

repair and well managed, and we recommend the appropriation asked.

Your Committee next visited the school for the blind, on Boundary Avenue, near Charles street, and found all its appointments in the very best condition, the grounds and building well and neatly kept. There were on the day of our visit forty-nine pupils in the institution, ten of whom were from the District of Columbia, and paid for by those sending them. The remaining thirty-nine pupils are a charge on the State, which pays for each of them at the rate of three hundred dollars per annum.

Your Committee next visited the Colored School for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, on Broadway near Bank street, and found thirty-two inmates. For these the State makes an appropriation of eight thousand five hundred dollars annually. This building is situated in a very thickly settled part of the city, and some of its neighbors complain that its location there has greatly depreciated their property, and otherwise inconvenienced them.

Your Committee believe these complaints to be well founded, as Dr. Erich, one of the officers of the institution, informed your Committee, that his own property has depreciated in value over two thousand dollars. The Board of Directors express their willingness to move, but are unable, unless the Legislature shall furnish the means. Your Committee therefore recommend an appropriation of such a sum, which together with the sale of the present buildings will enable the trustees of the institution to move to some retired location in the country, where it can be managed with more economy, and the inmates have more freedom, without exciting adverse criticism of their near neighbors. And your Committee believe the management of the institution is as good as of any institution in the State under the circumstances.

Your Committee next visited the House of Reformation and instruction for colored children, situated at Cheltingham, in Prince George's County. This is an institution similar in kind to the House of Refuge and St. Mary's Industrial School, where juvenile colored delinquents are committed from all parts of the State, by the Courts and Justices of the Peace. It is a thrifty, well-managed institution, and increasing in numbers very fast.

Your Committee recommend the usual annual appropriation of ten thousand dollars.

Your Committee next visited the Maryland Agricultural College, and found on the day of our visit fifty-five students