

I, most earnestly, recommend this noble Institution to your fostering care and liberality.

In the past year, the sum of \$2,852.27 has been expended for the tuition of the Indigent Deaf and Dumb; and \$1,000, for the tuition of the Indigent Blind. No applicant has been admitted within the year.

The State Agricultural Chemist has called my attention to the necessity of the establishment of a permanent Laboratory; and the appointment of an Assistant. The great advantages, which have hitherto resulted, from the creation of this Agricultural Department, must command your admiration, and claim your further patronage. The application of scientific investigations to practical agriculture has produced the most salutary effects. I recommend to your most favorable consideration, the views presented, by the distinguished gentleman, who so ably presides over this important branch of public policy.

I have received a number of resolutions, upon various subjects, sent to me by the Authorities of other States; which are herewith transmitted.

During the administration of my immediate Predecessor, the Board of Managers of the "Washington National Monument" presented to the State a piece of the Corner Stone of that noble testimonial to the Father of his Country. I have placed it, in the State Library, subject to your orders.

I have, now, gentlemen, discharged my duty. I have, perhaps, exhausted your patience; but, I have, by no means, exhausted my subjects. There are many things, which I desired to bring to your notice. The great length of this communication, however, compels me to pass them over, for the present. I think, that, I have not occupied your attention with any matter unimportant to the interests of the State. I sincerely hope that, your legislation may conduce to the welfare of Maryland.

E. Louis Lowe.

January 12<sup>th</sup> 1852

The Governor also this day laid before the Legislature, the Report of Hon. Robert P. Brent in relation to the Christiana Murder trial; likewise the Annual Reports of the several Public Works of the State.

"  
Also, in response to an order of the House of Delegates, of the 10<sup>th</sup> instant, laid before that Honorable Body, a copy of the election returns for delegates to the present Legislature.

January 15<sup>th</sup> 1852

The Governor Commissioned, from the sixth instant to this day inclusive, the following named Officers, elected in their respective Counties the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 1851, viz: Thomas Hartine, State's Attorney for Washington County; James W. Milton, State's Attorney for Saint Mary's County; John M. Robinson, State's Attorney for Queen Anne's County, and David Clark, David Felemyer, Theodore Tubman, Geo. Brown and Slingby Lenthicum, County Commissioners for Howard County, reference being had to the Commission Book, designated "Record of Elective Officers commissioned," will more fully show.