

Overseers of Poor
1909

IF NOT DELIVERED WITHIN FIVE DAYS, RETURN TO

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
STATE BOARD OF CHARITY
CLERK'S OFFICE
STATE HOUSE
BOSTON



Chairman of Overseers of the Poor

Westport

Massachusetts

SECTION 39. Overseers of the poor shall keep full and accurate records, in a form prescribed by the state board of charity, of the paupers fully supported, the persons relieved and partially supported, and the travellers and vagrants lodged at the expense of their cities and towns, and of the amount paid for such support and relief.

SECTION 40. They shall annually, in April, for the year ending on the last day of March, return to the state board of charity the number of such persons supported and relieved, the cost thereof, and a record of those fully supported.

SECTION 41. (As amended by Acts of 1905, chapter 115.) In the year nineteen hundred and five and in every tenth year thereafter the return of the overseers of the poor shall contain true and correct answers to such additional inquiries as the state board of charity may deem it advisable to make.

SECTION 42. If the overseers of the poor of a city or town **refuse or neglect** to comply with the requirements of the three preceding sections, such city or town **shall forfeit one dollar for each day's neglect**, and the amount of such forfeiture shall be deducted from any amount to which said city or town may be entitled in reimbursement for relief of state paupers as provided in sections fifteen and sixteen of chapter eighty-five; and if no such reimbursement shall be due to said city or town, the forfeiture shall be deducted from any money which may be due to it from the Commonwealth.

GENERAL SCHEDULE.

[Overseers will please retain a copy of this Schedule.]

Returns concerning Paupers and Indigent Persons supported or relieved by the
Town of _____, in the County of _____, for
the Year ending March 31, 1909.

Numbers

SECT. I. Number of Paupers fully supported, viz.:

- (1) At our Almshouse
- (2) At Almshouses of other towns or cities
- (3) In other Institutions
- (4) In private families

TOTAL NUMBER FULLY SUPPORTED

WITHIN THE YEAR			REMAINING APRIL 1, 1909		
Sane	Insane	Idiotic	Sane	Insane	Idiotic
3			3		
1			1		
1			1		
5			5		

SECT. II. Number of persons not including vagrants or travellers, relieved or partially supported within the year, viz.:

[Count all individuals, adults or children, who share the relief, and not merely the applicant, or head of the family aided.]

- (1) State paupers [persons without known settlement]
- (2) Had a settlement in our town
- (3) Had an admitted settlement elsewhere in the State

TOTAL NUMBER PARTIALLY SUPPORTED

Adults	Minors Under 16	Minors Over 16	Total Persons	Males	Females
2	6		8	3	5
10	12	6	28	11	17
4	3		7	3	4
16	21	6	43	17	26

Of persons partially supported there were foreign born

" " " " " between 60 and 70 years old

" " " " " between 70 and 80 years old

" " " " " over 80 years old

" " " " " intemperate

" " " " " physically disabled

" " " " " receiving medical aid only

3	1	2
2		2
3	1	2

How many persons reported in Sect. II. as partially supported within the year are also reported in Sect. I. as fully supported some part of the year?

None

SECT. III. Number of Vagrants or Travellers lodged at the expense of the town within the year, viz.:

- | | Males. | Females. | Total. | |
|-------------------|--------|----------|--------|--|
| (1) At Almshouse, | 5 | | 5 | at a cost of \$ 2.50 (cost included in Sect. IV. (1)). |
| (2) Elsewhere, | | 1 | 1 | at a cost of \$ 3.50 (cost included in Sect. IV. (5)). |

All the Statements on this page (Sects. I., II., III.) should relate strictly to the year ending March 31.

