

dren in six small sleeping apartments, which are situated partially under ground, and are very damp, badly lighted and ventilated. The effect of this has been seen in a marked deterioration of the health of these prisoners, some of whom present undoubted evidences of serious pulmonary disease; and unless provision can be made for the more comfortable accommodation of the females incarcerated in the Penitentiary, I fear that the ratio of mortality among them will be very largely increased.

Two births and one death have occurred in the female department during the year.

*Laura Jane Richardson*, colored, aged 21 years, died Sep. 10, 1865, of consumption.

*Margaret Stewart*, colored, received into this prison Oct. 31, 1864, gave birth to an infant which lived but a few minutes February 6, 1865.

*Maria Gross*, colored, gave birth to a daughter, Nov. 15, 1865, she was received here May 17, 1865,

Respectfully submitted,

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