

ANNUAL REPORT.

To His Excellency, AUGUSTUS W. BRADFORD,

Governor, &c.

SIR:—The Board of Managers of the *House of Refuge* for Juvenile Delinquents herewith respectfully present their Twelfth Annual Report. The Charter exacts from them that a statement of the condition of the Institution shall be made yearly to the General Assembly, but that body not being in session, the Board have the honor to submit their report to your consideration.

In almost every respect, the Board have the pleasure to congratulate themselves upon the continued successful operation of the Refuge; and this they do the more confidently, that notwithstanding existing circumstances, but few of their effects have been experienced, except in the increased cost of many of the necessaries of maintenance. It is true that this enhanced price of many articles enforced a more rigid economy: but in no way have the inmates suffered by a deprivation of any of their accustomed comforts of clothing, or subsistence, or in their means of education; and the year has closed with all debts on general account fully paid.

The appended statement of the Treasurer, exhibits the financial condition of the Institution; by which it will be seen that the *receipts* from all sources, for the year 1862, were *twenty-eight thousand, three hundred and seventy-six dollars and eighteen cents* (\$28,376.18); and the *expenditures* for all purposes were *twenty-seven thousand, four hundred and six dollars and thirty-two cents* (\$27,406.32); thus leaving in the treasury, on the 31st of December, the sum of *nine hundred and sixty-nine dollars and*