REPORT

(19th JUNE, 1854,)

Of the Medical Superintendent of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, Toronto, as required by the Act 15 & 16 Vic. cap. 188.

To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada.

May it please your Honorable House :

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act 15 and 16 of Her Majesty, cap. 188, "For the better management of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at Toronto," the undersigned, the Medical Superintendent, most respectfully submits the following Report :--

In conformity with instructions from His Excellency the Governor General, the undersigned was invested with the temporary medical charge of the Asylum, on 1st July, 1853. The number of patients at that time in the Institution was found to be 345; of whom 187 were males, and 158 females.

The general health of the establishment was unsatisfactory, and the appearance of the patients too clearly indicated that serions defects in the sanatory provisions of the house existed. Only a cursory examination of the several parts of the Institution was required to establish the conviction, that