

part of each scheme, in which tickets are sold; as you will see by comparing the sales of the last Maryland Lottery, class No. 26, for 1834, with the scheme; it will be found that the sales are only $1-10\frac{1}{2}$ part of that scheme.

See scheme, Md. 26 amount,	\$243,090 00
“ entire sales of this market, is	2,394 90

Which gives the above result.

For your *inspection*, we send you our Invoice Book, in which you will find our amount of sales extended agreeable to our returns made to the contractors, showing conclusive evidence of the above facts.

The charge “that not more than two thirds or one half of the amount, received for tickets, is ever returned to the purchasers of tickets in prize money,” is as preposterous as it is false!!

In the Maryland Lotteries, the drawings have produced a larger proportion of prizes sold, than the proper average to the amount of sales—so that the contractors are not much, if any gainers on the Maryland Lotteries for the two last years; besides, the risk has terminated against the contractors, on an average of tickets sold in all the lotteries, both at home and abroad, of nearly or quite three per cent, during the last three years; which shews that the balance of luck has been in favor of the purchasers. We challenge one single instance to be produced where the prizes have not been punctually and fairly paid, agreeably to the scheme set forth, whether the luck was against the contractors or not.

The charge of “not less than 12 or 15 millions of dollars being divided among the lottery dealers, as their proportion of the profits per annum,” we need only refer you to our Invoice Book, as above mentioned, to show conclusively, that the entire sale in the Maryland market during the last fiscal year, from 1st December, 1833, to 30th Nov. 1834, is only \$446,532 90.

From this fact, you will observe, that under the present regulation, the contractors are paying full five per cent, on the total amount of sales of all lotteries sold in this market.

This shews that there are quite as many Maryland tickets sold abroad, as there are other tickets sold here.

It will be readily seen, from the number of licences granted, that the dealers have not increased in Maryland for the two last years; but, we will not pretend to say how large the increase may have been in the other “large cities,” where lotteries have been abolished.