

without strong evidence of the fact. We have no doubt that your committee were misinformed through a misapprehension of our informant, without any design to prefer grave charges upon vague rumor or suspicion. But justice to Mr. Owens and all concerned in the management of the institution requires us to say, that we entertain no suspicion of any desire on their part to throw obstacles in the way of our investigation, or in any manner to prevent the fullest and most accurate information which the most extensive range of inquiry could elicit.