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## COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

*Of the Receipts and Disbursements at the Public Treasury of the State of North Carolina, during the Fiscal Year ending October 31st, 1851.*

*COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,*
*Raleigh, Dec. 30th, 1851.*

SIR: I have the honor herewith to transmit to you a Report of the Receipts and Disbursements at the Public Treasury of the State of North Carolina, during the fiscal year ending on the 31st of October last.

I am happy to inform you that the Sheriffs of the several Counties have promptly paid in the Taxes collected by them, with the single exception of the Sheriff of Yancy County, who has been dealt with according to Law.

I have the honor to be,
With profound respect,
Your obedient servant,
WM. J. CLARK, *Comptroller.*

*To the Hon.* DAVID S. REID,
*Governor of North Carolina.*

*EXECUTIVE OFFICE,*
*Raleigh, Janury 22d, 1852.*

SIR: You will please give the Report of the Comptroller of Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year ending October 31, 1851, one insertion in the Star, in pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly of this State.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
DAVID S. REID.

Thos. J. Lemay, Esq.

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

LITERARY FUND.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance on hand due this Fund, November 1st, 1850, | $118,192 68 |
| Receipts during the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1851, | 129,255 24 |
| | $247,447 92 |
| Disbursements during the fiscal year, | 94,596 41 |
| Balance due this Fund, Nov. 1st, 1851, | $152,851 51 |

(See Statement A.)

PUBLIC FUND.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance due Public Treasurer, November 1st 1850, | $ 9,166 77 |
| Disbursements during the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1851, | 357,374 99 |
| | $366,341 76 |
| Subtract Receipts during the year, | 285,154 79 |
| Balance Due Public Treasurer, November 1st, 1851, | $ 81,186 97 |

The above balance has been borrowed from the Literary Fund.

(See Statement B.)

STATEMENTA.

Receipts into the Literary Fund during the fiscal year:

| | |
|---|---|
| BANK DIVIDENDS— | |
| Bank of the State, | $51,526 75 |
| Bank of Cape Fear, | 42,576 00 |
| INTEREST ON RAILROAD BONDS— | |
| Raleigh & Gaston Railroad Bonds | 8,808 00 |
| Wilmington & Raleigh " | 8,445 00 |
| TAX on Taverns or Retailers of Spirituous Liquors, | 5,561 04 |
| Entries of Vacant Lands, | 7,087 72 |
| NAVIGATION DIVIDENDS— | |
| Roanoke Navigation Company, | 1,625 00 |
| Cape Fear " " | 1,950 00 |
| AUCTION TAX, | 418 12 |
| LOANS TO COLLEGES— | |
| Interest on Wake Forest College Bond, | 987 61 |
| " " Floral College " | 60 00 |
| " " Greensboro' Female College Bond, | 210 00 |
| | $129,255 24 |

As follows:

LITERARY FUND.—RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1850. Nov. | Amount received for Entries of Vacant Lands, | $1,285 41 |
| | Interest on Wake Forest College Bond, | 600 00 |
| | Wm Dunn, Auction Tax. | 133 61 |
| | J. J. Riggsbee, " | 1 06 |
| | Wm. H. Jones, Cashier of the Bank of Cape Fear, dividend of 4 per cent. on 5,322 shares of Stock, | 21,288 00 |
| Dec'r. | Entries of Vacant Lands | 1,972 57 |
| | Col. A. Joyner, President of Roanoke Navigation Co., dividend No. 22, 1½ per cent, on 500 shares of Stock in said Company, | 875 00 |
| | Gov. Man'y, President ex-officio of Lit. Board, interest on loan to Greensboro' Female College to 7th inst., | 210 00 |
| | S. M. West, New Hanover Co., Auction Tax, | 126 95 |
| | M. Cronly, New Hanover Co., Auction Tax, | 49 48 |
| | Johnathan H. Rothwell, New Hanover Co., Auction Tax, | 3 68 |
| 1851. Jan'y. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 1,329 17 |
| | Bank of the State, dividend No. 81, 5 per cent. on 5,027 shares of stock, | 25,135 00 |
| | Gov. Reid, Pres. ex-officio Lit. Board, interest on Raleigh & Gaston Railroad bonds, | 4,449 00 |
| | Do., interest on Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad Bonds, | 4,117 50 |
| | W. H. Piver, Carteret Co., Auction Tax, | 4 10 |
| Feb'y | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 94 15 |
| | Cape Fear Navigation Company, dividend, | 650 00 |
| March. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 344 35 |
| | Tavern Tax of Sheriff of Alamance County, | 9 40 |
| April. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 267 72 |
| | George McNeill, divid. No 84, on 550 shares of stock in Cape Fear Navigation Company, | 650 00 |
| May. | Entries of Vacant Lands | 241 40 |
| | Wm. H. Jones, Cashier of the Bank of Cape Fear dividend, of 4 per cent on 5,322 shares of stock in said Bank | 21,288 00 |
| | George McNeill, divid. No. 85, on 650 shares of stock in Cape Fear Navigation Company, | 650 00 |
| June. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 324 89 |
| | A. Joyner, President of Roanoke Navigation Company, No. 23, 1½ per cent. on 500 shares of stock in said Company, | 750 00 |
| July. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 217 22 |
| | C. Dewey, Cashier of Bank of the State, dividend No 32, on 5,027 shares of stock in said Bank, | 25,391 75 |
| | Sheriff of Warren County, Tavern Tax, | 84 60 |
| | Sheriff of Alamance County, Tavern Tax, | 9 40 |
| August. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 213 26 |
| | Sundry Sheriffs, Tavern or Retailers of Spirituous Liquors' Tax, | 721 92 |
| Sept'r. | Entries of vacant Lands, | 399 09 |
| | Sundry Sheriffs, Tax on Taverns or Retailers of Spirituous Liquors, | 4,735 72 |
| Oct'r. | Entries of Vacant Lands, | 378 49 |
| | Gov. Reid, Pres. ex-officio Lit. Board, interest on Raleigh & Gaston Railroad bonds, | 4,359 00 |
| | Do., interest on Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad bonds, | 4,327 50 |
| | Do., interest on bond of Wake Forest College, | 387 61 |
| | Do., interest on bond of Floral College, | 60 00 |
| | Received for Auction Tax, from S. W. Tillinghast, Cumberland County, | 46 30 |
| | Chas. S. Allen, Craven County, | 16 33 |
| | J. Horton, Watauga " | 50 |
| | E. W Wilkins, Cumberland Co., | 2 37 |
| | A. B. Stith, Wake " | 17 31 |
| | L. P. Bankenship, Granville, County, | 6 68 |
| | Wm. H. Piver, Carteret, Co., | 9 75 |
| | | $129,255 24 |

LITERARY FUND.—DISBURSEMENTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | Common Schools, | $81,329 61 |
| | Institution for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 9,121 11 |
| | Expenses, &c., | 865 02 |
| | Caldwell & Watauga Turnpike Company, | 3,280 67 |
| | | $94,596 41 |

As follows:

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| 1850. Nov'r. | This amount paid sundry Chairmen of Boards of Superintendents of Common Schools, for the suppport of Common Schools, in the following Counties: | |
| | Anson County, Fall Distribution, 1850, | $1,282 00 |
| | Cabarrus, " " " | 797 00 |
| | Catawba, " " " | 969 00 |
| | Caswell " " " | 1,130 00 |
| | Cherokee, " " " | 819 00 |
| | Craven, " " " | 1,061 00 |
| | Currituck, " " " | 558 00 |
| | Gates, " " " | 638 00 |
| | Granville, " " " | 1,457 00 |
| | Guilford, " " " | 1,722 00 |
| | Halifax, " " " | 1,246 00 |
| | Henderson, " " " | 780 00 |
| | Do. Spring " " | 392 00 |
| | Haywood, Fall " " | 462 00 |
| | Hertford, " " " | 587 00 |
| | Hyde, " " " | 581 00 |
| | Iredell, " " " | 1,350 00 |
| | Jones, " " " | 364 00 |
| | Macon, " " " | 450 00 |
| | McDowell, " " " | 444 00 |
| | Pitt, " " " | 908 00 |
| | Randolph, " " " | 1,266 00 |
| | Richmond, " " " | 625 00 |
| | Rock'gh'm, Spring " " | 711 00 |
| | Do. Fall " " | 1,104 00 |
| | Sampson, Spring " " | 635 00 |
| | Do. Fall " " | 988 00 |
| | Stokes, " " " | 1,369 00 |
| | Surry, " " " | 1,366 00 |
| | Warren, " " " | 916 55 |
| | Wilkes, " " " | 1,048 00 |
| | Yancy, " " " | 557 00 |
| | Paid Wm. F. S. Alston, for advertising Distribution of Com. School Fund, in N. C. Telegraph, | 20 00 |
| Dec'r. | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Nash Co., Spring Distribution, 1848, | 346 50 |
| | Greene, " " " | 515 00 |
| | Davidson, Fall " 1850, | 1,217 00 |
| | Do. Spring " " | 830 00 |
| | Chatham, Fall " " | 1,342 00 |
| | Bladen, " " " | 634 00 |
| | Ashe, " " " | 692 00 |
| | Caldwell, " " " | 305 00 |
| | Do. Spring " " | 476 00 |
| | Carteret, Fall " " | 575 00 |
| | Montg'ry, " " " | 483 00 |
| | Nash, " " " | 720 00 |
| | Paid W. D Cooke, for Education of Deaf & Dumb | 600 00 |
| | Do. | 800 00 |
| | Editor of Fayetteville Observer, for advertising Distribution of School Fund, | 21 60 |
| | Expenses of members of Literary Board, | 120 00 |
| | Swain & Sherwood, for advertising Distribution of Schools Fund, | 26 00 |
| 1851. Jan'y. | Joseph Woltering, per order of Exec. Committee of Asylum for Deaf and Dumb, | 135 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Columbus, H. Lennon, Chairman, | 334 00 |
| | Davie, I. Bingham, " Spring dis. 1850, | 416 00 |
| | Davie, I. Bingham, " Fall dis. 1850, | 649 00 |
| | Moore, Wm. Barrett, " Spring dis. 1850, | 452 00 |
| | Moore, Wm. Barrett, " Fall dis. 1850, | 704 00 |
| | Robinson, N. McNeil, " Fall dis. 1850, | 877 00 |
| Feb'y. | Paid W. D. Cooke, per order of Ex. Committee of Asylum for Deaf and Dumb, | 1,913 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in Burke County, B. Bristol, Chairmam, Spring Dis., 1850, | 878 00 |
| | Do. Fall " " | 588 00 |
| March. | Joseph Woltering, per order of Ex. Com. of Asylum for Deaf and Dumb, | 19,87 |
| | N. T. Myatt, per do., for lumber for do., | 80 74 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in Lincoln County, H. Cansler, Chairman, Fall Dis., 1850, | 894 00 |
| | For adv'tising Reclaimed Swamp Lands in New York Daily Express, | 9 00 |
| | W. E. Mann, for advertising Spring and Fall Distribution, 1850, Com. School Fund, in "Old North State" Newspaper. | 26 00 |
| | Do. T. J. Lemay, in Raleigh, Star, | 26 00 |
| April. | W. D. Cooke, per order of Ex. Com. of Deaf and Dumb Asylum, | 200 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in Cherokee County, G. W. Hayes, Chairman, Spring Dis., 1850, | 212 00 |
| | W. W. Holden, for advertising distribution of Common School Fund, | 27 25 |
| | Wm H. Mayhew, for do., | 51 00 |
| May. | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Alamance County, John Trollinger, Chairman, | 612 90 |
| | Anson, H. B. Hammond, Chairman, | 646 98 |
| | Beaufort, Joseph Potts, " | 708 02 |
| | Buncombe, M. Patton, " | 739 50 |
| | Caswell, Thomas W. Graves, " | 630 08 |
| | Catawba, G. P. Shuford, " | 494 10 |
| | Chowan, W. K. Skinner, " | 323 10 |
| | Cleaveland, J. R. Logan, " | 581 04 |
| | Craven, John T. Lane, " | 738 42 |
| | Cumberland, E. L. Winslow, " | 1,063 38 |
| | Franklin, Wood T. Johnson, " | 576 60 |
| | Forsythe, C. L. Banner, " | 638 04 |
| | Granville, John Bullock, " | 1,058 04 |
| | Hertford, W. B. Wisp, " | 398 64 |
| | Iredell, M. Campbell, " | 784 50 |
| | Johnston, D. H. Holland, " | 718 10 |
| | Jones, R. Barrus, " | 239 46 |
| | Lenoir, Jesse Vause, " | 370 86 |
| | Lincoln, H. Cansler, " | 622 50 |
| | Martin, S. M. Smithink, " | 436 74 |
| | Mecklenburg, J. A. Young, " | 765 56 |
| | New Hanover, S. D. Wallace, " | 857 94 |
| | Onslow, E. B. Dudley, " | 423 90 |
| | Orange, S. Moore, " | 901 44 |
| | Pasquotank, C. C. Green, " | 462 48 |
| | Person, John Barnett, " | 529 98 |
| | Pitt, Alfred Moye, " | 644 58 |
| | Rowan, Alex. W. Brandon, " | 739 02 |
| | Surry, Samuel Speer, " | 698 76 |
| | Washington, H. G. Spruill, " | 286 20 |
| | Paid Edward W. Jones, President of the Caldwell & Ashe, or Watauga, Turnpike Company, (Acts of 1846-'47 and 1850-51.) | 3,280 67 |
| | W. D. Cooke, per order of Ex. Com. of Asylum for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind. | 1,100 00 |
| | C. N. Webb, for advertising Spring Distribution of School Fund, | 8 75 |
| | Frank I. Wilson, for do., | 10 00 |
| | Expenses of Literary Board, | 536 70 |
| June. | W. D. Cooke, per order of Ex Com. of Asyl. for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 723 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Bertie County, Jos. B. Cherry, Chairman, | 612 54 |
| | Camden, F. B. Grandy Chairman, | 310 56 |
| | Carteret, J. P. C. Davis, " | 373 68 |
| | Chatham, Isaac Clegg, " | 961 20 |
| | Cherokee, H. R. Henry, " | 402 48 |
| | Currituck, Tully Williams, " | 377 76 |
| | Edgecombe, David Barlow, " | 823 56 |
| | Greene, Wm. A. Darden, " | 320 28 |
| | Halifax, Thomas Gorby, " | 780 72 |
| | Hyde, E. H. Saunderson, " | 396 84 |
| | Macon, J. R. Siler, " | 370 14 |
| | McDowell, Joseph Conly, " | 344 40 |
| | Perquimons, Elisha N. Riddick, " | 361 68 |
| | Randolph, Jonathan Worth, " | 905 94 |
| | Richmond, John McNeill, " | 476 16 |
| | Robeson, Neill McNeill, " | 664 74 |
| | Stanly, John F. Stone, " | 282 42 |
| | Warren, William A. Burwell, " | 622 40 |
| | Wayne, William K. Lane, " | 688 74 |
| July. | Bladen, George Cromartie, " | 481 98 |
| | Cabarrus, Jacob Winecoff, " | 520 08 |
| | Davidson, Alfred Hargrave, " | 854 64 |
| | Haywood, J. Cathers, " | 413 16 |
| | Montgomery, O. Wylie, " | 371 76 |
| | Northampton, Herod Faison, " | 643 80 |
| | Wilkes, Peter Eller, " | 698 52 |
| | Per order of Ex. Com. of Asylum for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 1,000 00 |
| | J. R. Newson, for publishing Distribution of Schools Fund, | 8 12 |
| | L. Badger, for do., | 12 00 |
| Aug't. | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Ashe County, A. McMillian, Chairman, | 512 82 |
| | Duplin, H. Bourden, Chairman, | 666 24 |
| | Sampson, A. Monk, " | 733 68 |
| | W. D. Cooke, per orders of Ex. Com. of Asyl. for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 800 00 |
| | T. Settle, jr., Priv. Sec., to defray expenses of Lit. Board from May 21 to Aug. 21, 1851, | 151 35 |
| | T. W. Atkin, for advertising Spring Distribution, 1851, of School Fund, | 11 25 |
| Sept'r. | M. B. Royster, per order of Ex. Com. of Asyl. for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 300 00 |
| | W. D. Cooke, per do., | 1,000 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Rutherford County, H. Harrill, Chairman, Fall Distribution, 1850, | 925 00 |
| | Do. Spring " 1851, | 1,067 58 |
| | Guilford, L. Swain, " | 1,107 90 |
| | Tyrrell, John McCleese, " | 262 22 |
| | Yancy, C. R. Byrd, " | 479 82 |
| Oct'r. | W. D. Cooke, per order of Ex. Com. of Asy., for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, | 560 00 |
| | Support of Com. Schools in following Counties: | |
| | Columbus County, H. Lennon Chairman, | 318 42 |
| | Duplin, H. Bourden, Chairman, | 569 06 |
| | Henderson, John Davis, " | 491 92 |
| | | $94,596 41 |

STATEMENT B.

PUBLIC FUND.—RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Taxes for the year 1850, | $151,583 56 |
| Do. " " 1849, (Alamance County,) | 1,843 02 |
| Do. Additional returns for former years, | 129 57 |
| Tax on Attorneys' Licenses, | 300 00 |
| Do. Bank Stock, | 6,609 50 |
| Bank Dividends, | 975 00 |
| Cherokee Bonds, | 849 00 |
| Plank Road Dividends, | 3,600 00 |
| Interest on Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad Bonds, | 3,000 00 |
| Do. Seaboard & Roanoke " " | 323 22 |
| State Loan, | 25,000 00 |
| State Bonds sold | 40,000 00 |
| Premium on do., | 528 75 |
| Plank Road Bonds sold, | 49,500 00 |
| Premium on do., | 735 17 |
| Sundries, | 96 00 |
| | $285,154 79 |

As follows:

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| 1850. Nov'r. | Received of Wm. H. Jones, Cashier of the Bank of Cape Fear, dividend No. 82, of 4 per cent., on 112 shares of stock in said Bank, held by the President and Directors of the Internal Improvement Fund, | $448 00 |
| | Do., dividend on 10 shares in said Bank, held on the State, (unappropriated,) | 40 00 |
| | Jacob Siler, agent for collection of Cherokee Bonds, and collected by him, (Internal Improvement Fund.) | 65 00 |
| | Thomas L. Clingman, amount of Cherokee Bonds collected by him, (Int. Imp. Fund,) | 100 00 |
| | Fayetteville & Western Plank R. Bonds sold, | 5,500 00 |
| Dec'r. | Fayetteville & Western Plank R. Bonds sold, | 4,000 00 |
| | Jacob Siler, agent to collect Cherokee Bonds, | 462 00 |
| | Judge Dick, amount improperly paid him for holding Special Court in Guilford County, the same being payable by said County, | 20 00 |
| 1851. Jan'y. | W. L. Steele, amount paid over in settlement with him as member of General Assembly, | 6 00 |
| | E. B. Freeman, Clerk of Supreme Court, tax on Attorneys' Licenses, | 210 00 |
| Feb'y. | R. Smith, loan, | 10,000 00 |
| | W. H. Jones, Cashier, Bank of Cape Fear, do. | 15,000 00 |
| March. | Joseph S. Holt, Sheriff of Alamance County, Public Taxes for the year 1849, | 1,843 02 |
| April. | Jacob Siler, agent to collect Cherokee Bonds, | 222 00 |
| | Sale of State Bonds, (Principal,) | 24,000 00 |
| | Premium on do., | 368 75 |
| | Sale of Plank Road Bonds, (Principal,) | 10,000 00 |
| | Premium on do., | 118 37 |
| May. | S. W. Tillinghast, Treasurer of Fayetteville & Western Plank Road, dividend No. 1, on 2,400 shares in said Road, held by the State, | 1,200 00 |
| | Wm H. Jones, Cashier of the Bank of Cape Fear, dividend on 122 shares of stock held by the State in said Bank, | 488 00 |
| | Sale of State Bonds, (Principal,) | 16,000 00 |
| | Premium on do., | 160 00 |
| June. | E. B. Freeman, Clerk of the Supreme Court, tax on Attorneys' Licenses, | 150 00 |
| July. | Hammond Whitney, Treasurer of Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad, semi-annual interest on Bonds of said Road, held by the State | 328 22 |
| | Public Tax for the year 1850, | 5,744 50 |
| | Sale of Fayetteville & Western Plank Road Bonds Principal, | 24,000 00 |
| | Premium on do., | 495 75 |
| Aug't. | Sale of Fayetteville & Western Plank Road Bonds (Principal,) | 6,000 00 |
| | Premium on do., | 121 25 |
| | C. Dewey, Cashier of Bank of the State, tax on stock in said Bank held by individuals, | 2,243 25 |
| | Cashier of Merchant's Bank of Newbern, do., | 562 50 |
| | O. G. Parsley, President of Commercial Bank of Wilmington, for do., | 455 75 |
| | Public Tax for the year 1850, | 25,377 00 |
| | Additional returns of taxes due for 1849, &c., | 36 46 |
| Sept'r. | Public taxes for the year 1850, | 117,461 08 |
| | Additional returns of taxes due for 1849, &c., | 93 11 |
| | W. G. Broadfoot, Cashier of Bank of Fayetteville, State tax on stock in said Bank held by individuals, | 850 00 |
| Oct'r. | Wm. H. Jones, Cashier, Bank of Cape Fear, interest on Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad Bonds, owned by the State, | 3,000 00 |
| | E. L. Winslow, President of the Fayetteville & Western Plank road, dividend No. 2, on the stock in said Road held by the State, | 2,400 00 |
| | Wm. H. Jones, Cashier, Bank of Cape Fear, tax on individual stock in said Bank, | 2,289 00 |
| | | $285,154 79 |

(To be Continued.)

## CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21, 1852.

SENATE.—The Chair laid before the Senate a message, from the President of the United States, enclosing copies of the correspondence between Mr. Rives, the American Minister in France, and the State Department, relative to the recent changes of Government in that country Referred and ordered to be printed.

The Chair laid before the Senate reports from the Secretary of War, containing the proceedings of the Talcott Court Martial, and the report of the Board of Engineers on the overflow of the Lower Mississippi.

Also, a report from the Secretary of the Navy, of the marine steam tonnage of the United States.

Mr. Pearce presented the memorials of the merchants and others, of Baltimore, in favor of a survey of a route for vessels bound to China.

Mr. Davis presented several petitions, remonstrating against decisions made by the recent Board on Mexicans claims, and moved its reference to a select committee of five Senators.

After debate, they were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The bill granting a register to the brig Sylphidet a bill directing interests to be paid to New Hampshire on monies paid by that State, and the act making land warrants assignable, were passed.

The Senate then took up the general calendar, and several bills, granting land to Illinois, Wisconsin, and other States, for railroad purposes, were considered and ordered to be engrossed. Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The bill explanatory of the Bounty Land act of September 28, 1850, was discussed during the morning hour by Messrs. Fitch and Clark.

The House, in committee of the whole, on the state of the Union, resumed the consideration of the bill for the payment of the next instalment to Mexico, under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo—$3,180,000.

Mr. Bayly gave a history of the manner in which the former instalments have been paid, and noticed the memorial of Messrs. Doff and B. E. Green in relation to this subject. He spoke in terms of these gentlemen which no honest men would covet.

Mr. Johnson, of Tennessee, replied, and advocated an amendment directing the money to be paid by the Secretary of State in his strictures on the "insolence" of British and American bankers, who, he said, according to rumor, wanted to amass large per centage by an appropriation in advance of the time of payment.

The Committee rose and the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22, 1850.

SENATE.—On motion, by Mr. Hale, the subject of flogging in the navy was taken up and in order to let the Committee on Navy Affairs report some proposition on it, the subject was referred to that committee.

Mr. Hunter introduced a joint resolution authorising the Post Master General to contract for two ice boats in the Potomac river.

Mr Hunter offerred resolutions calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish the Senate with a statement of the seizures and confiscations made by Custom House officers on the ground of undervaluation and fraud since the tariff of 1846, which was adopted.

3,000 additional copies of the report on the inundations of the Lower Mississippi were ordered to be printed.

The bills yesterday ordered to be engrossed were ordered to a third reading.

The resolution of Mr. Norris directing a contract for publishing the Debates of the Senate in the Daily Globe was taken up, debated and passed.

A resolution giving new Senators the same books granted to others, was adopted.

The bill granting land to Iowa, to aid in the construction of railroads in that State, was taken up, and debated by Messrs. Dawson, Hunter, Atchison, Douglass and Underwood.

After which, an Executive session was held, and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—A resolution, offered by Mr. Houston, was passed, proposing to close the debate on the Mexican Indemnity bill to-morrow, at 3 o'clock.

The resolution of Mr. Briggs was taken up as a question of privilege. It instructed the Committee on Elections to inquire in the election of John M Bernhisel, the present delegate from the territory of Utah; whether said election was held according to law; and whether any bribery, corruption or other illegal means were made use of by the said Bernhisel, with Brigham Young, or any other persons, to secure the said election and return with power to send for persons and papers.

This was debated, and it was proposed to lay it upon the table. During the discussion, Mr. Bernhisel, the delegate, said for the information of the House, that he received the news of his nomination on his way home last year, that he had no competitor at the election, and received every vote for a delegate to Congress, and the election did not cost him one dollar in money, as had been erroneously reported and circulated here. The certificate of his election giving the number of votes, and signed by the Governor and countersigned by the secretary of the Teritory, and having affixed to it the broad seal of Utah. He felt no inclination to oppose a resolution of inquiry offered without evidence to sustain it; but he would cheerfully leave it to the disposition of the House.

Mr. Boggs, at the suggestion of Mr. Phelps, withdrew his resolution for the present, having the liberty, as a privileged question, to offer it at any future time.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, and resumed the consideration of the bill to pay the Mexican Indemnity.

Messrs. Egerton, Grey, and others, addressed the committee.

Mr. Fowler obtained the floor, and on whose motion the comittee rose, and the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23, 1852.

SENATE.—The private calendar was taken up, and the following bills were ordered to a third reading:

For the relief of James Dunning; of A. H. Coles; of Charles A Kelley; of the heirs of Col. G. A. Mongur; of Edward Everett, late of the army; of the Virginia Woolen Company; of Julia Aiken; of the sureties of A. O. Field; for the settlements of accounts of Kearsely and Biddle, late land officers at Detroit; for the relief of Theodore Offitt. Granting a pension to the children of Capt. Capron, deceased. Act compensating James W. Low for capturing the armed British schooner Ann, during the late war. Act granting a pension to Elizabeth Monroe.

Adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—A large number of Communications from the Executive Department were laid before the House.

The resolution to close the debate on the Mexican Instalment bill was re-considered and the time extended until to-morrow, at two o'clock.

Mr. Stanton, of Kentucky, made a personal explanation in relation to the public printing and in reply to the letter of Mr. Hamilton, the public printer.

The House went into Committee on the Mexican Instalment bill, when

Mr. Allen, of Massachusetts, addressed the Committee, indulging in censures on Mr. Webster.

Mr. Davis, of the same State defended the Secretary of State.

Mr. Meade obtained the floor, when the Comittee rose, and the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24, 1852.

The Senate was not in session to-day.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—Shortly after the meeting, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, and resumed the consideration of the bill appropriating $3,180,000 for the payment of the last instalment to Mexico, under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

Mr. Meade addressed the Committee, taking the ground that the money heretofore ought to have been, and at this time ought to be, paid directly to Mexico herself, and not through bankers, especially when the Government of the United States might have got a bonus. But apart from this, good neighborhood to a sister Republic, should have induced the Administration to regard her wishes, and pay her the money in New York.

Mr. Rantoul expended his time in justifying the coalition between the Democrats and Facesoilers in Massachussetts, which, he said, was for the accomplishment of a common object—Reform in the State. And he devoted much of his time to his colleague (Mr Davis) who, yesterday, had said better things of the Coalition, showing that Mr. Davis, from 1835, down to this time, had been a leading Whig in close affinity with the Abolitionists.

Mr. Houston closed the debate, in favor of and urging the passage of the bill before the Committee without the amendments proposed, which, if adopted, would imply censure on the Executive Department, in the absence of an assurance that outside rumors were sustained by truth.

The Committee, without taking any question, rose, and the House adjourned until Monday.

WASHINGTON, January 26.

In SENATE to-day, Mr. HALE presented two petitions for the repeal of the Fugitive Slave Law, and the abolition of slavery in the District.

Mr. CLARKE's non-intervention resolutions were made the special order of the day for Wednesday week.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—Petitions were presented in favor of the establishment of a mint at New York, and asking modifications of the Tariff.

The discussion of the Mexican Indemnity Bill was resumed, and occupied the remainder of the day's sitting.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.

SENATE.—A petition was presented from Mr. Vanderbilt offering to carry the San Francisco mails across the Isthmus of Panama for $250,000 per month.

HOUSE.—The House spent the day in a useless discussion on the resolution to give the Census printing to editors of certain newspapers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.

IN SENATE.—Nothing of interests transpired in this body to-day. The French Spoliation Bill was made the order of the day for the third Monday in Febuary next.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—In the House the debate on the manner of paying the Mexican indemnity was continued. Several propositions were rejected—one of which was that it be paid in the mode most acceptable to Mexico.

THE PLANK ROAD.—To day, we have the pleasure of stating, that the entire amount of stock required to be taken, to construct the Fayetteville and Western Plank Road to this place, has been secured, and the engineer has commenced the location of the road.

*Salem Press.*

A QUEER WAY OF SETTLING A DISPUTE.—A late San Francisco paper has the following account of a cool proceeding in that city, which very forcibly illustrates life in California:

"A party of four persons were spending the Sunday quietly in playing all-fours. One of the parties, however, not content with the chances of the game, and determined to chain the fickle goddess to his side, established a kind of telegraph with his partner, by laying his hand carelessly on the table after each deal and extending his fingers, designating very intelligibly the number of trumps which he held. The device was ingenious and highly successful for a while, but was unfortunately discovered by one of his opponents who, on a repetition of the offence, very dexterously whipped out a bowie-knife and cut off two fingers!—The unfortunate *hombre* screamed with pain, and having picked up his stumps rushed from the room. His partner inquired of the amateur surgeon what his reasons were for such conduct, when he quietly replied, "It was fortunate for your friend that he had no more trumps, or he certainly would have walked off with fewer fingers." Cool, that.

The snow drifts at Camden, N. J., were five feet deep on the 23d.

The Democrats of Tennessee having expressed a preference for Mr. Douglas, of Illinois, for President, and Major General Gideon J. Pillow for Vice President, the N. Y. Tribune ventures to express the hope that when the gallant General entrenches himself for the campaign, he won't throw the dirt up on the wrong side of the ditch, as he did at Matamoras, when he was gaining immortal glory in warfare against the Mexicans.

We exposed the other day a trick of the Washington *Union*, which consisted in publishing an extract from a Georgia Whig paper, advising the Union party of that State to go into the Democratic Convention at Baltimore, next spring. The *Union* published this extract to promote a re-union of the Democratic party, and suppressed that part of the article which recommended this movement as a means of putting down the Southern party opposed to the Compromise. The suppression of truth is regarded by moralists and jurists as of equal turpitude with the utterance of falsehood.

The *Union* replies, and without denying our charge, defends itself on the ground that the thing was done to promote harmony. Well, if the end justifies the means, and if it is desirable that the Democratic party should be reunited on false pretences and misrepresentations, then the plea of the *Union* is sufficient. But the *Union* does not consider it sufficient, and so seeks to divert attention from the subject by the reiteration of a thrice-refuted charge against the senior editor of this paper. It is perhaps the best the *Union* can do. Having but a small capital of ideas, however erroneous, it must proceed from day to day in the repetition of them.—But we cannot afford to refute the *Union* on a single topic more than two or three times—for it is by no means probable that when a blunder has taken possession of the head of its editor, that any evidence or argument can extract it.

*Southern Press.*

The Union party of Alabama has had a State convention, and resolved to have a National also—the latter to be held in Washington in June next. There are, we believe, but two other States, Mississippi and Georgia, where such a party exist. The Union party of these three States is in a curious predicament It cannot trust any other party in all the United States to preserve the Union. Now we would suppose that if there is no such thing as a genuine Union party anywhere, but in three State the Union is in danger—and the fire-eaters can not be so very premature in preparing for the catastrophy. Perhaps, however, the Union party of those three States intends to compel all the other twenty-eight States to remain in the Union whether or no, and to hang all the people of the said twenty-eight States, in case they should attempt the treason of seceding from Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

*Southern Press.*

TEST OF DRUNKENNESS.—The Alexandria *Gazette* says, that an infallible method of ascertaining whether an individual is drunk or not, is to require him to pronounce distinctly the words *National Intelligencer*, which he cannot possibly do if intoxicated. We are of opinion, too, that this is not a bad test, for the words are apparently rather unmanageable for a tongue swollen and relaxed by a too liberal imbibition alcohol. If any one doubts this, he can easily make the experiment.

RAIL ROADS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT.—From an article in the Scientific American we extract the following:

"The safety of the English roads is owing principally to their solidity of construction, directness of route & evenness of grade, requiring less power to operate them, and the wear and tear of material is consequently far less; another very important items is, they are enclosed and guarded. The bridges, also, are substantial enough to admit of the same speed over them as in other parts of the road. How is it with us in this last particular?

"There is another feature in the European roads not to be overlooked; in their construction the company are obliged to comply with the statute, and in some cases government engineers inspect the material used, and their signature to the fact, that all requirements of the law have been complied with, is necessary before the road can be operated."

## THE REV. SAMUEL B. McPHEETERS.

The following extract from the St. Louis Correspondent of the "Presbyterian," Philadelphia, relative to the highly gifted and esteemed young Divine, whose name heads this paragraph, will be read with pleasure by his many acquaintances and friends in this City. May success attend all his efforts in his Holy Mission in the far West!

*Standard.*

"On Sabbath evening, the 14th instant, the Rev. SAMUEL B. MCPHEETERS was installed pastor of the Westminster Church. The night was the coldest of the season; nevertheless, the house was well filled, and the services peculiarly impressive. The attachment of this congregation to their minister has been steadily increasing since he came among them and is well deserved. The earnest piety, the eminently social qualities and entire devotion to his work cannot fail to render Mr. McPheeters a successful pastor, and one greatly beloved by his flock. The increase of this church is steady, and their prospects never were better than at the present."

SINKING OF A TENNESSEE MOUNTAIN.—It is stated that a few days ago a portion of Walden's Ridge sank, with a noise resembling deep-toned thunder, leaving a huge gap in the timber that fringes the sides of the ridge, extending about two miles in a parallel direction with the top. The gap in the dense timber appeared to be about sixty or a hundred feet in width, and the fissure in the earth reached to an unknown depth, in which trees of the largest size were torn up, and enormous rocks, which had probably lain concealed for ages, were rent from their primitive bedding and laid bare. The foundation on which the mountain rests is supposed to have given away.

A Greek maiden being asked what portion she would bring to her husband, replied, "I will bring him what gold cannot purchase—a heart unspotted, and virtue without a stain—which is all that descended to me from my parents."

## INTERVENTION, HUNGARY, RUSSIA.

In the Senate, Mr. Cass submitted the following joint resolution which was informally received, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed:

*Resolved by the Senate of the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled,* That while the people of the United States sympathise with all nations who are striving to establish free governments, yet they recognise the great principle of the law of nations, which assures to each of them the right to manage its own internal affairs in its own way, and to establish, alter, or abolish its government at pleasure, without the interference of any other power. And they have not seen, nor could they again see without deep concern, the violation of this principle of national independence.

Mr. Seward submitted the following (which he intends to move as amendments to those offered by Mr. Clarke,) which were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed:

Strike out all after the second resolution of Mr. Clarke and insert the following as a substitute.

*Resolved,* That while the United States, in cons