,	255
White aprons,	97
Night dresses,	12
Gingham dresses,	37
Flannel petticoats,	37
Shawl,	1
Chemises,	14
Gingham aprons,	7
Sleeves, (pairs),	73
Oil drill aprons,	21
Jumpers,	21
Cooks' caps,	4

FOR DISCHARGED AND DECEASED PRISONERS.

Blue flannel dresses,	18
White drawers, (pairs),	32
White chemises,	20
Shrouds,	13
White muslin petticoats,	9

BY MALE PRISONERS.

For Convict Use.

Trousers, (pairs),	1,382
Shoes, (pairs),	852
Coats,	306
Caps,	171
Vests,	31

FOR DISCHARGED PRISONERS.

Trousers, (pairs),	412
Coats,	382
Vests,	405

The operations of the Prison shops have been carried on during the past year under the same contracts which existed at the date of my last report, with the exception that a new contract was entered into in April, 1897, for the manufacture of canvas bags of different descriptions. The work is well adapted to such labor as the Prison can furnish and gives employment to about sixty men.

The following statement shows the average number of prisoners employed during the past year, the kind of articles produced, the parties for whom articles were manufactured and the proceeds of the labor employed :

CONTRACTORS.

John B. Iredell, shoes,	$ 9,991 43
Thos. H. Lynn & Sons, mats and matting,	10,354 95
John Tobin, brushes,	8,793 83
John Tobin, blocks,	1,744 74
V. Henry Rothschild & Co., shirts,	6,781 42
V. Henry Rothschild & Co., trousers,	7,997 72
F. Coit Johnson, mail sacks,	2,465 78
Total,	$48,129 87

Average number of men at work per diem,	425 3-4
Number of days worked,	276
Total number of days' labor in the year,	117,491 5-8

The operations of the shops are shown more in detail in a summary appended hereto ; where will also be found a general balance sheet showing in condensed form all the financial operations of the Prison during the year.

With the close of the fiscal year, four of the contracts which had been in operation for four years expired, and after advertisement, as required by law, proposals were received for the service of the prisoners.

Two of the contracts were renewed at somewhat better prices than had previously been received, and in two cases contracts were entered into with new parties upon terms that were deemed more advantageous to the State than had prevailed under the previous contracts.

It is confidently anticipated that it will be possible to keep a much larger number of men at work during the coming year, and thus conduce not only to an increased revenue, but to what is of much more importance—to the proper discipline and the mental and moral well-being of the inmates of the Prison.

Many needed repairs have been made during the past year by authority of the Board of Inspectors and under the direction of the Supervisor, almost all of which have been made by the mechanics selected from amongst the prisoners, so that the expense of nearly all of the repairs has been practically limited to the cost of the material purchased. One of the necessary exceptions to this practice was in the case of the renewal of the sanitary plumbing in the wing occupied by the female prisoners. This plumbing was of the most antiquated description, and had from original inefficiency and long neglect fallen into such disrepair as to be a serious menace to the health and lives of the inmates of the wing. The construction of a new sewer for the wing by the Building Commission made it possible to correct the faults in the internal sanitary arrangements, and not only was this done, but advantage was taken of the opportunity to add many needed improvements, and the wing was put in the best possible condition for the use to which it is assigned. No prisoners being available for the major part of the work required in these improvements it was necessarily done under contract with outside parties.

The usual inventory of the personal property of the Prison under my charge was made in October. The appraisers selected for the purpose were Hon. Howell C. Stull and Hon. A. Judson Rue, both of Trenton, and the appraised value of the property, as returned by them, was thirty-seven thousand and forty dollars and thirty cents ($37,040.30).

The improvements in the Prison buildings referred to in my report of a year ago, as being in progress under the direction of a commission appointed by the legislature of 1895, have practically been completed. They were described so fully in my report of 1896 that a further account of them cannot now be necessary. It is sufficient to say that they have greatly improved the facilities for the care of prisoners, the proper treatment of the sick, the preparation of the daily supplies of food and the storage and distribution of the manifold supplies of clothing and the long list of appliances for which the requirement never ceases.

I had the honor to present in my report for the year 1896, some reasons for legislative action looking toward the provision of a hospital for the care of insane convicts. While not proposing at this time to repeat the reasons then recited, I beg to say that this is one of the most urgent needs of the State at this time and it should receive the very careful consideration of the legislature.

I have received from the Board of Inspectors during the past year the personal courtesies, and the official assistance and support in the performance of my duties which has characterized them from the beginning of our official relations, and for which I desire to renew my oft-repeated expressions of keen appreciation; and to the Principal Keeper and such other officers of the prison as have aided me in the performance of the duties imposed upon the Supervisor, I also desire to express my thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. ANDERSON,

Supervisor.

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SUMMARY OF CONTRACTS—PIECE-PRICE SYSTEM.

November 1st, 1896. **Fiscal Year, 1897.** **October 31st, 1897.**

CONTRACTORS.	INDUSTRIES.	EXPIRATION DATES OF CONTRACTS.	Average number of men at work per diem.	Number of days worked.	Number of days' labor employed.	QUANTITIES FINISHED.									EARNINGS—AMOUNT.
						Dozen pairs.	Dozens.	Holes drawn.	Stock prepared—lbs.	Gross.	Button-holes worked.	Sacks.	Square yards.	Square feet.	
John B. Iredell,	Shoes and Uppers,	Oct. 31st, 1897	70	270½	18,942½	17,807⅔	....	.....	...	....	611,402	....	....	....	$9,991.43
Thos. H. Lynn & Son,	Mats and Matting,	Oct. 31st, 1901	70	276	18,915½	....	5,036⅔	.....	...	....	....	....	82,145½	12,540¾	10,354.95
John Tobin,	Brushes,	Feb. 28th, 1898	70	266	18,717¾	....	....	73,300,198	1,508	5,233⅝	....	....	....	....	8,793.83
John Tobin,	Blocks,	Feb. 28th, 1898	14	264½	3,692	....	....	.....	...	10,769 64/144	....	....	....	....	1,744.74
V. Henry Rothschild & Co.,	Shirts,	Oct. 31st, 1897	86	276	23,682	....	18,026 1/12	.....	...	....	....	....	....	....	6,781.42
V. Henry Rothschild & Co,	Trousers,	Oct. 31st, 1897	99¾	276	27,517⅞	....	12,539 1/12	.....	...	....	....	....	....	....	7,997.72
F. Coit Johnson,	Mail Sacks,	May 31st, 1901	39⅓	153	6,024	....	....	.....	...	....	....	71,495	....	....	2,465.78
Total,	.....	.....	..	276	117,491⅝	...	....	.....	...	....	....	....	....	....	$48,129.87

Average per capita per diem earnings, ...4096

Average per diem number of men at work, ... 425¾

BALANCE SHEET, DEPARTMENT OF SUPERVISOR, NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31st, 1897.

Accounts.	Cash on hand October 31st, 1896. Stock and accounts receivable October 31st, 1896.	Expenditures made during fiscal year 1897 and paid by the State Treasurer on warrant of the Comptroller.	Amount of cash received during fiscal year on hand October 31st, and accounts receivable for 1897.	Capital available during fiscal year ending October 31st, 1897.	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 1897, and amount of cash returned to State Treasurer.	STATE OF NEW JERSEY.		TRIAL BALANCE.		Inventory of stock on hand October 31st, 1897.	COST AND REVENUE		STOCK.		NEW BALANCE.	
							Receipts.	Expenditures.	Dr.	Cr.		Cost.	Revenue.	Dr.	Cr.	Assets.	Liabilities.
							Dr.	Cr.				Dr.	Cr.				
Stock,		$180 00		$180 00	$180 00					$39,907 74					$39,907 74		
Cash,	$2,423 08		$0 35	2,423 43	2,323 08				$100 35							$100 35	
Subsistence,	385 79	36,222 19		36,607 98	7,470 69				29,137 29		$171 50	$28,965 79				171 50	
Hospital	490 68	4,706 89		5,197 57					5,197 57		565 25	4,632 32				565 25	
Clothing,	5,559 38	6,283 37		11,842 75	31 49				11,811 26		6,983 66	4,827 60				6,983 66	
Bedding	3,537 92	2,794 83		6,332 75	23				6,332 52		5,211 74	1,120 78				5,211 74	
Discharged Convict Clothing,	602 48	2,859 99		3,462 47	95 40				3,367 07		642 91	2,724 16				642 91	
Stationery,	142 57	745 95		888 52					888 52		220 67	667 85				220 67	
Convict Stationery,	57 70	138 97		196 67					196 67		104 35	92 32				104 35	
Light,	24 47	7,759 95		7,784 42					7,784 42		20 90	7,763 52				20 90	
Tobacco,	79 18	1,480 00		1,559 18					1,559 18		62 65	1,496 53				62 65	
Prison Earnings,		296 25		296 25	296 25	$50,412 58				50,412 58			$50,412 58				
State of New Jersey,						56,568 60	$56,568 60	$94,287 38									
Officers' Uniforms,	65 79	178 75		244 54	84 93				159 61		158 36	1 25				158 36	
Appliances,		1,444 27		1,444 27					1,444 27			1,444 27					
Advertising,		423 60		423 60					423 60			423 60					
Printing,		52 75		52 75					52 75			52 75					
Sanitary,	180 97	232 85		413 82					413 82		115 74	298 08				115 74	
Fuel,	407 03	13,194 09		13,601 12					13,601 12		1,027 00	12,574 12				1,027 00	
Water,		3,542 34		3,542 34	79 20				3,463 14			3,463 14					
Miscellaneous,		411 73		411 73	35				411 38			411 38					
Live Stock,	655 00	100 85		755 85	20 00				735 85		540 00	195 85				540 00	
Forage,	15 90	364 62		380 52					380 52			380 52					
Insurance,		400 00		400 00					400 00			400 00					
Library,	600 50	656 09		1,256 59					1,256 59		602 98	653 61				602 98	
Furniture and Appliances (Special App.),		2,876 64		2,876 64					2,876 64			2,876 64					
Furniture and Repairs,	18,108 63	6,940 41		25,049 04	107 97				24,941 07		20,612 59	4,328 48				20,612 59	
Accounts Receivable,	7,559 66		11,047 19	18,606 85	7,502 96				11,103 89							11,103 89	
	$40,896 73	$94,287 38	$11,047 54	$146,231 65	$18,192 55	$											
Expenditures over receipts,							37,718 78			37,718 78							
							$94,287 38	$94,287 38	$128,039 10	$128,039 10	$37,040 30						
Net cost, over revenue and stock,													29,381 98	29,381 98			
												$79,794 56	$79,794 56				
Net resources, stock being credited,														10,525 76			
														$39,907 74	$39,907 74		
Resources and liabilities,																$48,244 54	$38,718 78
Net resources over liabilities,																	10,525 76
																$48,244 54	$48,244 54

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GENERAL BALANCE SHEET OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31st, 1897.

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Prison Earnings,		296 25		296 25	296 25	$49,628 00				49,628 00			$49,628 00				
Officers' Uniforms,	65 79	178 75		244 54	84 93				159 61		158 36	1 25				158 36	
State of New Jersey,						57,109 10	$56,568 60	$190,192 12									$133,083 02
Salaries of Deputies and Subordinate Officers,		84,404 74		84,404 74	784 58				83,620 16			83,620 16					
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	540 50		540 50		1,459 50			1,459 50					
Appliances,		1,444 27		1,444 27					1,444 27			1,444 27					
Advertising,		423 60		423 60					423 60			423 60					
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Accounts receivable,	7,559 66		11,047 19	18,606 85	7,502 96				11,103 89							11,103 89	
	$40,896 73	$190,192 12	$11,047 54	$242,136 39	$10,517 63												
Expenditures over receipts,							133,083 02			133,083 02							
							$190,192 12	$190,192 12	$222,618 76	$222,618 76	$37,040 30						
Net cost, over revenue and stock,													124,746 22	$124,746 22			
												$174,374 22	$174,374 22				
Net cost, stock being credited,															84,838 48		
														$124,746 22	$124,746 22		
Resources and liabilities,																$48,244 54	$133,083 02
Net cost over resources,																84,838 48	
Total expenditures over receipts,																$133,083 02	$133,083 02

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Keeper's Report.

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,
TRENTON, Oct. 31, 1897.

To His Excellency, the Governor of New Jersey:

I beg leave herewith to present a report of the management of the State Prison for the year ending October 31st, 1897.

Number of prisoners Oct. 31st, 1896—		
Males	993	
Females	30	
Total		1,023
Received during the year—		
Males	567	
Females	23	
		590
Total		1,613

DISCHARGED.

By expiration of time—males	392		
By expiration of time—females	18	410	
By order of Supreme Court		2	
By order United States Commissioner		4	
Pardoned—males	18		
Pardoned—females	1	19	
Remission of fines—males		3	
Payment of fines—males		2	
Died—males		12	
Removed to Insane Hospitals	13		
Returned to Hospitals	1	12	
Paroled		18	
			482
Remaining Oct. 31, 1890			1,131

DAILY AVERAGE.

Males,	1,045	
Females,	30	
		1,075

This is the highest average ever reached in the history of the Prison; the nearest approach to it was the average of 1,004 in the year ending October 31, 1894.

A detailed statement containing the number of prisoners in confinement, their age, sex, place of nativity, etc., made by the Clerk of Prison, will be found annexed to this report.

Statement of receipts and disbursements of the money appropriated for discharged prisoners:

Received from the Hon. George B. Swain, the State Treasurer, the appropriation,		$2,000 00
Paid 436 discharged prisoners,	$1,459 50	
Paid unexpended balance to State Treasurer,	540 50	
		$2,000 00

Statements showing the receipts and disbursements of money belonging to prisoners held by the Principal Keeper for their benefit:

Balance on hand October 31, 1896,	$2,001 23	
Received during the year,	3,958 28	
		$5,959 51
Paid as follows:		
To Prisoners on their discharge and on Orders for transmission to their families, etc., in cash,	$2,483 43	
For purchase of Postage Stamps,	103 95	
For purchase of Merchandise allowable under the Prison rules,	601 46	3,188 84
Balance on hand Oct. 31, 1897		$2,770 67

The improvements made in the Prison for the last two years have added largely to the betterment of the sanitary condition, healthfulness, and comfort of the institution, and to the better enforcement of the laws concerning the treatment of prisoners and also to the convenience and facilities of the officers in the discharge of their duties, making their submission to the necessary discipline more agreeable and less irksome.

NEW WING.

Among the leading and important events of the year have been the opening of the new wing, which was first occupied on January 16th, 1897. This increased the capacity of the Prison two hundred cells, which enabled a better disposition of the prisoners and allow its management a nearer approach to the law of separate confinement.

NEW HOSPITAL.

The next important event was the opening of the new hospital, which took place August 10th, 1897, when the sick were transferred; the complete arrangement, the perfect sanitary condition, the separation and classification of diseases, betters, largely the condition and comfort of the inmates. It has accommodations for about fifty beds.

Allusion to this matter will doubtless be found in the report of the Prison Physician.

THE NEW CHAPEL.

The new chapel, constructed in a large room over the centre, which was formerly used as a hospital, was opened for worship Sunday, October 21st, 1897.

It has a seating capacity of 275 and is arranged for both Catholic and Protestant services, and is referred to in the reports of the Moral Instructors.

NEW COOK-HOUSE.

The new cook-house is large and commodious and will supply the wants of the Prison for many years to come. It is not quite ready for occupancy, but will, doubtless, be in use before the holidays.

WOMAN'S WING.

Another very important improvement has been made, adding greatly to the healthfulness and sanitary condition of the woman's wing. The old plumbing and drainage was found to be defective; to remedy this it was found necessary to make new sewer connections, renew the entire plumbing and improve the ventilation, causing a considerable outlay, but improving it to such an extent that it is now in a perfect satitary condition.

The female convicts are required to make all the shirts, sheets, bed-ticks, pillow-ticks, etc., to do a large amount of mending and make all the white shirts used for discharged convicts, and also a large amount of laundry work. The usual productiveness and good order prevails under the matron and her assistants.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Two additional arc lights have been placed within the prison walls and a powerful search light on the main tower, which adds to the surety of the prison.

HEALTH.

The sanitary condition of the prison has been much improved within the last year by the building of a trunk sewer of sufficient capacity to drain the whole prison.

A considerable portion of the buildings are connected with it. Some important connections are still required to complete it and make it perfect, which should be speedily done.

There has been no serious sickness in the past year other than constitutional ailments.

DISCIPLINE.

The discipline of the prison has been good, no serious violations of the rules have occurred.

The officers of the prison have performed their duties in a patient, energetic and faithful manner, and have cheerfully obeyed all the rules.

The prisoners as a whole have been obedient to the rules laid down for their government.

I wish to acknowledge my obligation to the Board of Inspectors and the Supervisor for their hearty co-operation and courteous treatment at all times, and also to express my thanks to the several officers of the Prison for the able and efficient manner they have performed their duties, and the courtesy they have shown in their intercourse with each other. I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL S. MOORE,

Keeper.

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 31, 1897.

WILLIAM J. O'DONNELL,
Clerk of Prison.

At the date of last report, October 31, 1896, the number of prisoners remaining in confinement was,		1,023
Received during the year ending October 31st, 1897, under terms of sentences,	588	
Returned from insane asylum,	2	
		590
		1,613
The number discharged during the same period by remittance of time (act of April 2d, 1869) was,	410	
By order of Supreme Court,	2	
By order of United States Commissioners,	4	
Pardoned by Court of Pardons of New Jersey,	19	
Paroled under provision of Chapter 231 of the laws of 1891, approved April 16, 1891,	18	
Fine remitted by Court of Pardons of New Jersey,	3	
Died,	12	
Removed to Asylum, 13		
Returned from Asylum, 1		
	12	
By payment of fine,	2	
		482
Remaining in Prison at date of this report,		1,131

TERMS OF SENTENCES.

Natural life,	8
Forty years,	1
Thirty-four years,	2
Thirty years,	1

Twenty-five years,	2
Twenty-one years,	1
Twenty years,	35
Eighteen years,	4
Seventeen years,	1
Fifteen years,	31
Fourteen years,	3
Thirteen years,	4
Twelve years,	11
Eleven years and six months,	1
Ten years,	110
Nine years,	2
Eight years,	19
Seven years and six months,	14
Seven years,	37
Six years and six months,	3
Six years,	22
Five years and six months,	2
Five years,	166
Four years and six months,	1
Four years,	29
Three years and six months,	22
Three years,	125
Two years and six months,	36
Two years and five months,	6
Two years and two days,	6
Two years,	214
One year and ten months,	1
One year and nine months,	2
One year and six months,	46
One year and five months,	2
One year and four months,	1
One year and three months,	7
One year and one day,	30
One year,	97
Ten months,	2
Nine months,	6
Seven months,	2
Six months,	16
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COUNTIES WHERE CONVICTED.

Atlantic,	38
Bergen,	39
Burlington,	25
Camden,	56
Cape May,	1

Cumberland,	58
Essex,	102
Gloucester,	15
Hudson,	237
Hunterdon,	14
Mercer,	42
Middlesex,	43
Monmouth,	62
Morris,	41
Ocean,	6
Passaic,	100
Salem,	31
Somerset,	18
Sussex,	6
Union,	50
Warren,	16
U. S. District Court of New Jersey,	12
Supreme Court,	1
Mercer and Bergen,	1
Mercer and Monmouth,	1
U. S. District Court of Columbia,	116
	1,131

CRIMES FOR WHICH COMMITTED.

Assault and battery,	45
Assault and battery and robbery,	8
Assault and battery and rape,	3
Attempt to wreck a railroad train,	1
Assault on officer,	1
Assault and battery and extortion	1
Assault and battery and carnal abuse upon a woman-child under the age of 16 years,	2
Assault and battery and robbery,	1
Assault and battery and riot	1
Assault and battery, breaking	1
Assault and battery with intent to commit rape	5
Assault and battery with intent to kill,	9
Assault and battery, entering and larceny, assault with intent to kill,	3
Assault and battery and resisting an officer,	2
Assault and battery, assault on an officer,	1
Assault and battery, attempt to rape,	5
Assault with intent to kill, atrocious assault and battery, grand larceny,	2
Assault,	2
Assault with intent to kill,	21
Assault with intent to ravish,	3

Assault with intent,	1
Assault with axe and pistol with intent to kill, atrocious assault and battery,	1
Assault and assault and battery,	1
Assault, &c.,	1
Assault with knife with intent,	3
Assault with intent to kill, breaking, entering, &c.,	1
Assault with intent to commit rape,	2
Aggravated assault,	5
Atrocious assault and battery,	31
Atrocious assault and battery, conspiracy,	1
Atrocious assault and battery with intent to kill,	1
Assault on a woman-child under 16 years,	1
Atrocious assault and battery, resisting an officer,	1
Abusing infant,	3
Assault and battery and abuse,	2
Attempt to break and breaking,	1
Attempt to break and enter,	2
Assault with intent to commit murder,	2
Attempt to commit rape,	1
Attempt to commit murder,	1
Arson,	8
Arson, breaking and entering with intent,	2
An indecent assault,	1
Altering a treasury note,	1
Assault with intent to rob, &c.,	2
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
Atrocious assault,	3
Attempt at larceny from the person, aiding and abetting,	1
Assault with revolver with intent to kill,	1
Attempt at rape,	2
Assault and battery and attempt to kill,	1
Assault with intent to kill and for assault with a pistol,	1
Atrocious assault and battery, robbery,	1
Atrocious assault and battery with intent to murder,	1
Assault and battery, breaking, breaking and entering with intent to steal, resisting an officer, assault and battery,	1
Assault and battery with intent to rob,	4
Attempt to break and enter with intent to steal,	1
Assault on woman-child, incest,	1
Attempt to kill,	5
Assault with intent to kill, breaking and entering with intent robbery,	1
Assault with intent, assault and battery,	1
Attempt highway robbery,	1

Atrocious assault and battery, entering with intent to steal, . . . 1
Assault with intent to commit rape, assault and battery, ... 1
Atrocious assault and battery, murder in the second degree, . . . 1
Assault with intent to commit rape, assault on woman-child, . . 1
Atrocious assault and battery on officer, attempt prison escape, . . 1
Atrocious assault and battery, atrocious assault and battery on officer, prison escape, burglary, ... 1
Attempt to escape jail, assault and battery on officer, kidnaping,... 1
Assault with a pistol, breaking, entering, larceny and receiving, . 1
Assault and battery, malicious mischief, ... 1
Abuse of infant, ... 1
Breaking, entering, larceny and receiving, larceny and receiving, . 1
Burning buildings, ... 1
Breaking jail, ... 4
Breaking and entering, etc., breaking and entering, larceny and receiving, ... 2
Breaking and entering, escape, ... 2
Breaking, entering and larceny, larceny and receiving, ... 1
Breaking and entering, atrocious assault and battery, ... 3
Breaking and entering, grand larceny, escape, ... 4
Breaking, entering and larceny from person, ... 1
Breaking, ... 10
Breaking and entering, ... 39
Breaking, entering and larceny, larceny, ... 3
Breaking and entering with intent, ... 4
Breaking, entering and larceny, ... 97
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, larceny and receiving, ... 34
Breaking, entering and breaking prison, ... 2
Breaking and larceny, ... 6
Breaking and entering, etc., assault on an officer, ... 1
Breaking and entering, etc., assault with intent to kill, ... 1
Breaking with intent, ... 19
Breaking with intent, etc., and larceny, ... 1
Breaking and entering, railway car larceny, ... 2
Breaking, entering and larceny, having burglars' tools, ... 1
Breaking with intent, etc., ... 10
Breaking, entering and larceny, breaking jail, ... 1
Breaking, entering and stealing, ... 15
Breaking, entering and grand larceny, ... 2
Breaking with intent robbery, ... 2
Breaking, assault and battery, ... 1
Breach of law as to lotteries, ... 1
Burglary, breaking and entering and stealing, ... 3

Breaking and entering, assault with intent to kill, breaking prison, ... 1
Bigamy, ... 5
Burglary, ... 16
Breaking, entering and larceny, robbery, attempt at robbery, petit larceny, ... 1
Burning, etc., ... 3
Burning barn, ... 1
Burglars' tools and receiving stolen goods, ... 1
Burglary and receiving stolen goods, ... 3
Burning with intent to defraud, ... 1
Breaking, entering, larceny and receiving, breaking, entering with intent to steal, ... 1
Breaking, entering with intent, larceny, larceny of horse, wagon, harness, etc., ... 1
Breaking prison, petit larceny, ... 1
Breaking, entering, larceny and receiving, false pretences, ... 1
Breaking jail, larceny, ... 1
Burning dwelling-houses, ... 1
Breaking, entering and larceny, breaking with intent, etc., breaking with intent, ... 1
Burglary, robbery, assault and battery, ... 1
Breaking, entering with intent, etc., false pretences, larceny and receiving, ... 1
Breaking, etc., ... 1
Breaking, entering and petit larceny, ... 1
Breaking, entering, larceny, breaking with intent, ... 1
Breaking, entering, larceny and receiving, assault and battery, . . 1
Breaking and entering, burglary, ... 1
Carrying burglars' tools with intent, etc., ... 1
Conspiracy, abortion, etc., ... 2
Concealment of pregnancy and birth and secreting the same, . . . 1
Carnal abuse, ... 4
Cutting timber, assault and battery, ... 1
Cutting timber, larceny, ... 1
Disorderly house, ... 15
Entering, larceny and receiving, ... 3
Entering and larceny, ... 9
Entering with intent, ... 4
Entering and stealing, ... 1
Entering railroad car with intent to steal, ... 1
Entering escape, ... 2
Entering with intent having burglars' tools, ... 1
Embezzlement, ... 2
Forgery and misdemeanor, ... 4
Forgery, ... 8
Forgery and uttering, ... 3
False pretence, ... 16

Fighting, ... 1
Fraudulently converting property, ... 1
Grand larceny, breaking, entering and larceny, entering and larceny, ... 1
Grand larceny, ... 48
Grand larceny and arson, ... 1
Grand larceny as bailee, ... 1
Gaming 1
Having in possession and passing U. S. obligation, ... 1
House-breaking, ... 27
Highway robbery, atrocious assault and battery, ... 1
High misdemeanor, carnal abuse of child, ... 1
Having in possession counterfeit plate of U. S. obligation, etc., etc., ... 1
Having burglars' tools, ... 5
Highway robbery with intent to commit rape, ... 3
Highway robbery, ... 8
Highway robbery, assault with intent to rob, ... 2
Having in possession counterfeit silver dollars, ... 1
High misdemeanor, ... 1
Illegal sale of liquor, ... 2
Indecent assault, ... 4
Indecent assault, etc., ... 2
Intent to commit rape, ... 1
Indecent exposure of person, ... 1
Keeping disorderly house, ... 3
Larceny, ... 41
Larceny, etc., ... 7
Larceny and receiving, ... 30
Larceny from the person, ... 35
Larceny from the person and receiving, ... 4
Larceny and forgery, ... 1
Larceny and cruelty to animals 1
Larceny from the person and assault and battery on an officer, . . 1
Larceny and receiving stolen goods, burglary and receiving stolen goods, ... 3
Lewdness, ... 3
Larceny, breaking, entering and larceny, ... 2
Larceny and receiving stolen goods, ... 3
Larceny, malicious mischief, ... 1
Larceny and receiving, false pretenses. 1
Malfeasance in office, ... 1
Manslaughter, ... 29
Manslaughter, assault and battery, ... 2
Murder, ... 40
Murder, first degree, ... 6
Murder, second degree, ... 13

Misdemeanor,	5
Murder and manslaughter,	1
Malicious mischief,	4
Nuisance,	1
Obtaining money under false pretenses,	1
Obstructing railway,	1
Open lewdness,	3
Obtaining goods under false pretenses,	2
Polygamy, embezzlement,	1
Passing and having in possession counterfeit quarter dollars,	1
Personating pension officer,	1
Passing counterfeit notes,	1
Petit larceny,	13
Policy,	1
Polygamy,	2
Perjury,	2
Passing and having in possession counterfeit fifty-cent pieces,	2
Pocket-picking,	1
Passing and having in possession counterfeit silver dollars,	1
Rape,	14
Rape and attempt to commit rape,	1
Receiving,	2
Resisting an officer,	2
Resisting an officer and assault and battery,	6
Rape and incest,	1
Rape, indecent assault, etc.,	1
Receiving, breaking, etc.,	1
Rape, assault and battery,	1
Robbery, assault with intent to kill, atrocious assault and battery, assault with intent, etc., breaking, entering and larceny, receiving, assault with intent to commit robbery,	1
Robbery, assault with intent to kill, resisting officer, assault and battery, assault with attempt, etc.,	1
Receiving stolen goods, larceny,	1
Robbery on highway, assault with intent to rob,	1
Receiving stolen goods,	1
Robbery,	28
Robbery, etc.,	4
Receiving and having in possession stolen U. S. property,	2
Stealing ducks,	1
Sending threatening letters, attempt to murder,	1
Sodomy,	8
Setting fire to buildings,	1
Stealing chickens,	3
Selling pools,	1
Second offense carrying concealed weapon,	1
Second offense of petit larceny,	4

Unlawful and carnal abuse of woman under 16 years,	1
Uttering and passing forged checks,	1
Unlawful assembly,	1
Unlawful cohabitation,	1
Unlawful assembly, riot, assault and battery,	1
Unlawfully taking and larceny of horse,	1
Unlawfully taking of horse without consent of owner,	1
Violation of Section 5,431, R. S. U. S.,	3
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AGES WHEN RECEIVED.

Thirteen years,	1
Fourteen years,	1
Fifteen years,	8
Fifteen to twenty years,	132
Twenty to twenty-five years,	354
Twenty-five to thirty years,	204
Thirty to forty years,	264
Forty to fifty years,	109
Fifty to sixty years,	30
Sixty to seventy years,	25
Seventy to eighty years,	3
	1,131

PLACES OF NATIVITY.

New Jersey,	372
New York,	152
Pennsylvania	83
Delaware,	13
Maryland,	40
Virginia,	40
North Carolina,	10
South Carolina,	3
Kentucky,	3
Georgia,	4
Florida,	4
Missouri,	1
Texas,	5
Ohio,	8
Indiana,	1
Illinois,	9
Michigan,	1
Wisconsin,	1
Iowa,	1
Dakota,	1

District Columbia,	64
New Hampshire,	3
Vermont,	1
Massachusetts,	18
Rhode Island,	3
Connecticut,	13
California,	9
Colorado,	3
Tennessee,	3
Montana,	2
Nebraska ,	5
Maine,	1
West Virginia,	3
Arizona,	1
Canada,	4
Mexico,	2
Germany,	61
Ireland,	44
England,	27
Scotland,	9
Italy,	45
France,	4
Holland,	7
Switzerland,	7
Austria,	7
Sweden,	2
Russia,	10
Hungary,	2
Denmark,	2
Prussia,	2
West Indies,	2
Poland,	2
Greece,	1
Belgium,	3
East Indies,	1
Wales,	1
Panama,	1
Cape De Verdy Islands,	1
Cape Colony,	1
Australia,	1
Norway,	1
	1,131

YEARS IN WHICH RECEIVED.

1872,	1
1881,	1
1885,	2
1887,	4
1888,	4
1889,	8
1890,	21
1891,	21
1892,	24
1893,	50
1894,	87
1895,	133
1896,	284
1897,	491
	1,131

NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS.

First commitment,	924
Second commitment,	140
Third commitment,	41
Fourth commitment,	14
Fifth commitment,	8
Sixth commitment,	1
Seventh commitment,	1
Eighth commitment,	1
Ninth commitment,	1
	1,131

EDUCATION.

Can read and write,	946
Cannot read or write,	153
Read only,	32
	1,131

COLOR AND SEX.

White males,	818
White females,	17
Colored males,	279
Colored females,	17
	1,131

DAILY AVERAGE INMATES.

Males,	1,045
Females,	30
General average,	1,075

REPORT

OF THE

Physician and Moral Instructors.

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SUMMARY

Of Sick in the New Jersey State Prison for the Year Ending October 31st, 1897.

	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 while in hospital.	Pardoned while in hospital.	Paroled while in hospital.	Sent to State hospitals for the insane.	Returned from State hospitals for the 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.
1896.											
November, . .	1,039	18	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	3	. . .	43	60	103
December, . .	1,023	12	1	2	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	44	51	95
1897.											
January, . . .	1,052	12	. . .	3	. . .	. . .	2	. . .	32	70	102
February, . . .	1,073	17	2	1	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	36	63	99
March, ...	1,078	17	2	. . . .	. . .	. . .	5	. . .	35	66	101
April, ...	1,075	16	2	. . . .	1	1	1	2	43	85	128
May, ...	1,108	17	. . .	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	48	59	107
June, ...	1,126	19	3	2	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	41	58	99
July, ...	1,116	20	. . .	2	2	. . .	. . .	. . .	37	62	99
August, ...	1,099	25	. .	2	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	40	53	93
September, . .	1,090	33	1	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	40	50	90
October, . . .	1,131	33	1	1	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	44	78	122
Total, . . .	. . . .	289	12	13	3	1	11	2	483	755	1,238
	. . . .	. . .	1	$1\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$40\frac{3}{4}$	$62\frac{11}{12}$	$103\frac{1}{3}$

Moral Instructors' Report.

To His Excellency John W. Griggs, Governor of the State of New Jersey:

HONORED SIR—Again, in pursuance of my duty as Moral Instructor of the New Jersey State Prison, I herewith submit to you my annual report.

The past year, in the main, has been uneventful, the commendable discipline of the prison materially helping me in my work of moral and religious instruction. There has been a decided and marked interest exhibited in those things which tend to a better life. This is due largely to the fact that the reading-matter supplied the prisoners has been abundant and of the best possible character, well calculated to arouse feeling as to the imperative necessity of improvement in their moral condition. The great question "What shall we do to lessen crime and so decrease the number of criminals?" is agitating the good and humane as never before. Multiplied and various theories are suggested—some seemingly practicable, many simply utopian. While sin and temptation exist crime to a greater or less degree will prevail; prisons will be a necessity. Criminals must be taught that the violation of law endangers the peace and welfare of the community and brings with it its penalty of punishment, yet, at the same time, there must be something besides punishment, not the sending of flowers, fruits and other luxuries, the coddling of criminals which tends to a greater or lesser degree, in some cases, to impress the prisoners with the idea that they are martyrs rather than criminals, better far for the convicts and the State the teaching them that they must repair the wrong they have done society and themselves, and enforcing upon them the great need of reformation, so that in the changing of their life of wrong to a life of good they may by an upright and useful course of conduct make ample reparation to society, and they experience the happiness and safety of such a change. Among the many helps to this desirable end, and not the least in this direction, is the provision made by the State in furnishing a neat and beautiful chapel for Sabbath services. Apart from the daily contact of cell life, too much

credit cannot be given to the Building Commission for their wise action in meeting a felt-want of years. Another factor in the great work of help in the reformation of those prisoners who desire to lead a better life is the intensely earnest work of Mrs Ballington Booth; this work not confined to occasional visits and providing religious reading, but holding out to them the helping hand when they are discharged by receiving them into an asylum called Hope Hall, and securing for them as soon as possible positions suited to their ability. I have been credibly informed that a number of such men thus helped are leading honest and useful lives. If the community at large would become interested in this humane movement, giving their sympathy and material aid, it would not be long before society would realize great gain in the lessening of crime within our borders; while this in the main applies to those serving their first term, at the same time may serve for good those who have been more than once in prison.

I am under obligations to E. J. Anderson, Supervisor of the Prison, for his readiness of help in my work. S. S. Moore, Principal Keeper, is ever alert to afford me assistance. The Board of Inspectors, Drs. MacKenzie and Brewer are also always ready to assist me in the great work to which I am devoted.

The Bible Institute Colportage Association of Chicago are doing much in the way of helping me, having during the past year sent 2000 pamphlet religious books for distribution among the prisoners. The Women's Christian Temperance Union continue to give material aid in my efforts to aid the prisoners to a better life. To all I give hearty thanks,

Respectfully yours,

GEO. C. MADDOCK,

Moral Instructor.

TRENTON, N. J., December 1, 1897.

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

GENTLEMEN—As Moral Instructor, appointed by you for the Catholic inmates of the State Prison, I herein present you the report, which it is usual to give, of the condition of affairs during the past year.

The most gratifying event which it is my pleasure to chronicle has been the establishment of the chapel. For a number of years this was the desire of those intrusted with the work I have now in charge; they anxiously sought for a place which might exclusively

be given over to divine worship. Many drawbacks were unavoidably coupled with services in the wing. Of these we are now freed, and the place consecrated to God's service alone will better concentrate the attention of those present to the holy act at which they are assembled. I express my deep thankfulness to the president and members of the building commission for the foresight and carefulness with which all provisions have been made for the holding of our particular services.

On October seventeenth the Catholic services were inaugurated in the new chapel by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the diocese, James Augustine McFaul. His interest in the spiritual welfare of these members of his flock was illustrated by the earnest and touching words he addressed to them on that occasion.

In general everything has been done which seemed adapted to the work of reclaiming the convicts to a new life. Sunday services have been regularly maintained, the convicts have been visited at their own cells, and all opportunities have been given them to come and receive spiritual instruction and advice. Devotional books have been provided in six foreign languages, so that, so far as possible, none might be deprived of spiritual pabulum. At all times my work has been greatly facilitated by the kindness and readiness of the Principal Keeper, the Matron and their respective deputies and assistants.

I must also express my appreciation of those who have been helpful to me in various other ways, of the young ladies who sing at our services, of Messrs. Ribsam & Son, who furnish flowers for decorative purposes on special occasions; of Benziger Bros., of New York, who annually furnish us with excellent reading-matter.

In conclusion, gentlemen, allow me to thank you for the interest you have taken in my efforts. Respectfully,

ALOYS M. FISH,
Moral Instructor.

