

It is no wonder that many cases of disease originating in the jails are subsequently burthensome to the Penitentiary.

Sometimes persons convicted of crimes or misdemeanors are sentenced to confinement in the jails for considerable periods, and under the circumstances above mentioned, the punishment is dreadful indeed. Too barbarous for any but an Algerine law to inflict.

May not something be done to remedy these evils? Surely if they admit of a remedy, humanity calls loudly for its application.

I respectfully suggest that the Board take this subject into consideration. It properly belongs to them, inasmuch as it bears directly upon the interests of the institution over which they preside.

The whole jail system is radically wrong, but it is not proper to discuss, in this place, to make it effective and at the same time consistent with humanity.

I remain respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

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