

To The Honorable,

The Board of Police Commissioners.

Gentlemen:-

Following as closely as possible, your instructions (as communicated to me on the 13th. ulto., through your Secretary, Mr. Kinsey), to report on case of Mrs. Martha E. Close, Supt. of Matrons, after the expiration of two weeks more of treatment by a Specialist, from above date, beg to say: Dr. Linthicum, in whose district Mrs. Close resides, and I have followed up the case, and regret to say we have observed no improvement under the treatment.

For details of the history of the case, the nature of the illness, the symptoms accompanying same, and the number of days lost from duty by Mrs. Close, I respectfully refer to my report of the 9th. ulto.

Dr. Moseley, a specialist on diseases of Women, who is treating Mrs. Close, states, "She has no organic disease, but her nervous system is in a marked state of unstable equilibrium, due principally to her time of life, and the menopause greatly aggravates conditions". He advises an entire change of occupation and surroundings for a period of several months (four or more) which he thinks would improve and, probably, enable Mrs. Close to resume her regular work.

The length of time required to effect a complete cure of any form of Neurasthenia, is very indefinite, no one can say how long it may require, and the prognosis is less hopeful after forty.

We feel justified, under all the circumstances, in recommending, in our report of the 9th. ulto., that Mrs. Close continue treatment under a specialist a few weeks longer from that date, which recommendation you promptly approved on the 13th. ulto.

Mrs. Close has been on the sick list since the 23rd. of May last, forty-three days. Light and agreeable duties, if not forced but pursued to a degree only to divert the mind, are not harmful in such cases; on the contrary, are beneficial in some cases of Neurasthenia.

Respectfully,

GEORGE B. REYNOLDS, Chief Physician."

Bills Passed.

The following bills were passed and ordered included in the next requisition on the Mayor and City Council for payment:-

The Baltimore Star.....	Advertising.....	\$11.60
The Journal Company.....	do	8.75
E. Raine.....	do	8.50
The Baltimore American.....	do	14.50
Office Supply Co.....	Stationery & Printing	1.95
Office Supply Co.....	do	11.05
Thomas & Evans.....	do	50.75
Balto. City. Printing & Binding Co...	do	250.00
Glendenin Brothers.....	Electrical Supplies.	202.50