



THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

New Jersey

State Home for Boys

FOR THE

Fiscal Year ending October 31st,

1902.



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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To the Honorable Franklin Murphy, Governor of New Jersey:

The Trustees of the State Home for Boys, in conformity with the requirements of the law, submit our report for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1902.

For details we respectfully refer you to the report of the Treasurer for the financial condition of the Institution. The report of the Farm Committee shows the good result of farm operations. The Superintendent's report, including the statistical tables and reports of the various departments, will give you an idea of the work of the Institution. The report of the Visiting Agent, Physician and Chaplains contain many matters of information and interest.

At the last session of the Legislature, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) was appropriated for the building of a sewerage system; seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) of this amount has been drawn, and the work is going on in a very satisfactory way, and we expect to have the work completed in about one month, and, when finished, will be one of the most needed improvements ever made at the Home, as it will improve the sanitary condition and lessen the risk of an epidemic.

We have finished during the year some improvements which have been contemplated, and in the course of construction for several years, notably, the trades building, power house, new two-story wagon house at barn, encasing in masonry steam pipes leading from power house to different buildings on the grounds, and many other improvements, such as roads, fences, roofs, &c. We have installed new machinery, tools, &c., in new carpenter and blacksmith shops, and are now able to teach a larger number of boys these valuable trades than heretofore.

We have also made plans to put in each family building new and more complete bath-rooms, for the use of the boys, and have already equipped one building and find it is a great improvement.

We regret very much to record the death of Nathaniel S. Rue, the President of the Board, and its oldest member, having served continuously from 1874 to 1902. Mr. Rue was very much interested in the work and scarcely ever missed a meeting of the Board. He was always courteous and genial, and his death was a cause of deep grief to us all.

We shall at all times be pleased to have you and other citizens visit the Home, and particularly the members of the Legislature should come and see us so they can get some idea of the good work done in an institution of this kind.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SPAETH,
President of Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEES' SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

To the Honorable Franklin Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey:

The Trustees of the State Home for Boys regret to be required to report to your Honor that they have discovered certain irregularities in the accounts kept by their late bookkeeper, J. M. Mortimer, by means of which he was enabled to abstract and did take from the funds of the Institution the amounts of money herein-after mentioned.

The largest part of the defalcation was in a fund which the late Superintendent, Ira Otterson, held as trustee, and denominated as "Ira Otterson, Trustee." It now appears that this was a special fund which the Trustee held, derived from the payments made by farmers and others to whom boys were apprenticed until they completed their term of service, at which time the moneys thus paid for their service and credited to them was paid to them by the Trustee, Mr. Otterson.

The total amount misappropriated from this fund by the bookkeeper, according to the expert's report, is the sum of \$2,913.19..

The abstractions from this fund had been going on, as it now appears, for a long period of time, and, apparently, from the commencement of the term of service of the late bookkeeper.

It may seem strange to you at first when we inform you that the present Trustees did not know of the existence of this fund, or that the Superintendent personally had any moneys of the Institution from which such an abstraction could be made by any person. They supposed that all the funds of the Institution were properly placed to its credit and accounted for by its treasurer. It appears, however, that on the appointment of the late Superintendent, Mr. Otterson, in 1884, such a fund was in existence, and that \$400 was turned over to him by his predecessor on this account. It did not appear in any way upon the regular books of the Institution and no report was made to them of the condition

of the fund or of the fact of its existence, and there was no member of the present Board who knew there was such a fund under the control of its Superintendent.

The balance of the funds abstracted by the bookkeeper was obtained by a duplication of vouchers. As near as the expert accountant could ascertain, the sum taken in this way amounts to \$1,177.05.

The irregularities and abstractions made by the bookkeeper from time to time in these methods were made possible by the careless and inefficient manner in which the late Superintendent performed his duties.

The discovery of these deficiencies came through the discharge of the bookkeeper and an examination of his accounts, and upon ascertaining by this examination the fact that he had purloined moneys belonging to the Institution, the matter was officially reported to the Prosecutor of the Pleas of Middlesex county and indictments procured which have not been tried, the bookkeeper having absconded.

The Trustees felt it their duty to at once demand the resignation of their Superintendent, and his place has since been filled, as you are aware, by an acting Superintendent.

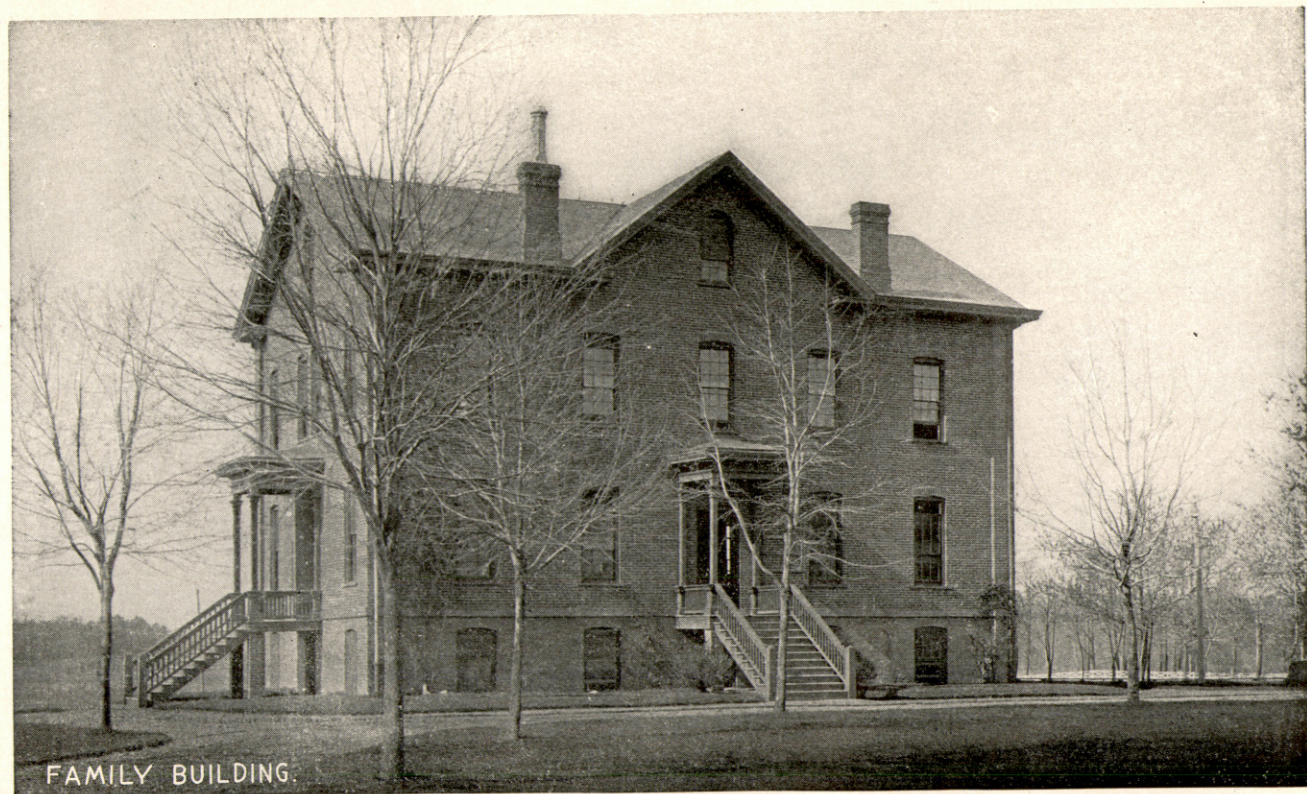
A careful revision has been made of the manner of keeping accounts, which are, in all instances, carefully audited and certified before payment. We have relieved the Superintendent entirely from any supervision over the financial department and we have placed all the officers of the Institution who have any control over its funds under bonds for the faithful performance of the duties of their special offices.

We believe that we have, through the accidental discovery of this defalcation, placed the Institution in a position where it will be impossible for any official to make improper use of its funds.

Very respectfully yours,

EDWARD SPAETH,

President of Board of Trustees.



TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending October 31st, 1902.

James M. Parsons, in Account with the New Jersey State Home for Boys.

1901.		<i>Dr.</i>		
Nov.	1.	To cash on hand.....	\$4,019 04	
		To State maintenance.....	62,000 00	
		To Superintendent's deposits.....	18,940 68	
				\$84,959 72

Cr.

		By disbursements, general maintenance....	\$83,374 07	
		By disbursements, Library appropriation..	163 35	
		By disbursements, Manual Training appropriation	49 95	
		By disbursements, Trades School appropriation	94 65	
				\$83,682 02
1902.				
Oct.	31.	Balance on hand.....	1,277 70	
				\$84,959 72

SUMMARY OF BALANCES.

General maintenance	\$952 28	
Library appropriation	20 12	
Manual Training	305 30	
		\$1,277 70

CASH IN BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, OCTOBER 31st, 1902.

First National Bank, Jamesburg.....	\$5,874 58	
National Bank of New Jersey, New Brunswick	3,360 40	
		\$9,234 98
Outstanding ,.....	7,957 28	
		\$1,277 70

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GENERAL MAINTENANCE.

1901.

Dr.

Nov. 1.	To balance	\$3,385 67
Nov.	To State maintenance for fourth quarter....	15,406 80
Nov.	To Superintendent's deposits for November...	2,048 65
Dec.	To Superintendent's deposits for December...	2,470 02

1902.

Jan.	To State maintenance for first quarter.....	15,656 00
Jan.	To Superintendent's deposits for January....	762 89
Feb.	To Superintendent's deposits for February...	427 36
March	To Superintendent's deposits for March.....	185 28
April	To State maintenance for second quarter....	15,921 20
April	To Superintendent's deposits for April.....	1,126 00
May	To Superintendent's deposits for May.....	1,100 31
June	To Superintendent's deposits for June.....	2,289 81
July	To State maintenance for third quarter.....	15,016 00
July	To Superintendent's deposits for July.....	2,644 37
August	To Superintendent's deposits for August....	1,339 54
Sept.	To Superintendent's deposits for September..	2,781 72
Oct.	To Superintendent's deposits for October....	1,764 73

 \$84,326 35

1901.

Cr.

Dec.	By payment of November vouchers.....	\$9,641 69
1902.		
Jan.	By payment of December vouchers.....	8,220 14
Feb.	By payment of January vouchers.....	6,078 02
March	By payment of February vouchers.....	7,991 68
April	By payment of March vouchers.....	5,426 71
May	By payment of April vouchers.....	8,102 58
June	By payment of May vouchers.....	5,682 75
July	By payment of June vouchers.....	4,756 58
August	By payment of July vouchers.....	5,709 50
Sept.	By payment of August vouchers.....	5,515 15
Oct. 1.	By payment of September vouchers.....	8,301 71
Oct. 31.	By payment of October vouchers.....	7,947 56

 \$83,374 07

Oct. 31.	By balance	952 28
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 \$84,326 35

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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS—LIBRARY.

1901.

Dr.

Nov. 1. To balance \$183 47

Cr.

Dec. By payment of November vouchers..... \$12 98

1902.

Jan. By payment of December vouchers..... 15

Feb. By payment of January vouchers..... 133 22

August By payment of July vouchers..... 17 00

\$163 35

Oct. 31. By balance 20 12

\$183 47

MANUAL TRAINING.

1901.

Dr.

Nov. 1. To balance \$355 25

Cr.

Dec. By payment of November vouchers..... \$21 10

1902.

Feb. By payment of January vouchers..... 19 13

Oct. 31. By payment of October vouchers..... 9 72

\$49 95

Oct. 31. By balance 305 30

\$355 25

TRADES SCHOOL BUILDING.

1901.

Dr.

Nov. 1. To balance \$94 65

Cr.

Dec. By payment of November vouchers..... 94 65

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts of James M. Parsons, Treasurer, for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1902, and compared them with the vouchers, and found them correct and according to the books.

F. S. GASKILL,
GERVAS ELY,
Auditing Committee.



FAMILY BUILDING

REPORT OF FARM COMMITTEE.

October 31st, 1902.

1901.

Dr.

Oct. 31.	To inventory	\$22,358 95	
1902.			
Oct. 31.	To amount paid for salary and labor.....	\$1,908 10	
	To amount paid for live stock.....	564 00	
	To amount paid for grain and feed.....	50 25	
	To amount paid for plants and seeds.....	670 18	
	To amount paid for fertilizer.....	1,705 81	
	To amount paid for machinery and tools and repairs to same.....	724 85	
	To amount paid for wagons and harness and repairs to same.....	811 10	
	To amount paid for building fences.....	1,218 46	
			\$7,652 75
	Gain	11,262 39	
			<u>\$41,274 09</u>

1902.

Cr.

Oct. 31.	By inventory, live stock	\$5,622 06	
	By inventory, grain and feed.....	8,572 24	
	By inventory, produce	4,115 06	
	By inventory, machinery and tools.....	1,958 13	
	By inventory, furniture and fixtures.....	152 00	
	By inventory, wagons and carriages.....	2,375 00	
	By inventory, harness and blankets, &c.....	407 00	
	By inventory, blacksmith shop supplies.....	270 00	
			\$23,471 49
	By sales of live stock	\$465 79	
	By sales of produce	3,653 94	
			4,119 73
	Consumed, live stock	\$1,453 90	
	Consumed, produce	4,645 78	
	Consumed, milk	1,953 19	
	Consumed, grain and feed	5,630 00	
			<u>13,682 87</u>
			<u>\$41,274 09</u>

PRODUCTS OF THE FARM FOR 1902.

Apples	972 bushels.
Asparagus	54 bunches.
Beans (lima)	190 bushels.
Beans (string)	124 bushels.
Beets	115 bushels.
Beets (cattle)	168 bushels.
Blackberries	129 quarts.
Butter made	3,071 pounds.
Cabbage	1,880 heads.
Calves	38
Cantaloupes	46 baskets.
Carrots	182 bushels.
Celery	5,000 bunches.
Cherries	790 quarts.
Chickens raised	156
Cider	550 gallons.
Corn	3,900 bushels.
Corn (sweet)	15,691 ears.
Cornstalks	13,668 bundles.
Cucumbers	2,400
Currants	150 quarts.
Eggplant	65 baskets.
Eggs	281 2-3 dozens.
Gooseberries	60 quarts.
Grapes	34 baskets.
Horseradish	1 bushel.
Hay	160 tons.
Lambs	68
Lettuce	67 bushels.
Milk	56,021 quarts.
Oats	250 bushels.
Oat straw	4 tons.
Onions	420 bushels.
Parsley	10 bushels.
Peaches	380 baskets.
Peas	47 bushels.
Pears	170 bushels.
Peppers	30 baskets.
Pickles	3,700
Pigs	29
Plums	647 quarts.
Potatoes (sweet)	532 bushels.
Potatoes (white)	5,555 bushels.
Pumpkins	536
Quinces	4 baskets.
Radishes	3,500 bunches.
Raspberries	6 quarts.
Rhubarb	1,340 bunches.
Rutabagas	360 bushels.
Spinach	31 bushels.

Squashes	8 baskets.
Strawberries	1,861 quarts.
Scallions	2,495 bunches.
Tomatoes	336 bushels.
Turkeys raised	32
Turnips	150 bushels.
Watermelons	2,797
Wheat	1,650 bushels.
Wheat straw	70 tons.
Wineberries	7 quarts.
Wool	412 pounds.

PRODUCTS OF CONOVER FARM.

Hay	35 tons.
Oats	100 bushels.
Oat straw	2 tons.
Rye	600 bushels.
Rye straw	35 tons.

F. S. GASKILL,
Chairman Farm Committee.



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INVENTORY.

October 31st, 1902.

Furniture and fixtures	\$18,784 75
School supplies	1,325 00
Clothing	12,331 81
Household sundries	2,400 00
Drugs and medicines.....	300 00
Stationery	70 00
Library	703 35
Provisions	1,583 05
Fuel	611 00
Band instruments	266 00
Live stock	5,622 06
Grain and feed.....	8,572 24
Wagons, carriages, &c.....	2,375 00
Harness, blankets and whips.....	407 00
Vegetables	4,115 06
Farm machinery, tools, &c.....	1,958 13
Supplies	5,745 00
Machinery and tools.....	6,726 21
Heating appliances	5,473 52
Sanitary appliances	8,236 45
Electric lighting	7,794 56
Pumps, engines and boilers.....	6,212 81
Cold storage	2,535 00
Brushes manufactured	469 00
Manufactured products, brick and tile.....	1,563 75

\$106,180 75



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey State Home for Boys:

GENTLEMEN—I beg to submit herewith my report for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1902.

We have cared for five hundred and fifty (550) boys during the year, and have received one hundred and sixty (160), and discharged one hundred and sixty-three (163), and the total average for the year is three hundred and ninety-three and seventy-eight hundredths (393.78). For particulars I refer you to the statistical tables.

You will note we have received boys from every county in the State, with the exception of three—Cape May, Gloucester and Ocean.

I am pleased to state that the health of the boys has been very good. There have been two deaths, Eugene Park, on April 16th, and John Brower, on July 20th.

There seems to be a more contented and happier feeling existing among the boys, and I think this is due largely to your policy of making the boys understand that their release depends entirely upon their own behavior and individual merit, and not upon any outside influences; and I feel confident we will continue to feel the good effects of this policy in the behavior of the boys.

I have made it a point to know each boy individually and study his character and disposition, and have endeavored to bring to your attention the names of the boys who have, in my opinion, and that of their officers, deserved reward.

The new blacksmith, carpenter and mason shops have given us a better opportunity to teach the boys these three very good trades, and we now have all of the above departments as full as possible; and I think every boy who is working in these departments is very much interested in his work. Of course this goes a great way toward their making a success.

The results from the farm and garden have been very satisfactory, and we have had an abundance of fruit and melons for the boys the entire season, and I believe this latter fact has had much to do with their extreme good health.

As you know, I took charge of the Institution as Acting Superintendent on August 15th. I have found all the officers and employes courteous, faithful in the performance of their duties and always ready to assist me in any and every manner, night and day, and too much credit cannot be given them for the successful ending of the year 1902.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your many courtesies and kind support, I beg to remain

Yours respectfully,

JOHN E. WILDES,

Acting Superintendent.



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OFFICERS AND EMPLOYES.

John E. Wildes.....	Acting Superintendent.
Thomas M. Low.....	Acting Assistant Superintendent.
Mrs. Fannie K. Wildes.....	Acting Matron.
Mrs. Anna D. Low.....	Acting Assistant Matron.
Herbert E. Smith.....	Visiting Agent.
.....	Printer and Editor of the Advance.
Stuart K. King.....	Bookkeeper.
Miss Laura W. Bennett.....	Stenographer.
John F. Watson.....	Officer of No. 1 Family and Farm Force.
Columbus C. Snyder.....	Officer of No. 2 Family Sloyd Shop.
David W. Brown.....	Officer of No. 3 Family and Garden.
Wilber H. Brink.....	Officer of No. 4 Family and Lawns.
Edward T. Healey...	Officer of No. 5 Family and Teacher of Primary School.
Thomas L. Lloyd.....	Officer of No. 6 Family and Band Instructor.
Thomas H. Dillon.....	Officer of No. 7 Family and Brush Shop.
William C. Stewart.....	Officer of No. 8 Family and Instructor in Carpentry.
William E. Condon.....	Extra Officer and Charge of Hospital.
John H. Enright.....	Extra Officer and Painter.
J. Howard Coombs.....	Assistant Officer and Brick Yard.
Charles G. Cox.....	Assistant Officer and Poultry Yard.
Mrs. Mary A. Watson.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 1 School.
Mrs. Emma T. Snyder.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 2 School.
Mrs. Carrie A. Brown.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 3 School.
Mrs. Anna M. Brink.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 4 School.
Mrs. Abbie E. Healey.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 5 School.
Mrs. S. Pauline Lloyd.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 6 School.
Mrs. A. A. Probasco.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 7 School.
Mrs. Lucretia K. Stewart.....	Cottage Matron and Teacher No. 8 School.
Jacob V. Probasco.....	Steward.
Christopher Elliott.....	Farmer.
Edwin C. Frost.....	Chief Engineer.
Charles T. Macdonald.....	First Assistant Engineer.
Robert Ryan.....	Second Assistant Engineer and Plumber.
Frank Robbins.....	Carpenter.
Vincent B. Snedeker.....	Relief Officer and Mason.
William H. Kearney.....	Relief Officer and Shoemaker.
John E. Jordan.....	Relief Officer and Blacksmith.
Frank B. Middleton.....	Watchman.
Miss Mary E. Donahay.....	Matron of Main Building and Chapel.
Mrs. Isabel Kearney..	Matron in Superintendent's and Officers' Dining-rooms.
Mrs. Mary A. Jordan.....	Matron in Main Kitchen.
Mrs. G. M. Wood.....	Matron of No. 8 Dining-room and Kitchen.

Mrs. Agnes M. Condon.....	Hospital Nurse.
Mrs. Mary A. MacDonald.....	Tailoress.
.....	Mending-room.
Mrs. Jennie A. Dillon.....	Laundress.
Mrs. Kate Enright.....	Assistant Laundress.
.....	Matron of Boys' Dining-room, Main Building.
Miss Ella Thomas.....	Matron of Dining-room, Nos. 5 and 7.
William Froelich	Baker.
John Gallagher	Coachman.
Cornelius Whitlock	Laborer.



FAMILY BUILDING

STATISTICAL TABLES

For the Fiscal Year Ending October 31st, 1902.

TABLE No. 1.

Number of boys remaining October 31st, 1901.....	390
Number of boys committed during the year.....	131
Number of boys returned voluntarily.....	2
Number of boys returned for cause.....	24
Number of boys returned upon expiration of indenture.....	3
	160
Number of boys cared for during the year.....	550
Number of boys discharged during the year (see Table No. 9).....	163
Number of boys remaining October 31st, 1902.....	387
(Of these, 304 were white and 83 colored.)	
Average number during the year.....	393.78

TABLE No 2.

FROM WHENCE AND IN WHAT MONTH COMMITTED.

COUNTIES.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	Total.
Atlantic.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	7
Bergen.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	5
Burlington.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Camden.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	3	1	.....	.....	1	7
Cumberland.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Essex.....	2	.....	3	1	1	1	5	2	1	9	.....	2	27
Hudson.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	4	.....	5	.....	4	16
Hunterdon.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	6
Mercer.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	1	7
Middlesex.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Monmouth.....	.....	.....	2	.....	5	2	.....	2	1	.....	1	.....	13
Morris.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2
Passaic.....	2	4	3	4	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	1	3	22
Salem.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	3
Somerset.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Sussex.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	4
Union.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Warren.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Total.....	10	9	11	7	11	11	9	16	7	20	6	14	131

(Of these boys, 110 were white and 21 colored.)

TABLE No. 3.
FOR WHAT OFFENCES COMMITTED.

Grand larceny	2
Petit larceny	3
Larceny	32
Breaking entering, larceny and receiving	8
Breaking, entering and larceny	6
Entering, larceny and receiving	2
Larceny and receiving	4
Entering and larceny	1
Larceny and incorrigibility	5
Burglary	1
Breaking and entering	2
Receiving	2
Embezzlement	1
Petit larceny, incorrigibility and burning a barn	1
Stealing, and other misdemeanors	1
Incorrigibility, stealing, truancy and vagrancy	1
Incorrigibility	30
Incorrigibility and disorderly conduct	2
Truancy and incorrigibility	3
Truancy	9
Vagrancy	4
Vagrancy and disorderly conduct	1
Vagrancy and incorrigibility	3
Removing a horse	1
Being disorderly	3
Malicious mischief	3
Total	131

TABLE No. 4.
AGE WHEN COMMITTED.

Eight years	1
Nine years	8
Ten years	9
Eleven years	12
Twelve years	16
Thirteen years	24
Fourteen years	22
Fifteen years	23
Over fifteen, nearly sixteen years	16
Total	131

TABLE No. 5.

HOME INFLUENCE AND MORAL CONDITION.

Parents separated	12
Parents not married.....	4
Father in insane asylum.....	1
Have lost fathers.....	38
Have lost mothers.....	29
Have lost both.....	6
Have stepfathers	11
Have stepmothers	9
Have intemperate fathers.....	45
Have intemperate mothers.....	14
Have used intoxicants.....	8
Have never used intoxicants.....	123
Have used tobacco.....	78
Have never used tobacco.....	53
Fathers arrested	9
Mothers arrested	3
Brothers arrested.....	20
Sisters arrested	2
Boys never arrested before.....	64
Boys arrested once before.....	42
Boys arrested twice before.....	16
Boys arrested three times before.....	6
Boys arrested four times before.....	2
Boys arrested eight times before.....	1
Number of Protestants received.....	59
Number of Catholics received.....	51
Number of Hebrews received.....	5
Never attended any church.....	16
Relating only to boys in the Institution October 31st, 1902—	
Number of boys who have had brothers here during the year.....	21
Number of boys who previously had brothers here.....	15
Number of boys who have now or previously had stepbrothers or half- brothers here	4
Number of boys who have now or previously had cousins here.....	15
Number of boys who have been in other institutions.....	70

These 70 boys have been in 46 different institutions. Two had been in 2 institutions each. From 2 institutions we had 6 boys each. From 2 institutions we had 4 boys each. From 6 institutions we had 2 boys each. From 1 institution we had three boys.

TABLE No. 6.

BIRTHPLACE OF BOYS.

New Jersey	75
New York	17
Pennsylvania	6
Delaware	2
Maryland	1
Virginia	2
Alabama	1
Massachusetts	2
Illinois	1
California	1
Canada	1
Scotland	2
South Wales	1
Denmark	1
Holland	2
Germany	5
Poland	2
Slavonia	1
Roumania	1
Italy	7
Total	131

TABLE No. 7.

NUMBER OF DAYS SPENT IN JAIL BEFORE AND AFTER TRIAL.

One day	5
Two days	3
Three days	1
Four days	3
Five days	5
Six days	5
Seven days	6
Eight days	5
Nine days	1
Ten to fifteen days.....	27
Fifteen to twenty days.....	15
Twenty to twenty-five days.....	9
Twenty-five to thirty-five days.....	8
Thirty-five to fifty days.....	5
Fifty to ninety days.....	12
Not known	4
Not in jail	17
Total	131



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TABLE No. 8.

BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS.

	Fathers.	Mothers.
New Jersey	8	17
New York	5	5
Pennsylvania	3	4
Virginia	1	4
Washington, D. C.	1	....
North Carolina	1	....
Georgia .....	....	1
United States	1	3
England	5	5
Scotland	1	1
Ireland	6	5
Denmark	1	....
Holland	4	4
Germany	10	10
France .....	....	1
Italy	10	10
Roumania	1	1
Poland	1	1
Not known	72	59
Total	131	131

TABLE No. 9.

DISPOSITION OF BOYS.

Released on their own recognizance.....	124
Indentured	28
Discharged, twenty-one years old.....	2
Escaped	7
Died	2
Total	163

(Of these boys, 129 were white and 34 colored.)

TABLE No. 10.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fifth Reader	8
Fourth Reader	75
Third Reader	98
Second Reader	65
First Reader	58
U. S. History	65
Alcohol and Hygiene.....	70
Geography	198
Geography—Primary, with oral lessons.....	74
Geography—Map Drawing	141
Spelling—Orally and by dictation.....	315
Arithmetic—Percentage and Interest.....	21
Arithmetic—Compound Numbers	21
Arithmetic—Denominate Numbers	6
Arithmetic—Common Fractions	61
Arithmetic—Decimal Fractions	3
Arithmetic—Fundamental Rules	186
Arithmetic—Notation and Numeration.....	79
Arithmetic—Number Work	32
Business Forms	16
Writing with pen and ink.....	364
Writing on slate.....	50

TABLE No. 11.

SCHOLARSHIP OF THOSE RECEIVED.

Number of boys in—	
Fourth Reader	20
Third Reader	25
Second Reader	29
First Reader	25
Writing—No. 4 Copy Book.....	1
Writing—No. 3 Copy Book.....	6
Writing—No. 2 Copy Book.....	12
Writing—No. 1 Copy Book.....	57
Writing—On slate	5
Fractions	5
Practical Measurements	1
Decimals .....	..
Fundamental Rules	58
Notation and Numeration.....	6
Number Work	16
Spelling	33
Geography	32
History	3
Beginners	19
Zero	8

TABLE No. 12.

WORK DONE IN SEWING-ROOM DURING THE YEAR ENDING
OCTOBER 31ST, 1902.

Boys' coats made.....	708
Boys' shirts made.....	1,258
Boys' overalls made.....	978
Boys' pants made.....	1,136
Other articles made.....	3,345
Articles repaired	50,927

TABLE No. 13.

WORK DONE IN INSTITUTION LAUNDRY DURING YEAR ENDING
OCTOBER 31ST, 1902.

Number of pieces washed.....	238,745
Number of pieces ironed.....	26,988
Number of pieces mangled.....	101,456

TABLE No. 14.

SHOE SHOP REPORT.

Number of boys who have received instruction during the year.....	15
Average attendance	10
Number of pairs of shoes made.....	744
Number of pairs of slippers made.....	128
Number of pairs of shoes repaired for boys.....	2,836
Number of pairs of shoes repaired for others than boys.....	69
Number of pieces of harness repaired.....	23
Baseball gloves made.....	10
Shop gloves made.....	69
Football covers made.....	7

TABLE No. 15.

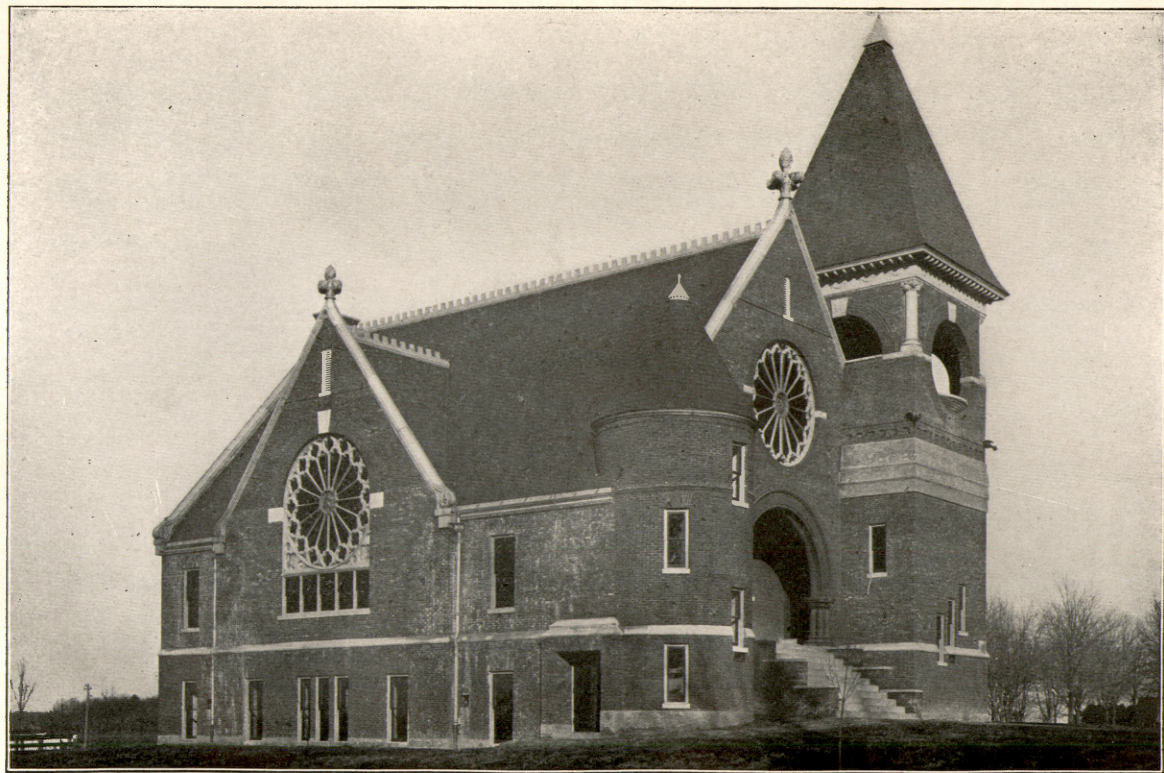
BRUSH INDUSTRY REPORT.

Inventory, November 1st, 1901.....	222 gross.
Made during the year.....	1,991 gross.
Total	2,213 gross.
Sold and shipped during the year.....	2,108 gross.
Inventory, November 1st, 1902.....	105 gross.
Total	2,213 gross.

TABLE No. 16.

BRICKYARD.

1901.		<i>Dr.</i>		
Nov.	1.	To brick on hand, as per inventory.....	275,000	
		To brick made during 1902.....	225,000	
				500,000
1902.		<i>Cr.</i>		
Oct.	31.	By brick used for new wagon shed.....	28,155	
		By brick used for enlargement of Power		
		House	6,840	
		By brick used for laying walks	85,750	
		By brick used for Trades Building	5,150	
		By brick used for Boys' Bathroom	11,225	
		By brick used for repairs	28,730	
				165,850
		By inventory, October 31st, 1902—		
		Brick on hand.....	309,150	
		Used for wall brick.....	25,000	
				334,150
				500,000



PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the New Jersey State Home for Boys:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith present my report for the ten months ending October 31st, 1902, of which I have been Chaplain.

• As soon as I received my appointment I at once sought to learn as fully as possible the services which the Chaplain should render.

The duties involved in this very important office I have performed, with the help of divine power, to the very best of my knowledge, and can say that the work has been one of pleasure and satisfaction to me, as I have noticed the willingness and earnestness that some of the boys manifested in receiving these religious instructions.

There has been preaching in the chapel every Sabbath afternoon by myself or another minister.

On Saturday afternoons I have regularly visited the families, and have met the boys in the school-room for the purpose of catechism instruction.

I have visited the hospital during the year and held such services as I deemed advisable. One of the patients, John Brower, died and was buried in the Home cemetery July 20th, with suitable religious service.

I was present and shared in the union service held on July 4th.

My relations with the superintendents, officers, teachers, as well as with the boys, have been, during the ten months, most cordial and pleasant, and they have given me most valuable assistance in my work, for which I return my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

C. VAN DYKE CONOVER,

Protestant Chaplain.

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CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the New Jersey State Home for Boys:

GENTLEMEN—Permit me to respectfully submit the Catholic Chaplain's annual report for the year ending October 31st, 1902, the substance of which mainly embraces the work of my predecessor, whom I succeeded September 27th of the present year.

It is the duty of the Catholic Chaplain to labor for the spiritual uplifting and moral advancement of the inmates under his care and to seek to suppress evil tendencies of whatever nature, and to develop those better instincts and dispositions which are so essential in the formation of Christian character, and so valuable in the training of young men who are soon to acquire and to exercise the rights of citizenship.

In the pursuance of his duty, my predecessor, as well as myself, have labored to teach our young men the doctrines of their faith, and to lead them to the practices of its wholesome precepts.

Each Saturday afternoon was devoted to the inmates of the various families, who are taken in turn and instructed in some fundamental article of belief. Every Sunday morning the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, which is our supreme act of worship, was offered in the chapel. At this service all the Catholic inmates assisted, and listened to an instruction in which the Chaplain explained the meaning and the teaching of the day's gospel. In the afternoon (Sunday) the boys were again assembled for Sunday-school. Here they are divided into classes, according to their knowledge and proficiency, and the Chaplain personally superintends and endeavors to come in contact with every pupil. These classes are productive of much good to the boys, and I trust their progress marks also an improvement in their conduct. The work of the Sunday-school is greatly aided by several kind ladies and gentlemen who generously lend their assistance in teaching and hearing the lessons in catechism.

The hospital is another department which calls for the Chaplain's visits. Happily the good health which prevails in the Institution makes these visits only occasional; at least for cases of serious illness, and it is a pleasure to note that the material welfare of the inmates is by no means overlooked.

Regarding the boys themselves, I am happy to testify to their respectful demeanor and obedient conduct. The influence of discipline is apparent in their change from rudeness to mildness and docility. This transformation is most helpful to the Chaplain's work, as the rule of the Home and its enforcement are strong props to the resolutions which are made under the influence and direction of religion.

To the Superintendent and officers of the Home who have so frequently assisted and encouraged my endeavors, I offer my sincere thanks; their unfailing kindness, courtesy and friendly regard towards me have my deepest appreciation. Just as their unstinted labors and devotion to duty claim my greatest admiration. I cheerfully offer all connected with the Home my gratitude, and am happy to have this opportunity of referring to the pleasant and cordial relations existing among all whose duties bring them into contact under the happy influences of the mutual good-will and friendly respect which prevail in the Home and throughout its departments.

Finally, let me assure you, gentlemen, that it will be my constant aim and the object of my continued efforts to contribute my share in carrying out the purposes of the Institution whose welfare you have so much at heart, and in fulfilling those duties which surround the office of the Chaplain with so many serious responsibilities.

Thanking you for your kindly considerations, I am

Very respectfully,

MICHAEL H. CALLAHAN.



HOSPITAL.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Trustees of the State Home for Boys, Jamesburg, New Jersey:

I herewith tender to you my report for the year ending October 31st, 1902.

The health of the boys of the Home has been generally very good throughout the year. We have been free from all contagious diseases, with the exception of a mild epidemic of measles. The disease was of a very mild type, and none were seriously ill. No complications in any of the cases.

We have had only two deaths during the year. Eugene Park, of Number Eight Family, died suddenly, on April 16th, of heart failure; John Brower, of Number Five Family, after a lingering illness, died on July 20th of tuberculosis. The sanitary conditions of the Home and its surroundings are excellent. The water seems to be pure, and the supply has been ample. I would, however, recommend a constant vigilance as to the purity of its source, and the positive security from contamination on its course to the reservoirs and the various receptacles which hold the water in and at the Home.

As cold weather approaches there is danger of the revival of small-pox; and while it may not become epidemic, yet we are in danger of being exposed to the contagion, as we are apt to receive boys from such districts where in the past the disease has been the most prevalent. I would therefore recommend that you set apart some building or rooms where new boys may be detained until we shall be satisfied that the said boy or boys are free from any contagious disease.

I would also recommend that you, as the Board of Trustees of the Home, urge upon the Legislature of the State of New Jersey to have a law passed making it obligatory either upon the committing magistrate or the sheriff of each county, to furnish or send with each boy committed a sworn certificate that said boy

has not been exposed, knowingly, within sixteen days, to any contagious disease, either in jail, or the home from which he came. Such a law would bring the danger of contagion to us to a minimum. The law could be so framed that it would apply to all penal institutions.

I desire to convey to you my thanks for your uniform kindness and courtesy to me in my efforts in administering to the needs of the boys who were under my professional care.

Hoping in the future as in the past to merit your kind endorsement and approbation, I am

Yours respectfully,

H. D. ZANDT,
Attending Physician.

REPORT OF VISITING AGENT.

To the Board of Trustees of the State Home for Boys:

GENTLEMEN—Having been recently appointed Visiting Agent of this Institution, I am hardly able to make a detailed report of the work consigned to me.

It is my duty to visit the homes of our boys and keep a record of the condition of the same. I have visited in the past three months ninety-two (92) homes and found some very neat and clean, with pleasant surroundings, and others very poor and distressed.

It is also my duty to visit indentured boys and learn if they are well cared for and are doing well at their work. I have made twenty-two (22) visits to such boys, and find, with few exceptions, they are doing well.

It is also my duty to visit paroled or released boys and learn if they are at work, or, if too young for work, are at school, and leading respectable lives. I have made twenty-nine (29) visits to such boys, and found eighty (80) per cent. of them employed in some capacity and doing well.

As it is deemed proper that all letters to the boys be read before delivery, I have inspected nine hundred and eighty-three (983) of the same in the past three months, a few of which were withheld, being of such character as to unsettle or make the boys unhappy.

Parents and friends of the boys are allowed to visit them at stated intervals specified by permit cards sent them. One hundred and ninety-eight (198) of such visits have been recorded in the past three months.

The above, with other State Home work, has fully occupied my time for the past three months.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. SMITH,

Visiting Agent.

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STORE HOUSE.

DAILY ROUTINE.

Rise	5:30	A. M.
Breakfast	6:15	"
Detail	7:00	"
Recess	10:00 till 10:15	"
Recall	11:45	"
Dinner	12:00	M.
Detail	1:00	P. M.
Recall	2:15	"
School	2:30	"
Recess	4:00 till 4:15	"
Officers' supper	5:40	"
Schools close and boys pass to supper.....	6:00	"
Devotions	7:30	"
Boys retire	8:00	"

SUNDAY EXERCISES.

Protestant Sunday-school and Catholic mass.....	9:00	A. M.
Reading hour	10:30 till 11:30	"
Reading hour	1:30 till 2:30	P. M.
Preaching to Protestants and Catholic Sunday-school.....	3:00	"
Reading, singing and devotion.....	6:30 till 7:00	"
Retire	7:30	"

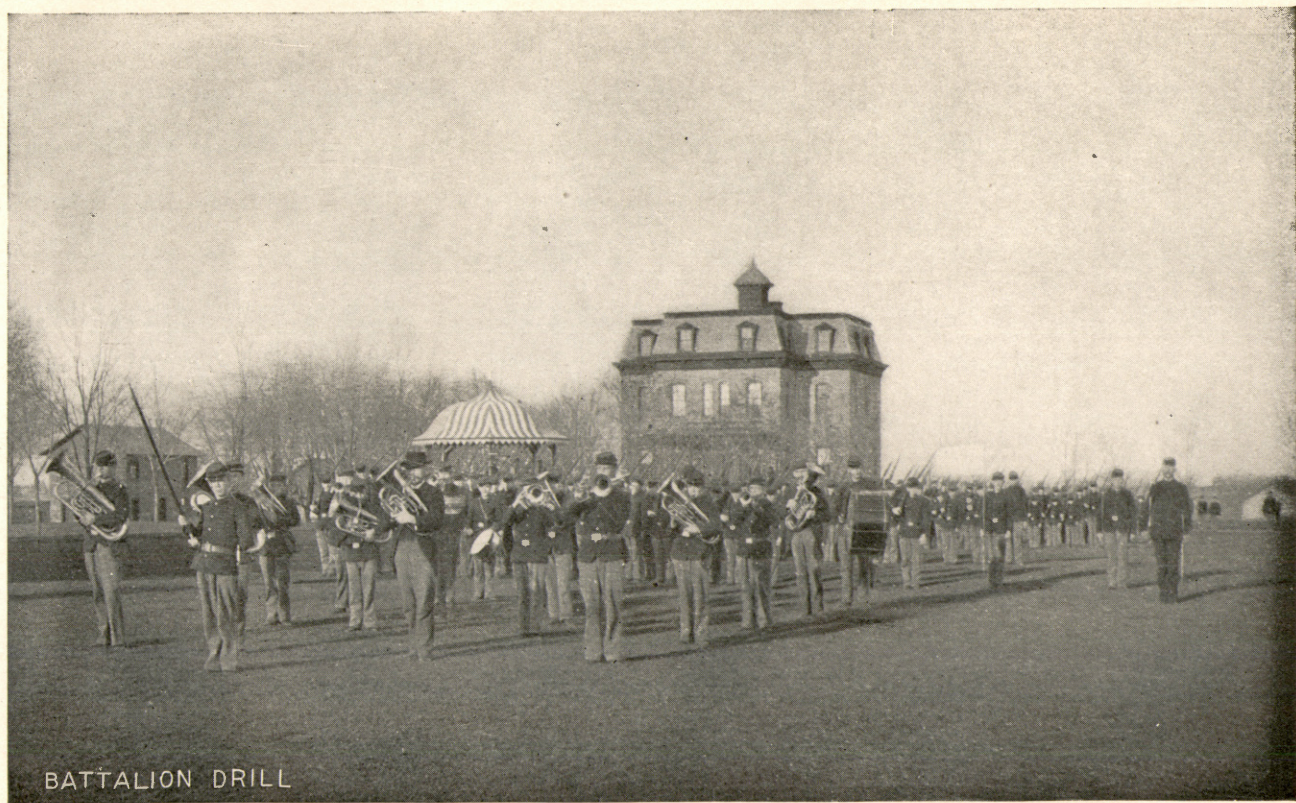


POND WITH FARM BUILDINGS BEYOND.

TRUSTEES OF THE HOME.

Abraham O. Zabriskie.....	1865 to 1866
John D. Buckelew.....	1865 to 1875
Anthony Reckless	1865 to 1874
Samuel Allinson *	1865 to 1884
Nathan T. Stratton *.....	1865 to 1887
Daniel Haines	1865 to 1874
David Ripley	1866 to 1882
Nathaniel S. Rue *.....	1874 to 1902
Charles O'Neil	1874 to 1876
George W. Helme.....	1876 to 1884
Isaac S. Buckelew.....	1875 to 1878
George W. Devoe.....	1878 to 1881
Augustus A. Hardenburgh.....	1884 to 1886
Moses A. Higbie.....	1881 to 1886
George B. Swain.....	1882 to 1884
Patrick Farrelly	1884 to 1892
Richard A. Donnelly.....	1884 to 1891
Franklin Murphy	1886 to 1889
T. T. Price, M.D.....	1886 to 1889
John S. Elwell.....	1887 to 1888
P. Hampton Wyckoff.....	1888 to 1891
John F. Downing.....	1889 to 1892
Henry F. Goken.....	1890 to 1892
James M. Parsons †.....	1891 to —
Moses Bigelow *	1891 to 1897
Thomas R. Kenny.....	1892 to 1894
Joseph Wills	1892 to 1894
Patrick J. Ryan.....	1892 to 1894
Frank S. Gaskill †.....	1894 to —
Horace L. Dunham.....	1894 to 1900
Edwin H. Bidwell, M.D.....	1894 to 1898
Walter J. Knight.....	1897 to 1899
Gervas Ely †.....	1898 to —
Edward Spaeth †.....	1899 to —
David W. Lawrence.....	1900 to 1902
John Guire †	1902 to —
F. M. Lockwood †.....	1902 to —

* Died in office. † Still in office.



BATTALION DRILL

COMMITMENT AND RELEASE OF BOYS.

Year.	Committed.	Released.
1867.....	26	....
1868.....	39	2
1869.....	35	29
1870.....	48	38
1871.....	53	58
1872.....	98	62
1873.....	113	89
1874.....	120	116
1875.....	68	78
1876.....	74	80
1877.....	84	82
1878.....	101	97
1879.....	85	117
1880.....	105	140
1881.....	86	....
1882.....	130	97
1883.....	130	143
1884.....	87	156
1885.....	108	150
1886.....	120	147
1887.....	90	172
1888.....	108	126
1889.....	144	122
1890.....	122	190
1891.....	136	219
1892.....	94	143
1893.....	118	136
1894.....	114	165
1895.....	117	161
1896.....	125	169
1897.....	91	152
1898.....	148	155
1899.....	119	164
1900.....	118	173
1901.....	109	137
1902.....	131	163
	3,594	4,228

(The excess in number of those released is accounted for by some boys having been returned and released more than once.)

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