

and heat, into which the insane are thrust, without clothing, on to beds of damp straw. This is a ridiculous mistake, a gross error in imagination on their part. Our cells are small rooms, very tidily kept, well lighted during the day, warm during the winter, and possessing all the advantages of thorough ventilation; each patient is provided with a comfortable bed.

How many gaol sheltered paupers, among our sane population would not, on their return to their homes, envy so agreeable a place to dwell in? One of our well known citizens, attached to the staff of the "CHRONICLE" of this city, visited our institution, some months since, and in a minute and well written description, he expressed himself, in speaking of these cells, as follows:

"Although their small rooms bear the name of *cells*, they are after all separated rooms because separation is considered as the surest means to calm the excited patient. Each cell contains a comfortable and neat bed, and when the door of the cell is closed the patient receives sufficient light without at the same time disclosing any object of an irritating nature."

**2nd. Peaceable and inoffensive cases.**—The inoffensive cases, and they form the largest number, are lodged in spacious rooms. Each group of which this category is composed, is under the care of a keeper in chief, aided by assistants, proportionate in number to that of the patients. Every group has its common room, dining hall, common and special bed-rooms, bath rooms, wash rooms, water-closets and some isolated cells. This part of the building, besides, is more appropriately arranged and suited for its purpose than where the noisy and indecent are located. The windows look out on the finest parts of our gardens,

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