

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
INSTITUTIONS REGISTRATION
DEPARTMENT,
FOR THE YEAR 1900.

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OFFICE OF THE INSTITUTIONS REGISTRAR,
28 COURT SQUARE, BOSTON, March 1, 1901.

HON. THOMAS N. HART,

Mayor of the City of Boston:

SIR, — The report of the Institutions Registration Department for the year ending January 31, 1901, is respectfully submitted in accordance with Chapter 3, Section 22, of the Revised Ordinances.

This department has been in existence for three and a half years, in which time its value to the various co-ordinate departments has been fully demonstrated. It is now in close touch with the Pauper Institutions Department, Insane Hospital Department, Children's Institutions Department, Penal Institutions Department, and the Overseers of the Poor.

FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The law creating this department designates as its duties "the investigation of all questions relative to the settlement of paupers, to the commitment of the insane, or to the agency for discharged prisoners, or to any rights, duties or liabilities connected therewith," and in addition certain less clearly defined duties "relating to the accounts, and to the collection, registration, and tabulation of statistics." These

duties, not definitely understood at first, are now fairly well settled, and this department by reason of its past experience is better able to perform its various functions, and to render itself useful to the departments which avail themselves of its co operation.

LEGAL SETTLEMENTS.

The investigation and determination of the legal settlements of applicants for admission to the City Institutions is a most important part of the work of this department, as improper decisions of settlements would entail on the City of Boston the expense of supporting sane or insane paupers for the balance of their lives. Men of skill and experience are employed to make outside investigations into the histories of insane and sane paupers, and insane and pauper children, visiting their homes or their relatives and friends and securing evidence by which their legal settlement may be determined. This particular service requires much delicacy and tact, in order that the persons interviewed may not take offence, and refuse to give information so necessary to a correct determination of the legal status of the applicants. The total number of settlements investigated during the past year is 4,923. In addition to the applications for admission to institutions made in this office, the City has supported a large number of deficient in the State Institutions, many of whom are admitted from other towns and cities, thus making the investigations more complicated. The bills for the support of these persons are rendered quarterly to this department by the State Board of Charity and the State Institutions, and are carefully examined before being forwarded to the several departments for final approval. The bulletin printed in this report shows the number of Boston cases supported by the City in State Institutions.

ADMISSION OF PAUPERS AND COMMITMENT OF INSANE TO CITY AND STATE INSTITUTIONS.

By request of the Pauper Institutions Trustees the Institutions Registrar acts as the agent of that board in receiving applications for admission to State and City Almshouses, having discretion to grant or refuse such applications according to the merits of the cases presented. Applications are made to this office during every working day, being usually larger in the winter months. During the year 3,980 applications have been made, of which 690 have been admitted to

the Boston Almshouse and Hospital on Long Island, 42 to the Charlestown Almshouse, 5 to the State Sanatorium and 1,627 to the State Hospital at Tewksbury, these latter having no legal settlements in Boston. The remaining 1,616 applications were either withdrawn or refused.

The relations of this department to the Insane Hospital Trustees are outlined in that portion of the law establishing this department which describes as one of its duties "the commitment of the insane."

The statutes provide that alleged insane persons must be examined by two competent physicians who shall testify before the Court as to their insanity. Two expert physicians, Drs. George F. Jelly and Thomas Waterman, are regularly employed by this department in said service with occasional outside assistance. During the year they have examined 1,025 persons, of which number 180 have been sent to the Observation Hospital at Deer Island, 249 to the Boston Insane Hospital, and 530 to State Institutions.

APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE FROM LONG ISLAND.

By request of the Pauper Institutions Trustees this department has undertaken a new duty: that of receiving and investigating applications for discharges from the Almshouse, Long Island. Heretofore such applications have been made to the superintendent of that institution, who had no facilities for inquiring into the merits of the cases, and no foundation upon which to base his decision. This department now sends an official to the island one day in each week, and receives the applications for discharges on appropriate blanks. They are then investigated and reported upon favorably or unfavorably, as facts may determine. In many cases unnecessary hardship to the inmates is prevented by this new arrangement, as formerly inmates would apply for a discharge who had no home to go to, and no friends to support them, and they would be thrown upon the mercy of the world with no refuge but a new application for admission to the Almshouse. It is gratifying to learn from the superintendent of the Almshouse that the plan is working very successfully, and is the means of saving many inmates from distress and exposure.

WEEKLY BULLETIN.

As foreshadowed in the annual report of last year, this department has issued a weekly bulletin showing the movement of population in all the City Institutions and of the

City cases in State Institutions. This bulletin when started, on April 7, 1900, included only the Penal, Pauper, Children, and Insane Departments. On June 16 it was enlarged by the addition of the Overseers of the Poor Department and Suffolk County Jail, and on September 22 it was still further enlarged and completed by the addition of the Police, City Hospital, Health, Soldiers' Relief and Institutions Registration Departments, and the Agency for Discharged Prisoners; so that it now includes all of the City departments engaged in the disbursement of public moneys for temporary aid or for full support. The last issue of the bulletin, prior to the expiration of the official year, is printed on another page of this report and shows that during the week ending Saturday, January 26, 1901, the City of Boston fully or partly supported 12,698 dependents, deficient, and delinquents, of whom 9,274 remained in charge of the City at the close of the week; 1,266 of whom were in State and 8,008 in City Institutions. This valuable information is now available for the first time in the history of Boston.

WEEKLY MOVEMENT OF POPULATION IN INSTITUTIONS.

Prominent on the walls of this department are charts, upon which is kept the movement of the population in the Penal, Children's, Pauper, and Insane Departments for the calendar year. By these charts one can note at a glance the weekly increase or decrease of inmates in the several departments. Reproductions of these charts are herewith submitted.

THE ROUNDER PROBLEM.

The policy adopted by the Pauper Institutions Trustees in 1899 of refusing to admit able-bodied vagrants to the Almshouse has been continued throughout the past year with good results. This department in the execution of said policy has continued to reject applicants who are poor only because of their own dissipated and immoral habits, except such cases as stood in immediate need of hospital treatment. In many cases they have been referred to the police officer specially detailed in charge of vagrants. Since the last annual report the total number of these cases brought to trial was 58, all of whom were convicted. The following table contains interesting facts relative to these vagrants. Among the more noticeable facts are the average age of the men, 45 years; average number of times in prison 5; the average number of times in the Almshouse 8, and the fact that 30

are unmarried. Of the whole number, 34 appear to have been born in Boston.

VAGRANTS.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Brought to trial.....	46	12	58
Sentenced by court.....	46	12	58
Acquitted by court.....	-	-	-
Age, maximum.....	81	72	-
Age, minimum.....	19	35	-
Age, average.....	45+	49+	-
Number of times previously in prison:			
Maximum.....	42	42	-
Average.....	5+	14+	-
Number of times previously in almshouse:			
Maximum.....	37	21	-
Average.....	8+	6+	-
Sentenced to State Farm, Bridgewater.....	38	4	42
Sentenced to House of Correction, Deer Island,	8	8	16
Social Condition:			
Single.....	30	6	36
Married.....	3	4	7
Widowers.....	9	-	9
Widows.....	-	-	-
Separated.....	4	2	6
Nationality:			
United States.....	34	6	40
Boston.....	29	5	34
Massachusetts.....	3	1	4
New England.....	1	-	1
Other States.....	1	-	1
Ireland.....	8	3	11
Scotland.....	1	2	3
Nova Scotia.....	1	1	2
Germany.....	2	-	2

REGISTRATION.

The new system of registering information relative to the dependent and delinquent classes supported by the municipality, which was begun in the fall of 1899, has, during the past year, been extended to pauper, insane, penal and outdoor poor cases. This department has thus gradually realized its object of becoming a repository for the kind of information in question, and has thereby established closer working relations with the other departments dealing with various groups of public charges. It has, in fact, become a connecting link between them. The methods employed have proved entirely workable and so far satisfactory. Any misgivings that the system devised might prove cumbersome, time-consuming and costly in disproportion to its usefulness have

been dispelled, and it has commended itself to other communities for adoption.

The final object is not attained merely by harmonizing and unifying methods of keeping records. This department must also become a distributing centre of the information it collects. In this respect progress has been made and substantial services have been rendered other departments and individuals. Affiliated departments have also been assisted in making a larger use of the facts concerning persons in their immediate care. The statistics of persons housed at the Lodge for Wayfarers and of those aided in other ways by the Overseers of the Poor have been tabulated and analyzed, — a work of some magnitude, since it involves about 12,000 cases.

Finally it is a function of this department to utilize so far as possible for independent research the material accumulated, or in other ways at its disposal, for the purpose of adding to our knowledge of certain phases of the problems that are daily pressing upon the departments charged with the care of the public wards of the City.

The appended report dealing with recidivists among misdemeanants represents an initial step in this direction, which, it is hoped, may be followed by other and more elaborate studies. Further efforts of this kind will, however, be conditioned upon the opportunity afforded for an extension of this department. Hitherto the growing work has been taken care of without addition to the clerical force, but the time left for other than purely routine duties has become correspondingly small.

IN GENERAL.

Much of the detailed work of this department is of such a nature that it cannot easily be shown in an annual report. Daily reports are made to the Insane Hospital Trustees of all cases admitted to the Boston Insane Hospital and State Institutions, and of the legal status of cases admitted to the former. Daily reports are made also to the Pauper Institutions Trustees of all cases admitted to Long Island and Charlestown Almshouses, and sentences of vagrants are regularly reported. A weekly report of applications withdrawn and refused is also furnished. The Penal Department is informed of all admissions of observation and delirium tremens cases to the Observation Hospital and of their legal status. A weekly statistical report is made to the Statistics Department of the City of Boston.

The ambulance is used more than ever before, and has proved to be of valuable service in transporting sick cases to the almshouses and to other institutions.

The officials of this department, in visiting needy and sick applicants, never forget to combine humanity with their more technical duties, and have often been instrumental in securing admission to private institutions for those who have a prejudice against entering an almshouse. In many other ways, too, they have relieved necessity, and removed the burden from the too heavily laden.

The number of employees on January 31, 1900, was eleven, with salaries amounting to \$13,910, and on January 31, 1901, eleven, with salaries amounting to \$14,900.

FINANCIAL.

The expenditures during the past year have been \$22,485.87, an itemized statement of which is given in one of the following tables. Estimates of \$25,000, required to carry on the ever increasing work of the department during the ensuing year, have already been presented to your Honor.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
Institutions Registrar.

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1901.

Salaries and wages	\$14,495 26
Medical services	3,718 79
Horse-keeping	1,437 46
Transportation	998 51
Printing	876 64
Office expenses and repairs	354 04
Stationery	286 79
Telephones	119 36
Postage	106 50
Food	92 52
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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN THE POSSESSION OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

Furniture, Office Room 2.

6 charts on wall.	1 cabinet, 30 drawers for cards.
2 book-cases.	1 cabinet, 20 drawers, index to above cabinet.
1 clothes cabinet, containing 6 lockers.	1 cabinet, 6 drawers for cards.
1 counter.	2 accountant's desks.
1 safe.	15 chairs.
3 roll-top desks.	1 small table.
2 typewriter's desks, 1 roll-top, 1 plain.	1 telephone and sound booth for same.
2 typewriters (Hammond).	Miscellaneous office stationery.
5 cabinets for settlement histories and correspondence.	1 letter press and cabinet for same.

Examining Physicians' Office.

2 oil cloths.	1 small table.
1 roll-top desk.	7 chairs.
1 book-case.	49 volumes medical records.
1 lounge.	Miscellaneous stationery.

In Room 1.

9 volumes commitment records.	About 500 printed forms for commitment for insane.
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Basement.

1 iron bed.	4 settees.
1 rubber mattress and pillow.	2 cabinets (formerly used for settlement histories).
3 tables.	
1 desk.	

Transportation.

1 carriage.	2 mattresses for stretchers.
2 horses for above carriage.	8 blankets for stretchers.
1 set double harness.	1 horse.
2 stable blankets.	1 harness.
2 street blankets.	1 stable blanket.
1 whip.	1 street blanket.
1 sleigh (old).	1 robe.
1 ambulance.	1 whip.
2 stretchers.	

Records.

- Miscellaneous volumes containing records of admissions to almshouses and other institutions.
- 4 account books (1 bill book, 1 journal, 1 expenditure book, 1 ledger).
- 1 volumes records, Overseers of the Poor.
- About 45,000 settlement histories (written).
- Miscellaneous volumes, such as Boston directories, Acts and Resolves, tax books, settlement records and reports of various kinds.
- About 26,000 cards containing records of admissions to the Institutions filed in tin boxes (old).
- About 2,000 envelopes.
- 2,000 index cards, insane patients in Institutions.
- About 11,000 large cards (new).
- About 5,000 large cards containing Institution records of prisoners and paupers.
- About 4,000 investigation reports.

INSTITUTIONS REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

June 2	66	16	11	9	25	14	37	1	4	6	3	5	6	1	1	1	20	58
" 9	79	24	7	9	18	15	46	2	2	3	3	3	3	1	1	5	16	81
" 16	93	19	9	6	30	13	39	2	2	5	13	11	11	1	1	6	36	97
" 20	67	20	6	5	23	14	33	2	2	4	4	9	9	1	1	6	36	108
July 7	80	27	6	12	22	19	43	1	1	4	12	10	10	2	2	2	23	70
" 14	78	15	9	11	22	11	43	1	1	6	7	3	3	2	2	3	30	103
" 21	72	21	6	10	26	15	62	1	1	6	4	8	8	1	1	3	24	86
" 28	66	15	10	5	26	47	50	1	1	6	4	4	4	1	1	3	24	87
Aug. 4	73	20	12	12	25	20	30	1	1	4	7	2	2	1	5	1	15	111
" 11	59	19	4	5	25	19	31	1	1	4	7	2	2	2	2	1	15	65
" 18	72	16	17	6	18	19	51	1	1	3	6	6	6	2	2	6	49	84
" 25	65	17	12	7	27	33	39	1	1	3	6	5	5	7	2	11	49	84
Sept. 1	71	23	9	4	21	26	40	3	3	6	5	5	5	7	4	11	62	82
" 8	61	17	3	7	21	24	40	3	3	6	5	5	5	7	4	13	45	81
" 15	77	15	8	7	22	16	44	1	1	3	4	4	4	3	3	26	65	101
" 22	67	12	7	10	28	4	30	1	1	3	4	4	4	3	1	18	58	78
" 29	63	17	3	2	18	36	36	1	1	6	7	7	7	1	1	4	21	53
Oct. 6	91	17	16	7	16	8	44	1	1	1	4	4	4	1	2	28	64	85
" 13	72	13	7	4	16	12	38	1	1	3	4	4	4	2	2	14	77	99
" 20	98	24	4	4	18	38	49	2	2	3	4	4	4	2	2	9	17	52
" 27	75	12	4	4	22	25	34	1	1	6	3	3	3	2	2	6	27	135
" 30	77	19	9	13	32	38	53	1	1	8	4	4	4	8	8	101	74	101
Nov. 3	77	19	4	10	22	30	39	1	1	9	4	4	4	5	5	6	22	85
" 10	68	17	4	10	13	32	19	1	1	3	4	4	4	3	3	5	27	85
" 17	80	30	3	4	23	31	51	1	1	4	4	4	4	1	1	6	20	61
" 24	100	17	4	4	35	17	40	1	1	4	4	4	4	2	2	6	16	88
Dec. 1	75	23	12	11	14	35	53	1	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	7	16	67
" 8	89	21	13	7	22	14	53	1	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	6	16	76
" 15	87	18	5	5	18	47	63	3	3	5	5	5	5	1	1	10	20	101
" 22	74	16	4	10	30	12	43	3	3	6	6	6	6	1	1	5	16	85
" 29	59	13	4	10	36	13	62	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	15	122	92
Jan. 5	114	29	4	8	21	9	44	1	1	6	6	6	6	3	3	16	79	100
" 12	93	18	10	9	55	19	75	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	20	74	101
" 19	98	25	12	1	49	17	66	1	1	5	5	5	5	1	1	5	16	85
" 26	111	17	3	3	20	58	80	1	1	4	4	4	4	1	1	4	15	122
" 31	56	14	15	1	18	53	69	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	6	16	79
Totals	3,980	971	33	454	1,025	690	2,304	42	16	180	249	137	74	55	11	218	3,381	4,023

Weekly Bulletin of the Institutions Registration Department.

Compiled from Reports of the Public Institutions of the State of Massachusetts for the week ending Saturday, January 26, 1901.

PERSONS SUPPORTED BY THE CITY OF BOSTON IN STATE INSTITUTIONS.
Movement of the Population. — Insane Hospital Department.

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Worcester Insane Hospital.			
At last report	15	51	66
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	15	50	65
Taunton Insane Hospital.			
At last report	19	40	59
Admitted			
Discharged		1	1
Remaining	19	39	58
Danvers Insane Hospital.			
At last report	32	41	73
Admitted			
Discharged	1		1
Remaining	31	41	72
Westborough Insane Hospital.			
At last report	42	80	122
Admitted		1	1
Discharged		1	1
Remaining	42	80	122
Worcester Insane Asylum.			
At last report	64	72	136
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	64	72	136
Medfield Insane Asylum.			
At last report	148	305	453
Admitted			
Discharged		2	2
Remaining	148	303	451
Tewksbury Insane Asylum.			
At last report	9	54	63
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	9	54	63
Bridgewater Insane Asylum.			
At last report	35		35
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	35		35

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Insane Boarded in Families.			
At last report.....	2	27	29
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	2	27	29
Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs.			
At last report.....	58		58
Admitted			
Discharged	2		2
Remaining	56		56
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.			
At last report.....	12	14	26
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	12	14	26
Massachusetts School for the Feeble Minded.			
At last report.....	25	39	64
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	25	39	64

Children's Institutions Department.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble Minded.			
At last report.....	42	26	68
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	42	26	68
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.			
At last report.....	3	2	5
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	3	2	5
Hospital Cottages.			
At last report.....	10	2	12
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	10	2	12
State Hospital, Tewksbury.			
At last report.....			
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining			
State Sanatorium.			
At last report.....	1		1
Admitted			
Discharged			
Remaining	1		1

Pauper Institutions Department.

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
State Hospital, Tewksbury.			
At last report.....			
Admitted.....			
Discharged.....			
Remaining.....			
State Sanatorium.			
At last report.....	1	2	3
Admitted.....			
Discharged.....			
Remaining.....	1	2	3

TOTAL REMAINING.	Insane in Hospitals.	Insane Boarded in Families.	Dipsomaniacs.	Feeble Minded.	Epileptics.	Paupers.	Grand Total.
By Classes.....	1,002	29	56	132	43	4	1,266

TOTAL REMAINING.	Insane Hospital Trustees.	Trustees for Children.	Pauper Institutions Trustees.	Grand Total.
By Departments.....	1,177	86	3	1,266

Whole number of dependents, deficient and delinquents in charge of Boston, on Saturday, January 26, 1901, 9,274.

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PERSONS WHOLLY OR PARTLY SUPPORTED BY THE CITY OF BOSTON.
Movement of the Population. — Penal Institutions.

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
House of Correction, Deer Island.			
At last report.....	727	254	981
Admitted.....	112	14	126
Discharged.....	116	19	135
Remaining.....	723	249	972
Children of Sentenced Mothers, Deer Island.			
At last report.....	5	2	7
Admitted.....		1	1
Discharged.....		1	6
Remaining.....	5		
Observation Hospital, Deer Island.			
At last report.....	4	2	6
Admitted.....	4		4
Discharged.....	3		3
Remaining.....	5	2	7
House of Correction, South Boston.			
At last report.....	411	70	481
Admitted.....	7	1	8
Discharged.....	13	1	14
Remaining.....	405	70	475
Discharged Prisoners Aided.			
At last report.....			
Admitted.....	12	2	14
Discharged.....	12	2	14
Remaining.....			

Suffolk Jail.

At last report.....	128	20	148
Admitted.....	54	19	73
Discharged.....	45	13	58
Remaining.....	137	26	163

Police Aid.

At last report.....			
Admitted.....	289	75	364
Discharged.....	289	75	364
Remaining.....			

Pauper Institutions.

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Long Island.			
At last report.....	324	332	656
Admitted.....	10	6	16
Discharged.....	7	2	9
Remaining.....	327	336	663
Charlestown.			
At last report.....	26	73	99
Admitted.....			
Discharged.....		1	1
Remaining.....	26	72	98

Overseers of the Poor.

Wayfarers' Lodge.			
At last report.....	95		95
Admitted.....	830		830
Discharged.....	842		842
Remaining.....	83		83
Temporary Home.			
At last report.....	4	21	25
Admitted.....		23	23
Discharged.....		23	23
Remaining.....	4	21	25
Outdoor Poor.			
At last report.....			
Admitted.....	634	998	1,632
Discharged.....	634	998	1,632
Remaining.....			

Insane Hospital.

At last report.....	248	246	494
Admitted.....	4	6	10
Discharged.....	4	1	5
Remaining.....	248	251	499

City Hospital.

At last report.....	392	406	798
Admitted.....	135	132	267
Discharged.....	122	139	261
Remaining.....	405	399	804

Children's Institutions.

INMATES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
House of Reformation.			
At last report.....	90	.....	90
Admitted.....	1	.....	1
Discharged.....	4	.....	4
Remaining.....	87	.....	87
Parental School.			
At last report.....	196	.....	196
Admitted.....	4	.....	4
Discharged.....	1	.....	1
Remaining.....	199	.....	199
On Probation.			
At last report.....	165	.....	165
Admitted.....	2	.....	2
Discharged.....	3	.....	3
Remaining.....	164	.....	164
Indentured.			
At last report.....	281	171	452
Admitted.....	2	1	3
Discharged.....	3	4	7
Remaining.....	280	168	448
Boarded.			
At last report.....	307	227	534
Admitted.....	2	4	6
Discharged.....	2	1	3
Remaining.....	307	230	537

Soldiers' Aid.

At last report.....	1,265	1,512	2,777
Admitted.....	.....	.....	.....
Discharged.....	.....	.....	.....
Remaining.....	1,265	1,512	2,777

Board of Health.

At last report.....	1	.....	1
Admitted.....	.....	.....	.....
Discharged.....	.....	.....	.....
Remaining.....	1	.....	1

Institutions Registration Department Aid.

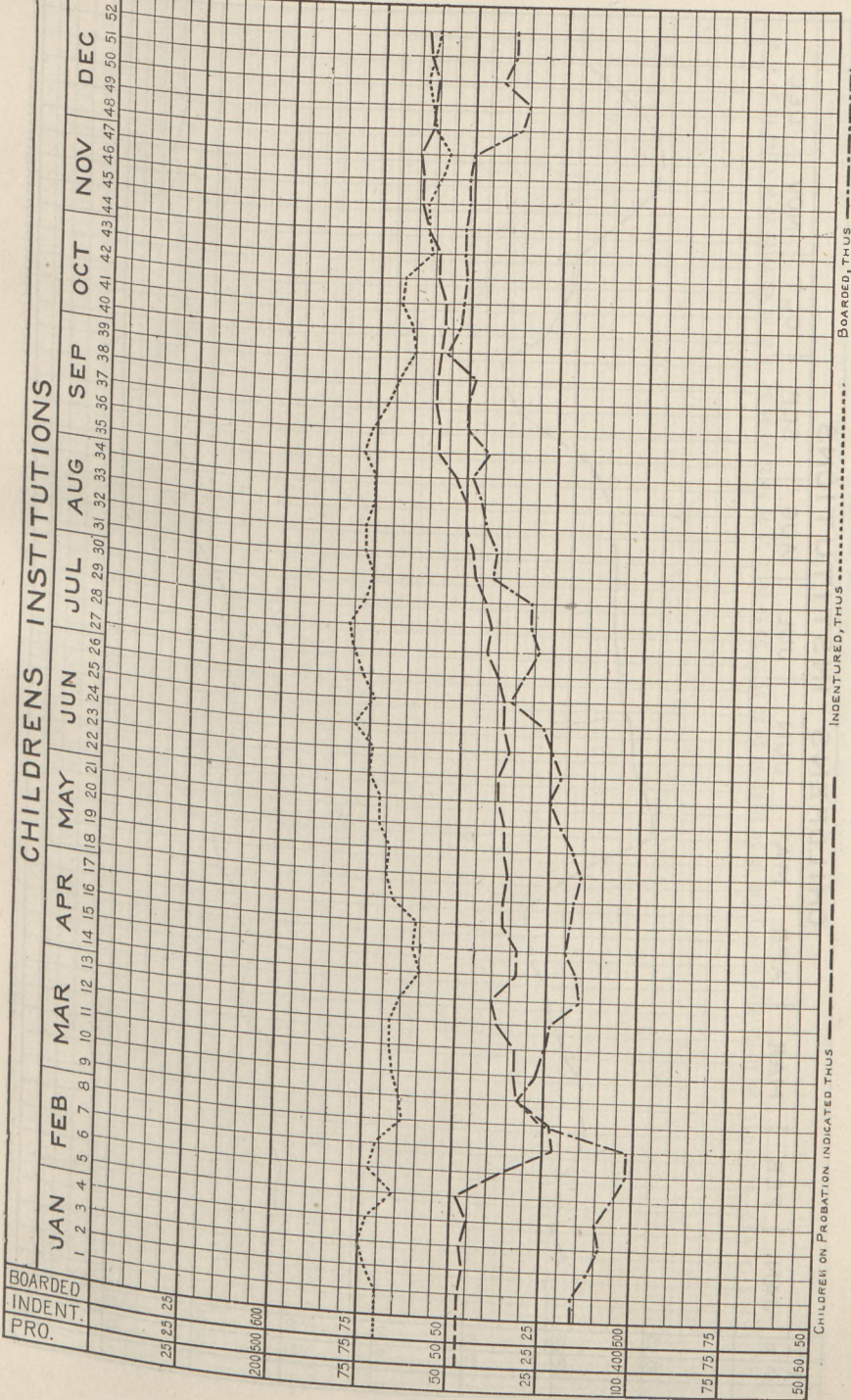
At last report.....	24	12	36
Admitted.....	.....	.....	.....
Discharged.....	.....	.....	.....
Remaining.....	24	12	36

TOTAL REMAINING.	Prisoners.	Discharged Prisoners.	Observation Cases.	Children of Sentenced Mothers.	Paupers.	Insane.	City Hospital Patients.	Board of Health Cases.	Aided by Police.	Children's Institutions.	Soldiers and their Dependents.	Grand Total.
By Classes	1,610	....	7	6	869	499	804	1	....	1,435	2,777	8,008

TOTAL REMAINING.	Penal Institution Department.	Pauper Institution Department.	Children's Institution Department.	Insane Hospital Department.	City Hospital Department.	Health Department.	Police Department.	Soldiers' Relief Department.	Sheriff.	Overseers of Poor.	Institutions Registrations Department.	Grand Total.
By Departments.....	1,460	761	1,435	499	804	1	....	2,777	163	108	.....	8,008

Whole number fully or partly supported by Boston during the week ended Saturday, January 26, 1901, 12,698.

CHILDRENS INSTITUTIONS

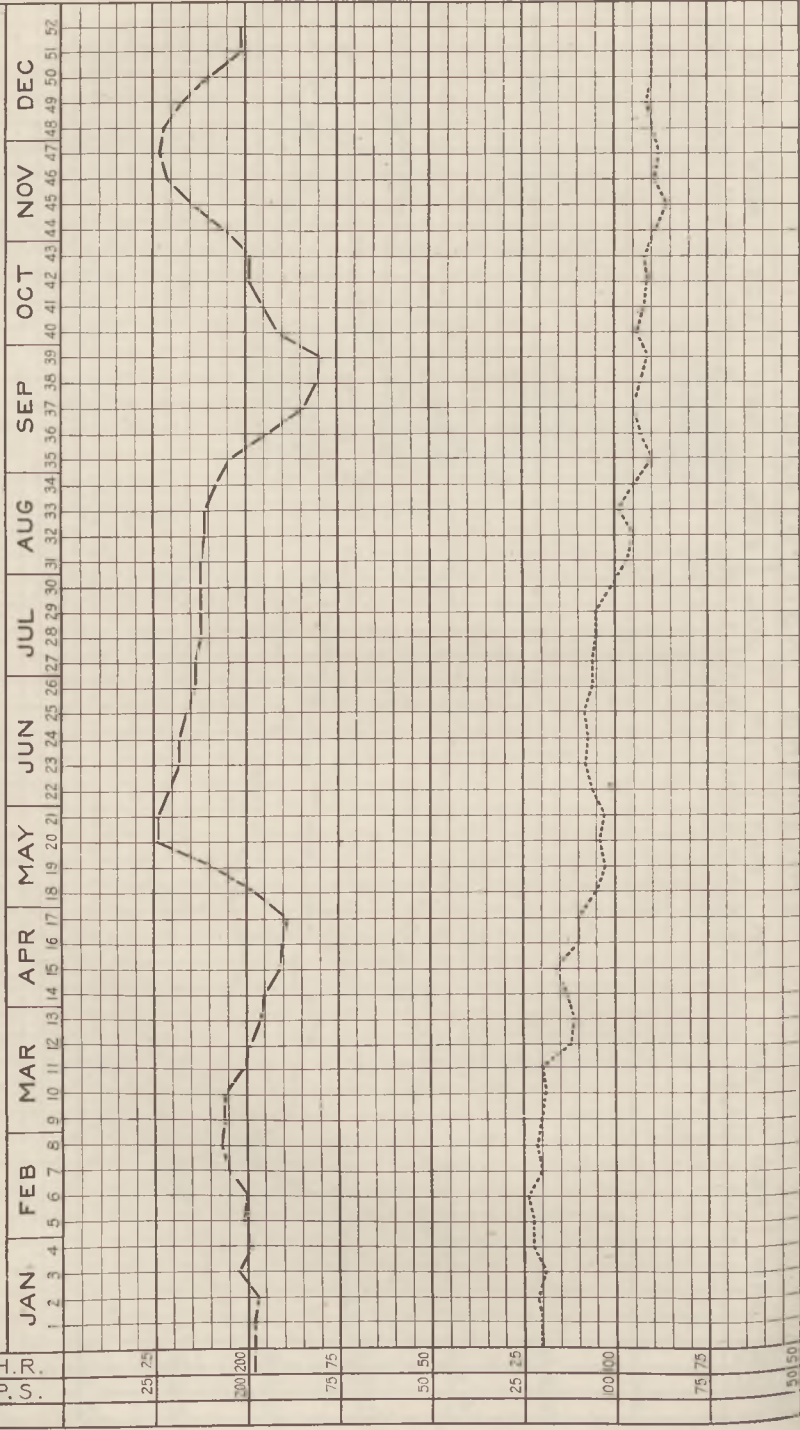


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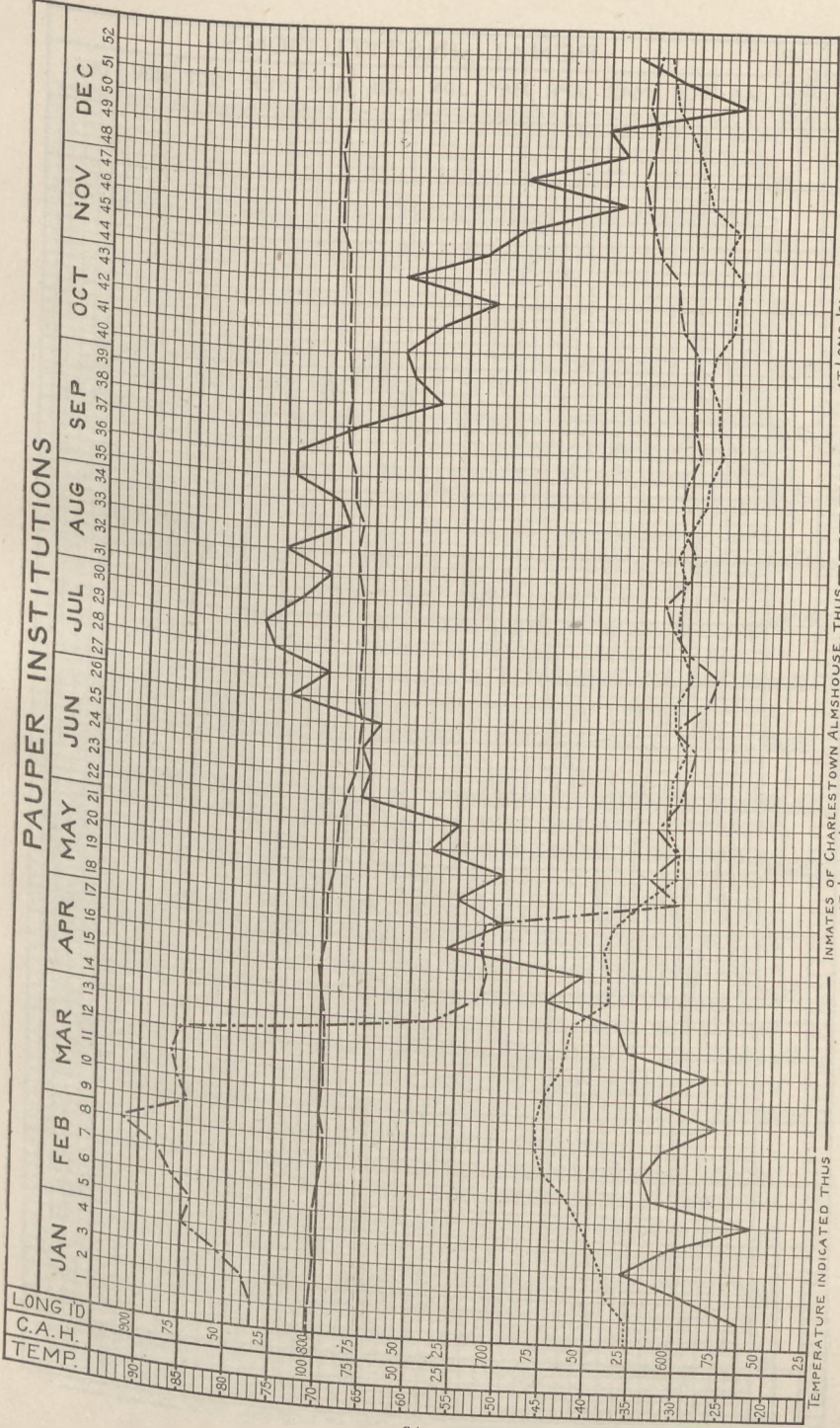
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CHILDRENS INSTITUTIONS



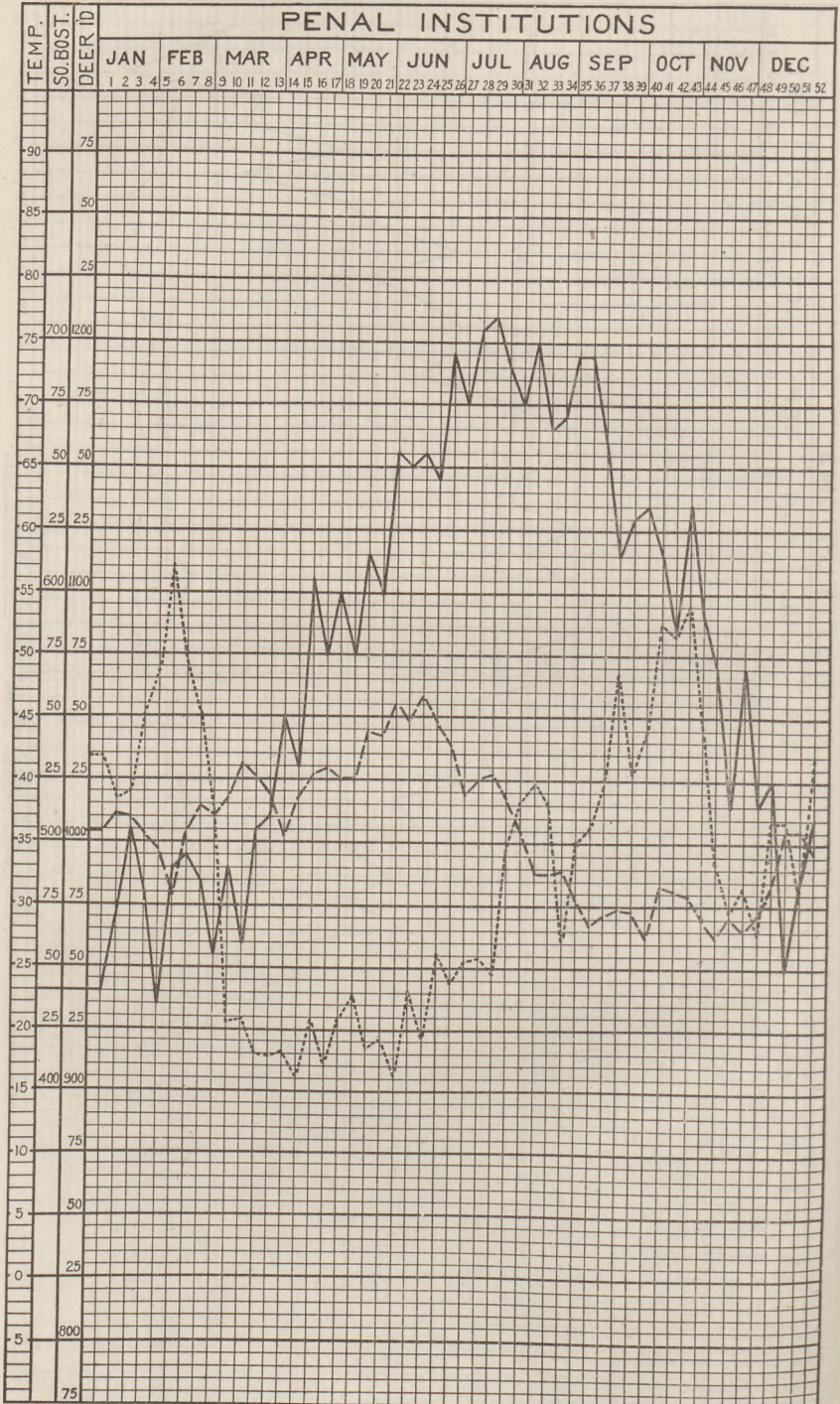
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SOME STATISTICS OF RECIDIVISM AMONG MISDEMEANANTS.

The existence in this community of a numerous class of misdemeanants, men and women, who not infrequently begin and generally end their earthly career in some public institution, is painfully evident. They infest the minor courts like a plague, and swarm in the prisons. When the cold of winter, or sickness, or old age comes upon them they flock to the almshouses. They are constant beneficiaries of medical charity, both within and outside hospitals and asylums. In largest part they subsist upon some form of public bounty, not by labor. Some are distinctly of a criminal type, and have criminal records in various penal institutions. Others belong to the rounder class, while still others have but one institution home — the house of correction. All, however, have this in common that they are inebriates of a pronounced type.

What to do with these misdemeanants, and what to do for them, are questions which daily perplex the courts, heads of institutions and other officials. Our knowledge concerning them is very inadequate. Even their number in this City can only vaguely be approximated. Neither has much effort been made to ascertain the results of present methods of dealing with this class, in order to determine whether these methods are at fault, and in some part responsible for its perpetuation. These unfortunates have been with us so long that we have almost come to regard them as unavoidable elements in our social order; and, for the greater part, we have been content to deal with them according to long established practices without inquiring into results.

The present investigation is not concerned with any theory in regard to the treatment of misdemeanants, much less with any general criticism of prevailing methods. It merely aims to supply some facts of record about a limited number of this class in their relations as public charges — facts which tell their own story, and may aid those who study them to a better conception of the problem involved, and to measure in some degree the value of present ways of handling it by actual achievement.

LIMITATIONS OF THE INVESTIGATION.

The great labor of tracing the records of individuals through huge registers of institutions for a period of 20 or 30 years made it necessary to limit the inquiry to a small number. It was, therefore, confined to misdemeanants who were committed to the House of Correction at Deer Island between July 1 and December 31, 1900, and who have records of a total of 15 or more commitments to that prison. They are not selected cases, but were taken up, one by one, in the order of their commitment. The statistics, then, relate only to living persons.

Primarily, it was sought to obtain all facts about their commitments to Deer Island. In most cases this has been accomplished. Yet knowing the common adoption of aliases wherewith to cover identity, especially at the beginning of a prison career, and the general difficulty of complete identification when thousands are involved, particularly after the lapse of years, during which there may have been many changes in the prison staff, it is more than probable that the actual number of commitments is larger than represented in our figures. No attempt has been made to learn the number of arrests which were not followed by subsequent commitment, or the number of convictions resulting in a fine which was paid in court, although we know, as will be indicated later, that many of our cases had court records before they were committed for the first time.

Next, it was sought to trace the relations of the cases to pauper institutions. Here again the baffling question of identity cropped up. Even greater difficulty was experienced in following known records in other prisons. The time and facilities at command made the inquiry in this direction very fragmentary. It was impossible to learn how many have received out-door or other forms of relief, and to what measure. Of their family histories we have only piecemeal information, and the fruitful subject of their mental and physical condition had to be left wholly untouched.

On the whole, the investigation deals with a fairly distinct group of misdemeanants—the confirmed and institutionalized inebriates. If it had been made to include persons with briefer and less continuous penal records, it probably would have related to a larger number of the distinctly criminal class from which felons are directly recruited. Although unavoidably fragmentary in part, the facts brought out furnish a complete illustration of certain phases of the misdemeanant problem. A larger number of cases would only have tended

to multiply the somewhat monotonous array of facts without adding new information.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

Our statistics deal with 140 persons, 100 of whom are men and 40 are women. Of the whole number, 109 are supposed to be residents of Boston, leaving 31 whose domiciles are in adjacent cities and towns, though the statements relied upon in this matter may be open to some doubt. Their present ages run from 25 to 75 years, no less than 23 being under 36 years of age, while but 33 are of maturer age than 55, which points to the comparative brevity of life among them.

COMMITMENTS AND OFFENCES.

The number of commitments to the record of each person shows a wide range — from a total of 15 to a total of 125, as appears from the recapitulation below.

	NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS.									
	15-19.	20-24.	25-29.	30-34.	35-39.	40-44.	45-49.	50-59.	60-80.	More than 80.
Number of persons.....	43	37	9	15	10	5	6	8	5	2
Per cent.....	30.71	26.43	6.43	10.71	7.15	3.57	4.29	5.71	3.57	1.43

In no instance does the record of an individual cover a larger period than 30 years; most of the records date from the early eighties, but no less than 13 commitments are from a time subsequent to January 1, 1890, and one from as late as 1894.

The latter case (No. 77 in the appended table) shows it to be just as possible at the present time as during earlier periods to accumulate a record of 23 commitments in less than six years. In numerous instances the commitments practically form a continuous series from the date of the first, that is to say, they recur year by year with great regularity, leaving no ground for surmise as to commitments to other institutions. In not a few instances, sojourns in almshouses, hospitals, and other prisons cover much of the time the persons in question have been absent from Deer Island. Unaccounted-for gaps frequently occur in the records. Occasionally, probability points strongly to confinement elsewhere, but positive knowledge is lacking.

The number of times a person may have been committed during any period of twelve months depends largely upon the length of the sentence in each instance. All of the 140 persons have in some year been committed more than once, a majority more than four times, many five to eight times, and one has a record of 22 commitments in two years. The acme of achievement in this respect is represented by 16 commitments in less than twelve months (No. 139), which so far as known, is unparalleled.

OFFENCES.

The overwhelming number of commitments has been for drunkenness. In but seven instances do the combined commitments for other misdemeanors exceed those for drunkenness; in a few cases the numbers are nearly equal. No less than 33, or 23.57 per cent., have never been sent to Deer Island except for drunkenness, among whom are some with very long records. Although thus 103, or 73.57 per cent., have at some time been imprisoned for other misdoings than public intoxication, we find on inquiry into the nature of their offences that a large proportion may be fairly regarded as resulting from inebriety, such as assault and battery, disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, breaking glass, vagrancy, etc. Oftentimes larceny does not so much indicate a propensity for stealing as a desire to get money for drink. This inference is corroborated by the fact that comparatively few were convicted for theft until they were far along on the road to hopeless inebriety. Not more than 31, or 22.14 per cent., were imprisoned for the first time for other offences than drunkenness. And again these other offences were mostly of the kind that spring from intoxication, namely, assault and battery, idle and disorderly conduct and disturbance of the peace and vagrancy, which constitute 25 out of 31 offences in question. How many had previously been punished elsewhere we have no means of knowing.

AGE AT FIRST COMMITMENT.

To 60, or 42.88 per cent., as will be seen from the grouping below, the doors of the Deer Island prison had swung open for the first time, while they were still under 25 years of age; and of these again, 43 had not yet attained their majority. The youngest age recorded is 15. In proportion just as many men as women were first committed while in their teens. Extreme youthfulness is more marked, how-

ever, among those committed for the first time between 1870 and 1885 than among those who have not come before the courts, so far as we know, until a later period, although age apparently continues to be little heeded in meting out penalty. The fact that a few at the time of their first commitment were adjudged "common drunkards," makes it almost certain that they previously had been convicted and sentenced. In general, the age at the time of the first commitment to Deer Island does not necessarily indicate the period of life at which the public career of the offender was begun. Some of our cases, it should be remembered, are non-residents, others probably had prison records before settling in Boston.

	AGE PERIODS.										
	15-19.	20-24.	25-29.	30-34.	35-39.	40-44.	45-49.	50-54.	55-59.	Over 60.	Unknown.
Number of persons.....	30	30	21	21	11	13	3	6	2	1	2
Per cent.....	21.44	21.44	15.00	15.00	7.85	9.28	2.13	4.29	1.43	0.71	1.43

SENTENCES.

Almost without exception the sentences imposed from year to year upon the same individual exhibit a singular variety both as to kind and severity, no matter if conviction was for the identical offence. Only 27, or 19.28 per cent., were committed for the first time on a direct sentence to imprisonment, while 113, or 80.71 per cent., were confined for the first time, because of inability to pay a fine, ranging from \$1.85 upwards, but rarely exceeding \$8. A sentence to pay a fine may be held equivalent to a judicial declaration that neither the safety of the community nor the welfare of the offender demand his imprisonment.

In drunk cases the size of the fine, as well as the length of the term sentence, indicate with a certainty that a number had been arraigned at some time prior to their first commitment. For during the entire period covered by our records (with the exception of 1891-4, when the fine was abolished) the law regulating penalties for drunkenness did not permit the imposition of fines above a stated amount for the first offence within a period of twelve months, much less a term sentence to imprisonment for two months or more. Besides,

as has already been mentioned, several of our cases were held to be common drunkards when first committed to Deer Island, which would probably not have happened had they been without previous court records.

The subsequent sentences do not disclose any uniform judicial policy in dealing with these misdemeanants. In 104 cases, or 74.28 per cent., the greater number of commitments were in each instance for non-payment of fines. The appended table discloses the extent to which sentences to pay fines have piled up. In some instances 16 out of 18 commitments, 40 out of 57, 28 out of 30, etc., were for non-payment of fines, the maximum being reached by case No. 140, who has been committed 96 times out of a total of 125 for inability to pay fines. It must not be understood that anything in the laws prescribed this frequent resort to fine a penalty, for the records show that in most instances the offenders had been committed more than once during the previous twelve months, and could thus lawfully have been made to suffer a much severer punishment. The use of either kind of sentence seems to have been a matter of accident, bearing no apparent relation to previous offences. Sometimes fines and term sentences are found to alternate with each new commitment. Again a period of years, during which more than one fine has been imposed annually, is followed by a period in which the option of paying fines was denied each time, and this, in turn, is relieved by a third period in which most commitments were for non-payment.

A few illustrations will serve to make the exceedingly important matter under consideration more intelligible. Case No. 119 has a record of 43 commitments since 1885, 42 of which were for drunkenness. From 1885 to 1891 he was sent to Deer Island 29 times for non-payment of fines, an average of about 4 per year, but the amount of each fine hardly varied. In 1891, the law permitting fines in drunk cases being abolished, he was sentenced a number of times to imprisonment until 1893, when the fine was restored. Since then fines and imprisonment have alternated, the last being a fine of \$5.

No. 134 was committed 30 times for drunkenness between 1878 and 1887, in each instance for non-payment. Then, for the same offence, he was confined for 6 months, followed by 18 commitments for non-payment between 1887-1891. Subsequently he has spent $3\frac{1}{2}$ years at Deer Island on sentences to imprisonment, yet the last penalty imposed in 1890 was a fine of \$10.

No. 113 was adjudged a common drunkard when first com-

mitted (1876) and sentenced for 3 months. Next year the same judgment and sentence were pronounced. From 1879-1886, however, she was committed 16 times, and invariably for non-payment. In 1887 she was sentenced to imprisonment for 12 months. This was followed by fines until 1890, since when she has been sentenced 7 times for periods from 2 to 6 months.

No. 124 had been committed 20 times for non-payment of fines before the privilege of paying was taken away. During the last five years the two kinds of sentences have been imposed in turn, with a seemingly studied regularity. That is to say, for the same offence he would have to remain in jail from 8 days to 9 months, accordingly as he was fined or not.

No. 121 began her career at Deer Island with 9 commitments for drunkenness in 1884, the first 8 of which were for non-payment. Then a term sentence was tried. From 1884-1891 she has in all been fined and neglected to pay 32 times. Once during this period she was sentenced to 2 months; once to 3 months, and once to 12 months' imprisonment. Later she has been fined, though not so frequently. The last sentence was for 4 months. With one exception she has only been committed for drunkenness.

At the time of his first commitment (1870), when 19 years old, No. 126 was sent to prison for 6 months as a common drunkard, and again in 1871-'73-'75-'77 and 1883, though the sentences varied in severity. But, in addition, he was fined from one to six times each year from 1871 to 1880 as a "simple drunk," which fines, of course, were never paid. In 1883 it was held advisable to give him a term sentence on account of his old failing, drunkenness, but for the next 8 years he was regularly fined one or more times each year. From 1891-1897 only term sentences were imposed, but both in 1898 and 1900 he was fined \$5, and in consequence escaped with a few days at Deer Island, although it did not happen to be his first offence within 12 months.

No. 60 is accredited with 21 commitments, all for drunkenness, yet has spent nearly 8 years at Deer Island. The first 8 times she was committed for inability to pay fines of \$5 each. The ninth time she was sentenced for 6 months, but on the occasion of the next two offences was again given the option of paying fines. Again imprisonment was resorted to, this time for 4 months, succeeded later by two sentences to pay fines. Between 1892 and 1897, 5 sentences of 12 months each were imposed. No sooner was she

at liberty at the end of 1897 then she got drunk again, but now a fine of \$5 was regarded as a sufficient penalty. She could not pay, and lived another month at Deer Island. For her last offence, in December, 1900, she was committed for 8 days, being unable to pay a fine of \$3.

No. 139 was committed 74 times between 1875 and 1889, and 71 out of these for non-payment of fines, which in six instances amounted only to \$1.85, yet he paid but part of one. In one year (1882) he was fined 15 times, and did not pay, and once committed without the choice of paying. After this exhaustive experimentation with the money penalty he was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment (1890), which, together with the succeeding 9 sentences (1891-97), compelled him to remain at Deer Island for five years and eleven months. But in April of 1897 he was once more fined \$5, and again twice in 1898, and twice in 1900. During January of the present year he has been committed twice for the non-payment of \$5 fines.

In contrast, some, though very few, have not escaped with a fine penalty even once during the last decade. Others, again the exception, were not given the privilege of paying fines at the earliest stage. Thus No. 112 was committed the first 5 times on term sentences, but subsequently has been fined 13 times. The multiplication of sentences to pay fines is not wholly a thing of the past. No. 78, for instance, was committed seven times in 1900, and five out of these for non-payment of amounts not exceeding \$5.

Two cases, Nos. 16 and 54, form singular exceptions — neither has been committed a single time for non-payment. As regards the latter, an explanation lies in the fact that 16 out of 20 commitments were for vagrancy, and vagrants are not supposed to possess as much money as the confirmed inebriate. The record of the former case, however, presents nothing unusual, for 14 of his 17 commitments were for drunkenness. Why this one man should have been singled out for severer punishment than the remaining 138 cannot be told. In general, we know that the seemingly contradictory treatment accorded misdemeanants of the same class, which is just as apparent from the individual record as by a comparison of records, is attributable (to what extent we cannot tell) to the fact that these offenders from time to time turn up in different courts. They are not always recognized, neither is there a record of previous arrests and commitments at hand. Or, if recognized, it is not ascertained whether they have been sentenced by any other court since their last appearance.

Thus it happens that an inveterate rounder, with a record of 101 commitments to Deer Island, is committed the one hundred and second time by a court which is ignorant of his past, and, in consequence, he escapes with lightest penalty permitted under the law.

Numerous offenders — it appears to be a piece of premeditated cunning — are known to be in the habit of avoiding arrest within the boundaries of the court district in which they were last apprehended. By going the rounds of the different municipal courts in Suffolk County, there is less likelihood of receiving heavy sentences, as is apparent from the subjoined parts of two records, which also illustrate the variety of penalties that may be imposed upon the same person by the same court and for the same offence. With one exception each commitment was for drunkenness.

Case A.

No. OF COMMITMENT.	Date.	Court.	Penalty.
93.....	January 3, 1898..	South Boston..	\$5.00.
94.....	March 23, " ..	Central.....	3 months.
95.....	June 25, " ..	Dorchester	\$5.00.
96.....	January 11, 1899..	Central.....	2 months.
97.....	August 11, " ..	"	5 "
98.....	" 14, " ..	"	*1 "
99.....	September 25, " ..	"	3 "
100.....	January 25, 1900..	Dorchester	\$5.00.
101.....	April 23, " ..	Central.....	6 months.
102.....	October 24, " ..	Roxbury.....	\$5.00.
103.....	January 3, 1901..	East Boston ...	"
104.....	" 21, " ..	South Boston..	"

* Larceny.

Case B.

NO. OF COMMITMENT.	Date.	Court.	Penalty.
37.....	April 22, 1898..	East Boston...	\$5.00.
38.....	August 8, " ..	South Boston..	"
39.....	September 8, " ..	Charlestown...	"
40.....	November 17, " ..	Central.....	6 months.
41.....	June 19, 1899..	"	\$10.00.
42.....	August 28, " ..	"	3 months.
43.....	March 23, 1900..	South Boston..	\$5.00.
44.....	May 19, " ..	"	"
45.....	October 6, " ..	Dorchester	3 months.
46.....	January 8, 1901..	Chelsea.....	\$5.00.

Without a single exception the 140 persons have at some time been sentenced to imprisonment for three or more months on account of public intoxication. No less than 118, or 84.28 per cent., have been given a maximum sentence of six or more months, in nearly all cases for drunkenness; while 51, or 36.42 per cent., have served sentences of 12 months, several more than once. In the light of these facts, it becomes doubly significant that 46, or 32.85 per cent., of the whole number were fined \$5 or more at the time of their last appearance in court in 1900, and because they did not pay were committed for eight days, which, under our law, is the measure of time equivalent to the above amount of money or any fraction of it.

In 125 cases, or 89.28 per cent., the last sentence imposed was not nearly so severe, usually not by one-half, as the maximum sentence imposed upon the same person and generally for the same offence. That is to say, when the maximum sentence for drunkenness is found to be 12 months in any case the last sentence imposed upon the same person will be found to be imprisonment from 1 to 6 months, or perhaps a small fine. In 47 of the 51 cases with maximum sentences of 12 months in each instance, the last sentences were much lighter, and in 8 of them the last commitment was for non-payment of fines.

As a matter of fact, then, so far as can be gleaned from the records, little or no attention is paid to the time of sentence to previous sentences for the same offence with respect to their number and degree of severity.

FINES.

Two of our cases are distinguished by reason of never having been committed for non-payment of fines. The remaining 138 have been sent to Deer Island in expiation of fines amounting to a total of \$17,589.26. The next summary indicates the extent to which unpaid fines have accumulated in individual cases.

Amount of Fines.

	\$50 or less.	\$50-\$100.	\$100-\$200.	\$200-\$300.	\$300-\$400.	\$400-\$500.	\$600-\$700.	Not Fined.
No. of Persons.....	18	42	57	14	5	1	1	2
Per cent.....	12.86	30.00	40.71	10.00	3.58	0.71	0.71	1.43

More than one-half (74) never paid a cent of the fines imposed. Of the remaining 64, not one has in all paid a greater sum than \$24, and the total amount turned into the County treasury by them (or, probably more correctly, by their families and friends) foots up, as nearly as can be ascertained, to \$433.43, or considerably less than the sum of the fines imposed upon one person among our 140, as shown above. Commitments have, of course, in each instance, preceded payment where such has been tendered, usually by several days.

DURATION OF IMPRISONMENT.

A comparison of the number of commitments in different cases for the same offence with the duration of imprisonment seems to indicate that there is no equable relation between offence and penalty, and that it is a matter of accident, not of degree of guilt, whether a person be kept in jail for two or eight years. The following tabular statement of a few illustrative cases necessarily leads to this conclusion:

Cases in which all Commitments were for Drunkenness.

Number of Case.	Number of Commitments.	Duration of Imprisonment.
45	20	2 years - months 21 days
60	21	7 " 10 " 8 "
78	24	3 " - " 1 "
83	25	8 " 11 " 23 "
100	33	8 " 3 " 28 "
102	33	5 " - " 11 "
132	58	8 " 10 " 10 "

Precisely the same peculiarity may be noted in cases of persons committed for a variety of misdemeanors, as may be seen from the following examples :

Number of Case.	Number of Commitments.	Number and kind of Offences.	Duration of Imprisonment.
9	16	{ Drunkenness .....15 } { Larceny..... 1 }	2 years 10 months 8 days
12	17	{ Drunkenness .....16 } { Larceny..... 1 }	6 " 9 " 13 "
16	17	{ Drunkenness .....14 } Larceny..... 1 Assault and Battery.. 1 Vagrancy 1 }	6 " - " 26 "
20	17	{ Drunkenness 8 } Assault and Battery.. 3 Larceny..... 4 Vagrancy 1 Disorderly Conduct .. 1 }	2 " 6 " 3 "

It is perfectly understood that the discrepancies in penalties noted above have to a limited extent been caused by changes in the law. Thus, if many commitments took place between July, 1891 and 1893, they would all be on term sentences, for the fine was then abolished. Moreover, the usual fine stood for a month in prison until 1881, when its equiva-

lent in time was reduced to 10 days, only to be restored as before in 1885. In 1899, however, the sliding scale was altered once more, and since then a fine of \$5 has been "worked out" by 8 days in jail. Notwithstanding these considerations, it remains true of the cases cited as well as of many others, that the penalties inflicted apparently bear little relation to the number and kind of offences.

In reckoning the time served on term sentences, deductions have been made for pardons when such have been granted, but the full time of the last sentence has been included; in some instances this may not have been completed at the time of investigation. Allowances have also been made for each fine paid after commitment.

Each one of the 140 persons has spent not less than a year of his life in the Deer Island prison. One, a woman, has been confined there for 22 years, 6 months and 15 days, and nearly the whole time for drunkenness. During the 29 years covered by her record, she has been out of prison but 7 years, 6 months and 15 days. No less than 63, or 45 per cent. of the whole number have been kept at Deer Island for more than 5 years. A summary showing by groups the total time of imprisonment follows. Attention is called to the large number who have been confined between 7 and 8 years.

Total Time Imprisoned.

	YEARS.													
	1-2.	2-3.	3-4.	4-5.	5-6.	6-7.	7-8.	8-9.	9-10.	10-11.	11-12.	12-13.	14-15.	Over 15.
Number of Persons ..	7	28	23	19	10	10	15	11	5	2	5	2	2	1
Per cent. ...	5.00	20.00	16.43	13.57	7.15	7.15	10.71	7.85	3.57	1.43	3.57	1.43	1.43	0.71

The duration of imprisonment for non-payment of fines has been determined by several factors, the least important of which is part-payment after commitment since it is seldom made, and the total amount in individual cases is so small. The magnitude of the fine supposedly corresponds to the gravity and nature of the offence. Usually it costs more to commit assault and battery than to steal or get drunk. The largest single fine in our records is one of \$50; in numerous instances, however, the maximum money penalty has exceeded \$20. Some courts are seemingly in the habit of administering much heavier fines than others. This

probably explains why each one of the 96 fines imposed on one person for drunkenness amounted to less than \$10, while another, with less than half as many commitments for the same offence has frequently been asked to contribute \$15. On the whole, it must be said that, no matter what the offence, a uniform relation between the total amount of fines imposed upon a person and the number of fine sentences is not to be looked for even when the same offence has been committed. For this reason it seemed simpler when the fines were imposed on two counts for the same or different misdemeanors to regard them as one in our tables.

The changes in the law fixing the money penalty in drunk cases, to which allusion has already been made, must be taken into consideration. In addition to the variability of the maximum money penalty, the equivalent of the same in days and weeks of confinement has been changed by legislative enactment three times during the years covered by our records, both of which circumstances have in many cases materially affected the duration of imprisonment for unpaid fines and costs. Several of the 140 men and women have had the unique experience of being detained in jail 10, 30 and 8 days for non-payment of fines of exactly the same amount in each instance. The shortest term of imprisonment in our records for failure to pay fines is 16 days and the longest 6 years, 10 months and 15 days. A summary follows.

Duration of Imprisonment for Non-payment.

	YEARS.					
	Less than one.	1-2.	2-3.	3-4.	4-5.	6-7.
Number of persons.....	60	53	15	6	3	1
Per cent.....	43.48	38.38	10.88	4.35	2.18	0.73

Two persons have never been fined.

Eight cases afford remarkable illustrations of the extent to which the fine penalty may be used: All of them have spent a longer time at Deer Island for non-payment of fines than on term sentences; that is to say, they have averaged less than 30 days in jail on nearly all commitments, and in 5 of these 6 cases the last commitment in 1900 was for unpaid fines. The details will be found in the appended tables. (See Nos. 10, 28, 29, 55, 74, 91, 105, 118.)

RECORDS IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

A total of 62, or 44.28 per cent. are known to have been for longer or shorter terms in other public institutions than the House of Correction at Deer Island. A more searching inquiry than circumstances permitted would doubtless have yielded a much heavier percentage as well as revealed a more varied institutional record in several instances. Even as regards pauper histories, the information is not complete, since little is known in this respect about cases having residences outside Boston. It is found, however, that 35, or 25.00 per cent., have at some time been committed to the City almshouses, from 1 to 37 times each. Of these again some, prior to obtaining a settlement in Boston, had been State paupers, others also have records at Foxboro', the State Reformatory, the House of Correction at South Boston, etc. What is known about records in other penal establishments is derived in the first instance from statements made by the persons concerned. In the absence of adequate means of identification, it would have been useless to pursue further inquiries in this direction, had other circumstances been propitious. The details given in the appended tables regarding institution records outside Deer Island are, therefore, more suggestive than complete, yet give some additional hints of the moral degradation and physical and mental deterioration of these unfortunates.

FAMILY RELATIONS.

How far hereditary causes have contributed to shape the downward career of the persons in question can only be surmised. The fragmentary bits of family history that have leaked out indicate that not a few have sprung from stock tainted with insanity and other maladies, or having members noted for various forms of anti-social conduct. Some are *analphabets*, and few appear to have risen above the lowliest occupations. But allowing that not even a majority were handicapped by birth and environment, can this be said of their children?

Anything like a complete census of their descendants is not available. From personal statements made by them it is known that 65, or 46.42 per cent., have been fathers or mothers of children. But the aversion of the average prisoner to any inquiry into his conjugal relations is well known. Men who have deserted their wives prefer to pose as single; the marital relations may not have been of the strictly legal order; and there may be other reasons for prevarication.

Those who admit marriage have in all had 207 children, an average of about 3 to the family. Only 15 cases are noted for a large number of children, from 5 to 9 each. Of the subsequent history of these children very little is known. Some of them are said to have died, probably in infancy. The sad lives others have led may be imagined from a single illustration. E., an illegitimate child of an inebriate mother, placed in the Marcella-street Home at a tender age, later admitted to the House of the Good Sheperd, thence sent to the Almshouse at Long Island, thence to the Worcester Insane Hospital, and, lastly, to the Medfield Insane Asylum, where she died in 1899. There is the greater reason for picturing darkly the fate of these children, of whom some must now have reached maturity, because many of them were brought into the world after their parents had become confirmed in inebriate or criminal habits. This is a necessary inference from the fact that the parents were committed to Deer Island while still very young, in some instances under 21 years of age. The records tell, furthermore, of mothers bringing their infants with them to the House of Correction. For aught that is known to the contrary, some of these children may have seen daylight for the first time within prison walls.

COST OF MAINTENANCE.

The total amount of money expended by Suffolk County as well as by the Commonwealth for the maintenance of the 140 persons in public institutions during the time covered by the records cannot be stated with exactness. Indeed, owing to the imperfect knowledge of their relations to State establishments, the expense incurred by the State on their account has not even been inquired into. It is known, however, that on the basis of averages for a period of years, the County has spent in cash outlay for the maintenance of these same persons at Deer Island \$66,991.52, and at the almshouses and the South Boston House of Correction \$10,525.93, a total of \$77,517.45.

In contrast, let it be repeated, the whole amount paid in fines by these same persons subsequent to commitment was \$433.43, which, needless to say, has been deducted from the sum showing cost.

Yet, after all, the bare cost of maintenance represents but a part of the expense the community has been put to on account of these misdemeanants. The cost of making arrests is reckoned by the Department of Police to be \$8.04 for each. Counting only the arrests followed by commitments in the

present cases the additional sum of nearly \$34,000 is reached. Further, the cost of commitments, the transportation from the courts, form a very large item, which at present cannot be estimated. To this should be added part of the expense of the courts and of the public relief of the families of the misdemeanants or of themselves while they are at liberty, etc.

Any attempt, therefore, to express in figures the total drain upon the tax-payers from this source is almost futile, at least in the light of our present knowledge. But enough has been said to indicate the magnitude of the problem involved even from the point of view of public expense.

The general conclusions to be drawn from the facts laid bare by this investigation are perhaps too obvious to require specification. With suggestions of more adequate methods for the treatment of recidivists among misdemeanants it has no concern; that is a matter demanding separate consideration and study. First the present conditions of the problem need to be thoroughly understood. The support of an enlightened public opinion must be had before a radical departure from prevailing methods and habits is undertaken.

NOTE. — The cases in the appended tables have been grouped according to the number of offences, and with a view to making comparisons easy. This seemed the best arrangement possible.

TABLES
 Showing Results of the Investigation for the Individual Cases.

[Abbreviations: Dk., drunkenness; L., larceny; A. & B., assault and battery; V., vagrancy; I. & D., idle and disorderly; N. W., nightwalking; Tresp., trespassing.]

NUMBER.	Present age.	Sex.	Times Com- mitted.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L. A. & B.	V.	Other.		Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.			
1.....	47	M.	15	15	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	11	\$61 10	-
2.....	56	F.	15	15	.....	.....	38	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	5 00	11	60 95	-
3.....	39	F.	15	9	1	4	25	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	9 m.	I. & D.	20 00	10	72 50	1	
4.....	47	M.	15	11	2	2	37	Dk.	9 45	Dk.	3 m.	Tresp.	20 00	8	75 20	-	
5.....	42	F.	15	13	1	1	19	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	10 d'ys.	11	64 65	1	
6.....	27	M.	16	9	6	1	18	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	10 m.	L.	\$25 00	3	32 00	-	
7.....	50	M.	16	9	5	1	24	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	5 00	10	129 46	1	
8.....	35	M.	16	13	1	1	16	L.	11 97	V.	4 m.	Dk.	3 m.	12	102 22	-	
9.....	30	M.	16	15	1	.....	23	Dk.	2 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	5	35 00	-
10.....	43	M.	16	16	.....	.....	29	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	4 m.	Dk.	5 00	13	100 24	2

NUMBER.	TIME IMPRISONED AT DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.						COMMITMENTS TO OTHER COUNTY INSTITUTIONS.						ACTUAL COST OF MAINTENANCE.			Number Times Committed to State Institutions.	
	ON TERM SENTENCE.		FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.		TOTAL TIME.		H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
													Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.		
.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 (State Hosp.)
2.....	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	186 57
3.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	265 94
4.....	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	197 02
5.....	1	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 54
6.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	464 09
7.....	2	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	856 43
8.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	694 42
9.....	2	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 81
10.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	137 61

* Observation Hospital at Deer Island, 1 time.

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Com- mitted.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
11.....	57	M.	16	16					Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	8	\$40 00	1
12.....	25	M.	17	16	1				Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	1	5 00	1
13.....	50	M.	17	17					Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	3	20 63	1
14.....	50	M.	17	17					Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	8	45 00	2
15.....	40	F.	17	17					Dk.	5 00	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	2 m.	11	55 90	1
16.....	41	M.	17	14	1	1	1		A. & B.	6 m.	Dk.	12 m.	V.	3 m.	.....	.....	.....
17.....	33	M.	17	14	2	1			Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	9	55 00	1
18.....	30	M.	17	9	4	2			L.	4 m.	Dk.	10 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	7	89 10	1
19.....	40	M.	17	6	6	1	3	1	Breaking glass.	\$12 35	V.	6 m.	L.	2 m.	10	116 06	1
20.....	47	M.	17	8	4	3	1	1	A. & B.	10 55	Dk.	4 m.	L.	\$15 00	7	78 75	1

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			TOTAL TIME.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.				At H. of Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
11	2	6	5	6	2	11	6	\$257 66	\$41 96	\$299 62	-
12	6	8	27	16	6	9	13	383 88	383 88	-
13	4	3	4	2	18	4	5	22	359 29	333 91	693 20	-
14	2	11	3	22	3	2	22	192 25	192 25	-
15	2	4	11	3	3	285 51	285 51	1 (Sherborn)
16	6	26	6	26	533 31	533 31	1 (Concord Ref.)
17	2	2	8	8	2	10	8	250 81	250 81	-
18	3	5	2	8	8	4	1	10	360 96	360 96	-
19	2	5	1	10	3	15	267 15	236 70	503 85	-
20	2	2	4	3	2	6	3	216 50	62 94	279 44	1 (Foxboro')

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
21.....	48	M.	17	14	.....	2	.....	1	A. & B.	\$18 85	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	2 m.	\$86 85	1
22.....	48	M.	17	16	.....	.....	1	.....	V.	3 m.	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	65 00	-
23.....	42	M.	17	16	.....	1	.....	.....	Dk.	\$7 95	Dk.	4 m.	Dk.	4 m.	79 80	1
24.....	35	M.	17	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	49 62	1
25.....	32	M.	18	16	1	1	.....	.....	Dk.	7 00	Dk.	10 m.	Dk.	\$10 00	101 47	1
26.....	49	M.	18	17	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	4 m.	Dk.	5 00	78 60	1
27.....	40	F.	18	16	.....	2	.....	.....	A. & B.	11 83	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	5 00	77 86	-
28.....	45	M.	18	16	1	1	Dk.	5 95	V.	3 m.	Dk.	5 00	79 80	-	
29.....	F.	18	15	3	Dk.	5 95	N. W.	6 m.	Dk.	2 m.	101 53	-	
30.....	41	M.	18	15	1	1	1	A. & B.	25 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	8 m.	70 00	-	

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			TOTAL TIME.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.				
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.		Total.
21	2	10	8	10	1 (State Hosp.)
22	1	5	5	18	-
23	1	2	1	8	-
24	2	11	6	20	-
25	1	7	10	8	1 (Concord Ref.)
26	1	11	8	8	-
27	2	6	8	4	-
28	4	1	7	-
29	1	1	9	1	2	6	-
30	4	6	7	24	1 (State Hosp.)
														\$309 86	\$83 92	\$393 78	
														158 95	158 95	
														192 25	192 25	
														304 93	304 93	
														211 01	211 01	
														224 38	137 31	361 69	
														277 87	277 87	
														118 80	118 80	
														201 24	201 24	
														452 30	452 30	

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				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
31.....	46	M.	18	18	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	4 m.	16	\$87 80	1		
32.....	34	F.	18	18	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$10 00	12	108 73	1		
33.....	40	M.	18	17	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	A. & B.	3 m.	11	65 00	1		
34.....	69	M.	18	17	1	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	9 m.	V.	6 m.	8	41 90	1		
35.....	37	M.	18	12	5	1	A. & B.	7 36	Dk.	7 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	13	142 81	2		
36.....	65	M.	18	17	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	4 m.	Dk.	2 m.	10	72 05	1		
37.....	39	F.	19	15	1	3	Destroy. Property.	15 15	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	3 m.	10	71 92	2		
38.....	30	M.	19	17	1	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	11	75 00	1		
39.....	66	M.	19	19	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	5 m.	8	40 00	1		
40.....	55	M.	19	18	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	12	60 00	1		

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At other County Instit.	Total.				
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.	
													TOTAL TIME.						
31.....	1	8	1	1	10	2	9	10	\$238 21	1 (State Hosp.)
32.....	2	4	1	1	20	3	5	20	273 88	-
33.....	1	10	8	9	2	6	9	217 93	-
34.....	3	3	5	28	3	8	28	328 79	-
35.....	2	6	1	7	3	6	7	309 14	-
36.....	1	10	19	7	18	2	6	7	221 29	-
37.....	3	9	10	22	4	7	22	1	5	24	407 89	-
38.....	2	3	10	8	3	1	8	272 14	1 (Concord Ref.)
39.....	4	11	8	5	7	490 39	-
40.....	1	7	1	3	2	7	3	227 66	-

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Com- mitted.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
41.....	34	M.	19	13	.....	2	.....	4	I. & D.	\$11 35	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	1 m.	4	\$49 23	1
42.....	42	F.	19	14	1	3	.....	1	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	2 m.	11	61 38	1
43.....	32	M.	19	14	3	1	.....	1	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	9 m.	12	111 44	2
44.....	38	F.	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	9 m.	14	79 50	1
45.....	38	M.	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	8 m.	Dk.	1 m.	16	101 85	6
46.....	31	M.	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	11	60 00	-
47.....	24	M.	20	12	4	.....	.....	4	Dk.	8 65	Dk.	10 m.	Dk.	3 m.	11	133 03	-
48.....	66	M.	20	12	2	1	5	Tresp.	28 10	Dk.	4 m.	I. & D.	3 m.	14	133 85	1
49.....	30	M.	20	14	3	Dk.	6 10	Dk.	12 m.	V.	3 m.	4	31 80	-
50.....	37	M.	20	11	6	1	1	1	I. & D.	3 m.	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	\$10	12	97 15	-

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	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.					
41.....	4	7	4	11	\$424 88	\$424 88	-	
42.....	3	5	9	20	370 42	370 42	-	
43.....	2	4	10	16	270 73	270 73	-	
44.....	2	5	1	9	302 30	\$77 75	380 05	-	
45.....	1	3	9	21	180 70	231 86	412 56	-	
46.....	2	4	11	5	286 71	315 82	602 53	1 (Foxboro.)	
47.....	4	1	14	449 91	449 91	-	
48.....	1	7	1	3	227 60	227 60	-	
49.....	6	9	4	8	623 54	623 54	-	
50.....	1	7	10	2	209 58	209 58	-	

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
51.....	56	M.	20	18	.....	.....	.....	2	Dk.	\$10 63	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	5 m.	16	\$110 23	-
52.....	42	M.	20	18	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	1 85	Dk.	5 m.	Dk. & L.	\$35 00	14	102 80	-
53.....	45	M.	20	16	1	2	.....	1	A. & B.	10 03	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	1 m.	14	102 05	2
54.....	57	M.	20	3	1	.....	16	.....	V.	4 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	12 m.	.....	.....	.....
55.....	30	M.	21	18	1	2	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	19	129 03	3
56.....	31	M.	21	13	4	1	.....	3	Dk.	5 00	L.	6 m.	Dk.	5 00	13	105 00	2
57.....	45	F.	21	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	V.	4 m.	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	3 m.	6	35 00	-
58.....	45	M.	21	16	A. & B.	\$17 35	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	9	118 55	1
59.....	38	F.	21	17	4	I. & D.	3 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	10	50 95	-
60.....	41	F.	21	21	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	\$3 00	13	63 00	-

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	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
													Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.			
51.....	2	8	\$316 23	311 72	\$316 23	-
52.....	2	1	1	5	18	3	6	18	311 72	311 72	311 72	2 (State Hosp.)
53.....	1	4	1	20	2	4	20	209 28	209 28	209 28	-
54.....	8	7	8	7	749 56	749 56	749 56	1 (State Farm)
55.....	4	10	1	3	11	1	7	21	139 62	139 62	139 62	-
56.....	2	2	2	11	8	258 13	258 13	258 13	-
57.....	4	3	15	5	26	4	9	11	415 77	415 77	415 77	-
58.....	6	4	1	1	6	7	5	6	649 79	649 79	649 79	-
59.....	6	11	7	8	10	6	3	5	670 78	\$515 25	1,186 03	-
60.....	6	10	1	8	7	10	8	683 66	683 66	683 66	-

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Com- mitted.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
61.....	72	F.	21	20	.....	.....	.....	1	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	1 m.	\$46 75	7	-
62.....	60	M.	21	20	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	1 m.	50 00	8	1
63.....	39	M.	21	20	.....	.....	1	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	40 00	6	-
64.....	40	M.	21	19	.....	.....	1	.....	A. & B.	9 70	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	5 m.	90 93	11	3
65.....	34	M.	21	18	2	1	.....	.....	L.	2 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	1 m.	121 45	14	2
66.....	39	F.	21	19	1	.....	1	.....	Dk.	\$1 85	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	89 75	14	-
67.....	36	M.	22	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	10 m.	Dk.	\$15 00	215 00	16	-
68.....	45	M.	22	21	.....	.....	.....	1	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	8 m.	Dk.	5 00	100 00	16	7
69.....	33	F.	22	19	1	2	Dk.	7 75	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	127 87	12	-
70.....	48	M.	22	15	6	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$2 00	163 00	15	-

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	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.						
											No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.		
61.....	9	2	6	20	\$853 99	\$853 99	-		
62.....	4	1	6	29	309 56	309 56	-		
63.....	6	7	4	28	614 30	614 30	1 (Concord Ref.)		
64.....	3	11	8	15	370 98	370 98	1 (Concord Ref.)		
65.....	1	8	11	5	228 14	*\$4 00	232 14	-		
66.....	3	9	11	22	378 33	37 71	416 04	-		
67.....	3	11	1	8	335 91	335 91	-		
68.....	1	7	10	27	218 75	20 98	239 73	1 (Foxboro')		
69.....	5	1	1	3	556 22	556 22	-		
70.....	3	6	1	13	427 99	427 99	-		

* Observation Hospital, 1 time.

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
71.....	59	M.	23	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	\$10 00	Dk.	\$10 00	11	\$65 85	-
72.....	40	M.	23	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	1 m.	10	75 65	-
73.....	61	M.	23	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	8 m.	Dk.	5 m.	13	68 49	-
74.....	49	M.	23	21	2	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	2 m.	19	106 39	-
75.....	51	M.	23	21	.....	1	1	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	3 m.	17	95 00	-
76.....	51	M.	23	14	9	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	12	115 00	2
77.....	57	M.	23	17	5	.....	.....	1	L.	4 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	7	40 00	-
78.....	39	M.	24	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	1 m.	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	4 m.	13	70 00	1
79.....	45	M.	24	21	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 00	V.	6 m.	V.	4 m.	12	66 08	-
80.....	41	M.	24	17	2	1	3	1	V.	6 m.	V.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	14	123 70	-

NUMBER.	TIME IMPRISONED AT DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.						COMMITMENTS TO OTHER COUNTY INSTITUTIONS.						ACTUAL COST OF MAINTENANCE.			Number Times Committed to State Institutions.		
	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Deer Isl. Cor.		At Other County Instit.		Total.	
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	At H. of Deer Isl. Cor.			At Other County Instit.
71.....	3	3	28	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$328 79	.....	\$328 79	-
72.....	3	3	10	.....	9	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	356 20	.....	356 20	-
73.....	4	5	.....	.....	11	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	468 37	.....	468 37	-
74.....	.....	8	15	1	1	12	1	9	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	154 45	.....	154 45	-
75.....	1	7	.....	.....	1	6	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	271 11	\$811 73	1,082 84	-
76.....	2	4	.....	.....	.....	10	12	3	2	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	279 78	.....	279 78	-
77.....	4	9	.....	.....	.....	5	25	5	2	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	458 58	.....	458 58	-
78.....	2	4	10	.....	.....	5	21	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	263 79	.....	263 79	-
79.....	4	5	.....	.....	.....	9	27	5	2	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	460 34	770 12	1,230 46	-
80.....	3	7	.....	.....	.....	1	3	4	10	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	426 51	665 86	1,092 37	2 (Foxboro')

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Are at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
81.....	66	M.	24	15	3	4	.....	2	Dk.	\$7 85	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	19	\$147 90	1
82.....	34	M.	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	7 87	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	5 00	18	131 12	2
83.....	60	M.	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	3 10	Dk.	10 m.	Dk.	6 m.	6	40 05	1
84.....	47	F.	25	15	1	.....	.....	9	I. & D.	2 m.	Dk.	8 m.	Dk.	1 m.	7	38 80	-
85.....	35	F.	25	21	.....	1	.....	3	I. & D.	4 m.	Dk.	12 m.	A. & B.	\$5 00	12	64 60	-
86.....	41	F.	26	23	.....	.....	.....	3	Dk.	\$6 65	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	17	113 51	-
87.....	56	F.	26	24	1	.....	.....	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	20	121 13	-
88.....	71	F.	26	21	.....	.....	4	1	Dk.	5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	15	81 13	-
89.....	46	F.	27	25	.....	.....	.....	2	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	17	94 17	1
90.....	47	M.	27	26	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	21	123 70	1

* Nightwalking, 7 times; idle and disorderly, 2 times.

NUMBER.	TIME IMPRISONED AT DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.						COMMITMENTS TO OTHER COUNTY INSTITUTIONS.						ACTUAL COST OF MAINTENANCE.			Number Times Committed to State Institutions.	
	ON DIRECT SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Inelit.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
													TOTAL TIME.				
81	1	6	.....	1	3	11	2	9	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$244 21	.....	\$244 21	-
82	3	4	.....	1	2	17	4	6	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	395 56	.....	395 56	-
83	8	7	.....	.....	4	23	8	11	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	761 77	.....	761 77	-
84	8	1	.....	.....	4	26	6	5	26	1	.....	.....	.....	569 91	*	569 91	1 (State Hosp.)
85	5	6	.....	.....	7	24	6	1	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	539 51	.....	539 51	-
86	2	10	.....	1	.....	20	3	10	20	.....	2	.....	8	325 13	\$82 93	428 06	3 (State Hosp.)
87	2	3	.....	1	8	18	3	11	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	348 37	.....	348 37	-
88	6	.....	.....	1	3	10	7	3	10	.....	15	1	9	637 39	221 72	859 11	-
89	5	.....	.....	1	3	.....	6	3	.....	*9	5	4	8	547 14	891 32	1,438 46	1 (Sherborn)
90	1	7	.....	1	4	5	2	11	5	.....	6	.....	10	225 00	104 90	329 90	1 (Foxboro')

* Not ascertained.

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
91.....	61	M.	30	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	5 m.	Dk.	\$15 00	28	\$232 10	9
92.....	53	F.	30	28	1	.....	.....	1	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	2 m.	16	103 15	1
93.....	46	M.	31	30	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$7 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	23	160 55	3
94.....	41	M.	31	26	.....	3	.....	2	Dk.	7 03	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	18	163 60	2
95.....	50	F.	32	30	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	L.	12 m.	Dk.	2 m.	19	118 00	3
96.....	50	F.	32	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	12 65	Dk.	8 m.	Dk.	8 m.	24	132 55	-
97.....	35	M.	32	21	9	1	.....	1	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	6 m.	L.	\$15 00	24	168 85	2
98.....	36	M.	32	22	4	.....	.....	2	Breaking grass.	9 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	12 m.	17	207 28	-
99.....	38	M.	32	13	3	7	*9	I. & D.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	6 m.	13	191 75	1
100.....	60	F.	33	33	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	12 m.	19	102 00	1

* Idle and Disorderly, 7 times

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			TOTAL TIME.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.				At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
91.....	1	3	1	3	15	2	6	15	\$223 20	\$223 20	-
92.....	7	11	23	7	11	23	5	2	20	683 95	\$272 80	966 75	-
93.....	2	1	6	22	3	6	22	217 93	217 93	-
94.....	6	4	27	1	7	18	8	15	706 38	706 38	-
95.....	5	5	1	6	13	6	11	13	610 73	610 73	-
96.....	4	2	1	5	10	5	7	10	7	*	488 40	*	488 40	-
97.....	1	11	1	8	2	3	7	2	286 72	286 72	-
98.....	8	10	1	11	8	9	11	18	13	5	1	2	21	868 43	794 81	1,663 24	-
99.....	6	9	5	1	4	8	1	5	710 68	710 68	-
100.....	7	2	1	1	28	8	3	28	20	5	1	16	307 76	638 93	944 69	-

* Not ascertained.

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Com- mited.	OFFENCES.					Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.	Other.		Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.			
101.....	53	M.	33	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$7 85	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	22	\$141 25	3
102.....	51	M.	33	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	9 m.	Dk.	6 m.	24	135 70	1
103.....	44	M.	33	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	15	96 76	-
104.....	40	F.	33	32	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	2 m.	25	133 55	-
105.....	46	M.	33	29	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	5 75	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	29	172 78	2
106.....	01	M.	35	33	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk. & L.	4 m.	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	3 m.	22	124 98	1
107.....	70	F.	35	21	.....	4	3	7	.....	Dk.	\$7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	9 m.	8	47 00	-
108.....	49	M.	35	30	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	I. & D.	2 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	\$7 00	19	168 14	9
109.....	63	F.	37	37	Dk.	\$7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	30	190 75	1
110.....	46	M.	37	33	1	2	1	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	19	140 55	-

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			H. OF. C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.	Total				
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.	
101.	4	5	2	1	6	2	5	11	4							\$513 69		\$513 69	1 (Foxboro')
102.	3	3	15	1	8	26	5		11	1	3	16				441 88	\$162 92	604 80	-
103.	6	9		1		16	7	9	16	3 *		2	26			687 65	29 99	717 64	-
104.	5	4		1	6	6	6	10	6							549 20		549 20	-
105.		11		1	10	23	2	9	23							141 31		141 31	-
106.	3	4		1	7	18	4	11	18							429 18		429 18	-
107.	8	8			7	3	9	3	3							811 41		811 41	-
108.	6	8	5	1	2	10	7	10	15							685 35	+ 5 50	690 85	-
109.	2	9		2	2	1	4	11	1			16	10	4		425 12	106 30	531 42	1 (Insane Asyl.)
110.	6	9	9	1	7	16	8	4	25							738 05		738 05	-

* Not ascertained.

† Observation Hospital at Deer Island, 2 times.

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
111.....	32	M.	37	27	1	1	1	7	A. & B.	\$23 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	20	\$123 98	-
112.....	43	M.	37	31	2	.....	4	.....	V.	4 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	13	75 70	1
113.....	56	F.	38	37	.....	1	.....	.....	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	28	149 85	1
114.....	70	F.	39	38	3	.....	1	2	Dk.	\$5 00	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	18	101 85	-
115.....	42	M.	39	38	.....	1	.....	.....	Dk.	3 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	20	140 43	-
116.....	60	F.	41	40	.....	1	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	32	174 85	-
117.....	48	M.	41	35	3	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	5 m.	21	132 18	-
118.....	48	M.	42	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	3 10	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$10 00	35	203 20	-
119.....	52	M.	43	42	.....	.....	.....	1	Dk.	5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	5 00	31	177 60	1
120.....	46	F.	43	36	3	4	.....	.....	Dk.	5 85	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	2 m.	26	206 53	-

NUMBER.	TIME IMPRISONED AT DEER ISLAND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.						COMMITMENTS TO OTHER COUNTY INSTITUTIONS.						ACTUAL COST OF MAINTENANCE.			Number Times Committed to State Institutions.	
	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Instit.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
													TOTAL TIME.				
111.....	8	10	.....	2	4	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$984 49	\$984 49	-
112.....	11	1	.....	.....	9	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,035 54	1,035 54	-
113.....	2	4	.....	1	9	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	358 80	358 80	3 (State Hosp.)
114.....	10	.....	15	1	7	10	11	7	25	.....	4	1	.....	9	1,019 08	\$129 03	1,148 11
115.....	6	5	.....	1	5	2	7	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	628 40	628 40	-
116.....	5	1	.....	2	.....	10	7	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	624 02	624 02	-
117.....	7	3	.....	1	5	1	8	8	1	.....	23	3	.....	12	756 48	881 90	1,138 38
118.....	2	1	.....	2	8	10	4	9	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	419 67	419 67	1 (Concord Ref.)
119.....	4	4	15	1	6	18	5	11	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	520 49	520 49	-
120.....	9	3	.....	2	.....	11	11	3	11	1	1	2	1	27	1,007 16	271 47	1,278 63

* Not ascertained

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
121.....	50	F.	46	45	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	\$174 50	1
122.....	54	M.	46	45	.....	1	.....	.....	Dk.	6 85	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	2 m.	175 25	2
123.....	36	M.	47	39	7	.....	1	.....	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	12 m.	L.	3 m.	192 70	1
124.....	48	M.	49	35	8	3	1	2	Dk.	7 99	L.	8 m.	Dk.	6 m.	277 52	1	
125.....	50	F.	49	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	7 85	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	1 m.	158 69	1
126.....	65	M.	49	17	18	6	3	5	Dk.	12 45	Dk.	6 m.	L.	1 m.	323 52	1	
127.....	56	M.	53	43	.....	5	.....	5	Dk.	2 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	6 m.	218 17	4
128.....	41	F.	55	53	.....	.....	.....	2	Dk.	\$4 52	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	247 26	1
129.....	56	M.	57	53	2	2	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	278 45	8	
130.....	45	M.	54	58	Dk.	9 57	Dk.	11 m.	Dk.	5 m.	273 71	1	

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.			FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.			TOTAL TIME.			H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.				At H. of Deer Isl. Cor. Instl.	At Other County Instl.	Total.		
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
121.....	5	8	2	3	10	7	11	10	\$697 86	697 86	86	-
122.....	4	7	2	4	5	6	11	5	601 78	601 78	78	-
123.....	5	1	2	3	5	7	3	6	623 83	623 83	83	-
124.....	4	10	2	6	10	7	4	10	644 07	644 07	07	-
125.....	5	9	2	6	5	8	3	5	662 55	238 21	900 76	{ 1 State Hosp. { 1 Sherborn.
126.....	5	10	3	1	8	11	776 28	776 28	28	-
127.....	8	4	2	11	2	11	3	2	986 87	8 31	995 18	-
128.....	6	11	3	2	27	10	1	27	891 63	891 63	-
129.....	6	2	8	18	707 10	707 10	-
130.....	6	5	2	10	13	9	3	13	812 79	812 79	-

NUMBER.	Present Age.	Sex.	Times Committed.	OFFENCES.				Age at First Commitment.	FIRST SENTENCE.		MAXIMUM SENTENCE.		LAST SENTENCE.		Times Fined.	Total Amount of Fines.	Times Paid.
				Dk.	L.	A. & B.	V.		Other.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.	Penalty.	Offence.				Penalty.
131.....	52	F.	58	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	5 m.	44	\$280 10	-
132.....	44	M.	58	57	.....	.....	1	.....	Dk.	9 37	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	5 m.	41	252 88	1
133.....	45	F.	59	56	2	.....	1	.....	Dk.	7 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	3 m.	44	277 50	-
134.....	64	M.	61	60	.....	.....	1	.....	Dk.	8 95	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	\$10 00	50	281 15	1
135.....	48	F.	68	65	.....	3	.....	.....	Dk.	10 62	Dk.	* 18 m.	Dk.	5 00	45	336 19	-
136.....	50	M.	75	74	.....	.....	1	.....	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	5 m.	45	317 65	6
137.....	75	M.	76	75	1	.....	.....	.....	Dk.	\$9 37	Dk.	11 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	52	323 33	-
138.....	68	M.	76	73	1	2	.....	.....	Dk.	6 m.	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	4 m.	58	369 29	2
139.....	67	M.	102	100	1	1	Dk.	\$5 95	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	\$5 00	78	461 51	1
140.....	73	F.	125	123	2	Dk.	10 15	Dk.	12 m.	Dk.	12 m.	96	633 05	5

* On two counts.

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	ON TERM SENTENCE.		FOR NON-PAYMENT OF FINES.		TOTAL TIME.		H. OF C., S. BOSTON.			ALMSHOUSES.			At H. of Cor., Deer Isl.	At Other County Institl.	Total.			
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	No.	Yrs.					Mos.	Dys.
													Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.			
131.....	6	2	.....	3	6	8	9	8	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$846 00	.....	\$846 00	-
132.....	6	.....	.....	2	10	10	8	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	778 39	.....	778 39	-
133.....	6	.....	.....	4	6	9	10	6	9	.....	1	.....	1	24	924 57	\$11 89	936 46	-
134.....	4	.....	.....	3	1	2	7	1	2	.....	24	3	4	22	622 11	427 30	1,049 41	6 (State Hosp.)
135.....	8	7	.....	3	10	27	12	5	27	.....	3	.....	10	.....	1,097 25	104 90	1,202 15	-
136.....	12	.....	8	2	10	11	14	10	19	1	.....	3	1	2	1,301 24	166 57	1,457 81	1 (Concord Ref.)
137.....	4	4	.....	3	10	10	8	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	765 31	.....	765 31	-
138.....	8	1	.....	4	3	18	12	4	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,054 20	.....	1,054 20	1 (State Hosp.)
139.....	9	6	.....	4	6	5	14	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,231 10	.....	1,231 10	-
140.....	15	8	.....	6	10	15	22	6	15	.....	2	.....	2	14	1,976 36	25 82	2,002 18	-

* Not ascertained.

