

year, may be set down at about 550. To this number, however, must be added the whole of those, say 76, now occupying the building in the Queen's Park, Toronto, used as a temporary Asylum, and known in the Reports as the "University Branch Asylum."* We have thus an aggregate of 626 lunatics in Upper Canada for whom Asylum accommodation of some kind has still to be found.

In Lower Canada, again, the total number of lunatics in the two Lunatic Asylums, that at Beauport and that at St. Johns, at the close of 1865, was 633, and assuming as before the approximate correctness of the figures given in the Inspectors' Report for 1864, the number of lunatics in that section of the Province, not provided with accommodation at the close of the past year, may be estimated at the large number of 717. The aggregate number of lunatics in both sections of the Province, for whom Asylum accommodation has yet to be found, may therefore be set down in round numbers at 1,343.

These are startling figures, and it may probably be thought, by some, that any scheme sufficiently comprehensive in its character to meet the exigency of the case, must involve so heavy a demand upon the public exchequer as to preclude the possibility of securing for it the sanction of the legislature. The scheme, however, submitted by Dr. Workman, and which appears to the Inspectors to afford the best practical solution of the difficult problem under consideration, will not be found to necessitate the heavy public expenditure which, at first sight, might be expected.

The plan submitted by Dr. Workman will be fully considered in the observations which follow. It may suffice here to say, generally, that Dr. Workman contemplates the establishment of two distinct classes of institutions—one for the curable and the other for the incurable Insane—the former to be supported by the General, and the latter by the Local Government, *i.e.*, by the Municipalities for whose insane they are intended,

* The University authorities, to whom this building belongs, and the Municipal authorities of the City of Toronto, to whom the Park belongs, have for years past been urging the Government to remove the lunatics to some other place.

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