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PRISON ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, }
No. 65 BIBLE HOUSE. }

To the Honorable the President of the Senate:

SIR.—In accordance with chapter 163 of the Laws of 1846, we have the honor to present herewith the Forty-second Annual Report of the Prison Association of New York, and respectfully to request that you will lay the same before the Legislature.

NEW YORK, *May* 19, 1887.

Respectfully yours,

THEODORE W. DWIGHT,

Wm. M. F. ROUND,

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Corresponding Secretary.

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Suffolk County: Residence, Riverhead—N. W. Foster, Dr. R. H. Benjamin, Thomas Cook, G. O. Wells.

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Wayne County: Residence, Lyons—John L. Cole, Wm. Van Master, Charles Ennis; residence, Palmyra—Isaac C. Bronson, Dr. Samuel Ingraham, A. S. Niles, Mrs. Horace Eaton, George G. Jessup; residence, Arcadia—Rev. Park Burgess; residence, Walworth—Hon. Lucien T. Youmans.

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Yates County—Residence, Penn Yan—Myron Hamlin, Joseph F. Crosby, Wm. F. Van Tuyl, D. A. Ogden.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

From December 31, 1885, to December 31, 1886.

Dr.

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| Cash on hand December 31, 1885..... | \$5,018 39 |
| Donations..... | 4,657 22 |
| Elmira reformatory, for care of paroled men..... | 225 25 |
| Estate Samuel Willets, account bequest..... | 1,000 00 |
| Estate Jane Dugdale, bequest..... | 500 00 |
| Interest..... | 77 71 |
| | <u>\$11,478 57</u> |

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| Expense of agency in New York city, for discharged convicts and persons under arrest..... | \$2,412 67 |
| Expense of State organization, prison and jail inspections and general county work..... | 2,932 46 |
| Arrears of 1885..... | 200 00 |
| Cash balance in Mechanics' National Bank..... | 933 44 |
| Cash balance bequests, in U. S. Trust Company..... | 5,000 00 |
| | <u>\$11,478 57</u> |

DONATIONS.

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| R. Fulton Cutting..... | \$100 00 |
| Dean Sage..... | 100 00 |
| Robt. J. Livingstone..... | 100 00 |
| Miss L. P. Halsted..... | 20 00 |
| Adrian Iselin..... | 100 00 |
| Dr. T. Gaillard Thomas..... | 5 00 |
| Cornelius B. Gold..... | 100 00 |
| H. K. McHarg..... | 100 00 |
| Wendell Prime..... | 50 00 |
| Constant A. Andrews..... | 10 00 |
| Thomas Storm..... | 10 00 |
| Mrs. Jonathan Sturges..... | 10 00 |
| Wm. Cauldwell..... | 10 00 |
| Morris Taska..... | 5 00 |
| Intermediate class, Bethany Sunday school..... | 2 60 |
| Covenant Chapel..... | 8 34 |
| J. J. Astor..... | 100 00 |
| C. O. T., Chittenango, N. Y..... | 5 00 |
| Thomas S. Adams..... | 5 00 |
| Mrs. E. M. Gabriel, Adams, N. Y..... | 20 00 |
| Frank W. Ballard..... | 25 00 |
| W. P. Prentice..... | 15 00 |
| F. E. Heath..... | 25 00 |
| W. C. Darwin..... | 5 00 |
| G. L. Hassell..... | 5 00 |
| A. Mitchell..... | 5 00 |
| Oelrichs & Co..... | 25 00 |
| Chas. Watrons..... | 50 00 |
| Elliott F. Shepard..... | 100 00 |
| C. D. Wood..... | 100 00 |
| Robt. Lenox Belknap..... | 25 00 |
| "G," anonymous..... | 5 00 |
| Henry W. De Forest..... | 50 00 |
| Mrs. J. R. Swords..... | 5 00 |
| Henry C. Swords..... | 10 00 |

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| Miss. P. C. Swords..... | \$10 00 |
| Mrs. S. Lawrence..... | 5 00 |
| Theo. Holland..... | 5 00 |
| Bleecker Van Wageningen..... | 25 00 |
| Arthur W. Benson..... | 25 00 |
| Morris K. Jausp..... | 50 00 |
| Collection, St. Stephen's Church, Olean..... | 13 79 |
| Rev. F. H. Marling, D. D..... | 4 00 |
| Benj. Lord..... | 20 00 |
| Union meeting, Corning..... | 10 00 |
| Union meeting, Albion..... | 2 64 |
| Union meeting, Syracuse..... | 19 95 |
| Union meeting, Ogdensburg..... | 5 71 |
| Union meeting, Malone..... | 6 00 |
| Union meeting, Kingston..... | 27 47 |
| Archer V. Pancoast..... | 15 00 |
| Catherine L. Wolfe..... | 100 00 |
| J. W. Curtis..... | 100 00 |
| Richard A. McCurdy..... | 100 00 |
| Geo. E. Baker..... | 10 00 |
| Andrew C. Zabriskie..... | 10 00 |
| Sarah E. Lester..... | 10 00 |
| George G. Williams..... | 10 00 |
| A. J. Doncourt..... | 2 00 |
| Rev. W. G. T. Shedd..... | 5 00 |
| James I. Raymond..... | 25 00 |
| Theo. W. Dwight, LL. D..... | 50 00 |
| "F. S. W."..... | 5 00 |
| Ellen M. Nicholls..... | 1 00 |
| Thomas Whittaker..... | 5 00 |
| Emily Howland..... | 10 00 |
| William Alex. Smith..... | 10 00 |
| Thomas G. Shearman..... | 25 00 |
| Mrs. William B. Crocker..... | 10 00 |
| George Richards..... | 25 00 |
| Mrs. William E. Dodge..... | 10 00 |
| Frederick Baker..... | 20 00 |
| Mary Llewellyn Parsons..... | 5 00 |
| L. S. G..... | 1 00 |
| William J. Haddock..... | 5 00 |

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| Anonymous | \$10 00 |
| James F. Sutton | 50 00 |
| Cornelius Vanderbilt | 200 00 |
| Mrs. Helen L. Deas | 10 00 |
| C. H. Dodge | 10 00 |
| Warren C. Beach | 5 00 |
| R. H. L. Townsend | 5 00 |
| Mrs. R. L. Stuart | 50 00 |
| William Seward Webb | 100 00 |
| Mrs. Anna Woerishoffer | 550 00 |
| A. L. Case, Jr | 15 00 |
| Pomeroy Brothers | 10 00 |
| Oliver G. Barton | 5 00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. G. S. Fraser | 100 00 |
| Church of the Reformation, Brooklyn | 42 50 |
| "Anonymous," St. Andrews Church | 28 00 |
| Oswald Ottendorfer | 100 00 |
| H. M. Schieffelin | 25 00 |
| "Giver," Trinity Church, New Rochelle | 5 10 |
| Sinclair Tousey | 25 00 |
| J. W. Hamersley | 10 00 |
| Thomas McMullen | 5 00 |
| Rev. George L. Prentiss, D. D. | 5 00 |
| Thomas M. F. Raudolph | 10 00 |
| W. F. Van Tuyl, Bluff Point | 70 |
| St. John's Church, Yonkers | 2 00 |
| Rev. James Houghton | 5 00 |
| Rev. C. F. Swift, Smyrna | 5 00 |
| Rev. William F. Morgan, D. D. | 10 00 |
| John Jay | 10 00 |
| Henry Battermann | 10 00 |
| "A friend" | 5 00 |
| W. E. Chisholm | 100 00 |
| Levi P. Morton | 20 00 |
| James J. Goodwin | 20 00 |
| "J. B. C." In memoriam | 10 00 |
| S. T. Gordon | 10 00 |
| Dana C. Barbour | 10 00 |
| Henry Day | 10 00 |
| First Baptist Church of Pierrepont street, Brooklyn | 12 00 |

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| Miss Alice Keteltas | \$10 00 |
| Bowie Dash | 5 00 |
| Mrs. G. L. G. Shedd | 10 00 |
| Mrs. S. J. Gray | 5 00 |
| Walter Howe | 50 00 |
| W. R. H. | 5 00 |
| A. C. Bernheim | 10 00 |
| Michael Dunn | 8 00 |
| Jacob Schiff | 100 00 |
| Alfred Sully | 100 00 |
| William E. Dodge | 100 00 |
| Alexander Miller | 5 00 |
| C. H. Coster | 5 00 |
| Mrs. M. L. Ewen | 10 00 |
| John S. Kennedy | 100 00 |
| Throop Avenue Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn | 50 00 |
| Ulysses T. Eddy | 10 00 |
| John Taylor Johnston | 50 00 |
| William P. Howell | 5 00 |
| S. G. Goodrich | 5 00 |
| By the "N. Y. Tribune" | 5 00 |
| First Reformed Church, Kingston, Prisoners' Sunday, Centenary M. E. Church, Binghamton, Prisoners' Sunday | 18 28 |
| St. Michael's Church, New York City, Prisoners' Sunday | 7 27 |
| St James' Protestant Episcopal Church, New York City, Prisoners' Sunday | 89 54 |
| Church of the Incarnation, New York City, Prisoners' Sunday | 50 00 |
| Peristrome Presbyterian Church, Plattsburgh, Prisoners' Sunday | 20 00 |
| Rev. John C. Bliss | 20 00 |
| Berean Baptist Church, New York | 8 75 |
| A. S. Peet, Hudson, N. Y. | 4 00 |
| Presbyterian and M. E. Churches, Fair Haven | 3 26 |
| Church of the Intercession | 23 00 |
| Baptist Church, Carmel | 4 25 |
| Trinity Church, Plattsburgh | 5 25 |

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OTHER DONATIONS.

Jas. H. Seymour, clothing.
 A. S. Barnes & Co., stationery.
 Jas. D. Hague, clothing.
 A. N. Selter, clothing.
 Mrs. J. F. Dillon, clothing and \$1
 A. Troster, reading matter.
 Adams & Young, stationery.
 A. N. Kellogg, clothing.
 Mrs. Jona'n Thorne, Jr., clothing.
 George Munro, clothing.
 A. D. F. Randolph, books.
 Henry Holt & Co., books.
 Funk & Wagnalls, books.
 William Cauldwell, clothing.
 B. N. Loomis, clothing.
 Mr. Bradley, reading matter.
 Mrs. C. A. Andrews, clothing.
 C. L. Brace, reading matter.
 W. Harman Brown, clothing.
 Mrs. J. H. Newman, clothing.
 Mr. Newman, papers (German).
 W. D. Barbour, clothing.
 H. Lindemeyer, wrapping paper.
 Miss Arnold, clothing.
 W. M. F. Round, clothing.
 Geo. Marks, clothing.
 E. Salman, clothing.
 Miss E. M. Nichols, reading
 matter.
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 Brooklyn Daily Eagle, papers.
 W. F. Bruns, clothing.

W. M. F. Round, one hat.
 Mrs. J. F. Dillon, clothing.
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 Mrs. W. Crocker, reading matter.
 C. L. Tiffany, clothing.
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 Bertha McMurray, reading
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 Eugene Smith, clothing.
 Mrs. Wm. F. Vampelt, clothing.
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 W. Livingston, books.
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CHARTER OF THE PRISON ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PRISON ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK.

PASSED May 9, 1846, by a two-thirds vote.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. All such persons as are now or hereafter shall become members to the said association, pursuant to the Constitution thereof, shall and are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of "The Prison Association of New York," and by that name have the powers that, by the third title of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes, are declared to belong to every corporation; and shall be capable of purchasing, holding and conveying any estate, real or personal, for the use of said corporation; provided that such real estate shall never exceed the yearly value of ten thousand dollars, nor be applied to any other purpose than those for which the corporation is formed.

§ 2. The estate and concerns of said corporation shall be managed and conducted by its executive committee, in conformity to the Constitution of the said corporation; and the following articles that now form the Constitution of the association shall continue to be the fundamental laws and Constitution thereof, subject to alteration in the mode therein prescribed.

ARTICLE I.

The objects of the association shall be:

1. The amelioration of the condition of prisoners, whether detained for trial, or finally convicted, or as witnesses.
2. The improvement of prison discipline, and the government of prisons, whether for cities, counties or States.
3. The support and encouragement of reformed convicts after their discharge, by affording them the means of obtaining an honest livelihood, and sustaining them in their efforts at reform.

ARTICLE II.

The officers of the society shall be a president, vice-presidents, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, a treasurer and an executive committee. There shall be the following standing committees, viz.: A finance committee, a committee on detention, a committee on prison discipline, and a committee on discharged convicts. The number of the executive committee shall consist of not more than thirty-five, of whom not more than ten shall be officers of the society, and not more than twenty-five shall be persons other than officers.

ARTICLE III.

The officers named in the preceding article shall be *ex officio* members of the executive committee, who shall choose one of their number chairman thereof.

ARTICLE IV.

The executive committee shall meet once in each month, and keep regular minutes of their proceedings. They shall have a general superintendence and direction of the affairs of the society, and shall annually report to the society all their proceedings, and such other matters as shall be likely to advance the ends of the association.

ARTICLE V.

The society shall meet annually in the city of New York, at such time and place as the executive committee shall appoint, and at such other times as the president, or, in his absence, one of the vice-presidents shall designate.

ARTICLE VI.

Any person contributing annually to the funds of the association not less than five dollars shall, owing to such contribution, be a member thereof. A contribution of five hundred dollars shall constitute a life patron; a contribution of one hundred dollars shall constitute an honorary member of the association for life; and a contribution of fifty dollars shall constitute a member of the association for life. Honorary and corresponding members may, from time to time, be appointed by the executive committee.

ARTICLE VII.

A female department shall be formed, consisting of such females as shall be selected by the executive committee, who shall have

charge of the interest and welfare of prisoners of their sex, under such regulations as the executive committee shall adopt.

ARTICLE VIII.

The officers of the association shall be chosen annually, at the annual meeting, at which time such persons may be elected honorary members as shall have rendered essential service to the cause of prison discipline.

ARTICLE IX.

Any society having the same object in view may become auxiliary to this association by contributing to its funds and co-operating with it.

ARTICLE X.

The executive committee shall have power to add to any of the standing committees such persons as, in their opinion, may be likely to promote the objects of the society, and shall have power to fill any vacancy which may occur in any of the offices of the association, intermediate the annual meetings.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by a vote of the majority of the society, at any meeting thereof, provided notice of the amendment has been given at the next preceding meeting.

The officers selected for the current year, under the Constitution, shall continue to be the officers thereof until others shall be duly chosen in their places.

And it is hereby further enacted that no manager of said society shall receive compensation for his services.

§ 3. The said executive committee shall have power to establish a work-house in the county of New York, and, in their discretion, to receive and take into the said work-house all such persons as shall be taken up and committed as vagrants or disorderly persons in said city, as the court of general sessions of the peace, or the court of special sessions, or the court of oyer and terminer, in said county, or any police magistrate, or the commissioner of the almshouse, may deem proper objects; and the said executive committee shall have the same powers to keep, detain, employ and govern the said persons as are now by law conferred on the keepers of the bridewell or penitentiary in said city.

§ 4. The said executive committee may, from time to time, make by-laws, ordinances and regulations relative to the management and disposition of the estate and concerns of said association, and the management, government, instruction, discipline and employment of the persons so as aforesaid committed to the said work-house, not contrary to law, as they may deem proper; and may appoint such officers, agents and servants as they may deem necessary to transact the business of the said association, and may designate their duties. And the said executive committee shall make an annual report to the Legislature and to the corporation of the city of New York of the number of persons received by them into the said work-house, the disposition which shall be made of them by instructing or employing them therein, the receipts and expenditures of said executive committee, and generally all such facts and particulars as may exhibit the operations of the said association.

§ 5. The said executive committee shall have power, during the minority of any of the persons so committed to the said work-house, to bind out the said persons so being minors, as aforesaid, as apprentices or servants, with their consent, during their minority, to such persons and at such places, to learn such proper trades and employments as, in their judgment, will be most conducive to the reformation and amendment and future benefit and advantage of such persons.

§ 6. The said executive committee, by such committees as they shall from time to time appoint, shall have power, and it shall be their duty to visit, inspect and examine all the prisons in the State, and annually report to the Legislature their state and condition, and all such other things in regard to them as may enable the Legislature to perfect their government and discipline. And to enable them to execute the powers and perform the duties hereby granted and imposed, they shall possess all the powers and authority that, by the twenty-fourth section of title first, chapter third, part fourth of the Revised Statutes, are invested in inspectors of county prisons; * and the duties of the keepers of each prison that they may examine shall be the same in relation to them as in the section aforesaid are imposed on the keepers of such prisons in relation to the inspectors thereof. *Provided*, That no such examination or inspection of any prison shall be made until an order for

* See section 24.

that purpose, to be granted by the chancellor of the State, or one of the judges of the supreme court, or by a vice-chancellor or circuit judge, or by the first judge of the county in which the prison to be examined shall be situate, shall first have been had and obtained, which order shall specify the name of the prison to be examined, the names of the persons, members of the said association, by whom the examination is to be made, and the time within which the same must be concluded.

STATE OF NEW YORK:

IN SENATE, *May 8, 1846.*

The bill having been read the third time, two-thirds of all the members elected to the Senate voting in favor thereof,
Resolved, That the bill do pass.

By order of the Senate,
A. GARDNER,
President.

STATE OF NEW YORK:

IN ASSEMBLY, *April 24, 1846.*

This bill having been read the third time, and two-thirds of all the members elected to the Assembly voting in favor thereof,
Resolved, That the bill do pass.

By order of the Assembly,
A. C. CRAIN,
Speaker.

Approved this 9th day of *May, 1846.*

SILAS WRIGHT.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
Secretary's Office. }

I have compared the preceding with an original law on file in this office, and do certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and the whole of said original.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed the seal of this office, at the city of Albany, the fifteenth day of *May*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

ARCH'D CAMPBELL,
Deputy Secretary of State.

[Revised Statutes, part IV, chap. 3, title 1.]

§ 24. * It shall be the duty of the keepers of each of the said prisons to admit the said inspectors, or any one of them, into every part of such prisons; to exhibit to them, on demand, all the books, papers, documents and accounts pertaining to the prison or to the detention of the persons confined therein, and to render them every facility in their power to enable them to discharge the duties above described. And for the purpose of obtaining the necessary information to enable them to make such report as is above required, the said inspectors shall have power to examine, on oath, to be administered by either of the said inspectors, any of the officers of the said prisons, and to converse with any of the prisoners confined therein, without the presence of the keepers thereof, or any of them.

* See section 20 in last revision.

BY-LAWS OF THE PRISON ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK.

I. There shall be a stated meeting of the executive committee on the fourth Thursday of each month, and special meetings shall be held on the requisition of the chairman or any three members of the executive committee. The call for a special meeting shall, in all cases, state the business to be transacted at said meeting.

II. At every meeting of the executive committee, five members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

III. The order of business at every stated meeting shall be as follows:

1. The reading and approval of the minutes of the last preceding meeting.
2. Report of the treasurer.
3. Reports from standing committees.
4. Report from the corresponding secretary.
5. Reports from special committees.
6. Report from the general agent.
7. Miscellaneous business.

At a special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that for which the said meeting was called.

IV. The chairman shall appoint all special committees; and no person nominated by him shall be excused, unless upon reasons satisfactory to the meeting.

V. The chairman shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal; and the rules of order shall be those embodied in Cushing's Manual, so far as they are applicable.

VI. There shall be four standing committees, namely: A committee on finance, a committee on detention, a committee on discharged convicts, and a committee on prison discipline.

VII. It shall be the duty of the finance committee:

1. To devise ways and means for obtaining the funds necessary to carry on the work of the association; and they may, at their discretion, employ an agent to collect the requisite funds.

2. To audit all bills against the association; and no bills shall be paid by the treasurer unless approved by the committee and countersigned by the chairman.

3. To audit and report upon the treasurer's accounts annually.

4. To invest and control the surplus moneys of the association, under the authority of the executive committee.

VIII. It shall be the duty of the committee on detention:

1. To inquire, as far as may be practicable or necessary, into the causes of commitment of persons in the prisons or houses of detention in the cities of New York and Brooklyn, and to adopt proper measures for procuring the discharge or providing for the defense of such as shall appear to be entitled thereto.

2. To visit frequently the prisons under their charge, and to endeavor to improve both the physical and moral condition of the prisoners in all suitable and practicable ways.

IX. It shall be the duty of the committee on discharged convicts:

1. To correspond with prison agents or superintendents relative to the character and trades of prisoners, and to ascertain, previous to the discharge of each prisoner, his feelings, views and capabilities, with a view to making the best arrangements for his future employment.

2. To keep a record of all persons who will employ discharged prisoners, and of their several occupations; to procure such employment for prisoners and applying therefor as seems best adapted to the capacity of each; to hold correspondence with employers; to keep a record of the conduct and prospects of those for whom places have been obtained, that they may be sustained and encouraged with the idea that a continued friendly interest is felt for him.

3. To secure suitable boarding places for discharged prisoners, where they will not be exposed to corrupting influences, taking care not to have more than one in a place, where it can be avoided.

4. To see that the prisoners are provided with suitable clothing, of a kind that will not attract particular attention.

X. It shall be the duty of the committee on prison discipline:

To give attention to the internal organization and management of prisons, embracing the physical and moral influences to be exerted on the prisoners during their confinement. This duty shall

be comprised under the following heads: Health, reformation, convict labor, administration and internal police, comparison of different prison systems, visitation of prisons and houses of reformation, and the whole subject of criminal law and penal justice.

XI. One or more agents may be appointed by the executive committee to assist the standing committees in the performance of their duty.

XII. The recording secretary of the association shall be the secretary of the executive committee; and it shall be his duty to keep the minutes of the proceedings of said committee, to record them in a book provided for that purpose, and to give due notice of all meetings of the committee.

XIII. The corresponding secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the executive committee and of each of the standing committees when required shall act as the general financial agent of the association, and shall report at each stated meeting of the committee.

XIV. The treasurer shall receive and safely keep all moneys belonging to the association; shall pay over the same as directed by the finance committee; shall report at each stated meeting of the executive committee, and shall give such security for the faithful discharge of his duty as that committee shall require.

XV. The president, chairman of the executive committee and corresponding secretary shall be members, *ex officio*, of all the standing committees.

XVI. No alteration shall be made in these by-laws, except upon notice of the proposed amendment, given at a previous meeting of the executive committee.

FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PRISON ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK.

The Prison Association of New York offers its forty-second annual report to the Legislature, asking attention to the following details, which do no more than indicate the scope of its work during the past year. It also adds, as it is required by law to do, several suggestions as to legislation, that seems desirable to promote the efficiency of penal and reformatory institutions.

INSPECTION.

The inspection of prisons, county jails and penitentiaries, has been thoroughly made, as heretofore, either by personal visitation by the corresponding secretary, or through the agency of its co-operative county committees. While the same general county jail system remains, there has been a notable improvement in many of the jail buildings; the new jail in Delaware county is built on a model approved by the association, the Rensselaer county jail, formerly one of the worst in the State has been remodeled in conformity with suggestions made in a former report. Systematic labor has been introduced with most favorable results into the jail at Utica and the jail at Goshen, built from designs approved by the association, has introduced the solitary cellular plan for the confinement of criminals. The entire jail system, however, remains an anomaly in penal procedure; the dominant political faction in the respective counties, still controls the jail which is a center of county patronage, and the shrievalty a base of political operations. The State permits the responsibility of caring for its law breakers to rest upon the sheriff, who is simply a county officer ineligible for re-election, and the shortness of whose term prevents his carrying out any scheme of reform that he might be inclined to put in force. The jails foster a class of vagrants, drunkards

and petty thieves, keep them in complete idleness, and continue them a burden to the community. The county penitentiaries under the same management as the jails, are subject to the same objections; though generally well administered, they do nothing to reduce the criminal class, and often become the seat of abuses that the State is powerless to remedy without difficult and special legislation. The evils arising from our county penal system are so grave, and so ineradicable while that system continues, that relief can only be looked for in a complete revolution; such a revolution must involve constitutional changes, and hence properly coming within the consideration and action of the Constitutional Convention which is to assemble shortly, and to which will be submitted by this association a comprehensive scheme designed to place the administration of penal and reformatory measures where the responsibility should rightly rest, namely, with the State authorities.

As it must necessarily be some years before such a scheme could be put in operation, even if approved by the people, the association repeats its suggestions of last year, as to limiting the price to be paid by the counties for the board of prisoners, and the insistence that jail prisoners shall be made to work the same number of hours daily as constitute a day's work of the honest laborer outside the prison. The result of such legislation, if properly enforced, would be to speedily reduce the jail population, and save to the community not less than half a million dollars annually, while at the same time prisoners would gain the habit of labor, and cease to regard the jail as a place designed rather for their comfort, than for their punishment and reformation.

It having been found in last year's inspection of jails that the records were not kept in conformity to law, a circular letter was sent to all the sheriffs in the State asking them to procure such record books as the statute prescribed. In most counties a compliance has been made with this request, and our jail records now have a value to the statistician and economist, such as they have never before possessed.

During the year just past the association has placed libraries in the jails of Broome, Greene, Jefferson and Orange counties, and made donation of books to libraries already existing in other counties.

These libraries are simply deposited by the association, and only in places where a guarantee can be secured that the books will be carefully cared for and judiciously loaned to prisoners. The books have been given by the friends of the association. The value of these libraries in replacing the "flash" literature that has heretofore found its way into jails is beyond estimate.

It would not be right to conclude this reference to our county work without heartily thanking our co-operative committees; they have rendered efficient and willing service, and many improvements in the county jails are due to their influence. The gratitude of the association is also due to the officials in charge of the county institutions for the uniform courtesy received at their hands.

THE ELMIRA REFORMATORY.

From its inception the Prison Association of New York has taken a warm interest in the welfare of the State Reformatory at Elmira. It has watched its development with great care, and no change has been made in its general scheme of management, but has met with the approval of the Prison Association. The reformatory is based upon principles recognized by penologists the world over as the only principles upon which men can be trained out of criminal habits and away from criminal associations. From its peculiar relation to the Reformatory, the Prison Association of New York has had an opportunity of verifying the claims that have been made by the administration of that institution. The application of the indefinite sentence, the mark system, the system of conditional liberation, has wrought for the State a steady reformation of young felons, who under old methods of treatment would have remained a burden to society and a menace to public safety. While the Prison Association of New York has nothing to do with the administration of the Elmira Reformatory, it comes properly within its scope to receive and look after the men who have been paroled or discharged from that institution; and the men released from Elmira have been a special charge upon its agencies. "The encouragement of discharged convicts" is a part of the association's work as indicated in its constitution.

The efficiency of the Reformatory is nowhere better shown than in the large number of men who report at our office, and whom we know to be living honest and industrious lives. These results have

caused the Reformatory to be looked upon as one of the model prisons of the world. Its place, as such, was generally recognized in the International Prison Congress at Rome, several of whose delegates—men who have made penology a life-study, having visited the Reformatory and studied it from a most intelligent point of view—were unqualified in commendation of its workings, placing its superintendent as among the first of living prison governors, and, as a theoretical penologist, awarding him a place second to none. The State may well be proud of an institution which, having been carefully studied by prison commissioners from Ohio and Massachusetts, has furnished a model for institutions in both these States. The principles underlying its management have been made the foundation of similar institutions in several other States.

We have spoken somewhat at length in this matter, because the time has only just come, after eight years of close study and observation, when we can say that the institution is, in view of its results, no longer an experiment but an unqualified success. The improvements made in its buildings and appliances during the past year will largely increase its efficiency. It is worthy of remark, also, that while the institution has been so successful in reforming men, it has been so at a cost far below that of any of the reformatories of the State arriving at the same results. The true economist will enjoy the triumph of the reformatory principle all the more, when he learns that last year the gross cost of the Reformatory to the State was—with an average population of 711—but \$104,000, and the net cost per inmate but sixty-four dollars and nineteen cents, or about one-half what it costs, *per capita*, to support the inmates of our houses of refuge.

THE STATE PRISONS.

The powers of inspection vested in the Prison Association do not extend to the State Prisons; they have, however, been visited, and the complications arising out of the labor troubles have been carefully considered.

Much of the difficulty seems to arise from the fact that the competition of prison labor with free labor is vastly over-estimated in the popular mind, and that the political demand that the prisons should make a money profit stands in the way of a diversity of industries; a number of industries in each prison would naturally reduce the competition that does exist. The solution of the problem

must be found in a return to the public account system, which, to be successful in its administration, must be upheld by public sentiment, that will demand a profit in reformed criminals, rather than in dollars and cents. The arguments for a return to this system, and against the contract system, may be found in the preceding reports of this Association, and need not be repeated here.

DISCHARGED PRISONERS.

By a report of our "Discharged Convict Department" it will be seen that a smaller number of men have been helped during the year just passed than during the year previous.

This is because, first, we have been more careful in investigating applications, and turned away a large number of imposters, and men who, whenever they are out of the penitentiary or work-house, depend upon a living from the public bounty.

To the deserving ex-convicts we have given a larger measure of help. We have increased our facilities for finding employment for deserving men discharged from prison, and have placed a larger number in good situations than during any year of the last decade. Much of the work of our office has been done by ex-convicts, so that the charge made to "office expenses" might, to a considerable sum, be credited back again as expended on discharged prisoners, in affording them temporary employment. The correspondence of the Prison Association is enormous; it requires a constant interchange of letters with county committees, with prisoners and the friends of prisoners, with similar societies of other States and with inquirers after information as to prisoners of this State. Much of this work has been done by men who have been in prison. This has given us an opportunity to test their willingness and their ability to work, and the sincerity of their profession of reform.

DETENTIONS.

Since the death of our excellent general agent, Stephen Cutter, Esq., our work has gone on in the Tombs under the direction of Mr. D. E. Kimball, the clerk of the association. It has been done faithfully and efficiently as the report hereto attached will show.

THE LIBRARY.

The library of the Prison Association has been increased during the past year by the addition of seventy-five volumes, part of these have been given to the association and part have been purchased.

It is the only library of the kind in the country, and is constantly sought for reference by legislators, penologists, journalists and economists. It is growing constantly. Our relations with prison associations throughout the world, with prison officials everywhere, and our large corps of foreign and domestic correspondents are agencies through which all the most valuable reports and other publications on prison subjects are obtained. A valuable feature of our library is its set of scrap-books containing thousands of cuttings on subjects pertaining to penology. The care of these, their arrangement and indexing, affords during the year temporary employment to scores of discharged prisoners who have ability to do such work.

The scrap-books are indexed by subjects, States, names of newspapers, names of prisons referred to and names of persons mentioned in the cuttings. This part of our library has been in existence since 1883, and is already of priceless value.

The following tabular statement shows the number of discharged convicts who leave, during the past year, been assisted by the Prison Association, and of the prisons and reformatories from which they have been released.

| 1886. | FROM STATE PRISONS. | | | | FROM PENITENTIARIES AND REFORMATORIES. | | | | | | FROM DETENTION PRISONS. | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------|---------|----------|------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------|
| | Sing Sing. | Abburn. | Clinton. | Of other States. | Blackwell's Island Penitentiary. | Kings County Penitentiary. | Albany County Penitentiary. | Oondaga County Penitentiary. | New York House of Refuge. | Emira Reformatory. | Blackwell's Island Work-house. | City prison. | Indlow Street Jail. | Raymond Street Jail. | Other jails. | Total. |
| January..... | 68 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 68 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 103 |
| February..... | 34 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 38 | 3 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 17 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 58 |
| March..... | 19 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 3 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 11 | 6 | 4 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 38 |
| April..... | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 23 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 46 |
| May..... | 5 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 13 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 37 |
| June..... | 3 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 25 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 66 |
| July..... | 1 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 23 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 14 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 55 |
| August..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 | 31 |
| September..... | 6 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 13 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 17 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 46 |
| October..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 42 |
| November..... | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 34 | 2 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 18 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 71 |
| December..... | 11 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 15 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | 3 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 53 |
| Total..... | 123 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 233 | 36 | 0 | 1 | ..... | 119 | 62 | 30 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 725 |

DEPARTMENT OF DETENTIONS.

No. 1. Case of Henry ———. Henry was employed by a firm of coal dealers as a salesman and collector. Being hard pressed for money to meet the expenses of his family, in an unguarded moment, he forged a receipt, thinking as many others before him have, that he would make the amount good before it was discovered by his employers. They found it out, however, and secured his arrest. We were told of his case by the chaplain at the tombs, who felt a deep interest in it, and who asked us to do all we could for this man. We learned that Henry had the services of a lawyer enlisted in his behalf, and that the lawyer had written a letter to Henry's relatives in France for money to make restitution, and to pay for legal services. As the amount the lawyer demanded was excessive, we took up the case actively, saw the complainants, and with the help of others who took compassion on the man, induced them to withdraw their complaint. We forestalled this Tombs lawyer, had the case put on when he was unaware of it, and on our recommendation the judge suspended sentence and permitted Henry to go, after cautioning him that if he ever again broke the law he would have this charge placed against him.

Henry's wife and three small children were reduced to beggary through being deprived of the services of the husband and father, and to make the matter worse, his children were stricken down with scarlet fever while he was in the Tombs. Their condition was pitiful in the extreme and they had to depend on charity for their bread.

When Henry was released he could find no work, so we gave him temporary employment in our office until he secured a permanent situation. While working for us he was trusted in many ways and always performed his duties honestly and in a straightforward manner.

No. 2. Our intercession was asked in behalf of A. W., a woman about thirty years of age, sentenced to six months in the work-house as a common idler and vagrant. On investigation we found that she bore a most excellent character for honesty, industry and sobriety. On the day of her arrest she went to the firm she worked for to get some shirts to finish and was told that they would be ready in two hours. It being a beautiful summer day, she went to Washington Square and sat down on one of the benches to enjoy the

fresh air; she had been seated but a few minutes when an officer arrested her. She was taken before a magistrate but was so overcome with shame that she could not answer the questions, and almost before she was aware of it, was sentenced as we have said.

We secured letters as to her character from her employers, friends and members of the church she attended, and, on presenting them to the authorities, had her discharged in less than three days. She afterward called at the office to express her gratitude.

No. 3. Our attention was called to the attention of C. L., charged with grand larceny by his employers, booksellers of this city, in whose employ he had been for four years. He confessed to having stolen a valuable set of books, and by means of correspondence to having sold them to a gentlemen in the northern part of the State, on the representation that he had just gone into the book business. Fortunately the loss of the books was discovered in time and the books were returned before the young man obtained pay for them. He professed penitence and promised to reform and lead an honest life if given one more chance.

We secured abundant evidence that the young man had led an upright life and that he had supported his widowed mother for several years. On recommendation, coupled with that of his employers, and of many people who had known the prisoner for years, the judge mercifully suspended sentence and allowed the young man to go. A philanthropic gentlemen gave him employment the next day.

No. 4. Charles ———, an American, age thirty-seven years, was found in the Tombs charged with forgery. Charles informed us that he had never been arrested before, was well and favorably known to many people of prominence in this and adjacent cities, and that he felt most keenly the disgrace he had brought on his poor wife and children. His grief was most pitiful to witness. Obtaining a written statement from him, it was found that he was engaged in business in this city and doing well, when a succession of failures among people he had trusted nearly ruined him. He bought some goods of a merchant and gave in payment a check dated a few days ahead, fully expecting that when it came due he would have funds in bank to meet it. The money was not received and in order to gain more time, he sent a telegram to the bank.

asking them to hold it a few days and signed the name of the gentleman he had given the check to. The fraud was soon discovered and Charles put in prison. The complainant was visited and consented to withdraw the charge if restitution was made, and the court assented. A number of down-town merchants cheerfully testified as to the excellent character borne by the prisoner, and some of them announced their willingness to help him in any way they could.

The prisoner's family sold and mortgaged their property and made good the deficiency. The district-attorney, the complainant, this society and many friends united in a petition to the court for mercy, and after a most severe reprimand, under which he nearly fainted, the prisoner was discharged.

No. 5. Case of Wm. —, age sixteen, charged with grand larceny in the second degree (pocket picking). William, when found in the Tombs, said he was a poor and friendless boy, and not having any money to pay a lawyer, asked that one be provided for him. As he was not a bad looking boy, and his story seemed to be true, a good lawyer was found for him. When he came to trial he was most ably defended by our counsel, and, as we expected, the jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

The work of the general agent has been carried on, since the death of Mr. Cutter, under the direction of the corresponding secretary. The Prison Association has had its representative, Mr. D. E. Kimball, at the city prison (Tombs) daily. Every gallery in both the old and new prisons, as well as the female and boys' departments, being visited. Under this system many cases are discovered that would otherwise escape notice; a careful watch is maintained to prevent old and young criminals being kept together, and, through the co-operation of the warden, this has been almost entirely prevented. The poor and friendless, when deserving, have been provided with competent counsel free of charge, but in no case does the association provide counsel unless it finds, on investigation, that there is much more than a likelihood of the innocence of the prisoner. Victims of oppression and injustice are often thus relieved through the agency of the association. The operations of the unscrupulous "Tombs lawyers" are constantly being looked into, but when they find that the association is inquiring into their manner of doing business, the

case is taken up with a vigor that is surprising. This evil is gradually abating, a fact due to the ventilation it has had through the columns of the daily papers and to the wise determination of the warden. The old trouble of long and tedious waiting for trial still exists for want of proper court room. Many have been brought to trial who might have waited for months but for the efforts of the association. Prisoners who cannot write, and desire to communicate with friends, have had letters written for them; those without means or writing material are supplied with stationery and postage stamps. On recommendation of the association, after examination as to their character previous to arrest, a large number of young men have been sentenced to the Elmira Reformatory instead of the State Prison. The alteration in the law governing commitments to this institution has caused much trouble. As the law formerly read, "all males between the ages of sixteen and thirty, on first conviction of felony, may be sentenced to the State Reformatory." The law was changed by the substitution of the word crime instead of felony, and as the Penal Code defines any disorderly act, however trivial, as a crime, many young men who should have gone to the reformatory have been utterly lost to good, by being sent to State Prison or to the Penitentiary. A bill is now before the Legislature to have the law changed to read as it was originally drafted. In his daily visitation at the Tombs and district prisons of the city, the association's representative has been consulted by more than 1,500 persons in confinement; 686 cases have been investigated and disposed of in many different ways. Some having sentence suspended, some proved innocent and discharged, and others sentenced, at the request of the society, to the reformatory, rather than penal institutions. A few cases are given, on the following pages, to illustrate the workings of the society in both the detentions and discharged convicts' departments of its work.

DEPARTMENT OF DISCHARGED CONVICTS.

No. 1. W. J. — came from Sing Sing prison after having served a term for burglary. He was utterly discouraged and heart-broken; said he had served two terms in Sing Sing, and would starve rather than go back to the old life and associates. He begged so hard for work, and seemed so anxious to reform and lead a better life, that temporary employment was given him in the office, the work being

made as hard as could be, in order to test him. Being convinced in a short time that he was worthy, and after correspondence with a prominent contractor of this city, who always helps our work where he can, secured a situation for the man, driving and loading a dirt cart. After J. had worked a few days his hands were in a very bad condition, raw and covered with blisters, as he was not accustomed to the work. He bore up manfully in spite of this trouble, and his employer, seeing the struggle he was making, promoted him to a higher place over a gang of workmen; when last inquiry was made he was working steadily and faithfully.

No. 2. T. N. — came to us for assistance after having served a term of imprisonment in the penitentiary on Blackwell's Island. He said he had never been in prison before, and wanted to reform and get work at his trade, that of a carver. His tools were held by an express company to secure payment of charges for transportation. The charges amounted to about five dollars, and would have been sold at auction in a few days, had not the money for them been paid by the association. N. was given work in our store-room, putting up shelves and repairing the furniture. Here he earned enough to keep him for several weeks. When he had proved himself worthy of further help by attention to business he was assisted to a permanent situation in a neighboring city.

No. 3. The kind-hearted keeper of the boy's prison at the Tombs asked the representative of the association to secure the discharge of a small boy who was crying continually, and who seemed to be sick with fright. Going to the cell in which he was locked, it was found that he was little more than a baby, being but nine years old, and very small for his age. The charge against him was felonious assault, stabbing another boy. Visiting his home it was found that his aunt with whom he lived, his mother being dead, was the only witness to the assault. She said that Ikey (the prisoner) was sitting on the curb-stone in front of the house whittling with an old jack knife, when another boy came along and tried to steal the knife. Ikey was plucky and fought; in the scuffle the would-be-thief was scratched in the arm by the knife. He made an outcry, and before his aunt, who had witnessed the whole affair from the window, could get down the stairs, a policeman took Ikey away. On representation of the facts to the court the boy was discharged.

Ex-convicts having trades have been boarded by the association while in search of honest employment. If they have found work, or we have found it for them, and they have had no tools, they have been supplied; but only when we know positively that the work had been secured. Experience has taught us that good new tools in the hands of a man looking for a situation, find their way into a pawn shop when the man becomes discouraged. Discharged prisoners coming from prisons in ragged or unsuitable clothing have been provided with proper garments. More clothing has been distributed during the past year than ever before in the history of the association. Care is taken to prevent a wrong disposition being made of it. Sailors' outfits, painters' overalls, waiters' jackets and aprons, cooks' suits and laborers' shovels have been supplied in the same manner as mechanic's tools, every precaution being taken to prevent fraud.

A comparatively new feature of the work of the association during the past year has been the temporary employment of discharged prisoners. Many of these men would have drifted into crime through sheer necessity, had it not been for the timely aid of the association. Eleven men have thus been provided for while efforts were being made to secure permanent situations. All of these, we are happy to say, are now doing well. The temporary work was given them in our office, folding and addressing circulars, delivering messages, etc. Through having them so near we were enabled to study the habits and character of each individual, and decide as to the best pursuit for him to adopt in his efforts to regain the confidence and respect of the world. Some have been given temporary and others steady employment. Much counsel has been given, legal advice furnished, victims of the furniture installment plan relieved and scores of needy women and children, relatives of prisoners, directed to steady work.

During the past year forty-four discharged prisoners have been sent out of this city by the Association, on furnishing satisfactory evidence that they had a better claim to residence or permanent employment in the places to which they wished to be sent.