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BEING THE

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INSTITUTIONS

FOR THE YEAR

1875.

VOLUME II.

AUGUSTA:

SPRAGUE, OWEN & NASH, PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1875.

REPORTS

OF THE

WARDEN AND INSPECTORS

OF THE

MAINE STATE PRISON,

AND OF THE

PHYSICIAN AND CHAPLAIN.

1874.

Published agreeably to a Resolve approved February 25, 1871.

AUGUSTA:

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OFFICERS.

WARREN W. RICE, *Warden.*
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 WILLIAM WILSON, }
 RUFUS PRINCE, } *Inspectors.*
 A. J. BILLINGS, }

WARDEN'S REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine:

GENTLEMEN:—In presenting my Annual Report of the affairs of the State Prison for the year ending Nov. 30, 1874, it is gratifying to be able to say, that the health of the convicts during the year has been unusually good. Out of a total population of 181, but one has died, and none have been pardoned *because* of ill health.

The men, with very few exceptions, have labored industriously and willingly; and good order has been maintained, with very little punishment of any kind, far less in proportion to the number of convicts than during any previous year in the history of the prison.

The average number of convicts for the year is 133, which is thirteen less than the average of last year, and it is probable that for the next year, the average will be about the same as the past.

Of the fifty-two committed during the year, there were sent from—

Cumberland County.....	14
Penobscot “	9
Kennebec “	5
Somerset “	5
Androscoggin “	4
Washington “	4
York “	4
Aroostook “	2
Oxford “	2
Franklin “	1
Hancock “	1
Waldo “	1
Total.....	<u>52</u>

Period of sentence of those committed in 1874 :

One year	1
Two years, and over one	17
Three years, and over two	10
Five years, and over three	14
Six years	3
Nine years, and over seven	2
Life	3
Death	2
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Total	52

Crimes of those committed in 1874 :

Larceny	30
Burglary	6
Robbery	2
Felonous assault	4
Arson	3
Murder	2
Murder in second degree	1
Rape	1
Assault to ravish	1
Adultery	2
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Total	52

FINANCIAL.

The earnings of the Prison derived from the manufacture of carriages, harnesses, and boots and shoes, which has been carried on as hitherto, amount to \$28,019.63, while the expenses for the year have been \$30,904.86, showing a balance against the Prison of \$2,885.63. The deficiency is as small as could reasonably have been expected, considering that a large portion of the men had to be employed under great disadvantage, in consequence of the destruction of the carriage workshop by the fire of Dec. 4, 1873. But for the interruption occasioned by that accident, the proceeds of the labor of the convicts would undoubtedly have been more than sufficient to meet all the expenses for their support, and the salaries of all the officers of the Prison.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The building account is considerably larger than was anticipated, because, looking to the convenience, security, and future necessities of the Prison, it was deemed wiser and better economy in the end, to locate the building differently, and build larger than was at first intended. And now that the building is completed, I think the outlay will be considered judicious by most, if not all, who may be interested to examine it.

It will be necessary to cap the wall on the eastern and southern sides of the yard with stone flagging, as the walk on the top is worn out, and consequently there is danger of the wall being injured by water and frost; and there should be considerable repairs made on the old wing of the Prison, all of which should be done during the coming year.

CONCLUSION.

I would again beg leave to express the many obligations I am under to the Governor and Council, and Inspectors, for their continued coöperation and valuable assistance; also to the officers of the Prison, for their fidelity in the discharge of the duties assigned them.

Respectfully submitted.

WARREN W. RICE, *Warden.*

THOMASTON, December, 1874.

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MAINE STATE PRISON IN ACCOUNT WITH THE STATE OF MAINE.

Cr.

1874. Nov. 30.	For paid transporting prisoners.....		\$360 75	1874. Nov. 30.	By fees from visitors.....		\$353 50
	“ convicts discharged.....		808 45				
	“ officers’ salaries.....		13,493 76				
1873. Nov. 30.	CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT. For stock on hand.....	\$45,280 19		1874. Nov. 30.	CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT. By stock.....	\$52,314 92	
	purchased since.....	34,142 02			amount of sales.....	52,661 70	
			79,422 21				104,976 62
1873. Nov. 30.	SHOEMAKING For stock on hand.....	6,927 21		1874. Nov. 30.	SHOEMAKING. By stock on hand.....	7,251 44	
	purchased since.....	8,519 33			amount of sales.....	10,306 52	
			15,446 54				17,557 96
1873. Nov. 30.	EXPENSE ACCOUNT. For stock on hand.....	5,519 54		1874. Nov. 30.	EXPENSE ACCOUNT. By stock on hand.....	5,505 17	
	purchased since.....	4,900 25			amount of sales.....	1,563 96	
			10,419 79				7,069 13
1873. Nov. 30.	CLOTHING. For stock on hand.....	4,182 07		1874. Nov. 30.	CLOTHING. By stock on hand.....	3,951 13	
	purchased since.....	3,258 24			amount of sales.....	773 00	
			7,440 31				4,724 13
1874. Nov. 30.	FUEL AND LIGHTS. For stock on hand.....	1,028 69		1874. Nov. 30.	FUEL AND LIGHTS. By stock on hand.....	905 15	
	purchased since.....	2,612 39			amount of sales.....	66 31	
			3,641 08				971 46
1874. Nov. 30.	SUBSISTENCE. For stock on hand.....	1,630 69		1874. Nov. 30.	SUBSISTENCE. By stock on hand.....	1,896 12	
	purchased since.....	9,411 86			amount of sales.....	1,640 89	
			11,042 55				3,537 01

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STATE PRISON.

1873. BUILDING AND REPAIRS.			1874. BUILDING AND REPAIRS.		
Nov. 30.	For stock on hand.....	\$1,076 30	Nov. 30.	By stock on hand.....	\$1,348 46
	purchased since.....	25,897 92		amount of sales.....	1,794 12
		\$26,974 22		By expended for building and repairs.....	23,831 64
				loss in other departments.....	2,885 63
		\$169,049 66			\$169,049 66

STATEMENT.

For amount stock Nov. 30, 1873.....	\$65,644 69	1874.	By stock on hand.....	\$73,172 39
balance due Prison.....	42,774 06	Nov. 30.	balance due Prison.....	25,629 09
appropriation.....	17,000 00		building and repairs.....	23,831 64
cash for library.....	100 00		loss in other departments.....	2,885 63
	\$125,518 75			\$125,518 75

WARREN W. RICE, *Warden.*

Knox, ss—December, 1874.

Personally appeared, Warren W. Rice, and made oath that the above account by him subscribed is true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Before me,

J. C. LEVENSALER, *Justice of the Peace.*

WARDEN'S REPORT.

CONVICTS IN THE STATE PRISON NOVEMBER 30, 1874.

County.	Name.	Age.	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Knox.....	Blake, William D.....	40	Life, Com'ted.	Murder.....	May 18, 1863....	Brooksville.....	1
Kennebec.....	Burns, William.....	35	10 years.	Burglary.....	April 12, 1866...	Lexington.....	2
Sagadahoc.....	Bartlett, David.....	49	15 "	Larceny.....	Jan. 9, 1868....	Philadelphia.....	1
Penobscot.....	Brown, William A.....	19	3 "	Larceny.....	March 5, 1872...	Garland.....	1
Penobscot.....	Brown, Almeda E.....	17	3 "	Larceny.....	March 5, 1872...	Frankfort.....	1
Hancock.....	Beckett, Robert.....	47	5 "	Burglary.....	April 25, 1872...	Ireland.....	4
Somerset.....	Brown, Jeremiah Jr.....	25	3 "	Assault to maim...	April 26, 1872...	Cornwall.....	1
York.....	Bickford, Frank W.....	22	14 "	Larceny.....	Oct. 5, 1872....	Great Falls.....	2
Oxford.....	Bragdon, John.....	23	5 "	Larceny.....	Dec. 13, 1873...	Standish.....	2
Oxford.....	Bayhem, Frank.....	19	5 "	Larceny.....	Dec 13, 1873....	Windham.....	1
Cumberland...	Burke, John.....	29	5 "	Larceny.....	Feb. 13, 1874...	Ireland.....	1
Cumberland...	Bell, Ida May.....	19	1 "	Adultery.....	Feb. 13, 1874...	Boothbay.....	1
Cumberland...	Brown, Anthony.....	22	2 "	Arson.....	Feb. 13, 1874...	New York.....	1
Cumberland...	Brown, George H.....	19	2 "	Larceny.....	Feb. 13, 1874...	Lake Champlain..	1
Somerset.....	Benson, John S.....	23	2 "	Larceny.....	April 4, 1874...	Norridgewock....	1
Kennebec.....	Brown, William.....	20	2 "	Larceny.....	April 10, 1874...	Connecticut.....	1
Somerset.....	Brown, George W.....	34	5 "	Rape.....	Oct. 3, 1874....	Castine.....	1
York.....	Bridges, John.....	22	2½ "	Larceny.....	Oct. 6, 1874....	Saco.....	1
Penobscot.....	Cleveland, Howard A.....	23	Death.	Murder.....	Sept. 20, 1869...	Orrington.....	1
Hancock.....	Cook, George.....	24	4 years.	Assault to rob....	May 15, 1871...	Portland.....	1
Knox.....	Conlon, John.....	50	10 "	Assault to kill....	Oct. 2, 1871....	Ireland.....	1
Lincoln.....	Cunningham, William E.....	33	Life.	Rape.....	Nov. 20, 1871...	Washington.....	1
Penobscot.....	Curtis Reuel.....	19	4 years.	Larceny.....	March 4, 1873...	Exeter.....	1
Androscoggin..	Clark, Jane.....	14	4 "	Common thief.....	July 1, 1874....	Portland.....	1
Penobscot.....	Collins, Amos.....	25	2 "	Larceny.....	Aug. 26, 1874...	Long Island.....	1
Cumberland...	Clark, Thomas Jr.....	17	5 "	Larceny.....	Sept. 16, 1874...	St. Johns.....	1
Cumberland...	Clark, James.....	20	3 "	Larceny.....	Oct. 1, 1874....	New Brunswick..	1
York.....	Curtis, John.....	21	2 "	Larceny.....	Oct. 6, 1874....	California.....	1
Washington...	Colboth, John.....	25	1½ "	Larceny.....	Oct. 26, 1874...	Milltown.....	1
Washington...	Downes, John.....	22	Life.	Burglary.....	Nov. 9, 1865...	No. 10.....	1
Knox.....	Dillon, Frank T.....	24	10 years.	Arson.....	Oct. 7, 1869....	Philadelphia.....	1
Cumberland...	Daley, Peter.....	30	12 "	Robbery.....	Jan. 13, 1871...	England.....	1
Lincoln.....	Dodge, Eben.....	45	Life.	Rape.....	May 17, 1871...	Edgcomb.....	1

Androscooggin	Darrar, Edward	48	2 years.	Forgery	April 3, 1873	England	1
Kennebec	Danforth, Albert B.	29	3 "	Larceny	April 10, 1874	Freedom	1
U. S. Court	Eveleth, George W.	52	10 "	Robbing the mail	Feb. 24, 1871	Phillips	1
Oxford	Eastman, James	22	5 "	Burglary	Dec. 13, 1873	Parsonsfield	2
Washington	Esties, James	21	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 26, 1874	New York	1
Cumberland	Floyd, Joseph	20	3 "	Forgery	June 8, 1872	Portland	1
Cumberland	Freeman, John	16	2 "	Larceny	Sept. 25, 1873	Boston	1
Knox	Fuller, Charles B.	39	4 "	Assault to ravish	Oct. 15, 1873	Union	1
Penobscot	Frazer, Samuel	22	6 "	Robbery	June 1, 1874	New York	1
Androscooggin	Griffin, Patrick	40	Death.	Murder	Aug. 27, 1863	Ireland	1
Oxford	Gilman, Ephraim	25	Life, Com'ted	Murder	Aug. 27, 1863	Denmark	1
Waldo	Gordon, John T.	29	Death.	Murder	Jan. 21, 1874	Thordidike	1
Penobscot	Glidden, Isaac N.	24	Life.	Burglary	March 3, 1874	Sebec	1
Knox	Hight, Charles	31	7 years.	Larceny	May 7, 1870	Wiscasset	1
Kennebec	Hoswell, Edward H.	47	9 "	Manslaughter	Dec. 19, 1870	Pawtucket	1
Penobscot	Hill, Daniel E.	41	6 "	Larceny	March 5, 1872	New Brunswick	1
Cumberland	Howard, Alonzo B.	27	6 "	Larceny	June 14, 1872	Portland	2
Kennebec	Haskell, Otis E.	33	4 "	Burglary	Aug. 16, 1872	Smithfield	1
U. S. Court	Haines, Samuel D.	16	4 "	Robbing the mail	Dec. 14, 1872	Patton	1
Cumberland	Harkins, James	28	9 "	Aslt dang. weapon	Feb. 13, 1874	Ireland	1
Franklin	Hamlin, William	27	3 "	Larceny	March 16, 1874	Wiscasset	2
Kennebec	Hilton, Samuel T.	26	4 "	Larceny	April 10, 1874	New York	1
Somerset	Hussey, Charles	27	2 "	Larceny	March 31, 1874	Hallowell	1
Kennebec	Higgins, James	39	4 "	Larceny	Ang. 12, 1874	Ireland	1
Aroostook	Harmond, Charles W.	36	6 "	Arson	Oct. 23, 1874	New Brunswick	1
York	Johnson, John F.	17	9 "	Burglary	May 27, 1871	Windsor	1
York	Johnson, George	26	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 6, 1874	Canada	1
Androscooggin	Knight, George	40	Death.	Murder	Sept. 24, 1857	Poland	1
Cumberland	Keenan, Charles H.	25	Life, Com'ted.	Murder	May 2, 1867	Louisiana	1
Androscooggin	Kelley, Barney	19	3 years.	Burglary	Oct. 5, 1872	Bangor	1
Washington	Kerby, Edward S.	31	7 years.	Manslaughter	Nov. 12, 1872	Nova Scotia	1
York	Kelley, Joseph	20	3 "	Larceny	Feb. 7, 1873	Ossipee	1
Somerset	Keene, William	45	1½ "	Adultery	Oct. 17, 1873	Windsor	1
Penobscot	Kenney, Albert	23	Life.	Burglary	March 3, 1874	Ellsworth	1
York	Littlefield, Rufus	39	Life.	Rape	Feb. 11, 1862	Kennebunk	2
Penobscot	Lawrence, John F.	32	Life, Com'ted	Murder	Sept. 12, 1870	Newport	1
Cumberland	Libby, Frank F.	28	6 years.	Larceny	Jan. 13, 1871	Gray	1
Knox	Little, Bernard	51	Life.	Murder	April 6, 1872	Ireland	1
Penobscot	Long, Thomas	18	2 years.	Larceny	March 4, 1873	Winn	1

CONVICTS IN THE STATE PRISON NOVEMBER, 30, 1874—(Concluded.)

County.	Name.	Age	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Cumberland . . .	Littlefield, George H	31	2 years.	Adultery	Feb. 13, 1874 . . .	Windham	1
Androscoggin . .	Lowell, James M	31	Death.	Murder	May 23, 1874 . . .	-	1
Cumberland . . .	Libby, Thomas L	22	2 years.	Assault	Oct. 1, 1874 . . .	Portland	1
Penobscot	Murphy, Thomas	27	20 "	Robbery	Sept. 4, 1865 . . .	Ireland	1
Sagadahoc	Maguire Edward	26	15 "	Larceny	Jan. 9, 1868 . . .	New York	1
Kennebec	McDonald, S. S. L	32	Life.	Rape	Aug. 23, 1868 . . .	Parkman	1
Knox	Moore, Langdon W	40	7 years.	Larceny	Sept. 30, 1870 . . .	Washington, N. H .	1
Cumberland . . .	Murray, Lawrence J	26	7 "	Robbery	Jan. 13, 1871 . . .	Ireland	1
U. S. Court	McPhael, Obod O	22	4 "	Robbing the mail . . .	June 30, 1871 . . .	Perry	1
Oxford	McCluskey, Patrick H	43	Life.	Rape	Dec. 28, 1871 . . .	Ireland	1
Kennebec	Mack, George W	20	2½ years.	Larceny	Aug. 16, 1872 . . .	Dover	1
Knox	Mitchell, Frank	16	3 years.	Larceny	Sept. 20, 1872 . . .	Bangor	1
Androscoggin . .	Madden, John	18	3 "	Rape	Oct. 5, 1872 . . .	Ireland	1
York	Maxwell, Enos	19	3 "	Larceny	Feb. 7, 1873 . . .	Alfred	1
Knox	Mitchell, Joseph	34	2 "	Larceny	April 3, 1873 . . .	Oldtown	1
Androscoggin . .	Murray, Anthony	20	3 "	Assault	May 5, 1873 . . .	Bangor	2
Penobscot	Mehan, Cornelius	33	4 "	Larceny	March 3, 1874 . . .	Ireland	1
Penobscot	McChusky, Daniel	22	4 "	Burglary	March 3, 1874 . . .	Bangor	1
Androscoggin . .	Murray, William F	24	3 "	Larceny	Sept. 24, 1874 . . .	Lewiston	1
Androscoggin . .	Preble, Joel C	29	Death.	Murder	Oct. 22, 1861 . . .	Whitefield	1
Cumberland . . .	Pierce, George	22	10 years.	Larceny	Jan. 22, 1870 . . .	Portland	2
Cumberland . . .	Pettigrew, John F	42	4 "	Larceny	May 19, 1871 . . .	Portland	1
York	Plaisted, Calvin	47	Life.	Arson	Oct. 22, 1870 . . .	York	1
Washington	Parsons, Charles L	25	4 years.	Burglary	Feb. 8, 1872 . . .	East Machias	1
U. S. Court	Pringle, Edward	22	3 "	Robbing the mail . . .	July 3, 1872 . . .	Bangor	1
Kennebec	Packard, Sewall	51	4 "	Burglary	Aug. 17, 1872 . . .	Vassalboro'	1
Androscoggin . .	Pillsbury, Addie R	17	3 "	Burglary	March 16, 1873 . . .	Wisconsin	1
Cumberland . . .	Pinkham, Thomas	78	2 "	Assault and battery . .	Feb. 13, 1874 . . .	Southport	1
Hancock	Pressey, Jonathan C	40	8 "	Assault to rape	May 4, 1874 . . .	Deer Island	1
Somerset	Ranco, Thomas	21	12 "	Burglary	Nov. 16, 1867 . . .	Fairfield	1
Cumberland . . .	Roach, Edward	32	4 "	Larceny	Sept. 30, 1871 . . .	Boston	1
U. S. Court	Rogers, John	62	6 "	Embezzlement	Oct 5, 1871 . . .	Topsham	1
York	Ramsdell, Charles	29	3 "	Larceny	June 8, 1872 . . .	Cornish	1

Kennebec	Roderick, Fred	16	2½ years.	Larceny	Aug. 15, 1872 . . .	Bath	1
Androscoggin	Richards, Nathan	37	3 "	Burglary	May 23, 1874 . . .	Wayne	7
Penobscot	Reed, Elbridge W	55	Life.	Murder	Aug. 26, 1874 . . .	Medway	1
Washington	Roix, William	20	3 years.	Larceny	Oct. 26, 1874 . . .	St. George	1
Penobscot	Sullivan, Cornelius	21	21 "	Larceny	March 8, 1866 . . .	Bangor	1
Cumberland	Stephenson, William H	33	10 "	Larceny	March 23, 1867 . . .	Portland	4
Sagadahoc	Simms, Orrin	29	15 "	Larceny	Jan. 9, 1868	New Hampshire	1
Cumberland	Shea, William	23	4 "	Larceny	Sept. 30, 1871 . . .	Lowell	1
York	Smith, Luther	60	10 "	Assault to kill	Jan. 25, 1872	Waterboro'	1
Penobscot	Smith, Joseph D	20	Life, Com'ted.	Murder	March 5, 1872	Veazie	1
Kennebec	Smith, Michael	24	4 years.	Larceny	Aug. 17, 1872	Augusta	1
Penobscot	Sears, John	22	4 "	Larceny	Aug. 28, 1872	Boston	1
Cumberland	Stanton, James	22	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 14, 1873	Hiram	1
Somerset	Sanborn, John	24	2 "	Larceny	March 31, 1874	Harmony	1
Cumberland	Sanders, Charles	25	4 "	Assault	June 6, 1874	New York	1
Kennebec	Stevens, John	27	3 "	Larceny	Aug. 12, 1874	Pittston	1
Cumberland	Starrett, George N	22	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 5, 1874	East Boston	1
Cumberland	Smith, Charles	29	3 "	Robbery	Feb. 13, 1874	Norway	1
York	Spear, Freeman H	23	4 "	Arson	Feb. 13, 1874	Saco	1
Aroostook	True, John V	20	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 23, 1872	Madawaska	1
Lincoln	Wright, Edward A	22	Life.	Rape	Nov 20, 1871	Damariscotta	1
York	Wilkinson, Charles	21	Life.	Murder	March 23, 1867	Sanford	1
York	Webster, Daniel	28	10 years.	Assault to ravish	Jan. 24, 1871	England	1
Cumberland	Wilson, James	26	5 "	Larceny	Jan. 25, 1872	Philadelphia	1
Kennebec	Woodman, Samuel	29	3 "	Larceny	March 19, 1872	Exeter	1
York	Wagner, Louis H. F	29	Death.	Murder	Sept. 25, 1873	Prussia	1
Penobscot	Whalen, Michael	19	6 years.	Larceny	March 3, 1874	Bangor	1
Penobscot	Wall, Peter	22	2 "	Larceny	March 3, 1874	Bangor	1
Somerset	White, Charles H	28	4 "	Burglary	March 31, 1874	Gardiner	1
Cumberland	Webb, Fred H	18	3 "	Larceny	June 6, 1874	Gorham	1
Oxford	Young, Truman F	48	9 "	Bank robbery	April 29, 1868	New Hampshire	1
Kennebec	Young, Owen F	18	3 "	Larceny	Aug. 16, 1872	Rome	1

CONVICTS.

Number of convicts Nov. 30, 1873....	129	Number received since July 2, '24..	2,100
Number received since.....	52	Disch'd on expiration sentence..	1,365
	<u>181</u>	Pardoned	484
Disch'd by expiration of sentence..	38	Discharged on writ of error....	1
Pardoned	5	Died.....	82
Died	1	Removed to Insane Hospital...	8
	<u>44</u>	Sentences commuted to jails...	4
Present number, Nov. 30, 1874.....	137	Escaped and not retaken.....	19
			<u>1,963</u>
			137

CRIMES.

Assault to ravish.....	3	Assault to rob.....	1
Larceny	63	Manslaughter	2
Burglary	16	Robbery.....	6
Murder.....	15	Robbing a bank	1
Arson	5	Rape.....	8
Assault to kill.....	3	Adultery.....	3
Embezzlement.....	1	Forgery.....	2
Assault and battery.....	3	Assault to maim.....	1
Robbing U. S. mail.....	4		
		Aggregate	<u>137</u>

REPORT of STATE PRISON and JAIL INSPECTORS.

To the Governor and Council:

The Inspectors of State Prison and Jails submit the following report for the year ending November 30, 1874.

Although the business of the Prison has been very much interrupted during the year, on account of the burning of the workshops near the commencement of the year, which made it necessary to temporarily provide a place of labor which was, at best, but poorly adapted to the purposes for which it was used, and on account of the legislative investigation of last winter, yet the results of the year's work are more favorable than we anticipated.

The earnings of the Prison during the year have been \$28,019.33, and expenses \$30,904.96, leaving a balance against the Prison of \$2,885.63. Notwithstanding this deficit, and the heavy loss of stock by the fire, we are of the opinion, that unless the business of the country should be depressed to a greater extent next year than it has been the past, the business of this Institution can be successfully carried on without any further appropriation.

The sum of \$17,000 was appropriated by the Legislature last winter for the purpose of building the workshop, and general repairs. In addition to this there was an unexpended balance of \$612.21 from the appropriation of the previous year, making the sum of \$17,612.21 for building and repairs. And the sum of \$23,831.64 has been expended, leaving a deficit of \$6,219.43, for which an appropriation is asked. The building has been constructed in the most substantial manner, and very economically. It is built of brick, upon a stone basement, is 181 feet in length, 38 feet in width, two stories high in front and four stories in the rear, besides the basement, and the roof is slated. The upper story of this building is used for a paint shop, the next one for a carriage shop, the next two for the storage of lumber, and the basement for a general store-house. These places for storage purposes were very much needed.

The discipline of the Prison has been satisfactory. At the request of the Inspectors the Warden appointed Wendell P. Rice as Deputy Warden. It was their opinion that he possessed in an eminent degree the requisite qualifications for the successful discharge of the duties of that office, and his experience thus far has verified the wisdom of the appointment. In the discipline of the Prison, which is largely entrusted to the Deputy, he has been sustained by the subordinate officers, and has been very successful in maintaining order, with very little punishment.

Instead of appointing a Chaplain, as the law allows us to do, the services of the resident ministers of Thomaston have been secured on the Sabbath; and a teacher has been employed, who has devoted his evenings and Sabbaths to the work of instructing the prisoners, and he has had charge of the library. The plan has worked admirably, and we believe it ought to be continued. We add extracts from the report which the teacher, Mr. D. J. Starrett, has made to us: "The whole number under instruction, 75; average number under instruction, 35; number unable to read or write, 15; ages from 18 to 40 years."

"Instruction has been given mostly in arithmetic, writing, reading and spelling, also instruction in grammar and geography, though I have thought most of my time had better be given to the former studies. The progress of the pupils has been good, some much better than could have been expected, others not what the instructor could desire. But taking them as a whole, keeping in view the manner of teaching from cell to cell, and the class of men to be taught, the general progress has been much better than anticipated from the first. There are many things to be taught aside from books, and I have always endeavored to meet the wants of the men in this regard. There are many interesting cases here that might be mentioned to show the importance of this work, but it must be omitted for want of room."

We will close this part of our report by repeating what we said last year: "We feel that we should not do justice to a most excellent public officer, should we close this report without expressing our approbation of the general management of the Prison by Warden Rice, who has discharged the irksome duties of the position to the satisfaction of all interested in the success of the Institution. The subordinate officers of the Prison, also, are entitled to commendation for the manner in which they have performed the duties of their positions."

Statement of Net Profits and Expenditures in the different Departments from November 30, 1873, to November 30, 1874.

CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT.		
1873.		
Nov. 30.	DR.	Stock on hand.....
		For purchased since.....
		\$45,280 19 34,142 02
1874.		
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....
		By amount sales.....
		52,314 92 52,661 70
		\$79,422 21 104,976 62
		Gain.....
		25,554 41
—		
SHOEMAKING.		
1873.		
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....
		For purchased since.....
		6,927 21 8,519 33
1874.		
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....
		By amount sales.....
		7,251 44 10,306 52
		15,446 54 17,557 96
		Gain.....
		2,111 42
—		
FEES FROM VISITORS.		
1874.		
Nov. 30.	CR.	By balance of account.....
		353 50
		Gain.....
		353 50
EXPENSE ACCOUNT.		
1873.		
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....
		For purchased since.....
		5,519 54 4,900 25
1874.		
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....
		By amount sales.....
		5,505 17 1,563 96
		10,419 79 7,069 13
		Loss.....
		3,350 66
—		
CLOTHING.		
1873.		
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....
		For purchased since.....
		4,182 07 3,258 24
1874.		
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....
		By amount sales.....
		3,951 13 773 00
		7,440 31 4,724 13
		Loss.....
		2,716 18

Statement of Net Profits and Expenditures—(Continued.)

		FUEL AND LIGHTS.		
1873.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....	\$1,028 69	
		For purchased since.....	2,612 39	
1874.				\$3,641 08
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....	905 15	
		By amount sales.....	66 31	
				971 46
		Loss		2,669 62
—				
SUBSISTENCE.				
1873.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....	1,630 69	
		For purchased since.....	9,411 86	
1874.				11,042 55
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....	1,896 12	
		By amount sales	1,640 89	
				3,537 01
		Loss		7,505 54
—				
BUILDING AND REPAIRS.				
1873.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For stock on hand.....	1,076 30	
		For purchased since	25,897 92	
1874.				26,974 22
Nov. 30.	CR.	By stock on hand.....	1,348 46	
		By amount sales	1,794 12	
				3,142 58
		Expended.....		23,831 64
—				
CONVICTS DISCHARGED.				
1874.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For balance on account.....	808 45	
		Loss		808 45
—				
TRANSPORTING CONVICTS.				
1874.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For balance of account.....	360 75	
		Loss		360 75
—				
OFFICERS' SALARIES.				
1874.				
Nov. 30.	DR.	For balance of account.....	13,493 76	
		Loss		13,493 76

Statement of Net Profits and Expenditures—(Concluded.)

		BUILDING AND REPAIRS ACCOUNT.	
1874.			
Nov. 30.	DR.	For appropriation last Legislature	- \$17,000 00
		For surplus from appropriation in 1872.	- 612 21
			\$17,612 21
	CR.	By amount expended.	- 23,831 64
		Excess of appropriations.	- 6,219 43
		—	
		RECAPITULATION.	
		Earnings—Carriage Department	- 25,554 41
		Shoemaking.	- 2,111 42
		Fees from Visitors.	- 353 50
			28,019 33
		Expenses—Expense Account.	3,350 66
		Clothing.	2,716 18
		Fuel and Lights	2,669 62
		Subsistence	7,505 54
		Convicts Discharged	808 45
		Transporting Convicts.	360 75
		Officers' Salaries.	13,493 76
			\$30,904 96
		Balance against	2,885 63
		—	
		NOTES AND ACCOUNTS.	
1874.			
Nov. 30.		Due the prison on old notes.	346 00
		“ “ “ books.	480 00
		“ “ “ new books.	50,731 40
		“ “ “ notes.	8,559 83
			60,117 23
		Prison owes on old books.	24 72
		“ “ “ new books.	29,253 97
		“ “ “ notes	5,209 45
			34,488 14
			25,629 09

JAILS.

We have visited and inspected all the jails in the State during the year. We do not, however, propose to give a detailed account of the condition of each, but such a description of each and such recommendations as we deem necessary to carry out the plan that has been adopted. This plan is to establish workshops in connection with five jails so located in different parts of the State, that all the prisoners from the other counties may, when they receive sentence, be sent to them, and the jails with which no workshops are connected may be used as places of detention.

For this purpose we have divided the jails into five divisions, each division containing one jail with a workshop and others without workshops.

First Division. The jail and workshop in Penobscot county, and the jails in Aroostook, Washington, Hancock and Piscataquis counties having no workshops.

The jail in Bangor is a substantial building capable of accommodating one hundred prisoners, and its affairs have been well managed. A suitable workshop has been erected and provided with machinery at an expense of about \$15,000. It is a brick building, well arranged for the manufacture of mouldings, doors, sash and blinds. A favorable contract has been made for the labor of the prisoners for the next three years. The county commissioners are deserving of much credit for the energy which they have shown in carrying forward this enterprise, and the jailor for his efficient management of the institution. This jail and workshop connected with it are large enough to accommodate all the prisoners who are under sentence in the four other counties named above. This plan will relieve the other counties of considerable expense which would otherwise be necessary in building or remodeling their jails. Piscataquis county has no jail, and it will only be necessary to provide a suitable place to detain persons before trial. The jail at Houlton is in a bad condition, but instead of building a new one as has been proposed it will only be necessary to remodel the old one. The jail in Hancock county, located at Ellsworth, is in a very poor condition, and even for the purpose of holding persons awaiting trial ought to be repaired and made secure. The jail in Washington county, at Machias, is in a good condition and well managed. Thus with a little expense the jails in Aroostook, Washington, Hancock, and a suitable place in Piscataquis counties may be made sufficiently secure and comfortable to hold the persons awaiting trial and those on very short sentences, while all who receive sentences of any considerable length may be sent to Bangor and set to work and by their labor pay most of the expense of their board.

Second Division. The jail in Kennebec county with workshops and the jails in Waldo and Somerset counties without workshops.

The jail at Augusta, Kennebec county, is a fine, substantial, granite building, capable of accommodating sixty persons. There has been an improvement in the management of this institution the past year. Workshops have been arranged during the year,

and the prisoners will soon be set at work. This jail is sufficiently large to accommodate all the sentenced men from Somerset and Waldo counties. This will obviate the necessity of building a jail at Skowhegan, for the cells provided in the basement of the court house will probably be sufficient to accommodate those waiting and during trial. The jail at Belfast, Waldo county, may be remodeled at a moderate expense and made suitable for the detention of prisoners under arrest, while the sentenced men may be sent to Augusta.

Third Division. The jail in Lincoln county with workshops, and the jails in Knox and Sagadahoc counties without workshops.

The jail in Lincoln county, located at Wiscasset, will accommodate 40 prisoners. A workshop has been fitted up and the prisoners have worked during the entire year. The county officers and the jailor are deserving of much credit for the promptness (they being the first to introduce labor into their jail) and fidelity which they have manifested in providing a suitable place for workshops, and the efforts put forth in keeping the men at work. This jail is large enough to accommodate the prisoners in Sagadahoc and Knox counties, so that there will be no necessity of incurring the expense of erecting jails in these counties.

Fourth Division. The jail in Androscoggin county with workshops and the jails in Franklin and Oxford counties without workshops.

The jail at Auburn, Androscoggin county, is in good condition, and its affairs have been managed to the entire satisfaction of the Inspectors. Sixty-seven prisoners have been accommodated here at one time. A workshop in connection with the jail was erected last year and the prisoners have been kept at work since February, 1874. The sentenced men from Franklin and Oxford counties may be sent here, so that but little attention need be given to the jails in those two counties. The plan of establishing workshops in connection with the jails, has been pushed forward with such vigor in Androscoggin county, that we begin to see some of the results which we expected. Already the earnings of the prisoners have amounted to the sum of \$2,183.61. Besides this, all the wood used in the jail and court-house has been sawed, the washing and cleaning, the manufacture of bedding and the mending of clothes has been done by the prisoners; and the county officers in a published report of the condition of the jail say, "With our workshops in operation things have changed. A

proper classification is made in pairing of the prisoners for rooms at night, those of similar age and traits being put together. During working hours being engaged in the shop at labor their hands are not only kept from mischief, but 'their lips from speaking guile.' We think the good that is being produced is about sufficient to cancel all expenditures that have been made, leaving the financial question out entirely."

Fifth Division. The jail in Cumberland county with a workshop and the jail in York county without a workshop.

The jail at Portland, Cumberland county, will accommodate eighty persons and has been well managed. It is proposed to construct a workshop in the spring. This should have been done last year. The prisoners under sentence in York county may be sent here and provided with work as soon as suitable arrangements can be made. The jail at Alfred, although nearly new, has not been in a satisfactory condition. There has been a general neglect in the administration of its affairs. Neither the commissioners nor the jailor have attended to their duties as they ought to have done. Such attention has not been given to the cleanliness of the jail, and such arrangements for heating it have not been made as the health of the prisoners demanded; and sufficient attention has not been given to the security of the prisoners. But we have assurances from the commissioners that these causes of complaint shall be removed.

These brief remarks will indicate the purpose of the Inspectors, and the design of the law creating workshops in connection with the jails. It is proposed when the plan is fully set in operation, to classify the prisoners so as to separate the youthful offenders from the more hardened criminals, and thus render their reformation more probable. The plan is also desirable on economical grounds, for it will relieve some of the counties of the necessity of building or repairing at considerable expense their jails, and give them the benefit of the labor of the prisoners. Indeed it seems quite absurd to allow able-bodied men to remain idle in jail one, two or three years, when they might be set at work and do much towards their support. The plan thus far has been successful, and we are decidedly of the opinion that it ought to be fully carried out, and all the prisoners under sentence set at work at the earliest possible moment.

As there are now many prisoners in jails with which there are no workshops connected, who ought to be set at work, and it is prob-

able that some of the jails having workshops may be crowded, while others may not be filled, we think the law ought to be so amended as to allow prisoners to be transferred from one jail to another when necessary. We annex the following table showing the number in each jail, &c.

JAILS.	No. of Prisoners for the year.	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	No. serving sentences.	No. awaiting trial.	No. born in U. S.	No. foreign birth.	No. under age.	No. escaped.	No. retaken.	No. Jail will accommodate.	Amount received per week for board of prisoners	No. days board for those awaiting trial	No. days board for those serving sen.	Total amount received for board.
Auburn*	328	298	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Augusta.....	217	195	22	-	-	121	96	27	2	2	60	\$3 00	742	3990	\$2,028 00
Alfred	150	130	20	98	52	82	68	48	5	4	48	2 50	2380	3557	2,120 00
Belfast.....	56	55	1	-	-	44	12	4	2	1	24	2 75	-	-	-
Bangor	287	272	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 75	-	-	3,500 00
Ellsworth	40	40	-	-	-	27	13	5	3	2	12	3 00	236	495	312 86
Farmington....	6	6	-	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	8	3 00	183	30	91 28
Houlton.....	11	10	1	4	7	8	3	2	-	-	18	3 00	276	153	183 86
Machias	62	50	12	-	-	51	11	6	-	-	30	3 00	740	2818	1,524 86
Norridgewock..	11	11	-	2	9	11	-	-	1	1	16	3 00	677	90	321 71
Paris	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portland	785	727	58	-	-	157	628	197	2	1	136	2 75	2775	9785	4,910 00
Wiscasset.....	114	106	8	95	19	37	77	11	1	1	40	3 00	1051	4267	2,278 87

* Earnings of Jail during year, \$2,183.61.

There are no jails in counties of Piscataquis, Sagadahoc and Knox.

WILLIAM WILSON, } State Prison
 RUFUS PRINCE, } and
 A. J. BILLINGS, } Jail Inspectors.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine.

GENTLEMEN:—The health of the convicts during the past year has been generally good. No case of grave, acute disease has occurred within the prison walls; as far as could be observed, no infectious or miasmatic poison has effected the health of the inmates; cleanliness and ventilation, so far as the construction of the prison admits, have been carefully attended to; care in the allowance and quality of food has been observed; the amount and kind of labor each prisoner performs has been so regulated as to be conducive to health, and relaxation from labor and restraint has been enjoyed to the extent consistent with proper prison discipline. This state of things is due chiefly to the vigilance and executive ability of the Warden, Deputy Warden, and to the active co-operation of the officers of the prison in all measures to promote the general health of the inmates, and render their condition as comfortable as possible.

There is now but one serious case in the hospital, that of John McCann, whose disease was mentioned in my last report; he continues much the same as last year, the only change being the gradual advance of his disease.

There has been but one death, William Logan died of consumption, July 26th, after suffering with a severe cough for more than two years.

I cannot close my report without expressing my thanks to the Warden, Deputy Warden, and all the officers of the prison, for their unvarying kindness to me personally, and for the hearty zeal with which they have promoted every scheme for the welfare of the unfortunate men under their charge.

J. B. WALKER,

Physician Maine State Prison.

THOMASTON, November 30, 1874.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine:

GENTLEMEN :—The decade now about to close has been an eventful one in the history of the world. In nothing has it been more distinctively *marked* than in the Science of Penology, and its application to punitive and reformatory institutions. The public mind is becoming intelligently awake to questions touching human welfare, to which it once gave but little thought. It is now a matter of deep concern on the part of many, in all the walks of life, how correction and discipline shall be administered, so that society shall be made securer and the criminal better. Methods have been investigated, principles discussed, facts collated and distributed, interested and intelligent men and women have held congresses, national and international, and conferred together; the press has been a ready coadjutor, in the promptness of its utterances sent forth everywhere to arrest and arouse popular attention. Certain general principles have been agreed upon by the States of our own country, and by the governments of all civilized countries, and a general system is in process of construction, which, it is confidently believed, will greatly facilitate the humanitarian work essential to be accomplished. The improvements, creditable to a christianized civilization, throughout christendom affecting the criminal population, and, meanwhile, inuring to the common welfare, are very manifest. And I am proud to say—which I do, after much careful observation, and as careful discrimination—that the improvements, touching the criminal classes in our own State, already made, and in process of making, I can find scarcely excelled; in several respects, perhaps not equalled. True, there was great need, and still there is much room. But when a people become awake to the essentialness of reform, and the leaders and the executors of law are men of progress and christian purpose, a good cause is not likely to be abandoned.

The appropriation by the Legislature for defraying the expenses of the Warden of the Maine State Prison to the Congress of the National Prison Association, held in May, at St. Louis, was eminently fit and just. Though a warden of longer experience, with a single exception, than any other in the country, yet the opportunity afforded by such an occasion to learn methods, exchange views, listen to discussions by the most practical men, in penal administration, in the world; and on the way to and from, visit several of the largest prisons in the land, could not be other than suggestive and advantageous. The *educational facilities* of such an opportunity, in that line, are unequalled; the *excitations* to possible improvement, *positive*. The good results, not noticeable perhaps to the superficial observer, cannot well fail. As having an eye to what goes on here—careful, first, because of personal interest in an institution of my own State; and secondly, because of a connection, from the first, with these national and international reformatory measures, I think I am not likely either to anticipate extravagantly or mistake present evidences.

I trust, gentlemen, mixed as it has fallen to my lot to be, with the Congresses and measures indicated, and several times by executive appointment, that you will not regard these statements as either impertinent or unfit.

The clergymen of Thomaston, as last year, and seven other years of the decade now closing, have officiated at the chapel service, and given such other attention to the moral and spiritual wants of the convicts as their parish duties would allow. Good has resulted—some plainly cognizable, some that must wait for the recognitions of another day. To compliment the work of a local chaplain, which we have not been able to do, a teacher has been employed to give the more ignorant convicts such instruction as is essential for the business of common life. He has been assiduous, and in a high degree successful, and we are confident that in the absence of a suitable chaplain his services cannot well be dispensed with. The Inspectors will report this arm of the prison management more fully. We have only to say, that while we are dissatisfied with the kind and amount of service we have been able to give, we cheerfully accord to the Warden and other officers our thanks for their uniform kindness, and are happy in being able to bear witness to the very marked respect and attention with which the convicts have listened to and treated us. We regard this as one among the many evidences that the good heaven

of the reformatory influence that is *abroad*, and *here*, is affecting the true manhood of these guilty and unfortunate men, of many of whom we have hope of substantial good in the future.

Respectfully submitted.

J. K. MASON,

In behalf of the officiating clergymen.

THOMASTON, November 30, 1874.

COMMUTATION LAW.

The Warden of the State Prison shall keep a record of the conduct of each convict, and for every month that such convict shall appear by such record to have faithfully observed all the rules and requirements of the Prison, the Warden may recommend to the Executive a deduction from the terms of service of such convict's sentence according to, but not exceeding, the following rule and proportion: For a convict under the sentence of two years or less, one day for each month of good conduct; three years or less, and more than two years, two days; four years, three days; five years, four days; seven years or less, and more than five years, five days; nine years or less, and more than seven years, six days; ten years, and less than fifteen years, seven days; fifteen years, and less than twenty years, eight days; and for all other convicts, except those sentenced to perpetual imprisonment, ten days.