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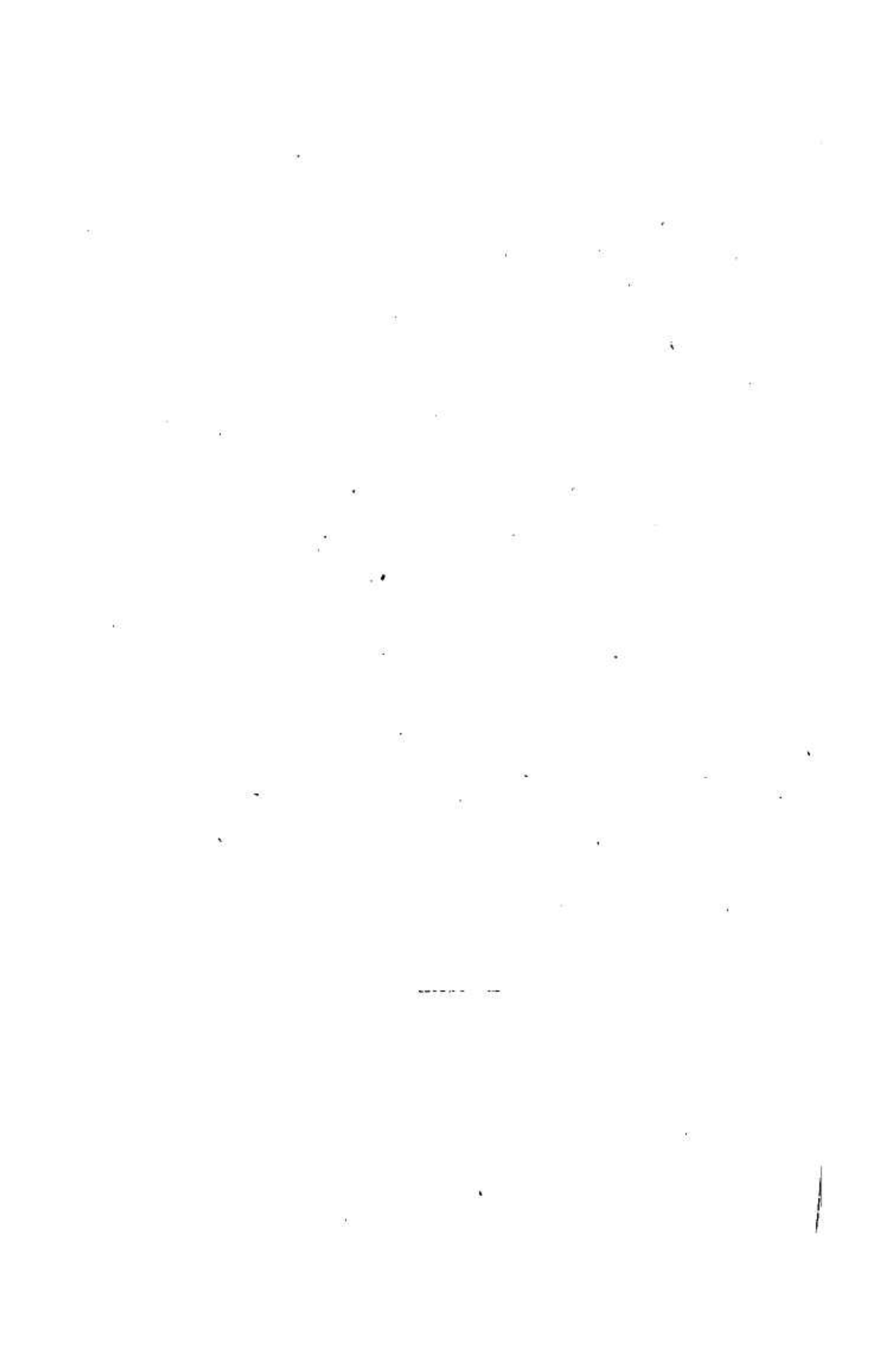
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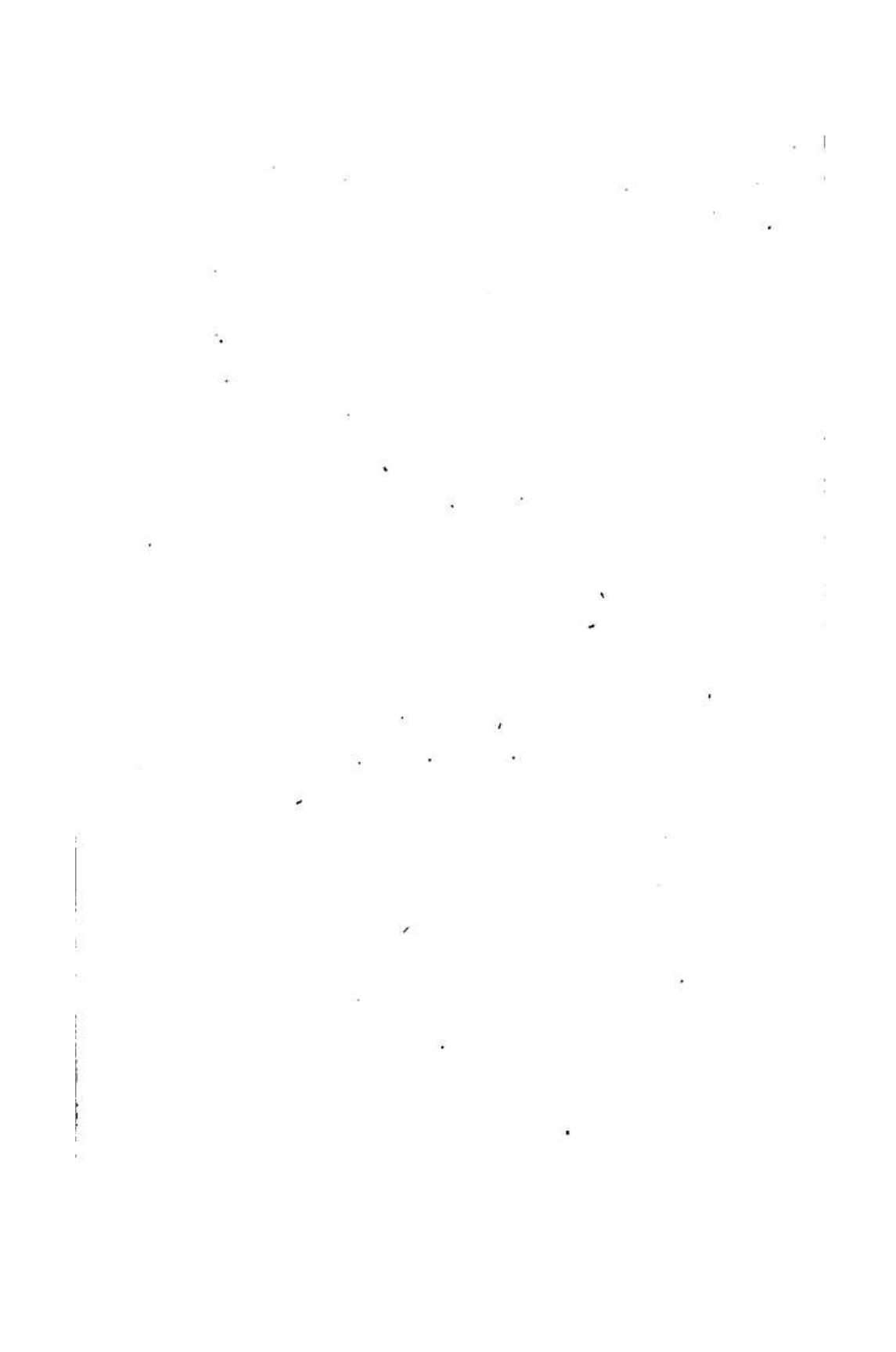
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## REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

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HON. ASA S. BUSHNELL, *Governor of Ohio*:

The trustees of the Columbus State Hospital respectfully submit their report for the year ending November 15, 1898, in connection with the reports of the Superintendent and Steward for the same period.

The year just closed has, in all respects, been a very successful and satisfactory one. The financial management in all the various departments of the institution has been attended with good results, showing economy and fidelity on the part of the Superintendent, Steward, and all connected with the management of the institution.

The changes and betterments made in the interior of the buildings, for convenience and comfort, show continued improvement calculated to increase the well-being of the patients.

More than the usual amount of painting in the wards has been done by the outgoing Superintendent, Dr. A. B. Richardson, and his successor, Dr. Eugene G. Carpenter.

Dr. A. B. Richardson, Medical Superintendent, and his wife, Julia D. Richardson, Matron, who had filled their positions with marked ability and fidelity and with unusual success, after six years' service resigned their positions to accept similar ones in the Massillon State Hospital, which resignations were accepted to take effect May 1, 1898.

Dr. Eugene G. Carpenter, of Cleveland, Ohio, was unanimously elected by the board as the successor of Dr. Richardson, and his wife, Lula M. Carpenter, was by the same unanimous voice of the board, elected as Matron of the institution, each of whom then assumed charge of the institution in their respective capacities May 1, 1898.

One special feature deserving of mention, is the greatly improved condition, both in appearance and for health, made by the general cleaning and whitewashing of the entire basements of the buildings. This has been done under the careful personal supervision of Dr. Carpenter.

The entire management, both by Dr. Richardson and Mrs. Richardson, and Dr. Carpenter and Mrs. Carpenter, is deserving of special mention.

The health of the inmates has been very good, there has been no epidemic, which result can be attributed to cleanliness and the sanitary condition of the institution.

The cold storage plant and the electric light plant have given satisfactory results, and the boiler plant has done efficient service in keeping a uniform temperature throughout the buildings, keeping all the wards in comfortable condition during the past winter. The expenditures for these various needed improvements have added much to the comfort of the patients. The mechanical features of the institution are constantly and steadily being improved.

The coal contract for the coming year has been made with the Sunday Creek Coal Company, for steam lump at \$1.30 per ton, delivered at the institution, and at the weights of the institution; this is less than the contract of one year ago.

Our thanks are due the Governor for his wise, thoughtful and watchful care and supervision over all the varied interests of the institution.

The large amount of work done upon the grounds, in beautifying the same, and advancing the comfort and pleasure of the inmates, is quite observable, and should be continued with increased expenditure of money.

The average attendance for the year has been 1,371; males, 731; females, 640.

The cost per capita of maintenance is \$137.47, a slight increase over the cost for the year 1897. This is readily accounted for in the greatly increased cost of numerous articles of consumption. Upon the whole we feel sure this little increase in the cost is what was anticipated.

A new oven has been constructed with largely increased capacity over the old one that was worn-out. The cost of the new oven was \$1,200, it having sufficient capacity to meet the demands of the institution.

The net current expenses for the year ending November 15, 1898, was \$181,660.94; salaries for officers, \$6,819.05.

Much needed improvements have been made in the drying room, new cement floor, and new racks, all of which were much needed.

The following changes occurred in the medical staff: Dr. Samuel C. Lindsay resigned on December 15, 1897, to engage in general practice of his profession. Dr. Robert C. Tarbell, of Georgetown, Ohio, was appointed to fill the vacancy, and he began his work on January 23, 1898. Dr. Charles H. Clark, and Dr. Carl Spohr, resigned on the 15th of June, 1898, the former to accept a position as an assistant physician at the Massillon State Hospital, and the latter, to engage in the general practice of his profession at Columbus, Ohio.

Dr. Robert E. Ruedy, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Dr. Henry I. Cozad, of Akron, Ohio, were appointed to fill these places, the former about June 1, 1898, and the latter June 16, 1898.

On September 15 last, there were transferred to the Massillon State Hospital, 86 patients, 42 males and 44 females, as follows: From Tuscarawas county, 31 males and 27 females; from Columbiana county, 11 males and 15 females; from Portage county, two females. This was done under the careful supervision of the Superintendent without accident.

The Pathological Laboratory was conducted under the careful management of Dr. Carl L. Spohr, during the first part of the year, when Dr. Robert E. Ruedy took his place, and has exhibited good and efficient work in that department.

The term of Hon. Frank H. Southard expired April 14, 1898, and he was reappointed for the term of five years.

To Dr. A. B. Richardson, and his wife, Julia D. Richardson, Matron, for their time of service, and to Dr. Eugene G. Carpenter, and his wife, Lula M. Carpenter, Matron, in their respective positions, we most sincerely extend our thanks for the good service rendered in the faithful, intelligent and conscientious discharge of their duties in all matters committed to their care.

They all have our sincere thanks, and Dr. Carpenter and his wife have our confidence.

To all the officers, medical staff, and all the employes of the institution, for their care, faithful work and uniform courtesy in their several departments, we are greatly indebted for the success which has attended the institution during the year just closed.

We thank them and cheerfully commend them.

H. H. GREER,  
C. D. MARTIN,  
JOHN G. ROBERTS,  
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*Trustees.*

November 17, 1898