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BEING THE

ANNUAL REPORTS

• OF THE VARIOUS

PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INSTITUTIONS

FOR THE YEAR

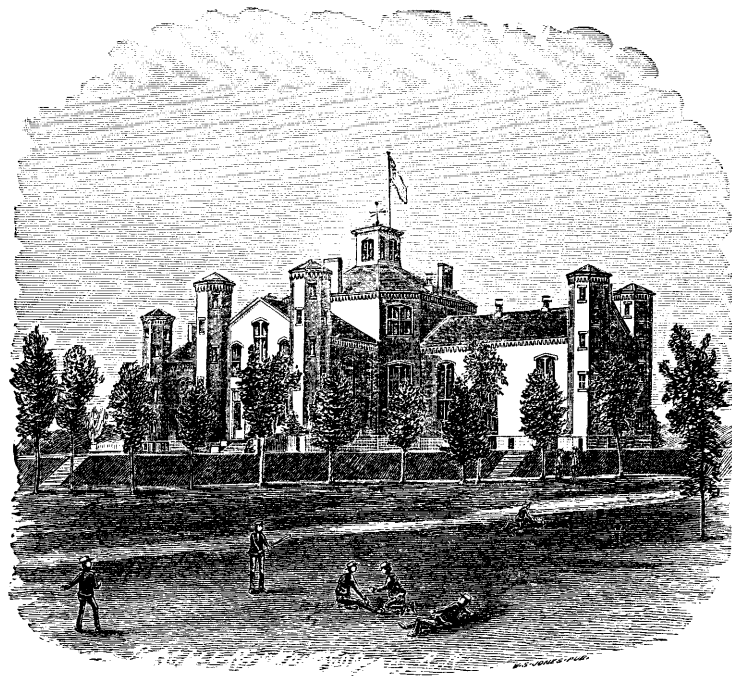
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VOLUME II.

AUGUSTA:

SPRAGUE & SON, PRINTERS TO THE STATE

1882.



STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Trustees, Superintendent, Treasurer and Teachers

OF

STATE REFORM SCHOOL,

CAPE ELIZABETH,

STATE OF MAINE,

DECEMBER 1, 1881.

Published agreeably to a Resolve approved February 25, 1871.

AUGUSTA:

SPRAGUE & SON, PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1882.

PRESENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

THOMAS F. DONAHUE of Portland.

Term expires July 2, 1883.

OWEN B. CHADBOURNE of Saco.

Term expires February 20, 1884.

R. L. GRINDLE, M. D., of Mt. Desert.

Term expires March 10, 1884.

E. A. THOMPSON, M. D., of Dover.

Term expires October 20, 1884.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD.

PRESIDENT:

OWEN B. CHADBOURNE.

SECRETARY:

THOMAS F. DONAHUE.

TREASURER:

E. A. THOMPSON, M. D.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

O. B. CHADBOURNE, E. A. THOMPSON, T. F. DONAHUE.

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS:

O. B. CHADBOURNE, THOMAS F. DONAHUE.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS:

R. L. GRINDLE.

Regular meetings of the Board are held on the third Tuesday of February, May, August and November.

*Arrangement for monthly visits by members of the Board for
1881 and 1882.*

December—O. B. Chadbourne.

January—T. F. Donahue.

February—Quarterly meeting.

March—R. L. Grindle.

April—E. A. Thompson.

May—Quarterly meeting.

June—O. B. Chadbourne.

July—T. F. Donahue.

August—Quarterly meeting.

September—R. L. Grindle.

October—E. A. Thompson.

November—Quarterly meeting.

RESIDENT OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

J. R. FARRINGTON, *Superintendent.*

MRS. J. R. FARRINGTON, *Matron.*

E. P. WENTWORTH, *Assistant Superintendent.*

MISS M. A. ROBINSON, *Teacher.*

MISS SADIE P. FARRINGTON, *Teacher.*

F. P. OWEN, *Overseer Chair Shop.*

J. B. BARTLETT, " "

MISS H. J. FARRINGTON, " *Dormitory.*

MISS E. L. HUTCHINSON, " *Sewing Room.*

MRS. N. DAVIS, " *Front Kitchen.*

MRS. N. FRANKIE, " *Boys' Kitchen.*

MISS A. E. RAND, " *Laundry.*

D. W. FREESE, *Watchman.*

W. E. FERGUSON, *Farmer.*

E. L. BABBIDGE, *Teamster.*

N. DAVIS, *Shoemaker and Gardener.*

D. WYMAN, *Engineer.*

W. P. ROUNDS, *Carpenter.*

MAINE STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

Located in the town of Cape Elizabeth, four miles from Portland.

Post office address, Portland, Maine.

School established, 1850. First boy received November 14, 1853.
Whole number to date, 1,687.

Cost of buildings, \$73,000. They are of brick, and consist of a large octagonal tower with two wings, and a projection for officers' quarters.

Cost of location, \$9,000. Presented to the State by the city of Portland; reverts to city when not used for the purpose indicated.

Farm contains 160 acres.

Boys may be sentenced between the ages of eight and sixteen years.

Sunday school, Sabbath morning; preaching service in the afternoon.

School four hours a day.

Good library of fifteen hundred volumes. The interest on the bequest of seven hundred dollars, by Isaac Sanford of Manchester, is expended annually for the purchase of new books.

Meetings of the Trustees, third Tuesday of February, May, August and November.

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE REFORM SCHOOL SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

NAME.	Residence.	When appoint'd	Term.	When expired.
Henry Carter.....	Portland....	May 11, 1853.	2 years	May 11, 1855.
Edward Fox.....	Portland....	do	2 "	do
Oliver L. Currier.....	New Sharon.	July 7, 1853.	3 "	July 7, 1856.
John W. Dana.....	Fryeburg...	do	3 "	do
James T. McCobb.....	Portland....	Dec. 15, 1853.	1½ "	May 11, 1855.
James T. McCobb.....	Portland....	July 12, 1855.	2 "	July 7, 1857.
Henry Carter.....	Portland....	June 12, 1855.	3 "	July 7, 1858.
Elias Craig.....	Augusta....	Oct. 1, 1856.	3 "	Oct. 1, 1859.
Manassah H. Smith.....	Warren.....	do	3 "	do
Edward Fox.....	Portland....	July 7, 1857.	2 "	July 7, 1859.
Preserved B. Mills.....	Bangor.....	Oct. 7, 1857.	2 "	Oct. 7, 1859.
William A. Rust.....	Paris.....	Oct. 28, 1858.	2 "	Oct. 1, 1860.
Joseph C. Noyes.....	Portland....	do	2 "	do
John F. Anderson.....	Windham....	Oct. 17, 1859.	3 "	Oct. 17, 1862.
Elias Craig.....	Augusta....	do	2 "	Oct. 17, 1861.
Joseph C. Noyes.....	Portland....	Oct. 13, 1860.	3 "	Oct. 13, 1863.
William A. Rust.....	Paris.....	do	2 "	Oct. 13, 1862.
Preserved B. Mills.....	Bangor.....	July 9, 1861.	3 "	July 9, 1864.
Elias Craig.....	Augusta....	do	2 "	July 9, 1863.
William A. Rust.....	Paris.....	Oct. 24, 1862.	3 "	Oct. 25, 1865.
John F. Anderson.....	Windham....	do	2 "	Oct. 25, 1864.
J. C. Noyes.....	Portland....	Oct. 14, 1863.	3 "	Oct. 14, 1866.
C. F. Barker.....	Wayne.....	March 9, 1864.	-	Oct. 24, 1864.
Preserved B. Mills.....	Bangor.....	June 29, 1864.	3 "	July 9, 1867.
John F. Anderson.....	Windham....	Dec. 31, 1864.	-	Oct. 24, 1866.
C. F. Barker.....	Wayne.....	do	-	Oct. 24, 1867.
Noah Woods.....	Bangor.....	April 4, 1865.	4 "	April 4, 1869.
Nathan Dane.....	Alfred.....	do	4 "	do
James Drummond.....	Bath.....	do	4 "	do
Aaron P. Emerson.....	Orland.....	do	4 "	do
James T. McCobb.....	Portland....	do	4 "	do
Noah Woods.....	Bangor.....	March 13, 1869.	4 "	March 13, 1873.
Tobias Lord.....	Standish...	May 6, 1869.	4 "	May 6, 1873.
Nathan Dane.....	Alfred.....	do	4 "	do
Theodore C. Woodman....	Bucksport...	do	4 "	Resigned.
William B. Gould.....	Portland....	Oct. 18, 1869.	4 "	Oct. 18, 1873.
Jeremy W. Porter.....	Strong.....	Jan. 28, 1871.	4 "	Jan. 28, 1875.
George Z. Higgins.....	Lubec.....	May 20, 1873.	4 "	May 20, 1877.
William E. Payne.....	Bath.....	do	4 "	do
Warren H. Vinton.....	Gray.....	do	4 "	do
William E. Gould.....	Deering....	Nov. 18, 1873.	4 "	Nov. 18, 1877.
Jeremy W. Porter.....	Strong.....	Jan. 27, 1875.	4 "	Jan. 27, 1879.
REMARKS.				
George Z. Higgins.....	Lubec.....	May 24, 1877.	Retired March 14, 1879.	
Albion Little.....	Portland....	do	Term expired May 24, 1881.	
F. L. Carney.....	Newcastle...	July 11, 1877.	Retired April 16, 1879.	
T. B. Hussey.....	No. Berwick.	Dec. 5, 1877.	" April 16, 1879.	
James M. Bates.....	Yarmouth...	March 14, 1879.	" March 3, 1880.	
George E. Church.....	Cherryfield..	do	" March 10, 1880.	
Isaac F. Quinby.....	Westbrook..	April 16, 1879.	" February 20, 1880.	
Thomas F. Donahue.....	Portland....	July 2, 1879.	Now in office.	
Enoch W. Woodbury.....	Bethel.....	March 3, 1880.	Resigned Oct. 20, 1880.	
Owen B. Chadbourne.....	Saco.....	Feb. 20, 1880.	Now in office.	
Robert L. Grindle.....	Mt. Desert..	March 10, 1880.	" "	
E. A. Thompson.....	Dover.....	Oct. 20, 1880.	" "	

LIST OF SUPERINTENDENTS SINCE THE ORGANIZA-
TION OF THE SCHOOL.

WILLIAM R. LINCOLN,
 SETH SCAMMAN,
 GEORGE B. BARROWS,
 ENOCH W. WOODBURY,
ELEAZER W. HUTCHINSON,
 EBEN WENTWORTH,
 CHARLES BUFFUM,
 GEORGE W. PARKER,
 JOSEPH R. FARRINGTON.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To His Excellency the Governor and the

Honorable Council of the State of Maine :

We have the honor of placing before you the Twenty-Eighth Annual Report.

It is very gratifying to have to report that, in our opinion, the Institution has never been in a more satisfactory condition than at present.

The health of the inmates has been generally good.

The boys are making good progress in their studies, are generally contented and realize fully that the length of time they must remain at the school depends, to a great extent, upon themselves.

The graded system, which has been in successful operation for several years, is still continued, and some improvements have been added, which, we trust, will encourage the boys still more in their efforts to advance.

By a recent enactment of the Legislature, "The Trustees are authorized to commit on probation, and on such terms as they may deem expedient, to any suitable inhabitant of this State, any boy in their charge, for a term of time within the period of his sentence, such probation to be conditioned on his good behavior and obedience to the laws of this State. Such boy shall, during the term for which he was originally sentenced to the Reform School, be also subject to the care and control of the Trustees, and on their being satisfied at any time, that the welfare of the boy will be promoted by his return to the school, they may order his return, and may enforce such order by application to any trial justice or judge of any police or municipal court, for a warrant for that purpose, which may be enforced by any officer authorized to serve criminal process. On his recommitment to the school,

such boy shall there be held and detained under and by force of the original mittimus."

The effect of the above law has been judicious and wholesome. It imposes upon the boys who are out on probation, the necessary restraint and obliges them to continue to report until such time as the Board of Trustees may think proper to discharge them.

We respectfully invite your attention to the complete report, views and suggestions of the Superintendent.

It gives us pleasure to refer you to that portion of the report which has reference to the financial condition of the institution.

For details concerning the various departments, improvements suggested, repairs, and condition of stock, we would also refer you to Superintendent's report.

In regard to the schools, we refer you to the very interesting report of the Teachers.

Before closing our report, we wish to acknowledge our appreciation of the untiring zeal, fidelity and ability with which Mr. and Mrs. Farrington, Assistant Superintendent Wentworth, and the other officers in the various departments have discharged their onerous and responsible duties, and we congratulate them upon their success.

In conclusion, we would say that our report for this year is necessarily brief. No radical changes have been attempted in the government of the school, and such improvements as have been made are the outgrowth of study and experience. The discipline has been mild and parental yet firm and decided, and the results have been in accordance with our expectations.

We must not forget to tender our sincere thanks to the many kind friends for the noble assistance they have rendered to the officers and school.

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN B. CHADBOURNE, THOMAS F. DONAHUE, E. A. THOMPSON, R. L. GRINDLE,	}	<i>Trustees.</i>
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December 1, 1881.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the State Reform School:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the annual report as Treasurer of the Reform School, showing the financial condition of the school for the year ending November 30, 1881.

I have been obliged to advance two thousand dollars (\$2,000) from private funds to meet maturing obligations of the school, as I have been unable to obtain the amount due the school from the State. There is now due the school from the State, of the appropriation of 1881, three thousand dollars (\$3,000). Interest on the Sanford legacy, forty-two dollars (\$42).

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer have been examined, and the vouchers have been transmitted to the Governor and Council as required by law.

The following statement shows the receipts and disbursements from December 1, 1880, to December 1, 1881.

Respectfully,

E. A. THOMPSON, *Treasurer.*

DECEMBER 1, 1881.

Receipts from December 1st, 1880, to December 1st, 1881.

Balance on hand December 1, 1880.....	\$481 76
From State Treasurer.....	13,000 00
Farm and stock.....	2,036 55
Chair work.....	3,139 37
Cities and towns.....	2,696 71
All other sources.....	274 84
Due Treasurer of Reform School.....	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$23,629 23

Expenditures from December 1st, 1880, to December 1st, 1881.

Salaries and labor.....	\$5,358 08
Flour.....	2,331 48
Meats and fresh fish.....	1,089 12
Provisions and groceries.....	1,590 21
Ice.....	45 75
Clothing.....	2,892 78
Bedding.....	123 23
Boots and shoes.....	799 24
Fuel.....	1,854 98
Crockery and glass-ware.....	107 04
Hardware and tin.....	271 66
House furnishings.....	161 50
Drugs and medicines.....	97 40
Physician.....	150 00
Funeral expenses.....	8 00
School books and stationery.....	156 95
Library and reading room.....	33 50
Printing and advertising.....	39 65
Farm and garden.....	655 88
Stock and teams.....	1,261 38
Carriages and harnesses.....	194 25
Blacksmithing.....	113 84
Corn, meal and fine feed.....	1,340 06
Returning boys.....	117 30
Trustees' expenses.....	365 50
Box rent and postage.....	65 34
Telegraphing and telephoning.....	21 13
Boys' extra work.....	140 66
Chair stock and freight.....	305 16
Steam and plumbing.....	226 52
Repairs (including pay of carpenter).....	1,216 40
Boys' histories.....	22 10
Miscellaneous.....	21 36
Balance.....	451 78
	<hr/> \$23,629 23

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the State Reform School:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit the Twenty-Eighth Annual Report.

The whole number of boys who have been received into the Institution since it was opened is 1,687

Present number..... 113

TABLE NO. 1,

Shows the number received and discharged, and the general state of the School for the year ending December 1, 1881.

Number of boys in school December 1, 1880.....	-	120
“ “ committed the past year.....	-	34
Whole number in school during the year.....	-	154
“ “ discharged.....	9	
“ “ allowed to go on trial.....	17	
“ “ escaped.....	1	
“ “ violated trust.....	2	
“ “ indentured.....	3	
“ “ died.....	2	
“ “ delivered to the courts.....	6	
“ “ pardoned by the President.....	1	41
Number of boys remaining December 1, 1881.....	-	113

TABLE NO. 2,

Shows the monthly admissions and departures, and the whole number each month.

Months.	Admissions.	Departures.	Total.
December	3	6	123
January	2	-	119
February.....	1	1	120
March	4	6	123
April	-	3	117
May	4	8	118
June.....	3	2	113
July	2	6	113
August	7	3	114
September	2	2	113
October	5	3	116
November	1	1	114
Total.....	34	41	-

Average number for year, 113.

TABLE NO. 3,
Shows by what authority.

Courts.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Supreme Judicial Court.....	4	149	153
Superior Court.....	-	14	14
Auburn Municipal Court.....	-	1	1
Augusta.....	4	55	59
Bangor.....	-	9	9
Bath.....	1	70	71
Biddeford.....	-	74	74
Brunswick.....	1	17	18
Calais.....	-	31	31
Ellsworth.....	-	4	4
Hallowell.....	1	17	18
Lewiston.....	-	55	55
Portland.....	8	402	410
Rockland.....	-	27	27
Saco.....	1	11	12
Waterville.....	-	1	1
Bangor Police Court.....	2	144	146
Belfast.....	-	10	10
Ellsworth.....	-	5	5
Gardiner.....	-	53	53
Portland.....	-	16	16
Rockland.....	-	22	22
Trial Justices.....	12	463	475
U. S. Court.....	-	3	3
	34	1653	1687

TABLE NO. 4,

Shows the disposition of those discharged since opening of the School.

Disposals.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Discharged on expiration of sentence.....	3	214	217
Discharged by Trustees.....	6	620	626
Indentured to Barber.....	-	1	1
“ Blacksmith.....	-	1	1
“ Boarding mistress.....	-	1	1
“ Boiler maker.....	-	1	1
“ Cabinet makers.....	-	6	6
“ Carpenters.....	-	13	13
“ Cooper.....	-	1	1
“ Farmers.....	3	275	278
“ Harness makers.....	-	3	3
“ Laborers.....	-	9	9
“ Lumbermen.....	-	3	3
“ Machinists.....	-	5	5
“ Manufacturers.....	-	2	2
“ Mason.....	-	1	1
“ Miller.....	-	1	1
“ Sea Captains.....	-	5	5
“ Shoemakers.....	-	14	14
“ Tailors.....	-	3	3
“ Tallow Chandler.....	-	1	1
Allowed to leave on trial.....	17	165	182
“ enlist.....	-	19	19

TABLE No. 4—Concluded.

Disposals.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Illegally committed.....	—	5	5
Remanded.....	—	31	31
Pardoned.....	1	9	10
Escaped.....	1	68	69
Violated trust.....	2	40	42
Died.....	2	35	37
Delivered to Courts.....	6	11	17
Returned to Masters.....	—	4	4

TABLE No. 5.

Shows the length of time the boys have been in the School who left the past year, and since November 30, 1877.

Time.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
In School three months.....	—	1	1
“ four “.....	—	—	—
“ five “.....	—	1	1
“ six “.....	—	1	1
“ seven “.....	—	1	1
“ eight “.....	1	1	2
“ nine “.....	—	—	—
“ ten “.....	—	—	—
“ eleven “.....	—	—	—
“ one year.....	1	1	2
“ one year and one month.....	—	—	—
“ “ two months.....	—	1	1
“ “ three “.....	1	2	3
“ “ four “.....	—	1	1
“ “ five “.....	2	3	5
“ “ six “.....	—	1	1
“ “ seven “.....	—	—	—
“ “ eight “.....	—	1	1
“ “ nine “.....	—	3	3
“ “ ten “.....	—	6	6
“ “ eleven “.....	—	1	1
“ two years.....	—	10	10
“ “ and one month.....	1	4	5
“ “ two months.....	1	7	8
“ “ three “.....	2	1	3
“ “ four “.....	—	7	7
“ “ five “.....	2	4	6
“ “ six “.....	2	4	6
“ “ seven “.....	—	4	4
“ “ eight “.....	3	1	4
“ “ nine “.....	1	3	4
“ “ ten “.....	—	—	—
“ “ eleven “.....	—	4	4
“ three years.....	2	3	5
“ “ and one month.....	1	1	2
“ “ two months.....	—	2	2
“ “ three “.....	—	2	2
“ “ four “.....	2	1	3
“ “ five “.....	—	3	3

TABLE No. 5—Concluded.

Time.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
In School three years and six months.	—	1	1
“ “ seven “	2	1	3
“ “ eight “	2	2	4
“ “ nine “	1	1	2
“ “ ten “	—	3	3
“ “ eleven “	—	3	3
“ four years	—	3	3
“ “ and one month.	1	1	2
“ “ two months.	—	—	—
“ “ three “	—	3	3
“ “ four “	—	—	—
“ “ five “	1	1	2
“ “ six “	—	1	1
“ “ seven “	2	—	2
“ “ eight “	1	1	2
“ “ nine “	1	—	1
“ “ ten “	1	1	2
“ “ eleven “	1	—	1
“ five years.	—	—	—
“ “ and one month.	—	1	1
“ “ two months.	—	1	1
“ “ three “	—	—	—
“ “ four “	—	—	—
“ “ five “	—	—	—
“ “ six “	—	1	1
“ “ seven “	—	—	—
“ “ eight “	1	1	2
“ “ nine “	1	1	2
“ “ ten “	—	1	1
“ “ eleven “	—	2	2
“ six years.	—	2	2
“ “ and one month.	—	1	1
“ “ two months.	—	—	—
“ “ three “	—	—	—
“ “ four “	—	—	—
“ “ five “	1	—	1
“ “ six “	—	2	2
“ “ seven “	—	1	1
“ “ eight “	—	2	2
“ “ nine “	1	1	2
“ “ ten “	1	—	1
“ “ eleven “	—	1	1
“ seven years.	—	—	—
“ “ and one month.	—	1	1
“ “ two months.	1	—	1
“ “ three “	—	—	—
“ “ four “	—	1	1
“ “ five “	—	—	—
“ “ six “	—	—	—
“ “ seven “	—	—	—
“ “ eight “	—	—	—
“ “ nine “	—	1	1
“ “ ten “	—	—	—
“ “ eleven “	—	—	—
“ eight years or more.	—	2	2
	41	131	172

Average time past year, three years, six months, twenty-two days.

TABLE No. 6,
Shows the offenses for which committed.

Offenses.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Larceny.....	18	1,052	1,070
Truancy.....	3	183	186
Common runaway.....	2	101	103
Vagrancy.....	2	79	81
Assault.....	2	48	50
Malicious mischief.....	-	48	48
Breaking and entering.....	2	37	39
Shop breaking.....	-	19	19
Idle and disorderly.....	-	17	17
Cheating by false pretences.....	1	12	13
Common pilferers.....	-	9	9
Arson.....	1	8	9
Malicious trespass.....	-	7	7
Sabbath breaking.....	-	7	7
Manslaughter.....	2	2	4
Common drunkard.....	-	3	3
Robbery.....	-	3	3
Attempt to steal.....	-	3	3
Assault with intent to rob.....	-	2	2
Disturbing the peace.....	-	2	2
Embezzlement.....	-	2	2
Assault with intent to kill.....	-	1	1
Riot.....	-	1	1
Threatening to burn.....	-	1	1
Common night walker.....	-	1	1
Attempt to commit arson.....	-	1	1
Neglect of employment and calling.....	-	1	1
Sodomy.....	-	1	1
Secreting stolen goods.....	-	1	1
Threatening lives.....	-	1	1
Placing obstructions on railroad track.....	1	-	1
	34	1,653	1,687

TABLE No. 7.
Shows the alternate sentence.

Alternate sentences.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
During minority in State Prison.....	1	-	1
Ten years ".....	1	2	3
Six " ".....	1	-	1
Five " ".....	1	3	4
Four " ".....	-	3	3
Three " ".....	1	11	12
Two " ".....	-	24	24
One year and six months in State Prison....	-	3	3
One year in State Prison.....	-	62	62
Three years in Co. Jail or House of Correction	-	15	15
Two " " ".....	-	45	45
One year in " " ".....	-	24	24
Eighteen months in " " ".....	-	2	2
Ten " " ".....	-	4	4
Nine " " ".....	-	4	4
Eight " " ".....	-	2	2
Six " " ".....	1	68	69
Five " " ".....	-	1	1
Four " " ".....	-	1	1

TABLE NO. 7—Concluded.

Alternate sentences.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Ninety days in Co. Jail or House of Correction	-	55	55
Sixty " " " "	11	163	174
Fifty " " " "	-	4	4
Forty " " " "	-	1	1
Thirty " " " "	16	984	1,000
Twenty-nine days " " " "	-	4	4
Twenty-five " " " "	-	3	3
Twenty " " " "	-	37	37
Fifteen " " " "	-	16	16
Ten " " " "	-	27	27
Two days or less in " " " "	-	16	16
No alternative	-	27	27
Fine and costs.....	-	40	40
Recognizance	1	2	3
	34	1,653	1,687

TABLE NO. 8,

Shows the admissions from each county, and last residence.

Counties.	Towns.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
ANDROSCOGGIN.	Auburn	-	4	4
	Danville	-	1	1
	Greene	-	2	2
	Lewiston	-	86	86
	Lisbon	-	2	2
	Livermore	-	1	1
	Minot	-	1	1
AROOSTOOK	Poland	1	5	6
	Webster	-	3	3
	Weston	-	1	1
	Baldwin	-	1	1
	Bridgton	-	6	6
	Brunswick	1	15	16
	Cape Elizabeth	1	11	12
CUMBERLAND	Cumberland	-	3	3
	Deering	-	3	3
	Freeport	-	1	1
	Gorham	-	5	5
	Gray	-	1	1
	Harpwell	-	2	2
	Naples	-	1	1
	Otisfield	-	1	1
	Portland	7	419	426
	Scarboro'	-	4	4
	Sebago	-	1	1
	Standish	-	2	2
	Westbrook	-	11	11
FRANKLIN	Windham	-	2	2
	Yarmouth	-	4	4
	Eustis	-	1	1
	Farmington	-	2	2
	Jay	-	1	1
	Kingfield	-	3	3
	Phillips	-	3	3
	Rangely	-	2	2
	Wilton	-	1	1

TABLE No. 8—Continued.

Counties.	Towns.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
HANCOCK	Bucksport.....	1	6	7
	Castine	-	1	1
	Deer Isle.....	-	2	2
	Ellsworth	-	9	9
	Franklin	-	1	1
	Hancock	-	1	1
	Mt. Desert.....	-	2	2
	Orland	-	2	2
	Sedgwick	-	1	1
	Tremont.....	-	4	4
	Albion	-	1	1
	Augusta	2	51	53
	Belgrade.....	-	1	1
	Benton	-	3	3
	Chelsea	-	7	7
	China	-	1	1
	Clinton	-	2	2
	Farmingdale	-	1	1
	Gardiner	-	35	35
	Hallowell	1	18	19
KENNEBEC	Litchfield	1	4	5
	Manchester.....	-	3	3
	Monmouth.....	-	4	4
	Pittston	-	7	7
	Readfield	-	4	4
	Rome	-	2	2
	Sidney	-	2	2
	Vassalborough	-	2	2
	Vienna	-	4	4
	Waterville.....	-	14	14
	Wayne.....	-	1	1
	West Gardiner.....	-	2	2
	West Waterville.....	-	3	3
	Windsor.....	-	1	1
	Winslow	-	4	4
	Winthrop	-	6	6
	Camden.....	1	9	10
	Hope	-	3	3
	Muscle Ridge Island.....	-	1	1
KNOX	Rockland	2	47	49
	South Thomaston	-	5	5
	St. George	-	5	5
	Thomaston	-	6	6
	Union	-	1	1
	Vinalhaven	-	4	4
	Warren	-	2	2
	Washington	-	1	1
	Boothbay	-	8	8
	Bristol.....	-	2	2
LINCOLN	Dresden.....	-	1	1
	Jefferson	-	2	2
	Newcastle	-	2	2
	Nobleborough	-	4	4
	Southport.....	-	2	2
	Waldoborough	-	2	2
	Whitefield	-	6	6
	Wiscasset.....	-	3	3

TABLE No. 8—Continued.

Counties.	Towns.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
OXFORD.....	Bethel	-	2	2
	Brownfield	-	1	1
	Canton	-	1	1
	Greenwood	-	1	1
	Hiram	-	5	5
	Milton Plantation	-	1	1
	Norway	-	1	1
	Oxford	1	-	1
	Paris	-	2	2
	Stoneham	-	1	1
	Sweden	-	1	1
	Watertord	-	1	1
	Alton	-	2	2
	Bangor	1	154	155
	Brewer	-	9	9
	Carmel	-	1	1
	Charleston	-	1	1
	Corinna	-	1	1
	Corinth	-	2	2
	Dexter	-	7	7
PENOBSCOT....	Dixmont	-	1	1
	Eddington	-	1	1
	Exeter	-	2	2
	Glenburn	-	3	3
	Hermion	1	2	3
	Holden	-	1	1
	Hudson	-	4	4
	Levant	-	5	5
	Lincoln	-	1	1
	Milford	-	2	2
	Newport	-	2	2
	Oldtown	1	9	10
	Orono	-	4	4
	Orrington	-	1	1
	Veazie	-	6	6
	Dover	-	2	2
	Foxcroft	-	1	1
	Guilford	-	1	1
	Monson	-	1	1
PISCATAQUIS...	Orneville	-	2	2
	Sangerville	-	2	2
	Sebec	-	1	1
	Wellington	-	1	1
	Williamsburg	-	1	1
	Arrowsie	-	2	2
	Bath	2	68	70
	Bowdoin	-	2	2
	Phippsburg	-	1	1
	Richmond	-	7	7
SAGADAHOC...	Topsham	-	2	2
	Woolwich	-	1	1
	Anson	-	4	4
	Bloomfield	-	4	4
	Cambridge	-	1	1
	Canaan	-	1	1
	Concord	-	1	1
	Embden	-	2	2
	Fairfield	-	10	10
	Hartland	-	2	2
SOMERSET.....	Madison	-	1	1
	Mercer	-	1	1
	Norridgewock	-	2	2

TABLE No. 8—Continued.

Counties.	Towns.	Past year	Previously.	Total.
SOMERSET, Con.	Pittsfield	-	5	5
	Ripley	-	1	1
	Skowhegan	-	13	13
	Smithfield	-	2	2
	St. Albans	-	1	1
	Belfast	1	9	10
	Frankfort	-	9	9
	Jackson	-	1	1
	Lincolnville	-	4	4
	Monroe	-	5	5
	Montville	-	2	2
WALDO	Palermo	-	1	1
	Searsmont	-	3	3
	Searsport	-	5	5
	Unity	-	1	1
	Waldo	-	1	1
	Winterport	-	1	1
	Addison	-	3	3
	Alexander	-	1	1
	Baileyville	-	1	1
	Calais	3	38	41
	Cherryfield	-	4	4
	Columbia	-	1	1
	Cutler	-	1	1
	East Machias	-	1	1
	Eastport	1	18	19
	Edmunds	-	2	2
	Jonesport	-	2	2
WASHINGTON	Lubec	-	1	1
	Machias	-	18	18
	Machiasport	-	2	2
	Marion	-	1	1
	Marshfield	-	1	1
	Milbridge	1	2	3
	Pembroke	1	6	7
	Robbinston	-	1	1
	Steuben	-	2	2
	Trescott	-	2	2
	Wesley	-	2	2
	Acton	-	2	2
	Biddeford	-	79	79
	Cornish	-	2	2
	Elliot	-	1	1
	Kennebunk	-	5	5
	Kennebunkport	-	7	7
	Kittery	-	2	2
YORK	Lebanon	-	1	1
	Lyman	-	2	2
	North Berwick	-	2	2
	Parsonsfield	-	1	1
	Saco	1	52	53
	Sanford	-	4	4
	South Berwick	-	4	4
	Waterborough	-	1	1
	Wells	-	3	3
	York	-	1	1
		32	1,645	1,677

TABLE No. 8—Concluded.

	Towns.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Residence out of the State.	Chelsea, Mass.....	-	2	2
	Newport, R. I.....	-	1	1
	Bartlett, N. H.....	-	1	1
	Winona, Mich.....	-	1	1
	New Brunswick.....	1	1	2
	Worcester, Mass.....	-	1	1
	Minnesota.....	-	1	1
	New York City.....	1	-	1
		34	1,653	1,687

TABLE No. 9.

Shows the nativity of all committed.

Nativity.	Past year.	Previously.	Total.
Born in Australia.....	-	1	1
Canada.....	-	23	23
Cuba.....	-	1	1
Jamaica.....	-	1	1
Chili.....	-	1	1
England.....	-	10	10
France.....	-	1	1
Ireland.....	-	49	49
New Brunswick.....	1	62	63
Nova Scotia.....	1	22	23
Prince Edward's Island.....	-	2	2
Scotland.....	-	4	4
on the Atlantic.....	-	1	1
Foreigners.....	2	178	180
Born in Maine.....	28	1,303	1,331
New Hampshire.....	-	28	28
Vermont.....	-	5	5
Massachusetts.....	1	77	78
Rhode Island.....	-	3	3
Connecticut.....	-	6	6
New York.....	1	21	22
Pennsylvania.....	-	1	1
Maryland.....	-	3	3
Virginia.....	-	4	4
North Carolina.....	-	2	2
South Carolina.....	-	3	3
Washington, D. C.....	-	1	1
Georgetown, D. C.....	-	1	1
Florida.....	-	1	1
Kentucky.....	-	1	1
Michigan.....	-	1	1
Wisconsin.....	-	2	2
Missouri.....	-	1	1
California.....	-	2	2
Nativity not known.....	2	9	11
	34	1,653	1,687

TABLE No. 10.

Shows the ages of all when committed.

Ages.		Past year.	Previously.	Total .
Seven	years of age.....	—	5	5
Eight	“	—	31	31
Nine	“	2	52	54
Ten	“	5	150	155
Eleven	“	5	166	171
Twelve	“	5	236	241
Thirteen	“	5	284	289
Fourteen	“	7	313	320
Fifteen	“	5	307	312
Sixteen	“	—	84	84
Seventeen	“	—	19	19
Eighteen	“	—	4	4
Nineteen	“	—	2	2
		34	1,653	1,687

TABLE No. 11.

Shows some facts connected with the moral condition of the boys when received.

Remarks.	Past year.	Previously	Total.
Whole number received.....	34	1,653	1,687
Have intemperate parents.....	12	516	528
Lost father.....	11	543	554
Lost mother.....	8	397	405
Relatives in prison	2	213	215
Step parents.....	4	269	273
Idle.....	13	1,170	1,183
Much neglected.....	15	417	432
Truants	11	616	627
Sabbath breakers.....	8	559	567
Untruthful.	19	1,268	1,287
Profane.....	22	1,177	1,199

The past year has been with us one of health and prosperity. The affairs of the school have moved on satisfactorily and an evident and gratifying improvement has been manifest in the deportment of the boys. In the school-room, in the shops and on the farm they have shown a more kind and obliging spirit in their bearing toward each other, and greater readiness to conform to the wishes of their officers and obey the rules of the school. It is not claimed the desired condition of perfect discipline and order has been

reached, but that encouraging progress has been made toward the goal of perfection for which we all strive, but to which we never quite attain. The progress noted is the more gratifying when we bear in mind that boys whose conduct has secured their commitment to the institution have, as a rule, become so habituated to following their own inclinations that they do not readily yield to control and fall into line with cheerful and ready obedience. It is interesting to note the different dispositions with which the new life is met, and to observe the gradual yielding to the requirements necessarily laid upon them.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

Twenty-six acres of land have been under cultivation. The crops harvested were abundant and of excellent quality, and the prices obtained for some of the products which were sold have been unusually remunerative. Two hundred and fifteen dollars have been received for sales from one and one-fourth acres of cabbages, and the returns from seven-eighths of an acre of onions are valued at three hundred and forty-two dollars.

Last year we obtained from the Beet Sugar Manufactory a quantity of beet pulp sufficient to supply our neat stock through the winter; the cost was trifling and the results from its use were very satisfactory. The removal of the Beet Sugar Manufactory from the State compelled us to follow the more common and expensive custom of obtaining green food for winter use of the stock by growing a crop for that special purpose. One and one-half acres of land were sown to Mangolds, which produced a crop of eleven hundred and twenty bushels. We have enough to take the place of the beet pulp, but it is secured at a much greater outlay of labor and money.

The potatoes were harvested early in September, and were then of good quality and apparently perfectly sound. Since the crop was stored in the cellar nearly one fifth of the whole

has decayed. The percentage of loss is so large we shall be compelled to purchase for the supply of our wants.

A large portion of the farm is well adapted to the production of hay and is devoted to that crop; many acres, however, are suitable for market gardening and may be profitably used for that purpose.

The cultivation of such garden crops as will find a ready sale in Portland market will furnish employment for many more of the boys than can now be kept at work on the farm, and at the same time give them healthful exercise in the air and the sunshine. To direct and instruct these boys in their work, and to seasonably dispose of the crops will require us to employ one or two more men on the farm.

I respectfully present the subject for your consideration and advisement, so that if the plan meets with your approval I may be allowed to take the steps needful to carry it out.

FARM AND GARDEN CROPS.

100 tons hay, at \$16.00.....	\$1,600 00
6 tons marsh hay, \$7.00.....	42 00
12 tons straw, \$11.00.....	132 00
6 tons corn fodder, \$7.00.....	42 00
35 tons fodder corn, \$1.50.....	52 50
257 bushels oats, 40 cents.....	102 80
90 bushels barley, 85 cents.....	76 50
20 bushels sweet corn, \$1.50.....	30 00
Sweet corn for table.....	20 00
Sweet corn sold.....	205 20
40 bushels beans, \$2.50.....	100 00
70 bushels green peas and beans, \$1.00.....	70 00
475 bushels potatoes, 80 cents.....	380 00
380 bushels onions, 90 cents.....	342 00
10 tons cabbage, \$25.00.....	250 00
1,120 bushels beets for stock, 20 cents.....	224 00
1½ tons squash, 1½ cents per lb.....	45 00
2 tons pumpkins, ½ cent “.....	20 00
150 bushels turnips, 50 cents.....	75 00

Farm and Garden Crops—Concluded.

100 bushels table beets, parsnips and carrots, at 60 cents	60 00
Tomatoes, celery and rhubarb.....	50 00
5 bbls. pickles, \$10.00	50 00
30 bushels cucumbers, 50 cents.....	15 00
655 boxes strawberries, 10 cents.....	65 50
12 bushels pears, \$2.50.....	30 00
135 bushels apples, 90 cents	121 50
Horses sold.....	250 00
2,978 pounds pork, 9 cents.....	268 02
27 hogs and shoats	386 00
Pigs sold.....	232 00
Neat stock sold	178 50
5 calves raised.....	91 00
9,885 gallons milk, 15 cents.....	1,482 75
1,528 pounds butter, 27 cents	412 56
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	7,501 83

The stock consists of seventeen cows, four heifers, five heifer calves, one Ayrshire bull, four heavy team horses and three driving horses. Two of the driving horses are of little value and will be disposed of at the earliest opportunity; the other was recently purchased. Two team horses died from disease last winter. Their mates were sold, and the team of four young and sound matched horses that we now have was procured for nine hundred dollars. Two sets of double team harnesses have been bought. The outlay we were obliged to make for horses and harnesses was a large and unexpected draft upon our resources, but fortunately we were able to meet it without incurring debt.

Reference to the classification of expenditures will show a large sum paid for feed for stock. Before any one decides the amount to be too large, I beg he will inspect the animals, observe their thrifty and healthy condition, and note the

increase in milk and butter obtained from the cows. I believe that the results fully justify the outlay and prove our practice of high feeding to be profitable. In justice to ourselves it may also be said, these expenditures are not intended to give the value of the articles actually made use of during the year reported; they rather represent the sums paid out for them. In this particular case the amount paid includes a large balance of indebtedness brought over from the previous year.

Extensive repairs have been made in the boys' dining-room. The room is in the basement story of the building, with the floor three and one-half feet below the level of the yards. When it was constructed, a system of ventilation was contrived to promote free circulation of air through the basement walls, under the floor and through grates in the ceiling around the sides into the room. The brick conduits that were intended to convey air beneath the floors had become entirely ruined, and served only as convenient passages for the rats that swarmed around the walls. The rotten floor timbers and boards have been replaced by sound ones; a neat ceiling of matched and beaded pine boards takes the place of the decayed and broken laths and plaster, and conduits of ten-inch vitrified drain-tile provide rat-proof passages for admitting the air. The room has been painted and whitened, and is now neat, pleasant and inviting.

A new floor has been laid in the lower hall of the front part; repairs have been made in the officers' kitchen; the cistern in the west tower has received a new bottom of lead, and a portion of the old boiler-room has been partitioned off with a brick wall to provide a safe and separate place for storing burning oil, which has heretofore been kept with the flour and other provisions. New sills of hard pine have been put in several of the large windows where the old ones had become rotten and unsafe. At the barn, ventilating tubes have been built leading from the cellar and stables out under the eaves. Previous experience with this system of ventilation has shown its efficiency to furnish pure air in the cellar

and stables, and to help maintain the health and thrifty condition of the animals during the cold season when they must be kept closely confined. New floors have been laid in part of the stables, and enlarged conveniences have been provided for the accommodation of the increasing stock.

The chair shops are now in the charge of judicious and efficient officers. The chair-seating done in these shops furnishes employment for most of our boys. The habits of industry they acquire in this occupation are an important adjunct to the work of reform. While few of them will pursue this calling after their discharge from the school, all must in after life find the disposition here acquired to apply themselves closely to labor during the hours allotted to their tasks will be of great service to them in whatever occupation they engage. S. K. Pierce of South Gardner, Mass., continues to furnish all the work we can do in this line, and has, in a new contract, increased the price paid to us for the labor.

The boys employed in the sewing-room make all the garments required for the school, and keep the clothing in repair. Early in the year, suits of heavy woolen cadet cloth, with military buttons, were provided for the boys' Sunday and holiday wear. Their fine appearance, when clad in this uniform, is frequently remarked by visitors and friends. For every day wear in winter, new coats and pants of stout gray woolen cloth and substantial woolen shirts and stockings are provided for each boy in the school.

During the warm season many of our boys are kept busy on the farm. They enjoy the work of caring for the crops, and count it one of the greatest favors if they are allowed to join the farm boys.

Under the direction of officers in charge, they perform nearly all the labor required out of doors. Besides raising all the vegetables consumed by the school, they have this year grown a large surplus that we have sold in the Portland market.

FINANCES.

By strict economy in buying, by careful use of supplies, and by doing without some things that could have been profitably used had it been in our power to provide them, I have been able to keep the expenditures for the year within the limits of the appropriation.

Inconvenience and loss result to us from the system of credits upon which I am obliged to buy supplies. I beg leave to represent that much annoyance can be avoided, and many dollars saved by arrangements that will enable me either to pay bills promptly as they become due or to make purchases for cash. As matters now are, I am compelled to appeal to the generosity of friends and tax the patience of creditors because of the uncertainty in regard to the time of payment upon which most of my purchases must be made. These conditions result in a percentage of loss on money that was appropriated to supply the wants of the school, no part of which was ever intended to pay a per cent. on purchases or interest on notes.

SCHOOLS.

The schools are under the care of competent teachers, who are faithful and untiring in their efforts to interest and instruct their charge.

Most of our boys come to us with confirmed habits of truancy and a settled dislike for study and the exercises of the school-room. To secure their attention to books, and to enlist their hearty co-operation in the work of acquiring a good education is a task that severely taxes the patience and the skill of those to whom it is given.

It affords me pleasure to report that the scholars are cheerful and orderly during study hours, and show a steady and marked improvement in the several branches to which they give attention.

LIBRARY AND READING-ROOM.

The library contains fifteen hundred volumes. The books are well selected and include a wide range of literature well adapted to entertain and instruct the boys.

The yearly income of forty-two dollars from the Sanford legacy, and a small sum received from visitors, afford means to keep the books in good repair and make small additions to the number.

The following papers have been furnished to the reading-room gratuitously; the proprietors will please accept our thanks for their kindness and liberality: Daily Eastern Argus; Maine State Press; Portland Transcript; Portland Globe; Zion's Advocate; Christian Mirror; Boston Semi-Weekly Journal; Dirigo Rural; Oxford Democrat; American Sentinel; Aroostook Pioneer; Kennebec Journal; Lewiston Journal; Machias Republican; Machias Union; Farmington Chronicle; Calais Advertiser; Brunswick Telegraph; Union and Journal; Camden Herald; Waterville Mail; Lincoln County News; Dexter Gazette; Eastport Sentinel; Somerset Reporter; Bangor Whig and Courier; Phillips Phonograph; Sullivan Bulletin; Youth's Companion; Penman's Art Journal; Scholar's Companion; Messenger of Peace; Student's Journal; The American; Aroostook Republican.

MORAL AND RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

We are indebted to the clergymen and other Christian friends from Portland and vicinity for their assistance in maintaining religious services every Sabbath of the year.

The pupils of a reform school present a hopeful and inviting field of labor for earnest men desirous of returning to the paths of virtue youthful feet that have been led by strong temptation to take the first steps in a vicious life, and of winning to pure and upright lives young hearts that have yielded to evil influences from which more fortunate youth have been kept by the restraints of wise and loving friends and the attractions of well-ordered and happy homes. It

is with great pleasure I acknowledge the ready and hearty response of all to whom I have made request for aid in this work. As the State provides no pecuniary reward for their labor, their recompense must be found in the gratitude of the boys, many of whom appreciate their kindness, and in the love which the Master bestows upon every cheerful giver.

Through the efforts of Rev. H. A. Hart of Portland, assisted by Mrs. L. A. Stevens of Deering, and Miss Kimball of Chicago, nearly all of our boys have signed the temperance pledge, and many of them have also pledged themselves to abstain from the use of tobacco and from profanity. An organization called the Garfield Cold Water Battalion has been formed of those who have taken these pledges. Meetings of the battalion are held in the chapel every month. These meetings are managed by the boys, who behave with marked propriety and decorum and do themselves much credit by the order and dignity with which they conduct the services. The battalion reports quarterly to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and the ladies of that society are pledged to interest themselves in the welfare of the members of the battalion after their discharge from the school.

CONCLUSION.

Two deaths have occurred in the school since my last report. John Mayo died May 4; Joseph Savage died October 1. There was in both cases a constitutional tendency to disease, which neither tender care nor medical skill was able to counteract. A more complete statement will be found in the Physician's report. There have been no other cases of severe sickness in the school during the year.

The excellent health enjoyed by the inmates of the building and the absence of malarial symptoms in the few cases of sickness that have occurred, are gratifying indications that the improvements made in the sewerage last year and the other sanitary measures adopted have secured to us immunity from dangers that threatened serious consequences.

The discipline of the school has been well maintained by the officers, whose ready coöperation in all efforts for the welfare of the boys, and intelligent and vigilant care for the interests intrusted to them have done much to secure the prosperity that has marked the history of the year.

The usual holidays have been observed as days of recreation for the boys, and every opportunity for sports and play, consistent with the daily routine of duties, has been allowed them.

Furnished with neat and warm clothing, abundant, nourishing and palatable food, comfortable quarters by day and by night, light and healthful employment, superior facilities for obtaining a fair education; provided with excellent medical attendance and nursing in case of need; carefully watched over by kind and efficient officers whose constant and untiring care is for their welfare and their advancement to a happy and honorable life, these boys seem to have every inducement and aid to reform, which the solicitude and fostering care of the State can lavish upon them.

The friends of these wayward lads may well rejoice that the lines are fallen to them in such pleasant places where they are so far removed from the influences that led them astray.

I am grateful to you, gentlemen, for your cordial sympathy and support. Trusting in the Divine love that has kept us through the year, we look forward hopefully, believing our work is one that will continue to receive the blessing of Him whose erring children we strive to win to the ways of pleasantness and the paths of peace.

The statistics of the school will be found in the tables that accompany this report.

J. R. FARRINGTON,

Superintendent State Reform School.

Cape Elizabeth, Nov. 30, 1881.

TEACHERS' REPORT.

To the Trustees of the State Reform School:

GENTLEMEN :—The following is the report of the schools of this institution for the year ending November 30, 1881.

The number of boys under instruction at the commencement of the year was	120
There have been received during the year.....	34
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Whole number under instruction.....	154
There have been discharged during the year	41
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Present number under instruction.....	113

The scholarship of the boys received during the year is shown by the following three tables :

Who did not know the alphabet.....	3
Who could read in first reader.....	7
“ “ second “	4
“ “ third “	11
“ “ fourth “	8
“ “ fifth “	1
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	34

ARITHMETIC.

Who knew nothing of arithmetic.....	16
Who had studied mental arithmetic.....	11
Who had ciphered through simple rules.....	5
“ “ reduction... ,.....	2
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	34

WRITING.

Who could not write	11
“ write name only.....	7
“ write letters.....	16
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	34

The boys in school are classified as follows :

Who read in the fifth reader.....	18
“ “ fourth “	42
“ “ third “	21
“ “ second “	21
“ “ first “	11
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	113

ARITHMETIC.

Who have ciphered through common school arithmetic..	4
“ “ interest	4
“ “ denominate numbers.	30
“ “ multiplication	2
“ “ subtraction.....	17
“ “ addition	46
“ just commenced arithmetic.....	10
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	113

GEOGRAPHY.

Who study Harpers' School Geography	24
“ Harpers' Introductory Geography.....	33
Who are taught orally.....	17
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GRAMMAR.

Who study Swinton's New Language Lessons.....	21
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WRITING.

Who can write letters	101
Who can write easy words	12
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	113

The general organization and management of the schools have been the same this year as last. The deportment of the boys continues good, a lively interest has been manifested in the different studies pursued, and the general progress of the pupils has been gratifying to the teachers. The instruction given has been made practical, so far as possible, so that the boys, many of whom get here the only schooling they will ever receive, may be qualified, when discharged, to enter at once upon the active duties of life. Many of the boys are deeply grateful for the efforts made to give them a common school education, and their heart-felt thanks are appreciated by the teachers.

Several changes were made in the text books in use at the beginning of the term in September. The arithmetics on hand were so worn that it was necessary to replace them with new books and, as a measure of economy, as well as to secure a modern and more useful work, Olney's First Lessons and Practical Arithmetic were introduced at prices far below the usual cost of school arithmetics. So far, these books have given satisfaction; new interest has been awakened in an important branch of study, and commendable progress has been made by the pupils. The grammars in use were exchanged for Swinton's New Language Lessons, and earnest efforts have been made to teach boys to speak and write correctly, rather than to require them to memorize the rules of grammar. Harrington's New Graded Spelling Book has also been introduced, and its use in connection with blank books has made the spelling lessons interesting and profitable. Most of the boys when committed are ignorant of the orthography of even the commonest words, and much time and attention has therefore been given to this study. It is believed that the spelling exercises as now conducted will not only teach the boys to spell correctly all common words, but will serve as a practical language lesson as well, instructing them in the use of capitals, marks of punctuation and correct forms of expression. Harpers' Geographies and Appleton's

Readers which were introduced last year have given satisfaction. Reading is a daily exercise, and seventy-four boys studying geography recite four times a week.

The daily instruction and practice in penmanship have been continued through the year, and exercises in composition or letter writing have been given once a week. Vocal music has received the same attention as formerly, the boys being exercised in singing every day and receiving a half-hour's special instruction by the Superintendent on Saturday evenings.

During the year the proficiency of the pupils has been tested by frequent written examinations in arithmetic, spelling, grammar, geography and letter writing. The additional interest manifested by the scholars since the introduction of these reviews, and the good results which must necessarily follow have more than repaid us for the extra labor required.

While working for the intellectual advancement of the boys we have not been unmindful of the fact that they need moral training. We have endeavored to teach them to be honest, kind, respectful to all, prompt in obedience, and neat in person and clothing, to impress upon their minds the necessity of constant effort for improvement in morals, manners and general deportment, to inculcate correct principles, and to inspire all with a desire to live noble and virtuous lives.

Respectfully submitted.

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Cape Elizabeth, Nov. 30, 1881.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the State Reform School:

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to herewith submit my report as Physician to the School for the past year. I am happy to be able to say that the sanitary condition of the institution continues good. Cases of inflammation of the eyes, which were so common and troublesome during previous years have been almost entirely unknown. There have been no fevers, and but few bowel troubles so often incident to the summer months.

No epidemic disease has occurred, and there has been no fatal sickness except in two instances.

John Mayo of Ellsworth, aged sixteen years, died May 3d, of embolism in the left femoral artery, with mortification of the leg below the knee. In his case, there was probably a degeneration of the coats of the arteries generally, and valvular disease of the heart. He had been complaining of pains in various parts of the body, and a feeling of malaise all through the spring, but was not obliged to take his bed until three weeks before his death.

Joseph Savage of Saco, aged ten years, died October 1st, of tubercular meningitis, after having been sick about ten days.

A few accidents of minor importance have taken place, the most severe of which was the one to Charles Hartford, whose left wrist was cut by a knife in the hands of another boy while playing. The radial artery and the tendon of the flexor carpi radialis were cut across, very copious hemorrhage from the severed artery taking place. Upon my arrival I tied the artery and sewed up the cut in the skin, placing the

hand in such a position that the cut ends of the tendon might unite. He made a good recovery, regaining full use of the hand and arm.

In conclusion, I have only to add that the remarkable good state of health of the boys has been due in great measure to the constant watchfulness and intelligent care and thoughtfulness of the Superintendent, the Matron, and the Assistant Superintendent.

CHARLES E. WEBSTER, M. D.

Portland, November 30, 1881.

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IN COUNCIL, December 30, 1881.

Read, accepted, and the usual number of copies ordered printed.

Attest:

JOSEPH O. SMITH, *Secretary of State.*