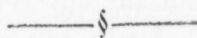


ed cured 130 ; for it must be borne in mind that while a medical superintendent should not waste the money entrusted to him, his chief consideration should be the cure of those committed to his charge.

Toronto has an Asylum worthy of any European city, provided with ample means, for the classification and treatment of lunatics, it is under the charge of a skilful, learned and careful medical Superintendent, with an excellent staff of officers ; the same may be said of the other Asylums of Ontario. Yet the percentage of discharges from all the Asylums of that Province since 1841 is only 47 per cent., and as a large portion of these discharges were not considered cures, the number of those really cured, probably did not exceed 30 per cent. The percentage of the Halifax Provincial Hospital for the insane, since its commencement, is 39.6 ; that of Beauport not more than 16 ; that of the Missouri State Asylum about 15 ; that of Northampton Asylum (Mass.), 29. The percentage of cures at the St. John's Provincial Asylum since its foundation is 43. This speaks for itself.



Reply of the Proprietors of the Quebec Lunatic Asylum, to the statements made by Dr. Howard, Superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, St. John's, P. Q., in his Report of 1872, and in the Preface thereto recently published.

The proprietors of the Quebec Lunatic Asylum have learned in the most accidental manner, that the superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, at St. John's, P. Q., has caused to be publicly circulated printed copies of his report, for 1872, accompanied by a preface, in which

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