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OF

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OF THE

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON,

For the Year 1864.

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NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30th, 1882

PREPARED BY THE INSPECTOR

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## INSPECTORS' REPORT.

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*To the Honorable Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

In obedience to the requirements of law, the undersigned, Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison, respectfully submit the following report of the condition of the prison for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1864.

Number in confinement November 30th, 1863, . . . . .	409
Received since that time, . . . . .	152
	561
Total number confined during the year, . . . . .	561

There have been discharged during the year as follows :

By expiration of sentence, . . . . .	159
Pardoned on account of ill health, . . . . .	19
"    one day off to restore to citizenship, . . . . .	26
"    for other reasons, . . . . .	15
Died in prison, . . . . .	9
	228
Total number of discharges, . . . . .	228
Leaving in confinement November 30th, 1864, . . . . .	333

### TERMS OF SENTENCE.

During natural life, . . . . .	3
Thirty years, . . . . .	2
Twenty years, . . . . .	7
Fifteen years, . . . . .	9
Twelve years, . . . . .	3
Ten years, . . . . .	12
Eight years, . . . . .	4
Seven years, . . . . .	2
Six years, . . . . .	12
Five years, . . . . .	41
Four years, six months, . . . . .	3
Four years, . . . . .	9
Three years, six months, . . . . .	3

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Three years, . . . . .	50
Two years, six months, . . . . .	10
Two years, . . . . .	74
One year, six months, . . . . .	22
One year, . . . . .	58
Ten months, . . . . .	1
Six months, . . . . .	8
Total, . . . . .	<hr/> 333

## COUNTIES WHERE CONVICTED.

Atlantic, . . . . .	4
Burlington, . . . . .	21
Bergen, . . . . .	22
Camden, . . . . .	25
Cape May, . . . . .	5
Cumberland, . . . . .	6
Essex, . . . . .	69
Gloucester, . . . . .	4
Hudson, . . . . .	55
Hunterdon, . . . . .	5
Mercer, . . . . .	30
Middlesex, . . . . .	15
Monmouth, . . . . .	4
Morris, . . . . .	8
Passaic, . . . . .	16
Salem, . . . . .	8
Sussex, . . . . .	7
Somerset, . . . . .	5
Union, . . . . .	11
Warren, . . . . .	4
Essex and Union, . . . . .	1
Hudson and Essex, . . . . .	1
Mercer and Burlington, . . . . .	1
Morris and Union, . . . . .	1
Morris and Sussex, . . . . .	1
Essex and United States District, . . . . .	1
United States District, . . . . .	3
Total, . . . . .	<hr/> 333

## THEIR COLOR AND SEX.

White males, . . . . .	241
" females, . . . . .	24
Colored males, . . . . .	60
" females, . . . . .	8
Total, . . . . .	<hr/> 333

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## YEARS IN WHICH RECEIVED.

1853, . . . . .	1	
1857, . . . . .	2	
1858, . . . . .	4	
1859, . . . . .	7	
1860, . . . . .	26	
1861, . . . . .	35	
1862, . . . . .	44	
1863, . . . . .	93	
1864, . . . . .	121	
<b>Total,</b> . . . . .		<b>333</b>

## NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS.

First offence, . . . . .	280	
Second offence, . . . . .	38	
Third offence, . . . . .	9	
Fourth offence, . . . . .	5	
Fifth offence, . . . . .	1	
<b>Total,</b> . . . . .		<b>333</b>

## AGES WHEN RECEIVED.

From thirteen to fifteen, . . . . .	6	
From fifteen to twenty, . . . . .	41	
From twenty to twenty-five, . . . . .	118	
From twenty-five to thirty, . . . . .	64	
From thirty to forty, . . . . .	50	
From forty to fifty, . . . . .	41	
From fifty to sixty, . . . . .	10	
From sixty to seventy, . . . . .	3	
<b>Total,</b> . . . . .		<b>333</b>

## PLACES OF NATIVITY.

New Jersey, . . . . .	126	
Pennsylvania, . . . . .	34	
New York, . . . . .	59	
Maryland, . . . . .	2	
Massachusetts, . . . . .	3	
Virginia, . . . . .	1	
Maine, . . . . .	1	
Vermont, . . . . .	1	
Ohio, . . . . .	2	
Rhode Island, . . . . .	1	
		<b>230</b>

## FOREIGNERS.

Canada, . . . . .	4
Ireland, . . . . .	49
Germany, . . . . .	25
England, . . . . .	16
Scotland, . . . . .	3
France, . . . . .	2
Holland, . . . . .	1
Prussia, . . . . .	1
Switzerland, . . . . .	2
	— 103
Total, . . . . .	333

The receipts for the year amount to thirty-five thousand one hundred and fourteen dollars and nineteen cents. The expenditures, for the same period, have been forty thousand two hundred and twenty-eight dollars and twenty-six cents. The receipts and expenditures are in excess of what they were last year. The principal part of the increase in expenditures is owing to the rise in the price of every article of consumption used by the prisoners. On many, and particularly the main articles used, food and clothing, the price has advanced to double that for which they were procured last year. A personal examination of the management of the prison has convinced us that the keeper has used a proper exercise of economy in the outlay for food and clothing, and indeed for every article purchased for the use of the institution.

The salaries of the assistant keepers have been increased thirty per cent. When we consider that they receive their pay in a depreciated currency, and the cost of living now, with what it was at the time their salaries were fixed, in connection with the fact that the wages of all operatives, mechanics and laborers, have advanced, we think that every fair-minded person will approve of our action.

The rules and regulations relating to discipline have been enforced with mildness but firmness. Good order has prevailed throughout; and the prisoners have generally yielded a cheerful obedience to the rules. The cases of punishment have decreased more than one-half, in comparison with the preceding year. No escapes have been made.

We regret the loss of the services of the moral instructor, George F. Brown, who resigned his office as moral instructor in consequence of inadequate compensation. As his salary was fixed by an act of the Legislature, no remedy could be provided by us for his retention. We cheerfully bear testimony to the faithful manner in which he has employed his time in endeavoring to improve the moral and intellectual condition of the prisoners. The place made vacant by his resignation has been filled by the appointment of the Rev. Wm. H. Jeffrey.

Although many of the prisoners have required medical treatment, no diseases of an epidemic character have prevailed. Nine deaths

have occurred. The physician, Dr. John L. Taylor, has been very successful in the discharge of his duties.

Full information respecting the financial condition of the prison will be found in the keeper's report, and the papers made out by the clerk accompanying it. We would also recommend your especial attention to the statement made in his report relating to the labor contract made with the Messrs. Bigelow & Co.

In closing our report, we desire to acknowledge our obligations to the principal keeper, Mr. Joseph B. Walker, and his assistants, for their courtesy and willing co-operation in carrying out the suggestions that have been made from time to time for the better government of the prison. Our intercourse with all of them has been agreeable.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. V. WARD,  
A. M. HUTCHINSON,  
RUNYON TOMS,  
LEVI DAVIS,  
JOSIAH CONLEY.

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON, TRENTON, }  
December 1st, 1864. }

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LEVI DAVIS  
JOSEPH CONLEY

NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON, PRINCETON  
November 1st 1861  
The Board of Prisoners of the State of New Jersey  
Princeton, New Jersey  
Dear Sirs: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your  
letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the report of the  
Board of Prisoners of the State of New Jersey, and in reply  
to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the  
proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir,  
very respectfully,  
Yours obedient servant,  
JOHN F. TAYLOR, Prison Physician.

JOHN F. TAYLOR

## PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

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

GENTLEMEN :—I herewith present the Annual Report of the Medical Department of the New Jersey State Prison. I have visited the prison three times a week regularly, and oftener when occasion required.

Notwithstanding the mortality during the past year has been considerably greater than the year before, there has been less sickness from acute diseases, for the detail of which I refer you to my monthly reports.

The deaths, nine in number, have all resulted (with one exception) from chronic pulmonary or scrofulus diseases, of which nearly all were afflicted when they entered the prison.

John Holmes (col.) died March 15, of consumption; David Beach (col.) died March 24, of consumption; Lawrence Holton (white) died April 12, of scrofula; James McCann (white) died April 25, of consumption; George W. Adams (white) died June 24, from suicide; Charles E. Pearce (white) died June 30, of consumption; Wm. Henry Flamer (col.) died August 8, of consumption; Thomas Lloyd (col.) died September 1, of old age; John McDevit (white) died September 20, of consumption.

In my last report I called your attention to the disagreeable and unhealthy condition of the cells at night, from the smoke engendered by the burning, in small lamps, of kerosene oil. I beg leave again to request that you will urge upon the Legislature the advantages of lighting the cells with gas.

I wish again to acknowledge my many obligations to the keeper and his deputies for their kind and cheerful aid in the discharge of my duties. And to Mr. George Parker, my assistant, I am specially indebted for the prompt and skillful manner in which he carried out my directions.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. TAYLOR,  
*Prison Physician.*

DECEMBER 1, 1864.

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John James (col.) died March 18, of consumption; David Jacob (col.) died March 24, of consumption; Lawrence Holton (white) died April 12, of aortic; James McCann (white) died April 27, of consumption; George W. Adams (white) died June 24, from aortic; Charles E. Pearce (white) died June 30, of consumption; Wm. Henry Flamer (col.) died August 8, of consumption; Thomas Ford (col.) died September 1, of old age; John McDevitt (white) died September 20, of consumption.

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JOHN J. TAYLOR.

The Board of Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison.

## MORAL INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT.

*To His Excellency Gov. Parker, and the Board of Inspectors of the New Jersey State Prison :*

GENTLEMEN :—It is proper for me, as the “moral instructor” of the New Jersey State Prison, to lay before you, at this date, at least a brief report.

During the months which have elapsed since my last report, the moral and religious welfare of the prisoners have been the objects of my constant solicitude and unremitting labor.

In conducting the religious services in the different halls of the prison, it has been my practice to preach the plain truths of the gospel, earnestly urging the necessity of a change of heart and a reformation of life. I have endeavored to impress upon the consciences of my unhappy hearers the momentous responsibilities of life, the motives and duties of religion. Our worship has been accompanied with excellent vocal music, conducted by a well organized choir, who visit the prison on Sabbaths for that purpose.

I have devoted as much time and labor as was practicable to visiting the prisoners in their cells, conversing with them personally on the subject of religion, endeavoring to enlighten their minds, or urge them to the discharge of those duties in which they had already been instructed.

I would embrace the opportunity to acknowledge the kindness of some Christian ladies of this city, who visit our prison at stated periods, to converse with the female prisoners on the subject of religion, and to read to them the Word of God.

Hannah Hains, of Bristol, Pa., and other Friends from that State, have occasionally visited the prison, held religious meetings, and distributed tracts. I have extended to them a cordial welcome. Their visits and labors have exerted a good influence. Since my last report, the prison library has been increased by the donation of several hundred volumes from my personal friends. We have now a good supply of books, and have been able to dispense with the usual annual appropriation of your board for library purposes.

The books are circulated regularly among all the prisoners. The prisoners generally are fond of reading, and the reading and study of

well selected volumes is a diversion to the terrible monotony of prison life. It is an innocent recreation, and exerts a reformatory influence. The prison library should be well sustained. I have also devised every means available to encourage the most ignorant to learn to read and write. This effort has in many instances been successful.

I have deeply regretted that the recommendation of your board for the erection of an additional wing to the prison was not adopted by the legislature at its last session. This is much needed.

It is very important that the male and female departments should be entirely separate from each other, so that all communication between the different sexes, either oral or written, might be entirely prevented.

An additional wing would also furnish room for a chapel, in which the prisoners might be assembled on every Sabbath for religious worship. Preaching in the halls of the prison, twelve feet wide and more than two hundred feet long, with the prisoners shut up in their cells, offers but little encouragement to the hope of doing good. It is impossible for the prisoners to hear, but to a limited extent, and the whole thing has too much the semblance of a mere form.

The only objection to a chapel, which I have heard, that is worthy of notice, is this, viz: the supposed danger in assembling the prisoners together. This objection has no force whatever to any person acquainted with the practice in other prisons. In the state prison at Sing Sing and Auburn, in the State of New York, they have chapels. This is also true of the city prison at Albany, and the prison on Blackwell's Island. Many other of the states have chapels in their prisons, and in no instance, so far as I have been able to learn, has any difficulty, whatever, occurred in assembling the prisoners for worship. The Rev. Mr. Searls, chaplain to the prison on Blackwell's Island, informed me that during the nineteen years of his chaplaincy in that prison, no difficulty had been experienced in assembling the prisoners every Sabbath, and yet they have in that prison from eight to twelve hundred convicts. To suppose that order could not be maintained in our prison, with only four hundred or perhaps four hundred and fifty prisoners, involves a reflection upon our prison discipline and deputy keepers, which is, to my mind, very unjust. I do not deem it irrelevant to call your attention to a fact connected with our penal laws, and the history of our prison, which is humiliating to the pride of every good citizen, and calls loudly for reform. I allude to the fact, that little boys and girls of the tender age of twelve years have been and are now incarcerated in our state prison.

The mere mention of this is enough to cover every citizen with confusion. It suggests the duty of the legislature to adopt at once some measure for the separate confinement of juvenile offenders, where, for the errors of childhood, they may not be subjected to the life-long odium of the State Prison.

The legislature, at its last session, took some initiatory steps to provide a house of refuge. This is much needed, and I beg the influence of your board in favor of the design.

In my position as "Moral Instructor," I have found my duties to

be difficult and arduous. It does not become me to speak of what I may or may not have accomplished. I have discharged my duties conscientiously, and with an humble dependance upon the Almighty for His blessing upon my efforts. I will await the results in the disclosures of the last day.

Before I close this report I must acknowledge the facilities to my labors, which I have found in the courtesy of Mr. Walker, the Principal Keeper, and in that system of judicious discipline which he has maintained. I am more than ever convinced that the administration in our prisons should be mild but firm, dispensing an equal justice to all the prisoners. In this policy, Mr. Walker has secured the confidence and respect of the prisoners, maintained good order, and greatly contributed to the preservation of the morals of the prison.

The female department has had the constant attention of the Matron and her assistant. They have heartily concurred in every effort for the moral and religious reformation of the female convicts. The sick have received every kindness which their circumstances would allow.

In entering upon my duties, I felt deeply interested in the design of promoting, to the utmost of my ability, the religious welfare of the unfortunate, unhappy, and too much neglected inmates of the prison. And whatever might be the want of Christian sympathy without, and however small the activities of Christian and philanthropic men to make our prison what all prisons should be in this Christian age,—“a school of reform,”—yet I would have cheerfully devoted my whole life to this humble and unassuming labor. Circumstances, however, which I cannot control, preclude the possibility.

With the most rigid economy, I have found the compensation paid by the State entirely insufficient to meet the necessities of life. I am, therefore, compelled, though with reluctance, to tender to your board my resignation.

In accepting my resignation, you will, also, please accept assurances of my personal respect for every member of your board. Your courtesies have been duly appreciated, and the acting members of your board (Messrs. Hutchinson and Davis) have laid me under obligations to their kindness in their concurrence in every measure I have devised for the good of the prisoner.

I am, gentlemen, respectfully yours,

GEO. F. BROWN, D. D.,  
*Moral Instructor of the N. J. S. Prison.*

TRENTON, November 1st, 1864.

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In accepting my resignation, you will, also please accept names of my personal reasons for every member of your board. Your committee have been duly consulted, and the names of members of your board (Messrs. Hutchinson and Davis) have laid me under obligations to their kindness in their attendance in every measure I have devised for the good of the prisoners.

I am, gentlemen, respectfully yours,

GEO. F. BROWN, D. D.,  
Major, Governor of the State of New York.

Texas, November 1st, 1864.

## REPORT

OF

JOSEPH B. WALKER,

KEEPER OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE PRISON.

*To the Honorable Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

I hereby respectfully submit my second annual report, as Keeper of the New Jersey State Prison, for the fiscal year ending November 26, 1864, with detail and summary of financial operations, statistical tables, &c.

My first annual report to your honorable body, at its session of 1864, exhibited a balance in favor of the institution of two thousand six hundred and thirty dollars and forty-eight cents, (\$2,630.48), but there were outstanding debts at that time for which bills had not been rendered, and which, consequently, did not appear upon the books of the prison of that amount at least, and not included in said report. I desire, therefore, to explain here that it had been the practice or custom of my predecessors in this office to make up their reports in this way, omitting any indebtedness not appearing on the face of the books at the time of making out their report, being governed by the statement from the books furnished by the clerk. I inadvertently followed their example, and did not discover it until after my report had been submitted. I, however, took occasion to call the especial attention

of your committee of that session to the fact, and have followed their instructions in including in this, my present report, all debts outstanding at the date to which this report is made up.

A subjoined statement of expenditures and receipts for the past fiscal year shows a deficiency of receipts of five thousand one hundred and fourteen dollars and seven cents (\$5,114.07). If, however, the question of the validity of a certain contract with the Messrs. Bigelow & Co., now pending in the supreme court, should be decided favorably to the State, there will be due from them four thousand nine hundred and twenty-one dollars and fifty-five cents (\$4,921.55), which will make the deficiency of receipts, compared with expenditures, one hundred and ninety-five dollars and forty-nine cents (\$195.49).

I regret that owing to the high prices which prevailed through the past year of all the chief articles of consumption, viz. : provisions, fuel, hospital stores, furniture, &c., it has been impossible, even with the most rigid economy, compatible with the health and good condition of the convicts, to present to your honorable body a more favorable condition of the affairs of the institution; by reference, however, to the reports of similar institutions for the past year, in other States, I find occasion to congratulate the inspectors and myself on a comparison of results.

The principal revenue of the prison is derived from the labor of convicts in the shoe department, under a contract made Nov. 25th, 1861, by a former keeper and inspectors with the Messrs. Bigelow & Co., to continue for the term of four years. The contractors were to employ two hundred and fifty convicts, twenty cents per day for the first six months, and thirty-one cents per day for the residue of the time.

The question of the validity of this contract beyond the term of office of the keeper and inspectors who made it, is now pending before the supreme court of this state. Upon the decision depends the necessity of an appropriation to carry on the operations of the prison during the next year.

Conditional contracts have subsequently been made, depending upon the result of the suit.

Number of persons confined on the 30th November, 1863,	
was . . . . .	409
Received from December 1, 1863, to November 30th, 1864,	152

Total number confined during the year,	561
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There has been discharged during the year as follows :

By expiration of sentence, . . . . .	159
Pardoned on account of ill-health, . . . . .	19
Pardoned one day to restore to citizenship, . . . . .	26
Pardoned for other reasons, . . . . .	15
Died, . . . . .	9

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White males, . . . . .	241
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Colored females, . . . . .	8
Total, . . . . .	333

The expenditures of the institution, from December 1, 1863, to November 30, 1864, are as follows:

Provisions, . . . . .	\$24,557 82
Fuel, . . . . .	6,837 73
Furniture, . . . . .	5,434 94
Hospital, . . . . .	2,378 51
Discharged convicts, . . . . .	623 43
Incidental, . . . . .	248 30
Insurance, . . . . .	116 50
Over-work, . . . . .	31 03

The earnings are as follows:

Convict labor, . . . . .	\$28,933 80
Chair making, . . . . .	2,430 72
Weaving, . . . . .	1,300 90
Sundries, . . . . .	1,527 15
Cordwaining, . . . . .	807 47
Interest, . . . . .	114 15
Balance being loss, . . . . .	5,114 07

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For further particulars, see statement made out by the clerk and annexed to this report.

I would again recommend the introduction of gas for lighting the prison.

I refer you to the report of Rev. George F. Brown, late Moral Instructor of the prison, for the results of his faithful and untiring efforts to improve the moral condition of the prisoners, and would call your especial attention to summary suggestions contained therein as calculated to facilitate their improvement in the future. For the general health of the prisoners, I beg leave to refer you to the report of the Prison Physician, John L. Taylor, M. D., who has been faithful and attentive in the discharge of his duties.

For the management, good order, and discipline of the prison, I take great pleasure in referring you to the report of the Prison Inspectors, with whom my intercourse has been of the most pleasant and agreeable character. In conclusion, I desire to acknowledge my obligations to the Clerk, Mr. John W. Murphy, and the several Deputy Keepers of the prison for the cheerful and faithful performance of their respective duties.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. B. WALKER, *Keeper.*

OFFICE OF THE N. J. STATE PRISON, }  
TRENTON, December 10, 1864. }

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The expenditures of the institution from December 1, 1883, to November 30, 1884, are as follows:

Provisions	\$21,557 89
Fuel	4,387 78
Furniture	2,184 94
Hospital	2,312 51
Physician's services	623 48
Incidental	945 30
Lawrence	118 30
Overwork	31 08
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$33,088 26</b>

The changes are as follows:

Convict labor	2,430 72
Chain making	1,300 30
Weaving	1,287 15
Shoemaking	207 41
Cardmaking	144 15
Interest	5,114 07
<b>Balance being lost</b>	<b>\$10,222 98</b>

For further particulars, see statement made out by the clerk and annexed to this report.

I would again recommend the introduction of gas for lighting the prison.

I refer you to the report of Rev. George T. Brown, late Moral Instructor of the prison, for the results of his faithful and untiring efforts to improve the moral condition of the prisoners, and would call your special attention to summary suggestions contained therein as calculated to facilitate their improvement in the future. For the general health of the prisoners, I beg leave to refer you to the report of the Prison Physician, John A. Taylor, M. D., who has been faithful and attentive in the discharge of his duties.

For the management, good order, and discipline of the prison, I take great pleasure in referring you to the report of the Prison Inspector, with whom my intercourse has been of the most pleasant and agreeable character. In conclusion, I desire to acknowledge my obligations to the Clerk, Mr. John W. Murphy, and the several Deputy Keepers of the prison for the cheerful and faithful performance of their respective duties.

Respectfully submitted,  
 JAS. B. WALKER, Keeper  
 Office of the N. J. State Prison,  
 Trenton, December 10, 1884.

STATE PRISON REPORT

Statement A,

*Showing the effects of the New Jersey State Prison on the 30th of November, 1863.*

	DOLLS.	CTS.
Amount of inventory of stock, &c., as per valuation made by appraisers.....	17,924	54
Book accounts.....	6,080	86
Bills receivable.....	769	07
Cash on hand.....	549	45
	25,273	92
From which deduct liabilities.....	5,569	13
Net capital.....	19,704	79

## Statement B.

*Exhibiting the operations of the Institution from*

DR.

	DOLLS.	CTS.
<b>CHAIR MAKING</b>		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	1,244	66
Charges since that time.....	3,183	81
Balance, being gain.....	2,480	72
	6,859	19
<b>CORDWAINING</b>		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	1,048	82
Charges since that time.....	4,109	16
Balance, being gain.....	807	47
	5,965	45
<b>WEAVING</b>		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	559	92
Charges since that time.....	1,733	24
Balance, being gain.....	1,300	90
	3,594	06
<b>SUNDRIES</b>		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863 .....	34	68
Balance, being gain.....	1,527	15
	1,561	83
<b>CONVICT LABOR</b>		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	7	09
Balance, being gain.....	28,933	80
	28,940	89
<b>PROVISION</b>		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	791	63
Charges since that time.....	25,759	39
	26,551	02
<b>OVER-WORK</b>		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	31	03
	31	03
<b>INSURANCE</b>		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	116	50
	116	50

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## Statement B.

*the 1st December, 1863, to November 30th, 1864.*

CR.

ACCOUNT.	DOLLS.	CTS.
By amounts of credits since December 1, 1863.....	5,762	65
Inventory November 30, 1864.....	1,096	54
	6,859	19
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	5,549	85
Inventory November 30, 1864.....	415	60
	5,965	45
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	2,866	14
Inventory November 30, 1864.....	727	92
	3,594	06
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	1,561	83
	1,561	83
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	28,940	89
	28,940	89
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	1,143	95
Inventory November 30, 1864.....	849	25
Loss on this account.....	24,557	82
	25,551	02
ACCOUNT.		
Loss on this account.....	31	03
	31	03
ACCOUNT.		
Loss on this account.....	116	50
	116	50

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## Statement B (CONTINUED).

*Exhibiting the operations of the Institution from*

DR.

	DOLLS.	CTS.
INTEREST		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	41	52
Gain on this account.....	114	15
	155	67
FURNITURE		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	12,962	83
Charges since that time.....	9,340	17
	22,303	00
FUEL		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	915	25
Charges since that time.....	8,956	73
	9,871	98
HOSPITAL		
To amount of inventory December 1, 1863.....	401	43
Charges for medicine since that time.....	519	93
Charges for food for sick convicts and tobacco.....	2,027	99
	2,949	55
INCIDENTAL		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	248	30
	248	30
DISCHARGED CONVICTS		
To amount of charges since December 1, 1863.....	623	43
	623	43

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Statement B (CONTINUED).

the 1st December, 1863, to November 30th, 1864.

CR.

ACCOUNT.	DOLLS.	CTS.
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	155	67
	155	67
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of credits since December 1, 1863.....	288	75
Inventory November 30, 1864.....	16,579	31
Loss on this account.....	5,434	94
	22,303	00
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of inventory November 30, 1864.....	3,084	25
Loss on this account.....	6,837	73
	9,871	98
ACCOUNT.		
By amount of inventory November 30, 1864.....	570	84
Loss on this account.....	2,378	51
	2,949	55
ACCOUNT.		
Loss on this account.....	248	30
	248	30
ACCOUNT.		
Loss on this account.....	623	43
	623	43

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## Recapitulation of Statement B.

DR.				CR.					
	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.	
Provision, loss . . . . .	24,557	82			Convict labor, gain . . . . .	23,933	80		
Fuel, .. . . .	6,837	73			Chair making, .. . . .	2,430	72		
Furniture, .. . . .	5,434	94			Sundries acct, .. . . .	1,527	15		
Hospital, " .. . . .	2,378	51			Weaving, .. . . .	1,300	90		
Discharged convicts, .. . . .	623	43			Cordwaining, .. . . .	807	47		
Incidental, .. . . .	248	30			Interest, .. . . .	114	15		
Insurance, .. . . .	116	50			Bal., being loss, ...	5,114	07		
Overwork, .. . . .	31	03							
			40,228	26				40,228	26

## Statement C,

*Showing the effects of the Institution on the 30th November, 1864.*

	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Furniture, as per inventory . . . . .	16,579	31		
Fuel, .. .. .	3,034	25		
Chair making, .. .. .	1,096	54		
Provision, .. .. .	849	25		
Cordwaining, .. .. .	415	60		
Hospital, .. .. .	570	84		
Weaving, .. .. .	727	92		
Total Inventory . . . . .	23,273	71		
	DOLLS.	CTS.		
Debts due on book accounts . . . . .	6,355	91		
Bills receivable . . . . .	499	30		
Cash on hand . . . . .	407	86	7,263	07
			30,536	78
From which deduct liabilities amounting to . . . . .			15,939	56
Net capital . . . . .			14,597	22

## Statement D.

*Stock Account.*

DR.	DOLLS.	CTS.		DOLLS.	CTS.
To balance, being net capital, Nov. 30th, 1864.....	19,711	29	By amount net capital Dec. 1, 1864.....	14,597	22
			By profit and loss.....	5,114	07
	19,711	29		19,711	29

## Statement E.

*Showing the amount of drafts on the State Treasurer for salaries of officers, prison repairs, &c.; amount of drafts given to sundry sheriffs for transportation of convicts; also the amount of taxed bills of cost which were certified to by the Keeper, from December 1, 1863, to November 30, 1864.*

	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Per diem of Inspectors, for the year ending November 30, 1864.....	1,396	00		
Salaries of officers for the year ending November 30, 1864.....	23,433	16		
Prison repairs and improvements.....	2,674	07		
Total.....			27,503	23
Amount of taxed bills of cost as certified to by the Keeper.....	11,484	02		
Amount of drafts for transportation of convicts.....	1,479	55		
Total.....			12,963	57

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## Statement D

New York

	1877	1878	1879
To balance from previous year	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,211.00
By amount for repairs	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,211.00
By amount for Dec 1, 1877	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,211.00
By amount for Dec 1, 1878	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,211.00
By amount for Dec 1, 1879	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,211.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,055.00</b>	<b>5,055.00</b>	<b>5,055.00</b>

## Statement E

Showing the amount of bills for the State Prison for repairs of officers' prison repairs, and amount of bills given to contractor for transportation of convicts; also the amount of bills of cost which were covered by the keeper from December 1, 1877, to December 31, 1879.

	1877	1878	1879
Number of inspectors for the year ending December 31, 1877	1,000	1,000	1,000
Salaries of officers for the year ending December 31, 1877	20,000	20,000	20,000
Prison repairs and improvements	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>22,000</b>
Amount of actual bills of cost as certified to by the keeper	11,000	11,000	11,000
Amount of bills for transportation of convicts	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>12,000</b>



