

advisable, so to employ this wing, if it can be, to guard against the mischief of a dilapidated ruin, in connection with the improved part of the building?

Enquiry of Mr. Pratt.

What number of lunatic patients have been admitted for the last few years, into the Maryland Hospital, and what proportion have been entirely restored?

Answers to John B. Morris.

1. It cost \$159,500, (refer to documents accompanying the Report of Mr. Mayer, made last year, page 5.) The institution can at this time accommodate only 58 lunatics, in cells or close rooms; there are 18 small rooms not fit for lunatics, in which mild cases are sometimes kept; they can be easily converted into cells, and would give 36 more cells for lunatics, making in all 94 number small enough for the accommodation of the number of males and females who will in all probability be placed under our care. There are, besides the above, 3 parlors and 6 large common rooms; some of these have been used as wards, to include many beds, that cases of fever and ordinary diseases might be received at a low rate—2 or 3 dollars per week. Others are kept for patients of good family, who desire large rooms, and who pay from 7 to 10 dollars per week. The number of patients in the house, when the board took charge, (January 1st, 1834) was 26—81 received since—84 discharged, or died. Remaining at this time, (January 1st, 1835)—23.

2. The building is not in good repair; it requires as follows:—\$1200 for a new tin or slate roof; repair of basement cells, \$1200; window-shutters, \$800; iron bars, \$200; piazza, on the south side, \$500; for making cells in east wing, alluded to in Ans. 1, \$2500; improving grounds, \$700; for a fence around garden, \$200; for furnaces in east wing, \$1000; water closets, bath-rooms, and