

have not mentality great enough to enter intelligent protest is no reason why they should be denied their right to kindly treatment. On the other hand their disability should entitle them to even greater consideration than those who are able to protect themselves.

A GENERAL SURVEY OF CONDITIONS IN COUNTY ASYLUMS, ALMSHOUSES, ETC.

INSTITUTIONS VISITED

Shelburne County Asylums
 Digby County Asylums
 Yarmouth County Asylums
 Colchester County Asylums
 Queen's County Asylums
 Cumberland County Asylums
 Halifax County Asylums
 Pictou County Asylums
 Lunenburg County Asylums
 Inverness County Asylums
 Cape Breton Hospital for the Chronic Insane
 Richmond County Asylum
 Cornwallis Poor Farm
 Horton Township Poor House
 East Hants Municipal Home
 West Hants Industrial Home
 Antigonish County Home for Poor
 Annapolis County Home
 Argyle Municipal Home
 Home for the Poor, Truro
 Clare Municipal Poor Farm
 Annapolis County Hospital
 Halifax City Home

NUMBER OF INMATES

On the dates visited the population, exclusive of staff, was made up of 1,361 persons distributed among 24 institutions. Nine of these contained less than 30 inmates, five contained less than 50 and only two contained over 100.

CLASSIFICATION AND SEGREGATION

With very few exceptions the county asylums and alms houses make no attempt to differentiate between the sane and insane, or to classify the latter according to type. The insane, the feeble-minded, imbeciles, neglected children, sane paupers, and persons suffering from chronic physical disorders are herded together in an indiscriminate manner.

In one sitting room 2 aged women were found with two markedly demented cases of the catatonic type of dementia praecox. A boy 15 years of age, who was a high grade moron, was born in an institution and