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REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES

OF THE

INSANE HOSPITAL,

1845.



Officers of the Institution.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

REUEL WILLIAMS, EDWARD KENT, EDWARD S. JARVIS, CORNELIUS HOLLAND, EDWARD SWAN, JOHN HUBBARD.

Dr. JAMES BATES, SUPERINTENDENT.

JOSHUA S. TURNER, STEWARD AND TREASURER.

HENRY M. HARLOW, M. D., ASSISTANT PHYSICIAN.

MARIA JOHNSON, MATRON.

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REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine.

The Trustees of the Insane Hospital, in making this their annual report, have the satisfaction to state, that at the monthly, quarterly, and annual examinations the past year, they have found the situation and prospects of the Hospital equal in all, and in some respects better, than at their prior visits.

The Treasurer's accounts have been examined and settled each quarter by three of the Trustees.

At the last settlement, made November 30th, there was a balance due the Treasurer from the Hospital of \$312 \frac{31}{100}\$, and the balances then due the institution were forty hundred and eighty dollars \frac{92}{100}\$, \quad \text{.} \quad \text{\$\gma}\$4,080 92 Viz: From towns and individuals, \$\gma 3,478 \quad 34

From State for State paupers
after deducting \$300 allowed by legislature, . 602 58

From this statement, it appears that the finances of the Hospital are a little better than they were last year.

There was then due from tow	ns and				
individuals,		3,334	40		
And cash in treasury, fifty	-three				
dollars six cents,	•	53	06		
				3,387	46
There is now due from tow	ns and				
individuals,	•	3,478	34		
From State,		602	58		
		4,080	00		
Y 1 1 7 70		•			
Less balance due Treasurer,	•	312	31		
				3,768	61

Being an increase of the funds of the Institution from the last year, of three hundred eighty-one dollars and fifteen cents, . . \$381 15

On the 10th of February last, Dr. Ray gave notice to the chairman of the Trustees, that having been appointed Superintendent of an Insane Hospital in a neighboring State, he resigned the office of Superintendent of the Maine Insane Hospital, and on the 19th of March the board met to fill the vacancy, and elected Dr. James Bates as Superintendent.

On the 31st of December, Dr. Smith, the Assistant Physician, having previously resigned, Dr. Henry M. Harlow was elected Assistant Physician.

By an order of the board the monthly visits are now made on such days as the visitors may themselves select; it is impossible therefore to have the Hospital prepared for their reception, and they obtain a correct knowledge of its management, which might not have been the case when it was visited on set days.

The following statement gives the number of patients that have been admitted each year, the average number

in the Hospital during each year, the number discharged,
number improved, recovered, and remaining.

Average No	Discharged.	Recovered.	Improved.	Remaining	; .
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			_		65 68
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From the information received by the Trustees, in reply to letters addressed by them in 1844 to all the towns in the State, it would appear that there were then more than six hundred insane persons within its limits; that number has undoubtedly increased in an equal proportion with the population; and from present appearances it cannot be long before a considerable portion of these unfortunates will be offered at the Institution, and the largest number that can be accommodated at the Hospital is about one hundred, being less than one sixth of the whole number of insane in the State.

On the 1st of June last, in conformity with a request received from a large number of the members of the Legislature, and a recommendation of the joint standing committee on the Insane Hospital, to which the Trustees gave their decided approbation, the price of board was reduced fifty cents per week for males and twenty-five cents for females. The highest price of board for males, including washing and medicines, is now only two dollars and fifty cents, and the lowest one dollar and fifty cents, and for females cannot exceed two dollars and twenty-five cents, nor be less than one dollar and twenty-

five cents. The effect of this reduction in the price of board has been to increase the number of those receiving the benefits of the institution, and our rooms in the male department are now full, the male patients having increased from fifty, the number on the 30th of November, 1844, to fifty-five, the number on the 30th of November, 1845; the females have increased during the same time from twenty-six to thirty. We have it in our power to accommodate a still larger number of females, but cannot increase the number of male patients without additional accommodations, only to be effected by an enlargement of the Hospital. The Trustees would therefore respectfully suggest to the Governor, and through him to the State, that it is highly desirable that provision should be made at the next session of the Legislature for the addition of another wing to the Hospital. When founded it was intended for the benefit of all those unfortunates that might require its aid, and as the number of its inmates increased an enlargement was undoubtedly contemplated; it would not have been just to have erected a hospital with other views. In our country, and under our form of government, public money ought not to be expended for a portion only of the community—public institutions should always be for the advantage of all our citizens, and their benefits within the reach of all that can profit by them. This will be no longer the case with the Insane Hospital unless enlarged--its male wards are now all full, and should there be any more applicants for admission, as we have every reason to believe there will be, it will become necessary either to refuse them, or to discharge some of those now within its walls. To reject the new applicants would be to deny to them the same advantages others have received, a portion of the expense of which has probably been borne by themselves. To discharge such of the present inmates as are considered incurable, and who have aided to support the institution in its infancy, will be to consign them again to shackles, dens, and cages, after having been taught to relish the air and light of heaven, and freedom from all unnecessary restraint. We shall have given them the capability of enjoying and the desire to retain these blessings, and then cruelly force them from their grasp. Some of those who now join in daily hymns of praise to their Maker, making melody in their hearts, were, when first brought to the Hospital, literally howling maniacs. We ask of the State government, will it, can it, consent to be the cause of converting these hymns again into those howlings? It should also be borne in mind that by increasing the size of the Hospital you add to its fixed, but not to its floating capital; the expense of the officers, (which is the only one paid by the State,) would not be any more. Should the patients be doubled in number no additional officers would be required, and but few additional assistants and domestics. And as the wages of the assistants and domestics constitute more than one quarter of the expense of board, if their number is but little increased by an increased number of patients, it follows that the price of board could then be still further reduced and might thus save to the people the full amount of the interest of the money the additional building would cost.

By a resolve of the Legislature of April 7th, 1845, the principal on the bond for the maintenance of Oakman Ford was released from his obligation, and the Trustees directed to discharge him from the debt. We do not deny the power thus to step between us and our debtors, but we would respectfully inquire on what principle such

discharge was granted, and if our debtors are thus to be exonerated, how can it be expected the Institution will defray its expenses? What in this case renders the action of the Legislature the more extraordinary, is, that no notice was given to the officers of the Institution to enable them to appear and show cause why the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted. Should a similar application again be made we hope the Legislature will direct the petitioner to give notice to the officers of the Hospital, and if the debtor should be released an appropriation at the same time made to supply the deficiency thus created.

The Hospital the past year would have more than paid its expenses had the State made an appropriation for payment of the board of the insane State paupers, which amounts since its commencement to \$902, but taxed with their support it will not be able to meet its engagements. The Trustees are therefore under the necessity of requesting an appropriation of six hundred and two dollars fifty-eight cents to cover the expense incurred in supporting the before mentioned patients directly chargeable to the State, and also the sum of six hundred dollars to aid in defraying the expenses of the Hospital the coming year, and to supply any deficiency in funds which may arise from the reduction that has been made in the price of board.

The Superintendent's and Treasurer's reports are herewith submitted, and by that of the latter it appears that the whole expense for the farming operations during the last year were—

Wages and board of one	man,	wages	\$14	4,		
board estimated at \$78,	•				\$222	00
Hay purchased, \$9.54,	•				9	54
Manure and seed, .	•	•	•	•	105	81

Expenses, brought up, The receipts by his estimate are,		
Leaving a balance in favor of the farm of . But from this balance ought to be deducted over estimate of	587	97
Twenty tons of hay, . \$40 00 Two tons out straw for fodder, 8 00 Wheat straw, 10 00	5 8	00
	529	97
Deduct also labor of one horse and its keeping, estimated at,	75	00
	<i>\$</i> 454	97

It appears from the above that the farm has afforded a fair profit, notwithstanding the unproductiveness of the season; it is however capable of being much improved, a large portion is even now little better than waste land, although requiring only the plough and manure to render it productive. It would have given great pleasure to the Trustees to have had some improvements made, but it could not be done without aid from the legislature, and it has been their desire to keep the institution within its own Much of the labor of the patients has been resources. laid out in grading the grounds-work which although necessary is unproductive. This work being now nearly completed, some attention can be devoted to the farm, and the amount of its hay product, now not enough for the supply of the cows and horses necessary for the use of the Hospital, increased.

The Trustees take pleasure in being able to assure the

Executive that they have reason to be perfectly satisfied with the management of the Hospital; that as far as they have had an opportunity of judging, the officers are faithful in the discharge of their duties, and there is a care, tenderness and mildness evinced by them in their treatment of its inmates that has given them great gratification.

Before closing their report the Trustees would again call the attention of the Executive to the subject of a census of the insane, and would take the liberty to suggest that steps be taken if possible to ascertain their number prior to the meeting of the next legislature, by directing the selectmen and assessors to make return of the same to the Secretary of State.

EDWARD S. JARVIS, EDWARD KENT, REUEL WILLIAMS, EDWARD SWAN.

REPORT

OF THE

STEWARD AND TREASURER

OF THE

INSANE HOSPITAL,

1845.



REPORT.

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Showing an increase of debts due the Hospital of seven hundred forty-six dollars $^{52}_{100}$ —

____\$4,080 92

From which sum deduct,	•		<i>\$</i> 312 31
And also fifty-three dollars and $^{6}_{100}$,	•	•	53 06
			
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And we still have a balance in favor of the Hospital of three hundred eighty-one dollars and ¹⁵₁₀₀ after paying all the expenses for the year past.

Included however in the above sum of four thousand and eighty dollars and ⁹²/₁₀₀ due the institution, are near six hundred dollars of debts that are not collectable, and when we take into account the length of time the bad debts have been accumulating (more than five years), I think we have been well favored, for some losses will unavoidably occur yearly.

In making an estimate of the value and products of the farm, I would observe, that the operations have been much the same as in years past, but Providence has not smiled upon our efforts to the extent we anticipated.

The quantity and estimated value of the crops are as follows, viz:

ionows, viz:					
20 tons of hay, at \$12, .	•	•	• ,	\$240	00
300 bushels potatoes, at 40 cts.,		•	•	120	00
31 1-2 bushels wheat, at 7s. 6d,	•		•	39	<i>3</i> 7
72 bushels oats, at 40 cts., .		•		28	80
20 bushels barley, at 50 cts.,		•	•	10	00
89 bushels turnips, at 33 cts.,			•	29	37
30 bushels beets, at 50 cts.,		•		15	00
25 bushels carrots, at 25 cts.,	•		•	6	25
200 bushels apples, at 25 cts.,			•	50	00
200 cabbage heads, at 4 cts.,		•	•	8	00
40 bushels of green peas and be	ans,	at 75	cts.,	30	00
2 tons late oat straw for feed,					00
3848 lbs. pork, at 6 cts., .	•	•	•	230	88

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510 lbs. beef, at 3 1-2 cts.,	•	•	<i>\$</i> 17 85
10 tons oat and wheat straw, at \$5,	•		50 00
A quantity of small vegetables, .	•	•	20 00
		•	\$919 52

The labor on the farm has been performed by the patients with the exception of the services of one man, for which we pay twelve dollars per month and board.

J. S. TURNER, Steward and Treasurer.

Insane Hospital, Augusta, November 30, 1845.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT

OF THE

INSANE HOSPITAL,

1845.



REPORT.

To the honorable the Governor and Council of the State of Maine.

Gentlemen:—Through the goodness of God we have arrived at the season when duty requires of us an account of our stewardship in this highly favored and prosperous Institution.

When I reflect on the qualifications of the scientific and talented gentleman, who had so long and efficiently presided here before me, I feel no small diffidence in reporting on a subject which had not, until recently, occupied any *peculiar* portion of my professional investigations.

The gradual increase of admissions and recoveries, reported from time to time, in this institution, is not only cause for thankfulness, but proof of greater confidence in those who have occasion to place their friends here.

It is believed the success of the past year will not suffer from a comparison with any which has preceded it.

It was stated in the last annual report that the admissions and discharges for that year had been proportionably less than the year previous. This year shows a decided increase of both, although several of the discharges have been prematurely made, owing to the injudicious course pursued by friends and corporations.

The number of notionts	in 41	o Hog	ni4al '	Non	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number of patients 30, 1844, was, .			•		50	26	76
There have been admitted ing 30th Nov., 1845,					50	49	99
Whole number that has				•	100	75	175
during the year, .	•	•	•	•	100	1.0	
Discharged during the y	ear						
Recovered,					21	17	38
Improved,					10	12	22
Unimproved, .					9	14	23
T 1				•	5	2	7
Whole number discharge	ed, .				45	45	90
Remaining Nov. 30, 184	45 , .				55	30	85
Largest number at any t		uring	year,				89
~ ~ ~ 1			•				72
							80.5
Average number, 1844,							70

Much difference of opinion exists amongst practical men, having the superintendence of Insane Hospitals, as to the value of the statistical tables in their reports; hence the almost total difference which exists in the numerous reports annually made on this subject.

Those who object to them, are doubtless influenced by the want of distinctness of terms used, and from the uncertainty whether the facts stated, truly conform to terms, which have received general assent. For instance, one reporter will class cases of insanity as recent, which have existed not over a year; whilst another will only denominate those such, which have not exceeded three months. So also in stating cases "recovered," "curable," &c., much latitude may obtain with gentlemen equally learned and honest. Much more, should such a case possibly occur, where the requisite knowledge and honesty were wanting.

I shall prepare several tables with a view to show as nearly as possible the success which has attended the treatment at this Institution, so that it may be compared with that of other asylums of the kind, and with the results hereafter obtained here.

This course seems more necessary, as it will serve to explain why a less proportion of our patients are discharged *recovered*, than in those institutions where patients are obliged to remain a specified time, unless sooner cured. Besides, it may be that all the advantages to be derived from statistics on insanity have not yet been realized.

If to these reasons I add, respect for the opinions of gentlemen whose talents, worth and long experience, entitle them to entire confidence, you will pardon me for making details requiring considerable labor, both to make and examine.

Should the results be less flattering than the predictions of the sanguine led them and others to anticipate, I trust the failure will be found to have resulted from circumstances beyond the control of the officers of this institution, and not from any remissness of duty on their part.

[No. 1.] Table showing the disposal and state

No.	When admitted.	Sex.	Age. Age at 1st attack.	Civil state.	By whom committed.	Duration of present at- tack before admission.
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	ou Dec.,	M.	37 25		do	12 do
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	25 Feb., 1841.	"	53 23		do	30 do
	9 March, "	"	36 32	Married.	Friends.	4 do
70	11 April, "	"		Single.	Town.	3 do
74		"	18 16		Friends.	2 do
75	23 " "	"	77 50	Married.	do	5 do
7 9	6 May, "	"	33 30	Single.	do	3 do
118	14 Oct., "	"	17 16		do	1 do
126		"	37 29	do	do	8 do
131	13 Dec., "	F.	27 23	do	Town.	4 do
133	22 " "	M.	27 21	do	Friends.	6 do
139	14 Jan., 1842.	"	48 33		Court.	15 do
	23 April, "	"	44 40	Married.	Friends.	4 do
	11 May, "	"	20 18	Single.	do	2 do
188	1 July, "	F.	27 27	do	do	3 months.
194		M.		Married.	do	2 do
210	12 Oct., "	F.	51 47	do	Town.	3 years 6 months.
211	,	M.		Single.	do	4 years.
214		"	35 15	do	do	20 do
215	7 Nov., "	66		Married.	Friends.	4 do
	23 Feb., 1843.	"	43 25	Single.	do	18 do
237	25 March, "	F.	38 37	Married.	Town.	7 months.
	30 May, "	M.		Single.	Friends.	8 do
257	8 June, "	"	27 24	do	do	
260		66		Widower.	do	3 years. 10 do
289	5 Oct., "	66		Married.	Court.	8 do
295		66	53 38		Town.	7 months.
297	8 Nov., "	F.	27 27		Friends.	6 do
300		M.		Single.	do	
304		"	36 35	Married.	Town.	4 years.
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	10 Jan., 1844.	"	$\begin{vmatrix} 20 & 24 \\ 30 & 26 \end{vmatrix}$		1 -	
	13 Feb., "	"		Widower.	do	4 years.
320		F.		Married.	do	6 months.
321	<i>" " "</i>	F .	37 34		Town.	10 years.
324		"			do	3 do
	13 March, "	"		Single.	Friends.	3 months.
	10 maich,	1	40 25		do	1 year.
J J2	22 April, "	M.	22 22	do do	l do	1 month.

of 76 patients remaining December 1, 1844.

Time spent in the Hospital.			the	Discharged or remain.	State now or when discharged.	Supposed prospect.	Remarks.
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5	vears			Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	Now by town.
4	do	11	mos.	do	do.	do	-
4	do			Discharged.	Improved.	do	
4	do	9	do	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
4	do	8	do	do	do. Epileptic	do	Now by town.
4	do	7	do	do	Unimproved.	do	-
4	do	7	do	do	do	do	
4	do			Died.			Pneumonia.
4	do	6	do	Remains.	do	do	
4	do	1	do	do	do	do	
4	do			do	Improved.	do	
4	do			do	Unimproved.	do	
4	do			do	do	do	
3	do	10	do	do	do	do	
2	do	11	do	Discharged.	do	do	
3	do	6	do	Remains.	do	do	
2	do	8	do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
2	do	9	do	do	Improved.	do	
2	do	9	do	do	Unimproved.	do	
22232222	do	·		Died.	1		2d admission.
2	do	6	do	Discharged.	Unimproved.	do	
3	do	Ů		Remains.	do	do	
2	do	9	do	do	do	do	
2	do	2	do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
2	do	6	do	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
2	do			Discharged.	Improved.	do	
2	do	5	do	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
1	do	3	do	Eloped.	Recovered.		3d admission.
1	do	4	do	Discharged.	Improved.	Curable.	
1	do	3	do	do	Unimproved.	Incurable.	Since dead.
2	do			Remains.	do	do	1 at McLean.
2	do			do	do	do	
1	do	$2\frac{1}{4}$	do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
1	do	10	do	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	2d admission.
1	do	2	do	Discharged.			
1	do	9	do	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
1	do	9	do	do	do	do	
1	do	7	do	Discharged.	do	do	
91	mon	ths.		do	Improved.	Curable.	
			onths.	do	Unimproved.	Incurable.	

Table No. 1,

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No.	When adı	nitted.	Sex.	Age.	Age at 1st attack	Civil state.	By whom committed.	Duration of present attack before admission.
334	24 April,	1844.	M.	60	40	Married.	Friends.	3 months.
	14 May,	"	"	50			Town.	3 years.
344		"	"			Single.	do	16 do
	17 June.	"	F.			Married.	Friends.	1 do
350		"	M.			Widower.	Court.	4 do
352		"	F.			Married.	Friends.	3 do
355		"	M.	40		do	Town.	3 months.
356		"	66	29	28	do	do	6 do
357	12 "	"	F.			Single.	do	2 weeks.
358		"	M.	22			do	2 1-2 years.
360	30 "	"	"			Married.	Friends.	3 months.
361	4 Sept.,	"	"	26	22	Single.	Town.	4 years.
362	5 "	"	"			Married.	Friends.	3 weeks.
363	7 "	"	66	50	25	do	Town.	3 do
364	11 "	"	F.			Single.	do	7 do
366	12 "	"	"			Married.	Friends.	3 years.
367	17 "	"	M.			Single.	do	20 years.
368	20 "	"	F.			Married.	do	3 months.
369	21 "	"	M.	38		do	Town.	6 do
370	23 "	"	66	17	17	Single.	do	5 do
371		"	F.	23	23	do	Friends.	8 weeks.
372	,	"	"	17	,		Town.	2 years.
374		"	"	36	31	Married.	Friends.	3 do
375	1 .	46	66			Widow.	Town.	2 months.
376		"	"			Married.	Friends.	2 weeks.
377	i .	"	1	51	_	do	Town.	3 do
378	-	"	F.	45		do	do	17 years.
379		"	M.	60		do	Friends.	2 months.
380		"	F.	50		do	_ do	4 do
381	8 "	"		33			Town.	3 do
382		"	F.	35		do	Friends.	3 do
383	_	"	"	33		≥ do	Town.	5 do
384		"	\mathbf{M} .			Single.	do	2 do
385	ì	"	F.			Married.	Friends.	2 do
386		"		63		do	Town.	3 do
387	24 "	"	"	31	27	Single.	l do	4 years.

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Time spent in the Hospital.	Discharged or remain.	State now or when discharged.	Supposed prospect.	Remarks.
I woon I was als	D:1	TT	T	
1 year 1 week.		Unimproved.		
$7\frac{1}{2}$ months.	do .	Improved.	do	21 1
I year 5 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	2d admission.
1 do 3 do	Discharged.	do	do	
1 do 5 do	Remains.	Improved.	do	
10 months.	Discharged.	do	Curable.	
$\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} do$	do	Recovered.		
7 do	do	do		Irish.
43 weeks.	do	do		2d admission.
1 year 3 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	do
4 months.	Discharged.	Recovered.		
$3\frac{3}{4}$ do	Eloped.	Unimproved.	do	do
3 do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
1 year 2 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
51 weeks.	Discharged.			
1 year 2 months.	Remains.	Improved.	Curable.	
1 do 2 do	do	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
1 do 2 do	do	đo	do	Paralytic.
1 do 2 do	do	do	do	1
7 months.	Discharged.	Recovered.		
8 do	do	do		
1 year 1 month.	Remains.	Unimproved.	do	
1 do 1 do	do	Improved.	do	
1 do 1 do	do	Unimproved.	do	
5 months.	Discharged.			
8 weeks.	do	do		
35 do	do	Improved.	do	
1 year 1 month.	Remains.	do	Curable.	ļ
47 weeks.	Discharged.	do	Incurable.	
27 weeks.	do	do	Curable.	
$5\frac{1}{2}$ months.	do	Recovered.		
$3\frac{1}{4}$ do	do	do		
1 year.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
S_{4}^{3} months.	Discharged.			
7 weeks.	do	do	·	
22 weeks.	do	Unimproved.	do	

[No. 2.] Table showing the disposal and state of 99

	When admitted.			at 1st attack.	Civil state.	By whom committed.	Duration of present at- tack before admission.
No.		Sex.	Age.	Age			
388	5 Dec., 1844.	F.	28	27	Single.	Friends.	7 months.
389		"	21	21	do.	Town.	4 do
390	11 " "	"			Married.	Friends.	9 do
391	20 " "	M.	40	40	Single.	Town.	2 weeks.
392		F.			Married.	Friends.	2 months.
393		"	58	48	do.	do.	2 years.
394	" "	M.	19	18	Single.	Town.	3 weeks.
395		"			Married.	do.	4 do
396	30 " "	F.	43	24	do.	Friends.	2 months.
397	1 Jan., 1845.	M.	50		do.	do.	15 do
398	3 " "	"		44		do.	1 do
399	6 " "	F.	22	22	Single.	do.	3 do
400	9 " "	M.	1	19	1	do.	10 do
401	1 Feb., "	"			Married.	do.	2 weeks.
402	I = -	"	3		Widower.	Town.	2 months.
	5 March, "	"	1	17	Single.	Friends.	2 years.
404		F.	1	21	do.	do.	7 weeks.
405		M.			Married.	Town.	9 months.
406	23	F.			Single.	Friends.	1 year.
407		M.			Married.	Town.	3 years.
408	20	F.	27		do.	Friends.	3 months.
409	90	"		37	do.	Town.	4 years.
410	≈ Aprii,	"	27	23	Single.	do.	2 months.
411	14	"	23		do.	do.	2 years.
412	19				Married.	do.	6 weeks.
413 414	<i></i>	M.		39	do. Single.	do. Friends.	2 years. 5 weeks.
		66	24		do.	Town.	3 do
$\frac{415}{416}$	3 May, " 1 " "	F.		$\frac{24}{24}$	do.	do.	5 do
417		"			Married.	Friends.	6 do
418	10	66			Widow.	do.	3 months.
419	1 <i>i</i> 4	M.			Married.	do.	4 weeks.
420	14 " "	66			Single.	Town.	4 do
421	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	i	56			do.	10 do
422					Married.	Friends.	6 do
423		F.			Widow.	do.	2 years 6 months.
424		"	1		Married.	do.	1 year 3 months.
425		"	66		do.	do.	2 years.
426		M.			Single.	Court.	4 months.
427			$\frac{\tilde{37}}{37}$			Town.	1 year.
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patients admitted during the year ending Nov. 30, 1845.

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Time spent in the Hospital.	Discharged or remain.	State now or when discharged.	Supposed prospect.	Remarks.
16 weeks.	Discharged.	Unimproved.	Curable.	
31 do	do	Recovered.		
10 do	do	do		
11 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
36 weeks.	Discharged.	Improved.	eb	
22 do	do	Unimproved.	do	
23 do	do	Recovered.		
26 do	do	do		
22 do	do	do		
3 do		Died.		Suicide.
9 do	do	Recovered.		
30 do	do	Improved.	Curable.	
21 do	do	Unimproved.		
10 months.	Remains.	Improved.	Curable.	
19 weeks.	Discharged.	do	do	
9 do	do	Recovered.		
7 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.		
7 do	do	Improved.	Incurable.	The state of the s
7 do	do	do	Curable.	
7 do	do	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
10 weeks.	Discharged.			
24 do	ì	Improved.	do	
7 months.	Remains.	Cured.	a 11	
24 weeks.		Unimproved.	Curable.	4
6 months.	Remains.	Cured.	r 11.	
6 do	Discharged.	Unimproved.		
7 weeks.	do	Improved.	Curable.	
11 do	do .	Recovered.		
7 months.	Remains.	Cured.		
6 do	do	do		Consumption
7 do	Died.	Dogovorod		Consumption.
6 do	Discharged.	do		
5 do	do	do		
14 weeks.	do		Curable.	Soon recover's
5 do	do	Improved. Unimproved.		Doon receiver
6 months.	Remains.	do do	do	
16 weeks.	Discharged.	do	do	
3 do	do	Recovered.	uo.	
22 do	do	1	Curable.	
6 months.	Remains.	Improved.	our abie.	Į

Table No. 2,

	When	admitted.			at 1st attack.	Civil state.	By whom committed.	Duration of present at- tack before admission.
No.			Sex.	Age	Age			
428	2 June	e, 18 45 .	M.	72	72	Widower.	Friends.	3 months.
429	2 "	"	"	61	41	do.	do.	15 do
430	4 "	"	F.			Married.	do.	2 do
431	7 "	"	M.	22	22	Single.	Town.	6 weeks.
432	8 "	"	"	47	46	Married.	Friends.	8 months.
433	9 "	"	"		67		do.	17 do
434	11 "	"	F.	72	66	Single.	Town.	6 years.
435	12 "	"	$ \mathbf{M} $	26	26	Married.	do.	2 weeks.
436	13"	"	\mathbf{F} .	66	46	do.	Friends.	9 do
437	15 "	"	"	33	20	do.	Town.	1 do
438	"	"	M.	17	16	Single.	Friends.	3 do
439	16 "	"	"	65	50	Married.	do.	6 months.
440	19 "	"	\mathbf{F} .	23	23	do.	do.	3 weeks.
441	20 "	"	M.			Single.	do.	2 years.
442	26 "	"	"		27		do.	10 days.
443	27 "	"	"	27	25	do.	Town.	18 months.
444	1 July	, "	F.	26	26	Married.	Friends.	4 do
445	2 "	"	"		35		do.	3 do
446	8 11-	- "	M.	40	36		Town.	9 weeks.
447	16 "	"	F.	33	33	do.	Friends.	3 do
448	17 "	"	"	30	30	do.	do.	5 months.
449	20 "	"	M.	18	18	Single.	do.	6 weeks.
450	29 "	"	"	79	37	Widower.	do.	2 years 6 months.
451	2 Aug.	., "	"	20	16	Single.	Town.	3 weeks.
452	7 "	"	F.	59	48	Married.	Friends.	4 years.
453	7 "	"	M.	34	32	Married.	Town.	4 months.
454	8 ".	"	"			Single.	Friends.	4 weeks.
455	14 "	"	"		10		do.	6 do
456		"	F.	19	19	Married.	do.	3 months.
457		"				Single.	Town.	3 weeks.
458		"	"	46	30	Married.	Friends.	10 months.
459		"	F.	$ \tilde{32} $	24	Single.	do.	8 years.
	25 "	"						
460	25 "		M.	44.01		do.	do.	10 do

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Time spent in the Hospital.	Discharged or remain.	State now or when discharged.	Supposed prospect.	Remarks.
6 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable	
6 do	do	do	do	
10 weeks.	Died.	uo	ao	Consumption.
6 months.	Remains.	Cured.		Consumption
2 days.	Discharged.		Curable	
6 months.	Remains.		Incurable.	
5 do	do	Improved.	i	
10 weeks.		Unimproved.	uo	
10 weeks.	Discharged.		4	
11 40	do	Unimproved.		
	do	do	Curable.	
10 do	do	Recovered.	,	
16 do	do	Improved.	do	
7 do	do	Recovered.	_	
5 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.		
5 do	do	Improved.	do	
5 do	do	Unimproved.		
5 weeks.	Discharged.	Improved.	Curable.	
6 do	do	do	do	
5 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
7 weeks.	Discharged.	Improved.	Curable.	
3 do	do	Unimproved.	$_{ m do}$	
11 do	Died.			Wound in throat for which he was committed.
4 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	Canada
4 do	do	Cured.		
				(Paralytic.
4 do	do	Unimproved.	do	2d admis-
	_	r		sion.
4 do	do	do	Curable.	(22021
4 do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
3 do	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	
11 weeks.	Discharged.	Recovered.		
3 months.	Remains.	Unimproved.	Curable.	
3 do	do	Improved.	do	
4 days.	Discharged.			
9 do	do	do	do	
3 months.	Remains.	_	Curable.	
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Table No. 2,

No.	When ad	mitted.	Sex.	Age.	ge at 1st attack.	Civil state.	By whom committed.	Duration of present at- tack before admission.
$\frac{2}{462}$	4 Sept.,	1845.	$\frac{\alpha}{F}$] -'	<u>≺</u> 44	Married.	Friends.	10 months.
463	4 "	"	"	59	38	Widow.	do.	21 years.
464	5 "	"	M.			Single.	do.	17 months.
465	10 "	"	"			Married.	Court.	15 years.
466		"	F.	50	20	do.	Friends.	2 months.
467	15 "	"	M.	32	30	do.	do.	2 do
468		"	M.	58	57	Single.	do.	1 year.
469		"	F.	44	24	Married.	do.	3 weeks.
470		"	"	46			do.	6 months.
471	23 "	"	"	19	17	Single.	Town.	5 do
472		"	"			Married.	Friends.	5 do
473	1 Oct.,	"		60		do.	do.	2 weeks.
474		"	F.	43	22	Single.	Town.	2 months.
475		"		23			Friends.	5 do
476	3 "	"	"	33	33	do.	do.	6 do
477	7 "	"	"	36	28	Married.	Town.	6 do
478	8 "	"	F.	31	26	Single.	Friends.	5 years.
479		"	"			Married.	Town.	18 weeks.
480		"	"	40	30	do.	do.	3 months.
481	20 "	"	M.	59	48	do.	Friends.	1 do
482		"				Widow.	do.	2 years.
483		"	"	64	40	Single.	Town.	1 year 6 months.
	8 Nov.,	"	M.	20	16	do.	Friends.	18 months.
485		"	"	17			do.	2 weeks.
486	24 "	"	F.	56	37	Married.	do.	10 days.

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Time spent in the Hospital.	Discharged or remain.	State now or when discharged.	Supposed prospect.	Remarks.
3 months.	Discharged.	Improved.	Curable.	
3 do	Remains.	Unimproved.	Incurable.	1
3 do	do	do	Curable.	
10 weeks.	do	do	Incurable.	
9 do	Discharged.	Improved.	do	
10 do	Remains.	Unimproved.	Curable.	
10 do	do.	do	Incurable.	
8 do	Discharged.	Recovered.		
8 do	Remains.	Unimproved.		
8 do	do	do	Incurable.	
8 do	do	Cured.		
8 do		Improved.	Curable.	
8 do	do	Unimproved.	do	
8 do	do	Improved.	do	
3 days.	Died.			Hæmorrhage.
7 weeks.	Remains.	Unimproved		
7 do	do	: 1	Curable.	
6 do	do	Unimproved.		2d admission.
6 do	do	Improved.	do	
6 do	do	do	do	
5 do	do	Unimproved.		
4 do	do	do	do	
3 do	do		Curable.	
2 do	do	Unimproved.		i
1 do	do	do	do	l

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	Total
Table No. 1, shows remaining in Hospital December, 1844,	1st (Males, 50 26 — 76
Of these have been discharged 39, viz:	Males, 22 Females, 17
Remain November 30, 1845, 35, viz:	Males, 2 Males, 26 Females, 9
Of those discharged, there were recovered,	Males, 76 Females, 919
Improved,	Males, 6 Females, 410
Unimproved,	Males, 6 Females, 4 10 —39
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The average time spent in the Hospital by the 19 old cases recovered, 292 days.

Table No. 2, shows 99 admissions during the year viz:	, Males, 50 Females, 49 99
Of these have been discharged 44, viz:	Males, 18 Females, 26
Died 5, viz:	Males, 3 Females, 2
Remaining on 30th November, 1845, 50, viz:	Males, 29 Females, 21 50
	— 99
Of those discharged there were recovered,	Males, 11 8 - 19
Improved,	Males, 4 S
Unimproved,	(Males, 3 12
L	Females, 10 13 44

Average time spent in the Hospital by the 19 new cases, 102 days, when discharged recovered.

The deaths this year have been proportionably large. Of the cases in the Hospital at the commencement of the year, one died from the effects of a long continued and certainly fatal form of disease. Another at 80 years of age—probably on account of old age. Of the admissions within the year, one committed suicide—another died from a suicidal wound, inflicted before admission. Two women in confirmed pulmonary consumption died of that disease soon after admission. One man was brought here laboring under hemorrhage from the bowels, of which he died within three days.

It will be seen by the tables that 17 have been discharged considered curable. Ten of these spent an average of less than 60 days in the Hospital.

The whole 17 remained much below the average time required for the cure of the whole number who have been discharged recovered, since the Hospital went into operation.

This is one of the evils which it has been thought most prudent not to remedy, by stipulating a period, before which patients should not be removed, uncured, until the house should be filled.

The reputation of the establishment, both at home and abroad, has not only suffered from this circumstance, but those who have been prematurely removed have not received the benefits the Institution was every way competent to afford.

Our annual reports compare poorly with those of many other institutions simply because we had no power to retain our patients until a reasonable time was afforded for recovery. Our present situation will not only justify, but I think imperatively demands the correction of this evil.

Some of the best regulated and most successful Retreats in the United States will receive no patient for a less term than-six months, unless sooner cured.

As our greatest anxiety should be the establishment of such rules of admission as will afford the greatest possible good to the greatest number, the time required to be spent here should be regulated with a sole view to such a result.

Before closing this branch of the subject it may be proper to observe, that from no source does a well regulated asylum for the insane suffer so much in its reputation, as from the false representations of patients prematurely removed.

It is peculiarly interesting and gratifying to observe the kind feelings and gratitude expressed by those who leave the Hospital perfectly cured, towards those who have had the charge of them: whereas those who go away still insane, remember with bitterness every restraint and denial they have experienced.

All this would be harmless, but for the morbid sympathy which induces some persons to place more reliance on the evil reports of an insane man, than the truth from the best citizen in the community.

There were in the Hospital on the 30th November, six patients, *cured*, who were waiting for their friends to remove them. Had these been removed, our list of recoveries, instead of 38, would have shown 44.

The whole number of admissions since 14th October, 1840, has been

Males, 276 Females, 210—486

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Married,	Males,	-	-	-	-	-	[122]
Single,	"	-	-	_	-	_	137
Widowers,	"	_	_	-	_	-	17
,							276
Married,	Females.						117
	r emaies,	, -	-	-	-	-	1 1 1
Single,		-	-	-	-	-	76
Widows,	"	-	-	-	-	-	17
							 210
							486
Of these dis	scharged.	Recovered,		-	_	_	171
- 1 111020 a.		Improved,	_	_		_	104
		Unimproved,	1				100
			1,	-	-	-	1 1
		Died,	-	-	-	-	26
							401
Remain,			-	-	-	-	85
Of those dis	scharged.	were Males	_	-	-	-	213
	,	Femal		_	_	_	162
		1 Ciliui	сь,			_	375
Of d	11 1	3/ 1					
Of those wh	no died, w		-	-	-	-	18
		Females	5,	-	-	-	8
							26
							401

Average time spent in the Hospital by the 171 discharged recovered, 140 days.

It seems desirable to convince the public of two very important facts, viz: that patients should be brought to the Hospital as soon as it is *certain* they are insane—and secondly, that they remain there until all *reasonable* prospect of recovery is past.

With a view to establish the first point, a table is prepared showing the results of early and late admissions. Also one to show the average time required for the recovery of that portion of each class discharged cured.

[No. 3.] Table showing the results of early and late admissions.

Over 12 months.

Three months and under.

FEMALES, 170.

Over 3 and not over 12 months.

Over 12 months.

MALES, 231.

Over 3 and not over 12 months.

Three months

and under.

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It will be seen that of those admitted within 3 months, 62.9 per cent. recovered. Of those 3 to 12 months, 38 per cent. recovered. Of those over 12 months, 14 per cent. recovered.

It will naturally be asked why we do not cure 80 to 90 per cent. of our recent cases? The answer is found, in part at least, in there having been removed from the Hospital 56 such cases, considered *curable*. The average time these were in the institution, was far below that required for the restoration of those in the same class, who were discharged recovered.

[No. 4.] Table showing the time spent in the Hospital by each class, discharged cured.

Duration of disease before admission.	Three months and under.	Over 3 and not over 12 mos.	Over 12 mos.
Average No. of days in the Hospital.	130	164	280

It is hoped that no stronger proof than the above will be required to convince the public of the propriety and utility of an early resort to, and reasonable continuance in, our Institution, and the Trustees of the necessity of designating some appropriate time of residence, before which, patients shall not be removed, unless sooner recovered.

Although it is impossible to obtain correct information on a subject, which many persons consider as one of delicacy, if not involving reputation of family, we have always sought it, in relation to hereditary predisposition. In some families this is very evident. In one case, a father and two sons have been here; in two, the mother and daughter; in one, a man and his nephew and niece, at the same time. Of 486 admissions, 211 are representations.

sented by their friends as having insane ancestry or blood relatives in that condition.

When we add to these, foreigners and others concerning whom little information can be obtained, there can be little doubt more than one half are hereditarily predisposed to that state of brain of which insanity is a symptom.

The comparative liability of persons at different ages to attacks of insanity has formed an interesting subject of inquiry. It is evident in a community like ours, nothing accurate in all its details can be arrived at.

In the following tables will be shown at what age the *first* attack took place in 486 cases, as nearly as could be ascertained, divided into decades.

Secondly, the probable number of each sex now insane in the State in each decade; assuming three hundred of each sex as the aggregate; which number approaches, as is believed, very near the truth—taking the admissions here as the basis of the calculation.

Thirdly, showing the proportion of these to the whole population of the same sex and age according to the last census.

[No. 5.]	Table showing the age at which the first attack
	took place.

Sex.	10 to 20 ys.	20 to 30.	30—40.	40-50.	50-60.	60—70.	70—80.	Aggregate
Males, Females,	55 30	90 78	62 48	37 35	23 12	6 5	5	278 208
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[No. 6.] Table showing the distribution of 600 cases, supposed to exist, into the same classes.

Sex.	10 ys to 20	20 to 30.	30-40.	4050.	50-60.	60—70.	70—80.	Aggregate
Males, Females,	59 43	97 113	67 70	40 50	25 17	7 7	5	300 300

[No. 7.] Table showing the number of inhabitants of the different ages and sexes according to the estimate in Table 6, to one insane person.

Sex	10 yrs. to 20	20—30.	30-40.	40—50.	50—60.	6070.	70—80.
Males, Females,	1 to 1007 1 to 1348	535 373	445 415	498 400		1058 1100	

It is evident from the above table that males under twenty furnish a fearful proportion of the insane, and I am sorry to add, many of the most hopeless cases, the result of their voluntary misconduct.

In the next ten years the disease is much more prevalent among females.

It also appears that in advanced age as well as in youth males are most liable to attacks for the first time.

I have given no table showing the actual age of all our patients at the time of admission. In tables 1 and 2 the disparity on this point is shown as correctly as our inquiries enable us to do it.

Liability to recurrence of insanity is fully shown from the facts, that 32 of our patients have been once or more at the McLean Hospital, and two at Worcester. That one patient is here for the sixth and one for the fifth time. Six have been admitted three times and thirty-nine twice.

As most of our male patients are farmers, and our females house keepers, our records do not enable us to show any very obvious effect of occupation on the cases which come under our observation. The case is different in those institutions located near large cities and manufacturing towns, where confinement within doors, and sedentary habits give a decided predisposition to this form of disease.

The use of medicines in this institution, so far as I am informed, does not materially differ from that in other similar Retreats. We endeavor to avoid extremes in this, as in all other means adopted for the recovery of those entrusted to our care. My predecessor so clearly stated his views on the subject, that I deem any observations on that point wholly uncalled for at this time. With one exception, the moral means are the same as have been heretofore in use. On taking charge of the Hospital, I caused family worship to be daily attended by the household and as many inmates as were in a condition to behave with decorum.

I have not only found a hearty co-operation in every officer, but an undiminished interest in those who are in a state to join in the solemnity. Several of our patients assist in singing the hymns, and evince both interest and taste in the performance.

How much is due to habit or how much to reverential feeling on these occasions, it is not easy to determine, but one thing is certain, they not only have the power of self-control, but exercise it to a degree not surpassed by an equal number, in the most exemplary community.

The clergymen of Augusta and Hallowell have kindly attended our sabbath evening services whenever circumstances permitted. Their ready and cheerful acquiescence in our wishes in this respect, entitles them to the gratitude of all concerned.

Instead of receiving visitors at improper and inconvenient hours, we have adopted a different course, and prohibited visits on the Sabbath entirely.

Since the middle of September we have had more patients than rooms in the male wing of the building. Should applications increase as they have the year past, we must either refuse to take curable cases, or send away some of our incurables, who have been long with us.

It is fondly hoped the people and their public servants will take the earliest measures to make provision for their accommodation.

There would be great physical and moral advantages to our convalescents, from an increase of furniture in their galleries and rooms. Many of our patients have been accustomed to better furnished rooms at home, and should not be surrounded with less cheerful accommodations here. In this respect our establishment does not compare favorably with similar institutions in this country.

The number of newspaper publishers who have gratuitously furnished their periodicals has annually increased. They are not only entitled to our thanks, but would find themselves in some measure compensated could they see their papers, after having been so perfectly read through as to be perforated in a hundred places.

The Olive Branch, Boston Cultivator, Christian Mirror, Eastern Argus, Portland Transcript, Maine Democrat, Maine Cultivator, Maine Farmer, State Signal, Bangor Courier, Yankee Blade, and Cold Water Fountain, have made us a weekly visit for all or most of the year. The publishers of the Age and Journal of this town have furnished us with hundreds of the exchange papers received by them. Several individuals have forwarded papers and

pamphlets, and I wish particularly to remember the kindness of a late patient, Mrs. M. G. M. of B., in this respect.

Our library has been increased by the addition of over one hundred and fifty small volumes, purchased by the interest arising from the donation of the late Hon. Bryce McLellan.

I have great pleasure in acknowledging the prompt and efficient assistance I have received from every officer and attendant since the day I entered the house. The uniform kindness to myself, my family and those over whom they are placed, entitles them to my entire approdation and grateful acknowledgments and the confidence of their employers.

JAMES BATES, Superintendent.

Extract from the "Regulations" of the Hospital.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

Patients admitted to the institution must come provided with at least two strong cotton shirts—a coat, vest, and pantaloons, of strong woolen cloth—two pairs of woolen socks or stockings—one black stock—a hat or cap—and one pair of shoes or boots.

The females must have at least the same quantity of under clothes, including shoes and stockings, a decent bonnet, and two substantial dresses. In both cases, the articles must be new and in good condition. The woolens must be of a dark color.

The patients offered for admission must be perfectly neat and clean in their persons, and free from vermin and infective diseases.

The price of boarding, washing, medicines and attendance, shall vary according to the trouble and expense incurred, in the judgment of the superintendent, not to exceed three dollars, nor be less than two dollars for males; not to exceed two dollars and fifty cents, nor be less than one dollar and fifty cents, for females, per week.

Before any patient shall be received into the institution, except when sent by towns, a good and sufficient bond will be required for the payment of all expenses that may be incurred for each patient, including board, and such articles of clothing as it may become necessary to furnish.

For the admission of patients sent by towns, a written request for such admission, signed by the overseers of the poor, will be required.

FORM OF BOND.

Know all men by these presents, That we, ——
, of, in the county of, as principal, and
—, of — in the county of —, as sureties,
are held and bound unto, steward of the Insane
Hospital, at Augusta, or to his successor in said office, in
the sum of ———, to the payment of which sum,
well and truly to be made to him, the said ——, or
to his successors in said office, we bind ourselves, our
executors and administrators, firmly by these presents.
Sealed with our seals, and dated at —, this —
day of ——, A. D. ——.
The condition of the above obligation is such, that
whereas — , of — , in the county of — , is
about to be admitted as a boarder and patient to the insti-
tution aforesaid, now if the said shall pay to
said — , or to his successor in said office, such
sum per week, for the board, washing, medicine and at-
tendance, according to the trouble and expense incurred
for said patient, in the judgment of the superintendent
for the time being, [not to exceed three dollars, nor be less
than two dollars for males; not to exceed two dollars and
fifty cents, nor be less than one dollar and fifty cents
for females;] and pay for all such necessary articles of
clothing as shall be furnished said ——— by the said
———, or his successor, and remove the said ——
—— from said institution, whenever they shall be thereto
in writing requested by the superintendent for the time
being—and shall also pay a further sum, not exceeding
fifty dollars, for all damages that may arise from injury
to the furniture and other property of said institution, by
said — , and the reasonable charges that may be
incurred in case of the elopement of said — ;
payments to be made semi-annually and at the time of
removal, with interest on the amount after it becomes due
as aforesaid: then this obligation to be null and void—
otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.