

FRAME BUILDING

which is one story high, constructed in the roughest manner, was erected, in which they partake of their meals, and which is also used upon the Sabbath as a Chapel, religious; services being conducted regularly therein, by Wm. H. Wisong, Esq., a most worthy and highly respected citizen of Baltimore. This building is 80 x 60 feet, and is only fit for *temporary quarters*. It should be at once repaired and replaced by a more substantial structure; the material for which might easily be obtained by tearing down two unoccupied towers, in front, together with a portion of the front building.

THE WORKSHOPS.

We next visited the workshops and carefully examined their condition. We found employed at daily labor in the various shops 325 convicts, as follows :

	Convicts.
Cedar Ware Factory.	125
Cabinet.....	95
Oyster, Oil and Fruit Cans.....	75
Boots and Shoes.....	35
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Total.....	325
The average amount received for convict labor for the males in the Institution, is 75 cents per diem at this time.	
Males in confinement.....	596
Of which there are under contract.....	325
Employed on State account.....	84
Remaining idle.....	187
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Making.....	596
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Females in confinement.....	86
Of which there are under contract.....	30
Employed on State account, washing, ironing &c.	30
Remaining idle.....	26
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Making.....	86

LOST LABOR.

By the above, it will be seen that there are *one hundred and eighty-seven* males, and *twenty-six females* in the Penitentiary, who are a dead tax upon the Institution. The advantage of their labor being lost, because of want of room to work them. We found the various workshops already overcrowded, and those who are idle were found huddled together in the temporary frame building, requiring additional guards to keep them in proper subjection; thus increasing the expense of the prison, and at the same time, doing infinite dam-