

REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE
OF THE
CITY OF DUBLIN PRISONS
TO THE
GRAND JURY,
ASSEMBLED AT EASTER TERM, 1846.

WITH AN ACCOUNT OF THE MONIES PRESENTED TO THE BOARD, AND THE
DISBURSEMENTS THEREOF.

TOGETHER WITH

A RETURN OF THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS COMMITTED TO EACH PRISON,
AND THE AVERAGE DAILY CONFINED THEREIN.

ALSO GIVING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE

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BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE,

(Appointed pursuant to the 2nd Sec. of the 7th GEO. IV., cap. 74, and
6 & 7 WM. IV., cap. 51.)

BARLOW, JOHN, Esq., J. P.	LONG, WILLIAM, Esq., J. P.
BOILEAU, SIMEON, Esq., J. P.	M'DONNELL, JOHN, Esq., J. P.
BOYCE, ALDERMAN JOSEPH, J. P.	OSBORNE, DARAGH, Esq.
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KINAHAN, ALDERMAN R. H., J. P.	WISDOM, JOHN, Esq., J. P.
LAW, ROBERT WILLIAM, Esq., J. P.	WILSON, RICHARD, Esq.

Local Inspector, SIR EDWD. STANLEY, | *Acting Secretary*, D. MARQUES.

Physician to the several Prisons, WILLIAM HARTY, Esq.
Surgeon " " " ALEXANDER READ, Esq.

RICHMOND BRIDEWELL.

<i>Protestant Chapln.</i> —Rev. Thos. Gregg,	<i>Governor</i> —Mr. Thomas Purdon,
<i>Rom. Catholic do.</i> —Rev. W. Stafford,	<i>Deputy Gov.</i> —Mr. Rose Cooper.
<i>Presbyterian do.</i> —Rev. Jos. Hunter,	

GRANGEGORMAN PENITENTIARY.

<i>Protestant Chapln.</i> —Rev. C.S. Young,	<i>Governor</i> —Mr. D. Marques,
<i>Romn. Catholic do.</i> —Rev. B. Kirby,	<i>Hd. Matron</i> —Mrs. Marianne Rawlins
<i>Presbyterian do.</i> —Rev. R. Dill,	

NEWGATE.

Protestant Chaplain—Rev. Thomas R. Shore,
Roman Catholic do.—Rev. John M'Cann,
Presbyterian do.—Rev. William Wilson,
Governor—Mr. John Smyth,
Deputy Governor—Mr. F. Bourne.

Houses of the Oireachtas

REPORT.

TO THE FOREMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF THE GRAND JURY, ASSEMBLED AT
EASTER TERM, 1846.

The Board of Superintendence could scarcely commence their half-yearly report by a communication more agreeable to their own feelings, or more acceptable, they are confident, to those of the Grand Jury, than that of the gratifying fact, that in consequence of certain alterations made in the Court of Conscience, the 109th section of the Municipal Act, which withholds from the President of that Court the power of imprisonment for non-payment of debts under forty shillings, has come into operation; and, consequently, the City Marshalsea, they are happy to say, has ceased to be used as a place of confinement; the labours of the Board, therefore, have been confined to the superintendence of

NEWGATE,
RICHMOND BRIDEWELL, and
GRANGEGORMAN PENITENTIARY.

With regard to the Gaol of Newgate, the Board addressed the following letter to the Under Secretary:—

“Grangegorman Penitentiary, 13th April, 1846.

“SIR—I am directed by the Board of Superintendence of the City Prisons to draw your attention to their letter of the 7th October, 1845, addressed to Sir Thomas Fremantle, and also to your reply thereto, and to state that the Board have been in constant expectation of a further communication from you on the subject, and that awaiting it, they delay the preparation of their Report to the Grand Jury, which will be empanelled on Wednesday, the 15th instant.

“I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

“D. MARQUES, Acting Secretary.

“Richard Pennefather, Esq., &c.”

And received the subjoined reply:

“Dublin Castle, 14th April, 1846.

“SIR—In reply to your letter of the 13th instant, I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to acquaint you, for the information of the Board of Superintendence of the City Prisons, that no arrangement has as yet been made by government respecting the removal of untried prisoners from Newgate Gaol. His Excellency hopes that when additional accommodation may be provided in Richmond District Lunatic Asylum, the lunatics at present in the city prisons may be removed therefrom, and arrangements made for the committal to Grangegorman and Richmond Bridewell of all persons for trial in the city of Dublin.

“I am, sir, your obedient servant,

“RICHARD PENNEFATHER.

“D. Marques, Esq.”

The Board have to express their approbation of the general state of Richmond Bridewell, and Grangegorman Penitentiary, in both of which prisons means could be devised effectively to carry out the separate system—a system recommended not only by its superior merits in point of prison discipline, but also by the lasting beneficial effects likely to be produced upon the minds of offenders subjected to it.

In the latter prison, the section prepared for this purpose is now in working order, with the exception of erecting the requisites necessary to afford the prisoners the power of constant communication with their officers.

The warming and ventilating apparatus put up last winter in this section, has been sufficiently tested to justify the Board to offer to the Grand Jury their congratulations upon its complete success. In the coldest weather a temperature of from 54 deg. to 58 deg. has been kept up in the cells with less than two bags of coal each twenty-four hours, which, at the general contract price, is not more than one halfpenny per cell, per diem. When a portion of the flues, not built until the latter end of the summer, becomes thoroughly dry, a lesser consumption of fuel, and a more uniform temperature will be the result.

While, however, the Board are deeply impressed with a conviction of the superiority of the separate system of confinement in gaols, and of the complete success which will attend the experiment made of altering and adapting for that purpose a section of the Prison of Grangegorman, they deem it prudent that the effects of this small experiment should be more completely developed, before the Grand Jury should be called upon to work out extensively a general alteration at Richmond Bridewell and Grangegorman, involving a vast expenditure of public money.

The pipes of the old apparatus which had to be removed were disposed of, and brought £45 9s., which sum remains to the credit of the Board, in the bank, and will be accounted for in connection with the expenditure of the fitting up this division of the prison.

By a reference to the return in the Appendix it will be perceived that the number of committals to the several prisons in 1845 was less than in the preceding year; and that in the last three months a further diminution was experienced, notwithstanding the high prices of provisions, frequently a cause of crime, when not accompanied, as at present, with abundant employment. The decrease is confined to the class of felons and misdemeanants. In that of drunkards, the Board regret to state there has been an increase in the men committed since the commencement of this year; the cause, however, may be assigned to an influx of strangers working on the railways in the outskirts of the city.

The committals to Richmond Bridewell from the 1st January to 31st March of last year were—

	119 felons, 582 misdemeanants, and 355 drunkards.		
And in same period of this year	92	539	410
	Being 27	and 43 decrease, and	55 increase.
Females last year,	83	970	838
Ditto this year,	55	823	839
	Being 28	and 147 decrease, and	1 increase.

The daily averages of persons in confinement have decreased, notwithstanding an increase of lunatics—that of Newgate for the last three months was—

	62	and last year	62
In Richmond Bridewell, it was	245	...	258
And in Grangegorman,	252½	...	270
Total of three prisons,	559½	...	590
	Difference, 30½ decrease.		

Out of 1901 committals to Newgate, there were but 787 individuals, of whom only 259 were for the first time.

At Grangegorman the case is still more remarkable, for in 4391 committals, there were but 1978 individuals; and of those only 730 who had never been in prison before, being exactly one-sixth of the number of committals. The returns from Richmond Bridewell do not enable the Board to form a correct estimate upon this subject; but so far as they can judge, the number of re-committals there also is considerable, though not so great as at Grangegorman.

This important and difficult subject has received the serious attention of the Board; and when they admit that the generally destitute condition of the subjects of re-committals—rendered more so perhaps by the fact of their imprisonment—may in part account for it, they cannot be blind to the fact, that the diet of Grangegorman is more abundant than that of the poor-houses, whose inmates are only guilty of being in poverty. The Board, therefore, suggest to the Grand Jury the propriety of a representation to the Court of Queen's Bench, with a view of having the dietary tables revised, and assimilated in the case of lunatics to those in the Richmond Asylum.

The number of lunatics confined in Richmond Bridewell and Grangegorman continues on the increase. On the 31st March of last year, the number in both gaols was but 63, and on the same day this year 97, being an increase of 34, notwithstanding that 106 persons were returned to their friends, 6 removed to the Lunatic Asylum, and 17 more died.

The unfitness of confining lunatics in gaols has been so often dwelt upon by former Boards of Superintendence, that it would seem unnecessary further to animadvert upon it; but such representations should be made to Government by the Grand Jury, as would lead to energetic steps being taken towards the erection of the contemplated additional Lunatic Asylum.

Under the provisions of the Metropolitan Police Act, boys of very tender age have been committed for 48 hours to gaol for very trivial offences; the Board more than doubt the expediency or wisdom of such a procedure, and would recommend that the serious consideration of Government should be directed to the subject, as also to the possibility of providing a place of refuge for such boys, as, having been committed for more serious offences, may, during their confinement, have given evidence of contrition, and a desire to return into the paths of morality and virtue; but who, without such a place of refuge to resort to, upon being enlarged from prison, whether from destitution or the insidious example and solicitation of old associates, or, alas! the but too frequent commands of parents, are too apt to relapse into all their former evil courses. Such institutions have been established with the happiest effects in London and in Glasgow.

The prison estimates forwarded for presentment were adopted after mature consideration, and are not greater in amount than those of last year, although the provisions have been estimated at higher prices.

The potatoes supplied to the prisons by the contractor, Mr. Rorke, have, up to the present time, equalled those supplied in any previous season. However, considering the apprehensions that are abroad, it might be well, if the Court of Queen's Bench should approve of it, were the Grand Jury to leave it to the Board of Superintendence for the ensuing six months, to enter into such contracts for, and make such arrangements relative to provisions, as they may deem expedient.

The last Michaelmas Term Grand Jury having considered the tenders for oatmeal too high, referred the matter to the Board of Superintendence, and they are gratified at being able to state that they procured supplies on more reasonable terms.

In consequence of the increase in the number of lunatics, there was an excess in the expenditure for meat at Richmond Bridewell up to Michaelmas Term last, amounting to £83 4s. 6d., for which you are recommended to provide; as also for the excess in the amount for medicines supplied to the several prisons, the particulars of which will be laid before you.

Upon this subject the Board have to report that, in compliance with resolutions of preceding Grand Juries, they have devoted some consideration to the question submitted to them relative to the supply of medicines for the three gaols;

and having advertised for tenders from qualified apothecaries to attend each gaol on four stated days in each week, and as much oftener as might be necessary, to compound medicines, they find that respectable apothecaries would undertake the duty for about £80 per annum, and they have reason to believe that the cost of medicines would not much exceed £70. Under these circumstances, should the Grand Jury consider any alteration in the system advisable, they will be pleased themselves to make the necessary arrangements. The Board, however, cannot avoid saying that they believe Mr. Nicholls, the present apothecary, stands as high in character as any one in his profession, and his attention has been such, that they have never had the slightest cause for dissatisfaction.

The medical officers having complied with the wishes of the Board, and of the late Michaelmas Term Grand Jury, by attending each at the several gaols on two fixed days, at least, in every week, their salaries have been paid.

In consequence of observations made in parliament, the Board addressed the following letter to Dr. Harty and Surgeon Read, and received from them, respectively, the replies that follow :—

“ Grangegorman Penitentiary, March 30th, 1846.

“ My dear Sir—I am directed by the Board of Superintendence to forward you the annexed copy of a resolution adopted at the last meeting, to which I beg your attention. I am further desired to inquire from you whether there be separate wards in each of the prisons for medical and surgical cases, and whether it be the practice of the physician and surgeon to confine themselves strictly to the treatment of cases in their respective wards.

“ I am, dear sir, yours faithfully,

“ D. MARQUES.

“ William Harty, Esq., M.D., &c.”

“ Resolved—That our acting secretary do write to the prison medical officers, stating, that government having communicated to Parliament that infectious disease prevails in Ireland, the Board of Superintendence feel it their duty to direct the attention of the prison medical officers to the necessity of, particularly at the present moment, for the strict observance of that portion of the 20th regulation contained in the 109th section of the 7th George IV., cap. 74, which orders that the physician or surgeon shall examine every prisoner who shall be brought into prison, before he or she shall be passed into the proper ward.”

“ April 2, 1846.

“ Dear Sir—I am favoured with yours of the 30th ult., conveying to me a resolution of the Board of Superintendence, relative to the ‘strict observance of the 20th rule of section 109 of the Prison Act, particularly at the present moment, when Government had communicated to Parliament that infectious disease prevailed in Ireland ;’ and also requiring of me ‘whether there be separate wards in each prison for medical and surgical cases, and whether it be the practice of the physician and surgeon to confine themselves strictly to the treatment of cases in their respective wards.’ In reply to this inquiry, I have to state that there are separate wards, and that we (the physician and surgeon) do so confine ourselves, except in cases calling for consultation.

“ With respect to the 20th prison regulations, I have to state that the attention of the physician and surgeon had long since been called to it by Judge Perrin, with whom we had personal and written communications on the subject, and whom we satisfied as to the impracticability of a strict compliance therewith, unless arrangements were previously made in each prison for accommodating and keeping apart all prisoners on their admission, until we could inspect them. Should this be done, there could be no insurmountable difficulty in complying with the rule, even in the case of three prisons. We satisfied the Judge, however, that until such arrangements were made, the spirit of the regulation was, ‘as far as it was practicable,’ enforced, by having all the prisoners on their admission examined at once by the Hospital Superintendent, who, after such examination, removes to hospital

all such as require medical or surgical treatment. I am happy to add, that, during the whole of the last winter and present spring, there occurred in all the prisons but one well-marked case of contagious fever.

"You will please to submit this statement to the Board, and believe me to be, dear Sir, faithfully yours,

" WILLIAM HARTY,
" *Physician to the Prisons, &c.*

" Dominick Marques, Esq., *Acting Secretary, &c.*"

" April 2, 1846.

" DEAR SIR—I duly received your communication, calling my attention to the resolution of the Board of Superintendence, which directs you to enquire whether there be separate wards in each of the prisons for medical and surgical cases, and whether it be the practice of the physician and surgeon to confine themselves strictly to the treatment of cases in their respective wards.

"In reply to this inquiry, I have to state that my practice is strictly limited to the treatment of the several surgical and venereal cases received into the prisons, and that in all of them the surgical patients are confined in distinct and separate wards from those of the physician. The only departure from this course is the occasional necessity for conjoint attendance, in cases of disease presenting complications.

"In respect to the resolution of the Board, directing the attention of the medical officers to the communication of the Government to Parliament, that infectious disease prevails in Ireland, and also to that portion of the 20th regulation contained in the 109th clause of the 7th Geo. IV. cap. 74, which orders that the physician or surgeon shall examine every prisoner who shall be brought into prison before he or she shall be passed into the proper ward.

"I beg leave to submit, that when it shall be considered that there are three prisons widely distant from each other, to which prisoners are committed at various hours until a late period of each day, from the three Divisional Police-offices, besides committals to Newgate by other authorities, it must be apparent that the daily examination of every prisoner committed would be difficult, if not impracticable, under existing circumstances, and in the absence of special arrangements.

"This subject has before been under the deliberate consideration of the Grand Jury, the Court of Queen's Bench, and, more recently, has received attention from Judge Perrin, and it has not appeared expedient to any of those authorities to make a rule or regulation in the matter.

"The necessity, however, for precaution to prevent the introduction of disease amongst the prisoners has always been deemed an object of the utmost moment by the medical officers; and a regulation has existed for many years past, requiring that every prisoner committed shall be seen by the hospital superintendent in each of the prisons, and if he or she complains, or appears to be ill or diseased, be at once set apart, or removed to hospital, and an immediate notice sent to the physician or surgeon, as the case may be. The attention invariably paid to this regulation has hitherto prevented the extension of disease within the walls of any of the prisons even during those years most signalised by the extent and prevalence of contagious fever, and other epidemic visitations.

"I remain, dear sir, yours very truly,

" A. READ,
" *Surgeon to the City of Dublin Prisons.*

" D. Marques, Esq., &c. &c."

"The Board desire to call your attention to the expenditure arising from what appears to them the needless frequency of *post mortem* examinations in cases of coroners' inquests held upon deceased prisoners. It is obligatory on the governor of the gaol to notify to the coroner the death of a prisoner, but the act leaves it optional with him to hold an inquest or not; and it appears to the Board, therefore, that when a prisoner dies after being under treatment for obvious disease, the certificate of the prison medical officer who may have attended such prisoner would

meet the object contemplated by the law, and, in the opinion of the Board, ought to satisfy a coroner, and save expense.

The last Michaelmas Term Grand Jury recommended the Board of Superintendence "to inquire into the subject of rations allowed to the officers of the several prisons, and to make a full report thereon, with the view of ascertaining whether same should be continued." The Board have no means of ascertaining when rations were first granted to the officers of Newgate or Richmond Bridewell; but it appears from entries in the books that they were allowed by the police authorities previous to the first appointment of the Board of Superintendence in 1836. When the Richmond Penitentiary, now Grangegorman, was then converted into its present use, it appears the Board established the present rations allowed to the officers thereof, for which the Governor retains the original order. Under such circumstances, it would seem that the rations and allowances which have been enjoyed by the officers of the several prisons for so long a period, are now viewed by them as part of the emoluments of their office; and upon the same principle which actuated the Board on a former occasion to express their reluctance in recommending a reduction of salaries enjoyed by old officers who have faithfully fulfilled their duties, they would feel now restrained from conveying a recommendation for the discontinuance of such rations. The practice, however, appears convenient to the officers, and, in some respects, advantageous to the public service, and it exists in the government prisons in England. The rations received by each officer is only the allowance of a prisoner per day, which in Newgate, according to the prices of last term, was 4d. per diem, or £6 1s. 8d. per year, and in the other prisons 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ d., or £3 12s. 2d. per year.

The Board having taken into consideration a memorial from Joseph Lattimore, the superintending turnkey of lunatics in Richmond Bridewell, praying to be put on the same rate of salary enjoyed by the other officers, whose duties are far from being so dangerous, arduous, or responsible, they are of opinion that the prayer of said memorial ought to be acceded to.

Mrs. Rawlins, whose exertions and attention to the discharge of her duties cannot but claim the special notice of the Board, has laid before them the account of the prisoners' work for the last half year, showing £105 8s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., being the profits thereon, after paying its expense, and £33 5s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. to the prisoners as their portion. That sum the Board have directed to be lodged to their credit in the bank, and will be accounted for at the proper time.

The amount of £131 9s. 4d. returned from this prison last term, together with £30 2s. 8d. from Richmond Bridewell, noted in the last report of the Board, have been transferred to the credit of the public treasurer, as will appear by the accompanying receipt.

The Midland Great Western Company having required one rood and two perches of ground from the garden attached to Grangegorman Penitentiary, for the construction of their line, the Board, in pursuance of a resolution of the late Hilary Term Grand Jury, empowering the Commissioners on their recommendation to dispose of same, valued said ground at the rate of £12 per plantation acre, and 30 years' purchase; and the Company having agreed thereto, lodged £96 3s. 9d. as the amount of said purchase, which sum the Board have also transferred to the credit of the public treasurer.

The Board recommend to the consideration of the Grand Jury the expediency of providing for the execution of the works and repairs, described in the specification which will be laid before them, as necessary to be done in Grangegorman. The painting of the outside work of a large portion of the prison, not done for nine years, and the whitewashing, required by law to be done annually, are essential as well as some repairs; and the coping of the boundary wall to a large extent is in so bad a state, as to demand consideration; and should such works and repairs be approved of by the Grand Jury, £125 would suffice to be presented for same.

"The Board submit their accounts, supported by the vouchers for the expenditure of Easter Term, 1845, showing that of £6,893 4s. 2d., presented to the Board at that Term, they disbursed for the several prisons £6,399 19s. 3d. and that of the balance of £493 4s. 11d. they have lodged to the credit of the treasurer

£223 4s. 11d. as the savings on the presentments for the said prisons, leaving a sum of £270, presented for, and applied in part to, the payment of works executed at Grangegorman Penitentiary, in preparing a section of the prison for separate confinement, and which sum will be included in the account to be rendered for the expenditure of heating and ventilation of the said section, which remains yet unliquidated in consequence of a guarantee having had to be fulfilled.

By a reference to the account rendered, to the 14th of April, 1846, it will be seen that of £6,640 8s. 1d., presented to the Board at Michaelmas Term last, lodgments have been made on account by the treasurer, to the amount of £2,877 17s. 7d., which, together with the balance in the account for the half-year, £940, and £140 12s. 9d. for purchase of garden ground and old heating pipes, amount to £3,958 10s. 4d., the charge, and that of this sum the Board have disbursed for the purpose detailed in the account, £3,554 2s. 7d., leaving a balance to their credit in the bank of £404 7s. 9d., as will appear by the pass book.

In conclusion, the Board beg to refer you to the annexed return, showing the number of meetings they have held, and the attendance of the members thereat. All of which they submit as their Report, this 20th day of April, 1846.

JOHN BARLOW,

JOSEPH BOYCE,

ROBERT H. KINAHAN,

GEORGE B. GRANT,

DARRAGH OSBORNE,

JOHN WISDOM,

CHARLES THORP,

ROBERT WILLIAM LAW,

JOHN M'DONNELL,

RICHARD WILSON, Jun.

*City of Dublin Grand Jury Room,
Court of Queen's Bench,
Tuesday, 21st of April, 1846.*

The foregoing Report having been read, it was

RESOLVED—That the same be received and printed, with the following Resolutions.

RESOLVED—That without adopting the dietary in use in the Poor Law Unions, the Grand Jury fully concur in the recommendation of the Board of Superintendence, to revise the dietary now in use in Grangegorman Prison, and reduce the quantity to the scale of allowance now adopted and in use in the Richmond Bridewell, which is one ounce of oatmeal less at breakfast, and one pound of potatoes less at dinner, leaving the quantity seven ounces of oatmeal and one imperial pint of new milk at breakfast, and three pounds of potatoes and one imperial pint of buttermilk at dinner for each individual, this quantity being an ample allowance for the maintenance of health.

RESOLVED—That the Secretary of the Grand Jury be directed to address a letter to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, requesting most strongly the attention of the government to the importance of the subject so frequently noticed by the Board of Superintendence and Grand Juries, namely, the providing more suitable and extended accommodation for the reception of lunatics, and placing them under the superintendence of competent persons.

RESOLVED—That pending the arrangements now in progress, to provide a suitable asylum for lunatics, the attention of the Board of Superintendence be directed to the expediency of providing, as opportunity may occur, an experienced superintendant for the lunatics while in the gaols, wherever they have not already a proper person employed.

RESOLVED—That while the members of the Grand Jury feel desirous of exercising a just and sound economy in the public expenditure, they cannot but feel strongly the unhappy condition of lunatics, and do not wish to curtail their necessary comforts, yet we feel it right to direct our secretary to write to the medical attendants of the Richmond Bridewell, and state our wish that it is desirable that every attention should be paid to economy in the different things ordered for the use of lunatics, as entailing a serious expense on the city.

RESOLVED—That in reference to the providing of medicines for the three gaols, and the report of the Board of Superintendence thereon, we are of opinion that as the Board represent, "That Mr. Nicholls, the present apothecary, stands as high in character as any one in his profession, and his attention has been such that they have never had the slightest cause for dissatisfaction," it would not be judicious in any respect to remove him, or to alter the plan under which for upwards of thirty years he has attended to the goals, nor do we believe that any saving would be effected by having separate compounding establishments at each prison, which would require a considerable outlay in the first instance, and involve serious loss from keeping over medicines for an indefinite period.

RESOLVED—That Mr. Purdon be requested to furnish a copy of the return of boys committed during the last three months for trivial offences, as represented by the Board of Superintendence.

By Order,

ALEX. MONTGOMERY,
Secretary.

*Meetings of the BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE, from Michaelmas Term, 1845,
to Easter Term, 1846.*

	Newgate.	Richmond Bridewell.	Grangegorman.	Robert W. Law.	John Barlow.	Ald. Josp. Boyce.	Ald. R. H. Kinahan.	William Long.	Simeon Boileau.	George B. Grant.	John M'Donnell.	Darragh Osborne.	Charles Thorpe.	John Wisdom.	Richard Wilson.	Numbers at the Board each day.
November 24th .		1		1	1	1				1						4
December 1st .			1	1	1			1		1		1	1	1		7
13th .		1		1	1		1			1		1	1		1	7
20th .			1	1						1		1	1			4
27th .	1			1	1	1				1			1		1	6
1846, January 3rd .		1		1						1		1	1		1	5
10th .			1	1	1					1			1	1	1	6
17th .		1		1	1		1			1		1	1	1	1	8
24th .		1		1	1	1				1			1		1	6
31st .	1			1	1	1	1	1		1			1	1	1	9
February 7th .			1	1			1			1			1			4
14th .		1		1			1			1	1		1	1	1	7
21st .	1			1	1	1	1	1		1			1	1	1	9
28th .			1	1		1				1			1			4
March 7th .		1		1						1	1		1		1	5
14th .	1			1						1			1		1	4
21st .	1			1	1	1	1			1	1		1	1	1	9
28th .			1	1		1				1			1	1		5
April 4th .		1		1		1		1		1	1		1	1	1	8
11th .	1			1			1			1	1		1	1	1	7
18th .			1	1		1	1			1			1		1	6
	6	8	7	21	10	10	9	4		21	5	5	20	10	15	

D. MARQUES,
Acting Secretary.

RETURN, showing the NUMBER OF COMMITTALS to the several Prisons of the City of Dublin, in 1844 and 1845; and from 1st January to 31st March, in 1845 and 1846 respectively, distinguishing each Class of Committals, and giving the Average Number daily in Custody, together with the Recommittals in 1845.

PRISONS And Class of Committals.		Number of Prisoners Committed.				Confined on the 31st March.		Average daily Confined.			
		1st January to 31st Dec.		1st January to 31st March.				1st January to 31st Dec.		1st January to 31st March.	
		1844	1845	1845	1846	1845	1846	1844	1845	1845	1846
Newgate,	Felony	1450	1363	401	438	60	102	79	58	62	62
	Further Examination	567	538	157	136	..	..		
	Totals	2017	1901	558	574	60	102				
Richmond Bridewell	Felony	368	358	119	92	142	122	254	260	258	245
	Misdemeanors	3080	2705	582	539	105	51				
	Drunkards	2507	2059	355	410	11	5				
	Lunatics	46	74	19	13	35	51				
	Totals	6001	5196	1075	1054	293	229				
	Decrease	805	..	21	..	64				
Grangem. Penitentiary.	Felony	251	262	83	55	72	59	264 $\frac{2}{3}$	281	270	252 $\frac{1}{2}$
	Misdemeanors	4451	4076	970	823	165	150				
	Drunkards	4520	3883	838	839	18	9				
	Lunatics	37	53	19	15	28	46				
	Totals	9259	8274	1910	1732	283	264				
	Decrease	975	..	178	..	19				
Gross Average Of the Three Prisons								597 $\frac{2}{3}$	599	590	559 $\frac{1}{2}$

Re-committals within the year 1845.	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th and more.	Indivi- duals.	Com- mittals.
Newgate,									
Once only Committed .	126	113	63	35	23	12	15	528	1642
Totals . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	259	259
Grangegorman,									
Once only Committed .	329	162	103	65	51	33	76	819	3202
Totals . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1189	1189
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2008	4391

The Account of the BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE in respect to PRESENTMENTS made to them previous to and at EASTER TERM, 1845, and of the Expenditure detailed in the Accounts and Vouchers furnished in support thereof.

CHARGE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Amount presented at Easter Term, 1843, retained to defray the heating of a section of Grangegorman Prison	250	0	0			
Ditto presented at Easter Term, 1844, for improving the supply of water to said Prison	40	0	0			
Ditto, being a further sum presented at Michaelmas Term, 1844, for heating and ventilating a section of said Prison	380	0	0			
				670	0	0
Ditto presented at Easter Term, 1845, to pay salaries to Local Inspector, Physician, and Surgeon	600	0	0			
Ditto alike, one year's salaries to the Chaplains of the several Prisons, as per Schedule	360	0	0			
Ditto alike, for Advertisements	8	19	6			
Ditto alike, for the several uses of Newgate, as per Schedule	1220	8	8			
Ditto alike, for Richmond Bridewell	2226	5	8			
Ditto alike, for Grangegorman Penitentiary	2283	6	6			
Ditto alike, for City Marshalsea	67	8	0			
Ditto alike, compensation allowance to Officers late Sheriffs' Prison	115	19	2			
Ditto alike, superannuation to Officer of the late Smithfield Penitentiary	10	16	8			
<i>Total presented at Easter Term, 1845</i>				6893	4	2
Amount of profits on Prisoners' work done at Grangegorman, to Michaelmas Term, 1845	131	9	4			
Ditto alike, from Richmond Bridewell, to Easter Term, 1845	30	2	8			
				161	12	0
<i>The CHARGE .</i>	..			7724	16	2

ACCOUNT—Continued.

DISCHARGE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries Paid to the Local Inspector, Physician, and Surgeon	600	0	0			
Ditto to Chaplains of the several Prisons	360	0	0			
Paid for Advertisements	8	19	6			
Disbursements on Newgate	1033	6	6			
Ditto, on Richmond Bridewell	2226	3	5			
Ditto, on Grangegorman Peniten- tiary	1980	6	7			
Ditto, on late City Marshalsea	64	7	5			
Compensation to Officers of the late Sheriffs' Prison	115	19	2			
Superannuation allowance to Officer of the late Smithfield Penitentiary	10	16	8			
Total Expenditure for the Term					6399	19 3
SAVINGS ON						
Newgate Presentments	187	2	2			
Richmond Bridewell	"	2	3			
Grangegorman Penitentiary, exclu- sive of £270 retained for Works	32	19	11			
City Marshalsea	3	0	7			
<i>Savings</i>	223	4	11			
Amount of Profit on Work	161	12	0			
Transferred to Credit of Treasurer, as per Receipt					384	16 11
<i>The DISCHARGE</i>					6784	16 2
Balance detailed in the Account of the present Term, being Amount presented at Easter Term, 1843, Michaelmas, 1844, and Easter, 1845, to defray the expense of Sundry Works partly paid, and partly remaining to be liquidated, &c.					940	0 0
<i>The CHARGE</i>					7724	16 2

The Account of the several Prisons rendered to the Grand Jury, in respect of the Presentments made at Easter Term, 1845, and the Disbursements thereof, as per Vouchers Furnished.

SALARIES TO THE NON-RESIDENT OFFICERS, FOR THE SEVERAL PRISONS.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Sir Edward Stanley	Local Inspector, for Half Year	200 0 0	
William Harty	Physician, ditto, ditto	200 0 0	
Alexander Read	Surgeon, ditto, ditto	200 0 0	
			600 0 0
Rev. Thos R. Shore	{ Protestant Chaplain to New- gate, One Year }	50 0 0	
Rev. John M-Cann	Roman Catholic, do. do. do.	50 0 0	
Rev. William Wilson	Presbyterian, do. do. do.	33 6 8	
Rev. Thomas Gregg	{ Protestant Chaplain to Rich- mond Bridewell, do. do. do. }	40 0 0	
Rev. William Stafford	Roman Catholic, do. do. do.	40 0 0	
Rev. C. Nairne	Presbyterian, do. do. do.	33 6 8	
Rev. C. S. Young	Protestant, do to Grangegorman do	40 0 0	
Rev. B. Kirby	Roman Catholic, do. do. do.	40 0 0	
Rev. Richard Dill	Presbyterian, do. do. do.	33 6 8	
			360 0 0
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To ALEXANDER MONTGOMERY, disbursed by him for			
Advertisements		8 19 6	8 19 6

NEWGATE.

EXPENDITURE.	AMOUNT OF ACCOUNT.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Provisions,</i>			
Bread	167 15 7		
Milk	57 1 2		
Meat for Hospital	5 9 1		
		230 5 10	348 8 6
<i>Medicines, &c.</i>			
Medicines and Necessaries	..	21 4 9	20 0 0
<i>Fuel,</i>			
Ccoal	..	34 13 3	42 0 0
<i>Washing and Lighting,</i>			
Soap and Candles	9 2 6		
Lamp Oil, &c.	0 11 10		
Gas	4 13 7		
		14 7 11	18 5 1
<i>Bedding,</i>			
Blankets	11 19 4		
Straw	6 3 5		
		18 2 9	36 10 0

NEWGATE—continued.

EXPENDITURE.	AMOUNT OF ACCOUNT.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Sundries,</i>			
Flannel	3 0 5		
Brushes and Mops	4 5 0		
Brooms	0 18 8		
Cooperage	3 3 0		
Lime	1 6 8		
Freestone	0 13 4		
Ironmongery	10 11 3		
Tin-ware	1 2 6		
Plumbers' Work	6 0 0		
Washing Bedding	11 16 8		
Stationery	11 2 8		
Destroying Rats	2 10 0		
Books for Protestants	2 10 0		
Books for R. Catholics	2 10 0		
Incidents	11 19 5		
Expences incurred for the Board of Superintendence	19 1 2	92 10 9	133 3 10
<i>Salaries,</i>		411 5 3	598 7 5
Salaries to 16 Officers . . . . .	..	622 1 3	622 1 3
		1033 6 6	
<i>Savings, Balance being Saving on Pre- sentments</i>	..	187 2 2	
		1220 8 8	1220 8 8

RICHMOND BRIDEWELL.

EXPENDITURE.	AMOUNT OF ACCOUNT.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Provisions,</i>			
Oatmeal	102 0 0		
Milk	113 12 7		
Potatoes	236 15 2		
Salt	2 6 0		
Bread	112 13 0		
Beef and Ox-heads, £184 4 6			
Paid on Account, Amount Presented	101 0 0	668 6 9	647 7 6
<i>Medicines, &c.</i>			
Medicines and Necessaries	107 8 1		
Paid on Account, Amount Presented . . . . .	..	60 0 0	60 0 0
<i>Fuel,</i>			
Coals . . . . .	..	162 5 0	154 0 0

GRANGEGORMAN PENITENTIARY—continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
National Assurance Company	5	12	6						
Patriotic do, do.	5	12	6						
Water, Royal Canal Company	15	0	0						
Incidents . , .	38	18	2	165	0	8	170	2	6
				1315	1	7	1346	16	6
<i>Salaries,</i>									
Salaries to 26 Officers, and Two Servants . . .	..			665	5	0	666	10	0
				1980	6	7			
<i>Savings,</i>									
Balance, being Savings on Presentments, exclusive of £270 retained for Works, &c. .	..			32	19	11			
				2013	6	6	2013	6	6

CITY MARSHALSEA.

EXPENDITURE.	AMOUNT OF ACCOUNT.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Provisions,</i>			
Bread	35 12 2		
Milk	14 19 4		
		50 11 6	52 10 0
<i>Fuel,</i>			
Coal . . . . .	..	4 8 6	4 4 0
<i>Bedding,</i>			
Blankets	5 12 6		
Bed Ticks	1 10 0		
Straw	1 8 6		
<i>Sundries,</i>		8 11 0	8 0 0
Brushes and Mops	0 12 5		
Brooms	0 4 0	0 16 5	2 14 0
Medicines, £11 17s. 2d. . . . .	..	
		64 7 5	67 8 0
<i>Savings,</i>			
Balance, being Savings on Presentments		3 0 7	
		67 8 0	67 8 0

Compensation to OFFICERS of the late SHERIFFS' PRISON.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	AMOUNT.	PRESENTED.
			£ s. d.
Rev. T. R. Shore, . . .	Protestant Chaplain, . . .	8 6 8	
Rev. J. M'Cann, . . .	Roman Catholic Do. . .	6 13 4	
John Cooney, . . .	Keeper of the Prison, . .	42 9 6	
William Davis, . . .	Deputy Do. . .	27 16 9	
Richard Davis, . . .	Turnkey, . . .	10 16 8	
George Blake, . . .	Ditto, . . .	8 13 4	
Mary Ward, . . .	Nurse, . . .	8 6 8	
John Maher, . . .	Watchman, . . .	1 7 1	
T. Kenny, . . .	Whitewasher & Servant, .	1 9 2	
		£ 115 19 2	115 19 2

Superannuation Allowance to George Cooke, Officer of the late SMITHFIELD PENITENTIARY. £10 16 8 | 10 16 8

Account rendered by the BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE, to the

14th April, 1846.

CHARGE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Amount presented at Easter Term, 1843, for heating a section of Grangegorman Prison, retained for same	250	0	0			
Ditto presented at Easter Term, 1844, for improving the supply of water to said Prison, retained for same	40	0	0			
Ditto at Michaelmas Term, 1844, being a further sum for heating and ventilating a section of said Prison	380	0	0			
				670	0	0
Ditto at Easter Term, 1845, for completing a section of Grangegorman Prison, to carry out the separate system	110	0	0			
Ditto at said Term, for procuring a supply of water from a new source, for use of Grangegorman	160	0	0			
				270	0	0
Ditto, lodgments made by Treasurer, for amount of Presentments made at Michaelmas Term, 1845	..			940	0	0
Ditto, lodged by Midland Great Western Railway Company, for a portion of the Garden attached to Grangegorman Penitentiary	96	3	9	2877	17	7
Ditto, of pipes of old heating Apparatus removed from Grangegorman Penitentiary	44	9	0			
				140	12	9
<i>The CHARGE</i>	..			3958	10	4
DISCHARGE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Newgate,</i>						
To Cash, 5 month's salaries to 31st March	490	5	10			
Ditto, keeping the roofs in repair to Michaelmas, 1845	21	0	0			
Ditto, washing account to 13th December	5	13	2			
Ditto, books for Prisoners' use	2	10	0			
				519	9	0

ACCOUNT—continued.

<i>Richmond Bridewell,</i>	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Cash, 5 month's salaries to 31st March	736	10	10			
Ditto, keeping the roofs in repair to Michaelmas, 1845	25	0	0			
Ditto, repairing hot water Apparatus	32	0	6			
				793	11	4
<i>Grangegorman Penitentiary,</i>						
Cash to John Semple, for Plans, &c.	40	0	0			
Ditto paid for Advertisements	2	19	0			
Ditto, amount of 3 instalments to Messrs. Williams and Sons, on account of their contracts for sundry works	502	14	8			
Ditto, 5 month's salaries to 31st March	555	8	4			
Ditto, keeping the roofs in repair to Michaelmas, 1845	25	0	0			
Ditto, for supply of water to Michaelmas, 1845	15	0	0			
Ditto, new desk for Office	17	0	0			
Ditto, account of Potatoes to 9th March	122	6	10			
Ditto, do. Milk to 31st do	138	8	0			
Ditto, do. Incidents to 30th December	9	19	6			
				1428	16	4
Cash, 5 month's salary to Local Inspector to 31st March . . . . .	..			166	13	4
Ditto, 6 month's salary to Physician and Surgeon . . . . .	..			400	0	0
Ditto, compensation to Officers of the late Sheriffs' Prison . . . . .	..			115	19	2
Ditto, superannuation to Officer of the late Smithfield Penitentiary . . . . .	..			10	16	8
Ditto, superannuation to Henry Finlay, late turnkey Newgate . . . . .	..			13	0	0
Ditto, amount of Advertisements for Contracts . . . . .	..			9	13	0
Ditto, lodged by Railway Company, for a portion of the Garden attached to Grangegorman Penitentiary, and transferred to the credit of the Treasurer . . . . .	..			96	3	9
<i>The DISCHARGE</i> . . . . .	..			3554	2	7
Balance in Bank 14th April . . . . .	..			404	7	9
<i>The CHARGE</i> . . . . .	..			3958	10	4

The TREASURER in Account with the BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENCE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Dr.</i>						
To amount of Presentments made at Michaelmas Term, 1845, for half year's salary to Local Inspector, Physician, and Surgeon	600	0	0			
Ditto alike, for the several uses of Newgate, as per Schedule thereof	1245	12	1			
Ditto alike, for Richmond Bridewell, as per ditto	2395	12	8			
Ditto alike, for Grangegorman Penitentiary, as per ditto	2238	13	10			
Ditto alike, for City Marshalsea, as per ditto	20	13	8			
Ditto, compensation allowance to Officers of the late Sheriffs' Prison	115	19	2			
Ditto, superaunuation allowance to George Cooke and Henry Finlay	23	16	8			
				6640	8	1
<i>Cr.</i>						
By Lodgment 16th February, 1846	245	12	1			
Ditto 2d March, "	395	12	8			
Ditto 7th " "	115	19	2			
Ditto 23d " "	5	0	0			
Ditto 6th April, "	500	0	0			
Ditto 13th " "	1120	13	8			
				2877	17	7
Balance remaining to be lodged				3762	10	6

We have examined the foregoing Accounts, and find same correct in every particular, having compared the Vouchers with each item.

ROBERT H. KINAHAN,
JOSEPH BOYCE.

D. MARQUES,
Acting Secretary.

20th April, 1846.

ABSTRACT of the Expenditure of the City of Dublin Prisons, from Easter to Michaelmas Term, 1845, being 201 days.

PRISONS.	PROVISIONS.	FUEL.	SOAP AND CANDLES.	BEDDING.	CLOTHING.	SUNDRIES.	MEDICINES.	WORKS, &c.	SALARIES.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	Average CONFINED Daily.	COST OF EACH PRISONER.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
NEWGATE	230 5 10	54 13 3	14 7 11	18 2 9	3 0 5	89 10 4	21 4 9	0 0 0	622 1 3	1033 6 6	51½	20 1 3½
RICHMOND BRIDEWELL	*668 6 9	162 5 0	30 7 11	45 19 4	138 19 6	186 7 2	+60 0 0	42 4 5	891 13 4	2226 3 5	254	8 15 3½
GRANGEGORMAN Penitentiary.	820 13 8	107 13 6	36 8 7	47 7 8	77 17 6	124 15 8	±60 0 0	40 5 0	665 5 0	1980 6 7	285	6 18 11½
CITY MARSHALSEA	50 11 6	4 8 6	0 0 0	8 11 0	0 0 0	0 16 5	\$ 0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	64 7 5	8½	7 11 5½
	1769 17 9	309 0 3	81 4 5	120 0 9	219 17 5	401 9 7	141 4 9	82 9 5	2178 19 7	5304 3 11	599	8 17 1¼
	Salaries to Local Inspector, Physician, and Surgeon, £200 each								600 0 0			
	Ditto of 3 Chaplains to each of the first 3 Prisons, £360 yearly, presented at each Easter Term								360 0 0			
	Advertising for Proposals for supply of the above Prisons								8 19 6	968 19 6		
	Compensation allowance to Officers of the late Sheriffs' Prison .....								..	6273 3 5	599	10 9 5¼
	Superannuation ditto to George Cooke, officer of late Smithfield Penitentiary .....								..	115 19 2		
	Disbursed .....								..	10 16 8		
	N.B. The average confined daily are, exclusive of Drunkards, in Richmond Bridewell, 6½, and in Grangegorman, 11½, as also 12 Children in the latter Prison, which were dieted daily.								..	6399 19 3		
	*Exclusive of £83 4 6. excess on Presentment for Meat remaining due, } .....								..	161 6 7		
	+ Ditto £47 8 1. ditto ditto Medicines ditto } .....								..
	± Ditto £18 16 10. ditto ditto ditto ditto } .....								..
	\$ Ditto £11 17 2. ditto ditto ditto ditto } .....								..
	Gross Expenditure .....								..	£6561 5 10		

DIET OF THE SEVERAL PRISONS, AND COST THEREOF.

NEWGATE, ... 1lb. Bread and one Pint Newmilk for Breakfast, and same for Dinner.... Cost per day, 3¼d.—per year, £5 6 5½

RICHMOND } ½lb. Bread, 2ozs. Oatmeal, a Naggin Newmilk, for Breakfast on Sundays.....
BRIDEWELL, { 7ozs. Oatmeal and one Pint Buttermilk, for ditto on each week day } „ 3¼d. „ £4 11 3
 { 3lb. Potatoes and 1oz. Oatmeal, 1qt. Ox-head Soup, 4 days in the week for Dinner
 { 3lb. Potatoes and one Pint Buttermilk, 3 days ditto ditto

N.B.—One Ox-head makes Soup for 20 persons.

GRANGE- { 8ozs. Oatmeal in Stirabout, } BREAKFAST, }
GORMAN { 1 Pint Newmilk, . . . }, }
PENITEN- { 4lbs. Potatoes, and . . . } DINNER, . . }
TIARY, { 1 Pint Buttermilk, . . . }

N.B.—Bread and Newmilk is the diet given to the Sick, and to most of the Lunatics, in each Prison, and also Meat to such as the Medical Officers order to get it.

PRICES OF PROVISIONS CONTRACTED FOR AT EASTER TERM.

Bread for all the Prisons, per 2lb. Loaf	s. d.	0 2 11-16ths.
Oatmeal for do. per Cwt.	12 9	
Potatoes for do. „	3 1	
Newmilk for do. per Gallon.....	0 4½	
Buttermilk for do. „	0 2	
Ox-heads do. each.....	0 10	
Salt do. per cwt.....	1 11	
Coal do. per ton.....	14 9	
Straw do. per cwt.....	1 11½	
Blankets do. per lb.	1 6½	
Rugs do. each.....	2 4	
Ticks do. „	3 0	
Linon do. per yard	0 5½	
Linsay do. „	0 10	
Corduroy do. „	0 8½	

