

lead new lives and to walk in the fear of God, and the Female Prisoners are visited, talked with, admonished and urged, by many pious Female Sabbath Visitors, to live honestly and uprightly after their terms shall have expired. It may be possible that all their labors avail but little in accomplishing any good compared with Dr. Wyatt's, but the recital of some of the sad mistakes he has made, will not tend to confirm any one in such an opinion.

In addition to impressive sermons or lectures with the other customary religious exercises on the Sabbath, at all other times when a Prisoner really needs the attendance of a Clergyman, he is privileged to call one to his aid, who shall be a spiritual adviser of his own free and voluntary choice, and in the exercise of this right the humblest Convict in the Prison will ever be sustained by the Board of Directors. Surely, with the enjoyment of all these advantages and subjected to as mild a system of punishment as prevails in the United States, the Reverend Doctor cannot see the "wretched and miserable" set of beings that he imagines he does in the Penitentiary, and we hope that after this recital of facts, he will never again think there is anything within our Prison walls, bearing the most remote resemblance to a "discrimination in favor of the Clergymen of any one denomination". Notwithstanding his pictures of the wretchedness of our inmates under his being debarred the right to call them from their labors, to hear his lessons, we are rather inclined to think that their situation - setting aside their seclusion from society and their deprivation of the rights of citizenship - is far more comfortable than that of hundreds of the sons and daughters of Poverty, whom his Reverence can find outside of our Prison walls.

The Board of Directors contend that the rules to which they desire Dr. Wyatt to conform, are not only such as the laws of our own State design to be enforced - if they may form their opinion from those which the Prison Chaplain under the Act of 1837, was required to conform to - but such as are enforced in all the well-regulated Prisons of our Country.

The time of the visits of the Chaplain to the celebrated Auburn Prison, at New York, is thus testified to by the "Joint Committee that were appointed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at Decr. Session 1836, to investigate the affairs of the Maryland Penitentiary," in their report made to the Legislature at the succeeding session: -

"At night the Convicts in the Prison at Auburn are visited in the cell by the Chaplain, provided by the State for that purpose, whose moral and religious instructions are rendered peculiarly grateful and impressive by the circumstances under which the recipients are placed.

The exercises of the Sabbath, also, are, of course, all directed to the great object of reform." Now, all that our Board have asked, or that they now ask, of the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, is that he follow strictly

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