

"County of *Tioga*. The sexes are not entirely separated. Male keepers, taken from amongst the poor, in the hospital, attend upon the insane women. Dirty rooms, vitiated air. Out of 21 patients, 5 have neither shoes nor stockings during the winter. The building was originally intended for 8 insane patients only. Medical visits rare, or rather there are none."

We might cite many other counties.

In conclusion, we find a summary of the foregoing in the writings of Dr. Willard.

"In some of the establishments, the lunatics are confined in dark and prison-like cages or cells, as if they had been convicted criminals and not poor unfortunates, who are deprived of their reason. Often, they are allowed to sleep on straw like cattle, without any covering; scores of them suffer from the rigors of the season, without having shoes or stockings given them. These are indigent insane patients; all communication with the outside charitable world is forbidden them, where, at least they could beg a pair of shoes. To be insane, in a narrow cell, probably without clothing, sleeping on straw or on a bench, receiving air, light and heat through a microscopic opening, through, I may say, a prison door, deprived of sympathy and social intercourse, having no communication, except with other insane persons, without a friendly or consoling word, without any encouraging hope for the future! is there a more heart-rending sight? And yet this picture is not an exaggerated one." (1)

These observations fully demonstrate the fact that the system adopted by the Government of this Province res-

(1) *Psychological Annals*, 1871, page 255.