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their tendency to produce mischief, crime, and individual disgrace. They seem to exert the most insatiable influence over the unhappy individuals who speculate in them: beguiling them step by step, until Family, Character, and Fortune, are alike involved in ruin. The enormities practiced by some of these adventurers, are indeed of so extravagant a character, and appear so much to be the natural fruits of the system with which they are connected, that no considerate mind can dwell upon them without pain, or contemplate their cause without wishing its end. For a detail of some of these sad particulars, we refer you to a pamphlet written by Jos. H. Tyson of Philadelphia, - to a published Lecture delivered before the Young Men's Society of Boston, and to a printed Report, adopted by the Young Men's Society of Baltimore. To the painful instances already noticed in the last, more might have been added.

But there are other distressing features associated with the Lottery system, which in the opinion of your Memorialists afford additional reasons for its abolition. By the subdivision of Tickets into small shares, it has of late been adapted to the poorest, and most destitute of our inhabitants. Common paupers are now to be numbered among its votaries. The monies bestowed upon some of these, by the humane for their support are diverted from their intended purpose, by its delusive and powerful allurements. Thus the Gift of Charity are abused, and its benevolent provisions made use of

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to sustain an evil, which in its operation tends to add to the number of those who are daily asking its aid. We believe that a faithful narrative of the lives of individuals, would exhibit ample evidence of their having been reduced to Beggary through the Agency of Lotteries. Cases have been reported of poor persons, who instead of devoting their hard earnings to the procurement of Bread and other necessities for their households, have squandered a part of it in the purchase of Tickets: in some instances by this improvident conduct, their monthly rent of a few dollars, has been suffered to accumulate until the scanty furniture of their habitations has been seized and sacrificed, to discharge the Landlord's claim; and they and their Families have been turned loose, to augment the number of those, who are already supported by the public. These evils seem to belong to the system.

That our prisons as well as our Almshouses, have their number of inmates greatly increased by Lotteries, appears to us to be a self-evident truth. Who can doubt this to be the fact, when he reflects on the immense amount of Money invested in Tickets; and considers the characters and circumstances of those who are admitted to be their principal purchasers. Besides all this, there is another painful consideration associated with Lotteries, which ought in the opinion of your Memorialists, to have its weight with the