

the poor unfortunates. The State Insane Asylum is an excellent institution, where those hopelessly crazed are well cared for, and where many have been restored to health and the pleasures of life. It is a melancholy spectacle to witness the interior of a mad house, there to gaze upon the frenzied victims of a dread misfortune. And while the heart bleeds with sorrow, there is an air of good humor prevalent among some of the patients, characterized in their language and acts, that leads one to ask himself, is he truly mad? The raving, ranting and cursing, together with the mumble-jumble, heterogeneous language of the confirmed lunatic, on the one hand, and the imaginative expressions of another, as he fancies he possesses the whole world and boasts of his millions in the treasury and a fleet of ships at sea; while another meanders through the limits of the Asylum, in abject melancholy and despair; and thus, in varied form, their acts are typical of the direct cause of their insanity.



THE TWO PRESIDENTS.--Davis and Lincoln were both born in the State of Kentucky, in the year 1808 and 1809, respectively. Both left their native State in childhood; one emigrated North and the other South. Both served in the Indian wars of the West. Both commenced their political careers about the same time, being Presidential Electors in the election of 1844, Davis for Polk and Lincoln for Clay. Both were elected to Congress in 1845, and were in the same year, and almost on the same day, called to preside over their respective governments—one as President of the United States, and the other as President of the "Confederate States of America."



QUAKER'S QUERY.—"Obediah," said a venerable elder to his grandson, "thou knowest it is against the discipline of the Society of Friends to fight."