

a bill providing for an appropriation for the Maryland Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, respectfully sets forth:

That your Committee, after a personal inspection of the premises on North Avenue, in Baltimore county, corroborate, in every particular, the Report of the Building Committee of said Institution, as published in the Annual Report thereof, on the first of January, 1867, and have every reason to believe that the Asylum for the Blind, now in course of erection, is being built not only substantially but economically.

Situated on an elevated position, it presents a bold and handsome appearance, while it is conveniently and commodiously arranged so as to accommodate, on completion, sixty pupils, with capacity for forty more.

The lot was purchased in 1860, part of it at about \$300 per acre. It contains about 3½ acres, costing then about.....	\$11,493 75
This ground could not be bought to-day for \$20,000.....	
The main building is 140 feet front by 60 feet deep, and the centre building projects 45 feet in rear and 8 feet in front.....	
The cost of cellar, including brick work and granite band cornice, was;.....	14,216 76
The cost of stone work, including 2,430 ps. stone masonry, stone windows, doorways, balconies and steps, was.....	33,680 00
The cost of carpenters' work already done is about	18,000 00
The cost of flooring purchased is.....	6,470 00
The cost of slate roof is.....	2,800 00
616,000 bricks cost \$14, and some of them, for chimneys, \$22—cost say.....	10,000 00
Laying and Sand, at \$8—cost say.....	5,000 00
Architect's and Superintendent's fees.....	2,500 00
Harris, for measuring.....	300 00
Hooks and Fenders.....	\$140 00
Insurance.....	120 00
Grating.....	250 00
Extra Labor.....	240 00
	750 00
Expended to 10th February, 1867.....	\$105,210 00

There is still to be provided :

Balance of carpenters' work.....	\$10,175 00
Iron stairs and galleries.....	4,000 00
Spouting.....	1,000 00
Turning, flashing, painting.....	325 00
Painting and glazing.....	3,000 00