

GEORGE SHARSWOOD, Esq.,

PRESIDENT

Pennsylvania Institution for Deaf & Dumb,

*In relation to Increase of Charge for State Pupils.*

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Philadelphia, February 9, 1863.

To His Excellency,

The Governor of Maryland:

SIR:—By order of the Directors of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, we have the honor to inform you, that such is the increased cost of provisions and clothing, that we can no longer afford to educate, board and clothe the pupils in our Institution at less than one hundred and eighty dollars per annum.

We have fixed upon that sum on estimates founded on the most rigid economy, and without making any allowance for the rent of the building and grounds, which have cost upwards of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

We propose to apply this rule from and after the first day of — next.

Will you have the goodness, at the earliest opportunity, to submit this matter to the consideration of the Legislature of your State.

With great respect,

GEO. SHARSWOOD, President.

JAMES J. BARCLAY, Secretary.