

contrary would restore it more nearly to its original appearance, and add to its durability and safety.

#### THE ADDITION TO THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The work now under way at the House of Correction consists of a large additional wing to the west, corresponding in general appearance, but somewhat larger than the present east wing. The prison is greatly over crowded, and this wing will be used chiefly for additional cell room, a large workshop in the basement, and rooms for keepers and material supplies.

The new wing has been arranged for receiving modern steel cells, allowing a greater number, owing to the economy in space, to be placed in the same area, and leaves the entire basement unobstructed, in which is located a workshop 216 feet 4 inches by 45 feet 8 inches. The plans and specifications for this work upon which estimates were given, called for the building itself to be constructed and enclosed. It was understood that the cells, plumbing, heating, etc., are to be added later on.

It is gratifying to know that the work has been practically completed in a most thorough and substantial manner, at a cost under the estimate given.

#### TROOP "A" ARMORY.

The General Assembly at its last regular session appropriated the total sum of \$50,000 for the construction and equipment of an armory near Pikesville, Baltimore county, for the use of Troop "A", M. N. G.

An eligible lot of ground was promptly acquired, and an appropriate building begun, which is now almost complete, and ready to be turned over by the contractors to the State.

#### A VALUABLE STATE PUBLICATION.

The Board of Public Works undertook the publication of a book on the resources of Maryland, as authorized by Chapter 512 of the Acts of 1902.

The board entrusted the preparation of this book to Mr. Norval E. Foard, a capable, painstaking and experienced writer and newspaper editor, who did his work well.