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LUNATIC ASYLUM

AND

ORPHAN ASYLUM

1908-1909.

LUNATIC ASYLUM RETURN, for the year 1908-1909.

Question I. (Statistical).
GENERAL STATISTICAL TABLE.

	Remaining on 31st March 1908	Number Admitted during above period	Daily Average Number during above period	Number of Attendants				Discharges				Number of Patients who died in above period	Average Stay of those			
				Resident		Non-Resident		Cured	Relieved	Not improved	Not objects for the Asylum		Dead in above period	Discharged in above period	Remaining on 31st March 1909	Remaining on 31st March 1909
				Employed in Attendance on the Patients	Employed as Servants or only partially as Attendants	Employed in Attendance on the Patients	Employed as Servants or only partially as Attendants									
Male...	421	80	420	27	6	4	9	26	6	12	10	26	3557	279	4342	421
Female	301	37	296	25*	3†	1	4	12	5	7	2	19	2845	519	4291	293
Totals	722	117	716	52	9	5	13	38	11	19	12	45	—	—	—	714

* Six are Sisters of Charity who perform duty only in the Female Division.

† One is a Sister of Charity in charge of the Wash-house.

OBITUARY TABLE.

Number of deceased on Register	Age of deceased	Sex of deceased	bodily condition when admitted	Form of Mental Disorder	Date of Admission	Cause of Death	State whether a Coroner's Inquest was held and what was the Verdict	State whether a Post Mortem Examination was held
4786	41	M.	Weak	Confusional Insanity	19. 1. 908	Cerebral Congestion		
2184	68	"	Good	Dementia	26. 8. 874	Enteritis		
2100	56	"	Do.	Do.	14. 2. 873	Cardiopathia		
3925	78	"	Weak	Do.	26. 5. 898	Do.		
4689	46	"	Do.	Alcoholism	20. 12. 906	Cerebral Congestion		
4129	19	"	Good	Idiotism	10. 8. 900	Tubercular Phthisis		
4784	35	"	Weak	Gen. Paral. of the Insane	16. 1. 908	Gen. Paralysis of the Insane		
2053	67	"	Good	Mania	1. 4. 872	Enteritis		
4809	56	"	Weak	Senile Insanity	8. 5. 908	Cardiopathia		
4802	29	"	Sick	Unclassified	29. 3. 908	Cerebral Syphilis		
4833	49	"	Weak	Alcoholism	14. 7. 908	Enteritis		
4798	56	"	Do.	Epileptic Insanity	24. 3. 908	Cerebral Congestion		
4598	57	"	Good	Imbecility	15. 2. 906	Do.		
4854	32	"	Sick	Unclassified	27. 9. 908	Maniacal Exhaustion		
2735	53	"	Good	Mania	8. 2. 883	Enteritis		
2897	55	"	Do.	Delusional Mania	28. 2. 885	Cardiopathia		
3454	54	"	Do.	Lypomania	20. 6. 892	Do.		
4851	70	"	Weak	Senile Dementia	26. 9. 908	Do.		
1967	73	"	Good	Dementia	11. 8. 870	Apoplexy		
4830	54	"	Do.	Mania	2. 7. 908	Enteritis		
4539	49	"	Weak	Chronic Mania	30. 3. 905	Cerebral Congestion	No	No
4787	53	"	Do.	Alcoholism	22. 1. 908	Do.		
3097	45	"	Good	Imbecility	11. 6. 895	Perforating ulcer of Stomach		
4870	25	"	Sick	Unclassified	3. 3. 909	Bulbar Paralysis		
4879	54	"	Do.	Do.	15. 3. 909	Broncho-Pneumonia		
4414	24	"	Weak	Imbecility	30. 3. 904	Inflammation of the Brain		
2269	73	F.	Good	Mania	21. 1. 885	Cardiopathia		
3483	77	"	Do.	Senile Dementia	24. 7. 907	Do.		
2924	69	"	Do.	Delusional Mania	25. 6. 897	Do.		
3505	47	"	Do.	Manic. Depres. Insanity	30. 1. 908	Enteritis		
3325	58	"	Weak	Dementia	21. 12. 904	Cardiopathia		
3128	43	"	Good	Mania	14. 9. 900	Apoplexy		
1741	70	"	Weak	Epileptic Delirium	1. 5. 875	Epilepsy		
3514	70	"	Do.	Melancholia	28. 3. 908	Cardiopathia		
3402	55	"	Sick	Alcoholism	28. 3. 906	Cerebral Congestion		
2331	66	"	Good	Delusional Mania	18. 2. 886	Apoplexy		
3417	18	"	Weak	Unclassified	6. 6. 906	Tubercular Phthisis		
3431	33	"	Do.	Do.	11. 8. 906	Do.		
3320	44	"	Do.	Persecutional Mania	13. 10. 904	Do.		
2245	65	"	Good	Delusional Mania	12. 10. 884	Cerebral Congestion		
3542	25	"	Weak	Unclassified	6. 1. 909	Maniacal Exhaustion		
3451	52	"	Good	Manic. Depres. Insanity	7. 3. 907	Enteritis		
3521	62	"	Sick	Dementia	16. 6. 908	Cardiopathia		
3099	41	"	Good	Delusional Mania	14. 2. 900	Tubercular Phthisis		
3516	62	"	Weak	Unclassified	27. 1. 909	Enteritis		

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SPACE AND ACCOMMODATION TABLE.

Description of Rooms	Number of such Rooms	Gross cubic space of all such Rooms	Gross superficial area of all such Rooms*	Average amount of cubic space available for each inmate	Average temperature		Amount of Window Space
					Winter	Summer	
Infirmaries & Dormitories °	71	729,639	35,658	1,053			Square Feet 5,407
Day Rooms and Corridors used as Day Rooms	22	578,166	30,653	850	50°	67°	2,660
Single Rooms ...	36	57,647	3,573	1,601			302

* Including the Infirmaries and those forming part of a detached building on the grounds of the Asylum, designated the Agricultural Colony, where quiet patients chiefly belonging to the agricultural class are kept.

What is the source of the Water supply; the quality of the water; and the amount of water available for each patient every day ;

A natural spring, at a distance from the Asylum; the quality is good, and the quantity available for each patient every day is between 20 and 25 gallons for all services. Water for drinking is supplied under pressure from the aqueduct.

What is the No. of (I) Lavatories?
(II) Baths? †
(III) Latrines?

22. (Marble shelves with earthen basin).
22. (17 Carrara and five porcelain).
27. (21 in Wards, and 6 in the airing Courts), the former are built in projection and provided with cross ventilated anterooms and paved with marble. The troughs are provided with ventilating shafts and are flushed periodically and automatically. Those in the yards have Crown basins and are flushed periodically.

What is the system of Sewerage?

A main sewer along and outside the building receives branches from all the latrines, bath rooms, sculleries and wash houses, and discharges its contents on the grounds at a distance from the Asylum. The whole system is provided with ventilating shafts and has an automatic and periodical flushing, and the sewage is used for irrigation.

† A small building in Central Yard is supplied with all necessary hydropathic appliances for curative purposes.

Question II. (Management).
RESTRAINT.

Restraint	Seclusion under Lock and Key	Restraint by Attendants	Mechanical Restraint
The number of times resorted to...	Four		
The number of persons subjected to	Four	None	None
The greatest duration of, in any single instance	Four hours and twenty five minutes.		

In reference to the above table state:—

I. By whose authority Patients are restrained?

Only seclusion is used and it is ordered in writing by the Medical Officers. These records are examined by the Asylum Board in their weekly meeting.

II. What kinds of mechanical restraint are in use?

None.

III. Whether any, and if any, how many cases of cruelty by attendants to patients have been brought to the notice of the proper authority, and what the result in each case?

One. Attendant dismissed from the service.

IV. What was the number of cases of injury to patients (I.) By themselves?

Five serious. Ten slight. } Nine accidental.
One serious. Eight slight. } One self inflicted.
None.

(II.) By other patients?
(III.) By attendants?

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(OCCUPATION).

State the extent of

(I) The airing Courts.

(II) And other grounds.

Are the Patients, as a rule, given daily exercise, their health permitting?

Are they confined to airing Courts, or allowed to walk in other grounds, and sent beyond the Asylum?

Are there means taken to amuse the patients, or to induce them to amuse themselves? Detail them.

How many religious services were held during the quarter?

What was the average attendance?

In what building and how many could it contain?

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1 — 90

17 2 59 } Belonging to the Asylum.

Yes.

Some are sent beyond the Asylum, others are allowed to walk in the grounds, and the remaining are confined to airing Courts.

Yes: cards, periodicals, pleasure trips, musical entertainments, occasional fêtes and religious festivals.

Religious services are held daily.

148. 89 Males and 59 Females.

In the Chapel, which is intended to contain about 160.

Daily average number of Patients who were employed during above period.

Distinguishing the Sexes	Specifying the nature of the employment		
	Agriculture and gardening	Trade	Household work, Drawing Water &c.
Males	48	108	51
Females	—	74	43
	48	182	94
	324		

Question III. (Diet).

Dietary Table.

Bread 20 oz. — Meat 4½ oz.—Paste or Rice 3 oz.—Vegetables 1½ ration.
Fruit 1 ration—Wine ½ pint—Coffee ½ pint and Sugar ½ oz.

Question IV. (Inspection).

The Patients in the Asylum were divided into the following classes:—

	M.	F.
(I.) Maniacal and Dangerous...	112	102
(II.) Quiet Chronic	176	131
(III.) Melancholy and Suicidal...	49	27
(IV.) Idiotic, Paralytic, Epileptic	84	33
	421	293
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Number of Visits of Inspection paid to the Asylum during the above period.

Distinguishing those visits in which all patients were seen and every part of the building visited, from visits of Partial Inspection	and stating the Official Position of the Visitors							
	By the Governor or Colonial Secretary		By a Government Inspector		By a Committee of the Governing Body		By an Inspector specially charged to ascertain the condition of Lunacy or otherwise of the Patients	
	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise
1. Complete Inspection...	One by H. E. the Governor.		The Comptroller of Charit. Institutions frequently visits the Asylum by appointment and by surprise. The Chief Govt. Medical Officer visited the Asylum once a month.		A Board inspects the Asylum once every week.		This duty is performed by the Visiting Physician who attends three times a week. A Board meets weekly to admit and discharge patients.	
2. Partial Inspection ...	None							

State how many reports of the following kinds have come under the notice of the Governor:—

(I.) Financial and Statistical (showing, amongst other things, on what system the Money and Store Accounts are kept and audited).

(I.) The Comptroller of Charitable Institutions renders his Money Accounts, monthly to the Auditor General, and a Store Account, annually, in the form prescribed by the Colonial Regulations.

(II.) Reports by the person or persons charged with the immediate management of the Asylum.

(II.) The officer in charge of the Asylum sends weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual statistical returns and monthly financial reports to the Comptroller of Charitable Institutions as also several other reports regarding the management of the Asylum.

(III.) Reports by an Official Inspector independent of the Governing body of the Asylum.

(III.) The Comptroller of Charitable Institutions performs this duty, and reports to Government the result of his inspection, when necessary. He also gives an annual report on the working of the Department.