

three thousand dollars; expressing at the time a request that the gift should be used for the benefit of the patients, as the Executive Committee and the Medical Superintendent think proper. The amount is held by the Treasurer for such special expenditures as may be determined upon. This is the second pecuniary gift which has been received from Dr. Fisher. The one previously made by him was in amount three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.— This was appropriated in introducing the Gas of the Baltimore Gas Light Company, a supply of the city water, and the construction of new closets and bath rooms throughout the buildings; these were very great improvements in the comforts of a residence in the Hospital.

Since the last meeting of the Board, Evan T. Ellicott, Vice President, has been summoned away from the cares and labors of this world. He was appointed one of the visitors in the charter which was passed by the General Assembly in the year 1828, and he remained in office until his death. For many of the later years of his life he devoted much of his time to the interests of the patients. As a member of the Executive Committee, he was ever ready to give his valuable services in visiting the Hospital, ascertaining its condition and wants, and using his influence to promote improvements having for their end the comfort and welfare of its afflicted inmates.

Rev. John N. McJilton, D. D. Chaplain, continues to officiate on Sundays in the Hospital Chapel. His visits are looked for with much pleasure by those of the patients who have a religious sentiment, and who wish to be present at worship.

The Assistant Physician takes a lively interest in the professional and other executive concerns of the household. The Steward is, as heretofore, faithful and diligent in his department; and the Supervisors, male and female, and also the Attendants, deserve commendation for their compliance with what is required of them.

I have the pleasure of acknowledging gifts of valuable engravings and lithographs from Dr. Stephen Collins and David L. Bartlett, Esq. The adorning of the walls of the patients' rooms and the halls where they spend so much time, with appropriate pictures, is highly appreciated, as it gives a pleasing appearance of domesticity to their surroundings.

Respectfully submitted,

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