

completed their sentences, under license, without violation of the conditions imposed; while 325, or thirty per cent. additional have thus far respected the conditions of their licenses which are still operative. Those who have forfeited their licenses by subsequent conviction, and who may be thought to represent the criminal element of those under license, number 24, or but little over 2 per cent. The remaining 7 per cent. have been recommitted for non-compliance with the conditions of the license but without charge of criminality against them during the period they were at large.

It cost the state \$254 per capita for the maintenance of convicts of our penitentiaries during the past year. The 222 men released on parole this past year who have proved themselves satisfactory cases have turned producers. The state has not only been relieved of the cost of their keeping in penitentiary, but these men working outside at laborers' wages (\$1.50 per day) produce in the year over one hundred thousand dollars to the support of their families and themselves. I know many of these men who are earning three or four dollars per day, having good positions as capable mechanics, etc., in various cities of the Dominion.

During the year I have twice visited the penitentiaries and jails in the west, interviewing the major portion of the men and seeking employment for the paroled and discharged prisoners.

Dorchester, N.B., and St. Vincent de Paul have had four visits during the year. In Kingston seven visits have been made in the interests of the men and working out the parole system.

A number of patrons have been secured in the cities and towns of the Dominion, who are, on my recommendation, prepared to give employment to the paroled or discharged convicts. We have provided a number with transportation, when such assistance has been deemed advantageous, and have otherwise assisted specially deserving or needy cases. At the request of their parents, five wayward boys were located in the penitentiaries, in which they had been incarcerated unknown to their parents, and returned to them on their discharge from the penitentiaries. Several cases of reconciliation and rehabilitation between husbands and their wives and families have also been made, and, where homes have been broken up through the criminality of the parents, these homes have been restored and their children when in the custody of charitable societies or friends, have been returned to their parents.

I have been able to find employment for 286 men on their