

The loan of 1828, (of 30,000 dollars,) it will be seen, is now reduced to 18,000 dollars: and as explained in the annual report of 1834, is computed to be finally liquidated in 1843, by the operations of the sinking fund appropriated thereto. The other remaining loan to the institution of 20,000 dollars, was made on the part of the State, upon terms similar to those that governed the loan of 1828, and for the purpose of enabling the Directors to erect extensive and appropriate buildings, with a view to the introduction of the Auburn system of discipline into the institution. A general description of the plan of the new buildings was given in the report of last year, accompanied with a detailed printed report of the same, from the building committee, together with an account of the progress made in their erection up to that period. The progress of the work was, in a great measure, suspended during the winter, and was not effectively resumed, on account of the unusual continuance of bad weather till late in the spring. The northern branch of the buildings (150 feet by 50) was completed or nearly so, and in full occupation in November of last year. The western wing (106 feet by 50) has been finished, and in use since January last. The eastern wing (of the same dimensions) will very shortly be ready for the purposes for which it may be required; and the central octagonal building, to be chiefly used as the keeper's office and inspection lodge, is also nearly finished. The new shops however, although they have been sufficiently advanced for nearly all the manufacturing purposes of the institution for the past year have not been sufficiently completed to allow of the perfect introduction of the new system of discipline, in all its parts. But so far as the state of the buildings, and the presence of numerous hired mechanics necessarily employed thereon, would admit the application of the new discipline, the experiment has answered all that could reasonably have been expected from it. The workshops being now so near completion as to render it certain that this discipline may be carried into full operation, throughout the whole establishment, in the course of a few weeks. The directors feeling it to be their duty to enforce the same to the full extent of their authority, anticipate with lively hope and satisfaction, a great improvement, not only in the order and regularity,