

REPORT
OF
THE TRUSTEES FOR THE POOR
OF
BALTIMORE CITY AND COUNTY.

To the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore :

GENTLEMEN :

In conformity with an act of the General Assembly, passed December session, 1818, chap. 122, &c., the trustees for the poor of Baltimore city and county herewith present their annual report.

The following statement will show the amount of money received and expended on account of the city of Baltimore from the 1st January to 31st December, 1844, inclusive.

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For city's proportion of articles purchased as food, clothing, fuel, &c. for supplying an average per month of 473 7-12 city paupers, and 2-3ds of 51 11-12 strangers - - -	\$11,002 64
For city's proportion of articles purchased as hospital stores for supplying an average per month, as above, - - -	2,563 46
For city's proportion (7-8ths) of the cost of conducting the farm, after deducting the amount of sales therefrom, - - -	1,436 67
For city's proportion (7-8ths) of the expense of the house, including salaries, repairs, wages and contingencies, - - -	3,595 88
For this amount paid city pensioners, - - - -	1,375 00
For this amount paid city trustees, - - - -	534 00
For this amount paid donations (incidental relief) - - -	136 62
For this amount paid Equitable Insurance Company, &c. - - -	85 44
	\$20,729 71

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By this amount due the city, as per last report,	\$903 18
By this amount received from Jesse Hunt, Esq., Register, being the city's proportion of the fund arising from the importation of foreign passengers into the port of Baltimore,	- 1,883 76
By this amount received from non-resident per- sons,	- - - - - 32 99
By this amount received from city paupers,	- 73 01
By this amount received from Mayor and City Council, being the appropriation made for the expenses of 1844,	- - - - - \$18,000 00
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	\$20,892 94
From which deduct amount paid during 1844,	20,729 71
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Balance due the city 1st January, 1845,	\$163 23
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RECAPITULATION.

Total amount of money paid during 1844,	- - - \$20,729 71
Deduct this amount, part of the expenses of 1843, having been paid during 1844, and included in the amount of \$20,729 71,	- - - - - 1,095 01
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Actual expenses of the year 1844,	- - - - - \$19,634 70
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The increase of expenditure on the part of the city is \$2,160 71 more than last year, ending December 31st 1843, whilst the average number of paupers has increased, and of the debts incurred during the year, but a small proportion remain unpaid, except that due to Mr. Jesse Slingluff, for 300 cords of oak wood, and which according to contract is to be paid for in the spring of 1845. It is judged proper also to state that a considerable amount of wood, coal, &c., remain on hand, and that the house has been provided with two new steam boilers, a large additional quantity of clothing, coverlids, &c., for which reason the trustees believe that a sum equal to that expended, during the present, will be fully sufficient to meet the expenses of the ensuing year, and would, therefore, ask for an appropriation of \$18,000 00. During the past summer, it was deemed expedient to change the diet of the house, not only with a view to promote the health of the inmates, but as an act of justice to the laboring hands, and although the measure made it necessary to increase the amount of purchases, the result has proved that more labor has been performed by the paupers, and, that in every respect the expectations of the trustees have been fully realised.

About the same time also, the mode of conveying paupers to the Alms House was altered, and it is believed with great benefit to the institution. All vagrants committed by magistrates and many infirm

paupers, had cost the city \$1 each for conveyance, and the trustees believing that in many instances gross impositions had been practised, resolved, with the consent of the Mayor, to send a carriage twice daily to the police office for the transportation of these classes of individuals, and by reference to the annexed tables, it will be seen, that not only has the expenses been saved, but that the number of admissions, each month since September, has been less than in the corresponding periods of last year, a result attributed entirely to the adoption of this measure.

Since the last annual report, several valuable improvements have been made upon the premises, among which may be mentioned a large basin for the fountain in front of the main building; a sewer 250 feet in length; a straw barrack adjoining the mill 90 feet long and 40 wide, capable of containing from 60 to 70 tons of straw; a piggery 53 feet in length and 16 in width, to which is attached a yard, 40 feet square, well paved, and all built of stone; connected with this piggery, a house 30 feet by 12 has been erected to receive the slops which are constantly accumulating, and which by the aid of a steam boiler, may be converted into a valuable food for the hogs.

There has also been erected on the foundation of an old building, stabling sufficient for 24 cows and 12 horses, which is also of stone, and measures 157 feet long and 19 wide, and having an upper story to contain about 20 tons of hay, so that the stacking will be unnecessary as well as exposure to inclement weather—a large proportion of this work has been done by paupers.

There are several subjects connected with the institution, to which the trustees would call your serious attention, believing that the laws in relation thereto, ought to be repealed, or materially modified.

By act of Assembly, passed November 1773, chapter 30, entitled an act for the relief of the poor within the county of Baltimore, it is enacted that there shall be an Alms and Work House, erected, "built and set up in the said county," and by section 19 of the same act, any one magistrate is authorised to commit disorderly persons to the said work house for a limited period of time, and not only the original act, but others passed subsequent thereto, all contemplate the erection of such a building in connection with the Alms House; this has never been carried into effect; a large number of vagrants, and disorderly persons, by virtue of this act, have been committed, and the consequence is, not only that the virtuous poor are compelled to mix indiscriminately with the vicious and depraved, but the majority of the latter class are received in a most abject and offensive condition, and when restored to health and provided with good and sufficient clothing, embrace the earliest opportunity to elope. By reference to another part of this report, it will be seen, that the number of elopements, during the year were 785, and the execution of all the police regulations being vested in the overseer and matron, without any assistance other than that derived from paupers, few of whom, if any, can be trusted, it will be at once perceived that this is an inevitable result.

Again it will be observed, that of the whole number (1493) admit-

ted into the Alms House during the year, 532 (more than one third) were born out of the limits of the United States, and that 307 had resided for less than one year in the city or county of Baltimore.— Another class of paupers maintained in the Alms House, at the expense of the city and county, is made up of strangers from the several counties of the state, as well as from other states of the union, and it is respectfully suggested, whether such measures ought not to be provided as will prevent a necessity for such unjust taxation hereafter.

The situation of the lunatic poor, also requires consideration ; there is no part of the institution which can be adapted to render them even comfortable, and although every kindness and care, which the situation admits of has been extended to them, yet under the circumstances, a cure is utterly hopeless ; it is, therefore, earnestly recommended that an application be made to the Legislature for the passage of a law, providing for the maintenance of all the lunatic poor of the state in some institution specially designed for the reception of this class of unfortunate persons, and that, the expense be charged to the cities or counties to which they may respectively belong.

The trustees are also of opinion, that the interests of the institution imperiously require, that the laws relating to the appointment of trustees, be so amended as that the tenure of office of *all* will not expire at the same time.

In conclusion, it is but an act of justice to say, that the overseer and all the officers of the institution, have discharged their respective duties to the entire satisfaction of the board.

The table marked A, will show the number of persons, admitted, born, &c.

The table marked B, will show the birth places of the inmates.

The table marked C, will show the ages of the inmates.

The table marked D, will show the period of residence.

The table marked E, will show the habits of the inmates.

The table marked F, will show the quantity of clothing issued.

The table marked G, will show the work done by the inmates.

The table marked H, will show the monthly average.

The table marked I, will show the articles purchased.

The table marked K, will show the products of the farm.

The table marked L, will show the extra work done on farm.

The table marked M, will show the number of medical and surgical cases treated in the house.

The table marked N, will show the number in the house, and expenses of the same, for the last eleven years, for the city and county respectively.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES FRAZIER,
JOHN L. YEATES,
CHARLES M. KEYSER,
MATTHEW CLARK,
ISAAC KIRK,
WM. CROOKS,
TOBIAS E. STANSBURY.

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TABLE

Showing the number of persons born, admitted, discharged, died, bound, and eloped, and the number remaining at the expiration of each month, from 1st of January, to 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

DATE.	Admitted.	Born.	Discharged.	Died.	Bound.	Eloped.	Remaining
1844—January,	103	4	27	15	1	49	666
February,	102		40	11	3	66	643
March,	111	6	113	16	1	127	515
April,	92	2	40	16	1	52	510
May,	153	4	43	14	3	66	541
June,	113	1	43	16	2	56	538
July,	135	2	52	18		65	530
August,	129		52	14		63	530
September,	136	5	43	14		71	540
October,	146	2	38	22	2	69	557
November,	119	2	40	19		61	554
December,	125	1	21	12		40	607
	1464	29	552	187	13	785	6731

In the House, December 31, 1843,	651
Total ingress,	1493
	2144
Total egress,	1537
In the House, 31st of December, 1844,	607

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TABLE

Showing the birth places of the persons admitted into the Alms House, from 1st of January to 31st December, 1844, inclusive.

NATIVES.		FOREIGNERS.	
Alms House,	25	England,	32
Baltimore City,	360	Canada,	3
Baltimore County,	90	Wales,	1
Eastern Shore of Maryland,	141	Scotland,	7
Other parts of Maryland,	136	Ireland,	253
Maine,	4	Germany,	197
New Hampshire,	1	France,	18
Massachusetts,	6	Switzerland,	2
Vermont,	1	At Sea,	3
Rhode Island,	9	Holland,	1
Connecticut,	4	Italy,	1
New York,	26	West Indies,	3
New Jersey,	4	Denmark,	1
Pennsylvania,	65	Spain,	1
Delaware,	21	Prussia,	1
District of Columbia,	18	Sweden,	1
Virginia,	31	Africa,	1
North Carolina,	5	Norway,	1
Kentucky,	3	Portugal,	1
Ohio,	1	Unknown,	4
Louisiana,	3		
Missouri,	2	Total,	532
Georgia,	1		961
Florida,	1		
Total,	961	Grand Total,	1493

Of which number 350 were brought out at public expense, costing \$332 25; 80 married men,—307 who resided less than one year in the City or County of Baltimore.

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TABLE

Showing the Ages of the persons admitted into the Alms House, from 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

Born at the Alms House,	29	From 50 to 60 years,	130
Under 1 year,	32	“ 60 “ 70 “	71
From 1 to 5 years,	36	“ 70 “ 80 “	23
“ 5 “ 10 “	30	“ 80 “ 90 “	12
“ 10 “ 15 “	28	“ 90 “ 100 “	2
“ 15 “ 20 “	70	Over 100	1
“ 20 “ 30 “	333	Unknown,	20
“ 30 “ 40 “	407		
“ 40 “ 50 “	269	Total,	1493

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TABLE

Showing the period of residence in the City or County of Baltimore, of all persons admitted into the Alms House, from 1st of January to 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

Born at the Alms House,	29
Less than one week,	80
One week and less than one month,	60
One month and less than three months,	90
Three months and less than six months,	38
Six months and less than one year,	40
One year and less than two years,	39
Over two years,	627
Period of residence unknown,	40
Born in the City or County of Baltimore,	458
Total,	1493

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TABLE

Showing the habits of the persons admitted into the Alms House, from 1st of January to 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

Intemperate adults,	840
Temperate adults,	95
Habits of adults unknown,	403
Children of intemperate parents,	66
Children of temperate parents,	30
Children of parents whose habits are unknown,	59
Total,	1493

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TABLE

Showing the quantity of Clothing issued to the Inmates, from 1st of January to 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

DATE.	Pair Shoes.	Shirts.	Shirts.	Frocks.	Petticoats.	Pantalcoons.	Rounds.	Vests.	Shawls & Handkerchiefs.	Pr. Stockings.	Caps.	Aprons.	Drawers.	Flannel Shirts.	Yds Muslin.	Domestic.	Flannel.	Coats & Cloaks.
1844.																		
January,	63	100	86	70	10	70	38	19	4	80	12	9	9	3	19	8	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	3
February,	35	92	46	36	10	31	12	16	3	56		7	3	3	21	16	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2
March,	35	80	62	51	14	31	11	6	2	23	6	2	2	4	9	8	12	4
April,	43	80	62	51	12	42	16	12	5	34	4	2	3	3	16		8	5
May,	30	72	53	43	17	50	8	10	4	29	3	3	2	5	13		4	
June,	29	67	48	29	8	60	7	6	8	4	2	2		2	17	24	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	
July,	33	81	35	27	3	70	2	4	2	12	7				6	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1
August,	41	70	25	29	2	47	7	2	1	14					7 $\frac{1}{2}$	36	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	2
September,	22	88	36	28	1	78	6	8	2	26			4	4	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	4
October,	36	90	19	34	6	40	23	8	1	19	8		4	4	6	16	26 $\frac{1}{4}$	5
November,	50	101	17	26	12	48	33	4	6	53	7	6	15	10	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	48	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	7
December,	40	60	21	34	23	40	20	16	34	48	10	8	17	8	12	32	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	6
	457	981	510	458	118	607	183	113	72	398	59	37	59	49	141	224 $\frac{1}{2}$	97	39

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TABLE

Showing the work done by the Inmates from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

917 square yards spinning and weaving, . . .	\$183 40	94 Bed Sacks,	5 84
400 pair shoes made, . . .	200 00	194 Sheets,	11 84
do do repaired, . . .	228 25	4 barrels Soft Soap, . . .	4 00
1630 days carpenters work, . . .	1,222 50	619 Shirts,	61 90
312 do painting and glazing, . . .	234 00	470 Shifts,	25 20
130 do brick laying, . . .	130 00	240 Frocks,	32 60
3744 do labour,	1,872 00	46 Petticoats,	2 76
286 do Blacksmith's work, . . .	286 00	120 Handkerchiefs,	2 60
Tin work,	100 00	51 Caps,	1 68
350 pair stockings, spun and knit,	132 00	107 Pantalcons,	26 75
120 towels,	1 20	40 Roundabouts,	10 00
3120 days washing and ironing, . . .	390 00	12 Vests,	3 00
		Total,	\$6,166 47

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TABLE

Showing the monthly average of Persons in the Alms House, from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

DATE.	WHITE.			COLORED.			TOTAL.	WHERE FROM.			
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Men.	Women.	Children.		City.	County.	Elsewhere.	TOTAL.
1844—January, -	233	209	66	56	91	11	666	541	35	90	666
February, -	210	219	60	54	90	10	643	527	36	80	643
March, -	159	175	55	40	78	8	515	417	34	64	515
April, -	156	175	49	39	79	12	510	425	24	51	510
May, -	179	181	60	39	72	10	541	460	38	43	541
June, -	179	164	85	34	70	6	538	457	38	43	538
July, -	194	178	59	34	59	6	530	464	36	30	530
August, -	193	179	61	30	64	3	530	459	37	34	530
September, -	182	192	63	33	67	3	540	469	32	39	540
October, -	202	184	68	36	63	4	557	491	32	34	557
November, -	200	178	69	42	62	3	554	472	33	49	554
December, -	221	181	75	48	79	3	607	501	40	66	607
	2308	2215	770	485	874	79	6731	5683	425	623	6731

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560 11-12 total average.

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473 7-12 city average.

12)425

35 5-12 county average.

12)623

51 11-12 strangers average.

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STATEMENT

Showing the Articles purchased for the house from the 1st of January to 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

Alcohol, for med. purposes, 70 gals.	Combs, 32 dozen
Arrow Root, 84 pounds	Charcoal, 272 bushels
Bristles, 1 pound	Cork, $\frac{1}{2}$ pound
Buttons, 21 gross	Chairs, Students', 8
Blacking, 4 dozen	Check, 2 pieces
Butter, 1,764 pounds	Copperas, 37 pounds
Blankets, 206	Calico, 59 yards
Bacon, Shoulder, 15,931 pounds	Coffee Mills, large, 1
Hams, 1,367 pounds	Canvass, 20 yards
Brushes, Hand, 12	Castors, 6 setts
Sweeping, 72	Cocoa, 12 pounds
White Wash, 36	Chickens, for sick, 5 dozen
Shoe, 9	Carpeting, 106 yards
Scrubbing, 60	Diaper, 54 yards
Flesh, 2	Towels, 1 dozen
Pope, 1	Drawers, Men's, 11 pairs
Brooms, Corn, 60	Files, 69
Hickory, 84	Flannel, Wool, 50 yards
Brandy, for med. purposes, 30 gals.	Cotton, 114 yards
Barley, 10 pounds	Flour, for family, 16 barrels
Blue Indigo, 2 pounds	for house, 244 barrels
Books, Med., 3 vols.	Glue, 9 pounds
Blank, 8 vols.	Glass, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ box
Check, 1 vol.	23 lights
Beef, Fresh, 36,998 pounds	Gin, for med. purposes, 6 gals.
Dried, 82 pounds	Generator, Steam, 2
Tongues, 12	Gimblets, Spike, 2
Binding, Shoe, 12 pounds	Herrings, 28 barrels
Brick, 6,300	Hats, Men's, 51
Coffee, 3,865 pounds	Hops, 89 pounds
Cloth, Broad, 6 yards	Halters, 5
Cloth, Oil, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards	Horse, 1
Chocolate, 600 pounds	Hinges, 24
Cassinet, 48 yards	Iron, Bar, 551 pounds
Caps, Boys', 38	Iron, Rod, 168 pounds
Crackers, Water, 772 pounds	Iron, Hoop, 130 pounds
Soda, 276 pounds	Knobs, Desk, 9
Candles, 790 pounds	Knives and Forks, 8 dozen
Coal, Smith's, 50 bushels	Carving, 6 pairs
Coal, Anthracite, 255 tons	Leather, Sole, 961 pounds
Cotton, Sewing, 14 pounds	Upper, 35 sides
Spool, 3 dozen	Harness, 2 sides
Darning, 1 pound	Locks, Foot, 12
Raw, 673 pounds	Pad, 8

Locks, House, 12
 Linen, 100 yards
 Logwood, 20 pounds
 Lead, Black, 5 pounds
 White, 2 kegs
 Lard, Hog's, 424 pounds
 Lecches, 37 dozen
 Lumber, 5,585 feet
 Lime, 2,515 bushels
 Lamb, 21 quarters
 Lasts, Shoe, 12
 Molasses, 1,590 gals.
 Muslin, 3,731 yards
 Mustard, 115 pounds
 Mutton, for house, 23,310 pounds
 for family, 489 pounds
 Medicines, amounting to \$872 30
 Meal, Corn, 300 pounds
 Mounting, Harness, 2 sets
 Nails, 747 pounds
 Needles, Sewing, 21 papers
 Knitting, 6 sets
 Nutmegs, 8 pounds
 Netting, Green, 21 yards
 Oil, Lamp, 457 gals.
 N. Foot, 9 gals.
 Linseed, 5 gals.
 Osnaburgs, 70 yards
 Pins, 7 packs
 Pepper 234 pounds
 Pitchers, Stone, 30
 Peas, 6 bushels
 Pencils, 2 dozen
 Paper, Sand, 2 quires
 Writing, 3 reams
 Wrapping, 7 reams
 Pork, Prime, 2 barrels
 Pantaloon, 103 pairs
 Pegs, Shoe, 13 quarts
 Porter, for med. purposes, 44 bottles
 Papering, three rooms, cost \$35
 Queensware, \$68
 Quills, 725
 Rice Flour, 30 pounds
 Rice, 10,511 pounds
 Roundabouts, 73
 Rivets, Tin, 1000
 Rat Traps, 4
 Snuff, 500 pounds
 Sugar, Brown, 15,095 pounds
 White, 911 pounds

Salt, 17 bushels
 29 sacks
 Seive, Wire, 1
 Stone, Grind, 1
 Sattinett, 68½ yards
 Soap, Brown, 1,894 pounds
 Country, 3,649 pounds
 Sago, 14 pounds
 Spoons, Table, 1 gross
 Snuffers, 1 dozen
 Starch, 87 pounds
 Silk, Saddler's, ½ pound
 Sewing, ½ pound
 Spring, Carriage, 1
 Splint, Smith's, 1
 Square, Iron, 1
 Syringe, Anatomical, 1
 Shirts, 3
 Socks, 35 pairs
 Saws, Wood, 2
 Spriggs, 4,000
 Shoes, 38 pairs
 Screws, 5½ gross
 Stove, large, 1
 Tobacco, 1,079 pounds
 Tin, X X, 4 boxes
 Tar, 1 barrel
 Tea, for family, 20 pounds
 for house, 1,008 pounds
 Tumblers, 3 dozen
 Tape, 1 gross
 Tapioca, 9 pounds
 Timothy Seed, 7 bushels
 Tabs, 8
 Tools, Shoe, 2 sets
 Turpentine, Spirits, 2 gals.
 Varnish, 1 gal.
 Vermillion, 1 ounce.
 Vinegar, 242 gals.
 Veal, 601 pounds
 Vests, 4
 Wine, S. M., for med. purposes, 52 gals.
 Wine, Port, for med. purposes, 69 gals.
 Whiskey, for med. purposes, 71 gals.
 Wire, 51 pounds
 Wheels, Spinning, 6
 Wood, Pine, 20 cords
 Oak, 300 cords
 Whiting, 30 pounds
 Wheat, 2,756 bushels

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STATEMENT

Showing the products of the Farm from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1844, inclusive.

881 bushels	Wheat, valued	at \$1 00	\$881 00
25 do	Buck Wheat,	at 1 00	25 00
1,300 do	Corn,	at 50	650 00
1,237 do	Oats,	at 33	408 21
572 do	Turnips,	at 37 $\frac{1}{2}$	214 50
2,028 do	Potatoes,	at 55	1,115 40
95 do	Parsnips,	at 75	71 25
53 do	Carrots,	at 1 00	53 00
160 do	Green Beans,	at 50	80 00
35 do	Onions,	at 1 00	35 00
112 do	Beets,	at 50	56 00
358 do	Sprouts,	at 50	179 00
27 do	Peas,	at 75	20 25
10 do	Shelled Beans,	at 1 00	10 00
335 do	Tomatos,	at 50	167 50
1,533 do	Cut Straw,	at 3	47 49
31,173 heads	Cabbages,	at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,091 05
1,430 do	Lettuce,	at 6	85 80
56 bunches	Rhubarb,	at 12	6 72
182 do	Green Onions,	at 3	3 24
183 do	Asparagus,	at 12	21 96
272 do	Radishes,	at 3	8 16
796 do	Celery,	at 10	79 60
151 do	Squashes,	at 6	9 06
41 do	Cucumbers,	at 3	2 46
88 do	Green Corn,	at 10	8 80
19 dozen	Peppers,	at 20	3 80
85 tons	Hay,	at 12 00	1,020 00
13,844 lbs.	Pork,	at 4	553 76
880 do	Beef,	at 3	26 40
134 do	Beef Hides,	at 4	5 36
788 do	Butter,	at 25	197 00
17	Calves,	at 3 50	59 50
160 $\frac{3}{4}$ gals.	Cream,	at 50	80 37 $\frac{1}{2}$
987 $\frac{1}{2}$ do	New Milk,	at 25	246 81
2,412 $\frac{1}{4}$ do	Skimmed Milk,	at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	301 50
290 do	Butter Milk,	at 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	18 12
Total,			\$7,843 14

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STATEMENT

Showing the extra work done under the direction of the Farmer from the 1st of January to the 31st December, 1844, inclusive.

206 loads stone hauled on road, valued at 25 cents per load,	\$51 50
206 do do broke and levelled on do at 25 cts. per load,	51 50
3,050 bushels Lime hauled from Baltimore, for agricultural purposes, at 4 cents,	122 00
465 bushels Lime hauled from Baltimore, for building, at 4 cents,	18 60
3,050 bushels Lime spread on the farm, at 3 cents,	91 50
62 days puddling and cleaning Mill race, at 50 cents,	31 00
25 days cleaning and sinking Tail race, at 50 cents,	12 50
530 pannel fence set, at 10 cents,	53 00
1,000 rails, cut and mauled, at 1½ cents,	12 50
150 posts do do and morticed, at 8 cents,	12 00
445 loads building stone, hauled,	110 25
140 loads ice, cut, hauled and filled, at 50 cents,	70 00
25 days Millwright work, at \$1 00,	25 00
174 days Carpenter work, cutting, hewing, framing, shingling, &c., straw barrack and shed, at 75 cents,	130 50
75 days Wheelwright's work, making and repairing utensils, at 75 cents,	56 24
1,000 rails, painted, at 1½ cents,	12 20
24 days ditching, at 50 cents,	12 00
4 loads brick, hauled from Baltimore, at \$1,50 cents,	6 00
28 days Mason work, building stone pillars and other repairs, at \$1 00,	28 00
6 gate posts, cut and hewed and set,	3 00
50 days digging and removing earth at hog yard, at 50 cts.	25 00
160 loads sand, for building and paving, at 25 cents,	40 00
60 days cutting and clearing fence rows and ditches, &c., at 30 cents,	18 00
250 days Carpenter's work, at stabling and piggery, at 75 cts.	187 50
20 days hewing timber and building bridge, at 75 cents,	15 00
7 days hauling timber from woods for barrack bridge and hog pen,	7 00
100 pannel plank, rail fence set,	10 00
30 loads stone hauled for paving, at 25 cents,	7 50
150 days Mason work at stable, at \$1 00,	150 00
270 days finding Masons and Pavers, at 50 cents,	135 00
3,542 bushels Wheat, ground in Mill, at 8 cents,	283 36
336 do Corn, do do at 6 cents,	20 16

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DISEASES.	Admitted.	Cured.	Relieved.	Died.	Remaining.	DISEASES.	Admitted.	Cured.	Relieved.	Died.	Remaining.
Temulentia, . . .	192	186			6	Vaccination, . . .	50	50			
Tracheitis, . . .	4	4				Wounds, Incised, . .	9	9			
Tabes Mesenterica, . .	8			8		Lacerated, . . .	5	5			
Tinea capitis, . . .	4	3	1			Total, . . .	1698	1159	207	187	151
Ulcers, . . .	163	117	22	24							
Varicose Veins, . . .	9		7		2						

LYING IN DEPARTMENT.

Children Born,	29
Full Term,	28
Still Born,	1

SURGICAL OPERATIONS.

Amputation of Thigh,	1
" " Breast,	1
Tracheotomy,	1
Paracentesis thoracis,	1
" Abdominis,	8
Minor Operations,	54
Delivery with the Forceps,	1

BALTIMORE, January 1st, 1845.

To the Trustees

Baltimore City and County Alms House:

The subscribers, in handing you the annual report, feel gratified to find the general bill of mortality less than that of the previous year, notwithstanding the admissions are larger. This pleasing result is not claimed, however, as the effect of skillful practice, for the calls of humanity have been responded to in a most gratifying and useful manner throughout the establishment. But the management of the children's department merits particular comment. The change of diet, exercise, &c. recommended and observed during the heat of summer was well calculated to lessen mortality and ward off disease. The good effects of the course adopted were soon manifested. The records prove that in July, August and September, 1843, sixteen children died, and only five during the corresponding period of the past year.

We hope the benefits thus shown to accrue among the most interesting and innocent portion of the inmates would alone be regarded as a sufficient return for the slight additional cost and trouble encountered.

Respectfully,

ALEX. CLENDINEN,
 ALEX. C. ROBINSON,
Visiting Physicians.

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TABLE

Showing the comparison of the numbers in, and expenses of the Alms House, from 1834 to 1844, inclusive.

The fiscal year of the Alms House formerly ended on the 30th of April of each year.

For the year ending 30th April, 1834, the number admitted was	
5469,—City's expenses,	\$15,656 05
County's expenses,	3,986 47
For the year ending 30th April, 1835, the number admitted was	
6104,—City's expenses,	18,259 49
County's expenses,	4,754 92
For the year ending 30th April, 1836, the number admitted was	
5914,—City's expenses,	22,050 53
County's expenses,	4,614 58
For the year ending 30th April, 1837, the number admitted was	
6058,—City's expenses,	25,241 65
County's expenses,	4,810 55
For the year ending 30th April, 1838, the number admitted was	
5876,—City's expenses,	23,324 73
County's expenses,	4,486 17
For the year ending 30th April, 1839, the number admitted was	
5823,—City's expenses,	25,376 68
County's expenses,	4,364 07

The fiscal year was made from this period upon 31st of December.

For the 8 mos. ending 31st December, 1839, the number admitted was 3759,—City's expenses,	18,508 67
County's expenses,	3,321 72
For the year ending 31st December, 1840, the number admitted was 6156,—City's expenses,	24,539 80
County's expenses,	4,946 25
For the year ending 31st December, 1841, the number admitted was 6213,—City's expenses,	21,269 36
County's expenses,	4,173 36
For the year ending 31st December, 1842, the number admitted was 6385,—City's expenses,	18,461 08
County's expenses,	3,226 01
For the year ending 31st December, 1843, the number admitted was 6863,—City's expenses,	17,473 99
County's expenses,	2,989 48
For the year ending 31st December, 1844, the number admitted was 6731,—City's expenses,	19,634 70
County's expenses,	3,135 20

City Paupers admitted 1843, 5562—average per month, 463 6-12.

County do. do. 1843, 368 do. do. 30 8-12.

City Paupers admitted 1844, 5683—average per month, 473 7-12.

County do. do. 1844, 425 do. do. 35 5-12.

Non-resident Paupers admitted 1843, 933—average per month, 77 9-12.

Do. do. do. 1844, 623 do. do. 51 11-12.