ordinance, making it the imperative duty of the police to arrest and take to the almshouse all vagrants engaged in the debasing and pernicious practices referred to – the aged and decrepit to be properly nursed – the strong and healthy to be made to work – the young to be schooled or bound apprentice to suitable trades.

+ There has been presented to the city of Baltimore, by Dr James Wynne, the chairman of the committee of "the American Medical Association" a report upon public hygiene, which is filled with invaluable statistical information, and with able suggestions and reflections thereon, in reference to the diseases, their causes and preventives, in the different cities of the Union. I have never met with a more intellegent review of the sanitory regulations of the various populous cities and towns, in which our own is embraced, than this work contains. The vast amount of practical information collected can perhaps no where else be found.

In noticing the improvement in the quiet and good order of the city, it would be unjust, not to bear testimony to the vigilent, faithful and discreet manner with which the police of the city, night and day, have discharged their duties. I question if there is a city in the world of equal extent, more free from depredations of burglars, thieves and similar outlaws, than Baltimore. An extensive robbery is of rare occurrence, and still more rare when the guilty are not discovered. The expense of our police system is much less than that of any other city of equal population.

I have received the reports of the president and directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, and of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad Company, which are herewith transmitted.

It occurred to me that it would be interesting to the public to have laid before them, a condensed statement of the various branches of industry and business operations within and contiguous to our city during the past year. I was myself surprised in many instances at their extend and increasing magnitude; I likewise contemplated an additional statistical account of the quantity of domestic produce which sought our market in 1849. To accomplish this I addressed several hundred circulars to gentlemen who could have imparted the information, but from some cause, but few answers have been returned. To those from whom I have received information, my thanks are due. I lay the same before you, but very imperfectly, as some of the articles are only inspected at the will of the buyer or seller. It is beyond a doubt, that there is no better market in this country, or perhaps any

other, which affords a more abundant quantity or better quality of building materials, than ours. From the superior quality of our brick, they are sought for from New York, Philadelphia and New Orleans. Nor is it in this quality of building materials alone, that Baltimore excels – In such facilities our city is almost without a rival; and perhaps that cause, in part, may account for the fact, that more buildings have been put up here the past year, than in the Empire city, New York. In our quarries of marble and granite, from the foundation stone to the shingle, in lime, sand and all other materials, we have at hand inexhaustible resources, and to which may be justly added, in every department a class of mechanics of taste and skill, who pre-eminently know how to use them.

The following, therefore, is the Statement I have received of the Resources and Products of our City and State, – and amount of business centering in the City of Baltimore, in various branches of Trade, during the year 1849.

Vessels

79 built in the City of Baltimore . . . . 18.168 Tons burden

Tobacco.

Amount inspected in the City of Baltimore as received

from the several State Tobacco Warehouses	45.435	76 hds
Shipped in same year	57.454	do

Cotton

The six following factories, to which I addressed circulars, furnished the following amounts, received and turned out by them:

	Bales Received	Yds turned out
Mount Vernon Cotton Duck Factories	1781	1.034.047
United Manufacturing Company	1000	400.000
Pocahontas Mills	2214	810.770
Powhatan Mills	886	1.054.000
Ashland Manufacturing Compy	1400	900.000
Warren Factory	738	960.000
	8219	5.158.817

I also addressed circulars to fifteen other Cotton Factories in the State, but received no returns from them.

Grain, Bacon, &c

To the following merchants, I am indebted for the amount of their receipts and sales, in the following articles:

	Wheat Bushels	Corn Bushels	Rye Bushels	Oats Bushels	Bacon lbs	Lard lbs
J McCenkey & Co	281.000	288.700	4.100	5.000		
A L Boggs & Son	35.000	15.000				
J & R Graham	16.000	82.000	913	2.877		
Carson Edes & Co					5.491.985	1.218.375
Drakely & Fenton					1.816.633	243.329