

REPORT.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

February 22, 1841.

Read and ordered to be printed.

The committee to whom was referred the Report of the President and visitors of the Maryland Hospital, and who were required by the order which passed the House of Delegates, January 28th, 1841, to proceed to the city of Baltimore for the purpose of examining the condition of that Institution, beg leave to report:

That in accordance with instructions, they proceeded to the institution, and made every inquiry which they deemed requisite into its present condition, and prospects. Their investigation extended into a minute inspection of the whole building, which has within the past year been greatly enlarged for the accommodation of patients. Before the late extension, it could contain about sixty-five patients, it can now accommodate about one hundred in single rooms, and fifteen or twenty more, in what are termed ward rooms, with the most ample arrangements for their comfort. The new wing which has been constructed since the appropriation of 1838, is completed in the most workmanlike manner, and every convenience which properly belongs to such an institution, is there to be found, and your committee felt the liveliest satisfaction, when visiting the various apartments, to find that no pains had been spared to promote the comfort of the present inmates of the institution, and those who may hereafter be placed within its walls. It was a matter of pride and pleasure to your committee to witness the order with which its entire management is conducted, and believe that it is capable of more extended usefulness. Your committee find from the Report of the President and Visitors, as well as from an examination of the books and vouchers, that the improvements necessarily incurred, the expenditure of large sums of money, the building of the new wing, the fitting up of the third story of the centre building, the introduction of extensive furnaces, the con-