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Message of the Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, RALEIGH, November 19, 1868.

GENTLEMEN:—It is proper that at your first regular session under the new Constitution, I should lay before you information of the affairs of the State, and recommend to your consideration such measures as may be deemed expedient.

The year now closing has been richly crowned with harvests. The seasons have been propitious. A plentiful supply of bread has been produced for our whole population, so that want in this respect will not be felt during the coming year by any who will labor for a living.

We have great cause to be thankful to Almighty God for the manifold blessings which He is bestowing upon us; and we can confidently look forward, under His protection and guidance, for a condition of prosperity and happiness which we have not here before enjoyed.

The amount of the State debt on the 1st of October, 1868, was nine thousand nine hundred and forty five dollars (\$9,945). This includes estimated amount of past due interest to be funded under act of August 20, 1868, of two millions of dollars (\$2,000,000).

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The amount of interest which has matured October 1st, 1868, and been paid in cash, is one hundred and twelve thousand one hundred and one dollars (\$112,101). The interest maturing at subsequent dates during the present fiscal year is as follows: January 1st, 1869, three hundred and eighty thousand one hundred and ninety seven dollars (\$380,197).

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The balance remaining in the hands of the Public Treasurer October 1st, 1868, was one hundred and fifty thousand three hundred and eighty four cents (\$150,384.94). The amount from taxes, including payments in October, is two hundred and twenty six thousand seven hundred and six dollars forty two cents (\$226,706.46).

The estimated probable expense of the State government during the fiscal year will be, three hundred and seventy five thousand two hundred and thirty dollars (\$375,230). Add interest falling due during fiscal year, of one million thirty two thousand five hundred and ninety six dollars (\$1,032,596).

The stocks and bonds held by the State in corporations, is as follows: Stocks, eight million five hundred and thirty four thousand and five hundred dollars (\$8,534,500).

The report of the Public Treasurer will contain full details of the public debt, with recommendations as the best means for providing for interest. I have full confidence in that officer, and respectfully commend his statements and views to the consideration of the General Assembly.

The University of the State is inseparably connected with the free public schools. Both should be fostered. Education in agriculture, mechanics, mining, engineering, and in all the useful arts and sciences, should be encouraged.

The people of the State are so fully committed to internal improvements that I deem it necessary to say but little on the subject. Since the close of the rebellion State aid has been extended to the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Road—to the Fayetteville and Western Road—to the Chatham and Coalfields Road—to the Tarborough and Williamson Road—and to the Western North Carolina Road.—The work on the latter Road is being vigorously prosecuted between Morganton and Asheville. A company has been organized, under an act of the General Assembly at its last session, for the Western Division of this Road, and it is expected that during the coming year the routes will be surveyed, and much of the work put under contract.

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Immigration. The Constitution provides that "there shall be established, in the office of the Secretary of State, a Bureau of Statistics, Agriculture, and Immigration, under such regulations as the General Assembly may prescribe."

The attention of the General Assembly is especially invited to that portion of the report of the Secretary of State herewith transmitted, which refers to this subject. No State in the Union presents greater inducements than ours does to immigrants. I feel sure the General Assembly concurs with me as to the importance of encouraging immigration; and I trust that body will at once adopt such measures on the subject as it may deem practicable and effective in their operation.

Education. The attention of the General Assembly is respectfully invited to the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, herewith transmitted. That officer is diligently engaged in his duties. I am satisfied, from my knowledge of his character and qualifications, that he will be able to put in operation, at an early period, under the sanction of the General Assembly, a system of "schools and means of education" in all respects better and more extensive than any heretofore in existence in the State.

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Nearly all the State school fund; the proceeds for the most part of the funds deposited with this State by the general government in 1836, has been lost. It is unnecessary to show how it was lost, or to dilate upon the advantages thus snatched...