

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Managers of the Institution for the Blind, 1882.

THE Board of Management of the Institution for the Blind have once more to meet their friends and patrons with this, their annual report.

The year through which we have just passed has exhibited many tokens of Divine favor, without which all the efforts of the Board in sustaining this benevolent Institution would be in vain. It has also shewn the interest which continues to be taken in the enterprise among all classes of the community, as will be seen by the legacies and donations received during the year which will be hereinafter mentioned.

In reporting upon the Institution generally we would first refer to the buildings and grounds.

The building is now in excellent order and the grounds have been carefully kept. A portion of the land has been cultivated during the past year, and has furnished an ample supply of vegetables for the Institution. Considerable expense has been incurred in blasting the rocks and levelling the field, all of which will be of permanent benefit to the grounds. The heating apparatus, which was introduced during the previous year, was found to answer admirably, and we have no doubt that during the ensuing winter it will realize all the expectations of the Board.

We are happy to say that out of the bequests and other receipts of the year we have been able to pay off the large sum of \$2400, the amount of expense incurred in making this much needed improvement.

The want of a new hall has been referred to in previous reports, and is still a pressing one. The building can be easily enlarged for this and other purposes whenever the liberality of our friends places us in funds to carry out the desired object.