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LUNATIC ASYLUM

AND

ORPHAN ASYLUM

1912-1913.

LUNATIC ASYLUM RETURN, for the year 1912-1913.

Question I. (Statistical).

GENERAL STATISTICAL TABLE.

	Remaining on 1st March 1912	Number Admitted during above period	Daily Average Number during above period	Number of Attendants				Discharged				Number of Patients who died in above period	Average stay of those			Remaining on 1st March 1913
				Resident		Non-Resident		Cured	Relieved	Not improved	Not objects for the Asylum		Dead in above period	Discharged in above period	Remaining on 1st March 1913	
				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									
Males...	435	86	445	32	2	—	19	15	1	4	29	31	5636	585	4423	441
Females	325	57	319	28*	3†	—	5	17	9	10	7	26	1594	513	4304	313
Totals	760	143	764	60	5	—	24	32	10	14	36	57	—	—	—	754

* 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	Physical 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
3197	40	M.	Good	Dementia	18. 1. 89	Enteritis	No	No
4028	62	"	Weak	Alcoholism	23. 6. 99	Do.		
3615	48	"	Good	Mania	8. 4. 94	Do.		
4225	36	"	Do.	Do.	23. 9. 04	Do.		
5125	40	"	Sick	Unclassified	5. 7. 12	Dysenteric Colitis		
3930	64	"	Good	Lypomania	9. 1. 87	Acute Gastro-Enteritis		
3292	63	"	Weak	Delusional Mania	28. 5. 90	Enteritis		
2417	55	"	Good	Mania	29. 5. 78	Acute Gastro-Enteritis		
3833	60	"	Weak	Alcoholic Mania	16. 3. 97	Congestion of the brain		
4332	69	"	Do.	Delusional Insanity	17. 1. 03	Valvular Disease of Heart		
4133	41	"	Good	Delusional Mania	21. 8. 00	Carcinoma of Stomach		
3395	55	"	Do.	Epileptic Insanity	25. 8. 91	Dysenteric Colitis		
3021	82	"	Do.	Dementia	18. 11. 86	Colitis		
2469	70	"	Do.	Lypomania	2. 5. 79	Fatty Degener. of Heart		
4278	65	"	Do.	Delusional Mania	12. 6. 02	Apoplexy		
2596	64	"	Do.	Monomania	16. 3. 81	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3792	60	"	Do.	Chronic Alcoholism	2. 11. 96	Apoplexy		
4861	65	"	Weak	Delusional Insanity	19. 11. 08	Bright's Disease		
2485	55	"	Good	Dementia	15. 7. 79	Enteritis		
4401	63	"	Do.	Delusional Insanity	14. 9. 03	Bright's Disease		
5156	48	"	Sick	Alcoholism	20. 11. 12	Alcoholism		
5116	53	"	Do.	Confusional Insanity	29. 5. 12	Valvular Disease of Heart		
5997	42	"	Do.	Gen. Paral. of the Insane	25. 3. 12	Gen. Paral. of the Insane		
2011	67	"	Good	Dementia	14. 8. 71	Enteritis		
5118	50	"	Weak	Do.	31. 5. 12	Softening of the Brain		
5165	58	"	Sick	Unclassified	16. 12. 12	Epilepsy		
3634	45	"	Good	Delusional Mania	17. 6. 94	Angina Pectoris		
4519	93	"	Weak	Senile Dementia	9. 1. 05	Bright's Disease		
4045	56	"	Good	Epileptic Mania	12. 8. 99	Enteritis		
4882	64	"	Do.	Confusional Insanity	29. 3. 09	Do.		
2786	79	"	Do.	Mania	22. 10. 83	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3415	42	F.	Good	Delusional Insanity	28. 5. 06	Enteritis		
2983	68	"	Do.	Imbecility	12. 7. 98	Cancer of Uterus		
3742	55	"	Sick	Stupor	18. 6. 12	Pneumonia		
3713	66	"	Good	Dementia	19. 6. 12	Cerebral Congestion		
3682	66	"	Weak	Senile Insanity	27. 7. 11	Apoplexy		
2684	39	"	Good	Imbecility	22. 9. 92	Enteritis		
3641	83	"	Weak	Dementia Senilis	2. 12. 10	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3746	60	"	Good	Manic-depressive Insanity	11. 7. 12	Cerebral Congestion		
3697	75	"	Do.	Senile Insanity	18. 10. 11	Acute Gastro-Enteritis		
2993	56	"	Do.	Delusional Mania	22. 8. 98	Do.		
3739	22	"	Sick	Melancholia	30. 5. 12	Tubercular Phthisis		
3751	60	"	Do.	Dementia Senilis	3. 8. 12	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3753	32	"	Good	Hysterical Insanity	14. 8. 12	Enteritis		
3754	60	"	Weak	Melancholia	17. 8. 12	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3669	39	"	Good	Manic-depressive Insanity	30. 5. 11	Enteritis		
3991	45	"	Do.	Mania	20. 2. 900	Do.		
3791	75	"	Sick	Senile Dementia	5. 10. 12	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3755	42	"	Good	Confusional Insanity	19. 8. 12.	Apoplexy		
3470	75	"	Weak	Dementia	20. 5. 07	Do.		
3759	56	"	Sick	Toxic-Psychosis	30. 7. 12	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3442	60	"	Good	Alcoholic Delus. Insanity	28. 11. 06	Apoplexy		
2565	48	"	Do.	Mania	6. 5. 90	Enteritis		
3454	68	"	Weak	Senile Insanity	16. 3. 07	Valvular Disease of Heart		
3694	23	"	Do.	Confusional Insanity	11. 10. 11	Enteritis		
3767	45	"	Do.	Unclassified	7. 12. 12	Epilepsy		
3096	60	"	Do.	Senile Dementia	17. 10. 11	Enteritis		

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SPACE AND ACCOMMODATION TABLE

Description of Rooms	Number of such Rooms	Gross cubic space of all such Rooms Feet	Gross superficial area of all such Rooms Square Feet	Average amount of cubic space available for each inmate Feet	Average temperature		Amount of Window Space Square Feet
					Winter	Summer	
Infirmaries & Dormitories	75	812,179	40,572	1,185			6,428
Day Rooms and Corridors used as Day Rooms	26	653,243	35,729	871	50°	67°	3,755
Single Rooms ...	65	107,517	6,692	1,654			781

* Including the Infirmaries (the Criminal Ward 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 ?

26 (Marble shelves with earthen basin).
26 (19 Carrara and seven porcelain).
34 (25 in Wards, and 9 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 automatically.

What is the system of Sewerage ?

A sewer outside the building receives branches from all the latrines, bath rooms, sculleries and wash houses, and discharges its contents directly into the main drain. The whole system is provided with ventilating shafts and has an automatic and periodical flushing.

† 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 Amputations	Mechanical Restraints
The number of times resorted to...			
The number of persons subjected to	None	None	None
The greatest duration of, in any single instance			

In reference to the above table state:—

I. By whose authority Patients are restrained ?

Seclusion only is resorted to—when ordered in writing by the Medical Officers. These records are laid before the Asylum Board.

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 ?

None.

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

One slight—self-inflicted.
One serious } Accidental.
Four slight }
Five slight.
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 year?
 What was the average attendance?
 In what building and how many could it contain?

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 1 1 17 } Belonging to the Asylum.
 17 3 19 }
 Yes.

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

Yes: card games, periodicals, pleasure trips, musical entertainments, &c.

Religious services are held daily.

145. 83 Males and 62 Females.

In the Chapel, which can 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	51	92	56
Females	—	78	51
	51	170	107
	328		

Question III. (Diet).

Dietary Table.

Bread 20 oz. - Meat 4½ oz. - Paste or Rice 3 oz. - Vegetables 1½ ration.
 Fruit 1 ration - Wine ¼ 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...
(II.) Quiet Chronic	104	86
(III.) Melancholy and Suicidal...	225	163
(IV.) Idiotic, Paralytic, Epileptic	34	30
	78	34
	441	313
Total	754	

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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 continued 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...	None		The Comptroller of Charit. Institutions frequently visits the Asylum by appointment or by surprise. The Chief Govt. Medical Officer visits 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 to the Auditor General his money Accounts monthly, 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. He also furnishes 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 inspections when necessary. He also furnishes an annual report on the working of the Department.

ORPHAN ASYLUM RETURN, for the year 1912-1913.

Question I. (Statistical).

GENERAL STATISTICAL TABLE.

Remaining on 31st March 1912.		Number admitted during above period	Daily average Number during above period	Number of Officers and of Attendants		Discharged				Total	Remaining on 31st March 1913.
Sex	No.			Resident	Non Resident	Attainment of age	Withdrawal	For misconduct	Dead		
Males ...	56	8	51	4	7	6	3	1	—	10	54
Females ...	51	9	54	7	2	2	2	—	—	4	56
Totals ...	107	17	105	11	9	8	5	1	—	14	110

* Sisters of Charity who perform duty in Female Division.

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
					Summer	Winter	
Dormitories [Male Division]	2	62,541	4,732	1,296	90	50	Square Feet 575
Do. [Female Do.]	1	106,299	4,572	2,259			
Day Room [Male Do.]	1 (Chapel included)	114,174	5,677	2,330			
Do. [Female Do.]	4	164,072	6,936	3,491			
School [Male Do.]	1	1,312	909	—			—
Yards of play grounds [Male Do.]	1	—	3,088	—			—
Do. [Female Do.]	1	—	4,953	—			—

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

The potable water is conveyed from a natural spring to a storage reservoir at about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the town, and thence by an iron main to the Asylum. The second quality water is pumped from a natural spring at about three miles from the town to a feeding tank in Valletta, and thence distributed through iron pipes. Any quantity is available, as the building is directly connected with the aqueducts.

Two sets (earthenware basins fixed on marble slabs) one in each division.

Two. Porcelain.

Two Latrines, one in each Division, laid in marble composition and provided with automatic flushing.

Water system. The privies are separated from the Wards by ventilated anterooms.

What is the Number of (I.) Lavatories?

(II.) Baths?

(III.) Latrine?

What is the system of Sewerage?

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Question II.

Daily average number of inmates who were apprenticed to Trades and Industrial Occupations during above period.

Sexes	Occupation and number of inmates who, on discharge, obtained employment			
	Household work &c.	Apprentices in Trades		Number of those who, on discharge obtained employment
		In the Asylum	Out of the Asylum	
Males	All the boys by turn.	4	4	5
Females	Washing, ironing, sewing, cooking and dress-making by turn.	15	--	2

Question III. (Diet).

Dietary Table.

Bread 20 oz.—Meat oz. $\frac{3}{4}$ —Paste or Rice 2 oz.—Vegetables 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ration

Milk pint $\frac{1}{2}$ —Coffee^o pint $\frac{1}{2}$ —Sugar oz. $\frac{2}{3}$ —Fruit rations 2

Wine for Orphans employed in trades or household work oz. 4—Bread 5 oz.—Fruit 1 ration.

* Tea is now given instead of Coffee.

Question IV. (Inspection).

Number of Visits of Inspection paid to the Asylum during the above period.

Distinguishing those visits in which all inmates 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 state of health of the inmates	
	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise	By Appointment	By Surprise
1. Complete Inspection ...	Nil		The Compt. of Char. Inst. visits frequently the Asylum by surprise. The Chief Govt. Medical Officer also visits the Asylum.		Twice by the Commissioners of Charity.		This duty is performed by a Medical Attendant who visits the Asylum daily.	
2. Partial Inspection ...	Nil							