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OF THE
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State Hospital For the Insane,
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paratively small annual appropriation for buildings and repairs instead of soliciting large single appropriations. This is one of the lessons a recent study of the development of the institution has taught us all. By this method some progress is made annually without placing an excessive burden on the taxpayers for a given year. While this policy may not always secure all that is needed for the institution, it establishes principles of rigid economy and prevents our remaining at a standstill, which would lead to retrogression.

The other appropriations needed will be that of \$1,200.00 for the expenses of your Board and \$1,500.00 to better our protection against fire.

Tabulation of statistical and financial tables for comparison were included in the report of last year, so that it is not deemed necessary to report them here.

NEEDS.

Among the more urgent needs, as already brought out, are new buildings for excited white women and for inebriates. A larger and better work shop for patients would be a decided advantage. Two new boilers for the engine room and a larger mangle are among the more important needs in the mechanical department.

In conclusion, it remains for me to make personal and official acknowledgement of the kindness and assistance I have received at your hands during the year.

J. W. BABCOCK,
Physician and Superintendent.