

that so grave a charge should be thoroughly investigated by a competent Tribunal. I therefore respectfully ask your early attention to the suggestions contained in the accompanying report of the counsel for the State.

Tobacco Warehouse No. 2, is represented to me as being in a very dangerous condition. In June last, the Inspector of Tobacco at that Warehouse, informed me that one of the walls had given way and would be in imminent danger of falling, if hogsheads were stored upon the second floor. The estimated cost of repair, as furnished me by the Inspector, was fifteen hundred dollars. I ascertained that immediate danger could be obviated, by leaving the second floor unused; otherwise, I should have ordered the repairs to be made, as a matter of necessity. The Legislature having appointed a committee, at its last session, for the express purpose of examining and reporting upon the condition of the several Warehouses, I did not feel disposed to do more, than the exigencies of the moment absolutely demanded; and accordingly I instructed the Inspector not to use the second floor of his Warehouse; but, rather to call upon the other Inspectors, or to rent out-rooms, if the increase of business required it. I now respectfully invite your attention to the matter.

During the past fiscal year, \$2,555.40 were expended for the tuition of the Indigent Deaf and Dumb; and, \$1,150, for the Indigent Blind. The sum of \$683.33 has, however, been paid on account of the tuition of the Indigent Blind, for 1852, since the close of the fiscal year. No new beneficiary was sent to the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the former; but, four were sent to the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the latter. I herewith transmit, in compliance with the requirements of the act of 1849, chapter 209, a schedule, giving the names, places of residence, and other particulars of the beneficiaries admitted. You will perceive, from the schedule, that I have issued my warrant, in one case, for a term of five years only. The act referred to says that, the term shall not exceed eight years; which seems to imply a discretion in the Executive. In this instance, I curtailed the usual term, in consequence of the advanced age of the beneficiary, at the time of her admission.— In a communication received from the Principal of the Institution, since the transmission of that warrant, he expresses approval of the discrimination made; and adds that, “it is seldom they (the pupils) desire to stay the full time of eight years, unless when they are homeless.” Of course, the benevolent policy of the State is intended to extend no further, than the education of its unfortunate beneficiaries; and, does not look to their ultimate support. Before closing this subject, I will remind you that the act of 1849, chapter 209, repeals all pre-existing laws relating to the Indigent Blind; amongst which, were to be found many excellent provisions; one of which required that the Executive should distribute the appoint-