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4	13	17	16	1	..	..	16	1	*1

** One under section 14 24 hours' simple imprisonment.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4	16	20	4	6	..	*7	17

• Sent to England as a distressed seaman by Port authorities 1
Absconded 3
Transferred to the Bombay Workhouse 2
Died in the General Hospital 1
Total .. 7

Statement showing the operation of the European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874, &c.—*cont.*

Number remaining in Workhouse.	Period of confinement.		Punishments by the Governor under section 14.				
	Longest period of confinement of any vagrant included in column 8.	Longest period of confinement of any vagrant included in column 9.	Solitary confinement (clause a).	Solitary confinement with reduction of diet (clause b).	Hard labour (clause c).	Reduction of diet (clause d).	Total number of punishments (total of columns 12 to 15).
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8	M. D. 7 14	M. D. 1 24	..	..	..	..	..

• Three months and four days in the General Hospital.

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Madras	6	2	6	..	2	16	..	12	4	..	6	1

Workhouse.	Previous occupation— <i>cont.</i>											
	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o
	Shopkeepers and traders.	Clerks and others holding similar ministerial offices under Government.	Clerks and others holding similar ministerial offices in private firms, &c.	Mechanics.	Railway guards, drivers, fitters, platelayers and others holding similar appointments under Railway Companies.	Carpenters, shoemakers and others in similar occupation.	Labourers.	No occupation.			Other professional occupations.	Total.
Madras	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	3	16

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			Clothing and rations.	Hospital charges.	Establishment.	Contingencies and miscellaneous.	Total of columns 4, 5, 6 and 7.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
21½	RS. A. P. 17 13 6	RS. A. P. ..	RS. A. P. 363 5 8	RS. A. P. ..	RS. A. P. 1,085 8 0	RS. A. P. 176 4 2	RS. A. P. 1,625 1 10

Expenditure in Workhouse— <i>cont.</i>	Charges connected with the working of the Act not accounted for in previous columns.	Total cost to Government (columns 2, 3, 8 and 10).	Remarks.
9	10	11	12
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
81 4 1	263 9 8	1,906 9 0	Transferred to Bombay Workhouse 25 0 0 Extra stores 19 0 0 Municipal taxes on Workhouse 219 9 8 Total .. 263 9 8

No. 13.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, with reference to G.O., No. 494, Public, dated 9th July 1890.

MADRAS,
28th February 1896.

(Signed) F. BAGSHAWE,
Commissioner of Police.

ORDER—No. 395, Public, dated 19th March 1896.

The foregoing statements show the results of the working of the European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874 in this Presidency during the year 1895.

2. There were four vagrants left on the rolls of the Government Workhouse at the commencement of, and sixteen admissions during, the year under review, making a total of twenty. Of these, four were discharged on obtaining employment, six were released under section 16, one was sent to England as a distressed seaman by the Port authorities, three absconded, two were transferred to the Bombay Workhouse and one died in the General Hospital. There were thus three vagrants remaining on the rolls at the close of the year as against four in the preceding year.

3. Six of the vagrants admitted during the year were European British subjects, two "other Europeans," two "other British subjects" and six Americans, the corresponding numbers for 1894 being fifteen, four, five and none, respectively.

The previous occupation of the inmates is compared below:—

	1893.	1894.	1895.
Sailors	9	4	6
Soldiers	..	2	1
Shopkeepers and traders	..	1	..
Clerks	1	3	..
Railway employes	11	11	5
Artizans and labourers	1	2	1
Other occupations	5	1	3
Total	27	24	16

4. The daily average population of the workhouse was 2 1/2 as against 3 in 1894. The longest period of confinement rose from three months and twenty-six days to seven months and fourteen days, but three months and four days of the latter were spent in the General Hospital. The total expenditure incurred during the year was Rs. 1,906-9-0, the figures for 1893 and 1894 being Rs. 1,960-13-11 and Rupees 1,980-14-10, respectively.

The average cost of each inmate shows a continued increase for the past three years—

	RS.	A.	P.
1893	51	4	0
1894	65	12	5
1895	81	4	1

This is principally accounted for by the fact that the number of inmates decreased, whereas the principal item of expenditure, viz., Establishment, remained almost stationary.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Accountant-General.
Editors' Table.

ENDORSEMENT—No. 396, Public, dated 19th March 1896.

Copy to the Government of India, Home Department.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., &c., 2nd April 1895,
Nos. 240, 241.

APRIL.

European Vagrancy Act, IX of 1874.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
* 3	22	24	23	..	..	1	24	1	† 5

* One not declared.

† One under section 14 one week's rigorous imprisonment.
Two „ „ 14 ten days' „ „ each.
One „ „ sections 14 and 20 two weeks' „ „
One „ „ section 20 one week's „ „

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Number to be accounted for.			Number who have left the Workhouse during the year.				
Remaining in Workhouse at close of preceding year as per col. 9 of last year's statement.	Admitted during the year as per column 8 of form No. I.	Total.	Discharged on obtaining employment (section 15).	Released under section 16, but not removed from British India.	Removed from British India under section 16.	Left the Workhouse and not accounted for in columns 4, 5 and 6.	Total of columns 4, 5, 6 and 7.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
..	24	24	7	3	..	* 10	20

* Transferred to the Bombay Workhouse 3
Removed by a friend 1
Sentenced to imprisonment under sections 14 and 20, Vagrancy Act 1
Discharged having means 1
Absconded 1
Discharged under section 24, Vagrancy Act 1
Transferred to the Lunatic Asylum 1
Died in the General Hospital 1
Total .. 10

Statement showing the operation of the European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874, &c.—*cont.*

Number remaining in Workhouse.	Period of confinement.		Punishments by the Governor under section 14.				
	Longest period of confinement of any vagrant included in column 8.	Longest period of confinement of any vagrant included in column 9.	Solitary confinement (clause a).	Solitary confinement with reduction of diet (clause b).	Hard labour (clause c).	Reduction of diet (clause d).	Total number of punishments (total of columns 12 to 15).
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
4	M. D. 4 26	M. D. 3 26	..	..	..	1	1

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	a British-born subjects.	b Others.	c Number of Americans.	d Number of Australians.	e Number belonging to other classes of British-born subjects.	f Total of columns a to e.	g Under 16.	h 16 to 40.	i 40 to 60.	j Above 60.	k Sailors.	l Soldiers.
Madras	15	4	..	..	5	24	..	19	4	1	4	2

4—*cont.*Previous occupation—*cont.*

Workhouse.	d Shopkeepers and traders.	e Clerks and others holding similar ministerial offices under Government.	f Clerks and others holding similar ministerial offices in private firms, &c.	g Mechanics.	h Railway guards, drivers, platelayers and others holding similar appointments under Railway Companies.	i Carpenters, shoemakers and others in similar occupation.	j Labourers.	k No occupation.	l	m	n	o Other professional occupations.	Total
Madras	1	1	2	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	24

FORM IV.—(EXPENDITURE).

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			Clothing and rations.	Hospital charges.	Establishment.	Contingencies and miscellaneous.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3	RS. A. P. 31 4 0	RS. A. P. ..	RS. A. P. 292 13 3	RS. A. P. ..	RS. A. P. 1,085 12 0	RS. A. P. 200 0 11	RS. A. P. 1,578 10 2

Expenditure in Workhouse— <i>cont.</i>	Charges connected with the working of the Act not accounted for in previous columns.	Total cost to Government (columns 2, 3, 8 and 10).	Remarks.
9	10	11	12
RS. A. P. 65 12 5	RS. A. P. 371 0 8	RS. A. P. 1,980 14 10	Transferred to Bombay Workhouse 37 5 0 Extra stores 17 12 6 Medical diet 6 3 6 Service postage and telegrams 0 8 0 Newspapers 40 0 0 Travelling allowance to warder 49 10 0 Municipal taxes on Government Workhouse for the year 1894 219 9 8 Total .. 371 0 8

No. 8.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, with reference to G.O., No. 494, dated 9th July 1890, Public Department.

MADRAS,
1st March 1895.

(Signed) H. W. H. COX, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

ORDER—dated 2nd April 1895, No. 240, Public.

The foregoing statements exhibiting the results of the working of the European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874 in this Presidency during the year 1894 were, as in the preceding year, submitted by the Commissioner of Police punctually on the due date, viz., 1st March.

2. There were no vagrants left on the rolls of the Government Workhouse at the commencement of the year under review. There were twenty-four admissions during the year. Of the persons admitted, seven were discharged on obtaining employment, three were released under section 16, one was discharged under section 24, one was discharged as he had means, three were transferred to Bombay Workhouse, one was transferred to the Lunatic Asylum, one was removed by friends, one was sentenced to imprisonment under sections 14 and 20 of the Vagrancy Act, one absconded and one died in the General Hospital. The number of vagrants remaining on the rolls at the close of the year under report was thus four against none in the previous year.

3. Fifteen of the vagrants admitted during the year under review were European British subjects, four other Europeans, and five other British subjects, against 24, 0 and 3, respectively, in the year 1893.

The previous occupation of the persons is compared as follows:—

	1893.	1894.
Sailors	9	4
Soldiers	..	2
Shopkeepers and traders	..	1
Clerks	1	3
Railway employes	11	11
Artisans and labourers	1	2
Other occupations	5	1
Total	27	24

4. The daily average population of the workhouse rose from $1\frac{3}{4}$ to 3, and the longest period of stay, from four months to four months and twenty-six days. The total expenditure incurred during the year rose from Rs. 1,960-13-11 to Rupees 1,980-14-10. The average cost per inmate was Rs. 65-12-5, the corresponding figure for 1893 being Rs. 51-4-0. This increase occurred principally under the following heads:—"Clothing and rations" from Rs. 178 to Rs. 293; "Contingencies" Rs. 150 to Rs. 200; "Other charges connected with the working of the Act" from Rs. 286 to Rs. 371. The causes should have been explained.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Accountant-General.
Editors' Table.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 2nd April 1895, No. 241, Public.

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J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

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• Sent to England as a distressed seaman by Port authorities	..	..	..	1
Abandoned	..	..	..	3
Transferred to the Bombay Workhouse	..	..	..	2
Died in the General Hospital	..	..	..	1
			Total	7

1. The first part of the report is a general statement of the purpose and scope of the study.

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To the Inspector-General of Police.
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