

schemes for future execution, and to qualify themselves by their prison associations the better to execute those schemes when they were again at liberty. The silence and solitude of the cell, together with moral and religious discipline, might also induce reflection and amendment of life.

In order to accomplish this desirable object, it would be necessary to erect a considerable addition to the Jail: the board is not disposed to be very pressing at this time on the subject of a new building, because they know that the finances of the city are not in a condition to bear the expense. But they are satisfied that the time will shortly arrive when it can be delayed no longer. Similar improvements making in other places, now admonish us that unless we adopt the plan of solitary confinement, our city will be the resort of many desperadoes, who do not chose to remain where they are deprived of society in prison: indeed we are strongly inclined to the belief, that one cause of the increased number of our prisoners at this time, is their decided preference of the Baltimore Jail and Penitentiary to those of Philadelphia.

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Visitors of the Jail of Baltimore City and County.
Baltimore, 2nd January, 1835.