

REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT,
For 1865 and 1866.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND VISITORS :—

GENTLEMEN :

The tables, respecting the patients who have been in the Hospital in the years 1865 and 1866, are appended to this report :

The whole number under care in the two years has been three hundred and seventy-four. There have been two hundred and fifty-three discharges : one hundred and sixty-three, including cases of mania-a-potu, have been discharged as recovered ; twenty-one as improved ; nineteen as not improved ; and, in addition to the discharges, the number of deaths has been twenty.

Among the discharged, ten males and seven females were transferred to the Bay-View Asylum by authority of the Trustees thereof in the month of October last.

The Commissioners of all the counties in the State, and the Visitors of the Hospital, representing the same, have been officially informed that, in consequence of the vacancies made by these removals, the Courts of the counties can now send a larger number of insane to the Hospital than it has been possible heretofore to admit. In the last two years patients have been sent by the Circuit Courts from the following counties : Allegany, Baltimore, Cecil, Dorchester, Frederick, Harford, Kent, Prince George's Queen Anne, Somerset, Talbot and Washington.

As soon as the Baltimore City patients were removed, measures were adopted to reduce the expenditures, especially in the particulars of provisions and groceries. It was found that the services of three attendants could be dispensed with ; two happened opportunely to vacate their places for engagements elsewhere ; a third was in impaired health, and found it expedient to seek its restoration by leaving ; and there has been no occasion to fill the three vacancies so far, and there