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FOR THE YEAR

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OF THE

INSPECTORS AND WARDEN

OF THE

MAINE STATE PRISON,

AND OF THE

PHYSICIAN AND CLERGYMEN.

1878.

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OFFICERS.

WARREN W. RICE, Warden.
JOSHUA G. RICE, Deputy Warden.
WENDELL P. RICE, Clerk.
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THOMAS F. PHINNEY, Overseer of Shoe Shop.
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CLERGYMEN OF THOMASTON, Chaplains.
DAVID J. STARRETT, Teacher.
RUFUS PRINCE, }
A. J. BILLINGS, } INSPECTORS.
EDWARD CUSHING, }

PRISON AND JAIL INSPECTORS' REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine:

In compliance with the statutes we submit the following Report for the year ending November 31, 1878:

EARNINGS AND EXPENSES.

The annexed table contains a detailed statement of the earnings and expenses of the prison for the year. By this statement it will be seen that the earnings have been \$15,712.24, and the expenses \$32,211.89, leaving a balance against the prison of \$16,499.65. We estimated the earnings of the prison for the year to be \$22,000, expenses \$29,000, leaving a balance to be provided for of \$7,000.

The general decline in prices for the past few years, have made it necessary to reduce the valuation from year to year in our annual appraisals, thereby making a much larger apparent deficiency in the earnings of the prison than would otherwise be—our reduction the present year being about ten per cent. A larger amount of carriages and harnesses have been sold the past year than ever before, but at a price materially less; and had it not been for the fact that the sale of sleighs last winter, on account of the lack of snow in the vicinity of the prison, was very small, leaving a large number on hand, the amount of manufactured goods on hand would be very small.

We believe that prices will go no lower, and that no further reduction in the valuation will be necessary, and, if our ideas are correct, the annual deficiency in the future will be trifling if any. Much of the stock sold has been necessarily on credit, thereby making quite an increase in the debts due the prison, as will be seen by the annexed tables.

Although the amount due is much larger than is desirable, still we believe that assets in notes and accounts much better

than in manufactured goods. A collector is to be employed during the winter, and we shall look for a material reduction in the amount due before spring opens.

BUILDINGS AND REPAIRS.

The large increase in the number of prisoners made the shop room entirely inadequate to accommodate the number of convicts able to work, hence, early in the season it was decided that the interest of the State demanded an increase of shop room, and we advised the enlargement of the harness shop, which was completed early in the fall, making all that will be necessary in this direction for some time to come.

There are now cells to accommodate 250 convicts. Ten tenements for officers, and shop room enough to accommodate all that we shall be likely to have for many years, and no further appropriation will be needed in this department for some time to come, except for ordinary repairs.

REMARKS.

The first question usually asked in regard to a prison is "has it paid its way," success being almost universally reckoned from this standpoint; and while we should ever look well to our finances, expending as little as true interest demands, still we think in our penal institutions there are other considerations that are in the end of much more vital importance to community than financial success.

The paramount question of those in charge of criminals should not be, how can we make them earn the most money? or how can we most thoroughly punish them? but what treatment is necessary to make them better citizens when they again enter society?

We think all will agree with us when we say that in every person, no matter how low he may be in morals, there is a spark of good, which, if the proper course is pursued, may be fanned into a bright flame, and even the lowest criminal be made a good citizen instead of being left to prey upon society. Hence we believe that the true interests of the State

demand that those in charge of our prison and jails should be governed by an enlightened humanity, their great aim being the reformation of the convict.

There are, without doubt, many professional criminals who are thoroughly accomplished in their nefarious work, and who intend when they again enter society to live by preying upon it, and of course little can be expected from this class, and we have no sympathy for those that throw bouquets to the professional robber however well he may be dressed while on trial in our courts, and at the same time look with scorn upon the tender victim in rags on trial for his first offence.

One writer has well compared the prison to "a cesspool, into which is gathered the very dregs of society and out of which streams continually flow." Much depends upon the influences with which they are surrounded while in this cesspool whether the outflowing streams be comparatively pure or more turbid even than when they enter.

If prisoners are treated with a revengeful spirit while in prison by those in charge of them, they on again entering society are likely to be governed by the same spirit, and go out again more hardened than when entering the prison. Discipline should be firm but kind; we should ever bear in mind that prisoners are human beings, and being human are liable to err. In this connection we take great pleasure in saying that from our connection with our jails and prison, that we believe that those in charge of them are governed by this spirit of humanity, consequently we often meet with those that we have met as convicts that are now sober, industrious, honorable citizens, entitled to and receiving the respect of all good citizens.

With the ideas expressed in view, we have taken much pains to give the convict that had any desire to improve, at least the rudiments of an education. Our teacher has been very earnest in his efforts and the results are very gratifying.

We refer you to the reports of the Chaplains, Physician and Teacher for information in regard to the moral, physical and intellectual condition of the convicts.

Statement of net Profits and Expenditures in the different departments from Nov. 30, 1877, to Nov. 30, 1878.

1877. CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	\$63,515 82
		purchased since.....	25,350 88
1878.			\$88,866 70
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	57,511 87
		amount of sales.....	41,374 43
			98,886 30
		Gain.....	10,019 60
1877. HARNESS DEPARTMENT.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	6,684 12
		purchased since.....	9,198 61
1878.			15,882 73
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	7,959 60
		amount of sales.....	12,195 92
			20,155 52
		Gain.....	4,272 79
1877. SHOEMAKING.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	7,169 73
		purchased since.....	4,016 70
1878.			11,186 43
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	4,980 87
		amount of sales.....	7,481 91
			12,462 78
		Gain.....	1,276 35
1878. FEES FROM VISITORS.			
Nov. 30...	CR.	By balance of account.....	143 50
		Gain.....	143 50
1877. EXPENSE ACCOUNT.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	5,105 11
		purchased since.....	5,253 31
1878.			10,358 42
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	5,051 82
		amount of sales.....	1,350 06
			6,401 88
		Loss.....	3,956 54
1877. CLOTHING.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	5,528 11
		purchased since.....	3,276 77
1878.			8,804 88
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	4,837 07
		amount of sales.....	1,102 22
			5,939 29
		Loss.....	2,865 59
1877. FUEL AND LIGHTS.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	444 81
		purchased since.....	2,251 65
1878.			2,696 46
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	700 29
		amount of sales.....	53 13
			753 42
		Loss.....	1,943 04

Statement of net Profits and Expenditures—Concluded.

1877.		SUBSISTENCE.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For amount of stock.....	\$916 71		
		purchased since	9,081 13		
1878.					\$9,997 84
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	871 26		
		amount of sales.....	1,110 69		
					1,981 95
		Loss.....			8,015 89
1877.		BUILDING AND REPAIRS.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For stock on hand.....	1,440 80		
		purchased since	3,774 23		
1878.					5,215 03
Nov. 30...	CR.	By stock on hand.....	322 92		
		amount of sales.....	89 14		
					412 06
		Expended			4,802 97
1878.		CONVICTS DISCHARGED.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For balance of account.....	1,072 38		
		Loss			1,072 38
1878.		TRANSPORTING CONVICTS.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For balance of account.....	354 57		
		Loss.....			354 57
1878.		OFFICERS' SALARIES.			
Nov. 30...	DR.	For balance of account.....	14,003 88		
		Loss.....			14,003 88
		RECAPITULATION.			
		<i>Expenses</i> —Expense Account.....	3,956 54		
		Clothing.....	2,865 59		
		Fuel and Lights.....	1,943 04		
		Subsistence	8,015 89		
		Convicts Discharged.....	1,072 38		
		Transporting Convicts	354 57		
		Officers' Salaries.....	14,003 88		32,211 89
		<i>Earnings</i> —Carriage Department	10,019 60		
		Harness “	4,272 79		
		Shoemaking “	1,276 35		
		Fees from Visitors.....	143 50		15,712 24
		Balance against.....			16,499 65
		NOTES AND ACCOUNTS.			
		Due the prison on books	50,766 72		
		Due the prison on notes.....	26,365 34		77,132 06
		Prison owes on books	58,052 37		
		Prison owes on notes.....	3,333 00		61,385 37
					\$15,746 69

JAILS.

We have been pleased to note a marked change in our jails since they have been under our supervision, still there is yet much to do to make them what they should be. As a rule those in charge have been very ready to make such improvements as we have suggested, tending to improve their sanitary condition or their safety demanded, until in a large proportion of the counties they are in as good condition as could reasonably be expected.

The jail in Hancock county should be rebuilt, as it is in such condition that in cold weather the prisoners must be kept together or freeze. This, together with the fact that the jail is unsafe, admonishes this county that they should rebuild without delay. The lower tier of cells (which are all that are calculated for criminals) in the jails in Franklin and Aroostook counties are dark and damp and ought to be rebuilt.

The sanitary condition of the jail in Waldo county is not what it should be, but with trifling expense it could be made all that would be necessary for the number of prisoners usually confined here. The cells are dark and without ventilation, and consequently unsuitable in which to confine human beings, and two years since the county commissioners assured us that they would make such improvements as we suggested, but have failed to do it.

Work has been continued in the jails that have workshops with good success, except that in Lincoln county, which has been closed, the others having been a source of revenue to the counties in which they are situated.

RUFUS PRINCE,
A. J. BILLINGS,
EDWARD CUSHING, } *Inspectors.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

JAILS.	Whole number committed for the year ending Dec. 1, 1878.	Average number.	Number in jail Dec. 1, 1878.	Number serving sentences now in jail.	Number sentenced for six months or less.	Number sentenced from 6 months to 1 year.	Number sentenced from 1 to 3 years.	Males.	Females.	Number under age.	Number of foreign birth.	Amount received for board per week.	Number jail will accommodate.	Number escaped during the year.	Number retaken.	Debtors.
Auburn	276	41	42	42	30	30	12	269	7	150	180	2 50	60	2	1	30
Augusta	425	40	39	39	35	3	1	-	-	4	250	2 50	95	1	-	27
Bangor	346	43	38	30	27	3	-	322	24	72	267	2 00	80	2	2	16
Portland	571	75	117	97	68	46	19	804	73	176	545	2 50	136	-	1	58
Wiscasset	120	21	20	14	14	14	-	106	14	16	20	2 50	40	1	-	11
Alfred	130	14	8	8	88	-	-	114	16	57	93	2 50	60	-	-	7
Belfast	161	14	27	27	136	-	-	161	-	15	80	2 00	24	-	-	10
Ellsworth	35	5	-	-	12	-	-	33	2	3	2	2 50	24	-	-	10
Farmington	13	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	-	-	13	-	4	1	2 50	10	-	-	5
Houlton	54	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	3	3	-	-	54	-	7	6	2 50	18	-	-	13
Machias	73	10	15	4	29	-	-	60	13	12	-	2 50	35	-	-	4
Norridgewock	30	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	6	-	-	27	3	7	2	2 50	16	5	4	9
Paris	21	3	1	-	-	-	-	21	-	6	3	2 50	16	-	-	9

WARDEN'S REPORT.

To the Governor and Council of the State of Maine:

GENTLEMEN,—In presenting my Sixteenth Annual Report of the affairs of the State Prison, it is gratifying to be able to say that the year has passed without serious disturbance of any sort, and that so far as could be expected good health has prevailed, and good order been easily maintained.

Out of a total population of 279 four have died, which is rather a larger percentage than is usual in this prison. One of those who died may be said to have died of "old age," he being 85 years old when he died, and the causes of the death of the other three will be found explained in the Physician's report.

The number of convicts on December 1, 1877, was—

Males	203
Females	4
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Total.....	207
Average for the year	188

The present number is—

Males	215
Females	6
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Total.....	221
Average for the year	211
Average increase over last year	23

The number of commitments to the prison was two less than in 1877. Of the 72 committed during the year, there were sent from—

Androscoggin County.....	12
Cumberland "	10
Hancock "	7

U. S. Court.....	6
York County.....	5
Washington County.....	5
Knox “.....	5
Somerset “.....	4
Sagadahoc “.....	3
Franklin “.....	2
Lincoln “.....	2
Oxford “.....	2
Aroostook “.....	2
Waldo “.....	2
Kennebec “.....	2
Penobscot “.....	2
Piscataquis “.....	1
Total.....	<hr/> 72

Crimes of those committed in 1878 :

Larceny.....	30
Breaking and entering.....	12
Rape.....	5
Adultery.....	4
Murder.....	3
Counterfeiting.....	3
Incest.....	2
Manslaughter.....	2
Assault and battery.....	2
Forgery.....	1
Burglary.....	1
Receiving stolen goods.....	1
Robbery.....	1
Arson.....	1
Abortion.....	1
Polygamy.....	1
Assault to rob.....	1
Attempt to commit arson.....	1
Total.....	<hr/> 72

Period of sentence of those committed in 1878 :

One year	7
Two years and over one.....	23
Three years and over two	16
Four years and over three.	4
Five years.....	12
Six years.....	1
Seven years.....	1
Eight years.....	1
Nine years.....	1
Ten years.....	2
Life.....	4
	72
Total.....	72

As was anticipated, the number in this prison now is greater by fourteen than at the close of last year, but the number in the several county jails, as appears by the returns, is thirteen less than last year, being but 232 in all, and making an aggregate of 453 persons now confined in the State prison and the thirteen county jails of the State—an increase of but one over the number confined at this time last year. I think it safe to calculate that the number in this prison a year hence will be some fifteen less than are here now; and it is hoped that with the prospective revival in business the number of criminals in our State, already far less in proportion to the population than is found in any other State, will continue to decrease from year to year hereafter.

FINANCIAL.

The sales of carriages and harnesses have reached the total amount of \$53,570.33 against \$47,746.12 last year, an increase of \$5,824.23 in those branches of business. The sales of boots and shoes amount to \$7,481.91, a few hundred dollars more than last year. The expenses of the prison, including salaries for the year, amount to \$32,211.89, and the profits of manufacturing, after making reductions in valuation of stock

on hand, amount to \$15,712.24, leaving an apparent deficit of \$16,499.65.

Of the fifteen and a half years during which I have been in charge of this prison, the earnings have exceeded the expenses for eight and a half years, by \$34,854.98 in the aggregate, but during the remaining seven years there has been an aggregate deficit of \$54,439.57, showing an average annual deficit of \$1,263.52; and as the average number of convicts here for the whole time has been 150, the amount divided would show an average of \$8.42 as the net cost to the State of each convict for his transportation to prison, support while there, and outfit when discharged therefrom. That amount, of course, does not include the cost of buildings or Warden's salary, nor does it the expense of supervision by Inspectors, Governor and Council, and Committee of the Legislature, all of which has always been paid directly from the State treasury, and has never been reckoned as a part of the expenses of the institution.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The increase in the number of convicts made it necessary to provide more shop room if they were to be employed, and therefore, by advise of the Inspectors, and being authorized by the Executive, I built an extension of 74 feet in length to one of the buildings, and thereby provided a room large enough in which to employ twice the number of men in the manufacture of harnesses that we had been able to employ in that business before. We find the harness department as profitable as any for the State, and it has the advantage of absorbing less capital in the business, in proportion to the number of men employed, because of there not being a necessity for carrying so large an amount of stock as in the other branches of business carried on here. I should advise the employment of a still larger proportion of the convicts here in this department so soon as changes can be conveniently made, and with little cost in the reconstruction of some of the buildings. Eventually it may be considered wise to

employ the entire number of able-bodied convicts here in the manufacture of harnesses, all of which could be sold outside the limits of the State, and many, perhaps all, sold to be sent into foreign countries. I have already filled liberal orders for "sample harnesses for the Australian market," with the assurance of "large orders" in case the work and price are satisfactory.

I have also completed the new wing of the prison building which I reported "unfinished" last year; have moved and finished up a building in the quarry for a laundry; have moved the piggery building to a more suitable location, built a basement to it and fitted it up, and have repaired and painted the buildings connected with the prison considerably, all at an expense of \$4,802.97.

The prison buildings, workshop, walls and fences are now all in good condition, with sufficient capacity, as I believe, to safely and properly confine, and conveniently employ, all the convicts that will be likely to be sent here during the next twenty years, and upon which there will be no need of other expenditures than is sufficient to keep them in repair or to make some slight changes in some of the workshops, to adapt them to any change of the kind of manufacture in which the men may be employed.

CONCLUSION.

Dr. J. B. Walker has continued to prescribe for the sick with his usual skill, patience and success. D. J. Starrett, Esq., the Instructor, has enthusiastically persevered in his efforts to teach the ignorant how to "read, write and cipher," and also as opportunity presented itself, to advise his wayward pupils that "crime is always unprofitable" as well as sinful; and the Revs. Messrs. Matthews and Williams have alternately preached the Gospel to the convicts on the Sabbath, visited the sick in the hospital, and officiated at the funerals of those who have died during the year. Their services have been very satisfactory to all, and I doubt not good has come of their efforts. The reports of Physician, Chaplains and

Instructor will accompany this, and will doubtless contain matter of interest to the public.

The other subordinate officers of the prison have also been faithful, vigilant and efficient in the discharge of the very responsible duties with which they have been entrusted, the importance of which they *realize*, and are therefore able to make themselves, as they have been, *faithful servants* of the public. Their duties are always attended with risk and such as should demand constant thoughtfulness, which the good order so universally prevailing throughout the prison proves that they practice. For myself, I *appreciate* the *efficient service* their fidelity and experience has enabled them to render the State.

To the Inspectors, who have always been ready and able to advise me, and to the Governor and Council for their kindly co-operation and wise suggestions to me regarding the difficult and responsible duties devolving upon me, I wish to tender my sincere thanks.

WARREN W. RICE, *Warden*.

THOMASTON, December 1, 1878.

Dr.				Maine State Prison in account with the State of Maine.				Cr.	
1878. Nov. 30	For paid transporting prisoners..... convicts discharged..... officers' salaries.....	- - -	\$1,072 38 354 57 14,003 88	1878. Nov. 30	By fees from visitors.....	-	\$143 50		
1877. Nov. 30	CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	\$63,515 82 25,350 88	88,866 70	1878. Nov. 30	CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	\$57,511 87 41,374 43	98,886 30		
1877. Nov. 30	HARNES DEPARTMENT. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	6,684 12 9,198 61	15,882 73	1878. Nov. 30	HARNES DEPARTMENT. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	7,959 60 12,195 92	20,155 52		
1877. Nov. 30	SHOEMAKING. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	7,169 73 4,016 70	11,186 43	1878. Nov. 30	SHOEMAKING. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	4,980 87 7,481 91	12,462 78		
1877. Nov. 30	EXPENSE ACCOUNT. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	5,105 11 5,253 31	10,358 42	1878. Nov. 30	EXPENSE ACCOUNT. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	5,051 82 1,350 06	6,401 88		
1877. Nov. 30	CLOTHING. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	5,528 11 3,276 77	8,804 88	1878. Nov. 30	CLOTHING. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	4,837 07 1,102 22	5,939 29		
1877. Nov. 30	FUEL AND LIGHTS. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	444 81 2,251 65	2,696 46	1878. Nov. 30	FUEL AND LIGHTS. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	700 29 53 13	753 42		
1877. Nov. 30	SUBSISTENCE. For stock on hand..... purchased since.....	916 71 9,081 13	9,997 84	1878. Nov. 30	SUBSISTENCE. By stock on hand..... amount of sales.....	871 26 1,110 69	1,981 95		

1877. BUILDING AND REPAIRS.			1878. BUILDING AND REPAIRS.		
Nov. 30	For stock on hand	1,440 80	Nov. 30	By stock on hand.....	322 92
	purchased since.....	3,774 23		amount of sales	89 14
					412 06
		5,215 03			147,136 70
		\$168,439 32		By expended for building and repairs	4,802 97
				loss in other departments.....	16,499 65
					\$168,439 32

STATEMENT.

1877.	For amount of stock	\$90,805 21	1878.	By stock on hand.....	\$82,235 70
Nov. 30	balance due prison.....	7,024 25	Nov. 30	balance due prison.....	15,746 69
	State Treasurer.....	6,162 50		building and repairs.....	4,802 97
	appropriation	15,293 05		loss in other departments.....	16,499 65
		\$119,285 01			\$119,285 01

WARREN W. RICE, *Warden.*

KNOX COUNTY, December, 1878.

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, 1878.

County.	NAME.	Age.	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Cumberland	Austin, Moses	55	5 years.	False pretence	May 28, 1875	Westbrook	1
Washington	Ayers, Jesse	50	15 "	Assault to kill	Oct. 18, 1875	East Machias	1
York	Andrews, Ingalls B.	48	6 "	Larceny	Jan. 19, 1877	Lowell	1
Waldo	Adams, George W.	19	2½ "	Breaking and entering	Jan. 23, 1877	Waltham, Mass.	1
Washington	Anderson, George G.		1½ "	Manslaughter	Nov. 6, 1877	Steuben	1
Cumberland	Adderly, George	20	10 "	Larceny	June 7, 1878	England	1
Androscoggin	Abbot, Frank B.	19	3 "	Larceny	Oct. 12, 1878	Newark, N. J.	1
York	Allen, Charles	19	2 "	Breaking and entering	Oct. 26, 1878	Sherbrook, Can.	1
Knox	Blake, William D.	40	Life, Com'ted	Murder	May 18, 1863	Brooksville	1
York	Bickford, Franklin W.	22	14 years.	Larceny	Oct. 5, 1872	Great Falls	2
Somerset	Brown, George W.	34	5 "	Rape	Oct. 3, 1874	Castine	1
Cumberland	Black, Augustus A.	28	20 "	Rape	Feb. 4, 1875	Gray	1
Kennebec	Britt, Charles H.	24	5 "	Larceny	Mar. 11, 1875	Augusta	2
Cumberland	Bryant, Willis	14	6 "	Arson	May 28, 1875	Portland	1
Cumberland	Bundy, Anthony	22	7 "	Assault	Oct. 6, 1875	Bangor	1
Cumberland	Bubier, Llewellyn	15	4 "	Assault and battery	Feb. 1, 1876	Lewiston	1
Penobscot	Briggs, Frank M.	21	3 "	Robbery	Mar. 18, 1876	Bangor	1
Waldo	Barnes, William	14	10 "	Obstructing railroad	Apr. 27, 1876	Monroe	1
Cumberland	Bruns, Mads N.	40	10 "	Incest	Sept. 27, 1876	Denmark	1
Cumberland	Brown, George H.	24	5 "	Larceny	June 5, 1877	Lake Champlain	2
Cumberland	Barnes, Francis H.	32	2 "	Forgery	Oct. 9, 1877	Harpwell	1
York	Blaisdell, John D.	26	1½ "	Assault and battery	Nov. 1, 1877	W. Lebanon	1
Washington	Brazill, Gilbert	18	3 "	Larceny	Nov. 6, 1877	Columbia	1
Washington	Boulter, Charles F.	36	3 "	Larceny	Jan. 15, 1878	Bangor	3
Washington	Brown, George A.	35	1½ "	Larceny	Jan. 15, 1878	Millbridge	1
Cumberland	Brown, Edward	47	5 "	Larceny	Feb. 5, 1878	Wayland, Mass.	1
Lincoln	Bailey, William	17	2 "	Larceny	May 4, 1878	Togus	1
Washington	Basley, Moses	19	3 "	Assault and battery	May 13, 1878	Lubec	1
Washington	Buzzell, Justin J.	46	2 "	Breaking and entering	May 13, 1878	Grand Lake, N. B.	1
Kennebec	Boynton, Fred	26	3 "	Breaking and entering	Sept. 8, 1878	Chelsea	1

Cumberland	Bryant, Owen G	28	2 years.	Larceny	Oct. 3, 1878	Wakefield, Mass	1
Cumberland	Brown, Charles A	21	2 "	Attempt to rob	Oct. 3, 1878	Atlanta, Ga	1
Penobscot	Cleaveland, Howard A	23	Death.	Murder	Sept. 20, 1869	Orrington	1
Knox	Conlon John	50	10 years.	Assault to kill	Oct. 2, 1871	Ireland	1
Cumberland	Clark, Thomas, Jr	17	5 "	Larceny	Sept. 15, 1874	St. John	1
York	Clough, Jacob C	53	5 "	Assault to commit incest	Oct. 12, 1875	New Hampshire	1
Lincoln	Clifford, Alexander	16	5 "	Arson	Nov. 6, 1875	Somerville	1
Waldo	Chase, Oak A	22	5 "	Breaking and entering	Apr. 27, 1876	Canaan	2
Washington	Connors, James	23	4 "	Larceny	May 22, 1876	Milbridge	1
Pistataquis	Cole, William	27	Life.	Rape	Sept. 27, 1876	Nova Scotia	1
York	Curtis, John	24	5 years.	Larceny	Jan. 19, 1877	California	2
Cumberland	Cardiff, Frank	24	2 "	Larceny	Feb. 1, 1877	Portland	1
Knox	Collins, Timothy	22	2 "	Larceny	Mar. 17, 1877	Salem, Mass	2
Sagadahoc	Cox, Isaac N	14	6 "	Manslaughter	Apr. 20, 1877	Bowdoin	1
Washington	Colby, Thomas	21	2 "	Forgery	May 28, 1877	Deer Isle	1
Lincoln	Cockley, James R	32	1½ "	Adultery	Nov. 1, 1877	Shepody, N. B	1
Kennebec	Cochran, Lyman W	21	5 "	Larceny	Nov. 23, 1877	West Waterville	1
Somerset	Cora E. Chick	23	1 "	Adultery	Feb. 8, 1878	Rockland	1
Aroostook	Carter, Ira H	39	5 "	Incest	Apr. 4, 1878	Pembroke	1
U. S. Court	Chandler, Adelbert	24	2 "	Counterfeiting	May 17, 1878	Unity	1
Cumberland	Clark, William	21	4½ "	Receiving stolen goods	June 7, 1878	Boston	1
York	Coolbroth, Charles C	22	3 "	Breaking and entering	Oct. 26, 1878	Kennebunk	1
Cumberland	Dennison, Edward	14	6 "	Arson	May 28, 1875	Machias	1
Washington	Daley, John	27	Life.	Burglary	Oct. 18, 1875	Minnesota	1
Cumberland	Dalton, Charles A	35	4 years.	Larceny	Feb. 1, 1876	Springfield, Mass	1
Cumberland	Donovan, John	20	5 "	Assault and battery	May 25, 1876	Bangor	1
Cumberland	Doherty, Stephen J	16	4 "	Larceny	May 25, 1876	St. Johns	1
Cumberland	Douglass, Charles	41	3 "	Breaking and entering	May 25, 1876	Scotland	1
Cumberland	Dean, Peter	24	6 "	Robbery	Sept. 20, 1876	Nova Scotia	1
Penobscot	Demons, Rufus A	24	2½ "	Larceny	Mar. 26, 1877	Whiting	1
Washington	Davis, Joseph H	30	4 "	Larceny	May 28, 1877	Tremont	1
Cumberland	Davis, Charles E	36	4 "	Larceny	Oct. 9, 1877	Mt. Desert	3
Sagadahoc	Daws, Edward	36	5 "	Larceny	Apr. 16, 1878	Switzerland	1
York	Day, Calvin	36	Life.	Arson	June 7, 1878	Shapleigh	1
Androscoggin	Donovan, John	25	3 years.	Larceny	Oct. 12, 1878	New York	1
Oxford	Eastman, James	22	5 "	Burglary	Dec. 13, 1873	Parsonsfield	2
Kennebec	Everson, John	37	4 "	Embezzlement	Nov. 20, 1875	New York	1
Somerset	Eaton, Frederick	36	5 "	Forgery	Jan. 5, 1877	Waterville	1
Lincoln	Eastman, Timothy	18	2 "	Larceny	Nov. 9, 1878	Gardiner	1

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County.	NAME.	Age.	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Cumberland	Ford, Patrick	19	7 years.	Larceny	May 25, 1876	Portland	1
Cumberland	Flaherty, Martin	18	4 "	Assault and battery	Sept. 20, 1876	St. Johns	1
Androscoggin	Griffin, Patrick	40	Death.	Murder	May 17, 1862	Ireland	1
Oxford	Gilman, Ephraim	25	Life, Com'ted	Murder	Aug. 27, 1863	Denmark	1
Penobscot	Glidden, Isaac N	24	Life.	Burglary	Mar. 3, 1874	Sebec	1
Cumberland	Green, Henry	24	5 years.	Cheating	Feb. 4, 1875	Chicago	1
York	Grogan, Michael	30	2 "	Larceny	Jan. 19, 1877	Ireland	1
Waldo	Greenlaw, Frank J.	19	2½ "	Breaking and entering	Jan. 23, 1877	Calais	1
Knox	Grant, Fred	23	4 "	Burglary	Mar. 16, 1877	Rockland	1
Hancock	Grindle, Lester T.	17	3 "	Larceny	May 23, 1877	Bucksport	1
Cumberland	Gray, Charles V.	36	2½ "	Larceny	Oct. 9, 1877	Brooksville	1
Aroostook	Garneare, Gabriel	33	2 "	Assault and battery	Oct. 19, 1877	Madawaska	1
U. S. Court	Goodwin, Oren.	25	3 "	Breaking and entering	Oct. 17, 1878	South Berwick	1
Hancock	Gilbert, Deborah	40	2 "	Larceny	Nov. 1, 1878	Surry	1
Cumberland	Harkins, James	28	9 "	Assault dang. weapon	Feb. 13, 1874	Ireland	1
Aroostook	Harmon, Charles W.	36	6 "	Arson	Oct. 23, 1874	New Brunswick	1
Androscoggin	Higgins, Rufus N.	33	7 "	Manslaughter	Feb. 20, 1875	Bangor	1
Cumberland	Harriman, Charles L.	20	4 "	Assault and battery	Feb. 1, 1876	Bucksport	1
Knox	Hall, Albert O.	32	15 "	Rape	Apr. 1, 1876	Washington	1
Washington	Hicks, Norman	25	7 "	Larceny	May 22, 1876	Addison	1
York	Harding, Noah E.	23	3½ "	Larceny	Oct. 13, 1876	Baldwin	1
Somerset	Herrin, Jacob S.	49	10 "	Manslaughter	Jan. 5, 1877	Canaan	1
Hancock	Heath, Prescott P.	55	14 "	Arson	May 23, 1877	Penobscot	1
Washington	Higgins, Alfred L.	33	4 "	Larceny	May 28, 1877	Franklin	1
Penobscot	Holt, Benjamin S.	20	3 "	Larceny	Sept. 3, 1877	Dexter	2
U. S. Court	Hart, Howard M.	26	3 "	Counterfeiting	May 17, 1878	Belfast	1
Knox	Hart, Nathan F.	49	Life.	Murder	Oct. 7, 1878	Tenant's Harbor	1
Somerset	Jones, Fred.	22	3½ years.	Rape	Oct. 6, 1875	Bangor	1
Penobscot	Jones, Elbridge	19	4 "	Assault to rob	Sept. 15, 1876	Bangor	1
Washington	Johnson, Henry	45	3 "	Assault to kill	Oct. 17, 1876	St. John, N. B.	1
Kennebec	Johnson, John C.	28	5 "	Larceny	Nov. 23, 1877	Clinton	1
U. S. Court	Jones, Andrew	48	4 "	Manslaughter	Jan. 15, 1878	Norway	1
Sagadahoc	Johnson, George	23	5 "	Larceny	Apr. 16, 1878	England	1

Androsoggin...	Knight, George.....	40	Death.	Murder.....	Sept. 24, 1857.....	Poland.....	1
Cumberland.....	Keenan, Charles H.....	25	Life, Com'ted	Murder.....	May 2, 1867.....	Louisiana.....	1
Penobscot.....	Kenney, Albert.....	23	Life.	Burglary.....	Mar. 3, 1874.....	Ellsworth.....	1
Cumberland.....	Kavanaugh, Patrick.....	24	4 years.	Robbery.....	Feb. 1, 1876.....	Ireland.....	1
Androsoggin.....	Keith, Charles W.....	50	10 "	Attempt to murder.....	Feb. 23, 1876.....	Livermore.....	1
Androsoggin.....	King, Michael.....	20	3 "	Assault and battery.....	May 12, 1876.....	Pittsfield.....	1
York.....	Kelley, Joseph.....	23	2½ "	Larceny.....	Oct. 13, 1876.....	Ossipee, N. H.....	2
Washington.....	Knight, George L.....	21	5 "	Breaking and entering.....	May 13, 1878.....	Lubec.....	1
Penobscot.....	Lawrence, John F.....	32	Life, Com'ted	Murder.....	Sept. 12, 1870.....	Newport.....	1
Knox.....	Little, Bernard.....	51	Life.	Murder.....	Apr. 6, 1872.....	Ireland.....	1
Androsoggin.....	Lowell, James M.....	31	Life, Com'ted	Murder.....	May 23, 1874.....	Westley.....	1
Cumberland.....	Leonard, William E.....	18	7 years.	Larceny.....	May 25, 1876.....	Portland.....	1
York.....	Lord, D. Scott.....	25	3 "	Larceny.....	Jan. 19, 1877.....	Bath.....	1
Oxford.....	Libby, Sophronia J.....	22	Life.	Murder.....	Apr. 20, 1877.....	Greenwood.....	1
Waldo.....	Larabee, Oscar S.....	20	2 years.	Breaking and entering.....	May 8, 1877.....	Cornville.....	1
Cumberland.....	Livingstone, Arthur.....	30	8 "	Assault to rape.....	Oct. 9, 1877.....	Wiscasset.....	3
Androsoggin.....	Lamb, Joseph A.....	48	2 "	Abortion.....	Feb. 23, 1878.....	No. Windham.....	1
Oxford.....	Lord, Benjamin.....	55	1 "	Adultery.....	Apr. 3, 1878.....	Livermore.....	1
York.....	Lorette, Obadiah.....	33	2 "	Breaking and entering.....	June 7, 1878.....	Portland.....	1
Androsoggin.....	Lawless, Michael.....	24	5 "	Rape.....	Oct. 12, 1878.....	Virginia.....	1
Androsoggin.....	Lannigan, William.....	25	5 "	Rape.....	Oct. 12, 1878.....	Auburn.....	1
Hancock.....	Lunt, Ezra.....	52	1½ "	Breaking.....	Nov. 1, 1878.....	Mt. Desert.....	1
Sagadahoc.....	Maguire, Edward.....	26	15 "	Larceny.....	Jan. 9, 1868.....	New York.....	1
Kennebec.....	McDonald, S. S. L.....	32	Life.	Rape.....	Ang. 23, 1868.....	Parkman.....	1
Piscataquis.....	McCauslin, Edwin D.....	59	5 years.	Arson.....	Apr. 8, 1875.....	Vassalboro'.....	1
Penobscot.....	Martin, Burnham.....	25	4 "	Burglary.....	Sept. 1, 1875.....	Bradford.....	1
Somerset.....	Mack, George.....	24	5 "	Larceny.....	Oct. 6, 1875.....	Dover.....	2
Cumberland.....	Miller, John.....	63	Life.	Murder.....	Oct. 6, 1875.....	Brunswick.....	1
U. S. Court.....	Miller, George.....	33	Life.	Pirate.....	Jan. 5, 1876.....	Friendland.....	1
Washington.....	McIntyre, Peter.....	21	3 years.	Larceny.....	Jan. 24, 1876.....	Scotland.....	1
Cumberland.....	Morrison, Charles W.....	18	3 "	Robbery.....	Feb. 1, 1877.....	Brunswick.....	1
Oxford.....	Morgan, Iantha A. E.....	18	Life.	Murder.....	Apr. 20, 1877.....	Greenwood.....	1
Penobscot.....	McAloon, James.....	25	Life.	Robbery.....	Sept. 3, 1877.....	Woodstock, N. B.....	1
Penobscot.....	McGraw, Joseph.....	22	2 years.	Robbery.....	Sept. 14, 1877.....	Bangor.....	1
Cumberland.....	Marvin, William.....	45	6 "	Forgery.....	Feb. 1, 1877.....	Swanton Falls, Vt.....	1
Cumberland.....	Mushrawl, Joseph.....	22	8 "	Larceny.....	Feb. 5, 1878.....	St. Johns, N. B.....	1
Knox.....	Martin, Sarah.....	24	1½ "	Larceny.....	Mar. 21, 1878.....	St. George.....	1
Franklin.....	McGinley, Daniel.....	42	2 "	Breaking and entering.....	Mar. 28, 1878.....	Ireland.....	1
Aroostook.....	Marshall, Levi J.....	18	2 "	Larceny.....	Apr. 4, 1878.....	Nova Scotia.....	1

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County.	NAME.	Age.	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Penobscot	Mahoney, Michael	18	5 years.	Rape	Apr. 4, 1878	Bangor	1
Androscoggin	Marshall, Thomas	21	2 "	Larceny	May 4, 1878	Lewiston	1
Androscoggin	Murray, William F.	26	3 "	Larceny	May 4, 1878	Lewiston	3
Piscataquis	McCorison, James, Jr.	40	1½ "	Adultery	Sept. 28, 1878	Baldwin	1
Androscoggin	Merrow, George B.	19	5 "	Larceny	Oct. 12, 1878	New Gloucester	1
Androscoggin	McMunn, John	18	3 "	Larceny	Oct. 12, 1878	Calais	1
Somerset	Mitchell, George W.	23	1½ "	Larceny	Oct. 22, 1878	Arroostook	1
Hancock	Mosley, Valparaiso	27	4 "	Larceny	Nov. 1, 1878	Ellsworth	1
Cumberland	Norton, Frank	35	3 "	Larceny	Feb. 1, 1877	Boston	1
Androscoggin	Preble, Joel C.	29	Death.	Murder	Oct. 22, 1861	Whitefield	1
York	Plaisted, Calvin	47	Life.	Arson	Oct. 22, 1870	York	1
Hancock	Pressey, Jonathan C.	40	8 years.	Assault to rape	May 4, 1874	Deer Island	1
Washington	Peltier, Andrew	22	5 "	Assault to ravish	Oct. 18, 1875	St. Johns	1
Oxford	Peterson, Hans	52	2 "	Breaking and entering	Oct. 23, 1877	Germany	1
York	Patterson, Alex.	19	1½ "	Assault and battery	Nov. 1, 1877	Indianapolis, Ind.	1
York	Perkins, James	33	1½ "	Assault and battery	Nov. 1, 1877	Dover, N. H.	1
Cumberland	Phillips, Elihu	88	9 "	Larceny	Feb. 5, 1878	Cumberland	1
U. S. Court	Packard, Lewis L.	21	3 "	Counterfeiting	May 17, 1878	Rockport	1
Hancock	Pinkham, Frank	23	1 "	Larceny	Nov. 1, 1878	Hampden	1
Hancock	Pinkham, Jordan	26	1 "	Larceny	Nov. 1, 1878	On the Sea	1
Waldo	Pooler, Benjamin	35	1½ "	Breaking and entering	Nov. 1, 1878	Canada	1
Somerset	Quint, Frank	26	1½ "	Adultery	Apr. 16, 1878	North Anson	1
Androscoggin	Richards, Nathan	57	3 "	Burglary	May 23, 1874	Wayne	7
Penobscot	Reed, Elbridge W.	35	Life.	Murder	Aug. 26, 1874	Medway	1
Androscoggin	Read, George	25	6 years.	Burglary	Feb. 20, 1875	Sudbury, Mass.	1
Androscoggin	Robinson, Lewis	24	3 "	Attempt at arson	May 5, 1878	Nova Scotia	1
Cumberland	Reed, Frederick H.	38	5 "	Larceny	May 25, 1876	Portland	2
Washington	Robbins, Joseph B.	58	2 "	Forgery	May 28, 1877	North Haven	1
Cumberland	Robinson, Henry	36	4 "	Larceny	Oct. 9, 1877	Washington, D. C.	1
Hancock	Richards, Abel E.	18	1½ "	Breaking and entering	Nov. 6, 1877	Isle au Haut	1
Penobscot	Riley, Thomas	24	7 "	Rape	Apr. 4, 1878	Bangor	1
Kennebec	Rowe, Daniel	19	1 "	Breaking and entering	Mar. 23, 1878	Canada	1
Franklin	Reed, Frank	20	1½ "	Larceny	Oct. 12, 1878	Wilton	1

Penobscot	Sullivan, Cornelius	21	21 years.	Larceny	Mar. 8, 1866	Bangor	1
Sagadahoc	Simms, Orren	29	15 "	Larceny	Jan. 9, 1868	New Hampshire	1
York	Smith, Luther	60	10 "	Assault to kill	Jan. 25, 1872	Waterboro'	1
Penobscot	Smith, Joseph D.	20	Life, Com'ted	Murder	Mar. 5, 1872	Veazie	1
U. S. Court	Smith, William	24	Life.	Pirate	Jan. 5, 1876	Rockland	1
York	Smith, Hugh	56	5 years.	Manslaughter	Jan. 21, 1876	Buxton	1
Cumberland	Scott, Alexander	28	8 "	Robbery	Sept. 20, 1876	Scotland	1
Kennebec	Smith, Michael	28	3 "	Larceny	Oct. 28, 1876	Augusta	2
Waldo	Stone, James	40	5 "	Assault to ravish	Jan. 23, 1877	Georges Island	1
Knox	Smith, Frank	22	2 "	Larceny	Mar. 17, 1877	Rockland	1
Penobscot	Smith, George W.	28	2 "	Larceny	Mar. 26, 1877	Canada	2
Penobscot	addler, Morris A.	24	6 "	Larceny	Mar. 26, 1877	Machias	1
Waldo	Stevens, Franklin J.	29	2 "	Burglary	Nov. 16, 1877	Dixmont	1
Cumberland	Stevenson, William H.	47	6 "	Larceny	Feb. 5, 1878	Portland	4
Knox	Soderstrom, Augustus	21	1 "	Larceny	Mar. 19, 1878	Stockholm, Sweden.	1
Oxford	Stevens, David S.	34	2 "	Polygamy	Apr. 3, 1878	Athens	1
Hancock	Severance, Jeff.	37	2 "	Burglary	Apr. 19, 1878	Bucksport	1
Hancock	Smith, Edward M.	37	Life.	Murder	Apr. 19, 1878	Bucksport	1
Androscoggin	Stain, Charles F.	24	3 years.	Larceny	May 4, 1878	So. Natick, Mass	1
Waldo	Staemel, Fred.	41	3 "	Assault and battery	May 10, 1878	Germany	1
York	Savage, Alfred	38	Life.	Murder	June 7, 1878	Vermont	1
U. S. Court	Stackpole, James	26	2½ years.	Breaking and entering	Oct. 17, 1878	South Berwick	1
Waldo	Towers, Martin L.	19	25 "	Rape	Nov. 13, 1875	Stockton	1
Cumberland	Todd, Herbert F.	21	4 "	Larceny	Feb. 1, 1876	Yarmouth	1
Androscoggin	Teague, Henry	41	2½ "	Larceny	Oct. 16, 1876	Alton, N. H.	1
Knox	Terry, Robert	27	4 "	Burglary	Mar. 17, 1877	Portsmouth, Va.	1
Cumberland	Talbot, George	24	3 "	Larceny	Oct. 9, 1877	Machias	1
York	Todd, Eben	56	2 "	Receiving stolen goods	Nov. 1, 1877	Freeport	1
Cumberland	Turner, Frederick	22	4 "	Larceny	Oct. 9, 1877	Portland	1
York	Todd, Albion W.	22	2 "	Larceny	Nov. 1, 1877	Casco Bay	1
Kennebec	Thompson, Willard A.	25	3 "	Larceny	Nov. 23, 1877	Jamaica Plains	1
Kennebec	Trask, Alexander	24	1½ "	Larceny	Nov. 23, 1877	West Waterville	1
Knox	Thomas, Wilbur M.	19	2 "	Larceny	Oct. 5, 1878	Rockport	1
Penobscot	Whalen, Michael	19	6 "	Larceny	Mar. 3, 1874	Bangor	1
Cumberland	Welch, John	20	3 "	Robbery	Feb. 1, 1876	St. John, N. B.	1
York	Welch, Edward F.	19	2½ "	Larceny	Oct. 13, 1876	Londonderry, N. H.	1
Knox	Ward, Clementine	32	2 "	Receiving stolen goods	Mar. 19, 1877	Prospect	1
Sagadahoc	Woodford, Thomas	33	3 "	Breaking and entering	Apr. 20, 1877	Newfoundland	1
Knox	Wilson, James	17	3 "	Larceny	Sept. 25, 1877	Columbus, O.	1

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County.	NAME.	Age.	Sentence.	Crime.	When Committed.	Place of Birth.	No. Com.
Cumberland.....	Williams, George.....	20	5 years.	Robbery.....	Feb. 5, 1878.....	Boston.....	1
Sagadahoc.....	Ware, Charles T.....	27	3 "	Larceny.....	Apr. 16, 1878.....	Litchfield.....	1
Cumberland.....	Wilson, Edward L.....	51	4 "	Attempt at arson.....	Oct. 3, 1878.....	Cuba.....	1
Knox.....	Williams, Charles H.....	28	5 "	Forgery.....	Oct. 7, 1878.....	Colchester, Conn....	1
Androscoggin....	Webber, Charles.....	25	5 "	Rape.....	Oct. 12, 1878.....	Lewiston.....	1
Kennebec.....	Young, Owen F.....	20	4 "	Larceny.....	Aug. 17, 1875.....	Rome.....	2
York.....	York, Charles A.....	27	6 "	Larceny.....	Jan. 19, 1877.....	New Market, N. H....	1
Somerset.....	Young, Marshall F.....	46	10 "	Incest.....	Apr. 16, 1878.....	Madison.....	1

CONVICTS.

Number of convicts Nov. 30, 1877... 207	Number received since July 2, '24, 2,365
Number committed since 72	Disch'd on expiration sentence 1,496
-----	Pardoned 515
279	Discharged on writ of error. 1
Disch'd by expiration of sentence, 44	Died..... 90
Pardoned 9	Executed 4
Died..... 4	Removed to Insane Hospital. 13
Committed to jail..... 1	Sentence commuted to jails.. 5
-----	Escaped..... 20
58	-----
Present number, Nov. 30, 1878... 221	2,144

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CRIMES OF CONVICTS NOW IN PRISON.

Larceny 82	Assault to rape..... 2
Breaking and entering..... 20	Assault to ravish..... 2
Murder 13	Assault to rob..... 2
Assault and battery..... 12	False pretences..... 1
Rape..... 12	Assault..... 1
Burglary..... 11	Obstructing a railroad..... 1
Robbery..... 9	Assault to commit incest..... 1
Arson 8	Embezzlement..... 1
Manslaughter..... 6	Cheating..... 1
Forgery 6	Assault with a dangerous weapon... 1
Murder 2d degree..... 5	Attempt to murder..... 1
Adultery..... 5	Abortion..... 1
Assault to kill..... 4	Polygamy..... 1
Receiving stolen goods..... 3	Attempt to commit arson..... 1
Incest..... 3	-----
Counterfeiting..... 3	Aggregate..... 221
Pirate..... 2	

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

*To His Excellency the Governor
and the Honorable Executive Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—The lapse of time again enables me to lay before you my Sixth Annual Report of the medical and sanitary department of the Maine State Prison, for the year ending November 30, 1878.

The number of prisoners during the year has been 279 ; the average number about 211.

The sickness for the past year has averaged very much as in former years, and has, as usual, been mostly confined to the weak and debilitated victims of bad practices and intemperance, while most of the inmates of better antecedents and unbroken constitutions have escaped any serious illness. No diseases of an epidemic or contagious character visited us during the year.

The diseases for which I am called to prescribe most for are those of the digestive organs, rheumatism, syphilis and general debility, the result of dissolute and intemperate habits of many convicts before imprisonment. We always have quite a number of scrofulous cases, some of which terminate in consumption, the disease being aggravated by confinement and want of better air than can be had in an institution like this.

There have been four deaths during the year. Thomas Winship died January 22d of consumption, aged 17 years. This young man was scrofulous, and the disease finally attacked his lungs. In prison 2 years, crime assault and battery, and sentence 4 years. William Pangburn died February 22d of old age and general debility, aged 85 years.

This old man was very feeble when brought to prison, and was never able to labor or take care of himself. In prison $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, crime manslaughter, and sentence 10 years. Orestes M. Plummer died March 22d of consumption, aged 28 years. In prison $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, crime common thief, and sentence 4 years. William Chapman died March 31st of a malignant disease with which he was suffering when brought to prison, aged 63 years. In prison 6 months, crime breaking and entering, sentence $1\frac{1}{2}$ years.

Considering the large numbers committed here, and the character of the diseases with which most of them are affected, the rate of mortality is very small. The unexcelled management of the institution affords a marked illustration of the good results that may be reached by a thorough knowledge of each man personally, regulating the character of his work and diet according to the necessities of each individual case.

The supply of clothing and bedding for prisoners has been ample, and of materials adapted to the seasons. The food provided for the convicts has been as heretofore—abundant, of wholesome quality, and in judicious variety. During my visits to the prison I have found, at all times, the most thorough cleanliness pervading every department, and nothing has been omitted to secure complete ventilation throughout the buildings.

To the Warden, Deputy Warden, and all officers of the prison, my thanks are due for the kind and cordial manner in which they have assisted me in the discharge of my professional duties.

J. B. WALKER, M. D.,
Physician to the Maine State Prison.

THOMASTON, Nov. 30, 1878.

CLERGYMEN'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable Governor and
Council of the State of Maine:*

GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned, clergymen of Thomaston, beg leave to report our services rendered to the convicts in the Maine State Prison during the past year, and the results of our observation as to the utility and benefits of moral and religious appliances to them while under the restraints and privations of prison life. We have preached the Gospel to them every Sabbath morning at 9 o'clock through the entire year, not only with much enjoyment to ourselves, but we trust with no little profit to them. Certainly no congregation of people are more attentive, more reverent, and more orderly than they. We have tried to bring the truth to bear upon their hearts and consciences, with a view to their reformation and salvation. We have felt deeply anxious that the holy ministries of christianity should be so blessed to them now, while shut out from the world and shut up to themselves, that when their time of release shall come they may go forth into society better men, with better purposes and higher aims, than when they found themselves, by stern necessity, deprived of the liberties enjoyed by good citizens of the State.

In all our public and private services we have been careful to show a just disapprobation for all crime, and at the same time to exhibit a spirit of sympathy and christian love to the guilty, suffering criminal. We have sought to impress upon them, both in the chapel and in our private interviews with them, the thralldom, the enormity, the guilt, and the fearful consequences of sin, and that their only hope for this world and the world to come is found in the benevolent provisions

and power of the Gospel. How permanent may be those results of our work which have frequently cheered our hearts and stimulated us to new endeavors, remains a problem which time alone can practically solve. We have regarded them with christian commiseration, and hope our labors for their welfare have not been in vain. When in preaching or in prayer we have referred to the hallowed memories of home and earlier days, and especially to the awful sufferings of Jesus for the guilty and the hopeless, there have been manifested signs of moral and religious sensibility which have been exceedingly encouraging, and have led us to hope that possibly those feelings and impressions may sometime ripen into principles and habits which shall not only insure them against the repetition of crime, but qualify them for a life of industry, usefulness and peace in this world, and a blessed life in the world to come. In the hope that good fruits may result from our work in their behalf, and with expressions of sincere gratitude for the aid and encouragement we have received from the officers of the prison, and citizens of the town in the way of attendance and singing, we submit this report.

G. P. MATHEWS,
W. H. WILLIAMS.

THOMASTON, Nov. 24, 1878.

INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT.

To the Inspectors of the Maine State Prison:

The close of my school year finds my pupils increased in number, and eager to improve the facilities so generously afforded them, in the five years that have passed since they have been provided with the means to do the neglected work of their earlier years.

The necessity of this school work in prison, is and will be manifest to all who give it thought and become acquainted with the wants of those received here. It will be found that the good that has been and is accomplished by the outlay of the small sum yearly expended for this purpose pays. It pays directly, from the fact *that not one of my scholars has ever been returned to serve out a second sentence!* The arrest of a single criminal often costs more than it costs the State to carry on this school for a year. As it is conceded on all sides that ignorance leads to crime, so it is fair to conclude that knowledge leads to virtue and honor. Said one of my scholars, who came here ignorant and unlearned, taught from childhood to steal and lie, "I never knew or thought that my past life was wrong or sinful until I read it in my Testament!" This young man has acquired a very fair education, writes a well-worded letter, and gives promise of making a useful member of society when his term of imprisonment expires.

Not many days since I received a letter from a man I had taught to read, and who had improved his school privilege here, and who on leaving the prison said, "no money would tempt me to give up what I have learned here, and go out into the world again as ignorant as I left it!" I will insert a short extract from that letter, and when you read, bear in mind that he could not write his name when he came here :

"MY DEAR FRIEND STARRETT,—You know that I told you that I would write to you as soon as I got home. I got home the same week that I left Thomaston; I found my mother well and all the rest of my folks. * * * I did not hardly know the place it had grown so since I left. I found my mother at the depot waiting for me the night I got home, and you may know that I was glad to meet my dear old mother. I have often told my friends how kind you was to me, and how well you used me. I was talking to Mr. S—— the other day, and I told him that you was working hard to learn the poor fellows to read and write, and how lonesome they will be if you was to leave them. He thinks the State ought to keep you at that work as long as you live and pay you well for your work. He told me you had done a big thing for me."

These are not isolated cases, but I have many like them. When I remember how many have been aided in this direction, how many hearts have been made glad, how many have started to walk in paths of virtue and honor, I cannot believe that there are any who would wish to deprive them of their school privileges.

Of the last 21 received here, 3 did not know their letters, 16 could read but poorly, and only 2 could be said to have an education that would admit them to a grammar school. In this the friends of education can find a strong argument in favor of compulsory education. Give the children learning, a good trade, make them a happy home, keep them from acquiring a *street* education, and their chances for prison life is small indeed.

Whole number of scholars	89
In Arithmetic	60
Grammar.....	6
Geography.....	20
Book-keeping.....	3
Spelling.....	65
Writing.....	89
Reading.....	15

Owing to the mixed condition of the school and the trouble of taking them from their cells in proper classes, I have for the last six months gone from cell to cell, being able to visit each one twice during the week. On the Sabbath every cell is visited three times in giving out books, papers, &c., and

in religious conversation as they may wish. I have found many who were unwilling to expose their ignorance to their fellows in the school-room, yet anxious to improve their condition if the teacher would instruct them at their cell. As the very ignorant are the ones most to be benefited, I have felt that the course followed for the last six months to be the wisest and best.

The discipline of the prison is not for punishment alone, but with that is the better purpose of cultivating in these men and boys a higher degree of self-respect, and a determination to lead lives of uprightness and honesty. When this is done, it seems to me that the highest object is attained, and good, not evil, will grow out of prison life.

The library is in need of new books. I trust that a sufficient sum (three hundred dollars) will be appropriated, both for this and the wants of the school.

Thanking the Warden, and officers for their uniform kindness, and you, gentlemen, for the interest you have expressed in my work among the unfortunate,

I remain yours, &c.,

D. J. STARRETT, *Instructor.*

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE.

To the Governor and Council of Maine:

I have the honor to submit the Fourth Annual Report of the Visiting Committee of the State Prison.

Seven visits have been made during the year and a thorough examination made in all departments. No material change has been made in the general management of the prison the past year.

During the year a new building has been erected of the following dimensions, viz: 76 feet long by 33 feet wide, three stories high. The lower story or basement is used for the storage of lumber; the second story is used for the storage of carriages; the third story is used for the harness shop, which is a decided improvement on the old one both for size and convenience.

The workshops all appear to be well conducted under the charge of competent and efficient overseers, and the work is of superior quality and commands ready sale at fair prices in all our markets.

The sanitary condition has been well cared for, from the fact that there has been but very little sickness the past year. Strict attention has been given to the quantity and quality of food, which in a great measure accounts for the good health of the prisoners.

Religious instruction is given regularly Sundays by the clergymen of Thomaston, and educational instruction is given regularly Sundays and evenings by an efficient teacher employed by the Warden, and the result is wonderful, judging from the material that he has to work from. I would suggest that he should be allowed a fair compensation for his services.

My last visit was made December 13th ; the whole number of convicts was 217, employed as follows : In carriage shop 35, in paint shop 19, in blacksmith shop 49, in shoe shop 16, in harness shop 33, in trimmer shop 6, in tailors' shop 8, in cook room 4, in wash room 10, matrons 9, lumpers 21, invalids 3, in punishment 2, in solitary 2.

I wish to tender my thanks to Warden Rice and officers of the prison for their kindness during my visits.

ANDREW LACY.

AUGUSTA, December 31, 1878.

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.