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FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE TRUSTEES

*Mass.*  
OF THE

WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL

AT


WORCESTER.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1877.

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ALBERT WOOD . . . . .	<i>Worcester.</i>
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# Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT.

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*To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council.*

THE Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital respectfully submit their Forty-fifth Annual Report.

The reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer are herewith submitted, and reference is made to them for full information as to the transactions of the institution during the past year. It is believed that an examination of them will show good results of treatment, and sound financial management.

The fiscal year closes on September 30, and all accounts are made up to that date. The statute establishing an Asylum for the Chronic Insane, and appropriating the buildings heretofore used by the Worcester Lunatic Hospital for that purpose, took effect September 1, 1877; but it was found impossible to occupy it for that purpose till after the first of October. No accounts relating to it can therefore be included in this Report; but it may be stated that on the twenty-third day of October it was opened for the uses contemplated by the statutes, and is now in full and satisfactory operation, to the great relief of the lunatic hospitals, and with every prospect of advantage to the Commonwealth. The Trustees have appointed John G. Park, M.D., heretofore the efficient and valued Assistant Superintendent of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, to be the Superintendent, and Dr. Enoch Q. Marston, late Assistant Physician at the State

Almshouse at Tewksbury, to be Assistant Physician, of the Asylum for the Chronic Insane. In their next annual report, full particulars will be given of the operations of this institution.

The Trustees have addressed themselves with fidelity, and with such ability as they possess, to the work of completing the new hospital, which has been in process of construction, under their direction and authority, during the past five years. It was occupied by patients on the twenty-third of October; and, though the Trustees claim no credit to themselves beyond a faithful devotion to the interests of the Commonwealth in all matters relating to the character of the work, and the economy with which all its details have been carried out, it is believed it will prove to be one of the best working institutions in the country for the purposes for which it was designed.

The amount of the appropriations made by the Legislature to carry out the purposes of the original Acts for the construction of this Hospital, is . . . . .	\$1,167,387 75
And the last Legislature (Resolves of 1877, c. 65) appropriated \$30,000 "to the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, for the purchase of such additional furniture as may be required in consequence of the establishment of the Temporary Asylum for the Chronic Insane," which now occupies the old buildings . . . . .	30,000 00
Making the whole amount appropriated and available for the building and furnishing of the hospital . . . . .	1,197,387 75
Of this amount, as appears by our last annual report, there had been expended at the close of the fiscal year, ending September 30, 1876 . . . . .	879,299 74
During the fiscal year ending September 30, 1877, there has been expended and charged to the general appropriation, the sum of . . . . .	174,605 40
And charged to the special appropriation of 1877 . . . . .	17,038 00
Making the total amount expended for construction and furnishing to September 30, 1877 . . . . .	1,070,943 14
Leaving a balance in the hands of the Trustees, September 30, 1877, from the whole amount appropriated, of . . . . .	126,444 61

Under the classification adopted in the last report, the total amount has been expended as follows:—

Land . . . . .	\$112,247 71
Barns and cottages . . . . .	18,873 74
Grading, excavating, &c. . . . .	70,435 77
Foundations . . . . .	35,281 73
Superstructure, masonry . . . . .	364,551 17
Carpentry . . . . .	198,192 88
Painting, windows, guards, &c. . . . .	32,307 28
Water, gas, drainage . . . . .	55,192 85
Heating and ventilating . . . . .	56,556 69
Plastering . . . . .	43,728 89
Architects, engineers, overseers, &c. . . . .	28,460 21
Road, and grading pertaining thereto . . . . .	9,589 07
Machinery . . . . .	10,099 44
Miscellaneous . . . . .	15,149 42
Expenses laying out old land, and constructing streets . . . . .	3,238 29
Furniture . . . . .	17,038 00
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Total . . . . .	\$1,070,943 14

Of the amount which remained unexpended on September 30, 1877, a considerable sum has since been paid out, or will be required before the close of the year, to meet payments on existing contracts, or for work already undertaken. There will remain, however, on the first of January, 1878, from \$50,000 to \$60,000 of the appropriation unexpended, which will, by limitation, lapse into the treasury. This sum it will, in the judgment of Trustees, be desirable to have re-appropriated, as an expenditure for out-door work will be required next season, which could not profitably be undertaken this year; especially for airing-courts, completion of grounds, finishing roads, walls, &c.

It should be observed that the amount charged in the construction account, for "laying out old land," is not properly a part of the cost of the new building and grounds. It appears in the account for the following reasons.

In accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature, the Governor and Council ordered that the sum of \$25,000 be credited to the fund for building the new hospital,

as compensation for the site occupied by the State Normal School, which amount was to include the construction of "suitable streets to and around said land." The full sum of \$25,000 having been credited to this fund, the expense of laying out and constructing the streets was, as matter of book-keeping, charged to the same fund, though forming no part of the cost of the new hospital.

The legal disability of the holder to receive payment of the note of \$2,500, given by the Trustees, for land purchased of John Bartlett, still continues, and that note therefore remains unpaid.

The Hospital continues in charge of Dr. B. D. Eastman as Superintendent. Dr. H. M. Quinby has been appointed First Assistant Physician, and Dr. A. R. Moulton is acting, under the authority of the Trustees, as Second Assistant.

JOHN D. WASHBURN.  
R. W. HOOPER.  
WM. S. LINCOLN.  
THOMAS H. GAGE.  
JAMES B. THAYER.

## OFFICERS AND THEIR SALARIES.

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B. D. Eastman, M.D. (Superintendent) . . .	\$2,500 00
J. G. Park, M.D. (Assistant Superintendent) . . .	1,500 00
H. M. Quinby, M.D. (Assistant Physician) . . .	1,000 00
W. H. Raymenton, M.D. (Assistant Physician) . . .	600 00
Daniel W. Bemis (Steward) . . . . .	1,200 00
Maria L. Warren (Matron) . . . . .	450 00
Clarence Buffinton (Clerk) . . . . .	400 00
Alpheus Young (Engineer) . . . . .	1,200 00
Fred Lane (Farmer) . . . . .	700 00
Albert Wood (Treasurer) . . . . .	500 00

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## VALUE OF LIVE STOCK AND SUPPLIES,

SEPTEMBER 30, 1877.

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Live stock . . . . .	\$5,195 00
Produce of farm on hand . . . . .	4,235 88
Carriages and agricultural implements . . . . .	5,118 00
Beds and bedding in inmates' department . . . . .	13,192 00
Other furniture in inmates' department . . . . .	10,239 32
Personal property of the State in Superintendent's department* . . . . .	12,300 15
Dry goods . . . . .	1,170 54
Provisions and groceries . . . . .	3,910 96
Drugs and medicines . . . . .	350 00
Fuel . . . . .	3,074 00
Library . . . . .	750 00
Ready-made clothing . . . . .	338 00
Total . . . . .	\$59,873 85

\* Including *all* personal property not coming under the two previous classes.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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*To the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.*

GENTLEMEN: — I herewith submit my Annual Report on the finances of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital for the year ending September 30, 1877.

### RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 30, 1876 . . . . .	\$33,166 49
received of the Commonwealth for support of patients . . . . .	10,182 23
received of cities and towns for support of patients . . . . .	62,450 71
received of individuals for support of patients . . . . .	35,587 64
received for interest and sale of produce, etc. . . . .	3,614 30
	\$145,001 37

The expenditures for the year have been as follows: —

### *Provisions.*

Flour, 619 barrels, at \$8.37 per barrel . . . . .	\$5,186 75
Meat of all kinds . . . . .	10,743 18
Meal for cooking . . . . .	468 13
Beans, potatoes, and other vegetables . . . . .	1,402 96
Fish . . . . .	1,120 76
Sugar . . . . .	3,261 48
Molasses and sirup . . . . .	647 53
Tea . . . . .	1,206 04
Coffee and chocolate . . . . .	712 83
Rice and crackers . . . . .	615 88
Butter . . . . .	4,702 94
	\$30,068 48
<i>Amount carried forward . . . . .</i>	

<i>Amount brought forward</i> . . . . .	\$30,068 48
Vinegar and pickles . . . . .	66 56
Cheese . . . . .	401 29
Fresh fruits . . . . .	349 42
Eggs, salt, and other groceries . . . . .	2,754 07

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Total for provisions . . . . . \$33,639 82

Salaries and wages . . . . .	35,424 20
Extra labor . . . . .	75 19
Provender and bedding for stock . . . . .	1,497 90
Furniture, crockery, bedding, etc. . . . .	2,782 51
Light . . . . .	2,632 04
Soap . . . . .	957 23
Medical supplies . . . . .	832 36
Live-stock . . . . .	981 00
Carriages, harness, blacksmithing, etc. . . . .	1,287 98
Improvements and repairs . . . . .	3,196 69
Books, stationery, and printing . . . . .	775 51
Travelling and transportation . . . . .	13 35
Fuel . . . . .	8,867 37
Freight and express . . . . .	54 83
Ice . . . . .	555 13
Trustees' expenses . . . . .	264 36
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,860 22

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\$95,697 69

Clothing and materials . . . . .	5,358 44
Undertaker's charges . . . . .	491 50
Furnished to patients on account . . . . .	378 58
Interest and money refunded . . . . .	607 77

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\$102,533 98

Cash on hand September 30, 1877 . . . . . 42,467 39

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\$145,001 37

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand . . . . .	\$42,467 39
Due from the Commonwealth . . . . .	2,978 25
from cities and towns . . . . .	17,190 85
from individuals . . . . .	8,926 97

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*Amount carried forward* . . . . . \$71,563 46

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LIABILITIES.

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	. . . . .	\$71,563 46
Due for supplies	. . . . .	\$6,556 56
for salaries and wages	. . . . .	3,288 53
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		9,845 09
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		\$61,718 37
Invested funds, market value	. . . . .	5,627 27
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		\$67,345 64

Respectfully submitted.

ALBERT WOOD, *Treasurer.*

WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL, October 1, 1877.



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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*To the Board of Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.*

GENTLEMEN:—The expiration of another hospital year calls for the Forty-Fifth Annual Report, which is respectfully submitted.

During the last few months, the work of preparing the new building for occupation has been pushed as vigorously as possible, and it was first occupied on the 8th of October by your Superintendent and a few assistants. The first patients were removed from the old building on the 16th of October, and the transfer completed, without any accident, October 23; four hundred and thirty patients having been removed to the new building and one hundred left as a nucleus for the Asylum for Chronic Insane, which occupies the old building, in accordance with the provisions of an Act passed by the last Legislature.

This extra labor, coming at the time when the Annual Report should be prepared, must be my excuse for the brevity of this document, and the unusual delay in presenting it to your Board.

TABLE NO. 1.  
*Showing the General Results during the Year.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Patients in the hospital, October 1, 1876 . . . . .	249	238	487
Admitted during the year * . . . . .	177	177	354
Whole number under treatment . . . . .	426	415	841
Discharged recovered . . . . .	38	34	72
improved . . . . .	58	39	97
not improved . . . . .	31	43	74
died . . . . .	43	26	69
not insane . . . . .	—	1	1
Whole number discharged † . . . . .	170	143	313
Remaining September 30, 1877 . . . . .	256	272	528
Largest number on any day, June 13 . . . . .	255	278	533
Smallest number on any day . . . . .	242	241	483
{ Nov. 30, } inclusive			
Daily average during the year . . . . .	247.09	259.37	506.46
of State patients . . . . .	26.97	26.57	53.54
of town patients . . . . .	168.11	161.55	329.66
of private patients . . . . .	52.01	71.25	123.26

\* Including three re-admissions within the year, and eight nominal admissions of patients discharged to be committed.

† Including two by elopement.

TABLE NO. 2.  
*Showing the Complications in the Cases admitted during the Year.*

Epileptic . . . . .	4	7	11
Epileptic and homicidal . . . . .	5	—	5
Paralytic . . . . .	8	7	15
Paralytic and homicidal . . . . .	2	—	2
Suicidal . . . . .	16	28	44
Homicidal . . . . .	32	12	44
Suicidal and paralytic . . . . .	—	1	1
Suicidal and homicidal . . . . .	5	4	9
Total number of cases epileptic . . . . .	9	7	16
Total number of cases paralytic . . . . .	10	8	18
Total number of cases suicidal . . . . .	21	33	54
Total number of cases homicidal . . . . .	44	16	60

TABLE NO. 3.

*Showing the Relations of the Patients admitted, to Institutions of this Kind.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Never before in any hospital . . . .	123	138	261
Former inmates of this hospital . . . .	39	31	70
of other hospitals in this State . . . . .	7	6	13
of this hospital and of other hospitals in this State . . . . .	6	—	6
of other hospitals in this State and hospitals in other States . . . . .	2	1	3
of this hospital and of hospitals in other countries . . . . .	—	1	1
Totals . . . . .	177	177	354

TABLE NO. 4.

*Showing the Sources from which the Patients admitted were directly drawn.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
From the general population . . . . .	158	168	326
McLean Asylum for the Insane . . . . .	1	1	2
Ipswich Receptacle . . . . .	1	—	1
Houses of Correction . . . . .	14	1	15
State Prison . . . . .	2	—	2
Re-admitted without discharge from hospital, . . . . .	1	7	8
Totals . . . . .	177	177	354

TABLE NO. 5.

*Showing by whom the Patients, remaining at the End of the Year, are supported.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
By the State (State patients) . . . . .	28	23	51
Town (town patients) . . . . .	176	179	355
Friends (private patients) . . . . .	52	70	122
Total . . . . .	256	272	528

TABLE NO. 6.

*Showing the Alleged Causes of Insanity in the Number of Cases admitted during the Year.*

CAUSES.	NUMBER OF CASES.		NUMBER PREDISPOSED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Abortion . . . . .	—	1	—	—
Army life . . . . .	1	—	—	—
Apoplexy . . . . .	—	1	—	—
Business anxiety . . . . .	5	—	2	—
Confinement in prison . . . . .	1	—	1	—
Congenital . . . . .	1	—	—	—
Disappointed affection . . . . .	—	3	—	—
Domestic trouble . . . . .	2	4	—	—
Epilepsy . . . . .	8	4	2	3
Excitement . . . . .	1	—	—	—
Grief . . . . .	2	5	—	—
General paralysis . . . . .	4	—	—	—
Hereditary . . . . .	9	21	9	21
Ill health . . . . .	8	10	5	3
Injury to head . . . . .	2	1	—	1
Intemperance . . . . .	23	4	8	1
Masturbation . . . . .	8	1	—	—
Nervous debility . . . . .	1	4	—	—
Old age . . . . .	—	2	—	—
Overwork . . . . .	7	5	1	3
Paralysis . . . . .	1	4	—	—
Puerperal . . . . .	—	10	—	2
Religious excitement . . . . .	5	7	4	3
Sunstroke . . . . .	2	—	—	—
Syphilis . . . . .	1	—	—	—
Tobacco . . . . .	1	—	—	—
Turn of life . . . . .	—	7	—	—
Uterine disease . . . . .	1	3	—	—
Unascertained . . . . .	84	80	—	—
Total . . . . .	177	177	32	37

TABLE No. 7.

*Showing the Ages of Patients admitted, discharged recovered, not recovered, and died during the Year.*

A G E S.	ADMITTED.		DISCHARGED RECOVERED.		DISCHARGED NOT RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
From 15 to 20	9	16	3	3	5	5	—	2
20 to 30	50	47	13	11	26	17	7	—
30 to 40	52	29	14	8	21	23	6	5
40 to 50	36	46	5	6	20	22	11	7
50 to 60	19	17	2	2	11	10	11	2
60 to 70	5	14	—	4	5	3	5	4
70 to 80	4	4	1	—	1	3	1	3
80 to 90	2	4	—	—	—	—	2	3
Total	177	177	38	34	89	83	43	26

TABLE No. 8.

*Showing the Duration of Insanity before Admission of Patients, admitted, discharged recovered, not recovered, and died during the Year.*

DURATION OF INSANITY.	ADMITTED.		DISCHARGED RECOVERED.		DISCHARGED NOT RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Insane one year or less,	100	100	23	25	41	29	11	3
More than 1 year and less than 2 years .	13	27	8	5	11	16	10	4
More than 2 years and less than 5 years .	17	21	3	2	17	20	11	9
More than 5 years and less than 10 years .	7	9	3	1	3	7	2	2

TABLE No. 8. — Concluded.

DURATION OF INSANITY.	ADMITTED.		DISCHARGED RECOVERED.		DISCHARGED NOT RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
More than 10 years and less than 15 years .	5	7	-	-	2	6	2	2
More than 15 years and less than 20 years .	3	5	1	1	4	2	4	2
More than 20 years and less than 25 years .	2	1	-	-	3	1	2	2
More than 25 years and less than 30 years .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Thirty years or more .	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
Unknown . . . . .	29	6	-	-	8	2	1	-
Total . . . . .	177	177	38	34	89	83	43	26

TABLE No. 9.

*Showing the Civil Condition of Patients admitted, discharged recovered, not recovered, and died during the Year.*

CIVIL CONDITION.	ADMITTED.		DISCHARGED RECOVERED.		DISCHARGED NOT RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Unmarried .	73	82	22	12	44	32	11	8
Married .	86	64	12	19	42	35	26	11
Widowers .	7	-	4	-	2	-	6	5
Widows .	-	29	-	3	-	16	-	2
Divorced .	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown .	10	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
Total .	177	177	38	34	89	83	43	26

TABLE NO. 10.

*Showing the Occupation of Patients admitted during the Year.*

## MALES.

Barber . . . . .	1	Moulders . . . . .	2
Blacksmith . . . . .	1	Musician . . . . .	1
Book-keeper . . . . .	1	Operatives in mills . . . . .	8
Broker . . . . .	1	Painters . . . . .	6
Butchers . . . . .	3	Peddlers . . . . .	1
Carpenters . . . . .	6	Pilots . . . . .	2
Carriage-maker . . . . .	1	Porter . . . . .	1
Clergyman . . . . .	1	Printers . . . . .	4
Clerks . . . . .	7	Sailmaker . . . . .	1
Confectioner . . . . .	1	Salesmen . . . . .	2
Cooper . . . . .	1	Shoemakers . . . . .	16
Curriers . . . . .	5	Stonecutter . . . . .	2
Dentist . . . . .	1	Student . . . . .	1
Engraver . . . . .	1	Tailors . . . . .	3
Farmers . . . . .	12	Teacher . . . . .	1
Fishermen . . . . .	5	Turner . . . . .	1
Grocer . . . . .	1	Weavers . . . . .	9
Harness-maker . . . . .	1	Wheelwright . . . . .	1
Laborers . . . . .	26	No occupation . . . . .	11
Machinists . . . . .	6	Unknown . . . . .	6
Masons . . . . .	4		—
Mechanics . . . . .	6	Total . . . . .	177
Merchants . . . . .	6		

## FEMALES.

Book-keeper . . . . .	1	Students . . . . .	3
Clerk . . . . .	1	Teachers . . . . .	3
Domestics . . . . .	35	Telegrapher . . . . .	1
Dressmakers . . . . .	2	No occupation . . . . .	37
Housekeepers . . . . .	70	Unknown . . . . .	1
Operatives in mills . . . . .	15		—
Proof-reader . . . . .	1	Total . . . . .	177
Seamstresses . . . . .	7		

TABLE NO. 11.

*Showing the Diseases which have proved Fatal during the Year.*

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Acute mania . . . . .	4	3	7
Acute melancholia . . . . .	1	—	1
Apoplexy . . . . .	1	1	2
Cancer . . . . .	—	1	1
Chronic bronchitis . . . . .	1	—	1
Epilepsy . . . . .	2	3	5
Exhaustion of chronic insanity . . . . .	6	4	10
Erysipelas . . . . .	1	—	1
General paralysis . . . . .	14	3	17
Gunshot wound of head, inflicted before admission,	1	—	1
Heart disease . . . . .	1	—	1
Paralysis . . . . .	—	3	3
Pneumonia . . . . .	3	1	4
Phthisis . . . . .	3	1	4
Pleurisy . . . . .	1	—	1
Typhoid fever . . . . .	1	3	4
Senility . . . . .	3	3	6
Total . . . . .	43	26	69

TABLE NO. 12.

*Showing the Admissions from each County during the Year.*

COUNTIES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Essex . . . . .	41	38	79
Franklin . . . . .	—	1	1
Middlesex . . . . .	65	68	133
Norfolk . . . . .	2	4	6
Plymouth . . . . .	—	2	2
Suffolk . . . . .	7	5	12
Worcester . . . . .	62	59	121
Total . . . . .	177	177	354



TABLE No. 13.

*Showing the Whole Number of Patients during each Year, the Average Number, the Number at the End of each Year, the Expenses of each Year, the Annual Expense of each Patient, and the Expense of each Patient per Week for each of the Forty-five Years the Hospital has been in Operation.*

YEARS.	Whole number.	Average number.	Number at end of each year.	Current expenses of each year.	Annual expense for each patient.	Exp'se per week for each patient.
1833	153	107	114	\$12,272 91	\$114 67	\$2 25
1834	233	117	118	15,840 97	136 38	2 60
1835	241	120	119	16,576 44	137 30	2 64
1836	245	127	138	21,395 28	168 44	3 12
1837	306	163	185	26,027 07	159 64	3 07
1838	362	211	218	28,739 40	136 20	2 62
1839	397	223	229	29,474 41	132 16	2 53
1840	391	229	236	27,844 98	121 59	2 32
1841	399	233	232	28,847 62	123 81	2 38
1842	430	238	238	29,546 87	111 12	2 13
1843	458	244	255	27,914 12	114 40	2 20
1844	491	261	263	29,278 75	112 17	2 15
1845	656	316	360	43,888 65	138 88	2 66
1846	637	359	367	39,870 37	111 06	2 13
1847	606	377	394	39,440 47	104 62	2 01
1848	655	404	409	42,860 05	106 09	2 05
1849	682	420	429	40,870 86	97 31	1 87
1850	670	440	441	46,776 13	106 40	2 04
1851	704	462	466	52,485 33	112 61	2 16
1852	775	515	532	43,878 35	85 20	1 62
1853	820	537	520	53,606 66	103 14	1 98
1854	819	430	381	53,221 52	123 77	2 38
1855	580	349	336	54,895 88	157 29	3 02
1856	577	357	376	45,631 37	128 64	2 47
1857	647	387	372	49,004 75	124 04	2 38
1858	679	372	301	38,267 26	102 86	2 39
1859	501	309	317	48,363 33	156 51	3 01
1860	532	324	331	47,757 01	147 39	2 83
1861	583	369	379	54,748 98	148 37	2 84
1862	600	401	396	53,043 88	132 18	2 50
1863	611	398	399	66,082 36	166 03	3 19
1864	625	366	344	66,612 00	182 00	3 50
1865	565	350	343	73,772 41	211 37	4 06
1866	630	368	381	88,398 73	239 28	4 60
1867	669	389	355	86,930 88	223 47	4 30
1868	651	370	382	72,054 59	197 60	3 80
1869	719	387	376	81,440 58	209 04	4 02
1870	760	396	408	75,715 51	191 20	3 68
1871	879	439	421	96,455 69	219 27	4 22
1872	864	450	439	92,533 93	205 63	3 95
1873	846	453	469	95,196 83	210 14	4 04
1874	869	476	485	101,463 68	213 16	4 10
1875	847	487	478	100,680 39	206 74	3 98
1876	829	500	487	94,446 59	188 89	3 64
1877	841	506	528	95,697 69	189 12	3 64

The foregoing table shows the average weekly expenditure per patient to be the same as last year. In fact, the minimum, compatible with due regard to the welfare of our patients, under the circumstances in which we have been placed, had been reached. It should not be forgotten, that at the old building, with an average of about four hundred and seventy-five inmates (not including those at the cottages), there were almost fifty per cent more patients than the house could properly accommodate; or, in other words, the space, and heat, and light, and service, &c., that belonged to *two* patients were given to *three*. In our present quarters, under circumstances more favorable for the physical and mental comfort of our inmates, increased expenditure must be expected; but the aim must be to keep it within reasonable limits.

At this writing we have occupied our new building, with all our family, but a week. Many months will elapse before all the multifarious details of such an establishment are fully adjusted, and the wheels move with only the usual friction. In looking back upon the work of planning, erecting, furnishing, and occupying new buildings, it is a source of congratulation that the work has been carried on so successfully and satisfactorily. The success of the whole project is yet to be demonstrated, and to that end we now devote our energies.

B. D. EASTMAN,

*Superintendent.*

WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL, }  
 WORCESTER, October 30, 1877. }

## SUGGESTIONS TO FRIENDS OF PATIENTS.

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Persons should never be brought to the hospital except in *strict compliance* with the requirements of the *law*. Blank forms of admission, and all necessary information, will be furnished upon application to the Superintendent.

No deception should ever be used in conveying a patient to the hospital. Let all arrangements be properly made; and with sufficient assistance to control excitement, should any arise, let the persons be plainly but kindly told they are to go to the hospital. No continued resistance will ordinarily be made; but, if it become necessary, better use *force* than *fraud*. Do not call upon an officer for assistance, if it can be avoided; the hospital is not a penal institution.

If possible, some person should come with the patient who can give a correct history of the case. Efforts should be made to inculcate the idea that the officers and employés of the hospital will be kind and friendly, and endeavor to promote the best interests of those under their charge.

An abundance of underclothing should be brought with every patient, especially if they are at all disposed to derange their dress, together with suitable outer garments for ordinary wear, and for attending lectures and religious services, if their condition will admit. Jewelry, superfluous articles of dress, knives, &c., should not be brought, as they are liable to be lost, and the hospital will not be responsible for them. All practicable care will be taken to avoid loss or destruction of clothing, &c.; but it cannot be entirely avoided.

All packages sent by express to patients should be paid through, and plainly directed to the person for whom they are intended, care of Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Worcester, Mass.

All letters for patients should be placed in an unsealed envelope, directed to the patient, and the whole placed in another envelope addressed to the Superintendent. Neither money nor postal-stamps should be sent directly to patients, but may be sent to the Superintendent for their benefit.

In all cases which have been at the hospital but a short time, or

are subject to periodical attacks of excitement, friends should ascertain their condition, and the propriety of visiting them, before coming to see them. No objection will be made to a reasonable amount of visiting to such patients as will not be injuriously affected thereby.

No letters written about persons while at the hospital should be shown them after their discharge.

The Worcester Lunatic Hospital, which has been in existence forty-five years, has removed to its new buildings, near Lake Quinsigamond, about one and one-half miles from the Union Passenger Station, and is prepared to offer special accommodations to those who desire them.

In order to avoid confusion in correspondence, care should be taken to give the proper address.

B. D. EASTMAN,  
*Superintendent.*

WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL, }  
WORCESTER, MASS. }

CONCERNING ADMISSION TO THE HOSPITAL.

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The laws of the Commonwealth prescribe three methods by which a person may be placed in the hospital, —

- First.* BY ORDER OF COURT.  
*Second.* BY FRIENDS.  
*Third.* BY OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

*First.* BY ORDER OF COURT.

Any of the judges of the supreme judicial, superior, and probate courts, and any trial justice of juvenile offenders of Suffolk County, may commit a person to the hospital.

Commitments are usually made by the judges of probate court, the form of application, with the necessary accompanying certificates, being as follows: —

[The applicant must answer in writing the printed interrogatories accompanying this blank.]

*To the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of*

of on oath, complains that of  
 in said county of , is an insane person, and a proper subject for  
 the treatment and custody of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Wherefore h prays that said may be committed to the said  
 Worcester Lunatic Hospital, according to law.

ss.

A.D. 187 .

Then the above-named made oath that the above complaint,  
 by h subscribed, is true.  
 Before me,

*Justice of the Peace.*

I, the subscriber, one of the selectmen of mayor of the city of  
 , where said resides, hereby acknowledge that notice  
 in writing has been given to me of the intention to be present the foregoing  
 complaint and application.

A.D. 187 .

To the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of

The subscriber, having made application to your honor for the commitment of \_\_\_\_\_ to the Worcester Lunatic Hospital as a lunatic, now presents the following statement, in answer to interrogatories:—

What is the age of the lunatic? Ans.

Birthplace? Ans.

Married, or single? Ans.

Occupation? Ans.

Supposed cause of disease? Ans.

Duration? Ans.

Character, — whether mild, violent, or dangerous? Ans.

Homicidal, or suicidal? Ans.

Paralytic, or epileptic? Ans.

Previous existence of insanity in the lunatic? Ans.

Previous or present insanity in any of the family? Ans.

Habits in regard to temperance? Ans.

Whether he has been in any lunatic hospital; if so, what one, when, and how long? Ans.

(If a woman.)

Has she ever borne any children? Ans.

How long since the birth of her last child? Ans.

Name and post-office address of some one of the nearest relatives or friends? Ans.

What facts show whether he has, or has not, a settlement, and where, if anywhere, in this State? Ans.

[For the law relating to settlements, see Gen. Stat., chap 69.

Supplement to Gen. Stat., 1868, chap. 328.

“ “ 1870, “ 392.

“ “ 1871, “ 379.

“ “ 1874, “ 274.]

*Applicant.*

PHYSICIANS' CERTIFICATE.

The subscribers, physicians of \_\_\_\_\_ in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ having made due inquiry and personal examination of \_\_\_\_\_ named in the foregoing application, within one week prior to the date hereof, certify the said \_\_\_\_\_ is insane, and a proper subject for the treatment and custody of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

ss.

A.D. 187 .

Then the above-named \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ made oath that the above certificate is true.

*Justice of the Peace.*

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ss.

At \_\_\_\_\_ in said county, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 187 .  
On the application of \_\_\_\_\_ for the commitment of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
in said county, to the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, \_\_\_\_\_ ;

notice in writing having been given by said applicant to one of the selectmen of \_\_\_\_\_ where said \_\_\_\_\_ resides, of h intention to make said application, and said \_\_\_\_\_ having received all necessary notice of the time and place appointed for hearing, it appears upon a full hearing that said \_\_\_\_\_ is an insane person, and a proper subject for the treatment and custody of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Therefore, it is ordered that said \_\_\_\_\_ be committed to the said Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

*Judge of the Probate Court.*

*Second.* BY FRIENDS — PRIVATE PATIENTS.

For the admission of private patients, application must be made by relative, guardian, or friend, and certificate of insanity, acknowledgment of notice to selectmen or mayor, and satisfactory bond for support, must be given according to the following form: —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

[STATE SEAL.]

*The Worcester Lunatic Hospital.*

In consideration of the admission of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ as a patient at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, at Worcester, we, the undersigned, promise to pay to the treasurer of said hospital the rate of board which may from time to time be determined by the trustees of said hospital, for said patient, so long as he shall continue a boarder in said hospital, with such extra charges as may be occasioned by the necessity of giving h more than ordinary care or attention; to provide to pay for all clothing or other things necessary or proper for h health and comfort; to pay for all damages which he may do to furniture or other property of said hospital; to pay for reasonable charges in case of elopement, and funeral expenses in case of death; and to remove h from the hospital whenever the room occupied by h shall be required for a class of patients having preference by law, or who, in the opinion of the superintendent, should be received. We also promise that if, against the advice of the superintendent, he be removed, either by us or by any of h friends, before the expiration of three calendar months, we will pay board for thirteen weeks.

Payments to be made quarterly, and at the time of removal, with interest on each bill from and after the time at which it becomes due.

Witness our hands, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 187 .

Attest:

[Post-office address.]

*Principal.*

[Post-office address.]

*Surety.*

If it becomes necessary to communicate with any friend of the patient, address —

STATEMENT of \_\_\_\_\_ an applicant for the admission of \_\_\_\_\_, an insane person, to the Worcester Lunatic Hospital:—

Age of the insane person Occupation,  
 Birthplace, Residence,  
 Civil condition (single, married, widowed, or divorced),  
 Is this the first attack of insanity? Other attacks, and when,  
 Supposed cause of insanity,  
 Duration of this attack,  
 Character of insanity,—whether mild, violent, or dangerous,  
     Homicidal, or suicidal,  
     Paralytic, or epileptic,  
     Having delusions or hallucinations,  
 Habits in regard to ardent spirits, opium, and tobacco,  
 Natural eccentricities of temper, thought, or action,  
 Any serious disease or bodily injury heretofore,  
 Previous or present insanity in relatives,  
 If ever in any institution for insane, when, where, and how long,  
 If a woman, she has borne children, the last years ago.  
 Facts showing whether he has, or has not, a settlement, and, if any,  
 where.

Name and post-office address of some nearest relative or friends over eighteen years of age,

Father,	Mother,
Children,	Brothers,
Sisters,	Husband,
Wife,	

If the applicant is unable to state any of the foregoing particulars, he shall state his inability to do so.

APPLICATION.

I request that the above-named \_\_\_\_\_ may be admitted as a patient at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

*Applicant.*

A.D. 187 .

[Post-office address.]

PHYSICIANS' CERTIFICATE.

We, the subscribers, respectable physicians in \_\_\_\_\_ in the county of \_\_\_\_\_, having made *due inquiry and personal examination* of \_\_\_\_\_, named in the foregoing application, *within one week prior to the date hereof*, certify that he is insane, and a proper subject for custody and remedial treatment in the Worcester Lunatic Hospital. And I, \_\_\_\_\_, further certify that I am the family physician of the said

M.D.

M.D.

A.D. 187 .



## ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE.

I, the subscriber, one of the selectmen, or mayor, of \_\_\_\_\_, where said  
resides, hereby acknowledge that notice in writing has been  
given to me of the intention to present the foregoing application.

A. D. 18 .

[See Acts of 1862, chap. 223, sects. 4, 5, 8, 13. Acts of 1865, chap. 268.]

*Third.* BY OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Any insane person supported as a pauper by any city or town,  
may be placed by the overseers of the poor thereof in the hospital,  
with the consent of the trustees, upon compliance with the follow-  
ing form:—

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

[STATE SEAL.]

*The Worcester Lunatic Hospital.*

In consideration of the admission of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in the county  
of \_\_\_\_\_ as a patient at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, at Worcester,  
we, the undersigned, being a majority of the overseers of the poor of the  
town of \_\_\_\_\_ in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ for and in behalf of the  
inhabitants of said town, promise to pay to the treasurer of said hospital  
the rate of board which may from time to time be determined by the trustees  
of said hospital, for said patient, so long as he shall continue a boarder in  
said hospital, with such extra charges as may be occasioned by the necessity  
of giving h more than ordinary care or attention; to provide or pay for  
all clothing or other things necessary or proper for h health and comfort;  
to pay for all damages which he may do to furniture or other property of  
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the room occupied by h shall be required for a class of patients having  
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Payments to be made quarterly, and at the time of removal, with interest  
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 If a woman, she has borne \_\_\_\_\_ children; the last \_\_\_\_\_ years ago.  
 Facts showing whether he has, or has not, a settlement, and, if any,  
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Name and post-office address of some of nearest relatives or friends over eighteen years of age,

Father,	Mother,
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