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OF THE

## ROYAL EDINBURGH ASYLUM

FOR

## THE INSANE.

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## ROYAL EDINBURGH ASYLUM.

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# REPORT 

of the

## ORDINARY MANAGERS

OF THE

## ROYAL EDINBURGH ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE

 FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 1881.> Presented to the Statutory Meeting of the Corporation held in the City Chambers, Ecinburgh, on Monday, 2Yth February 1882.

The daily average number of patients in the East Honse, Myreside Cottage, and Craig House, during the year 1881, was 121, being a decrease of 2 on the number in the preceding year.

The daily average number in the West House was 712, being a decrease of 4 from the number of the preceding year:

The gross daily average number of inmates in all departments of the institution was 833 , being a decrease of 6 on the number for the year 1880 .

The Accounts of the Treasurer's intromissions for the past year are herewith sulmitted.

The Charge amounts to.............................L.45, 475 5 6
The Discharge amounts to........................ $46,869 \quad 17 \quad 0$
The Bulance against the Corporation at 31st
December being................................. L.1,094 116
The Ordinary Income for the year was...........L.42,330 129
The Ordinary Expenditure (including instalment to the Sinking Fund) was................ 37,306 19

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And the Surplus Revenue was.................... L. 5,023 131

The Extraordinary Expenditure during the year was as follows :-
(1.) Balance of the cost of additions to the Washing-house and Laundry, and of the requisite machinery, and payments to account of the cost of the reconstruction of part of the detached building on the female side of the West House, amounting in all to.............................L.4,645 192
(2.) The purchase price of a small piece of ground lying between the East House and the Suburban Railway
$2,440 \quad 8 \quad 2$
Total
L. $7,086 \quad 7 \quad 4$

The indebtedness of the Corporation at 31st December 1880 was L.46,271 $11 \quad 6$

## At 31 st December 1881 it amounted to........ $46,844.11 \quad 6$

Shewing an increase of Debt of
L. $573 \quad 0 \quad 0$

While the indebtedness of the Corporation has thus been slightly increased, the value of their estate has been considerably enhanced by the extraordinary expenditure above referred to.

In their Report for the year ending 31st December 1880 the Managers entered very fully into the reasons which had led them to advance the rate of board for the Metropolitan paupers from L. 27 to L.30. This increased rate has been paid throughout the past year, and has contributed to the advance upon the surplus revenue, without which it would have been impossible for the Managers to meet the extraordinary expenditure, while the costly structural alterations which rendered that expenditure necessary could no longer be deferred. These alterations are not yet completed ; and when they are done, other portions of the female wing of the West House require to be remodelled, involving additional extraordinary expenditure. In particular, it is in contemplation, as soon as possible, to adapt part of the existing wards in the West House for the accommodation of thirty-five laundry women and twenty-five convalescent patients.

In their Report for the year 1880 the Managers referred to the alterations on the Washing-house and Laundry which were in
progress at the close of that year. They are glad to be able to state that these works have now been completed, and that the Washing-house and Laundry, as reconstructed and enlarged, have been in use for some months, and are found admirably to fulfil the objects for which they were designed.

Reference has been made above to the alterations on the female detached building at the West House. These were necessary to render it suitable for the proper treatment of sick patients. The alterations are now well advanced towards completion, and it is expected that the wards will soon be ready for occupation. On this subject the Managers have much pleasure in referring to the remarks hereinafter quoted contained in the Report of Dr Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy, on the occasion of his last official visit to the Asylum on 16th, 17 th, and 18 th inst.

In consequence of the very strong representations made by the Commissioners in Lunacy regarding the inadequacy of the accommodation provided for pauper patients of the District, the Managers, on 27 th January 1881, unanimously appointed a Committee, of which Dr Littlejohn was Convener, to consider and report upon this important subject. The Committee had various meetings in the early part of the year ; and with the assistance of the Physi-cian-Superintendent and Treasurer, they on 2nd June 1881 presented a full report on the subject particularly with reference to the obligations undertaken by the Corporation for the accommodation of patients from the Metropolitan parishes. From this report it appears that the Corporation had, in or about the year 1844, undertaken to receive and maintain at the lowest rate of board the whole pauper lunatics from the parishes of the City, St Cuthberts, South Leith, North Leith, Canongate, and Duddingston, without any limit or restriction, in consideration of contributions received from these parishes towards the Building Fund amounting to a cumulo sum of L.4430. It further appeared, that the maximum number of patients from these parishes for whom it was then expected that accommodation would be required was 125 , and that the above contributions had been accepted in the belief that the number would not be exceeded. It was shown how, owing to a variety of causes, this estimate had been greatly below
the mark, and how the number of patients had progressively and constantly increased, particularly since the passing of the Lunacy Act, whereby more humane provision was made for the oversight of pauper lunatics, and more recently since the Government allowance was made towards the cost of their maintenance, until the number in the Asylum at the "date of the Report had risen to 566. Reference in the Report is made to the various snggestions on this subject received from the Commissioners in Lunacy, and it concludes as follows:-"The Committee have carefully considered "the various suggestions that have been made, and more especially "those by Dr Arthur Mitchell in his Report of June 1880, and "after consulting with Dr Clouston, they would respectfully "recommend that the claims for accommodation in Morning"side Asylum for paupers by the District Board of Lunacy "should be restricted to 400 in future, leaving it to the General "Board to apportion this number of beds among the different "parishes as they think most expedient according to circum"stances; and, second, although it is more a question for the "General Board of Lunacy to determine than for the Committee, "they would respectfully suggest that additional accommodation "for the incurable and liarmless, patients who would be displaced "by restricting the number of pauper lunatics to 400 in the Asy"lum, should be provided for by the District Board of Lunacy by "the erection of an auxiliary District Asylum, as indicated by Dr. "Arthur Mitchell."
The Report of this Committee, after being printed and circulated amongst the Managers, was approved of by them, and transmitted to the General Board of Lumacy.

In reference to the inadequacy of the pauper accommorlation, Dr Sibbald on 21 st October 1881 reported as follows :-
"It is not regarded as desirable that the over-crowding should " be remedied by adding to the size of the West House ; and it " would be difficult to do this, even if it were desirable. The " accommodation for patients is as large as it can be made, without "throwing it out of proportion to the other parts of the buildings. " The only course, therefore, which seems open to the Managers " of the Asylum, is to take steps to restrict the number of patients
" to what the establishment can properly accommodate. Nothing "very effective, however, can be done in this direction so long as "the Asylum is held liable to receive all the pauper lunatics "belonging to the Urban District of Edinburgh. It will be " necessary to determine what number of such patients the insti"tution ought in future to engage to provide for ; but the Man"agers are at present in as good a position to determine this " question as they will probably ever be. It may not be easy, in " the interests of the public, to determine how much of the Asylum "should be reserved for the accommodation of paupers; but it "would probably be injudicious to undertake to accommodate " more than 400 or 450 , as has been previously suggested.
"At present, it is true, the number of such patients resident in "the Asylum is 569. But it must be borne in mind that these "patients are only accommodated by subjecting them to a very " undesirable degree of crowding, and that they could not have " been accommodated even in that way, if most of the private "patients of the poorer class whom it was wished to place in the "Asylum had not been refused admission during the last few years.
"As soon as the Managers have fixed the number of pauper "lunatics they will be preparcd in the future to receive intima"tion of their resolution should be given to the District Board of "Lunacy, and to the General Board, so that no time may be lost " in making adequate provision for the wants of the District."

On 1st December 1881 Dr Sibbald's Report, which had been printed and circulated, was taken into consideration; and at a subsequent meeting held on 5th ult., it was unanimously resolved "to restrict the number of pauper patients from the Metropolitan "District to 400 ." This resolution has been communicated to the Commissioners in Lunacy, and also to the District Lunacy Board, on whom the responsibility rests to provide accommodation for the patients in excess of the restricted number of 400 .

In connection with this subject, with the structural alterations before referred to, and with the general condition of the Asylum, the Managers beg leave to make the following quotations from the Report of Commissioner Mitchell before alluded to, made on the occasion of his last visit to the Institution :-
"The new female infirmary arrangements for 32 patients are " nearly complete, and they are of a highly satisfactory character.
"It is not believed that any Asylum in the kingdom possesses " hospital arrangements for both sexes which are so good as those " now possessed by this Asylum ; and the result is a full reward " for the trouble, thought, and money which they have cost.
"No special reference is made in this entry to the relations of "the Asylum to the District, because it is known that the Direc-
" tors are giving this matter a very careful consideration, and that
" they are actuated by a desire to make the institution serve the
"interests of the public in the best and fullest way possible. It
" has already been resolved to raise the rate of board for pauper
" patients to L.30, to reduce the lowest rate charged for private
" patients to the same sum, and to restrict the number of pauper
"patients received into the establishment to 400 . It can scarcely
"be doubted that these are steps taken in a right direction, and
"that they are calculated to increase the usefulness of the Asylum.
"There are 279 private patients at present in the Asylum.
"This is, no doubt, a large number; but it could be very con-
"siderably increased, if it were possible to receive all private
" patients who apply for admission. It is a matter of regret that
" it should be necessary to refuse admission to such patients for
" no other reason than that the Asylum is so largely discharging
"its secondary function as a District Asylum. It is a matter of
"special regret when it becomes necessary to refuse admission to
" private patients who are only able to pay low rates of board, who
"have a difficulty in finding accommodation in Public Asylums,
"and who ought not to be in Private Asylums. Such persons
" constitute by far the most unfortunate class of the insane; and
"it is an important service rendered to the public of Scotland as
" a whole, when the Directors of the Royal Asylums, recognising
" the charitable and higher function of the institutions which they
"control, do all in their power to prevent the exclusion of any
" poor private patient. It has often been recorded with much
"satisfaction, that the Directors of this Asylum act on these views
"to a large extent, and in a most liberal and charitable manner.
"The state of the wards and the condition of the patients were
"highly satisfactory. The merit of this, of course, falls chiefly on " the able and energetic Superintendent, whose devotion to the "duties of his position is so well known; but it seems desirable "here to refer also with commendation to the manner in which " Dr Clouston's efforts to administer efficiently this great institu"tion, and treat successfully the large number of patients in it, " are seconded by the subordinate officers, both medical and non" medical.
"The Books and Registers were, as usual, found in excellent " order. They are most accurately and carefully kept."

The Report of the Charity Committee for the past year is herewith submitted. The Managers, in exercise of their statutory powers, have contributed L. 100 to the Charity Fund for the year, and they again take leave to recommend its claims to the consideration of benevolent persons.

The Managers regret having to record the loss sustained by the institution through the death of Sir Robert Christison, Bart., who forty years ago acted as an Ordinary Manager, for the last twelve years was a most efficient member of the Medical Board, and for two years had acted as one of the Deputy-Governors. They have also to lament the death of Mr Thomas Swanston and Mr John Smith, both of whom had acted for several years as Ordinary Managers.

THOMAS J. BOYD, Lord Provost, Chairman.

## R E P 0 R T <br> OF THE

## CHARTTY COMMITTEE OF MANAGERS

OF THE

## ROYAL EDINBURGH ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE

 FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31sT DECEMBER 1881.The Account of the Treasurer's Intromissions with the Charity Fund is herewith submitted.

The Charge (including Donations amounting to L. 110 16s. 2d.) ....................................... L. 648189
The Discharge to.................................................. $396 \quad 7 \quad 9$
And the Balance in hand to $\ldots \ldots$...L. $252 \quad 7 \quad 9$
The Fund (including the above Balance) amounts
to....................................................................... L. 9502
$7 \quad 9$
For the Year ending 31st December 1880 the
Fuńd amounted to................................................. 939918 1
Shewing an Increase for 1881 of...... L. 10298
The Ordinary Income during the year was.......... L. $388 \quad 4 \quad 6$
The Ordinary Expenditure amounted to............. $39611 \quad 0$
Showing a Balance of Expenditure over Income of L. $8 \quad 7 \quad 6$
The number of patients relieved during the year was 43 , and the number on the roll at the close of the year was 32 .

## PHYSICIAN-SUPERINTENDENT'S A N N U A L R E P OR T

FOR THE YEAR 1881 .

I have the honour to submit the following Report of the Royal Edinburgh Asylum for the Insane for the year 1881.

In the beginning of the year there were 821 patients, and on General Statisthe 31 st December there were 822 .

There were 339 admitted during the year, of whom 162 were men, and 177 women.

The total number of patients under treatment was therefore 1160.

There were discharged during the year 273 patients, of whom 118 were men, and 155 were women.

There were 67 deaths, of whom 40 were men, and 27 women.
The average number of patients resident during the year was 833, viz., 421 men, and 412 women.

## ADMISSIONS.

The total number of patients admitted during the year (339) was 13 less than the average of the five preceding years, the Classes of the private patients (80) being 19 less than that average, and the rate-paid patients 6 more, but the latter (259) were 14 fewer than last year. The diminished number of private patients admitted for the past two years has been entirely owing to our beds being so taken up with pauper patients, that we could scarcely admit any cases at L. 30 and L.45. Indeed, I have practically been able to admit no private patients at the L. 30 rate of board No room for during the year. As I have so often said before, I do not think rates. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Patients at low }\end{aligned}$

Hardship and impropriety of this.
the institution fulfils the intention of its founders, or its duty to the public fully, if it does not provide for our District sufficient accommodation for that most deserving class of society with small means, but much self-respect, who would wish to pay such small rates of board as they could afford for their afflicted relatives without going to the public rates, or to any charity to assist them. Coming into personal contact, as I do, with these persons, having to say that we cannot help them, and not being able to point out any institution near us that can, I realise this great social want more probably than any other person in the City. The resolution Effeet of resolution of Managers to limit the Pauper Patients to 400.

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Provision for un- the Asylum. Mental disease is of that nature in a large number recovered but recovered but
improved harmless cases. to which the Managers have come, to limit the number of rate-paid patients here to 400 , and the necessary result of this resolution, that the District Board of Lunacy for the City portion of Midlothian will have to provide an Auxiliary Asylum to this for the pauper patients of the District, will relieve us in due time and enable us to admit a sufficient number of the patients I have referred to. In the meantime, I suppose nothing can be done. My present idea of the proper composition of the institution, to be really well-balanced, and to serve every class of society in the best possible way, is this. Its total capacity may be reckoned at 800 patients. Of these, I think, 400 should be rate-paid or pauper, 250 private patients at low rates of board, and 150 private patients at higher and more remunerative rates of board in special departments consisting largely of villas, cottages, and small pavilion wings. In the case of nearly all the private patients, relations are quite willing to take them ont of the Asylum and provide for them suitably, when the acute symptoms of their diseases have passed away, and when it is thought for their advantage to leave of instances, that when it does not recover, it after a time assumes a chronic harmless form, with perhaps occasional aggravations in some cases. During the quiescent periods, which are often for years, the patients scarcely need the medical and general supervision of a fully equipped hospital for the insane, and can be at home, or boarded as members of private houses, or placed in less expensive accommodation than ours, being sent back during the exacerbations of their malady. The great difficulty is what to do
with the poorer class of patients under these circumstances. Many of them can be boarded out, and are so placed in cottages in the country with decent people, to whom the five or six shillings a week received for each is a great consideration. The Scotch law and system of local and general inspection enables this to be well carried out. But there are many others, incurable too, and in the main quiet, who can employ themselves to some extent, but who need a supervision and treatment less medical and expensive than a a fully equipped Asylum, but more medical than the ordinary wards of a poorhouse or a private house If we had such a provision in Necessity for a our District, we should be able to admit all the recent cases from Acal Auxiliary the City and Leith and Portobello for many years. Such an auxiliary institution could be put up for half the cost of an Asylum suitable for recent cases, and could be managed much more cheaply.

The great practical difficulty is, that the two institutions will be under two totally distinct managements, and might clash in their working. Anything like a feeling of antagonism or rivalry between them would be most irrational, for their ends and aims ought to be quite distinct from each other, and yet it might arise, if not carefully guarded against beforehand. To show the sort of Necessity for questions that would arise-Who would select the cases suitable providing that the two Institufor the Auxiliary Asylum? When selected, would they be tions work harreceived without question? When received, would they get a fair trial there? Who is to determine the question as to whether they ought to be sent back, if unsuitable? These and many more such questions will have to be arranged for by a most careful agreement between our Managers and the City District Board.

The number of re-admissions for the year, that is, of cases who Re-admissions. had fallen ill again after having recovered formerly, or who had been previously removed on my advice, though they were not quite well, or who had been removed by relatives contrary to my advice, was 92 . This is a large number, but is not beyond our average for the past five years. All old Asylums must have a large number of re-admissions, for mental disease is unquestionably in many cases liable to recur after it has been recovered from, especially if the same causes are put in operation. The man who, with an inherited predisposition to mental disease, drinks himself

Nos. of Drink cases.
into an attack of insanity, is only too apt to do the same again after he is cured. As a matter of fact, of the 92 relapses, 11 were sent here by drink. Altogether 49 cases of the whole 339 admissions are put down as being caused by drink. This is the usual tale of drunkards, the average 15 per cent. that is about as fixed a proportion as the rainfall or the number of days of east wind in the year. A part from causes altogether, mental disease, from its very nature, recurs in many cases. Like very many other diseases of the The tendency to nervous system, it follows certain laws of periodic aggravation and
periodicity and periodicity and relapse of mental disease.
"Circular" or " alternating insanity." quiescence, of ebb and flow. In this it merely obeys in a morbid way those physiological laws of periodic rest and activity, and of action and reaction, which pervade all animal life. Many cases of mental disease have diurnal aggravations at certain periods of each day, just as the brains of all animals are at rest asleep one part of the day and active at another, and as the pulse and the temperature of all men differ at different periods of each day. Certain other cases are worse every other day, with the intervening twenty-four hours of calm and betterness. Other cases show a monthly periodicity of aggravation, and others a seasonal periodicity. The cases with regularly alternating intervals of mental elevation, of mental depression, and of sanity, each period lasting for many months, have long ago attracted attention, and have been called by the French "circular insanity." It might, be better called " alternating insanity." Such men have three distinct lives, each of which is characterised by its own tastes, habits, dispositions, and modes of intellectual activity. One such case we have who for many months is joyous, confident, active, irritable, fond of music, 'drawing, and of certain persons, then he becomes depressed, miserable, diffident, slow, and can't abide the sight of his friends of the exalted period, and takes to other company. This lasts some months. Then he gets quite sane and well as he was in his former life, leaves the Asylum, and takes to a third set of persons. His bodily habits change as decidedly as do his mental moods. While exalted be car eat anything in any quantity and digest it, is passionately fond of tobacco, and likes the cold. When depressed he is most particular as to the little he eats, and tobacco smoke and cold dranghts he cannot abide. I am sorry to say
the religion and morals of such persons usually follow the same laws of periodic exaltation, depression, and alteration, as their likings for tobacco, \&c. Such cases as this are very striking, and when rightly studied, teach us much about the nature of mental disease generally, for we can study the same brain under different conditions; but such cases merely illustrate in an extreme way the law of periodic ebb and flow that prevails in vast numbers of $\begin{gathered}\text { Periodicity, } \\ \text { relapse, and }\end{gathered}$ other cases in less regular or obvious forms than the case I have alternation prereferred to. Since my attention has been strongly directed to this cases of inssanity. aspect of mental disease, I have been astonished by observing how extensively periodic, or alternating, or relapsing conditions prevail. Among the cases admitted this year, for instance, 67 men and 81 women showed, or had formerly exhibited, more or less of this tendency, being 40 per cent. of the men, and 46 per cent. of the women. I find one very definite rule to prevail, and that is, that the longer the periodic recurrences of morbid mental states prevail, the longer do the periods of each state tend to become. A man, who began by getting through the round of his three mental conditions in six months at 40 years of age, will take sometimes four years to complete it at 60 : the periods of mental exaltation and depression and sanity being all pretty equally prolonged ; and between the ages of 70 and 85 the power of the brain to rise and fall in its mental action seems to cease, and we have a condition of quiet senile lethargy left. Another law is found to prevail, and that is, that the younger the age of the patient, the greater is Young Patients the tendency towards a temporary relapse and periodicity of more curable. symptoms; but the tendency is far more likely to be recovered from at the earlier ages. Another fact I found in regard to this circular insanity, and that is, that educated brains are much more Educated brains subject to it than those which are uneducated. But we need not molternating ingo to hospitals for mental disease to find illustrations of periodicity sanity. of mental action. The whole sane world shows it more or less in some form. Our cases are merely exaggerated, morbid instances of the law.

With such a tendency as this, as well as the action of the causes of the disease, voluntarily and involuntarily brought into operation on the part of the patient, of course many cases come in and

Many "recoveries" of one Patient.

Dr Earle's views.
go out of Asylums with much regularity, and count as recoveries many times in the course of the life of one patient: My friend Dr Pliny Earle, a man greatly honoured in New England, his home, has very properly directed attention to this matter in his Reports of the Asylum at Northampton, Massachusetts, and has specially referred to our number of re-admissions. His tone is a little that of a man who thinks it unfair that any single patient should count in an Asylum Report as having recovered more than once in his lifetime. But why should not a man with mental disease recover many times any more than a man with rheumatism? We know, as a matter of fact, that many persons do good work in all fields in the intervals between their attacks. We all know the good mental work of Tasso, Cowper, and Comte after their attacks. But to bring out the facts as to re-admissions and re-recoveries absolutely correctly, Dr Johnstone has drawn up a new

Table XXI., showing previous recoveries. Table (XXI.) exhibiting them clearly, and this will be continued in each Report. From it I see that there were 158 persons recovered, and four of them having recovered twice, makes the 162 cases of recovery, and 93 recovered for the first time this year.

As regards the causes of the disease in the patients admitted, they were the usual causes, and only the usual causes. I have never had in any year so many of the cases assigned to moral and mental causes, such as domestic and business troubles, disappointments and frights as in this, 85 of the total of 339 cases being said to have been caused in this way. This is 25 per cent., and we have never had more than 68 cases, or 18 per cent., before, the usual average being below 15 per cent. from moral and mental causes.

I have before pointed out the tendency that there has been of late for the poor to send their relatives here at earlier periods of their disease than formerly. This has never before been so marked, for this year 184 of the 339 admissions, or more than a half, were sent within a month of the onset of the disease. To this I largely attribute our high recovery rate.

We have always had in this Asylum a very large proportion of admissions each year to our average numbers resident, as comnared with the other Asylums of Scotland. This year the propor-

Patients sont here earlier.

Causes of the disease largely moral and mental this year.
tion with us was 40 per cent. as compared with 24 per cent. for all the Royal and District Asylums taken together for 1880. This enormous number of admissions makes more medical and other work, more risk of accidents, implies a large staff, more expense, and a larger death-rate. It also implies increasing strenuous efforts constant efforts to discharge suitable cases to make room for those daily coming quiet cases in. Without such efforts we should have been unable to admit anything like the number of pauper cases that were sent to us. The Inspectors of Poor have, at my recommendation, boarded out many cases that I selected as being suitable. Some have been taken, on my recommendation, to the lunatic wards of Craiglockhart Poorhouse, many have been handed over to the care of their relatives and guardians, and many have been transferred to the Asylums of the parishes to which they were found to be chargeable.

We never had so many cases sent in a year in a weak, reduced, Many weak and or exhausted condition as this year. Altogether 260 of the 339 , or 77 per cent., were recorded as being in that category. Every one of these, private or pauper, required and got some food or stimulant extra to the ordinary dietary during the first part of their treatment. We have an admirable supply of milk, and our Quantities of yearly increasing bill for it shows how freely the medical officers used. order this most useful of all foods and restoratives for sick people. The greater my experience becomes, I tend more to substitute milk for stimulants. I don't undervalue the latter in suitable cases ; but in the very acute cases, both of depression and maniacal exaltation, where the disordered working of the brain tends rapidly to exhaust the strength, I rely more and more on milk and eggs made into liquid custards. One such case this year got eight a case. pints of milk and sixteen eggs every day for three months, and under this treatment recovered. I question whether he would have done so under any other. He was almost dead on admission, acutely delirious, absolutely sleepless, and very nearly pulseless. It was a hand to hand fight between the acute disease in his brain and his general vitality. If his stomach could not have digested, and his body assimilated enough suitable nourishment, or if he could not have been taken out freely into the open air, he must have
died. But to-day he is fulfilling the duties of his position as well as he ever did in his life. All acute mental diseases, like most nervous diseases, tend to thinness of body, and therefore all foods, and all medicines, and all treatment that fatten, are good. To

The gospel of fatness.

Meaning of fatness. my assistants, and nurses, and patients, I preach the gospel of fatness as the great antidote to the exhausting tendencies of the disease we have to treat, and it would be well if all people of nervous constitution would obey this gospel. It would often prevent them coming here at all. It is not the mere fat, of course, but the significance to the system of keeping up and improving the general body-weight, which means the general nutrition and vital energy of the system, in a disease which diminishes the one Cod-liver oil and and exhausts the other. We pay more for cod-liver oil than for quinine largely used.

A cast. all the other medicines used in our surgery, and quinine takes the next place. A woman who came in through the year lost two stone in the first month of her disease in spite of all we could do, but the moment she turned the corner and began to get better, we fed her up largely with milk and eggs to such good purpose, that she gained a stone in fourteen days, and is now well. If patients don't pick up quickly after the acute stage of the disease is past, there is apt to follow, instead of restoration to the natural mental condition, a chronic and incurable mental enfeeblement, which we dread even more than death. Hence the importance of suitable nourishment, of not allowing the body to go too far down, and of quickly fattening the patient when the acute symptoms have passed. I always have more confidence in the permanence of the recovery of a patient who fattens well up during convalescence.
Large number of An unusually large number of old persons was sent to us this
old natients. old patients. year, twenty-two of them being between 60 and 70 years of age, thirteen between 70 and 80, and two between 80 and 90 . It might seem to those unacquainted with disease practically, that it should never be necessary to send a man away from his home for treatument. any kind of disease whatsoever after he is 75 or 80 years of age. Undoubtedly at those advanced ages great efforts are, and always ought to be, made by family doctors to treat cases of mental disease without sending them to asylums ; but, on the other hand,
no class of cases needs more constant and more skilful attendance, more nursing, or causes more disturbance in a private house. The combination of bodily weakness, and mental excitement, and restlessness tries even our resources in the Asylum in certain cases. Among the poor, where attendance, nursing, suitable food, and means of taking fresh air cannot be got, I do not wonder that such cases are sent to us. Among the better off even I have seen cases where home treatment under the most favourable circumstances entirely failed, and the patients have immensely benefited by being sent here.

## DISCHARGES.

Of the 273 patients discharged, 162 were recovered, this being Recovery rate. 48 per cent. on the admissions. Our average rate for the previous seventeen years had been 43 per cent., and for the 40 years preceding that $39 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. For the whole of Scotland the average recovery rate for 1880 was in Royal and District Asylums 41 per cent., in Parochial Asylums $40 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent., in Private Asylums 37 per cent.

By far the majority of the patients ( 80 per cent.) recovered Periods of within the first year of their disease, but a great number of the usual exceptional cases occurred this year. Six patients recovered after having been mentally affected for over five years, one of them being over seven, one over eleven, and one over twenty-one case recovered years. The last was, of course, most exceptional. He had been ${ }^{\text {after } 21 \text { years. }}$ in another Asylum for nineteen years, and here for two years, and I attributed his recovery largely to the beneficial influences of Craig House, and the mode of life and treatment there. I often try the effect of the homelike surroundings, the absolute freedom from irksome restraint, the domestic air and management of the place on patients in the East House without any regard to the rate of board they pay, and have often found the change do good. I use it largely, in fact, as a half-way-home place for convalescent patients of the Eastern Department. The patient who had been twenty-one years insane certainly improved there immensely, and is now enjoying his entire freedom, and is as happy and well-conducted as any subject of her Majesty.

## DEATHS

The sixty-seven deaths were all from natural causes, I am thankful to say, no suicide, or homicide, or fatal accident having

Low death-rate. happened during the year. The death-rate was low, amounting on the average numbers resident to 8 per cent., and on the total numbers under treatment to $5 \cdot 7$ per cent., the average rates for the previous seventeen years having been 9.2 and 6.5 per cent. on the average numbers resident and total numbers under treatment respectively. The mortality rate for Scotland for 1880 was in Royal and District Asylums $7 \cdot 7$ on the average numbers resident, and $5 \cdot 8$ on the total numbers under treatment.

Two of the patients who died had been over thirty-eight years

General numbers referring to those who died. in the house. Twenty-one patients, making thirty-one per cent. of the mortality, were persons of over sixty years of age. There was nothing very special in any of the causes of death. Thirty-six patients, or 52 per cent. of the whole, died of disease of the brain, which in nearly all of them had been the cause of the mental disease, general paralysis standing at the head of these as the cause of death in thirteen cases.

## GENERAL HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTION.

On the whole, we have been freer than usual this year from the administrative disturbances that are caused by alterations and reconstructions in the buildings, though we have been one ward One female ward short on the female side, West House. The laundry was com-
short. pleted and brought into use in March. It is vastly improved as compared with its old condition, and does its work well, the arrangements being good, and the machinery admirable.

Some people might be inclined to criticise the order in which we have gone to work to renovate the female side of the West House, and say we put cleanliness before godliness. We did not begin by providing a chapel, but a good kitchen, then a dining hall, then bath-rooms, then the laundry, and then a sick ward. But the old chapel room was painted and papered, and answers its purpose very well, and a new chapel is not forgotten when the proper time comes.

Cleanliness be-
fore godliness.

The new sick ward for females of the pauper and intermediate Newsick Female classes, West House, that has been in progress as a reconstruction of one-lalf of the old separate building, is now almost completed. I believe it is quite unequalled for its purpose in Great Britain. It is, in fact, a cottage hospital specially adapted for the special needs of those who are both insane and also very weak or sick in body. It is varied in its accommodation, containing rooms of all sorts for persons in various states of bodily and mental disease, including dining-room, dormitory-day-room, dormitories of various sizes, two day-rooms, single bed-rooms, store-room, kitchen, \&c. It is most airy, and yet well heated. It is made cheerful by Cheertunness abundance of sunshine admitted everywhere, by open fireplaces, and light. by roof-lighting of all the corridors and several of the rooms, and by the use of the most cheerful, varied, and tasteful painting. No two rooms are painted alike, and no dark colours are used. Stencil- Bright colours. lings and dadoes and mirrors have been used, as some might consider lavishly, to produce a cheerful, bright effect. I am a great believer in the good effects of bright colours on the mentally depressed in this dull Scotch climate of ours, and look on the present high-art craze for dull olive greens as being a simple device of the Evil One, who loves darkness rather than light. All this is for the purpose of having a cheering and healing influence on the minds of those who are depressed, irritable, or discontented. Another purpose I have had in view all along in getting it up. In future it is to be the probationary ward and training school for all the new female attendants. They are to be sent there for a time at first to begin their work by learning to nurse the sick, and to fortendale look on all mentally affected patients as really sick. If anything will produce a habit of kindness and forbearance, this will be likely to do so, and I anticipate much good to result to the patients from this training and initiation of the attendants into their duties. To complete my idea of the proper working of a combined sick and probationary ward, we need annexed to it and worked along with it, and under the charge of the head nurse, a small ward for a few newly admitted, actively excited patients, a few curable not sick in the ordinary bodily sense, but from a medical point of to to be treated view brain-sick, and needing exactly the same nursing, feeding, with we sick.
and attention. Those patients will need single sleeping rooms and a small corridor for a day-room near but apart from the bodily sick. We shall have a large staff to look after such patients, who will be individually responsible for each patient. Most such cases have quiet intervals, and then they will be sent to the sick ward proper. When they would disturb the patients there, they will be placed in this supplementary annexe. To have many such together, they would irritate each other, and I could not carry out the principle of individualization. Therefore six is the most I would wish provision made for, and I anticipate only to have two or three very actively excited recent cases. It fortunately happens that on the north side of the same building we can get exactly the thing I want with small and inexpensive structural change. The feeling, above all others, I would like to instrl into our attendants, is that feeling of professional interest in their work and pride in it, which a doctor has, and which an educated trained nurse has.

The other part of the north side of the same building I propose to use as a ward for laundry working patients. This will be a great gain to us.

The other provision I wish to make, and of which, as well as of the previous suggestions, the Commissioner and Visiting Committee have generally approved, is that of setting aside the old sickroom as a ward for convalescents. It will only need a few alterations to adapt it for this purpose. It will be a cheerful airy ward, and free of access to the grounds. I want to make it a half-wayhome ward, to which the patients will go when they are convalescent, and before their final discharge.

There is no reason why all these changes should not be in operation by the end of this summer. I am satisfied that the renovated accommodation for these three classes, the sick, the laundry workers, and the convalescent patients, providing for 100 in all, will be a great boon to the female patients of the West House, and enable the institution and its responsible officers to carry out the humane ends of its existence much more thoroughly than before.

The new American bowling-alley for the gentlemen patients

Importance of attendants having a feeling of professional pride and interest in their work.

New Laundry ward.

Convalescent ward. bowling-alley.
of the East House, now almost completed, I expect to be a very favourite haunt of some of them, supplying an opportunity of muscular exercise and amusement indoors in bad weather that we much needed. If it is as successful in its way as cricket, lawn tennis, croquet, bowling, and curling are in theirs, it will be a distinct addition to our means of treatment.

The institution has been visited this year by many distinguished foreigners, French, German, and American, who had come to the International Medical Congress in London in August. One section of that Congress was devoted to mental diseases, and in Babel tongues we read papers, discussed them, got information about the provision for the treatment of mental diseases and about the lunacy laws of various countries, visited the Asylums in and near London, became acquainted in the flesh with men who were formerly names only to us, dined and enjoyed the munificent hospitality that was so lavishly extended to us by private persons and public bodies. So far as the treatment of the insane is concerned, that

Scotch system of treating the reason, while others think that our Scotch lunatics must be of a milder type than theirs, enabling us to dispense with many restraints that they have to use, to grant many indulgences which they cannot grant, and to employ patients that they cannot risk The last supposition I most emphatically dissent from. If those who make it had seen the refractory wards in Morningside, when I was an assistant Doctor there twenty-two years ago, they would not say so. If they had seen one man we have, "Joe" the tin- "Joe" the tinsmith, when he was cooped up in a high-walled airing-court for 13 years with nothing to do but fight with his fellow patients and the attendants, and could see him now for the past five years hammering away, the most useful man in the place, and doing more work in the same time than any man in Edinburgh, they would better realize the good results of a system of trust, work, and running reasonable risks for the good of the patients. He
has exactly the same delusions he ever had, and he will have them all his life, but he is now too busy to think of them, or allow them to influence his conduct. Sunday is his only bad day. It is not exactly what insane people (or sane people, for that matter) believe, but how they believe it, and whether they think much about it, that influences their conduct practically.

The Continental physicians are in some respects ahead of us in the scientific study of morbid psychology, and the pathological changes to be found in the brains of those who have died insane, but some of their views are perhaps ahead of the facts. One dis-

Professor Benedekt on the brains of criminals. tinguished Viennese professor, who has done good work in many fields, showed us a series of the brains of Austrian criminals, which proved, he said, that the real criminal has a brain peculiar to himself, and recognisable after death, just as you can recognise a pointer from his nose, or a greyhound from his build. Those views did not find acceptance with us generally. We thought that Professor Benedekt was generalizing from imperfect data; and that if the brains of small-minded persons of a poor development, but of irreproachable morals, were carefully scanned, they would not differ essentially from the criminals' brains which he showed us. There would be as much difference of opinion among the most skilled of us as to whether a particular brain was that of a criminal, as there was in America as to whether Guiteau was insane or not.

All the numbers of the Section, British and Foreign, agreed that the subject of mental diseases should be taught to all those studying for the medical profession, which is not done now.

We have had lately two young American physicians, Drs

Two American Physicians here. Goldsmith and Stedman, staying, one after the other, in the institution, and taking duty as extra assistant medical officers. We found them as useful as they were agreeable. Dr Goldsmith was appointed superintendent of one of the newest and most important Asylums in America immediately after his return, and he at once sent Dr Stedman over here. We hope he too will be as fortunate as Dr Goldsmith, and send us over a successor. Such visits do good all round in every way.

The seaside villa at Cockenzie was in full operation for the six
summer months, and was as successful in all respects as it was The seaside villa last year. One cannot imagine the place without it now. Some and its good of the patients would miss it terribly. Forty-five of the East House patients stayed there periods from a week to three months, Nos. there. while thirty-one others drove down frequently, having bathing, fish-teas, and seaside rambles. At the end of the season, 45 of the intermediate and poorer class patients, West House, stayed there periods from a fortnight to a few days, while four more of them got drives down. Altogether 125 patients had the benefit of the house one way or the other.

Two of our medical staff have got well-deserved promotion, Dr Promotion of Turnbull to the District Asylum at Cupar, and Dr Clark to the Drs Turnbul Clark. new Asylum for the County of Lanark at Bothwell. Both had the good wishes of all here, for both had done their duty well. We hope that what was perhaps too complaisantly said by some one at the social meeting to speed the parting guests, "A man with the Morningside stamp on him seldom turns out bad metal" will always be true. The only regret was at our losing their services, and at the sad accident to Dr Brown, a former member of Death of Dr our staff, which had caused the vacancy at Cupar. I never saw his former pamore sincere grief than was manifested by many of Dr Brown's former patients the morning after his death. In many cases it lighted up emotion in minds that I had thought were blank, and elicited tears and tender expressions of sorrow from women who had never been known to weep for years.

I have the usual good report to make and the usual thanks to offer to the medical staff, and to the lay officers for loyal personal support and official diligence.

I should fail in expressing my feelings if I omitted to thank the Managers and Visiting Committee for their never-failing backing and courtesy.
T. S. CLOUSTON, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

Physician-Superintendent.

## STATISTICAL TABLEE

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MEDICO-PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

## TABLE I.

General Results of the Yeur 1881.

|  | Males. | Females | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Patients, January 1, 1881 | 416 | 405 | 821 |
| Absent on Probation, January 1, 1881 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
|  | 420 | 409 | 829 |
| Admitted for the first time during the year ... ... ... $126 \quad 121 \quad 247$ |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}\text { Re-admitted during the year } \ldots \quad 36 \quad 56 \quad 92 \\ \text { Total admitted } \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 162 | 177 | 339 |
| Total number under treatment | 582 | 586 | 1168 |
| Number of Patients discharged or removed | 118 | 155 | 273 |
|    M. F. T. <br> Of whom were Recovered $\ldots$ 76 86 162 <br> ., Relieved $\ldots$ 32 62 94 <br> ", Not Improved 9 7 16  <br> ", Not Insane $\ldots$ 1 0 1 |  |  |  |
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| Total Discharged and Died during the year ... ... $\qquad$ | 158 | 182 | 340 |
| Absent on Probation Jan. 1, 1882  M. F. <br> A.  T.   <br> Number of Patients at the close of 1881  6  <br> (not including those on Probation), $\ldots$  $\ldots$  | 421 | 401 | 822 |
| Average daily number resident during 1881 | $420 \cdot 8$ | 411.8 | $832 \cdot 7$ |
| Number of Patients chargeable to District (the five City Parishes and Orkney) at close of 1881 <br> Number of Patients chargeable to Parishes beyond District at close of $1881 \ldots$ <br> Private Patients do. | 266 | 279 | 545 |
|  | 8 |  | 9 |
|  | 147 | 121 | 268 |
|  | 421 | 401 | 822 |

## TABLE II.

Admissions, Re-Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths from January 1, 187, to December 31, 1881.

TABLE III．－T＇he Admissions，Discharges，and Deaths，with the mean Annual Mortality and Proportion of Recoveries per cent．on the Admissions for each Year since the Opening of the Asylum．

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TABLE IV.-Showing the History of the Annual Admissions since the Opening of the Asylum, with the Discharges and December 1881.


| Summary of the Total Admissions 1864-81. |  |  |  |  |  | M. | F. | T. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Per Centage of Cases | Recovered |  |  |  |  | $39 \cdot 6$ | 44.4 | $42 \cdot 1$ |
| " | Relieved |  | . |  | .. | $15 \cdot 7$ | $16 \cdot 9$ | $16 \cdot 3$ |
| " | Not Improved |  |  |  |  | $10 \cdot 4$ | 9.8 | $10 \cdot 1$ |
| , | Died Remaining |  | $\because$ |  |  | $19 \cdot 9$ $14 \cdot 1$ | $16 \cdot 3$ $12 \cdot 3$ | $18 \cdot 1$ 13.2 |

[^0]TABLE V.-Couses of Death.*

|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Apoplexy ... | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Brain Atrophy | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Brain Disease | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Brain Softening ... | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Chorea ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Exhaustion from Epilepsy | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Exhaustion from Melancholia | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| General Paralysis ... | 13 | 0 | 13 |
| Meningitis ... ... | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Tumour of Brain | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Thoracic Disease. |  |  |  |
| Morbus Cordis | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Phthisis Pulmonalis | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| Pneumonia ... | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Abdominal Disease. |  |  |  |
| Cancer of Bladder... | 1 | 0 | , |
| Cancer of Uterus ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Cirrhosis of Liver and Ascites | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Dysenteric Diarrhœa ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Nephritis ... ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Ovarian Tumour ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| General Disease. |  |  |  |
| Blood Poisoning and Kidney Disease | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Caries ... ... ... ... | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Mammary Cancer ... | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Senile Decay ... | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Senile Decay and Brain Atrophy | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Senile Decay and Brain Softening | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Strumous Ulcers ... ... ... | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 40 | 27 | 67 |

TABLE VI.--Period of Residence of those Discharged Recovered, Not Recovered, and Died.

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|  |  |  |  | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. |
| Under | 1 Mont |  |  | 9 | 16 | 25 | 8 | 4 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| From | 1 to 3 | Months | ... | 29 | 20 | 49 | 9 | 17 | 26 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 3 to 6 | ,, |  | 19 | 25 | 44 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| ", | 6 to 9 | ", | ... | 6 | 10 | 16 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| ", | 9 to 12 |  |  | 3 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| ", | 1 to 2 | Years | . | 6 | 5 | 11 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| ", | 2 to 3 |  |  | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| ", | 3 to 5 | ," | ... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 12 |
| ", | 5 to 7 |  | ... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ", | 7 to 9 | ", | ... | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| ", | 9 to 11 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| ", | 11 to 13 |  |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| ", | 13 to 15 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| ", | 17 to 19 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
|  | 25 to 27 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ", | 27 to 29 |  | $\ldots$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ", | 37 to 39 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| " | 39 to 41 | ," |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total |  |  |  | $77+$ | 86 | 163 | 41 | 69 | 110 | 40 | 27 | 67 |

[^1]| CLASS. | Duration of Disease on Admission in Four Classes. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Admissions. |  |  | Recoveries. |  |  | Removed not Recovered. |  |  | Deaths. |  |  |
|  | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. |
| First Class: <br> First Attack- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 1 Week | 8 | 31 | 39 | 8 | 17 | 25 | 0 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 6 | 18 |
| , 1 Month | 33 | 24 | 57 | 13 | 12 | 25 | 5 | 9 | 14 | 12 | 6 | 18 |
| ", 2 , ... ... | 4 | 10 | 14 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ", 3 ", ... ... | 12 | 7 | 19 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | (57) | (72) | (129) | (27) | (36) | (63) | (5) | (28) | (33) | (16) | (14) | (30) |
| Second Class: <br> First Attack- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Above 3 and under 6 months | 12 | 9 | 21 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| $\text { " } 6 \quad, \quad 12 \quad "$ | 14 | 9 | 23 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| Unknown... ... ... "... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | I | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | (26) | (18) | (44) | (12) | (7) | (19) | (10) | (5) | (15) | (10) | (2) | (12) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 12 | 15 | 27 | 13 | 10 | 23 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| $12$ | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 |
| Unknown "... ... ... | 0 | , | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | (47) | (71) | (118) | (32) | (38) | (70) | (11) | (18) | (29) | (6) | (4) | (10) |
| Fourth Class: First Attack or Not- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| But over 12 Months... | 32 | 16 | 48 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 15 | 18 | 33 | 8 | 7 | 15 |
| Total ... ... | 162 | 177 | 339 | 77* | 86 | 163 | 41 | 69 | 110 | 40 | 27 | 67 |

TABLE VIII.-Ages of those Admitted, Discharged, and Dead.

| YEARS. | Admitted. |  |  | Discharged Recovered. |  |  | Removed. |  |  | Dead. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. |
| From 5 to 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 to 15 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ,, 15 to 20 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ,, 20 to 30 | 42 | 45 | 87 | 26 | 22 | 48 | 12 | 16 | 28 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| ,, 30 to 40 | 36 | 40 | 76 | 14 | 20 | 34 | 11 | 17 | 28 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| ,, 40 to 50 | 39 | 44 | 83 | 20 | 24 | 44 | 7 | 17 | 24 | 11 | 3 | 14 |
| ,, 50 to 60 | 18 | 27 | 45 | 7 | 14 | 21 | 5 | 11 | 16 | 9 | 11 | 20 |
| ,, 60 to 70 | 10 | 12 | 22 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| ,, 70 to 80 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| ,, 80 to 90 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Total ... | 162 | 177 | 339 | 77* | 86 | 163 | 41 | 69 | 110 | 40 | 27 | 67 |
| Mean Age | $39 \cdot 6$ | $40 \cdot 1$ | $39 \cdot 9$ | $36 \cdot 8$ | $38 \cdot 6$ | $37 \cdot 7$ | $36 \cdot 4$ | 41 | $39 \cdot 3$ | $49 \cdot 6$ | $58 \cdot 3$ | $53 \cdot 1$ |

* Including 1 Not Insane.

TABLE IX.
Condition as to Marriage in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths.

| Condition as to Marriage. | Admissions. |  |  | Discharges. |  |  |  |  |  | Deaths. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Recovered. |  |  | Not Recovered. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. |
| Single | 87 | 83 | 170 | 46 | 37 | 83 | 25 | 45 | 70 | 21 | 13 | 34 |
| Married | 67 | 68 | 135 | 29 | 40 | 69 | 15 | 14 | 29 | 15 | 8 | 23 |
| Widowed | 8 | 26 | 34 | 2 | 9 | 11 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Total | 162 | 177 | 339 | 77* | 86 | 163 | 41 | 69 | 110 | 40 | 27 | 67 |

* Including 1 Not Insane.

TABLE X.
Assiyned Carses of Tirsanity.

|  |  | Males. | Fem. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Intemperance | 28 | 21 | 49 |
|  | Congenital Defect | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Epilepsy ... .. | 13 | 3 | 16 |
|  | Brain Disease | 10 | 7 | 17 |
|  | Syphilis ... | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  | Insolation | 4 | 0 | 4 |
|  | Injuries to Head | 3 | 0 | 3 |
|  | Phthisis ... . | 6 | 2 | 8 |
|  | Gout | 2 | 0 | 2 |
|  | Puberty | 2 | 1 | 3 |
|  | Old Age . | 14 | 10 | 24 |
|  | Chorea | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Cancer | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Exophthalmic Goitre | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  | Bodily Weakness and Priv | 0 | 5 | 5 |
|  | Pregnancy | 0 | 5 | 5 |
|  | Childbirth | 0 | 11 | 11 |
|  | Lactation | 0 | 5 | 5 |
|  | Climacteric Period | 5 | 19 | 24 |
| \% | [Domestic Anxiety, Bereav | 9 | 34 | 43 |
|  | Business Anxiety, Overwo | 24 | 3 | 27 |
|  | Disappointment in Love | 1 | 4 | 5 |
|  | Irregular Life ... | 0 | 5 | 5 |
|  | Fright ... ... | 0 | 2 | 2 |
|  | Religious Excitement | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | $\int$ Previous Attacks | 54 | 77 | 131 |
|  | Hereditary Predisposition | 33 | 47 | 80 |
|  | Unknown | 41 | 30 | 71 |

## adDITIONAL MEDICAL TABLES.

TABLE XI.
Forms of Insanity in those Admitted-Skeae's Classification.

|  |  |  | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Epileptic Idiocy | ... |  | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Epileptic Insanity | ... | ... | 13 | 3 | 16 |
| Insanity of Puberty |  |  | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Insanity of Adolescence |  |  | 19 | 12 | 31 |
| Puerperal Insanity ... |  |  | 0 | 11 | 11 |
| Insanity of Lactation | ... |  | 0 | 5 | 5 |
| Insanity of Pregnancy | $\ldots$ |  | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Amenorrhæal Insanity |  | $\cdots$ | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Climacteric Insanity ... | $\ldots$ |  | 5 | 19 | 24 |
| Senile Insanity ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 14 | 10 | 24 |
| Phthisical Insanity ... | ... |  | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| Insanity of Alcoholism | ... | . | 17 | 18 | 35 |
| General Paralysis ... | ... |  | 16 | 1 | 17 |
| Idiopathic Insanity | ... | ... | 11 | 25 | 36 |
| Insanity from Brain Disease | ... |  | 10 | 7 | 17 |
| Syphilitic Insanity ... ... |  | ... | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Choreic Insanity . ... ... |  |  | 0 |  | I |
| Hysterical Insanity ... | $\ldots$ |  | 0 |  | 1 |
| Exophthalmic Insanity | .. | .. | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Unknown ... |  |  | 47 | 55 | 102 |
| Not found Insane | $\ldots$ |  | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 162 | 177 | 339 |

## TABLE XII.

Form of Mental Disease in those Admitted.

|  |  |  |  |  |  | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Acute Mania $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 | 22 | 29 |  |
| Mania $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 73 | 73 | 146 |
| Epileptic Mania | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 13 | 3 | 16 |  |
| Melancholia $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 52 | 77 | 129 |  |
| General Paralysis | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 16 | 1 | 17 |  |
| Epileptic Idiocy | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
|  |  | Total | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 161 | 177 | 338 |  |

## TABLE XIII.

Number of Previous Attacks in those Admitted.

|  |  | Males. | Females | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cases of First Attack | $\ldots$ | 108 | 99 | 207 |
| ,, Second Attack | $\ldots$ | 32 | 46 | 78 |
| ,, Third Attack | $\ldots$ | 10 | 12 | 22 |
| Had several Attacks | $\ldots$ | 12 | 19 | 31 |
| Congenital | $\ldots$ | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Unknown | $\ldots$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\ldots$ | 162 | 177 | 339 |

## TABLE XIV.

State of Bodily Health and Condition of those Admitted.

|  | Males. | Females | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In Average Health and Condition | 29 | 50 | 79 |
| In Indifferent Health and Reduced Condition ... | 114 | 110 | 224 |
| In Bad Health and very Exhausted Condition ... ... | 19 | 17 | 36 |
| Total | 162 | 177 | 339 |

TABLE XV.-Occupations of those Admitted.


TABLE XVI.
Religious Persuasion of those Admitted.

|  |  | Males. | Fema es | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| "Protestants" |  | 102 | 109 | 211 |
| Roman Catholic |  | 20 | 12 | 32 |
| Free Church |  | 7 | 11 | 18 |
| Established Church |  | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| "Presbyterian" |  | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| United Presbyterian |  | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| Church of England |  | 7 | 5 | 12 |
| "Episcopalian" |  | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| Baptist ... |  | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Wesleyan Methodist |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Original Seceder |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Evangelical Union |  | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| "Evangelical "... |  | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Apostolic Church |  | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Not Known |  | 3 | 8 | 11 |
| Total |  | 162 | 177 | 339 |

TABLE XVII.
Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths each Month.


TABLE XVIII.
Illustrations of Suicidal Tendency in those Admitted.

|  | Males. | Females | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Have attempted Suicide | 14 | 20 | 34 |
| Have meditated Suicide | 32 | 26 | 58 |
| Total Suicidal | 46 | 46 | 92 |
| Forms of Insanity in which Suicide was attempted - |  |  |  |
| Mania | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Epileptic Mania | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Senile Mania | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Melancholia | 11 | 17 | 28 |
| Puerperal Melancholia | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 14 | 20 | 34 |
| Forms of Insanity in which Suicide was meditated- |  |  |  |
| Mania | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| Acute Mania | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Epileptic Mania | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Melancholia | 16 | 18 | 34 |
| General Paralysis | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 32 | 26 | 58 |
| Nature of the attempt- |  |  |  |
| - Precipitation | 2 | 8 | 10 |
| Poison | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Cut-Throat | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Drowning | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Strangulation | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Hanging ... | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Suffocation | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Wounding | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Precipitation before Locomotive | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Cutting | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Cutting Wrist with Scissors | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Not Stated | 2 | 1 | 3 |

TABLE XIX.
Forms of Insanity in those Discharged Recovered, Relieved, and Not Improved.

|  | Recovered. |  |  | Relieved. |  |  | Not Improved. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | M. | F. | т. | M. | F. | T. | M. | F. | T. |
| Mania | 35 | 36 | 71 | 16 | 24 | 40 | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| Acute Mania | 7 | 19 | 26 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Epileptic Mania | 4 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chronic Mania | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Melancholia | 30 | 30 | 60 | 8 | 21 | 29 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Dementia ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Paralysis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Idiocy | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Epileptic Idiocy ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 76 | 86 | 162 | 32 | 62 | 94 | 9 | 7 | 16 |

TABLE XX.
Forms of Insanity in those Deceased.

|  |  | Males. | Females | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mania |  | 12 | 10 | 22 |
| A cute Mania | $\ldots$ | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Epileptic Mania |  | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Senile Mania ... |  | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Chronic Mania |  | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Melancholia |  | 5 | 13 | 18 |
| Dementia |  | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| General Paralysis |  | 13 | 0 | 13 |
| Total |  | 40 | 27 | 67 |

TABLE XXI.-Persons Recovered in 1881.

|  | Males. | Females | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A. Recovered for the first time | 45 | 48 | 93 |
| (a) Re-admitted, and again Discharged Recovered ... | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| (b) Re-admitted, but not again Discharged Recovered | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| B. Had made one or more Recoveries in previous years ... | 31 | 34 | 65 |
| (a) Re-admitted, and again Discharged Recovered ... | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (b) Re-admitted, but not again Discharged Recovered | 7 | 4 | 11 |
| Number of Persons Recovered. | 76 | 82 | 158 |
| Number of Cases of Recovery ... | 76 | 86 | 162 |

TABLE XXII.
The Number of Pauper Lunatics chargeable to Parishes having Rights of Presentation to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum, that were not in that Asylum on the 1st January 1882.

| PARISHES, \&c. |  |  |  | Number of <br> Patients. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| City Parish, Edinburgh | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 123 |  |
| St Cuthbert's and Canongate | $\ldots$ | 34 |  |  |
| South Leith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| North Leith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Duddingston | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| County of Orkney | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 23 |
| Total | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 197 |

## R E P O R T S

OF THE

## COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY.

28 Feb., 1 and 3 March 1881, Royal Edinburgh Asylum.

The number and position of the present population are shown in the following statement:-

> Private Patients. Pauper Patients. Totals.

| I. Certificated Patients- | M. | F. | M. | F. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Resident | 150 | 116 | 272 | 293 | 831 |
| Absent on Probation. | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Absent on Pass | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| On the Register... | 152 | 120 | 273 | 293 | 838 |
| II. Voluntary Inmates | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |

These figures show a decrease of the number of private patients and an increase of the number of pauper patients. This change is the necessary result of the increased demand for accommodation for pauper lunatics. As the establishment is full to overflowing, it is clear that a larger number of paupers can only be accommodated in it by giving up to them the beds occupied by private patients at low rates of board as these become vacant, and by refusing new applications for the admission of private patients of that class. Such refusals have been very numerous-so numerous, indeed, that, if it had been possible to receive all who applied, the number of private patients in the Asylum would be almost certainly a still increasing instead of a decreasing number.

The present position of the Asylum, which makes it necessary to refuse to admit private patients at low rates of board, cannot be otherwise regarded than as a public calamity. The bigher
function of the Asylum is incompleteiy disoharged in the effort to discharge fully its lower function. The injury thus done to the public is correctly appreciated and greatly regretted by the Managers of the Asylum, who are anxious that additional accommodation for pauper lunatics should be provided in the District, and that they should thus be enabled to administer their Asylum in a way which would secure excellent care and treatment for the insane who belong to the middle and lower middle class of society. To secure the efficient doing of this, it is suggested that, in arranging any new contract with the District Board, care should be taken not to bind the Asylum to receive too large a number of pauper lunatics. There are 566 paupers at present in the establishment, but it is doubtful if the Asylum should come under an obligation to receive more than 400 or 450 . Such a limitation would not prevent the full occupation of the Asylum by pauper lunatics, so long as the accommodation was not required for private patients.

The following statement shows the movement of the population since last visit :-

|  | Private Patients. |  | Pauper Patients. |  | Totals. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I. Certificated Patients- | M. | F. | M. | F. |  |
| Admitted | 16 | 16 | 69 | 78 | 179 |
| Discharged recovered... | 13 | 9 | 31 | 51 | 104 |
| Discharged unrecovered | 13 | 4 | 18 | 25 | 60 |
| Died | 4 | 3 | 12 | 12 | 31 |
| II. Voluntary Inmates- |  |  |  |  |  |
| Admitted | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Left. | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Died | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

These figures exhibit a very active movement of the population, and show that great efforts are made to keep down its growth through an accumulation of chronic cases. The results show how much can be done by earnest efforts in this direction ; but it is admittedly a question whether, under the force of circumstances, these efforts are not being carried too far, and whether injury is not sometimes done by the too early discharge of patients.

Notwithstanding the activity in the movement of the popula-
tion, the rate of mortality has been low, and the present healthcondition of the inmates is excellent, though among them there are many aged and feeble persons. Of the 31 deaths general paralysis caused 8 , brain disease 10 , heart disease 4 , exhaustion from mania or melancholia 5 , and phthisis 2 . The other 2 deaths were caused by cancer of the liver and scrofulous abscesses. It is erident, from these facts, that many patients are admitted into the Asylum in a very grave state of disease. Tn the cases of 27 of the 31 patients who died a post mortem examination was made, and the results are recorded with great care. The state of the Case Books shows that the condition of each patient is minutely studied, and many other things were observed which showed that great attention is given to the medical treatment of the patients, and to the study of insanity.

There are 60 entries in the Register of Restraint and Seclusion referring to the restraint of 1 person and the seclusion of 14 . Six accidents are recorded, and they include a dislocation of the elbow, fractures of the radius, ulna, and clavicle, and a selfinflicted wound of the throat with suicidal intent.

The new laundry is approaching completion, and gives promise of being all that could be wished. It will give an opportunity of employing a larger number of women in active work, and will thus prove a useful means of treatment, corresponding in its effects to the active employment of men in outdoor work, which in this institution is now carried to a large extent, and with marked advantages.

The improvement of the female side of the West House is about to be commenced, and, with great propriety, the first thing to be done is the creation of a suitable infirmary. There is every reason to believe that this will be done in a very satisfactory manner, and the Asylum will then possess infirmary wards for both sexes superior to any in the country.

The rate of board for pauper patients of the District has been raised from $£ 27$ to $£ 30$, and at the same time the rates for middle and low class private patients have been reduced from $£ 50$ and $£ 32$ to $£ 45$ and $£ 30$. That these changes are in a proper direction scarcely admits of question.

The general impression left by the visit was, as usual, most pleasing. The affairs of the Asylum are administered by the Superintendent in a healthy, energetic, and successful manner, and in the treatment of the patients there is seen a combination of high professional skill, good common sense, and great kindliness of heart. He is well supported by the subordinate officers, whose interest in the prosperity of the institution he has made to correspond with his own.

The Books and Registers were examined, and were, as usual, found to be kept with very great accuracy and care.

ARTHUR MITCHELL, Commissioner in Lunacy.

> Royal Edinburgh Asylum, 19th, 20th, and 21st October 1881.

The following statement shows the number and position of the persons at present on the Register of the Asylum :-

Private Patients. Pauper Patients. Totals.

| I. Certificated Patients- | M. | F. | M. | F. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Resident............... | 145 | 118 | 276 | 283 | 822 |
| Absent on Probation | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Absent by Escape... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Absent on Pass | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| On the Register...... | 147 | 124 | 276 | 286 | 833 |
| II. Voluntary Inmates... | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |

The changes that have taken place since last visit are as follows :-

Private Patients. Pauper Patients. Totals.
I. Certificated Patients- M. F. M. F.

Admitted................... 24274927
Discharged Recovered... $15 \quad 7 \quad 34 \quad 57 \quad 113$
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Discharged Unrecovered } & 7 & 9 & 21 & 31 & 68\end{array}$
Died ........................... 8 5 50 18 51
II. Voluntary Inmates-

Left................................ 1 1 0 2

Of the 51 deaths, 10 were due to general paralysis of the insane, and 18 to other diseases of the brain and nervous system ; 5 were due to phthisis pulmonalis, and 4 to other diseases of the chest ; 6 were due to diseases of the abdominal organs, 1 to mammary cancer, 4 to senile decay, and 3 were consequent on general exhaustion from melancholia. The average ages at death were 50 for men and 58 for women. The rate of mortality cannot be regarded as high when the large number of cases of acute and dangerous disease among the admissions is considered. Fourteen of the deaths occurred in cases where the patients had been admitted to the Asylum since the 1st of January.

The Books and Registers of the Asylum were examined and found, as usual, accurately kept, and in excellent order.

There are 13 entries in the Register of Accidents; but only 7 refer to accidents where serious injury, such as fractured bones, was sustained. Out of 276 male pauper patients, 228 are recorded as industrially employed, and 52 are stated to be on parole ; out of 283 female pauper patients, 193 are recorded as industrially employed, and 52 are stated to be on parole. Thirtynine patients are at present confined to bed.

The number of entries in the Register of Restraint and Seclusion since last visit is 248 , which represents an average of rather more than 1 entry per diem. The entries refer to the use of restraint in the treatment of 3 patients, and the use of seclusion for 41 patients. A large proportion of the entries refer, however, to the case of a male patient suffering from general paralysis, whose legs had become much swollen and ulcerated owing to his maintaining the erect posture almost constantly both day and night. All the modes of treatment resorted to failed to overcome this injurious habit until he was placed in a modified form of what has been called the conservative or box-bed, in which the patient is compelled to submit to the recumbent position. The adoption of this form of restraint was so far justified by the swelling and ulceration of the legs having been cured, and the patient's general health having improved during the time it was employed. It is, however, worthy of consideration whether the same result might not have been obtained by the adoption of means less suggestive of a re-
turn to modes of treatment which have gone out of use ; and it is recorded with approval, that the exceptional nature of the case was so fully recognised by Dr Clouston, that the bed was broken up as soon as it ceased to be used for the special purpose for which it had been constructed.

The condition of the Asylum continues to bear evidence of the great care and ability with which it is administered. The state of the East House, of Craig House, of the Cottages, and of the reconstructed portion of the West House, was highly satisfactory. Every day's experience goes to show that the improvements that have been carried out in all these sections of the institution were planned with great judgment and knowledge ; and the patients who are resident there receive all the benefits that attention, energy, and professional experience can confer.

The additions to the Laundry have now been completed, and are in occupation. The new arrangements, besides affording the means of doing an increased amount of work, will facilitate the doing of the work in an orderly and systematic manner.

A beginning has been made with the alterations intended to be carried out on the female side of the West House. The portion of the Separate Building which it is proposed to use as the infirmary is now in process of reconstruction, and may be expected to be in occupation early in the ensuing year. The new arrangements seem likely to prove extremely satisfactory. The rooms will be cheerful, and well adapted to their various purposes; and every facility for efficient administration seems to be provided for.

The disuse of the iwards now in course of reconstruction has necessarily diminished the amount of accommodation at present available for patients, and has intensified the overcrowding from which the female side of the West House has for some time suffered. In several of the dormitories the accommodation is supplemented by the use of shake-downs on the floors, and in the day-roorns a deficiency of elbow-room is frequently to be observed. There is thus a want of proper comfort at night, and an injurious degree of crowding during the day, both of which conditions are specially prejudicial to the insane. It is therefore hoped that steps will be taken as soon as possible to diminish the number of patients resident in this section of the Asylum.

It is important, when dealing with this matter, to recognise that the difficulty is not one that can be regarded as only transient. It is proposed, when the section now being reconstructed is ready for occupation, to withdraw another section of the building from use, and to proceed in a similar manner till all the portions requiring alteration have been completed. This process cannot be expected to come to an end for some years. It is not regarded as desirable that the overcrowding should be remedied by adding to the size of the West House ; and it would be difficult to do this, even if it were desirable. The accommodation for patients is as large as it can be made, without throwing it out of proportion to the other parts of the buildings. The only course, therefore, which seems open to the Managers of the Asylum, is to take steps to restrict the number of patients to what the establishment can properly accommodate. Nothing very effective, however, can be done in this direction as long as the Asylum is held liable to receive all the pauper lunatics belonging to the Urban District of Edinburgh. It will be necessary to determine what number of such patients the institution ought in future to engage to provide for; but the Managers are at present in as good a position to determine this question as they will probably ever be. It may not be easy, in the interests of the public, to determine how much of the Asylum should be reserved for the accommodation of paupers ; but it would probably be injudicious to undertake to accommodate more than 400 or 450 , as has been previously suggested.

At present, it is true, the number of such patients resident in the Asylum is 569. But it must be borne in mind, that these patients are only accommodated by subjecting them to a very undesirable degree of crowding, and that they could not have been accommodated even in that way if most of the private patients of the poorer class, whom it was wished to place in the Asylum, had not been refused admission during the last few years.

As soon as the Managers have fixed the number of pauper lunatics they will be prepared in the future to receive, intimation of their resolution should be given to the District Board of Lunacy, and to the General Board, so that no time may be lost in making adequate provision for the wants of the District.

JOHN SIBBALD, Commissioner in Lunary.

Royal Edinburgh Asylum, 16, 17, and 18 February, 1882.
The number and character of the present population of the Asylum are shown in the following statement :-

> Private Patients. Pauper Patients. Totals.

| I. Certificated Patients_ M. | F. | M. | F. |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Resident................144 | 119 | 266 | 283 | 812 |  |
| Absent on Probation... | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| On the Register........147 | 122 | 266 | 283 | 818 |  |
| II. Voluntary Inmates...... | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |

The movement of the population since the date of last visit is shown in the statement which follows:Private Patients. Pauper Patients. Totals.

| I. Certificated Patients- | M. | F. | M. | F. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Admitted | 11 | 10 | 35 | 36 | 102 |
| Discharged | 6 | 8 | 37 | 49 | 100 |
| Dead | 5 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 17 |

No change occurred among the Voluntary inmates.
Seven of the deaths were caused by general paralysis, eight by brain disease, with heart disease or other complications, one by phthisis, and one by carbuncle and pyæmia. In the cases of all the patients who died except one a post mortem examination was made.

There are 215 entries in the Register of Restraint and Seclusion referring to the restraint of 2 persons and the seclusion of 27 . The number of patients who have escaped since last visit, and have been absent for at least one night, before being brought back, is 5 . Four accidents are recorded, some of them being more or less serious, but in all of them recovery followed. The number of attendants who have left the service of the establishment is 19 , and of these 1 was dismissed for drunkenness, 1 for roughly treating a patient, and one for insubordination.

Much importance is attached to the industrial occupation of the inmates, and a gratifying success has attended Dr Clouston's efforts to employ the patients in ways which are good for them, and good also for the institution. No less than 74 per cent of
the pauper patients are regularly engaged in useful work; but it is observed, that while only 5 of the men are unemployed in consequence of their mental condition, there are 47 women in that position. Probably this difference will be somewhat reduced now that the new laundry is in full operation. It is scarcely possible to over-estimate the value of work as a means of treatment, and in no Asylum of the country is this more fully and judiciously recognised.

The new female infirmary arrangements for 32 patients are nearly complete, and they are of a highly satisfactory character. It is not believed that any Asylum in the kingdom possesses hospital arrangements for both sexes which are so good as those now possessed by this Asylum ; and the result is a full reward for the trouble, thought, and money, which they have cost. In the new section of the Infirmary-that for females-it is proposed to place a staff of 1 head nurse and 3 ordinary nurses; but it is also proposed that all female attendants entering the service of the Asylum shall pass through a short period of training under the hospital nurse, occupation for them being found both in the hospital itself, and in the wards more or less directly connected with it, which will be created by some of the changes about to be made on the female side of the main block of the West House. These changes are to be commenced immediately, and they appear to be of a very judicious character, and likely to increase the efficiency of the medical treatment of the patients. The present female infirmary is to be converted into accommodation for convalescents ; and No. 7 female ward is to accommodate 35 of the patients engaged in the laundry, and is also to accommodate a small number of patients who are regarded as under constant medical treatment in consequence solely of their mental state, and who will be under the care of the hospital nurse and her assistants. In this way the hospital arrangements are rendered complete-all classes of patients who require special nursing being brought together. The structural alterations which these arrangements will involve are simple in their character, and will everywhere add to the brightness and comfort of the wards. When the work now in progress or in contemplation is completed, it will afford
thoroughly improved and satisfactory accommodation on the female side of the West House for about 100 patients. The most important part of the improvements so much needed in this section of the Asylum is thus to be first done, that, namely, which gives accommodation to special invalids, convalescents, and workers. The rest of the work connected with the improvement of this part of the Asylum buildings will be taken up next year, and will, it is hoped, be finished in 1884.

No special reference is made in this entry to the relations of the Asylum to the District, because it is known that the Directors are giving this matter a very careful consideration, and that they are actuated by a desire to make the institution serve the interests of the public in the best and fullest way possible. It has already been resolved to raise the rate of board for pauper patients to $£ 30$, to reduce the lowest rate charged for private patients to the same sum, and to restrict the number of pauper patients received into the establishment to 400 . It can scarcely be doubted that these are steps taken in a right direction, and that they are calculated to increase the usefulness of the Asylum. Some doubts as to the relation of the institution to the urban parishes have to be removed before arrangements can be made for the accommodation of the number of pauper lunatics chargeable to the parishes of the District in excess of the 400 to be provided for in this Asylum ; but it is hoped that ere long these doubts will be cleared up, and that there will then be no delay in doing what is necessary. It falls to the District Board under the Statutes to secure an ample provision for the pauper lunatics of the District, and it therefore appears to rest with that Board to inquire into the value of the doubts and difficulties referred to, and to take such action generally as shall result in obtaining adequate accommodation for the pauper lunatics of the District.

There are 279 private patients at present in the Asylum. This is, no doubt, a large number, but it could be very considerably increased, if it were possible to receive all private patients who apply for admission. It is a matter of regret that it should be necessary to refuse admission to such patients for no other reason than that the Asylum is so largely discharging its secon-
dary function as a District Asylum. It is a matter of special regret, when it becomes necessary to refuse admission to private patients who are only able to pay low rates of board, who have a difficulty in finding accommodation in Public Asylums, and who ought not to be in Private Asylums. Such persons constitute by far the most unfortunate class of the insane ; and it is an important service rendered to the public of Scotland as a whole, when the Directors of the Royal Asylums, recognising the charitable and higher function of the institutions which they control, do all in their power to prevent the exclusion of any poor private patient. It has often been recorded with much satisfaction that the Directors of this Asylum act on these views to a large extent, and in a most liberal and charitable manner.

The state of the wards and the condition of the patients were highly satisfactory. The merit of this, of course, falls chiefly on the able and energetic Superintendent, whose devotion to the duties of his position is so well known ; but it seems desirable here to refer also with commendation to the manner in which Dr Clouston's efforts to administer efficiently this great institution, and treat successfully the large number of patients in it, are seconded by the subordinate officers, both medical and nonmedical.

The Books and Registers were, as usual, found in excellent order. They are most accurately and carefully kept.

ARTHUR MITCHELL, Commissioner in Lunacy.

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## OF THE <br> TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS <br> FOR THE YEAR 1881.

> CHARGE.
I. Arrears of Board given up in last Account . . £139 73

Less written off . . . . . . $2414 \quad 6$
II. Patients Boards, per Board-books-

Quarter ending 31st March 1881


Add-Received from St Cuthbert's Parish amount recovered by them from other Parishes liable for
a higher rate of Board as formerly $£ 416 \quad 2$
Received from City Parish do. . 2611
$-\frac{7 \quad 31}{£ 38,321} 1410$
Deduct-Sum paid to Charity Committee in terms of Minute of Managers of 24 th February 1881 . . . $£ 8716 \quad 2$
Do. Repaid for Patients last year. $32 \quad 8 \quad 10$
$\begin{array}{lll}120 & 5 & 0\end{array}$
III. Accounts due by Patients for Clothes and extraordinary furnishings of various kinds supplied through the House Superintendent and Matron at the expense of the Institution, and charged against the recipients-



## ABSTRACT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE For the Year ending 31st December 1881.



TABULAR VIEW of the Cost per Head per Annum of the undernoted items allocated upon Patients, of whom 121 represent the Daily Average of the East House, and 712 the Daily Average of the West House.

|  |  | East House | West House |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I. Provisions (including share of Attendants' Provisions, |  |  |  |
| II. Clothing, Bedding, Napery, \&c. |  | 1110 | 213 |
| III. Fuel |  | 2141 | 13 |
| IV. Lighting |  | 111 | 09 |
| V. Water and Washing materials |  | 214 | 012 |
| VI. Medicines and Surgical Apparatus |  | 014 | 06 |
| VII. Books, Stationery, \&c. |  | 018 | 04 |
| VIII. Tobacco and Snuff |  | 03 | $0 \quad 510$ |
| IX. Furnishings and Repairs |  | 6107 | 24 |
| X. Garden and Grounds |  | 1118 | 0711 |
| XI. Public and Parochial Burdens |  | 163 | 04 |
| XII. Interest on Debt |  | $311 \quad 2$ | 22 |
| XIII. Feu-Duties and Stipend |  | 412 | 012 |
| XIV. Insurance Premiums . |  | 04 | 01 |
| XV. Salaries and Wages |  | 245 | 63 |
| XVI. Miscellaneous Payments |  | 5 | 7 |
| Total Cost of Maintenance of each Patient during the |  |  |  |

The average number of Patients, Officers, and Domestics during the Year ending 31st December 1880 was
Do. ending 31st December 1881 993

Decrease in 1881
The average Cost of Provisions per head during the Year ending 31st December 1880 was
£14 76
Do. ending 31st December 1881
Decrease in 1881

CONTRAST of Ordinary Income and Expenditure for the Year 1881 with the previous Year.

| 1880. | Income. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { f } & \text { s. } \\ 37,472 & 5 & \text { d }\end{array}$ | I. Boards | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { ¢ } & s . & \\ 38,201 \\ 9 . & 10\end{array}$ |
| 3,227 | II. Extra Accounts due by Patients | 3,223 $\quad 8 \quad 9$ |
|  | III. Produce and Sundries sold- |  |
| $285 \quad 6 \quad 9$ | 1. Price received for Pigs | 49585 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}48 & 2 & 9\end{array}$ | 2. Do. for Wheat, Oats, \&c. | 69100 |
| 160168 | 3. Do. for Sundries | 136113 |
| 21356 | IV. Rent of Craighouse Grass Parks | 20446 |
| 41,406 173 |  | $\begin{array}{lll} 42,330 & 12 & 9 \\ 41,406 & 17 & 3 \end{array}$ |
|  | Total Increase for 1881 | 92315 |



CONTRAST of Income and Expenditure-Continued.

| 1880. | Expenditure-Continued. |  | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ccc} £ & s . & d . \\ 10,964 & 9 & 7 \end{array}$ |  | forward | $\begin{array}{ccc} £ & \text { s. } & d . \\ 9,393 & 11 & 4 \end{array}$ |
| 10193 | Barley . . . | 163 cwt . | 88189 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}52 & 2 & 5\end{array}$ | Pease | 35 | 17189 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}479 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ | Eggs | 9,962 doz. | $52719 \quad 9$ |
| 25178 | Salt | 199 cwt. | $\begin{array}{lll}26 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ |
| $\begin{array}{llll}960 & 2 & 7\end{array}$ | Potatoes | 3,247⿺辶 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}513 & 2 & 9\end{array}$ |
| $25 \quad 30$ | Carrots | 140 | 22150 |
| $46613 \quad 9$ | Beer | 22,885 gals. | $454 \quad 6 \quad 0$ |
| 216166 | Porter | 76 barrels | 18700 |
| 11388 | Ale |  | $105 \quad 6 \quad 0$ |
| 99134 | Potash, Lemonade, \&c. . . 1,017 |  | $7619 \quad 9$ |
| 443130 |  |  | $448 \quad 20$ |
| 1581311 | Whisky Brandy | $2333^{3}$, | 180156 |
| 5518 |  | $38 \frac{3}{4}$, | 47196 |
| 11163 | Brandy Gin | 223 \%, | 15116 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}4 & 9 & 5\end{array}$ | Rum | - $112 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}$, | 71910 |
| $1210 \quad 0$ | Vinegar Sundries (being petty disbursemen |  | 1150 |
| $\begin{array}{lll}169 & 9 & 7\end{array}$ | Sundries (being petty disbursements by House Superintendent and Matron) |  | $16617 \quad 9$ |
| 14,361 $12 \quad 7$ |  |  | $13,913 \quad 16 \quad 7$ |
| 14110 | Wincey | 3,06712 yards | 125156 |
| 36169 | Flannel | 1,012 , | 57197 |
| 14014 | Cotton | 6,93712 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $136 \quad 8 \quad 4$ |
| $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 1 & 9\end{array}$ | Muslin | 588 ," | 141411 |
| $37 \quad 310$ | Shawls | $14 \frac{1}{2}$ dozen | 1546 |
| 53135 | Dowlas | 1,404 yards | 471911 |
| $28 \quad 46$ | Corduroy | 140 , | 9184 |
| $1513 \quad 2$ | Shirting | 2,285 | 59128 |
| 1551610 | Tweeds | 1,196 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$, | $165 \quad 010$ |
| $52 \quad 3 \quad 9$ | Worsted | 46 spl.' | 64129 |
| 54150 | Socks and Stockings | 36 dozen | $25 \quad 6 \quad 6$ |
| $101 \quad 0 \quad 1$ | Plaiding | $614 \frac{1}{2}$ yards | 581810 |
| 208150 | Blankets | 442 pair | 213154 |
| $154 \quad 9 \quad 4$ | Sheeting | 3,501 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards | $17715 \quad 2$ |
| $21 \quad 16$ | Quilts | 102 | $27 \quad 80$ |
| $47 \quad 29$ | Bed Tick | 1,243 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ yards | $\begin{array}{llll}51 & 5 & 1\end{array}$ |
| 461510 | Linen | 3,277 ${ }^{\text {, }}$, | $12416 \quad 5$ |
| 31.94 | Towelling | 1,4711 ${ }^{\text {, }}$, | 2718 |
| $49 \quad 5 \quad 3$ | Canvas | 15,68 ," | 41184 |
| 1166 | Table Damask |  | 1180 |
| 4500 | Bed Covers | 136 yards | $50 \quad 0 \quad 1$ |
|  | Toileting | $63_{\frac{1}{2}}$, | $6 \quad 70$ |
| $7 \quad 80$ | Toilet Covers | 26 dozen | 840 |
| 0110 | Tray Cloth |  |  |
| $413 \quad 9$ | Handkerchiefs and Table Napkins | $25 \frac{3}{4}$ dozen | 14170 |
| 1180 | Glass Cloths . . . | 4 ,, | 1160 |
| $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 9\end{array}$ | Glazed Lining |  |  |
| 4176 | Black Lasting | $32 \frac{1}{2}$ yards | 4176 |
| 158 | Chintz |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{lll}6 & 4 & 3\end{array}$ | Wool Scarfs |  |  |
| 1,375 198 |  | ry forward | $1,522 \quad 0 \quad 4$ |

CONTRAST of Income and Expenditure-Continued.

| 1880. | Expenditure-Continued. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{x} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 1,375 & 19 & 8 \end{array}$ | Brought forward | $\begin{array}{ccc} £ & s . & d . \\ 1,522 & 0 & 4 \end{array}$ |
| 8120 | Stays . . . . $15 \frac{3}{4}$ dozen | $\begin{array}{llll}17 & 2 & 8\end{array}$ |
| 10139 | Ribbons . . . . 14 pieces | 919 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ | Lace . . . . . 3 , | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ |
| 0136 | Frilling . . . . 3 ,, | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ |
| 1170 | Straw Bonnets . . . 1 dozen | 0186 |
| 7130 | Hats . . . . . 12 | 7130 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}152 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | Boots, Shoes, and Slippers . . 850 pair | $\begin{array}{llll}196 & 5 & 8\end{array}$ |
| 1221710 | Leather for Shoes and Sundries . 1,486 lbs. | 1251010 |
| 78146 | Hair and Feathers . . . ... .. | 5240 |
|  | Waterproof Sheeting . . 96 yards | $18 \quad 00$ |
| $8517 \quad 0$ | Cost of Making . . 54 suits | 28106 |
| $\begin{array}{lll} 145 \quad 17 & 5 \end{array}$ | Thread, Buttons, Needles, Trimming, \&c. ... ... | 10111 |
| 2,090 $13 \quad 6$ |  | 2,091 51 |
| $1,064 \quad 9 \quad 0$ | Coal . . . . . 2,421 tons | $1,151 \quad 9 \quad 6$ |
| $\begin{array}{rrr} 545 & 3 & 8 \\ 4 & 17 & 4 \end{array}$ | Gas $\quad . \quad . \quad 2,867,800$ feet Candles $9 \frac{1}{2}$ stone | $\begin{array}{rrrr}533 & 10 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ |
| 550110 |  | 536158 |
|  | V. Washing Materials. |  |
| 221140 | Water . . . . 18,566,000 gals | 189 8 0 |
| 295119 | Soap . . . $252 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. | $\begin{array}{llll}276 & 210\end{array}$ |
| $26 \quad 50$ | Soda . . . . 98 ${ }_{4}^{\frac{1}{4} \text {, }}$ | 18181 |
| $24 \quad 3 \quad 2$ | Starch . . $9_{4}^{\frac{3}{4}}$ ", | 2012 |
|  | A. \& J. M‘Nab for Washing during alterations on Laundry | $262 \quad 17 \quad 0$ |
| 5671311 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}767 & 7\end{array}$ |
| $26010 \quad 2$ | Drugs . | $304 \quad 0 \quad 2$ |
| $1110 \quad 2$ | Surgical Instruments | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 2100 | Medical Fees | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 0\end{array}$ |
| $293 \quad 0 \quad 4$ |  | $310 \quad 7$ |
| $\begin{array}{llll}50 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | Books | $5012 \quad 4$ |
| $\begin{array}{lll}93 & 5 & 1\end{array}$ | Stationery | $100 \quad 610$ |
| $14 \quad 4 \quad 4$ | Bookbinding | 6143 |
| $12419 \quad 6$ | Newspapers, Periodicals, and Amusements | 112610 |
| $28214 \quad 2$ |  | $270 \quad 0 \quad 3$ |
| $175 \quad 9 \quad 0$ | Vili. Tobacco and Snetfe. | $22612 \quad 3$ |

CONTRAST of Income and Expexditure-Continued.

| 1880. | Expenditure-Continued. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{E} & \text { s. } & d \\ \hline 68 & 18 \end{array}$ | IX. Furnishings for House and Repairs. | $\begin{array}{cccc}  \pm & s . & d . \\ 249 & 1 & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 268 <br> 434 <br> 16 | Ironmongery . . . | $\begin{array}{rrr}249 & 1 & 2 \\ 17 & 3 & 9\end{array}$ |
| $407 \quad 4 \quad 8$ | Crockery | $\begin{array}{llll}286 & 5 & 2\end{array}$ |
| 280 | Carpets, Matting, \&c. | 158114 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}93 & 17 & 4\end{array}$ | Brushes and Door Mats | 8187 |
| 72127 | Cutlery, Combs, \&c. | $\begin{array}{llll}115 & 9 & 4\end{array}$ |
| 71170 | Glass | 2001910 |
| $116 \quad 67$ | Oils and Varnish | 121143 |
| 37130 | Corks | 3400 |
| 1031911 | Metal Castings | 311510 |
| 11517 | Wood for Repairs | 101711 |
| $31418 \quad 4$ | Painter Work | $21010 \quad 5$ |
| $\begin{array}{llll}95 & 4 & 4\end{array}$ | Plumber do. | 55150 |
| $92 \quad 7 \quad 2$ | Tinplate, Wire, \&c. | 6240 |
| $20 \quad 310$ | Rope and Twine | 2210 |
| 45132 | Tiles, Bricks, and Lime | $29 \quad 6 \quad 9$ |
| $\begin{array}{llll}45 & 7 & 1\end{array}$ | Baskets, Barrels, \&c. | $\begin{array}{llll}33 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ |
|  | Types . | 5150 |
| 47111 | Indiarubber Goods | $22 \quad 410$ |
|  | Telephones and Electric Bells | $13217 \quad 2$ |
| 10640 | Musical Instruments . |  |
| 31410 | Paving and Road Metal |  |
| $18 \quad 96$ | Venetian Blinds . | 20160 |
| 21150 | Wheelbarrows |  |
| $16 \quad 6 \quad 2$ | Lawn Mower |  |
| $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | Repairing Fire Apparatus |  |
| $44118 \quad 5$ | Sundries disbursed by House Superintendent | $389 \quad 9 \quad 4$ |
| $3,301 \quad 9 \quad 3$ |  | 2,382 22 |
| 303141 | Plants, Seeds, \&c. | 200811 |
| $48 \quad 40$ | Manure . | $26 \quad 6 \quad 9$ |
| $1011 \quad 0$ | Pigs' Meat . |  |
| $22817 \quad 7$ | Garden Implements, and Repairs to Do. | $249 \quad 3 \quad 4$ |
| $591 \quad 6 \quad 8$ |  | $475 \quad 19 \quad 0$ |
| 18195 | County Rates | $\begin{array}{llll}22 & 9 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 47101 | Property Tax | $5812 \quad 2$ |
| $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 4 & 4\end{array}$ | Land Tax | 044 |
| $27 \quad 0$ | House Duty | 29126 |
| 51.50 | Burgh Rates | 53150 |
| 121311 | Poor and School Rates | 11750 |
| 2500 | Road Assessment . | $28 \quad 26$ |
| 250 | Assessed Taxes | 250 |
| 250 | Statute Labour Assessment | 250 |
| $18 \quad 50$ | Public Water Rate |  |
| $31317 \quad 9$ |  | $31411 \quad 1$ |
| 1,997 611 | XII. Interest on Debt. | $\begin{array}{lll}1,931 & 10 & 9\end{array}$ |

CONTRAST of Income and Expenditure-Continued.

| 1850. | Expenditure-Continued. | 1881. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{f} & s . & d . \\ 956 & 14 & 2 \\ 40 & 10 & 9 \end{array}$ | XIII. Feu Duties and Stipend. <br> Feu Duties Stipend <br> XIV. Insurance. <br> XV. Salaries and Wages. | $\begin{array}{rrr} £ & s . & d . \\ 969 & 4 & 3 \\ 31 & 19 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| $997 \quad 411$ |  | 1,001 3 3 3 |
| $3517 \quad 9$ |  | 60127 |
|  |  |  |
| 1,000 00 | Physician-Superintendent | 1,000 0 |
| 320 0 0 | Three Assistant Physicians . | $32012 \quad 1$ |
| 13000 | Chaplain . . | $16710 \quad 0$ |
| 200 0 u | House Superintendent | 200 0 0 |
| 10210 | Gardener | 10500 |
| 140 | Storekeeper . | 140 |
| 500 | Treasurer and Clerk | 500 0 0 |
| 50 | Auditor . | 50 |
| 10000 | Matron of East House | 10000 |
| 80 | Do. West House | 80 |
| 5500 | Do. Craig House | $60 \quad 0$ |
| 4,469 18 0 | Attendants' Wages . | 4,590 $10 \quad 0$ |
| 7,14788 | XVI. Miscellaneous. | 7,313 $12 \quad 1$ |
|  | Advertising | $14 \quad 1 \begin{array}{lll}14 & \end{array}$ |
| 561611 | Cab Hires . | 69154 |
| $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 16 & 4\end{array}$ | Freight of Tea | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 7 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 147136 | Law Expenses | 15096 |
| $10416 \quad 9$ | Postages, Porters, Telegrams, Bank Exchanges, \&c. | 10172 |
| $54{ }^{5} 41$ | Rewards to Patients, Attendants, \&c. | $4811 \quad 2$ |
| 44116 | Sundries . . . | $24 \quad 9 \quad 9$ |
| $120 \quad 0 \quad 9$ | Expenses connected with opposition to Suburban Railway Bill | $2413 \quad 4$ |
| $55314 \quad 6$ | XVII. Accounts Paid and Moneys Advanced on behalf of individual Patients, against whom same are charged | $438 \quad 15 \quad 3$ |
| 2,672 $12 \quad 5$ |  | 2,568 $15 \quad 7$ |

CONTRAST of Total Provisions, de., supplied from Store for the Year 1881 with the previous year.

| 1880. | Provisions, \&c. |  | 1881. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 124,609 lbs. | Butcher Meat |  | 120,946 lbs. |  | 3,663 lbs. |
| 12,594 , | Australian Meat |  | 11,526 , |  | 1,068 , |
| 22,397 | Oxheads |  | 23,320 ," | 923 lbs . |  |
| 4,135 ', | Ham |  | 4,360 ," | 225 |  |
| 1,445 doz. | Biscuits |  | 1,612 doz. | 167 doz. |  |
| 77,985 " | Loaves . |  | 74,646 loaves |  | 3,339 loaves |
| 80,726 | Rolls |  | 78,456 rolls |  | 2,270 rolls |
| $43,522 \mathrm{lbs}$. | Oatmeal |  | 51,222 lbs. | 7,700 lbs. |  |
| 10,256 , | Flour |  | 11,103 ,, | 847 , |  |
| 18,871 ,, | Barley |  | 19,466 , | 595 ,, |  |
| 11,326 ," | Pease |  | 11,946 ", | 620 , |  |
| 5,267 ," | Whole Rice |  | 5,241 ", |  | 26 lbs. |
| 4,336 ," | Tea |  | 4,401 , | 65 lbs . |  |
| 3,950 , | Coffee |  | 3,690 ", |  | 260 lbs. |
| 31,508 " | Raw Sugar |  | 31,121 ", |  | 387 |
| 4,186 ", | Loaf Sugar |  | 5,025 ", | 839 lbs. |  |
| 1,075 " | Fresh Butter |  | 1,088 ", | 13 |  |
| 17,543 , ${ }^{\text {10, }}$ | Salt Butter |  | 17,266 , , |  | 277 lbs. |
| 19,569 gals. | Sweet Milk |  | 20,563 gals. | 994 gals. |  |
| 10,201 ', | Skimmed Milk | . | 12,202 ,' | 2,001 ," |  |
| 16,969 lbs. | Cheese |  | 16,248 lbs. |  | 721 lbs . |
| 9,796 doz. | Eggs |  | 10,195 doz. | 399 doz. |  |
| 20,384 lbs. | Salt |  | 22,476 lbs. | 2,092 lbs. |  |
| 1,798 ,, | Currants |  | 1,580 ,, |  | 218 lbs. |
| 996 ,, | Starch |  | 1,104 " | 108 lbs . |  |
| 14,324 ," | Soda |  | 8,414 ,, |  | 5,910 lbs . |
| 25,535 , | Soap |  | 28,610 , | 3,075 lbs. |  |
| 23,937 gals. | Beer |  | 22, 194 gals. |  | 1,743 galls. |
| 751 bolls | Potatoes |  | 890 bolls | 139 bolls |  |

CONTRAST of Value of Stock on hand in Store at 31st December 1881 with the previous Year.

| 1880. |  | 1881. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ccc} £ & \text { s. } \\ 928 & 0 & 2 \end{array}$ | ProrisionsGroceries and Stimulants (including Baker's Stock) | $\begin{array}{lcc} £ & s . & d . \\ 062 & 7 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{£} & s . & d . \\ 34 & 7 & 0 \end{array}$ | £ s. $d$. |
| 5331710 | House Furnishings . | 533127 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ |
| 25688 | Male Clothing | 19940 |  | $57 \quad 4 \quad 3$ |
| $170 \quad 7 \quad 6$ | Female do. | $209 \quad 0 \quad 8$ | $3813 \quad 2$ | ... |
| $24710 \quad 3$ | Ironmongery | 276123 | $29 \quad 20$ |  |
| 15000 | Pigs, as per valuation | 18000 | $30 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |  |
| $120 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | Wheat, Oats, and Hay | $100 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |  | $20 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |
| $2,406 \quad 4 \quad 0$ | Total for 1881 Total for 1880 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}2,460 & 16 & 8 \\ 2,406 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 132 & 2 & 2 \\ 77 & 9 & 6 \end{array}$ | $77 \quad 9 \quad$; |
|  | Increase | $5412 \quad 8$ | $5412 \quad 8$ |  |

STATE of DEBT due by the Royal Edinburgh Asydum for the Lisane, as at 31st December 1881.

## I. Debt under Speclal Statute 1851.

Colonel Henry Yule's Marriage Contract Trustecs.

| $£ 3,700$ | 0 | 0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2,000 | 0 | 0 |
| $£ 5,700$ | 0 | 0 |

II. Debt on Security of the Asylum Property, borrowed under powers conferred by Lunacy (Scotland) Аct 1866.

| Charity Committee | £2,400 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Do. | $6,450 \times 0$ |
| Do. | 40000 |
| Trinity House of Leith Trustees | 1,500 00 |
| Mr and Mrs Syms' Marriage Contract Trustees | 75000 |
| Mr and Mrs Shepherds' Marriage Contract Trustees | 750 |
| Charles E. Robertson, Esq. | 1,100 |
| Mrs William Carstairs | 500 |
| Miss E. R. Carmichael's Executors | 600 |
| Miss C. A. Cadell's Trustees | 700 |
| James G. Bell's Curator Bonis | 500 |
| Dr James Andrew's Trustees | 1,400 |
| Surgeons' Widows' Fund Trustees of Edinburgh | 2,000 |
| Do. Do. Do. Do. | 2,000 |
| Misses Yule | 1,000 |
| Misses Chambers' Curator | 1,000 |
| General David Simpson | 1,000 |
| Sir George Udny Yule, C.B. | 1,000 |
| Colonel R. A. Yule's Trustees | 2,000 00 |
| Mrs L. Barry's Trustees | 1,000 |
| Andrew Snody's Trustees | $1,000 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |
|  | £29,050 |

Trinity House of Leith Trustees-Craig House $£ 2,000 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Miss C. Pringle's Trustees Do. 2,550 0 0
Francis C. Seton's Trustees
Dr James Andrew's Trustees
Do. $\quad 1,900 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Captain Robert Thomson
Wm. John Scott's Trustees

|  | Do. | 1,900 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Do. | 1,350 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 700 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  | Do. | 2,500 | 0 | 0 |
|  | Do. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11,000 | 0 |  | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Add Balance on the foregoing Account

| 40,050 | 0 | 0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $£ 45,750$ | 0 | 0 |
| 1,094 | 11 | 6 |
| 46,844 | 11 | 6 |

## ABSTRACT of the ACCOUNTS of the Royal Edinburgil Asylum for the Insane, separating the Capital from the Revenue, and showing the operation of the Sinking Fund under the Statute, from 31st December 1880 to 31st December 1881.

## REVENUE ACCOUNT. <br> Charge.



## Discharge.

Ordinary Disbursements during 1881 (exclusive of In-
terest) . . . . . . £33,823 46

Instalment to Sinking Fund . . . . 1,810000
Interest on Debt borrowed under powers conferred by
Lunacy (Scotland) Act 1866 . . . 1,673 $15 \quad 2$
Arrears at 31st December 1881 . . . 18385
Do. wiped off since 31st December 1880 . $2414 \quad 6$

Balance due to Revenue at 31st December $1881 \quad £ 39,151 \quad 3 \quad 4 \frac{1}{2}$

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.
Charge.
Loans received on security of Asylum Property during 1881 . $\begin{array}{llll} & £ 5,950 & 0 & 0\end{array}$

Sums received on account of Capital $\quad$ Do. | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 44,955 | 0 | 0 |

Discharge.
Balance due by Capital at 31st December 1880 . $£ 39,50344 \frac{1}{2}$
Sums expended on new Buildings (including purchase
of subjects in Maxwell Street) during 1881 . 7,086 $\quad 7 \quad 4$
$46,589 \quad 11 \quad 8 \frac{1}{2}$
£41,634 $11 \quad 8 \frac{1}{2}$

## SINKING FUND ACCOUNT. <br> Charge.

Balance due to Sinking Fund at 31st December 1880

| $£ 1,461$ | 12 | 5 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1,810 | 0 | 0 |
| $£, 3,271$ | 12 | 5 |
| $£ 3,271$ | 12 | 5 |

$$
\text { Brought forward, . } £ 3,271 \quad 12 \quad 5
$$

## Discharge.



Note. - In regard to the above Balance apparently due to the Sinking Fund, it is necessary to explain, that the annual instalments of $£ 1,810$ were fixed on the assumption that the rate of interest would be $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent., while in reality 4 per cent. has mostly been the rate paid during the subsistence of the Fund; the result being, that no balance of instalments is due to the Fund at 31st December 1881.

## CONDENSED VIEW OF FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

| Balance due by Capital |  | $£ 41,63411 \quad 8 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at credit of Sinking Fund. | £1,388 1610 |  |
| Do. Do. of Revenue | $39,151 \quad 3 \quad 4 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
|  |  | $40,540 \quad 0 \quad 2 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Balance at 31st December 1881, as | oing Account, | £1,094 116 |

## ABSTRACT

OF THE

## TREASURER'S INTROMISSIONS

WITH THE

## Funds of the charity committee

FOR THE YEAR 1881.

## CHARGE.

I. Balance of last Account, rendered 31st December 1880, ..... £149 $18 \quad 1$
 surer's hands), less tax
III. Donations received from the following -

Royal Edinburgh Asylum Managers . . £87 $16 \quad 2$
Mrs Nichol
Mrs Barrett
$\begin{array}{lll}11 & 5 & 0\end{array}$
Mrs Seton . . . . 0
Sir John Don Wauchope, Bart. . . . 100
Amount of the Charge. . . $£ 64818 \quad 9$

DISCHARGE.

1. Sum paid to Royal Edinburgh Asylum for the Insane to supplement

Patients' Boards during the year
£396 $11 \quad 0$
II. Balance due by Treasurer at 3lst December 1881
$252 \quad 7 \quad 9$
Amount of the Discharge
£648 $18 \quad 9$

## STATE OF FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER 1881.

I. Amount held in Loan by Managers of Asylum

| $£ 9,250$ | 0 | 0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 252 | 7 | 9 |
| $£ 9,502$ | 7 | 9 |

## STATEMENT OF WORK

DONE AT

## THE ROYAL EDINBURGH ASYLUM

During the Year ending 81st December 1881.

The Work is estimated by charging Journeymen's Wages only.

## I. TAllors.

| Making | 5 jackets, at 3s. 6d., |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ,' | 11 vests, at ls. 6d., | 01 |  |
| ,' | 13 pairs cord trousers, at 1s. 6 d. , | 01 |  |
| , | 299 flannels, at 1s., | 14 |  |
| " | 353 pairs drawers, at 1s., | 17 |  |
| " | 290 bomets, at 5 d., |  |  |
| ,' | 249 stocks at 5d., |  | 3 |
|  | 1 tweed suit, | 01 |  |
|  | 3 bed quilts, at 3s. 6d., | 01 |  |
| Repair | (including carpets making), | 1161 |  |

## II. SHOEMAKERS.

Making 160 pairs men's boots, at 5s. 6 d ., . . $£ 4400$
,, 155 ,, women's shoes, at 3 s ., . . $23 \quad 50$
,, 22 ,, locked boots, at 3s. 6d., . 3170
,, 150 ,, braces at 4d., . . . 210 0
,, 24 key belts, at 3d., . . . . 060
Repairing men and women's boots and shoes, . $\quad 78 \quad 5 \quad 4$

## III. ENfiLNEERS AND BLACKSMITHS.

Amount of engineer and blacksmith work for IV estern Depart-
ment, . . . . . . . . £184 78

Do. do. for Eastern Department, . $37 \quad 7 \quad 7$
Do. do. for workshops and garden, . $31 \quad 15 \quad 2$
Do. do. for miscellaneons buildings, . $610 \quad 3$

## IV. UPHOLSTERERS.

Making new hair matresses and feather pillows, straw palliasses, covering chairs, canvas frames, strapping, \&c.; also remaking, altering, stuffing, twilting, and repairing old ditto for Western Department, . ". . . £105 12 0
Do. do. for Eastern Department, . . $\begin{array}{lll}34 & 7 & 6\end{array}$
$139 \quad 19 \quad 6$

## V. PRINTERS.

Receipt book for wages, contracts for provisions, butcher meat, milk, \&c.; inventories, attendants' pass cards, night attendants' returns, laundry lists, daily record, cards and bills for concerts, warrants, annual report, etc.,
VI. PLUMBERS, GASFITTERS, AND TINSMITHS.

Plumber, gasfitter, and tinsmith work for Western Department, $£ 123113$
Do. do. for Eastern Department, . . . $71 \quad 8 \quad 7$
Tin goods made for store, . . . . . $13-5$

## VII. CARPENTERS.

Making and fitting up tables, dining and drawing-room chairs, wardrobes, presses with shelving; \&c., boxes, wash-hand stands, mantelpieces, glass doors, pailings, shelving, laying new flooring, linings, fitting up theatre, \&c.; also cleaning, altering, and repairing furniture, \&c., in Western Department, . . . . . . . . £177 18
Do. do. for workshops and garden implements, $\begin{array}{llll}18 & 2 & 0\end{array}$
Do. do. for Easteru Department, . . . . 8120
Do. do. for miscellaneous buildings, . . 181610
Amount for Coffins, . . . . . . 3
VIII. MASONS, GLAZIERS, PLASTERERS, AND SLATERS.

Mason, glazier, plasterer, and slater work in Western Department, . . . . . . . . £68 0 1
Do. do. in Eastern Department, . . $20 \quad 1 \quad 0$
Do. do. in misccllaneous buildings, . $\begin{array}{lll}10 & 0 & 0\end{array}$

| $98 \quad 1 \quad 0$ |
| ---: |
| $1442 \quad 8 \quad 8$ |

Articles Made by Females in Western Department.


## Articles Repaired by Females in Western Department.



Carry forward, f89 13 1


Mrs MACDOUGAL Matron.

## Articles Made by Females in Eastern Department.

12 Night gowns.
18 Chemises.
10 Pairs drawers.
20 Coloured petticoats.
20 Flannel do.
16 Flannel underdresses.
14 Pairs worsted stockings.

6 Pairs cotton stockings. 150 Aprons.

2 Pairs slippers sewed.
2 Pairs do. embroid.
20 Worsted work.
14 Knitting.
18 Trimming sewed.

8 Knitted shawls.
90 Quilts.
200 Dusters.
45 Table cloths.
50 Table napkins. 250 Sundries.

Articles Repaired by Females in Eastern Department.

60 Gowns.
20 Shawls.
100 Night gowns.
40 Night caps.
108 Chemises.
60 Pairs drawers.
80 Coloured petticoats.
50 Flannel do.
200 Flannel underdresses.

2090 Pairs worsted stockgs
100 Pairs cotton do. 110 Aprons.
14 Pocket handkerchiefs
60 Slip bodices.
12 Pairs stays.
24 Habit shirts. 286 Shirts.

80 Quilts.
130 Pillow slips.
90 Towels.
12 Sofa covers.
20 Chair do. 60 Toilet do. 60 Table cloths. 80 Table napkins.
C. F. BROWN, Matron.


[^0]:    " Numbers for Eighteen Years.

    + Since Opening of Asylum.
    $\dagger$ Since Opening of Asylum.
    $\ddagger$ Including 1 Not Insane.

[^1]:    Ascertained in 58 cases by Post-mortem examination.
    Including 1 Not Insane.

