

The figures show a larger proportion of recoveries in men than in women. This may be the general fact, yet taking the results of the last three years only, the recoveries of women exceed proportionally those of men.

In a given aggregate of male and female patients, it is found, here, that more single men and women, than married men and women, recover; not, however, because they are single, but because they are younger. Curability of insanity decreases with increasing age; and the average age of married patients is much greater than that of single ones.

The following table exhibits with, perhaps, tolerable accuracy, the proportion of insane cases occurring in the periods of life specified. It would be necessary, however, to compare the figures with those of the Provincial census, before pronouncing as to which of the periods contributes most largely to insanity. If there is a larger number of people in our population, between the ages of 20 and 30, than between 30 and 40, of course the former period should give the largest number of insane, on mere numerical grounds.

Ages of patients admitted in the last three years, with rate per cent contributed to admissions by each period:

PERIODS.	1859.	1860.	1861.	Total.	Rate per cent.
Under 20 years.....	10	15	6	31	6.03
20 a 30 years.....	36	50	65	151	29.38
30 a 40 ".....	38	51	53	142	27.63
40 a 50 ".....	21	32	38	91	17.70
50 a 60 ".....	11	26	25	62	12.06
60 and over.....	9	11	17	37	7.20
	125	185	204	514	100.00