

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

13. Is there a Chapel in the Prison, or suitable Apartment for the performance of Religious Services? How are the Prisoners separated therein?

13. No. The Guard Room, or Office, are the only Rooms available. ~~Some~~ the Prisoners cannot be separated. Females cannot be present at the same time as the male prisoners.

14. What Duties are performed by the Chaplain? What provision is made for the Instruction of the Prisoners; and are they supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books?

14. The Protestant Chaplain reads the Evening Church Service and a Lecture every Sunday (but one) in the Month. The Catholic Chaplain does not attend, at any regular or stated times. No further provision is made for the Instruction of Prisoners. They are supplied with Bibles, Prayer Books &c. but Clergy of all denominations are admitted without restriction on Seasonable Terms.

15. Are Dissenting Ministers allowed to have access to the Prisoners; and if so, at what times, and under what restrictions?

15. Provided for by Rule 52 of Prison Regulations. ~~no application however has been made.~~ answered in Sec 14.

16. What Duties are performed by the Surgeon? Are separate Buildings or Apartments provided for the Sick?

16. The Surgeon usually visits the Prison, about 3 times a week, and daily if required, or there are any Sick. No separate Apartments are provided for Sick, they are of necessity confined to their Ward, amongst the other Prisoners.

17. What diseases have been most prevalent during the Year (in reference to Columns 10 and 11, Return No. 1)?

17. Prevalent Diseases are Brain and Nerves, Respiratory Organs, Alimentary Canal, Venereal &c.

18. Reasons for non-employment of Prisoners (in reference to Column 8)?

18. Prisoners unemployed (Column 8) are Lunatics, Prisoners awaiting trial, Invalids and Crippled or sentenced to Solitary Confinement, &c.

Charles Davis
Sheriff

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

19. Reasons for Punishments by Whipping, Irons, Solitary Confinement, or otherwise?

19. The Prisoner confined in Irons, was for threatening the officers, after having made his escape, and general misconduct; he had since been removed to the Gaol at Melbourne: others for more trifling offences, breaches of Prison Discipline. No Whipping is allowed.

20. Is there any Insane Person in confinement? State his or her Name and Age, and for what offence committed? How long has he or she been in confinement; and is such Person separated from the other Prisoners?

20. None.

21. Are any, and what fees demanded of Debtors, or of any other Prisoners, either at their admission to or discharge from the Gaol?

21. None.

22. General Observations.

22. This Gaol is quite sufficient for the ordinary demands upon it, but on some occasions during the past year it was very much crowded.
Charles Davis
Sheriff

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VICTORIA.

RETURN of DISEASES which have been most prevalent in *H. M. Gaol at Portland* during the year 1855.

No.	Brain and Nerves	Circulatory Organs.	Respiratory Organs	Alimentary Canal.	Urinary Organs.	Hepatic	Eyes.	Skin.	Cellular Texture.	Children.	Fevers.	Rheumatic.	Dropsy.	Veneral.	Scorbutic.	Uterine Organs.	Ulcers.	Pregnancy and Parturition.	Wounds and Accidents.	Cancer.	Casualties.	No.	No.	Total No. of Cases tried.
8	"	8	15	"	"	"	1	2	1	"	"	5	"	7	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	1	55
																								<i>Books</i>

Wm. Smith M.D.
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GAOLS AND PRISONERS.

No 14

— *Main Depot Pentridge* —

1855

RETURN of the GAOLS and HOUSES of CORRECTION, and of the Number

NAME OF THE PRISON, AND WHERE SITUATED.	1. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing in separate Cells.	2. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing, where more than one Prisoner sleeps in one Cell.	3. Number of Prisoners							
			Felons.							
			Tried.				Untried.			
			Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
<i>Main Depot at Penbridge</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>419</i>	<i>379</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	
TOTALS	<i>7</i>	<i>419</i>	<i>379</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	

of PRISONERS confined therein for the Year ending *31st December* 1855.

<i>on 31st December 1855</i>												4. Total Number of Prisoners in Confinement at <i>Michaelmas, 1855</i> <i>on 31st Decr 1855</i>				5. Greatest Number of Prisoners in Confinement at any one time in the Year.			
Misdemeanors.								Debtors.											
Tried.				Untried.															
Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.					
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
<i>48</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>427</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>428</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>48</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>427</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>428</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>"</i>

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

1. General Description of the Prison; whether Common Gaol, House of Correction, or otherwise? (To be accompanied by a Ground Plan of the Buildings, &c.)
Penal Stockade or House of Correction (House of Correction) the Buildings are partly of wood and partly of Stone.
2. Under whose jurisdiction and superintendence; and what measures are adopted for securing the Visitation of the Prison by the Local Magistrates or other Authorities? (A Copy of the Rules and Regulations to be forwarded with the Return.)
*Under the jurisdiction of the Inspector General of Penal Establishments and the superintendence of a Supt. and other officers, a visiting Justice regularly attends weekly, and any other officers of Government or local Magistrate is allowed access at any time—
~~A copy of the Rules appended~~*
3. Number of Officers, and how appointed? Do all the Officers reside in the Prison? Are Female Prisoners attended by Female Officers exclusively?
Twelve Officers appointed by the Governor six of whom reside in the prison and 50 Warders, all of whom also reside in the prison. Is an Establishment for males only.
4. Number of Classes, Divisions or Wards, Day-rooms, Work-rooms, and Airing-yards (with reference to Plan); and whether the same can be extended or increased?
Two divisions, one containing six and the other seven wards. Two day or mess rooms and four work rooms, and extensions are now in progress to the extent afforded in accommodation for 1200 prisoners.
5. Number of Sleeping-cells, Solitary or Dark-cells, &c.; and if any are below ground?
Seven wooden solitary cells, none below ground.

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

6. Dietary or Weekly Allowance, and Weekly Cost per head for the different descriptions of Prisoners? And under what system and control the Food, Medicine, and Clothing for the Prisoners is contracted for, or otherwise provided?
*Full Labor. 4lbs Bread. 4lbs Meat. 4lbs Potatoes
3 1/2 lbs Maize Meal. 4oz. sugar. 3/4 Oz. soap. 1 3/4 oz Salt at 1/4 3/4 each per week
Sick. Half the above ration
Solitary. 1 lb Bread. Cost 2/6
Contracted for yearly under the Colonials
Shoekeeper*
7. Allowance of Clothing and Bedding, and Cost per head?
*1 Gray Jacket. 1 1/2 Gray Trowsers. 1 Gray Cap
2 Buck Trowsers. 1 duck Stock. 1 Straw Hat
2 pair Boots and 2 shirts Yearly
The Bedding consists of 2 Blankets and 1 Rug
at an average cost of £3. 8.0 per head*
8. Hours of Labor and Exercise?
From 5 A.M. to 6 P.M. in summer allowing from 8 to 9 and from 1 to 2 for meals, and from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. in winter allowing from 12 to 1 for dinner
9. Description of Employment, and Hard Labor?
Quarrying Stone, breaking, Carving, and Mechanical labor. Such as Blacksmiths, Carpenters, Masons, Sailors, Shoemakers, &c.
10. Amount of Earnings, and how applied; in what proportion to the Prisoners, to the Officers, or the Fund for the Maintenance of the Prison?
The value of the labor performed has been estimated at £23,427. 10. 6 but the actual pecuniary return afforded amounts to £96,711 which has been paid into the Colonial Treasury.
11. Whether the Classification directed by the Colonial Act has been observed: if not, for what reasons; and what measures have been taken to remedy this defect?
There is no Colonial Act directing any particular classification, but the second convicted men are lodged separate from those primarily convicted
12. Are convicted Prisoners prohibited from receiving Visits or Letters, or any articles of Food or Clothing from their Relatives or Friends: if not, under what restrictions?
They are permitted to receive visits quarterly in the presence of an officer, and to write quarterly and receive letters at any time after having been examined. They are not allowed to receive any article of food or clothing except flannels, which after being examined and branded with the prisoners register number, they are permitted to wear

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

13. Is there a Chapel in the Prison, or suitable Apartment for the performance of Religious Services? How are the Prisoners separated therein?

There is not a Chapel. Service is performed in the mess or day rooms Protestant in one and Roman Catholic in the other. The Prisoners are not separated therein, but are under supervision during service.

14. What Duties are performed by the Chaplain? What provision is made for the Instruction of the Prisoners; and are they supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books?

Divine service every Sunday, and Religious instruction once during the week. The Prisoners are supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books. Bibles &c.

15. Are Dissenting Ministers allowed to have access to the Prisoners; and if so, at what times, and under what restrictions?

Yes, at any time when the Prisoners are not at labor. A Roman Catholic Clergyman attends weekly, but Ministers of other Denominations rarely visit.

16. What Duties are performed by the Surgeon? Are separate Buildings or Apartments provided for the Sick?

Visiting and prescribing for the Sick two or three times weekly. The Sick occupy one of the ordinary sleeping Wards, but wards are in progress for the erection of a Hospital. There is a Resident Dispensary at this Station who has charge of and dispenses medicine for the Prisoners.

17. What diseases have been most prevalent during the Year (in reference to Columns 10 and 11, Return No. 1)?

Ophthalmia and diseases of the Ophthalmic Canal. The difference in the No of cases shown by this Return and that of the Medical Officer attached is occasioned by slight cases being included herein which have not been treated by the Surgeon.

18. Reasons for non-employment of Prisoners (in reference to Column 8)?

Sundays, Holidays, Weddays, Sick, & while under punishment.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

19. Reasons for Punishments by Whipping, Irons, Solitary Confinement, or otherwise?

The Sentences are passed by a Visiting Justice, for Absconding, Idleness, and other breaches of the Regulations, and who in his discretion awards such description of Punishment as he deems most likely to operate beneficially on the Prisoners. No Whippings have been inflicted.

20. Is there any Insane Person in confinement? State his or her Name and Age, and for what offence committed? How long has he or she been in confinement; and is such Person separated from the other Prisoners?

There are not any insane persons.

21. Are any, and what fees demanded of Debtors, or of any other Prisoners, either at their admission to or discharge from the Gaol?

None.

22. General Observations.

During the Year accommodation for 90 Prisoners has been added to the Establishment, and many other improvements effected therein. The general health and conduct of the Prisoners has been good. The Officers are efficient and the Establishment generally is in a satisfactory state.

*John King
Inspector General, &c.*

VICTORIA.

RETURN of DISEASES which have been most prevalent in the Penal Stockade at Pentridge, during the year 1855.

Brain and Nerves	No.	7
Circulatory Organs.	No.	3
Respiratory Organs	No.	14
Alimentary Canal.	No.	90
Urinary Organs	No.	2
Hepatic	No.	2
Eyes.	No.	178
Skin.	No.	—
Cellular Texture.	No.	674
Children.	No.	—
Fevers.	No.	3
Rheumatic.	No.	31
Dropsy.	No.	—
Veneral.	No.	1
Scorbutic.	No.	7
Uterine Organs.	No.	—
Ulcers.	No.	16
Pregnancy and Parturition.	No.	—
Wounds and Accidents.	No.	25
Cancer.	No.	—
Casualties.	No.	—
Delirium.	No.	1
Total No. of Cases tried.	No.	433

W. Morrice
Chief medical officer.

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GAOLS AND PRISONERS.

Collingwood Stockade

1855

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225
281

916
212
781
621
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RETURN of the GAOLS and HOUSES of CORRECTION, and of the Number

NAME OF THE PRISON, AND WHERE SITUATED.	1. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing in separate Cells.	2. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing, where more than one Prisoner sleeps in one Cell.	3. Number of Prisoners							
			Felons.							
			Tried.				Untried.			
			Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Collingwood Stockade	11	298	243	2						
TOTALS	11	298	243	2						

of PRISONERS confined therein for the Year ending *31 December* 1855.

<i>on 31 December</i> in Confinement at Michaelmas, 1855												4. Total Number of Prisoners in Confinement at Michaelmas, 1855. <i>on 31 December</i>				5. Greatest Number of Prisoners in Confinement at any one time in the Year.			
Misdemeanors.						Debtors.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.					
Tried.			Untried.			Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.			
Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.	Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.	Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.	Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.	Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.	Blacks or Colored Persons.				
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
22						3						295		5		304		4	
TOTALS						3						295		5		304		4	

RETURN of the GAOLS and

HOUSES of CORRECTION, &c.—continued.

NAME OF THE PRISON, AND WHERE SITUATED.	6. Total Number of Prisoners committed in the course of the Year.								7. Number of Prisoners who have been committed before.						8. Number of Prisoners of the Year.				9. Punishment for Offences within the Prison during the Year.								10. Cases of Sickness.						11. Deaths during the Year.					
	Whites.				Blacks or Colored Persons.				Once.		Twice.		Three Times or more.		At Hard Labor in the Prison.		At Hard Labor out of the Prison.		Employed in the course of the Year.		Whipping.		Irons.		Solitary Confinement.		Other Punishments.		Greatest Number of Sick at one time.		Total Cases of Sickness during the Year.				Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
	Number under 18 years of age.		Number who cannot read.		Number under 18 years of age.		Number who cannot read.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Collingwood Dockyard	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	12,000	25,450	"	"	34	95	120	21	1	"	533	6	1	"	"	"					
TOTALS	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	12,000	25,450	"	"	34	95	120	21	1	"	533	6	1	"	"	"					

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

1. General Description of the Prison; whether Common Gaol, House of Correction, or otherwise? (To be accompanied by a Ground Plan of the Buildings, &c.)
*A Penal Establishment & House of Correction, The Buildings are entirely of Wood.
(A Ground Plan annexed)*
2. Under whose jurisdiction and superintendence; and what measures are adopted for securing the Visitation of the Prison by the Local Magistrates or other Authorities? (A Copy of the Rules and Regulations to be forwarded with the Return.)
*Under the Jurisdiction of the Inspector General of Penal Establishments and Superintendence of a Superintendent and other Officers, A Visiting Justice attends at least 4 times each month, and the local Magistrates and other authorized persons have access when desired.
The Regulations are similar to those appended to the Penitentiary Return.*
3. Number of Officers, and how appointed? Do all the Officers reside in the Prison? Are Female Prisoners attended by Female Officers exclusively?
*1 Superintendent, 1 Chief Warden, 3 Overseers of Labor, & Clerk appointed by the Governor.
2 Assistant & 20 ordinary Warders appointed by the Inspector General.
All the above reside on the Station except the Overseers.
There are no Female prisoners at this Establishment.*
4. Number of Classes, Divisions or Wards, Day-rooms, Work-rooms, and Airing-yards (with reference to Plan); and whether the same can be extended or increased?
*11 Sleeping Wards, 1 Mess room, 1 large airing yard within the Stockade.
The accommodation could be increased if found necessary.*
5. Number of Sleeping-cells, Solitary or Dark-cells, &c.; and if any are below ground?
There are not any regular sleeping cells, but 11 Solitary Cells, none dark or below ground.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

6. Dietary or Weekly Allowance, and Weekly Cost per head for the different descriptions of Prisoners? And under what system and control the Food, Medicine, and Clothing for the Prisoners is contracted for, or otherwise provided?
*Full Ration, 4 lbs. Bread, 4 lbs. Meat, 4 lbs. Potatoes
3 1/2 lbs. Maize Meal, 1 lb. Sugar, 3/4 lb. Soap, 1/4 lb. Salt. at 1/8 each per week
Sick. Half the above ration.
Solitary 4 lb Bread. Cost 3/6
Contracted for Annually under the Colonial Storekeepers.*
7. Allowance of Clothing and Bedding, and Cost per head?
*1 Grey Jacket, 1 Grey Trowsers, 1 Grey Cap
2 duck Trowsers, 1 Duck Stock, 1 Straw hat
2 pair of Boots, and 2 Shirts yearly.
The Bedding consists of 2 Blankets & 1 Rug
Average cost of £3.8.0 per head*
8. Hours of Labor and Exercise?
*Longest day Hours of Labor 11 1/4
Shortest " " " 4 1/4*
9. Description of Employment, and Hard Labor?
*Laborers. Quarrying and Stonebreaking—
Mechanics keeping Station & Implements in repair, Shoemakers and Tailors repairing Prisoners Boots & Clothes.*
10. Amount of Earnings, and how applied; in what proportion to the Prisoners, to the Officers, or the Fund for the Maintenance of the Prison?
The actual pecuniary Return afforded has been £152.13.9 this sum has been paid into the Colonial Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue, and the estimated value of the work performed is £999.1.8.0
11. Whether the Classification directed by the Colonial Act has been observed: if not, for what reasons; and what measures have been taken to remedy this defect?
There is not any Classification directed by Colonial Act, but the primary and secondly convicted prisoners are separated as far as practicable
12. Are convicted Prisoners prohibited from receiving Visits or Letters, or any articles of Food or Clothing from their Relatives or Friends: if not, under what restrictions?
Convicted prisoners can only receive Visits, Letters, or Articles of Clothing from their Relatives or friends by permission of the Inspector General of Penal Establishments, and the letters are first read by the Superintendent, the visits are also made in the presence of a Constable. The only Articles of Clothing permitted are flannels.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

13. Is there a Chapel in the Prison, or suitable Apartment for the performance of Religious Services? How are the Prisoners separated therein?

There is no Chapel in the Gaol, but religious services are performed in the Mess Room, and prayers are read to the prisoners morning and evening by the Station Officer. The Prisoners are under supervision but are not separated during the performance of Religious Services.

14. What Duties are performed by the Chaplain? What provision is made for the Instruction of the Prisoners; and are they supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books?

There is no Chaplain belonging to the Establishment, but a Clergyman of the Church of England generally attends on Sunday. The prisoners are supplied with Bibles and other suitable books.

15. Are Dissenting Ministers allowed to have access to the Prisoners; and if so, at what times, and under what restrictions?

Dissenting Ministers are allowed access to the Prisoners. A Presbyterian Clergyman holds divine service once a fortnight. Other Denominations seldom attend.

16. What Duties are performed by the Surgeon? Are separate Buildings or Apartments provided for the Sick?

The Surgeon visits regularly twice a week and whenever any disease requires his particular attending. There is a separate ward for the sick.

17. What diseases have been most prevalent during the Year (in reference to Columns 10 and 11, Return No. 1)?

Ophthalmia, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Diarrhoea and dysentery.

The difference in his return in this Return and that of the Medical Officer is in consequence of some minor cases not coming under his notice.

18. Reasons for non-employment of Prisoners (in reference to Column 8)?

Sundays, Holidays, Prisoners Sick and Exempt, Solitary Confinement, also the days on which they are received and discharged.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

19. Reasons for Punishments by Whipping, Irons, Solitary Confinement, or otherwise?

Whipping is not resorted to. Sentences to Solitary Confinement, and hard labor with or without irons are inflicted by the Visiting Justice as he may deem most desirable for misconduct or Breach of the Regulations.

20. Is there any Insane Person in confinement? State his or her Name and Age, and for what offence committed? How long has he or she been in confinement; and is such Person separated from the other Prisoners?

There is no insane person confined in this Establishment.

21. Are any, and what fees demanded of Debtors, or of any other Prisoners, either at their admission to or discharge from the Gaol?

None.

22. General Observations.

The Health and conduct of the prisoners has on the whole been good, the Officers are efficient, a reasonable quantity of labor has been performed, and the general discipline and management of the Establishment is satisfactory.

*J. W. P. J. G.
Inspector General &c.*

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VICTORIA.

RETURN of DISEASES which have been most prevalent in the *Penal Stockade at Collingwood* during the year 1855.

	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Total No. of Cases tried.	
Brain and Nerves.	4																		483
Circulatory Organs.	4																		7
Respiratory Organs.	40																		1
Alimentary Canal.	236																		-
Urinary Organs.	8																		-
Hepatic.	1																		-
Eyes.	58																		-
Skin.	1																		-
Cellular Texture.	27																		13
Children.	-																		-
Fevers.	10																		-
Rheumatic.	43																		-
Dropsy.	-																		-
Veneral.	-																		-
Scorbutic.	12																		-
Uterine Organs.	-																		-
Ulcers.	18																		-
Pregnancy and Parturition.	-																		-
Wounds and Accidents.	13																		-
Cancer.	-																		-
Casualties.	-																		-

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M. Moore
Chief medical officer.

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GAOLS AND PRISONERS.

— Richmond Stockade —

— 1855 —

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

- | QUESTIONS. | ANSWERS. |
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| 1. General Description of the Prison; whether Common Gaol, House of Correction, or otherwise? (To be accompanied by a Ground Plan of the Buildings, &c.) | <i>Is a Wood and iron structure but as it is no longer occupied for Penal purposes, no plan or description is deemed necessary</i> |
| 2. Under whose jurisdiction and superintendence; and what measures are adopted for securing the Visitation of the Prison by the Local Magistrates or other Authorities? (A Copy of the Rules and Regulations to be forwarded with the Return.) | <i>While occupied was similar to the main depot.</i> |
| 3. Number of Officers, and how appointed? Do all the Officers reside in the Prison? Are Female Prisoners attended by Female Officers exclusively? | <i>Two Officers appointed by the Lieut. Governor and twelve subordinates by the Inspector General, all except two resided on the station—</i> |
| 4. Number of Classes, Divisions or Wards, Day-rooms, Work-rooms, and Airing-yards (with reference to Plan); and whether the same can be extended or increased? | <i>No. of Wards 2, Workshops 1 Airing Yards 1—</i> |
| 5. Number of Sleeping-cells, Solitary or Dark-cells, &c.; and if any are below ground? | <i>There are none.</i> |

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

- | QUESTIONS. | ANSWERS. |
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| 6. Dietary or Weekly Allowance, and Weekly Cost per head for the different descriptions of Prisoners? And under what system and control the Food, Medicine, and Clothing for the Prisoners is contracted for, or otherwise provided? | <i>While occupied was precisely similar to Pentridge</i> |
| 7. Allowance of Clothing and Bedding, and Cost per head? | <i>Was the same as at Pentridge</i> |
| 8. Hours of Labor and Exercise? | <i>Were similar to those at Pentridge</i> |
| 9. Description of Employment, and Hard Labor? | <i>Quarrying Stone and Breaking Metals</i> |
| 10. Amount of Earnings, and how applied; in what proportion to the Prisoners, to the Officers, or the Fund for the Maintenance of the Prison? | <i>Total value of Labor performed to 23rd March £365. 5. 0, actual pecuniary Return £225. 11. 5, which has been paid into the General Revenue.</i> |
| 11. Whether the Classification directed by the Colonial Act has been observed: if not, for what reasons; and what measures have been taken to remedy this defect? | <i>The prisoners were not classified</i> |
| 12. Are convicted Prisoners prohibited from receiving Visits or Letters, or any articles of Food or Clothing from their Relatives or Friends: if not, under what restrictions? | <i>They were under precisely similar Regulations as at Pentridge</i> |

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

13. Is there a Chapel in the Prison, or suitable Apartment for the performance of Religious Services? How are the Prisoners separated therein?

There was not any Chapel. Books were

14. What Duties are performed by the Chaplain? What provision is made for the Instruction of the Prisoners; and are they supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books?

Books were provided and a minister of Religion attended

15. Are Dissenting Ministers allowed to have access to the Prisoners; and if so, at what times, and under what restrictions?

None attended, but there were no restrictions

16. What Duties are performed by the Surgeon? Are separate Buildings or Apartments provided for the Sick?

Visited the Station twice a week and often if required

17. What diseases have been most prevalent during the Year (in reference to Columns 10 and 11, Return No. 1)?

of the Respiratory Organs and Alimentary Canals

18. Reasons for non-employment of Prisoners (in reference to Column 8)?

Sundays, Holidays, Wet days, Sicks &c

RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

19. Reasons for Punishments by Whipping, Irons, Solitary Confinement, or otherwise?

The sentences were passed by the Vestry Judge for breaches of the regulations or other misconduct and were such as he deemed most likely to be efficacious. No Whippings were inflicted

20. Is there any Insane Person in confinement? State his or her Name and Age, and for what offence committed? How long has he or she been in confinement; and is such Person separated from the other Prisoners?

None

21. Are any, and what fees demanded of Debtors, or of any other Prisoners, either at their admission to or discharge from the Gaol?

None

22. General Observations.

In consequence of the necessity for making reductions in the expenditure of the Department, the Stockade was abandoned and the prisoners transferred to the Dispensary in the month of March last.

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Richmond Stockade

RETURN of DISEASES which have been most prevalent in

during the year 1855.

Brain and Nerves.	No.	
Circulatory Organs.	No.	
Respiratory Organs.	No.	5
Alimentary Canal.	No.	3
Urinary Organs.	No.	
Hepatic.	No.	
Eyes.	No.	1
Skin.	No.	
Cellular Texture.	No.	1
Children.	No.	
Fevers.	No.	
Rheumatic.	No.	
Dropsy.	No.	
Veneral.	No.	
Scorbutic.	No.	
Uterine Organs.	No.	
Ulcers.	No.	
Pregnancy and Parturition.	No.	
Wounds and Accidents.	No.	1
Cancer.	No.	
Casualties.	No.	
No.	No.	
Total No. of Cases tried.	No.	11

Wm. Moore
Chief Medical Officer

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GAOLS AND PRISONERS.

Martin Stockade

1855

RETURN of the GAOLS and HOUSES of CORRECTION, and of the Number

NAME OF THE PRISON, AND WHERE SITUATED.	1. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing in separate Cells.	2. Number of Prisoners the Prison is capable of containing, where more than one Prisoner sleeps in one Cell.	3. Number of Prisoners							
			Felons.							
			Tried.				Untried.			
			Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.			
<i>Marine Stochado at Williamstown</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>142</i>								
TOTALS	<i>14</i>	<i>142</i>								

of PRISONERS confined therein for the Year ending *31st December* 1855.

<i>on 31st December</i> in Confinement at Michaelmas , 1855												4. Total Number of Prisoners in Confinement at Michaelmas , 1855. <i>on 31st Decr</i>				5. Greatest Number of Prisoners in Confinement at any one time in the Year.			
Misdemeanors.						Debtors.													
Tried.			Untried.			Tried.			Untried.			Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.		
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
																<i>128</i>	<i>1</i>		
																<i>128</i>	<i>1</i>		

RETURN of the GAOLS and

HOUSES of CORRECTION, &c.—continued.

NAME OF THE PRISON, AND WHERE SITUATED.	6. Total Number of Prisoners committed in the course of the Year.								7. Number of Prisoners who have been committed before.						8. Number of Prisoners of the Year.				9. Punishment for Offences within the Prison during the Year.								10. Cases of Sickness.								11. Deaths during the Year.					
	Whites.				Blacks or Colored Persons.				Once.		Twice.		Three Times or more.		At Hard Labor in the Prison.		At Hard Labor out of the Prison.		Employed in the course of the Year.		Whipping.		Irons.		Solitary Confinement.		Other Punishments.		Greatest Number of Sick at one time.				Total Cases of Sickness during the Year.				Whites.		Blacks or Colored Persons.	
	Number under 18 years of age.		Number who cannot read.		Number under 18 years of age.		Number who cannot read.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
<i>Marine Schoole</i>	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1107	1261	229	3165	"	"	8	20	24	24	1	84	1	1	"	"	"	"	"	"						
<i>Williams Town</i>																																								
TOTALS	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1107	1261	229	3165	"	"	8	20	24	24	1	84	1	1	"	"	"	"								

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

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| 1. General Description of the Prison; whether Common Gaol, House of Correction, or otherwise? (To be accompanied by a Ground Plan of the Buildings, &c.) | <i>House of Correction and Penal Establishment.
As this Station is not now occupied no further description is deemed necessary.</i> |
| 2. Under whose jurisdiction and superintendence; and what measures are adopted for securing the Visitation of the Prison by the Local Magistrates or other Authorities? (A Copy of the Rules and Regulations to be forwarded with the Return.) | <i>Precisely similar to the main depot.</i> |
| 3. Number of Officers, and how appointed? Do all the Officers reside in the Prison? Are Female Prisoners attended by Female Officers exclusively? | <i>Four appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and the Subordinates by the Inspector General, who all reside on the station.</i> |
| 4. Number of Classes, Divisions or Wards, Day-rooms, Work-rooms, and Airing-yards (with reference to Plan); and whether the same can be extended or increased? | <i>Ten Wards, 1 Messroom, 4 Solitary Cells and three airing and work yards.</i> |
| 5. Number of Sleeping-cells, Solitary or Dark-cells, &c.; and if any are below ground? | <i>Solitary Cells 4. No sleeping dark or underground cells.</i> |

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

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| 6. Dietary or Weekly Allowance, and Weekly Cost per head for the different descriptions of Prisoners? And under what system and control the Food, Medicine, and Clothing for the Prisoners is contracted for, or otherwise provided? | <i>Similar to Pentridge Station</i> |
| 7. Allowance of Clothing and Bedding, and Cost per head? | <i>The same as at Pentridge</i> |
| 8. Hours of Labor and Exercise? | <i>Similar to those at Pentridge</i> |
| 9. Description of Employment, and Hard Labor? | <i>Forming Streets of Williamsburg, Quarrying and breaking stone for same.</i> |
| 10. Amount of Earnings, and how applied; in what proportion to the Prisoners, to the Officers, or the Fund for the Maintenance of the Prison? | <i>The actual pecuniary Return afforded during the three month the station was occupied was £9.2.3 which has been paid into the Treasury. The total value of work performed is estimated at £503.7.5</i> |
| 11. Whether the Classification directed by the Colonial Act has been observed: if not, for what reasons; and what measures have been taken to remedy this defect? | <i>The primary and secondly convicted prisoners were separated, no other classification was carried out.</i> |
| 12. Are convicted Prisoners prohibited from receiving Visits or Letters, or any articles of Food or Clothing from their Relatives or Friends: if not, under what restrictions? | <i>Under similar Regulations as at Pentridge</i> |

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

13. Is there a Chapel in the Prison, or suitable Apartment for the performance of Religious Services? How are the Prisoners separated therein?

There was not a chapel, but Divine Service was performed in the Mess Room

14. What Duties are performed by the Chaplain? What provision is made for the Instruction of the Prisoners; and are they supplied with Bibles and other suitable Books?

Performed Divine Service on Saturday and Sunday, Books were provided

15. Are Dissenting Ministers allowed to have access to the Prisoners; and if so, at what times, and under what restrictions?

There were no restrictions but dissenting Ministers rarely attended

16. What Duties are performed by the Surgeon? Are separate Buildings or Apartments provided for the Sick?

Visited the Establishment whenever necessary

17. What diseases have been most prevalent during the Year (in reference to Columns 10 and 11, Return No. 1)?

Diseases of the Respiratory Organs and Alimentary Canal

18. Reasons for non-employment of Prisoners (in reference to Column 8)?

Sundays, Holidays, Wet dupst. Sick, Solitary Confinement, &c

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RETURN of the GAOLS, &c.—continued.

QUESTIONS.

ANSWERS.

19. Reasons for Punishments by Whipping, Irons, Solitary Confinement, or otherwise?

The Punishments are inflicted by a Vestry Justice for Absconding, Idleness, and other Breaches of the Regulations, who in his discretion awards such description of Punishment as he deems most likely to operate beneficially on the Prisoner. No Whippings have been inflicted

20. Is there any Insane Person in confinement? State his or her Name and Age, and for what offence committed? How long has he or she been in confinement; and is such Person separated from the other Prisoners?

File

21. Are any, and what fees demanded of Debtors, or of any other Prisoners, either at their admission to or discharge from the Gaol?

File

22. General Observations.

To carry out necessary reductions in the expenditure of the Department this Station was abandoned in the month of March and the Prisoners transferred to the Guild Dispensary

*John Price
Inspector General &c.*