

radical changes should be made in the laws relating to the government of this Institution. The number of Directors should be decreased, and three appointed either by the Governor or by the Legislature on joint ballot, who should be allowed such compensation as will induce them to bestow their personal and constant attention to the duties assigned them. The committee further suggest the Warden should be appointed by the Directors, and be made subject to the control of the Directors. This plan would ensure harmony and prevent conflict of opinion and action—in all cases so productive of harm, ill feeling and dissension. The committee further recommend the appropriation of twenty thousand dollars to be paid in May next, and ten thousand dollars in May, 1863, to defray the expenses of the Institution. The committee cannot justly close this report without testifying to the fidelity and efficiency with which the Warden, Alfred D. Evans, Esq., the Deputy Warden, Isaac G. Roberts, Esq., and other officers have discharged their several duties. We trust that their example will be imitated by their successors, convinced as we are that such a course will eminently redound to the best interests of the State and the Penitentiary, and to the comfort of the unfortunate inmates whose wants bodily and spiritual have been so carefully supplied. The Clerk, whose books are admirably kept, deserves special mention. They are models of neatness and correctness, and manifest the interest he takes in discharging the responsible functions of his office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. E. SMITH,
SAMUEL T. HARRISON,
CHAPMAN BILLINGSLEY,

Committee on the part of the Senate.

Which was read.

The question upon the unfavorable report of the committee on the bill entitled, An act for the relief of John M. Walker, of Baltimore city;

Was determined in the negative by yeas and nays, as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.	Eichelberger,	Sellman—5.
Goldsborough, Pt.	Goldsborough, of	
Denison,	Dorchester,	

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Bayne,	Firey,	Waters,
Billingsley,	Harrison,	Watkins,
Blackiston,	Lankford,	Whitaker,