

The walls are generally twenty-six inches thick; the amount of cut stone work is considerable; the roof costly, and the interior finish more complete even than necessary.

Assuming as a basis of valuation the cubic content of the building, we have instituted a comparison with other public buildings, of which we know the construction and cost, such as: in Washington, the Treasury building, which cost per cubic foot, thirty-three cents; the Patent Office, thirty cents; and in Baltimore, the Office building of the Calvert Station, costing seventeen cents.

Our estimate of the value of the Court House, founded on this comparison and deduced from measurement, is eighty-four thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars, (\$84,960,) assuming it to be worth twenty cents per cubic foot, for such portions as come within the comparison.

We are respectfully,

NIERNSE & NELSON,
Architects.

No. 70 Fayette street,
Baltimore, Dec. 6, 1852.

On motion of J. Bernard,

A Committee of two were appointed to call on Messrs. Dixon, Balbirnie & Dixon, to make an estimate of building and valuation of the Court House. J. Bernard and N. T. Dushane were appointed the Committee.

On motion of F. Lucas, Jr.,

That a Committee be appointed to go to the Alms House for the purpose of examining and valuing all the real and personal property of the said Institution.

J. Bernard and N. T. Dushane were appointed the Committee.

On motion,

The Commissioners adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FIELDING LUCAS, Jr., *President.*

JOHN L. STANSBURY, *Secretary.*

COURT HOUSE, BALTIMORE, }
December 7, 1852. }

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment.

Present on the part of Baltimore City:

Fielding Lucas, Jr., President, Christian Keener, N. T. Dushane.

Present on the part of Baltimore County:

Thomas B. Cockey, Joshua Hutchins, Joab Bernard.

The proceedings of the former meeting being read,

On motion of F. Lucas, Jr.,

The Alms' House property was taken up for discussion. After considerable time spent thereon,