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BEGUN AND HELD AT THE CAPITOL, IN IOWA CITY, ON MONDAY, THE FOURTH DAY  
OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1854; BEING THE FIFTH REGULAR  
SESSION UNDER THE CONSTITUTION.

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FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA,

Begun and held at the Capitol in Iowa City, on the fourth day of December, A. D. 1854, being the fifth regular session under the Constitution.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House was called to order, by Mr. Williams, of Mahaska county, a member present.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

P. Gad Bryan, of Warren county, was elected Speaker, *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. Walters, of Marion county,

Charles C. Nourse, of Van Buren county, was elected Chief Clerk, *pro tem*.

On motion of John P. Conkey, of Linn county,

A. D. Carpenter, of Linn county, was elected assistant Clerk, *pro tem*.

Mr. McCrory offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Reporters of the papers published in Iowa City, be permitted seats within the bar of the House.

Resolution lost.

The Clerk *pro tem*. proceeded to call the several Districts of the State, when the following persons presented credentials :

1st. From the counties of Alamakee and Winneshiek—James D. McKay.

2d. From the county of Clayton—Reuben Noble, Lafayette Bigelow.

3d. From the counties of Fayette, Blackhawk, Bremer, Chickasaw, etc.,—Jacob W. Rogers.

4th. From the counties of Delaware and Buchanan—Thomas E. Turner.

5th. From the county of Dubuque—Richard Bonson, John M. Moore, Ben. M. Samuels, W. S. Hall.

6th. From the county of Jackson—James P. Edie, Thomas S. Smith.

7th. From the county of Jones—Wm. H. Holmes.

8th. From the counties of Jackson and Jones—David Kinert.

9th. From the county of Cedar—Allen D. Graham.

10th. From the county of Clinton—Joseph A. Brown.

11th. From the county of Scott—Andrew J. Hyde, Amos Witter.

12th. From the counties of Cedar, Clinton, and Scott—George Smith.

13th. From the county of Washington—Samuel A. Russell.

14th. From the county of Louisa—John C. Lockwood.

15th. From the counties of Louisa and Washington—James N. Young.

16th. From the county of Muscatine—Reasin Pritchard, John H. Pigman.

17th. From the county of Desmoines—Joshua Tracy, John L. Corse, George S. Albright, T. L. Sargent.

18th. From the county of Henry—Willet Dorland, Francis White, Samuel McFarland.

19th. From the county of Lee—George Newsam, William Damon, Josiah Hinkle, Horace Dewey, Samuel Boyles, Robert P. Creel.

20th. From the county of Linn—John P. Conkey, Robert Holmes.

21st. From the county of Johnson—Samuel H. McCrory.

22d. From the counties of Johnson and Iowa—Rolla Johnson.

23d. From the counties of Poweshiek, Jasper, Lama and Benton—John Connell.

24th. From the county of Van Buren—George N. Rosser, Joseph Barker, Robert Meek, Henry Weatherington.

25th. From the county of Jefferson—James Wamsley, Edmund Mechem, Robert Stephenson.

26th. From the county of Davis—O. D. Tisdale, D. C. Greenleaf.

27th. From the county of Wapello—Samuel K. Creamer, Nimrod Poston.

28th. From the counties of Wapello and Keokuk—Cyrus Franklin.

29th. From the county of Keokuk—W. F. Morgan.

30th. From the county of Appanoose—William Monroe.

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31st. From the county of Monroe—Matthew A. Goodfellow.

32d. From the counties of Lucas, Wayne, Decatur and Clarke—S. P. Yeomans.

33d. From the county of Mahaska—Samuel Coffin, Micajah Williams.

34th. From the county of Marion—James M. Walters.

35th. From the counties of Marion, Warren and Madison—Jairius E. Neal, P. Gad Bryan.

36th. From the county of Polk—Alfred M. Lyon.

37th. From the counties of Polk, Dallas, Guthrie, etc.—Ezra Vansossen.

38th. From the counties of Boon, Webster, Story, Hardin, and Marshall—Samuel B. McCall.

39th. From the counties of Fremont, Page, Taylor etc—William Dewey.

40th. From the counties of Mills, Montgomery, Adams.

41st. From the county of Pottawattamie—Daniel S. Jackson, John T. Baldwin.

42d. From the counties of Harrison, Shelby, Woodbury, etc.—Thomas B. Neely.

Mr. Neal moved that the House proceed by ballot to elect a committee of five on credentials.

Mr. Jackson moved to amend, to wit: to be elected *viva voce*.

The amendment was agreed to, and the motion as amended adopted.

The following persons were put in nomination, and duly elected said committee.

Mr. McFarland, of Henry county, Mr. Wamsley, of Jefferson county, Mr. Boyles, of Lee county, Mr. Coffin, of Mahaska county, Mr. Bonson, of Dubuque county.

Upon motion, the committee were instructed to report immediately.

On motion,

De Roy Newton, of Johnson county, was elected Fireman *pro tem*.

C. H. Wood, of Johnson, and R. B. Cochran, of Mahaska county, were elected Messengers *pro tem*.

James Beham was elected Sergeant at Arms *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5.

Mr. McFarland, Chairman of Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was concurred in by the House, and Committee discharged :

The committee report that they have examined the credentials presented to the House and referred to them, and find them correct with the following exceptions :

The certificates presented by Thomas S. Smith of Jackson, and Thomas B. Neely of Harrison, have not the seal of those counties thereto attached

The certificate presented by D. S. Jackson, of Pottawatamie, was signed by James D. Test, and J. S. Baldwin, to the effect, that Mr. Jackson had lost his certificate of election. Your committee is satisfied that Messrs Smith, Neely, and Jackson, are entitled to their seats. Your committee recommend that their credentials be received.

SAMUEL McFARLAND,  
Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Bonson of Dubuque, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The House ordered a call of House by districts, and that the oath required by law be administered and subscribed.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The members were all sworn at the same time, and subscribed the oath of office.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The House proceeded to a permanent organization.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The House proceeded to the election of Speaker.

Mr. Bonson nominated P. GAD BRYAN, of Warren county.

Mr. Bigelow, of Clayton county, nominated REUBEN NOBLE, of Clayton county

The House proceeded to vote for Speaker, which resulted as follows :

Mr. Bryan received 29 votes, Mr. Noble received 39 votes.

Mr. Noble having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Speaker of the House.

The Speaker *pro tem* appointed Messrs. Bonson and Neal to wait upon the speaker elect, and conduct him to the chair. The committee

having performed their duty, the speaker elect addressed the House as follows :—

GENTLEMEN—I tender you my sincere acknowledgments for the honor conferred by your votes.

Without experience in this place, called to preside over your deliberations, I feel that I ought to claim, in advance, your indulgence for any errors of judgment which may occur in the discharge of the duties imposed upon me. To preserve order and decorum in this House, and correctly discharge the important business devolving upon it, so far as the same will depend upon the Chair, will be objects of my deepest solicitude, and I doubt not I shall receive your earnest cooperation and support in the discharge of my duties with a view to these objects.

On motion of Mr. Neal, the House proceeded to the election of Chief Clerk.

Mr. Rosser nominated Charles C. Nourse, of Van Buren county.

Mr. Tracy nominated Mr. Philip B. Bradley, of Jackson county.

The House proceeded to vote for chief clerk, which resulted as follows :

For Philip B. Bradley, 27.

For Charles C. Nourse, 40.

Mr. Nourse having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Clerk of the House.

On motion of Mr. Eddie, the House proceeded to the election of Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Mechem nominated A. R. Fulton, of Jefferson county.

Mr. Boyles nominated J. M. Anderson, of Lee county.

The House proceeded to a vote for Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Fulton received 38 votes, which being a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the House proceeded to elect an Enrolling Clerk.

Mr. Walters nominated Francis A. Barker, of Marion county.

Mr. Neal nominated James M. Brown, of Marion county.

The House proceeded to a vote for enrolling Clerk :

Mr. Barker having received 38 votes, being a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Enrolling Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Pritchard, the House proceeded to the election of Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Creel nominated Gen. Jessee B. Brown, of Lee county.

Mr. Bonson nominated John Fitzpatrick, of Dubuque.

The House proceeded to vote for Sergeant-at-Arms:

Gen. Jessee B. Brown having received 45 votes, a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion of Mr. Russell, the House proceeded to elect a Door Keeper.

Mr. Russell nominated Wm. Laid, of Washington county.

Mr. Neal nominated R. B. Cochran, of Mahaska county.

Mr. Bonson asked to be excused from voting, as he did not know how the candidates stood.

Leave not granted.

The House proceeded to vote for Door Keeper:

Mr. Laid having received 40 votes, a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Door Keeper.

Mr. McKay moved, that the House proceed to elect two Messengers.

Mr. Bryan moved, to strike out "two" and insert "three."

The amendment was adopted, and the motion as amended, agreed to.

The following persons were nominated for Messengers :

Russell B. Cochran,

C. H. Wood,

Oscar Blaney.

On motion of Mr. Bonson, the nominees were elected by acclamation.

Mr. McCrary moved, that the House proceed to elect three Firemen.

Mr. Bonson moved, to strike out "three" and insert "two."

The amendment was agreed to, and the motion as amended, adopted

The following persons were put in nomination for Firemen :

De Roy Newton,

Cyrus Brown,

Joseph Smith,

James Weeks, and

Henry Loub.

On motion of Mr. Bonson, the House determined that candidates for Firemen receiving the highest number of votes, should be declared elected.

The House proceeded to elect, and before the result was announced



Mr. Bryan moved that the person receiving the highest number of votes should be declared Chief Fireman.

Mr. Bonson moved to amend, to-wit: That the oldest of the two elected should be Chief.

The amendment and motion lost.

Messrs. Cyrus Brown and James Weeks having received the highest number of votes, were declared duly elected Firemen of the House.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The oath required by law was duly administered to the several officers elect of the House.

Mr. Bryan moved that a committee of two be appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body, that the House of Representatives was now permanently organized.

Adopted.

The chair appointed Messrs. Bryan and McFarland said committee.

Mr. Bonson moved that the clerk be authorized to carpet the Gallery of the Hall.

On motion of Mr. Russell, the motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dorland, the Clerk was instructed to provide suitable desks for the reporters of all newspapers.

On motion of Mr. Bonson, the House adopted the rules of the last session of this House until otherwise determined.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the Secretary of State was requested to furnish each member of this House with a copy of the Code of Iowa and the laws of the two sessions last past of the General Assembly.

Mr. Graham moved that the Speaker be requested to procure the services of some resident minister of the Gospel, or of some minister who may be in attendance to open the morning sessions of this House with prayer.

Mr. Holmes moved to amend by inserting Protestant before the word Minister.

Mr. Conkey offered the following substitute: That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to invite the ministers of the Gospel in this place to act as Chaplains of this House.

Mr. Russel moved to refer the motion and amendments to a select committee.

On the motion to refer, Mr. Bonson demanded the yeas and nays.

Yeas 25 }  
Nays 42 }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Rogers,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russel,
Bryan,	McCall,	Stevenson,
Coffin,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Connell,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Corse,	Morgan,	White,
Creel,	Neal,	Williams,
Creamer,	Neely,	Young.
Dorland,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Baker,	Holmes, of Jones	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Linn,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuel,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargeant,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Smith, of Jackson
Damon,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Dewey, of Lee,	McCrorry,	Tisdale,
Dewey, Fremont	McKay,	Tracy,
Edie,	Mechem,	Turner,
Franklin,	Monroe,	Walters,
Graham,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Witter,
Hull,	Pigman,	Yeoman.

The motion to refer was lost.

The question being on the substitute of Mr. Conkey,  
Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 56. }  
Nays 10. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn,	Mr. Russel,
Baldwin,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Barker,	Lockwood,	Sergent,
Bigelow,	Lyon,	Smith, of Jackson
Bonson,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Boyles, j	McFarland,	Stevenson,
Brown,	McCay,	Tisdale,
Coffin,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Conkey,	Meek,	Turner,
Connel,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Corse,	Morgan,	Walters,
Creel,	Neal,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	Neely,	White,
Damon,	Newsom,	Williams,
Dewey, of Lee,	Pigman,	Witter,
Dewey, Fremont	Poston,	Yeoman,
Eddie,	Pritchard,	Young,
Graham,	Rogers,	Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Rosser,	

The nays were,

Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. McCall,
Franklin,	Holmes, of Jones	Moore,
Goodfellow,	Kinert,	Weatherington.
Hall,		

Substitute adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Russel, Samuels, and Wamsley said committee.

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

The Clerk was instructed to obtain a thermometer, by which the temperature of the Hall may be regulated.

Mr. Edie moved that the Clerk furnish each member of this House with ten copies of such newspapers, published within this State, as each member may designate.

Mr. Bonson moved to strike out ten, and insert twenty.

Mr. Turner moved to insert twenty-five.

The original motion, with the last amendment, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Boyles, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to report rules for the government of the House.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Boyles, Williams, Bonson, Rogers, and Russel said committee.

On motion,

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 6, 1854.

Mr. Russel from the committee appointed to confer with the clergymen of the city and request their services to open the morning sessions of the House with prayer, reported that they had discharged their duties.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Wood.

Journal read.

Mr. Bryan, from the committee appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body of the permanent organization of the House, reported that they had performed that duty.

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication from the Secretary of State.

In compliance with your resolution of yesterday, I have furnished each member of the House with the code of Iowa, and session laws of 1850-51. I cannot furnish members with copies of the laws of the last session, as there are none left since the distribution among the several counties of the State, as required by Law.

Respectfully your ob't servant,

GEO. W. McCLEARY,

Secy of State.

Mr. Neal moved that the clerk be directed to cover the floor of the Gallery with saw-dust.

Mr. Bonson offered a substitute to-wit: That the Auditor of State be directed to procure a cheap carpet and have the same put down on the floor of the Gallery of this House.

Substitute adopted.

Mr. Corse moved that the members of the Senate be permitted to

occupy seats in this House, and that the Sergeant at Arms procure seats for the same.

Mr. Bryan moved to amend by including Governors, Ex-Governors, Judges of the Supreme Court, Judges of the District Court, and Ex-Members of the General Assembly of this State.

Mr. McKay proposed an amendment to the amendment to-wit: Provided that the room thus taken shall not interfere with the convenience of members or other persons already privileged upon the floor.

Amendment to the amendment rejected.

Mr. Tracy moved an amendment to the amendment to include ministers of the Gospel.

Mr. Corse accepted the amendments offered by Messrs Bryan and Tracy.

Mr. Neal proposed to amend by including all citizens of the State of Iowa, especially the ladies.

Amendment offered by Mr. Neal rejected.

The original motion with the amendments accepted, adopted.

Mr. Edie moved that the order of the House made yesterday granting twenty-five copies of newspapers to each member, be construed to mean twenty-five copies of weekly, or their equivalent in weeklies, tri-weeklies, or dailies.

Mr. Bryan moved to amend by inserting the word tri before weekly.

Mr. Turner moved to lay the motion with amendments on the table.

The vote was taken and the Speaker announced the motion to lie on the table had prevailed.

The vote being doubted, Mr. Russel called for a division.

Mr. Bonson rose to a point of order to-wit: That the call for a division came too late, after the Speaker had announced that the motion had prevailed.

The chair decided the call for a division was in order.

Mr. Samuels appealed from the decision of the chair.

The question was then put, viz: shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the House.

Decision of the chair sustained.

Mr. Eddie called for the yeas and nays upon the motion to lay on the table.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On the question pending upon the motion of Mr. Turner to lay on the table, the yeas and nays were:

Yeas 44, }

Nays 24, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,  
Baldwin,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Bryan,  
Conkey,  
Connel,  
Corse,  
Creamer,  
Damon,  
Dewey of Lee,  
Goodfellow,  
Graham,  
Hall,  
Holmes of Linn

Mr. Hinkle,  
Jackson,  
Lockwood,  
McCall,  
McKay,  
Mechem,  
Meeker,  
Monroe,  
Moore.  
Morgan,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Poston,  
Pritchard,

Mr. Rogers,  
Samuels,  
Sergent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Stevenson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,  
Watters,  
Weatherington,  
Williams,  
Witter,  
Yeoman.

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Brown,  
Coffin,  
Creel,  
Dewey, Fremont  
Dorland,  
Eddie,

Mr. Franklin,  
Greenleaf,  
Holmes of Jones  
Hyde,  
Kinert,  
Lyon,  
McCroory,  
McFarland,

Mr. Pigman,  
Rosser,  
Russel,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Young,  
Speaker.

Mr. Tracy presented a petition and accompanying documents from Green T. Clarke of the 34th, District, contesting the seat of Mr.

James M. Walters from that District now occupying a seat in the House.

Petition read.

Mr. Tracy moved to refer the petition to a select committee of five with power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. McFarland moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 29, }  
Nays 38, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Rogers,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Russel,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Vanfossen,
Connel,	McCrory,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McFarland,	White,
Dorland,	McCay,	Williams,
Eddie,	Mechem,	Young,
Graham,	Pigman,	Speaker.
Holmes, Jones,	Pritchard,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Poston,
Barker,	Hall,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Brown,	Lyon,	Smith, Jackson,
Bryan,	McCall,	Stevenson,
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Damon,	Moore,	Turner,
Dewey of Linn,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Dewy, Fremont,	Neal,	Witter,
Franklin,	Neely,	Yeomans.
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	

Motion to lay on the table lost.

Mr. McCay moved to refer the subject to the committee, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House.

Decided not in order.

Mr. Russel moved to postpone the reference until to-morrow.

Mr. McCay moved to adjourn.

Mr. Nealy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 37, }  
Nays 31, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Linn,	Russel,
Bayles,	Hyde,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Kinert,	Stevenson,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Watters,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Wansley,
Connel,	McFarland,	White,
Creel,	McCay,	Williams,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Witter,
Dorland,	Morgan,	Young,
Eddie,	Pigman,	Speaker.
Graham,	Pritchard,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bayles,	McCall,	Sargent,
Bryan,	McCrary,	Smith, Jackson.
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Damon,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Turner,
Dewey, Fremont	Neal,	Vanfossin,
Franklin,	Neely,	Weathering to 1.
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Hall,		

House adjourned.



THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dennis.

Journal read.

The Speaker announced the following as the standing committees of the House :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

*Ways and Means*—Lockwood, Rogers, Neal, Corse and Baldwin.

*Judiciary*—Russell, Williams, Samuels, Tracy and McKay.

*Claims*—Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Bonson, Damon and White.

*Military Affairs*—Morgan, Dewey of Lee, Franklin, Wamsley and Barker.

*Enrolled Bills*—Greenleaf, Dewey of Lee.

*Engrossed Bills*—Yeomans, Mechem.

*Expenditures*—Pritchard, Creel, Meek, McCall, Vanfossen.

*Roads and Highways*—Bigelow, Graham, Moore, Tisdale, Stephenson,

*Township and County Organization*—Lyon, Coffin, Jackson, Goodfellow, Monroe, Williams.

*Public Buildings*—Williams, Creamer, Weatherington, Boyles, Hall.

*Schools and State University*—Turner, Dorland, Witter, Dewey of Fremont, Edie.

*New Counties*—Greenleaf, Rosser, Weatherington, Smith of Ceder, Neely.

*Agriculture*—Johnson, Poston, Sergeant, Pigman.

*Elections*—McCrory, Connell, Bryan, Albright, Lyon.

*Incorporations*—Rogers, Young, Smith of Jackson, Franklin, Kinert.

*Improvement of Des Moines River*—Creamer, Wamsley, Goodfellow, Meek, Creel.

*Federal Relations*—Kinert, Coffin, Bryan, Jackson, McCrory.

*Internal Improvement*—Wamsley, Smith of Clinton, Bonson, Holmes of Jones, Hinkle.

*Charitable Institutions*—McFarland, McKay, Dewey of Fremont, Tisdale, Holmes of Linn.

*Public Lands*.—Holmes of Jones, Connell, Walters, Pritchard, Newsom.

*State Library*.—Conkey, Brown, Corse, Yeoman, Hyde.

Mr. Boyles, Chairman of special committee on rules, made the following report :

The committee appointed to report rules for the government of the House, recommend the adoption of the rules of the last House of Representatives with the following amendments :

Rule 39—Strike out the word "thirty two" and insert "thirty-six"  
 SAMUEL BOYLES,  
 Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Russell called for the reading of the rules referred to in the report.

By order of the House the rules were read.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The report of the committee was adopted.

Mr. Russell, from the committee to confer with the clergymen of the city, reported.

That the committee had discharged their duty, and that the clergymen had made an arrangement by which one of their number would be present on the morning of each day.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The report was adopted, and the committee discharged.

Mr. Dorland moved that 200 copies of the rules of the House be printed for the use thereof, to be accompanied by a list of the members of the House with their post-office address, and a list of the standing committees of the House.

Mr. Boyles moved to amend, by striking out 200 and inserting 300.

Mr. Edie moved to amend, by inserting 100.

Mr. Dorland accepted the amendment of Mr. Boyles.

Mr. Edie withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Russel moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 33. }  
 Nays, 34. }

The vote being taken, those voting yea were—

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde	Mr. Rosser,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Russell,
Brown,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar
Bryan,	McCall,	Stevenson,
Connel,	McCrorry,	Vanfossen,
Dewey, of Fremont	McFarland,	Walters,
Edie,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Franklin,	Mechem,	White,
Graham,	Morgan,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	Young,
Holmes, of Jones	Rogers,	Speaker.

The nays were—

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Poston,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Pritchard,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Holmes, of Linn	Smith, of Jackson
Coffin,	Jackson,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Tracy,
Corse,	Meek,	Turner,
Creel,	Monroc,	Wetherington,
Creamer,	Moore,	Williams,
Damon,	Neely,	Yeomans.
Dewey, of Lee,	Newsom,	
Dorland,	Pigman,	

Motion to lay on the table,

Lost.

Mr. Edie moved to postpone until to-morrow.

Motion lost.

The question was then taken, on the motion of Mr. Dorland, as amended.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

It was resolved that two hundred copies of the rules of the House be printed for the use thereof, to be accompanied by a list of the members of the House, with their post-office address, and the county or district they represent, and a list of the standing committees of the House.

Upon motion of Mr. Young,

It was resolved that the Sergeant at Arms be requested to provide suitable screens to protect members from the heat of the stoves.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, it was

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of adding an additional week to the term of the district court of Jasper county, with leave to report a bill.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Clerk was directed to furnish a suitable case in which the mail matter of members may be deposited with safety and convenience.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Clerk, informing, the House, that, in obedience to the several resolutions of the House, passed on the 5th and 6th inst., he had made an arrangement with the P. M. of the City for the payment of the postage of the members.

Also, that he had procured a thermometer, as directed.

That orders had been given for reporters' desks, and they would be provided as early as practicable.

That so far as he had been able to perfect the lists of papers required by members, he had ordered the same.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up.

The amendment of Mr. Tracy to refer the Petition of Green T. Clark and accompanying documents, to a select committee of five, being before the House,

Mr. Rogers moved to refer the matter to the committee on Elections, with instruction to report at as early a day as practicable.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Russell moved to adjourn.

Lost.

Mr. Russell moved to take up the resolution of Mr. Edie, which was laid on the table yesterday, in reference to giving a construction

to the order of the House, to furnish 25 copies of newspapers to each member.

Mr. McCrory asked that the oath of office be administered to Mr. Rolla Johnson, a member elect from Johnson and Iowa, and that Mr. Johnson be permitted to take his seat.

Mr. Johnson took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, and was admitted to his seat.

The motion of Mr. Russell, to take up the motion laid upon the table yesterday, lost.

House adjourned.

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FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Belden.

Journal of yesterday read.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The Clerk was directed to obtain three of Henn and Williams' new maps of Iowa, for the use of the House.

Mr. Neal moved to amend, by inserting one for each member of the House.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Neal, it was

*Resolved*, That Green T. Clark, the claimant from the seat from the 34th Representative District, be admitted to a seat within the bar of the House.

Messrs. Shields and Needham, committee of the Senate, informed the House that the Senate was now permanently organized, and ready to proceed to business.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House, that Messrs. Coolbaugh and McCrary have been appointed a committee on the part of the Senate, to act in conjunction with a similar

committee on the part of the House of Representatives, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and enquire if he has any communication to make to the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

A committee of three was appointed to act with the committee on the part of the Senate, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and inform him of their permanent organization, and that they were now ready to receive any communication he may desire to lay before them.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bonson, Williams, and Edie, said committee.

The committee having discharged their duty, reported the following message, with the accompanying documents.

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

You have again assembled in obedience to the mandates of the Constitution, to deliberate upon the affairs of State, and to enact such laws as may be necessary to secure to the people their just rights and privileges under a republican form of government.

Your duties are of no ordinary character. The enactment of laws for the government of a State, which must, directly or indirectly, affect the welfare of every person within its jurisdiction, will show the importance of the powers with which you have been invested, and how wisely and judiciously they should be exercised. Our constitution is less careful of prescribing legislative duties to be performed, than of imposing certain restrictions upon legislative action. The examples of history and constant experience teach us, that there is a tendency in political associations, as well as in persons, to an undue exercise of power inconsistent with individual rights. For that reason an unwavering adherence to constitutional principles, a constant regard for the rights and privileges secured to, and retained by the people, and a strict observance of the prohibitions upon legislation, should, under all circumstances, be maintained.

It gratifies me to inform you that the State is in a highly prosperous condition; general health prevails; a bountiful harvest has again crowned the efforts of the husbandman; emigration unprecedented in the history and settlement of the West, has been pouring in upon us; the public lands are being rapidly settled and improved by those who, with

the pioneers of the country, will doubtless build up a government, which, for its liberal and just policy, and its attachment for the Union, will rank among the first of western States. For this prosperity, and all the great privileges which we enjoy, let us be grateful to HIM who holds in his hand the destiny of men and nations.

In calling your attention to the condition of the State, it is in the first place appropriate that I should refer to our financial affairs, and I do so with pride, when I contrast that condition with many of our sister States. The funded debt of the State, for which bonds have been issued, as will appear by the report of the Auditor, amounts to the sum of seventy-nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-five dollars and seventy-five cents.

Sixteen thousand four hundred and forty-two dollars and five cents of these bonds became due on the first day of May last, and the others will be payable in 1856, '57, and '59. It will therefore be necessary for you to make provisions for their payment in the event that the ordinary revenue should not prove sufficient for that purpose. I need not say that the payment of these debts at maturity is important to preserve the good faith and credit of the State.

By the Treasurer's report, which is herewith transmitted, it will be seen, that from the first day of November, 1852, up to the thirty-first day of October, 1854, there has been received into the Treasury one hundred and twenty-five thousand four hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty-seven cents, ten thousand five hundred and fifteen dollars and seventy cents of which was received on the sale of saline lands. During that time there has been paid out on Auditor's warrants, one hundred and eighteen thousand five hundred and forty-two dollars and ninety cents. The amount of monies in the Treasury on the thirty-first day of October last, being fifteen thousand five hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty-two cents, including the sum of eight thousand six hundred and two dollars and eighty-eight cents, which was in the Treasury on the first day of November, 1852.

At the last session of the General Assembly, it was thought advisable to so amend the revenue law, as to require the assessment of taxable property to be made by a township instead of a county officer. This system, as I have been informed, has proven much more expensive than the former one, and leads to errors and inequalities which have been injurious to the public revenue, and unjust to individuals.

To secure uniformity in the assessment of property, and remedy, as

far as practicable, the evils complained of, I would recommend that the present law be so amended as to require the election of a county assessor for each county, with such other regulations as may be thought necessary to secure a faithful discharge of his duty.

Permit me again to call the attention of the General Assembly to the laws establishing common schools and the State University, as a subject of the greatest importance, and in which the people feel a deep interest.

Experience has taught us, that these laws are too complicated, and by frequent amendments have become inexplicit and contradictory, so much so, that it is has become difficult to understand, or carry them into force, without the commission of errors, which not unfrequently lead to protracted and burdensome litigation.

Another objection to the system, is the employment of a greater number of officers than would seem to be necessary, and among them, that of school fund Commissioners in each county, the duties of which officer might, it is believed, be discharged by the county treasurer with less expense and greater accuracy than under the present arrangement.

There is also a want of uniformity in the system of education in our common schools, produced by the frequent change of text-books, made by the teachers who conduct them, which occasions unnecessary expense, and proves detrimental to the scholar. In connection with the subject of books, permit me to recommend Dr. Noah Webster's American Dictionary as one of the most comprehensive, learned and valuable works of the kind which has been published in the English language; and also, allow me to add, that the Constitution of the United States, and of this State, should be taught in all of our public schools. A system of education by which knowledge is placed within the reach of all, and our youth are taught to comprehend the rights and privileges of citizenship, will fit them for the enlightened discharge of the important duties to which they may be called.

The establishment and endowment of an asylum for lunatics, is a measure which should commend itself to your favorable consideration. We cannot but be aware of the fact, that we have a considerable number of those unfortunate persons in our State, who have strong claims upon our sympathy and bounty, and who must be removed from their friends to other States in order to obtain the means of alleviating and improving their condition, or of being confined in our jails and poor-houses.

By an act of Congress, admitting the State of Iowa into the Union,



approved March 3d, 1845, all salt springs within the State, not exceeding twelve in number, with six sections of land adjoining, or as contiguous as might be, to each, were granted to the State for its use, with a proviso that the General Assembly should never lease or sell the same, at any one time, for a longer period than ten years, without the consent of Congress.

Under these provisions an act was passed by the General Assembly, approved February 5th, 1851, providing, that as soon as the consent of Congress could be obtained these lands might be sold, and that the proceeds should constitute a fund for founding and supporting a lunatic asylum; and further providing that the amount realized should be invested, and the interest only to be used for that purpose, unless the Commissioners of the asylum should think that the good of the State required eight thousand dollars of the principal fund to assist in the building and furnishing of said asylum. Five thousand dollars was also authorized to be paid, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the use of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Keokuk.

Congress having given their consent that the lands might be sold, an act was passed on the 25th day of January, 1853, for the carrying out of the purposes expressed by the act of February 5th, 1851.

In consequence of the rejection by the general government of a portion of the land which it had before selected for the State, and in order that others might be made, I appointed Israel Keister, Esq., as agent for that purpose, a copy of whose report is herewith transmitted. As yet I have received no information whether the last selection has been approved or rejected.

Should you believe that the prompt sale of these lands would not be sufficient to establish and maintain the asylum, after paying the five thousand dollars to the Medical College at Keokuk, then I submit whether it would not be highly appropriate to provide other ways and means to accomplish an object so desirable.

Your attention is invited to the report of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, which is herewith submitted, and which, together with the report of the Warden, which will doubtless be laid before you, will exhibit the affairs of the prison for the last two years. By an act of the General Assembly, approved January 13th, 1853, the Inspectors and Wardens were authorized to lease or hire out the prisoners to be worked in the shops upon the prison grounds, if they should deem that the

interests of the State would be the best promoted by so doing. They have accordingly executed a contract, hiring the services of the convicts for the term of ten years from the first day of June, 1854. This contract, with the report of the officers, will be subjects for your careful investigation, and should it appear that the laws and regulations for the government of the prison are deficient, such other provisions should be made as will secure economy and good order in the administration of its affairs.

It is necessary that I should again call your attention to the improvement of the Des Moines river, which in consequence of the many difficulties and obstacles which have been presented from time to time, has made but slow progress towards completion. At the last session of the General Assembly, after an investigation of the condition of the improvement, acts were passed providing for the election of a Commissioner and Register, by the qualified electors of the State on the first Monday of April, 1853, and at the same time appointing George G. Wright, of Van Buren, and Uriah Biggs, of Wapello county, as assistant Commissioners, investing them with full power and authority to sell and dispose of all the lands, tolls, and water rents, as they might deem most expedient for the early completion and vigorous prosecution of the improvement.

Under these provisions of law a contract has been made with Mr. Henry O'Riley and others, for the completion of the improvement—a portion of the old debts have been paid, and the work is said to be progressing. In the report of the Commissioner and Register, which will be laid before you, will undoubtedly be found the contract and all the information which may be necessary for a full understanding of the business entrusted to the charge of those officers, who, it is believed, with the assistant Commissioners, have done everything in their power to carry out the provisions and instructions of the laws under which they have acted.

In connection with this improvement your attention is respectfully called to the claims which have been presented by Hon. Reverdy Johnson and Chancellor Walworth, of New York, in obtaining a reversal of the decision of the Secretary of the Interior, limiting the grant of land for that improvement to the Raccoon Fork of the Des Moines river. These gentlemen have acted in good faith, and rendered most important service to the State; it is therefore appropriate that their claims should be allowed, inasmuch as Bangs & Brother, the contractors who

were liable at the time, have failed to pay them, and the State has received the benefit of their efforts. The correspondence of Chancellor Walworth is herewith submitted, and that of Mr. Johnson will be found among the proceedings of the last General Assembly.

Since the formation of our State government, up to the present time, recommendations have been made to the General Assembly to enact such laws as would comply with the Constitution of this State, and the laws of the United States, as to the organization of the militia; and to which subject I would again invite your special attention.

The object of the law of Congress in requiring the organization of the military force of each State, and the appropriations for arms to be distributed to them from year to year is for the purpose of enabling them to defend themselves in cases of emergency, and at the same time to be serviceable to the National Government in the defence of the country, should their services be needed.

It should be remembered that Iowa is a frontier State; portions of our northern and western boundaries are subject to the incursions of Indians, who have but recently disposed of their right to the soil, who return for the purpose of hunting and not unfrequently commit depredations upon the white inhabitants before United States troops, or any effective military force, can be obtained to repel them. It is therefore prudent and necessary that we should have such a military organization as will enable us in a case of emergency to defend ourselves and protect our citizens.

In July last, I received information from the counties of Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Bremer, Chickasaw, Franklin and others, that a large body of Indians well armed and equipped, had made demonstrations of hostilities by fortifying themselves in various places, killing stock, and plundering houses, and that many of the inhabitants had entirely forsaken their homes and left a large portion of their property at the mercy of the enemy; praying that a military force might be sent to protect them and their settlements. Upon the reception of this information, an order was immediately issued to Gen. John G. Shields, directing him to call out the City Guards of Dubuque, and such other force as might be necessary, not exceeding two companies, to remove the Indians from the state. This order was promptly obeyed, and the company were ready for service, when information was received that the Indians had dispersed—that the citizens were returning to their

homes, and quiet had been restored. It therefore became unnecessary for any further proceedings.

Authority was also given to Major Williams, of Fort Dodge, in this State, to raise a volunteer company, should it be necessary to remove any Indians who should be found disturbing any of the inhabitants of the county of Franklin, or adjoining counties. On the first day of September last he reported that he had not found it necessary to raise any military force, as there did not then exist any cause for alarm, or danger to the settlers.

In April last a communication was received from the ordnance office at Washington, stating that there was due to this State, arms to the value of two hundred and thirty-five muskets, with the desire that the kind and description should be designated. This request was complied with, and the arms have been received, and distributed to organized military companies at Dubuque, Davenport, and Keokuk, with the exception of one brass six-pound gun, which remains to be drawn at the United States Arsenal in St. Louis, Missouri.

My attention has been called to the proceedings of a convention held in this city, on the 28th day of October last, by the old soldiers of the war of 1812, for the purpose of asking relief from Congress, for their services in that war. It may be truly said of these soldiers, that old age is now upon them—that they will soon be called upon to fight their last battle with an enemy who is ever victorious. Many of them are in indigent circumstances, and unable to support themselves. Their gallant defence of the country, in a war second only to the American revolution, should entitle them, not only to the sympathy of Congress, but to the whole American people. I would, therefore, respectfully recommend that you pass a memorial to Congress, setting forth the justice of their claim, and urging, without regard to their term of service, that each be allowed a quarter section of land, and a pension for the few remaining years allotted them to live.

At the last session of the General Assembly a recommendation was made, that such laws be passed as would authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of emigration to reside in the city of New York, whose duty it should be to give immigrants the necessary information as to soil, climate and the branches of business to be pursued with advantage in this State, and to protect, as far as possible, such persons against the impositions frequently practised upon them.

This recommendation, however, was not carried out, and I again

feel constrained to call your attention to the subject with the hope that one or more of such agencies may be established, which in my judgment, if properly conducted, would be highly beneficial to the State, and to those who might feel disposed to become citizens among us.

One of the objections which has been urged against the establishment of such agencies, is, that emigration of foreigners to this country ought not to be encouraged or protected—even secret political associations have been formed for the purpose of discouraging emigration and settlement among us—to prohibit, as far as may be in their power, a naturalized citizen from holding any office of trust or profit under our government, at the same time proscribing others for their religious views and opinions.

The formation of such associations under a government which professes to be republican, and to secure equal rights and privileges to every person who is, or who may become a citizen by virtue of our Constitution and laws, is much to be regretted as leading to evil and dangerous consequences.

What danger can be seriously apprehended from foreign emigration to this State? They are generally industrious—purchase, settle upon and improve our lands, rear their homes, educate their children with ours, become attached to our laws and institutions, and assist in the defence of the country in times of peril. To proscribe a citizen in this country on account of his birthplace or religious faith, is subversive of all our ideas and principles of civil and religious liberty, and contrary to the spirit and intention of our Constitution and laws. The national government have *no power* to “make laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof,” and the Constitution of this State declares that “no religious test shall be required as a qualification for any office or public trust, and no person shall be deprived of any of his rights, privileges or capacities, or disqualified from the performance of any of his public or private duties, or rendered incompetent to give evidence in any court of law or equity, in consequence of his opinions on the subject of religion.”

To my mind it is manifest, that the object of these provisions were to *guard* against proscription or intolerance, either by legislation or by individuals, and to leave to every one the right of judging for himself upon questions which relate to eternity, and over which human governments cannot properly exercise control.

In connection with the subject of immigration and settlement in

Iowa, it may be observed, that her agricultural and mineral resources are but partially known, and it is believed that an accurate and scientific geological survey would disclose sources of mineral wealth, and the capacity of our soil for the production of many profitable articles, the benefits of which information to the history of the State and to the people, would far surpass any expense attending such an examination. I would, therefore, recommend this measure to your favourable consideration.

I again invite your attention to the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, and to the recommendation made by me to the last General Assembly, of granting licenses under proper restrictions, for the sale thereof. Believing that such a law would have a salutary effect in restraining the indiscriminate sale of such liquors, and would be the means of producing a revenue to cities, towns, and counties, which is now lost to them, and that good order might be maintained and the laws enforced, I am therefore induced to present the subject for your candid consideration.

I am aware that there are many persons who take a different view of this question, who insist with great pertinacity that laws should be enacted prohibiting the manufacture and sale of any spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors, under severe penalties, with a right to search in houses and premises, and a destruction of such property wherever it may be found, and prescribing rules of evidence in such cases unknown in any other criminal prosecutions.

Such laws are not calculated to remedy the evil complained of, and are looked upon as an unnecessary infringement upon the natural and constitutional rights of the citizen. The idea that pervades such enactments is, that unusual, numerous, and severe penalties, will lead to their enforcement; when all experience shows that their undue severity defeats their execution, and that after the excitement which caused their enactment has passed away, no one feels disposed to enforce them.

Although this question has been thrust into the political arena, and made to figure extensively in our elections, yet, as guardians and representatives of constitutional supremacy, and the rights of citizens under that government, you will carefully examine the subject which has thus been presented, and make such provisions as may seem to you the best calculated to promote the public good.

Your attention is also invited to the act, passed at the last session

of the General Assembly, regulating the interest on money, and of which I may say, that since its passage up to the present time, has not been generally regarded or enforced, and that without being of any benefit to the borrower, has resulted in keeping out of the State much capital, which would otherwise have been introduced among us, and which by fair competition would have reduced the rates of interest much below what is now paid. Such laws are always evaded; and upon the principle that men should be permitted to make their own contracts and dispose of their money or property upon such terms and conditions as may seem to them most appropriate. For these and many other reasons which might be urged, I would respectfully recommend the repeal of all laws in this State upon the subject of usury.

As yet no grants of land have been made to the State of Iowa for the construction of railroads, notwithstanding the repeated applications which have been made to Congress for that purpose. I would, therefore, again call your attention to the subject, and recommend that a memorial be passed urging the justice of our claim, and that such application be concentrated upon one road to run from the Mississippi to the Missouri river, through the central portion of the State, as it is believed that such an application might meet with a favourable reception. It is very much doubted whether the policy of applying for a sufficient quantity of land to construct five or six roads in Iowa will soon be favourably considered by Congress. It is, therefore, desirable that some system should be adopted by the people and their representatives to concentrate the application to one or two roads, and urge the same with energy and unanimity.

In this connection permit me to speak of the common roads of our State, and to urge upon you the necessity of again reinstating the law which required the election of a County Supervisor. That officer had the charge and supervision of all the roads in the county. Then there was uniformity in the opening and work done upon them—now in some townships the roads are kept in order, and in others nothing is done; and the consequence is, that there is no system or regularity upon a subject which is of the greatest importance and interest to every inhabitant of the State.

Of the swamp or overflowed lands granted to this and other States, by an act of Congress, approved September 28, 1850, it is only necessary for me to say, that at the last session of the General Assembly, it was thought advisable to grant them to the counties in which they

might lie, for the purpose of constructing the necessary levees and drains to reclaim them, and the overplus, after paying the expenses of their reclamation, to be applied for the purpose of building roads and bridges in such counties.

Under this act returns of the examination and survey of such lands have been made to the Surveyor General of Iowa and Wisconsin from counties, the names of which are herewith transmitted.

As it is desirable that such returns should be made as soon as possible, in order to obtain the title from the General Government to these lands, I would suggest such further legislation as will require, if possible, the delinquent counties to comply with the laws which have been heretofore enacted for their benefit.

Many other subjects of legislation which have not been noticed, will doubtless suggest themselves to your consideration, and receive that attention which their importance may require.

In concluding this communication to the General Assembly of Iowa, I may be permitted to refer to the policy of government, under which we have increased in population and wealth, unsurpassed in the history and settlement of Western States, and it must be conceded, that for the high position which we now occupy, as a sovereign State of the American Republic, that we are principally indebted to the constitution and laws for that prosperity.

Of the Constitution of this State, it may with justice be said, that it is republican in its character, and designed to protect the people against abuse and evils which have crept into the government of other and older States. It prohibits any association or corporation from exercising the privilege of creating paper to circulate as money; it declares that corporations shall not be established by special laws, except for political or municipal purposes; and for all others, that general laws shall be passed for their organization, reserving to every one the privilege of forming companies for the transaction of all lawful business, and limiting State indebtedness in such a manner as to prevent great loss or repudiation. These restrictions, it is believed, have done much to build up this State, and to assure citizens that they are not to be oppressed by monopolies, bankruptcy, or extraordinary taxation.

In my last message to the General Assembly, I felt it to be my duty to caution the people against the system of banking which was then contemplated, and carried on in the United States, as being



dangerous to the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the country, and urged the propriety of passing a law prohibiting the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than ten dollars, for the purpose of retaining a sufficient sum of gold and silver to do the ordinary business of our citizens, and to which recommendation I would again invite your favorable consideration. But two years have elapsed since that time, and we find ourselves in the midst of a monetary crisis. In our public journals will be found long lists of suspended and broken banks. Who are generally the sufferers? Not those whose business it is to deal in money and bank paper, and who wield the lightnings of heaven to tell them of danger or disasters, but others whose very existence depends upon their labor, and who can ill afford to pay the luxury and expense of banking corporations.

Yet with all the evidences which we have before us of the pestilential effects of paper money on the necessary confidence between man and man, the necessary confidence in our public councils, and the industry and morals of the people, the enormous frauds which have been practiced, and the loss suffered by the toiling millions, we are told that it is necessary to establish a banking system in Iowa. Such a system might be a fitful stimulant to our hopes and business pursuits, and impart more than ordinary vigor to the current traffic during a season of prosperous credit; still, it is always treacherous, and fraught with too many uncertainties upon which to risk the agricultural and most important interests of the country, and which are liable to be swept away by the very first blast of adversity. Viewing all the expedients resorted to, to conceal and mitigate the errors of modern banking, it will be found that the system of employing public stocks and securities is the most exceptionable, as it is making one promise, which it may be impossible to redeem, the foundation of another equally desperate.

The opinions which I have taken occasion to express in my previous communications to the General Assembly, upon the subject of banking, of State indebtedness, and of exclusive privileges and special legislation, remain unchanged. Nor can I perceive in the altered condition of our business relations, or the positive wants of community, and imperative reason why our Constitution should be amended to authorize their introduction into Iowa.

In retiring from the office to which I was elected by the free suffrages of the people of Iowa, I cannot refrain from expressing to them,

and to you as their representatives, my profound gratitude for the honors conferred upon me by their confidence, and to assure them of my continued aspirations for their welfare and prosperity, and the advancement of this young and flourishing commonwealth, and the fervent hope that her legislation and future policy will be such as to insure to her citizens the full enjoyment of civil and religious liberty—that she will discountenance civil discord and local animosities among the States of our Union, and concede to each and all, the rights which pertain to them under our national Constitution and laws, and that she will in every emergency defend that Union which has led our republic to honor and greatness.

With these hopes and wishes for the welfare of Iowa and our common country, I retire from the office with which I have been honored.

STEPHEN HEMPSTEAD.

Iowa City, December 8th 1854.

On motion of Mr. Bonson the documents accompanying the message were read by their titles only.

Mr. Russell moved that the message and documents lie on the table and be ordered to be printed.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend to-wit: That five thousand copies of the message be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the members of this House, one thousand copies of which shall be in the German language.

Mr. McKay offered to amend the amendment to-wit: 500 copies in the German and 500 copies in the Norwegian language.

Which amendment was accepted by Mr. Samuels.

Mr. Russell moved to lay the motion with amendments on the table.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Witter, the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Speaker announced that the Secretary of State had placed on his desk, certain papers in relation to contesting the seat of the member from the 34th district.

That the Secretary of State reported the papers had only come to hand during the day.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, the papers were referred to the committee on elections.

The question being upon printing the message of the Governor.

Mr. Neal moved to amend the amendment offered by Mr. Samuels to the motion of Mr. Russell, by adding the words and five hundred in the Holland language, which was lost.

The amendment offered by Mr. Samuels, rejected.

Motion of Mr. Russell was adopted.

Mr. Tracy presented a petition from Levi Dodson and 77 others, praying for the appointment of commissioners to locate the county seat of Union County, which was referred to committee on county organizations.

Mr. Bryan moved that three thousand copies of the Governor's message, and one thousand copies of the accompanying documents be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. White moved to strike out three thousand and insert one thousand.

Motion to print three thousand copies, lost.

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to lay the motion to print 1000 copies on the table.

Mr. Bryan called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 34, }

Nays 35, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Russell,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Stevenson,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Connel,	McFarland,	Walters,
Creel,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	White,
Eddie,	Morgan,	Witter,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young,
Holmes, of Linn	Pritchard,	Speaker.
Holmes, Jones,		

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Poston,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Samuels,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Sargent,
Bryan,	Jackson,	Smith, Jackson,
Coffin,	McCall,	Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	Meek,	Tracy,
Damon,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Dewey, of Lec,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey, Fremont	Neal,	Williams,
Franklin,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	

Motion to lie on the table lost.

Mr. Boyles moved to amend by striking out 1000, and inserting 2000. copies.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays on the amendment of Mr. Boyles.

Yeas 41, }  
Nays 28, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Pigman,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Poston,
Bigelow,	Kinkle,	Pritchard,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Bryan,	Kinert,	Smith, Jackson,
Coffin,	McCall,	Smith of Cedar,
Connel,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	Meek,	Tracy,
Damon,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Dewey, of Lee,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey, Fremont	Neal,	Yeomans.
Eddie,	Neely,	
Franklin,	Newsom,	

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Stephenson,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Conkey	McFarland,	Walters,

Creel,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	White,
Graham,	Morgan,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Rogers,	Witter,
Holmes of Linn,	Rosser,	Young,
Holmes of Jones,	Russell,	Speaker.—28.

Amendment adopted.

Mr. Russell moved, to strike out so much of the original motion as referred to the accompanying documents.

Motion lost.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Bryan, as amended, the same was adopted.

Mr. Hall moved, that 800 copies of the Governor's Message be ordered to be printed in the German language.

The Chair decided that a motion to print a less number in that language, having been put to the House and lost, the same was out of order.

Mr. Neal moved, that 500 copies of the Message be ordered to be printed in the Holland language.

The Chair decided the motion out of order.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER;—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House, that the Senate have adopted the the following resolution, in which they request the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

*Resolved, the House concurring,* That the Senate will meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Saturday, December 9th, at ten o'clock A. M., for the purpose of canvassing the votes for Governor.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The House concurred in the Resolution of the Senate.

House adjourned.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1854.—10 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Simmonds.

Journal read.

Special order of the day, a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate, for the purpose of canvassing the votes cast for Governor.

On motion of Mr. Neal, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of two be appointed to inform the Senate, that the House was now ready to receive the Senate in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of canvassing the votes cast for Governor.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Neal and Connell said committee.

The committee having performed their duty,

The members of the Senate preceded by their President, Secretaries and Sergeant-at-Arms, entered the Hall of the House, and having taken the seats assigned them, (the President of the Senate, acting as President; and the chief clerk of the House, acting as Secretary.) the President forthwith announced the purpose of the Convention, and ordered a call of the roll, when the following members were found to be in attendance.

Messrs. Anderson, Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Bonson, Boyles, Brown, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Damon, Dewy, of Lee, Dewy, of Fremont, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Franklin, Goodfellow, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes, of Linn, Holmes, of Jones, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Kinert, Love, Lockwood, Lyon, Lucas, McCrary, Mathews, McCachran, McCroy, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Meek, Monroc, Moore, Morgan, Needham, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Noble, Park, Preston, Pigman, Poston, Pritchard, Ramsay, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schramm, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith, of Jackson, Smith, of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Turner, Udell, Vanfossen, Wilkinson, Workman, Walters, Wamsley, Weatherington, White, Williams, Witter, Yeoman, Young, Mr. President.

The President appointed Mr. Shields teller on the part of the Senate.

The Speaker, appointed Mr. Lockwood teller on the part of the House.

## ABSTRACT

Statement of the votes cast for Governor at an election held within and for the State of Iowa, on the first Monday, the 7th day of August A. D. 1854, wherein the names of the several persons voted for, the number of votes each person received, and the several counties in which the same were cast are distinctly set forth.

The Speaker then proceeded to open the official returns in the presence of both Houses, and announced results as follows:

Names of Counties.	James W. Grimes.	Curtis Bates.	James L. Thompson.	Robt. Robinson,	Wm. Statts.	Thos. A. Graham.
Adams,	11	29				
Alamakee,	299	197				
Appanoose,	373	507				
Boone,	89	181				
Benton,	208	191				
Buchanan,	216	146				
Blackhawk,	191	153				
Bremer,	64	110				
Cass,	22	53				
Cedar	600	432				
Chickasaw,	38	29				
Clinton,	443	465				
Clayton,	687	332	4			
Clark,	86	73				
Desmoines,	1045	1213		1		
Dubuque,	669	1101				
Davis,	690	711				
Delaware,	382	299				
Decatur,	110	253				
Dallas,	202	189				

## ABSTRACT—(CONTINUED.)

Names of Counties.	James W. Grimes.	Curtis Bates.	James L. Thompson.	Robt. Robinson.	Wm. Statts.	Thos. A. Graham.
Fayette,	352	225			3	
Floyd,	72	4				
Fremont,	179	186				
Green,						
Guthrie,	37	113				
Hardin,	65	100				
Harrison,	78	93				
Henry,	1164	530				
Iowa,	228	129				
Jackson,	618	717				
Johnson,	699	569				
Jones,	438	440				
Jefferson,	967	774				
Jasper,	279	73				
Keokuk,	507	519				
Lee,	1425	1676				
Linn,	835	610				
Louisa,	645	459				
Lucas,	101	124				
Mahaska,	887	568				
Muscatine,	739	619				
Marshall,	110	114				
Marion,	493	640				
Monroe,	360	358				
Montgomery,	10	16				
Mitchel,	32					
Monona,	25	7				
Mills,	177	155				
Polk,	450	450				
Potawattamie,	207	215				
Poweshiek,						
Page,	61	93				
Scott,	773	583				
Shelby,	19	23				
Story,	61	51				
Tama,	117	37				2



## ABSTRACT—(CONTINUED.)

Names of Counties.	James W. Grimes.	Curtis Bates.	James L. Thompson.	Robt. Robinson	Wm. Statts,	Thos. A. Graham
Taylor,	11	66				
Van Buren,	1067	1026				
Wappello,	823	857				
Washington,	8415	499				
Warren,	63	281				
Webster,	22	104				
Winneshiek,	185	76				
Wayne,	127	100				
Woodbury,		23				
Adair,	7	8				
Madison,	159	202				
Union,	8	26				
	23,312	21,192	4	1	3	2

The tellers having made their report, the President announced that James W. Grimes having received a majority of all the votes cast for Governor, was declared duly elected Governor of the State of Iowa for the ensuing gubernatorial term.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

A committee of two was appointed to wait upon the Governor elect, and inform him that the General Assembly were now ready to receive him in joint session, and to administer the oath of office prescribed by law.

The President appointed Mr. Preston of Linn, and Mr. Williams of Mahaska, said committee.

The committee having performed their duty, the Governor elect, accompanied by the Governor, the Judges of the Supreme Court, and the officers of the State entered the Hall of the House, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

The President then administered to the Governor elect the oath prescribed by the Constitution.

The Governor elect addressed the session as follows :—

*Gentlemen of the Senate, and House of Representatives:*

Having now, in your presence, assumed the duties of the office to which I have been elevated by the suffrages of my fellow-citizens, it becomes my duty, under the Constitution, to call your attention to such subjects as I believe demand your consideration.

No one, however connected with legislation, can too highly estimate the responsibilities of his position. He cannot feel too deeply the delicacy of his labors, and his ignorance of the complicated structure and conflicting interests of society, over which he is called to exercise control. To legislate is the noblest employment in which he can be engaged, and the most difficult of satisfactory execution.

It is so everywhere, but it is peculiarly so in a new and growing State, where the population is drawn from all parts of the civilized globe, where the public policy and public institutions are just being established, and where different portions of the State are in different conditions of progress and development. It is a difficult task to protect and advance the pioneer interests of our western settlements, and also encourage, and establish on a substantial basis, the commercial and manufacturing interests of the old counties, by general laws, that shall operate equally and beneficently upon all. It is not an easy matter to lay strong and deep the foundations of the educational institutions of a new State, and to rear thereon superstructures, that shall honor the State and bless mankind. The duty of restoring reason to those who are bereft of it, of giving sight to the blind and hearing to the deaf, by the establishment and proper endowment of charitable institutions; of repressing evil; of punishing crime; of stimulating industry; of protecting public virtue, and of maintaining the integrity of the State sovereignty, cannot be exercised without incurring grave responsibilities.

Government is established for the protection of the governed. But that protection does not consist merely in the enforcement of laws against injury to the person and property. Men do not make a voluntary abnegation of their natural rights, simply that those rights may be protected by the body politic. It reaches more vital interests than those of property. Its greatest object is to elevate and ennoble the citizen.

It would fall far short of its design if it did not disseminate intelligence and build up the moral energies of the people. It is organized "to establish justice, promote the public welfare and secure the blessings of liberty." It is designed to foster the instincts of truth, justice and philanthropy, that are implanted in our very natures, and from which all constitutions and all laws derive their validity and value. It should afford moral as well as physical protection, by educating the rising generation; by encouraging industry and sobriety; by steadfastly adhering to the right, and by being ever true to the instincts of freedom and humanity.

To accomplish these high aims of government, the first requisite is ample provision for the education of the youth of the State. The common school fund of the State should be scrupulously preserved; and a more efficient system of common schools than we now have should be adopted. The State should see to it that the elements of education, like the elements of universal nature, are above, around, and beneath all.

It is agreed that the safety and perpetuity of our republican institutions depends upon the diffusion of intelligence among the masses of the people. The statistics of the penitentiaries and alms-houses throughout the country, abundantly show, that education is the best preventative of pauperism and crime. They show, also, that the prevention of those evils is much less expensive than the punishment of the one, and the relief of the other. Education, too, is the great equalizer of human conditions. It places the poor on an equality with the rich. It subjects the appetites and passions of the rich to the restraints of reason and conscience, and thus prepares each for a career of usefulness and honor. Every consideration, therefore, of duty and policy, impels us to sustain the common schools of the State in the highest possible efficiency.

I am convinced that the public schools should be supported by taxation of property, and that the present *rate* system should be abolished. Under the present system of a *per capita* tax upon the scholars, the children of the poor are in a measure excluded from the benefit of the schools, whilst the children of the opulent are withdrawn from them to be educated in private institutions. Property is the only legitimate subject of taxation. It has its duties, as well as its rights. It needs the conservative influences of education, and should be made to pay for its own protection.

I suggest the propriety of establishing in each school district in the State, a district school library. I believe that an act appropriating to each district a small sum of money for this purpose, provided the district would appropriate an equal amount, would be received by the people with the highest satisfaction. It would establish in each district complying with the provisions of the act, a *nucleus*, around which in a few years would be gathered respectable libraries that would be accessible to all. These libraries would be great aids in the diffusion of general intelligence.

I am not informed of the amount or condition of the University fund of the State. It is known, however, that a munificent grant of land was made by Congress for the establishment of a seminary of learning; that a large part of those lands has been sold, and that the proceeds have never been applied to any specific use, except the sum of five thousand dollars heretofore granted to the Medical School at Keokuk. I think the time has come when steps should be taken to carry out the design of Congress in making the grant. If the State can ever establish an institution of learning, it can be done under as favourable auspices now, as at any future time. I do not believe it to be sound policy to establish a literary institution that shall come into rivalry with the various denominational colleges now struggling into existence. Those institutions should be encouraged, and not depressed. They can and will educate the young men who wish to enter the professions of law, physic and divinity. But the State has a greater want, than of lawyers and doctors. She wants educated farmers and mechanics, engineers, architects, chemists, metallurgists and geologists. She needs men engaged in the practical duties of life, who have conquered their professions, and who are able to impart their knowledge to others. She wants farmers who shall be familiar with the principles of chemistry, as applied to agriculture; architects and mechanics, who will adorn her with edifices worthy of so fair a land; and engineers and geologists who will develop her resources, and thus augment the wealth and happiness of her citizens. This want can only be supplied by the establishment of a school of applied sciences. I have no hesitation, therefore, in recommending that the University fund be appropriated to establish a practical scientific or polytechnic school.

The State and County agricultural societies are doing much to improve agriculture and the industrial arts, and deserve encouragement from the government.

The General Assembly cannot be too urgently called on to take immediate steps to establish State charitable institutions. According to the most reliable information, there are now more than one hundred pauper insane persons in the State. One half of these are confined in the common jails, and are thus placed beyond even a reasonable expectation of recovery; the other moiety are roaming at large, a terror to their friends and neighbors, and by exposure to exciting causes rendering their disease hopelessly incurable. Every dictate of humanity—every principle of sound public policy—demands, that the State should make immediate provision for the care and treatment of this unfortunate class of our fellow citizens.

There can be no question of a desire on the part of the people of the State, that their constitution should be amended. It is needless at this time to allude to the arguments that may be urged in favor of a change in that instrument. The amendments can only be made by a constitutional convention. The only question now presented, is, Shall the people have the privilege of determining for themselves, at the ballot box, whether they want a revision and amendment at all? Not a single valid argument can be urged against this proposition. A submission of the question of revision to the people can be attended with no expense, for, according to the Constitution, it must be done at a general election. If the decision, therefore, is against revision, the State will sustain no injury; if in favor of it, the genuine doctrine of popular sovereignty will be vindicated.

There is a strong public sentiment in favor of a radical change of the present laws regulating the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Every friend of humanity earnestly desires that something may be done to dry up the streams of bitterness that this traffic now pours over the land. I have no doubt that a prohibitory law may be enacted, that will avoid all constitutional objections, and meet the approval of a vast majority of the people of the State.

The public mind has been, and is now, greatly excited on the subject of slavery in the territories of the United States. At the last session of Congress, that solemn compact, known as the Missouri Compromise, which had existed more than thirty years, without any attempt to disturb it—which was passed at the instance of the South—and which the people of the whole country have been taught by the great expounders of the Constitution, to regard as inviolable as the most sacred provisions of that instrument itself,—was repealed. By that compromise,

all that portion of the original territory of Louisiana that lay north of the parallel of 36 degrees 30 minutes, was forever dedicated to freedom. By its repeal, it is attempted to subject that vast domain to the withering influences of African slavery.

This only compromise that favored freedom, was ruthlessly violated by the very men who were most clamorous for the maintenance of every compromise that favored slavery. It was done in defiance of the remonstrances of the people, and by a palpable violation of parliamentary rules. The motive with which it was done is apparent. Whilst its few supporters in the North attempt to justify the act, and shield the perpetrators from reproach, by appealing to the doctrine of *popular sovereignty*, its principal supporters in the South utterly repudiate that doctrine, and openly avow that they will never submit to it. The primary motive was to extend the area of slave territory, and thus give a political supremacy to the slave-holding States, by virtue of representation of slave property.

The federal government was established "to secure the blessings of liberty," and not to perpetuate and extend human bondage. Its founders intended to confine slavery to its then existing limits. It was with this settled conviction of the policy of the government, and with the universal opinion, moreover, that new territory could not be acquired by purchase, that the several States consented to that provision of the Constitution, which allows three-fifths of the slave population of the country to be enumerated, as the basis of representation in the electoral colleges, and in the House of Representatives. But, without any change of the Constitution, the whole policy of the government seems to be changed on this subject. Vast territories have been acquired. Five new slave States have been admitted into the Union from territory purchased with the common treasure of the country. The number of slaves has increased from 697,897, in 1790, to 3,204,313 in 1850, now represented by twenty-one votes in the electoral colleges and in Congress.

I trust that there is no citizen of Iowa, who desires the general government to interfere with slavery in the States of this Union. It is a local institution, and to the States that maintain it, belong its responsibilities and its perils. But whilst the people of the North should scrupulously regard the rights of others, they should manfully maintain their own. They are recreant to their own interests; they betray the rights of their posterity; they give a fatal blow to the principles of free

and equal government, when they consent to the creation of new slave States and a consequent further representation of slave property.

The removal of that great landmark of freedom, the Missouri Compromise line—when it had been sacredly observed until slavery had acquired every inch of soil south of it, has presented the aggressive character of that system broadly before the country. It has shown that all compromises with slavery, that are designed to favor freedom, are mere ropes of sand, to be broken by the first wave of passion or interest that may roll from the South. It has forced upon the country an issue between free labor, political equality and manhood on the one hand; and on the other, slave labor, political degradation and wrong. It becomes the people of the free States to meet that issue resolutely, calmly, and with a sense of the momentous consequences that will flow from its decision. To every elector, in view of that issue, might appropriately be applied the injunction anciently addressed to the Jewish King: "Be strong, and shew thyself a man."

It is both the interest and duty of the free States to prevent the increase and extension of the slave element of power, by every constitutional means. To do so successfully, they must adhere to the principles of the founders of the Republic. In the view of those principles, slavery is a local institution, depending wholly on State laws for its existence and continuance. Freedom being the natural condition of all men; and no authority being delegated to the general government to establish or protect slavery, Congress can pass no law establishing or protecting it in the territories. If Congress can pass no such law, much less can it delegate such authority to the territorial legislatures, over whose acts it has ever exercised a supervisory and restraining power. By a wide departure from constitutional principles, slavery has been tolerated in some of the territories. Let such toleration forever cease. Let the government be brought back to its original purity. Let the principle be authoritatively announced and persistently adhered to, that there can be no slavery outside of State sovereignties. Let the government, in all its relations, be divorced from the system, and the agitation of this subject will cease, the conscience of the North will be quieted, and the rights of the people of the South fully sustained. It is only by an entire disconnection of the general government from the institution of slavery, that the people of the free States can find safety and honor. In no other way can they maintain their poli-

tical equality, and stand acquitted before the bar of an enlightened public sentiment.

It becomes the State of Iowa,—the only free child of the Missouri Compromise,—to let the world know, that she values the blessings that compromise has secured to her, and that she will never consent to become a party to the nationalization of slavery.

I desire to co operate with the General Assembly in every measure that may tend to promote the prosperity of the State.

I trust that our mutual counsels will be characterized by calmness and prudence; and I devoutly pray, that in our respective spheres, we may be guided by "that wisdom which is from above."

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The joint session was dissolved, and the Senate retired to their chamber.

Mr. Russell moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The roll of members was called, and Mr. Morgan found absent.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

Mr. Morgan was excused on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Mr. Morgan had leave of absence.

Mr. Samuels moved that five thousand copies of Governor Grimes' Inaugural Address, be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the House.

Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 28

Nays 42

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,

Baldwin,

Bigelow,

Bonson,

Bryan,

Connell,

Corse,

Creamer,

Franklin,

Goodfellow,

Mr. Hull,

Hinkle,

McCall,

Meek,

Monroe,

Moore,

Pigman,

Poston,

Pritchard,

Samuels,

Mr. Sargent,

Smith of Jackson,

Tisdale,

Tracy,

Turner,

Vanfossen,

Weatherington,

Yeoman.



The nays were :

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Newsom,
Brown,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Coffin,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Conkey,	Johnson,	Russell,
Creel,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar
Damon,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Lee,	Lyon,	Walters,
Dewey of Freemont,	McCrary,	White,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Williams,
Eddie,	McKay,	Witter,
Graham,	Mechem,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,	Neely,	

Motion lost.

Mr. White moved, that two thousand copies of the Governor's Inaugural be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the House.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend, by striking out "two" and inserting "three" thousand.

Which amendment was adopted.

The motion as amended prevailed.

Mr. Rogers offered the following :

*Resolved*, (the Senate concurring), That the House of Representatives will meet the Senate in the Hall of the House, on Tuesday next, at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing a Senator of the United States, and Judges of the Supreme Court.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The resolution was laid upon the table.

Mr. Tracy offered the following :

*Resolved*, That two thousand copies of the Governor's Message, and a like number of copies of the Inaugural Address of the Governor elect, be published in the German language, and bound in pamphlet form, for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 11, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Woods.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate, to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following resolution, in which they request the concurrence of the House of Representatives :

*Resolved*, (the House concurring), That W. E. Ijams, Professor of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum in Iowa City, be invited together with his students, to attend in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Monday, the 11th inst., at 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of making a display of the manner of instruction in that Institution.

Mr. Rogers presented a petition from John H. Brooks and three hundred and sixty-seven others, citizens of Blackhawk county, asking for an act authorizing a vote on the re-location and removal of the county seat of said county.

Also, a remonstrance against the same, signed by H. H. Meredith and three hundred and eighty other citizens of the same county, accompanied with sundry documents.

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

The Petition and Remonstrance, and accompanying papers, were referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Rogers, Bonson, and Holmes of Jones, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Ritter, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed with instructions to report a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in this State.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Witter, Russell, Bryan, Hall, and McKay, said committee.

Mr. Russell offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Rev. A. Russell Belden be appointed Chaplain for this House to serve during the present session, with the privilege of inviting other Reverend gentlemen when it is inconvenient for Mr. Belden to attend.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend, by striking out the name "A. Russell Belden."

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The resolution with the amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont, it was

*Resolved*, That Mr. Bacon, Principal of the Asylum for the Blind, in this city, have the use of this Hall on such evening as he may designate, for the purpose of a public exhibition of the pupils of his school.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The following portions of Governor Hempstead's Message, and Governor Grimes' Message and Inaugural, was referred to the following committees :

So much as refers to Schools and kindred subjects, to the committee on Schools and State Universities.

So much as relates to the Military, to committee on Military affairs.

So much as refers to State and County Fairs and Agriculture, to the committee on Agriculture,

So much as refers to the Des Moines River Improvement, to the committee on The Improvement of the Des Moines River.

So much as refers to Slavery and the Missouri Compromise, to the committee on Federal Relations.

So much as refers to the Insane and other Benevolent Institutions, to the committee on Charitable Institutions.

So much as refers to Public Lands, to the committee on Public Lands.

So much as refers to the subject of Temperance and License, to the select committee on that subject.

So much as refers to calling a Convention to Amend the Constitution, to the committee on the Judiciary.

So much as refers to the Finances of the State, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Samuels offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the House do now proceed to the election of a Chaplain to serve during this session in opening the proceedings of this body with prayer, with the privilege of selecting other members of the clergy to officiate.

Mr. Corse moved to lay the Resolution on the table until to-morrow.

Lost.

Mr. Turner moved to indefinitely postpone the Resolution.

Lost.

Mr. Tracy moved to postpone until to-morrow afternoon.

Lost.

The question recurring on the Resolution of Mr. Samuel's, the same was adopted.

For the office of Chaplain, Mr. Corse nominated Rev. Mr. Dennis.

Mr. Samuels nominated Rev. A. Russell Belden.

The House proceeded to vote for Chaplain, which resulted as follows :

Mr. Dennis received 40 votes.

Mr. Belden received 22 votes.

Dr. Wood received 1 vote.

Mr. Dennis having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Chaplain.

Messrs. White, Dorland, and Franklin, were excused from voting for Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Dennis of his election as Chaplain of this House.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The House concurred in the Resolution of the Senate, granting the use of this Hall to Mr. Ijams and his pupils, on Monday, 11th inst., 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of making a display of the manner of instruction in the Deaf and Dumb institution, with the following amendment, to-wit:

The words "Monday, 11th inst.," struck out, and "Tuesday, the 12th inst.," inserted.

Mr. Dewey of Freemont, moved to strike out "Hall of the House of Representatives," and insert "Senate Chamber."

Lost.

Mr. McKay moved to take up the resolution of Mr. Rogers, laid on the table yesterday, in relation to a joint convention for the election of United States Senator and Supreme Judges.

Motion withdrawn.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

On suggestions of Mr. Bryan, the committee on Elections had leave to retire to their committee room.

## NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Samuels:

A Bill for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum, and for institutions for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, and for the erection of suitable buildings for their accommodation.

A Bill recognizing the validity of Deeds acknowledged before Justices of the Peace in other States for lands situated in this State.

A Bill amendatory and explanatory of an "Act to amend the several acts relative to the State Printer."

By Mr. Creel:

A Bill to amend chapter 52, of an Act passed January 24th, 1848, entitled "An Act fixing the times and places of holding the District Courts in the 1st Judicial District."

Also—A Bill to amend sec. 1566, in chapter 22, of the Code of Iowa.

Also—A Bill to establish a Recorder's office at the city of Keokuk.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin their Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House, that the amendment of the House to the Resolution of the Senate, relating to the Exhibition of Prof. Ijams, has been concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

A committee of three was appointed on the part of the House of Representatives to act in conjunction with a committee on the part of the Senate, to report rules for the joint government of the two Houses.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Russell, Pritchard and Neal said committee.

## NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont:

A Bill to change the boundaries of the 5th, 6th, and 7th Judicial Districts.

Unfinished business of yesterday.

Resolution of Mr. Tracy, to print two thousand copies of the Governor's message, and a like number of the Inaugural address of the Governor elect, in the German language, being before the House,

Mr. Ellis moved to strike out two, and insert one.

Amendment accepted.

Mr. McKay moved to amend, by adding an equal number in the Norwegian language.

Mr. Pritchard moved to amend the amendment, to read, "One thousand copies in the German, five hundred in the Norwegian, and five hundred in the Holland.

Amendment of Mr. Pritchard lost.

Mr. Rogers moved to amend the amendment, by adding,

That the State employ a competent person to seek out and read the message of Governor Hempstead, and the Inaugural of Governor Grimes to the eight thousand one hundred and fifty-three adult Americans, who cannot read and write.

The amendment of Mr. Rogers was decided out of order, as not germane to the subject of the original resolution.

The amendment of Mr. McKay was rejected.

The question recurring on the Resolution of Mr. Tracy,

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 31, }

Nays 36, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Rosser,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Byles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bryan,	Meek,	Smith, Cedar,
Corse,	Monroe,	Stevenson,
Damon,	Neal,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	Tracy,
Dewey, Fremont	Newsom,	Weatherington,
Franklin,	Poston,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Pritchard,	Yeoman.
Hall,		

The nays were:

Mr. Balwin,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rogers,
Eigelow,	Holmes, of Linn,	Russell,
Brown,	Johnson,	Smith, Jackson
Coffin,	Kinert,	Turner,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Vanfossen,
Connell,	Lyon,	Wamsley,
Creele,	McFarland,	White,

Creamer,	McKay,	Williams,
Dorland,	McCall,	Walters,
Edie,	Mecham,	Young,
Graham,	McCrary,	Speaker.

Motion lost.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 12, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. Dennis, Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. Rogers presented a petition from George Cook, and one hundred and twenty others, praying for a state road from West Union, Fayette county, to the Minnesota line.

Referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Russell presented a memorial from the Indiana yearly meeting of Friends, on the subject of intemperance.

Referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. White presented a memorial from the acting board of trustees of White's Iowa Manual Labor Institute, asking certain lands and property of the Institute to be exempted from taxation, other than for road purposes.

Referred to the committee on schools and State University.

Mr. Tracy presented a petition from R. H. Tompkins, and 131 others, asking for the appointment of commissioners to relocate the capital of the State of Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The rule was suspended to enable him to introduce House file No. 1.

An act to locate the capital of Iowa.

Bill read the first time.

Mr. Tracy moved,

That the 42d rule be suspended, and the bill be read a second time now.

Motion lost.

NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Williams,

A bill relating to indictments in the District Court.

By Mr. Graham,

A bill to provide for inspectors of shingles and lumber.

Also,

A bill to provide for the opening, and keeping open all township, range and section lines.

Also,

A bill to provide for condemnation of mill seats.

Also,

A bill in reference to observing the Sabbath.

By Mr. Edie,

Notice of a bill to amend chapter 21 of the code of Iowa, in relation to surveyors.

By Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Notice of a bill to amend an act, entitled an act to amend chapter 37 of the code in relation to assessors.

Also,

A bill to appoint commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringold county.

By Mr. Boyles:

A bill providing for the election of Township Supervisors and defining their duties.

Also—A bill to amend chapter 120 of the code.

By Mr. Neal:

A memorial to Congress for a donation of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from New Boston to Council Bluffs city.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Creel introduced:

House file No. 2, An Act to establish a Recorder's office in the city of Keokuk.

Read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Also—House file No. 3, An Act to amend chapter 52 of acts passed January 24th, 1848, entitled "An Act fixing the times and places



of holling the District Courts in the 5th Judicial district," also to amend section 1566 of chapter 92 in the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time and ordered to second reading.

By Mr. Dewey of Fremont:

House file No 4, A bill to change the boundaries of the 5th, 6th, and 7th, Judicial District.

Read a first time and ordered to second reading.

COMMUNICATIONS ON THE SPEAKERS TABLE.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Rev. L. B. Dennis accepting the office of Chaplain of the House, and thanking the members for the distinction conferred upon him.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the House resolution requesting the appointment of a committee to act in connection with a committee on the part of the House, for the purpose of adopting rules for the government of the General Assembly, has been concurred in by the Senate, and Messrs. Shields, Preston and Needham, have been appointed said committee.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Russell moved to take the resolution from the table offered by Mr. Rogers, on Saturday, in relation to a joint convention of the two Houses, for the election of United States Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Tracy moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject until the 16th of January.

Motion of Mr. Tracy lost.

Mr. Bonson asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. Doiland, Hyde and Samuels, absent.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Russell moved to amend the resolution taken from the table by striking out Tuesday and inserting Friday.

Amendment agreed to, and the resolution as amended, adopted.

On motion,

House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 13, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. White presented the petition of Alfred Slaytur, and sixty-seven other citizens of Salem and vicinity, Henry county, asking for the removal of the State Normal School, at Mount Pleasant, in said county, to the town of Salem.

Which was, on motion of Mr. White,

Referred to the committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Dorland presented the petition of J. D. Hoag, praying for compensation for services as commissioner in locating the Capitol of the State, at Monroe City; and also, for the repayment of money paid for lots in said city.

Which was, on his motion,

Referred to the committee of Claims.

On request,

Mr. Hall was excused from serving on the especial committee on Temperance

The Speaker appointed Mr. Benson in his stead.

Mr. Boyles presented the annual Report of the Warden of the State Penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

Three hundred copies of the report ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, it was

*Resolved*, That 2,000 additional copies of Gov. Hempstead's Message, and 2,000 copies of Governor Grimes' Inaugural be printed in

pamphlet form—300 copies for the use of the Governor and ex Governor respectively, and the others for the use of the House.

## NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. McKay:

Notice of a Bill, amendatory of an Act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 83, of the Code, approved January 24th, 1855"

By Mr. Mechem:

Notice of a Bill, to establish a standard weight per bushel of stone coal.

By Mr. Tisdale:

Notice of a Bill, entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield."

By Mr. Pritchard:

Notice of a Bill to encourage the Killing of Wolves within this State.

By Mr. Damon:

Notice of a Bill, to regulate Mills and Millers.

By Mr. Walters:

Notice of a Bill, to incorporate the town of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, to instruct our Senators and request our Representatives, to obtain from Congress a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Ft. Madison and Southern Tie. Rail Road, from Bloomfield west to the Missouri river.

By Mr. Walters:

Notice of a Bill for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

By Mr. Corse:

Notice of a Bill for the relief of Hannah Everall.

On motion of Mr. Poston,

So much of the Governor's Message as refers to "Old Soldiers," was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Witter, from the committee on Temperance, reported

House file, No. 5, entitled "An Act for the suppression of Intemperance."

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

Laid upon the table, and 200 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Lyon, from the committee on Township and County Organizations, reported

House file, No. 6, "An Act to appoint Commissioners to locate the Seat of Justice of Union county."

Which was read a first time.

Mr Rogers, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred certain petitions and remonstrances from citizens of Black Hawk county, reported by bill,

House file, No. 7, "An Act to re-locate the County Seat of Black-Hawk county."

Read a first time.

Mr. Boyles presented the Report of the Trustees of the Asylum for the Blind.

Mr. Boyles moved that 1,000 copies of the Report be printed for the use of the House, and 500 for the use of the Institute.

Adopted.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Elie presented House file No. 8, "An Act, to amend chapter 21st of the Code, in relation to County Surveyors."

Read a first time.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont:

House file No. 9, "A Bill to appoint Commissioners to locate the Seat of Justice of Ringgold county."

Read a first time.

Mr. Williams introduced House file No. 10, "An Act restricting pleas to indictments in the District Courts."

Read a first time.

#### SECOND READING OF BILLS.

House file No. 1, read second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, with the petition of R. H. Tompkins, and others.

House file, No. 2, read second time.

On motion of Mr. Damon,

The further consideration of the Bill was postponed until January 12th.

House file No. 3, read a second time; and

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The further consideration of the Bill was deferred until January 12th.

House file, No. 4, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Russell, from the Select Committee on Rules for the General Assembly, reported, by leave of the House, that, with the concurrence of the committee of the Senate, they recommended the adoption of the Joint Rules of the last General Assembly.

Report concurred in.

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## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House, that the Senate has concurred in the House resolution, to go into joint ballot on Friday the 15th inst., for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Supreme Judges, with the following amendment, viz: to strike out the words "Friday the 15th inst., at 2 o'clock," and insert, "this (Wednesday) evening, at 2½ o'clock."

Mr. Samuels moved that the House do concur in the amendment of the Senate.

Agreed.

The chair appointed Messrs. Samuels and McFarland a committee to inform the Senate, that the House was in waiting, and prepared to receive them in joint convention in pursuance of the resolution.

The Committee having performed their duty,

The President and members of the Senate preceded by their Secretary and Sergeant at-Arms, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

### JOINT CONVENTION OF THE TWO HOUSES.

The President of the Senate acting as President of the Convention, and the Clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

The President directed the roll of members of the convention to be called.

Mr. Morgan not answering to his name was excused.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, the convention proceeded to the election of a United States Senator, for six years from and after the 4th day of March next.

The President appointed Mr. Workman, teller, on the the part of the Senate.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Kinert, teller, on the part of the House.

For the office of Senator:

Mr. Samuels nominated Augustus C. Dodge, of Des Moines Co.

Mr. Neal nominated E. W. Eastman, of Mahaska Co.

Mr. McCrary nominated James B. Howell, of Lee county.

Mr. Boyles nominated Edward Johnson, of Lee county.

Mr. Creamer nominated Joseph H. D. Street, of Wapello county.

Mr. Creel nominated Thomas W. Claget, of Lee county.

Mr. Wilkinson nominated Jacob Butler, of Muscatine county.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, nominated Thomas H. Benton Jr., of Johnson county.

Mr. Williams nominated Stephen B. Shelliday, of Jasper county.

Mr. Wamsley nominated Geo. G. Wright, of Van Buren county.

Mr. Bryan of Guthrie nominated Joseph Williams, of Muscatine county.

Mr. Edie nominated Fitz Henry Warren, of Des Moines county.

Mr. Hyde nominated Ebenezer Cook, of Scott county,

The convention proceeded to a vote which first resulted as follows:

For Augustus C. Dodge,	29 votes.
E. W. Eastman,	1 vote.
Edward Johnson,	11 votes.
Joseph H. D. Street,	5 votes.
James Harlan,	4 votes.
Jacob Butler,	5 votes.
Thomas H. Benton,	3 votes.
Stephen B. Shelliday,	4 votes.
George G. Wright,	3 votes.
Joseph Williams,	1 vote.
Fitz Henry Warren,	16 votes.
Ebenezer Cook,	7 votes.
J. C. Hall,	1 vote.
Jas. B. Howell,	9 votes.

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Whole number of votes, 99.

Necessary to a choice, 50.

No choice.

Mr. Dorland, moved that the convention adjourn until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Love, moved to strike out 10 o'clock.

Mr. Love called for the yeas and nays, upon the amendment.

Yeas, 47. }

Nays, 52. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Poston,
Birge,	Hall,	Ramsay,
Browning,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Love,	Smith, Jackson,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Test,
Bryan, Warren,	McCulloch,	Tisdale,
Clark,	McAchrans,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	Meek,	Udell,
Coop,	Monroe,	Workman,
Corse,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Neal,	Witter,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Dewey, Fremont	Newsom,	Mr. President.
Franklin,	Preston,	

The nays were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Hogan,	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Linn	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes, Jones,	Rogers,
Brown,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Jackson,	Russell,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Schramm,
Connell,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	Mathews,	Turner,
Dorland,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McFarland,	Walters,
Fulton,	McKay,	Wamsley,

Graham,	Mechem,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Dorland, to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow, A. M.

Mr. Love called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 45. }

Nays 53. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Hogan,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Linn,	Regers,
Brown,	Holmes, Jones,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Jackson,	Russel,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Schramm,
Connel,	M Cary,	Stephenson,
Cecl,	Mathews,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McKay,	Walters,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Noble,	White,
Greenleaf,	Needham	Williams,
Hamilton,	Park,	Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Browning,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Baldwin,	Love,	Smith, Jackson,
Bonson,	Lucas,	Smith of Cedar,
Bylet,	McCall,	Test,
Bryan, Warren,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Clara,	McAchan,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Coop,	Meeke,	Udell,
Corse,	Monroe,	Wilkinson,
Creamer,	Moore,	Workman,



Damon,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewy, Fremont,	Newsom,	Yeomans.
Franklin,	Preston,	President.
Goodfellow,	Poston,	

Motion lost.

The Convention proceeded to a second vote, which resulted as follows :

For Augustus C. Dodge,	29 votes.
E. R. Eastman,	1 vote.
Edward Johnson,	14 votes.
Joseph H. D. Street,	5 votes.
James Harlan,	12 votes.
Stephen Sheliday,	2 votes.
Fits Henry Warren,	18 votes.
Ebenezer Cook,	8 votes.
James B. Howell,	9 votes.

Whole number of votes 99.

Necessary to a choice, 50.

The President announced no choice.

Mr. Edie moved, that the Convention do now adjourn until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Love moved, to amend by striking out "ten o'clock," and inserting "without day."

Mr. Love demanded the yeas and nays on the amendment.

Yeas 46. }

Nays 53. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Rogers,
Browning,	Hogan,	Rosser,
Baldwin,	Holmes, of Jones	Russell,
Barker,	Jackson,	Saunders,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Schramm,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Stevenson,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Test,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Turner,
Creel,	Matthews,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McAhran,	Wilkinson,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Wamsley,

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Edie,  
Fulton,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hamilton,

McKay,  
Mechem,  
Park,  
Pigman,  
Pritchard,

White,  
Williams,  
Young.  
Mr. President,

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,  
Birge,  
Bryan, Guthrie,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Bryan, Warren,  
Clark,  
Coolbaugh,  
Coop,  
Conk y,  
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Corse,  
Damon,  
Dewey, of Leo,  
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Franklin,  
Goodfellow,  
Hall,

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Holmes, of Linn,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Love,  
Lucas,  
McCall,  
McCulloch,  
McCrary,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Noble,  
Needham,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Poston,  
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Shields,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith, of Jackson  
Smith, of Cedar,  
Thurston,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Udell,  
Workman,  
Walters,  
Weatherington,  
Witter,  
Yeoman.

Amendment lost.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by striking out to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock, and inserting, Wednesday next, half-past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Love demanded the yeas and nays on the amendment of Mr.

Browning.

Yeas 45, }  
Nays 53, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,  
Birge,  
B n, Guthrie,  
Bon-son,  
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B:yan of Warren  
Clark,  
Coolbaugh,

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Love,  
Lucas,  
McCulloch,  
Meek,  
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Mr. Ramsay,  
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Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Test,  
Thurston,  
Tisdale,

Coop,	Moore.	Tracy,
C rse,	McCall,	Udell,
Danon,	Neal,	Workman,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	Weatherington,
Dewey. Fremont	Newsom,	Witter,
Franklin,	Preston,	Yeoman.
Goodfellow,	Poston,	President.
Hall,		

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Pigman.
Browning,	Hogan,	Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn,	Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Russell,
Brown,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Schramm,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Stevenson,
Connell,	Mathews,	Turner,
Crecl.	McAclran,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Wilkinson,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Walters,
Eddie,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Mechem,	White,
Graham,	Noble,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Needham,	Young,
Hamilton,	Park,	

Amendment lost.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Edie, to adjourn until 10 o'clock, to-morrow.

Mr. Shields called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 51, }  
Nays 47, }

The yeas were;

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Pigman,
Browning,	Hillis,	Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Hogan,	Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes, of Linn,	Rose,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Jones	Russell,

Brown,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Schramm,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith of Ceder,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Connell,	Mathews,	Turner,
Creel,	McAchroy,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Wilkinson,
Dorland,	McKay,	Walters,
Edie,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Needham,	White,
Graham,	Noble,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Park,	Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Ramsey,
Birge,	Hyde,	Shields,
Bryan of Guthrie	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Love,	Smith, of Jackson
Bryan of Warren	Lucas,	Test,
Clark,	McCall,	Thurston,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Coop,	Meek,	Tracy,
Corse,	Monroe,	Udell,
Damon,	Moore,	Workman,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey, Fremont	Neely,	Witter,
Franklin,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Preston,	President.
Hall,	Poston,	

Motion prevailed.

Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

On motion the House adjourned.

## THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The reading of the journal of yesterday dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. McKay,

A committee of two was appointed to wait on the Senate, and inform that body that the house was ready to receive them in joint convention in pursuance of the adjournment of yesterday.

Messrs. McKay and Witter, were appointed said committee.

The committee having performed said duty, reported accordingly.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their secretary.

**MR. SPEAKER:**—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate are now ready to proceed to the hall of the House, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator, and three Supreme Judges for the State of Iowa, in joint convention.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

## SPECIAL ORDER.

The President and Members of the Senate, preceded by their Secretaries and the Sergeant at Arms, entered the Hall of the House, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

The President of the Senate, acting as President of the convention, and the Clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

By order of the President, the roll of the convention was called.

No absentees, except Mr. Morgan, excused.

Same tellers as yesterday.

The President announced the order of business to be first:

The election of a Senator of the United States, for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March, next.

Mr. Anderson nominated JAMES HARLAN, of Henry county.

Mr. Samuels nominated AUGUSTUS C. DODGE, of Des Moines co.

Mr. Thurston nominated EDWARD JOHNSON, of Lee county.

Mr. Hyde nominated EBENEZER COOK, of Scott county.

Mr. Lucas nominated JOSEPH H. D. STREET, of Wapello county.

Mr. Preston moved that the friends of the several candidates be re-

quested to disclose the views of the candidates on the political topics of the day.

Mr. McFarland moved to amend, by adding, that no person so speaking, be allowed more than three minutes of time.

Mr. Anderson moved to lay the motion, with amendment, on the table.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 49. }

Nays, 50. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Rogers,
Browning,	Hogan,	Rosser,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn	Russell,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Saunders,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Schramm,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Shields,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Turner,
Conkey,	Matthews,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McAchrn,	Wilkinson,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Walters,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Wansley,
Edie,	Needham,	White,
Fulton,	Noble,	Williams,
Graham,	Park,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	
Hamilton,	Pritchard,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Birge,	Hyde,	Ramsay,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bryan, Warren,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Bonson,	Love,	Smith, of Cedar,
Poyles,	Lucas,	Smith, Jackson,
Clark,	McCulloch,	Test,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Thurston,
Coop,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Connell,	McKay,	Tracy,
Corse.	Meek,	Udell,

Damon,	Monroe,	Workman,
Dewey, of Lee,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey, Fremont	Neal,	Witter,
Franklin,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Mr. President.
Hall,	Preston,	

Motion lost.

Mr Preston moved that the convention do now adjourn until 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday next.

The yeas and nays were called.

Yeas, 50, )

Nays, 49 )

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poston,
Bige,	Hinkle,	Ramsay,
Browning,	Hyde	Shields,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bryan, Warren	Johnson,	Sargent,
Bonson,	Love,	Smith, of Jackson
Boyles,	Lucas,	Test,
Clark,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Cook,	McCall,	Tracy,
Conkey,	Meek,	Udell,
Corse,	Monroe,	Workman,
Damon,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neal,	Witter,
Dewey, Fremont	Neely,	Yeomans.
Franklin,	Newsom,	Mr. President,
Goodfellow,	Preston,	

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Pigman,
Baldwin,	Hogan,	Pritchard,
Burker,	Holmes, of Linn	Rogers,
Bizelow,	Holmes, of Jones	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lackwood,	Saunders,
Coffin,	Leon,	Schramm,
Connel,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar

Oreel,	Matthews,	Stevenson,
Creamer,	cAchran,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McKay,	Walters,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Needham,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Park,	Young,

Motion prevailed

The President announced the convention adjourned until 10 o'clock  
A. M., Thursday, Dec. 21st.

The Senate having retired to their Hall.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. McCrory, it was

*Resolved*, That the use of the Representative Hall be granted to the citizens of Iowa City, next Monday evening to be used for a complimentary party, to be given to the General Assembly.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House file No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the seat of Justice of Union county.

Read a second time by its title and

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House file No. 7, An Act to relocate the county seat of Blackhawk county.

Read a second time by its title and

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Referred to the committee on Township and county organizations.

House file No. 8, An act to amend chapter 21 of the Code.

Read by its title a second time and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.



House file No. 9, A bill to appoint commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county.

Read a second time by its title and

Referred to the committee on Township and county organizations.

House file No. 10, An Act restricting pleas to indictments in the District court.

Read a second time by its title and,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Derland, it was

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Public Instruction be requested to make his report at as early a day as practicable.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 15, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of 13th and 14th read.

Mr. Boyles asked that Mr. Damon have leave of absence, on account of sickness in his family.

Which was granted.

Mr. Russell presented the petition of J. B. Disney and 204 other citizens of Washington county, for a memorial to establish daily mail from Washington to Oskaloosa.

Also,

The petition of Jas. Carr and 178 others, asking to memorialize Congress for a daily mail from Muscatine to Oskaloosa, via Washington.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Russell, Samuels, and Williams said committee.

Mr. Pritchard presented a memorial for the recognition of the Christian Sabbath, signed by Andrew Dobbs and forty-nine others.

Referred to select committee, consisting of Messrs. Pritchard, Graham, Dewey, of Fremont, Boyles, and Turner.

Mr. Lyon presented a petition from J. C. Hollard and 80 others, for a State Road from Wm. Means, in Jasper county, to World's Grove.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Corse presented a petition of John G. Foote and twenty-three others, for the relief of Mrs. Hannah Everall.

Which was,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

Referred to a select committee of members from Des Moines county.

Mr. Young presented a petition from M. H. Hare and 119 other ministers of the Gospel of the M. E. Church, in reference to the observance of the Sabbath.

Which was,

On motion of Mr. Young,

Referred to select committee on that subject.

Mr. Graham offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making permanent provision for the education of the Blind, Deaf and Dumb, and report by bill, or otherwise.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, moved to refer the matter to the committee on Charitable Institutions.

Amendment adopted, and Resolution so referred.

#### NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Creamer:

Notice of a Bill to change the time of holding the General Election.

By Mr. Neal:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, praying Congress to grant lands to aid in the construction of a Rail Road from Keokuk, by way of Pella and Fort Des Moines, to the northern boundary of the State.

By Mr. McKay:

Notice of a Bill to amend section 1737 of chapter 104 of the Code.

Also,

Of a Bill to amend sections 2383, 2390, and 2418 of chapter 130 of the Code.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

Notice of a Bill to amend an act, entitled "An Act, granting to Rail Road Companies the right of way.

Also,

Notice of a Bill to change the practice in criminal cases.

By Mr. Boyles:

Notice of a Bill to amend section 1898, chapter 110, of the Code.

By Mr. Russell:

Notice of a Bill, submitting to the people of this State the question of amending the Constitution of the State.

By Mr. Baldwin:

Notice of a Bill, authorizing the County Judge of Pottawattamie county to use a part of the proceeds of swamp lands within said county for the purpose of purchasing a farm, whereon to build a county poor house.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

So much of the Governor's message as refers to a Geological Survey of the State, and the appointment of Commissioners for that purpose, was referred to a select committee of five.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bonson, Dewey, of Fremont, Dorland, Lockwood, and Tisdale said committee.

On motion of Mr. White, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to take into consideration the propriety of establishing a State Board of Agriculture, and report by bill, or otherwise.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported House file, No. 6, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Lyon, from the Committee on Township and County Organizations, to whom was referred

House file, No. 9, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont:

House file, No. 11, entitled "An Act to repeal an Act, entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 37, of the Code, in relation to Assessors.'"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

200 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

House file, No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union county,

Read a third time, and passed, and the title of the bill agreed to.

House file, No. 9, read a third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

Re-committed to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The Committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Code of Iowa, as to make a Writ of Error a Writ of Right; and the same, when sued out, shall operate as a Superecedas in criminal cases, and report by bill or otherwise.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. SPEAKER:--I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate has passed Senate File No. 10. "A bill for an act authorizing the County Judge of Appanoose County, to transcribe and index certain Records." In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am also instructed to inform the House, that the Senate has ordered three thousand copies of the Auditor's Report and accompanying documents, to be printed for the use of the House of Representatives.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Assistant Secretary.

House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

By leave of the House, Mr. Dewey of Fremont, introduced Joint Resolution, No. 1—Memorial to Congress, for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Fort Madison and South Tier Railroad from

Bloomfield west to the Missouri River, which was read the first time.  
Mr. Samuels, by leave of the House, offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Auditor of State, be directed to inform the House at as early a day as practicable, of the amount of Revenue due and unpaid (if any) to the State, naming the counties and county treasurers indebted, and the years for which said revenue remains due and unpaid.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The 33rd rule was suspended.

Mr. McKay offered to amend, to-wit:

That so much of said report as relates to past years, shall be separated from that which is due on the last assessment, and separately voted up.

Amendment rejected.

The question recurring on the original resolution, the same was adopted by leave of the House.

Mr. Bigelow gave notice of the introduction of a bill entitled "An act to amend section 712 of chapter 45 of the Code.

By leave, Mr. Mechem gave notice of the introduction of a bill for an appropriation of \$20,000 for building an Asylum for the Blind, at Fairfield, Jefferson county.

By leave of the House, Mr. Turner gave notice of a Joint Resolution to secure additional mail facilities from Delhi, in Delaware county, to Quasqueton, in Buchanan county, Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House, for the purpose of considering the Messages of the Governors.

Mr. Bryan in the chair.

After some time, the Committee rose and reported, through their Chairman, that they had taken no definite action on the subject referred to them.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 16, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. Smith of Cedar county, asked and obtained leave of absence until Tuesday next.

NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Williams,

Notice of a bill to establish the times of holding the District Courts in the 3d Judicial District.

By Mr. Kinert,

Notice of a bill to amend section 516 of the Code, in relation to Roads and Highways.

Also, of a bill to repeal section 151 of the Code, relation to County Records.

Also, of a bill to provide for the election of County Treasurer.

By Mr. Holmes of Linn,

Notice of a Joint Resolution, authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to subscribe for, and furnish to each School District in the State, a copy of such School Journal published within the State, as he may select.

By Mr. Hall,

Notice of a bill to prevent Swine from ranning at large in Dubuque County.

By Mr. Goodfellow,

Notice of a bill to repeal section 254 of the Code of Iowa.

Also,

Of a bill to define the boundaries of School District No. 3, in Cedar Township, Monroe County, Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, it was

*Resolved*, That the use of this House be granted to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Iowa City, for the purpose of listening to a Lecture on Oddfellowship, Wednesday next, 7 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. McCrory presented a claim of J. W. Templin for services as Messenger to the last General Assembly, which was

On motion of Mr. McCrory,

Referred to Committee on Claims.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Lyons, from the Committee on Township and County Organization, reported House File No. 9, and recommended the following amendment.

Sec. 5. After the word "publication," add the words "in the Iowa Republican and the Albia Independent Press."

Mr. Corse, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred a petition in behalf of Hannah Everall, reported House File No. 13, an act for the relief of Hannah Everall, which was read a first time.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, ETC.

Mr. Pigman introduced

House File No. 12, A bill to encourage the killing of Wolves within this State.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Neal introduced

Joint Resolution No. 2, A Memorial to Congress for a grant of Land for certain Railroads therein named.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Turner presented,

Joint Resolution No. 3, A Memorial to Congress for certain Mail facilities.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bigelow introduced,

House File No. 14, An act to amend chapter 45, of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Graham introduced

House File No. 15, An act for the Condemnation of Mill Seats.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

Two hundred copies of the same, ordered to be printed.

Mr. Samuels introduced

House File No. 16, An Act to repeal an act entitled "An Act to regulate Interest on Money.

Which was read a first time.

Senate File No. 10, An Act providing for transcribing certain Records of Appanoose County.

Read a first time.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

Mr. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate has passed Senate File No. 20, A Bill for an act to amend chapter 83 of the Code, in relation to the issuing of Marriage Licenses, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN, Sec. Senate.

Senate File No. 20, An Act to amend chapter 83 of the Code in relation to Marriage License.

Read a first time.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, introduced

House File No. 17, An Act to amend an act granting right of way to Railroad Companies, passed January 18th, 1853.

Which was read a first time.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

Joint Resolution No. 1, House File read a second time by its title and

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Jones,

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

House File No. 9, read a second time. Amendment of the Committee agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M., Monday.

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. Holmes, of Jones county, presented a petition from James H.



Ireland, and one hundred and thirty-one others, asking certain regulations in regard to mills and other subjects.

Mr. Witter presented a petition from Hiram Price, and three hundred other citizens of Scott county, Iowa, asking the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law, which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of one hundred and thirty-eight citizens of Marshall, Henry county, Iowa, asking the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law, which was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Turner offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of State be authorized and requested to furnish the members of this House with a supply of suitable pens.

Mr. Neal proposed to amend by adding, and holders.

Amendment accepted, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Tracy offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the committee on elections be instructed to report on Tuesday next, in relation to the contested seat of James M. Walters, claimed by Mr. Green T. Clark.

Mr. McKay moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Upon the motion to lay the resolution on the table, Mr. Bryan called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 18, }  
Nays, 47. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Mechem
Brown,	Holmes of Linn.	Morgan,
Conkey,	Holmes of Jones	Russell,
Connell,	Kinert,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McKay,	Wamsley.

The nays were .

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Lockwood,	Sargent,

Bryan,	Lyon,	Smith of Jackson
Coffin,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Turner,
Dewey, Fremont	Monroe.	Weatherington,
Edie,	Moore,	White,
Franklin,	Neal,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Neely,	Witter,
Graham,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Young,
Hall,	Poston,	Speaker.

Mr. Corse moved to strike out Tuesday and insert Wednesday, 10 o'clock,

Mr. Tracy accepted the amendment.

The question recurring on the resolution as amended, Mr. Bryan called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 56. }  
Nays, 9. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poston,
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Linn	Rosser,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Brown,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson,
Bryan,	Kinert,	Stevenson,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Tracy,
Corse,	M'Crory,	Turner,
Creel,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey, of Lee,	Monroe,	White,
Dewey, Fremont	Moore,	Williams,
Dorland,	Morgan,	Witter,
Franklin,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Neely,	Young,
Graham,	Newsom,	Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Holmes, Jones,	Mr. Rogers,
Connell,	McFarland,	Russell,
Edie,	McKay,	Wamsley,

Motion prevailed.

NOTICES OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Holmes, of Linn:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to use their influence to procure a daily mail from Dubuque to Iowa City, and from Davenport to Marion and Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Yeoman from the committee on engrossed bills, reported.  
House file No. 9, Correctly engrossed.

INTRODUCTION.

Mr. Williams introduced House file No. 18. An Act fixing the terms of the District Courts in the third Judicial District.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Goodfellow introduced House file No. 19, An Act to amend section 254 of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

House file No. 20, An Act to erect School District No. 3. in Cedar Township, Monroe county.

Which was read a first time.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

Senate file, No. 10, read a second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate file. 20, read a second time.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment to the bill, to-wit:

Add to the first section, "which shall be accounted for by him as other fees of his office.

Mr. Neal offered an amendment to-wit: The same shall be paid over to the school fund Commissioners, and constitute a part of the school fund.

On motion of Mr. Russell:

The bill with the amendments offered was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

House file No. 12, read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Mechem, referred to a select committee on Wolves.

The chair appointed, Messrs, Mechem, Pigman and Bryan said committee.

On motion,  
The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. Tisdale presented the claim of Israel Keister, for services as agent in selection of saline lands, which was, on his motion, Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Bigelow presented the petition of C. W. Menge, and other citizens of the town of Guttenberg, asking an amendment to their town charter.

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Witter presented the petition of Ira Putney, and 387 other citizens of Burlington, Iowa, asking for the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law; which was,

On motion of Mr. Witter,

Referred to the Committee on Intoxicating Liquors.

Mr. Rogers presented a claim of William W. Hamilton, for services in relation to Swamp Lands.

\*Which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE OF THE INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Bonson:

Notice of a Memorial to Congress, asking that the State of Iowa be authorized to enter, by pre-emption, certain public lands situated therein, for the purpose of constructing a Railroad, from Dubuque, on the Mississippi river, to some point on the Missouri river.

By Mr. Rogers:

Notice of a Joint Resolution to Congress, for the establishment of a

mail route from West Union, in Fayette county, through certain intermediate places, to Clear Lake, in Cerro Gordo county, Iowa.

Also,

For a mail route from West Union to the village of Mitchell, Mitchell county.

By Mr. Boyles:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, for the appointment of a committee of three, to visit the State Penitentiary.

By Mr. Goodfellow:

Notice of a Bill to amend section 166 of the Code of Iowa.

Also,

Of a Bill to repeal section 2537 of the Code of Iowa.

Also,

Notice of a Joint Resolution, to procure additional mail facilities in this State.

By Mr. McKay:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, fixing the day for the *sine die* adjournment of the General Assembly, on January 23d, 1855.

By Mr. Holmes, of Linn:

Notice of an Act, to amend chapter 48 of the Laws of the 4th General Assembly, in relation to Supervisors.

By Mr. Edie:

Notice of a Bill, to amend chapter 48 of the act of 1852-3.

By Mr. Newsom:

Notice of a Bill, to amend section 2545 of chapter 136 of the Code, in relation to Jurors.

Also,

Notice of a Bill, to prohibit the circulation of small bank notes in this State.

By Mr. Dorland:

Notice of a Bill, to amend section 1477, of chapter 85, of the Code of Iowa; and to repeal section 1478 of said chapter.

By Mr. White:

Notice of a Bill, to amend sections 1158 and 1159 of the Code of Iowa.

Mr. Goodfellow offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Schools and State University, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a Library in each School District in this State; which was,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,  
Laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan offered the following:

*Resolved*, That Messrs. Neal, Tracy, and Franklin be appointed a committee, to whom shall be referred all Bills amendatory of the Code.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,  
The names of Messrs. Tracy, Neal, and Franklin, were struck out of the resolution.

Mr. Bryan then withdrew the resolution.

On motion of Mr. Young,  
The Committee on Roads and Highways were instructed to enquire into the expediency of publishing the Road Laws of this State, in pamphlet form, for the use of Road Districts, and to report by bill, or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Neal, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish this House with a statement of the aggregate population of each county of the State, according to the census of 1854.

Mr. Mechem, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred House file No. 12,

Reported the same to the House, with the following amendments:

After the word "each," in two several places in the 1st section, add "Prairie," "and for each timber wolf above the age of six months, three dollars, and for each timber wolf under the age of six months, two dollars," and recommended the passage of the Bill.

Which was concurred in.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, &c.

Mr. Neal introduced Joint Resolution No. 4,

A Memorial to Congress for a grant of lands to aid the construction of a Railroad from Keokuk, by way of Pella and Fort Des Moines, to northern boundary of the State.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Holmes, of Linn, introduced

Joint Resolution No. 5, asking for certain mail facilities;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. McKay introduced

House file No. 21, An Act to amend section 1737 of chapter 104, of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

House file, No. 22, An Act to amend sections 2388 and 2390 of chapter 130 of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

House file No. 23, An Act to amend section 2418 of chapter 130 of the Code.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Tracy moved that the bill be rejected.

Motion lost.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following Bills and Resolutions, to which they ask the concurrence of the House, viz:

Senate file, No. 21, a Bill for an Act to amend an Act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Council Bluffs."

Also,

Senate file, No. 23, a Bill to prevent trespass and waste from being committed on swamp and other lands.

Also, the following:

*Resolved*, (the House of Representatives concurring.) That a committee of five be appointed—two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House—with instructions to visit the Penitentiary of this State, at Fort Madison, and examine the condition of said prison; and that said committee be invested with full power and authority to examine the books, contracts, and accounts of said prison, together with the buildings, and all other matters connected with said prison, and report to the General Assembly during its present session.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sect'y of the Senate.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House file No. 13, read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, to-morrow.

House file No. 14, read a second time, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

House file No. 16, read a second time.

Mr. Bryan moved to refer the bill to the the committee of the whole House.

Motion lost.

Mr. Russell moved to refer to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER.—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate by resolution have ordered that 6000 copies of the accompanying report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction be printed for the use of the Senate, and that — copies be printed for the use of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

House file No. 17, read a second by its title and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Joint Resolution No. 2,

Read second time by its title and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Joint Resolution No. 3,

Read a second time and referred to the committee on Federal Relations,

House file No. 18,

Read a second time by its title and referred to the committee on the Judiciary,

House file No. 19,

Read a second time by its title and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

House file No. 20,

Read a second time by its title, and referred to committee on Schools and State University.

House file No. 12,

Read with amendments as reported from the committee.



Amendments adopted and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

## BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

House file No. 9,

Read a third time and passed and title of the bill agreed to.

Senate file No. 10,

Read a third time and passed and title of the bill agreed to.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Conkey moved that the House concur in the Resolution of the Senate, to appoint a Joint committee to visit the State Penitentiary, which was,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

House file No. 5, was taken from the table and

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

Referred to a committee of the whole House.

Mr. Boyles in the chair.

After some time the committee rose and reported through their chairman, that they had had under consideration, the matter referred to them, and had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted,

And the bill made the special order for Thursday next, at 6 o'clock, P. M.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.  
Journal of yesterday read.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. White presented the petition of James Ritchey and two hundred and thirty-nine other citizens of Henry County, in relation to Temperance.

Mr. Barker presented the petition of E. D. Walin and two hundred and sixteen others, in relation to the observance of the Sabbath, which was referred to the select Committee upon that subject.

Mr. Pritchard presented the petition of citizens and mothers, sisters, wives and daughters, in number one hundred and fourteen, on the subject of Temperance.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The reports of the Warden and of the Inspector of the Penitentiary, were referred to the committee on Public Buildings.

NOTICE OF THE INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Boyles,

Notice of a bill to re-locate the State Road from Charleton, in Lee county, to Keokuk, in said county.

By Mr. Pritchard,

Notice of a bill for an act to amend an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Muscatine."

By Mr. Franklin,

Notice of a bill providing for the more speedy enforcement of Judgments and Decrees.

By Mr. Williams,

Notice of a bill to establish a State Lunatic Asylum, to be located at Oscaloosa, and to make appropriations therefor.

By Mr. Rogers,

Notice of a bill to establish a State road from Clear Lake, in Cerro Gordo county, to intersect the Military road in Winneshiek county, and from Cedar Falls to State line, north, and from West Union, Fayette county, to Clausons settlement, in Mitchell county.

By Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Notice of a bill to remove the Capitol of this State to Fort Des Moines.

By Mr. Holmes of Jones,

Notice of a bill to prohibit persons from shooting across or along roads and highways.

By Mr. McFarland,

Notice of a bill to repeal chapter 85 of the Code, relating to Marriage License, and to amend section 1475 of said chapter,

By Mr. Samuels,

Notice of a bill, amendatory of the present law, upon the subject of Divorce.

Also,

Of a bill directing the Township Trustees of Julien township, Dubuque county, to order the election of two additional Justices of the Peace for said township.

By Mr. Hall,

Notice of a bill to amend section 169 in chapter 18, of the Code of Iowa.

By Mr. McFarland,

Notice of a bill establishing an institution for the education of the Deaf and Dumb, at Mount Pleasant, Henry county, Iowa.

By Mr. Yeomans,

Notice of a bill providing for transcribing certain Records in Lucas and Wayne counties.

By Mr. Weatherington,

Notice of a bill to provide for the location and establishment of township roads and private cartways.

By Mr. Mechem,

Notice of a bill to re-locate the State road leading from Fairfield to Oscalooza, at the eastern end of said road.

By Mr. Jackson,

Notice of a bill appointing commissioners to locate a State road from Adel, in Dallas county, to Council Bluff City.

By Mr. Young,

Notice of a bill amending section 249, of the Code of Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Lockwood, it was

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of State be instructed to report to this House, as soon as practicable, the number, date, and amount, of

each Auditors warrant paid by him, and to whom paid, during the last two fiscal years.

And that he also, report the amount received into the Treasury, when received, from whom received, and on what account received.

Mr. McKay offered the following :

*Resolved*, (the Senate concurring,) That when the General Assembly adjourn, it shall be on Tuesday, the 23d day of January, 1855.

Read a first time, and laid over under the rules.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, offered the following :

*Resolved*, That hereafter, the regular morning hour for the meeting of this House, shall be 9 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Bonson moved, to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 43. }

Nays 23. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Kinert,	Stephenson,
Bryan,	Lockwood,	Tisdale,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Conkey,	McFarland,	Turner,
Connel,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Creamer,	Meck,	White,
Dewey, of Lee,	Monroe,	Williams,
Graham,	Neel,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Hall,	Newsom.	Speaker.
Hinkle,	Pigman,	
Holmes of Linn,	Pritchard,	

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Rosser,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Jones,	Russell,
Bigelow,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Corse,	McCall,	Smith, Jackson,

Creel,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Morgan,	Young,
Eddie,	Poston,	

Motion prevailed, and resolution laid on the table.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Moved the suspension of 42d rule, in order to take up the resolution of Mr. McKay laid upon the table in relation to adjournment.

Motion lost.

Mr. Russell offered,

Joint Resolution No. 6, Memorial for additional Mail services in Muscatine, Washington, Keokuk, and Mahaska counties.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the resolution read a second and third time, and passed, and the title agreed to.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following bills, in which they ask the concurrence of the House, viz :

Senate File No. 25, a bill for an act defining a standard weight per bushel for Stone Coal.

Also,

Senate File No. 26, a bill for an act authorizing the Governor of State to adjust and close the five hundred thousand acre grant.

B. P. RANKIN,

Secretary.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Schools and State University, reported

House File No. 6, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Yeoman, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported House File No. 12, correctly engrossed.

Mr. McCrory, from the committee on Elections, made the following report :

The Committee on Elections to whom was referred the Petition of Green T. Clark, and other papers relating to his claim to the seat in this House, held by James M. Walters, submit the following report:

They have examined the evidence and papers submitted to them, and find as follows :

Green T. Clark received 643 votes, including votes cast in the township rejected by the county canvassers.

James M. Walters received 625 votes, including votes cast in the townships rejected by the county canvassers.

James W. Walters received 3 votes which we are of opinion should be counted for James M. Walters.

Walters received one vote which we are of the opinion should be counted for James M. Walters.

From the evidence before the Committee, there is nothing in our opinion to require us to reject the Poll Books of Pleasant Grove and Summit townships.

The Committee further state, that Mr. Walters appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, the 12th inst., and stated that he believed he could prove that there had been a sufficient number of illegal votes cast for Mr. Green T. Clark to overcome his majority, and upon his request, the Committee granted him time until Monday next to procure testimony.

Mr. Walters applied to the chairman of your committee and stated that he feared to rely upon the mail for his evidence and that he had concluded to go to Marion county in person, and wished the time granted, extended for that purpose. The chairman of the committee, so far as he was concerned, gave leave and requested Mr. Walters to see the other members of the committee. Mr. Connell, and other members of the committee were willing Mr. Walters should have further time.

At a meeting of the committee, on Tuesday the 12th, Mr. Walters had stated that if he did not receive the depositions he expected by mail, he would resign.

Your committee further report that it appears from the papers submitted to them, that Mr. Walters was duly served with notice on the 12th day of August, 1854, that his seat in this House would be contested, and that on the 25th, of August 1854, depositions would be taken in said case.

THOMAS H. McCORRY,  
Chairman.

Mr. Bryan, from same committee, presented the following minority report.

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the petition of Green T. Clark, and accompanying papers, contesting the right of James M. Walters to a seat in the House disagreed. The minority of said committee would respectfully report,

That they have carefully examined the papers in the above cause, and find the following facts :

That at an Election held on the first Monday in August, 1854, in the 34th representative district, composed of the County of Marion, State of Iowa, that Green T. Clark received for representative 643 votes. James M. Walters received 625 votes. J. W. Walters received 3 votes, and Walters received one vote, giving Green T. Clark a majority over James M. Walters of 18 votes.

But in consequence of the poll-book of Pleasant Grove Township having been rejected by the Board of Canvassers for the above district, the result was changed, and James M. Walters received the Certificate of Election, and by virtue thereof, claims a seat in this body.

The minority of your committee consider the principle well established, that the Certificate of Election is only *prima facie* evidence of the facts therein contained, and, therefore, can be rebutted and overcome by other testimony.

We find from the evidence in our possession, that the reason why the poll-book of Pleasant Grove Township was rejected, is that it was not signed as a "true return" by the Judges and Clerks of Election in said township.

The only question legitimately before your committee is, whether or not, the poll-book aforesaid was properly rejected.

The law prescribes that the Judges and Clerk of Election shall sign the poll-book as a true return. But the minority of the committee are of opinion—and the principle is well established—that that is not the only way in which the fact may be established, but that other evidence is competent.

Your committee have in their possession the depositions, legally taken, of all the Judges and Clerks of Election for the township aforesaid, showing that when they were informed that they had not signed the poll-book; and before the canvass was closed, they all appeared before the Board of Canvassers, and claimed the right, and demanded the privilege, then and there, of signing said poll-book, which right was denied by the Board of Canvassers. The depositions aforesaid,

further show that the poll-book which was rejected, is a true return of the Election for Pleasant Grove Township, Marion county, Iowa.

It is the opinion of the minority of your committee that the poll-book aforesaid was improperly rejected.

We would, therefore, respectfully submit the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That James M. Walters is not entitled to a Seat in this House.

*Resolved*, That Green T. Clark is entitled to a Seat in this House.

P. GAD BRYAN,  
GEO. S. ALBRIGHT.

Mr. Tracy moved that the resolutions recommended by the minority of the committee be adopted.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following :

Senate file No. 29, a Bill for an act, to amend "an act, to incorporate the town of Fort Madison," in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Connell moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject of the reports until the 23d inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Mechem moved that the House adjourn.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays on the motion to adjourn.

Yeas 41, }  
Nays 25, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Rogers,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Linn,	Roseer,
Boyles,	Holmes of Jones	Russell,
Brown,	Johnson,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Stevenson,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Connell,	Lyon,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McCrory,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McFarland,	White,



<b>Mr. Dewey of Lee,</b> Dorland; Edie, Graham, Greenleaf,	<b>Mr. McKay,</b> Mechem, Morgan, Pigman, Pritchard,	<b>Mr. Williams,</b> Witter, Young. Speaker.
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The nays were:

<b>Mr. Albright,</b> Baldwin, Bonson, Bryan, Corse, Dewey, Fremont Goodfellow, Hyde, Hall,	<b>Mr. Jackson,</b> McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Poston,	<b>Mr. Samuels,</b> Sargent, Smith, Jackson, Tisdale, Tracy, Weatherington, Yeoman.
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Motion prevailed, and the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Bonson asked a call of the House.

Call sustained, and the following members found absent:

Mr. Conkey,  
McFarland,  
Wamsley.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in the absent members. The absentees having come in, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Connell to postpone.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 32, {  
Nays, 35. }

The Yeas were:

<b>Mr. Barker,</b> Bigelow, Brown,	<b>Mr. Johnson,</b> Kinert, Lockwood,	<b>Mr. Rogers,</b> Rosser, Russell,
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Mr. Connell,  
Creel,  
Dorland,  
Eddie,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Homes of Linn,  
Holmes of Jones,

Mr. Lyon,  
McCrary,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mechem,  
Morgan,  
Pigman,  
Pritchard,

Mr. Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Baldwin,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Bryan,  
Conkey  
Corse,  
Creamer,  
Dewey, of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont  
Franklin,  
Goodfellow,

Mr. Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Hyde,  
Jackson,  
McCall,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Poston,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith, Jackson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Weatherington,  
Williams,  
Witter,  
Yeoman,  
Speaker.

Motion to postpone lost.

Mr. Russell moved that the House adjourn.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 25, {

Nays, 42. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Coffin,  
Connell,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Eddie,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. Holmes of Linn,  
Lyon,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mechem,  
Rogers,  
Rosser,  
Russell,

Mr. Smith of Cedar,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Williams,  
Young,  
Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Baldwin,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Holmes of Jones,

Mr. Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Pigman,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Poston,
Brown,	Johnson,	Pritchard,
Bryan,	Kinert,	Samuels,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Sargent,
Corse,	McCall,	Smith, Jackson
Dewey of Lee,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Dewey, Fremont	Meek,	Tisdale,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Franklin,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	Witter,
Hall,	Neal,	Yeoman.

Motion lost.

Mr. Bonson moved the previous question.

Motion not sustained.

Mr. Russell moved that the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Elections be recommitted to said committee, with instructions to take the testimony of A. B. Miller, Clerk of the District Court of Marion county, and of such other witnesses as Mr. Walters may produce, and to report to this house as early as practicable.

Mr. Bryan moved to lay the motion of Mr. Russell on the table.

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 33, }  
Nays 34. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poston,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Rogers,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bryan,	McCall,	Smith of Jackson
Conkey,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Turner,
Dewey Fremont,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Franklin,	Neely,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Yeoman.

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,

Mr. Coffin,	Mr. Lockwood,	Mr. Smith, of Cedar,
Connell,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Creel,	McCrorry,	Vaufossen,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	McKay,	White,
Eddie,	Mechem,	Williams,
Graham,	Morgan,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,		

Motion lost.

Mr. Turner moved that the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays :

Yeas 36, }  
Nays 29, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn,	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes, of Jones	Rosser,
Bizelow,	Johnson,	Russell,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Connell	McCrorry,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Williams,
Eddie,	Morgan,	Young.
Graham,	Pigman,	Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Fritchard,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bryan,	McCall,	Smith, of Jackson
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Dewey, of Lee,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Dewey, Fremont	Moore,	Weatherington,
Franklin,	Neal,	Witter,

Mr. Goodfellow,  
Hall,

Mr. Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Yeoman.

Motion prevailed, and House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Message from the Senate, by Senators Love and Hogan, who announced that the Senate were now prepared to meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in Joint Convention, pursuant to adjournment for the purpose of electing a United States Senator, and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House, that the Senate have passed House file No. 9, A Bill for an act to appoint commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county.

Also, Senate file, No. 32.

Memorial and Joint Resolution for the removal and location of the Omaha Indians, in Nebraska Territory, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

A committee of two was appointed on the part of the House, to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to receive them in Joint convention, pursuant to adjournment, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Messrs. Russell and Dewey of Fremont, were appointed said committee.

The committee having discharged said duty,

The President and members of the Senate, preceded by their Secretary and Sergeant at Arms, entered the Hall of the House, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

JOINT CONVENTION OF THE TWO HOUSES.

The President of the Senate acting as President of the convention, and the clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

Senator Workman, acting as teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Kinert, teller on the part of the House.

The President having announced the purposes of the convention, and directed the roll to be called.

The following members of the convention were found absent.

Senator McAchran, Messrs. Damon, and Walters.

On motion,

Messrs. Damon, and Walters, were excused. They having leave of absence from the House of which they are members.

Mr. Russell moved that a further call of the House be dispensed with.

Motion lost.

Mr. McAchran appearing in his seat, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The convention proceeded to vote for a United States Senator, for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March next.

Mr. Boyles, nominated Gen. A. C. Dodge, of Des Moines county.

Mr. Hyde, nominated Ebenezer Cook, of Scott county.

Mr. Hamilton, nominated James Harlan, of Henry county.

The vote being the third of the convention resulted as follows:

Those voting for James Harlan were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes of Linn	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes, Jones,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Smith, of Cedar,
Oreel,	McAchran,	Stephenson,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Turner,
Eddie,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,

Mr. Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan,	Mr. Morgan, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman,	Mr. Wamsley, White, Williams, Young,—47.
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Those voting for A. C. DODGE, were:

Mr. Albright, Birge, Bryan, Guthrie, Bryan, Warren, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Dewey, of Lee, Dewey, Fremont Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall,	Mr. Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston,	Mr. Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sergent, Smith, Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman, Mr. President.—48.
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Those voting for Ebenezer Cook were:

Mr. Browning, Baldwin, Conkey,	Mr. Creamer, Hyde,	Mr. Johnson, McCrorry,—7.
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Voting for Mr. Johnson, Mr. Workman.—1.

Whole number of votes cast, 98,

Necessary to a choice, 50.

The President announced that no candidate having received a majority of the votes cast, there was no choice.

Mr. Russell moved to suspend the election of United States Senator for the present, and proceed to vote for Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Love called for the yeas and nays.

Mr. Preston asked for a division of the question.

The question being upon the motion to suspend.

Yeas 44, }  
Nays 54, }

## The yeas were:

<b>Mr. Anderson,</b>	<b>Mr. Holmes, of Jones</b>	<b>Mr. Rogers,</b>
Baldwin,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Barker,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Brown,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McAchran,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dorland,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Eddie,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Needham,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Noble,	White,
Hamilton,	Park,	Williams,
Hillis,	Pigman,	Young.
Holmes, of Lee,	Pritchard,	

## The nays were:

<b>Mr. Albright,</b>	<b>Mr. Greenleaf,</b>	<b>Mr. Newsom,</b>
Birge,	Hogan,	Preston,
Browning,	Hall,	Poston,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Hinkle,	Ramsay,
Bryan, Warren,	Hyde,	Shields,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Boylea,	Love,	Smith, Jackson,
Clark,	Lucas,	Test,
Cleaver,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Coop,	McCall,	Tracy,
Conkey,	Meck,	Udell,
Corse,	Monroe,	Workman,
Dewey, of Lee,	More,	Weatherington,
Dewey, Fremont	Morgan,	Witter,
Franklin,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Nely,	<b>Mr. President.</b>

## Motion lost.

Mr. Wilkinson moved to adjourn until next Thursday, week, the third day of January.



Mr. Preston desired to speak to the question.

The President decided the question could not be debated.

Mr. Preston appealed from the decision of the chair.

Mr. Preston withdrew his appeal.

Mr. Conkey moved to amend, to-wit: that when the convention do adjourn, it adjourn to the third day of January next.

Amendment accepted by Mr. Wilkinson.

Mr. Love called for the yeas and nays.

The question being upon the motion to adjourn as amended.

Yeas 41, }

Nays 57, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Hogan,	Rogers,
Bonson,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Brown,	Lyon,	Russell,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Saunders,
Connell,	Mattl ews,	Schramm,
Corse,	McAcliran,	Stej henson,
Creech,	McFarland,	Vanf ansen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Doriand,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Morgan,	White,
Graham,	Needham,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Young.
Hamilton,	Pigman,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Preston,
Birge,	Holmes, of Linn,	Poston,
Browning,	Holmes, Jones,	Ram ay,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Hyde,	Shields,
Bryan, Warren,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Baldwin,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Barker,	Love,	Smith, of Jackson
Boyles,	Lockwood,	Smith, of Cedar,
Clark,	Lucas,	Test.
Cleaver,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Coop,	McCall,	Tracy,

Mr. Conkey, Dewey, of Lee, Dewey, Fremont Edie, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall,	Mr. McKay, Meek, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Park,	Mr. Turner, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman. Mr. President.
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Motion lost.

Mr. Boyles withdrew the name of A. C. Dodge.

Mr. Thurston nominated THOMAS W. CLAGETT, of Lee county.

Mr. Creamer nominated JOSEPH H. D. STREET, of Wapello county.

Mr. Wilkinson nominated JACOB BUTLER, of Scott county.

Mr. Corse nominated BERNHART HENN, of Jefferson county.

No other nominations being offered, the President directed the voting to proceed.

The vote being the 4th vote for United States Senator, resulted as follows:

Those voting for JAMES HARLAN, were,

Mr. Barker, Bigelow, Cleaver, Coffin, Connell, Creel, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes, of Linn, Holmes, of Jones	Mr. Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Morgan, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman, Pritchard,	Mr. Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Sauuders, Schramm, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossen, Wamsley, White, Williams, Young.—41.
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Those voting for EBENEZER COOK, were,

Mr. Browning, Baldwin, Boyles, Brown, Conkey, Graham,	Mr. Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, McCrary, Moore, Samuels,	Mr. Smith, Jackson, Test, Tisdale, Tracy, Workman, Witter.—18.
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Those voting for THOMAS W. CLAGETT, were,

Mr. Birge,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan, Guthrie,	McCulloch,	Poston,
Dewey, of Lee,	McAchrán,	Thurston,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	Udell.—13.
Hinkle,		

Those voting for BERNHART HENN, were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. McCall,	Mr. Neely,
Bryan, Warren,	Meek,	Ramsay,
Coop,	Monroe,	Sargent.—10.
Corse,		

Those voting for J. H. D. STREET, were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Dewey, Fremont	Mr. Lucas,
Creamer,	Goodfellow,	Yeoman.—6.

Those voting for JACOB BUTLER, were,

Messrs. Preston,	Wilkinson,	Weatherington.—3.
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Those voting for P. GAD BRYAN, were,

Messrs. Bonson,	Franklin,	Hall.—3.
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Those voting for A. C. DODGE, were,

Messrs. Clark,	Mr. President.—2.
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Lincoln Clark received the vote of Mr. Coolbaugh.

Ben. M. Samuels received the vote of Mr. Shields.

No person having received a majority of all the votes cast, the President declared that no choice had been made.

Mr. Edie moved that the Convention do adjourn *sine die*.

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 40. }

Nays 58. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Edie,	Mr. Moore,
Birge,	Franklin,	Neal,
Bryan, of Guthrie	Goodfellow,	Preston,
Bryan of Warren	Hall,	Poston,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Ramsay,
Boyles,	Holmes, of Jones	Russell,
Brown,	Jackson,	Shields,
Clark,	Lucas,	Sargent,
Coolbaugh,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Coop,	McCall,	Tracy,

Corse,  
Dewey, of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont  
Dorland,

McKay,  
Meek,  
Monroe,

Turner,  
Weatherington,  
Yeoman.

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,  
Browning,  
Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Cleaver,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Fulton,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hamilton,  
Hillis,  
Holmes, of Linn,  
Holmes, of Jones  
Hyde,  
Hogan,

Mr. Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Love,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrary,  
Matthews,  
McAclion,  
McCrary,  
McFarland,  
Mechem,  
Morgan,  
Needham,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Noble,  
Park,  
Pigman,  
Pritchard,  
Rogers,

Mr. Rosser,  
Saunders,  
Schramm,  
Samuels,  
Smith, of Jackson,  
Smith, of Cedar  
Stephenson,  
Test,  
Tisdale,  
Udell,  
Vanfossen,  
Wilkinson,  
Workman,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Williams,  
Witter,  
Young,  
Mr. President.

Motion to adjourn *sine die* lost.

On motion of Mr. Wilkinson,

The Convention adjourned until three o'clock, P. M.

The Senate having retired,

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

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THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Joint Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The President directed the roll to be called.

All members of the Convention, not excused, present.

Mr. Test put in nomination for Senator M. D. BROWNING, of Des-moines county.

Upon request of Mr. Browning, Mr. Test withdrew the nomination.

Mr. Preston nominated, THOMAS H. BENTON, Jr., of Johnson county.

No further nominations being made,

The President directed the voting to proceed—being the 5th vote for United States Senator.

Those voting for JAMES HARLAN, were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes, of Jones	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Kinert,	Rogers.
Bigelow,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Russell,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Saunders,
Connell,	Matthews,	Schramm,
Creel,	McAchron,	Smith, of Cedar,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Edie,	McKay,	Turner,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Greenleaf,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Wamsley,
Hillis,	Noble,	White,
Hogan,	Park,	Williams,
Holmes, of Linn,	Pigman,	Young.—45.

Those voting for EBENEZER COOK, were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Poston,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Browning,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Bryan of Guthrie	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bryan, Warren,	Johnson,	Smith, Jackson,
Baldwin,	Love,	Test,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Thurston,
Brown,	McCulloch,	Tisdale,
Clark,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	McCall,	Udell,
Coop,	Meek,	Workman,
Conkey,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Corse,	Neal,	Witter,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	Mr. President.—44.
Dawey, Fremont	Newsom,	

Those voting for P. GAD BRYAN, were,

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Ramsay,
Franklin,	Monroe,	Yeoman,—7.
Goodfellow,		

J. H. D. Street received the vote of Mr. Creamer.

T. H. Benton, Jr., received the vote of Mr. Preston.

No person having a majority of all the votes cast, the President declared that no choice had been made.

Mr. Russell moved that the Convention adjourn until the 5th day of January next.

Mr. Shields moved that the Convention do now adjourn.

The question being upon Mr. Shields' motion to adjourn,

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 35, }  
Nays 62, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hall,	Russell,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Bryan, Warren	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Love,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Thurston,
Clark,	McCulloch,	Tracy,
Coop.	Meek,	Udell,
Corse,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	Yeomans.
Dewey, Fremont	Preston,	Mr. President,
Franklin,	Poston,	

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn	Mr. Park,
Browning,	Holmes, of Jones	Pigman,
Baldwin,	Hyde	Pritchard,
Barker,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Smith, of Jackson
Connell,	Mathews,	Smith, of Cedar

Mr. Coolbaugh,	Mr. McAchron,	Mr. Stephenson,
Creel,	McCrory,	Test,
Conkey,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dorland,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Monroe,	Workman,
Graham,	Moore,	Wamsley,
Greenleaf,	Morgan,	White,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Williams,
Hillis,	Newsom,	Witter,
Hogan,	Noble,	Young.

Motion to adjourn lost.

The question recurring upon the motion of Mr. Russell to adjourn to the 5th day of January next, the same was adopted, and The Convention adjourned until January 5th, A. D. 1855.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,  
The House adjourned to 6½ o'clock.

6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

I am instructed to inform the House, that the Senate has passed the following resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

*Resolved*, the House concurring, that the General Assembly adjourn Saturday, the 23d, inst, until Tuesday, January 2d, 1855.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Bonson moved to postpone the special order of the evening and take up the resolution of the Senate, upon the matter of adjournment.

Motion to suspend lost.

## SPECIAL ORDER OF THE EVENING.

Committee of the whole House, for the consideration of House file No. 5. An Act to suppress intemperance.

Mr. Williams in the chair.

After some time, the committee rose and reported through their chairman that the committee had made some progress in the consideration of the matter referred to them, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted and no time agreed upon.

On motion of Mr. Poston,

The rule was suspended in order to take up the resolution of the Senate in relation to adjournment.

Mr. Samuels moved that the House concur in the resolution of the Senate.

Mr. Russell moved to amend by adding after the word Tuesday, the words "2 o'clock P. M."

Mr. Graham moved to substitute the following:

That the General Assembly adjourn from Saturday the 23d, inst., until Tuesday the 26th, inclusive.

Mr. Graham moved to lay the resolution with the amendments upon the table.

Mr. Graham asked for a call of the House.

The call being sustained, and Messrs Bryan, McFarland, Pigman, Tracy, and Yeomans, found absent.

On Motion of Mr. Bonson,

The absentees were excused.

The question being upon the motion of Mr. Graham, to lay on the table the resolution with the amendments.

Mr. Rogers called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 35.)

Nays 26.)

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,

Barker,

Bigelow,

Boyles,

Brown,

Bryan of Warren

Coffin,

Conkey,

Mr. Franklin,

Goodfellow,

Graham,

Greenleaf,

Hinkle,

Holmes, of Jones

Jackson,

Johnson,

Mr. Moore,

Neal,

Neely,

Rogers,

Rosser,

Smith, Jackson,

Tisdale,

Vanfossen,



Mr. Connell, Dewey, of Lee, Dewey, Fremont, Eddie,	Mr. Kinert, McCrary, McKay, Monroe;	Mr. Williams, Witter, Mr. Speaker.
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The nays were,

Mr. Albright, Bonson, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Hall, Holmes of Linn, Hyde,	Mr. Lockwood, Lyon, McCall, Mechem, Meek, Morgan, Newsom, Poston, Pritchard,	Mr. Russell, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Cedar, Stevenson, Wamsley, Weatherington, White, Young
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Motion to lay on the table prevailed.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 22, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The reading of the Journal of Wednesday was dispensed with.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed by the Senate, to inform the House, that the Senate have passed the following Bills and Joint Resolutions, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

Senate File No. 36, A Joint Resolution to pay over certain monies.

Also,

House File Joint Resolution No. 6, Asking for additional mail facilities.

Also,

Senate File No. 33, A Bill for an act to locate a State road from Adel, in Dallas county, to Council Bluffs, in Pottawattamie county.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec. of Senate.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The order of business was suspended, and the House took up Senate File No. 29, An Act to amend an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Ft. Madison, approved Jan. 25th, 1848.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The order of business was further suspended, and Senate File No. 36, was taken up and

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to report as early as practicable.

The regular order of business being the motion of Mr. Russell, to recommit the majority and minority report of the Committee on Elections, in the case of the contested seat held by Mr. Walters, with certain instructions.

Mr. Neal moved to strike out so much as related to the instructions to take testimony.

Mr. Russell accepted the amendment.

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays, on the motion to recommit as amended.

Yeas 45,)

Nays 7.)

The yeas were :

Mr. Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Boyles  
Brown,

Mr. Hyde,  
Jackson,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,

Mr. Pritchard,  
Rogers,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Smith, Jackson,

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. McCall,	Mr. Smith of Cedar,
Dewey of Lee,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Dewey, Fremont	McKay,	Turner,
Dorland,	Meek,	Vanfosson,
Edie,	Morgan,	White,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Williams,
Graham,	Neely,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Young,
Hinkle,	Pigman,	Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,	Poston,	

The nays were :

Mr. Corse,	Mr. Sargent,	Mr. Yeoman,
Hall,	Tracy,	
Monroe,	Weatherington,	

Motion prevailed.

The members of the Committee and Mr. Walters, were on their request, excused from voting.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The regular order of business was suspended, and the House took up the resolution of the Senate in relation to adjournment, with the amendments laid upon the table yesterday.

Mr. Graham withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Russell withdrew the amendment offered by himself yesterday.

Mr. Tracy moved the House do now concur in the Resolution of the Senate.

Mr. Rogers called for yeas and nays.

Yeas 28, {  
Nays 30, }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Lockwood,	Mr. Poston,
Baldwin,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Bryan,	McCall,	Smith, of Cedar,
Corse,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Dewey, Fremont	McFarland,	Walters,
Dorland,	Morgan,	White,
Hall,	Neal,	Young,
Holmes of Linn	Neely,	Yeoman,
Hyde,	Pigman,	
Jackson,	Pritchard,	

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Rosser,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Russell,
Boyles,	Holmes of Jones	Smith, Jackson,
Brown,	Johnson,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Turner,
Connell,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Edie,	Monroe,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Witter,
Graham,	Rogers,	Speaker.

Motion lost.

Mr. Witter asked leave of absence for Messrs. Creamer, Wamsley, Stevenson, and Mechem.

Mr. Witter withdrew his request for Mr. Dewey of Lee, to move a reconsideration of the vote upon the question of concurring in the Resolution of the Senate to adjourn.

Motion to reconsider prevailed.

Upon the question of concurring in the Resolution of the Senate, Mr. Rogers called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 37. }

Nays, 20. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Lockwood,	Mr. Russell,
Baldwin,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Boyles,	McCall,	Smith, Jackson,
Bryan,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	Walters,
Dewy, Fremont,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Dorland,	Neal,	White,
Hall,	Neely,	Witter,
Holmes of Linn,	Newsom,	Yeomans.
Hyde,	Pigman,	Young,
Jackson,	Poston,	
Johnson,	Pritchard,	

The nays were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Rosser,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Tisdale,

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Holmes, Jones,	Mr. Turner,
Connell,	Kinert,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McKay,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Meek,	Speaker
Greenleaf,	Rogers,	

Motion prevailed, and Resolution concurred in.

Mr. Bigelow moved that the House now adjourn.

Motion lost.

Mr. Connell asked for a call of the House.

Call sustained.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Bryan moved to suspend the order of business, and take up the Senate Resolution in relation to appointing a Joint Committee on the part of the two Houses to visit the Penitentiary at Fort Madison.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Rogers moved to amend the Resolution by adding the words "Provided that no extra pay shall be allowed said Committee for such services."

Mr. Connell moved to amend the amendment, by adding "the regular traveling expenses of a member shall be paid to them."

Which was accepted by Mr. Rogers.

The question being on the amendment as amended, the same was lost.

Mr. Graham moved to amend by striking out the words, "two" on the part of the Senate, and inserting "one," and striking out "three," on the part of the House, and inserting "two."

Question on the amendment of Mr. Graham, the same was lost.

The question being on the original resolution, it was concurred in.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Williams, Dewey of Fremont, and Edie, said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Speaker presented the following communication from the Secretary of State :

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
IOWA CITY, Dec. 20th, 1854. }

*To the Honorable the House of Representatives, of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the request contained in your resolution of yesterday, requesting me “to furnish the House with a statement of the aggregate population of each county in the State according to the census of 1854,” I herewith submit a tabular statement of the organized counties in this State, with the number of white males and females, colored males and females, voters, militia and aliens, in each; also, the number of insane, blind, and deaf and dumb persons in each county, as shown by the returns of township assessors.\* These returns are very imperfect, a majority of the assessors, making no report of those unfortunate persons.

The following counties, to-wit :

Audubon, Butler, Floyd, Greene, and Mitchell, were organized on the first Monday in August last (subsequent to the time of taking the census); consequently no report of the census of said counties have been received at this office.

Very Respectfully,

Your Ob't Servant,

GEO. W. McCLEARY,

Sec'y of State.

Mr. Williams moved that the report of the census be laid on the table, and ordered to be published.

Mr. Neal moved to amend by inserting “one thousand copies.”

Mr. McFarland moved to amend by striking out “one thousand.” and inserting “two hundred.”

Motion to print five thousand copies, lost.

The amendment to print two hundred copies, prevailed.

\*See Appendix for Census Report.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, ETC.

Mr. Goodfellow introduced

House File, No. 24, An Act to amend section 166, of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

House File, No. 25, An Act to amend the laws, regulating Fees in certain cases.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

Joint Resolution, No. 9, To procure additional Mail facilities.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

42d rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Rogers introduced

House File, No. 26, An Act to create certain State roads therein named.

Which was read a first time.

Also,

Joint Resolution, No. 8, A Memorial for the establishment of certain Mail routes, and for additional Mail facilities.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

42d rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a second and third time by its title, and passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Tisdale introduced

House File, No. 27, An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations:

## BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 21, a Bill for an act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs."

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File, No. 33, a Bill for an act to locate a State road from Adel, in Dallas county, to Council Bluffs, in Pottawattamie county.

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Vanfossen,

Rule 42d was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, by leave of the House, introduced House File, No. 28, a Bill for the removal of the Capitol of the State of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

Senate File, No. 23, a Bill to prevent trespass or waste from being committed on swamp and other lands.

Read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Rule 42d was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Schools and State Universities.

Senate File, No. 25, a Bill for an act defining a standard weight per bushel for Stone Coal.

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 26, A Bill for an act to authorize the Governor of the State to adjust and close the 500,000 acre grant.

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 32, "A Memorial, for the removal and location of the Omaha Indians, in Nebraska Territory."

Read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Holmes,



Referred to a Select Committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Holmes, of Jones, Rogers, and Dewey, of Fremont, said Committee.

Mr. Lockwood, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred

Senate File, No. 36, "A Resolution to pay over certain monies," reported the same back to the House, with the following amendment, to wit:

In the first line after the title, after the word "Assembly," insert 'of the State of Iowa;' and in the third line, after the words, "pay over," the words "to the Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, to be applied in payment of debts contracted by Richard Quinton, former Warden of said Penitentiary."

Which report was concurred in.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 21, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 22, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 23, read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Memorial and Joint Resolution, No. 4, read a second time.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment:

To insert before the word "Pella," the name of Oskaloosa.

Mr. Tracy moved to refer the Resolution, with the amendment, to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays on the motion to refer.

Yeas, 31. }

Nays, 14. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Smith, Jackson,
Brown,	Kinert,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Lookwood,	Tracy,
Connell,	McCrary,	Turner,
Eddie,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Goodfellow,	McKay,	Weatherington,

Mr. Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Holmes, Jones,

Mr. Monroe,  
Pigman,

Mr. Yeoman,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Boyles,  
Dewey, of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont,  
Lyon,  
McCall,

Mr. Meek,  
Morgan,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Smith, of Cedar,  
Walters,  
Williams,  
Young.

Motion to refer prevailed.

Senate file, No. 36, reported from the committee on Ways and Means read with the amendments.

On motion of Mr Lockwood,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the same was passed, and the bill agreed to.

Upon request, the House granted Mr. Samuels leave of absence.

#### BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House file, No. 12, An Act to encourage the killing of Wolves, read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

It was resolved that the following be added to the standing rules of this House.

“Additional rule, No. 1, That when the yeas and nays are taken upon any question, the clerk shall not read the names of those voting yea or nay, to the House, except on the call of five members present.

By leave of the House,

Mr. Neal gave notice of the introduction of a bill to establish an institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Knoxville Marion county, Iowa.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER :—I herewith present for your signature,

Senate file, No. 10. An Act, to authorize the County Judge of Appanoose county, to transcribe a portion of the records of said county, and to legalize the same,

Also,

Senate file, No. 29, An Act to amend the charter of the Town of Fort Madison.

The same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec'y Senate

Mr. McKay had leave to place upon the Journals the following protest of himself and others, whose names appear thereto, in relation to the action of the General Assembly, in passing a joint resolution.

To adjourn from Saturday, December 23d, to Tuesday, January 2d, A. D., 1855.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
December, 22d, 1854. }

WHEREAS, The Senate having passed a joint resolution, the House concurring, the General Assembly adjourn from Saturday the 23d inst., until Tuesday, the 2d day of January, A. D., 1855.

And, the House having, by a plurality vote, concurred in said adjournment. The avowed object of which was, that the Members might spend the "holidays" in recreation.

And believing, as we do, that this adjournment is in violation of the trust reposed in us by our Constituents, and virtually unwarranted by a fair construction of the Constitution, and is setting a bad precedent for future Legislatures.

Therefore, We, the undersigned Members of the House of Representatives do enter this our solemn protest against such adjournment, and ask that the same be entered upon the Journals of this House.

Signed,

JAMES D. MCKAY,

E. P. EPIE,

JOHN CONNELL,

A. D. GRAHAM,

GEORGE W. ROSSER,

JOSEPH BARKER.

J. W. ROGERS,

JOSEPH BROWN,

LAFAYETTE BIGELOW,

W. H. HOLMES,

EZRA VAN FOSSEN,

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 23, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Only 26 Members of the House being present, the Speaker announced that there was no quorum present for the transaction of business.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,  
The House adjourned.

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TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 2, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of the 20th 22d, and 23d December, read.

Mr. Dorland moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The roll was called.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, further proceedings under the call were suspended.

Mr. Yeoman presented the claim of Samuel D. Houston for services rendered as School Fund Commissioner, in regard to saline lands in Lucas county, which was,

On motion of Mr. Yeomans,

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Yeoman presented the petition of Samuel C. Tompson and 69 other citizens of Decatur county, asking for a state road from Oscaloosa, via certain points to the state line, in the direction of St. Joseph Missouri, which was,

On motion of Mr. Yeoman,

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Also,

The petition of William H. Cheever, and 70 other citizens of

Decatur county, asking for an act changing the name of South Independence to Leon, which was, on his motion, lain on the table.

Mr. Bryan presented the petition of Mr. L. McPherson, and 104 other citizens of Madison county, Iowa, asking the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was laid on the table;

Also, The petition of E. P. Henderson, and 156 other citizens of Warren county, Iowa, upon the same subject, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, presented the petition of Mrs. P. Gad Bryan, and 90 other ladies of Indianola, asking the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was read, and laid on the table.

Mr. Young presented the petition of seven hundred and eighty-five citizens of Lee and Scott counties, Iowa, on the same subject, which was laid on the table.

Also,

A petition of one hundred and twenty-three citizens of Johnson county, praying for the passage of a law enforcing the observance of the Sabbath,

Which was referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. White presented a petition from George Hobson, and 49 other citizens of Henry county, asking for an act requiring the printing of surplus acts of the present Legislature, which was referred to the Committee on Expenditures.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of Alfred Sluyter and 32 other citizens of Salem, in Henry county, asking for an act incorporating said town, which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Pritchard presented the petition of Jacob Long, and 23 other citizens of Muscatine and Louisa counties, asking for a Law to enforce the observance of the Sabbath, which was referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Connell presented the petition of D. H. Petefish, and 90 other citizens of Tama county, praying for the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. McKay presented the petition of W. F. Ross, and 71 other citizens of Alamakee and Winneshiek counties, asking for an Act to locate a certain state road, which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Turner presented the petition of D. S. Davis, and 31 other citi-

zens of Buchanan county, praying for the establishment of a State Normal School, at Quasqueton, in said county, which was referred to the Committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Tracy presented the petition of T. J. Copp, and 56 other citizens of Des Moines county, asking a repeal of the Usury Laws, which was  
Laid on the table.

Also,

A remonstrance from Edward Coad, and 38 other citizens of Des Moines county, against the repeal of the Usury Laws, which was  
Laid on the table.

Also,

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of Joel Mason, and 364 other citizens of Council Bluffs, asking for a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Graham presented the petition of H. W. Coble, and 49 other citizens of Tipton, Iowa, asking for a Law enforcing the observance of the Sabbath, which was referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Also,

A petition from Jacob Long, and 25 other citizens, asking for a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was

Laid on the table

Mr. Connell presented a petition from James H. Doughty, and 29 other citizens of Iowa and Poweshiek counties, asking for an alteration in a State Road leading from Marengo, which was referred to the Committee on roads and highways.

#### NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Yeomans.

Notice of A Bill to re-apportion the State, and to define the boundaries of senatorial and representative districts.

Also,

Notice of An Act to dispose of the swamp and overflowed lands within this State, and to pay the expense of selecting and surveying the same.

Also,

Notice of a Bill for an Act to organize the county of Ringgold;

Also,

Notice of a Bill for an Act to change the name of South Independence, Decatur county.

Also,

Notice of "An Act to authorize the County Judge of Clark county to vacate certain grounds in the town of Ocoola, and to sell the same.

By Mr. Witter:

Notice of a Bill to amend the Charter of the city of Davenport.

By Mr. Smith, of Cedar:

Notice of a Joint Resolution, asking Congress for an Act authorizing the construction of bridges and dams across Cedar river, and the use of water power for certain purposes.

By Mr. McFarland:

Notice of a Bill for an Act to incorporate the town of Salem, in Henry county.

By Mr. Dorland:

Notice of a Bill instructing the Warden of the State Penitentiary to obtain certain statistics as to the previous habits of the convicts, and embrace the same in his future reports.

By Mr. McKay:

Notice of a Bill to locate the Seat of Justice of Mitchell county, and to name the same.

By Mr. Dewey, of Fremont:

Notice of an Act to facilitate proceedings in the Courts of this State, and to regulate practice and proceedings therein.

By Mr. Hinkle:

Notice of a Bill to amend section 1857, chapter 109, of the Code of Iowa.

By Mr. Neely:

Notice of a Memorial and Joint Resolution to establish a Garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The Resolution offered by Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, changing the hour of the morning meeting of the House to 9 o'clock, A. M., was taken from the table, and adopted.

Mr. Witter, by leave of the House, introduced

House File, No. 29, "An Act to authorize an additional term of the Court in Scott county."

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Corse offered to amend the 4th section of the Act, by adding words, "at the expense of Scott county.

Amendment agreed to.

On motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a third time, and passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. McFarland introduced House File No. 30, "An Act to establish an institution for the Deaf and Dumb."

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Neal introduced House File, No. 31, "An Act to establish an Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa."

Which was read a first time, and, on his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Dorland presented House File, No. 32, "An Act to amend section 1477, and repealing sec. 1478 of the Code of Iowa,

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Graham introduced House File, No. 33, "An Act to regulate the inspection of Shingles and Lumber."

Which was read a first time.

#### COMMUNICATION ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE.

The Speaker presented the following communication from Thomas H. Benton, Jr., late Superintendent of Public Instruction, accompanied with his final report:

IOWA CITY, January 2, 1855.

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa:*

DEAR SIR:—I beg leave to present herewith my final Report as Superintendent of Public Instruction.\*

The enclosed bill of Peter Daggy, Esq., you will please present, and have presented to the appropriate Committee.

Yours, very respectfully,

THOMAS H. BENTON, Jr.

\*See Appendix for Superintendent's Report.



Mr. Corse moved that 1000 copies of the Report be printed.

Mr. McCrory moved to amend by inserting 3,000.

Mr. Edie moved to amend the amendment, and insert 5,000 copies—500 of which should be for the use of Mr. Benton.

The question being upon printing 5,000 copies, the same was adopted.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 24, read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 25, read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 26, read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Edie,

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Kinert,

The House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House file, No. 9, read a second time by its title.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to refer the bill to the committee of the whole House, and that it be made the special order for Tuesday next, 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Russell moved to lay the bill on the table.

Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays upon the motion to lay the bill upon the table.

Yeas 27 }

Nays 21 }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,

Bigelow,

Brown,

Mr. Johnson,

Kinert,

Lockwood,

Mr. Rogers,

Russell,

Smith of Cedar,

Mr. Connell, Creamer, Dorland, Eddie, Holmes, of Jones Hyde,	Mr. McCall, McCrory, M Farland, McKay, Pigman, Pritchard,	Mr. Stephenson, White, Williams, Witter, Young, Mr. Speaker.
The nays were, Mr. Barker, Boyles, Bryan, Corse, Dewey of Lee. Dewey, Fremont Goodfellow,	Mr. Graham, Hinkle, Jackson, Monroe, Neal, Neely, Newsom,	Mr. Rosser, Smith, Jackson, Tisdale, Tracy, Turner, Vanfossen, Yeoman.

Motion prevailed and bill laid on the table.

## BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House file, No. 20,

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The resolution of Mr. McKay, fixing the final adjournment of the General Assembly, to the 23d day of January, was read a second and third time, and

On motion of Mr. Corse,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

House file No. 15, was taken from the table and read a second time, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Graham, Samuels, and Kinert.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

The House ordered 5000 copies of the acting Superintendent of Public Instruction's report, to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

House file, No. 5, was made the special order for Wednesday next 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

House file, No. 11, was taken from the table and read a second time, and referred to a select committee of three.

The chair appointed Messrs. Dewey, of Fremont, Tisdale, and Connell, said committee.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, by leave of the House, introduced House file, No. 39, An Act to prevent shooting across roads and highways, which was read a first time. and

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Neal moved to refer the bill to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

Moved to amend and refer to the committee on Military affairs.

The question being upon the amendment, the same was rejected.

Mr. White proposed to refer the bill to a select committee of three, which was accepted, as an amendment by Mr. Neal,

Mr. Holmes of Jones, be chairman of the committee.

Motion to refer as amended prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Holmes, of Jones, Witter, and Bryan said committee.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The House adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3, 1864.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. McFarland presented a remonstrance from Elijah James and 28 other citizens of Henry county, against the repeal of the Usury laws, which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Witter presented a petition from Philip Earhart, and 92 other citizens of Pleasant Valley, asking the passage of a prohibitory liquor law, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Lyon presented the petition of Geo. A. Risney, and 254 other citizens of Warren county asking for a law to enforce the observance of

the Sabbath, which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of J. A. Griffith, and 26 other citizens, asking for a school district, on the county line, between Mahaska and Winneshiek counties Iowa, which was,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

Referred to a select committee composed of the members from Mahaska and Winneshiek counties.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of Wm. Berry, and 83 other citizens, praying for the location of a State Road, from Montezuma to Knoxville, Iowa, which was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Boyles presented the petition of George Purcel, and 122 others praying for a relocation of the State Road for Charleston to Keokuk in Lee county, which was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Jackson presented the petition of J. E. Johnson, and 75 others of Pottawattamie county, praying for the establishment of a State Road from Adel in Dallas county to Council Bluffs, which was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Turner presented the petition of George S. Dewitt, and 44 other citizens of Delaware county, praying for the establishment of Township collectors of Taxes, which was on motion of Mr. Turner,

Referred to the committee on Township and county organizations.

Mr. Witter presented the petition of S. B. Wright, and other citizens of Burlington, asking for a prohibitory liquor law, which was laid upon the table.

The Speaker presented the claim of Mr. Daggy, for services rendered at the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, which was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Russell presented the petition of William B. Balding and 50 other citizens of Wasowville, asking for certain additional mail service which was on motion of Mr. Russell,

Referred to a select committee of one.

The chair appointed Mr. Russell said committee.

Mr. Bigelow presented a petition from D. P. Grinter and 21 other citizens of Guttenberg, asking that no alteration be made in their town charter, which was,

On motion of Mr. Bigelow,

Referred to the committee on Township and County organizations.

NOTICE TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Goodfellow,

Notice of a bill to fix the time of holding courts in the 9th judicial district.

Also,

Notice of a joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities in this State.

By Mr. Hyde:

Notice of a bill for the incorporation of the city of Laclair.

By Mr. Neely:

Notice of a bill to locate a State road from Vinton in Benton county to Ashton in Manona county.

By Mr. Graham:

Notice of a bill to amend Sec. 940 of Chapter 56 of the Code of Iowa.

Also,

A Bill for the incorporation of Cemetery Associations.

By Mr. Pritchard:

Notice of a bill to prevent the destruction of game in Muscatine county.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wamsley from the committee on Internal Improvements.

Reported back to the House, House file, No. 17, and recommended its passage.

The report was received.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Boyles presented House file, No. 35, An Act providing for the election of Township Surveyors, and defining their duties, which was read a first time and,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

200 copies of the bill was ordered to be printed.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, presented

House file. No. 36, An Act to facilitate proceedings in the Courts of this State, and to regulate the practice and pleadings therein, which was read a first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time, and,  
 On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,  
 Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and 200 copies ordered  
 to be printed.

Mr. Yeomans introduced House file, No. 37, A Bill for An Act to reapportion the State and to define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts therein, which was read a first time by its title and 200 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Yeomans introduced House file, No. 38, A Bill for An Act authorizing the county Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground in the town of Ocoola, which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Dorland presented House file No. 39, An Act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Yeomans presented House file, No. 40 A bill for An Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county, which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Kinert presented House file, No. 41, A Bill to provide for the relocation and change of Roads and Highways, which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. McFarland presented House file, No. 42. An Act to repeal Marriage license, which was read a first time.

Mr. Witter, by leave of the House, Presented a petition from James Gart, and 129 other citizens of Davenport, praying for an extension of their city Charter. Also,

A Remonstrance from Nathaniel Lewis, and 29 other citizens of the village of East Davenport, against said extension.

Which said Petition and Remonstrance were laid upon the table.

By leave of the House,

Mr. Samuels presented House File No. 43, "An Act to amend an Act, to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque," approved February 24th, 1847.

Which was read a first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Holmes, of Jones,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Speaker presented the following communication from the Auditor of State, and accompanying Report:

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
IOWA CITY, January 1st, 1855. }

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*

In obedience to a resolution of the House of Representatives, passed December 15th, 1854, I have the honor to submit the following

REPORT:\*

In some few instances it has been impossible to determine the exact amount due for each year, as the credits do not show for which year they were intended; but in most cases I have been able to show in what year the deficiencies accrued, and have charged them to the County Treasurer chargeable by law.

It will be seen by the accompanying table, that the delinquencies for past years are all charged to the present County Treasurers of their respective counties, except in two instances:—Samuel Townsend, a former Treasurer of Louisa county, appears, by the books of this office, to be in arrears \$40.54 upon the taxes of 1850; and Joseph H. Smith, a former Treasurer of Jackson county, to be likewise in arrears for the years 1849, 1850, 1851 and 1852, \$1,337.02. These two amounts are not charged to the present Treasurers of those counties.

I desire to submit the propriety of making each county responsible to the State for all delinquent taxes, after the expiration of two years from the time the same became due;—I understand such to be the law in many other States, and that its operation is beneficial to the public interests.

The Treasurers and county officers—elected by the people of their counties—qualified before the County Judges, and over whom the State officers can exercise but little influence or control. If the counties are made responsible for the prompt and safe delivery of the State taxes, instead of the Treasurers, the public interests, I conceive, would be greatly promoted.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ANDREW J. STEVENS,

Auditor of State.

By JOHN PATTER, Deputy.

\*See Appendix for Report.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Report was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to examine the records of the Auditor's office, in relation to said matters.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The following references were made:

The Reports in relation to saline and swamp lands, were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

The Report of the Commissioners of the Des Moines River Improvement, referred to the Committee on that subject.

The Memorial of the Committee of the State Agricultural Society, referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Report from the Trustees of the Blind Asylum, and the special Message of the Governor on that subject, was referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

The Report of T. S. Wilson was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 32, read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Neal,

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 37, "A Joint Resolution, asking additional mail facilities."

Also,

Senate File, No. 14, "A Joint Resolution, asking additional mail facilities."

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y of the Senate.

Mr. Witter, by leave of the House, introduced House File, No. 44. Which was read a first time.

House File, No. 33, was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. White,



Referred to a select committee of three, and Mr. Graham appointed Chairman of said committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. White and Bonson the other members of said committee.

House File, No. 17,

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

Was re-committed to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the Petition of Green T. Clark, for a seat in this House, from the 34th Representative District, be instructed to report on Thursday morning, January 4th, 1855.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and House File, No. 44, read a second and third time.

The question being on the passage of the Bill,

The same was passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Kinert, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported House File, Joint Resolution, No. 3, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The Resolution was,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The House adjourned.

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## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Special order being House File No. 5, referred to Committee of the Whole, the same was taken up.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole House Mr. Brown in the Chair.

After some time, the Committee arose, and reported through their Chairman, that some progress had been made in the subject referred to them and asked leave to sit again to-morrow, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Leave was granted, and the Bill made the special order for that hour.

House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4, A. D., 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. Goodfellow presented the Petition of Robert Kirkwood, and 25 other citizens of Pleasant Township, Monroe county, asking for An Act authorizing the election of a third Justice of the Peace, in said Township, which was,

On motion of Mr. Goodfellow,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs Goodfellow, Yeomans, and Dewey of Lee, said Committee.

Mr. Mechem presented a Memorial of the citizens of Jefferson county, being certain proceedings and resolutions of a public meeting at Fairfield, in said county, which was

Laid on the Table.

Mr. Mechem presented a remonstrance from Samuel Robb, and Lester T. Gillet, against Laws enforcing the observance of the Sabbath, which was referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Young presented a petition from A. White, and 120 other citizens of Monroe county, asking for A Law enforcing the observance of the Sabbath, which was

Referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Young presented the petition of Richard Mulholland and 30 other citizens of Adams county, asking for a Prohibitory Liquor Law, and a law enforcing the observance of the Sabbath, which was

Laid on the Table.

Mr. Hinkle presented the Petition of D. B. Smith, and 164 other citizens of Lee county, praying for the location of a State Road from Primrose to Keokuk, in Lee county, which was on motion of Mr Hinkle,

Referred to a Special Committee of five.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Hinkle, Wamsley, Dewey of Lee, White and Neal, said Committee.

Mr. Vanfossen presented the petition of Elza Lauk, and 53 other citizens of Dallas and Guthrie counties, praying for the location of a Road from Wintersett, via certain points to Jefferson, and

Also,

Asking for a Memorial to Congress for certain mail facilities.

Also,

The petition of Jos. W. Commins, and 105 others, asking for a State Road from the West line of Dallas county to Council Bluffs.

Also,

The petition of Elza Lauk, and 50 other citizens of Guthrie county, asking for a certain road therein named, and certain mail facilities.

The petitions were, upon motion of Mr. Vanfossen,

Referred to the Committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Neal presented the petition of William M. Stone, and 58 other citizens of Marion county, asking to attach the County of Marion to the Ninth Judicial District, which was,

On motion of Mr. Neal

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. White offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient at this Session of the Legislature, permanently to remove the Capitol of this State to some more central point in the State.

Mr. Witter moved, to lay the resolution on the Table.

Mr. Witter withdrew the motion.

Mr. Samuels renewed the motion

To lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 23, }

Nays 43, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Brown,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,

Mr. Holmes, Jones,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
McCrary,

Mr. Rogers,  
Samuels,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Turner,  
Witter,  
Young,

Mr. Edie,  
Holmes, of Linn

Mr. McKay,  
Pigman,

Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Barker,  
Boyles,  
Bryan,  
Connell,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Dewey, of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont  
Dorland,  
Goodfellow,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Jackson,  
Lyon,  
McCall,  
McFarland,  
Meek,  
Monroe.  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Poston,

Mr. Pritchard,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Stevenson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Vanfossen,  
Walters,  
Wamsley,  
Weatherington,  
White,  
Yeoman,

Motion lost.

Mr. Connell moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

Mr. Bryan called for the yeas and nays.

The yeas were :

Mr. Bigelow,  
Banson,  
Brown,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Edie,

Mr. Holmes, of Linn,  
Holmes, of Jones  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
McCrary,  
Rogers,

Mr. Samuels,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Witter,  
Young.  
Mr. Speaker.—19.

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,  
Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Boyles,  
Bryan,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Dewey, of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont

Mr. Jackson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCall,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mason,  
Meek,  
Monroe,

Mr. Poston,  
Pritchard,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Sargent,  
Smith, Jackson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,

Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Moore,	Mr. Walters,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Greenleaf,	Neely,	White,
Hall.	Newsom,	Yeoman.—47.
Hinkle,	Pigman,	

Motion to indefinitely postpone,

Lost.

Mr. Corse moved the previous question, which motion was sustained.

The question being, Shall the previous question now be put?

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 43. }

Nays 24. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Pigman,
Baldwin,	Jackson,	Poston,
Barker,	Kinert,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Bryan,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Corse,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Cramer,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Turner,
Dewey, Fremont	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Moore,	Walters,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Graham,	Neal,	White,
Greenleaf,	Neely,	Yeoman;
Hall,	Newsom,	

The nays were:

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Smith, Jackson,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Johnson,	Wamsley,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Williams,
Conkey,	McKay,	Witter,
Connell,	Rogers,	Young,
Eddie,	Russell,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes, of Linn,	Samuels,	

Decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring upon the original resolution, Mr. Tisdale called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 40, }

Nays, 26, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Newsom.
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Pigman,
Barker,	Jackson,	Poston,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Pritchard,
Bryan,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Corse,	Lyon,	Russell,
Creel,	McFarland,	Sargent,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Tisdale,
Dewey, of Lee,	Meek,	Tracy,
Dewey, Fremont	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	More,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	White,
Graham,	Neal,	
Greenleaf,	Neely,	

The nays were:

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Smith of Jackson
Bonson,	Johnson,	Turner,
Brown,	McCall,	Wamsley,
Coffin,	McKay,	Williams,
Conkey,	Rogers.	Witter,
Connell,	Samuels,	Yeoman,
Edie,	McCrary,	Young,
Holmes of Linn,	Stephenson,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones	Smith of Cedar,	

Resolution adopted.

Mr. Tracy offered the following :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House, that Commissioners shall be appointed under proper restrictions, to locate the Capitol of this State as near the geographical center of the State as practicable.

Which was lost.

NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Dorland,

Notice of a bill providing for the moral and literary education of all criminals confined in our State Penitentiary.

By Mr. Kinert,

Notice of a bill to amend the 1st and 2nd sections of chapter 112, of the Acts of 1852-3.

By Mr. Bonson,

Notice of a Joint Resolution, appointing surveyors to relocate that part of the Territorial road leading from Dubuque City to Iowa City, commencing at Dirty Hollow, to the residence of Thomas McCabe, on said road.

By Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Notice of a bill to extend the term of office of Drainage Commissioners.

By Mr. McCrory,

Notice of a bill to donate to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City, a Church reserve, in block No. 13, in Iowa City.

Also,

A Bill to amend section 467 of chapter 37, of the Code of Iowa.

On motion of Mr. Yeomans,

Mr. Franklin was excused from attendance upon this House until his health should admit of his resuming his seat.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Yeomans, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported House File, No. 43, An Act to amend an act to Incorporate and establish the City of Dubuque, approved Feb. 24, 1847.

Correctly engrossed.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported House File, No. 9, An Act to appoint Commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county.

Correctly enrolled.

Mr. Lyon, from the Committee on Township and County Organizations, submitted the following report in regard to sundry petitions and remonstrances from citizens of Blackhawk county, and House File, No. 7.

The Committee on Township and County Organizations, have had under consideration the petitions and remonstrances of the citizens of Blackhawk county, on the subject of removing the Seat of Justice for said county, and find that the present location of said Seat of Justice, was established by Commissioners who were appointed by

the last Legislature, at the instance of the citizens now asking action at our hands on this subject, and that only a short time over one year has elapsed since said Commissioners upon actual view of the premises named as "Cedar Falls" and "Waterloo" in said petitions, did locate said Seat of Justice, at the town of Cedar Falls.

Your Committee, therefore, have instructed me to report that after a full investigation of the evidence before us, that we deem it inexpedient to take any action on the subject, and ask that the Committee be discharged from any further consideration of the matter.

A. M. LYON.

Chairman.

Mr. McCrory, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the petition of Green T. Clark, contesting the seat of James M. Walters, a sitting member of the House, from the 34th Representative District, have directed me to report in reference to said matter, that they have examined the papers and evidence in said case, and find that Green T. Clark has a majority of fourteen votes over James M. Walters. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Green T. Clark be admitted to a seat as a Representative from the 34th District, in the place of James M. Walters.

SAMUEL H. McCRORY,

Chairman.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from Mr. Walters :

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of the Honorable General Assembly of the State of Iowa, now in session :*

You are notified that I hereby resign my office of Representative in the General Assembly of said State, from the thirty-fourth Representative District.

JAMES M. WALTER.

Iowa City, January 4th, 1855.

Mr. Russell moved to accept the resignation of Mr. Walters.



Mr. Bonson offered the following substitute for said motion, viz:

That Green T. Clark be entitled to his seat, as a member of this House, and that the House accept the resignation of Mr. James M. Walters.

Mr. Williams asked a division of the question on the substitute, and moved that the question on the last part of the motion be first taken.

Mr. Bonson withdrew his motion.

The question being upon the motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Walters, the same was adopted.

Mr. Tracy moved that the resolution of the Committee on Elections be adopted.

Mr. Russell moved to re-commit the resolution, and report to the Committee.

Motion to re-commit lost.

Mr. Russell moved to amend the resolution of the Committee, by striking out the words "in the place of James M. Walters."

Which motion was adopted.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Green T. Clark being present, took and subscribed the oath required by the Constitution, and took his seat as a member of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The clerk of the House was instructed to furnish Green T. Clarke, the member from the 34th, District, the same books, stationery, pens, and other articles as have heretofore been furnished to the other members of the House.

Mr. McCall gave notice of the following bills.

A Bill for An Act to establish a State Road from the town of Grinell, in Poweshiek county, to the town of LeGrand, in Marshall county.

Also,

Notice of a Bill for An Act to establish a State Road in Penora, in Guthrie county, to Magoolia, in Harrison county.

Also,

A Bill for a State Road from Fort Des Moines, via Nevada and Eldorado to Cedar Falls, in Blackhawk county.

Also,

Notice of A Bill for An Act to establish a State Road from Rapids, in Boon county to Penora in Guthrie county, via Moores Grove.

Also,

Notice of A Bill for An Act to attach certain unorganized counties to the counties of Green, Webster, and Harden, for election, judicial, and revenue purposes.

Also,

Notice of a joint resolution, as'ing additional mail facilities in the interior of this State.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Holmes of Linn, introduced

House file, No. 45, An Act to amend An Act entitled An Act to authorize Nicholas B. Brown and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar River, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Conkey,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The blank in Section first was filled with the words "March 1st, 1855.

The bill was read a third time and passed, and the title of the bill agreed to.

Mr. Goodfellow, introduced

House file, No. 46, A Bill for An Act to fix the times of courts, in the 9th, Judicial District, which was read a first time.

Also,

House file, Joint Resolution, No. 9, To procure additional mail facilities, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a second time, and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. McFarland presented House file, No. 47, A Bill to amend An Act entitled An Act to establish an institution for the Blind, approved January 18, 1853, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time by its title and referred to the committee on Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Prtichard, introduced

House file, No. 48, An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the city of Muscatine.

Also,

A remonstrance from Suel Foster and 11 other citizens, on lands adjoining Muscatine, against the said bill.

The bill was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pritchard,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill was read a second time and with the remonstrance referred to a special committee, composed of Messrs. Pritchard, Pigman, and Holmes of Jones.

Mr. Boyles, introduced

House file No. 49, An Act to locate a State Road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose to Keokuk, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second and third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Hyde presented House File, No. 50, "An Act to incorporate the city of Le Clare."

Which was read a first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hyde, Witter, and Samuels.

Mr. Smith, of Cedar, presented Joint Resolution, No. 10, relative to constructing bridges and Dams across Cedar river.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a second time by its title, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Smith, of Cedar, Graham, and Brown.

On motion of Mr. Mechem,

The House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order being the consideration of House File, No. 5, referred to the Committee of the Whole House,

Mr. Dorland moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. Bryan, Hyde, Jackson, Russell, Rosser, and Samuels absent.

The following House Files having duly passed both branches of the General Assembly, and having been signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk of the House, as required under the rules, and placed in the hands of the proper committee, to be presented to his Excellency the Governor for approval,

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 6,

Memorial and Joint Resolution, asking certain mail facilities.

House File, No. 9,

An Act, appointing Commissioners to locate the County Seat of Ringgold county.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to bring in the absentees.

After a short time, the Sergeant-at-Arms returned, and reported the absentees in their seats.

Committee of the Whole House—Mr. Tisdale in the Chair.

The Committee rose at ten minutes to 5 o'clock, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again at 6½ o'clock, P. M. to-morrow.

Leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, A. D., 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed

Senate files, No. 2, 3, 15, and 31.

Joint Resolutions asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Senate file, No. 13.

Memorial for Mail Service upon routes No. from Fort Madison to Farmington, etc.

Senate file, No. 4.

Joint resolution, asking aid of Congress to improve the Rock Island and Des Moines Rapids of the Mississippi.

Substitute for Senate file, No. 39.

Joint resolution in relation to a certain Lot of Land in Iowa City.

Also,

Senate file, 42.

A Bill for an Act to attach the County of Carroll to the County of Guthrie, for judicial election and revenue purposes, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I herewith return,

H. R. file, No. 3.

Joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

H. R. file, No. 8.

Memorial and joint resolution to establish mail routes etc.

H. R. file, No. 20.

An Act to erect school district No. 3, in Cedar Township, Monroe county, Iowa.

The same having passed the Senate without amendment.

Also,

H. R. file, No. 29.

An Act to authorize an additional term of court in Scott county, with one amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY,

As Sec'y of Senate.

Journal of yesterday read.

BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 16.

Joint resolution, asking additional mail facilities.

Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 37.

A joint resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a first time.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 38.

Read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 39.

An Act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary, was

Read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Goodfellow,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Bill read a third time by its title and passed, and the title of the same agreed to.

House File, No. 40.

Read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 41.

Read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

House File, No. 42.

An Act to repeal Marriage License.

Read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

House File, No. 43.

An Act, to amend an Act, to incorporate and establish the City of Dubuque, approved February 24, 1847.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Message from the Senate by Senators Love and Saunders.

Who announced that the Senate were now ready to meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives, pursuant to a adjournment, in joint convention, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator, and Judges of the Supreme Court.

On motion of Mr. Tracy.

A Committee of three was appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform them that the House was ready to receive them in Joint Convention.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Tracy, Bigelow and Rogers, said Committee.

The Committee having discharged their duty, reported the same to the House.

The President and Members of the Senate, preceded by their Sergeant at Arms and Secretary, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, and took the seats assigned them.

## JOINT CONVENTION OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The President of the Senate acting as President of the Convention, and the Clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

The President announced the purposes of the Convention to Elect a United States Senator for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March, next, and a Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court.

The Roll of the Convention was called, and the Members all present except Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, and Franklin.

On motion of Mr. Yeoman, Mr. Franklin was excused from attendance on account of ill health.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in the other absentees.

After a short time the Sergeant at Arms announced Mr Dewey of Fremont in his seat, and that member answered to his name.

Mr. Workman acting as Teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Kinert acting as Teller on the part of the House.

Mr Test nominated for the office of Senator, MILTON D. BROWNING, of Des Moines county.

Mr. Hyde nominated EBENEZER COOK of Scott county.

Mr. Thurston nominated JOSEPH H. D. STREET, of Wapello county.

At the request of Mr. Browning, Mr. Test withdrew his name.

Mr. Creamer withdrew the name of Joseph H. D. Street.

Mr. Clark of Jackson, nominated AGUSTUS C. DODGE, of Des Moines county.

Upon request, Mr. Clark withdrew the name of Mr. Dodge.

Mr. Saunders nominated JAMES HARLAN, of Henry county.

No other names being presented, the President directed that the Convention proceed to a sixth vote for United States Senator, which resulted as follows :—

Those voting for JAMES HARLAN, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn
Barker,	Edie,	Holmes, of Jones
Bigelow,	Fulton,	Kinert,
Cleaver,	Graham,	Lockwood,
Coffin,	Greenleaf,	Lyon,
Connell,	Hamilton,	McCrary,
Creel,	Hillis,	Matthews,
Creamer,	Hogan,	McFarland,

Mr. McKay, Mechem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, P. rick, Pigman,	Mr. Pritchard, Rogers, Rosse, Russell, S anders, Schramm, Smith, of Cedar,	Mr. Stephenson, Turner, Vanissen, Wilkinson, White, Williams, Young.—16.
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Those voting for Mr. Cook, were,

Mr. Albright, Browning, Bryan of Warren Baldwin, Boyles, Brown, Clark of Marion,	Mr. Colbaugh, Conkey, Goodfellow, Hyde, Johnson, Love, McCrory,	Mr. McCall, Neely, Samuels, Smith, Jackson, Tracy, Workman, Witter.—21.
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Those voting for MILTON D. BROWNING, were:

Mr. Birge, Bryan, Guthrie, Clark, of Jackson Corse, Dewey, Fremont, Hinkle,	Mr. Lucas, McCulloch, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Poston,	Mr. Sargent, Test, Tisdale, Udell, Weatherington, 17
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Those voting for P. GAD BRYAN, were,

Mr. Bonson, Damon,	Mr. Hall, Jackson,	Mr. Neal, Newsom.—6.
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Those voting for B. HENN, were,

Mr. Coop, Dewey, of Lee,	Mr. Ramsay,	Mr. Yeoman.—4.
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Mr. McAchran voted for Wm. McKay.

Mr. Preston voted for Thomas H. Benton, Jr.

Mr. Thurston voted for Thomas W. Clagett.

Whole number of votes cast, ninety-nine.

No person having received a majority, the President announced no choice had been made.

The Convention proceeded to a seventh vote for United States Senator, which resulted as follows:

Those voting for JAMES HARIAN, were,



Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes, of Jones	Rosser,
Bigelow.	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Rogers,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Connell,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Creel,	Matthews,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Dorland,	McKay,	Turner,
Edie,	Mechem,	Vanfosseen,
Fulton,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Graham,	Noble,	Wamsley,
Greenleaf,	Needham,	White,
Hamilton,	Park,	Williams,
Hillis,	Pigman,	Young.--47
Hogan,		

Those voting for Mr. Cook, were,

Mr. Browning,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan, Warren,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Bryan of Guthrie	Hyde,	Samuels,
Baldwin,	Jackson,	Smith, Jackson,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Thurston,
Clark, of Marion,	Love,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Workman,
Conkey,	McCall,	Witter,
Damon,	Neal,	Mr. President.—29.
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	

Those who voted for MILTON D. BROWNING, were,

Mr Albright,	Mr. McCulloch,	Mr. Sargent,
Birge,	Meck,	Test,
Clark, of Jackson	Monroe,	Tisdale,
Coop.	Moore,	Udell,
Corse,	Preston,	Weatherington.
Dewey, Fremont	Poston,	Yeoman.—19
Lucas,		

Those who voted for JOHN G. SHIELDS, were.

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hall.--2.
Mr. McAdran	voted for Wm. McKay.

Mr. Ramsay voted for Mr. Thompson.

Whole number of votes cast, ninety-nine.—Necessary to a choice, fifty.

The President announced, that no person having received the number of votes requisite to a choice, there was no election.

Mr. Conkey moved that the voting for Senator be suspended, and the Convention proceed to vote for Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 14. }

Nays, 85. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Fulton,	Mr. Samuels,
Boyles,	Goodfellow,	Smith, Jackson,
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Thurston,
Conkey,	Hyde,	Workman,
Connell,	Russell,	Mr. President.

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Park,
Albright,	Dinkle,	Preston,
Birge,	Holmes, Jones,	Pigman,
Browning,	Jackson,	Poston,
Bryan of Warren,	Johnson,	Pritchard,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Barker,	Love,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Lucas,	Ramsay,
Bonson,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Clark, Jackson,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Clark, Marion,	McCulloch,	Shields,
Cleaver,	McCrary,	Sargent,
Coolbaugh,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Coop,	McAhran,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Test,
Corse,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Creel,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Creamer,	McKay,	Turner,
Damon,	Mechem,	Udell,
Dewey of Lee,	Meck,	Vanfossen,
Dewey, Fremont,	Monroe,	Wilkinson,
Dorland,	Moore,	Wausley,

Mr. Edie,	Mr. Morgan,	Mr. Weatherington,
Graham,	Noble,	White,
Greenleaf,	Needham,	William,
Hamilton,	Neal,	Witter,
Hillis,	Neely,	Yeoman.
Hogan,	Newsom,	Young,

Motion lost.

Mr. Shields withdrew the name of Mr. Bonson.

Mr. Bryan, of Warren, proposed if in order to withdraw the name of James Harlan.

The convention proceeded to the 8th, vote for United States Senator, which resulted as follows:

Those voting for Mr. Harlan, were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes, of Linn	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Sambors,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Serramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar
Creel,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dorland,	McKay,	Udell,
Elie,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Fulton,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Graham,	Noble,	Wansley,
Greenleaf,	Needham,	White,
Hamilton,	Park,	Williams,
Hillis,	Pigman,	Young—47.

Those voting for Mr. Browning, were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Dewey, Fremont	Mr. Poston,
Bigge,	Goolfellow,	Preston,
Bryan, Warren	Hinkle,	Ramsay,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Love,	Shields,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Sargent,
Clark, Jackson,	McCulloch,	Test,
Clark, of Marion	McCall,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	Meek.	Tracy,

Mr. Coope, Corse, Damon, Dewey, of Lee,	Mr. Monroe, Moore, Neal, Newsom,	Mr. Udell, Weatherington, Yeoman.—35
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Those who voted for Ebenezer Cook, were:

Mr. Browning, Baldwin, Conkey, Hyde, Jackson,	Mr. Johnson, McCrary, Neely, Samuels, Smith, Jackson,	Mr. Thurston, Workman, Wit'er, Mr. President.—14.
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Mr. Bonson, voted for O. D. Tisdale.

Mr. Hall, voted for Thomas H. Benton, Jr.

Mr. McAchran, voted for Wm. McKay.

No person having received the requisite number, the President announced there was no choice.

Mr. Anderson moved, that the Convention do now suspend the voting for a United States Senator, and proceed to the election of a Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Thurston called for a division of the question. The question being upon the motion to suspend voting for a United States Senator.

Mr. Anderson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 57.)

Nays 49. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Cramer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton,	Mr. Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones Hyde, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McCrary, M. Farland, McKay, Mechem, Morgan,	Mr. Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schramm, Smith, of Cedar, Stehenson, Turner, Vanfossen, Wilkinson, Wansley, White,
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Mr. Graham,  
Hamilton,  
Hillis,

Mr. Noble,  
Needham,  
Park,

Mr. Williams,  
Young,

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,  
Birge,  
Browning,  
Bryan, Guthrie,  
Bryan, Warren,  
Bonson,  
Boyles  
Clark Jackson,  
Clark, Marion,  
Coolbaugh,  
Coop,  
Corse,  
Damon,  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey, Fremont  
Goodfellow,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Hall,  
Jackson,  
Johnson,  
Love,  
Lucas,  
McCulloch,  
McAchan,  
McCall,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Preston,  
Poston,

Mr. Ramsay,  
Shields,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith, Jackson,  
Thurston,  
Test,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Udell,  
Workman,  
Weatherington,  
Witter,  
Yeoman,  
Mr. President..

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Shields moved that the Convention adjourn to 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Preston called for the yeas and nays on the motion to adjourn.

Yeas 33,  
Nays 60,

The yeas were :

Mr. Birge,  
Browning,  
Bryan, Warren,  
Bryan, Guthrie,  
Boyles,  
Brown,  
Clark, Jackson,  
Clark of Marion  
Coop,  
Damon.  
Dewey, of Lee,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Hyde  
Jackson,  
Johnson,  
Lucas,  
McCulloch,  
McAchan,  
McCall,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,

Mr. Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Poston,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Udell,  
Workman,  
Weatherington,  
Yeoman,  
Mr. President.

The yeas were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Rosser,
Albright,	Hall,	Russell,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn	Ramsay,
Barker,	Holmes, of Jones	Samuels,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Schramm,
Bonsca,	Love,	Shields,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Coelbaugh,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Smith, Jackson,
Conkey,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Corse,	McFarland,	Thurston,
Creel,	McKay,	Test,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Turner,
Dewey, Fremont	Morgan,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Noble,	Wilkinson,
Eddie,	Needham,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Park,	White,
Graham,	Preston,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Pigman,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Poston,	Young,
Hamilton,	Pritchard,	
Hillis,	Rogers,	

Motion to adjourn, lost.

The question being upon the motion to proceed to the election of Judges,

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 53. }  
Nays 47. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn,	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Brown,	Johnson,	Russe,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrory,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Elie,	McAchran,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Mechem,	White,
Greenleaf,	Morgan,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Noble,	Young.
Hillis,	Needham,	

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Browning,	Jackson,	Shields,
Bryan, Warren,	Love.	Sargent,
Bryan, Guthrie,	Lucas,	Smith, Jackson
Bonson,	Monroe,	Test,
Boyles,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Clark, of Marion	McCall,	Tisdale,
Clark, of Jackson	Meek,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	Monroe,	Udell,
Coop,	More,	Workman,
Corse,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewey, of Lee,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Dewey, Fremont	Poston,	Mr. President
Goodfellow,	Preston,	

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Bonson moved that the Convention adjourn.

Mr. Anderson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 43. }

Nays, 58. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Bryan, Guthrie,	Mr. Clark, of Marion
Birge,	Bonson,	Coop,
Browning,	Boyles,	Corse,
Bryan, Warren,	Clark, Jackson,	Damon,

Mr. Dewey, of Lee,	Mr. Moore,	Mr. Thurston,
Dewey, Fremont	Mouroe,	Tisdale,
Gold elow,	Neal,	Tracy,
Hall,	Preston,	Udell,
Hinkle,	Posten,	Workman,
Jackson,	Ramsay,	Weatherington,
Love,	Shields,	Witter,
Lucas,	Samuels,	White,
McCulloch,	Sargent,	Yeoman,
McCall,	Test,	Mr. President,
Meek,		

The nays were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Newsom,
Baldwin,	Holmes, of Linn,	Park,
Barker,	Holmes, of Jones	Pigman,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Coolbaugh,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Samuels,
Creel,	McAchrn,	Smith, of Jackson
Creamer,	McCrory,	Smith of Cedar
Dorland,	McFarland,	Stevenson,
Eddie,	McKay,	Turner,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Graham,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Wamsley,
Hamilton,	Needham,	White,
Hillis,	Neely,	Williams,
		Young.

Motion lost.

Mr. Ramsay moved that the Convention do now adjourn until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Coolbaugh called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 31. {

Nays 68. }

The yeas were,



Mr. Birge,	Mr. Love,	Mr. Preston,
Browning,	Lucas,	Poston,
Clark of Jackson	McCulloch,	Russell,
Clark, of Marion	McAchrans,	Ramsay,
Coop,	McCrorry,	Smith of Jackson.
Conkey,	McCall,	Tracy,
Connell,	Mechem,	Workman,
Greenleaf,	Meek,	Witter,
Holmes, of Linn,	Morgan,	Yeoman,
Holmes of Jones	Newsom,	Mr. President.
Hyde,		

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Pritchard,
Albright,	Hamilton,	Rogers,
Bryan of Warren,	Hillis,	Rosser,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Hogan,	Saunders,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Schramm,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Test,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Thurston,
Coffin,	Matthews,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creel,	McKay,	Udell,
Creamer,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Moore,	Wilkinson,
Dewey of Lec,	Noble,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont	Needham,	Weatherington,
Dorland,	Neal,	White,
Edie,	Neely,	Williams,
Fulton,	Park,	Young.
Goodfellow,	Pigman,	

Motion lost.

Mr. Russell moved that the Convention adjourn to 2 o'clock and five minutes P. M.

Mr. Russell withdrew the motion, when the same was renewed by Mr. Ramsay.

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 53. }  
Nays 46. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Rosser,
Birge,	Holmes of Linn	Rogers,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Holmes of Jones	Russell,
Barker,	Hyde,	Ramsay,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Schramm,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith of Jackson,
Clark of Jackson	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar
Clark of Marion	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Cleaver,	Matthews,	Turner,
Coffin,	McAchrans,	Vanfossen,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Workman,
Connell,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	White,
Edie,	Monroe,	Williams,
Fulton,	Morgan,	Witter,
Graham,	Noble,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Mr. President.
Hamilton,	Pritchard,	

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Park,
Bryan of Warren,	Hall,	Poston,
Browning,	Johnson,	Preston,
Baldwin,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Bonson,	Love,	Shields,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Samuels,
Coolbaugh,	McCulloch,	Sargent,
Coop,	McCall,	Test,
Corse,	McKay,	Thurston,
Creel,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	Moore,	Tracy,
Damon,	Needham,	Udell,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neal,	Wilkinson,

Mr. Dewey of Fremont,	Mr. Neely,	Mr. Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Yeoman.
Hillis,		

Motion prevailed, and the Convention adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.  
The Senate having retired to their Chamber the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate by Senators Coolbaugh and Willis, who informed the House that the Senate was ready to meet in Joint Convention, pursuant to adjournment.

On Motion of Mr. Williams, a Committee of three was appointed wait upon the Senate, and inform that body that the House was ready to receive them in Joint Convention, pursuant to adjournment.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Williams, Wamsley, and Dewey of Lee said Committee.

The Committee having discharged their duty, reported accordingly.

The President and Members of the Senate, preceded by their Sergeant at Arms and Secretaries, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

JOINT CONVENTION OF THE TWO HOUSES.

The President of the Senate acting as President of the Convention, the Clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

The roll of the Convention being called, the following Members only were absent:—Mr. Franklin, excused, and Messrs. Neal and Neely.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in the absentees.

After a short time, Messrs. Neal and Neely were announced, and answered to their names.

Mr. Workman acting as Teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Kinert acting as Teller on the part of the House.

The President announced the business before the Convention was the Election of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, for the term of six years.

Mr. Boyles nominated EDWARD JOHNSON of Lee county, for said office.

Mr. Anderson nominated GEORGE G. WRIGHT of Van Buren county.

Mr. Thurston moved that the Convention first proceed to elect Associate Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Anderson called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 47, }

Nays 52, }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Browning,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Bryan of Warren	Love,	Sargent,
Bryan of Guthrie	Lucas,	Smith of Jackson
Bowson,	McCulloch,	Test,
Boyles,	McAchrans,	Thurston,
Clark of Jackson	McCall,	Tisdale,
Clark of Marion,	Meek,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	Monroe,	Udell,
Coop,	Moore,	Workman,
Corse,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Dewey of Fremont,	Preston,	Mr. President.
Goodfellow,	Poston,	

The nays were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn,	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	Mathews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfos sen,

Mr. Edie,	Mr. McKay,	Mr. Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Morgan,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young
Hillis,		
Motion lost.		

There being no further nominations for Chief Justice, the convention proceed to a first vote for that office.

Which resulted as follows:

Those who voted for GEO. G. WRIGHT, were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	Mathews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McAhran,	Turner,
Dorland,	McCrorry,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McFarland,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Mechem,	White,
Greenleaf,	Morgan,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Noble,	Young—53.
Hillis,	Needham,	

Those who voted for EDWARD JOHNSON were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Shields,
Bryan of Warren,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Love,	Sargent,
Bonson,	Lucas,	Smith of Jackson
Boyles,	McCulloch,	Test,
Clark of Jackson,	McCall,	Thurston,
Clark of Marion,	Meek,	Tisdale,

Mr. Coolbaugh,	Mr. Monroe,	Mr. Tracy,
Coop,	Moore,	Udell,
Corse,	Neal,	Workman,
Damon,	Neely,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Newsom,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont	Preston,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Peston,	Mr. President—45.

Mr. Browning voted for H. W. Starr.

Whole number of votes cast, 99.

Mr. Wright having received 53 votes, being a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa, for the term of six years.

The President announced the next business before the convention was the election of Associate Judge.

Mr. Williams nominated William G. Woodward, for that office.

Mr. Shields nominated Lincoln Clark, and on suggestion, withdrew Mr. Clark's name.

Mr. Browning, nominated Henry W. Starr.

No other nominations being made the convention proceeded to vote for an associate Judge of the Supreme Court, which resulted as follows :

Those voting for William G. Woodward, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Brown,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Love,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	Mathews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrorry,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McKay,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Morgan,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young—51.
Hillis,		

Those who voted for JAMES GRANT, were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Smith of Jackson,
Boyles,	Moore,	Workman,
Clark of Jackson,	Neal,	Witter,
Clark, of Marion	Shields,	Mr. President—14.
Dewey of Lee,	Samuels,	

Those who voted for J. E. NEAL, were :

Mr. Bryan of Guthrie,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Neely,
Dewey of Fremont,	Love,	Newsom—8.
Goodfellow,	McCall,	

Those who voted for H. W. STARR, were :

Mr. Browning,	Mr. McAchrn,	Mr. Thurston,
Bryan of Warren,	Test,	Tracy—7.
Hyde,		

Those who voted for J. D. TEST, were :

Mr. Coolbaugh,	Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Poston,
Corse,	Meek,	Sargent,
Jackson,	Preston,	Yeoman—9.

Those who voted for J. C. Hall, were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Tisdale,	Mr. Weatherington.
Ramsay,	Udell,	—5.

Those who voted for J. M. Love, were :

Mr. Damon,	McCulloch,	Monroe—9.
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Mr. Cook, voted for Samuel Clinton.

Mr. Birge voted for George Green.

Whole number of votes cast, 99.

Necessary to a choice, 50.

The President announced that William G. Woodward, having received a majority of the votes cast was duly elected an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, for the ensuing term.

The President announced the next business before the convention, was the election of another Associate Judge of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Love nominated George Green of Linn county.

Mr. Boyles nominated Jarius Neal, of Marion county.

Mr. Browning nominated D. F. Spurr, of Jackson county,

Mr. Shields nominated J. M. Love, of Lee county.

No other nominations being made, the convention proceeded to vote for an Associate Judge. being the first vote for a Second Associate Judge of the Supreme Court.

Those who voted for NORMAN W. ISBELL, were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes of Linn	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Rosser.
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McKay,	Turner,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Noble,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Needham,	White,
Hamilton,	Park,	Williams,
Hillis,	Pigman,	Young—16,
Hogan,		

Those who voted for J. M. LOVE, were

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Meck,	Mr. Shields,
Damon,	Monroc,	Test,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Thurston,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Udell,
Hinkle,	Preston,	Workman,
Lucas,	Poston,	Weatherington,
McCulloch,	Ramsay,	Ycoman—21.

Those who voted for JARIUS E. NEAL, were

Mr. Bryan, of Warren,	Mr. Dewey, of Fremont	Mr. Samuels,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Jackson,	Smith of Jackson,
Bonson,	McCall,	Witter—13.
Boyles,	Moore,	
Clark of Marion,	Neely,	

Those who voted for Mr. D. F. SPURR, were

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Coolbaugh,	Mr. McCachran,
Birge,	Corse,	Sargent—8.
Browning,	Hyde,	

Those voting for Mr. GREEN, were

Mr. Clark of Jackson,	Mr. Hall,
Love,	Mr. President—4.



Those voting for Mr. T. Davis, were

Mr. Johnson,

Mr. McCrory—2.

Those voting for Mr. Slagle, were Messrs. Baldwin and Coop.

Mr. Greenleaf voted for Mr. M. H. Jones.

Mr. Tisdale voted for Harvey Dunlavey.

Mr. Tracy voted for Henry W. Starr.

Whole number of votes cast 99.

Necessary to a choice 50.

No person having received said number, the President announced no choice.

The Convention proceeded to a second vote, which resulted as follows:

Those voting for NORMAN W. ISBELL, were

Mr. Anderson,

Hogan,

Mr. Pritchard,

Barker,

Holmes of Linn,

Rogers,

Bigelow,

Holmes of Jones

Rosser,

Brown,

Kinert,

Russell,

Cleaver,

Lockwood,

Saunders,

Coffin,

Lyon,

Schramm,

Conkey,

McCrary,

Smith of Cedar,

Connell,

Matthews,

Stephenson,

Creel,

McFarland,

Turner,

Creamer,

McKay,

Vanfossen,

Dorland,

Mechem,

Wilkinson,

Eddie,

Morgan,

Wamsley,

Fulton,

Noble,

White,

Graham,

Needham,

Williams,

Hamilton,

Park,

Young—47.

Hillis,

Pigman,

Those voting for Mr. D. F. SPURE, were

Mr. Albright,

Mr. Hinkle,

Mr. Poston,

Birge,

Hyde,

Ramsay,

Browning,

Johnson,

Shields,

Bryan of Guthrie,

Love,

Samuels,

Boyles,

McCulloch,

Sargent,

Clark of Jackson,

McAchrans,

Smith of Jackson,

Coolbaugh,

McCrory,

Test,

Coop,

McCall,

Thurston,

Corse,

Meek,

Tisdale,

Mr. Damon,	Mr. Monroe,	Mr. Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Udell,
Dewey of Fremont	Neal,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Neely,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Yeoman—41.

Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bonson, and Mr. Bryan of Warren, voted for Mr. Samuels.

Mr. Baldwin voted for C. W. Slagle.

Clark of Marion, voted for Mr. P. Gad Bryan.

Mr. Hall voted for Mr. Neal.

Mr. Lucas voted for Mr. Dewey of Fremont.

Mr. Preston voted for Gillman Folsom.

Mr. Workman voted for Wm. Penn Clark.

Mr. President voted for George Green.

No person having received a majority of the votes cast, the President announced that there was no choice.

The Convention proceeded to a third vote for a second Associate Judge, which resulted as follows :

Those voting for NORMAN W. ISBELL, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creamer,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Edie,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Noble,	White,
Graham,	Needham,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Park,	Young—46.
Hillis,	Pigman,	
Hogan,	Pritchard,	

Those voting for D. F. SPURR, were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Newsom,
Birge,	Greenleaf,	Poston,

Mr. Browning,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Ramsey,
Bryan of Warren	Hyde,	Shields,
Bryan of Guthrie	Jackson,	Sargent,
Baldwin,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson
Boyles,	Love,	Test,
Brown,	Lucas,	Thurston,
Clark of Jackson	McCulloch,	Tisdale,
Clark of Marion,	McAchran,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Udell,
Coop,	McCall,	Workman,
Corse,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Monroe,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Yeoman,—47.
Dewey of Fremont	Neely,	

Those voting for P. Gad Bryan, were :

Mr. Bonson, Mr. Hall, Mr. Neal,—3.

Mr. Preston voted for Amos Harrison,

Mr. President voted for George Green.

Mr. Samuels voted for D. S. Wilson.

There being still no choice, no person having received a majority of the number of votes cast, the Convention proceeded to a fourth vote for a Second Associate Judge, which resulted as follows :

Those voting for NORMAN A. ISBELL, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Holmes of Jones,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Russell,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Matthews,	Schramm.
Connell,	McFarland,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McKay,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Turner,
Dorland,	Morgan,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	Noble,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Needham,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Park,	White,
Hamilton,	Preston,	Williams,
Hillis,	Pigman,	Young.—47.
Holmes of Linn,		

Those voting for D. F. Spurr, were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Neely,
Birge,	Hogan,	Newsom.
Browning,	Hall,	Poston,
Bryan of Warren	Hinkle,	Ramsay,
Bryan of Guthrie	Hyde,	Shields,
Baldwin,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Love,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Lucas,	Test,
Clark of Jackson	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Clark of Marion,	McAchrán,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Coop,	McCall,	Udell,
Corse,	Meek,	Workman,
Damon,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont	Neal,	Yeoman.—48.
Goodfellow,		

Those voting for D. S. Wilson, were Messrs. Bonson, and Samuels—2.

Mr. President voted for George Green.

Mr. Jackson voted for W. P. Clark.

Whole number of votes,—99.

Necessary to a choice,—50.

No person having that number of votes, the President announced no choice, whereupon the Convention proceeded to a fifth ballot.

Those voting for NORMAN W. ISBEL, were,

Mr. Anderson,	Holmes of Linn	Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McKay,	Turner,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	Morgan,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Noble,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Needham,	White,

Mr. Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan,	Mr. Park, Pigman,	Mr. Williams, Young.—46.
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Those voting for D. F. SPURR, were,

Mr. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren Bryan of Guthrie Baldwin, Boyles, Brown, Clark of Marion Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont Goodfellow,	Greanleaf, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, McCrary, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore,	Neal, Neely, Newsom, Poston, Shields, Sargent, Smith of Jackson Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Yeomans, Mr. President.—46.
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Messrs. Clark of Jackson, and Samuels, voted for D. S. Wilson.

Mr. Preston voted for William Smith.

Mr. Ramsay voted for Mr. Thurston.

Mr. Test voted for Mr. Preston.

Mr. Witter voted for D. S. True.

Mr. President voted for Geo. Green,

Whole number of votes 99.

Necessary to a choice 50.

No one having that number, the President declared that no choice had been made.

Mr. Bonson moved to postpone the election of Judges for twelve months, which was upon request withdrawn.

Mr. White moved to adjourn, to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Udell moved to strike out 10 o'clock, and insert the 25th day of April.

The amendment was lost.

On Mr. White's motion to adjourn the yeas and nays were called.

Yeas 48.)

Nays 51.)

The yeas were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Needham,
Baldwin,	Hogan,	Park,
Barker,	Holmes of Linn	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Saunders,
Cleaver,	Dockwood,	Schramm,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Connell,	Mathews,	Turner,
Creal,	McAchrans,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McCrorry,	Wilkinson,
Dorland,	McCall,	Wamsley,
Edie,	McFarland,	White,
Graham,	Mechem,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Morgan,	Young.
Hamilton,	Noble,	

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall.	Mr. Pritchard,
Birge,	Hinkle,	Russell,
Browning,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Ramsay,
Bryan of Warren,	Jackson,	Shields,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Love,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Lucas,	Smith of Jackson
Clark of Jackson,	McCulloch,	Test,
Clark of Marion,	Mr. McKay,	Thurston,
Coolbaugh,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Coop,	Monroe.	Tracy,
Corse,	Moore,	Udell,
Damon,	Neal,	Workman,
Dewey, of Lee,	Neely,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Newsom,	Witter,
Fulton,	Preston,	Yeoman.
Goodfellow,	Poston,	Mr. President.

Motion lost.

The Convention proceeded to a sixth vote for a second Associate Judge of the Supreme Court which resulted as follows :

Those voting for NORMAN W. ISBELL, were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes of Linn	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creamer,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Edie,	Morgan,	Wamsly,
Fulton,	Noble,	White,
Graham,	Needham,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Park,	Young.—45
Hillis,	Pigman,	
Hogan,	Pritchard,	

Those who voted for B. F. SPURR, were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Dewey, of Lee,	Mr. McCall,
Birge,	Dorland,	Moore,
Browning,	Edie,	Neely,
Bryan of Warren,	Fulton,	Newsom,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Greenleaf,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Hall,	Test,
Brown,	Hinkle,	Thurston,
Clark of Marion	Johnson,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	Love,	Tracy,
Coop,	McCulloch,	Udell.—34
Corse,	McAchrans,	
Damon,	McCrary,	

Those voting for PHILIP B. BRADLEY, were,

Mr. Meek,	Poston,	Smith of Jackson
Preston,	Ramsay,	Weatherington,
Witter.—7.		

Those voting for GEORGE L. NIGHTINGALE, were,

Mr. Hyde,	Shields,	Samuels,
Workman.—4		

Those voting for Mr. SEARS, were,  
 Mr. Dewey, of Fremont            Goodfellow,            Lucas.—3

Messrs. Bonson and Neal voted for Mr. Boyles.

Mr. Baldwin voted for C. W. Slagle.

Mr. Yeoman voted for Mr. Hendershott.

Mr. Monroe voted for Mr. Love.

Mr. Clark, of Jackson, voted for Mr. Wilson.

Whole number of votes cast, 99—necessary to a choice, 50.

No person having received that number. the President declared that no choice had been made.

Mr. Bryan moved that the Convention adjourn until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Mr. Test moved to amend the motion by inserting the "4th day of July next."

Mr. Love moved, to amend the amendment by adjourning to 7 o'clock, P. M., of to-day.

The question being upon Mr. Love's amendment, the same was lost.

On the amendment of Mr. Test. Lost.

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays on motion of Mr. Bryan

Before the question was taken, the President read to the Convention, the certificates of election of the Chief Justice and Judge of the Supreme Court, of which the following are true duplicates as made out and attested in the presence of the Convention.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF IOWA, }  
 January 5th, 1855. }

This will certify that at an election by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Friday the 5th day of January, A. D. 1855, William G. Woodward was duly elected Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa.

MATURIN L. FISHER,  
 President of the Joint Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL WORKMAN,  
 DAVID KINERT.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OF THE STATE OF IOWA, }  
 January 5th, 1855. }

This will certify that at an election by General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Friday, the 5th day of January,



A. D., 1855, George G. Wright was duly elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa.

MATURIN L. FISHER,  
President of the Joint Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL WORKMAN, Tellers:  
DAVID KINERT.

On the motion to adjourn to 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow,

Yeas, 58, }

Nays, 41, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Bryan of Warren,	Holmes of Linn,	Pigman,
Bryan of Guthrie.	Holmes of Jones	Rogers,
Baldwin,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Barker,	Jackson,	Russell,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Schramm,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Cleaver,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Matthews,	Turner,
Connell,	McAhran,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McCrary,	Wilkinson,
Creamer,	McCall,	Workman,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Eddie,	McKay,	White,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Williams,
Graham,	Morgan,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Young,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Mr. President.
Hillis,	Neely,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Pritchard,
Birge,	Hall,	Ramsay,
Browning,	Hinkle,	Saunders,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Shields,
Boyles,	Love,	Samuels,
Clark of Jackson,	Lucas,	Sargent,
Clark of Marion,	McCulloch,	Smith of Jackson,

Mr. Coolbaugh,	Mr. Meek,	Mr. Test,
Coop,	Monroe,	Thurston,
Corse,	Moore,	Tracy,
Damon,	Neal,	Udell,
Dewey of Lee,	Newsom,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont	Preston,	Yeoman.
Fulton,	Poston,	

Motion prevailed, and Convention adjourned to to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

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SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 6, 1854.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday (except the special order, 'A Joint Convention of the two Houses,') read.

On motion of Mr. Holmes,

Further reading of the Journal was suspended.

Mr. Boyles presented the petition of Jasper O'Neil, and 70 other citizens of Lee county, asking for the passage of a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid upon the table.

Also,

A remonstrance, signed by two hundred and thirty legal voters of Lee county, against the passage of certain Bills providing for a Recorder's office in the city of Keokuk, and authorizing the County Judge to furnish a Courtroom in said city, at the expense of the county; which was,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

Referred to a special committee composed of members from Lee county.

Mr. Young presented the petition of N. J. Hawley, and 98 other citizens, asking for a prohibitory Liquor Law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Pritchard presented the petition of D. C. Cloud, and 116 other

citizens of Muscatine county, asking for a law to prevent the destruction of game in said county; which was,

On motion of Mr. Pritchard,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Pritchard, Bonson, and Goodfellow said committee.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, presented the petition of Thomas N. Johnson, and 25 other citizens of Adams county, asking for the appointment of certain commissioners to locate the County Seat of Adams county; which was,

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

Referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Also,

The petition of W. S. Townsend, and 32 other citizens of Adair and Cass counties, asking for the establishment of a State Road from Winterset, in Madison county, to certain points therein specified;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Conkey presented the petition of Elias Skinner, and 87 other citizens of Iowa, asking for a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Also,

The petition of N. M. Day, and one hundred and five others, citizens of Iowa, on the same subject;

Which were laid upon the table.

Mr. Edie presented the petition of Joseph Berry, and 76 other citizens of Jackson county, asking for the passage of a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of William Shaw, and 36 other citizens of Iowa, asking for the location of a State Road from Newton to the Nine-mile House, in Mahaska county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Sargent presented the petition of Robert McGuigan, and 60 other citizens of Middletown, Iowa, asking for the passage of a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Clark presented the petition of John B. Hamilton, and twenty-four other citizens of Pella, Iowa, and vicinity, praying for a State Road from Pella to Albia;

Which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Clark, Coffin and Neal.

Mr. Neal presented the remonstrance of A. C. Cunningham, and 83 other citizens of Marion county, against detaching said county from the 5th Judicial District;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Witter, it was

*Resolved*, That the use of this Hall be granted to Dr. Jewett this evening, at 6½ o'clock, for the purpose of lecturing on the subject of Temperance.

On motion of Mr. Corse, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Schools and State University be instructed to bring in a Bill, defining what length of time shall constitute a quarter's schooling, in the District Schools of this State.

On motion of Mr. Neal, it was

*Resolved*, That a select committee of five be appointed, to whom shall be referred all bills and propositions to repeal or amend the Code of Iowa, and that Mr. Boyles, of Lee, be Chairman of said Committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Boyles, Tracy, Neal, Williams, and Samuels said Committee.

#### NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Yeoman:

Notice of a Memorial and Joint Resolution, for additional mail facilities.

By Mr. Holmes, of Linn:

Notice of a Bill to amend section 2,543 of the Code of Iowa.

By Mr. Neal:

Notice of a Bill to fix the times of holding Courts in the 5th Judicial District:

Also, of a Bill to establish a rotary system of the Supreme Court.

Also, of a Bill to authorize the Township of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, to elect an additional Justice of the Peace.

Also, of a Bill to incorporate the town of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

By Mr. Newsom:

Notice of a Bill to repeal section 1089 of chapter 68 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to the election of School Fund Commissioners.

By Mr. Vanfossen:

Notice of a Bill to locate a State Road from Winterset, in Marion county, to Jefferson, in Green county.

By Mr. Hall :

Notice of a Joint Resolution asking for a mail route from Maquoketa in Jackson county, to Colesburg in Delaware county.

By Mr. Boyles :

Notice of a Bill providing for Appeals from Justices of the Peace to the County Courts.

By Mr. Dorland :

Notice of a Bill to amend section 2383 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to appointing Deputy Constables.

By Mr. Pigman :

Notices of a Bill to amend chapter 51 of the Code in relation to goods and estrays.

Mr. Connell gave notice of a Bill locating a State Road from Cedar Rapids to Eldora.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that on yesterday, the 5th inst., they presented to the Governor for his approval,

House file, No. 6,

A Memorial and Joint Resolution asking certain mail facilities.

Also,

House file, No. 9,

An Act, appointing commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county.

Mr. Goodfellow, from the special committee, to whom was referred the petition of the citizens of Pleasant Township, Monroe County, Iowa, in regard to the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in said Township, reported by Bill.

House file, No. 51.

And recommended its passage.

Which Report was received, and committee discharged.

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

House file, No. 51, read a first time.

Mr. Newsom presented House file, No. 52.

An Act to amend section 2545, of chapter 136 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to juror's fees.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bonson introduced

House file, No. 53,

Which was read a first time, and on motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Graham introduced

House file, No. 54.

An Act to incorporate Cemetery Associations,

Which was read a first time.

It being the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., the Speaker of the House announced the same, and the special order to be a Joint Convention of the Senate and House of Representatives, pursuant to adjournment, for the purposes of electing a United States Senator, and Judge of the Supreme Court.

On motion of Mr. McKay,

A Committee of three was appointed to wait upon the Senate, and inform that body that the House of Representatives was now ready to receive the Senate in Joint Convention, previous to adjournment, for the purpose of electing a Judge of the Supreme Court, and a United States Senator.

The Chair appointed Messrs. McKay, McFarland and Clark, said Committee.

During the absence of said committee,

Mr. Corse moved that the House do now adjourn to 9 o'clock, Monday next.

Mr. Edie called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 18. }

Nays 50. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,

Bryan,

Corse,

Damon,

Dewey of Lee,

Dewey of Fremont

Mr. Goodfellow,

Jackson,

Meek,

Monroe,

Moore,

Poston,

Mr. Samuels,

Sargent,

Tisdale,

Tracy,

Weatherington,

Yeoman.

The nays were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Uinkle,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes, of Linn,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Jones	Rogers,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Russell,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Jackson,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Turner,
Connell,	McCall,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Williams,
Eddie,	Morgan,	Witter,
Graham,	Neal,	Young.
Greenleaf,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Newsom,	

The committee appointed to wait upon the Senate reported that they had discharged that duty by proceeding to the Senate Chamber, and delivering their message, and informing the Secretary of the Senate thereof. That the Secretary informed the committee that the Senate had adjourned over to Monday next.

A number of the Members of the Senate entered the Hall of the House without their President and took their seats.

The Speaker announced that the Joint Convention of the Senate and House of Representatives was now in Session, pursuant to adjournment, for the purpose of Electing a Judge of the Supreme Court, and a United States Senator.

Mr. Samuels rose to a question of order, to wit, was the Joint Convention properly convened?

The Speaker announced that the Convention had now convened.

Mr. Samuels appealed from the decision of the Speaker, and asked for the yeas and nays, and insisted on his appeal being decided only by the House of Representatives.

The roll of the Joint Convention was called, and the following Members of the Convention answered to their names, being a majority of both branches of the General Assembly:

Those present and answering to their names were,

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes, of Linn,	Mr. Pigman;
Baldwin,	Holmes of Jones,	Pritchard,
Barker,	H. de,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Cleaver,	Lockwood,	Ramsay,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Saunders,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Schramm,
Connell,	Matthews,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McAchnan,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Thurston,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Turner,
Eddie,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Graham,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	White,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Williams,
Hillis,	Neely,	Witter,
Hogan,	Park,	Young,—57.

Those members of the convention and members of the House of Representatives, except Mr. Franklin excused, who did not answer to their names, refused to answer, or retired from the Hall during the calling of the roll.

The Speaker announced that a majority of the members of the General Assembly being present, that there was a quorum of the joint convention, now convened pursuant to adjournment, and that the appeal of Mr. Samuels could not be taken to the members of the House of Representatives only.

On motion of Senator Anderson,]

William W. Hamilton, a Senator from Dubuque county, was elected President *pro tem*, of the convention.

The President of the Senate, still being absent.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives in his chair, and the clerk of the House of Representatives acting as Secretary of the Joint convention.

The roll of the convention was called and the following members of the convention did not answer to their names, to-wit.



Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Ramsay,
Birge,	Hall,	Shields,
Browning,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Bryan of Warren,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Love.	Smith of Jackson
Bonson,	Lucas,	Test,
Boyles,	McCulloch,	Thurston,
Clark, of Marion	McCall,	Tisdale,
Clark, of Jackson	Meek,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	Monroe,	Udell,
Coop,	Moore,	Workman,
Corse,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Dewey, of Lee,	Poston,	Mr. President
Dewey of Fremont	Preston,	

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to notify members of the convention, who had not answered to their names, that the convention was now convened and to request their attendance.

Senators Ramsay and Thurston appeared on the floor of the convention and desired to be considered as not acting in the convention.

The Sergeant at Arms reported that he had performed his duty as required by the convention, that a few of the members he could not find.

On motion of Mr. Conkey,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Workman, teller on the part of the Senate being absent, Mr. Needham was appointed in his stead.

Mr. Kinert acting as teller on the part of the House.

The business of the convention being duly announced,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The convention proceeded to a seventh vote for a second Associate Judge of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Witter nominated Edward Johnson of Lee county.

Mr. Brown withdrew the name of Mr. Spurr.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The convention excused Mr. Neal from voting.

The seventh vote for a second Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, resulted as follows :

Those voting for **NORMAN W. ISBELL**, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Hogan,	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes, of Linn	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes, of Jones	Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McKay,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Morgan,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young—51.

Messrs. Clark of Marion, Neely, and Witter, voted for Edward Johnson.

Mr. Hyde voted for Mr. McAchran.

Mr. McAchran voted for B. F. Spurr.

Norman W. Isbell having received a majority of all the votes cast and a majority of all the votes of the members of both branches of the General Assembly, was declared duly elected Associate Judge of the Supreme Court for the term of six years.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The Convention proceeded to the election of a United States Senator for the State of Iowa, for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March next.

Mr. Hyde withdrew the name of Ebenezer Cook.

Mr. Anderson nominated James Harlan of Henry County.

The Convention proceeded to vote for a United States Senator, being the 9th vote, which resulted as follows :

Those voting for **JAMES HARLAN**, were :

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Park,
Baldwin,	Holmes, of Linn,	Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes, of Jones	Pritchard,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	Matthews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Eddie,	McKay,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Morgan,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young—52.
Hillis,	Neely,	

Messrs. Clark of Marion, and Neely voted for Bernhart Henn.

Mr. McAchran voted for Wm. McKay.

Mr. Witter voted for James Grant.

JAMES HARLAN having received a majority of all the votes cast, and a majority of the whole number of the members of the General Assembly, was declared duly elected a Senator of the United States, for the State of Iowa, for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March next.

The certificates of election were made out and duly attested in the presence of the Convention, of which the following are true duplicates:

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 6th, 1855. }

This will certify, that at an election by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Saturday, the 6th day of January, A. D., 1855, Norman W. Isbell was duly elected an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa, for the term of six years.

WILLIAM W. HAMILTON,  
President, *pro tem.*

REUBEN NOBLE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Attest: JOHN R. NEEDHAM, } TELLERS:  
DAVID KINERT, }

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
 January 6th, 1855. }

This will certify, that at an election by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Saturday, the 6th day of January, A. D., 1855, James Harlan was duly elected a Senator to represent this State in the Senate of the United States, for the term of six years, from and after the 4th day of March next.

WILLIAM W. HAMILTON,  
 President, *pro tem.*

REUBEN NOBLE,  
 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Attest: JOHN R. NEEDHAM, }  
 DAVID KINERT. } Tellers

On motion of Mr. Hillis,

The Joint Convention adjourned *sine die*, and the members of the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the Speaker, and

On motion of Mr. Witter,

Adjourned to 9 o'clock, Monday.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 8, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

So much of the Journal of the 5th inst. as was not read on the 6th, was read.

The Journal of Saturday the 6th inst., read and the following orders made in relation thereto:

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, offered the following preamble and resolutions, to-wit:

Whereas, A body of men, calling a "Joint Convention," did, on Saturday the 6th day of January, A. D. 1855, take possession of the

Representative Hall during the session of this House, and did interrupt the proceedings thereof, by going into a pretended election of Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, and of U. S. Senator :

*And whereas*, The proceedings of said body of men, appear upon the Journal of this House as the doings of a regular and legal Joint Convention : Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the proceedings of the pretended "Joint Convention," held in the Representative Hall on Saturday, January 6th, 1855, were disorderly and irregular.

*Resolved*, That the record of said proceedings, be expunged and obliterated from the Journal of the House.

Mr. McKay moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the preamble and resolutions.

Mr. Dorland called for the yeas and nays :

Yeas 40. }

Nays 29. }

The yeas were,

Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Russell,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Connell,	McCrorry,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Mechem,	William,
Eddie,	Morgan,	Witter,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Pritchard,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Poston,
Bryan,	Hinkle,	Samuels.
Bonson,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Boyles	McCall,	Smith of Jackson
Clark,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Monroe,	Tracy,

Mr. Damon,	Mr. Moore,	Mr. Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	

Motion to indefinitely postpone, prevailed.

Mr. Tracy offered a resolution amendatory of the Journal of the Joint Convention of Saturday, which was substituted by the following, offered by Mr. Conkey :

To strike out the name of Mr. Thurston from the list of members present, for the reason that, when the roll was called, he was not present,—though subsequently present,—and stated that he did not recognize the legality of the Joint Convention ;—nor did he act in the same.

Which substitute was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,  
The following preamble and resolutions were adopted :

*Whereas*, It has pleased the Almighty Ruler, in His all-wise and mysterious Providence, on Friday, the 22d day of December, 1854, to call from time to eternity, RICHARD TUTT, a member elect of this House from the 40th Representative District : Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the condolence and sympathy of this House, be tendered to the bereaved mother and friends of the deceased.

*Resolved*, That the members of this House do wear mourning for the period of 30 days, as a token of respect for their deceased fellow-member, and of regret at his loss.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the House transmit a copy of this preamble and resolutions to the mother of MR. TUTT.

On motion of Mr. Dorland, the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Pritchard and Mr. Samuels offered amendments to the Journal of the proceedings of the Joint Convention of Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The amendments and the further consideration of the whole matter, were laid upon the table, and the House took up the regular order of business :

BILLS UPON THEIR FIRST READING.

House File No. 55: An Act defining the weight of a bushel of sweet potatoes.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title and

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their secretary :

MR. SPEAKER : I herewith present for your signature, Senate File No. 21, A Bill for an Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Council Bluffs," the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

B, P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y Senate.

Senate File, No. 2, A Joint Resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Was read a first time by its title.

Senate File, No. 3, A Joint Resolution asking Congress for certain mail facilities.

Read a first time by its title.

Senate File, No. 4, A Joint Resolution asking aid of Congress to improve the Rock Island and Des Moines Rapids of the Mississippi.

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42nd rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a second time by its title.

Mr. Neal moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Motion to refer lost.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Russell had leave to give notice of the introduction of a bill to

establish a State road from the town of Richmond, in Washington county, to Muscatine, in Muscatine county.

Senate File, No. 13, A Memorial for mail services upon Rout No. Ft. Madison to Farmington.

Was read a first time.

Senate File, No. 15, A Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 16, A Joint Resolution asking for additional mail facilities.

Was read a first time.

Senate File, No. 31, A Joint Resolution for increased mail facilities.

Was read a first time.

Substitute for Senate File, No. 39, A Joint Resolution in relation to a certain lot of land in Iowa City.

Was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42nd rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second and third time by its title, and the bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 42, A Bill for an act to attach the county of Carroll to the county of Guthrie.

Was read a first time.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Treasurer of State :

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
IOWA CITY, January 2, 1855. }

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*

In obedience to a resolution of your Honorable Body, I herewith transmit for your inspection, a detailed account of the financial condition of the State, for the last two fiscal years.\* For the particulars in relation to the various warrants redeemed at this office, I would most respectfully refer you to the Auditor of State.

Yours respectfully,

MARTIN L. MORRIS,  
State Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The accompanying report was laid on the table, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed.

\* See Appendix for Report.



On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The Speaker of the House was added to the special Committee on amendments to the Code of Iowa.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

Senate File, No. 37, A Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a second time, and ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 29, An Act to authorize an additional term of the Court in Scott county. Reported back from the Senate with certain amendments.

The bill with amendments was read, and the amendment of the Senate concurred in, and the bill as amended passed, and the title agreed to.

House File, No. 13, An Act for the relief of Hannah Everall. Reported back from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, was taken up.

Mr. Corse offered the following amendment by way of rider.

"This act to take effect on and after its publication in the Iowa State Gazette and the Capital Reporter, at the expense of Mrs. Everall."

Which amendment was agreed to, and the bill as amended read a third time and passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Hinkle, had leave to introduce

House File, No. 56, A Bill for an act to locate a State road from Primrose to Keokuk, in Lee county.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Hinkle,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time by its title, and passed.

Mr. Bonson had leave to introduce

A Memorial and Joint Resolution, House File, No. 11, Asking Congress to grant to the State the pre-emption of certain lands within the State for the purpose of aiding the construction of certain Railroads.

Which was read a first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to a select Committee of three.

The chair appointed Messrs. Bonson, Russell, and Corse, said committee.

Mr. Neal asked for a call of the House, which was sustained.

The name of Mr. Albright was called answered to, and,

On motion,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

By leave of the House, Mr. Hall introduced

House File, No. 57, An Act to amend Section 169 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. Dorland moved that House file No. 5, be made the special order in committee of the Whole, at 6½ o'clock to day.

Motion lost.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred Senate file, No. 23, A Bill to prevent trespass and waste from being committed on swamp and other lands, reported the same back with an amendment to Section first of said bill, and an additional section.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The bill with amendments was recommitted to said committee and Mr. Samuels added to the members of the committee.

By leave of the House,

Mr. McFarland from the committee on Charitable Institutions, reported back House file, No. 47, and recommended the passage of the bill with certain amendments.

The amendments of the committee were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The blank in Section 5, was filled with the words "1,000 dollars."

Mr. Neal moved to amend Section 7, by striking out so much as refers to publishing in the newspapers,

Which amendment was lost.

The bill as amended was read a third time, and passed, and the title agreed to.

By leave of the House,

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, from the Select Committee to whom was referred House file; No. 11, reported the same back to the House, with the following amendments.

In Section second, strike out the words one thousand, and insert five hundred.

To fill the blank in Section seven with one and a quarter mills.

In section ten, strike out the word thirty and insert fifteen, strike out fifty and insert twenty, strike out the words upon each foot pedlar of such articles ten dollars, strike out twenty-five and insert ten, strike out fifty in the 8th line and insert twenty, strike out seventy five and insert forty. In Section 11, strike out one before hundred and insert two, also add Section 14.

This act to take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa City papers.

The amendments proposed were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The bill was referred to the committee of the Whole House, and made the special order for to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Bonson had leave to report House file, No 53, referred to a select committee of which he was chairman, and recommended the passage of the bill without amendments.

Mr. Newsom had leave to introduce House file, No. 58, An Act to repeal Section 1098 of chapter 68 of the Code, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Newsom,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Jones,

House file, No. 37, was taken from the table and read a second time and referred to a select committee of seven, Mr. Yeoman chairman.

The chair appointed Messrs. Yeoman, Holmes of Jones, McFarland, Williams, Dewey of Fremont, Rogers, and Samuels, said committee.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Schools and State University, reported Joint Resolution No. 12, in relation to the State University, which was read a first time.

Mr. Yeomans, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported House files No. 38 and No. 40, correctly engrossed.

#### BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House file No. 7, was read a third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

Was recommitted to the committee on Township and County organizations.

Mr. Dorland had leave to introduce House file No. 89, A Bill providing for the instruction of the convicts of the State Penitentiary, and a library for said institution, which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee to visit the Penitentiary.

Mr. Graham presented House file, No. 60, enforcing the observance of the Sabbath, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Albright offered the following amendment. "It shall also be regarded as a violation of the Sabbath for clergymen of any denomination to preach political sermons on the Lords day."

Mr. Dorland called for the yeas and nays on the amendment.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House, that the Senate have concurred in the House amendment to Senate File No. 36, and further make the following amendment:

The Auditor of State is hereby directed to draw his warrant upon the State Treasurer in favor of the Warden of the Penitentiary for one hundred and eighty dollars—the amount collected and paid over to the State Treasurer by Attorney General Cloud, as the proceeds of a balance due the Penitentiary from Richard Quinton and his Securities.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y of the Senate.

Upon the amendment of Mr. Albright,

The yeas were,

Yeas, 14. }

Nays, 52. }

Mr. Albright,

Boyles,

Corse,

Damon,

Goodfellow,

Mr Hall,

Hinkle,

McCall,

Meek,

Moore,

Mr. Poston,

Sargent,

Tracy,

Weatherington,

The yeas were,

Mr. Bryan,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Rogers,
Baldwin,	Hyde	Rosser,
Barker,	Johnson,	Russell,
Bigelow,	Kinert,	Samuels,
Bonson,	Lockwood,	Smith of Jackson,
Brown,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Clark,	McCrorry,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	McKay,	Turner,
Connell,	Meehan,	Vanfossen,
Creed,	Morgan,	Wankly,
Dewey, of Lee,	Monroe,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Williams,
Dickard,	Neely,	Winters,
Ellis,	Newsom,	Yostman,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young,
Goodleaf,	Pritchard,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes, of Linn		

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to Senate File No. 33.

Mr. Hall moved to refer the Bill to the Committee on the Judiciary. Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. McFarland.

The Bill was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Pritchard, Graham, and Boyles.

Mr. Pritchard then reported that the "Lumbermen's Association" have agreed to voluntarily, upon the subject of a law to enforce the observance of the Sabbath;

which was referred to the House Committee on that subject.

Mr. McFarland then reported the name of a F. F. P. "Wing" given to the Iowa State F. F. P. and the leading States of Judiciary of connection.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 9, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Creel presented the petition of Robert L. Fleming, and 114 other citizens, (males and females,) asking a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Pigman presented the petition of Isaac Spencer, and forty-three other citizens of Iowa, asking a road from Fairport to Tipton.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Yeoman presented a petition of A. Coles, and forty two other citizens of Decatur county, asking the passage of an Act for the relief of actual settlers upon swamp lands; which was,

On motion of Mr. Yeoman,

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Poston presented the petition of Joseph Leighton, and 127 other citizens, in relation to suppressing the traffic in intoxicating liquors;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Yeoman presented the remonstrance of Zurey E. West, and 63 others, of Lucas and Wayne counties, against a certain State Road;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of G. A. Robinson, and 86 other citizens of Council Bluffs, asking for the passage of a License Liquor Law;

Which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Baldwin, Hall and Kinert.

Mr. Creamer presented the petition of Henry Kirkpatrick, and 83 other citizens of Wapello county, asking for a law enforcing the observance of the Christian Sabbath; which was,

On motion of Mr. Creamer,

Referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Also,

The petition of Elihu Pierce, and 105 other citizens of Wapello county, asking for an appropriation to the Ashland Seminary from the State University funds; which was,

On motion of Mr. Creamer,

Referred to a select committee of five.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Creamer, Yeoman, McFarland, Wamsley, and Holmes, of Linn said committee.

Mr. Dewey, of Lee, presented the remonstrance of William Stewart, and 115 others, against creating the office of Recorder in the city of Keokuk; which was, on his motion,

Referred to the committee of the members from Lee county.

Mr. Conneil presented the petition of John Zehring, and 33 other citizens of Tama county, in relation to road taxes; which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Also,

The petition of C. A. Leilands, and forty one others, asking the continuation of a State Road from Dubuque to certain points, and other roads therein;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Mechem presented the petition of Jacob Holinger, and 37 other citizens of Wapello and Jefferson counties, on the subject of a State Road;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Lyon presented the petition of Hoyt Sherman, and 90 other citizens of Polk, Story, Jasper, and Webster counties, asking a State Road from Means' Tavern, to a point on Boon river, in Webster county.

Also,

A Petition from L. F. Randolph, and seven other citizens, asking for a state road from Newton to Fort Des Moines.

Also,

The Petition of Lewis F. Randolph, and eighty-four other citizens of the State, asking for a state road from Marshall county to Fort Des Moines.

Also,

The Petition of James H. Wilson, and fifty-six other citizens, asking for a state road from the town of Newton to Fort Des Moines.

Also,

The Petition of J. W. Rauls, and 57 other citizens of Iowa, asking for a state road from Skunk Bridge to Marietta.

Also,

The Petition of B. F. Allen, and thirteen other citizens, asking for a state road from Marshall county to Fort Des Moines.

The Petitions offered by Mr. Lyon, asking for certain state roads, were, on his motion, referred to a select committee of three.

Mr. Pritchard, Chairman.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Lyon and Connell, the other members of said committee.

Mr. Lyon presented a memorial, being the proceedings of a Public Meeting at Fort Des Moines, upon the subject of the removal of the Capitol,

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Lockwood presented the Petition of Edward B. Isett, and forty-one other citizens of Louisa county, asking for a Law upon the observance of the Sabbath, which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. McHay presented the Petition of Egel Costerton, and one hundred and forty-nine other citizens of Winnebago county, asking for a change in the Territorial division lines of the State, which was, on his motion, referred to a special committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. McHay, Witter and Edie, said committee.

Mr. Hall presented the Petition of Isaac C. Cook, and fifty-six other citizens, for the establishment of certain mail routes.

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. McFarland presented the Petition of David Worthington and others, asking for amendments to the Charter of the Miami Pleasant Collegiate Institute, which was,

On motion of Mr. McFarland, referred to a special committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Jones, Elliott, and Deady of Law, said committee.

Mr. McFarland presented the Petition of Mrs. S. I. Cook, and others, asking for amendments to the Charter of the Miami Pleasant Collegiate Institute, asking for the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Which was read, and laid upon the table.

#### NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. Goodfellow:

Notice of a Bill for an Act authorizing the payment of mileage to the Trustees of the State Universities of Iowa.

Also,



Notice of a Joint Resolution, appointing Trustees for the State University of Iowa.

By Mr. Jackson :

Notice of a Bill authorizing each township in this State, to prohibit hogs from running at large.

Notice, also,

Of a Bill to amend section 1045 and 1113 of the Code of Iowa.

By Mr. Dorland :

Notice of a Bill to annex a proviso to section 1898 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to property exempt from execution.

By Mr. Damon :

Notice of a Bill to repeal so much of an act as relates to the District Court of the first judicial district at the City of Keokuk, in Lee county.

By Mr. Ellis :

Notice of a Bill to provide for certain kinds of writs in certain cases, and defining the powers of the same.

By Mr. Neal :

Notice of a Bill for the relief of settlers on certain river lands.

By Mr. Smith of Cedar :

Notice of a Bill to amend an Act, entitled "An Act concerning Esays" approved, January 24th, 1872.

By Mr. Kinert :

Notice of a Bill to amend section 17, chapter 33, of the Acts of 1872-3.

By Mr. Pigman :

Notice of a Bill to repeal chapter 51, entitled "Esays and estrays."

Mr. Creamer offered the following resolution, to wit :

*Resolved*, That this House now proceed to the election of an Enrolling Clerk.

The Clerk moved, to lay the resolution on the table.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Creamer,

The Resolution was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Jones,

It was resolved that Memorials and Joint Resolutions relating to

mail facilities, hereafter presented to this House, be read the first and second time by their titles only.

Mr. Mechem offered the following :

*Resolved*, That after the 18th inst., no new matter shall be introduced into this House in the form of Bills, etc.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Kinert,

It was Resolved that the Committee on the Judiciary be required to report such Bills and other matters which may have been referred to to them, for the action of this House, without further delay.

Mr. McKay moved, to take from the table the Joint Resolution in relation to the final adjournment of the Assembly.

Motion withdrawn.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER : I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed House File No. 6, with the following amendments :

Striking out of Section 1st, the name of Andrew Miles of Monroe county, and inserting Samuel Larrimer of Adams county ; and the name of E. N. Kellogg of Decatur county, and inserting Harvey Dunlavy of Davis county.

And, also, by striking out of the 4th Section, all after the words "This Act," and inserting "to take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa City Republican."

In which, they ask the concurrence of the House.

Also, House File No. 7 : Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, Senate File No. 7 : Joint Resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y Senate.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Russell, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back House File No. 25: An Act to amend the law regulating fees in certain cases, and recommended that the bill do not pass.

Also,

House File No. 42 : An Act repealing marriage license, with the recommendation that the bill do not pass.

Also,

House File No. 32, and recommended its passage.

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and House Files No. 25 and No. 42 were rejected.

Mr. McCrory, from the Committee on Elections, reported

House File No. 61: An Act to amend Sec. 259 of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McCrory,

The 42d Rule was suspended. and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Bonson moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, and called for the yeas and nays :

Yeas 42. }  
Nays 25. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Neely,
Bryan,	Hall,	Newsom,
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Poston,
Bonson,	Holmes of Jones	Samuels,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Sargent,
Brown,	Jackson,	Smith of Jackson
Clark,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Connell,	McKay,	Tracy,
Corse,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Monroe,	Williams,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Morgan,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Rogers,
Bigelow,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McCrory,	Turner,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Pigman,	Wamsley,

Edie,  
Greenleaf,  
Johnson,

Pritchard,  
Rosser,

White,  
Young.

Motion prevailed and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed

House File No. 49: A Bill for an Act to locate a State road from Charleston in Lee county, via Montrose to Keokuk.

Also,

House File No. 9: "Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities," without amendment.

Also,

Senate File No. 70: "Joint Resolution to Congress, asking for an appropriation for services rendered and aid furnished the United States Marshal."

Also,

Senate File No. 63: "Joint Resolution to Congress, to reduce ocean postage."

Also,

A Bill, for "An Act providing a room for the holding of the Supreme Court."

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Smith of Cedar from the special Committee to whom was referred the bill for the location of the Cedar River Bridge and Dallas across Cedar River, reported the same back with the following amendments:

Strike out from the title the word "river" and insert the words "Waup-pinicon and Iowa River." Also, in the body of the Resolution after the words "across Cedar," insert the words "Waup-pinicon and Iowa."

Strike out the word "river" in the eighth and ninth lines, and insert the word "rivers."

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the Resolution with the amendments.

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and

On motion of Mr. Smith of Cedar,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third time as amended, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Engrossed bills, have examined House File, No. 56, "An Act to locate a State road from the town of Primrose to the city of Keokuk, in Lee county," and find the same correctly engrossed.

#### YEOMANS.

Mr. Lyon from the Committee on Township and County Organization, reported

House File, No. 62, An Act to locate the County West of Adair County.

Mr. Rogers, from the Committee to whom was referred House File No. 47, An Act to incorporate the town of Biscanfield, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The report of the Committee was concurred in, the bill read a third time by its title and passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Pritchard, from the select Committee to whom was referred House File, No. 69, reported the same back to the House with the following amendment :

After the word "labor" in the twelfth line, insert the words "the works of necessity and charity only excepted."

Which report was concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Bigelow, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 33, reported a substitute for the same, which report was concurred in by the House, and

On motion of Mr. Vanfossen,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the substitute read a second and third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, from the Committee on Claims, made the following report :

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the account of W. W. Hamilton, for making and transmitting to each county, in the Du-

buque Land District, separate lists of the Swamp lands in each county, beg leave to report :

That the sum of Thirty dollars be allowed the said W. W. Hamilton, and that the Treasurer be instructed to pay the same out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

ROBERT HOLMES,  
Chairman.

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the account of Peter Daggy, for making 267 plats or diagrams, noting thereon the lands granted to the State under the Act of the 4th of September, 1841, and for making 33 blank diagrams to note future selections, and for binding same, beg leave to report :

That the sum of two hundred and seventy-seven dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, from the 12th September, 1854, be allowed the said Peter Daggy, and that the Treasurer be instructed to pay the same out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

ROBERT HOLMES,  
Chairman.

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Hyde, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred

House File, No. 50, "An Act to incorporate the city of Le Claire,"

Reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Which report was concurred in by the House, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Williams, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred certain petitions, reported by Bill,

House File, No. 63, "An Act to establish Brownsville School District."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Rogers, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported

House File, No. 27, "An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa," without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and the Bill read a third time, and passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. McKay presented House File, No. 64, "An Act providing for the establishing of County Seats, and repealing certain acts."

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. McKay,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. Poston presented

House File, No. 65, "An Act for the more speedy enforcement of Judgments and Decrees;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Poston,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

House File—Joint Resolution No. 13: Memorial to Congress.

Read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 62, "An Act to locate the County Seat of Adair county."

Read a first time.

Mr. Edie introduced,

House File, No. 66, "An Act providing for the election or appointment of Supervisors for Highways, and defining the duties of certain other officers;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Holmes, of Jones,

Laid on the table, and 100 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Vanfossen introduced

House File, No. 67, "An Act to establish a State Road from Winterset to Jefferson, in Green county;"

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Vanfossen,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third time by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Yeoman introduced

House File, No. 68, "A Bill for an Act to organize the county of Ringgold;"

Which was read a first time by its title.

Also,

Joint Resolution—House File, No. 11: Memorial for additional mail facilities:

Which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Tracy had leave for himself and others to enter the following protest on the Journal of the House:

### PROTEST.

The undersigned, members of the House of Representatives, avail ourselves of the 11th section of the 3d Article of the Constitution of this State, and hereby enter our solemn protest against the proceedings of this House, had on the afternoon of the 6th inst.

The Act which we think injurious to the public, was the action of this House, and fourteen members of the Senate of this State, in attempting to hold a Joint Convention of the Senate and House of Representatives, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Supreme Judges.

We think the act was unconstitutional and illegal, and if tolerated, will tend to bring our institutions into disrepute, and ultimately subvert them.

Previous to the interruption of the business of this House by the appearance of these fourteen Senators, this House had been informed, through a committee, that the Senate had adjourned. The Senate was not in session when these members came into this Hall, but had adjourned until 10 o'clock of Monday, the 8th inst. They came into this Hall, having no President, or Secretary, or presiding officer whatever. They came here, not as the Senate, but as individual members of the Senate. If they had convened in their own Hall, they had no power as a Senate, except to adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members. They could pass no laws, or do any other act under the Constitution.

The 1st Article and 3d section of the Constitution of the United States provides, that "The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two members from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for six years. Section 13 provides, that the times, places, and manner of holding elections for Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State, by the Legislature thereof; but Congress may, at any time, by law, make or alter such regulations, except as to the place of choosing Senators."



United States Senators, then, must be chosen by the Legislatures of the States.

The 1st Sec. of the 3d Article of the Constitution of the State of Iowa, says :

“ The Legislative authority of this State shall be vested in a Senate and House of Representatives, which shall be designated The General Assembly of the State of Iowa.”

Webster, in his Dictionary, defines a Legislature to be “ the body of men, in a State or Kingdom, invested with power to make and repeal laws. The supreme power of the State.”

Sec. 9, of the 3d article of the Constitution of the State of Iowa, says :

“ A majority of each House shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may compel the attendance of absent members in such manner and under such penalties as each House may provide.

Sec. 10, Provides “ that each House shall sit upon its own adjournment ”

The Constitution of the United States, is supreme in the matter of electing United States Senators. It simply provides for an election by the Legislatures of the States.

What shall constitute a legislature is left entirely for the State in the exercise of her sovereign power to decide. The election can only be made by the supreme power of the State. By a body of men in the State, who by the Constitution of the State, are invested with power to make and repeal laws. The Constitution of this State has vested that power in a Senate and House of Representatives. The power can only be exercised when a majority of each House are present, for the Constitution has limited the power of a less number than a majority, to the simple duty of preserving their own identity by adjourning and sending for absent members. How then can it be pretended that a minority of the Senators can, when their body has adjourned, and is not in session come into this House, and that by uniting with the House of Representatives, they can jointly constitute the Legislature; that they can, when severed pass and repeal laws; that they are the supreme power of the State. If by any extraordinary excitement, the minority of the Senate should secede and withdraw from the majority, and both bodies proceed to act as the Senate, which body would have the Constitutional power in connection with this House, to pass and repeal laws. Would this House

recognize as legitimate the acts of the minority, who openly rebelled against the Constitution and set it at defiance. Would this House decide that a minority of the Senate and a majority of this House could constitute the General Assembly of the State of Iowa; that they could make and repeal laws, and is not this precisely what this House attempted to do, and did do on Saturday last. Did not a majority of the Senate acting upon that part of the Constitution which authorized them to sit upon their own adjournment decide to adjourn the Senate and temporarily dissolve that body. And did they not disqualify, by their adjournment, the Senate from any action whatever from 10 o'clock on Saturday the 6th, inst., until 10 o'clock on Monday the 8th, inst. And could the minority of that body convene for any Constitutional business during the hours of adjournment.— Could they even meet in their own House and adjourn to a different day or hour from the time fixed by a majority. Can a minority of the Senate during the hours of adjournment convene and do any legal or Constitutional act. If a minority of the Senate can so act, surely the same right would belong to the House of Representatives.— This doctrine once conceded and clandestine meetings of minority will become the order of the day, and the Constitution a mere rope of sand.

Believing as we do that the proceedings of last Saturday, in admitting a minority of the members of the Senate to come within the *Hall of the House after the Senate had adjourned and dispersed, and receiving such minority as the Senate and proceeding to the election of a United States Senator and Supreme Judge was a palpable and flagrant violation of the Constitution of the United States, and of this State; that it was subversive of the good of this House; that it tends to destroy all respect for law.*

We here, now, enter our solemn protest against all of said acts and doings, and respectfully demand that this our protest, with our reasons aforesaid, be entered at large upon the Journal of this House.

BEN. M. SAMUELS,  
 JOHN L. CORSE,  
 RICHARD BONSON,  
 WILLIAM MONROE,  
 T. S. SMITH,  
 W. S. HALL,  
 JOHN M. MOORE,

SAML. BOYLES,  
 WM. DAMON,  
 JOSIAH HINKLE,  
 HORACE DEWEY,  
 HENRY WEATHERINGTON,  
 GEORGE NEWBOM,  
 G. T. CLARK,

O. D. TISDALE,  
 J. TRACY,  
 M. A. GOODFELLOW,  
 S. B. McCALL,  
 S. P. YEOMANS,  
 GEO. S. ALBRIGHT,  
 THOS. L. SARGENT,

P. GAD BRYAN,  
 JAIRUS E. NEEL,  
 ROBT. MEEK,  
 NIMROD POSTON,  
 WM. DEWEY,  
 D. S. JACKSON,  
 J. B. NEELY,

House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order being the consideration of House file, No, 11, An Act to repeal An Act entitled An Act to amend chapter 37 of the Code, in relation to Assessors.

The House resolved itself into committee of the Whole House.

Mr. McFarland in the chair.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate file, No. 76, A Bill for An Act ceding to the United States of America, jurisdiction over certain lands and their appurtenances situate in the City of Burlington, and for the purposes therein named, in which they ask the concurrence of the House. Also,

A Bill for An Act defining a standard weight for a bushel of stone coal, the same having passed both Houses of the General Assembly.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

MR. SPEAKER—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed House File, No, 45.

“ A Bill for an Act, to amend an Act, entitled ‘ An Act to authorize Nicholas B. Brown, and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar River.’ ”

I also, present for your signature “ A Bill for an Act to authorize the County Judge of Appanoose county to transcribe a portion of the Records of said county, and to legalize the same.”

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes, the Committee rose, and reported through their Chairman the Bill under consideration, House File, No. 11, and recommended that the Bill do not pass.

The question being upon concurring in the Report of the Committee, Mr Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 34, }  
Nays 29, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Russell,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith, of Cedar,
Conkey,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Turner,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Edie,	Monroe,	White,
Greenleaf,	Moore,	Williams,
Hall,	Newsom,	Young,
Hinkle,	Pritchard,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones		

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Pigman,
Bryan,	Holmes of Linn,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Bomson,	Lyon,	Smith of Jackson
Clark,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Connell,	McCall,	Tracy,
Corse,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Creamer,	Neal,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,		

Report concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of House File, No. 5, "An Act for the suppression of Intemperance."

Mr. Tisdale in the Chair.

After a short time the Committee rose, and through their Chairman reported the Bill, under consideration, back to the House with the following amendments :

Add to Section 1st., *Provided*, however, that nothing in this Section or in this Act, shall be construed to forbid the making of Cider from Apples, or Wine from Grapes, Currants, or other Fruits, grown or gathered by the Manufacturer, or the selling of such Cider or Wine (if made in this State) by the maker thereof, provided the quantity sold at any one time be not less than five gallons, and be sold and all taken away at one time.

Also, in Section 3, strike out, "may in his discretion," and insert "shall." Also, in same section, strike out the words "no Innkeeper or keeper of a house of public entertainment, or of a public Eating House shall be appointed such agent."

Which amendments were concurred in by the House, and the Committee discharged from further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Neal offered the following amendment :

Strike out Section 19, and insert

SECTION 19.—Be it further enacted, that at the April Election, for the year of 1856, a Poll shall be opened at the several places for holding Elections in this State, at which the qualified Voters for State Officers may vote "*for the Prohibitory Law,*" or "*against the Prohibitory Law,*" which Election shall be conducted and returns thereof made to the Secretary of State, pursuant to the law regulating General Elections. And if a majority of the votes cast at such Election are "*for the Prohibitory Law,*" the Governor of the State shall inform the General Assembly of that fact in his Annual Message, and the next General Assembly shall be considered as instructed to enact the provisions of this Act into a Law. And, if a majority of the votes cast at such Election are "*against the Prohibitory Law,*" then, this Act shall not take effect.

Mr. Bonson asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. Holmes of Linn, Morgan, and Yeomans, absent.

On motion of Mr. Conkey, Mr. Holmes was excused, and had leave of absence for a few days.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in the absentees.

Mr. Young moved to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Mr. Poston called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 43.)

Nays 22.)

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Greenleaf,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Holmes of Jones	Smith of Cedar,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Stephenson,
Brown,	Kinert,	Tisdale,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Vanfossen,
Connell,	McCrary,	Wamsley,
Creel,	McCall,	White,
Creamer,	McKay,	Williams,
Dewey of Lee,	Mechem,	Witter,
Dorland,	Moore,	Young,
Edie,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker—43.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Russell,
Bryan,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Clark,	Meck,	Sargent,
Corse,	Monroe.	Smith of Jackson
Damon,	Neal,	Tracy,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	
Hall,	Poston,	

Motion prevailed, and further proceedings under the call suspended.

Mr. Rogers moved to lay the amendment of Mr. Neal on the table.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 37.)

Nays 27.)

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Pritchard,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Russell,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,

<b>Mr. Connell,</b>	<b>Mr. Lyon,</b>	<b>Mr. Turner,</b>
Creel,	McCrorry,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McCall,	Wamsley,
Damon,	McFarland,	White,
Dewey, of Lee,	McKay,	Witter,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Young.
Edie,	Pigman,	
Graham,	Poston,	

The nays were :

<b>Mr. Albright,</b>	<b>Mr. Hall.</b>	<b>Mr. Samuels,</b>
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Sargent,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Smith of Jackson
Bonson,	Meek,	Stephenson,
Clark,	Monroe,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Moore,	Tracy,
Dewey of Fremont	Neal,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Neely,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Mr. Speaker.

Motion prevailed, and amendment laid upon the table.

Mr. Poston moved to adjourn, and called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 19. }  
Nays 45. }

The yeas were :

<b>Mr. Albright,</b>	<b>Mr. Greenleaf,</b>	<b>Mr. Stephenson,</b>
Barker,	Hinkle,	Tisdale,
Bigelow,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Corse,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Damon.	Poston,	Williams.
Dewey, of Lee,	Rosser,	Goodfellow,
Dewey of Fremont,	Sargent,	

The nays were :

<b>Mr. Bryan,</b>	<b>Mr. Holmes of Jones,</b>	<b>Mr. Newsom.</b>
Barker,	Hyde,	Pigman,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Samuels,

Mr. Coffin,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Smith of Jackson,
Conkey,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	McCall,	Turner,
Creal,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	White,
Eddie,	Meek,	Witter,
Hall,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Holmes of Linn,	Neely,	Young
		Mr. Speaker.

Motion lost.

Mr. Corse called for the previous question.

Which call was sustained.

The question being, shall the previous question now be put.

The same prevailed.

The question recurring on the engrossing of the bill, and ordering to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas, 36, }

Nays, 28, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Bryan,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Poston,
Baldwin,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Conkey,	McCrorry,	Turner,
Connell,	McCall,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	McKay,	White,
Eddie,	Mechem,	Witter,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Sargent,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Smith of Jackson,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Stephenson,



Mr. Clark,	Mr. Meek,	Mr. Tisdale,
Corse,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Damon,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Williams,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	
Greenleaf,	Samuels,	

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,  
The House adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 10, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday, read.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the accompanying Report from the Trustees of the State University,\* has been referred to a committee of two on the part of the Senate and a committee of three on the part of the House: in which, they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y Senate.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File No. 12: Joint Resolution in relation to the State University.

Read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

\*See Appendix.

House File No. 51 : A Bill, for An Act to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Pleasant township, Monroe county.

Read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

A communication from the Trustees of the State University,\* was laid before the House, by the Speaker, and,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The Rule was suspended, and the same read.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The Resolution of the Senate appointing a joint committee to consider said report, was concurred in : and Messrs. Witter, Russell and Neal appointed on the part of the House.

House File No. 52, was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Code.

House File No. 54, was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Senate File, Joint Resolution No. 2, for additional mail facilities, read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate Files No. 13, No. 14 and No. 15, read a second time, and

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 31, read a second time, and

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 42, read a second time, and

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

#### BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

Senate File No. 37 : A Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a third time and passed.

House File No. 53 : An Act providing for a geological survey of the State.

Read a third time by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 38 : A Bill, for An Act authorizing the County

\*See Appendix.

Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground in the town of Ocoola.

Read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 32 : An Act to amend Sec. 1477, and repeal Sec. 1478 of the Code.

Read a third time.

Mr. Bryan moved to re-commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Motion lost.

Mr. Bryan moved to lay the bill on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Tracy moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three.

Motion lost.

Mr. Tracy moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Motion lost.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Mr. Bryan moved the following amendment, by the way of rider :

*"And be it further enacted, That all religious denominations shall have the same rights and privileges that this Act guarantees to the Society of Friends."*

Which was rejected.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 41. }

Nays 21. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,

Bonson,

Boyles

Coffin,

Conkey,

Creel,

Creamer,

Dewey of Fremont,

Dorland,

Eddie,

Goodfellow,

Mr. Hyde,

Johnson,

Kinert,

Lockwood,

Lyon,

McCrory,

McFarland,

McKay,

Mechem,

Morgan,

Neely,

Mr. Samuels.

Smith of Jackson

Smith of Cedar,

Tisdale,

Turner,

Vanfossen,

Wamsley,

White,

William,

Witter,

Yeoman,

Mr. Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Holmes of Jones

Mr. Pritchard,  
Rogers,  
Russell,

Mr. Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Bigelow,  
Brown,  
Clark,  
Corse,  
Damon,

Mr. Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Jackson,  
McCall,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,

Mr. Newsom,  
Pigman,  
Poston,  
Sargent,  
Tracy,  
Weatherington.

The Bill passed, and the title was agreed to.

House File, No. 40, A Bill for an Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county.

Read a third time by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Bryan presented the petition of Susan Maxwell, and 35 others, and the petition of B. S. Noble, and 54 others; and the petition of Lucinda Landy, and 60 others, asking for a prohibitory Liquor Law.

Which were laid on the table.

Mr. Pritchard presented the petition of Samuel W. Bonebreak, and 51 others, asking the location of a State Road from Belfountain, in Mahaska county, to Chariton, in Lucas county.

Mr. Yeoman presented a petition of John Duckworth, and 32 other citizens of Lucas county, for a State Road therein named;

Which was, on motion,

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, presented the petition of E. O'Neal, and 29 other citizens of Fremont county, asking for a State Road from Sidney to Tabor;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Rogers presented the petition of James Boale, and 41 other citizens of Fayette county, asking to change the name of Auburn to that Morristown.

Referred to a select committee, composed of Messrs. Rogers, McKay, and Moore.

Mr. Samuels presented 6 petitions from citizens of Jefferson county, asking a law enforcing the observance of the Sabbath;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Barker presented a petition of G. C. Allender, and 16 other citizens of Van Buren county, asking a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Rosser presented a petition of Mrs. L. McCann, and 79 other ladies of Van Buren county, on the same subject;

Which was read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. Sargent presented the remonstrance of J. A. Stewart, and 73 other citizens of Desmoines county, against the repeal of the Usury Laws;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judieiary.

Mr. Neal presented the petition of John D. Baily, and 40 others, asking that the name of the town of Newton, in Marion county, changed to Gosport; which was,

On motion of Mr. Neal,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Neal, Lyon, and Clark said committee.

Mr. Holmes, of Jones, presented the petition of L. D. Brainard, and 40 other citizens of Jones county, asking the change of the name of Pierce Township to that of Westfield.

Mr. Smith, of Cedar, presented the petition of Franklin Butterfield, and 23 other citizens of Cedar county, asking the passage of a prohibitory Liquor Law,

Which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Barker presented the petition of Calvin Brewster, and 88 other citizens of Van Buren county, asking the passage of a prohibitory Liquor Law;

Which was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Witter, it was

*Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Public Instruction be requested to state to this House, whether or not he has received any report from the Dean of the Faculty of the Medical Department of the State University, at Keokuk, Iowa; and if so, to report the same to this House.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Baldwin introduced

Joint Resolution, House File, No. 15, authorizing the re-issue of certain Auditor's warrants;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Resolution read a second time, referred to the Committee on Claims.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER.—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed House File, No. 13. A Bill for the relief of Hanah Everall, with the following amendment :

SECTION 2.—Be it further enacted, that this Act, or the right herein vested, shall not affect or interfere with the rights of third persons, legal or equitable, which may have vested or arisen under the Laws, Judgements or Contracts, heretofore in force."

Also,

Senate File, No. 64, A Bill, for an Act, to authorize the County Judge of Lee county to sell or otherwise dispose of the County or Poor Farm of said county.

Also,

Senate File, No. 62, Joint Resolutions asking Congress for a grant of land for homesteads, in all of which they ask the concurrence of the House.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Goodfellow introduced Joint Resolution, House File, No. 16, Appointing Trustees of the State University, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Neal had leave to introduce House File, No. 69, An Act for the relief of Settlers on certain River Lands, which was read a first time by its title.

Also,

House File, No. 70, An Act for the Election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Knoxville, Iowa, which was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Bryan moved to take up the resolution in relation to electing an Enrolling Clerk.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Bryan, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Creamer, nominated GEORGE A. HAWLEY.

Mr. Hall nominated A. H. PALMER.

The House proceeded to vote for an Enrolling Clerk, which resulted as follows :

George A. Hawley, 56 votes,

A. H. Palmer, 10 votes,

Old Timber, 1 vote.

George A. Hawley having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Conkey moved to re-consider the vote by which House File, No. 61, was indefinitely postponed on yesterday.

Mr. Corse moved to adjourn.

Motion lost.

On the motion to re-consider, Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 28. }

Nays 39. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Creamer,  
Dorland,  
Edie,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. Holmes of Jones,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrorry,  
McFarland,  
Mechem,

Mr. Pigman,  
Pritchard,  
Rogers,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Young.

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,

Mr. Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Jackson,  
McCall,

Mr. Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Stevenson,

Mr. Brown,	Mr. McKay,	Mr. Tisdale,
Clark,	Meek,	Tracy,
Connell,	Monroe,	Turner,
Corse,	Moore,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Neal,	Williams,
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Newsom,	Yeoman.
Goodfellow,	Poston,	Mr. Speaker.

Motion to reconsider. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Dorland, it was

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House, it is in-expedient for any Meeting or Convention of any kind to be held in this Hall during the Sitting of the Legislature, without the consent of the Members.

Mr. Bryan moved to take from the table Joint Resolution, fixing the final adjournment of the General Assembly, on Tuesday, the 23d of January, 1855.

Motion prevailed, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Hawley being present, the Oath of Office required by Law was duly administered to him by the Speaker of the House.

On motion of Mr. Creamer, the House ajourned.

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## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Poston had leave to introduce,  
House File, No. 71: A Bill for an Act to establish a branch of the State University at Ashland Wapello county;

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Poston,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time, and referred to a select committee of three.

Mr. Hall introduced

House File: Joint Resolution, No. 17, asking certain mail facilities;  
Which was read a first time.

Mr. Russell introduced



House File, No. 18: Joint Resolution, asking additional mail facilities;

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bigelow, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, reported back House File, No. 26, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The Report of the Committee was concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported House File, No. 6, A Bill for the observance of the Sabbath;

Also.

House File, No. 5: A Bill for the suppression of Intemperance, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Wamsley, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred House File, No. 17, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, from the Committee on Schools and State University, reported a substitute for Senate File, No. 23;

Which was read a first time, and laid upon the table, and 200 copies ordered to be printed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:—I herewith present for your signature, Senate Files, Nos. 4, 36, 26, and 39—the same having passed both Houses of the General Assembly.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y of Senate.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, that they had examined House File, No. 3, Joint Resolution, to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 20, An Act to erect School District No. 3, in Cedar Township, Monroe county, Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 29, An Act to authorize an additional term of Court in Scott county, and find them correctly enrolled.

Mr. Russell, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House File, No. 21, reported back the same, and recommended that it do not pass.

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Also, House File, No. 24, from the same Committee, and recommended that the Bill do not pass.

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Mr. Tracy, from the same Committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 20, reported back the same to the House, and recommended that it do not pass;

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Mr. Williams, from the same Committee, reported back House File, No. 14, and recommended that it do not pass;

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Also, from the same Committee, House File, No. 16, An Act to repeal an Act, entitled "An Act to regulate the interest on Money," and recommended that the Bill lay on the table;

Which report was concurred in.

Also, House File, No. 19, An Act to amend section 254 of the Code of Iowa, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The Bill was laid upon the table.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Pritchard introduced House file, No. 87, An Act to prevent the destruction of game, which was read a first time.

Mr. Edie introduced House file, No. 72, An Act providing for common school districts and defining their powers, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Was laid upon the table and 200 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Dorland introduced House file. No. 73, A Bill for An Act to amend Sec. 2368 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time, and, On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. Damon introduced House file, No. 74, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

Was postponed to the 12th, inst.

Mr. Dorland introduced House file, No. 75, A Bill for An Act annexing a proviso to Section 1898 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time, and, on his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. McCrory presented House file. No. 76, A Bill for An Act to amend Section 467 of chapter 37 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Also,

House file, No. 77, A Bill for An Act donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the first Presbyterian Church of Iowa City, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Witter introduced House file, No. 78, An Act providing for the appointment of notaries public and prescribing their duties, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Goodfellow introduced House file, No. 79, An Act granting mlage to the Trustees of the State University, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Schools and the State University.

Mr. Smith of Cedar, introduced House file, No. 80, An Act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Boyles introduced House file, No. 81, An Act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats on Sunday, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. Kinert introduced House file, No. 82, An Act to amend an Act entitled an Act, to amend chapter 37 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first time.

Also,

House file, No. 83, An Act to amend An Act, allowing and regulating stay on executions, which was read a first time.

Mr. Holmes of Jones introduced House file, No. 84, An Act to allow Justices of the Peace additional fees, which was read a first time.

Mr. Baldwin introduced

House File, No. 85, An Act granting to the county of Pottawattamie, the proceeds of the swamp lands in said county, to the amount of \$5,000 for the purpose of establishing a Poor House in said county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Neely introduced

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 19, A Memorial to Congress to establish a Garrison at or near the mouth of Big Sioux River, Iowa.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Memorial read a second time, and referred to a select Committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Neely, Goodfellow, and Albright, said Committee.

Mr. Weatherington presented

House File, No. 86, An Act defining the mode of laying out and establishing township roads.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

House File, No. 85, was taken from the table, read a second time and referred to a select Committee of seven, consisting of Messrs. Lockwood, Goodfellow, Holmes of Jones, Moore, Pritchard, Damon, and Mechem.

#### BILLS UPON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 62, An Act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county. Read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

House File, No. 63, read a second time ; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 68, read a second time ; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 13, read a second time ; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File, No. 13, A Bill for the relief of Hannah Everall ; reported back from the Senate with amendments, which amendments were concurred in, the bill read a third time and passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Samuels, from the Committee on the Judiciary, had leave to report House File, No. 10, and recommended that it do not pass.

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and the bill rejected.

Also,

House File, No. 8, and recommended that it do pass.

Which report was concurred in ; the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 5, An Act for the suppression of Intemperance, read a third time.

Mr. Tracy asked a call of the House, which was sustained.

Messrs. Connell, Dewey of Lee, and McCall, were absent.

Mr. Boyles moved to excuse Mr. Dewey of Lee.

Motion lost.

The Sargent at Arms was directed to bring in the absentees.

After a short time the absentees were reported in their seats.

On the passage of the bill Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 35. }  
Nays 32. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Bryan,  
Barker,  
Boyles,

Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Pritchard,
Hyde,	Rogers,
Johnson,	Rosser,

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Connell,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McCall,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McFarland,	White,
Dorland,	McKay,	Witter,
Edie,	Mechem,	Young,
Graham,	Pigman,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Samuels,
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Sargent,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Smith of Jackson
Bonson,	Meek,	Stephenson,
Clark,	Monroe,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Moore,	Tracy,
Damon,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Williams,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Poston,	

The bill passed and the title thereof agreed to,

Mr. Poston offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Honorable the Lobby Legislature of the State of Iowa, this evening at 6½ o'clock.

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On this motion,

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 27, {  
Nays 40, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rogers,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Stevenson,
Connell,	Lyon,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,

Mr. Edie,  
Graham,

Mr. McKay,  
Pigman,

Mr. White,  
Young,

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Bigelow,  
Boyles,  
Clark  
Coffin,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Damon.  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Goodfellow,  
Hall,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Hyde,  
Jackson,  
McCrory,  
McCall,  
Mechem,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Poston,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson,  
Smith of Cedar  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Wamsley,  
Weatherington,  
Williams,  
Witter,  
Yeoman,  
Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Pritchard moved to adjourn to 6½ o'clock.

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays.

Yeas 28, }  
Nays 38, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Brown,  
Conkey,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Dorland,

Mr. Edie,  
Holmes of Jones  
Jackson,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrory,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mechem,

Mr. Morgan,  
Pritchard,  
Rogers,  
Rossar,  
Russell,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Vanfossen,  
White,  
Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Boyles,  
Clark,  
Coffin,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Hyde,  
Jackson,  
Kinert,  
McCall,

Mr. Meek,  
Smith of Jackson  
Stephenson,  
Sargent,  
Tracy

Mr. Connell,	Mr. Monroe,	Mr. Turner,
Damon,	Moore,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Witter,
Graham,	Pigman,	Yeoman,
Greenleaf,	Poston,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Samuels,	

Mr. Corse, called for the previous question.

Call sustained.

Mr. Russell moved that the House adjourn.

Motion lost.

Mr. Russell moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The Speaker decided the motion to lay on the table, out of order, as he was putting the previous question to the House.

Mr. Russell appealed from the decision of the chair.

Mr. Turner moved to lay the appeal on the table.

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, on laying the appeal on the table.

Yeas 61, }  
Nays 4, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Greenleaf,	Newsom,
Bryan,	Hall,	Pigman,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Poston,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Rogers,
Brown,	Johnson,	Roeser,
Clark,	Kinert,	Samuels,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Sargent,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Smith of Jackson
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	McCall,	Steppeeson,
Creel,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	McKay,	Tracy,
Damon,	Mechem,	Turner,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	Monroe,	Weatherington,



Mr. Dorland, Edie, Franklin, Goodfellow, Graham,	Mr. Moore, Morgan, Neal, Neely,	Mr. White, Williams, Yeoman, Young.
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The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin, Barker,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Vanfossen.
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Motion prevailed.

Upon the question, shall the previous question now be put, the same was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the passage of the resolution,

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 47. }  
Nays, 19. }

The yeas were,

Albright, Bryan, Baldwin, Bigelow, Bonson, Beyles, Clark, Coffin, Conkey, Corse, Creel, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Edie, Goodfellow,	Mr. Graham, Greenleaf, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Kinert, McCrorry, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Mr. Moore, Morgan, Neal, Neely,	Mr. Newsom, Pigman, Poston, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson Smith of Cedar, Tisdale, Tracy, Wamsley, Weatherington, Williams, Witter, Yeoman, Mr. Speaker.
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The nays were,

Mr. Barker, Brown, Connell, Creamer, Dorland, Holmes of Jones,	Mr. McCall, Meek, Monroe, Morgan, Neal, Neely,	Mr. Smith of Jackson Smith of Cedar, Tisdale, Tracy, Wamsley, Weatherington,
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Mr. Hyde,  
 Jackson,  
 Johnson,  
 Kinert,  
 McCrory,  
 Resolution adopted.  
 House adjourned.

Mr. Newsom,  
 Pigman,  
 Poston,  
 Samuels,  
 Sargent,

Mr. Williams,  
 Witter,  
 Yeoman,  
 Mr. Speaker.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 11, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

The following Bills, having passed both branches of the General Assembly and been duly enrolled, were signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, and endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee, to be presented to the Governor for his signature; to-wit:

House File No. 3: Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

House File No. 20: An Act to erect School District No. 3, in Cedar township, Monroe county, Iowa.

House File No. 29: An Act authorizing an additional term of court in Scott county.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. Dorland presented the petition of Joseph R. Rhodes and 129 other citizens of Henry county, asking that the sale of tobacco to minors be prohibited.

Which was, on his motion, referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Dorland, Tracy and Stephenson.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of William Loughirdge and 247 other citizens of Mahaska county, on the subject of the removal of the capitol,

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed

House File No. 50: An Act to incorporate the city of Leclair.

Also,

House File No. 27: An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Also,

House File No. 12: Joint Resolution in relation to the State University.

Also,

House File No. 40: A Bill, for An Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county.

Also,

House File No. 38: A Bill, for An Act authorizing the County Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground in the town of Oceola.

Also,

Senate File No. 82: A Bill to change the name of Bloomfield, in Monroe county, to Ashton.

Also,

Memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa to the Congress of the United States, for a repeal of the duty on sugar and molasses.

Also,

Senate File No. 97: A Bill to provide for the removal of the Seat of Justice of Cass county.

Also,

House Substitute, for Senate File No. 33: A Bill, for An Act to locate a State road from Dallas to Council Bluffs, and from Panora to Council Bluffs.

Also,

Senate File No. 91.

In all of which, the Senate asks the concurrence of the House.

I am also instructed to inform the House that the Senate have appointed Senators Coolbaugh and Saunders, to act in conjunction with a like committee appointed on the part of the House, to take into con-

sideration the communication addressed by the Trustees of the State University to the General Assembly; and recommend action thereon.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Connell presented the petition of Geo. Townsend, and 112 others, asking the location of a State road;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Hyde presented the petition of Reuben Nobie, and 76 other citizens, and other papers, in relation to a State road from Davenport to Muscatine;

Which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Tracy presented the remonstrance of Robert Allen, and 29 other citizens of Des Moines county, against the repeal of the Usury Law, which was

Laid on the table.

#### NOTICES TO BRING IN BILLS.

By Mr. McCrory:

Notice of a Bill, providing for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions, and Memorials of the present Session of the General Assembly.

Also,

Notice of a Bill to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts in Johnson county.

By Mr. Monroe:

Notice of a Bill to locate a State road in Appanoose county.

By Mr. Creel:

Notice of a Bill to amend chapter 64 of the Code, in relation to mechanic's liens.

By Mr. Holmes of Jones:

Notice of a Bill to provide for the expenses incurred in laying out a State road.

By Mr. Edie:

Notice of a Bill, granting to certain citizens of Jackson county, the right of prohibiting hogs from running at large in a portion of said county.

By Mr. Russell :

Notice of a Joint Resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to use their influence for the restoration of so much of the Missouri Compromise as will prohibit the introduction and existence of Slavery in the Territories of Kansas and Nebraska.

Also, to oppose the admission of any more States into the Union with a Constitution that recognizes slavery.

Also, for the amendment of the Fugitive Slave Act, so as to exempt private citizens from penalties for refusing to aid in capturing, hunting, and returning to slavery Fugitive Slaves.

Also, to amend said Act, so that the commissioner shall not receive a larger fee for returning a man to slavery, than for declaring him free.

Also, to allow all persons, so claimed, a trial by jury, with counsel to defend, and compulsory process to compel the attendance of witnesses.

On motion of Mr. Graham, it was

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee on Roads and Highways, and the Committee on the Apportionment Bill, be each furnished with a copy of Henn, Williams and Co's Map of Iowa.

Mr. Dorland gave notice of a Joint Resolution providing for the printing of an extra number of the Acts and Joint Resolutions of the 5th General Assembly of the State of Iowa ;

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The House resolved to elect a 2d Assistant Clerk.

Mr. McFarland nominated JAMES M. WALTERS.

Mr. Corse nominated JOHN MAHIN.

The House proceeded to a vote, which resulted as follows :

Mr. Mahin received 38 votes.

Mr. Walters received 24 votes.

Mr. Mahin having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected 2d Assistant Clerk, and being present, received the Oath of Office prescribed by Law.

Mr. Yeomans from the Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 63, "An Act to establish Brownsville School District."

Also, House File, No. 51, A Bill for an Act to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Pleasant Township, Monroe county, Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 13, "Memorial to Congress."

Also, House File, No. 14, "Memorial and Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities."

Also, House File, No. 17, "An Act to amend an Act, entitled 'An Act granting the right of way to Rail-Road Companies,' approved January 18th, 1853."

Also, House File, No. 68, A Bill for an Act to organize the county of Ringgold, and found the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN,

Ch'n of the Committee.

Mr. Russell, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back House File, No. 46, and recommended that the Bill be referred to the delegates from the 9th Judicial District;

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill so referred.

Also, House File, No. 77, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow:

Mr. Rogers, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred certain petitions on said subject, reported by Bill, House File, No. 88, "An Act to change the name of Auburn, in Fayette county, to Morristown."

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, that they had presented to the Governor, for his signature,

House File, Joint Resolution No. 3, asking for additional mail facilities.

House File, No. 20, "An Act to erect School District No. 3, in Cedar Township, Monroe county, Iowa."

Also, House File, No. 29, "An Act to authorize an additional term of Court in Scott county.

Mr. Rogers, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred petition of citizens of Fayette county, reported, by Bill, House File, No. 89, "An Act to change the name of Pierce Township, in said county."

Mr. Lockwood, from the Committee on Ways and Means, presented House File, No. 90, "An Act, making certain appropriations."

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 2, "Joint Resolution, asking for lands for Homesteads."

Read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File, No. 64, "An Act, to authorize the County Judge of Lee county to sell or dispose of the County or Poor Farm, in said county, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 88, read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 89, read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 90. "An Act, making appropriations for the years 1855 and 1856."

Read a first time, and re-committed to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Neal, from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Newton, had leave to report by Bill,

House File, No. 92, "An Act to change the name of Newton, in Marion county, to Gosport;"

Which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Samuels presented

House File, No. 91, An Act requiring the Trustees of Julian township, Dubuque county, to authorize the election of two additional Justices of the Peace.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 52d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, introduced

House File, No. 20, Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Jackson introduced

House File, No. 93, a Bill for an act to amend section 1445, and chapter 69 of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Neely introduced

House File, No. 94, An Act to establish a State road from Marietta to Ashton.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Newsom introduced

House File, No. 95, An Act to prohibit the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than five dollars.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Witter had leave to introduce

House File, No. 96, An Act to amend section 2445, of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Yeomans, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported

House File, No. 98, An Act to locate certain State roads.

Correctly engrossed.

Mr. Neal presented

House File, No. 97, An Act to fix the times of holding the Courts in the 5th Judicial District.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to a select Committee consisting of the members from the 5th Judicial District.

Also,

House File, No. 98, An Act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, Marion county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.



## BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, No. 69, read a second time and referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Corse,  
The House adjourned.

## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Neal, by leave of the House, introduced House File, No. 70, An Act to provide for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Knoxville, Marion county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 83, read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 82, read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Dorland,  
Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House File, No. 84, An Act to allow Justices of the Peace, additional fees; read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Bonson,  
Was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Code.

House File, No. 87 : A Bill for an Act to prevent the destruction of Game.

Read a second time.

Mr. Bryan moved that the House go into Committee of the whole on said Bill.

Mr. Bonson moved to amend, by inserting 6½ o'clock, this evening."

Amendment lost.

The question recurring on the original motion, the same was lost.

The Bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 18 : Read a second time ; ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 17: Read a second time; ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

Senate File, No. 2: Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 3: A Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities

Read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

Joint Resolution, Senate File, No. 3: Joint Resolution for additional mail service.

Read a third time and passed, and title agreed to.

Joint Resolution, Senate File, No. 32: Memorial for increased mail facilities.

Read a third time and passed.

Joint Resolution. Senate File, No. 15: For additional mail facilities.

Read a third time and passed.

Joint Resolution, Senate File, No. 13: For additional mail service.

Read a third time and passed.

Joint Resolution, No. 14, For additional mail facilities.

Read a third time and passed.

Senate File, No. 42: A Bill for an Act to attach the County of Carroll to the County of Guthrie, for Judicial Election and Revenue purposes.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 26: A Bill for an Act to locate certain State roads.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 17: An Act, to amend an Act, entitled an Act to grant the right of way to Rail-road Companies; approved, January 18th, 1853.

Read a third time, and on motion of Mr. Tracy,

Laid on the table.

House File. No. 60: A Bill, for an Act, to enforce the observance of the Sabbath, which was

Read a third time, and referred to a select committee of one.

Mr. Russell was appointed said committee, with instructions to report immediately.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved, to take from the table, House File No. 17.

Motion lost.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 8: Having been duly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, was

duly endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee, to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

Mr. Russell reported back House File, No. 60, with the following amendments :

In the 1st section, strike out the words, "the age of 14 years and upwards shall."

Also, In the proviso of said section, strike out the words "extend to those who conscientiously observe the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath," which amendments were concurred in by the House.

Mr. Jackson moved, that the Bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Pritchard called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 8, }  
Nays 58, }

The yeas were :

Mr. Damon,  
Goodfellow,  
Hall,

Mr. Johnson,  
Meek,  
Moore,

Mr. Weatherington,  
Williams.

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Brown,  
Clark,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Dorland,  
Eddie,  
Graham,

Mr. Greenleaf,  
Hinkle,  
Holmes of Jones,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrary,  
McCall,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mechem,  
Monroe,  
Morgan,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Pigman,

Mr. Poston,  
Pritchard,  
Rogers,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Vanfossen,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Whitter,  
Yeoman,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

Motion lost.

Mr. Samuels moved to reconsider the vote upon concurring in the second amendment of the Special Committee, Mr. Russell, to House File, No. 60.

Motion adopted.

The question being upon the amendment, the same was rejected.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed House File, No. 43, "An Act to amend an Act, to incorporate the City of Dubuque, approved Feb. 24th, 1847."

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y of the Senate.

The question being upon the passage of the Bill,

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays.

Which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 51. }

Nays, 12. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,

Barker,

Bonson,

Boyles,

Clark,

Coffin,

Conkey,

Connell,

Corse,

Creel,

Creamer,

Dewey, of Lee,

Dewey of Fremont

Dorland,

Edie,

Goodfellow,

Graham,

The nays were,

Mr. Bryan,

Baldwin,

Bigelow,

Mr. Greenleaf,

Hinkle,

Holmes of Jones,

Hyde,

Johnson,

Kinert,

Lockwood,

Lyon,

McCrorry,

McFarland,

McKay,

Mechem,

Monroe,

Morgan,

Neal,

Newsom,

Pigman,

Mr. Goodfellow,

Graham,

Greenleaf,

Mr. Pritchard,

Rogers,

Rosser,

Russell,

Samuels,

Sargent,

Smith of Jackson

Smith, of Cedar,

Stephenson,

Tisdale,

Tracy,

Vanfossen,

Wamsley,

White,

Witter,

Young,

Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Meek,

Moore,

Neely,

Mr. Brown,  
Damon,

Mr. Hall,  
Jackson,

Mr. Weatherington,  
Williams.

The Bill passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Dorland had leave for himself and another to place upon the Journal the following

PROTEST:

The undersigned, members of the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, availing ourselves of a provision of the Constitution of the State, hereby dissent from, and enter our solemn protest against the Resolution of yesterday, permitting a mock, or Lobby Legislature, to hold sessions in this Hall, for the following reasons:

1st. We hold it to be detrimental to the progress of legislation, to allow this Hall to be used, during the sittings of the Legislature, for the purpose of holding any meeting or convention at a time when it will interfere with the business of the Committees of this House, or prevent the officers thereof from performing the duties incumbent upon them; and more particularly, when it appears obvious that the action of such assemblages is not designed to enhance the public good.

2d. But more especially do we object to the practice of perverting the use of this Hall to a purpose, which, in our opinion, is immoral in itself, and tending to degradation, in the estimation of the wise and virtuous,—inaugurating a sham Governor, introducing reports and resolutions, which call forth an obscene and disgusting discussion, and making the majority of the people of the State, who secured the election of our present Governor, the object of their ridicule and opprobrium.

3d. Believing, as we do, that the victory achieved at the late election, was upon high and honorable principles, and that the great heart of Iowa still beats in unison with those principles, we therefore do most sincerely dissent from, and protest against, the aforesaid proceedings, as very objectionable to ourselves, and without doubt, to our constituents, and a stain upon the escutcheon of our young and enterprising State.

WILLARD DORLAND.  
FRANCIS WHITE.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 12, A. D., 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

House File, No. 6, An Act to locate the Seat of Justice of Union county.

Read with amendments of the Senate.

Mr. Yeomans moved to refer the bill with amendments to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Motion withdrawn.

The amendment of the Senate to strike out the names of two of the Commissioners and insert others, was rejected by the House.

Amendment of the Senate in relation to the publication of the act, concurred in.

#### BILLS ON THEIR PASSAGE.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 13, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Joint Resolution, No. 14, Memorial for additional mail facilities; read a third time and passed and the title agreed to.

House File, No. 51, A Bill for an act authorizing the election of an additional Justice of the Peace, in Pleasant township, Monroe county.

Read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

House File, No. 63, An Act to establish Brownsville School District.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 68, An Act to organize the county of Ringgold.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Dorland presented the petition of T. M. Johnson and fifty-one other citizens of the town of Hillsboro', Henry county, asking a division of the township of Salem.

Also,

The remonstrance of R. J. Johnson and fifty other citizens, against such division.

Which were referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Mr. Yeomans presented the petition of G. P. Walker and other citizens of Decatur county, in relation to Marriage License.

Which was referred to the Committee on amendments to the Code.

Mr. Edie presented the petition of J. Reed and sixty-one others, asking a law for the observance of the Sabbath.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Mechem presented the petition of S. Y. Collins and forty-three other citizens of Jefferson county, asking for a law authorizing the election of an additional Justice of the Peace, in Liberty township.

Which was referred to a special Committee of the members from Jefferson county.

Mr. Mechem presented the petition of Job Smith and thirty other citizens of Keokuk county, for a law to prevent Bucks and Bulls from running at large.

Mr. Russell presented the petition of Henry Morgan and thirty-one other citizens of Washington county, on the same subject, both of which were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, presented a communication of R. B. Lockwood of Adams county, in relation to the assessment of taxes in that county.

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Samuels presented the petition of Wm. Watson and fifty-one other citizens, in relation to Normal Schools.

Which was referred to the Committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Meek presented a petition of Martin Hickman and forty-three other citizens, in relation to the Ashland Seminary.

Which was referred to the special Committee on that subject.

Mr. Johnson presented the petition of H. B. Lynch and fifty-four other citizens of Iowa county, asking the location of a State road from Millersburgh, in said county, to Oskaloosa.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Rosser presented the petition of Hiram Hurrall and thirty-two other citizens of Van Buren and Davis counties, asking for a certain State road therein named.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Lockwood presented the petition of W. G. Albright and forty-

four other citizens of Ft. Madison, Iowa, asking for the appointment of another and different Warden of the Penitentiary.

Mr. Bigelow presented the petition of Alexander McGregor and thirty other citizens of Clayton county, asking a law to prevent hogs from running at large within certain limits therein named.

Which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Williams, from the Committee on the Judiciary, by leave, reported a substitute for House File No. 18: An Act fixing the times for holding the courts in the 3d Judicial District.

Which was read and the report of the Committee concurred in, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Yeoman, from the special committee to whom was referred House File No. 37, reported the same back to the House, with the following amendments:

In section 1, strike out the words "three" and "six," and insert "two" and "five."

Insert the following after section 7: "The counties of Wappello and Keokuk shall have one Representative."

† In section 8, after the word "Clarke" in the second line, insert "and Union."

In section 10, strike out the word "Union" in the first line; and strike out the word "two" in the third line, and insert "one."

In section 26, strike out the word "three," and insert "two," and add the following: "The county of Jones shall have one Representative."

In section 27, strike out the word "Delaware," and insert "Jackson;" also strike out the word "two," and insert "one;" and add the following: "That the county of Delaware shall have one Representative; the counties of Buchanan and Black Hawk, shall have one Representative; and the counties of Delaware, Buchanan and Black Hawk, shall have one Senator."

In section 30, strike out the word "two" in the second line, and insert "one."

In section 32, strike out the words "Buchanan and Black Hawk," in the first line; strike out all between the word "of" in the third line, and the word "Bremer" in the fourth line; and insert, after the word "Kosuth" in the fifth line, the words "and Grundy."

In section 6, strike out "two," and insert "three."

YEOMANS, Ch. Committee.



Which amendments were concurred in by the House, except the amendment to section 6, which was rejected.

Mr. McCrory moved to re-commit the bill to the same Committee.  
Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The House re-considered the vote upon striking out "six" and inserting "five" in section 1.

Mr. Bonson moved to amend the report by inserting "six" instead of "five" in section 1.

Mr. Boyles moved to lay the report and bill upon the table.

Motion lost.

The question being on Mr. Bonson's amendment, the same was lost.

The question being on the amendment of the Committee to section 1, Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 44. }  
Nays 22. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Jones	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Russell,
Brown,	Johnson,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Tisdale,
Connell,	Lyon,	Turner,
Corse,	McCrory,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Williams,
Edie,	Morgan,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Pigman,	Yeoman,
Graham,	Pritchard,	Young.
Greenleaf,		Mr. Speaker.

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Neely,
Bryan,	Hinkle,	Newsom,
Bonson,	McCall,	Poston,
Boyles,	Meek,	Sargent,
Clark,	Monroe,	Smith of Jackson

Mr. Creel, Damon, Dewey of Lee,	Mr. Moore, Neal.	Mr. Tracy, Weatherington.
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Amendment of the Committee, concurred in.

Mr. Conkey moved to amend the report, and give an additional Representative to the counties of Linn, Benton, and Tama.

Mr. Neal moved to amend the amendment, and give an additional Representative to the counties mentioned in Section 30.

Mr. McFarland called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 28. }

Nays, 39. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright, Bryan, Bigelow, Bonson, Brown, Clark, Corse, Dewey, of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow,	Mr Greenleaf, Hall, Hinkle, McCall, Meek, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom,	Mr. Posten, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Tisdale, Tracy, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman,
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The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin, Barker, Boyles, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Damon, Dorland, Edie, Graham, Holmes of Jones	Mr. Hyde Jackson, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Monroe, Morgan, Pigman,	Mr. Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Smith, of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossen, Wamsley, White, Williams, Young, Mr. Speaker.
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Amendment to the amendment lost.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin their Secretary.

Mr. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed Senate File No. 16, A Bill for An Act to relocate the Seat of Government.

Senate File No. 27, A Bill for An Act to locate and establish a State road from Cedar Falls, in Blackhawk county, by Fort Dodge, in Webster county, to near the mouth of the Big Sioux in Woodbury county.

Senate File No. 45, A Bill An Act to prevent injury to creditors.

Senate File No. 46, A Bill for An Act making further provisions in relation to executors of estates.

Senate File No. 75, An Act in relation to certain State road therein named.

Senate File No. 95, A bill for An Act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

Senate File No. 102, A Bill for An Act establishing a State road from Farmington in Van Buren county, to Bloomfield in Davis county.

Senate File No. 103, An Act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Mitchell county.

Also,

Senate File No. 110, An Act to define the boundaries of Cass county.

In which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have also passed without amendments.

H. R. File No. 8. An Act to amend chapter 21 of the Code.

H. R. File No. 20, Joint Resolution for a mail route.

H. R. File, No. 70 An Act for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

H. R. File No. 62, An Act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county.

H. R. File No. 91, A Bill for an Act to authorize the Trustees of Julian Township, Dubuque county, to authorize the election of two additional Justices of the Peace.

Also,

H. R. File No. 92, An Act to change the name of Newton to Gosport.

B. P. RANKIN,

Secy Senate.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate File No. 54. A Bill for an Act granting an escheat.

Also,

Senate File No. 1, A Bill for an Act for the relief of George Cornwall, late of Lee county, deceased.

Also,

Senate File No. 106, A Bill for an Act for the relief of Hawkins Taylor.

Also,

Senate File No. 108, A Bill to authorize junior judgements, creditors to redeem from senior judgements, in all of which they ask the concurrence of the House.

I am further instructed to inform the House that the Senate have passed without amendment House File No. 56, A Bill for an Act to locate a State road from the town of Primrose in Lee county to Keokuk in the same county.

Also,

House File No. 67, A Bill for an Act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson in Green county.

B. P. RANKIN,

Sec'y Senate.

Mr. McCrory moved to amend the amendment, by giving an additional Representative to Johnson and Iowa counties.

Mr. Bryan moved to adjourn. Lost.

Mr. Tisdale moved to refer the Bill, with amendments, to a Special Committee of two, with instructions to report which Representative District had the largest fractional representation unprovided for in the Bill, as amended.

Mr. Bryan moved to adjourn.

Motion lost.

The question being upon the motion to refer, the same was adopted, and the Chair appointed Messrs. Tisdale and Smith, of Cedar, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The House adjourned.

## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 18, Memorial for additional mail facilities.

Also,

House File, No. 77, A Bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City.

Also,

House File, No. 17, Joint Resolution for the establishment of a mail route from Maquoketa, in Jackson county, to Colesburg, in Delaware county,—and find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN, Chairman.

Mr. Wamsley, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, made the following report:

The Committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred A Joint Resolution for a grant of land for a Rail-Road west from Bloomfield, in Davis county, to the Missouri river. Also,

A Memorial and Joint Resolution, asking a grant of land to aid in the construction of a Rail-Road, from the Mississippi river to the Missouri river. Also,

A Memorial and Joint Resolution, asking a grant of land to aid in the construction of a Rail-Road, from Keokuk, by way of Pella and Fort Des Moines, to some point on the north line of the State of Iowa, near its centre. Also,

A Joint Resolution, No. 5, to procure additional mail facilities; have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

JAMES WAMSLEY, Chairman.

Which report was concurred in by the House.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report, that they have examined, House File, No. 12, Joint Resolution, in relation to the State University. Also,

House File, No. 13, A Bill for the relief of Hannah Everall. Also, House File, No. 27, An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa. Also

A substitute for Senate File, No. 33, An Act to locate a State Road from Dallas county to Council Bluffs City, and from Panora to Council Bluffs City. Also,

House File, No. 38, An Act authorizing the County Judge of Clarke county to vacate the Burying Ground in the town of Oceola. Also,

House File, No. 40, A Bill for an Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county. Also,

House File, No. 43, An Act to amend an Act, to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved Feb. 24, 1847. Also.

House File, No. 50, An Act to incorporate the city of Le Claire, and find the same correctly enrolled.

GREENLEAF, Ch'n of Com.

Mr. Bonson, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred Joint Resolution, No. 11, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The Bill was laid on the table, and 200 copies ordered to be printed. Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 109, "An Act to incorporate Oskaloosa." Also,

Senate File, No. 38, A Bill for an Act, to alter the boundaries of the counties of Howard, Mitchell, Worth, and Winnebago; in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

I am also instructed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed a substitute for House File, No. 10, Joint Resolution, relative to constructing bridges and dams across Wapsipinicon and Cedar rivers, and bridges across Iowa river.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y of the Senate.

Mr. Graham, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 33, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage, which report was concurred in. The Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Rankin, their Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am instructed to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following Resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the House :

*Resolved*, The House concurring that the Joint Committee, to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Trustees of the State University, be hereby empowered to send for persons and papers, to examine such witnesses, and take such testimony in relation thereto as they may deem necessary, and that they be further instructed to examine into the condition of the Saline School Lands of the State, and the fund arising therefrom, and report the same to the General Assembly.

B. P. RANKIN,  
Sec'y of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Witter, The resolution of the Senate giving certain powers to the Joint Committee was concurred in.

Mr. Bryan, to whom was referred House File, No. 46, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Bill ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Samuels had leave to introduce House File, No. 99; A Bill for an Act to locate a State road in Appanoose county, which was read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended; the Bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Johnson from the Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House File, No. 55, Reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage, which report was concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Also,

House File, No. 87, With certain amendments, which were concurred in by the House.

Mr. Bryan moved, to strike out the word "dollars," where it occurs in the Bill, and insert the word "years," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Lyon, from the committee on township and county organizations, reported a substitute.

House File, No 7, An Act to re-locate the county seat of Blackhawk county.

Mr. Rogers offered to amend, by adding to section 5, the words "in the Iowa Republican and Iowa Capital Reporter, published at Iowa City," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bryan moved, to refer the Bill to the committee on the judiciary.

Motion lost; and the Bill ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The rule was suspended, and Senate File, No. 95, Was taken up and read a first and second time by its title.

Mr. Tracy offered the following amendment :

Before the last section add section eight.

SECTION 8.—The production of printed copy of any ordinance of said City, in Newspaper, Book, or Pamphlet form, in any suit to which the City is a party, shall be *prima facie* evidence that said ordinance has been legally passed and published.

Add to last section.

And all Acts or parts of Acts, heretofore passed, conflicting with the provisions of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Which were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, the rule was further suspended; the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Boyles, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, reported back House File, No. 52, An Act to amend section 2545 of chapter 136, of the Code of Iowa, with the following amendments :

Before the word "jurors" in the second line, insert the words "grand and petit," and before the word "court," in the third line, insert the word "district."

In section 2nd, in the second line, after the word "fees," insert the words "in district court."

Which amendments were concurred in by the House, the bill ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Lockwood, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred House File, No. 90, reported back the same to the House with an amendment to section 4 of the bill, and recommended its passage.

Amendment concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.



Mr. Tisdale, from the special Committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 37, made the following report :

Your Committee to whom was referred the duty of ascertaining the County or Representative district, that has the greatest excess of population over its representation, as indicated in the apportionment bill now pending, beg leave to report, that they have performed that duty, and have ascertained that Cedar County has an excess of three thousand one hundred and fifteen over the number that entitles her to one representative, this being a larger excess than is found in any other county or representative district in the State ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the member of the House of Representatives, that is wanting in said Bill to make the full number authorized by the Constitution, be given to Cedar county.

O. D. TISDALE,  
Chairman.

Which report was concurred in, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Boyles moved to amend the Bill and give Lee and Van Buren Counties a Senator.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The amendment was laid on the table ; the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Clark, from the special Committee to whom was referred certain petitions, reported by bill House File, No. 100, An Act to locate a State road from Albia to Newton, in Jasper county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Hyde had leave to introduce the following resolution .

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of this House do furnish each member thereof with a copy of Henn, Williams & Co's Map of Iowa.

Which resolution was adopted.

Mr. Tracy, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, reported back House File, No. 81, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Kinert had leave to introduce House File, No. 101, a Bill to amend section 638, chapter 41, of the Code of Iowa.

Which was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Also,

House File, No. 102, a Bill providing for the punishment of incest and crimes against nature.

Which was read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Edie introduced House File, No. 103, An Act to revive chapter 51, of the Code, entitled "Lost Goods and Estrays."

Which was read a first time, and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Neal, from the special Committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 97, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendments to section 1 :

Strike out the word "second" and insert "first;" strike out the words "first Monday in September," and insert "fourth Monday in August."

Mr. Tracy moved to refer the bill to a special Committee.

On the motion to refer, Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 19, }  
Nays 40. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,  
Coffin,  
Edie,  
Goodfellow,  
Graham,  
Johnson,  
Lyon,

Mr. McFarland,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Pritchard,  
Resser,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,

Mr. Tracy,  
White,  
Williams,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Bryan,  
Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Brown,

Mr. Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Dorland,  
Greenleaf,  
Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Holmes of Jones,

Mr. Meek,  
Neely,  
Neal,  
Newsom,  
Pigman,  
Poston,  
Rogers,

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Smith of Jackson,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Smith, of Cedar,
Connell,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Corse,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McCall,	Weatherington,
Creamer,	McKay,	Witter,
Damon,	Mechem,	

Motion lost.

The question being upon the amendment of Mr. Williams, the same was lost.

Mr. Vanfossen moved to amend, by striking out, in the section relating to Dallas county, "the third Monday in May," and insert "the first Monday in June."

Which amendment was adopted, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Neal had leave to give notice of a Joint Resolution, for certain mail facilities, from Newton, in Jasper county, to Chariton, in Lucas county.

Mr. Samuels had leave to introduce House File, No. 104, a Bill to increase the terms of the District Court in Dubuque county;

Which was read a first time, and, on his motion, the 42 rule was suspended and the bill

Read a second and third times by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The House adjourned.

## SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 13, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 82, A Bill to change the name of Bloomfield to Ash; n. Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 91, Memorial to Congress, for the repeal of the duty on sugar and molasses. Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 97, A Bill to provide for the removal of the Seat of Justice in Cass county. Read a first time.

**BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.**

Senate File, No. 62, Joint Resolution, asking for a grant of lands for a Homestead. Read a second time, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 86, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 89, An Act to change the name of Pierce Township, in Jones county, Iowa. Read a second time.

Mr. Corse moved to lay the bill on the table. Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The Bill was referred to a special committee, consisting of the members from Jones county.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and duly signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee, to be presented to the Governor:

House File, No. 12, Joint Resolution, in relation to the State University.

House File, No. 18, A Bill for the relief of Hannah Everall.

House File, No. 27, An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Substitute for Senate File No. 33, An Act to locate a State Road, from Dallas county, to Council Bluffs City, and from Panora to Council Bluffs City.

House File, No. 38, An Act, authorizing the county Judge of Clarke county to vacate the Burying Ground in the town of Ocoola.

House File, No. 40, A Bill for an Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county.

House File No. 48: An Act to amend an Act, to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved February 24th, 1847.

House File, No. 50. An Act to incorporate the city of Le Claire.

**BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.**

House File, No. 2, 3, and 74, On their third reading, were

On motion of Mr. Boyles, referred to a special committee, consisting of the members from Lee county.

Mr. Bonson had leave to introduce the following resolution :

*Resolved*, "That after Thursday next, the 18th inst., this House will not receive any resolution, or permit the introduction of any Bill amendatory of the Code, or on any subject of a general character."

Which was adopted.

House File, No. 17, Joint Resolution for additional mail service.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 18, Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 77, A Bill for an Act, denoting to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City, a certain Lot of ground therein named.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The vote engrossing House File, No. 18, Was, on motion of Mr. Williams, re-considered, and the Bill put upon its second reading.

Mr. Yeomans from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following reports :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined substitute for House File No. 7, "An Act to locate the county seat of Black Hawk county."

Also, House File, No. 4, "Memorial and Joint Resolution for grant of land to aid in the construction of a Rail Road."

Also, House File, No. 87, "A Bill to apportion the State and define the boundaries of senatorial and representative districts therein."

Also, Joint Resolution, No. 5, "To procure additional mail facilities."

Also, House File, No. 90, "An Act, making appropriations for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years of 1855 and 1856, and for the pay of per diem and mileage of Members of the General Assembly and Officers thereof."

Also, House File, No. 55, "A Bill for an Act, defining a bushel of sweet potatoes."

Also, House File, No. 81, "An Act authorizing Writs of Attachment, and Action against boats to issue on Sunday."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMANS, Chairman.

## PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Conkey presented the petition of Henry Ross, and 161 other citizens of Linn, Benton, and Blackhawk counties, for a State road from Cedar Rapids to Cedar Falls, which was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Smith of Cedar, presented the petition of B. Green, and 39 other citizens of Cedar county, upon the subject of spirituous liquors, which was laid upon the table.

Mr. Dewey of Lee, presented the petition of E. A. Gibbs, and 18 other citizens of Lee county, for the observance of the Sabbath, which was laid on the table.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of John Lee, and 40 others, on the same subject, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Connell presented the petition of Josiah Worley, and 110 others, praying for a State road from Oskaloosa to Marietta, which was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Albright presented the remonstrance of Justice Clark, and 81 other citizens of Des Moines county, against the repeal of Usury Law, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of T. B. Berry, and 86 other citizens of Monroe county, asking a State road from Albia to Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county, which was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Kinert gave notice of a bill to provide for a more efficient mode of collecting debts in cases of fraud.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

It was resolved that a select committee of four, consisting of Messrs. Holmes of Jones, Lockwood, Edie, and Hall, be appointed to examine the books and accounts of the Auditor of State, and ascertain whether the proper vouchers are on file, and whether the books and accounts are correctly kept and stated.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On suggestion of Mr. Holmes of Jones, Mr. Yeoman was added to said committee.

Mr. Turner from the committee on Schools and State University, reported back House File No. 79, with the following amendments.

To strike out in the 8th line of Sec. 1st, the word "home" and add "by the most usual route;" strike out all after the 10th line and insert "the president of said board shall determine the distance and certify the same to the Auditor of State, who shall issue a warrant upon the State Treasury for the amount so certified."

Which amendments were concurred in by the House, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File No. 8, Memorial and Joint Resolution to establish mail routs.

Also,

House File No. 12, Joint Resolution in relation to State University.

Also,

House File No. 20, An Act to erect school district No. 3, in Cedar Township, Monroe county.

Also,

House File No. 13, A Bill for the relief of Hannah Everall.

Also,

House File No. 27, An Act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Also,

House File No. 33, An Act to locate a State road from Dallas county to Council Bluffs City and from Panora to Council Bluffs City

Also,

House File No. 38, An Act authorizing County Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground in the Town of Oceola.

Also,

House File No. 40, A Bill for an Act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county.

Also,

House File No. 43, An Act to amend an Act to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved Feb. 24th 1847.

Also,

House File No. 50, An Act to incorporate the city of Le Claire.

Mr. Neely from the special committee, to whom was referred House File, Joint Resolution 19, reported the same back to the House without amendments and recommended its passage.

The Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File Nos. 54, An Act granting an escheat was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Rosser,

The bill was read a second time by its title and referred to a special committee of the members from Van Buren county.

Senate File No. 1, A Bill for an Act for the relief of the heirs of George Cornwall, late of Lee county, deceased was read a first time.

Senate File No. 16, A Bill for an Act to locate the seat of Government, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Samuels moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Vanfossen asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. Witter and Franklin found absent.

Mr. Witter came in and further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, and leave granted for absentees to record their votes at any time during the session of the day.

On the motion to indefinitely postpone,

Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 24. }  
Nays 43. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Brown,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Eddie,  
Hall,

Mr. Holmes of Jones  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
McCrary,  
McCall,  
McKay,  
Moore,  
Rogers,

Mr Russell,  
Samuels.  
Smith of Jackson  
Smith of Cedar,  
Williams,  
Witter,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Boyles  
Clark,

Mr. Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hinkle,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,

Mr. Pigman,  
Poston,  
Mr. Pritchard,  
Rosser,  
Sargent,  
Stephenson,



Corse,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creamer,	Meek,	Turner,
Damon,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Weatherington.
Dorland,	Neely,	White,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Yeoman,

Motion to postpone lost.

Mr. Williams moved to refer the bill to the committee on Public Buildings,

Mr. Dewey of Fremont called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 19. }  
Nays 46. }

The yeas were,

Brown,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Russell,
Coffin,	McCrorry,	Smith of Jackson
Connell,	McCall,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creamer,	McKay,	Williams,
Edie,	Moore,	Young,
Hall,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Hyde,		

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Graham,	Newsom,
Bryan,	Greenleaf,	Mr. Pigman,
Baldwin,	Hinkle,	Poston,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Kinert.	Sargent,
Boyles,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Clark,	Lyon,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Corse,	Mechem,	Turner,
Creel,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan.	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	White,

Mr. Dorland,  
Goodfellow,

Mr. Neely,

Mr. Yeoman.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The Bill was referred to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order for Monday, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock, P. M.

Substitute for Senate File No. 27: An Act to locate a State road from Cedar Falls to the mouth of the Big Sioux river in Woodbury county, was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Substitute for Senate File No. 88: A Bill, for An Act to change the boundaries of Howard, Worth, Mitchell and Winnebago counties, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Senate File No. 45: An Act to prevent injuries to creditors, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 46: An Act making further provisions relating to executors of estates, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 75: An Act to locate a certain State road, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Senate File No. 102: A Bill, for An Act to establish a State road from Farmington in Van Buren county, to Bloomfield in Davis county; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Senate File No. 103: An Act to appoint commissioners to locate the Seat of Justice of Mitchell county.

Which was read a first time, and the 42d Rule suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Senate File No. 106: A Bill, for An Act for the relief of Hawkins Taylor; which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 108: A Bill to authorize junior judgment creditors to redeem from senior judgments; which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 109: An Act to incorporate Oscaloosa; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to a committee consisting of the members from Mahaska county.

Senate File No. 110: An Act to define the boundaries of Cass county; which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Russell introduced House File, No. 105, An Act, to locate a State road from Richmond in Washington county to Muscatine, read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. McCrory presented House File, No. 106, An Act to encourage agriculture and mechanic arts in Johnson county, read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Edie had leave to introduce House File, No. 107, An Act, to amend chapter 45 of the Code, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on amendments to the Code.

Mr. McCall introduced House File, No. 108, An Act to establish certain State roads therein named, which was read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Also, House File, No. 109, A Bill in relation to certain un-organized counties therein named, which was read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on township and county organizations.

Also, House File, No. 110, An Act to establish a State road from Toledo to Nevada, in Story county, which was read a first time; and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Also, Joint Resolution, No. 21, Asking additional mail facilities, which was read a first time; and, on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Rogers introduced House File, No. 111, An Act in relation to the location and re-location of county seats, which was read a first time; and on his motion the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on the Code.

Mr. Creel introduced House File, No. 112, An Act to amend chapter 64, of the Code as to Mechanic's liens, which was read a first time; and on his motion, the 42 rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Neal introduced Joint Resolution, No. 22, For mail facilities, which was read a first time, and, on his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Young had leave to introduce House File, No. 113, An Act to amend the Laws in relation to roads and road tax, which was read a first time, and, on his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on amendments to the Code..

Mr. Bonson introduced House File, No. 114, A Bill to re-establish a certain military road, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and highways.

On motion the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed Senate File, No. 57, A Bill for an act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun.

Senate File, No. 58, Joint Resolution to procure additional Mail facilities.

Senate File, No. 60, Joint Resolution asking Congress for a reduction of the duties on Rail Road Iron.

Senate File, No. 35, A Bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O. Reilly.

Senate File, No. 86, A Bill for an act to regulate securities upon bonds of public officers.

Senate File, No. 93, A Bill for an act to provide separate records of town lots.

Senate File, No. 94, A Bill for an act to amend an act entitled an Act to Incorporate Iowa City.

Also,

Senate File, No. 96, A Bill for an act to relocate the Seat of Justice of Iowa county.

In which they request the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also passed H. R. Files, 14, 51, and 68, without amendment.

The Senate have also passed, Senate File, No. 12, Memorial for Grant of Lands to the Fort Madison and Bloomfield Railroad.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate insist upon their amendment to the first section of H. R. File, No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union county, and request a conference thereon, and have appointed Senators Anderson, Test, and Lucas, managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec. Senate.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

A Committee of five was appointed to confer with the Committee appointed on the part of the Senate, upon the matter of disagreement upon the amendments of the Senate to House File, No. 6, An Act to locate the County Seat of Union County.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Tracy, Yeomans, Corse, Dewey of Fremont, and Lyon, said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Neal, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Charitable Institutions, be instructed to report upon the bill to establish an institution for the education of the Deaf and Dumb at Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

Mr. McCrory introduced

House File, No. 115, An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions, and Memorials, passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Hinkle introduced

House File, No. 116, A Bill amendatory concerning Writs of Attachment and Exemption.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Connell introduced

House File, No. 117, An Act to authorize the County Judge of Tama County, to have certain Records of Benton county copied for the use of Tama county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, presented the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined

House File, No. 8, An Act to amend chapter 21 of the Code.

Also,

House File, No. 20, Joint Resolution for a mail route.

Also,

House File, No. 33, An Act to regulate the inspection of Shingles and Lumber.

Also,

House File, No. 56, A Bill for an act to locate a State road from the town of Primrose to Keokuk.

Also,

House File, No. 62, An Act to locate the Seat of Justice of Adair county.

Also,

House File, No. 67, An Act to establish a State road from Winter sett to Jefferson.

Also,

House File, No. 70, An Act for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

Also,

House File, No. 91, A Bill to authorize the election of two additional Justices of the Peace in Julien township, Dubuque county.

Also,

House File, No. 92, An Act to change the name of Newton to Gosport. And find them correctly enrolled.

#### BILLS UPON THEIR SECOND READING.

Substitute for Senate File, No. 18, An Act fixing the terms of the District Courts in the 3rd Judicial District.

Was read a second time.

Mr. Williams presented an amendment to the bill, which was concurred in by the House, and the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Substitute for House File, Joint Resolution, No. 10, was read a second time.

Mr. Smith of Cedar, offered an amendment to the title of the Resolution, which was adopted by the House, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 101, was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 102, Was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Corse,

Laid upon the table.

House File, No. 103, Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

By leave of the House.

Mr. Goodfellow introduced House File, No. 118, An Act providing for the distribution of the Code, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Code.

#### BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 4, A Memorial for a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a Rail Road from Keokuk to Fort Des Moines, thence to the northern boundary of the State.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was referred to a Committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Williams, Neal and Coffin, said committee.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 97, "An Act to fix the times of holding District Courts in the 5th Judicial District."

Also,

House File, No. 52, "An Act to amend Section 2545, of Chapter 136 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to Juror's Fees."

Also,

House File, No. 46, "A Bill, for an Act, to fix the time for holding Courts in the 9th Judicial District.

Also,

Joint Resolution No. 1, "For a grant of land for a Rail Road from Bloomfield, in Davis county, to the Missouri River."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMANS, Chairman.

Substitute for House File, No. 7, An Act to re-locate the County Seat of Black Hawk county, was read a third time.



Mr. Bryan offered the following amendment, by way of Rider:—  
 "Provided that the payment of indemnity, as provided for in this Act, shall be a condition, precedent to removing the County Seat;" which was decided not in order.

Mr. Bryan moved, to suspend the rule, in order that his amendment might be considered.

Motion lost.

Mr. Tracy moved, to refer the Bill to Mr. Rogers.

Motion lost.

Mr. Turner moved the previous question, which was sustained.

The question being, shall the previous question now be put?

The same was decided in the affirmative.

The Bill passed, and the title was agreed to.

Mr. Williams had leave to report back House File, Joint Resolution, No. 3, from the Special Committee, with the following amendment: insert before the word "Pella," the word "Oscalbosa," where the same occurs in the resolution; which amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Tracy moved the indefinite postponement of the Bill:

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 17, }  
 Nays 46, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Newsom,
Connell,	Kinert,	Poston,
Corse,	McFarland,	Sargent,
Eddie,	McKay,	Smith of Jackson,
Holmes of Jones	Monroe,	Tracy,
Hyde,	Neely,	Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Bryan,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Graham,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Greenleaf,	Rogers,
Bonson,	Hall,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Smith of Cedar
Clark	Jackson,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Tisdale,

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Turner,
Creel,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McCall,	Wamsley,
Damon.	Mechem,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	Williams,
Dorland,	Morgan,	Yeoman,
Franklin,	Neal,	

Motion to postpone, lost.

Mr. Tracy moved to re-commit the bill to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, the Resolution was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Neal, and Dewey of Fremont.

Joint Resolution No. 1, for a grant of lands for a rail-road West from Bloomfield, on its third reading:

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The Resolution was laid upon the table, and the rule suspended and Senate File No. 12, a memorial upon the same subject, was taken up and read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The Rule was further suspended and the Resolution, Senate File No. 12, read a second and a third time, and passed, and the title agreed to.

Joint Resolution, House File No. 2: Memorial for a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a rail-road from the Mississippi to the Missouri river, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution No. 5, was read a third time and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 37, An Act to re-apportion the State, and to define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts therein, was read a third time and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 46: A Bill, for An Act to fix the time for holding courts in the 9th Judicial District, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 52: An Act to amend Section 2545 of Chapter 136

of the Code of Iowa, in relation to jurors' fees, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No 55: A Bill, for An Act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 33, An Act to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title agreed to.

House File No. 81, An Act to authorize a writ of attachment and actions against boats on Sunday, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 90, An appropriation bill: read a third time by its title, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 97, An Act to fix the times of holding courts in the 5th Judicial District, was read a third time, and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Neal, from the special committee to whom was referred certain petitions for a State road, reported, by bill,

House File No. 119, An Act to establish a State road; which was read a first time, and, on his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Turner, from the Committee on Schools and State University, reported back

House File No. 93,

And recommended that the bill do not pass: which report was concurred in by the House, and the bill rejected.

On motion of Mr. McFarland, the House adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 15, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday, read.

The following bills, having passed both branches of the General Assembly and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House and endorsed by the Clerk, were placed in the hands of the proper Committee, to be presented to the Governor :

House File No. 8.

House File No. 56.

House File No. 67.

House File No. 70.

House File No. 92.

House File No. 62.

House File No. 33.

House File No. 91.

House File, Joint Resolution No. 20.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER : I herewith return,

House File No. 5: Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

House File No. 18: Memorial for additional mail service from Iowa City, via Wassonville, to Lancaster in Keokuk county.

House File No. 21 : Joint Resolution asking additional mail facilities in the interior of the State of Iowa.

House File No. 77: A Bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City.

House File No. 117: A Bill, for An Act authorizing the County Judge of Tama county to have certain portions of the records of Benton county, copied for the use of Tama county.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have indefinitely postponed the further consideration of:

House File No. 52: An Act to amend Section 2545 of Chapter 186 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to jurors.

Senate File No. 120: A Bill for an Act to locate a State road from Bear Grove, in Audubon county, to Iranistan, in Cass county.

Senate File No. 122: A Bill for an Act to provide for the adoption of a uniform set of rules of practice in the Supreme and District Courts throughout the State.

Senate File No. 126: A Bill for an Act to locate and establish a certain State road therein named.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to Senate File No. 95: A Bill for an Act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

Senate File No. 73: A Bill for an Act concerning acknowledgments of deeds in other States and in Foreign Countries.

Senate File No. 81: A Bill for an Act making road certificates receivable for county taxes.

Senate File No. 98: A Bill for an Act to amend Section 2534 of the Code, regulating the fees of Recorder.

Senate File No. 111: A Bill for an act to relocate the Seat of Justice of Decatur county.

Senate File, No. 116: A Bill for an act repealing an act entitled an act vacating certain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, Van Buren county.

Senate File No. 118: Joint Resolution relative to the claim of John Brown, as commissioner, to locate a permanent Seat of Government.

Senate File No. 119: A Bill for an act locating a State road from Centreville to Ottumwa.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed Senate file No. 9: A Bill for an Act entitled an Act respecting walls in common.

Senate File No: 49: An Act to incorporate the town of Lyons.

Senate File No. 59: A Bill for an Act to increase the powers of the Trustees of the State University of Iowa.

Senate File No. 66: A Bill for an Act changing the times of holding courts in the first Judicial District.

Senate File No. 67: A Bill for An Act to refund to clerks of the District Court of the several counties of this State, the monies paid to Justices of the Peace for the return of the Codes of Iowa.

Senate File No. 71: A Bill for an Act to amend chapter 38 of the Code of Iowa.

## INTRODUCTION OF PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of Calvia Joseph and 15 other citizens of Washington county, asking a law for the encouragement of wool-growers, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on Agriculture, with instructions to report by bill.

Mr. Bonson presented the petition of Soloman Shomo and 20 other citizens of Dubuque and vicinity asking the passage of a law against the killing of game at certain seasons of the year, which was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Bonson Pritchard and Rogers.

Mr. Samuels presented the proceedings of a meeting held in the city of Dubuque in relation to the establishment of a Normal School signed by Lincoln Clarke, which was referred to the committee on Schools and State University.

Also,

A petition of W. H. Merritt, in relation to printing, which was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Rogers presented the petition of John Conner and 23 other citizens of Iowa, asking a State road from McGregor's Landing to Clear Lake, in Cerro Gordo county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Monroe presented the petition of Thomas L. Oden and 37 others asking for a State road from Centerville, in Appanoose county to the State line of Missouri, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Moore presented a petition from William Stratton and 18 other citizens of Dubuque county, in relation to making and recording plat of the town of Dacotah in said county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Moore, Hall and Bonson.

Mr. Connell presented the petition of John M. Cartney and 43 other citizens of Benton county, asking a State road from Cedar Rapids to Fort Dodge, which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Also,

The petition of Henry D. Hollenbeck and other citizens of Benton, Iowa, and Keokuk counties, asking the formation of a new county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on Township and county organizations.

Also,

The remonstrance of Robert C Stanley and 109 other citizens of the same counties against the formation of such new county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Connell also presented the petition of Jabez Starr, and 37 other citizens, asking a Law regulating Mills and Millers, which on his motion, was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Neely presented the petition of Mendul L. Metcalf, and 44 other citizens of Woodbury county, praying for the removal of the County Seat of said county, from Sargents Bluffs to Sargents Bluff's City, which,

On his motion, was laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication :

*To the Members of the House of Representatives.*

Finding that the duties of Second Assistant Clerk, interfere with the discharge of an obligation previously undertaken, I respectfully resign said office.

JOHN MAHIN.

Mr. Connell offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk be instructed to procure such assistant assistance as he may deem necessary.

Mr. Bonson moved, to lay the resolution on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Williams moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "such assistant as he may deem necessary," and inserting "an Assistant Clerk."

Amendment adopted, and the resolution, as amended, passed.

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Jones,

The Select Committee appointed to examine the Auditor's books, had leave of absence.

Mr. Yeoman, from the committee on engrossed bills, moved the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 103, "An Act to revive chapter 51 of the Code, entitled lost goods and estrays."

Also,

House File, No. 101, A Bill to amend section 638, chapter 41, of the Code of Iowa.

Also,

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 19, Memorial to Congress to establish a Garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux River in Iowa.

Also,

House File, No. 79, "An Act granting milage to the Trustees of State University of Iowa."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN, Chairman.

#### NOTICES OF BILLS.

By Mr. Edie :

Notice of a Bill, granting to the several County Judges, the power to set off Incorporated Towns and Villages into separate road districts.

Also,

Of a Bill, providing for the payment of the appropriation, designated in section 1182 of the Code.

Also,

A Bill granting to townships the right to change their names.

By Mr. Turner :

Notice of a Bill fixing a tariff on the Statutes of other States that are introduced into the Legislation of this State.

By Mr. Neely :

Notice of a Bill for the relief of certain tax payers of Harrison county.

Mr. Russell from the committee on the judiciary reported, and asked that Senate File, No. 106, be re-committed to the Lec County delegation, which report was concurred in.

Also,

House File, No. 95, with a recommendation that it do not pass, which was concurred in and the Bill rejected.



Also, House File, No. 83, And recommended that it do not pass; report concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Mr. Wamsley, from special committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Liberty Township, Jefferson county, for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in said township: reported by Bill, House File, No. 120, An Act providing for an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty township, Jefferson county, and recommended its passage, which was concurred in.

Mr. Johnson, from the select committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 106, An Act, to encourage Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, in Johnson county, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, which report was concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Rosser, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 54, A Bill for an Act, granting an escheat, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, which report was concurred in.

Mr. White, from the committee on claims, reported House File, No. 80, An Act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan, and recommended its passage; which report was concurred in.

Mr. Boyles, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, made the following report:

A majority of the Committee on Amendments to the Code, have had under consideration, House File, No. 75, A Bill for an act annexing a proviso to section 1898 of the Code, have instructed me to report the same back, and recommend its passage.

BOYLES,  
Chairman.

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Boyles, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, reported a substitute for House File, No. 57, A Bill for an act to amend section 169 of the Code of Iowa, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,  
The report and bill were laid on the table.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Conkey introduced  
Joint Resolution, No. 23, Appropriating money to increase the State Library.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Bigelow introduced

House File, No. 121, An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Guttenburgh.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Edie moved to suspend the rule, and take up House File, No. 66, An Act in relation to Supervisors of Highways.

Which motion prevailed, the bill read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Was referred to a select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Bryan introduced

House File, No. 122, A Bill to establish the Military Staff of the Commander-in-Chief.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Military affairs.

Mr. Neely introduced

House File, No. 123, An Act to establish a certain State road.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Poston introduced

House File, No. 124, An Act to improve the breeding of Sheep.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 57, A Bill for an act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun.

Was read a first time.

Senate File, No. 58, Joint Resolution to procure additional Mail facilities.

Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 60, Joint Resolution asking Congress for a reduction of the duties on Railroad Iron.

Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 86, A Bill for an act to regulate securities upon bonds of public officers.

Read a first time.

Senate File, No. 96, A Bill for an act to require the Recorders of Counties to keep the Records of Conveyances of Town Lots separate from those of other Real Estate.

Read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 94, A Bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate Iowa City.

Read a first time by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Senate File, No. 96, A Bill for an act to relocate the Seat of Justice of Iowa County.

Read a first time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Tracy moved to refer the bill to the standing Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

The bill was referred to a select Committee of three.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Johnson, McCrory, and Tracy, said Committee.

Mr. Vanfossen had leave to introduce House File No. 125: An Act for an additional Justice of the Peace in Panuke Township, Dallas county, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 120: An Act providing for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty Township, Jefferson county, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Mechem,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. McKay had leave to introduce House File No. 126: An Act creating a board for the equalization of State taxes and amending certain acts, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Also,

Mr. McKay had leave to introduce House File No. 127: An Act to provide for the election of County Judge, Sheriff, Recorder, Corner and County Surveyor, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

Senate File No. 1: read a second time and referred to a select committee consisting of the Lee county delegation.

Senate File No. 27: read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

Was referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

Senate File No. 82: read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 91: read a second time by its title and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

Was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Senate File No. 97: read a second time and referred to the committee on Township and County organizations.

House File No. 115: read a second time and referred to the committee on Expenditures.

House File No. 116: read a second time and referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

Senate File No. 62: Joint Resolution asking a grant of land for homesteads, read a third time and passed, and title thereof agreed to.

\*Also, Substitute Joint Resolution No. 10: relative to constructing bridges and dams across certain rivers, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 79: was read a third time and rejected.

Mr. Boyles moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Goodfellow moved a reconsideration of the vote, by which House File No. 79 was rejected.

Motion prevailed,

And upon reconsideration the bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 101: A Bill to amend Section 638, chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 103: An Act to revise chapter 51 of the Code, entitled "lost goods and estrays," on its third reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

Referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Senate File No. 54: A Bill for an Act granting an escheat, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 8, An Act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Bryan moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. Clark, Goodfellow and Neal, absent.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in the absentees.

Mr. Bryan moved a further call of the House.

Messrs. Bryan, Connell, Creamer, Dewey of Lee, Greenleaf, Hall, Kinert, Poston and Witter, were absent.

Mr. Jackson moved to suspend further call of the House.

Motion lost.

Mr. Tracy moved to require the Doorkeeper to close the doors to prevent persons from leaving the Hall during the absence of the Sergeant at Arms.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. McFarland moved a recess of one hour.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 12, }  
Nays 42, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Newsom,
Bigelow,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Meek,	Yeoman,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rosser,
Baldwin,	Johnson,	Russell,
Bonson,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Brown,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McKay,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creel,	Monroe,	Turner,
Dorland,	Moore,	Wamsley,
Edie,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Graham,	Pigman,	White,
Hinkle,	Pritchard,	Williams,
Holmes of Jones,	Rogers,	Young.

Motion lost.

Mr. Wamsley moved, to adjourn.

Motion lost.

Sergeant at Arms reported that he had notified all the absentees he could find.

Mr. Young moved to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Motion lost.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to procure the attendance of absent Members.

Mr. Williams moved, to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Motion lost.

The Sergeant at Arms reported Messrs. Clark, Neal, and Bryan, present.

Further proceedings under the call were suspended.

Mr. Tracy offered the following resolution :

"That the Members of this House who retired from the Hall after the call of the roll the first time, or during the second call of the roll, be fined in the sum of \$2 each, to be deducted from the *per diem* of said Members."

Which resolution, on the motion of Mr. Hall, was laid upon the table.

Mr. Dewey of Lee, offered his excuse for absence. 1

Messrs. Dewey of Fremont and Neal, also offered their excuses for absence.

Mr. Russell moved to suspend all further proceedings under the call, and that Members be excused.

Mr. Bonson moved to amend, by excluding Mr. Bryan from being excused.

Amendment adopted, and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Williams moved that Mr. Bryan be excused.

Motion lost.

Mr. Bryan offered his reasons for being absent.

Mr. Tracy moved that Mr. Bryan be excused.

Motion prevailed.

House File, No. 106, An Act to encourage Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in Johnson county, read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Samuels offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Rev. H. C. Dean, on to-morrow evening.

House File, No. 75, A Bill for an Act, amending a proviso to section 1898 of the Code, was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Conkey had leave to introduce the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the State Librarian is hereby instructed to report forthwith to the General Assembly, in accordance with section 453 of the Code.

Which was adopted.

Senate File, No. 120, A Bill for an Act to locate a certain State road

Read a first time.

Senate File No. 122: A Bill, for An Act to provide for the adoption of a uniform set of rules of practice in the Supreme and District Courts of the State; which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 126: A Bill, for An Act to to locate a certain State road therein named; which was read a first time and

Ordered to a second reading.

Senate File No. 9: A Bill, for An Act respecting walls in common, was read a first time.

Senate File No. 49: An Act to incorporate the town of Lyons, was read a first time by its title.

Senate File No. 59: A Bill, for An Act to increase the powers of the Trustees of the State University of Iowa, was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Schools and State University.

Senate File No. 66: A Bill, for An Act changing the times of holding courts in the 1st Judicial District, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to a select committee consisting of members from the 1st Judicial District.

Senate File No. 67: A Bill for an Act to refund, to Clerks of the District Courts of the several counties of this State, the moneys paid to Justices of the Peace, for the return of the Codes of Iowa: read a first time and

Ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 71: A Bill, for An Act to amend Chapter 33 of the Code of Iowa: read a first time.

Ordered to a second reading.

Senate File No. 73: A Bill, for An Act concerning the acknowledgements of deeds in other States and foreign countries: read a first time and

Ordered to a second reading.

Senate File No. 81: A Bill, for An Act making road certificates receivable for county taxes: read a first time.

Senate File No. 98: A Bill, for An Act to amend Section 2534 of the Code, regulating the fees of Recorder: read a first time.

Senate File No. 111: A Bill, for An Act to re-locate the Seat of Justice of Decatur county: read a first time, and,



On motion of Mr. Neal,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Yeoman, Neal and Goodfellow.

Senate File No. 116: An Act, repealing an act entitled An Act vacating certain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, Iowa: read a first time by its title.

Senate File No. 118: Joint resolution relative to the claim of John Brown as Commissioner to locate the permanent Seat of Government: read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. White,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Senate File No. 119: A Bill, for An Act locating a State road from Centreville to Ottumwa: read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Kinert moved to take from the table, House File No. 102.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Rogers moved that the reading in full, be dispensed with.

Motion adopted.

Mr. McKay moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On this question, Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays; which ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 23. }

Nays, 40. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Dewey of Lee,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Dewey of Fremont,	Poston,
Bigelow,	Hall,	Sargent,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Stephenson,
Brown,	Jackson,	Tracy,
Connell,	McKay,	Witter,
Corse,	Monroe,	Yeoman.
Damon,	Moore,	

The nays were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Hyde	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Johnson,	Rogers,

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Rosser,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Smith, of Cedar,
Coukey,	McCrary,	Smith of Jackson
Creel,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Edie,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	Williams,
Graham,	Neal,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones		

Mr. Kinert moved to refer the bill to the committee on the Judiciary.

Motion prevailed and the bill so referred.

Mr. Turner from the committee on Schools and State University, reported a substitute for House File No. 16, Joint Resolution appointing Trustees of the State University and recommended its passage.

The report was concurred in, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42 rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf from the committee on Enrolled Bills made the following report:

The committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval.

House File No. 8: An Act to amend chapter 21 of the Code.

Also, House File No. 20: Joint Resolution for a mail route.

Also, House File No. 33: An Act to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber.

Also, House File No. 56: A Bill for an act to locate a State road from the town of Primrose to Keokuk.

Also, House File No. 62: An Act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county.

Also, House File No. 67: An Act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson.

Also, House File No. 70: An Act for the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Knoxville, Marion county Iowa.

Also, House File No. 91: A Bill to authorize the election of two additional Justices of the Peace in Julien Township, Dubuque county.

Also, House File No. 92: An Act to change the name of Newton to Gosport.

Mr. Connell introduced House File No. 128: An Act requiring plaintiffs in justices courts to give security for costs, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Neal presented the account of the Iowa Capital Reporter office, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Creamer from the select committee on Ashland University reported House File No. 71: A Bill foran act to establish a branch of the State University at Ashland, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. White,

The bill was referred to the committee on Schools and State University.

Mr. Turner from the committee on Schools and State University, reported House File No. 129: A Bill for an act exempting "White's Iowa Manual Labor Institute," from taxation, which was read a first time.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont moved to suspend the 42d rule.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Mechem,

The House adjourned.

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6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order of the hour being the consideration of House File No. 16: A Bill for an act to relocate the Capitol of the State of Iowa.

Mr. Williams asked for a call of the House.

Call sustained, and Messrs. Conkey, Damon, Lockwood, Neal and Sargent, were not present.

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley their Asst Secretary.

Mr. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate File No. 128: A Bill for an act to relocate the county seat of Keokuk county.

Also, Senate File No. 130: An Act to amend the charter of the town of Fort Madison.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

P. B. BRADLEY

Asst Sec'y Senate.

Committee of the whole House, Mr. Dewey of Fremont, in the Chair, at 9 o'clock and 15 minutes the Committee rose and reported through their Chairman, that they had considered the matter referred to them, and recommended the passage of the bill.

No action was taken upon the report of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The House took up Senate File, No. 128, An Act to relocate the County Seat of Keokuk County; which was read a first time, and

On motion of Morgan,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Morgan moved to amend the bill by striking out of the first section the word "forever" and inserting the words "twenty years."

Amendment concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Morgan,

The 42d rule was further suspended, and the bill read a third time by its title, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Edie, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 16, 1855.

Prayer by Rev. Grinnell.

Journal of yesterday read.

Mr. Williams had leave to introduce House File, No. 130, An act relating to the Oskaloosa Normal School.

Which was read a first time by its title, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to a select Committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Williams, Conkey, and Samuels.

On request of Mr. Bryan, Mr. Morgan had leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

A Committee of three was appointed to ascertain and report the amount of mileage and *per diem* of the members of the House of Representatives

The Chair appointed Messrs. Bryan, Tracy, and McFarland, said Committee.

The question before the House being in concurring in the report of the Committee of the Whole, on Senate File, No. 16, Mr. Dewey of Fremont, asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Messrs. McFarland and Russell were absent.

Mr. Vanfossen moved to excuse the absentees.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, asked for a division of the question as to each absentee.

Mr. Russell was excused.

Mr. Tracy moved to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was taken up and read by sections.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 18, An Act providing for the revision or amendment of the Constitution of this State.

Senate File, No. 115, A Bill for an act locating a certain State Road.

Also, Senate File, No. 121, A Bill for an act locating a State Road from Davenport, in Scott county, to Bellevue, in Jackson county; in all of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also passed with sundry amendments, H. R. File, No. 5, A Bill for an act to suppress Intemperance; in which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House.

I herewith present for your signature, Senate File, No. 12, Memorial for a grant of Lands for the Fort Madison and Bloomfield Railroad.

Also, Senate File, No. 95, An Act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec. Senate.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment :

In third line of section 1st, strike out the word "five" and insert "three."

Mr. Connell offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Strike out "three" and insert "fifteen "

Amendment to the amendment lost.

Mr. William's amendment was also lost.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment :

Strike out of fourth and fifth lines of 1st section, the words "shall be appointed by the Governor," and insert "elected by the people at the next August election."

On this amendment, Mr. Connell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and resulted as follows :

Yeas 25.)

Nays 42.)

The yeas were:

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Williams,
Connell,	McCrary,	Witter,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Young,
Edie,	McKay,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Moore,	
Holmes of Jones,	Pigman,	

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr Poston,
Bryan,	Graham,	Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Rosser,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creel,	Meek,	Turner,
Creamer,	Monroe.	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	White,
Franklin,	Newsom,	Yeoman,

Amendment lost.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment :

To strike out of the first section the following clause : "*Provided*, That the site selected by them shall be within two miles of the junction of the Desmoines and Raccoon rivers, in Polk county."

On this amendment, Mr. Noble called for the yeas and nays ; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 26, }

Nays 41, }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Johnson;	Mr. Rogers,
Bonson,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Coffin,	McCrary,	White,
Connell,	McCall,	Williams.
Eddie,	McKay,	Witter,
Franklin,	Moore,	Young,
Holmes of Jones,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Hyde,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Poston,
Bryan,	Greenleaf,	Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Rosser,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Samuels,

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Smith of Jackson
Conkey,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Mechem,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Meek,	Tracy,
Creamer,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	

Mr. McFarland offered the following amendment :

*“Provided further, That there be no appropriations made out of the State treasury for five years.”*

On this amendment. Mr. Noble called for the yeas and nays ; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 31. }  
Nays, 36. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Rogers,
Benson,	Kinart,	Samuels,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith of Jackson
Collin,	McCall,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Turner,
Connell,	McFarland,	White,
Dorland,	McKay,	Williams,
Edie,	Moore,	Witter,
Holmes of Jones,	Pigman,	Young,
Hyde,	Pritchard,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Franklin,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Goodfellow,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Rosser,
Barker,	Greenleaf,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Hinkle,	Stephenson,
Clark,	Jackson,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Lyon,	Tracy,
Creel,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Morgan,	Weatherington,



Mr. Dewey of Lee, Mr. Neal, Mr. Yeoman.  
Dewey of Fremont, Neely,

Amendment lost.

The House passed to the consideration of the fourth section of the bill :

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment to Section 4 :

To insert the following, after the word "obtain" in the fifth line :  
"Not less than 300 acres in one body."

On this amendment, Mr. Williams called for the yeas and nays ; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 28. )

Nays 39. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Samuels,
Bonson,	Kinert,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Turner,
Connell,	McFarland,	White,
Dorland,	McKay,	Williams,
Edie,	Moore,	Witter,
Hall,	Pigman,	Young.
Holmes of Jones	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Hyde,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Franklin,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Goodfellow,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Greenleaf,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Cor. e,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creel,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Morgan,	Wansley,
Damon,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Yeoman.
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment :

Strike out all of Section 8 after the word "State" in the sixth line :

and insert "who shall lay the same before the next General Assembly."

On this amendment, Mr. Poston called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered; and were as follows:

Yeas, 27. {  
Nays, 39. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Jackson
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	McCrory,	Turner,
Dorland,	McCall,	Williams,
Eddie,	McKay,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Moore,	Young,
Hall,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Graham,	Poston,
Mr. Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Corse,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creamer,	Meek,	Vantossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Wansley,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	White,
Franklin,	Neely,	Ycoman.

Amendment lost.

Mr. Williams offered the following amendment to the 10th section:

After the word "State" add "and provided further that said buildings shall not be deemed sufficient unless they are permanently erected, and worth at least fifty thousand dollars, and shall be the property of the State."

On this amendment Mr. Noble called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 29. {  
Nays 38. }

The yeas were,

Bigelow,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Rogers,
Bouson,	Kinert,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	McCrory,	Turner,
Connell,	McCall,	White,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Williams,
Eddie,	McKay,	Witter,
Hall,	Moore,	Young,
Hyde,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Poston,
Bryan,	Graham,	Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Rosser,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Mechem,	Tislale,
Creel,	Meek,	Tracy
Creamer,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Franklin,	Newsom,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Noble moved to amend Section 10, by striking out all after the word "provided" and insert the following, "that said building shall be erected for the State, and shall forever remain the proper property of the State, and shall not be deemed suitable unless they are of the value of thirty-five thousand dollars."

Mr. Samuels offered an amendment to the amendment, to-wit: strike out the word "forever" and insert "so long as said buildings may be required for the use of the State."

Amendment to the amendment lost.

On the amendment, Mr. Noble called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 28. }  
Nays 40. }

The yeas were,

Bigelow,	Mr. Kinert.	Mr. Samuels,
Bonson,	Lookwood,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	McCrary,	Smith, of Cedar,
Coffin,	McCall,	Turner,
Connell,	McFarland,	White,
Dorland,	McKay,	Williams,
Edie,	Moore,	Witter,
Hall,	Pigman,	Young,
Hyde,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Johnson,		

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Graham,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Byles,	Holmes of Jones	Sargent,
Clark,	Jackson,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Lyon,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creamer,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan.	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neel,	Yeoman,
Franklin,	Neely,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Bonson offered the following amendment:

"Provided that the question for the removal of the Seat of Government be left to a vote of the people of the State of Iowa at the general election in April next."

On this question Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays.

Mr. McCrary asked a call of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,  
The call was suspended.

On the amendment of Mr. Bonson, the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 29. }  
Nays 39. }

The yeas were:

Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Samuels,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Conkey,	McCrary,	White,
Connell,	McFarland,	Williams,
Dorland,	McKay,	Witter,
Edie,	Moore,	Young,
Hall,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones,	Rogers,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Graham,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Corse,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Creamer,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan,	Weatherington.
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Yeoman.
Franklin,	Neely,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Bryan moved the previous question. Motion sustained.

The question being, shall the previous question now be put, the same was decided in the affirmative.

On ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Noble called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 41. }  
Nays 26. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Bryan,	Graham,	Poston,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Boyles	Jackson,	Sargent,
Brown,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Clark,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Creal,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Morgan,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Yeoman.
Franklin,	Neely,	

The nays were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Samuels.
Bonson,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson
Coffin,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Connell,	McCrary,	Williams,
Doriand,	McKay,	Witter,
Eddie,	Moore,	Young,
Hall,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones	Rogers.	

The bill ordered to a third reading.

#### INTRODUCTION OF PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Pritchard presented the remonstrance of E. Sells, and 123 other citizens of Muscatine county, against changing a certain road, therein named, which was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Bryan had leave to make a special report, in relation to the mileage and *per diem* of Mr. Morgan.

Mr. Hyde presented the remonstrance of R. R. Allen, and other citizens of Scott county, in relation to a certain road therein named, which, on his motion, was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Lockwood presented the petition of John Hall, and others, in relation to Burrell's addition to the town of Toolsborough, in Louisa county, which was referred to the committee on Incorporations.

Mr. Graham presented the petition of N. C. Swank, and 53 other citizens of Cedar county, praying the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Johnson presented the remonstrance of Jas. W. Grant, and 354 other citizens of Iowa county, against the re-location of the County Seat of said county, which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Creel had leave to present the account of the office of the Keokuk Valley Whig, which was referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rule was suspended and Senate File, No. 73, A Bill for an Act concerning acknowledgements of deeds in other States, and Foreign Countries, was taken up and read a second time.

Mr. Bryan offered the following amendment :

"This Act shall be in force, from and after its publication, in the Iowa Capital Reporter, and Iowa Republican."

The amendment was adopted :

On Mr. Bryan's motion, the rule was further suspended; the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Neal had leave to introduce House File, No. 131, A Bill to establish a Lunatic Asylum in Marion county, which was read a first time, and, on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

Mr. Moore introduced House File, No. 132, A Bill for an act to vacate part of a territorial road, therein named; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, bill read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Bigelow introduced House File, No. 133, An Act to establish the 10th judicial district of the State of Iowa, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time by its title,

and referred to the delegation from Dubuque judicial district.

Mr. Pritchard, from the Committee on Expenditures, reported back House File, No. 115, without amendment, and recommended its passage; the bill read a second time, and ordered to a third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Bayles, from the committee on amendments to the Code to whom was referred House File, No. 111, A Bill, for an Act in relation to the location and re-location of county seats; reported a substitute and recommended its passage.

Mr. Rogers offered an amendment, to wit: to strike out "two fifths" and insert "a majority."

Amendment lost.

Mr. Neal offered the following amendment, to wit:

Add section 11, "That nothing in this act shall be construed to effect or impair vested rights."

Amendment lost, and the report of the committee concurred in.

Mr. Samuel's had leave to introduce House File, No. 134, A Bill relative to State Printing, which was read a first time by its title, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time and referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Samuels, Williams, and Holmes of Jones.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, the House adjourned.

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## TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The question upon concurring in the report of the Committee on House File, No. 111, the same was concurred in.

Mr. Noble, by leave of the House, offered the following amendment, to-wit:

"Twenty days notice of the presentation of any petition provided by this act, shall be made by one insertion in a weekly newspaper, if there be any in the county, if no paper therein printed, by posting



the same in four public places in the county, one of which shall be on the Court House door in said county."

Amendment adopted.

Mr. McKay had leave to offer the following amendment, to-wit :

"This Act shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Republican."

Amendment adopted, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, presented a majority report from the Committee on Schools and State University.

House File, No. 135, An Act to amend the Code in relation to Schools; read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and made the special order for 6½ o'clock to-morrow evening.

Mr. Bigelow, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, reported back House Files, No. 108 and No. 110, and recommended their passage.

House File, No. 108: read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File, No. 110: read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Lockwood, from a majority of the Committee to whom was referred House File, No. 35, reported a substitute therefor.

Mr. Damon, from the minority of the same Committee, made the following report :

"The minority of the select Committee to whom was referred a bill for an act 'providing for the election of township supervisors and defining their duties,' beg leave to report that they have had under consideration, House File, No. 35, and report the same back with amendments and recommend its passage."

Mr. Corse moved to indefinitely postpone the substitute and the report of the majority of the Committee.

Motion lost

Mr. White moved to lay the substitute and report on the table.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The minority report was also laid on the table.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, from the select Committee to examine the Auditor's books, etc., made the following report :

The select Committee appointed to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State, ask leave to submit the following

#### REPORT :

In the discharge of the duty assigned them, they have called upon the Auditor of State, and made a cursory examination of a Blotter which was presented to them by the Auditor, and they find from the very imperfect manner in which the books and accounts of this office are kept, it is entirely impossible for your Committee to make the examination contemplated by the House, within the time that yet remains of the present session of the General Assembly.

Your Committee further report, that they are convinced that the interests of the State require such examination as speedily as practicable.

Your Committee therefore, recommend the appointment by the General Assembly of a joint commission, consisting of three competent accountants, whose duty it shall be to proceed without delay, to make a thorough examination of all the books, vouchers and accounts of the Auditor's office, with authority to examine witnesses and send for persons and papers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. HOLMES,  
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

A Committee of three was appointed to report to the House a Joint Resolution providing for Commissioners to examine the books, accounts and vouchers of the Auditor in pursuance of the recommendation of the committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Turner, Yeomans, and Holmes of Jones, said committee.

Mr. Wamsley from the committee on military affairs, to whom was referred House File, No. 122, Reported the same back to the House, and recommended it do not pass.

Report concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Mr. Samuels from the select committee, to whom was referred House

File, No. 134, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, which report was concurred in.

The Bill read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boyles, from the select committee, consisting of the Lee county Delegation, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 1, Reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The Bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Also, Senate File, No. 106, Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Lyon from the committee on township and county organizations, reported back House File, No. 109, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Bonson, from select committee, reported back House File, No. 136, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Poston, the 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Poston moved to refer to the committee on agriculture.

Motion lost.

Mr. Edie moved to amend the Bill by inserting "Jackson county."

Motion adopted.

Mr. Witter moved to amend, by inserting "Scott county."

Motion adopted.

Mr. Pigman moved to strike out the word "Muscatine," wherever it occurs in the Bill.

Mr. Tracy moved to amend the amendment by inserting the word "city" before the word "Muscatine."

By leave of the House, Mr. Witter moved that when the House adjourn, it be at 4 o'clock, in order that the friends of Mr. Franklin, a Member of this House, may attend the funeral of his child.

Motion adopted.

The question being on Mr. Tracy's amendment to the motion of Mr. Pigman,

Mr. Tracy moved to lay the motion, with amendment, on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Tracy withdrew his amendment.

The question being, on the motion of Mr. Pigman, to strike out "Muscatine," the same was adopted.

Mr. Dorland moved to strike out the names of counties and insert "the State of Iowa."

Motion decided out of order.

Mr. Dorland moved to insert "Henry county."

On motion of Mr. Tracy, the House adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read.

On motion of Mr Dorland, the reading of the yeas and nays in the Journal, was dispensed with.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed

Senate File No. 22: A Bill, for An Act authorizing Mill Dams.

Senate File No. 40: A Bill, for an Act to amend Chapter 44 of the Code.

Senate File No. 51: A Bill, for An Act to establish a State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

Senate File No. 52: A Bill, for An Act to amend an act entitled An Act to establish an Assylum for the Blind, approved January 18th, 1853.

Senate File No. 99: A Bill, for An Act to repeal Chapter 71 of the Acts passed at the session of the 3d General Assembly.

Senate File No. 100: A Bill, for An Act to create the office of State Binder, to provide for his election, to define his duties, and to establish the prices of public binding.

Senate File No. 102: A Bill, for An Act making certified copies, of documents in the Surveyor General's office, evidence in certain cases.

Senate File No. 132: A Bill, for An Act to locate a State road from Watawa to Iranistan.

Also, Senate File No. 133: A Bill, for An Act affording aid and patronage to the State Agricultural Society.

In all of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I herewith return

House File No. 7: A Bill, for An Act to locate the County Seat of Black Hawk county.

House File No. 17: Joint Resolution for the establishment of a mail route from Maquoketa in Jackson county, to Colesburgh in Delaware county.

House File No. 19: Memorial to Congress to establish a garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in Iowa.

Substitute for House File No. 44: A Bill, for An Act to amend an act entitled An Act to incorporate the city of Davenport.

House File No. 55: A Bill, for An Act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes.

House File No. 60: A Bill for the observance of the Sabbath.

House File No. 90: An Act making appropriations for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years of 1855 and 1856; and for the pay per diem and mileage, of members of the General Assembly and officers thereof.

House File No. 120: A Bill, for An Act providing for an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty, Jefferson county, Iowa.

House File No. 121: A Bill, for An Act to amend an act entitled An Act to incorporate the town of Guttenberg.

Also, House File No. 125: A Bill, for An Act for an additional Justice of the Peace in Penoach township, Dallas county.

The same having passed the Senate, without amendment.

The Senate have indefinitely postponed the further consideration of House File No. 12: A Bill, for An Act to encourage the killing of wolves.

Also, House File No. 63: A Bill, for An Act to establish Brownsville School District.

The Senate have concurred in the amendment made by the House to

Substitute for House File No. 10: Joint Resolution relative to con-

structing bridges and dams across Cedar and Wabasapinacon rivers and bridges across the Iowa river.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
As't Sec'y Senate.

The consideration of House File No. 136, being before the House; and the question recurring on the motion of Mr. Dorland, to insert "Henry county," the same was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred Senate File No. 118, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Boyles introduced

House File No. 137 : A duplicate of House File No. 49 misplaced, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a first, second and third times, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House File No. 15, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of Joseph D. Hoag, reported

Joint Resolution, House File No. 24, relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag, Commissioner to locate the permanent Seat of Government; which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. White,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Rule was further suspended, and the bill read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill, Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays.

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to refer to a select committee of three.

Motion lost.

On the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 31. }  
Nays, 33. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Dewey of Lec,	Mr. Mechem,
Barker,	Dorland,	Russell,
Bigelow,	Dewey of Fremont,	Samuels, ...
Bonson,	Edie,	Stephenson,
Boyles,	Graham,	Tracy,
Brown,	Holmes of Lynn,	White,
Conkey,	Hyde,	Witter,
Connell,	Lyon,	Yeoman,
Creel,	McCall,	Young.
Creamer,	McFarland,	Mr. Speaker.
Damon,		

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Poston,
Bryan,	Kinert,	Pritchard,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Rogers,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Rosser,
Corse,	Meek,	Sargent,
Goodfellow,	Monroe,	Smith of Cedar,
Greenleaf,	Moore,	Tisdale,
Hall,	Neal,	Turner,
Hinkle,	Neely,	Vanfossen,
Holmes of Jones,	Newsom,	Weatherington,
Jackson,	Pigman,	Williams,

Lost, and Bill rejected.

Mr. Tracy moved to suspend the regular order of business, and take up Senate File, No. 16, A Bill for an Act to re-locate the Capitol of the State of Iowa.

Motion lost.

Mr. Turner moved to re-consider the vote on the passage of Senate File, No. 118.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Samuels had leave to give notice of a Bill to authorize individuals to sue the State, upon claims against the State.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Schools and State University, introduced House File, Joint Resolution, No. 26, In relation to Trustees of State University.

Also, House File, Joint Resolution, No. 25, In relation to the appointment of certain commissioners, which was read a first time, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Russell from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred House File, No. 128, Reported the same back to the House, and recommended that it do not pass.

Report of the committee concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Also, from the same committee, House File, No. 112, An Act to amend chapter 64 of the Code as to mechanic's liens; and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in.

Also, from the same committee, Senate File, No. 46, A Bill for an Act making further provision relative to executors of estates, and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in.

Also, From the same committee, Senate File, No. 108, A Bill to authorize junior judgement creditors to redeem from senior judgements, and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in.

Mr. Bigelow, from the committee on roads and highways, made the following report :

"The committee on roads and highways have had Senate Files, Nos. 102, 119, 27, and 75, under consideration, and have instructed me to report them back, and recommend their passage.

S. BIGELOW, Chairman.

Report concurred in.

Mr. Samuels from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred House File, No. 65, Reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; which report was concurred in.



Also, from same committee, Senate File, No. 45, with a recommendation that it do not pass ; which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Also, from the same committee, Senate File, No. 96, with a recommendation that it do not pass, which report was concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Also, from the same committee, House File, No 78, with a recommendation that it do not pass, which report was concurred in and the Bill rejected.

On suggestion of Mr. Bonson, Mr. Bryan had leave of absence.

Mr. Dorland, from the minority of a select committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Salem township to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors, introduced,

House File, No. 138, A Bill for an Act prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors, which was,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont, laid on the table.

Mr. Moore, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mr. Stratton and others, to change the name of Dakota ; reported House File, No. 139, which was read a first time, and on his motion the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Williams, from the committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 4, reported the same back to the House, with a recommendation that it be laid on the table, which report was concurred in, and the Bill laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, from the committee on public buildings, to whom was referred House File, No. —, reported the same back to the House, with a recommendation to lay the Bill on the table, which report was concurred in, and the Bill laid on the table.

Also, Mr. Williams, from the select Committee to whom was referred House File, Joint Resolution, No. 4, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Edie had leave to introduce

House File, No. 140: An Act to prevent Swine from running at large in a certain portion of Jackson county.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The bill was referred to the Representative from Jackson county.

Mr. Tracy, from the Conference, appointed in relation to the disagreement of the Senate and House, on House File, No. 6, made the following report :

The Committee of Conference appointed to act upon the part of the House, in reference to the Senate and House disagreement, upon amendments to House File, No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union county ; report that they have conferred with the Committee appointed upon the part of the Senate for this purpose, and have agreed to the following amendment :

Strike out the name of *O. N. Kellogg* and insert George A. Hawley.

Thus amended, your Committee report the bill back and recommend its passage.

J. TRACY, Chairman.

Which report was concurred in.

Mr. Tracy from the special Committee to whom was referred Senate File, No. 66, A Bill for an act changing the times of holding the Courts in the First Judicial District, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

The report of the Committee was concurred in, and

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined House File, No. 5: Joint Resolution.

Also, House File, No. 14: Joint Resolution and Memorial for additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 18: Memorial for additional Mail service from Iowa City via Warsonville to Lancaster, in Keokuk county.

Also, House File, No. 21: Joint Resolution asking additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 51: A Bill for an act to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Pleasant Township, Monroe County, Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 68: An Act to organize the County of Ringgold.

Also, House File, No. 77: A Bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City.

Also, House File, No. 117: An Act authorizing the County Judge of Tama County, to have certain portions of the Records of Benton County copied for the use of Tama County; and find them correctly enrolled.

Mr. Yeomans, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, have examined House File, No. 134: An Act relating to State Printing.

Also, House File, No. 108: An Act to establish certain State Roads therein named.

Also, House File, No. 115, An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions and Memorials passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

Also, House File, No. 110: An Act to establish a State Road from Toledo via Marshall to Nevada, in Story County; and find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN, Chairman.

Mr. McFarland, from the Committee on Charitable Institutions, submitted the following report:

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Governor's message relating to the Insane of the State, have had the same under consideration, and directed me to make the following report.

Your committee are fully impressed with the importance of providing ways and means whereby the Insane of this State may be treated in a more humane and proper manner than they now are.—To confine those who have been deprived of reason with the criminal and degraded, as our laws at present do, is unworthy and unbecoming a civilized people. The savage would hardly be guilty of such an outrage.

Who can look upon the wandering of a mind, diseased without feelings of regret and sympathy? The wild ravings of a maniac, the giggling laugh, the unintelligible mutterings of a mind deranged are sights deserving of pity and compassion.

If any thing can be done to alleviate the woes, to restore to light

minds involved in darkness and mystery, reason and humanity, call loudly on us for such action.

Your committee are of the opinion that in a few years the State will be required to establish two or three hospitals for the State; that one of these institutions is much needed at this time, and that the Legislature should make ample provisions for the establishment of the same.

Your committee are of the opinion that this institution should be located at a point easy of access to the present inhabitants of the State, and with a view to the future locations of institutions of this character, and also that its location should be in a healthy section of country, where nature has been bountiful in her gifts, and made beautiful her scenery.

With this in view a majority of the committee have directed me to report the accompanying bill, and recommended its passage.

S. McFARLAND.

House File No. 141: An Act to establish a Lunatic Asylum, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Mechem moved to strike out "Mount Pleasant" and insert "Fairfield."

Motion lost.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to lay the bill on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Williams moved to strike out "Mount Pleasant," and insert "Oskaloosa," and on this question Mr. Williams called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 20. }  
Nays 46. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Coffin,  
Connell,  
Creamer,  
Edie,

Mr. Kinert,  
McCall,  
McKay,  
Moore,  
Neal,

Mr. Pigman,  
Poston,  
Rogers,  
Russell,  
Weatherington,

Mr. Holmes of Jones    Mr. Neely,    Mr. Williams,  
 Jackson,    Newsom,

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Sargent,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Smith of Jackson
Bigelow,	Holmes of Linn,	Smith of Cedar,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Stephenson,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Tisdale,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Tracy,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Corse,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Mechem,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Monroe,	Yeoman,
Dorland,	Pritchard,	Young,
Graham,	Rosser,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Samuels,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Noble moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill to Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

Motion to postpone, lost.

Mr. Neal moved to strike out "Mount Pleasant," and on this question, he called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 20, }  
 Nays, 45, }

The yeas were :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Pigman,
Connell,	Jackson,	Poston.
Dewey of Fremont,	Kinert,	Wamsley,
Edie,	McCall,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	McKay,	Williams,
Graham,	Moore,	Witter,
Hall,	Newsom,	

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,    Mr. Holmes of Linn,    Mr. Rosser,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Russell,
Barker,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Bonson,	Lockwood,	Smith of Jackson
Boyles,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Corse,	MEEK,	Turner,
Creel,	Monroe,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Neal,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Dorland,	Pritchard,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the House adjourned.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Edie asked leave of absence for Mr. Smith of Jackson.

Leave was granted.

The consideration of House File No. 141, being before the House, Mr. Williams offered the following amendment:

"Strike out from Section 1st., so much as relates to the location at Mount Pleasant, and insert the following:

"To be located by three commissioners, to be appointed by the Governor."

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to refer the Bill with amendments to the committee of the whole, and made the special order for to-morrow, at 6½ o'clock, P. M.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Pritchard had leave to present the petition of A. Clark, and 32 other free colored persons of Muscatine, praying a repeal of the laws which prohibit the immigration of free negroes into this State.

Mr. Samuels moved that the petition be laid on the table.

Mr. Connell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 39. }  
Nays, 26. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Dewey of Fremont	Mr. Neely,
Mr. Bryan,	Goodfellow,	Newsom,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Pigman,
Bigelow,	Greenleaf,	Poston,
Bonson,	Hall,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Brown,	Hyde,	Sargent,
Clark	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Damon	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Yeoman.

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Connell,	Lyon,	Vantossen,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	McKay,	White,
Edie,	Mechem,	Williams,
Holmes of Linn,	Pritchard,	Young,
Holmes of Jones	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Jackson,	Russell,	

Motion adopted, and the petition laid on the table.

Mr. Edie, from the special committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 140, An Act to prevent swine from running at large in a certain portion of Jackson county; reported the same back to the House with the following amendment :

SECTION 4. "Provided that the provisions of this Bill shall not extend to the townships of Brandon and Monmouth, unless a majority of the legal votes, in either or both of said townships, shall by their votes express a desire to be included in the Bill."

The report of the Committee was concurred in.

Mr. McFarland moved to print 200 copies of House File, No. 141.  
Motion prevailed.

Mr. Boyles from the committee on roads and highways, reported back House Files, Nos. 86 and 41, with a recommendation that they do not pass, which report was concurred in and the Bills rejected.

Mr. Turner, from the special committee, appointed to report a joint resolution in reference to the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and accounts of the Auditor, reported in pursuance thereof, House File, Joint Resolution, No. 27, which was read a first time.

Mr. Kinert, from the committee on federal relations, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 91, Reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; report concurred in, and the Bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Also, Mr. Kinert reported House File, Joint Resolution, No. 28, Relative to obtaining Appropriations for Soldiers, from Congress, which was read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Boyles, from the committee on amendments to the Code, to whom was referred House File, No. 73, A Bill for an Act amending section 2383 of the Code, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; report concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Boyles, from the same committee, reported upon House File, No. 118, A Bill for an Act, providing for the distribution of the Code, and recommended its passage; report concurred in and the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Samuels, from the committee on amendments to the Code, to whom was referred House File, No. 84, Reported the same back, with a recommendation that it do not pass; report concurred in and the Bill rejected.

Also, from the same Committee, House File, No. 58, with recommendation that it do not pass.

Which report was concurred in and the bill rejected.



Also, from the same Committee, House File. No. 116, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Which report was concurred in, and the bill rejected.

Also, from the same Committee, House File, No. 107, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Which report was concurred in, and the bill rejected.

Mr. Rogers, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back House File, No. 54, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, reported back House File, No. 103, with the following amendment to-wit:

Amend section 2 by striking out the word "repealed" in ninth line, and insert the word "revived."

Report concurred in.

Mr. Lyon, from the Committee on Township and County Organizations, reported back Senate File, No. 38, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Which report was received, Committee discharged, and the bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Also, Senate File, No. 103, and recommended its passage.

Which report was received, and the bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Turner, from the Committee on Schools and State University, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 59, reported upon the same, and recommended its passage.

Which report was received, and the bill ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. McFarland, From the Committee on Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred House File, No. 31, reported the same to the House with a recommendation that it do not pass.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The report and bill were laid on the table.

Mr. McFarland, from the same Committee, reported upon House File, No. 131, and recommended that it do not pass.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The report and bill were laid on the table.

Mr. McFarland, from the same Committee, reported upon House

File, No. 85, and recommended the same to the consideration of the House.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Edie introduced

House File, No. 142: An Act to create cities, towns, and villages, one road district in certain cases.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Also, House File, No. 143: An Act to provide for the payment of the amount designated in section 1182 of the Code.

Which was read a first time by its title, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bonson had leave to introduce

House File, No. 144: A Bill in relation to the Saline Lands.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Code.

Mr. Bigelow had leave to introduce

House File, No. 145, An Act in reference to Registering the transfer of lands in Clayton county.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time, and referred to a select Committee, consisting of the members from Clayton county.

Mr. Clark had leave to introduce House File No. 146, A Bill to provide for indexing the records of Marion county, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Speaker laid before the House, a communication from the Secretary of State. \*

Also, a report from the State Librarian, which was read. \*

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\*See Appendix.

## BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 18: Read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 130: An Act to amend the charter of the town of Fort Madison, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 115: An Act to locate a State road from Centerville to Marietta, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 121: An Act locating a State road from Davenport to Bellevue, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Edie,

Was laid on the table.

## BILLS UPON THEIR SECOND READING.

Senate File No. 9: Read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File No. 23: Joint Resolution, read a second time and referred to the committee on State Library.

Senate File No. 35: Read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 49: Read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 57: Read a second time and referred to the committee on Township and County organizations.

Senate File No. 58: Read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 60: Read a second time.

Mr. Samuels moved to postpone the bill, and called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 41, }  
Nays 22, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Bryan,  
Baldwin.

Mr. Holmes of Linn    Mr. Pritchard,  
Holmes of Jones       ; Rogers,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rosser,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Samuels,
• Fonson,	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Vanfossen,
Connell,	McCrary,	Wamsley,
Creel,	McFarland,	White,
Creamer,	McKay,	Williams,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Young,
Eddie,	Moore,	Mr. Speaker.
Graham,	Pigman,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Poston,
Boyles,	Hall,	Sargent,
Clark,	Hinkle,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Damon,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,		

Motion to postpone prevailed.

Senate File No. 67: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

Was referred to the committee on claims.

Senate File No. 71: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Referred to the committee on the Code.

Senate File No. 81: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Lockwood,

Referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Lockwood, Conkey, and Hinkle.

Senate File No. 86: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

Was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 94. Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

Was referred to the committee on Incorporations.

Senate File No. 98: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Was referred to the committee on Amendments to the Code.

Senate File No. 116: Read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

Referred to a select committee consisting of the Van Buren county delegation.

Senate File No. 120 was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Jackson and Baldwin.

Senate File No. 126, was read a second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File No. 88, An Act to change the name of Auburn, in Fayette county, to Morristown, was read a third time and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 82: An Act. to amend an act entitled An Act to amend Chapter 37 of the Code, was read a third time and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 118: Joint Resolution relative to claim of John Brown as Commissioner to locate the permanent Seat of Government, on its third reading:

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to refer to a select committee of three.

Motion lost.

The question being on the passage of the bill, Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 39. }

Nays, 24. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,

Barker,

Bonson,

Boyies,

Coffin,

Conkey,

Connell,

Creel,

Mr. Edie,

Graham,

Hinkle,

Holmes of Linn,

Hyde,

Jackson,

Johnson,

Lockwood,

Mr. Mechem,

Newsom,

Poston,

Rogers,

Rosser,

Russell,

Smith of Jackson

Smith of Cedar

Creamer,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Damon,	McCrorry,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	McCall,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	McFarland,	Young,
Dorland,	McKay,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Samuels,
Bigelow,	Meek,	Sargent,
Clark,	Monroe,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Moore,	Turner,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Vanfossen,
Greenleaf,	Neely,	Wamsley,
Hall,	Pigman,	Weatherington,
Holmes of Jones,	Pritchard.	Yeoman.

Bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Tracy, the vote rejecting House File, Joint Resolution No. 24, relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag for locating permanent Seat of Government, was reconsidered :

On its passage, Mr. Hall called for the yeas and nays ; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 44. }  
Nays 23. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Dorland,	Mr. McKay,
Barker,	Edie,	Mechem,
Bigelow,	Graham,	Newsom,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Rogers,
Boyles,	Holmes of Linn,	Rosser,
Brown,	Holmes of Jones,	Russell,
Coffin,	Hyde,	Smith of Jackson
Conkey,	Jackson,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	Johnson,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Kinert,	Tracy,
Creel,	Lockwood,	White,
Creamer,	Lyon,	Witter,
Damon,	McCrorry,	Young,
Dewey of Lee,	McCall,	Mr. Speaker.
Dewey of Fremont,	McFarland,	

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Moore,	Mr. Tisdale,
Bryan,	Neal,	Turner,
Clark,	Neely,	Vanfossen,
Goodfellow,	Pigman,	Wamsley,
Greenleaf,	Poston,	Weatherington,
Hall,	Pritchard,	Williams,
Meek,	Samuels,	Yeoman.
Monroe,	Sargent,	

Bill passed, and title agreed to.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of Mr. Call and others, citizens of Kossuth county, asking for an extension of the boundaries of said county, and for the location of the Seat of Justice thereof, which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the Committee on County and Township Organizations.

Mr. Holmes of Jones presented the petition of Lucy Honser and 24 others, citizens of Marshall county, relative to the will of Frederick Honser, deceased.

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Dorland presented the petition of the Committee of the Henry County Agricultural Society, praying for the passage of a more stringent law against the running at large of bulls, boars and buck sheep; which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Turner presented the petition of A. S. Camp and 117 other citizens of Delaware county, asking the passage of a prohibitory liquor law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Russell moved to take from the table the petition of certain colored persons, offered by Mr. Pritchard, and refer the same to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Poston, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 18, 1855.

Prayer by the Rev. Burrows.

On motion of Mr. Yeomans the reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The regular order of business was suspended, and the House took up House File, No. 5, A Bill for an Act, for the suppression of intemperance.

The Bill, with the amendments of the Senate, was read.

Mr. Witter moved to concur in the amendments of the Senate.

Mr. Russell moved to amend the motion by accepting the amendments of the Senate, to sections 13 and 19.

Amendment accepted.

Motion to concur as amended prevailed.

Mr. Corse moved to concur in the amendment of the Senate, to wit: to strike out section 13 of the Bill.

On this question, Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas, 57. }  
Nays, 6. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Pritchard,
Baldwin,	Hall,	Rogers.
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Samuels.
Bonson,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Boyles	Johnson,	Smith of Jackson
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Tisdale,
Connell,	McCrory,	Tracy,
Corse,	McCall,	Turner,
Creal,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Mechem,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	Williams,



Mr. Dewey of Fremont,	Mr. Neely,	Mr. Witter,
Doriand,	Newsom,	Yeoman.
Edie,	Pigman,	Young,
Graham,	Poston,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Meek,	Mr. Russell,
Holmes of Jones	Moore,	Wamsley,

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Tracy moved to concur in the amendment of the Senate to section 19.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 90, A Bill for an Act, regulating the State Library.

Senate File, No. 107, A Bill for an Act to amend the Law, in relation to divorce and alimony.

Senate File, No. 134, A Bill for an Act to attach the County of Cerro Gordo to the County of Floyd, for certain purposes.

Senate File, No. 138, A Bill for an Act to change the time of holding courts in the counties composing [the sixth and seventh judicial districts.

Senate File, No. 139, A Bill for an Act to incorporate the town of Mount Pleasant, in Henry county.

Senate File, No. 140, Joint Resolution on the subject of African colonization.

Senate File, No. 141, A Bill for an Act to encourage African colonization.

Also, Senate File, No. 142, Joint Resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I herewith return H. R. File, No. 22, Joint Resolution for mail facilities from Newton to Chariton.

H. R. File, No. 81, A Bill for an Act, authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats to issue on Sundays.

A Bill to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts in Johnson county.

Also, H. R. File, No. 137, A Bill for an Act to locate a State road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose, to Keokuk; the same having passed the Senate without amendment.

I am directed, also, to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following H. R. Files, with sundry amendments, to wit :

H. R. File, No. 75, A Bill for an Act, annexing a proviso to section 1898, of the Code of Iowa.

H. R. File, No. 98, A Bill for an Act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, in Marion county.

Substitute for H. R. File, No. 111, a Bill for an Act in relation to county seats.

Also, H. R. File, No. 136, A Bill for an Act to prevent the killing of game in certain seasons, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate have concurred in the report of the committee of conference, on the disagreement between the two Houses, on H. R. File, No. 6, A Bill for an Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union county.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't. Sec. Senate.

I am, also, directed to inform the House, that the Senate have appointed Senators Shields, Fulton and Thurston, a committee on the part of the Senate, to act with a similar committee of the House, to take into consideration a communication from his Excellency the Governor, together with accompanying documents herewith presented.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec. Senate.

I herewith present for your signature, Senate Files, No. 62, 93, 106, 1, and 54 ; the same having passed both Houses of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec. Senate.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Tracy, to concur in the amendment of the Senate to section 19.

Mr. Corse called for the previous question.

On the question, shall the previous question now be put? the same was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 54, }  
Nays 11. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Pigman,
Baldwin,	Greenleaf,	Poston,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Brown,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Kinert,	Smith of Jackson,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Connell,	McCrorry,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McCall,	Tracy,
Creel,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe.	Williams,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Witter,
Dorland,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Edie,	Newsom,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. McKay,	Mr. Turner,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	White,
Hall,	Russell,	Young,
Holmes of Jones,	Samuels,	

Amendment adopted and the bill passed.

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The House took up Senate substitute for House File, No. 44, An Act to amend the charter of the city of Davenport.

On his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Corse moved to refer the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Motion lost.

The bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The question pending before the House on adjournment, being to take from the table the petition of certain colored persons of Muscatine, the same was withdrawn.

#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Turner presented the petition of E. A. Haskell and other citizens of Northern Iowa, for a State Road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Lockwood presented the remonstrance of D. McCann and other citizens in and about Fort Madison, against the removal of George Grigsby from the Wardenship of the Iowa Penitentiary.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Creamer presented the petition of David Dickenson and a large number of other citizens of Wappello county, for a prohibitory liquor law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Vanfossen presented the petition of Lewis Harvert and fifty-four other citizens of Dallas county, for a State Road.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Mr. Poston presented the petition of D. C. Olney and ninety-six others, praying for a prohibitory liquor law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of Jas. McFarland and 13 other citizens of Henry county, for a prohibitory liquor law.

Which was laid on the table.

Also, the petition of Jas. Ramsay and fourteen others, for a Sabbath law; which was laid on the table.

Mr. Bigelow presented the petition of E. G. Ross and 272 other citizens of Clayton County, praying legislative action fixing the County Seat of Clayton County.

Also, the petition of Mark B. Sherman and 448 citizens of Clayton County, praying the appointment of Commissioners to relocate the County Seat of said County.

Also, the petition of A. Fleck and 407 other citizens of Clayton County, remonstrating against the appointment of Commissioners to locate said County Seat.

All of which were referred to a select Committee consisting of the members from Clayton county.

Mr. Neely presented the remonstrance of William Kimes and other citizens of Shelby county, against the removal of the County Seat of said county.

Which was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dorland, it was

*Resolved*, That hereafter the regular hours of convening this House shall be 8½ o'clock A. M., 1 o'clock and 6½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Conkey, gave notice of a Bill providing for the re-organization of the State University.

Mr. Mechem offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That no Member shall, from this time to the end of the Session, speak more than once nor longer than five minutes, on any question that may come up, unless by unanimous consent of the House.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. McCrory presented the claim of Messrs. Ballard and Lathrop, and on his motion, the same was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Samuels moved that the rule be suspended, and that the House take up Senate File, No. 16, A Bill for an Act to re-locate a permanent Seat of Government.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Hall asked a call of the House.

Messrs. Holmes of Linn, and Russell absent.

On motion of Mr. Conkey

Mr. Holmes of Linn was excused.

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to bring in Mr. Russell.

After a short time Mr. Russell appeared in his seat.

The Bill was read a third time, and on its passage, Mr. Holmes of Jones called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 38, }  
Nays 25, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Goodfellow,	Mr. Newsom,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Poston,
Barker,	Greenleaf,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Hinkle,	Sargent,
Clark,	Jackson,	Stephenson,
Connell,	Lyon,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McOall,	Tracy,
Creel,	MoFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	White,
Dewey of Fremont	Neal,	Yeoman,
Dorland,	Neely,	

The nays were:

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Russell,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Coffin,	McCrory,	Smith, of Cedar,
Conkey,	McKay,	Turner,
Eddie,	Moore,	Williams,
Hall,	Pigman,	Witter,
Holmes of Jones	Pritchard,	Young,
Hyde,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Johnson,		

Bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Yeomans from the committee on engrossed bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 140, An Act to prevent swine running at large in certain portions of Jackson county.

Also, House File, No. 85, An Act granting proceeds of swamp lands in Pottawattamie county, to build a poor-house.

Also, House File, No. 103, An Act to revive chapter 51 of the Code entitled "lost goods and estrays."

Also, House File, No. 73, "A Bill for an Act to amend section 2383 of the Code of Iowa."

Also, House File, No. 146, "A Bill to provide for indexing the Records of Marion county."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMANS.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 4, "Memorial and Joint Resolution for grants of land to aid in the construction of a rail-road."

Also, House File, No. 65, "A Bill for an Act, providing for the more speedy enforcement of judgments and decrees."

Also, House File, No. 118, "An Act providing for the distribution of the Code."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMANS.

Mr. Williams from the committee to whom was referred the petition of certain citizens of Kossuth county, reported by Bill, House File, No. 147, An Act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county, and

locate the county seat thereof, which was read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Williams, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 96, A Bill, for an Act to re-locate the Seat of Justice of Iowa county; reported a substitute for said Bill, which was read a first time and on motion of Mr. Tracy, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Edie moved to take up House File, No. 111, An Act, in relation to the location and re-location of county seats; the amendments of the senate concurred in, the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Rogers from the committee on Incorporations reported back Senate File No. 94, with amendments as follows:

Insert after the word "thereof," in the 4th line of the 7th Section, the following "Provided the question of borrowing is first submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the city and if a majority decide in favor of said loan, then."

The report was concurred in and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Also, the same committee to whom was referred the petition of Lockwood and others, reported by bill, House File No. 148, An Act relative to the town of Toolsboro in Louisa county, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Lockwood,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Lockwood from the special committee to whom was referred Senate File No. 81, A Bill for an act making road certificates receivable for county taxes, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in, and,

On motion of Mr. Lockwood,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Weatherington from the special committee composed of the Van Buren county delegation, to whom was referred Senate File No.

116, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Russell from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House File No. 143, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Also, from the same committee, Senate File No. 18, reported back to the House, and its passage recommended.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The bill was recommitted.

Mr. McFarland from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Jas. Harlan and others, reported by bill, House File No. 149, An Act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42 rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

By leave of the House, Mr. Bonson presented sundry claims, which,

On his motion,

Were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Lockwood had leave to introduce House File No. 150, An Act making additional appropriations, which was read a first time and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Boyles from the committee on Amendments to the Code, reported back House File No. 144, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Also, Senate File No. 98, with a recommendation that it pass.

Report concurred in, and the bill read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Samuels from the same committee reported back Senate File No. 71, with a recommendation that it do not pass.



Report concurred in and the bill rejected.

Mr. Samuels from the committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate File No. 122, reported the same back and recommended that it do not pass.

Report concurred in and the bill rejected.

Mr. Boyles, from the select Committee, consisting of the Lee county delegation, to whom was referred House File, No. 3, reported the same back and recommended that it be indefinitely postponed.

Report concurred in.

Also, House File, No. 2, with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Report concurred in.

Also, House File, No. 74, with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Report concurred in.

Mr. Dorland, from the select Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Henry County Agricultural Society, reported House File, No. 151, A Bill for an act prohibiting certain animals from running at large in Henry county.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By leave of the House, Mr. Lockwood presented certain accounts of the Committee to visit the Penitentiary, which were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Lockwood had leave to introduce the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That 1500 copies of the Journal of the House of Representatives, be printed and distributed as follows : five copies to each member ; five copies to each organized county, and the balance deposited in the office of the Secretary of State.

*Resolved*, That for Indexing the above Journal , the Chief Clerk be allowed the sum of one hundred dollars.

*Resolved*, That for superintending the printing and distributing the Journals as aforesaid, the Chief Clerk be allowed the sum of four hundred dollars.

Resolutions adopted.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 67, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Bigelow, from the special Committee to whom was referred House File, No. 145, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Report of the Committee concurred in, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Bigelow, from the Committee on Roads and Highways, reported back Senate File, No. 126, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the bill ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Bonson presented the claim of C. A. Robins, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the the following report :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined House File, No. 142, An Act to create Cities, Towns, and Villages, one Road District in certain cases; and find the same correctly Engrossed.

YEOMAN.

Mr. Yeoman had leave to introduce House File, Joint Resolution, No. 29, for additional mail facilities.

Which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval House File No. 5, Joint Resolutions.

Also, House File No. 14, Joint Resolution and Memorial for additional mail facilities.

Also, House File No. 18, Memorial for additional mail service from Iowa City via Wassenville to Lancaster in Keokuk county.

Also, House File No. 21, Joint Resolution asking additional mail facilities in the interior of the State of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 51, A Bill for an act to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Pleasant Township Monroe county, Iowa.

Also House File No. 68, An Act to organize the county of Ringgold.

Also, House File No. 77, A Bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named to the first Presbyterian Church of Iowa City.

Also, House File No. 117, An Act authorizing the county Judge of Tama county to have certain portions of the records of Benton county, copied for the use of Tama county.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Corse introduced House File Joint Resolution No. 30<sup>c</sup> requiring the State Treasurer to pay off the bonds of the State, when they become due, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the resolution read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed so.

Mr. Williams offered the following resolution to-wit:

*Resolved* by the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, (the Senate concurring therein,) that the Senate meet the House in Joint Convention, in the Hall of Representatives on Saturday the 20th, inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing a Warden of the Penitentiary and a State Printer.

Mr. Damon moved to strike out the word "Warden."

Motion lost, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Conkey introduced House File No. 152: A Bill for an act providing for a re-organization of the State University, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and laid on the table, and 200 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Neal offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk be directed to forward by mail to the members of this House, the number of copies to which they may be entitled of said printed bill, which was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Corse.

Mr. Tracy and Mr. Albright, had leave of absence.

Mr. Samuels introduced House File No. 153: An Act authorizing persons to sue the State, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Boyles moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 8, }  
Nays, 44, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Damon,	Mr. Pigman,
Boyles,	McCall,	Tracy,
Brown,	Newsom,	

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Baldwin,	Holmes of Jones,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Russell,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Coffin,	Johnson,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Stephenson,
Connell,	Lyon,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creel,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	Young,
Graham,	Poston.	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Pritchard,	

Motion to postpone lost.

The bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Russell introduced House File Joint Resolution No. 31, relative to Slavery, which was read a first time.

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to suspend the rule.

Motion lost, and the resolution ordered to a second reading tomorrow.

Mr. Rogers introduced House File No. 154, A Bill for an act providing for the further completion of the State House, which was read a first time and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Public Buildings.

Mr. Rogers introduced House File No. 155, An Act to establish a State road from McGregor's Landing to Elgin, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on Roads and Highways.

House File No. 156, an act to repeal Chapter 72 of the Laws of 1851, was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. McKay had leave to introduce

House File No. 157: A Bill, for An Act to extend the jurisdiction of county courts; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second time by its title, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Jackson introduced

House File, Joint Resolution No. 32, asking additional mail facilities; which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Edie introduced

House File No. 158: An Act to provide for the changing of the names of townships; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Township and County Organizations.

Mr. Jackson introduced

House File No. 159: An Act to establish a State road from Penora to Sargent's Bluffs; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Turner introduced

House File Joint Resolution No. 33: Memorial to Congress for mail route from Independence to Janesville; which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Neely introduced

House File No. 160, a Bill for the relief of certain tax-payers in Harrison county, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Edie introduced

House File No. 161: An Act to authorize the County Judge of Jackson county, to have the county records properly transcribed; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, IOWA CITY, }  
January 17, 1855. }

*To the Senate and House of Representatives:*

I herewith transmit for your consideration, the resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, "respecting the officers, soldiers and sailors who served in the war of 1812."\*

Also, resolutions of the same General Assembly, in relation to "cheap postage."\*

JAMES W. GRIMES.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The communication and accompanying papers were referred to a committee of two: the Chair appointed Messrs. Samuels and Dorland said committee.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File No. 108, on its third reading:

Mr. Neely, by unanimous consent, offered the following amendment, to-wit:

In section 1st, before the word "Penora," insert "via Shelbyville."

Which amendment was concurred in, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, presented the following report:

\*See Appendix.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined House File No. 7: An Act to locate the County Seat of Black Hawk county.

Also, House File No. 19: Memorial and Resolution to Congress, to establish a garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in Iowa.

Also, House File No. 55: An Act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes.

Also, House File No. 60: A Bill for the observance of the Sabbath.

Also, House File No. 90: An Act making appropriations for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years, 1855 and 1856; and for the pay *per diem* and mileage, of members of the General Assembly and officers thereof.

Also, House File No. 120: An Act providing for an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty township, Jefferson county, Iowa.

Also, House File No. 121: An Act, to amend an act entitled An Act to incorporate the town of Guttenberg.

Also, House File No. 125: An Act for an additional Justice of the Peace in Panouch township, Dallas county:

And find them correctly enrolled.

GREENLEAF,

Ch. Committee.

House File, No. 115, An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the acts, resolutions, and memorials of the present Session of the General Assembly; on its third reading, Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to amend, by adding to section 3d,—“and to each Member of the General Assembly three copies.”

Amendment concurred in and the Bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 134, A Bill relative to State printing.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 109, A Bill in relation to certain unorganized counties therein named.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 110, read a third time and

Passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

## BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File, No. 22, Read a first time by its title; and on motion of Mr. Graham, the 42d rule was suspended.

The Bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Graham moved to amend.

Amendment adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 40, A Bill for an act to amend chapter 44 of the Code, which was read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Mechem, the 42d rule was suspended,

The Bill read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Senate File, No. 51, A Bill for an Act, to establish a State Institution for the deaf and dumb, which was

Read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont, the 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Mechem moved to amend, by inserting "within five miles of the Capital of the State.

Mr. Samuels offered an amendment to the amendment, as follows, to wit: to strike out the words "at the Capital of the State," and insert "Oskaloosa."

Mr. McFarland called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 20, }  
Nays 45. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Bryan,	Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Smith of Jackson,
Baldwin,	Edie,	Tisdale,
Bigelow,	Franklin,	Tracy,
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Turner,
Clark	Neal,	Williams,
Coffin,	Russell,	Yeoman,
Creamer,	Samuels,	

The nays were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Poston,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Rogers,



Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Rosser,
Connell,	Kinert,	Sargent,
Corse,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Damon	McCall,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Goodfellow,	Mechem,	White,
Graham,	Meek,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Monroe,	Young,
Hall,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.

Motion to strike out, lost.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I herewith present for your signature, Senate File, No. 118, Joint Resolution relative to the claim of John Brown, as Commissioner, to locate the permanent Seat of Government, the same having passed both Houses.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec. Senate.

Mr. Neal moved to insert "within two miles of Knoxville."

Mr. Mechem withdrew his motion.

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, on the motion to insert Knoxville, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 10. }  
Nays, 51. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Samuels,
Clark,	Neal,	Tracy,
Connell,	Poston,	Wamsley.
Dorland,		

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Pigman,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Pritchard,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Jones,	Rogers,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Rosser,
Brown,	Jackson,	Russell,
Coffin,	Johnson,	Sargent,

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Turner,
Damon,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	Mechem,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	White,
Edie,	Monroe,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	Witter,
Graham,	Neely,	Young.
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Mr. Speaker.

Motion to insert Knoxville, lost.

Mr. Young moved to amend the first section by striking out the word "Capitol" and inserting the word "Washington."

On motion, the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Clark moved to amend by striking out "Capitol" and inserting "Pella."

Mr. Holmes of Jones, moved the previous question.

Motion sustained, and upon the question, shall the previous question now be put, the same was decided in the affirmative.

Amendment of Mr. Clark lost, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Pritchard, to whom was referred House File, No. 48, An Act to amend the act to incorporate the city of Muscatine, made a majority report and recommended that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Also a minority report with amendments to the bill.

Majority report concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Senate File, No. 52: A Bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish an Asylum for the Blind, approved 1853, which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 99, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File, No. 100, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File, No. 102, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate file, No. 132, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont, indefinitely postponed.

Senate File, No. 183, A Bill for an act affording aid and patronage to Agricultural Societies, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Mechem,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature, to-wit:

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 5.

House File, Joint Resolution and Memorial for additional Mail facilities, No. 14.

House File, Memorial for additional Mail service from Iowa City via Wassonville to Lancaster, in Keokuk county, No. 18.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 21, asking additional Mail facilities in the interior of the State of Iowa.

House File, No. 51, A Bill for an act to authorize the election of an additional Justice of the Peace in Pleasant Township, Monroe county, Iowa.

House File, No. 68, An Act to organize the county of Ringgold.

House File, No. 77, A Bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the First Presbyterian Church of Iowa City.

House File, No. 117, An Act authorizing the County Judge of Tama County to have certain portions of the Records of Benton County copied for the use of Tama County.

On motion, the House adjourned.

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6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order being the consideration of House File, No. 141 :  
Bill for an act to establish a Lunatic Asylum.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the whole House for the consideration of said bill.

Mr. Witter in the Chair.

At 8 o'clock the Committee rose, and through their Chairman, reported the bill back to the House with the following amendments, and recommended its passage.

"In 2d line of 1st Section, before the word 'Mount Pleasant,' insert "or near."

In the same line, after "Mount Pleasant" insert the words "as hereinafter provided."

In first line of Section 10, fill the blank with the words "first Tuesday in April."

In the first line of Section 11, strike out "two" and insert "five."

In second line of Section 12, before the word "weeks," strike out "three" and insert "eight."

To the last Section, add the words "Capital Reporter."

All of which amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Bonson offered the following amendment and called for the yeas and nays :

Strike out "Mount Pleasant" wherever the same may occur in the Bill and insert "Fort Desmoines."

The yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 19. }

Nays, 39. }

The Yeas were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Moore,
Clark,	Jackson,	Neely,
Conkey,	Johnson,	Pritchard,
Connell,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Dewey, of Fremont,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Goodfellow,	McKay,	Mr. Speaker.
Graham,		

The nays were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Smith of Jackson
Baldwin,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Barker,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Boyles,	Meek,	Tracy,
Brown,	Monroe,	Turner,

Mr. Coffin,	Mr. Neal,	Mr. Vanfossen,
Corse,	Newsom,	Wamsley,
Creel,	Pigman,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Poston,	White,
Dorland,	Rosser,	Williams,
Eddie,	Russell,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Samuels,	Yeoman,
Hinkle,	Sargent,	Young.

Motion Lost.

Mr. Neal moved the following Amendment :

Add, "this Act shall not take effect unless a donation of not less than 40 acres of land be made to the State for the use of said Institution."

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 32. }  
Nays 28. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Sargent,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Stephenson,
Barker,	Greenleaf,	Tisdale,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Tracy,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Turner,
Brown,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Corse,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Creal,	Meehem,	White,
Creamer,	Monroe,	Yeoman,
Damon,	Poston,	Young.
Dewey of Lee,	Russell,	

The nays were :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Pritchard,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Rogers,
Conkey,	McCroory,	Rosser,
Connell,	Meek,	Samuels,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	Smith of Cedar
Eddie,	Neal,	Wamsley,
Goodfellow,	Neely,	Williams,
Holmes of Jones,	Newsom,	Witter,

Mr. Hyde,  
Jackson,

Mr. Pigman,

Mr. Speaker.

Amendment Adopted.

Mr. Dorland moved as follows :

Strike out the word "whom" in the third line of Section 2, and insert, "three of said Commissioners."

Amendment Lost.

Mr. McFarland moved to strike out of the second line of Section 7, the words "at or near," and insert the word "in."—Motion adopted.

Mr. Russell moved to strike out of the 4th line of Section 8. the word "proper," and insert "necessary."—Motion adopted.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, the word "which" in the 6th line of Section 9 was stricken out, and the word "whom" inserted.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the word "citizen" in line 7th of Section 9 was stricken out, and the word "inhabitant" inserted.

Mr. McKay moved to add to Section 9, the following :

The expenses attending the conveyance of Insane persons to the Asylum, shall be borne by the State in all cases in which it would otherwise be a charge to the County.

Amendment Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Poston the words "or vermin" were stricken out of the 9th line of Section 9.

Mr. Holmes, of Jones, moved to amend Section 11 in second line, by striking out "200 acres of land, and may purchase from," and insert "40 acres of land and may receive 160 acres,"

Amendment Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, the blank in third line of Section 14, was filled with "five."

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The blank in the third line of Sec. 18, was filled with the word "two."

On motion of Mr. Vanfossen,

The word "infectious" in the 9th line of Sec. 9, was stricken out and the word "contagious" inserted.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend Sec. 16, as follows:

To add "with an account of the manner in which the same has been expended together with the vouchers therefor."—Amendment adopted.

Mr. Neal offered the following amendment:

Strike out "Mount Pleasant" wherever the same occurs in the bill and insert "Pella, in Marion county."

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 50. }

Nays 6. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones	Rosser,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Russell,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Coffin,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Corse,	McCrary,	Tisdale,
Creel,	McFarland,	Tracy,
Creamer,	McKay,	Turner,
Damon,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Monroe,	White,
Dorland,	Newsom,	Witter,
Eddie,	Pigman,	Young,
Goodfellow,	Poston,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Pritchard,	

The nays were :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Moore,	Mr. Neely,
Graham,	Neal,	Williams,

Bill passed and title agreed to.

Mr. Edie had leave to introduce House File No. 162: An Act to repeal chapter 101 of the acts of 1852-53, entitled an act to extend the powers of school districts, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42 rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Dorland offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Ladies' Main Law Society, on to-morrow evening.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Poston,

The House adjourned.

### FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 19, 1855.

Prayer by Rev. Thos. E. Corkhill.

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont moved take up substitute for Senate File No. 23, which was read a second time.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont offered the following amendment, to-wit: insert after the word "county," in the second line of the fourth section as follows:

After deducting from the same the amount of costs which may have been paid by the county in cases of failure to sustain any previous action or actions commenced under this act.

Amendment adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Turner asked a call of the House.

The absentees were Messrs. Bigelow, Conkey, Lockwood, Neal, Russell, Samuels, Vanfossen, and Yeoman.

After a short time the Sergeant at Arms reported several of the absentees in their seats.



Mr. McFarland moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

Lost.

Several members having come in Mr. McKay moved to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Motion prevailed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File No. 2: A Bill to authorize rail-road companies to consolidate their stock with the stock of rail-road companies in this or an adjoining State, and to connect their roads with the roads of said companies.

Senate File No 113: A Bill, for An Act establishing a State road from Snook's Grove, Poweshiek county, to Newton in Jasper county.

Senate File No. 117: A Bill, for An Act to prohibit certain male stock from running at large.

Senate File No. 144: A Bill, for An Act to vacate an alley in the town of Bellevue in Jackson county.

Senate File No. 147: A Bill, for an Act fixing the terms of the District Court in the 8th Judicial District.

Senate File No. 155: A Bill, for An Act in relation to the bonds of State officers.

Senate File No. 156: A Bill, for An Act to repeal Section 14 of Chapter 80 of the laws of 1851.

Senate File No. 157: A Bill, for An Act to re-locate a certain State road.

Senate File No. 158: A Bill, for An Act to locate a State road from Millersburgh in Iowa county, to Indianapolis in Mahaska county.

Also, Senate File No. 104: A Bill, for An Act defining the duties of supervisors of roads and highways:

In all of which, they ask the concurrence of the House.

I herewith return.

House File No. 15: Preamble and Joint Resolution, authorizing the re-issue of certain auditor's warrants.

House File No. 26: A Bill, for An Act to locate certain State roads.

House File No. 53: A Bill, for An Act providing for a geological survey of the State.

Also, House File No. 33: A Bill, for An Act to regulate the inspection of Shingles and lumber:

The same having passed the Senate without amendment.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have indefinitely postponed the further consideration of

House File No. 88: A Bill, for An Act to change the name of Auburn, in Fayette county, to Morristown.

Also, House File No. 139: A Bill, for An Act to change the name of Dakota to Centralia, Dubuque county; and to permit Mr. Stratton to change the plat of said town to correspond with original survey.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred in the Resolution of the House, in relation to the election of State Printer, and Warden of the Penitentiary.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Bonson moved to take from the table

House File, Joint Resolution No. 11, asking the Congress of the United States to grant to the State of Iowa, the pre-emption to certain lands.

Motion prevailed, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Tracy moved to indefinitely postpone the Resolution.

Mr. Bonson called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 17. }  
Nays, 43. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Brown,  
Clark,  
Coffin,  
Connell,

Mr. Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Lyon,  
Mechem,  
Meek,

Mr. Newsom,  
Pritchard,  
Sargent,  
Tracy,  
Wamsley.

The nays were,

Mr. Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Conkey,  
Damon.

Mr. Jackson,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
McCrorry,  
McCall,

Mr. Rosser,  
Russell,  
Samuels,  
Stephenson,  
Tisdale,

Mr. Dewey of Lee,	Mr. McFarland,	Mr. Turner,
Dewey of Fremont,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Eddie,	Moore,	White,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Williams.
Graham,	Neely,	Witter,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Yeoman,
Hall,	Poston,	Young,
Hinkle,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,		

Motion to postpone, lost.

Mr. Tracy offered the following amendment, to-wit:

Add to Section 2, "*And Provided further*, That said State of Iowa shall not transfer said lands to any rail-road company; and shall not transfer her right to a patent to any of said lands herein patented."

Mr. Samuels moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Mr. Tracy called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 44. }  
Nays, 17. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Rosser,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Jones,	Russell.
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Johnson,	Stevenson,
Conkey,	McOrory,	Tisdale,
Damon,	McCall,	Vanfossen,
Dewey of Lee,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Dorland,	Monroe,	White,
Eddie,	Moore,	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Graham,	Neely,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Poston,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Rogers,	

The nays were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Creel,	Mr. Pigman,
Clark,	Creamer,	Pritchard,

Mr. Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Corse,

Mr. Lyon,  
Mechem,  
Meek,  
Newsom,

Mr. Sargent,  
Tracy,  
Witter.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Bonson moved that the 42d rule be suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed.

Motion prevailed.

On the passage of the Joint Resolution, Mr. Pritchard called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 42.)  
Nays 18.)

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Brown,  
Conkey,  
Damon.  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Eddie,  
Goodfellow,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hall,

Mr. Hinkle,  
Holmes of Jones  
Jackson,  
Johnson,  
McCrary,  
McCall,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Moore,  
Monroe,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Pigman,  
Poston,

Mr. Rogers,  
Rosser,  
Russell,  
Samuels,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Tisdale,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,  
Weatherington,  
White,  
Yeoman,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin,  
Clark,  
Coffin,  
Connell,  
Corse,  
Creel,

Mr. Creamer,  
Hyde,  
Lyon,  
Mechem,  
Meek,  
Newsom,

Mr. Pritchard,  
Sargent,  
Tracy,  
Wamsley,  
Williams,  
Witter.

Resolution passed and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Edie,  
Senate File No. 104, was taken up and read a first time, and on

his motion, the 42d rule suspended, and the bill read a second time and made the special order for 1 o'clock to-day.

## BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File Joint Resolution No. 25, read a second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File Joint Resolution No. 26, read a second time and ordered to a third reading to-morrow,

House File Joint Resolution No. 27, read a second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

House File Joint Resolution No. 28, read a second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

## BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

Senate File No. 9, A Bill respecting walls in common, read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 35, A Bill for the relief of Harriet O'Reily, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 38, A Bill for an act to alter the boundaries of Howard, Mitchell, Worth and Winnebago counties, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. Rogers, was referred to a special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Rogers, Hyde, and Turner.

Mr. Rogers presented the petition of John Blunt and 186 other citizens of Floyd county, in relation to changing the boundaries of certain counties, which was referred to the same Committee.

Senate File No. 49, An Act to incorporate the town of Lyons, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Russell, from the Judiciary Committee, had leave to report Senate File No. 18, An Act providing for a revision or amendment of the Constitution, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Samuels, from the same Committee, submitted the following amendments, as minority report:

Amend section 5 by striking out "Senators" and inserting "Representatives" in the second line; and also the word "Senatorial" and inserting "Representative" in the fourth line.

On the amendments of the minority report, Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 26. }  
Nays 35. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Newsom,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Poston,
Clark,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Connell,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Hall,	Neely,	

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Rosser,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones,	Russell,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Tracy,
Creel,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creamer,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Mechem,	White,
Dorland,	Pigman,	Williams,
Eddie,	Pritchard,	Young,
Graham,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.

Amendments lost.

On the passage of the Bill Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 56, }  
Nays 6. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Hinkle,	Rogers,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Jones,	Rosser,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Russell,
Brown,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Clark,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McCrary,	Tisdale,

Mr. Connell,	Mr. McCall,	Mr. Tracy,
Corse,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creel,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Damon,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Williams,
Dorland,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Eddie,	Newsom,	Young,
Goodfellow,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Graham,	Poston,	

The nays were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Samuels,
Hall,	Moore,	Witter.

Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 58, Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 59, A Bill for an Act to increase the powers of Trustees of the State University.

Read a third time and passed, and title thereof agreed to.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report :

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined

House File, No. 143, "An Act to provide for the payment of the amount designated in section 1183 of the Code."

Also, House File, No. 144, "An Act supplemental to an Act, entitled an Act to dispose of the Saline Lands."

Also, House File, No. 112, "An Act to amend chapter 64 of the Code, as to Mechanic's Liens."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN.

Senate File, No. 91, Memorial to Congress for the repeal of the duty on sugar and molasses.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 103, An Act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Mitchell county.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 4, For a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a rail-road.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 65, An Act to enforce the more speedy enforcement of judgments and decrees.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Williams from the special committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 109, An Act to incorporate Oskaloosa; reported the same back to the House with the following amendment, to wit:

"Strike out section 1st, and substitute the attached section."

Also, "strike out sections 26 and 27, and substitute the amendments attached thereto," and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in and the Bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Samuels, the House adjourned.

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1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order being the consideration of Senate File, No. 104, A Bill for an Act defining the duties of supervisors of Roads and highways; the same was taken up.

Mr. Boyles moved that the Bill be read a third time.

Motion withdrawn.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, moved to lay the Bill on the table.

Motion prevailed.

Mr Corse moved to refer Senate File, No. 104, and House Files, Nos. 66 and 35, to a select committee with instruction to report to-morrow.

Motion prevailed, and the chair appointed Messrs. Edie, Boyles and Corse, said committee.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, had leave to introduce House File, No. 163, An Act to amend the Code of Iowa, in relation to school laws, which was read a first time.

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times.



Mr. Hall moved to indefinitely postpone.

On this motion,\*

Mr. Dewey of Fremont called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 29. }  
Nays 28. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Smith of Cedar,
Boyles	McCrorry,	Stephenson,
Brown,	Mechem,	Tisdale,
Clark,	Meek,	Tracy,
Coffin,	Moore,	Turner,
Corse,	Newsom,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	Poston,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	Pritchard,	Weatherington,
Greenleaf,	Rogers,	Williams,
Hall,	Sargent,	

The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Neal,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Jones	Neely,
Donson,	Hyde,	Pigman,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Connell,	Lyon,	Samuels,
Creamer,	McCall,	White,
Damon,	McFarland,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Young,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker.
Edie,		

Motion to postpone prevailed.

The following bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and having been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

House File, Memorial and Resolution No 19, to Congress to establish a Garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux River in Iowa.

House File No. 7: An Act to locate the county seat of Blackhawk county.

House File No. 121: An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Guttenberg.

House File No. 60: A Bill for the observance of the Sabbath.

House File No. 90: An Act making appropriations for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years 1855-56 and for the pay of per diem and mileage of members of the General Assembly and officers thereof.

House File No. 120: An Act providing for an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty Township, Jefferson county, Iowa.

House File No. 55: An Act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes.

House File No. 125: An Act for an additional Justice of the Peace in Panouch Township, Dallas county.

Mr. Kinert had leave to introduce House File No. 164: A Bill providing for the collection of debts in case of fraud, which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary with instruction to report tomorrow.

Mr. McFarland had leave to introduce House File No. 165: An Act to incorporate the town of Salem, which was read a first time by its title, and,

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Edie from the select committee to whom was referred Senate File No. 104: A Bill for an act defining the duties of Supervisors of roads and highways, with amendments and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Boyles, the bill was read a third time.

Mr. Tracy asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Several names were called, when,

On motion of Mr. Samuels, further call was dispensed with.

Mr. Holmes of Jones moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Motion lost.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. McKay called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows.

Yeas 21, }  
Nays 41. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Damon,	Mr. Lockwood,
Bonson,	Dewey of Lee,	Lyon,
Boyles,	Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,
Conkey,	Goodfellow,	Newsom,
Connell,	Graham,	Poston,
Corse,	Hinkle,	Turner,
Creel,	Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Samuels,
Bigelow,	McCrary,	Sargent,
Brown,	McCall,	Smith of Cedar,
Clark,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McKay,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Edie,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	White,
Hall,	Neely,	Williams,
Holmes of Jones	Pigman,	Witter,
Hyde.	Pritchard,	Yeoman,
Jackson,	Rogers,	Young.
Johnson,	Rosser,	

Motion lost.

Mr. Conkey moved to take up House File No. 152.

Motion Lost.

Mr. Bigelow, from the committee on Roads and Highways, reported by Bill House File No 166, an Act to establish certain State Roads, which was read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, the 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Noble moved to strike out Section 30 of the Bill.

Motion prevailed.

On motion the rule was further suspended, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Samuels, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 86, reported the same to the same and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and on his motion the 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Also, House File No. 76, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Report concurred in and the Bill rejected.

Also, House File No. 69, an Act for the relief of settlers on certain River lands, with certain amendments, and recommended its passage.

Report and Amendments concurred in, and on his motion the 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. McFarland moved to take up Senate File No. 100—a Bill for an Act to provide for the election of State Binder.

Motion prevailed, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following reports:

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File No. 7, An Act to locate the County Seat of Black Hawk County.

Also, House File No., 17, Joint Resolution for the establishment of a Mail route from Maquoketa, in Jackson County, to Colesburg, in Delaware County.

Also, House File, No. 19, Memorial and Resolution to Congress to establish a Garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river in Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 60, A Bill for the Observance of the Sabbath.

Also, House File, No. 90, An Act making appropriations for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years 1855 and 1856, and for the pay per diem and mileage of members of the General Assembly and officers thereof.

Also, House File, No. 121, An Act to amend An Act entitled, An Act to incorporate the town of Guttenberg.

Also, House File, No. 120, An Act providing for an additional Justice of the Peace in Liberty Township, Jefferson County, Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 55, An Act defining a bushel of Sweet Potatoes.

Also, House File, No. 125, An Act for an additional Justice of the Peace in Panouch Township, Dallas County.

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have examined House File, No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union County.

Also, House File, No. 10, Joint Resolution in relation to constructing Bridges and Dams across certain Rivers.

Also, House File, No. 22, Joint Resolution for additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 81, An Act authorizing Writs of Attachment and actions against Boats, to be commenced on Sunday.

Also, House File, No. 106, An Act to encourage Agriculture and the Mechanic arts in Johnson County.

Also, House File, No. 137, An Act to locate a State Road from Charleston, in Lee County via Montrose to Keokuk.

And find them correctly enrolled.

House File, No. 112, An Act to amend Chapter 64 of the code as to Mechanics' liens, read a third time, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 27, A Bill for An Act to establish a certain Road, read a third time, and after amendment, passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 46, A Bill for An Act making further provision in relation to Executors of Estates, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 75, An Act in relation to a certain state road therein named.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 119, A Bill for an Act locating a state road from Centerville to Ottumwa.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 102, A Bill for an Act establishing a state road from Farmington to Bloomfield.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 108, A Bill to authorize junior judgment creditors to redeem from senior judgments.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 142, An Act to create cities, towns and vilages, one road district.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 146, A Bill to provide for indexing the records of Marion county.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 73, An Act to amend chapter 2388 of the Code of Iowa.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 85, An Act granting, to the County of Pottawatamia, etc.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 103, An Act to revive chapter 51 of the Code, entitled "lost goods and estrays."

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 140, An Act to prevent swine from running at large in a certain portion of Jackson county.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 118, An Act providing for the distribution of the Code.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Schools and State University, to whom was referred House File, No. 71, had leave to report the same back to the House, with a recommendation that the Bill do not pass.

Report concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The House adjourned to 8½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

### SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Boyles, the reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

#### INTRODUCTION OF PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES.

Mr. Wamsley presented the remonstrance of W. S. S. Simmons,

and other citizens of Jefferson county, against the re-location of the State road from Fairfield to Oskaloosa, which was, on his motion, referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Pigman presented the remonstrance of James Smith, and fifty others, against extending the corporate limits of the City of Muscatine, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Jackson presented the petition of W. J. Johnson, and thirty-one other citizens of Shelby county, asking a re-location of the county seat of said county, which was

Referred to the committee on township and county organization.

Mr. Smith of Cedar presented the petition of Noah Walters and 24 others, for a prohibitory liquor law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Rogers presented the petition of M. B. Earl and 73 others, citizens of Fayette and Winneshiek counties, praying for the establishment of a certain State road.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Neal presented the petition of G. Birkley and 96 others, praying for relief on certain river lands.

Which was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

House File No. 54, An Act to incorporate cemetery associations, was taken up and

Referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Graham, Dewey of Fremont, and Holmes of Jones.

Mr. Lyons, from the Committee on Township and County Organizations, to whom was referred Senate File No. 97, A Bill to provide for the Seat of Justice of Cass county, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and the Bill ordered to a third reading.

Also, Senate File No. 57: A Bill, for An Act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun; and recommended its passage.

Which report was concurred in, and the Bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Williams, from the special committee to whom was referred House File No. 180, An Act relating to the Oskaloosa Normal School, reported a substitute therefor.

Which report was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

Section 2 of the Substitute was stricken out; which amendment was accepted by the committee.

Mr. Neal moved to amend by inserting "\$500 to the Iowa University at Pella, in Marion county."

Amendment lost.

Mr. Bonson moved to refer the Substitute and amendments to a select committee of three.

Motion lost.

Mr. Edie moved to amend by inserting in the 8th line of the 1st section, the words, "Normal School at Andrew."

Mr. Corse called for the previous question.

Call sustained.

On the question, shall the previous question now be put, the same prevailed.

The question being on the amendment of Mr. Edie, to insert "Normal School at Andrew," the same was adopted, and the Substitute as amended concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a third time.

The question being on the passage of the Bill, Mr. McKay called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 50. }

Nays, 11. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Pigman,
Bigelow,	Greenleaf,	Poston,
Bonson,	Hall,	Pritchard.
Brown,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Clark,	Holmes of Linn,	Russell,
Coffin,	Holmes of Jones,	Sargent,
Conkey,	Jackson,	Tisdale,
Cennell,	Kinert,	Tracy,
Corse,	Lockwood,	Turner,
Creel,	Lyon,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McCall,	Weatherington,
Damon,	McFarland,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	Mechem,	Williams,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Witter,



Mr. Dorland,  
Edie,  
Goodfellow,  
The nays were,

Mr. Monroe,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Yeoman,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Boyies,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
McCrory,

Mr. McKay,  
Moore,  
Neal,  
Rogers,

Mr. Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Wamsley,

Bill passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Holmes of Jones, from the select committee to whom was referred House File No. 84, reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Corse moved to dispense with further reading.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Corse moved to indefinitely postpone the bill and substitute.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Neal asked leave to introduce House File No. 167.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER—I am instructed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File No. 28: A Bill, for An Act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa.

Senate File No. 129: A Bill, for An Act granting the right of way for the construction of bridges in Iowa.

Senate File No. 135: A Bill, for An Act to provide for the relinquishment of escheats.

Senate File No. 136: A Bill, for An Act to amend Chapter 187 of the Code, relating to the penitentiary of the State.

Senate File No. 161: Joint Resolution on the subject of expired patents of reaping and mowing machines.

Senate File No 163: Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to receive from the Superintendent of Weights and Measures at Washington City, any balances for the adjustment of weights and capacity measures as may be due this State by act of Congress.

Also, Senate File No. 164, A Bill for an act in reference to an ordinance passed by the city council of the city of Dubuque, January 15th, A. D., 1855.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

I herewith present for your signature, Senate File No. 130. An Act to amend the charter of the town of Fort Madison, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

I herewith return H. R. File No. 49, A Bill for an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved February 15, 1844.

H. R. File No. 108, A Bill for an act to establish certain State Roads therein named.

H. R. File No. 110, A Bill for an act to establish a State Road from Toledo via Marshall to Nevada, in Story county.

H. R. File No. 145, A Bill for an act in reference to registering the transfer of lands in Clayton county.

H. R. File No. 148, A Bill for an act to annex certain grounds to the town of Toolsborough.

H. R. File No. 161, A Bill for an act to authorize the County Judge of Jackson County to transcribe certain Records.

H. R. File No. 159, A Bill for an act to establish a State Road from Panoram, in Guthrie county, to Sargents Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

H. R. File No. 160, A Bill for an act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Also, H. R. File No. 29, Memorial and Joint Resolutions for additional Mail facilities, the same having passed the Senate without amendment.

The Senate have also passed with one amendment, H. R. File No. 115, A Bill for an act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions, and Memorials, passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

Also, the Senate have passed substitute for H. R. File No. 37, A Bill to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts. In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am also directed to inform the House, that the Senate have indefinitely postponed the further consideration of H. R. File No. 39, A Bill for an act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec. Senate.

Message from the Senate by Messrs. Coolbaugh and Schramm, announcing that the Senate was now ready to go into Joint Conven-

tion for the purpose of electing a Warden of Penitentiary, and State Printer.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

A Committee of three on the part of the House, was appointed to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to receive them in Joint Convention.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Williams, Tisdale and Mechem.

The Committee having discharged their duties, returned and reported the same to the House.

The President and members of the Senate preceded by their Sergeant-at-Arms and Secretary, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, and having been duly announced, took the seats assigned them.

Joint Convention of the Senate and House of Representatives, the President of the Senate acting as President of the Convention, and the Clerk of the House acting as Secretary.

The roll of the Convention was called, and the following members only found absent :

Messrs. Albright, Bryan of Warren, Morgan, Smith of Jackson, and Goodfellow, the same having had leave of absence, were excused.

The President announced the purpose of the Convention to be the election of a Warden of the Penitentiary and a State Printer.

Mr. Saunders was appointed Teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Yeoman, Teller on the part of the House.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of Warden of the Penitentiary.

Mr. Bonson nominated Isaac Waters of Marion county.

Mr. Hillis nominated Francis A. Barker of Marion county.

Mr. Witter nominated George Grigsby of Lee county.

Mr. Bonson withdrew the name of Mr. Waters.

No other nominations being made, the Convention proceeded to vote for said officer, which resulted as follows:

Those voting for FRANCIS A. BARKER, were:

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Needham,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Jones	Park,
Barker,	Hyde,	Pigman,
Brover,	Johnson,	Pritchard,

Mr. Cleaver,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Rogers,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Russell,
Connell,	McCrary,	Saunders,
Creel,	Mathews,	Schramm,
Creamer,	McAchran,	Smith of Cedar,
Dorland,	McCrory,	Stephenson,
Edie,	McFarland,	Turner,
Fulton,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Graham,	Mechem,	Wilkinson,
Greenleaf,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Hamilton,	Monroe.	White,
Hillis,	Moore,	Williams,
Hogan,	Noble,	Young,—54

The nays were :

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Test,
Bonson,	Hall,	Sargent,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Thurston,
Clark of Jackson	Love,	Tisdale,
Clark of Marion,	Lucas,	Tracy,
Coolbaugh,	McCulloch,	Udell,
Coop,	McCall,	Workman,
Corse,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Dewey of Fremont,	Poston,	Bonson,
Goodfellow,	Ramsay,	Mr. President,—34

Messrs. Birge and Shields voted for Mr. Espy.

Messrs. Preston and Samuels, voted for Mr. Weare.

Mr. Browning voted for Jesse B. Brown.

Francis A. Barker having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Warden of the Penitentiary of the State of Iowa, for the ensuing term.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the Convention proceeded to the election of a State Printer.

Mr. Thurston nominated B. H. SYLVESTER.

Mr. Anderson nominated PETER MORIARTY.

The Convention proceeded to vote for a State Printer, which vote resulted as follows :

Those who voted for Peter Moriarty were

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Hillis,	Mr. Park,
Browning.	Hogan,	Pigman,
Baldwin,	Holmes of Linn,	Pritchard,
Barker,	Holmes of Jones,	Rogers.
Brown,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Cleaver,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lockwood,	Saunders,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Schramm,
Connell,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	Mathews,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McAchrans,	Turner,
Dorland,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Edie,	McFarland,	Wilkinson,
Fulton,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Graham,	Mechem,	White,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Needham,	Young—51.

Those who voted for R. H. Sylvester were,

Mr. Birge,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Ramsay,
Bigelow,	Jackson,	Shields,
Bonson,	Love,	Samuels.
Boyles,	Lucas,	Sargent,
Clark of Jackson	McCulloch,	Test,
Clark of Marion,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	Meek,	Tracy,
Coop,	Monroe,	Udell,
Corse,	Moore,	Workman,
Damon,	Neal,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	Neely,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Goodfellow,	Preston,	Mr. President—41.
Hall,	Poston,	

Mr. Thurston voted for Moriarty.

Mr. Witter voted for Saunders.

Peter Moriarty having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected State Printer, for the ensuing term of said officer.

The certificates of election were made out and signed in duplicate form in the presence of the Convention by the President and Speaker of the House, and attested by the tellers.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The Convention rose, and the Senators retired to their Chamber.

The question being on granting leave to Mr. Neal to introduce House File, No. 167, A Bill to provide for a Reporter of the Supreme Court, and for that purpose leave was granted, and the Bill read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Boyles, the 42d rule was suspended, and

The Bill read a second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Bill was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Russell, Tracy, and Boyles.

Mr. Hall had leave to introduce the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee to whom was referred a Joint Resolution concerning the surviving soldiers of the War of 1812, be instructed to report forthwith.

Resolution Adopted.

Mr. Bonson moved to suspend the order of business, and take up Senate File No. 164, An Act in reference to an Ordinance passed by the City Council of Dubuque, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, House File, No. 25, Resolution instructing Trustees of State University in relation to Professorships, &c.

Also, House File, No. 23, Joint Resolution.

Also, House File, No. 26, Joint Resolution.

Also, House File, No. 27, Joint Resolution for the appointment of Commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State.

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN.

Mr. Creamer, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, made the following report :

The Committee to whom was referred the Biennial report of the Board of Public Works and so much of the Message of the Governor as relates to the Desmoines River Improvement, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to submit the following

#### REPORT.

In the opinion of your committee no further legislation is at this time necessary on this subject. The work is now in the hands of a company, and much of the legislation heretofore demanded can happily be dispensed with. They take pleasure in stating that the Company appear to be duly impressed with the magnitude of the great enterprise, and of the necessity of good faith on their part in the carrying out of their Contract. Active preparations, as your committee learn, are being made to prosecute the work with energy the ensuing season, so as to fully meet the terms of the Contract, being critical and scientific surveys are being made, rights of way being secured, contracts being perfected with individuals, and various other matters being done, all looking to more active preparations hereafter. This, in the opinion of your committee, is the great work of an Internal Improvement character of the State. Immense must be the advantages resulting from the completion of so magnificent an enterprise, traversing as this river does diagonally our State, rich in agricultural and mineral wealth, susceptible, as the valley thereof is, of sustaining a most dense population, crossed, as it will be in time, with Railroads connecting the East with the West; susceptible, when improved, of affording Water Power sufficient to propel infinite and diversified machinery. The imagination can scarcely picture the advantages in the future of so great a work to the State, while so rich advantages will result to the State, liberal, wise, and just should be the Legislature, so as to encourage the enterprise.

Your committee take pleasure in saying that much of their information of the operations of the Company they have derived from their efficient Secretary, Henry O'Riley. Esq, who, they are pleased to know has for years taken an active interest in this work, and who was mainly instrumental in bringing it to the attention of the enterprising capitalists now interested therein. In a few years, perhaps, at the next session of the General Assembly, some further legislation may be neces-

sary, but at present your committee have nothing to recommend, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted,

S. K. CREAMER, Chairman.

Mr. Rogers, from the special committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 38, a Bill for an Act to alter the boundaries of Howard, Mitchell, Worth, and Winnebago Counties, reported a substitute to the House and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in and substitute adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. White, from the committee on Claims submitted the following report:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred sundry Bills and Accounts, have had the same under consideration, and recommend the following be allowed, viz.:

To Banbury & Redhead, for Sundries	\$80 70
To Charles Gaymon, for Chairs furnished,	30 00
To C. A. Robins, for Sundries,	30 22
To Peter Roberts, for desk, table, &c. for Governor,	37 00
To Segdel & Bixley, for sundries furnished,	21 70
To J. Pattee, for sundries furnished,	6 15
To H. W. Fyffer, for carpeting, &c.,	220 40
To F. Sanxy, for Sundries per G. W. McCleary,	8 55
To A. P. Scott, for work done in Senate Chamber,	2 00
To Hart & Love, for sundries furnished,	58 15
To Wm. Lee, for furnishing House with two maps and paste,	6 50
To Morseman & Cochran, for two paint brushes,	50
To Ballard & Lathrop, for 576 copies Tri-weekly Republican furnished the House of Representatives, also 26 copies of Weekly Republican,	595 50
To Capital Reporter, 606 copies Tri-weekly and 9 of Weekly,	610 50
To McFarland & Wickersham, 21 copies of Iowa Observer,	10 50
To W. W. Junkin for 12 copies of Fairfield Ledger furnished,	6 00
To D. Sherwood, for 3 copies of Iowa Sentinel furnished House:	1 50



To J. B. Howell & Co., 38 copies of Daily Whig furnished members, also 3 copies of Weekly Whig and balance due for '52 & '53,	48 50
To J. Powel & Brother, for carpet and sundries furnished,	149 87
All of which is respectfully submitted,	

F. WHITE, Chairman.

Also, Account of L. B. & O. A. Patterson.

Also, the account of committee appointed to visit the Penitentiary.

Also, claim of J. H. Bonney.

All of which were referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Mr. McKay from the committee on Amendments to the Code, to whom was referred House File No. 126, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Also, from the same committee, House File No. 157, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Samuels from the committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred House File No. 153, reported the same back to the House, and recommended a substitute therefor.

Substitute rejected, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The original bill was laid on the table.

The following communication from the Superintendent of Public Instruction was read, the same accompanying the report of the Dean of the Medical Department of the Iowa State University.

OFFICE OF THE SUP. OF PUB. INST. IOWA. }  
Iowa City, January 19th, 1855. }

To the Hon. Speaker and House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: In obedience to your resolution of the 10th, inst., I have the honor to transmit herewith, the report of the Dean of the Faculty of the Medical Department of the Iowa University at Keokuk, which was received after the making of my report upon that subject. I have had but little time to examine the report, but still adhere to the opinion that it should be severed from the State University.

I regret to find in it so much of what savors of personal animosity and aspersions upon the character and honesty of the former Dean,

for the introduction of which into this report, I can find no reason or excuse, unless it be to find an umpire who shall decide when Doctors disagree.

I am, gentlemen, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES D. EADS, Sup. Pub. Inst.

BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 91: read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 107: A Bill in relation to divorce and alimony, read a first time.

Mr. Neal moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Motion to postpone lost.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title.

Mr. Rogers moved to amend as follows,

Add to Sec. 2, "when after marriage he becomes addicted to drunkenness."

Mr. Jackson moved to adjourn,

Motion lost.

Mr. Boyles moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Motion prevailed,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The House adjourned.

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ONE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate File No 134: A Bill for an act to attach the county of Cerro Gordo to the county of Floyd for certain purposes, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Rogers,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 138: A Bill for an act changing the times of holding the courts in Page and other counties, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Jackson, and Baldwin.

Senate File No. 139: A Bill for an act to incorporate the town of Mount Pleasant, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 140: Joint Resolution on the subject of African colonization; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Joint Resolution read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 141: A Bill, for An Act to encourage African colonization; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Williams moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Mr. Bonson asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The absentees were Messrs. Damon, Dewey of Lee, Hyde, Neely, Samuels and Goodfellow.

Mr. Goodfellow was excused.

The Sergeant-at-arms reported all the members present except Messrs. Dewey of Lee, and Hyde.

Further call of the House was dispensed with.

Mr. Samuels had leave to introduce the petition of Jas. R. Goodrich and others, for a law for the observance of the Sabbath; and also, the petition of Jas. R. Goodrich and others, for a prohibitory liquor law; both of which, on his motion, were laid on the table.

On the motion to indefinitely postpone Senate File No 141, Mr.

Bonson called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 15. }  
Nays 46. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Turner,
Brown,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Connell,	Pigman,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Rogers,	Williams,
Edie,	Russell,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Newsom,
Barker,	Jackson,	Poston,
Bonson,	Johnson,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Kinert,	Rosser,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Conkey,	McCrory,	Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Creel,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Tracy,
Damon,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Monroe,	White,
Graham,	Moore,	Witter,
Hall,	Neal,	Yeoman,
Hinkle,	Neely,	Young.
Holmes of Jones,		

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Rogers offered the following amendment, to-wit:

To strike out "any free negro and mulatto," and insert "person not a native of the United States, shall wish to return to the place of his nativity."

Mr. Tracy moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Russell moved to adjourn.

Motion lost.

Mr. Russell moved to take the Resolution from the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Rogers moved to lay the bill on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Samuels moved to suspend the Rule and read the bill a third time.

Motion lost.

Bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont had leave to report back to the House Senate File No. 138, A Bill for An Act fixing the times of holding the Courts in the 6th and 7th Judicial Districts, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 142, Joint Resolution asking additional mail facilities, was read a first time, and,

On motion, the 42d Rule was suspended, the bill rerd a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File No. 156, was read a second time.

Mr. Samuels moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Rogers called for the yeas and nays.\*

Senate File, No. 99, Read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Samuels, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Pritchard had leave to introduce House File, No. 168, A Bill for an Act, amendatory of the Act, incorporating Muscatine, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. McKay,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 102, Read a second time, and

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 31, in relation to Slavery.

Read a second time.

Mr. Tracy moved to indefinitely postpone.

Mr. Dorland asked a call of the House.

Messrs. Yeoman, Baldwin, Lyon, McFarland and Neal were absent.

\*The copy of the yeas and nays, was omitted by the Clerk of the House, in preparing the MSS. for the press. MAHONY & DORR.

Mr. Yeoman being sick, was excused.

Mr. Hall moved to suspend further proceedings under the call.

Motion lost.

Several absentees appeared in their seats.

On motion of Mr. McFarland,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On the motion to indefinitely postpone,

Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 27, }  
Nays 35. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Newsom,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Poston,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Clark,	McCall,	Sargent,
Corse,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Damon,	Monroe,	Tracy,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Witter,
Hall,	Neely,	Yeoman.
Hinkle,		

The nays were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Holmes of Jones,	Mr. Russell,
Bigelow,	Hyde,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Lyon,	Turner,
Connell,	McCrary,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McFarland,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Williams,
Edie,	Pigman,	Yeoman,
Graham,	Pritchard,	Young.
Greenleaf,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,	Rosser,	

Motion to postpone, lost.

On motion of Mr. Tracy,

The Joint Resolution was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 32, Read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 33, read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

House File, No. 152,  
Read a second time.

Mr. Johnson moved to lay the Bill on the table.

Motion prevailed.

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File, No. 75, A Bill for an Act annexing a proviso to section 1898 of the Code of Iowa.

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 98,

Read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 136, an Act to prevent the killing of game at certain seasons of the year; the question being on concurring in the amendments of the Senate.

Amendments concurred in.

On the passage of the Bill, Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 27. }  
Nays 32. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Dewey of Fremont	Mr. McCrory,
Bonson,	Dorland,	McKay,
Boyles,	Edie,	Pritchard,
Clark,	Hall,	Rogers,
Conkey,	Holmes of Jones	Russell,
Corse,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Creal,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Creamer,	Kinert,	Witter,
Dewey of Lec,	Lyon,	Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Brown,	Mr. McFarland,	Mr. Smith of Cedar
Coffin,	Mechem,	Stephenson,
Connel,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Damon,	Monroe,	Tracy,

Mr. Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hinkle,  
Holmes of Linn,  
Jackson,  
Lockwood,  
McCall,

Mr. Moore,  
Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Pigman,  
Poston,  
Rosser,

Mr. Turner,  
Wamsley,  
Weatherington,  
White,  
Williams,  
Mr. Speaker.

Bill rejected.

House File No. 143: Read a third time and,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

Was indefinitely postponed.

House File No. 144: An Act supplemental to an act to dispose of the Saline lands, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 51: A Bill for an act to establish a State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, read a third time and passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 91: A Bill for an act to amend an act to incorporate Iowa City, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 67: A Bill for an act to refund to Clerks in the District of the several counties of this State, the moneys paid by Justices of the Peace for the return of the Code of Iowa, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 40: A Bill for an act to amend chapter 44, of the Code, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 116: A Bill In relation to certain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, Van Buren county, Iowa, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 98: An Act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, Marion county.

Amendments of the Senate concurred in and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 126: A Bill for an act to locate and establish a certain State road therein named, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 162: An Act to repeal chapter 101 of the acts of 1852-53, entitled an act to extend the powers of School districts, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.



House File No. 129: Read a third time and rejected.

Senate File No. 2: An Act to authorize railroad companies to consolidate their stock, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 113: A Bill for an act to establish a State road from Snook's Grove to Newton, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Holmes of Jones,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 144: An Act to vacate an alley in the town of Bellvue, Jackson county, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 147: A Bill for an act fixing the times of the district court of the 8th judicial district, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Hyde,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to a select committee consisting of the delegates from the 8th Judicial district.

Senate File No. 117: A Bill for an act to prohibit certain mail stock from running at large, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Poston,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times.

Mr. Jackson moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Motion lost.

Mr. Neal offered the following amendment; Insert "bachelors over the age of 30 years, immediately after "bull or boar."

Amendment laid on the table.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 43, }  
Nays 19, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,                      Mr. Holmes of Linn,      Mr. Pritchard,  
Bigelow,                          Holmes of Jones,          Rogers,

Mr. Benson,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Russell,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Coffin,	Kinert,	Sargent,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Tisdale,
Connell,	McCrory,	Tracy,
Corse,	McCall,	Turner,
Creel,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	McKay,	White,
Damon,	Mechem,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	Meek,	Young,
Doriand,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker.
Eddie,	Pigman,	
Hinkle,	Poston,	

The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Stephenson,
Brown,	Lyon,	Wamsley,
Clark,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Neal,	Williams,
Graham,	Neely,	Yeoman.
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	
Hall,	Smith, of Cedar,	

Bill passed and title agreed to.

Mr. Samuels moved to reconsider the vote by which House File No. 129, was rejected.

Motion to reconsider lost.

Senate File No. 155, An Act in relation to State Officers, read a first time and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

Mr. Holmes of Jones, had leave of absence.

Senate File No. 156, A Bill for an act to repeal chapter 80 of the laws of 1851, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 157, A Bill for an act to locate a certain State Road, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Senate File No. 158, An Act to locate a State Road from Millersburgh to Indianapolis, read a first time and ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval, House File No. 22, Joint Resolution for additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File No. 6, An Act to provide for the location of the Seat of Justice of Union county.

Also, House File No. 81, An Act authorizing Writs of Attachments and actions against Boats to be commenced on Sunday.

Also, House File No. 137, An Act to locate a State Road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose to Keokuk.

Also, House File No. 106, An Act to encourage Agriculture and the Mechanical Arts in Johnson county.

Also, House File No. 10, Joint Resolution in relation to constructing Bridges and Dams across certain rivers.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined House File No. 5, An Act for the suppression of Intemperance.

Also, House File No. 26, An Act to locate certain State Roads therein named.

Also, House File No. 111, An Act in relation to County Seats, and find them correctly Enrolled.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 25, relative to the Trustees of the State University, read a third time and passed and the title agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 26, relative to the appointment of Commissioners of the State University, read a third time and passed and the title agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 27, relative to the appointment of Commissioners to examine the Auditor's books, read a third time and passed and the title agreed to.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 28, relative to obtaining appropriations for soldiers from Congress, read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

The following bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, were duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President of the Senate, endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 10, in relation to constructing Bridges and Dams across certain rivers.

House File No. 137, An Act to locate a State Road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose to Kaekuk.

House File No. 106, An Act to encourage Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in Johnson county.

House File No. 81: An Act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats to be commenced on Sunday.

House File No. 6: An Act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county.

House File, Joint Resolution No. 22: For additional mail facilities.

Mr. Edie moved to adjourn to 8½ o'clock on Monday morning.

Mr. Bonson moved to amend by inserting 6½ o'clock this evening.

Motion prevailed and the House adjourned.

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6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,  
The House adjourned.

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MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The reading of the journal of Saturday was dispensed with.

BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 7: Joint Resolution for mail facilities, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 65: A Bill for an act providing a room for holding the Supreme Court,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 68: Joint Resolution to Congress to reduce Ocean postage, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times by its title and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 70: Joint Resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for services rendered and supplies furnished the United States, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 76: An Act ceding to the United States of America jurisdiction over certain lands, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Moore,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second and third times and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 28: A Bill for an act to regulate Grist Mills and Millers, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Creamer,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Pritchard offered the following amendment:

“No greater sum in money than the value of such part of the grain as is worth at the current rates for such grain in the neighborhood of such mill.”

Mr. Bonson moved to refer the bill with amendment to the committee on Agriculture.

Motion prevailed.

Senate File No. 129: A Bill for an act granting the right of way for the construction of bridges in Iowa, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The rule was further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 135: A Bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O'Reilly, read a first time. and,

On motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 136: Read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d rule was suspended and the bill read a second time by its title and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Williams Dewey of Fremont, and Edie.

Senate File No. 161, Joint Resolution on the subject of expired patents of reaping and mowing machines, was read a first time and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times by its title, and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 163: Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to receive from the Superintendent of Weights and Measures at Washington, any balances for the adjustment of Weights and Measures, due this State by Congress; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times by its title, and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

#### BILLS ON THEIR SECOND READING.

House File, Joint Resolution No. 38: Memorial to Congress for a mail route from Independence to Janesville; read a second time, and,

On motion, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the Joint Resolution read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 90, An Act regulating State Library, was read a second time and

Referred to the Committee on State Library.

Mr. Conkey had leave to introduce

House File No. 170: An Act to authorize John M. May and his assigns to construct a wing-dam across an arm or branch of Cedar river; read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Conkey, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the

bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Also, Mr. Conkey had leave to introduce

House File No. 169: An Act to authorize John M. May and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar river, in Linn county; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Conkey,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Williams, from the Committee to visit the Penitentiary, submitted their report.\*

On motion of Mr. Williams, so much of the report of the Joint Committee to visit the Penitentiary, as relates to improvements and additions, was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings; and so much as relates to other expenditures, was referred to the Standing Committee on Expenditures; with instructions to report this afternoon.

Senate File No. 155: An Act in relation to the bonds of State officers; read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Bonson offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Rev. L. B. Dennis be allowed the sum of \$100, for services as Chaplain of this House during the present session.

Mr. Corse offered the following substitute:

*Resolved*, That the Rev. L. B. Dennis be allowed \$2 per day for services rendered this House as Chaplain during this session.

On motion of Mr. Russell, the Resolution and Substitute were referred to the Committee on Expenditures.

Senate File No. 157: A Bill, for An Act to re-locate certain State roads; read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Neely,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Bonson had leave to introduce

The petition of L. D. C. Waggart and 121 others, for a change of certain county boundaries.

Which was laid on the table.

\* See Appendix for Report.

Senate File No. 158, An Act to locate a State road from Millersburgh to Indianapolis, was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Moore,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate file No. 156, was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Newsom,

Referred to the Van Buren county delegation.

#### BILLS & C. ON THEIR THIRD READING.

House File, Joint Resolution No. 32, asking additional mail facilities, was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 37, A Bill for an act to re-apportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts therein, with substitute of the Senate, read.

Mr. Turner moved to refer to a select Committee of seven.

Motion lost.

On concurring in the amendment of the Senate, Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas, 26. }  
Nays, 31. }

The Yeas were :

Mr. Bigelow,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Clark,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Connell,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Corse,	Monroe,	Witter,
Creel,	Moore,	Yeoman,
Graham,	Neal,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Newsom,	

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Lockwood,	Mr. Russell,
Barker,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Coffin,	McFarland,	Turner,
Conkey,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,



Mr. Edie,	Mr. Neely,	Mr. White,
Greenleaf,	Pigman,	Williams,
Holmes of Linn,	Pritchard,	Young.
Johnson,	Rogers,	
Kinert,	Rosser,	

Substitute of Senate not concurred in.

Mr. Williams moved to reconsider the vote refusing to concur in the substitute of the Senate.

Mr. Edie moved to lay the motion on the table.

Lost.

The motion to re-consider, lost.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The Chief Clerk was authorized to employ such assistance as may be necessary.

Mr. Yeoman offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Governor be requested to communicate to this House any report he may have received from the Commissioners appointed by the last General Assembly to examine the books of the officers of the Desmoines River Improvement.

Mr. Williams, from the special Committee to whom was referred Senate File No. 136, A Bill for an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code, in relation to the Penitentiary; reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage, with the following amendments:

In Sec. 5, strike out the words "preach to the convicts confined therein once on every Sabbath," and insert in Sec. 7, "it shall hereafter be the duty of the Clerk of the Prison to open a separate account on the books of the prison, of each of the following items of expense, viz: provisions, clothing and bedding, lights and fuel, salaries, hospital, buildings, and repairs, miscellanies."

Also, change the number of the 7th section to 8th.

Amendments concurred in, and the bill passed as amended, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 57, A Bill for an act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun, read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 97, A Bill to provide for the removal of the Seat of Justice of Cass county; was read a third time.

Mr. McKay moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Motion Lost.

Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 102, A Bill for an act making certificate copies of documents in the Surveyor General's office evidence in certain cases; read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 115, An Act to locate a State Road from Center-ville to Marietta; read and amendment of the Senate concurred in, and the bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 141, A Bill for an act to encourage African Colonization; read a third time.

Mr. Russell moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 16. }  
Nays 53. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Bigelow,  
Brown,  
Connell,  
Holmes of Linn,  
McFarland,

Mr. McKay,  
Rogers,  
Russell,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,

Mr. Wamsley,  
White,  
Williams,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,  
Bryan,  
Barker,  
Bonson,  
Boyles,  
Clark,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Damon,  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,

Mr. Graham,  
Greenleaf,  
Hall,  
Hinkle,  
Holmes of Jones  
Hyde,  
Jackson,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrary,  
McCall,  
Mechem,

Mr. Neal,  
Neely,  
Newsom,  
Pigman,  
Poston,  
Pritchard,  
Rosser,  
Samuels,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Jackson  
Stephenson,  
Tisdale,  
Tracy,  
Weatherington,

Mr. Dorland,	Mr. Meek,	Mr. Witter,
Edie,	Monroe,	Yeoman,
Franklin,	Moore,	Young,
Goodfellow,	Morgan,	

Motion to indefinitely postpone, lost.

On the passage of the Bill Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas, 35. }

Nays, 25. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Newsom,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Poston,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Clark,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Coffin,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Sargent,
Corse,	McCrorry,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Meek,	Weatherington,
Damon	Monroe,	Witter,
Dewey of Lee,	Moore,	Yeoman.
Dewey of Fremont	Neal,	Young,
Graham,	Neely,	

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Smith of Cedar,
Bigelow,	Lyon,	Stephenson,
Brown,	McFarland,	Turner,
Connell,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Edie,	Pigman,	White,
Hall,	Rogers,	Williams,
Holmes of Linn,	Russell,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Jones,		

Bill passed.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

Substitute for House File, No. 111, An Act in relation to County Seats.

House File, No. 26, An Act to locate a certain State Road therein named.

House File, No. 5, An Act for the suppression of Intemperance.

Mr. Yeoman, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined,

House File, No. 157, Bill for An Act to extend the jurisdiction of County Courts.

Also, House File, No. 126, An Act creating Board of Equalization for the State.

And find the same correctly engrossed.

YEOMAN.

House File, No. 126, An Act creating a Board of Equalization of State taxes, and amending certain Acts, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File, No. 157, A Bill for An Act to extend the jurisdiction of County Courts, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Bigelow, from a special committee, made the following report:

The select committee, composed of the delegation from Clayton County, to whom was referred certain petitions of citizens of said County in relation to their County Seat, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following

#### REPORT:

They find that two hundred and seventy-two citizens of said county ask that their County Seat may be speedily and permanently fixed, leaving the manner of which result is to be attained, to the discretion of the Legislature. They find, also, that four hundred and forty-eight other citizens of said county ask if there be action of the Legislature in the premises, the appointment of commissioners to re-locate the County Seat, and if any other place than the present County Seat should be selected, that an election should be held between the place thus selected and the County Seat. Four hundred and seven other citizens of said county remonstrating against the appointment of commissioners, and ask that the whole question be left to the people of the county to select such points as they may devise. In view of the fore-

going facts your committee are not prepared to recommend any special action of the Legislature in reference to the County Seat.

S. BIGELOW, Chairman.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

I herewith present for your signature,

Senate Files, Nos. 35, 58, 16, 44, 52, 59, 91, 66, 73, 81, 82, 103, 128, and 133.

The same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't. Sec'y. Senate.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 124, A Bill for an Act fixing the times of holding courts in the fourth judicial district.

Senate File, No. 129½, A Bill establishing an Agricultural Bureau at the Capital of the State, and defining the duties and powers of its officers and agents.

Senate Substitute for H. R. File, No. 141, A Bill for an Act to establish a State Lunatic Asylum.

Senate File, No. 149, A Bill for an Act to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons.

Senate File, No. 154, A Bill for an Act vacating certain back lots in the town of Bentonsport.

Senate File, No. 160, A Bill for an Act fixing the term of office of Drainage Commissioner.

Senate File, No. 165, Joint Resolution requiring certain officers to report to the General Assembly.

Also, Senate File, No. 166, A Bill for an Act requiring the State Printer to keep his office at the Capital of the State.

In all of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also passed without amendment,

H. R. File, No. 80, A Bill for an Act for the relief of Hugh Lynam.

Also, H. R. File, No. 134, A Bill for an Act relating to State Printing.

Mr. Pigman presented the petition of E. M. Markem, and 23 others,

for a change in a certain State Road, which was referred to the committee on roads and highways.

Mr. Bigelow presented the petition of Joseph Allison and others, for a change of the name of a township, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Clark presented the petition of E. H. Grant, and 43 others, in relation to district and probate courts in Knoxville and Pella, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Edie presented the petition of J. P. Hutton, and 40 others, for a prohibitory liquor law, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mechem presented the petition of James Thompson, and 57 other citizens of Jefferson county, on the subject of renewing the expired patents of reaping and mowing machines, which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Conkey presented the petition of John Robb, and 76 other citizens of Linn county, on the subject of the Fugitive Slave Law; laws making distinctions on account of color, African slavery, etc., which was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Graham from the select committee, to whom was referred House File, No. 54, reported the same back to the House, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the Bill, with amendments, was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Kinert from the committee, to whom was referred House File, Joint Resolution, No. 31, in relation to the violation of the Missouri Compromise and Slavery, reported a substitute for the same, which was read.

Mr. Russell moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words, "36 degrees and 30 minutes."

Mr. Corse offered a substitute for the substitute of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The substitute and the substitute for the substitute were made the special order for 6½ o'clock, to-morrow evening.

Mr. Russell from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred House File, No. 167, A Bill to provide for the appointment of a Reporter of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and on motion of Mr. Russell, the 42d. rule was suspended and the Bill read a third time.

On the passage of the Bill Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 52, }  
Nays 6. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Hyde.	Mr. Rogers,
Barker,	Jackson,	Rosser,
Bigelow,	Johnson,	Russell,
Bonson,	Kinert,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Lockwood,	Sargent,
Clark,	Lyon,	Smith of Cedar,
Coffin,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Corse,	McFarland,	Turner,
Creamer,	McKay,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Meek,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	White,
Eddie,	Neal,	Williams,
Graham,	Neely,	Witter,
Hall,	Pigman,	Young.
Hinkle,	Pritchard,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Link,		

The nays were :

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Creel,	Mr. Mechem,
Connell,	Greenleaf,	Poston,

Bill passed.

Also, from the same Committee, House File No. 102, A Bill to provide for the punishment of incest and crimes against nature, and recommended that it be indefinitely postponed.

Which report was concurred in.

Also, from the same Committee, House File No. 127, An Act to provide for the election of County Judge, Sheriff, Recorder, Coroner, and Surveyor, and recommended that it be indefinitely postponed.

Report concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The House adjourned.

1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

## BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 165, Resolution requiring certain officers to report to the General Assembly, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times, and passed and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 166, An Act requiring the State Printer to keep his office at the Capital of the State, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 160, An Act fixing the terms of office of Drainage Commissioner, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Laid on the table.

Senate File No. 154, An Act detaching certain back lots from the corporate limits of the town of Bentonport, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 149, An Act to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Samuels, laid on the table.

Senate File No. 124, A Bill for an act fixing the times of holding the Courts in the 4th Judicial District, read a first time.

Senate File No. 129, A Bill for establishing an Agricultural Bureau at the Capital, and defining the powers and duties of the agents and officers, read a first time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

## BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING.

Substitute for House File No. 141, An Act to establish a Lunatic Asylum, read, and



On motion of Mr. Bonson,

Was referred to the Committee on Charitable Institutions.

Messrs. Rosser and McKay had leave of absence after Wednesday.

Mr. Vanfossen had leave of absence after to-morrow.

Mr. Mechem offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That leave of absence shall not be granted to any member of this House, unless sickness call him home.

Mr. Pritchard had leave to introduce

House File No. 171, A Bill for an act to incorporate Cedar Toll Bridge Company; which was read a first time, and on his motion the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Witter, from the Joint Committee, appointed to investigate matters of misunderstanding between the Board of Trustees of the State University and the Treasurer, submitted the following report:\*

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The report and accompanying papers were laid on the table, and 2000 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Russell offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of this House, is hereby instructed to inform the Senate, that the House is out of business, and desires them to *hurry up*.

Mr. Damon moved to strike out the words "*hurry up*."

Motion lost.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims, made the following Report :

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the claim of Israel Keister, for services as State Agent, for selection of Saline lands, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the following:

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 34, compensating Israel Keister for certain services, and recommend its passage.

Resolution read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times.

\*See Appendix.

On the passage of the Joint Resolution, Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 41.)

Nays 13.)

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Neely,
Bigelow,	Hall,	Newsom,
Bonson,	Hinkle,	Samuels,
Boyles, <sup>†</sup>	Hyde,	Sargent,
Brown,	Jackson,	Smith of Cedar,
Clark,	Johnson,	Stephenson,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Tisdale,
Corse,	Lockwood,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McCrary,	Weatherington,
Creamer,	McCall,	White,
Damon.	McFarland,	Witter,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Yeoman,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker.
Eddie,	Moore,	

The nays were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Pigman,	Mr. Turner,
Coffin,	Poston,	Williams,
Connell,	Rogers,	Young,
Lyon,	Rosser,	
Mechem,	Russell,	

Resolution adopted, and the title agreed to.

Mr. McFarland presented the petition of A. McClintock and others, in relation to a certain State Road, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

The 42d rule was suspended, and Senate File No. 124, A Bill for an act fixing the times of holding the Courts in the 4th Judicial District, was read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Connell had leave to introduce House File No. 172, An Act to alter a State Road in Tama county, read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Samuels moved to take from the table House File No. 152, A Bill for an act providing for the re-organization of the State University.

Mr. McCrory asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

There were no absentees, except members excused.

On the motion to take from the table, Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 31. }

Nays 30. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Edie,	Mr. Neely,
Barker,	Goodfellow,	Poston,
Bigelow,	Graham,	Samuels,
Boyles,	Hinkle,	Smith of Cedar,
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Stephenson,
Clark,	Hyde,	Tisdale,
Conkey,	Kinert,	White,
Connell,	Lockwood,	Yeoman,
Creamer,	McCall,	Mr. Speaker.
Dewey of Fremont,	Mechem,	
Dorland,	Moore,	

The nays were :

Mr. Bonsen,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Rosser,
Clark,	McCrory,	Russell,
Coffin,	McFarland,	Sargent,
Corse,	McKay,	Turner,
Creel,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Greenleaf,	Newsom,	Weatherington,
Hall,	Pigman,	Williams,
Jackson,	Pritchard,	Witter,
Johnson,	Rogers,	Young,

Motion to take from the table prevailed.

Mr. Corse moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On this motion, Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 50. }

Nays, 8. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Rogers,
Bigelow,	Hinkle,	Rosser,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Russell
Boyles,	Johnson,	Sargent,
Brown,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Clark,	Lyon,	Stevenson,
Coffin,	McCrory,	Turner,
Corse,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,
Creel,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	Mechem,	Weatherington,
Damon,	Meek,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	Williams,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	Witter,
Dorland,	Neely,	Yeoman,
Eddie,	Newsom,	Young,
Graham,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Pritchard,	

The yeas were,

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Samuels,
Connell,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Holmes of Linn,	Poston,	

Indefinitely postponed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate insist upon their amendment to

House File No. 37: Bill to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts.

Also that the Senate have passed, with sundry amendments,

House File No. 140: A Bill, for An Act to prevent swine running at large, in certain portions of Jackson county.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following reports:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined

House File No. 15: Preamble and Joint Resolution relative to the re-issue of certain Auditor's warrants.

Also, House File No. 29: Memorial and Joint Resolutions for additional mail facilities in the interior of the State.

Also, House File No. 53: An Act providing for the geological survey of the State.

Also, House File No. 110: An Act to establish a State road from Toledo in Tama county, via Marshal in Marshal county, to Nevada in Story county.

Also, House File No. 49: An Act, to amend An Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1844.

Also, House File No. 159: An Act to establish a State road from Panora in Guthrie county, to Sargent's Bluffs in Woodbury county.

Also, House File No. 145: An Act in reference to registering the transfers of lands in Clayton county.

Also, House File No. 148: An Act to annex so much of Fractional Lot No. 6, in Section No. 11, Township No. 73 North, of Range No. 2 West, in the State of Iowa, as is surveyed into town lots, to the town of Toolsborough in Louisa county.

Also, House File No. 160: An Act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Also, House File No. 45: An Act, to amend an act entitled An Act to authorize Nicholas B. Brown and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar river.

Also, House File No. 108: An Act to establish certain State roads therein named.

Also, House File No. 75: An Act to annex a provision to Section 1808 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 161: An Act to authorize the County Judge of Jackson county, to have properly transcribed the records of said county.

Also, House File No. 115: An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions and Memorials of the present session of the General Assembly.

Also, House File No. 134: An Act relating to State printing.

Also, House File No. 80: An Act for the relief of Hugh Loyalachan.

Also, House File No. 9: Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File No. 7: Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities:

And find them correctly enrolled.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Ch. Com.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor, for his approval,

House File No. 111: An Act in relation to county-seats.

Also, House File No. 26: An Act to locate certain State roads therein named.

Also, House File No. 5: An Act for the suppression of intemperance.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Ch. Com.

Mr. Russell moved to appoint a committee of conference on the part of the House, to act with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, in the matter of the disagreement of the House with the substitute of the Senate to House File No. 37, A Bill, for An Act to reapportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts therein.

On this motion, Mr. Boyles called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 39. }  
Nays, 20. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Baldwin,  
Barker,  
Bigelow,  
Brown,  
Coffin,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Creel,  
Creamer,  
Dorland,  
Eddie,  
Graham,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Kinert,  
Lockwood,  
Lyon,  
McCrary,  
McFarland,  
McKay,  
Mechem,  
Neely,  
Pigman,  
Pritchard,  
Rogers,

Mr. Rosser,  
Russell,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Stephenson,  
Turner,  
Vanfossen,  
Wamsley.  
White,  
Williams.  
Witter,  
Yeoman,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

The nays were,

Mr. Bonson,

Mr. Hall,

Mr. Newsom,

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Clark,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Corse,	McCall,	Sargent,
Damon,	Meek,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	Moore,	

Motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Russell, Yeoman and Rogers, said Committee.

Mr. Rogers had leave to introduce

House File No. 173 : A Bill, for An Act to legalize certain acts of a notary-public in Chickasaw county ; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boyles, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

## TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 23, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Mr. Johnson from the committee on agriculture, to whom was referred Senate Files, No. 28 and 129½, reported the same back to the House, and recommended their passage.

House File, No. 28, A Bill for an Act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa.

Read.

Mr. Pritchard offered the following amendment to the Bill :

Amend section 5, as follows :—" Provided in no case he shall charge more than the cash price of the toll prescribed in this act."

Mr. Dorland moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Motion to lay on the table withdrawn.

Mr. Hall moved to lay the Bill with the amendment on the table.

Upon the motion to lay on the table, Mr. Graham called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 18. }  
Nays 88. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Donson,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Moore,
Boyles	Hinkle,	Newsom,
Clark,	Hyde,	Rogers,
Corse,	Jackson,	Weatherington,
Creel,	Lockwood,	Witter,
Damon,	McCall,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Pritchard,
Barker,	Johnson,	Rosser,
Brown,	Kinert,	Russell,
Coffin,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Conkey,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	McFarland,	Stephenson,
Creamer,	McKay,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Lee,	Mechem,	Turner,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Wamsley,
Eddie,	Neely,	White,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Poston,	

Motion to postpone ; lost.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have passed without amendment,

H. R. File, No. 28, Joint Resolution.

Also, H. R. File, No. 165, An Act to incorporate the town of Salem.

Also, with amendments, H. R. File, No. 85, granting proceeds of swamp lands in Pottawattamie county to build a poor-house.

Also, H. R. File, No. 73, A Bill for an Act to amend section 2383 of the Code of Iowa.



The Senate have also passed a substitute for H. R. File, No. 27, Joint Resolution for the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of the State.

The Senate have refused to concur in the amendment made by the House of Representatives to Senate File, No. 128, A Bill for an Act to re-locate the county seat of Keokuk county.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec. Senate.

Amendment of Mr. Pritchard, to Senate File, No. 28, adopted.

Mr. Mechem offered the following amendment, to wit:

"It shall be the duty of the owner or occupyer of the mill or mills to unload all grain or grains that may be brought to his mill or mills, and take up the same when ground, and load the same ready to take home after ground."

Mr. Connell moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Motion lost, and Mr. Mechem's amendment adopted.

Mr. Poston moved to strike out the words "or servant," as it occurs in the Bill.

On the motion of Mr. Graham, the amendment of Mr. Poston was laid on the table.

Mr. Damon moved to strike out the words "steam mills," where the same occurs in the Bill.

Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Poston, the Bill was read a third time.

Mr. Mechem moved to re-consider the vote, by which his (the 2d) amendment to the Bill was adopted.

Motion to-reconsider prevailed, and amendment withdrawn by Mr. Mechem.

Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 129½, A Bill establishing an Agricultural Bureau at the Capital of the State, and defining the duties and powers of the officers and agents of the same.

Read.

Mr. Hall offered the following amendment :

"This Act shall take effect, and be in force, from and after the 1st day of January, A. D., 1900."

On motion of Mr. Mechem,

The amendment was laid on the table.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

**MR. SPEAKER,**

I herewith present for your signature the following bills, to wit:

Senate File, No. 164.

Senate File, No. 86.

Senate File, No. 22.

Senate File, No. 102.

Senate File, No. 46.

The same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

I am also directed to inform the House, that the Senate have concurred in the House Resolution relative to the adjournment of the General Assembly, with one amendment, strike out "Tuesday, the 23d, and insert Friday, the 26th," in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

**P. B. BRADLEY,**

Ass't. Sec'y. Senate.

Mr. Clark moved to indefinitely postpone Senate File, No. 129½.

On this motion,

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

The yeas were:

Yeas, 27. }

Nays, 29. }

**Mr. Bonson,**

Boyles,

Brown,

Clark,

Coffin,

Corse,

Dewey of Lee,

Dorland,

Eddie,

**Mr. Graham,**

Greenleaf,

Hall,

Holmes of Linn,

Hyde,

McKay,

Monroe,

Moore,

Newsom,

**Mr. Pritchard.**

Rogers,

Rosser,

Russell,

Sargent,

Weatherington,

Witter,

Yeoman,

**Mr. Speaker.**

The nays were,

**Mr. Baldwin,**

Conkey,

Connell,

Creel,

Creamer,

Damon,

**Mr. Lockwood,**

Lyon,

McCrary,

McCall,

McFarland,

Mechem,

**Mr. Samuels,**

Smith of Cedar,

Stephenson,

Tisdale,

Turner,

Vanfossen,

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, Mr. Meck,  
Hinkle, Neely,  
Johnson, Pigman,  
Kinert, Poston,

Mr. Wamsley,  
White,  
Young,

Motion to postpone the Bill, lost.

Mr. Russell moved to refer the Bill to the committee on the State Library.

Motion Lost.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont,

The Bill was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Dewey, of Fremont, Mechem and Hall.

Mr. McFarland, from the committee on Charitable Institutions, to whom had been referred Senate Substitute for House File, No. 141, A Bill for An Act to establish a Lunatic Asylum, reported the same back to the House, and recommended that the House concur in the substitute of the Senate.

Substitute of the Senate concurred in, and on motion of Mr. Jackson,

The 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a third time, and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Russell, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House File, No. 164, reported the same back to the House, and recommended that the Bill be indefinitely postponed.

Report of the committee concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

House File, No. 15, Joint Resolution relative to certain Auditors' Warrants.

Also, House File, Joint Resolution No. 29, for additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 45, An Act to amend An Act entitled, An Act to authorize Nicholas B. Brown and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar river.

Also, House File, No. 75, An Act to annex a provision to Section 1898 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 110, An Act to establish a State Road, from Toledo in Tama County, via Marshall in Marshall County, to Nevada in Story County.

Also, House File, No. 145, An Act in reference to Registering the transfer of Lands in Clayton County.

Also, House File, No. 49, An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute.

Also, House File, No. 7, Joint Resolution to procure additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 9, Joint Resolution to procure additional Mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 80, An Act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

House File No. 53: An Act providing for the Geological Survey of the State.

Also, House File No. 134: An act relating to State Printing.

Also, House File No. 160: An Act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Also, House File No. 148: An Act to annex so much of fractional lot No. 6, in Section No. 11, Township No. 73, north of range No. 2, west, in the State of Iowa, as is surveyed into town lots, to the town of Toolsborough, in Louisa county.

Also, House File No. 108: An Act to establish certain State roads therein named.

Also, House File No. 115: An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions, and Memorials of the present session of the General Assembly.

Also, House File No. 161: An Act to authorize the county Judge of Jackson county to have transcribed the records of said county.

Also, House File No. 159: An Act to establish a State road from Panora, in Guthrie county to Sargents Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

Mr. Conkey from the committee on the State Library, to whom had been referred Senate File No. 90: A Bill for an act to regulate the State Library, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

On his motion,

The 42d rule was suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication from the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, IOWA CITY, }  
 January 20, 1855. }

*To the Speaker and House of Representatives :*

I have received reliable information that large bands of the Sioux Indians are now within the limits of this State, and that an increase of their number is shortly expected. The frontier settlements are daily liable to molestation and apprehensions are felt in many quarters for the safety of our citizens.

It is known that the General Government is about to dispatch a body of troops to the Territories west of Iowa, for the purpose of chastising or intimidating this tribe of Indians, or some of their confederates, for depredations and hostilities committed in the neighborhood of Fort Lorimier and along the emigrant route to California and Oregon. It is fixed that when this expedition shall reach the Indian country, they will attempt to find shelter in the north west portion of the State and thus the whole confederated tribes of the Sioux be precipitated upon our frontier settlements.

There is no military organization in the State. The Executive of the State has no authority under the law, to use either persuasive or coercive measures, except in cases of insurrection or actual hostile invasion.

I submit to the General Assembly the facts as they have reached me, and shall be happy to concur in such measures for safety, as their judgment may dictate.

JAMES W. GRIMES.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The communication was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Baldwin had leave to introduce petitions in relation to depredations of Indians which,

On his motion,

Were referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

The chair appointed Mr. Dewey of Fremont, chairman of the committee on Military Affairs, in place of Mr. Morgan, absent.

House File No. 140: An Act to prohibit swine from running at large in certain portions of Jackson county, from the Senate with amendments, read with the amendments, and upon the question of concurring in the amendments of the the Senate, the House refused to concur.

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

The Joint Resolution relative to the final adjournment of the General Assembly, as amended by the Senate, was taken up and the amendment of the Senate concurred in.

Mr. Russell from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 99: A Bill for an act to repeal chapter 71 of the laws of the third General Assembly, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in and,

On a motion of Mr. Edie,

The bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Mechem offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the chief clerk of this House make arrangements to pay the postage on all papers, journals, letters, act, etc., that may be sent to members, from this city to their places of residence, after their return home.

Resolution adopted.

Mr. Graham asked leave of absence for Mr. Barker, absence to take place after to-morrow.

Leave granted.

On motion of Mr. Jackson,

Mr. Baldwin had leave of absence, after Thursday.

Mr. Lockwood, from the Committee on Expenditures, to whom was referred certain reports from Committee on Claims, reported the claim of the Committee appointed to visit the Penitentiary, back to the House and asked the House to take action thereon.

Mr. Rogers moved to strike out "\$3 per diem" out of the account rendered.

Motion lost.

Mr. Bonson moved to strike out "\$3" and insert "\$2."

Motion adopted.

Mr. Poston moved to strike out "\$3 contingencies."

Motion lost.

The claim re-committed as amended.

Substitute of the Senate for House File No. 27, Joint Resolution to appoint Commissioners to examine the Auditor's books, read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 128, A Bill for an act to re-locate the County Seat

of Keokuk county, referred back from the Senate, upon the refusal of the Senate to concur in the amendment of the House.

Upon the question of receding from the amendment made by the House, the House receded.

House File No. 85, An Act granting to the county of Pottawattamie the proceeds of swamp lands within the county to erect a poor house and purchase suitable lands for the same, reported back from the Senate with amendment, which was concurred in and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 73, An Act to amend section 2383 of the Code of Iowa, reported back from the Senate with an amendment, which amendment was concurred in and the bill read a third time and passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Newsom had leave to introduce

House File No. 174, An Act to re-locate a certain part of a State Road, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Creel,

Was referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The House adjourned.

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1½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed Senate File No. 74, A Bill for an act to reduce the expense of transmitting the funds of the State from the Counties to the State Treasury.

Senate File No. 170, A Bill for An Act in relation to the taking effect of general laws.

Also, Senate File No. 171, A Bill for an act to amend section 3rd of an act to Incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved January 22nd, 1853.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate have also passed without amendment, House substitute for Senate File No. 38, A Bill for An Act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Chickasaw, Howard, Floyd and Mitchell.

The Senate have concurred in the amendments made by the House to Senate File No. 136, A Bill for an Act to amend chapter 187 of the Code of Iowa, relating to the Penitentiary of the State.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

I am also directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed without amendment, H. R. Files No. 32, 33, 166, 167, 172, 109; also Nos. 170, and 171.

The Senate have also passed with amendments, H. R. File No. 146, A Bill to provide for indexing the Records of Marion county. In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature, to wit:

House File, No. 28, Joint Resolution relative to procuring additional appropriations in lands for the benefit of the soldiers of 1812.

Also, House File, No 98, An Act to incorporate the City of Knoxville, in Marion county, Iowa.

Senate File, No. 171, A Bill for An Act to amend section 3d of An Act to incorporate and establish the City of Dubuque, approved Jan. 22d, 1853, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Bonson the 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 170, An Act in relation to the taking effect of general laws, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Bonson, the 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 74, An Act to reduce the expense of transmitting the State funds of the several counties to the State Treasury; read a first time, and on motion the 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Bonson, referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Samuels, Corse, and Boyles.

House File, No. 146, A Bill to provide for indexing the records of



Marion county; read with the amendment of the Senate, to "strike out the name of Landon M. Timmons, and insert R. A. Venable."

Mr. Russell moved to concur in the amendment of the Senate.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File, No. 7, Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 9, Joint Resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 148, An Act to annex so much of fractional lot No. 6, in section No. 11, township No. 73, North of Range No. 2, West in the State of Iowa, as is surveyed into Town Lots in the Town of Toolsborough in Louisa county.

Also, House File, No. 160, An Act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Also, House File, No. 134, An Act relating to State printing.

Also, House File, No. 159, An Act to establish a State road from Panora in Guthrie county, to Sargents Bluffs in Woodbury county.

Also, House File, No. 161, An Act to authorize the County Judge of Jackson county, to have properly transcribed the records of said county.

Also, House File, No. 15, Preamble and Joint resolution relative to the re-issue of certain Auditors Warrants.

Also, House File, No. 29, Memorial and Joint Resolution for additional mail facilities in the interior of the State.

Also, House File, No. 45, An Act to amend An Act, entitled An Act to authorize Nicholas B. Brown, and his associates, to construct a dam across Cedar River.

Also, House File, No. 53, An Act providing for the Geological Survey of the State.

Also, House File, No. 110, An Act to establish a State road from Toledo in Tama county, via Marshall in Marshall county, to Nevada in Story county.

Also, House File, No. 75, An Act to annex a provision to section 1998, of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 115, An Act to provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts, Resolutions, and Memorials of the present Session of the General Assembly.

Also, House File, No. 80, An Act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

Also, House File, No. 108, An Act to establish certain State roads therein named.

Also, House File, No. 49, An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute; approved, Feb. 15th, 1844.

Also, House File, No. 145, An Act in reference to registering the transfers of lands in Clayton county.

Also, that they have examined House File, No. 28, Joint Resolution and House File, No. 98, An Act to incorporate the City of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

And find them correctly enrolled,

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Mr. Mechem, from the select committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 129 $\frac{1}{2}$ , establishing an Agricultural Bureau at the Capital of the State, and defining the duties and powers of its officers and agents.

Reported the same back to the House with sundry amendments.

Mr. Clark moved to lay the amendments of the committee on the table. Motion Lost.

The House refused to concur in the amendments of the committee.

Mr. Russell offered the following Amendment:

“The Secretary of said Bureau shall at his own expense procure one pair of every kind of animals, and for their accommodation he shall cause to be erected in the forks of the Raccoon and Desmoines, a building similar to Noah’s Ark; that he shall also procure one pair of every kind of fowl which shall be permitted to run at large in the State House yard and roost on the trees; *provided* always, the drawer of said Agricultural Bureau shall always be kept a little open for Shanghais to lay in, which eggs shall be preserved and distributed equally amongst the members of the next General Assembly.”

On the Amendment of Mr. Russell, Mr. Connell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

The yeas were:

Yeas 24. }  
Nays 83. }

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Dewey of Lee,	Mr. Moore,
Barker,	Edie,	Newsom,
Bonson,	Goodfellow,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Graham,	Russell,
Brown,	Greenleaf,	Wamsley,
Coffin,	Holmes of Linn,	Weatherington,
Corse,	McKay,	Yeoman,
Damon,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Kinert,	Mr. Rogers,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Rosser,
Connell,	Lyon,	Samuels,
Creel,	McCrory,	Smith of Cedar,
Creamer,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Fremont,	McFarland,	Tiedale,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Turner,
Hinkle,	Meek,	Vanfossen,
Hyde,	Neely,	White,
Jackson,	Pigman,	Witter,
Johnson,	Poston,	Young,

Amendment Lost.

Mr. Rogers moved to lay the Bill on the table.

Mr. Samuels called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas, 32. }

Nays, 26. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Newsom,
Boyles,	Greenleaf,	Rogers.
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Rosser,
Clark,	Hyde,	Russell,
Coffin,	Jackson,	Sargent,
Corse,	Kinert,	Vanfossen,
Damon,	Lyon,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Witter.
Dorland,	Meek,	Yeoman,
Edie,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	

The nays were :

Mr. Baldwin,	Mr. Lockwood,	Mr. Samuels,
Barker,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Mr. Call,	Stephenson,
Connell,	McFarland,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Mechem,	Turner,
Creamer,	Neely,	Wamsley,
Dewey of Fremont,	Pigman,	White,
Hinkle,	Poston.	Young.
Johnson,	Pritchard,	

Motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Russell, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 135, a Bill for An Act to provide for the relinquishment of Escheats, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Report of the committee concurred in and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

**MR. SPEAKER :**

I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

A Bill for An Act regulating the issue of County and Corporate Bonds.

Senate File, No. 115, Bill for An Act locating a certain State Road.

Senate File, No. 151, Joint Resolution making an appropriation for the State Library.

Also, Senate File, No. 167, Bill for An Act to create the 10th Judicial District.

In all of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also passed without amendment

House File, No. 147, Bill for An Act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth County and to locate the County Seat.

Also, House File, No. 168, Bill for An Act amendatory of the Act incorporating the city of Muscatine.

I herewith present for your signature,

Senate File, Nos. 9, 18, 75, 96, 49, 120, 109, 108, 100, 119, 107, 154, 102, 166, 144, 116, 126, 124, 157, 142, 7, 57, 141, 165, 48, 51.

The same having passed both Branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the communication from the Governor, reported by Bill,

House File, No. 175, An Act to organize the Militia to repel invasion, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Newsom offered the following amendment :

To strike out "ten dollars" and insert "fifteen dollars per month for the privates."

Amendment adopted, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Conkey had leave to introduce

House File No. 176: A Bill, for An Act to create a board of commissioners, with authority to erect a free bridge across Cedar river at Cedar Rapids; which was read a first time, and,

On his motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 167, a Bill, for An Act to create the 8th Judicial District, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 87, A Bill, for An Act to regulate the issue of county and corporate bonds, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Code.

Senate File No. 115; An Act to locate a State road from Centreville to Marietta, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 151, Joint Resolution making an appropriation for the State Library, was read a first time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Turner called for the yeas and nays

Mr. Witter offered to amend the bill, by adding "\$400 for medical books."

Amendment adopted.

Mr. Connell offered to amend by adding "\$500 for works on agriculture."

On motion of Mr. Russell, the House adjourned.

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6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The special order of the evening being the consideration of Senate Substitute, for House File Joint Resolution No. 31, relative to the violation of the Missouri Compromise, and slavery:

Mr. Turner asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Messrs. Baldwin, Clark, Wamsley, Dewey of Fremont, Russell, Sargent, Williams and Neal.

On motion,

Mr. Neal was excused, on account of sickness.

Mr. Corse moved that further proceedings under the call, be dispensed with.

Motion lost.

The Sergeant-at-arms reported that he had been unable to find the absentees, with the exception of Messrs. Baldwin, and Dewey of Fremont.

The Speaker laid before the House, the following message from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, January 23d, 1855:

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

I am reluctantly compelled to return the bill which originated in your House, entitled "An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute," approved February 15th, 1844: without my approval.

I cannot look upon the contemplated Act otherwise than as an attempt to create a special corporation, or at least to convert an old corporation into a new one.

The second section of the Act, declares that the incorporation mentioned in the original Act of February 15, 1844, together with certain other persons, naming them, "*are hereby declared a body corporate, by the name of the Iowa Wesleyan University, with power of perpetual succession, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded in any of the courts of this State; and to do all acts necessary to carry out the objects of this Incorporation.*"

More unequivocal and positive language could not be used. It purports upon its very face to be an Act of Incorporation. It adds nine new corporators to the original five; and it repeals all former acts that come in conflict with its provisions.

The second section of the 8th article of the Constitution of Iowa, declares that "corporations shall not be created by special laws, except for political or municipal purposes."

I cannot conceive that under this express constitutional prohibition the General Assembly has the power to extend or change the whole character of a former act of incorporation, and change it into a new one. I do not doubt their power to confer upon existing corporations created by laws enacted before the Constitution was adopted, or under the General laws of the State, new and special franchises.

But such is not the case. This act does not so much seek to confer new powers upon an existing corporation, as to tear down an old one and build anew upon its ruins.

The objects sought by the Incorporators are commended to my judgment. I sympathize in their efforts to establish an Institution of sound learning. I applaud their motive, I desire their success, but I cannot resist the performance of what I believe to be an imperative constitutional duty.

It is however a consolation to know that the object sought, can be as easily attained under the General Laws of the State as by a special act of Incorporation, and that the interests of education will not suffer by the exercise of the executive veto.

JAMES W. GRIMES.

On motion of Mr. Corse,  
The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 24, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Conkey,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Mr. Dorland asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The following members were found absent: Messrs. Coffin, Damon, Neal, Samuels, and Young.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

Further proceedings under the call were suspended.

The business before the House being the consideration of House File No. 151, with amendments,

On motion of Mr. Witter,

The question on the adoption of amendment to add "\$400 for medical works" was reconsidered, and the amendment withdrawn by Mr. Witter.

Mr. Connell withdrew his amendment to add "\$500 for agricultural works."

The resolution passed and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The House took up Senate File No. 23, and House substitute for the same.

A Bill to prevent waste from being committed on swamp and other lands.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The House insisted on the substitute of the House.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

A conference was asked by the House upon the disagreement of the two Houses upon the matter of Senate File No. 23, and the substitute of the House.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Jackson, and Yeoman, said committee.

Mr. Bonson had leave to offer the following resolution:



*Resolved*, That the use of this Hall, for this afternoon, be allowed for the purpose of holding a Democratic State Convention.

Resolution adopted.

Mr. Boyles from the committee on amendments to the Code to whom had been referred House File No. 113, An Act to amend the laws in relation to roads and road tax, reported the same back to the House with a recommendation that the bill pass.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Boyles from the committee to whom had been referred Senate File No. 87: A Bill for an act to regulate corporate and county bonds reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The House took up Senate File No. 47: A Bill for An Act to establish a State Land office, and a register thereof, which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. McKay,

The Bill was referred to the committee on amendments to the Code.

Mr. Yeoman, from the special committee, to whom had been referred Senate File, No. 111, A Bill for An Act to relocate the Seat of Justice of Decatur county, reported the same back to the House, and recommended that it do not pass.

Report of the Committee concurred in, and the Bill rejected.

Mr. Yeoman, from the committee on conference, on Senate File, No. 111, substitute for House File, No. 37, A Bill for An Act to reapportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts therein, submitted the following report:

The special committee appointed to confer with a conference committee appointed by the Senate on the disagreeing vote upon Senate File, No. 111, direct me to report that they have been unable to get the two committees together; they find that the Senate substitute differs from the House Bill, as follows:

One Senator is taken from the County of Dubuque, and added to the Counties of Dubuque and Delaware.

One Senator is taken from the Counties of Delaware, Buchanan, and Black Hawk, and given to the Counties of Lee and Van Buren.

One Representative is taken from the County of Des Moines, and given to the Counties of Louisa and Washington.

One Representative is taken from the County of Cedar, and given to the Counties of Clinton and Cedar.

Your committee report the Bill back without any recommendation.

Mr. Yeoman moved that the House recede from its resolution to disagree to the substitute of the Senate.

Motion prevailed, and the House receded from its disagreement.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following reports :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have examined House File, No. 27, Joint Resolution for the appointment of Commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State.

Also, House, File, No. 73, An Act to amend section 2388 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 85, An Act granting to the county of Pottawattamie five thousand dollars out of the proceeds of the sales of swamp lands selected in said county, for the purpose of purchasing suitable land and building a county poor-house thereon.

Also, House File, No. 165, An Act to Incorporate the Town of Salem.

Also, House File, No. 170, An Act to authorize John M. May, and his assigns, to construct a wing dam across an arm or branch of Cedar River.

Also, House File, No. 169, An Act to authorize John M. May, and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar River, in Linn County. And find them correctly enrolled.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File, No. 98, An Act to incorporate the City of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 28, Joint Resolution.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 44, A Bill for An Act regulating pleadings in Courts of Justice.

Senate File, No. 104, A Bill for An Act altering the boundaries and regulating the terms of Courts in the 2nd Judicial District.

Senate File, No. 114, A Bill to amend chapter 105 of the Code of Iowa.

Substitute for Senate File, No. 123, A Bill for an Act to authorize County Judges to appropriate county funds for roads and bridges.

Senate File, No. 148, A Bill for An Act relating to the interest on city and county bonds.

Senate File, No. 169, Joint Resolution for the relief of officers and soldiers and sailors of the War of 1812.

Senate File No. 168: A Bill, for An Act providing for the collection of money due to the State of Iowa from the Government of the United States, arising from the disposition of the swamp lands and selecting the swamp lands and securing the title to the same.

Also, Senate File No. 175: A Bill, for An Act to organize, discipline and govern the Militia of the State of Iowa.

Also, Senate File No. 47: A Bill, for An Act to establish a State Land Office, with a Register thereof.

The Senate have also passed

Substitute for House File No. 16: Joint Resolution appointing Trustees of the State University.

House File No. 101: A Bill to amend Section 638 of Chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 176: A Bill, for An Act to create a board of commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across Cedar river at Cedar Rapids:

Without amendment.

The Senate have also passed

A Substitute for House File No. 144: A Bill, for An Act allowing School Fund Commissioners, pay for certain services.

Also, with one amendment,

House File No. 130: An Act directing the payment of certain moneys to the normal schools at Oskaloosa and Andrew.

Also, House File No. 167: A Bill, for An Act to provide for the appointment of a Reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

The Senate have disagreed to the amendments made by the House to

Senate File No. 23: A Bill, for An Act to prevent waste and trespass, on swamp or other lands in this State.

The Senate have also disagreed to the House amendments to

Senate File No. 28: A Bill, for An Act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa.

The Senate insist upon their amendments to

House File No. 140: An Act to prevent swine from running at large:

And ask a conference; and have appointed Senators Browning, Anderson and Preston, managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

The Senate have refused to pass House File No. 25.

The Senate have indefinitely postponed

House File No. 103.

House File No. 126.

House File No. 79.

House File No. 26.

House File No. 11.

House File No. 118.

B. P. BRADLEY,  
Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Mr. Creamer moved to take from the table, Senate File No. 129½, A Bill establishing an Agricultural Bureau.

Motion lost.

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 175, A Bill, for An Act to organize the militia of the State, was read a first time by its title.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Connell had leave to introduce

House File No. 177: An Act establishing a State road from Indian

Town in Tama county, to Grinnell, in Poweshiek county; which was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Neal,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 44, A Bill, for An Act regulating pleadings in courts of justice, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Yeoman offered the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House, are due to the Hon. REUBEN NOBLE, for the impartial, gentlemanly and courteous manner in which he has discharged the arduous duties of Speaker, during the present session.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Mr. Bonson offered the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerks and other officers of this House, are entitled to thanks, for the promptness and correctness with which they have discharged their respective duties.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Mr. Boyles, from the Committee on Amendments to the Code, to whom was referred Senate File No. 47, A Bill, for An Act to establish a State Land Office and Register thereof, reported the same back to the House, from a majority of the Committee, and recommended that the Bill pass.

He also submitted a minority report from the same Committee, with a recommendation that the Bill do not pass.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The majority report was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d Rule was suspended; and the Bill read a third time.

On the passage of the Bill, Mr. Pigman called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 40. }  
Nays 14. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,  
Bonson,

Mr. Graham,  
Hall,

Mr. Newsom,  
Rogers,

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Samuels,
Brown,	Holmes of Linn,	Sargent,
Conkey,	Hyde,	Smith of Cedar,
Connell,	Jackson,	Stephenson,
Corse,	Johnson,	Tisdale,
Creel,	Kinert,	Turner,
Creamer,	Lockwood,	Wamsley,
Damon,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Fremont,	Mechem,	Witter,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Young,
Edie,	Moqre,	Mr. Speaker.
Goodfellow,		
The nays were,		
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Neely,	Mr. Russell,
Lyon,	Neal,	White,
McCroory,	Pigman,	Williams,
McCall,	Poston,	Yeoman.
Meek,	Pritchard,	

Bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate substitute for House File No. 104, A Bill to increase the terms of the District Court in the County of Dubuque, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 148, A Bill for an act regulating interest on city and county bonds, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 168, A Bill for an act providing for the collection of money due this State from the sale of swamp lands from the general Government, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time by its title, and referred to a select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Edie, and Jackson.

Mr. Samuels had leave to introduce

House File No. 179, A Bill for an act to amend sections 492 and 498 of the Code, read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d Rule was

suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 169, Resolution for the relief of officers, soldiers, and sailors of the war of 1812; read a first time, and on motion the 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 178, An Act providing an additional section to chapter 48, of the Acts of 1852-3, read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 149, An Act to amend An Act to Incorporate the Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute, returned from the Executive with objection.

Upon the question, shall the Bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the Governor, the following were the yeas and nays :

Yeas, 00. }

Nays, 50. }

The nays were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Newsom,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Pigman,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Poston,
Brown,	Johnson,	Pritchard,
Clark,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Conkey,	Lockwood,	Russell,
Corse,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Creel,	McCrary,	Smith of Cedar,
Creamer,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Damon,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Weatherington,
Edie,	Meek,	White,
Goodfellow,	Monroe,	Williams,
Graham,	Moore,	Young,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	Mr. Speaker.
Hall,	Neely,	

Bill rejected.

Mr. McFarland had leave to introduce

House File No. 180, An Act to amend an Act to incorporate Mt.

Pleasant Collegiate Institute, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times.

On the passage of the Bill, Mr. McFarland called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 31. }  
Nays 22. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Russell,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Sargent,
Corse,	Lyon,	Turner,
Creel,	McCrary,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McCall,	White,
Dewey of Fremont,	McFarland,	Williams,
Dorland,	McKay,	Witter,
Eddie,	Mechem,	Young,
Graham,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Pritchard,	
Holmes of Linn,	Rogers,	

The nays were :

Mr. Boyles,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Pigman,
Brown,	Jackson,	Poston,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar,
Damon,	Meek,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Lee,	Monroe,	Tisdale,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	Weatherington,
Hall,	Neal,	
Hinkle,	Newsom,	

The Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. White, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Claims, having had under consideration the claim of Green T. Clark for expenses incurred in obtaining his seat as a member of the General Assembly, report the same to the House and recommend the same be not allowed.

F. WHITE, Chairman Com. on Claims.

Upon the question of concurring in the report of the Committee, the same was concurred in.



On motion of Mr. White, the House adopted the following :

*Resolved*, That the Hon. Green T. Clark be allowed his per diem and mileage the same as other members during the session."

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate File, No. 168, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

Report concurred in, and on motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Dorland had leave to introduce the petition of Wm. H. Weatherby and 28 other citizens of the County of Marshall, asking for said County the privilege of voting for or against permitting Swine to run at large within its limits, which, on his motion, was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, from the special committee, to whom was referred the report of the joint committee to visit the State Penitentiary, submitted the following

#### REPORT :

The committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Joint Committee on the Penitentiary as relates to improvements thereto, have directed me to recommend the following appropriations, to wit :

For the construction of 18 additional cells, estimated to cost \$230 each. and which said committee are of opinion should be constructed at as early a day as practicable,	\$4,140 00
For beds and furniture for cells,	200 00
For an additional work-shop, and repairs,	2,000 00
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	\$6,340 00

I am further directed by said committee to recommend the appropriation of Five hundred dollars for repairs on the Capital Building at Iowa City, during the ensuing two years.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The report was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER:

I herewith present for your signature,  
Senate Files, Nos. 27, 40, 98, 113, 122, 149, 136, 155, 161, 163, and  
170.

The same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY,  
Ass't. Sec'y. Senate.

Mr. Lockwood offered the following Resolution, to wit:

*Resolved*, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chief Clerk, the Assistant Clerk, be each allowed the sum of Two dollars per day extra, over the allowance of the per diem of members.

That the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerks and their Assistants, be each allowed the sum of Three dollars per day.

That the pro tem. Clerk be allowed Three dollars per day.

That the Sergeant-at-Arms be allowed Two dollars per day and mileage, same as members.

That the Door-keeper be allowed Two dollars per day.

That the Two Firemen be allowed, each Two dollars per day.

That the three Messengers be allowed, each Two dollars per day.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend the Resolution by striking out "Two dollars," and inserting "Three dollars" per day for the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Witter moved to amend by inserting "Four dollars per day," instead of "Three dollars per day," for Engrossing and Enrolling Clerks and their Assistants.

Which Amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dorland,

The Resolution was amended to allow the Door-keeper mileage.

Mr. Samuels moved to amend, to wit:

That the Chief Messenger be allowed "Three dollars per day."

Mr. Neal called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 20. }  
Nays 32. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,  
Boyles,

Mr. Dewey of Lee, Mr. Monroe,  
Dewey of Fremont, Neely,

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Doriand,	Mr. Newsom,
Conkey,	Goodfellow,	Pigman,
Connell,	Graham,	Pritchard,
Creamer,	Greenleaf,	Stephenson,
Damon,	Jackson,	

The nays were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Lyon,	Mr. Samuels,
Brown,	McCrorry,	Sargent,
Corse,	McCall,	Smith, of Cedar,
Creel,	McFarland,	Turner,
Eddie,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Hall,	Mechem,	Weatherington,
Holmes of Linn,	Meek,	White,
Hyde,	Moore,	Witter,
Johnson,	Neal,	Young,
Kinert,	Rogers,	Mr. Speaker.
Lockwood,	Russell,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Bonson moved to take up House File No. 178: An Act providing an additional Section to chapter 48 of the acts of 1852-53.

Motion prevailed and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Substitute for House File No. 130: An Act relating to the Oskaloosa Normal School, reported from the Senate with amendment, and the amendment concurred in.

Senate Substitute for House File No. 144: An Act supplemental to an Act entitled an Act to dispose of the Saline lands, concurred in, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Jackson had leave to introduce the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty dollars be allowed to each member of the General Assembly for contingent expenses during the sitting of the present Legislature, and for defraying expenses growing out of the further discharge of their duties during their term of office.

Mr. Edie moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Russell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 47,	}
Nays 5.	

The yeas were:

<b>Mr. Barker,</b>	<b>Mr. Hinkle,</b>	<b>Mr. Newsom,</b>
Bonson,	Holmes of Linn,	Pigman,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Conkey,	Jackson,	Russell,
Connell,	Johnson,	Samuels,
Corse,	Kinert,	Sargent,
Creel,	Lockwood,	Smith of Cedar,
Creamer,	McCrary,	Stephenson,
Damon,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Lee,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dewey of Fremont,	McKay,	Weatherington,
Dorland,	Meehem,	White,
Eddie,	Meek,	Witter,
Graham,	Monroe,	Young.
Greenleaf,	Moore,	<b>Mr. Speaker.</b>
Hall,	Neely,	
The nays were,		
<b>Mr. Brown,</b>	<b>Mr. Neal,</b>	<b>Mr. Wamsley,</b>
Clark,	Rogers,	

Motion prevailed.

House File No. 28: Joint Resolution relative to obtaining appropriations for Soldiers from Congress, returned from the Senate with their refusal to concur in the amendment of the House.

The question being, shall the House insist on their amendment, the same was decided in the affirmative.

House File No. 140: An Act to prevent swine from running at large in a certain portion of Jackson county, returned from the Senate with the refusal of the Senate to concur, and a committee of conference on the part of the Senate to act with a similar committee on the part of the House.

On the question, shall a committee of conference be appointed, the same was decided in the negative.

Substitute for Senate File No. 123, read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The bill was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Hyde, and Boyles.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley their Asst Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate File No. 178: A Bill for an Act confirming certain privileges and franchises on a water company in the city of Dubuque.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't. Sec'y. Senate.

The following bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the clerk and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

House File No. 73: An Act to amend Section 2383 of the Code of Iowa.

House File No. 169: An Act to authorize Jno. M. May and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar river in Linn county.

House File No. 165: An Act to incorporate the town of Salem.

House File No. 170: An Act to authorize John M. May and his assigns to construct a wing dam across an arm or branch of Cedar river.

House File No. 85: An Act ganting to the county of Pottawattamie five thousand dollars, out of the proceeds of the sales of swamp lands selected in said county for the purpose of purchasing suitable land and building a county poor house thereon.

House File No. 27: Joint Resolution for the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State.

House adjourned to 6½ o'clock this evening.

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6½ OCLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am instructed to inform the House that the Senate have passed the following Bills, to wit:

Senate File, No. 48, A Bill for an Act to amend an Act, entitled an Act to dispose of the swamp and overflowed lands within the State, approved January 13, 1853.

Senate File, No. 179, A Bill for an Act granting milage to Trustees of the State University.

Senate File, No. 65, A Bill for an Act providing for the more full enforcement of judgments and decrees

Senate File, No. 172, A Bill for an Act repealing certain sections of chapter 72 of the Code.

Senate File, No. 179, Joint Resolution for compensation to newspaper publishers.

Senate File, No. 150, A Bill for an Act to amend chapter 10 of the Code.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't. Sec'y. Senate.

The Senate have passed a substitute for

H. R. File, No. 46, An Act fixing the time for holding courts in the 9th Judicial District.

Also, a substitute for H. R. File, No. 97, An Act fixing the times of holding Districts Courts in the 5th District.

The Senate have indefinitely postponed H. R. File, No. 142, An Act to create Cities and Villages, one Road District in certain cases.

Also, H. R. File, No. 112, An Act to amend chapter 64 of the Code as to mechanics' liens.

Messrs. Samuels, Bonson, Mechem, Creamer, Poston, Boyles, and Stephenson had leave of absence.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval

House File, No. 169, An Act to authorize John M. May, and his associates, to construct a Dam across Cedar River, in Linn county.

Also, House File, No. 73, An Act to amend section 2383 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 27, Joint Resolution for the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State.

Also, House File, No. 170, An Act to authorize John M. May, and his assigns, to construct a wing dam across an arm or branch of Cedar River.

Also, House File, No. 85, An Act granting to the County of Pottawattamie, five thousand dollars out of the proceeds of the Sales of Swamp Lands selected in said county, for the purpose of purchasing suitable land and building a county poor-house thereon.

Also, House File, No. 165, An Act to Incorporate the Town of Salem.

Senate File, No. 48, A Bill for an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to dispose of the Swamp and Overflowed Lands within the State, approved January 13, 1853.

Read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, from the Conference Committee, upon the substitute for Senate File, No. 23, A Bill for an Act to prevent waste from being committed on Swamp and Overflowed Lands; submitted the following report:

The committee of Conference on the part of the House, on the Bill to prevent Trespass or Waste on the Swamp lands, and for other purposes, have met the committee on the part of the Senate, and have agreed in the following

#### REPORT:

In the first Section, second line, strike out the words "by any means whatever." In the 7th and 8th lines. strike out the words "person by said Judge deputed," and insert "officer. In the 13th line, strike out "shall acquire," and insert "has acquired."

In Section 2, strike out the words "subjoiner and summons," and insert "subpoena." In the 5th line, strike out "person," and insert "officer."

In Section 5, strike out "person," and insert "officer."

In Section 9, insert the word "or," between the words "settlement" and "improvement," and strike out the words "or otherwise," in the 1st and 2d lines.

In Section 10, line 5, strike out the words "and it shall be the duty of said Judge to hear the testimony of the claimants." In the 9th line strike out "320," and insert "160." In the 10th line, strike out "parcels," and insert "tracts." In the 11th line, strike out "160," and insert "180."

Strike out the 13th Section.

In Section 15, insert between the words "acts," and "inconsistent," the words "in relation to Swamp lands."

Which Report was concurred in by the House and the substitute, as amended, passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 150, A Bill for An Act to amend chapter 10 of the Code, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Samuels, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 170, A Bill for An Act to allow mileage to the Trustees of the State University, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, the 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File, No. 172, A Bill for An Act repealing certain portions of Chapter 72 of the Code, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Conkey, the 42d Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The Bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Corse moved to reconsider the vote upon referring the Bill to the committee on the Judiciary.

Motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Williams moved to refer the Bill to a select committee of three.

Motion to refer, lost.

On the passage of the Bill, Mr. ——— called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas, 43. }

Nays, 9. }

The yeas were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Poston,
Bonson,	Jackson,	Pritchard,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Brown,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Clark,	Lyon,	Sargent,
Conkey,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Corse,	McCall,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Turner,
Dewey of Fremont	Mechem,	Wamsley,
Goodfellow,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Graham,	Moore,	Witter,



Mr. Greenleaf, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Linn	Mr. Neal, Neely, Pigman,	Mr. Yeoman. Young, Mr. Speaker.
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The nays were :

Mr. Clark, Connell, Creel,	Mr. Edie, McFarland, Meek,	Mr. Tisdale, White, Williams,
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Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate File, No. 123, An Act to authorize County Judges to appropriate County funds for Roads and Bridges, reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Turner, the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Lockwood, from the committee on Expenditures, to whom was referred the Report of the special committee to visit the Penitentiary, as related to expenditures therefor, reported the same back to the House without any recommendation.

So much of the recommendation of the committee as makes appropriations for building of cells and bedding, concurred in.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Ass't Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File No. 167: Joint Resolution relative to an Asylum for the Blind and Deaf and Dumb.

Also, Senate File No. 180: Memorial to Congress in behalf of the Pacific Rail Road,

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have passed without amendment,

H. R. File No. 178, A Bill for an Act providing an additional Section to Chapter 48 of the acts of 1852-53.

H. R. File No. 179, A Bill for an Act to amend Sections 492 and 498 of the Code.

Also, H. R. File No, 180, A Bill for an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1844.

The Senate have also passed with one amendment,

H. R. File No. 177. A Bill in relation to a State road from Indian Town, to Grinnell.

The Senate insist upon their disagreement, to House amendment to Senate File No. 28, and ask a conference thereon and have appointed Senators Udell, Test, and Wilkison, managers on the part of the Senate.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

So much of the report as relates to recommendation for workshop—

Mr. Hall offered the following, to-wit :

"\$2,000 for the building of a hospital, with a view of having said building used as a work-shop when more suitable buildings may be erected for a hospital."

Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, offered the following amendment to the amendment :

"\$7,700 for a hospital, female ward, dining room and kitchen, in one building, to constitute a wing to the main building."

Mr. McFarland called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas, 22. }  
Nays, 29. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Conkey,	Mr. Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Sargent,
Corse,	Jackson,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Lee,	McCall,	Turner,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Weathering ton,
Edie,	Neely,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Newsom,	Yeoman,
Graham,	Pritchard,	Young.
Hinkle,		

The nays were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Moore,
Bonson,	Hyde,	Pigman,
Boyles,	Johnson,	Poston,
Brown,	Kinert,	Rogers,
Clark,	Lockwood,	Samuels,
Connell,	McCrorry,	Smith of Cedar,
Creel,	McFarland,	White,
Creamer,	McKay,	Williams,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Mr. Speaker.
Greenleaf,	Monroe,	

Amendment lost.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to lay so much of the report of the Committee as related to the building of a work-shop, together with Mr. Hall's amendment, on the table.

Mr. Edie called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 18.}

Nays 31.}

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Greenleaf,	Mr. Meek,
Clark,	Hinkle,	Newsom,
Connell,	McCrary,	Poston,
Corse,	McCall,	Pritchard.
Dewey of Fremont,	McFarland,	Sargent,
Dorland,	Mechem,	Yeoman,

The nays were :

Mr. Bonson,	Mr. Hyde,	Mr. Rogers,
Boyles,	Jackson,	Samuels,
Brown,	Johnson,	Smith of Cedar,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Turner,
Creel,	Lockwood,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lec,	McKay,	White,
Edie,	Monroe.	Williams,
Goodfellow,	Moore,	Witter,
Graham,	Neely,	Young,
Hall,	Pigman,	Mr. Speaker.
Holmes of Linn,		

Motion to lay on the table lost.

Upon the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Hall, Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows :

Yeas 42. }

Nays 11. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hall,	Mr. Newsom,
Bonson,	Holmes of Linn,	Pigman,
Boyles,	Hyde,	Pritchard,
Brown,	Jackson,	Rogers,
Clark	Johnson,	Samuels,
Conkey,	Kinert,	Smith of Cedar
Connell,	Lockwood,	Turner,

Mr. Creel,	McCrorry,	Wamsley,
Creamer,	McFarland,	Weatherington,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	White,
Dorland,	Monroe,	Williams,
Edie,	Moore,	Witter,
Goodfellow,	Neal,	Young,
Graham,	Neely,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were :

Mr. Corse,	Mr. McGill,	Mr. Sargent,
Dewey of Fremont,	Mechem,	Smith of Jackson
Greenleaf,	Meek,	Yeoman,
Hinkle,	Poston,	

Amendment prevailed.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have passed, with sundry amendments,

Substitute for H. R. File No. 18, A Bill for an Act fixing the terms of District Court in the 3d Judicial District—in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate have also passed, without amendment,

H. R. File No 69, A Bill for an Act for the relief of settlers on certain River lands.

The Senate have also passed

Senate File No. 182, A Bill for an Act to lay out and establish a State Road from Lovell's farm in Dubuque County, to Canton in Jackson County—in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper committee, to be presented to the Governor for his signature :

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 32.

Also, House Substitute for Senate File, No. 38, An Act to alter the boundaries of the Counties of Chickasaw, Howard, Mitchell, and Floyd.

Also, House File, No. 109, An Act in relation to certain organized counties therein named.

Also, House File, No. 171, An Act to Incorporate the Cedar Toll Bridge.

Also, House File, No. 166, An Act to establish certain State Roads.

Also, House File, No. 146, An Act to provide for Indexing the Records of Marion county.

Also, House File, No. 172, An Act to alter a State Road in Tama county.

Also, House File, No. 147, An Act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county, and to locate the seat of justice thereof.

House File, No. 168, An Act amendatory to the Act, Incorporating the City of Muscatine.

Also, House File, Joint Resolution, No. 27, An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners to settle with State Officers and others.

Also, House File, No. 33, Joint Resolution for the establishment of a mail route.

Also, House File, No. 141, An Act to establish a State Insane Asylum.

Mr. Lockwood, from the Committee on Expenditures, to whom was referred House File, No. 150, An Act making appropriations ; reported the same back to the House with amendment, and recommended its passage.

Bill read a first time, and on motion the 42nd Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Samuels, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate File, No. 148, A Bill for an Act regulating interest on city and county bonds ; reported a substitute therefor, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The Bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File, No. 32, Joint Resolution.

Also, House File, No. 38, An Act to alter the boundaries of the Counties of Chickasaw, Howard, Mitchell and Floyd.

Also, House File, No. 109, An Act in relation to certain Unorganized Counties therein named.

Also, House File, No. 171, An Act to Incorporate the Cedar Toll Bridge Company.

Also, House File, No. 166, An Act to establish certain State Roads.

Also, House File, No. 141, An Act to establish a State Insane Asylum.

Also, House File, No. 146, An Act to provide for Indexing the Records of Marion County.

Also, House File, No. 172, An Act to alter a State Road in Tama County.

Also, House File, No. 168, An Act amendatory to the Act Incorporating the City of Muscatine.

Also, House File, No. 147, An Act to extend the Boundaries of Kosuth County, and to locate the Seat of Justice thereof.

Also, House File, No. 27, An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners to settle with State Officers and others.

Also, House File, No. 33, Joint Resolution for the Establishment of a Mail Route.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Mr. Moore had leave to introduce House File, No. 181, A Bill for An Act to change the Records of the Village Plat of Decota, in Dubuque County, which was read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Hall the 42nd Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Neal offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Ways and Means ascertain as soon as possible, the legal expenses of the contested Election, from the 34th Representative district, and audit and allow the same to the contestant in this case; except the Fees of the Clerk of the County Court for taking depositions, it being the sense of this House, that the taking of depositions in said case was a part of his legitimate duties as County Clerk.

Resolution rejected.

Mr. Neal moved to re-consider the vote upon the resolution, making extra appropriation to pay contingent expenses of the members.

Motion to re-consider prevailed.

Mr. Dorland moved to strike out "\$50" and insert "\$25."

Mr. Edie moved to insert "500."

Mr. Samuels moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution and amendments.

Motion to postpone, prevailed.

Mr. Corse offered the following :

*Resolved*, That R. B. Cochran, Messenger of this House, be allowed \$20 mileage, his place of residence being 100 miles from the capitol.

Resolution adopted.

Senate File No. 167, A Bill to provide, for the appointment of a Reporter to the Supreme Court, and for other purposes, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 177: An Act establishing a State road from Indian Town in Tama county, to Grinnell in Poweshiek county.

The amendments of the Senate were concurred in, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Substitute of the Senate for House File No. 97: An Act to fix the times of holding the District Courts in the 5th Judicial District.

Senate Substitute for House File No. 46: A Bill, for An Act to fix the times of holding courts in the 9th Judicial District:

Concurred in, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

House File No. 18: Memorial for additional mail facilities:

The amendments of the Senate were concurred in, and the bill passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

#### BILLS ON THEIR FIRST READING.

Senate File No. 182: A Bill, for An Act to lay out and establish a State road from Lovell's farm in Dubuque county, to Canton in Jackson county; read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Samuels,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 28,

On motion of Mr. Bonson,

Was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25, 1855.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal of yesterday, dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The House adopted the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Rev. L. B. DENNIS, for his census of the 5th General Assembly, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to incorporate the same into the Journal of this House.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed without amendment,

House File No. 84 : Joint Resolution granting compensation to Israel Keister, for services rendered the State as agent in the selection of saline lands.

House File No. 157 : A Bill, for An Act to extend the jurisdiction of county courts.

Also, House File 173 : A Bill, for An Act to legalize the acts of William Tucker as notary-public in Chickasaw county.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have refused to pass

House File No. 24 : Joint Resolution relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag as Commissioner to locate a permanent Seat of Government.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Senate File No. 177 : Joint Resolution for the compensation of the publishers of newspapers ; read a first time, and,

On motion,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Edie moved to amend by striking out "50 cents" from the price of daily papers.

Motion prevailed.



On motion of Mr. Boyles,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Russell, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back House File No. 36: A Bill, for An Act to facilitate proceedings in the courts of this State, and to regulate the practice and pleadings therein:

And recommended that the Bill be postponed until the first day of the next General Assembly.

Report concurred in, and the Bill so postponed.

Mr. Hall had leave to introduce

House File No. 182: A Bill, for An Act to amend an act entitled An Act to amend Chapter 37 of the Code, in relation to licensing peddlers.

Read a first time, and, on his motion, the 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Creamer moved to lay the bill on the table.

Motion withdrawn.

Mr. Connell renewed the motion to lay on the table.

Motion lost.

Mr. Connell moved to refer the Bill to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Motion to refer, lost.

Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Substitute for Senate File No. 48, A Bill for an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to dispose of the Swamp and overflowed lands within the State, approved Jan. 18, 1853.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to re-consider the vote by which said Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Motion prevailed and the vote re-considered.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved to amend the Bill by a substitute for section 1st.

Motion prevailed and the amendment adopted.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they examined House File No. 176, An Act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across the Cedar River at Cedar Rapids in Linn county.

Also, House File No. 16, Joint Resolution appointing Trustees of the State University by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 104, An Act to alter the boundaries of the second Judicial District, and to fix the time of holding the Courts therein.

Also, House File No. 101, An Act to amend section 638, chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 130, An Act directing the payment of certain moneys to the Normal Schools of Oskaloosa and Andrew.

Also, House File No. 65, An Act providing for the more speedy enforcement of Judgments and Decrees.

Also, House File No. 178, An Act supplemental to an Act entitled An Act to provide for the election of Supervisors and defining their duties.

Also, House File No. 179, An Act to amend section 492 and 498 of the Code.

Also, House File No. 167, An Act to provide for the appointment of a Reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

Also, House File No. 34, Joint Resolution allowing compensation to Israel Keister for services as agent in the selection of Saline Lands.

Also, Substitute for Senate File No. 180, To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 97, An Act fixing the time of holding Courts in the 5th Judicial District.

Substitute for House File No. 46, An Act to fix the time of holding Courts in the 9th Judicial District.

Also, House File No. 157, An Act to extend the jurisdiction of County Courts.

Also, House File No. 69, An Act for the relief of the settlers on certain river lands.

Also, House File No. 177, An Act establishing a State Road from Indian Town, in Tama county, to Grinneth, in Poweshiek county.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 18, An Act fixing the terms of the District Court in the 3rd Judicial District.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 37, An Act to apportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts therein.

Also, House File No. 173, An Act to legalize the acts of William Tucker as Notary Public in Chickasaw county, Iowa.

Also, House File No. 180, An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1844.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I present herewith for your signature, the following Bills, to-wit:

Senate Files Nos. 172, 128, 90, 117, 140, 170, 169, 178, 150, 70, 23, 67, 151, 65, 167, 168, 115, 171, 138, 99, 144, 135, 47, 97, 94, 87, 114, 76, 2, 158, 167, 182, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

January 24, 1855.

Mr. Conkey had leave to introduce House File, No. 183, A Bill for An Act to amend An Act, entitled An Act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a Free Bridge within 90 days from the date of its passage, over Cedar River, at Cedar Rapids, read a first time, and on motion, the 42nd Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Brown had leave to introduce House File, Joint Resolution, No. 85, asking a Mail Route from De Witt via of Grand Mound and Toronto to Tipton; read a second time, and on his motion, the 42nd Rule was suspended and the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Mr. Neal had leave of absence.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature.

House File, No. 176, An Act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a Free Bridge across the Cedar River at Cedar Rapids, in Linn County.

Also, Substitute for House File, No. 104, "An Act to alter the Boundaries of the 2nd Judicial Districts, etc."

Also, House File, No. 130, "An Act directing the payment of certain moneys to the Normal Schools of Oskaloosa and Andrew."

Also, Substitute for House File, Joint Resolution, No. 16, "Appointing Trustees of the State University."

Also, House File, No. 179, "An Act to amend sections 462 and 498, of the Code.

Also, House File, No. 178, "An Act supplemental to An Act to provide for the Election of Supervisors, and defining their duties."

Also, House File, No. 107, "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes."

Also, House File, No. 65, "An Act to provide for the more speedy enforcement of Judgments and Decrees."

Also, House File, No. 101, "An Act to amend section 638, chapter 41, of the Code of Iowa."

Also, House File, No. 173, "An Act to legalize the acts of William Tucker, a Notary Public in Chickasaw County."

Also, Substitute for House File, No. 37, "An Act to apportion the State and define the Boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts."

Also, House File, No. 177, "An Act establishing a State Road from Indian Town in Tama County, etc."

Also, Substitute for House File, No. 18, "An Act fixing the Terms of the District Court in the 3d Judicial District."

Also, House File, No. 69, "An Act for the Relief of Settlers on certain River Lands."

Also, House File, No. 180, "An Act to amend An Act to Incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute."

Also, House File, No. 157, "An Act to extend the Jurisdiction of County Courts."

Also, House No. 97, "An Act fixing the time of holding Courts in the 5th Judicial District."

Also, House Substitute for Senate File, No. 180; Joint Resolution.

Also, House File, No. 140, "An Act to fix the Terms of Holding Courts in the 9th Judicial District."

Also, House File, No. 34; Joint Resolution."

CLERK, H. R.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

**MR. SPEAKER**—I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File, No. 145, A Bill for An Act providing for the further completion of the State House; in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

**P. B. BRADLEY,**

Ass't. Sec. Senate.

Senate File, No. 145, Making appropriations for the completion of the State House; read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. McCrory,

The 42nd Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time.

Mr. McFarland moved to strike out "Treasurer of State," and "Auditor of State,"

Amendment lost.

Mr. Neal moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas, 10, }  
Nays, 35, }

The yeas were:

Mr. Clark,  
Creel,  
Dorland,  
Greenleaf,

Mr. McKay,  
Neal,  
Pigman,

Mr. Rogers,  
Stephenson,  
Williams,

The nays were:

Mr. Barker,  
Boyles,  
Brown,  
Conkey,  
Connell,  
Corse,  
Creamer,  
Damon,  
Dewey of Lee,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Edie,  
Graham,

Mr. Holmes of Linn,  
Hyde,  
Johnson,  
Lockwood,  
McCrory,  
McCall,  
McFarland,  
Meek,  
Monroe,  
Moore,  
Neely,  
Newsom,

Mr. Pritchard,  
Russell,  
Sargent,  
Smith of Cedar,  
Tisdale,  
Turner,  
Wamsley,  
White,  
Witter,  
Young,  
Mr. Speaker.

Motion to postpone; lost.

Mr. Neal moved to amend the Bill, to wit:

"That the appropriation be paid out of the University fund."

Amendment lost.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred in the amendment made by the House to Senate File, No. 48.

Bill for An Act to amend An Act, entitled An Act to dispose of the Swamp and Overflowed lands within the State.

Approved, January 13, 1853.

The Senate refuse to concur in the amendment made by the House to Senate File No. 177,

Joint Resolution for compensation to publishers of Newspapers.

The Senate have passed without amendment,

House File, No. 181, A Bill for An Act to change the record of the village plat of Dacotah, in Dubuque County.

Also, House R. File, No. 182, Bill for An Act to amend An Act, entitled An Act to amend Chapter 37, of the Code.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Mr. McFarland moved to strike out "\$200," and insert "\$50."

Motion lost,

Mr. Creamer moved to strike out "\$4,000," and insert "\$2,000."

Mr. Boyles moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Motion to lay on the table prevailed.

On the passage of the Bill Mr. Connell called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas 33. }

Nays 13. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,

Boyles

Brown,

Conkey,

Connell,

Corse,

Creel,

Damon,

Dewey of Lee,

Mr. Graham,

Holmes of Linn,

Hyde,

Johnson,

Lockwood,

McCrary,

McCall,

McFarland,

McKay,

Mr. Neely,

Pritchard,

Sargent,

Smith of Cedar,

Tisdale,

Turner,

Wamsley,

White,

Witter,

Mr. Dewey of Fremont,	Mr. Meek,	Mr. Young,
Edie,	Monroe,	Mr. Speaker.

The nays were:

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Mechem,	Mr. Pigman,
Creamer,	Moore,	Rogers,
Dorland,	Newsom,	Stephenson,
Greenleaf,	Neal,	Williams,
Hall,		

Bill passed and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Hyde from the special committee, to whom was referred Senate File, No. 147, A Bill fixing the terms of the District Courts in the 8th Judicial District, reported the same back to the House and recommended its indefinite postponement.

Report concurred in and the Bill postponed.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

**MR. SPEAKER:**

I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed, Senate File, No. 176, A Bill for An Act to amend Chapter 65 of the Code, and to provide for the sale of School, University, and Saline lands, and ask the concurrence of the House therein.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Senate File, No. 177, Joint Resolution for the compensation of the Publishers of Newspapers, returned from the Senate with the refusal of the Senate to concur in the amendment of the House.

On the question, shall the House insist on its amendment, Mr. Hall called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows:

Yeas, 28. }

Nays, 20. }

The yeas were,

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Newsom,
Boyles,	Greenleaf,	Pigman,
Brown,	Hinkle,	Pritchard,
Conkey,	Holmes of Linn,	Rogers,
Connell,	Hyde,	Smith of Cedar,
Creamer,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Damon,	McFarland,	White,
Dewey of Lee,	McKay,	Williams.

Mr. Dorland,  
Edie,

Mr. Mechem,

Mr. Young,

The nays were,

Mr. Clark,  
Corse,  
Creel,  
Dewey of Fremont,  
Goodfellow,  
Hall,  
Jackson,

Mr. Johnson,  
McCrary,  
McCall,  
Meek,  
Moore,  
Neal,  
Neely,

Mr. Sargent,  
Tisdale,  
Turner,  
Wamsley.  
Witter,  
Mr. Speaker.

The House insisted on its amendment.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The following committee of conference was appointed on the part of the House, to act with a similar one on the part of the Senate in the matter of difference, to-wit: Messrs. Williams, Corse and Tisdale.

Mr. Tisdale had leave to introduce

House Joint Resolution No. 36, to render compensation to the State Printer, for folding and trimming certain State documents: read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Tisdale,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Bill read a third time and lost.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor for his signature,

House File No. 176: An Act to create a board of Commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across the Cedar river at Cedar Rapids in Linn county.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 104: An Act to alter the boundaries of the 2d Judicial District.

Also, House File No. 130: An Act directing the payment of certain moneys, to the normal schools of Oskaloosa and Andrew.

Also, Substitute for House File, Joint Resolution No. 16, appointing Trustees of the State University.

Also, House File No. 179: An Act to amend sections 492 and 498 of the Code.



Also, House File No. 178 : An Act supplemental to An Act to provide for the election of supervisors, and defining their duties.

Also, House File No. 167 : An Act to provide for the appointment of a Reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

Also, House File No. 65 : An Act to provide for the more speedy enforcement of judgments and decrees.

Also, House File No. 101 : An Act to amend Section 638 of Chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 173 : An Act to legalize the acts of William Tucker, a notary-public in Chickasaw county.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 37 : An Act to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts.

Also, House File No. 177 : An Act establishing a State road from Indian Town in Tama county.

Also, House File No. 69 : An Act for the relief of settlers on certain river lands.

Also House File No. 180 : An Act, to amend An Act to incorporate the Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 18 : An Act fixing the terms of the District Court, in the 3d Judicial District.

Also, House File No. 157 : An Act to extend the jurisdiction of county courts.

Also, House File No. 97 : An Act fixing the time of holding courts in the 5th Judicial District.

Also, House File No. 34 : Joint Resolution.

Also, House Substitute for Senate File No. 180 : Joint Resolution.

Also, House File No. 140 : An Act to fix the times for holding courts in the 9th Judicial District.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined House File No. 181: A Bill, for An Act to change the records of the village plat of Dacota in Dubuque county.

Also, House File No. 182 : An Act, to amend an act entitled An Act to amend Chapter 37 of the Code, in relation to assessors, approved January 22d, 1853.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed

Senate File No. 183: A Bill, for An Act to authorize county judges to appropriate county funds for the construction of roads and bridges.

Also, Senate File No. 184: Joint Resolutions concerning the protection of the lives and property of settlers and emigrants, between the Mississippi valley and the Pacific ocean, including the establishment of postal and telegraphic correspondence across the American continent between the Atlantic and Pacific States.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY,

Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Senate File No. 176: A Bill, for An Act to create a board of commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across Cedar river at Cedar Rapids, was read a first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Fremont,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Conkey,

The Bill was referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Conkey, Connell and Russell.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the House adjourned.

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2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate File No. 184, Joint Resolution for the protection of intercourse between the Atlantic and Pacific States by an overland route, read a first time, and on motion, the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Senate File No. 183, An Act to authorize County Judges to appropriate County Funds for the construction of Roads and Bridges, read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Noble,

The Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have examined House File No. 146, An Act to provide for Indexing the Records of Marion county.

Also, House File No. 172, An Act to alter a State Road in Tama county.

Also, House File No. 171, An Act to incorporate the Cedar Toll Bridge Company.

Also, House File No. 109, An Act in relation to certain unorganized Counties therein named.

Also, Substitute for Senate File No. 38, An Act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Chickasaw, Howard, Mitchell, and Floyd.

Also, House File No. 32, Joint Resolution.

Also, House File No. 147, An Act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county, and to locate the Seat of Justice thereof.

Also, House File No. 168, An Act amendatory to the Act incorporating the city of Muscatine.

Also, House File No. 27, An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners to settle with State Officers and others.

Also, House File No. 33, Joint Resolution for the establishment of a Mail route.

Also, House File No. 141, An Act to establish a State Insane Asylum.

Also, House File No. 166, An Act to establish certain State Roads; and find them correctly Enrolled.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

Mr. Edie offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That no further leave of absence be granted to members of this House until its final adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Corse,

The vote granting leave of absence to Messrs. Mechem, McKay, Stephenson, Monroe, and Barker, was re-considered.

Mr. Mechem moved that Mr. Stephenson be excused after to-day.

Mr. Clark moved to amend so as to include Mr. Neal.

Motion with amendment laid on the table.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General

Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk, and placed in the hands of the proper Committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature :

House File No. 81, A Bill for an Act to change the Records of the Village Plat of Dacota in Dubuque county.

Also, House File No. 182, An Act to amend an Act entitled An Act to amend chapter 37 of the Code.

Mr. Rogers had leave to introduce

House File No. 184, An Act to legalize the organization of Mitchell county and the election and official acts of officers of said county, which was read a first time, and on his motion, the 42d rule was suspended, and the bill read a second time.

Mr. Dewey offered the following amendment, to wit :

Sec. 2. That the tax lists of Adams county for the years 1853 and 1854 are hereby declared legal.

The bill was read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Conkey, from the special Committee to whom was referred Senate File No. 176, A Bill for an Act to amend chapter 65 of the Code of Iowa, and to provide for the sale of School, University, and Saline Lands, made a majority report, and recommended that section 7 be struck out of the Bill and insert sections 7, 8, and 9, in the Bill.

Report concurred in, and the Bill read a third time and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Messages from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary :

MR. SPEAKER :

I am directed to inform the House that Senators Preston, Park and Saunders, have been appointed managers of the Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on Senate File, No. 177.

Also, The Senate have passed,

Senate File, No. 152, Bill for An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to appoint a Deputy.

Also, Senate File, No. 185, A Bill for An Act in relation to Disbursing officers and agents, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate have also passed without amendment,

House R. File, No. 35, Joint Resolution asking the establishment of a Mail route.

Also, with one amendment,  
House File, No. 183.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

The Senate have also passed,  
Senate File, No. 186, A Bill for An Act to alter the name of a village plat in Linn County, and vacate a part of a street in said plat. In which they ask the concurrence of the House.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

**MR. SPEAKER :**

I herewith present for your signature,  
Senate Files, Nos. 148, 48, 145, and 184.

The same having passed both branches of the General Assembly.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

Senate File: No. 185, An Act in relation to Disbursing officers and agents, read a first time.

Motion to suspend the Rule for a second reading, lost.

Senate File, No. 152, An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to employ a Deputy, read a first time.

Motion to suspend the Rule and that the Bill be now read a second time, lost.

Senate File, No. 186, A Bill for An Act to alter the name of a village plat in Linn County and to vacate a part of a street in said plat, read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Conkey, the 42d Rule was suspended, the Bill read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Russell moved to strike out "West Cedar Rapids," and insert "Conkeyville."

Laid on the table.

House File, No. 183, returned from the Senate with amendment, which amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Connell moved to reconsider the vote by which,

House File, Joint Resolution, No. 36, to render to State Printer compensation for folding and stitching documents, was rejected.

Mr. McKay called for the yeas and nays; call for the yeas and nays withdrawn, and a motion to lay the motion of Mr. Connell on the table prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Edie,

The 42d Rule was suspended, and Senate File, No. 185 read a second and third times and passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate were endorsed by the Clerk and placed in the hands of the proper committee to be presented to the Governor for his signature :

House File, No. 35, Joint Resolution asking the establishment of a Mail route from Dewitt via Grand Mound and Toronto, to Tipton.

Also, House File, No. 183, An Act to amend An Act entitled, An Act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across the Cedar River at Cedar Rapids in Linn County.

Approved, January 25th, 1855.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following

#### REPORT :

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have examined, House File, No. 35, Joint Resolution asking the establishment of a Mail route, from Dewitt via Grand Mound and Toronto, to Tipton.

Also, House File, No. 183, An Act to amend An Act entitled, An Act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a free Bridge across the Cedar River at Cedar Rapids, in Linn County. Approved, January 25th, 1855, and find them correctly enrolled.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have presented to the Governor for his approval,

House File, No. 181, A Bill for An Act to change the records of the village plat of Dacotah, in Dubuque County.

Also, House File, No. 182, An Act to amend An Act entitled An Act to amend chapter 87 of the Code, in relation to Assessors. Approved January 22d, 1853.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills, report that they have presented to the Governor, House File No. 183, An Act to amend an Act, entitled "An act to create a Board of Commissioners with authority to erect a free bridge across the Cedar river at Cedar Rapids, in Linn County." approved January 25th, 1855.

Also, House File No. 35, Joint Resolutions, asking the establishment of a mail route from De Witt, via Grand Mound and Toronto, to Tipton.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Corse, the House adjourned to 6½ o'clock.

6½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have concurred in the amendments made by the House, to

Senate File No. 176, A Bill for an Act to amend chapter 65 of the Code of Iowa, and to provide for the sale of Saline, School and University lands.

The Senate have also passed, without amendments,

House File No. 184, An Act to legalize the organization of Mitchell County, and the election and official acts of officers in said County.

Also with two amendments,

H. R. File No. 150, An Act making additional appropriations for the fiscal years 1855 and 1856—in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Hughes, their 2d Ass't Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER—I herewith present for your signature, Senate Files Nos. 171, 185 and 186, the same having passed both Houses of the General Assembly.

THOMAS HUGHES, Second Ass't Sec. Senate.

House File 150, An Act making additional appropriations for 1855 and 1856—returned from the Senate with amendment, to strike out \$63 appropriation to Josiah H. Bonny. House concurred in Senate amendment.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, appropriation of \$49 60 to Josiah Cowles, was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Russell, appropriation of "\$784 96" to Dubuque City Guards was stricken out and "850" inserted.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Lee,  
Seventy-five dollars appropriation to C. G. Vangent, was stricken out.

Amendments of the Senate concurred in, with the above exceptions.  
Mr. Williams offered the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That Leroy Newton and Joseph Smith, each be allowed the sum of \$4, as Firemen *pro. tem.* of this House.

Resolution adopted.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have agreed to the first, third and fourth amendments made by the House, and have disagreed to the second.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec'y Senate.

The question being, will the House insist on its amendment to House File No. 150, in relation to appropriation to the Dubuque Guards,

Mr. Corse called for the yeas and nays; which were ordered, and were as follows:

Yeas 25, }  
Nays 21. }

The yeas were:

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Hyde.	Mr. Pritchard,
Brown,	Johnson,	Rogers,
Conkey,	McCrory,	Russell,
Connell,	McFarland,	Smith of Cedar,
Creamer,	McKay,	Wamsley,
Dorland,	Mechem,	White,
Eddie,	Newsom,	Williams,
Graham,	Pigman,	Young.
Holmes of Linn,		

The nays were:

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Sargent,
Corse,	Lockwood,	Stephenson,
Dewey of Lee,	McCall,	Tisdale,
Dewey of Fremont,	Meek,	Turner,
Goodfellow,	Monroe,	Weatherington,
Greenleaf,	Moore,	Witter,



Mr. Hall,                      Mr. Neely,                      Mr. Speaker.  
     Hinkle,

The House insisted on their amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

A Committee of Conference was appointed on the part of the House to act with a similar Committee on the part of the Senate, upon the matter of the disagreement of the two Houses upon the amendment to House File No. 150.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Hall, Williams, and Conkey, said Committee.

Message from the Senate by Mr. Bradley, their Assistant Secretary.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have appointed Senators Shields, Needham, and Love, managers of the Conference on the part of the Senate on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on the second amendment to House File No. 150.

P. B. BRADLEY, Ass't Sec. Senate.

Mr. White asked a call of the House.

Call sustained.

The absentees were Messrs. Brown, Creamer, Goodfellow, Sargent, and Tisdale.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was dispatched for absent members.

On motion of Mr. White,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The Committee of Conference upon the disagreement of the two Houses upon the amendment to House File No. 150, in relation to compensation of Dubuque City Guards, reported the same back to the House, and stated that the Conference was equally divided, and had agreed to disagree upon the matter referred to them, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The committee were discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Hall moved that the House do recede from its amendment.

Mr. Neely called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered and were as follows :

Yeas 23. }  
 Nays 18. }

The Yeas were :

Mr. Barker,	Mr. Jackson,	Mr. Sargent,
Clark,	McCrory,	Smith of Cedar,

Mr. Corse, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Greenleaf, Hall, Hinkle,	Mr. McCall, Meek, Monre, Moore, Neely, Pritchard,	Mr. Stephenson, Turner, Weatheringtou, Witter, Mr. Speaker.
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The nays were,

Mr. Conkey, Connell, Dorland, Eddie, Graham, Holmes of Linn,	Mr. Hyde, Johnson, Lockwood, McFarland, Mechem, Newsom,	Mr. Pigman, Rogers, Russell. White, Williams, Young.
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The House receded from its amendment.

Mr. Greenleaf, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following Report:

The Committee on Enrolled Bills report that they have examined House File, No. 184, An Act to legalize the Organization of Mitchell County, and the election and official acts of officers in said County, and for other purposes.

Also, House File, No. 150, An Act making additional appropriations for the support of the State Government, for the fiscal years 1855 and 1856, and find them correctly Enrolled.

D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

The following Bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, were endorsed by the Clerk and placed in the hands of the proper Committee to be presented to the Governor for his approval, to wit:

House File, No. 150 and 184.

FRIDAY, January 26, 1855.

55 Minutes of 1 o'clock, A. M.

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D. C. GREENLEAF, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Williams, a Committee of three was appointed to wait on the Senate, and inform that body that the House is now ready to adjourn; also, to act with the Senate Committee, to wait on the Governor, and enquire if he has any further communication to make to the General Assembly.

Message from the Senate by Senators Coolbaugh, Matthews, and McAchron.

Mr. Coolbaugh delivered the Message.

MR. SPEAKER—I am directed to inform the House that we have been appointed a Committee, on the part of the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is now ready to adjourn, and also to act with the Committee, appointed on the part of the House, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and enquire if he has any further communications to make to the General Assembly.

Mr. Williams, from the Committee on the part of the House, to wait upon the Senate and His Excellency the Governor, reported that they had performed that duty, and that His Excellency informed them that he had no further communications to make to the General Assembly.

Mr. Dewey of Fremont, moved that the House do now adjourn, *sine die*. Agreed to.

The Speaker addressed the House as follows:

*Gentlemen*: Our labors here have closed; we are now about to separate. The occasion excites emotions which I find difficult to control. I entered upon the duties of this position under much embarrassment, being inexperienced in the business of Legislation; but that embarrassment was soon overcome by your support and confidence, and by your indulgent forbearance for my errors. For that support, confidence and forbearance I return you my sincere and heartfelt thanks. And, gentlemen, if I have discharged my duties, as indicated by the Resolution of this House, I assure you that the result is to be attributed to your love of order and decorum, without which any effort of mine to that end would have been vain and fruitless.

I now declare this House adjourned *sine die*.

# APPENDIX.

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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

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*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

You have again assembled in obedience to the mandates of the Constitution, to deliberate upon the affairs of State, and to enact such laws as may be necessary to secure to the people their just rights and privileges under a republican form of government.

Your duties are of no ordinary character. The enactment of laws for the government of a State, which must, directly or indirectly, affect the welfare of every person within its jurisdiction, will show the importance of the powers with which you have been invested, and how wisely and judiciously they should be exercised. Our constitution is less careful of prescribing legislative duties to be performed, than of imposing certain restrictions upon legislative action. The examples of history and constant experience teach us, that there is a tendency in political associations, as well as in persons, to an undue exercise of power inconsistent with individual rights. For that reason an unwavering adherence to constitutional principles, a constant regard for the rights and privileges secured to, and retained by the people, and a strict observance of the prohibitions upon legislation, should, under all circumstances, be maintained.

It gratifies me to inform you that the State is in a highly prosperous condition; general health prevails; a bountiful harvest has again crowned the efforts of the husbandman; emigration unprecedented in the history and settlement of the West, has been pouring in upon us; the public lands are being rapidly settled and improved by those who, with

the pioneers of the country, will doubtless build up a government, which, for its liberal and just policy, and its attachment for the Union, will rank among the first of western States. For this prosperity, and all the great privileges which we enjoy, let us be grateful to HIM who holds in his hand the destiny of men and nations.

In calling your attention to the condition of the State, it is in the first place appropriate that I should refer to our financial affairs, and I do so with pride, when I contrast that condition with many of our sister States. The funded debt of the State, for which bonds have been issued, as will appear by the report of the Auditor, amounts to the sum of seventy-nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-five dollars and seventy-five cents.

Sixteen thousand four hundred and forty-two dollars and five cents of these bonds became due on the first day of May last, and the others will be payable in 1856, '57, and '59. It will therefore be necessary for you to make provisions for their payment in the event that the ordinary revenue should not prove sufficient for that purpose. I need not say that the payment of these debts at maturity is important to preserve the good faith and credit of the State.

By the Treasurer's report, which is herewith transmitted, it will be seen, that from the first day of November, 1852, up to the thirty-first day of October, 1854, there has been received into the Treasury one hundred and twenty-five thousand four hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty-seven cents, ten thousand five hundred and fifteen dollars and seventy cents of which was received on the sale of saline lands. During that time there has been paid out on Auditor's warrants, one hundred and eighteen thousand five hundred and forty-two dollars and ninety cents. The amount of monies in the Treasury on the thirty-first day of October last, being fifteen thousand five hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty-two cents, including the sum of eight thousand six hundred and two dollars and eighty-eight cents, which was in the Treasury on the first day of November, 1852.

At the last session of the General Assembly, it was thought advisable to so amend the revenue law, as to require the assessment of taxable property to be made by a township instead of a county officer. This system, as I have been informed, has proven much more expensive than the former one, and leads to errors and inequalities which have been injurious to the public revenue, and unjust to individuals.

To secure uniformity in the assessment of property, and remedy, as

far as practicable, the evils complained of, I would recommend that the present law be so amended as to require the election of a county assessor for each county, with such other regulations as may be thought necessary to secure a faithful discharge of his duty.

Permit me again to call the attention of the General Assembly to the laws establishing common schools and the State University, as a subject of the greatest importance, and in which the people feel a deep interest.

Experience has taught us, that these laws are too complicated, and by frequent amendments have become inexplicit and contradictory, so much so, that it is has become difficult to understand, or carry them into force, without the commission of errors, which not unfrequently lead to protracted and burdensome litigation.

Another objection to the system, is the employment of a greater number of officers than would seem to be necessary, and among them, that of school fund Commissioners in each county, the duties of which officer might, it is believed, be discharged by the county treasurer with less expense and greater accuracy than under the present arrangement.

There is also a want of uniformity in the system of education in our common schools, produced by the frequent change of text-books, made by the teachers who conduct them, which occasions unnecessary expense, and proves detrimental to the scholar. In connection with the subject of books, permit me to recommend Dr. Noah Webster's American Dictionary as one of the most comprehensive, learned and valuable works of the kind which has been published in the English language; and also, allow me to add, that the Constitution of the United States, and of this State, should be taught in all of our public schools. A system of education by which knowledge is placed within the reach of all, and our youth are taught to comprehend the rights and privileges of citizenship, will fit them for the enlightened discharge of the important duties to which they may be called.

The establishment and endowment of an asylum for lunatics, is a measure which should commend itself to your favorable consideration. We cannot but be aware of the fact, that we have a considerable number of those unfortunate persons in our State, who have strong claims upon our sympathy and bounty, and who must be removed from their friends to other States in order to obtain the means of alleviating and improving their condition, or of being confined in our jails and poor-houses.

By an act of Congress, admitting the State of Iowa into the Union,

approved March 3d, 1845, all salt springs within the State, not exceeding twelve in number, with six sections of land adjoining, or as contiguous as might be, to each, were granted to the State for its use, with a proviso that the General Assembly should never lease or sell the same, at any one time, for a longer period than ten years, without the consent of Congress.

Under these provisions an act was passed by the General Assembly, approved February 5th, 1851, providing, that as soon as the consent of Congress could be obtained these lands might be sold, and that the proceeds should constitute a fund for founding and supporting a lunatic asylum; and further providing that the amount realized should be invested, and the interest only to be used for that purpose, unless the Commissioners of the asylum should think that the good of the State required eight thousand dollars of the principal fund to assist in the building and furnishing of said asylum. Five thousand dollars was also authorized to be paid, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the use of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Keokuk.

Congress having given their consent that the lands might be sold, an act was passed on the 25th day of January, 1853, for the carrying out of the purposes expressed by the act of February 5th, 1851.

In consequence of the rejection by the general government of a portion of the land which it had before selected for the State, and in order that others might be made, I appointed Israel Keister, Esq., as agent for that purpose, a copy of whose report is herewith transmitted. As yet I have received no information whether the last selection has been approved or rejected.

Should you believe that the prompt sale of these lands would not be sufficient to establish and maintain the asylum, after paying the five thousand dollars to the Medical College at Keokuk, then I submit whether it would not be highly appropriate to provide other ways and means to accomplish an object so desirable.

Your attention is invited to the report of the Inspectors of the Penitentiary, which is herewith submitted, and which, together with the report of the Warden, which will doubtless be laid before you, will exhibit the affairs of the prison for the last two years. By an act of the General Assembly, approved January 13th, 1853, the Inspectors and Wardens were authorized to lease or hire out the prisoners to be worked in the shops upon the prison grounds, if they should deem that the

interests of the State would be the best promoted by so doing. They have accordingly executed a contract, hiring the services of the convicts for the term of ten years from the first day of June, 1854. This contract, with the report of the officers, will be subjects for your careful investigation, and should it appear that the laws and regulations for the government of the prison are deficient, such other provisions should be made as will secure economy and good order in the administration of its affairs.

It is necessary that I should again call your attention to the improvement of the Des Moines river, which in consequence of the many difficulties and obstacles which have been presented from time to time, has made but slow progress towards completion. At the last session of the General Assembly, after an investigation of the condition of the improvement, acts were passed providing for the election of a Commissioner and Register, by the qualified electors of the State on the first Monday of April, 1853, and at the same time appointing George G. Wright, of Van Buren, and Uriah Biggs, of Wapello county, as assistant Commissioners, investing them with full power and authority to sell and dispose of all the lands, tolls, and water rents, as they might deem most expedient for the early completion and vigorous prosecution of the improvement.

Under these provisions of law a contract has been made with Mr. Henry O'Riley and others, for the completion of the improvement—a portion of the old debts have been paid, and the work is said to be progressing. In the report of the Commissioner and Register, which will be laid before you, will undoubtedly be found the contract and all the information which may be necessary for a full understanding of the business entrusted to the charge of those officers, who, it is believed, with the assistant Commissioners, have done everything in their power to carry out the provisions and instructions of the laws under which they have acted.

In connection with this improvement your attention is respectfully called to the claims which have been presented by Hon. Reverdy Johnson and Chancellor Walworth, of New York, in obtaining a reversal of the decision of the Secretary of the Interior, limiting the grant of land for that improvement to the Raccoon Fork of the Des Moines river. These gentlemen have acted in good faith, and rendered most important service to the State; it is therefore appropriate that their claims should be allowed, inasmuch as Bangs & Brother, the contractors who



were liable at the time, have failed to pay them, and the State has received the benefit of their efforts. The correspondence of Chancellor Walworth is herewith submitted, and that of Mr. Johnson will be found among the proceedings of the last General Assembly.

Since the formation of our State government, up to the present time, recommendations have been made to the General Assembly to enact such laws as would comply with the Constitution of this State, and the laws of the United States, as to the organization of the militia; and to which subject I would again invite your special attention.

The object of the law of Congress in requiring the organization of the military force of each State, and the appropriations for arms to be distributed to them from year to year is for the purpose of enabling them to defend themselves in cases of emergency, and at the same time to be serviceable to the National Government in the defence of the country, should their services be needed.

It should be remembered that Iowa is a frontier State; portions of our northern and western boundaries are subject to the incursions of Indians, who have but recently disposed of their right to the soil, who return for the purpose of hunting, and not unfrequently commit depredations upon the white inhabitants before United States troops, or any effective military force, can be obtained to repel them. It is therefore prudent and necessary that we should have such a military organization as will enable us in a case of emergency to defend ourselves and protect our citizens.

In July last, I received information from the counties of Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Bremer, Chickasaw, Franklin and others, that a large body of Indians well armed and equipped, had made demonstrations of hostilities by fortifying themselves in various places, killing stock, and plundering houses, and that many of the inhabitants had entirely forsaken their homes and left a large portion of their property at the mercy of the enemy; praying that a military force might be sent to protect them and their settlements. Upon the reception of this information, an order was immediately issued to Gen. John G. Shields, directing him to call out the City Guards of Dubuque, and such other force as might be necessary, not exceeding two companies, to remove the Indians from the state. This order was promptly obeyed, and the company were ready for service, when information was received that the Indians had dispersed—that the citizens were returning to their

homes, and quiet had been restored. It therefore became unnecessary for any further proceedings.

Authority was also given to Major Williams, of Fort Dodge, in this State, to raise a volunteer company, should it be necessary to remove any Indians who should be found disturbing any of the inhabitants of the county of Franklin, or adjoining counties. On the first day of September last he reported that he had not found it necessary to raise any military force, as there did not then exist any cause for alarm, or danger to the settlers.

In April last a communication was received from the ordnance office at Washington, stating that there was due to this State, arms to the value of two hundred and thirty-five muskets, with the desire that the kind and description should be designated. This request was complied with, and the arms have been received, and distributed to organized military companies at Dubuque, Davenport, and Keokuk, with the exception of one brass six-pound gun, which remains to be drawn at the United States Arsenal in St. Louis, Missouri.

My attention has been called to the proceedings of a convention held in this city, on the 28th day of October last, by the old soldiers of the war of 1812, for the purpose of asking relief from Congress, for their services in that war. It may be truly said of these soldiers, that old age is now upon them—that they will soon be called upon to fight their last battle with an enemy who is ever victorious. Many of them are in indigent circumstances, and unable to support themselves. Their gallant defence of the country, in a war second only to the American revolution, should entitle them, not only to the sympathy of Congress, but to the whole American people. I would, therefore, respectfully recommend that you pass a memorial to Congress, setting forth the justice of their claim, and urging, without regard to their term of service, that each be allowed a quarter section of land, and a pension for the few remaining years allotted them to live.

At the last session of the General Assembly a recommendation was made, that such laws be passed as would authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of emigration to reside in the city of New York, whose duty it should be to give immigrants the necessary information as to soil, climate and the branches of business to be pursued with advantage in this State, and to protect, as far as possible, such persons against the impositions frequently practised upon them.

This recommendation, however, was not carried out, and I again

feel constrained to call your attention to the subject with the hope that one or more of such agencies may be established, which in my judgment, if properly conducted, would be highly beneficial to the State, and to those who might feel disposed to become citizens among us.

One of the objections which has been urged against the establishment of such agencies, is, that emigration of foreigners to this country ought not to be encouraged or protected—even secret political associations have been formed for the purpose of discouraging emigration and settlement among us—to prohibit, as far as may be in their power, a naturalized citizen from holding any office of trust or profit under our government, at the same time proscribing others for their religious views and opinions.

The formation of such associations under a government which professes to be republican, and to secure equal rights and privileges to every person who is, or who may become a citizen by virtue of our Constitution and laws, is much to be regretted as leading to evil and dangerous consequences.

What danger can be seriously apprehended from foreign emigration to this State? They are generally industrious—purchase, settle upon and improve our lands, rear their homes, educate their children with ours, become attached to our laws and institutions, and assist in the defence of the country in times of peril. To proscribe a citizen in this country on account of his birthplace or religious faith, is subversive of all our ideas and principles of civil and religious liberty, and contrary to the spirit and intention of our Constitution and laws. The national government have *no power* to “make laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof,” and the Constitution of this State declares that “no religious test shall be required as a qualification for any office or public trust, and no person shall be deprived of any of his rights, privileges or capacities, or disqualified from the performance of any of his public or private duties, or rendered incompetent to give evidence in any court of law or equity, in consequence of his opinions on the subject of religion.”

To my mind it is manifest, that the object of these provisions were to *guard* against proscription or intolerance, either by legislation or by individuals, and to leave to every one the right of judging for himself upon questions which relate to eternity, and over which human governments cannot properly exercise control.

In connection with the subject of immigration and settlement in

Iowa, it may be observed, that her agricultural and mineral resources are but partially known, and it is believed that an accurate and scientific geological survey would disclose sources of mineral wealth, and the capacity of our soil for the production of many profitable articles, the benefits of which information to the history of the State and to the people, would far surpass any expense attending such an examination. I would, therefore, recommend this measure to your favourable consideration.

I again invite your attention to the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, and to the recommendation made by me to the last General Assembly, of granting licenses under proper restrictions, for the sale thereof. Believing that such a law would have a salutary effect in restraining the indiscriminate sale of such liquors, and would be the means of producing a revenue to cities, towns, and counties, which is now lost to them, and that good order might be maintained and the laws enforced, I am therefore induced to present the subject for your candid consideration.

I am aware that there are many persons who take a different view of this question, who insist with great pertinacity that laws should be enacted prohibiting the manufacture and sale of any spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors, under severe penalties, with a right to search in houses and premises, and a destruction of such property wherever it may be found, and prescribing rules of evidence in such cases unknown in any other criminal prosecutions.

Such laws are not calculated to remedy the evil complained of, and are looked upon as an unnecessary infringement upon the natural and constitutional rights of the citizen. The idea that pervades such enactments is, that unusual, numerous, and severe penalties, will lead to their enforcement; when all experience shows that their undue severity defeats their execution, and that after the excitement which caused their enactment has passed away, no one feels disposed to enforce them.

Although this question has been thrust into the political arena, and made to figure extensively in our elections, yet, as guardians and representatives of constitutional supremacy, and the rights of citizens under that government, you will carefully examine the subject which has thus been presented, and make such provisions as may seem to you the best calculated to promote the public good.

Your attention is also invited to the act, passed at the last session

of the General Assembly, regulating the interest on money, and of which I may say, that since its passage up to the present time, has not been generally regarded or enforced, and that without being of any benefit to the borrower, has resulted in keeping out of the State much capital, which would otherwise have been introduced among us, and which by fair competition would have reduced the rates of interest much below what is now paid. Such laws are always evaded; and upon the principle that men should be permitted to make their own contracts and dispose of their money or property upon such terms and conditions as may seem to them most appropriate. For these and many other reasons which might be urged, I would respectfully recommend the repeal of all laws in this State upon the subject of usury.

As yet no grants of land have been made to the State of Iowa for the construction of railroads, notwithstanding the repeated applications which have been made to Congress for that purpose. I would, therefore, again call your attention to the subject, and recommend that a memorial be passed urging the justice of our claim, and that such application be concentrated upon one road to run from the Mississippi to the Missouri river, through the central portion of the State, as it is believed that such an application might meet with a favourable reception. It is very much doubted whether the policy of applying for a sufficient quantity of land to construct five or six roads in Iowa will soon be favourably considered by Congress. It is, therefore, desirable that some system should be adopted by the people and their representatives to concentrate the application to one or two roads, and urge the same with energy and unanimity.

In this connection permit me to speak of the common roads of our State, and to urge upon you the necessity of again reinstating the law which required the election of a County Supervisor. That officer had the charge and supervision of all the roads in the county. Then there was uniformity in the opening and work done upon them—now in some townships the roads are kept in order, and in others nothing is done; and the consequence is, that there is no system or regularity upon a subject which is of the greatest importance and interest to every inhabitant of the State.

Of the swamp or overflowed lands granted to this and other States, by an act of Congress, approved September 28, 1850, it is only necessary for me to say, that at the last session of the General Assembly, it was thought advisable to grant them to the counties in which they

might lie, for the purpose of constructing the necessary levees and drains to reclaim them, and the overplus, after paying the expenses of their reclamation, to be applied for the purpose of building roads and bridges in such counties.

Under this act returns of the examination and survey of such lands have been made to the Surveyor General of Iowa and Wisconsin from counties, the names of which are herewith transmitted.

As it is desirable that such returns should be made as soon as possible, in order to obtain the title from the General Government to these lands, I would suggest such further legislation as will require, if possible, the delinquent counties to comply with the laws which have been heretofore enacted for their benefit.

Many other subjects of legislation which have not been noticed, will doubtless suggest themselves to your consideration, and receive that attention which their importance may require.

In concluding this communication to the General Assembly of Iowa, I may be permitted to refer to the policy of government, under which we have increased in population and wealth, unsurpassed in the history and settlement of Western States, and it must be conceded, that for the high position which we now occupy, as a sovereign State of the American Republic, that we are principally indebted to the constitution and laws for that prosperity.

Of the Constitution of this State, it may with justice be said, that it is republican in its character, and designed to protect the people against abuse and evils which have crept into the government of other and older States. It prohibits any association or corporation from exercising the privilege of creating paper to circulate as money; it declares that corporations shall not be established by special laws, except for political or municipal purposes; and for all others, that general laws shall be passed for their organization, reserving to every one the privilege of forming companies for the transaction of all lawful business, and limiting State indebtedness in such a manner as to prevent great loss or repudiation. These restrictions, it is believed, have done much to build up this State, and to assure citizens that they are not to be oppressed by monopolies, bankruptcy, or extraordinary taxation.

In my last message to the General Assembly, I felt it to be my duty to caution the people against the system of banking which was then contemplated, and carried on in the United States, as being

dangerous to the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the country, and urged the propriety of passing a law prohibiting the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than ten dollars, for the purpose of retaining a sufficient sum of gold and silver to do the ordinary business of our citizens, and to which recommendation I would again invite your favorable consideration. But two years have elapsed since that time, and we find ourselves in the midst of a monetary crisis. In our public journals will be found long lists of suspended and broken banks. Who are generally the sufferers? Not those whose business it is to deal in money and bank paper, and who wield the lightnings of heaven to tell them of danger or disasters, but others whose very existence depends upon their labor, and who can ill afford to pay the luxury and expense of banking corporations.

Yet with all the evidences which we have before us of the pestilential effects of paper money on the necessary confidence between man and man, the necessary confidence in our public councils, and the industry and morals of the people, the enormous frauds which have been practiced, and the loss suffered by the toiling millions, we are told that it is necessary to establish a banking system in Iowa. Such a system might be a fitful stimulant to our hopes and business pursuits, and impart more than ordinary vigor to the current traffic during a season of prosperous credit; still, it is always treacherous, and fraught with too many uncertainties upon which to risk the agricultural and most important interests of the country, and which are liable to be swept away by the very first blast of adversity. Viewing all the expedients resorted to, to conceal and mitigate the errors of modern banking, it will be found that the system of employing public stocks and securities is the most exceptionable, as it is making one promise, which it may be impossible to redeem, the foundation of another equally desperate.

The opinions which I have taken occasion to express in my previous communications to the General Assembly, upon the subject of banking, of State indebtedness, and of exclusive privileges and special legislation, remain unchanged. Nor can I perceive in the altered condition of our business relations, or the positive wants of community, and imperative reason why our Constitution should be amended to authorize their introduction into Iowa.

In retiring from the office to which I was elected by the free suffrages of the people of Iowa, I cannot refrain from expressing to them,

and to you as their representatives, my profound gratitude for the honors conferred upon me by their confidence, and to assure them of my continued aspirations for their welfare and prosperity, and the advancement of this young and flourishing commonwealth, and the fervent hope that her legislation and future policy will be such as to insure to her citizens the full enjoyment of civil and religious liberty—that she will discountenance civil discord and local animosities among the States of our Union, and concede to each and all, the rights which pertain to them under our national Constitution and laws, and that she will in every emergency defend that Union which has led our republic to honor and greatness.

With these hopes and wishes for the welfare of Iowa and our common country, I retire from the office with which I have been honored.

STEPHEN HEMPSTEAD.

Iowa City, December 8th 1854.

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## INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF GOV. GRIMES.

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*Gentlemen of the Senate, and House of Representatives:*

Having now, in your presence, assumed the duties of the office to which I have been elevated by the suffrages of my fellow-citizens, it becomes my duty, under the Constitution, to call your attention to such subjects as I believe demand your consideration.

No one, however connected with legislation, can too highly estimate the responsibilities of his position. He cannot feel too deeply the delicacy of his labors, and his ignorance of the complicated structure and conflicting interests of society, over which he is called to exercise control. To legislate is the noblest employment in which he can be engaged, and the most difficult of satisfactory execution.

It is so everywhere, but it is peculiarly so in a new and growing



State, where the population is drawn from all parts of the civilized globe, where the public policy and public institutions are just being established, and where different portions of the State are in different conditions of progress and development. It is a difficult task to protect and advance the pioneer interests of our western settlements, and also encourage, and establish on a substantial basis, the commercial and manufacturing interests of the old counties, by general laws, that shall operate equally and beneficently upon all. It is not an easy matter to lay strong and deep the foundations of the educational institutions of a new State, and to rear thereon superstructures, that shall honor the State and bless mankind. The duty of restoring reason to those who are bereft of it, of giving sight to the blind and hearing to the deaf, by the establishment and proper endowment of charitable institutions; of repressing evil; of punishing crime; of stimulating industry; of protecting public virtue, and of maintaining the integrity of the State sovereignty, cannot be exercised without incurring grave responsibilities.

Government is established for the protection of the governed. But that protection does not consist merely in the enforcement of laws against injury to the person and property. Men do not make a voluntary abnegation of their natural rights, simply that those rights may be protected by the body politic. It reaches more vital interests than those of property. Its greatest object is to elevate and ennoble the citizen. It would fall far short of its design if it did not disseminate intelligence and build up the moral energies of the people. It is organized "to establish justice, promote the public welfare and secure the blessings of liberty." It is designed to foster the instincts of truth, justice and philanthropy, that are implanted in our very natures, and from which all constitutions and all laws derive their validity and value. It should afford moral as well as physical protection, by educating the rising generation; by encouraging industry and sobriety; by steadfastly adhering to the right, and by being ever true to the instincts of freedom and humanity.

To accomplish these high aims of government, the first requisite is ample provision for the education of the youth of the State. The common school fund of the State should be scrupulously preserved, and a more efficient system of common schools than we now have should be adopted. The State should see to it that the elements of education,

like the elements of universal nature, are above, around, and beneath all.

It is agreed that the safety and perpetuity of our republican institutions depends upon the diffusion of intelligence among the masses of the people. The statistics of the penitentiaries and alms-houses throughout the country, abundantly show, that education is the best preventative of pauperism and crime. They show, also, that the prevention of those evils is much less expensive than the punishment of the one, and the relief of the other. Education, too, is the great equalizer of human conditions. It places the poor on an equality with the rich. It subjects the appetites and passions of the rich to the restraints of reason and conscience, and thus prepares each for a career of usefulness and honor. Every consideration, therefore, of duty and policy, impels us to sustain the common schools of the State in the highest possible efficiency.

I am convinced that the public schools should be supported by taxation of property, and that the present *rate* system should be abolished. Under the present system of a *per capita* tax upon the scholars, the children of the poor are in a measure excluded from the benefit of the schools, whilst the children of the opulent are withdrawn from them to be educated in private institutions. Property is the only legitimate subject of taxation. It has its duties, as well as its rights. It needs the conservative influences of education, and should be made to pay for its own protection.

I suggest the propriety of establishing in each school district in the State, a district school library. I believe that an act appropriating to each district a small sum of money for this purpose, provided the district would appropriate an equal amount, would be received by the people with the highest satisfaction. It would establish in each district complying with the provisions of the act, a *nucleus*, around which in a few years would be gathered respectable libraries that would be accessible to all. These libraries would be great aids in the diffusion of general intelligence.

I am not informed of the amount or condition of the University fund of the State. It is known, however, that a munificent grant of land was made by Congress for the establishment of a seminary of learning; that a large part of those lands has been sold, and that the proceeds have never been applied to any specific use, except the sum of five thousand dollars heretofore granted to the Medical School at Keokuk.

I think the time has come when steps should be taken to carry out the design of Congress in making the grant. If the State can ever establish an institution of learning, it can be done under as favourable auspices now, as at any future time. I do not believe it to be sound policy to establish a literary institution that shall come into rivalry with the various denominational colleges now struggling into existence. Those institutions should be encouraged, and not depressed. They can and will educate the young men who wish to enter the professions of law, physic and divinity. But the State has a greater want, than of lawyers and doctors. She wants educated farmers and mechanics, engineers, architects, chemists, metallurgists and geologists. She needs men engaged in the practical duties of life, who have conquered their professions, and who are able to impart their knowledge to others. She wants farmers who shall be familiar with the principles of chemistry as applied to agriculture; architects and mechanics, who will adorn her with edifices worthy of so fair a land; and engineers and geologists who will develop her resources, and thus augment the wealth and happiness of her citizens. This want can only be supplied by the establishment of a school of applied sciences. I have no hesitation, therefore, in recommending that the University fund be appropriated to establish a practical scientific or polytechnic school.

The State and County agricultural societies are doing much to improve agriculture and the industrial arts, and deserve encouragement from the government.

The General Assembly cannot be too urgently called on to take immediate steps to establish State charitable institutions. According to the most reliable information, there are now more than one hundred pauper insane persons in the State. One-half of these are confined in the common jails, and are thus placed beyond even a reasonable expectation of recovery; the other moiety are roaming at large, a terror to their friends and neighbors, and by exposure to exciting causes rendering their disease hopelessly incurable. Every dictate of humanity—every principle of sound public policy—demands, that the State should make immediate provision for the care and treatment of this unfortunate class of our fellow citizens.

There can be no question of a desire on the part of the people of the State, that their constitution should be amended. It is needless at this time to allude to the arguments that may be urged in favor of a change in that instrument. The amendments can only be made by a constitu-

all that portion of the original territory of Louisiana that lay north of the parallel of 36 degrees 30 minutes, was forever dedicated to freedom. By its repeal, it is attempted to subject that vast domain to the withering influences of African slavery.

This only compromise that favored freedom, was ruthlessly violated by the very men who were most clamorous for the maintenance of every compromise that favored slavery. It was done in defiance of the remonstrances of the people, and by a palpable violation of parliamentary rules. The motive with which it was done is apparent. Whilst its few supporters in the North attempt to justify the act, and shield the perpetrators from reproach, by appealing to the doctrine of *popular sovereignty*, its principal supporters in the South utterly repudiate that doctrine, and openly avow that they will never submit to it. The primary motive was to extend the area of slave territory, and thus give a political supremacy to the slave-holding States, by virtue of representation of slave property.

The federal government was established "to secure the blessings of liberty," and not to perpetuate and extend human bondage. Its founders intended to confine slavery to its then existing limits. It was with this settled conviction of the policy of the government, and with the universal opinion, moreover, that new territory could not be acquired by purchase, that the several States consented to that provision of the Constitution, which allows three-fifths of the slave population of the country to be enumerated, as the basis of representation in the electoral colleges, and in the House of Representatives. But, without any change of the Constitution, the whole policy of the government seems to be changed on this subject. Vast territories have been acquired. Five new slave States have been admitted into the Union from territory purchased with the common treasure of the country. The number of slaves has increased from 697,897, in 1790, to 3,204,313 in 1850, now represented by twenty-one votes in the electoral colleges and in Congress.

I trust that there is no citizen of Iowa, who desires the general government to interfere with slavery in the States of this Union. It is a local institution, and to the States that maintain it, belong its responsibilities and its perils. But whilst the people of the North should scrupulously regard the rights of others, they should manfully maintain their own. They are recreant to their own interests; they betray the rights of their posterity; they give a fatal blow to the principles of free

and equal government, when they consent to the creation of new slave States and a consequent further representation of slave property.

The removal of that great landmark of freedom, the Missouri Compromise line—when it had been sacredly observed until slavery had acquired every inch of soil south of it, has presented the aggressive character of that system broadly before the country. It has shown that all compromises with slavery, that are designed to favor freedom, are mere ropes of sand, to be broken by the first wave of passion or interest that may roll from the South. It has forced upon the country an issue between free labor, political equality and manhood on the one hand; and on the other, slave labor, political degradation and wrong. It becomes the people of the free States to meet that issue resolutely, calmly, and with a sense of the momentous consequences that will flow from its decision. To every elector, in view of that issue, might appropriately be applied the injunction anciently addressed to the Jewish King: "Be strong, and shew thyself a man."

It is both the interest and duty of the free States to prevent the increase and extension of the slave element of power, by every constitutional means. To do so successfully, they must adhere to the principles of the founders of the Republic. In the view of those principles, slavery is a local institution, depending wholly on State laws for its existence and continuance. Freedom being the natural condition of all men; and no authority being delegated to the General Government to establish or protect slavery, Congress can pass no law establishing or protecting it in the Territories. If Congress can pass no such law, much less can it delegate such authority to the Territorial Legislatures, over whose acts it has ever exercised a supervisory and restraining power. By a wide departure from constitutional principles, slavery has been tolerated in some of the Territories. Let such toleration forever cease. Let the government be brought back to its original purity. Let the principle be authoritatively announced and persistently adhered to, that there can be no slavery outside of State sovereignties. Let the government, in all its relations, be divorced from the system, and the agitation of this subject will cease, the conscience of the North will be quieted, and the rights of the people of the South fully sustained. It is only by an entire disconnection of the General Government from the institution of slavery, that the people of the free States can find safety and honor. In no other way can they maintain their poli-

tical equality, and stand acquitted before the bar of an enlightened public sentiment.

It becomes the State of Iowa,—the only free child of the Missouri Compromise—to let the world know that she values the blessings that compromise has secured to her, and that she will never consent to become a party to the nationalization of slavery.

I desire to co-operate with the General Assembly in every measure that may tend to promote the prosperity of the State.

I trust that our mutual counsels will be characterized by calmness and prudence; and I devoutly pray, that in our respective spheres, we may be guided by “that wisdom which is from above.”

## REPORT OF THE STATE TREASURER.

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
Iowa City, Nov. 10th, 1854. }

To His Excellency, STEPHEN HEMPSTEAD, Governor of Iowa.

SIR: In accordance with the 68th section of the "Code of Iowa," I have the honor to communicate to you the following Report of the Finances, from the first day of November, 1852, up to the thirty-first day of October, 1854, both days inclusive, to-wit:

Nov. 1, 1852, State revenue on hand,	\$8,602 88
The receipts, from the above date up to Oct. 31, 1854, were	114,946 87
Proceeds from the sale of the saline lands, up to Oct. 31, 1854,	10,515 70
<b>Total amount of receipts,</b>	<b>\$134,065 45</b>
<b>During the same period, there has been paid out on Auditor's warrants,</b>	<b>118,542 90</b>
<b>Leaving balance in the treasury of</b>	<b>\$15,522 55</b>

The Legislature, at its last session, passed a law entitled "An Act authorizing the Treasurer of State to collect certain money therein named;" and in obedience thereto, I visited Washington City and collected from the United States \$5,521 34, and placed the same in the State Treasury.

The same Legislature also passed a law appropriating \$400 00 for the purpose of procuring a "fire and-thief-proof salamander safe," for the use of the State Treasury; which has been purchased, and is now in this office.

All of which, is respectfully submitted.

MARTIN L. MORRIS,  
State Treasurer.

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### REPORT OF THE SALINE LAND AGENT.

*To the Hon. S. HEMPSTEAD, Governor of Iowa.*

SIR: In pursuance of, and in obedience to an appointment of your Excellency, as Saline Agent, I beg leave to make the following report, which will complete the selections with the exception of one section in the land district West of this, and contiguous to spring No. 8.

Selections contiguous to spring No. 1.

Section 1, Town 69, Range 17.

“	2	“	“	“	“
“	22	“	70	“	“
“	23	“	“	“	“
“	26	“	“	“	“

Excepting E.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , S. W.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which has been rejected. I supply it with E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 13, T. 70, R. 17.

Selections contiguous to spring No. 2:

Section 20, Town 70, Range 16.

“	21,	“	“	“	“
“	22,	“	“	“	“
“	35,	“	“	“	17.
W. $\frac{1}{2}$ “	10,	“	“	“	“
N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ “	10,	“	“	“	“
S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ “	9,	“	“	“	“

In lieu of Sec. 29, T. 70, R. 16, heretofore rejected, because selected twice.

Spring No. 3.—Selections supplying parts of Sections that have been either rejected or selected heretofore:

In lieu of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 2, T. 70, R. 17, I have selected S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 70, R. 17; and in lieu of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 35, T. 71, R. 17, we select the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 23, T. 70, R. 16.

Spring No. 4.—As in case No. 3, portions of contiguous lands have either been suspended or rejected:

In lieu of N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 31, T.



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70, R. 16, I selected E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 12, T. 69, R. 17; and in lieu of N.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and N.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 29, T. 70, R. 16, I selected S.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 19, T. 70, R. 16.

To this spring, it appears that only four contiguous sections have ever been selected. I therefore make up that omission by selecting the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 23, N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 24, and S.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 13, T. 70, R. 16.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct statement of saline lands selected by me to supply deficiencies occasioned by rejections, suspensions and omissions.

Witness my hand,

J. KEISTER, Agent.

June 29th, A. D. 1854..

In selecting these lands, it will be seen that, I have selected over some lands that have been suspended until the stake could show them to be the nearest vacant lands, suitable as contemplated by the law for the purpose, to the particular spring for which they were selected. This I found would take a great amount of labor to do, if indeed it could ever be done. Consequently, I re-selected them, knowing that they are now the nearest suitable sections to the respective springs; and as whole sections were not to be had in a reasonable distance, in one or two instances I have taken parts of sections to make a section to supply deficit.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Most if not all the lands that I have re-selected, have been sold by the State authorities, which makes it very necessary that the selections of them now, be approved by the General Government.

Very respectfully,

J. KEISTER,

Saline Land Agent.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF THE IOWA PENITENTIARY.

*To His Excellency, STEPHEN HEMPSTEAD, Governor of the State of Iowa.*

SIR: We, the undersigned, Inspectors of the Iowa Penitentiary, beg leave to report to your Excellency, that we have carefully examined the Report of the Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, and find it correct.

We take pleasure in reporting to you that during the entire administration of Mr. George Grigsby, present Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, he has conducted the affairs of the same with ability and economy.

All the officers connected with the Institution have been faithful to perform all their respective duties, and we would most earnestly recommend that their salaries be increased at least thirty per cent., as their pay is entirely inadequate.

There have been only two escapes from the prison since the present Warden took charge of the same, and for them he was not to blame in any way whatever.

Under an act of the General Assembly, approved January 13th, A. D. 1853, the Inspectors and Warden hired out to Messrs. J. H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, the labor of all the Convicts that are or may be received in the prison for the term of ten years, commencing on the 1st day of June, A. D., 1854, at thirty cents per day for the first year, and thirty-five for the remaining nine years.

In the contract with Messrs. Winterbotham & Headley, we agreed to furnish shops for the working of the convicts, and for that purpose we enlarged the shops at a cost of about fifteen hundred dollars, which work will be finished this fall, and will have to be provided for by an appropriation.

The following is a true copy of the contract between Messrs. Winterbotham & Headley with the Inspectors and Warden:

IOWA PENITENTIARY, April 6th, 1854.

This contract, made this 20th day of July, A. D. 1853, between the Warden and Inspectors of the Iowa Penitentiary of the one part and

John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley of the city of Columbus, Franklin county, Ohio, of the other part.

Now this agreement witnesseth ; that the said Warden and Inspectors aforesaid, for and in behalf of the State of Iowa, covenant and agree to hire, and let to the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, for the term of ten years from the first day of June, 1854, the labor and services of all the convicts now in the said Iowa Penitentiary, and also the labor and services of all other Convicts received into said Iowa Penitentiary during the term of years above mentioned, always excepting those Convicts, whose services are required in repairing, cleaning or cooking in said Penitentiary, which shall not exceed one for every ten men, to be selected by the Warden, together with those who may be sick, crippled or unfit for labor.

Said Convicts are to be employed by the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley in the manufacture of Wagons, Buggies, Harness, Saddletrees, Mechanical and Agricultural Implements, or in any other Mechanical trade which may be sanctioned by the Warden.

Such Convicts to be such as are generally denominated "Able bodied men." And the said Warden and Inspectors agree to furnish within the walls of the prison sufficient shop room for carrying on such business, and working Convicts to advantage, and room for Steam Engine, Boilers, etc., and for raw materials, sufficient for manufacturing purposes; also, that the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, shall have the privilege of going to and from said shops at all proper times to instruct Convicts in said trades, and the different branches of business carried on by John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, and to carry in and out materials, and manufactured articles; or the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, may employ suitable persons to do the same, they being (while in the Prison and shop) subject to all the rules and regulations established by the Warden and Inspectors; and the Warden and Inspectors further agree to keep the Convicts hired to the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, under good discipline, at the expense of the State.

And the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, agree to pay or cause to be paid for all the Convicts who may be employed by them to said Warden or to his successors in office, thirty (30) cents per day for the first year, and thirty-five cents per day for the remain-

ing nine years for each Convict so employed; no charge to be made for such Convict as may be disabled by sickness or otherwise from performing his ordinary labor, but whenever any of the Convicts shall have been taken into the employ of the said John H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley shall be unemployed for want of material to work upon or tools to work with, or for the want of necessary instructions in the business, said Winterbotham and Headley are then to be charged and to pay the same as if said convicts had been constantly employed :

And it is agreed by and between said parties, that all tools and implements are to be provided at the expense of said Winterbotham and Headley; the shops to be suitably warmed at the expense of the State. A uniform credit of four (4) months for the hire of said convicts to be given to the said Winterbotham and Headley, by which it is understood that they are to labor four (4) months and then said Winterbotham and Headley are to pay for one month's labor, and thus monthly thereafter. The same branches of business as are herein specified, or any that may be carried on by said Winterbotham and Headley by the consent of the Warden, are not to be carried on within the walls of the Prison in behalf of the State, or by any firm or individuals.

It is further understood that the said Winterbotham and Headley can not assign this contract without the consent of the said Iowa Penitentiary. It is hereby further understood that the said Winterbotham and Headley are to have the use of the tools now in the prison belonging to the State, which they hereby agree to return at the expiration of said term, to the State in good order, the same as when they received the same.

Each of the above named parties, have mutually interchanged a copy of this agreement, which they have also mutually signed.

JAMES D. EADS, }  
R. W. ALBRIGHT, } Inspectors.  
GEORGE GRIGSBY, Warden.

JOHN H. WINTERBOTHAM,  
W. D. HEADLEY,

By JOHN W. WINTERBOTHAM.

STATE OF IOWA, }  
 LEE COUNTY. } ss.

Be it remembered, that on this 20th day of July, A. D., 1853, before me, James M. Reid, a Notary Public, in and for said county and State, personally appeared James D. Eads, and R. W. Albright, Inspectors, and George Grigsby, Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, upon the one part, all personally known to be the identical persons, who affixed their names to the foregoing instrument as parties thereto; and the said John H. Winterbotham, also personally appeared before me, and W. D. Headley by John H. Winterbotham, to me personally known to be the identical person who affixed his name and the name of W. D. Headley, to the foregoing contract as parties thereto, and all of which the said several parties, acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed.

L. S.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and notarial seal, the day and year aforesaid.

JAMES M. REID, Notary Public.

I certify the above to be a true copy, as the same will appear on file in this office.

WILLIAM HINTON,

Clerk Iowa Penitentiary.

The indebtedness of the Iowa Penitentiary, up to the 30th day of September, A. D., 1854, is fifteen hundred and ten dollars and thirty-two and one-half cents, (\$1,510 32½). The assets of the prison up to same date, is one thousand and seventy-four dollars and seventy-three and one-half cents, (1,074 73½). There are at least one-third of the assets which are unavailable. This will leave the actual indebtedness of the prison at about seven hundred and fifty dollars. Add to this the probable amount, which it will cost to finish shops, etc., at \$750 more, and have the sum total of fifteen hundred dollars to be provided for by the Legislature.

It will be necessary to have an appropriation for the erection of at least eighteen cells at a cost of two hundred and fifty dollars each, amounting to four thousand five hundred dollars.

There should be an appropriation for the purchase of six of Colt's Navy Pistols, which will cost about two hundred dollars. Also, one thousand dollars to be placed at the disposal of the Inspectors, for incidental improvements, and one thousand five hundred dollars to pay current expenses over the income from the convict labor.

The ordinary expenses of the prison will be about three thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

This includes salaries of Guards, Provisions, Clothing, Bedding, Lights, Fuel, etc.

The ordinary receipts of the prison will be about two thousand dollars per annum, leaving about fifteen hundred dollars to be provided for by the Legislature, for the support of the prison each year.

We would most respectfully request the General Assembly to appoint a committee of three competent men of their own body to visit the prison, inspect the shops, and the mode of working the convicts in the same. Also examine the books and accounts of the Warden.

Mr. Richard Quinton, late Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, whose term of office expired in February, A. D. 1853, proved to be in default to the State in about five hundred dollars, since which time we have ordered the papers to be forwarded to the Attorney General for collection off the securities of Mr. Quinton.

We trust the Legislature will give this matter their early and favorable attention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. EADS, Chairman.

JOHN K. SCHWARTZ.

Fort Madison, Iowa, November 7, 1854.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND REGISTER OF  
THE DES MOINES RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS }  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA, }  
KEOSAUQUA, December 1st, 1854. }

*To the General Assembly of the State of Iowa.*

GENTLEMEN: In compliance with law, the Board of Public Works of the State of Iowa submit the following report of their official operations, since their election in April, 1853.

The present Board was elected by the people of the State of Iowa, under an act passed at the last session of the General Assembly of said State, which act so prescribed and defined their action that no contract except for the completion of the Des Moines river improvement to the greatest extent practicable could be effected and feeling desirous (until such contract could be made) of reducing the expenses of said work, the Board discharged all the assistant engineers that were found in the employ of the State, retaining only Guy Wells, Esq., the former chief engineer, under a contract to pay for services actually rendered. Thus reducing the expenses of engineers, from about \$4,000 to less than \$2,000 per annum.

No officers or persons have been employed by the Board, except when the necessities of the work imperatively demanded it.

The Board on entering upon the discharge of their official duties, believing the intent and spirit of the law, under which they were elected to be, to preserve unimpaired, as far possible, the munificent grant made by the General Government, for the improvement of the Des Moines river, until such times as it would answer the end had in view, have steadily avoided all expenses except such as were absolutely necessary to protect and advance the interests of the improvement, as will appear by the amount rendered, accompanying this report.

The work on the lock and dam at Keosauqua has progressed steadily, under the original contract, executed by the former Board, and is now in such a state of forwardness as will secure the completion of said work early next season.

The work at Farmington, originally contracted to Messrs. J. McCune & Co., is also progressing under the control of Jonas Houghton, Esq., assignee of Messrs. McCune & Co.

In this contract the Register of said improvement, acting at the time as the entire Board, made such alterations as the necessities of the case required.

Since the work has been under the control of Mr. Houghton, it has progressed rapidly towards its final completion, and will no doubt, be ready for the passage of water-crafts before the expiration of his contract time.

In consequence of the increased size of the locks, as well as depth of water provided for in the contracts with the Des Moines Navigation Rail Road Company, and the consequent change in the foundations of the work at Keosauqua and Farmington, the contractors on the works have, necessarily, been retarded in their operations during the past season.

Yet there can be but little doubt that the contractors will be able to complete those works during the coming season.

It is with pleasure that we are able to announce that the river has been cleaned of snags, boulders, and other obstructions to navigation, during the official term of the present Board, to such an extent as to make the navigation of said river, at proper stages of water, safe and reliable.

Under the act above referred to, two Assistant Commissioners, Geo. G. Wright, Esq., and Uriah Biggs, Esq., were appointed for the purpose of aiding the Commissioner in effecting a contract for the entire and final completion of the improvement, in accordance with the terms of the law under which they were elected and appointed.

The Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, adopting the feelings and interests of the people, manifested through their Representatives in the General Assembly, by the enactment of a law, which should secure the early completion of the improvement of the Des Moines river to the greatest practical extent, immediately entered into correspondence with such persons and companies as were thought likely to embark in such an enterprise. By this means they effectually succeeded in enlisting the attention and interests of capitalists and contractors in the importance and magnitude of the work; a number of whom came into the State for the purpose of investigating the probable results of an investment of their capital and time



in this enterprise. Such persons, by a thorough and careful examination of the entire Des Moines valley, would make themselves fully acquainted with the Des Moines river, its peculiar adaptation to an improvement by a system of dams and locks, the vast agricultural resources of the country, the immense coal fields through which the improvement passes, (innumerable veins of which are now open on the banks of the river,) the fine quality and superabundance of stone for building and other purposes, the large beds of hydraulic lime, all of which enter so largely into the consumption of the country, that the tonage upon this improvement, when completed, is incalculable, and upon their return eastward, impart to others the information so obtained, thus giving to the eastern world, a reliable knowledge of the Des Moines river, its best resources, which heretofore had been to them, a sealed book.

The services of the Commissioners in their efforts to accomplish the wish of the Legislative Assembly, will be perceived by the present report.

On the 17th day of December, 1853, Henry O'Reilly, Esq., of New York, entered into a contract with the Commissioners in which, for the consideration of the unsold lands belonging to the improvement and the tolls, water rents and other profits arising from the work, for the term of forty years, agreed to complete the entire work within the period of four years, from the first day of July, 1854, according to the original surveys and specifications made by the engineers of said improvement, and on file in the office of the Register of said work.

Immediately upon entering into this contract with the State of Iowa, Mr. O'Reilly returned to the east, and by his influence and energy, succeeded in organizing a company under the laws of Iowa, known as the Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, composed of able and reliable capitalists; to whom Mr. O'Reilly assigned his contract with the State, himself being a member and one of the officers of said company.

On the 9th day of June, 1854, by the consent and request of Mr. O'Reilly, made in writing, (a copy of which is hereto attached, marked A.) and the officers on the part of the State of Iowa, the O'Reilly contract was cancelled and a contract similar to the former was executed between the officers of the Des Moines Navigation and Rail

Road Company, for and on behalf of said company, and the Commissioners for and on behalf of the State of Iowa.

In this contract the company agree to pay all the outstanding debts against the improvement, within ninety days from the date of said contract, to settle and pay all damages against the State of Iowa, on account of the prosecution of said work, to mill owners or others, who have or may hereafter sustain damages on account of the same, to pay the salaries and expenses of the officers and engineers in charge of said work, to complete the improvement from the mouth of the Des Moines river, to Fort Des Moines, in accordance with the original plan and specifications of the State Engineer, by the first day of July, 1858, and to construct the work in such a manner, as to ensure the navigation of the same for the longest period each year practicable, and to complete at least one fourth of the work each and every year, commencing on the first day of July, 1854.

In consideration of the above and other agreements and covenants contained in said contract by said company, the Commissioners have agreed to convey to the said company, in manner and form set forth in said contract, (a copy of which is hereunto annexed, marked B.) all the unsold lands belonging to said improvement, and give to said company the use of the work, the tolls and the water-rents under certain conditions, as in said contract specified, for the term of forty-one years from the first day of July, 1858.

A supplemental contract, (a copy of which accompanies this report, marked C.) of same date of the last mentioned, was executed between the Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company and the Commissioners of the Des Moines River Improvement, in which the company covenant and agree to enlarge the Locks from the original size of one hundred and seventy-five feet, to two hundred feet, and also to so locate and construct the Draws and Locks, as to increase the depth of water to four and a half feet, and otherwise improve the character of said work, so as to secure the Navigation of the river to a larger and more desirable class of boats; thus adding largely to the commercial and manufacturing advantages, intended to be afforded by the Improvement.

As a further consideration for the above additions to the work, by the company, the commissioners by said supplemental contract have given the said company an extension of the term of the use and control of the work, to sixty years, instead of forty-one, as under the original contract.

The officers of the State deemed the execution of this supplemental contract of vital importance to the State, guaranteeing as it does an enlargement of the Locks and an increased depth of the water so as to admit of the navigation of the river by a class of boats of at least four hundred tons burthen, at all seasons of the year when the navigation is not obstructed by ice; a class of boats which are in the most common use on the Upper Mississippi and Ohio rivers, may without difficulty navigate the Desmoines to the head of the improvement, at Fort Desmoines, or such other point above Fort Desmoines as it may be found practicable, to improve said river by slack water, when the work shall be completed, as anticipated by this contract. This will prove of incalculable importance to the commercial interests of the valley, as it at once suspends the necessity of reshipment at the mouth of the river, or at any point on the river.

All ordinary sized boats that now navigate the Upper Mississippi and its tributaries, may receive their loading at any point on the north western rivers, and land it at any point on the Des Moines river; thus saving to shippers the expense of reshipment, storage, commissions, etc., which under the original contract, would necessarily have been incurred.

Subsequent to the execution of the supplemental contract of the 9th of June, 1854, on a view of the Upper Desmoines river country, and on an examination of the plats at the office of Register, it was found that the lands below Fort Dodge had been disposed of and the moneys applied to said improvement, to a much greater extent than had been previously understood by either of the Commissioners, or the Desmoines Navigation Rail Road Company, although the amount of land originally estimated, was found not to be too large, yet their location being much higher up the river, and consequently at present not so valuable.

In consequence of this misunderstanding the Company claimed a further extension of the use and control of the improvement, under the circumstances a majority of the board were convinced that the Company had labored under a misapprehension in the premises, and that they had been unintentionally misled in their information derived from persons entirely disconnected with the work, in regard to the location of the unsold lands belonging to the Desmoines River grant.

A majority of the Commissioners entered into an article of agreement (a copy of which accompanies this report, marked D) with the

Company, in which they promise to extend the time of the Company's use and control of the work, to seventy-five years, in consideration of the faithful compliance on the part of the Company of their original and supplemental contract.

In consenting, as a majority of the Board have, to the execution of a contract, which shall pass the improvement from the possession of the State, for so long a period of time, you can be assured it has not been done without a due consideration of the interests of the State. The responsibility involved in effecting a contract of the immense magnitude of the present, the Commissioners have been slow to assume. But we are of opinion that the circumstances which surround the enterprise and the beneficial consequences which must inevitably follow a literal fulfilment of the engagements of the parties fully guarantees the Commissioners in their action. It has long been a source of complaint by the citizens of the State, that the grant of lands by the General Government for the improvement of Iowa's favorite stream, had been injudiciously applied, that while from the mode of carrying on the work in the manner it had previously been conducted, the grant was fast being expended with but little, if any, practicable beneficial results to the State. Hence the enactment of the law at the last session of the General Assembly of Iowa, which confined the officers to the making of contracts which would secure the improvement of said river, to the greatest extent practicable. As before stated, the officers of the State entered upon the discharge of their official duties with the consideration that the spirit and intent of the law under which they were elected, was enacted with a view to prevent the lands from being applied to the construction of broken and scattered works, which could produce but local benefits, and to secure as soon as possible, and on the best terms, a contract that would effect the completion of the entire work. To this end the Board have directed their entire energies. They have spared no efforts to conclude the most favorable contract (looking at the completion of the entire work,) that could be effected for the State under the circumstances that the work was placed, and they are gratified to learn, so far as their observation has extended, that their acts have met with almost universal favor by the citizens of the valley.

Could the desired end have been obtained, so that the State could have retained the possession of the improvement after completed, it would have been a source of great satisfaction to the Board, as well as

a source of profit to the State. But the Board are of the confident opinion that the lands have been so far expended in what has already been done, that the time would never have come, when the proceeds of the lands alone would have completed the work. It has not been without some considerable difficulty, during the past few years, that the attention of capitalists could be attracted to the subject and importance of slack water improvements. Rail Roads seemed to be the all absorbing topic of interest which has occupied the public mind. To Iowa, as a State, and particularly to the central portion of the State, the Board regards the efficient and complete improvement of the Des Moines River of vastly greater importance to their interests, than the most complete and efficient system of rail roads, that could be devised or constructed. In addition to the commercial facilities consequent on the slack water navigation of the river, a water power that will prove almost inexhaustible, will be created by the construction of the work.

Iowa, with her river improved, as contemplated by this contract, with unobstructed navigation to her rich and heavy beds of gypsum, on the Upper Desmoines, (of which David Dale Owen, United States Geologist, says for thickness of extent this is by far the most important bed of plaster stone known west of the Appalachian chain if not in the United States, there is every reason to believe that it occupies an area of from two to three miles square, retaining an average thickness of twenty feet; perhaps, double that thickness at certain points.) an immense water power created, that is hardly equalled in this Union, and natural and other artificial advantages, which will be constructed, will within a few years be unrivalled in her commercial and manufacturing wealth and facilities by any Western State, if not among the first States of this Union.

As before stated, the officers for the State, in view of the advantages to be derived from the early completion of this improvement, and in obedience to the expressed will of the people, through their Representatives, have lost no opportunity, which, in their estimation, would bring about the desired result. The liberal donations of public lands by the General Government, which has heretofore realized to the State comparatively but of little value, under this contract will complete the entire work, and thus secure the end had in view at the time of its donation.

It will be seen by the contract that, although the work, when completed, will pass into the possession of the Company for the term of

years specified, that the State still holds a controlling interest in it, no impositions can be practised on the people in the way of exorbitant tolls or water rents. No description of water crafts can be excluded from the navigation of the river, and that at the end of the time the work reverts to the State, and must be in good repair and condition.

The Commissioner and Register would improve the present opportunity to state that much credit is due to Geo. G. Wright, Esq., and Uriah Biggs, Esq., the able and efficient Assistant Commissioners, for their zealous interests manifested in the advancement of the interests of the improvement, and for their efficient aid and assistance afforded by them in the conclusion of the contracts that have been effected.

[No. 1.]

JOSIAH H. BONNEY, in account with Des Moines River Improvement.

Dr.

1853.		
June 30,	To cash received of Register on draft No. 1	\$12,267 00
August 6,	“ “ “ “ “ 2	7,789 30
Sept. 1,	“ “ “ “ “ 3	2,000 00
Dec.	“ “ “ “ “ 4	5,000 00
1854.		
Jan. 30,	“ “ “ “ “ 5	10,000 00
	“ “ “ “ “ 6	2,608 85
Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, on contract for furnishing the improvement,		55,000 00
		<u>\$94,664 15</u>

Cr.

By amount paid for work at Farmington in re-		
moving old dam - - - - -	\$1,268 32	
Repairs at Bonaparte, - - - - -	72 54	
Paid for work at Croton, - - - - -	1,099 32	
“ “ “ Bentonsport, - - - - -	5,732 46	
Removing dam at Plymouth, - - - - -	1,410 50	
“ snags at Belfast and Nassau, - - - - -	75 00	
Work at Keosauqua, - - - - -	5,349 00	
Legislative Committee, - - - - -	257 54	
Salary of Assistant Commissioners, - - - - -	106 00	
Engineers, - - - - -	696 45	
Storage, Iron, &c., - - - - -	1,130 97	
Law Fees - - - - -	375 00	
Drafts drawn on Bangs and protested, - - - - -	4,456 51	
Interest on bonds, - - - - -	728 47	
Award to Allender & Corts, - - - - -	4,215 45	
On Certificates, - - - - -	64,097 72	
Jesse Williams & Co. on bonds, - - - - -	2,583 85	
Salary of Commissioners and incidental expenses,	1,717 10	
		<u>\$95,372 40</u>
Due Commissioners - - - - -		708 25

[No. 2.]

GEORGE GILLASPY in account with Des Moines River Improvement.

	Dr.	Cr.
Amount of lands sold by me from the 23d day of May, 1853, to the 30th of Nov., 1854, inclusive, - - - - -	Acres. 74,204	100th 05
At \$1, 25 per acre, - - - - -	\$92,755	06
There were 478 21-100 acres of above lands sold at \$2, per acre, - - - - -	358	65
Amount received from Paul C. Jeffries, late Register, &c., - - - - -	1,625	40
Showing sum total - - - - -	\$94,739	11
Amount paid J. H. Bonney, Commissioner, on his several drafts, as follows:		
No. 1, . - - - - -		\$12,267 00
" 2, - - - - -		7,789 30
" 3, - - - - -		2,000 00
" 4, - - - - -		5,000 00
" 5, - - - - -		10,000 00
" 6, - - - - -		2,608 85
Total, - - - - -		\$39,664 85
Amount paid by self, as Commissioner and Register, as shown by books and vouchers, in this office, - - - - -		\$53,214 02
Amount of money on hand at this date,		\$1,860 24
Showing sum total,		\$94,739 11

GEORGE GILLASPY, Register, &c:

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DES MOINES RIVER IMPROVEMENT,  
OTTUMWA, IOWA, November 30, A. D. 1854,



[A.]

Release executed by Henry O'Reilly, Esq., of his contract for the improvement of the Desmoines river, dated December 17th, 1853, to the "Desmoines Navigation and Rail Road Company."

Whereas, I did, on the 17th day of December, 1853, enter into a contract with Josiah H. Bonney, as Commissioner, and Uriah Biggs, and George G. Wright, Esq., as Assistant Commissioners of the Desmoines River Improvement, (so called), for the prosecution and completion of said improvement, and did afterwards, on the 18th day of April, 1854, make an addition and amendment to said contract, with the said officers.

And, whereas, for the better accomplishment of the objects of that contract and amendment, I have enlisted the aid of capitalists and caused the organization of a corporation known as the Desmoines Navigation and Rail Road Company, of which I am a member, and to which corporation I assigned my interest in that contract and amendment.

Now, therefore, I consent and agree to waive any and all advantages accruing to me individually under said contract and amendment; and I consent and agree that, for the purpose of simplifying and more fully explaining the said contract and amendment, I will waive any and all advantages accruing to me under said contract and amendment, and release the said Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, and the State of Iowa, from all liability to me individually in any manner thereunder; and I consent and desire that said Commissioners shall enter into an agreement directly with the Desmoines Navigation and Rail Road Company, aforesaid, for the prosecution of the work substantially in the manner contemplated by the contract of the 17th December, 1853, and the amendment of April 18th, 1854, made with myself individually.

In witness whereof, I set my hand this 8th day of June, 1854, at the town of Keosauqua, in Iowa.

Signed,

HENRY O'REILLY.

[B.]

Articles of agreement made and entered into this 9th day of June, 1854, by and between the Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Iowa, party of the first part, and the State of Iowa, by Josiah H. Bonney, Commissioner of the Des Moines river improvement, by and with the consent and approval of Uriah Biggs and George G. Wright, Assistant Commissioners, in the State of Iowa, and in behalf of the State of Iowa, party of the second part ;

WITNESSETH :

That, whereas, the Commissioners before named, have heretofore entered into an agreement with Henry O'Reilly, bearing date the 17th day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty-three, and an additional and explanatory agreement, dated April 18th, 1854, for the completion of the Des Moines river improvement ; and which said agreements, contracts, and all rights of said Henry O'Reilly, by and with the consent and approval of both parties thereto, have been assigned and transferred to, and for the benefit of the Des Moines Navigation, and Rail Road Company ; and in pursuance of a stipulation of the said party of the second part, made simultaneously with said agreements, and to carry the same fully into effect.

The said parties for the purpose of simplifying and more fully explaining the said contracts and agreements, the said Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, of the first part, and the said Josiah H. Bonney, Commissioner, with the consent and approval of Uriah Biggs and George G. Wright, Assistant Commissioners, of the second part, hereby enter into the following

#### AGREEMENT :

*First*—The said party of the first part, doth hereby covenant and agree, to and with the party of the second part, for considerations hereinafter named, to make and finish the Des Moines River improvement, from the Mississippi river, to Raccoon Forks, on said Des Moines river. The said improvement to be made according to the plan and specifica-

tions of the engineer of said improvement, heretofore made and determined upon, as to style, character and quality of work, from the town of St. Francisville, on said river, to said Raccoon Forks, except that the said party of the first part, may improve the style and character of the work, and enlarge the size of the locks, as hereinafter provided; and so far as relates to the said work below the said town of St. Francisville, the same shall be done and completed upon such plan as may be determined upon by the engineer employed on said work, in connection with Wm. J. McAlpine, late State Engineer of the State of New York, as consulting engineer, or such other consulting engineer, as the said party of the first part shall select for that purpose; provided that all said work shall be done and completed in a substantial manner, so as to secure the navigation of said river to the fullest extent, and for the longest period each year practicable; and provided further that the said party of the first part, shall not be required to expend below the said town of St. Francisville, in said improvement, more than the sum of three hundred thousand dollars; and provided also, that during the progress of the work, the said party of the first part, their successors or representatives, by and with the consent of the engineer in charge of the work, may alter or change the style and character of the work, or locations of either of the locks, dams, or canals, or all of them, or any part thereof; Provided no change shall be made authorizing an inferior kind of work, or the use of less valuable materials, or lessening the capacity of said locks, or of any piece of canal necessary for the use of any of said locks, or diminishing in usefulness or value, the said general improvement; and in case of any disagreement between the engineer in charge of said work, and the party of the first part, or their successors, in reference to the proposed sites or locations, or modes of constructing the locks, dams or otherwise, the matters in difference, shall be submitted for arbitration to a consulting engineer, or other person to be agreed upon by both parties to this contract, whose decision upon the points submitted, shall be conclusive upon all parties.

*Second*—The said party of the first part, further agrees to and with the party of the second part, to complete all said work from the River Mississippi to said Raccoon Forks, on or before the first day of July, 1858; and, in like manner, undertakes and covenants, to complete at least one-fourth part of said work each and every year, commencing on the first day of July, 1854.

*Third*—The said party of the first part, doth further covenant and

agree with the said party of the second part, to pay and discharge any and all debts of every kind and description, outstanding against the said Desmoines River improvement, on the 23d day of December last, within ninety days from the date of this contract; provided that the whole amount of said debts shall not exceed the sum of sixty thousand dollars; and to meet and discharge said liabilities, the said Desmoines Navigation and Rail Road Company have deposited with, and paid over to the said Josiah H. Bonney, Commissioner, the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars; and it is hereby agreed, that the said party of the first part, shall have and is hereby entitled to all moneys due and owing to the said improvement, from the General Government, and all claims and demands against the said General Government, and all sums of money due from any other source, as also all sums of money now in the hands of said Register, or that were in his hands on the 17th day of December last, or that may have been received by him, or have been in his hands on account of said improvement, at any time since the said 17th day of December, 1853; and the said sums of money in the said Register's hands, on the said 17th day of December, or that may have been in his hands at any time since, may be applied to the payment of any portions of the above named debts, or for any debts incurred since the 17th day of December, in prosecuting the said improvement, and shall be, by the said Register, accounted for, to the the said Desmoines Navigation and Rail Road Company.

*Fourth.*—All claims by mill owners, or other persons, for damages or rights of way, or other necessary privileges in the prosecution of said work, as well as all other claims for damages, shall be settled for, by the said party of the first part, and on such terms as they may deem best; and the title to all such rights of way so procured, shall be taken and vest in the State of Iowa, subject to the rights of the party of the first part therein, as in this contract mentioned; and all work now progressing under contracts existing on the said 17th day of December last, at the dams and locks at Belfast, Farmington, and Keosauqua, shall progress and be carried on under and according to the terms of the respective contracts then existing in relation thereto, if the said contractors shall so elect, and shall be paid for, by the said party of the first part, on the estimates made by the engineer from time to time.

*Fifth.*—The said party of the first part, doth hereby further agree and covenant, that the salaries of the Commissioner and Register, of

said improvement, and the salaries of the Engineer, and such assistants as may be required in the prosecution of said work, shall by them be paid from time to time, as the same shall become due and payable; provided, that the salaries of the Commissioner and Register of said improvement, shall not be greater than that now fixed by law, and the salaries of the engineer and assistants, shall be such as may be agreed upon by said Commissioner, by and with the advice and consent of the party of the first part.

*Sixth.*—The said party of the first part, further agrees and covenants, that in all cases where *bona fide* settlement was made on any of the lands belonging to said improvement, which were unsurveyed on the 24th day of January, 1853, the settlers on said lands so unsurveyed, shall have the right to purchase at any time within one year, after said lands are surveyed: their said lands, under the rules and regulations established by the Commissioner and Register, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; but no such settler or claimant shall be entitled so to purchase, more than one hundred and sixty acres.

*Seventh.*—The said improvement shall be prosecuted in such manner as not to unnecessarily impede the navigation of said river, during the construction of said work; but in all cases the locks shall be constructed and finished, so as to allow the passage of boats and other water crafts, before any material obstructions shall be created by the erection of dams.

*Eighth.*—The said party of the second part, on their part, hereby covenants and agrees, with the said party of the first part, to sell and convey to the said party of the first part, in manner, and upon the terms hereinafter provided, all of the lands donated to the State of Iowa, for the improvement of the Des Moines River, by act of Congress, of August 8th, 1846, which the said party of the second part, had not sold up to the 23d day of December, 1853; for which said lands, the said party of the first part covenants and agrees, in manner and form, as fixed by this agreement, to pay the sum of thirteen hundred thousand dollars.

*Ninth.*—The said party of the second part, hereby transfer and assign to, and hereby invest in, the said party of the first part, any and all stone, timber, and all other materials of every kind and description, belonging to said improvement, now remaining along the line of said work, or elsewhere, and hereby give said party of the first part,

full power and authority to use and controll the same as they may deem proper, in connection with said improvement.

*Tenth.*—The said party of the second part, further covenants and agrees, that the parties of the first part, their successors and assigns, shall, from the date hereof, have full possession and control of all locks and dams now completed, and shall from time to time, as each lock and dam is completed, have the control and possession thereof; and when the whole work is completed, shall have the entire and exclusive possession and control thereof, for forty years from the 1st day of July, 1858, and shall from this date have the right to control and receive as herein provided, all tolls and water rents, accruing from said improvement, and to make such contract or contracts, or agreements, and fix such rates in relation thereto, as they may deem proper; provided always, that this grant of said tolls and water rents, is made subject to the following express conditions:

1st. That the tolls to be taken and received by the said party of the first part, shall in no event exceed the rates of tolls allowed and chargeable on the Monongahela improvement in the State of Pennsylvania, on the 5th day of February, 1851,

2d. All contracts now outstanding, between the Commissioner and Register, or either of them, with reference to the water rents, with any individual or individuals, shall be carried out by the said party of the first part. And nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to interfere with said contracts; but the money arising therefrom shall belong to, and become the property of the said party of the first part, in the same manner as all other water rents, as fixed by this contract.

3d. All moneys arising from said tolls and water rents, on the entire work, after deducting the necessary contingent expenses attending the superintendence of the locks, and the collection of said rents and tolls, and the repairs of said works, during the time fixed for the completion of said works, shall be reported to the Register of the Desmoines River Improvement, semi-annually, and shall be expended by the said parties of the first part, in said improvement; but such sums shall not be taken into the estimates upon which lands are to be transferred to the party of the first part, but shall constitute a portion of the one million three hundred thousand dollars, to be expended by the party of the first part, and of the aggregate sum expended by the party of the first part, in said improvement.

4th. At the expiration of said forty years, the said works shall re-

vert to, and become the property of the State of Iowa, and shall be in ordinary repair for their respective uses.

ELEVENTH.—The said party of the second part, hereby covenants and agrees that whenever the said party of the first part, shall have done work to the amount of thirty thousand dollars, according to estimates to be made by the acting engineer under the scale of prices fixed in this contract, the said party of the second part, or the then proper agent or officer or officers of the State, shall transfer and convey to the said party of the first part, or to the then Register of said improvement, or such other person as the party of the first part may direct, an amount in value of the lands belonging to said improvement, valued at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, to the amount of said thirty thousand dollars, deducting fifteen per cent, and so on in the same manner on each estimate of thirty thousand dollars, until work shall be done to the amount of thirteen hundred thousand dollars, if so much land shall remain unsold from and after the said 23d day of December, A. D. 1853, or until said work shall be completed. And upon the expenditure of said thirteen hundred thousand dollars, or the completion of said works, all of said lands remaining unconveyed, if any, shall be transferred and conveyed to the said party of the first part, or their assigns, or to such person or persons as they shall direct. And all moneys paid by the party of the first part, to the Register of the Des Moines River Improvement, or to the Commissioner thereof, in payment of the liabilities resulting from the former prosecution of the work by the State of Iowa, shall, without requiring any estimate to be made thereof by the engineer, be deemed to be a portion of the sums expended in the said improvement by the said party of the first part. And the said Register shall convey to the party of the first part, or such person or persons as they shall designate, a quantity of land, estimated at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, equal to the amount of cash thus paid; and the said sums thus paid, shall form part of the thirteen hundred thousand dollars mentioned in this contract.

TWELFTH.—For the purpose of determining the lands which the said party of the first part, shall have the right to select on estimates made, as contemplated by the last section, it is agreed that, within a reasonable time after concluding this contract, the said party of the first part, shall have all the unsold lands in this contract mentioned, divided into three classes, according to value, and thereafter they shall

take one-third of such amounts as they may from time to time be entitled to, from each class. And for all moneys expended until such classification, they shall have the right to take said lands, as they remain unsold, commencing with the lands lowest down on the river, making no distinction in quality or value. And for the purpose of classifying said lands, unless a commissioner is mutually agreed upon, each party may choose or select a commissioner, who shall mutually agree upon such classification. And in case of disagreement, the said two commissioners shall select a third, and the decision of a majority shall be conclusive. The expenses of said commission, shall be defrayed by the party of the first part; and the records of such classification, duly certified by the said commissioners or a majority of them, shall be filed with the Register of the Des Moines Improvement, for reference by and government of both parties under this contract. The River-Land Office, for the sale of lands belonging to the Des Moines Improvement, having, in accordance with the contract with Henry O'Reilly heretofore referred to, been closed on the 23d day of December last, the said office shall remain closed for the entry or sale of lands, excepting by the direction of the party of the first part.

THIRTEENTH.—It is understood and agreed between the said parties, that in the conveyance of lands as contemplated by this contract, all moneys advanced by said parties of the first part, for salaries and pay of officers or agents or servants, for rights of way, damages to mill owners, and other matters not covered by actual works done on the improvement, shall be included in making estimates; but the moneys that were in the hands of the Register on the 17th day of December last, and the value of the materials on hand, (which shall be used,) shall not be included for estimates.

FOURTEENTH.—And it is also agreed and covenanted, between the parties hereto, that the following shall be the prices for the different items of work mentioned, upon which the engineer is to make his estimates, and by which the parties are to be governed in the conveyance of land, and other purposes contemplated in this agreement—adding twenty *per centum* to the aggregate amount of all estimates, to cover all contingencies—to-wit:

Preparing lock foundation, \$3,000

Masonry in lock walls, \$5 per perch.

do in side walls, \$3.50 per perch.

Hydraulic cement, \$3 per barrel.



Lock gates and all fixtures, \$2,500

Square timber, 14 cents per foot.

Oak plank, \$2.25 per 100 feet, board measure.

Crib-filling in dams and abutments, \$1 per perch.

Stone protection, rip-rap, \$1.15 per perch.

Embankments around locks, 20 cents per yard.

Excavation on canals: when the dirt is wasted, 20 cents per yard; when the dirt is used in embankments, 15 cents per yard for the excavation, and 15 cents per yard for the embankment.

Excavation of rock under water, \$2 per perch.

Excavation of rock above water, \$1 per perch.

Iron bolts, spikes and other irons, 8 cents per pound.

Round timber, 11 cents per foot.

Excavations for foundations, 40 cents per yard.

And all items not embraced and enumerated above, shall be rated according to the estimates of the engineer in charge.

The engineer or engineers in charge of said work, shall, from time to time as shall be found convenient, be appointed by the joint assent of both parties hereto.

FIFTEENTH.—All the work on said improvement, during the progress thereof, shall be and remain under the general supervision of the Board of Public Works and engineers, except as herein modified; and all works, as far as practicable, shall be so conducted as to perfect the navigation in a continuous line, from the mouth of the river upwards, to Fort Desmoines.

SIXTEENTH.—That, for the purpose of providing more effectually for securing the improvement of the Des Moines river, to the greatest practicable extent, and at the earliest practicable period, the party of the first part, shall have the right to such tolls and water-rents as they can collect on the river above Fort Des Moines, for a similar period to that provided for the use of the river, below Fort Desmoines under this contract; provided, they shall, within eight years, at their own expense, improve the river, so as to render it navigable for boats of at least two hundred tons burthen, to the Lizzard Forks, or Fort Dodge, or such other point above Fort Desmoines, as they may find it practicable; provided further, that no higher average of tolls shall be charged on vessels or rafts, or articles transported, than the maximum allowed on the section of the river between the Mississippi riv-

er and Fort DesMoines ; and, provided also, that at the end of said period in this section first named, the improvement on said upper region of the river, above Fort DesMoines, shall be surrendered to and become the property of the people of the State of Iowa, upon the payment to the party of the first part, or their successors, of such sum as the said improvement may be worth at the time, as determined by appraisers, to be mutually agreed upon.

SEVENTEENTH.—The same right which is now, or may hereafter be given by law, to the said Board of Public Works, to condemn lands in procuring right of way for the location of dams, locks, water-power, and canals, shall be, and is hereby given to the party of the first part ; and in procuring the same, they may, if necessary, use the name of the said Board of Public Works, or that of the State ; and the Board shall assist therein, in accordance with the general spirit of the contract.

EIGHTEENTH.—The said party of the first part, hereby covenants and agrees, that the State shall not be liable to them in this contract, but will look alone to the funds belonging to, and arising from the said improvement, for compensation as herein before mentioned ; and the said party of the second part does hereby agree, that the indebtedness named in the third section of this contract, shall exceed the sum of sixty thousand dollars, the time for the use of said improvement by said company, shall be extended one year beyond the time named in the tenth section of this contract, to-wit : the first day of July, in the year 1899, (eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.)

NINETEENTH.—The fifteen per cent. raised in the conveyance of land by section eleventh, of this contract, shall be esteemed and taken as a part of the thirteen hundred thousand dollars, agreed to be paid by the said party of the first part, in this agreement.

In witness whereof, the parties of the first part, by their President and Secretary, have hereunto subscribed their names and placed their corporate seal ; and the party of the second part, by the Commissioners aforesaid, have also affixed their names and seals, the day and year aforesaid :

Official  
seal of the  
Desmoines  
Navigation  
and R. R.  
Company.

ORVILLE CLARK,  
President.

HENRY O'REILLY,  
Secretary of Desmoines Navigation and R. R. Company.

JOSIAH H. BONNEY, { seal. }

Commissioner of Desmoines River Improvement.

URIAH BIGGS, { seal. }

GEO. G. WRIGHT, { seal. }

[C.]

## SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, by the foregoing agreement, bearing date the 9th day of June, instant, the DesMoines Navigation and Rail Road Company of the one part, and the State of Iowa, by Josiah H. Bonney, Commissioner of the Desmoines river improvement, by and with the consent and approval of Uriah Biggs and George G. Wright, Assistant Commissioners of the said improvement, of the other part, have contracted and provided for the completion of the said improvement from the mouth of said DesMoines river to the Raccoon Fork on the terms and according to the plans and specifications in the said contract provided; and it being deemed desirable to enlarge the said locks, and the capacity of such canals, as may be built in the prosecuting said improvement, under said agreement:

Now, therefore, this additional and supplementary agreement, witnesseth:

That the said DesMoines Navigation and Rail Road Company, of the first part for and in consideration of the covenants herein contained, do covenant and agree with the State of Iowa, by the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, herein before mentioned, to build the said locks provided to be built in the said agreement of the ninth of June, instant, two hundred feet long, in the same proportion that the present locks and plans provide for their being one hundred and seventy-five feet long; and that they shall be so constructed as to secure four and one half feet of water, on the lower mitre sill, and to secure a navigation of at least four and a half feet of water. And the canals shall be so constructed, as to give at least four and a half feet of water, with suitable dimensions for boats or vessels navigating the same, with such depth of water at the locks and in the canals; and in all other respects, the said work is to be done under and in pursuance of the terms and conditions of the said contract of the ninth of June, instant.

And the said party of the second part, the said State of Iowa, by the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, aforesaid, do covenant and agree with the party of the first part, that the said party of the first part, shall have and enjoy the said work, its use, rights and

privileges, its tolls, water-rents, and franchises, for the term of sixty years, from the first day of July, 1858, fully and absolutely, as is provided in the said agreement of the ninth of June, instant, for forty years; and on the same terms therein provided; saving and excepting that, from and after the first day of July, (1913) one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, until the first day of July, (1918,) one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, the said party of the first part shall pay into the Treasury of the State of Iowa, seven per centum of the nett amount of the tolls and water-rents received on the said improvement, from the said Raccoon Fork, to the mouth of the said Des Moines river, after deducting all expenses of repairs, superintendence and other proper charges.

In testimony whereof, the said party of the first part, by their President and Secretary, have hereunto subscribed their names, and affixed their corporate seal; and the party of the second part, by the Commissioners aforesaid, have subscribed their names and affixed their seals, this ninth day of June, 1854, (one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.)



ORVILLE CLARK,  
President.  
HENRY O'REILLY,  
Secretary of the Des Moines Navigation  
and Rail Road Company.

JOSIAH H. BONNEY, { seal. }  
Commissioner, etc.

URIAH BIGGS. { seal. }

GEORGE G. WRIGHT. { seal. }

[D.]

*Agreement between the State of Iowa, by the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, and the Des Moines Navigation and Railroad Company.*

Whereas, a misapprehension has mutually existed, by and between the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Des Moines River Improvement and the Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road

Company, in reference to the amount of unsold land belonging to said improvement, situate below Fort Dodge, or the Lizard's Fork ; and the agreements between the State of Iowa, by said Commissioners, and the said Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, bearing date the ninth day of June, 1854, for the improvement of the Des Moines river, was made and executed under a misapprehension of the said amount of lands : Now, therefore, to secure the object of said agreements of the ninth of June aforesaid, and for a valuable consideration received, it is hereby expressly covenanted and agreed, by the said State of Iowa, by the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, that in case the said Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, shall, within two months from this date, give notice to the Commissioner, aforesaid, that they will carry out the work of the said improvement, as contemplated and provided by the supplemental contract of the ninth of June last, that the State of Iowa, by the said Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners, or a majority of them, will enter into good, legal and valid agreement in such form and manner, as to bind the said State of Iowa, with the said Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, to give to said Company the full and absolute right to, and use of the said work, its lands and appurtenances, franchises, and water-rents, and tolls, for the full term and time of seventy-five years, from the first day of July, 1858, as fully as is provided in the said first or principal agreement, of the said ninth day of June, inst.

And it is also agreed that the said Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company, shall have the right to build, in connection with any dams they may make, and bridges across and over the said Des Moines river, and, with proper legal authority or consent, demand and receive tolls for crossing the same.

Provided, this agreement shall not be construed to avoid or legalize the first contract of the ninth of June, instant.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, for and in behalf of the State of Iowa, this twenty-ninth day of June, 1854.

Signed,

JOSIAH M. BONNEY,

{ seal. }

URIAH BIGGS,

Assistant Commissioner.

{ seal. }

*Copy of Letters of Correspondence of Public Works requesting opinion.*

CLAIM OF CHANCELLOR WALWORTH.

WASHINGTON, CITY, Sept. 13, 1851.

HON. R. H. WALWORTH,

SIR: An act of Congress, approved August 8, 1846, made a grant of lands to the then Territory of Iowa, to aid in improving the navigation of the Des Moines river, the first section of which act is in these words:

"Be it enacted," &c., "That there be and hereby is, granted to the Territory of Iowa, for the purpose of aiding said Territory to improve the navigation of the Des Moines river, from its mouth to the Raccoon Fork, (so called) in said Territory, one equal moiety, in alternate sections, of the public lands, (remaining unsold and not otherwise disposed of, encumbered or appropriated,) within a strip five miles in width on each side of said river; to be selected in said Territory, by an agent or agents, to be appointed by the Governor thereof, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States."

Will you oblige me with your opinion in writing?—First, as to the object and extent of the grant made by the above section? Does not the grant embrace the lands on each side of the river from its source to its mouth? Second.—In making selections under this grant, the authorities of the State of Iowa, in December, 1846, selected the sections bearing odd numbers, 1, 3, 5, &c., as most advantageous, because, if selected by even numbers, 2, 4, 6, &c., the State would be deprived of the 16th section, which is by law, reserved for schools.

This selection of odd numbers by the State, was subsequently, on the 13th of July, 1848, approved by the Secretary of the Treasury, in his letter of that date to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and on this the question arises: Did not such selection and approval by the Secretary of the Treasury, dispose of the whole question of selection and approval, so far as was contemplated by the Act; as the order of selection could not be changed from odd to even numbers, and comply with the law, which says expressly, "one equal moiety, in alternate sections."

*Third.* The question having been raised, as to the extent of the grant above referred to, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, in a letter under date of February 23d, 1848, addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Public Works of Iowa; being the first communication received from the Commissioner by the Board, after its organization, to enter upon the work of the Des Moines improvement, decided that "the State is entitled to the alternate sections within five miles of the Des Moines river, throughout the whole extent of that river, within the limits of Iowa."

No work had been done, nor any contract let, on said Des Moines improvement prior to the receipt, by the Board, of this letter of February 23d, 1848, from the Commissioner of the General Land Office; but shortly thereafter, and in conformity with the construction placed upon the law by that letter, the Board of Public Works of Iowa, contracted for the completion of a large portion of said improvement; and the contractors were to look solely to the moneys arising from the sales of lands under this grant for their pay.

On the second of March, 1849, the Secretary of the Treasury, having been addressed upon the subject, by the delegation in Congress from Iowa, decided in his letter to those gentlemen, of that date, "that the grant in question extends on both sides of the river Des Moines, from its source to its mouth, but not into lands on the river in the State of Missouri, and, on the same day advised the Commissioner of the General Land Office thereof, in writing, for his information and government on the subject to which it refers."

Now, should and did not, the decision of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, in his letter above referred to, of February 23d, 1847; the action of the authorities of Iowa, in accordance therewith; and the decision of the Secretary of the Treasury; stamped as such beyond a question, by his letter to the Commissioner of the same date, for the "government" of the conduct of that officer in the matter, of 2d of March, 1849, settle the whole question, as to the extent of the grant, and place it beyond the revocation of the successors in office of the said Secretary of the Treasury?

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

V. P. VAN ANTWERP,

Commissioner of Public Works of Iowa,

## CHANCELLOR WALWORTH'S REPLY.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, March 14th, 1854.

DEAR SIR:

In September, 1851, I received a letter dated at Washington, on the 6th of that month, and purporting to be signed by Bangs, Brothers & Co., giving me a copy of the first section of the act of the 8th of August, 1846, granting lands to Iowa, to improve the Des Moines river, and requesting my opinion as to the extent of the grant. I had heard of a firm of Brokers in the City of New York, of that name, and supposed the letter was written by a member of that firm, as I had heard of no other of the name. But the statement of the question was so imperfect, that I could not venture to give them an opinion, without knowing what question had in fact arisen under the act. I was about to write to them for further particulars, when I received a communication of the 13th of September, 1851, from General Van Antwerp, as the Commissioner of Internal Improvements, of the State of Iowa, a copy of which is herewith sent you. This was accompanied by a letter of the same date, signed Bangs, Brothers & Co., stating, that since they wrote new questions had arisen; and upon consultation it had been thought best that he should send me an official communication on the subject.

I immediately, upon the receipt of General Van Antwerp's request, commenced examining the case, and had nearly completed my written opinion thereon, when I received a letter dated at New York, of which the following is a copy:

NEW YORK, Sept. 22, 1851.

"SIR: You have undoubtedly received by due course of mail, a letter from General Van Antwerp, dated at Washington asking your opinion as to certain law points. It is very important that he should receive your opinion by, at the latest, next Monday. We have the opinions of Col. Benton, Judge Bronson, R. J. Walker, Reverdy Johnson, and others, and only await yours. Please address your letter to General Van Antwerp, Washington.

"I am, sir, very respectfully yours,

"ANSON BANGS,

Agent for State of Iowa.

"Hon. R. H. WALWORTH, Saratoga Springs."



The opinion was completed on the 25th of September, and sent to General Van Antwerp; stating to him that my charge for the opinion would be \$250. In that opinion I had suggested the course which I thought the agents of the State of Iowa ought to pursue, in case the final decision of the Secretary of the Interior should be adverse to the claim of the State. In consequence of this suggestion, General Van Antwerp returned the opinion to me, with a request that I would re-write it, leaving out that suggestion; for reasons which he explained to me in a private and confidential letter. I accordingly re-wrote the opinion and returned it to him immediately, and it was then laid before the Secretary of the Interior. And the decision was subsequently made by him reversing the decision of his predecessor, and sanctioning the claim as made by the State, and in conformity with my opinion.

Not having received my fee, and learning that General Van Antwerp was no longer at Washington, and having received a paper published at Keokuk, containing the final decision of the Secretary of the Interior, in favor of the claim of the State, and also a copy of my opinion on the question, I wrote to Bangs, Brothers & Co., at New York, in relation to my fee; and also another on the subject directed to them at Washington City. In answer to the first, I received a letter from Bangs, Brothers & Co., of New York, saying they had no knowledge of the matters to which it referred.

On the 19th of December, 1851, I wrote to Gen. Van Antwerp at Keokuk, enclosing a copy of these letters, and a day or two after I received a letter, dated at Washington, the 16th of December, as follows :

“Dear sir: Funds from Iowa will be received in a few days to pay you.

I am, sir, very respectfully yours,

ANSON BANGS.

“Hon. R. H. WALWORTH, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.”

In January, 1852, I received from Gen. Van Antwerp, a letter dated the 12th of that month, at Keokuk, acknowledging the receipt of my letter of the 17th of December, with its enclosures; expressing surprise that my fee had not been paid by Anson Bangs, long since; and stating also that it was at his suggestion counsel was employed in the case; and that he volunteered to pay all expenses of that sort

that might be incurred; and that before the General left Washington, in October, Bangs assured him that the counsel fees would be paid without delay, and he supposed it had been done of course; that Anson Bangs was then in New York, and he would write him by the same mail, and that he would undoubtedly immediately pay me.

Having heard nothing further from Bangs, I again wrote Gen Van Antwerp, on the subject, on the 11th December, 1852. His answer dated at Keokuk, on the 26th of January, 1853, suggested that I should sue Bangs, Brothers & Co., and if I could not collect it from them, the State would undoubtedly pay me. I have not, however, been able to find any such firm as Bangs, Brothers & Co., except the one in New York, or to get any answer from Anson Bangs, admitting his liability to pay me. And I have no evidence upon which I could sustain a personal claim against him. If he has made a valid agreement with the Commissioner of Internal Improvements, by which he is liable to pay these expenses, the State should compel him to perform his engagements; and it should pay me without further trouble, for my services of which it has had the benefit.

Will you, dear sir, have the goodness to write to the Governor on the subject, and endeavor to have the matter put in such a form as that I may receive my pay.

Yours with respect

REUBEN H. WALWORTH.

Hon. A. C. DODGE, U. S. Senator from Iowa.

P. S. I have also written to Gen. Van Antwerp again on the subject, within a few days past.

## SWAMP LAND SELECTIONS.

*List of Counties in the State of Iowa in which the "Swamp Land" Selections have been made and returned to the Surveyor General.*

Appanoose County	Jasper County
Adams " "	Johnson " "
Bremer " "	Keokuk " "
Buchanan " "	Linn " "
Black Hawk " "	Lee " "
Boone " "	Louisa " "
Clayton " "	Marion " "
Clinton " "	Marshall " "
Cedar " "	Monroe " "
Decatur " "	Mills " "
Des Moines " "	Mahaska " "
Dubuque " "	Muscatine " "
Dallas " "	Polk " "
Fremont " "	Pottawatamie " "
Henry " "	Page " "
Harrison " "	Scott " "
Iowa " "	Story " "
Jefferson " "	Van Buren " "
Jackson " "	Washington " "
Jones " "	

## REPORT OF THE WARDEN OF THE PENITENTIARY.

*To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Iowa.*

GENTLEMEN: The Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary would most respectfully present the following report of the Institution now under his charge:

On my taking charge of the prison, February 1st, A. D. 1853, there remained in prison, eight convicts; twenty-seven others have been received to September 30th, 1854, making the total number, thirty-five.

During which time there have been discharged, as follows:

By expiration of sentence,	5
“ pardon,	7
“ order of court,	2
“ escape,	2
“ death,	1
Leaving in confinement, September 30th, A. D. 1854,	18
Total,	<u>35</u>

Annexed, find statements A, B and C, showing the number of convicts received, discharged, escaped, &c.; also the number of days and the manner in which they were employed; the liabilities and assets of the prison.

Since I have taken charge of the prison, there have been but two escapes, Asa Kingsberry and Horace Vanorder. The unfinished condition of the prison, renders it very unsafe for the keeping of convicts, although there have been no escapes for more than twelve months; they have been kept only by the untiring watchfulness of the guards, in whose praise I cannot speak in too high terms for the faithful performance of the duties assigned them.

The duties of Deputy Warden, are constant and arduous: he is required to be constantly on duty and see that each prisoner is safely locked up in his cell, and that the night guard performs his duty. The present pay of the Deputy Warden, is but twenty-five dollars (\$25) per month; and, in my humble opinion, is not adequate to the services performed. I would therefore suggest to your honorable body, the propriety of making an additional allowance for his services.

Under an act of the Legislature, approved January 13th, 1853, the Inspectors and Warden leased or hired to Messrs. J. H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, the labor of all the convicts that are or may be received in the prison for the term of ten years, commencing on the first day of June, A. D. 1854, and ending May 31st, 1864, at thirty cents per day for each laboring hand for the first year, and thirty-five cents per day for the remaining nine years.

There is now completed in prison, thirty cells: eighteen are now occupied—leaving but twelve empty, which in all probability will be filled the coming Winter.

Your honorable body will see the necessity of making an appropriation for building additional cells—eighteen being required to complete the lower tier, the cost of each cell being about two hundred and fifty dollars.

In the contract with Messrs. J. H. Winterbotham and W. D. Headley, we agreed to furnish sufficient shop room for working convicts to advantage: we found it was necessary to put an additional story on the work-shops, of 100 by 20 feet: the work has been commenced, and will soon be finished at a cost of about fifteen hundred dollars, to which I call the attention of your honorable body, and ask an appropriation for the same.

I have, now employed, four guards—three for the day, and one for the night watch; the salaries of the former being thirty dollars per month, and the latter thirty-five—making the total salaries of guards, one hundred and twenty-five dollars per month,—and it will be necessary to employ an additional guard for the work-shops by next Spring, if not sooner.

The ordinary expenses of the prison, including salaries of guards, provisions, clothing, bedding, lights, fuel, &c., will amount to three thousand, five hundred dollars per annum: the receipts for convict labor, will be about two thousand dollars per annum: leaving a balance against the prison, of fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

I would suggest to your honorable body, the propriety of appointing a committee to visit the prison during the present session: I would be pleased to receive them and give any and all information in my power, in regard to the prison; and think it would result to the benefit of the prison, and that of the State.

Accompanying this, is the report of the Attending Physician, whose untiring efforts and attention to the sick, are worthy of praise.

All of which, is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE GRIGSBY,  
Warden Iowa Penitentiary.

Attest:

WILLIAM WINTER, Clerk.

THE STATE OF IOWA, }  
COUNTY OF LEE, } ss.

George Grigsby, being duly sworn, makes oath and says that the within contains a true statement of the affairs of the Iowa Penitentiary, from the first day of February, A. D. 1853, to the 30th day of September, A. D. 1854.

GEORGE GRIGSBY, Warden.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1854.

L. S.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of the District Court of said county, at Fort Madison, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1854.

SAMUEL A. JAMES.

Clerk of the District Court, Lee County, Iowa.

By D. H. LESEAR, Deputy.

We, the undersigned, Inspectors of the Iowa Penitentiary of the State of Iowa, hereby certify the foregoing Report to be correct.

JAMES D. EADS,

Chairman of the Board of Inspectors of the Iowa Penitentiary.

JOHN K. SCHWARTZ, Inspector.

## PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Board of Inspectors and Warden of the Iowa Penitentiary.*

GENTLEMEN: At my appointment as Physician to the Iowa Penitentiary, I found the physical constitution of the inmates in general good health;—since that time, considerable sickness has occurred. The character of disease that prevailed the first year, was principally fever of an intermittent type, and yielded easily to the treatment employed. During the Summer and Fall following, the exciting cause of disease of the alimentary canal elsewhere, has caused its occurrence in the prison in an increased proportion, owing to close confinement and a want of variety in diet. Hence a majority of cases, were of a diarrhoeal character. Some few cases of intermittent fever occurred. In all, the number of cases that required treatment, were seventy,—out of which, one proved fatal: James L. Aylward died on the 25th of August, 1854, of adynamic fever. His general health was considerably impaired when received into the prison, and was unable to perform regular labor.

It is not supposed that prison life is favorable to sound health.—Close confinement has a depressing influence upon the mental and physical constitution, and occasionally produces serious diseases. There is great need of a suitable hospital for the use of the sick. At present none for that purpose exists, except the night cells. I would suggest the propriety of having one established as soon as convenient, as it would greatly contribute to the salutary treatment of the sick. Nothing aids the physician more in the treatment of disease, than a large room, well ventilated, with everything clean and comfortable. Fresh air, good nursing, and proper food, are important auxiliaries in the successful management of disease. Without these aids, the physician, however skilled, will find that disease will more frequently prove fatal.

Before my appointment, no attention was given to the examination of convicts at their reception into the prison. I have endeavored to comply with the rules of the Penitentiary in this respect; and have examined up to date twenty-four, all of whom were in general good health, except three. Those of impaired health are as follows:

James L. Aylward, debility of general constitution.

Daniel Tansy, predisposed to consumption, (phthisis pulmonalis);  
and,

J. Jasper Holcomb, constitution impaired by intemperance and  
chronic rheumatism.

In concluding this report, I take pleasure in expressing my ac-  
knowledgments to the Warden and officers for their co-operation  
in the discharge of the duties of my office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. STAYMAN, M. D,

Iowa Penitentiary, Oct. 1st, 1854.



TABLE C.

*Time Register of the Iowa Penitentiary, from February 1st, 1853, to September 30th, 1854, showing the number of days employed by convicts.*

Months.	No. of days' work done in each month.	No. of days sick in each month.	No. of days engaged in chores.	No. of days employed in Kitchen.	No. of days the convicts were employed at work at chores in kitchen and sick.	Sundays and lock-up.
February, 1853,	160	14	33	38	245	43
March, "	228	3	35	31	297	44
April, "	278½	10½	32	27	348	52
May, "	260¼	59	41¾	26	387	74
June, "	264¼	20½	42½	26	353	53
July, "	209¼	16¼	25½	25	276	45
August, "	172¼	35	17¾	27	252	38
September, "	147¼	57¾	17½	27½	250	39
October, "	172½	57	34	34	297½	61
November, "	275	27	27	52	381	62
December, "	279¾	30½	44¾	54	409	61
January, 1854,	216	25	37	52	330	65
February, "	183½	23	32	45	283½	52
March, "	225	13	51	27	316	56
April, "	179	45¾	61½	30	316	68
May, "	246¼	57	49	40	392¼	59
June, "	356¼	32½	39¼	35	463	71
July, "	229¾	71	51¾	31	383½	110
August, "	314¾	124	15½	30	484¼	75
September, "	289	114	18	29	450	69
	4686½	835½	705½	686½	6914	1197

*Statement showing the indebtedness and assets of the Prison on the 30th September, A. D., 1854.*

Total amount of assets to Sept. 30th, 1854,	\$1074 73½	Total indebtedness to September 30, 1854,	\$1510 32½
			1074 73½
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Of the above amount, probably \$250 cannot be collected, being old contracted accounts.			\$435 59

## REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF STATE.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
Iowa City, Nov. 1, 1854. }

*To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

The undersigned, in compliance with law, would respectfully submit the following Report:

The whole amount of warrants issued, from the first day of November, 1852, to the thirty-first day of October, 1854, inclusive, (as shown by statement A.) \$121,083.73.

At the first mentioned date, there was out-standing warrants amounting to \$1,468.90. There has been redeemed during the same time, warrants amounting to 118,068.90; leaving out-standing at this time warrants amounting to \$4,483.73.

The receipts into the State Treasury during the same time, have been (including \$10,515.70 from the sale of saline lands, and the amount on hand at the commencement of that period,)

\$134,065 45

And the disbursements upon warrants and interest thereon, including one drawn against the saline land fund of \$5,000,

\$118,542 90

Leaving a balance in the State Treasury, Nov. 1st, 1854, of

\$15,522 55

The estimated expenditures for the next two fiscal years, as shown by statement B, amount to \$129,742.00.

The present available resources of the state, as shown

by statement C, amount to

\$109,191 42

Assessment of 1855, estimated at the present rate,

125,000 00

\$234,191 42

Showing an excess of receipts over estimated expenditures of \$94,449.42.

The funded debt of the State is as follows:

Bonds issued under act of January 19th, 1847, and payable July 1st, 1857,

\$55,000 00

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF STATE.

COUNTIES.	1847.		1848.		1849.		1850.		1851.		1852.		1853.		1854.		GRAND TOTAL
	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	COUNTY TREASURERS.	AMOUNT.	
Adams,					J. J. Shaw,	998	J. J. Shaw,	52 98			J. J. Shaw,	60 33	NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.	44 31	44 31
Alamakee,					John Overstreet,	12 35	John Overstreet,	82	John Overstreet,	381 96	John Overstreet,	253 74	John Overstreet,	389 53	John Overstreet,	1,117 90	2,237 56
Adair,									W. R. Johnson,	17 74	W. R. Johnson,	160 95	W. R. Johnson,	34 83	W. R. Johnson,	787 3	960 72
Appanoose,													A. Dow,	14 28	A. Dow,	644 75	679 58
Benton,													John Hunter,		John Hunter,	356 31	370 59
Black Hawk,													J. Dunn,		J. Dunn,	387 1	392 43
Bremer,					John Leslie,	170	John Leslie,	4 52	John Leslie,	5 72	John Leslie,	7 57	John Leslie,		John Leslie,	739 82	760 77
Boone,															NOT REPORTED.	70 51	70 51
Buchanan,													B. Bales,	72 41	B. Bales,		72 41
Butler,															E. G. Sampson,	414 93	461 48
Cass,					J. C. Bets,	66 48	J. C. Bets,	156 24	J. C. Bets,	21 64	J. C. Bets,	162 53	J. C. Bets,		J. C. Bets,	4,353 13	2,759 2
Clarke,															NOT REPORTED.	270 18	270 18
Clarke,															NOT REPORTED.		
Cedar,					T. F. Butterfield,	16 82	T. F. Butterfield,	44 48	T. F. Butterfield,	84 49	T. F. Butterfield,	128 27	T. F. Butterfield,	45 84	T. F. Butterfield,	2,575 63	2,955 5
Chickasaw,																	
Clayton,																	
Clinton,	T. F. Butterfield, 1846 and 1847,	12 57	T. F. Butterfield,	16 82	T. F. Butterfield,	44 48	T. F. Butterfield,	84 49	T. F. Butterfield,	128 27	T. F. Butterfield,	47 95	T. F. Butterfield,	45 84	T. F. Butterfield,	2,575 63	2,955 5
Dallas,																	
Davis,	W. S. Stevens,	7 16	W. S. Stevens,	23 48	W. S. Stevens,	59 43	W. S. Stevens,	59 43	W. S. Stevens,	104 58	W. S. Stevens,	31 29	W. S. Stevens,	227 26	W. S. Stevens,	1,645 87	2,193 80
Decatur,																	
Delaware,																	
Des Moines,																	
Dubuque,					J. Arrack,	143 4	J. Arrack,	371 45	J. Arrack,	17 72	J. Arrack,		J. Arrack,	471 85	J. Arrack,	5,587 91	7,006 41
Fayette,																	
Fremont,																	
Guthrie,																	
Greene,																	
Hardin,																	
Harrison,																	
Henry,																	
Iowa,																	
Jackson,																	
Johnson,																	
Jones,																	
Jasper,																	
Jefferson,																	
Keokuk,																	
Lee,																	
Linn,																	
Lucas,																	
Louisa,																	
Madison,																	
Mahaska,																	
Marion,																	
Mills,																	
Monroe,																	
Montgomery,																	
Monona,																	
Marshall,																	
Muscatine,																	
Page,																	
Polk,																	
Pottawattamie,																	
Poweshiek,																	
Scott,																	
Story,																	
Shelby,																	
Tama,																	
Taylor,																	
Van Buren,																	
Union,																	
Washington,																	
Wayne,																	
Wapello,																	
Warren,																	
Webster,																	
Winneshiek,																	
Woodbury,																	
Total,		\$471 59		\$1479 83		\$2330 03		\$4030 36		\$3168 28		\$3154 89		\$6024 62		\$88471 69	\$109,131 29

\*In this amount of \$47.30 is included small balances due in 1844, '45, 46 and 47.

Bonds issued under act of January 12th, 1849, and payable May 1st, 1854,	16,442 05
Bonds issued under act of January 19th, 1849, and payable September 15th, 1859,	6,000 00
Bonds issued under act of February 5th, 1852, due January 1st, 1856,	2,353 70
	\$79,795 75

All of these bonds are due and payable at the dates given above, or sooner, at the option of the State, except the one for \$55,000.

I would recommend that the Auditor of State be authorized to pay the bond for \$16,442.05, now due, on the first day of July, 1855; and the two due in 1856 and 1859, respectively, on the first day of January, 1856, should there be (as there no doubt will) sufficient means on hand for that purpose.

The total amount of taxable property of the State (as shown by my last report) was in 1851, \$28,464,550, and in 1852, \$38,427,376. The total amounts, as shown by statements D and E, of this report, are, for 1853, \$49,540,304, and for 1854, \$72,327,204.

It is impossible to make an estimate of the expenditures for the next two years, that will come very near the amount that will be actually appropriated, and the regular and indispensable expenditures, therefore, are only put down in that table.

The only alteration in the present revenue law, which it is deemed advisable or necessary to make, is from the present system of township to county assessors. The experience of the past two years, it is thought, has proved the latter to be best, as being more likely to ensure uniformity and correctness in the assessments.

The County Treasurers, and others, having the collection of public revenue, have, generally, manifested commendable zeal and promptness in the discharge of their duties.

The present prosperous condition of the finances of the State must be a source of gratification to every citizen.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM PATTEE, Auditor of State.

## STATEMENT A,

*Showing the amount of Warrants issued from November 1, 1852, to  
October 31, 1854, and upon what account.*

Agricultural societies,	\$3,024 27
Auditor's salary account,	1,200 00
Blind Asylum,	4,889 50
Attorney General's salary,	1,000 00
Deaf and Dumb,	2 400 00
Funded debt,	2,027 00
General contingent fund,	2,015 24
General appropriation,	13,792 00
Governor's salary account,	2,250 00
Interest account,	15,365 62
Judges' salary account,	22,447 95
Librarian's salary account,	300 00
Miscellaneous disbursements,	5,675 03
Penitentiary—old appropriation,	5 40
"    Officers' salary account,	2,601 49
"    Other expenses,	6,606 29
Publishing laws,	665 00
Superintendent Public Instruction's salary account,	2,300 00
Supreme Court contingent expenses,	1,379 27
State printing,	6,531 13
Secretary's salary account,	1,000 00
Special appropriations,	6,179 53
State officers' contingent fund,	2,969 05
State House appropriation,	4,585 71
Treasurer's salary account,	800 00
Stationary account,	4,074 25
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	\$116,083 73
Medical College at Keokuk,	5,000 00
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	\$121,083 73

## STATEMENT B,

*Showing an estimate of the necessary expenditures for the two years commencing November 1, 1854, and ending October 31, 1856.*

Agricultural societies,	5,000 00
Governor, Superintendent, Secretary, Auditor, Attorney General, Treasurer, and Librarian's salaries,	9,300 00
Blind Asylum,	6,000 00
Deaf and dumb,	4,000 00
Funded debt—bonds now due,	16,442 00
General contingent fund,	2,000 00
Interest account,	13,000 00
Judges' salary,	24,000 00
Miscellaneous disbursements,	6,000 00
Penitentiary,	6,000 00
Supreme Court expenses,	2,000 00
State printing,	7,060 00
State officers' contingent fund,	3,000 00
State House,	6,000 00
Stationery,	5,000 00
Legislative expenses and other special appropriations,	25,000 00
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	\$139,742 00

## STATEMENT (C.)

RESOURCES OF THE STATE, NOVEMBER 1, 1854.

Counties.	Amount due on 1853, and previous.	Amount due on as- sessment of 1854.	Total.
Adair,		44 31	44 31
Adams,			
Appanoose,	\$1,119 66	1,117 90	2,237 56
Alamakee,	123 29	875 98	999 27
Benton,		797 25	797 25
Blackhawk,	34 83	644 75	679 58
Boone,		403 10	403 10
Bremer,	54 28	356 31	410 59
Buchanan,	12 66	748 11	760 77
Butler,		70 51	70 51
Cass,	72 41	100 00	172 41
Clark,	18 06	443 42	461 48
Cedar,	826 09	2,808 13	3,634 22
Chickasaw,		270 18	270 18
Clayton,	785 05	2,395 41	3,180 46
Clinton,	696 52	2,574 63	3,271 15
Dallas,	40 47	572 03	612 50
Davis,	547 93	1,645 87	2,193 80
Decatur,	22 25	504 82	527 07
Delaware,	32 23	1,004 66	1,036 89
Des Moines,	1,418 50	5,587 91	7,006 41
Dubuque,	198 99	6,250 00	6,448 99
Fayette,	185 41	853 90	1,039 31
Fremont,		496 30	496 30
Guthrie,	53 81	220 13	273 94
Greene,		38 83	38 83
Hardin,		94 48	94 48
Henry,	48 33	2,910 01	2,958 34
Harrison,		62 50	62 50
Iowa,	22 03	821 27	843 30
Jackson,	80 41	2,938 05	3,018 46
Johnson,	560 15	3,306 42	3,866 57
Jones,	614 24	1,345 05	1,959 29
Jefferson,	427 03	2,012 36	2,439 39
Jasper,	336 50	1,208 27	1,544 77
Keokuk,	48 88	2,073 93	2,122 81
Lee,	2,392 27	6,633 41	9,025 68
Linn,	335 78	3,441 81	3,777 59
Lucas,	48 85	375 00	423 85
Louisa,	849 09	2,354 51	3,203 60
Madison,	103 68	938 22	1,041 90



## STATEMENT (C.)—CONTINUED.

Counties.	Amount due on 1853, and previous.	Amount due on as- sessment of 1854.	Total.
Mahaska,	26 67	2,543 72	2,570 39
Marion,	206 94	2,063 21	2,270 15
Mills,	120 43	415 56	535 99
Monroe,	68 97	915 13	984 10
Montgomery,		20 66	20 66
Monona,		16 01	16 01
Marshall,	40 76	451 05	491 81
Mucsatine,	530 86	4,108 16	4,639 02
Page,	7 04	136 88	143 92
Polk,	1,099 77	1,732 87	2,832 64
Pottawattamie,	669 31	797 27	1,466 58
Poweshiek,		895 77	895 77
Scott,	1,541 13	4,801 45	6,342 58
Story,	19 01	165 68	184 69
Shelby,		28 30	28 30
Tama,	14 04	345 75	359 79
Taylor,	28 22	50 00	78 22
Van Buren,	546 23	2,878 33	3,424 56
Union,		13 11	13 11
Washington,		2,314 53	2,314 53
Wayne,	41 51	208 41	249 92
Wapello,	1,435 64	1,922 88	3,358 52
Warren,	148 53	1,000 00	1,148 53
Webster,		111 45	111 45
Winneshiok,	116 95	1,093 82	1,210 77
Woodbury,		50 00	50 00
Total.			\$109,191 42

STATEMENT (D.)

*Showing the number of polls, acres of land, with the value of town lots, with their improvements; and the value of all other property assessed in the several Counties, in the year 1854.*

Counties.	No. of polls.	Acres of Land.	Value of Land with improvement.	Value of town lots.	Value of capital employed in merchandise.	Value of capital employed in manufacturing.	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Adair,								
Adams,		6,659	15,006	2,517			67	3,399
Appanoose,	844	191,634	628,308	28,922	21,501	4,525	1,396	74,055
Atchison,	784	198,651	473,106	49,344	22,100	1,500	552	36,795
Benton,	400	113,076	472,685	19,404			764	47,271
Blackhawk,	500	88,903	379,724	48,678			361	18,503
Bone,	330	63,419	225,180	6,915	8,303	2,600	468	23,535
Bremer,	234	81,406	208,751	8,625	5,140	7,450	362	13,184
Buchanan,	500	107,750	358,003	59,115	16,701	9,161	686	43,151
Butler,		9,029	33,381	500			111	5,645
Cass,								
Clarke,	272	81,600	263,571	8,185	3,918		381	20,325
Cedar,	1,262	335,237	1,646,563	79,162	26,999	7,241	2,870	164,203
Chickasaw,	97	78,727	191,448	2,754	4,067		81	3,681
Clayton,	1,429	316,712	1,149,478	267,879	62,965	27,261	1,820	115,889
Clinton,	1,076	356,063	1,450,678	214,725	37,373	8,700	1,937	119,063
Dallas,	301	109,107	319,555	6,112	2,575	4,700	745	35,150
Davis,	1,742	251,383	771,608	70,229			2,939	125,092
Decatur,	426	91,769	244,498	5,242			758	36,503
Delaware,	818	237,100	572,614	27,710	15,250		1,175	55,248
Des Moines,	2,645	238,431	2,069,302	1,244,634	274,897	38,330	4,338	210,986

Dubuque,									
Fayette,	696	180,000	450,000	50,000	66,848	14,850	457	28,873	
Fremont,	412	47,153	219,664	13,924	18,917	1,400	878	44,102	
Guthrie,	159	33,670	120,425	4,613	2,815	1,780	248	13,222	
Greene,		7,700	16,546				68	3,235	
Hardin,	169	19,844	34,403	1,375	1,810		186	8,080	
Harrison,									
Henry,	1,850	259,963	1,436,607	243,574	71,937	19,218	3,320	161,193	
Iowa,	346	133,453	519,111	6,474	7,200	1,150	638	35,824	
Jackson,	2,162	368,802	1,535,841	196,702	57,520	6,968	3,189	184,902	
Johnson,	1,448	347,952	1,606,626	478,910	67,442	10,988	2,474	139,566	
Jones,	968	237,699	757,225	31,615	15,651	1,747	1,808	99,071	
Jasper,	563	192,510	661,969	46,305	12,250	9,200	1,202	64,055	
Jefferson,	1,778	266,606	954,537	135,859	44,375	6,567	3,655	136,749	
Keokuk,	1,235	304,696	1,179,557	35,794	41,045	10,408	2,186	109,974	
Lee,	3,753	318,500	2,191,721	1,487,345	374,326	34,891	5,372	281,889	
Linn,	1,628	332,726	1,720,529	335,038	83,225	19,800	3,414	206,882	
Lucas,									
Louisa,	1,077	219,156	1,267,068	95,070	47,583	12,775	2,439	132,194	
Madison,	487	163,115	553,381	34,300	13,850		878	45,151	
Mahaska,	1,691	237,089	1,137,011	185,312	59,643	21,004	3,177	159,998	
Marion	1,687	229,391	1,029,816	110,741	62,506	16,105	2,650	136,463	
Mills,	366	55,575	169,310	14,279	32,885	2,430	697	35,039	
Monroe,	728	130,342	469,453	25,633	16,918	1,735	1,282	64,298	
Montgomery,	2	3,127	5,363		90		45	2,720	
Monona,	24						25	1,400	
Marshall,	272	64,172	268,841	11,008	5,555	1,270	471	25,517	
Muscatine,	1,384	247,190	1,768,060	877,530	154,560	23,007	2,611	144,961	
Page,	171	15,855	39,363	565	4,952	1,500	412	17,905	
Polk,	916	198,092	934,913	129,180	43,845	15,150	1,595	61,180	

## STATEMENT (D.) CONTINUED.

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Counties.	No of polls.	Acres of Land.	Value of Land with improve-ment.	Value of town lots.	Value of capital employed in merchan-dize.	Value of capital em-ployed in manufacturing.	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Pottawatamie,	507	48,565	131,396	121,413	233,626		620	37,595
Poweshiek,	350	147,278	614,132	8,718	2,600		588	20,574
Scott,	1,616	307,200	2,533,853		129,573	22,619	2,841	151,525
Story,	146	38,236	96,876	727	600		196	9,539
Shelby,	59	720	1,390				69	4,600
Tama,	174	73,993	218,883	1,018	682		266	12,807
Taylor,								
Van Buren,	2,471	310,645	1,606,520		67,468	36,669	4,207	184,637
Union,		3,012	7,233				11	695
Washington,	1,498	274,134	1,262,143	95,482	45,605	18,439	2,709	50,729
Wayne,		41,990	89,081	3,250			374	19,572
Wapello,	1,502	216,584	864,124	149,692	52,504	8,673	3,054	132,969
Warren,								
Webster,		18,567	58,748	720			143	7,035
Winneshiek,	663	152,099	670,277	20,631	17,200	3,630	500	32,665
Woodbury,								
	48,675	9,175,097	40,772,532	6,564,458	2,359,504	1,639,411	82,586	4,164,762

APPENDIX.



STATEMENT (D.)—CONTINUED.

Counties.	Number of Cattle.	Value of Cattle.	No. of Mules.	Value of Mules.	Number of Sheep.	Value of Sheep.	Number of Hogs.	Value of Hogs.	Value of all other Property.	Total Value.
Auair,										
Adams,	356	7,089			129	166	129	312	6,973	35,454
Appanoose,	5,016	77,145	18	937	3,458	5,170	9,363	12,572	41,189	894,325
Alamakee,	3,795	70,036	8	295	682	1,282	4,562	10,189	36,146	700,794
Benton,	2,093	26,535	13	540	1,004	2,048	4,061	8,226	51,620	637,809
Blackhawk,	1,189	22,211			197	378	1,472	2,563	43,753	515,802
Boone,	1,305	22,345	3	96	952	1,486	3,646	5,718	26,485	322,663
Bremer,	1,025	16,537	4	270	220	401	1,179	2,479	20,219	285,056
Buchanan,	2,383	40,703	7	144	1,271	1,893	3,195	5,949	63,675	598,495
Butler,	489	9,141			101	150	343	1,003	6,591	56,411
Cass,									Estimated,	80,000
Clarke,	1,315	25,232	3	48	604	1,138	1,519	3,785	28,530	354,744
Cedar,	7,679	116,427	47	2,215	4,152	5,553	16,645	27,890	170,264	2,246,516
Chickasaw,	472	6,625	5	250	102	147	409	795	6,450	216,154
Clayton,	7,431	157,084	32	1,865	2,634	4,621	10,926	21,817	107,475	1,916,334
Clinton,	7,627	125,554	36	1,204	2,007	2,892	6,503	16,410	75,113	2,051,712
Dallas,	2,136	32,078	32	1,350	1,539	2,810	1,047	8,221	45,983	457,634
Davis,	9,471	119,776	76	4,090	10,278	10,278	20,115	26,535	191,092	1,306,700
Decatur,	3,128	44,781	22	1,115	1,489	2,029	5,905	8,570	61,128	403,866
Delaware,	4,316	60,863	5	180	2,190	2,240	5,242	5,394	64,239	803,738
Des Moines,	14,811	174,464	267	15,366	9,446	9,494	37,449	52,607	380,172	4,470,333
Dubuque,									Estimated,	5,000,000
Fayette,	3,228	52,068	6	420	986	1,479	3,256	6,386	12,200	633,124
Fremont,	4,190	55,713	22	1,425	329	263	4,823	8,035	33,497	397,046
Guthrie,	857	13,603	4	210	279	373	1,909	2,555	16,521	176,117

Greene,	198	5,541	3	42	224	381	381	678	12,651	39,074
Hardin,	199	10,997	6	235	375	573	1,090	1,568	16,641	75,592
Harrison,									Estimated.	50,000
Henry,	10,310	125,420	140	7,311	8,048	8,351	22,282	34,590	219,800	2,328,010
Iowa,	2,000	33,063	8	850	1,328	1,828	5,166	9,231	42,291	657,022
Jackson,	11,273	185,620	7	515	4,914	8,985	16,502	35,222	138,166	2,350,441
Johanson,	7,592	121,066	47	3,760	4,981	6,919	14,324	24,676	185,195	2,645,148
Jones,	6,061	89,767	27	1,092	3,120	4,396	11,892	18,753	56,731	1,076,848
Jasper,	3,158	52,805	32	1,044	1,897	2,560	6,465	11,710	104,222	963,620
Jefferson,	12,035	120,974	137	6,235	10,543	8,524	28,310	31,603	164,469	1,639,892
Keokuk,	7,202	108,770	91	4,145	5,754	6,844	14,338	25,779	136,838	1,659,154
Lee,	17,839	224,579	224	11,740	7,292	10,040	24,647	56,266	545,385	5,306,732
Linn,	8,856	137,199	36	2,730	5,373	6,626	19,391	35,972	185,458	2,753,459
Lucas,									Estimated.	300,000
Louisa,	8,998	114,186	78	4,566	3,680	4,620	23,520	40,951	164,636	1,883,619
Madison,	2,856	41,942	27	1,740	2,263	2,653	5,762	7,926	49,640	750,556
Mahaska,	10,834	124,138	94	4,724	9,263	9,379	26,145	37,685	195,399	2,034,983
Macon,	8,674	129,194	51	2,925	6,899	7,446	20,721	26,566	128,816	1,650,573
Mills,	2,746	39,636	17	675	1,424	1,839	4,265	6,849	29,661	332,454
Monroe,	4,217	63,951	45	2,105	4,340	4,657	9,418	16,199	67,170	732,116
Montgomery,	291	4,561	2	160	101	126	552	1,114	2,405	16,539
Monona,	489	8,593			144	144	116	160	2,576	12,819
Marshall,	1,342	21,593	2	100	828	1,078	2,453	3,934	21,953	361,849
Muscatine,	7,757	109,112	57	3,981	2,716	3,440	13,145	18,634	184,149	3,286,534
Noble,	1,110	2,893	4	165	1,089	1,089	2,719	4,045	18,121	109,518
Polk,	4,461	62,314	53	2,039	3,349	5,059	10,431	16,226	113,344	1,386,309
Pottawattamie,	3,493	52,999	31	1,510	499	520	3,159	6,118	52,643	637,820
Poweshiek,	1,983	25,595	9	700	1,232	1,576	5,013	5,977	36,743	716,621
Scott,	11,137	128,745	35	3,350	3,639	3,805	28,058	27,950	839,746	3,841,116
Stacy,	636	11,270	7	255	280	406	1,035	1,751	11,133	132,557

STATEMENT (D.)—CONTINUED.

County.	Number of Cattle.	Value of Cattle.	No. of Mules.	Value of Mules.	Number of Sheep.	Value of Sheep.	Number of Hogs.	Value of Hogs.	Value of all other Property.	Total Value.
Shelby,	446	7,887	2	190	236	223	571	1,016	1,937	22,643
Tama,	1,044	17,701	2	90	183	279	1,205	3,482	21,663	276,605
Taylor,									Estimated	40,000
Van Buren,	12,534	138,792	141	5,653	11,081	12,729	22,860	38,080	212,127	2,302,675
Union,	82	1,696			2	2	153	329	541	10,496
Washington,	8,809	131,501	85	4,688	5,685	5,991	17,501	36,374	200,687	1,851,639
Wayne,	1,378	21,628	11	480	935	1,494	3,194	5,495	25,720	166,731
Wapello,	9,003	115,249	100	5,230	10,590	9,978	24,594	32,033	167,816	1,538,303
Warren,									Estimated	800,000
Webster,	632	9,223	3	110	394	606	1,158	2,041	10,680	89,164
Winneshie,	3,441	72,118	8	250	791	1,500	2,353	8,039	48,754	875,066
Woodbury,									Estimated	40,000
Total,	279,977	\$3,966,277	2,232	\$116,955	169,542	\$204,061	611,923	\$873,103	\$5,904,278	\$72,327,204





STATEMENT (E.)

Showing the number of Polls, Acres of land, with the value of the same; the value of Town lots, with their improvements; and the value of all other property, assessed in the several Counties, in the year 1853.

Counties.	No. of polls.	Acres of land.	Value of Land, with improve-ment.	Value of town lots.	Value of capi-tal employed in merchandize.	Value of capi-tal employed in manufacturing.	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Appanoose.	537	152,395	406,407	17,552	21,977	4,041	1,175	43,970
Alamakee,	689	159,486	280,176	33,800	14,780	4,725	426	14,848
Benton,		59,913	190,989	7,133			492	22,703
Blackhawk,		35,164	61,311	587			184	8,375
Boone,		20,873	61,049	1,800			413	18,091
Bremer,	130	8,729	11,964		3,177		220	10,050
Buchanan,	321	63,205	175,066	19,419	6,180		364	18,451
Cass,	84				300	700	81	4,080
Clarke,	148	35,763	77,428	2,073			152	4,860
Cedar,		217,561	844,240	64,053			2,206	111,576
Clayton,	1,347	343,933	1,007,665	20,696	42,861	43,517	1,560	77,710
Clinton,	804	201,633	750,865	57,780	25,000	1,005	1,544	75,916
Dallas,	246	55,172	152,052	2,596	1,479	500	512	21,320
DAVIS,		236,937	706,793	51,696			2,712	106,635
Decatur,	339	18,004	105,089	300			807	15,282
Delaware,	616	143,234	371,321	22,556			889	43,382
Des Moines,		237,772	1,976,181	1,182,902	256,515	40,700	3,817	164,817
Dubuque,	2,464	355,595	1,796,602	1,306,456			2,827	149,403
Fayette,		119,767	258,380	15,102			452	24,090
Fremont,		3,844	17,562				487	22,395
Guthrie,	62	3,563	34,525		100	1,500	113	4,828

Henry,	1,698	241,999	1,232,074	170,834	69,564	7,652	3,001	128,814
Iowa,	239	72,180	203,813	5,669			485	7,130
Jackson,	1,808	335,055	1,431,902	137,995	43,459	5,734	2,622	130,324
Johnson,		242,845	952,399	276,026			2,071	100,229
Jones,	864	191,439	625,362	31,444	12,343	3,000	1,391	69,738
Jasper,	379	84,248	282,828	16,689	13,495	5,860	790	34,664
Jefferson,		240,758	840,181	112,637			3,296	104,264
Keokuk,		172,866	572,988	39,060			1,962	90,651
Lee,	3,441	318,200	1,841,895	1,208,887	284,369	25,635	5,091	218,395
Linn,	1,375		1,087,439	176,660	67,010	16,182	2,904	143,486
Lucas,	224	45,595	93,814	3,994	22,364	300	284	15,930
Louisa,	1,135	179,840	906,839	58,697	40,940	10,664	2,227	99,900
Madison,	371	65,125	193,185	14,290			639	26,278
Mahaska,		240,775	989,536	111,859			2,716	122,714
Marion,	1,347	251,550	681,207	66,195	30,013	5,228	2,146	87,271
Mills,	280	8,430	20,712	1,481	11,400	800	520	17,115
Monroe,		123,839	366,658	17,640			1,141	45,691
Marshall,		28,952	75,306	2,131			261	12,666
Muscatine,	1,300	211,678	1,028,120	562,637	138,685	29,297	2,329	109,225
Page,							234	11,188
Polk,		151,683	664,972	92,764	28,311	6,380	1,415	67,073
Pottawattamie,	363				35,100	2,400	532	16,517
Poweshick,		43,451	134,953	4,569			483	21,637
Scott,	1,840	285,029	1,355,439	728,343			2,930	126,871
Story,	88	11,378	26,622				113	4,500
Tama,	78	31,121	64,420				192	4,935
Taylor,	92						134	5,639
Van Buren,	2,286	284,422	1,229,444	218,239	62,342	37,444	3,894	160,962
Washington,		190,918	698,655	77,207			2,255	84,922

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*Showing the number of Polls, Acres of Land, with the value of the same; the value of Town lots, with their improvements; and the value of all other property, assessed in the several Counties, in the year 1853.*

Counties.	No. of polls.	Acres of Land.	Value of Land with impr. v. ment.	Value of Town lots.	Value of capital employed in Merchandize.	Value of capital employed in manufacturing.	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Wayne,		31,489	59,497	1,164			280	13 155
Wapello,		216,708	741,269	148,145			2,693	104.482
Warren,	605	125,873	415,218	16,332			1,078	49.875
Webster,		560	820				73	2,794
Winneshiek,		66,643	123,392				313	16 972
<b>Total.</b>	<b>27,620</b>	<b>6,977,192</b>	<b>27,527,106</b>	<b>7,108,002</b>	<b>1,231,704</b>	<b>253,464</b>	<b>73,558</b>	<b>3,218,759</b>

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## STATEMENT (E.)—CONTINUED.

Counties.	Number of cattle.	Value of cattle.	No. of mules.	Value of mules.	Number of sheep.	Value of sheep.	Number of hogs.	Value of hogs.	Value of all other property.	Total value
Appanoose,	4,072	\$46,071	14	830	2,799	2,799	6,149	6,229	25,039	584,915
Alamakee,	3,013	40,989	39	664	510	681	2,536	5,018	36,668	429,371
Benton.	1,547	20,282	7	273	631	883	2,209	3,714	19,587	265,574
Blackhawk,	776	11,647	1	50	201	272	728	1,280	8,173	97,478
Boone,	1,196	14,000	2	70	804	1,501	2,313	3,400	48,020	147,931
Bremer,	665	9,193			165	185	726	1,265	1,602	43,437
Buchanan	1,365	18,708			673	829	1,840	2,808	23,424	264,885
Cass,	437	14,072	1	90	116	155	153	472	38,099	57,968
Clarke,	697	11,765			386	570	579	1,564	19,352	117,616
Cedar,	6,196	72,346	21	1,255	3,086	3,418	10,649	19,532	127,620	1,244,040
Clayton,	6,257	90,628	23	1,056	2,235	3,789	8,353	18,583	44,561	1,350,066
Clinton,	4,915	79,249	6	290	2,422	2,526	3,591	9,634	30,811	1,033,076
Dallas,	1,694	21,603	22	710	1,379	1,711	2,721	4,268	21,815	228,114
Davis,	8,338	99,398	140	6,290	9,564	9,562	13,922	23,969	157,790	1,162,133
Decatur,	1,091	10,502	14	300	576	872	1,881	2,663	15,093	149,801
Delaware,	3,290	44,810			1,537	1,998	3,865	7,273	52,882	544,222
Des Moines,	11,941	122,939	214	10,526	7,722	6,939	18,821	30,580	422,146	4,214,245
Dubuque,	11,105	152,954	48	2,433	3,029	4,026	11,641	22,259	714,251	4,148,387
Fayette,	2,137	32,250	6	345	612	850	2,376	4,446	6,715	342,178
Fremont,	2,223	30,646	28	1,395	1,010	1,350	2,590	4,081	24,147	101,576
Guthrie,	410	5,099	8	36	139	190	774	1,066	9,753	57,421
Henry,	9,174	95,928	133	7,952	7,635	8,222	12,536	22,718	202,875	1,936,806
Iowa,	1,555	8,119			1,129	482	2,937	1,967	62,227	337,175
Jackson,	9,942	133,064	13	642	5,067	8,589	13,259	25,366	106,562	2,023,627
Johnson,	6,756	84,096	41	2,525	5,335	4,968	11,060	25,049	230,146	1,684,430

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Counties.	Number of cattle,	Value of cattle.	No. of mules	Value of mules.	Number of sheep.	Value of sheep.	Number of hogs.	Value of hog.	Value of all other property.	Total value.
Jones,	4,640	58,361	58	1,265	2,857	3,146	7,553	13,021	46,199	863,879
Jasper,	2,333	30,407	23	1,115	1,868	2,346	4,068	7,112	53,132	447,651
Jefferson,	11,746	94,542	170	4,666	11,326	5,778	16,531	20,407	190,442	1,872,917
Keokuk,	5,835	71,367	18	1,265	5,682	6,822	8,939	21,654	124,810	928,607
Lee,	15,606	160,230	181	8,079	7,939	8,283	15,409	38,612	401,040	4,195,365
Linn,	7,836	95,615	26	1,891	5,876	6,419	14,179	27,127	135,069	1,766,899
Lucas,	835	16,142	7	565	740	1,245	870	22,479	34,060	211,887
Louisa,	7,781	83,082	39	2,858	3,949	4,364	13,153	26,623	127,797	1,361,674
Madison,	2,554	29,905	19	832	1,993	2,167	4,012	5,508	48,741	320,906
Mahaska,	8,070	99,454	76	3,388	7,650	7,855	18,601	29,070	256,188	1,620,064
Marion,	7,614	81,996	22	950	5,418	7,223	12,676	21,180	79,033	1,060,296
Mills,	2,140	14,809	12	454	1,108	968	2,62	2,353	34,263	104,355
Monroe,	3,290	41,434	18	447	3,553	3,553	5,114	10,819	33,424	519,666
Marshall,	806	13,839	1	56	666	86	1,440	2,785	16,633	124,296
Muscatine,	6,861	76,252	39	2,305	3,146	3,707	9,606	15,882	148,828	2,114,932
Page,	900	13,724	1	75	882	983	1,533	3,906	17,582	47,458
Polk,	3,716	51,532	41	1,656	3,090	4,547	5,137	10,727	99,420	1,017,382
Pottawattamie,	2,528	29,690	15	746	603	784	1,671	5,066	45,367	150,728
Poweshiek,	1,530	6,522	7	390	984	1,201	2,996	4,282	16,321	189,875
Scott,	9,783	95,357	137	3,024	2,358	2,452	14,219	23,938	505,490	2,840,914
Story,	452	6,468	3	65	1,442	1,448	440	669	6,878	46,651
Tama,	450	6,477	1	30	111	119	323	571	4,851	81,403
Taylor,	514	6,144			542	559	894	1,276	8,962	22,582
Van Buren,	11,649	122,521	114	4,294	11,194	12,733	15,521	28,826	224,971	2,101,426
Washington,	7,672	97,938	52	2,200	5,292	5,403	10,300	36,060	177,805	1,180,190

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Wayne,	1,116	13,968	10	650	848	919	1,426	3,094	25,077	117,580
Wapello,	8,112	89,505	93	3,558	9,528	9,690	13,523	20,920	199,282	1,313,801
Warren,	3,159	42,817	18	1,252	3,004	4,581	5,214	1,095	77,010	619,180
Webster,	331	2,232	1	35	165	242	469	835	13,700	20,658
Winneshiek,	2,079	33,858			416	639	1,601	4,008	31,749	210,610
<b>Total.</b>	<b>243,730</b>	<b>\$2,856,538</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>\$86,155</b>	<b>162,992</b>	<b>\$178,809</b>	<b>430,858</b>	<b>\$670,209</b>	<b>\$4,217,482</b>	<b>\$49,540,304</b>

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE BLIND ASYLUM.

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

As required by section nine, chapter twenty-six, of an Act for the establishment of an Asylum for the Blind, approved January 18, 1853, we beg leave to make the following Report:

We organized the Asylum for the instruction of the blind at as early a day as practicable after the passage of the law establishing the same, by appointing Prof. S. Bacon, Principal; Prof. T. J. McGittigen, Teacher of Music, and Mrs. Bacon, Matron.

The Institution was opened for the reception of pupils on the fourth day of April, 1853. The first session continued about fourteen months, at which time we ordered a vacation until the fourth of September, 1854, when the present session commenced.

Since the opening of the Asylum for the reception of pupils, there have been twenty-three admitted, a list of whom you will find attached to this Report, marked "A."

Donations to the Asylum you will find marked "B." A table showing the receipts and disbursements, you will also find attached, marked "C."

It has been, with the greatest difficulty that we could procure suitable buildings for the accommodation of the pupils, and it is utterly impossible for a large class to be accommodated with our present buildings.

We would most earnestly and respectfully urge the necessity of making the necessary appropriations the present session of the Legislature, for the erection of suitable buildings for the accommodation and instruction of this unfortunate portion of our citizens; also a sufficient amount to support the Institution in its present condition until the erection of new and suitable buildings.

The teachers connected with the Asylum appear to be devoted to the interests of the Institution, and take special care of the mental and moral training of the pupils under their charge.

The pupils have made rapid progress in their educational and mechanical departments, even far beyond the expectation of the most sanguine friends of the enterprise.



We think it would be good policy to so amend the law, establishing the Asylum for the blind, as to do away with all distinction between the rich and poor, as we have found by long experience, that all educational enterprises succeed best where all distinctions between rich and poor are abolished, and where all the pupils can enter the school upon an equal footing.

It is unpleasant to be poor, but it is humiliating in the extreme to compel poor persons to have a record of their poverty made in our county courts before they can send their unfortunate children to a school where they can be taught to read and understand all about the world they live in, which is all utter darkness to them, and thereby become intelligent and useful citizens.

We refer you to the Report of the Principal of the Asylum, which is made a part of this Report, for a more full and definite statement of the workings of the Asylum.

We ask that the name of the "Asylum for the Blind" be changed to that of "Institution for the Instruction of the Blind," as we think the term Asylum inappropriate, as the Institution is a school for the instruction of the blind, and not an asylum. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. EADS, President,

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## REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL TO THE OVERSEERS.

GENTLEMEN: In presenting this report, I do not conceive it necessary to give any arguments in favor of the establishment of institutions for the unfortunate where such institutions have multiplied with such unparalleled rapidity, and have been fostered with such care, as they have in the United States.

From the most remote antiquity, there have been numerous examples of the blind who were distinguished for their various acquirements, yet the idea of rearing up institutions for the instruction of the blind, is of recent origin. The Abbe Haüy has the honor of making the first attempt at anything of the kind for the instruction of this unfortunate class of our fellow beings. This was in the year 1784. Six

years later, his school was taken under the patronage of the French government. Soon after this, schools were established in most of the European States. Preliminary steps were taken for the establishment of one by the citizens of Boston, in 1829; soon New York and Philadelphia followed in this benevolent enterprise. From these have sprung the different institutions for the instruction of the blind, which are scattered throughout our happy country. There are now eighteen in the United States, and all but three or four of the States, have made some provision for the education of their blind.

This institution was opened on the fourth of April, A. D. 1853, and continued in session until June 24th, 1854, when, by your direction, it was closed to open again on the fourth of September, the commencement of the present session.

In accordance with your instructions, I attended a convention of the teachers of the blind, held in the city of New York on the 16th, 17th and 18th of August, 1853. Many topics of interest were discussed—particularly that of printing for the blind. The convention adjourned after appointing a committee to memorialize Congress for a grant of public lands to aid in the building up and support of institutions for the instruction of the blind in the different States and Territories in the United States.

Probably this was the first convention of the kind, ever convened; and certainly it was the first in this country. This convention was well attended: the principals of fourteen institutions, were present—representing some twenty States.

While in New York, I obtained several donations of books for this Institution, and made such purchases as you directed; yet we are in great need of more books, instruments and other apparatus. The progress of the pupils, is greatly retarded for the want of them; but I cannot urge their purchase without there are more means placed at your disposal.

The course of instruction and division of time is as follows: The pupils rise at 5½ o'clock, A. M.; geography, from 6 to 7 o'clock; breakfast and recess, from 7 to 8 o'clock; arithmetic and algebra, from 8 to 9 o'clock; recess, ten minutes; one hour, vocal music; ten minutes, recess; one hour, grammar and writing; ten minutes, recess; one hour, instrumental music and reading raised print; dine, 12½ o'clock, P. M.; recess to 2 o'clock, P. M.; from 2 to 5 o'clock, the pupils are engaged in some kind of work—the males in the manufacture of brooms, and

the females in sewing, knitting and bead-work; supper, at 5½ o'clock; recess to 7; from 7 to 8 o'clock, history. Younger pupils retire at 9 o'clock—the older ones, at 10 o'clock, P. M. In addition to the above course, the pupils receive instruction on the pianoforte, and a small class, in geometry. The news of the day, is read to the entire class, from the various papers sent to the Institution gratis.

The pupils evince a great interest in their different pursuits, and feel thankful that there is a place provided for their education.

The discipline is mild, but firm—free from corporeal punishment. The plan of instruction is oral. No sectarian views are taught; but a due reverence and respect for the Supreme Being, is inculcated at all times in the Institution. If the weather will permit, all the pupils are expected to attend church on the Lord's day.

Generally, our household has been healthy, not one of the members of the Institution has lost a day from school on account of sickness; this is a little remarkable, as the blind, from their sedentary habits, are predisposed to diseases of various kinds. The number of pupils have not increased as fast as we could desire for several reasons. First, for the want of means to make the proper exertions to induce them to leave their homes. Secondly, the objection of parents to comply with the law; and, lastly, for the want of room to accommodate them.

I would most respectfully suggest the propriety of changing the name of the Institution from "Asylum for the Blind," to that of "Institution for the Instruction of the Blind," for it is not an Asylum, and the repealing of Sec. 5, of the law establishing the Asylum, or so far as it makes a distinction between rich and poor, a distinction which is very prejudicial to the interests of any institution of learning.

It is true there is not much to be feared from the above distinction at present, as it is not likely there is a single blind person in the State who is really able to defray the expenses attending an education. It is worse than useless to require the parents to produce a certificate of their inability to defray the expenses of educating their blind child, for all look upon this as a degradation, which some will not submit to, preferring to rear their children in ignorance, thereby adding to the misfortune of physical blindness that of mental darkness. Iowa stands alone among the Western States in this restriction. It is to be hoped that she will adopt as liberal a policy as that of her sister States, educating all her blind, deaf and dumb free of charges.

It is with pleasure that I can speak in the highest terms of praise in regard to the conduct of all under my charge.

A. Keithly, Teacher of Mechanics, discontinued his connection with the Institution on the 16th of October last. His place has been temporarily supplied by C. M. Lee. The pupils have made fine progress under their Music Teacher, T. J. McGittigen, who bids fair to become a superior instructor in that branch.

The duties of Matron and Housekeeper have been discharged by Mrs. Bacon since the opening of the school in this city. Some change should be made, for the duties to be performed by the Matron, are so onerous that I would most respectfully recommend the appointment of an assistant Matron.

As to the policy pursued in this Institution, I can only say that I have had but one object in view, and that is to elevate the condition of the blind, and thereby place them in their true character before the public, and in so doing, make them intelligent and useful citizens.

It is confidently believed that the blind, with the proper instruction, will be able to maintain themselves free of charge from their friends or the State. There will be as few exceptions among this class, according to their numbers, as among those who have their sight.

Many experiments will yet have to be made, as the education of the blind is yet only in its infancy, but this Institution has the experience of many others before it, and our endeavors shall be to avoid all the errors of the past; and if we should fail in our effort, it will be a lack of judgment, and not of interest on our part.

I can not close this Report without respectfully urging upon you the necessity of the erection of a suitable building for the school. The one we now occupy is the largest that can be obtained in the city. It is now filled to its utmost capacity, even more than prudence would admit if we could do otherwise. If we should have a protracted case of sickness among our number, it would be impossible to attend to it in the House. It is utterly impossible to carry out the design of the Legislature in educating all the blind of Iowa, without a suitable building for the reception of scholars.

In the erection of a building, I would, therefore, respectfully recommend the selection of some eligible site in the city, and that the building be large enough to accommodate at least fifty pupils. Probably this will be ample for several years, and when it becomes

insufficient to supply the wants of the people, we will be able to erect more commodious and permanent buildings, which will do credit to our young and growing State, and locate the same to suit the convenience of our increasing population; and at that time the old buldings can be disposed of with but little loss to the State. If a contrary policy be pursued it must be many years before the blind of our State can be received into school, and many of them will have passed the most important period of life before receiving instruction, and the evil, in many cases, will be irreparable; and to prevent this, the blind of Iowa most respectfully and earnestly call upon you, their legal guardians to make an effort to increase the capacity of this Institution to impart instruction to them.

In conclusion, allow me, gentlemen, to express to you the hope that the good understanding and kindness which has marked your intercourse with me may be continued. All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. BACON, Principal.

NO.	NAMES.	AGES.	RESIDENCE.	PLACES OF NATIVITY.	SEX.	DATES OF ADMISSION.
1	James A. Gilliland,	23	Johnson county,	Pennsylvania.	Male.	April 4th, 1853.
2	Agnes Walters,	21	Iowa "	Ohio.	Female.	" 5th, "
3	Josephine Porter,	14	Johnson "	Indiana.	"	" 29th, "
4	Mary Bushnell,	17	Lee "	Iowa.	"	May 12th, "
5	William Gunn,	17	Camanche "	Michigan.	Male.	" 24th, "
6	S. L. Grady,	17	Jefferson "	Illinois.	"	June 6th, "
7	A. Lett,	15	Cedar "	Ohio.	"	" 28th, "
8	Rhoda Bowen,	29	Johnson "	"	Female.	July 16th, "
9	John Stafford,	24	Lee "	Ireland.	Male.	" 19th, "
10	William Adair,	15	" "	Illinois.	"	November 19th, "
11	Mary Trimble,	16	" "	Indiana.	Female.	" 10th, "
12	John Bonn,	12	" "	Iowa.	Male.	October 27th, "
13	Mary Ann Bonn,	21	" "	New York.	Female.	" 27th, "
14	John Cisnee,	24	Des Moines "	Pennsylvania.	Male.	" 29th, "
15	Thomas Duff,	8	" "	Scotland.	"	December 14th, "
16	Jacob Niermeyer,	10	Marion "	Netherlands.	"	" 24th, "
17	James Ronalson,	21	Desmoines "	Scotland.	"	September 6th, 1854.
18	Albert Terwilligar,	17	Jones "	New York.	"	February 6th, "
19	Rebecca Cameron,	13	Dubque "	Pennsylvania.	Female.	" 6th, "
20	Phebe M. Caldwell,	13	Van Buren "	"	"	May 22d, "
21	John F. Wendell,	19	Jackson "	"	Male.	Novemher 6th, "
22	Eliza Jane Stephenson,	22	Keokuk "	Illinois.	Female.	" 11th, "
23	John Poff,	19	" "	Indiana.	Male.	" 17th, "

## [B.]

DONATIONS to the *Asylum for the Blind, located at Iowa City, Iowa*:

By the American Bible Society,		
2 copies of Bible and Psalms,	- - - -	\$44 88
By D. S. Miller, of Philadelphia,		
6 copies of Common Prayer,	- - - -	18 00
By T. Butler, of New York,		
2 copies of Common Prayer,	- - - -	6 00
By American Tract Society,		
Miscellaneous Books,	- - - -	6 50
By American Sunday School Union,		
Miscellaneous Books,	- - - -	5 00
Keokuk Dispatch,	- - - -	2 00
Fairfield Ledger,	- - - -	2 00
Iowa Capital Reporter,	- - - -	2 00
Iowa Republican,	- - - -	2 00
Dubuque Herald,	- - - -	2 00
Miner's Express,	- - - -	2 00
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Total amount of Donations,	- - - -	\$92 38

## [C.]

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS of *Blind Asylum, located at Iowa City, Iowa*.

Appropriation by the General Assembly,	- - - -	\$2,000 00
Drawn on Pupils,	- - - -	2,889 50
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Total amount,	- - - -	\$4,889 50
For teachers' salaries, rents, repairs, and all other expenses, and disbursements,		
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Total amount,	- - - -	\$4,889 50

REPORT OF T. H. BENTON, Jr., SUPERINTENDENT OF  
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, }  
Iowa City, Iowa, June 6, 1854. }

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

I beg leave to submit the following suppliment to my biennial report of December 6th, 1852. It is designed to embrace the business transacted subsequent to that date, and a partial recapitulation of the financial affairs of the school system from the 1st of April, 1847, to the 31st of March, 1854.

As nothing very definite relative to the University fund has transpired since my last report was submitted, and as my successor purposes presenting a full statement of its condition, it is deemed unnecessary to notice it here. Your attention is therefore invited to the selection of lands under the 8th Section of the Act of Congress of September 4th, 1841. The selection of these lands, has been attended with much trouble, growing chiefly out of the establishment of new Land Districts, and the repeated change of Land Officers, during the progress of the selections. Indeed it was impossible in some of the new Land Districts to ascertain precisely what lands were selected under the Act. Under these circumstances, I determined to procure duly authenticated plats of the selections, from the General Land Office; and having no means at my disposal for that purpose, I contracted with Mr. Peter Daggy, an experienced clerk of the Department, to furnish them for one dollar each, and rendered myself individually liable to pay the amount of his bill, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the delivery of the plats, until such time as the money could be appropriated by the General Assembly. Attached to each plat, is a tabular statement, showing the number of the list, the office at which the selection was made, the date of approval, and the area of the several tracts approved. The work is executed in the most elegant and accurate style, with notes and references pointing out, in the most minute manner possible, the discrepancies in the several lists, and has the certificate and official seal of the



Commissioner appended. The plats are substantially bound in one volume, and deposited with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, where those desiring information with reference to the selection of these lands, can procure it from the most authentic source. I have examined the whole work carefully, and am satisfied that the charges of Mr. D., are extremely reasonable, and trust that the bill presented herewith, will be allowed, and the amount appropriated at an early day.

The following list, arranged from the plats above referred to, will show the number of acres selected and approved in the several counties.

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#### LAND SELECTIONS.

*A List of Lands (commonly known as the 500,000 acre grant) selected for the State of Iowa, under the 8th section of the Act of Congress of the 4th September, 1841, as approved by the Secretary of the Interior, as per the certificate of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under date of September 12th, 1854.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Adair, . . . . .	2,391.89
Adams, . . . . .	1,920.
Alamakee, . . . . .	70,219.53
Appanoose, . . . . .	2,400.
Benton, . . . . .	11,791.80
Boone, . . . . .	1,052.12
Black Hawk, . . . . .	8,382.84
Bremer, . . . . .	19,169.57
Buchanan, . . . . .	2,485.44
Butler, . . . . .	478.51
Cedar, . . . . .	6,285.42
Clarke, . . . . .	16,014.
Clayton, . . . . .	22,817.02
Clinton, . . . . .	20,941.35
Chickasaw, . . . . .	3,279.26

## LAND SELECTIONS—(CONTINUED).

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Dallas,	13,699.16
Davis,	939.21
Decatur,	40,637.48
Delaware,	11,395.12
Dubuque,	16,194.87
Fayette,	30,747.85
Floyd,	3,481.68
Hardin,	1,360.
Harrison,	7,581.67
Iowa,	23,976.17
Jackson,	807.50
Jasper,	1,674.94
Jones,	30,467.48
Keokuk,	670.64
Linn,	11,046.07
Louisa,	640.
Lucas,	640.
Madison,	9,386.02
Mahaska,	9,227.75
Marion,	1,414.61
Marshall,	6,155.86
Monroe,	986.57
Muscatine,	357.33
Polk,	6,151.46
Poweshiek,	12,715.24
Ringgold,	607.20
Story,	3,796.74
Tama,	11,651.42
Union,	10,754.96
Wapello,	7,041.57
Warren,	1,918.13
Wayne,	15,578.84
Webster,	15,564.95
Winneshiek,	24,449.18
<b>Total,</b>	<b>523,337.42</b>

It will be observed that this list shows an excess of 23,337.42 acres over and above the total amount of the grant, being 677.39 acres more than the excess shown by the statement forwarded from the Department to the Governor. This is occasioned by sundry discrepancies in lists, numbers 1, 5, 13, 14, 23, 46, 53 and 60 of the Dubuque district, and 8, 9, 10, 13, 14 and 16 of the Fairfield district, and 2, 3, 7, 10, 1 and 14 of the Iowa City district, as presented in that statement, and an error of 400 acres in additions. It is believed, therefore, that the excess shown by the foregoing list, is correct. But as this matter will doubtless be fully investigated before the grant is finally closed, any further allusion to it here is considered unnecessary.

Under the Act of February 25th, 1847, the School Fund Commissioners were empowered to select and sell these lands. Annexed is a statement of the sales made by them.

#### LANDS SELECTED AND SOLD.

*A List of Lands selected under the 8th section of the Act of Congress of September 4, 1841,, and sold by the School Fund Commissioners, under the 8th section of the Act of the Geaeral Assembly, of Feb. 25, 1847.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Benton, . . . . .	320.
Clayton, . . . . .	2,278.80
Davis, . . . . .	320.
Delaware, . . . . .	320.
Dubuque, . . . . .	1,040.
Jones, . . . . .	3,038.40
Linn, . . . . .	1,720.
Louisa, . . . . .	640.
Mahaska, . . . . .	3,320.17
Marion, . . . . .	1,094.61
Monroe, . . . . .	320.
Polk, . . . . .	3,241.81
Wapello, . . . . .	7,041.57
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>21,695.36</b>

Under the Act of January 15, 1849, the remaining selections were to be made by three commissioners, one for each of the Land Districts as then constituted; and the Superintendent of Public Instruction was authorized to order them into market. The following is an exhibit of the lands ordered into market by the undersigned.

*A LIST showing the number of acres of land selected under the 8th section of the act of Congress, of September 4th, 1841, as ordered into market, by Thomas H. Benton, Jr., Superintendent of Public Instruction, under the 8th section of the supplemental act of the General Assembly, (section 1070 of the Code), of January 15, 1849.*

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Counties.	Date of ordering sale.	Acres	Date of ordering sale.	Acres	Total.
Alamakee,	September 3, 1851.	39,351 05	April 1, 1854.	30,868 48	70,219 53
Appanoose,	" " "	2,470			2,400
Benton,	" " "	11,471 80			11,471 80
Boone,	" " "	1,052 12			1,052 12
Blackhawk,	August 27, 1853.	7,781 40	May 15, 1854.	601 44	8,382 84
Bremer,	February 23, 1854.	19,160 57			19,160 57
Buchanan,	September 3, 1851.	2,485 44			2,485 44
Cedar,	" " "	320 18	March 16, 1854.	5,965 24	6,285 42
Clarke,	February 28, 1853.	13,456 42	June 6, "	2,359 58	16,014
Clayton,	September 3, 1851.	*18,846 28	April 6, "	1,371 94	20,218 22
Clinton,	" " "	13,602 36	March 28, "	7,338 99	20,941 35
Chickasaw,	" 5, 1853.	3,279 26			3,279 26
Dallas,	" 3, 1851.	11,819 16	June 4, 1854.	1,880	13,699 16
Davis,	" " "	619 21			619 21
Decatur,	" " "	28,398 64	June 5, 1854.	12,138 85	40,637 48
Delaware,	" " "	7,675 12	April 5, 1854.	3,400	11,075 12
Dubuque,	" " "	*14,754 87	" 6, "	720	15,474 87
Fayette,	" " "	29,641 28	" " "	1,106 57	30,747 85
Hardin,	August 15, 1853.	1,360			1,360
Iowa,	September 3, 1851.	3,830 24			3,830 24
Jackson,	" " "	447 50	April 7, 1854.	360	807 50
Jasper,	" " "	1,674 94			1,674 94
Jones,	" " "	26,189 70	April 6, 1854.	1,239 38	27,429 08

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Counties.	Date of ordering sale.	Acres.	Dates of ordering sale.	Acres.	Total.
Keokuk,	September 3, 1851.	670 64	April 6, 1854.		670 64
Linn,	" " "	9,326 07			9,326 07
Lucas,	" " "	640			640
Madison,	" " "	9,386 02			9,386 02
Mahaska,	" " "	5,907 58			5,907 58
Marion	" " "	320			320
Marshall,	" " "	5,373 79	April 7, 1854.	782 07	6,155 86
Monroe,	" " "	666 57			666 57
Muscatine,	April 10, 1854.	357 33			357 33
Polk,	September 3, 1851.	2,909 65			2,909 65
Poweshiek,	" " "	2,240			2,240
Tama,	July 13, 1853.	8,527 53	April 7, 1854.	3,123 89	11,651 42
Union,	August 26, "	8,834 96	June 5, "	9,120	10,754 96
Warren,	September 3, 1851.	1,918 13			1,918 13
Wayne,	May 17, 1852.	4 865 41	June 5, 1854.	10,713 43	15,578 84
Webster,	June 6, 1853.	15,564 95			15,564 95
Winneshiek,	February 26, 1853.	13,132 12	April 5, 1854.	11,317 06	24,449 18
		350,556 28		97,206 92	447,763 20

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\* NOTE.—The W. 1 of Sec. 26, Town 91, Range 1 west, 320 acres, belonging properly to Clayton county, was ordered into market and sold in Dubuque county through mistake, and as the general result is the same, it is permitted to remain without alteration.

It is proper here to state, that the selections made in Webster county, (formerly Yell and Risley), amounting to 28,378 46 acres, were approved on the 20th February, 1851, of which I was duly advised by the Register of the Land office, at Dubuque. On the 1st of March, 1853, I addressed a letter of inquiry to the Commissioner of the General Land Office as to whether any of the selections in question conflicted with the Des Moines River Grant, to which (probably through a misapprehension of my inquiry,) he returned a negative answer. Accordingly on the 6th of June, 1853, I ordered the lands into market. Subsequently, I received a letter from the Commissioner, under date of January 6th, 1854, informing me that the approval of the selections under the act of September 4th, 1841, in certain odd sections, in townships 87, 26 W. 86, 27 W. 87, 27 W., 88, 27 W., 87, 28 W. and 88, 28 W., amounting to 12,813,51 acres, had been revoked, and the lands confirmed to the State, under the Act of August 8th, 1846, for the improvement of the Des Moines river.

I immediately forwarded a list of the lands thus rejected to the School Fund Commissioner, John Talman, Esq., with instructions to make no further sales, and to forward me a statement of the lands sold in the above mentioned odd sections and townships, up to that time. By this statement, which I have placed in the hands of my successor, it appears that 3,194-28 acres of the rejected lands were sold before the order was countermanded. I am informed that most of these lands are held and claimed by actual settlers, and in view of this fact, and the further consideration, that the Des Moines River Grant was about to pass into the hands of a private company, I determined not to have the sales cancelled, but to let them remain as originally made, until the matter could be laid before you, for such action as you might deem proper. I think it but an act of justice, that these persons should be protected in their rights. The sales can be cancelled and the purchase money refunded, under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to which the purchasers have no objection, but they ask some further guaranty of the State, that they shall be permitted to purchase them at the same price from the company, for which they purchased them from the State. It is hoped therefore, that you will give the matter such consideration as will secure the interests of all concerned. By deducting the lands

thus rejected, the number of acres left in the county will be 15,564 94, as presented in the several statements of this report.

The following is a list of the lands yet to be ordered into market:

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Adams, - - - - -	1,920.
Adair, - - - - -	2,391.89
Butler,* - - - - -	478.51
Floyd, - - - - -	3,481.68
Harrison, - - - - -	7,581.67
Iowa, - - - - -	20,145.93
Poweshiek, - - - - -	10,475.24
Ringgold, - - - - -	607.20
Story, - - - - -	3,796.74
Total, - - - - -	50,878.86
Deduct Butler, - - - - -	478.51
Number of acres not in market, January 1, 1855, - - -	50,400.35

During my last official term, I examined the financial affairs of forty-one counties. These examinations were very thorough, extending to every item of business transacted from the commencement of the school system, to the time of my visit to the county. I also transcribed the sales and loans into new books, and left a full statement of the accounts with the respective Fund Commissioners, with instructions to record the same and place it on file with the papers of the office. This statement was perhaps omitted in a few of the first counties visited, but the result of the examination was in all cases entered on the books. In thirteen of these counties, the examination extended up to the 31st of March, 1854. The result of my personal supervision of this branch of our educational system, is given the following table :

\* NOTE.—The Lands in Butler County have been ordered into market by my successor.



Counties.	Date to which examination extends.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credit.
		16th Section.	500,000 Acres.		
Alamakee,	June 30, 1852.	720	18,911.09	10,955 93	16,451 72
Appanoose,	March 31, 1854.	9,080	2,040	6,440 30	7,351 50
Benton,	March 31, 1854.	1,758.60	4,757.52	5,738 14	10,771 64
Buchanan,	June 30, 1852.	760	996.80	643 47	1,737 52
Clarke,	December 5, 1853.	1,320	4,510.67	3,276 48	4,278 31
Cedar,	June 1, 1852.	5,040	80	2,851 60	7,230 00
Clayton,	July 9, 1852.	5,170	11,400.56	6,255 94	14,839 45
Dallas,	October 24, 1853.	2,958.20	10,276.11	8,215 19	8,397 33
Davis,	March 31, 1854.	9,640	800	4,966 15	10,280 25
Decatur,	November 22, 1853.	2,640	13,765.81	11,775 46	8,762 27
Delaware,	June 15, 1853.	3,578.98	4,791.47	3,301 30	8,934 21
Des Moines,	March 31, 1854.	6,906.90		8,739 17	15,231 60
Dubuque,	July 6, 1853.	10,850.10	14,279.85	10,584 63	22,198 73
Fayette,	June 30, 1852.	840	22,234.70	12,216 66	17,666 23
Fremont,	November 9, 1853.	2,200		1,040 90	2,010 00
Guthrie,	October 29, 1853.	400		300 00	240 00
Henry,	March 31, 1854.	7,680		5,611 79	11,333 15
Iowa,	September 24, 1853.	1,508	3,483.14	3,385 00	3,531 50
Jasper,	October 4, 1853.	2,280	1,320	1,895 00	2,925 00
Jefferson,	March 31, 1854.	7,680		5,178 70	10,608 40
Johnson,	June 30, 1852.	4,498 22		2,379 34	7,009 49
Jones,	June 30, 1852.	4,460	11,892.84	7,880 66	15,424 25
Keokuk,	March 31, 1854.	6,000	670.64	4,691 44	7,548 53
Lee,	March 31, 1854.	9,004.30		8,184 27	12,350 48
Linn,	September 20, 1852.	5,790.70	5,910.94	6,024 28	13,927 49
Louisa,	March 31, 1854.	7,440.51	640	5,315 54	8,778 83
Lucas,	December 1, 1853.	2,230	160	2,040 00	2,550 00

Counties.	Date to which examination extends.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credit.
		16th Section.	500,000 Acres.		
Madison,	October 17, 1853.	4,460	6,011.14	5,777 46	8,117 40
Mahaska,	January 2, 1854.	8,360.90	8,967.97	7,672 52	16,315 14
Marion,	December 15, 1853.	7,800	1,414.61	6,620 41	5,816 95
Mills,	October 7, 1853.	440		550 00	
Monroe,	March 31, 1854.	4,960	990.68	2,998 25	5,511 10
Muscatine,	March 31, 1854.	6,850.06		4,228 07	10,435 66
Pottawattamie,	November 3, 1853.	1,645.91		551 85	1,505 54
Polk,	October 13, 1853.	5,657.91	4,995.81	3,795 95	9,608 67
Poweshiek,	September 30, 1853.	1,160	1,880	2,062 50	1,737 50
Van Buren,	March 31, 1854.	8,649.36		6,265 27	14,415 29
Wapello,	March 31, 1854.	7,421.61	7,041.57	8,506 84	12,259 38
Warren,	December 9, 1853.	2,840		2,715 41	4,593 25
Washington,	September 20, 1853.	3,721.54		4,856 71	7,615 51
Wayne,	November 26, 1853.	1,960	2,563.56	3,133 84	2,966 95
		191,967.80	166,787.48	209,622 42	353,266 22

The following Statement, arranged from the reports of the School Fund Commissioners, is designed to present the business transacted in the several Counties, from the respective dates of my investigations, as shown by the last preceding table, to the 31st March, 1854, and also the entire business of those Counties not examined, up to the same period. For the accuracy of these reports, I am not prepared to vouch. In some of them there are manifest discrepancies; not consistent with former reports: but in the main, they are believed to be correct. They are placed in a separate table in order that their accuracy may be tested by future examinations.

Counties.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credit.
	16th Section.	500,000 acres.		
Alamakee,	4,640.	11,934.49	8,695 52	23,730 18
Blackhawk,		5,120.35	4,272 98	2,227 55
Boone,	400.	932.12	530 82	1,253 28
Buchanan,	2,846.	1,006.90	1,567 22	3,452 53
Cedar,	3,842.79	160.	2,004 69	6,014 14
Chickasaw,	1,280.	1,859.91	2,633 94	2,286 79
Clarke,	280.	4,473.93	2,154 30	3,774 78
Clayton,	4,252.25	7,104.36	5,347 10	8,475 68
Clinton,	8,226.33	10,962.02	8,363 16	25,089 48
Dallas,	160.	1,600.	550 00	1,650 00
Decatur,	640.	4,950.07	3,975 70	3,097 16
Delaware,	2,920.	3,003.14	2,031 15	5,443 40
Dubuque,	240.	936.	417 24	1,253 21
Fayette,	3,240.	6,953.40	3,971 93	10,426 83
Fremont,	280.		87 50	262 50
Guthrie,	80.		25 00	75 00
Hardin,	2,320.	1,360.	1,166 62	2,984 82
Iowa,	3,040.	240.	720	2,160 00
Jackson,	1,752.	360.	2,479 20	5,697 60
Jasper,	1,400.	360.	717 50	1,852 50
Johnson,	2,530.		926 25	2,328 75
Jones,	3,390.	15,507.25	6,471 55	18,441
Linn,	3,580.	2,827.11	2,533 76	6,588 54
Lucas,	640.	160.	301 90	730 70
Madison,	400.	3,320.	1,247 50	3,452 50
Mahaska,	446.77	280.	235 15	675 00
Marion,	360.		112 50	337 50
Marshall,	3,440.	.47	4,324 24	6,856 51
Page,	1,240.		593 05	1,179 15
Polk,	800.	538.	830 78	842 36
Poweshick,	920.	320.	845 00	1,095 00

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Counties.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credit.
	16th Section	500,000 Acres.		
Scott,	8,461.		5,320 00	11,527 83
Story,	800.		367 50	1,102 50
Tama,	1,000.	7,886.59	4,655 85	7,249 46
Taylor,	160.		200 00	
Union,		738.67	268 07	654 25
Warren,	160.		50 00	150 00
Washington,	1,620.		556 25	1,668 75
Wayne,	960.	119.71	429 60	989 90
Webster,	360.	9,461.23	6,224 26	7,231 80
Winneshieck,	4,368.57	9,547.55	6,415 64	13,030 31
	77,469.71	119,075.28	94,680 40	197,339 62

The following statement includes the two last preceding ones, and is an exhibit of the entire sales made in the State, from the commencement of the school system, to the 31st March, 1854. It also embraces the Five Per Cent. Fund apportioned to the Counties, and all other monies constituting a part of the principal of the School Fund, under the jurisdiction of the School Fund Commissioners, and therefore shows the amount of the Fund invested in the several Counties, at the above date. There is an item of "one dollar on contracts," in this Statement, that it may be well to explain. Under the act of February 25th, 1847, each person contracting with the Fund Commissioners, for land, was required to pay into the School Fund, the sum of one dollar extra. This provision was repealed by the act of January 15, 1849. The statement, therefore embraces all the funds derived from that source. I have also included the sum of \$58 00 in Benton County, derived from intestate estates, the only amount realized from that source in the State;

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Counties.	Number of Acres.		One Dollar on Contracts.	Five per cent fund.	Cash.	Credit.	Total.
	16th Section.	500,000 Acres.					
Alamakee,	5,360.	30,845.58	2 00	\$159 09	\$19,651 45	\$40,181 90	\$95,983 44
Appanoose,	9,080.	2,040.	2 00	490 12	6,440 30	7,551 50	14,283 92
Benton,	1,758.60	4,757.52		154 40	5,738 14	10,771 64	16,664 18
Blackhawk,		5,120.35		124 25	580 82	1,253 28	6,500 53
Boone,	400.	992.12		140 24	2,210 69	5,190 05	7,540 98
Buchanan,	3,600.	2,003.70	18 00	516 45	4,856 29	13,244 14	18,634 88
Bedar,	8,882.79	240.		2,633 04	2,286 79	4,920 73	4,920 73
Chickasaw,	1,280.	1,859.91		30 00	5,430 75	8,053 09	13,513 87
Clarke,	1,600.	8 984.60	37 00	677 38	11,603 04	23,315 13	35,632 55
Clayton,	9,422.25	11,504.92	2 00	391 82	8,363 10	25,089 48	33,846 46
Clinton,	8,226.33	10,962.02		142 34	8,765 19	10,047 33	18,954 86
Dallas,	3,118.20	13,876.11	36 00	1,082 95	4,966 15	10,280 25	16,365 35
Davis,	9,640.	800.		147 27	15,751 46	11,559 43	27,757 86
Decatur,	3,280.	18,715.88	11 00	332 05	5,332 45	14,377 61	20,053 11
Delaware,	6,498.98	7,795.11	88 00	1,551 45	8,739 17	15,231 00	25,610 22
Des Moines,	6,906.90	15,215.85	72 00	1,220 69	11,001 87	23,451 94	35,746 50
Dubuque,	11,096.10	29,188.10		107 00	10,188 59	28,093 06	44,388 65
Fayette,	4,080.			105 00	1,127 50	2,272 50	3,505 00
Fremont,	2,480.			325 00	1,166 62	2,984 82	680 00
Guthrie,	480.			40 00	1,166 62	2,984 82	4,151 44
Hardin,	2,320.	1,360.	161 00	1,247 29	5,611 79	11,333 15	18,353 23
Henry,	7,680.			153 23	4,105 90	5,691 50	9,950 63
Iowa,	3,260.	3,723.14	1 00	840 10	2,479 20	5,697 60	9,017 90
Jackson,	3,040.	360.		293 92	2,612 50	4,777 50	7,683 92
Jasper,	3,680.	1,680.	92 00	1,369 00	5,178 70	10,608 40	17,248 10
Jefferson,	7,680.		30 00	676 17	3,305 59	9,338 24	13,350 00

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Counties.	Number of acres.		One dollar on contracts.	Five per cent fund.	Cash.	Credit.	Total.
	16th section.	500,000 acres.					
Jones,	7,850	27,400 09	55 00	559 82	14,352 21	33,865 63	48,832 66
Keokuk,	6,000	670 64	35 00	632 47	4,691 44	7,548 53	12,907 44
Lee,	9,004 30		89 00	2,143 15	8,184 27	12,350 48	22,766 90
Linn,	9,370 70	8,738 05	13 00	900 83	8,618 04	20,516 03	30,047 90
Louisa,	7,440 51	640	58 00	1,015 88	5,315 54	8,778 83	15,168 25
Lucas,	2,870	320		124 89	2,341 90	3,280 70	5,747 49
Madison,	4,860	9,334 14		263 12	7,024 96	11,569 90	18,857 98
Mahaska,	8,807 67	9,247 97	80 00	1,249 64	7,907 67	16,990 14	26,234 45
Marion,	8,160	1,414 61	47 00	702 40	6,732 91	6,154 45	13,636 76
Marshal,	3,440	5,050 47		114 39	4,324 22	6,856 51	11,295 12
Mills,	440			74 00	550 00		624 00
Monroe,	4,960	990 68	26 00	569 29	2,998 25	5,511 10	9,104 64
Muscatine,	6,850 06		25 00	769 00	4,228 07	10,435 66	15,457 73
Page,	1,240			55 00	593 05	1,179 15	1,827 20
Pottawattamie	1,645 91			75 00	551 85	1,505 54	2,132 39
Polk,	6,457 91	5,534 32	25 00	505 58	4,626 73	10,451 03	15,608 34
Poweshiek,	2,080	2,200		146 40	2,907 50	2,832 50	5,886 40
Scott,	8,461		39 00	845 65	5,320 00	11,527 83	17,732 48
Story,	800				367 50	1,102 50	1,470 00
Tama,	1,000	7,886 59		5 00	4,645 85	7,249 46	11,910 31
Taylor,	160			35 00	200 00		235 00
Union,		738 67			268 07	654 25	922 32
Van Buren,	8,649 36		70 00	1,621 57	6,255 27	14,415 29	22,373 13
Wapello,	7,421 61	7,041 57	104 00	1,080 95	8,506 84	12,259 38	21,951 17
Warren,	3,000			181 77	2,765 41	4,743 25	7,630 43

Washington,	8,941	54			64	00	718	19	5,412	96	9,284	26	15,479	41
Wayne,	2,920		2,683	27			72	00	3,563	44	3,956	85	7,592	29
Webster,	360		9,461	23					6,224	26	7,231	80	13,456	06
Winneshieck,	4,368	57	9,547	55			87	00	6,415	64	13,030	31	19,532	95
	269,437	51	285,862	76	\$1,288	00	\$26,531	20	\$304,302	82	\$550,605	84	\$882,727	86
Add amount derived from the estate of Regand in Benton county,													58	00
Total amount of the School Fund invested in the several counties, March 31, 1854,													\$882,785	86

## RECAPITULATION.

Total amount derived from the sale of lands,	-	-	\$854,908 66
“ “ “ “ intestate estates,	-	-	58 00
“ “ “ “ one dollar on contracts,	-	-	1,288 00
“ “ of 5 Per Cent. Fund apportioned to counties,			26,531 20
“ “ “ “ “ “ loaned to the State,			24,795 75
Total amount of School Fund invested, March 31, 1854,			\$907,581 61

NOTE.—The sum of \$7,032 24, used by the School Fund Commissioners in the payment of salaries and contingent expenses, is included in the above statement.



## FIVE PER CENT. FUND.

This Fund is composed of annual instalments, paid to the State, by the United States, being five per cent. of the net proceeds of the sales of the public lands within the limits of the State. By our Constitution and laws, it constitutes a part of the School Fund. It is apportioned among the several Counties, and placed under the control of the School Fund Commissioners, to be invested as the cash proceeds of the sales of School lands. The State borrowed the first instalment, (for 1847,) and all of the second, (for 1848,) except \$751 82, apportioned to the Counties of Mahaska, Jasper, Benton, Louisa and Clayton. The remaining instalments have been apportioned among the Counties. The amounts due for the years 1851 and 1852, I have received and apportioned among the several Counties, as shown by the two next succeeding lists, the former on the 3d of March, 1853, and the latter on the 6th of June, 1854. Immediately following these apportionments, is a statement of the total receipts and disbursements of the Five Per Cent. Fund, by the undersigned.

## 1851.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
Alamakee, - - - - -	\$80 00
Appanoose, - - - - -	248 00
Benton, - - - - -	51 00
Boone, - - - - -	60 00
Buchanan, - - - - -	70 00
Cedar, - - - - -	254 00
Clarke, - - - - -	-25 00
Clayton, - - - - -	288 00
Clinton, - - - - -	200 00
Dallas, - - - - -	70 00
Davis, - - - - -	489 00
Decatur, - - - - -	61 00
Delaware, - - - - -	175 00
Des Moines, - - - - -	664 00
Dubuque, - - - - -	570 00
Fayette, - - - - -	90 00
Fremont, - - - - -	90 00
Guthrie, - - - - -	35 00

1851—CONTINUED.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
Henry, - - - - -	550 00
Iowa, - - - - -	70 00
Jackson, - - - - -	385 00
Jasper, - - - - -	98 00
Jefferson, - - - - -	580 00
Johnson, - - - - -	292 00
Jones, - - - - -	225 00
Keokuk, - - - - -	268 00
Lee, - - - - -	986 00
Linn, - - - - -	400 00
Louisa, - - - - -	350 00
Lucas, - - - - -	60 00
Madison, - - - - -	150 00
Mahaska, - - - - -	390 00
Marion, - - - - -	339 00
Marshal, - - - - -	50 00
Mills, - - - - -	60 00
Monroe, - - - - -	182 00
Muscatine, - - - - -	350 00
Page, - - - - -	50 00
Pottawatamie, - - - - -	70 00
Polk, - - - - -	236 00
Poweshiek, - - - - -	80 00
Scott, - - - - -	425 00
Taylor, - - - - -	30 00
Van Buren, - - - - -	704 00
Wapello, - - - - -	461 00
Warren, - - - - -	100 00
Washington, - - - - -	310 00
Wayne, - - - - -	60 00
Winneshiek, - - - - -	70 00
	\$11,901 90

1852.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
Alamakee, - - - - -	\$17 00
Appanoose, - - - - -	37 00
Benton, - - - - -	10 00
Boone, - - - - -	8 00
Buchanan, - - - - -	9 00
Cedar, - - - - -	38 00
Clarke, - - - - -	5 00
Clayton, - - - - -	44 00
Clinton, - - - - -	31 00
Dallas, - - - - -	10 00
Davis, - - - - -	63 00
Decatur, - - - - -	14 00
Delaware, - - - - -	21 00
Des Moines, - - - - -	80 00
Dubuque, - - - - -	69 00
Fayette, - - - - -	17 00
Fremont, - - - - -	15 00
Guthrie, - - - - -	5 00
Henry, - - - - -	66 00
Iowa, - - - - -	13 00
Jackson, - - - - -	58 00
Jasper, - - - - -	20 00
Jefferson, - - - - -	75 00
Johnosn, - - - - -	48 68
Jones, - - - - -	42 00
Keokuk, - - - - -	43 00
Lee, - - - - -	114 00
Linn, - - - - -	63 00
Louisa, - - - - -	47 00
Lucas, - - - - -	17 00
Madison, - - - - -	23 00
Mahaska, - - - - -	55 00
Marion, - - - - -	54 00
Marshal, - - - - -	13 00
Mills, - - - - -	14 00
Monroe, - - - - -	30 00

1852—CONTINUED.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
Muscatine, - - - - -	46 00
Page, - - - - -	5 00
Pottawattamie, - - - - -	5 00
Polk, - - - - -	29 00
Poweshiek, - - - - -	5 00
Scott, - - - - -	58 00
Tama, - - - - -	5 00
Taylor, - - - - -	5 00
Van Buren, - - - - -	90 00
Warren, - - - - -	22 00
Wapello, - - - - -	65 00
Washington, - - - - -	45 00
Wayne, - - - - -	12 00
Winneshick, - - - - -	17 00
	\$1,697 68

## SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

*Thomas H. Benton, Jr., S. P. Inst.,**In account with The Five Per Cent. Fund. Dr.*

To dividend for 1847 (including \$20 premium),		\$16,442	05
" " " 1848,		9,105	52
" " " 1849 (including \$10.98 premium),		5,708	44
" " " 1850 (including \$7 premium),		6,471	36
" " " 1851,		11,901	90
" " " 1852,		1,697	68
		\$51,32	95
	<i>Cr.</i>		
By loan to State, per Act of Jan. 12, 1849,	\$16,442	05	
" " " " " 13, "	6,000	00	
" amount paid for refunding cash payments on land:			
To Mahaska county, - - - \$30.00			
" Jasper " - - - 96.82			
" Benton " - - - 50.00			
		446	82
By amount paid to Louisa county, in lieu of school tax,		220	00
" amount paid to Clayton county, in lieu of school tax,		105	00
" amount paid to Monroe county, in lieu of school tax,		142	26
" amount apportioned to Fund Commission- ers, Nov. 19, 1850,		5,566	18
" loan to State, per Act of Feb. 5, 1851,		2,353	70
" amount apportioned to Fund Commission- ers, Dec. 24, 1851,		6,471	36
" amount apportioned to Fund Commission- ers, March 3, 1853,		11,901	90
" amount apportioned to Fund Commission- ers, June 6, 1854,		1,697	68
	\$51,326	95	

## PRINCIPAL OF THE SCHOOL FUND MISAPPLIED.

In my former reports, I have alluded to the fact that some of the School Fund Commissioners, under the Act of February 25th, 1847, paid their salaries and contingent expenses out of the *principal* of the School Fund. The Act provided that their compensation should be "*paid out of the School Fund;*" and they, having the Fund in their own hands, and being governed by their own construction of the law, paid themselves out of the principal, as no interest had accrued at that early period for the purpose. I would repeat, that most of these payments were made before the undersigned had any connection with our school system—and all of them, with one or two exceptions, without his knowledge or consent. I have been careful, in my examinations, to ascertain the amounts thus applied, and now present an accurate statement of them below. I would suggest that it will be proper to authorize the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to deduct the several amounts from the interest, before making his annual apportionment, and reimburse the principal.

*Amount of the principal of the School Fund used by the School Fund Commissioners, for salaries and contingent expenses.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Amount.</i>
Cedar, - - - - -	\$40 00
Clayton, - - - - -	403 40
Clinton, - - - - -	184 15
Delaware, - - - - -	175 86
Des Moines, - - - - -	141 50
Dubuque, - - - - -	619 05
Jefferson, - - - - -	548 35
Jones, - - - - -	175 00
Keokuk, - - - - -	289 00
Lee, - - - - -	436 89
Linn, - - - - -	534 15
Louisa, - - - - -	519 66
Marion, - - - - -	312 73
Monroe, - - - - -	260 31
Muscatine, - - - - -	235 00
Polk, - - - - -	192 50
Van Buren, - - - - -	464 40
Wapello, - - - - -	642 69
Washington, - - - - -	857 60

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\$7,032 24

## DEFALCATIONS.

In my examination in the several counties, I found but a few cases that would come strictly under the above head. In a large majority of instances, (there were a few *rare* exceptions where the accounts were correctly balanced, and occasionally a balance due the Commissioners,) there were balances in the hands of the Fund Commissioners, and in some cases balances due from their predecessors, but as no criminality in the transaction of the business was apparent from the books, and as the officers manifested not only a willingness, but a degree of anxiety, to ascertain the true amount of their indebtedness, and gave the most positive assurance that it should be promptly settled, it is considered unnecessary to refer to them in detail, in this report.

In the county of Henry, there was a balance of \$906 13, against Archibald McKinney, Esq., on the principal, and \$9 37 on the interest of the fund. Mr. McKinney retired from office on 2d of August, 1852, and has since removed from the State. His securities are considered perfectly responsible for the amount. It is proper to state that Mr. McKinney was not present at the examination, nor can it be inferred from the books and papers, that there was any design to defraud the State. I am inclined to the belief that it proceeded more from carelessness and negligence in the transaction of his business than any thing else. I left a full statement of the account with the present Commissioner, and directed him to communicate the facts to Mr. McKinney and to take immediate steps to have the account settled.

In Des Moines county, there was a balance found against William Walker, Esq. Mr. Walker was elected to the office of School Fund Commissioner in April 1848, and re-elected in April, 1850. In August, 1851, some of his securities, being apprehensive that his official business was in an unsafe condition, filed a complaint against him, and requested to be released from his bonds. This led to an investigation of his affairs, by which it appeared that he was indebted to the School Fund several thousand dollars. He immediately resigned, and the vacancy was filled by appointment. He settled the balance then found against him, to the satisfaction of his successor, and subsequently removed from the State. In the re-examination of his accounts by the undersigned, a balance still appeared against him of \$347, 08. As to the character of his intentions, I shall not attempt to decide.

Suffice it to say, that his accounts evince the grossest negligence, and papable violations of law. School lands were sold, and the note of individuals, without any security, taken for the *whole amount of the purchase money*, instead of exacting one fourth of the amount in cash, as required by law. Loans were also made without any security whatever. In addition, therefore, to the above sum of \$347 08, I consider him legally responsible for illegal sales and loans to the amount of \$2,150 84, and \$30 00 interest collected, and not accounted for; otherwise the State is liable to sustain a heavy loss. There is every reason to hope, however, that under the prudent management of the present Fund Commissioner, the greater portion of the above sum of \$2,150 84, will be collected or secured, according to law. I left a statement of his account with the present Commissioner, with instructions to take the necessary steps to enforce the payment of the balance due.

The heaviest defalcation that has yet occurred in the State is in Benton county. Irwin D. Simison, Esq., came into the office of School Fund Commissioner, by appointment, and was regularly elected in April, 1852. In April, 1854, he was a candidate for re-election, but was unsuccessful. He immediately notified his successor that he would transfer the books and papers at a particular time, but instead of doing so, placed them under lock and key and left the country "for parts unknown." The books and papers were subsequently obtained by forcing the lock. I then visited the county, and after a careful examination of the accounts, found a balance against him of \$2,009 21 on the principal of the Fund, and \$1,021 16, on the interest and school tax account; being in all \$3,030 37. In this statement I gave Mr. Simison credit by a mortgage for \$400 00, executed to the School Fund by A. Cantonwine. Mr. Cantonwine avers that he received no money on the mortgage, but gave it with the express understanding between himself and Mr. Simison, that it should apply as a credit on a mortgage executed by a third party to the School Fund, for the sum of \$500 00. Finding no such credit on the mortgage alluded to, I gave Mr. Simison credit for \$900 00, the full amount of both mortgages. If Mr. Cantonwine is released from the payment of his mortgage, it will increase the indebtedness of Mr. S. \$400 00, making the balance against him of \$3,430 37.

I learn from the present Fund Commissioner, that some sales have come to light since the examination, which the books and papers do



not show. Whatever they amount to, will of course be added to the above balance in the final settlement of the account.

Of the balance due on interest account, the sum of \$304.48 belongs to Washington county, and \$345.04 to the county of Johnson, for warrants drawn in their favor by the undersigned, in the apportionment of the interest, on the 25th January, 1854. I think Justice requires that these counties should be re-imbursed in making the next annual apportionment, and let the above amounts, when collected, go into the general fund and be re-apportioned.

It is scarcely necessary to add, that the accounts of Mr. Simison, show a manifest intention, deliberately and successfully carried into execution, to defraud the school fund. I have left a full statement of his account, with his successor, and directed him to institute the necessary proceedings for having it closed.

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### APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL MONEYS.

A full statement of the moneys apportioned to school districts in the several counties, from the first of April, 1848, to the 31st March, 1854, will be found in the six next succeeding tables. The salaries of officers and other expenses, are not included in these tables. They only embrace the net amount actually apportioned and paid to school districts. In a few counties, there were moneys apportioned on the first of March, 1848; but, as they were generally refunded and subsequently re-apportioned, it is considered unnecessary to render a separate account of them. The statement of the interest, may be relied on as correct. The amount of the school tax, fines, &c., has been ascertained chiefly from the reports of the Fund Commissioners, and I am, therefore, not prepared to say whether it is accurately given; but believe the variation from a true exhibit, if any, is not very material. The recapitulation shows that the sum of \$269,587.56, has been expended during the above period for the support of schools, being an average of \$44,597.92 annually. For the first six years of our educational existence, this result is extremely satisfactory, and is a favorable omen for the future.

**A STATEMENT** showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on the first day of March, 1849.

Counties,	Number of Children.	Interest of School Fund.	County School Tax, Fines, etc.	Total.
Appanoose,	224	33 60	33 96	67 56
Benton,	162	24 30		24 30
Buchanan,	130	19 50		19 50
Cedar,	788	118 20	434 24	552 44
Clayton,	403	60 45	177 75	238 20
Clinton,	526	78 90	330 99	409 89
Des Moines,	4,645	696 75	2,877 19	3,573 94
Davis,	1,812	271 80	527 25	799 05
Delaware,	436	65 40	104 58	169 98
Dubuque,	1,280	192 00	710 39	902 39
Henry,	2,805	420 75	1,276 07	1,696 82
Iowa,	42	6 30		6 30
Jackson,	800	120 00	838 14	958 14
Jefferson,	2,988	448 20	891 83	1,340 03
Johnson,	1,299	194 85	727 66	922 51
Jones,	694	104 10	88 00	192 10
Keokuk,	1,286	192 90	248 14	441 04
Lee,	5,573	835 95	946 62	1,782 57
Linn,	1,334	200 10	210 30	410 40
Louisa,	1,588	238 20	430 68	668 88
Mahaska,	1,516		150 71	150 71
Marion,	1,125	168 75	120 00	288 75
Monroe,	365	55 05	60 45	115 50
Muscatine,	1,360	204 00	367 52	571 52
Polk,	752	112 80	20 77	133 57
Poweshiek,	72	10 80	15 70	26 50
Scott,	1,085	162 75	677 05	839 80
Van Buren,	3,589	538 35	1,534 40	2,072 75
Washington,	1,372	205 80	302 50	508 30
Wapello,	2,382	357 30	255 19	612 49
<b>Total,</b>	<b>42,435</b>	<b>\$6,137 85</b>	<b>\$14,358 08</b>	<b>\$20,495 93</b>

*A STATEMENT showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on the first day of March, 1850.*

Counties.	Number of Scholars..	Interest of School Fund.	County School Tax, Fines, etc.	Total.
Alamakee,	154	52 36	7 10	59 46
Appanoose,	464	157 76	149 39	307 15
Benton,	26	8 84		8 84
Boone,	135	45 90		45 90
Buchanan,	120	40 80	21 03	61 83
Cedar,	998	333 32	163 02	502 34
Clayton,	687	233 58	597 75	831 33
Clinton,	733	249 22	442 77	691 99
Dallas,	166	56 44	25 77	82 21
Davis,	2,002	680 68	695 46	1,376 14
Delaware,	515	175 10	185 11	360 21
Des Moines,	4,578	1,556 52	1,648 08	3,204 60
Dubuque,	2,587	879 58	981 18	1,860 76
Henry,	3,294	1,119 96	815 37	1,935 33
Iowa,	226	76 84	47 51	124 35
Jackson,	1,805	613 70	499 75	1,113 45
Jasper,	362	123 08	157 15	280 23
Jefferson,	3,211	1,091 74	617 67	1,709 41
Johnson,	1,417	481 78	458 57	940 35
Jones,	780	267 24	150 00	417 24
Keokuk,	1,667	566 78	191 72	758 50
Lee,	5,427	1,845 18	831 36	2,676 54
Linn,	1,585	538 90	433 09	971 99
Louisa,	1,735	589 90	301 68	891 58
Madison,	368	125 12	10 75	135 87
Mahaska,	1,356	461 04	340 37	801 41
Marion,	1,560	537 20	268 60	805 80
Monroe,	898	274 72	69 00	343 72
Muscataine,	1,413	480 42	413 28	893 70
Polk,	393	133 62	104 85	238 47
Poweshiek,	127	43 18	19 79	62 88
Scott,	1,415	481 10	667 37	1,148 47
Van Buren,	3,895	1,324 30	735 50	2,059 80
Wapello,	2,216	753 44	548 38	1,301 82
Washington,	1,831	622 54	299 73	922 27
	50,082	\$17,027 88	\$12,898 06	\$29,925 94

*A STATEMENT showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on first day of March, 1851.*

Counties.	Number of scholars.	Interest of school fund.	County school tax, fines, etc.	Tot l.
Alamakee,	328	119 72	21 19	140 91
Appanoose,	1,173	428 14	173 00	601 14
Benton.	99	36 13		36 13
Boone,	250	91 25½	32 00	123 25
Buchanan	185	67 52½	57 00	124 52
Cedar,	1,111	405 51½	288 66	694 17
Clayton,	1,202	438 73	200 05	638 78
Clinton,	919	335 5½	471 16	706 59
Dallas,	104	74 46	17 73	92 19
Davis,	3,034	1,107 41	491 25	1,598 66
Decatur,	413	150 7½	13 00	163 74
Delaware,	766	279 59	197 39	476 98
DesMoines,	4,614	1,684 11	1,279 75	2,963 86
Dubuque,	3,445	1,257 42½	1,857 63	3,115 05
Henry,	3,583	1,307 79	1,066 75	2,374 54
Iowa,	238	86 87	39 22	126 09
Jackson,	2,212	807 38	510 00	1,317 38
Jasper,	452	164 98	105 14	270 12
Jefferson,	4,080	1,489 20	779 72	2,268 92
Johnson,	1,603	585 09	625 17	1,210 26
Jones,	1,092	398 58	200 00	598 58
Keokuk,	1,837	670 50½	258 14	928 64
Lee,	6,144	2,242 56	816 77	3,059 33
Linn,	1,990	726 35	476 19	1,202 54
Louisa,	1,932	705 18	699 98	1,405 16
Lucas.	34	12 41		12 41
Madison,	472	172 28	40 10	212 38
Mahaska,	2,819	1,028 93½	473 29	1,502 22
Marion,	1,768	645 32	238 68	884 00
Marshall,	134	48 91	5 58	54 49
Monroe,	1,118	408 07	138 97	547 04
Muscatine,	1,897	692 40½	605 80	1,298 20
Polk,	1,301	474 86½	503 43	978 29
Poweshiek,	193	70 44½	25 50	9 94
Scott,	1,958	714 67	813 83	1,528 50
Van Buren,	4,729	1,726 98½	652 59	2,378 67
Wapello,	3,114	1,136 61	510 00	1,646 61
Warren,	115	41 97½	29 25	71 22
Washington,	1,951	712 11½	598 50	1,310 61
	64,509	\$23,545 78½	\$15,212 41	\$38,758 19

A STATEMENT showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on the 1st day of March, 1852.

Counties.	Number of scholars.	Interest of school fund.	County school tax, fines, &c.	Total.
Alamakee,	616	164 47 2	90 00	254 47 2
Appanoose,	1,615	431 20.5	226 30	657 50.5
Benton,	239	63 81.3		63 81.3
Boone,	362	96 65.4	85 62	182 27.4
Buchanan,	259	69 15.3	34 53	103 68.3
Cedar,	1,503	401 30 1	286 11	687 41.1
Clayton,	1,558	415 98.6	409 00	824 98.6
Clinton,	1,239	330 81.3	427 82	758 63.3
Dallas,	437	116 67.9	32 33	149 00.9
Davis,	3,750	1,001 25.0	489 42	1,490 67.0
Decatur,	500	133 50.0	20 00	153 50.0
Delaware,	938	250 44.6	310 14	560 58.6
Desmoines,	4,776	1,275 19 2	1,546 70	2,821 89.2
Dubuque,	3 854	1,029 01.8	1,291 82	2,320 83.8
Fayette,	234	62 47.8	85 91	148 38.8
Fremont,	569	151 92 3	101 62	253 54.3
Guthrie,	76	20 29.2		20 29.2
Henry,	3,877	1,035 15.9	1,234 91	2,270 06.9
Iowa,	426	113 74.2	90 11	203 85.2
Jackson,	2 834	756 67.8	756 59	1,513 26.8
Jasper,	614	163 93.8	161 77	325 70.8
Jefferson,	4,463	1,191 62.1	818 17	2,009 79.1
Johnson,	1,765	471 25.5	625 17	1,096 42.5
Jones,	1,459	389 55.3	440 00	829 55.3
Keokuk,	2,098	560 16.6	302 35	862 51.6
Lee,	7,278	1,943 22.6	1,963 50	3,906 72.6
Linn,	2,413	644 27.1	565 98	1,210 25.1
Louisa,	2,287	610 62.9	641 04	1,251 66.9
Lucas,	129	34 43.3	72 60	107 03.3
Madison	527	140 70.9	44 80	185 50.9
Mahaska,	2,662	710 75.4	580 98	1,291 73.4
Marion	2,497	636 69.9	427 59	1,064 28.9
Marshall,	188	50 19.6	79 23	126 42.6
Mouroe,	1,353	361 25.1	141 57	502 82.1
Muscatine,	2,170	579 39 0	691 64	1,271 03.0
Polk,	1,554	414 91.8	473 24	888 15.8
Poweshiek,	264	70 48.8	93 00	168 48.8
Scott,	2,412	644 00.4	1,357 00	2,001 00.4
Van Buren,	5,115	1,365 70.7	1,362 45	2,728 15.5
Wapello,	3,627	968 40.9	319 67	1,288 07.9
Warren,	306	81 70.2	82 59	164 20.2
Washington,	2,137	570 57.9	750 00	1,320 57.9
Wayne,	174	46 45 8	26 90	73 35.8
	77,154	\$20,600 11.8	\$19,542 08	\$40,142 19.8

*A STATEMENT showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on the first day of March, 1853.*

Counties.	Number of scholars.	Interest of school fund.	County school tax, fines, etc.	Total.
Alamakee,	691	290 22	130 00	420 22
Appanoose,	1,908	801 36	226 30	1,027 66
Benton,	398	167 16	164 08	331 24
Boone,	374	157 08	136 19	293 27
Buchanan,	407	170 94	92 65	263 59
Cedar,	1,507	632 94	494 16	1,127 10
Clarke,	44	18 48	9 29	27 77
Clayton,	2,219	931 98	395 00	1,326 98
Clinton,	1,533	643 86	538 90	1,182 76
Dallas,	436	183 12	69 16	252 28
Davis,	3,764	1,580 88	542 19	2,123 07
Decatur,	474	199 08	38 30	237 38
Delaware,	1,126	472 92	297 00	709 92
Des Moines,	5,111	2,146 62	1,823 25	3,969 87
Dubuque,	4,255	1,787 10	1,203 80	2,990 90
Fayette,	519	217 98	185 00	402 98
Fremont,	693	291 06	140 00	431 06
Guthrie,	117	49 14	6 37	55 51
Henry,	3,859	1,620 78	1,838 52	3,459 30
Iowa,	453	190 26	92 75	283 01
Jackson,	2,964	1,244 88	569 81	1,814 69
Jasper,	759	318 78	152 53	471 31
Jefferson,	4,495	1,887 90	1,289 16	3,177 06
Johnson,	2,106	884 52	547 56	1,432 08
Jones,	1,738	729 96	300 00	1,029 96
Keokuk,	2,067	868 14	387 96	1,256 10
Lee,	7,585	3,185 70	2,698 50	5,884 20
Linn,	2,768	1,162 56	675 63	1,838 19
Louisa,	2,383	1,000 86	700 00	1,700 86
Lucas,	303	127 26	162 26	289 52
Madison,	803	337 26	94 25	431 51
Mahaska,	2,926	1,228 92	629 88	1,858 80
Marion,	2,613	1,097 46	450 00	1,547 46
Marshall,	186	78 12	64 23	142 35
Mills,	235	98 70	26 05	124 75
Monroe,	1,402	588 84	177 74	768 58
Muscatine,	2,454	1,030 68	247 82	1,278 50
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Pottawatamie,	370	155 40	269 80	425 20
Polk,	1,816	762 72	559 57	1,322 29

\*NOTE—Part not appropriated till March 1st, 1854.

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Counties.	Number of scholars.	Interest of school fund.	County school tax, fines, etc.	Total.
Poweshiek,	337	141 54	72 00	213 54
Scott,	3,060	1,285 20	1,764 80	3,050 00
Taylor,	69	28 98	36 64	65 62
Van Buren,	5,418	2,275 56	981 05	3,256 61
Wapello,	3,553	1,492 26	571 54	2,063 80
Warren,	428	179 76	120 00	299 76
Washington,	2,389	1,003 38	1,000 00	2,003 38
Wayne,	315	*132 30	29 50	161 80
Winneshiek,	472	198 24	80 55	278 79
	86,157	\$36,185 94	\$23,083 74	\$59,269 68

\*Note—Part not apportioned till March 1st, 1854.

A STATEMENT showing the total amount of School moneys apportioned among the School Districts of the several Counties on the first day of March, 1854.

Counties.	Number of scholars.	Interest of school fund.	County school tax, fines, etc.	Total.
Alamakee,	1,013	507 21	494 89	1,002 10
Appanoose,	2,359	1,181 15	404 25	1,585 40
Benton,	570	285 40	226 53	511 93
Blackhawk,	178	89 12	27 72	116 84
Boone,	439	219 81	No report.	219 81
Buchanan,	516	263 37	227 08	490 45
Cedar,	2,442	1,222 71	648 39	1,871 10
Chickasaw,	127	63 59	None.	63 59
Clarke,	219	109 65	69 12	178 77
Clayton,	2,823	1,413 48	586 52	2,000 00
Clinton,	1,991	996 89	855 85	1,852 74
Dallas,	561	280 89	95 56	376 45
Davis,	4,103	2,054 37	600 50	2,654 87
Decatur,	853	427 10	64 30	491 40
Delaware,	1,307	654 41	428 72	1,083 13
Des Moines,	5,203	2,605 14	1,676 85	4,281 99
Dubuque,	4,523	2,264 67	2,106 94	4,371 61
Fayette,	989	495 19	208 00	703 19
Fremont,	838	419 59	137 36	556 95
Guthrie,	254	127 18	49 99	177 17
Hardin,	62	31 04	48 80	79 84
Henry,	4,267	2,136 49	692 43	2,828 92
Iowa,	672	336 47	283 51	619 98
Jackson,	3,672	1,838 57	974 25	2,812 82
Jasper,	1,065	533 25	633 28	1,166 53
Jefferson,	4,660	2,333 26	1,721 34	4,054 60
Johnson,	2,662	1,332 86	917 86	2,250 72
Jones,	2,427	1,215 20	432 22	1,647 42
Keokuk,	2,488	1,245 74	471 11	1,716 85
Lee,	7,070	3,539 95	2,176 00	5,715 95
Linn,	3,470	1,737 43	815 57	2,553 01
Louisa,	2,550	1,276 79	580 25	1,857 04
Lucas,	405	202 78	262 78	465 56
Madison,	959	480 13	165 65	645 82
Mahaska,	3,243	1,623 77	1,339 69	2,963 46
Marion,	3,165	1,584 72	486 53	2,071 25
Marshall,	461	230 82	112 50	343 32
Mills,	467	277 39	124 26	401 65
Monroe,	1,662	832 16	360 16	1,192 32
Muscatine,	2,714	1,358 90	1,171 97	2,530 87
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Counties.	Number of Scholars.	Interest of School Fund.	County School Tax, Fines, etc.	Total.
Pottawattamie,	199	99 64	390 79	490 43
Polk,	1,476	739 03	388 85	1,127 38
Poweshiek,	236	118 17	75 00	193 17
Scott,	3,449	1,726 91	3,100 09	4,827 00
Tama,	168	84 12	99 24	183 36
Taylor,	220	110 15	17 04	127 19
Van Buren,	5,663	2,835 46	1,473 40	4,308 86
Wapello,	3,994	1,999 80	645 60	2,645 40
Warren,	1,079	540 26	222 75	763 01
Washington,	2,622	1,312 84	1,350 50	2,663 34
Wayne,	389	194 77	54 40	249 17
Webster,	139	69 60	25 00	94 60
Winneshiek,	748	374 52	319 61	694 13
<b>Total,</b>	<b>100,083</b>	<b>\$50,155 12</b>	<b>\$30,840 51</b>	<b>\$80,995 63</b>

## RECAPITULATION.

Date.	Children.	Interest.	School Tax.	Total.
March 1, 1849	42,435	\$ 6,137 85	\$14,358 08	\$20,495 93
“ 1850	50,082	17,027 88	12,898 06	29,925 94
“ 1851	64,509	23,545 78	15,212 41	38,758 19
“ 1852	77,154	20,600 11	19,542 08	40,142 19
“ 1853	86,157	36,185 94	23,083 74	59,269 68
“ 1854	100,083	50,155 12	30,840 51	80,995 63
	<b>\$420,420</b>	<b>\$153,652 68</b>	<b>\$115,934 88</b>	<b>\$269,587 56</b>

## INTESTATE ESTATES.

By our constitution and laws "the proceeds of the sales of intestate estates to which there may be found no heir," escheat to the school fund. There have been but five cases reported to the undersigned, under the law, to-wit:

From the county of Desmoines, the estates of Henry Coats, and Dr. — Toepperwein.

From the county of Van Buren, the estate of William McGilligan.

From the county of Lee, the estate of George Cornwall.

From the county of Benton, the estate of — Regand.

None of these estates have as yet been settled, except that of — Regand, in Benton county. It has been closed and the proceeds, amounting to \$58 00, paid into the school fund. It is not likely that the fund will ever derive much benefit from this source.

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

By an Act of the General Assembly, approved February 5th, 1851 the sum of \$5,000 00 of the cash proceeds of the sales of the Saline lands, was placed at the disposal of the undersigned, for the benefit of the above institution. Soon after the passage of the Act the claim was transferred to the city of Keokuk, in order that the money might be realized in advance for the benefit of the institution. I received the money from the State Treasurer on the 21st, of March, 1854, and paid it over on the same day to B. S. Merriam, Mayor of the city of Keokuk, and have placed his receipt therefor on file in my office.

## SECURITY OF THE SCHOOL FUND.

Under the present law, a School Fund Commissioner is required to execute a bond to the State, in a penalty of ten thousand dollars, for the faithful discharge of his duties. This bond may be increased by the County Judge, or the officer approving it, if in his judgment, it is sufficient. I am persuaded that there is too much indifference in the execution and approval of these bonds. In the course of my examinations I have met with instances where the bonds were given

*nominally* for the sum of ten thousand dollars, when in truth, the joint effects of the securities would not exceed half that amount, and at the same time the amount of the bond was one-third less than the amount of the School fund under the control of the Fund Commissioner.

The law is sufficiently stringent, but the approving officers are certainly culpable. It will be seen by a statement in another part of this report, that there is one county in which the *principal* of the school fund alone exceeds fifty thousand dollars—six in which it exceeds thirty thousand—seven in which it exceeds twenty thousand, and twenty-one in which it exceeds ten thousand. I would suggest that the officers, whose duty it is to approve the bonds, should be held responsible, in case it can be shown that the State suffers loss in consequence of their negligence. The matter is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

It may be well under this head to add, that there is a want of vigilance in the manner of loaning the school fund. The law requires "a mortgage on real estate of the clear unincumbered value of double the amount of money loaned," with "two good securities,"—the value of the property mortgaged to be fixed "by three appraisers under oath." These provisions seem to be sufficiently explicit, and yet I have known instances where loans were secured by mortgaging *government* lands. One individual mortgaged land owned by another man, and afterwards gave as his reason for doing so, that he expected to purchase it at some future day. The idea prevails with some Fund Commissioners, that as the money is secured by mortgage, the character of the *personal* securities is immaterial.—Such, however, is not the intention of the law—it plainly specifies two *good* securities. A number of cases have occurred where the personal security alone prevented a total loss of the fund. Property is often encumbered with prior claims—frequently for more than its real value—and it is extremely difficult for Fund Commissioners, or any body else, under the deranged state of the early records of the several counties, to ascertain the true condition of real estate. I think the loaning of school money, on improved town lots should either be prohibited, or restricted to the actual cash value of the lots without the improvements. I know of no case where the State has sustained an actual loss in consequence of defective security, other than the ordinary expenses incident upon the foreclosure of a mortgage, but there are several now pending where the probability is that

the loss will be total. Certain it is, that the fund cannot be too well secured, and the reasonable rate of interest at which it is loaned, will justify the State in demanding the best security.

#### GENERAL REMARKS.

The experience of the past has confirmed me in the belief that a proper supervision of the School Fund requires a separate officer. This duty now devolves upon the Superintendent of Public Instruction, but owing to the infinite number of other conflicting duties he is required to perform, it is impossible for him to give the School Fund that attention which it demands. I am aware that this proposition will be met with that favorite old hobby—"an increase of expenditures," but however wise the policy may be of saving cents and losing dollars in other matters, it is not applicable in the management of the School Fund.

Much has been said from time to time, about the enormous expenses of our school system, when in truth it will compare favorably, in this respect, with any other school system extant. Its entire expenses, from the first of April, to the 31st March, 1854, including the salaries of School Fund Commissioners, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, are \$15,229 41. For the period above named these officers have had the supervision (subject to perpetual alterations of the most perplexing character) of 1,772 school districts; the management and sale of school lands, and the investment of \$907,584 61, of the principal of the School Fund, scattered over sixty odd counties, in sums varying from ten dollars to five hundred dollars. They have also collected \$64,804 69, in sums varying from twenty-five cents to one hundred dollars, and have disbursed the same, together with the additional sum of \$30,840 51, of school tax—making in all \$1,003,226 81—the total expenses being a small fraction over one and a half per cent on the above sum. In the foregoing statement a great variety of miscellaneous duties performed by the Superintendent are not included. Now, who will lay himself under adequate bonds and transact the same amount of business, under all the attendant and perplexing circumstances, for a less compensation? If that man can be found, I think the State should avail itself of his services at once.

I am as much in favor of legitimate retrenchment as any one, but utterly deprecate that false system of retrenchment by which we save

hundreds and squander thousands. It must be obvious to every reflecting mind, that the management of so large a sum (invested as it probably always will be in the several counties,) involving such a variety of intricate calculations, without the strictest accuracy, the State will be liable to sustain a loss annually of thousands of dollars, by erroneous computations alone—more than enough to compensate a competent officer to superintend it. A vigorous supervision of the Fund, such as it contemplated by the recommendation now made, will also secure thousands more, that may be lost by defalcations, defective bonds and mortgages. So that in the end, the creation of such an officer will prove a matter of economy.

The School system is naturally divided into two departments—financial and educational, and the proper management of these respective departments requires a very different order of talent. These natural divisions of labor will always exist, regardless of any future modifications or alterations the system may undergo. Place the financial department then under the general supervision of an experienced *accountant*, and make the Superintendent of Public Instruction, (what the Constitution, doubtless, contemplates he should be,) exclusively an *educational* officer—let them traverse the State and devote their energies of the respective duties assigned to them, and many of the evils now complained of will soon be removed. It matters not where the custody of the School Fund may be placed, whether with the School Fund Commissioners, the County Treasurers, or elsewhere, it will be subject to the same contingencies relative to losses that now exist, and consequently the supervision here suggested will still be essential to its preservation.

Having been identified with our school system for the past six years, I now take my leave of it with feelings of deep solicitude. Its history thus far is but the history of its infancy. There was a period when I entertained serious misgivings as to its fate, but time has dissipated my fears. Its destiny is now fixed, and a bright future awaits it. It is emphatically an institution of the people, and the people will sustain it. The civil commotions to which all governments are more or less subject, may retard its progress, but cannot prostrate it. It is founded upon the principles of justice and philanthropy, and presents a phalanx of moral and intellectual grandeur which defies the attacks of its opponents. Its object is the development of the human mind—the education of the masses—the noblest work that can engross the attention

of a rational being. Our State is admirably adapted to a system of public schools. We have but a very small proportion of unproductive lands, and our population will be dense and compact, and the time will come when Iowa will rank second to no State in the Union for educational facilities, both public and private.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

THOMAS H. BENTON, Jr.,  
Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Counties.	As allowed by County officers.		As approved by Superintendent.		Interest of the School fund for the year 1852, as apportioned on the 25th day of January, 1853.			
	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Amount reported.	Amount delinquent.	Number of children.	Amt apportioned for schools.
	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.
Alamakee,	425 00	75 00	425 00	10 00	*1,903 30		691	290 22
Appanoose,	200 00	6 00	200 00	6 00	907 29		1908	801 36
Benton,	225 00	10 25	225 00	10 25	671 25	34 85	398	167 16
Boone,	50 00	3 00	50 00	3 00			374	157 08
Buchanan,	30 00	5 00	30 00	5 00	231 68	72	407	170 94
Cedar,	175 00	10 00	175 00	10 00	935 73	82 55	1307	632 94
Clarke,	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 56		44	18 48
Clayton,	300 00		300 00		1456 87		2219	931 98
Clinton,	300 00	40 00	300 00	40 00	1965 80	229 03	1533	643 86
Dallas,	200 00	10 68	200 00	10 68	841 90	76 86	436	183 12
Davis,	165 00	35 00	200 00	15 00	1174 64		3764	1580 88
Decatur,	125 60	25 00	125 00	25 00	245 76		474	199 08
Delaware,	144 00	6 00	144 00	6 00	738 24	45 35	1126	472 92
Des Moines,	300 00	35 00	300 00	35 00	2271 18	1439 82	5111	2146 62
Dubuque,	400 00	40 00	400 00	40 00	2398 86		4255	1787 10
Fayette,	450 00	15 00	450 00		2272 05	242 10	519	217 98
Fremont,					43 57		693	291 06
Guthrie,	18 00	2 00	18 00	2 00			117	49 14
Henry,	200 00		300 00	10 00	1215 62	251 51	3859	1620 78
Iowa,	60 00	5 00	60 00	5 00	313 07	54 62	453	190 26
Jackson,	500 00	25 00	400 00	25 00	1204 06	83 11	2964	1244 88
Jasper.	55 00	5 00	55 00	5 00	318 13		759	318 78

Counties.	As allowed by County officers.		As approved by Superintendent.		Interest of the School Fund for the year 1852, as apportioned on the 25th day of January, 1853.			
	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Amount reported.	Amount defined.	Number of children.	Amt. apportioned for Schools.
	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 7.	No. 6.	No. 8.
Jefferson,	500	41 10	400	41 10	1518 91	57 18	4495	1887 90
Johnson,	280	20	280	20	903 36	98 55	2106	884 52
Jones,	400	30	400	35	2139	126 58	1738	729 96
Keokuk,	170	10	170	10	895 29		2067	868 14
Lee,	350		350		2349 97	249	7585	3185 70
Linn,	300	25	300	15 50	1741 88	12 67	2768	1162 56
Louisa,	200	15	200	15	1057 31	146 54	2383	1000 86
Lucas,	21 30	40 57	21 30	40 57	87 30	41 55	303	127 26
Madison,	200	25	200	25	538 98	130 95	803	337 26
Mahaska,	350	10	350	10	1645 70	202 29	2926	1228 92
Marion,	250	30	250	30	826 98	200	2613	1097 46
Marshall,	120	10	120	10	326 59	27	186	78 12
Mills,					40		235	98 70
Monroe,	75	5	75	5	711 12	117 32	1402	588 84
Muscatine,	200	20	200	20	1008 62	24 87	2454	1030 68
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Pottawatamie,	250	11 03	68	11 03			370	155 40
Polk,	275	11 24	275	11 34	984 33	278 17	1816	762 72
Poweshiek,	50	7 50	50	7 50	236 94	23 16	337	141 54
Scott,	330	30	330	30	1384 57		3060	1285 20
Taylor,							69	28 98
Van Buren,	400	15	400	15	1896 58	35 52	5418	2275 56



Wapello,	300	39 12	300	39 12	1530 87	192 75	3558	1492 26
Warren,	100	10	400	10	284 75	19 53	428	179 76
Washington,	150	3	150	3	646 15	21 18	2389	1003 38
Wayne,	150	5	100	5	* 100		315	132 30
Winneshieck,							472	198 24
	<u>\$9,753 30</u>	<u>\$776 59</u>	<u>\$9,454 30</u>	<u>\$682 09</u>	<u>\$43,967 76</u>	<u>\$4,585 47</u>	<u>86,157</u>	<u>\$36,185 94</u>
Interest on State Loans					2,479 57			
Deduct for balance on books for Fund Commissioners and salary of Fund Commissioner of Pottawatamie county, for the year 1851-52				\$125 00	\$46,447 33			
Deduct salaries and contingent expenses of Commissioners, as above,				10,136 39	\$10,136 39			
					<u>\$36,185 94</u>			

\* Estimated.

Counties.	As allowed by County Officers.		Approved by Superintendent		Interest of the School Fund for the year 1857, as appropriated on the 15th day of January, 1854.			
	Sal ry.	Contingent expenses.	Salary.	Contingent expenses	Amount reported.	Amount delinquent.	Number of Children.	Amount apporportioned for Schools.
	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.
Alamakee,	\$275 00	\$48 75	\$375 00	\$26 75	\$3,817 66		1,013	\$507 21
Appanoose,	200 00	8 00	200 00	8 00	1,052 31	\$33 06	2,359	1,181 15
Benton,	275 00	60	275 00	10 00	1,341 96	2 00	570	285 40
Blackhawk,	150 00	20 00	150 00	20 00	32 98		178	89 12
Boone,	75 00	8 00	75 00	8 00	104 14		439	219 81
Buchanan,	80 00		80 00	10 00	379 65		526	263 37
Cedar,	175 00	10 00	200 00	10 00	1,218 52	34 11	2,442	1,222 71
Chickasaw,	200 00	25 00	150 00	25 00	22 67		127	63 59
Clarke,	325 00	5 00	300 00	10 00	327 05		219	109 65
Clayton,	300 00	21 00	300 00	21 00	2,286 47		2,823	1,413 48
Clinton,	400 00	50 00	375 00	20 00	2,162 39	250 00	1,991	996 89
Dallas,	300 00	14 75	300 00	14 75	1,492 29	92 92	561	208 89
Davis,	185 00	20 00	200 00	20 00	1,050 00		4,103	2,054 37
Decorah,	300 00	25 00	350 00	25 00	994 24	98 04	853	427 10
Delaware,	190 00	10 00	200 00	10 00	1,415 50		1,307	654 41
Des Moines,	300 00	30 00	300 00	*62 35	2,376 06	1,296 80	5,203	2,605 14
Dubuque,	400 00	33 25	400 00	*47 25	2,965 32	218 72	4,523	2,264 67
Fayette,	475 00		400 00		3,674 25	199 49	989	495 19
Fremont,	350 00	27 00	*300 00	*27 00	114 10	54 93	838	419 59
Guthrie,	50 00	2 00	50 00	2 00	29 16		254	127 18
Hardin,	86 80	1 55	86 80	1 55	92 07		62	31 04
Henry,	300 00	10 00	300 00	10 00	1,341 00	236 33	4,267	2,136 49
Iowa,	97 00	3 00	97 00	3 00	671 10	25 00	672	336 47
Jackson,	400 00	12 50	375 00	12 50	1,843 39	7 50	3,672	1,838 57

Jasper,	100 00	25 00	100 00	25 00	416 50		1,065	533 25
Jefferson,	500 00	45 00	350 00	20 00	1,663 77	32 50	4,660	2,333 26
Johnson,	300 00	10 00	300 00	20 00	1,086 27	127 59	2,662	1,332 86
Jones,	400 00	35 00	400 00	20 00	3,430 77	14 79	2,427	1,215 20
Keokuk,	200 00		200 00	10 00	1,015 80	20 00	2,488	1,245 74
Lee,	400 00		350 00	10 00	1,889 94		7,070	3,539 95
Linn,	400 00	15 00	375 00	5 50	2,291 26	15 18	3,470	1,737 43
Louisa,	250 00	15 00	250 00	*23 70	1,246 29	109 20	2,550	1,276 79
Lucas,	75 00	20 00	*100 00	*62 75	351 80		405	202 78
Madison,	200 00	25 00	200 00	25 00	1,049 81	230 04	959	480 17
Mahaska,	350 00	10 00	350 00	10 00	2,361 46		3,243	1,623 77
Marion,	200 00	20 00	250 00	20 00	1,170 55	100 00	3,165	1,584 72
Marshall,	140 00	5 00	150 00	10 00	749 38	5 80	461	239 82
Mills,	100 00	2 95	*116 00	*5 07	68 38		554	277 39
Monroe,	200 00	7 00	200 00	7 00	948 55	7 00	1,662	832 16
Muscatine,	220 00	20 00	220 00	20 00	1,325 54	2 75	2,714	1,358 90
Page,							242	121 17
Pottawattamie,	250 00	18 78	200 00	18 78	35 70		199	99 64
Polk,	350 00	3 50	350 00	4 86	1,446 32	114 56	1,476	730 03
Poweshiek,	75 00	8 00	75 00	*29 50	412 40		236	118 17
Scott,	330 00	20 00	330 00	20 00	1,446 26		3,449	1,726 91
Tama,			150 00	10 00	198 72		168	84 12
Taylor,							220	110 15
Union,			75 00	10 00	3 70			
Van Buren,	400 00	15 00	400 00	15 00	2,103 58	31 30	5,663	2,835 46
Wapello,	350 00	29 50	350 00	29 50	1,701 85	108 48	3,904	1,999 80
Warren,	150 00	3 00	200 00	3 00	535 66	31 93	1,079	540 26
Washington,	200 00	18 00	200 00	18 00	1,226 36	74 05	2,622	1,312 84

\*Part for former year.

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Counties.	As allowed by county officers.		Approved by Superintendent.		Interest of the School Fund for the year 1853, as apportioned on the 25th day of January, 1854.			
	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Salary.	Contingent expenses.	Amount reported.	Amount delinquent.	Number of children.	Amount apportioned for schools.
	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.	No. 5.	No. 6.	No. 7.	No. 8.
Wayne,	150 00	6 00	*200 00	6 00	352 05	49	389	194 77
Webster,	325 00	25 00	300 00	25 00	144 19		139	69 60
Winneshiek,	550 00	11 80	*550 00	*11 80	847 90	49 71	748	374 52
	13,053 80	\$808 93	13,129 80	\$899 61	\$62,325 12	3,624 27	100,170	\$50,155 12
Add interest on State Loans,					2,479 57			
					\$64,804 69			
Deduct salaries and contingent expenses of School Fund Commissioners, as above,					\$14,029 41			
Deduct overcharges refunded to sundry counties,					173 50			
Deduct amount refunded permanent fund in Mahaska county,					446 66			
					14,649 57			
					\$50,155 12			

\*Part for former year.

## A.

*AN ABSTRACT of the Reports of School Fund Commissioners, for the period commencing October 15, 1852, and ending October 15, 1853, embraced in Statements A and B.*

Number of School Districts.	Counties.	Number of persons between 5 and 21 years.	Number of Schools in each County.	Number of Pupils in Schools.	Number of Teachers in Schools.		Compensation of Teachers, per month.		Number of days Schools have been taught	Number of Vols. in Library.	Average number of pupils who have attended school.
					Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.			
26	Alamakee,	1,013	10	238	6	8	\$ 67 00	\$ 90 00	861		224
46	Appanoose,	2,359	27	687	16	7	224 16	67 00	1572		428
11	Benton,	570	9	212	4	5	29 65	29 50	383		35
7	Blackhawk,	478									
10	Boone,	439	3	118	2	1	20 00	8 00	201		55
12	Buchanan,	526	9	264	3	6	40 33	53 00	529		186
47	Cedar,	2,442	42	1,146	18	26	367 88	207 22	1224		606
2	Chickasaw,	127									
64	Clayton,	2,823	7	330	5	4	64 00	50 00			
2	Clarke,	219	1			1		6 00	62		14
37	Clinton,	1,991	31	864	11	21	169 00	160 00	2798		627
19	Dallas,	561	5	43	4	1	49 00	12 00	224		
74	Davis,	4,103	58	1,088	30	16	475 88	115 67	1906		95
13	Decatur,	853	6	107	4	3	68 34	41 00	226		76
31	Delaware,	1,307	36	804	17	22	249 50	171 40	3070		451
65	Desmoines,	5,203	60	2,736	48	45	906 36	453 73	6110	250	1677
61	Dubuqué,	4,523	51	2,066	37	24	528 41	240 41	5607		1038
24	Fayette,	989	19	587	5	14	65 00	103 42	1607		312



29	Polk,	1,476	14	392	11	5	167 50	46 25	813		158
4	Pottawattamie,	199	2	70	1	1	10 00	8 00	90		62
12	Poweshiek,	236	7	197	4	3	64 00	9 00	437		88
43	Scott,	3,449	38	1,157	25	26	472 00	239 66	2544		991
5	Tama,	168									
3	Taylor,	220		220							
69	Van Buren,	5,663	103	3,216	62	48	1,077 22	409 15	6950	59	2065
72	Wapello,	3,994	57	1,709	40	16	648 00	137 44	3648		571
17	Warren,	1,079	16	426	10	4	166 50	54 50	696		376
52	Washington,	2,622	50	1,187	29	30	495 54	245 74	3422	125	853
12	Wayne,	389	4	71	2	2	27 00	18 00	185		46
5	Webster,	139									
21	Winneshiek,	748	6	212	2	8	22 00	51 42	945		103
772		100,083	1,379	42,442	740	599	14,602 21	5,867 64	94,072	943	24,559

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APPENDIX.

Counties.	Aggregate amount paid teachers during the year, and the source from which the same was received.		Amount of teachers' funds in hands of treasurers.	Number of district school houses, and of what material constructed.				Cost of district school houses.	Amount raised in the districts during the year by tax, and for what purpose.	
	Teachers' fund.	Voluntary subscription.		Brick.	Stone.	Frame.	Log.		Erection of school houses.	Contingent expenses.
Alamakee,	297 38	110 02	186 92			1	7	485 00	291 00	10 00
Appanoose,	640 98	625 72	714 05				21	1,420 01	199 31	
Benton,	289 77	68 79	26 66				4	35 00	65 74	
Blackhawk,										
Boone,	18 48	46 52	22 90			1	6			
Buchanan,	149 29	131 54	35 48	1			4	567 57	272 90	51 00
Cedar,	936 79	1,098 88	154 35	3		14	7	7,037 95	2,430 32	177 55
Chickasaw,							1	75 00		
Clayton,	41 30			1		8	12	700 00		
Clarke,							1	50 00		
Clinton,	768 35	355 88	228 59	4	1	7	13	4,200 02	316 10	168 75
Dallas,	33 29	41 71	297 79				5	288 25	235 00	21 00
Davis,	1,211 25	481 77	876 48			2	3	685 90		50 75
Decatur,	205 00	108 00	2 40				5	175 00		
Delaware,	654 96	762 85	40 36			5	14	1,752 70	722 51	94 72
Des Moines,	3,956 54	1,677 42	1,146 77	17	4	17	21	22,041 80	3,991 15	94 94
Dubuque,	2,049 76	1,206 66	555 37	5	1	10	24	5,407 75	559 99	234 60
Fayette,	341 81	258 43	41 87			1	9	462 39	383 00	90 87
Fremont,	150 53	143 41	292 98	1		2	5	1,490 00	1,150 00	50 00
Guthrie,			58 42				1	239 00	262 98	
Hardin,							1	31 50		
Henry,	2,194 91	975 40	637 44	5		13	11	49 91	745 00	139 00



Iowa,	185 85	339 13	156 38				6	246 42	78 00	
Jackson,	1,247 26	1,979 04	318 30	4		25	32	6,627 01	836 49	135 22
Jasper,	206 20	345 93	144 58			1	9	654 51		21 00
Jefferson,	2,841 53	1,604 51	555 13	4		11	41	1,203 29	856 53	139 09
Johnson,	851 02	776 89	161 97	1		9	17	2,952 00	500 10	24 29
Jones,	737 65	575 21	258 82	1		8	16	2,255 65	31 50	238 75
Keokuk,	1,042 64	758 46	363 87			4	20	2,796 14	960 00	54 70
Lee,	6,861 49	2,349 45	1,344 78	15	4	32	25	26,954 19	4,271 87	447 10
Linn,	1,101 41	989 76	162 51	2		10	14	2,797 00	491 00	61 00
Louisa,	1,407 66	1,016 39	469 47	7		15	11	6,950 10	3,115 23	88 00
Lucas,	19 80	133 70	76 73				3	80 00	30 00	18 40
Madison,	354 50	208 50	155 35			3	6	782 00	580 00	39 71
Mahaska,	1,110 31	708 61	1,014 46	1		8	26	2,810 00	775 00	191 43
Marion,	1,050 77	953 38	370 67	1		5	25	3,433 49	673 54	86 94
Marshall,	46 57	19 42	108 97							
Mills,	93 30	37 50	4 23				3	127 00		6 00
Monroe,	456 64	300 71	64 31			1	16	909 00		
Muscatine,	1,179 79	1,792 94	553 09	3	1	11	4	6,794 00		13 00
Page,										
Polk,	376 14	252 43	110 50			3	6	1,101 05		30 00
Pottawatomie,	117 50		23 00			3	3	150 00		73 66
Poweshiek,	182 20	10 12	93 57			4	4	496 36	636 92	26 50
Scott,	1,864 98	592 14	464 55	5	1	6	6	8,104 00	3,067 00	412 70
Tama,										
Taylor,						3	3			
Van Buren,	2,844 76	2,108 40	492 54	8		33	33	12,174 50	944 31	192 46
Wapello,	1,534 71	903 45	486 03			21	21	2,448 22	537 25	55 70
Warren	383 11	201 35	83 55			10	10	1,785 00	652 39	10 00
Washington,	1,386 04	756 13	330 05	2		15	15	4,165 80	866 85	155 37

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Counties.	Aggregate amount paid teachers during the year, and the source from which the same was received		Amount of teachers' funds in hands of treasurers.	Number of district school houses, and of what material constructed				Cost of district school houses	Amount raised in the districts during the year by tax, and for what purpose.	
	Teachers' fund.	Voluntary subscription.		Brick.	Stone.	Frame.	Log.		Erection of school houses.	Contingent expenses.
Wayne, Webster, Winneshiek,	140 40	100 67				2	5	897 28	271 28	15 99
	\$43,688 25	\$28,406 65	\$13,808 99	91	12	297	459	\$144,978 76	\$31,800 32	\$3,730 10

REPORT OF JAMES D. EADS, SUPERINTENDENT OF  
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, }  
IOWA CITY, IOWA, Dec. 4, 1854. }

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:*

The law makes it my duty to report to you a full statement of the progress of our common schools, and the condition of the School Fund of the State.

Since I have entered upon the duties of Superintendent of Public Instruction, I have visited about forty-six counties, and examined the books and papers in the offices of the School Fund Commissioners of forty counties, and I am happy to state that so far as my examinations have been made, I have found no defalcations by any of the present incumbents; but I must say that the business of the majority of the officers is kept in a careless and confused manner, so much so that in many instances it would be impossible for any man, I care not how good an accountant he might be, to understand anything about the accounts, if it were not for the information received from the School Fund Commissioner himself.

This is a strong argument in favor of a change in this office, not that I would impeach the honesty of any Commissioner I have had the pleasure of meeting, but we all know that many honest and popular men are not competent to keep a set of books which will be intelligible to others. Many of the reports made to this office were of such a character that it was impossible to understand them.

In travelling over the State, I have lectured at a number of places, and find that the people generally manifest an interest in educational matters, and particularly that of our Common Schools.

In many of the older counties that I have travelled through, the citizens have gone to work with a liberal and praiseworthy spirit in erecting large and commodious buildings for educational purposes. The city of Keokuk takes the lead in having the finest building in the State, in the erection of which the citizens have expended nearly

ten thousand dollars ; and with a liberal spirit, they pay the Superintendent of the school eight hundred dollars per annum.

Fort Madison, Burlington, Muscatine, Davenport, Lyons, Anamosa, Colesburg, Marion, Rochester, Tipton, Denmark, Primrose, West Point, Centerville, Oskaloosa, Cedar Falls, and many other towns, have erected buildings, which will stand as lasting monuments of the liberality of those engaged in so glorious an enterprise, and an honor to our young State.

I shall endeavor to visit each county in the State during the next year, and deliver lectures wherever opportunity may offer, on the subject of education, and our School system more particularly.

#### STATE UNIVERSITY.

The Fund belonging to the State University, when all the lands are sold, will amount to near two hundred thousand dollars, and by loaning that at the legal rate of interest, the available funds for the use of the University, each year, will be about twenty thousand dollars, which will enable the Trustees to employ an able and efficient corps of Professors.

With this Fund, and its proper management by the Trustees, the friends of education and citizens of Iowa can look forward to a day, not far distant, when we will have a University in successful operation within our own State, where the sons and daughters of the citizens of Iowa can be as thoroughly educated as in any institution in the Mississippi valley.

The Trustees have taken the preliminary steps to open the University for the reception of students, which will be ready in a few weeks, and the Institution will be in successful operation. I here take pleasure in stating that we have engaged the services of a gentleman of the first order of talent, and of many years' experience as a teacher, as President of the State University of Iowa, and that we expect him to be in this city in a few days, to enter upon the duties assigned him.

As soon as the President arrives, steps will immediately be taken to put the University in operation with a full corps of Professors, and we expect to be able to present such inducements to the citizens of our State, for obtaining a thorough education for their children, that

there will be no necessity for patronizing schools in other States, by sending them out of Iowa.

There have been sold eighteen thousand and twenty-eight acres of the University lands, for the sum of fifty-eight thousand five hundred and seventy-one dollars and thirty-one cents, (\$58,571,31.)—Cash received on the above sales, nineteen thousand eight hundred and ninety-six dollars and nine and a half cents, (\$19,896,091.)—Notes for the deferred payments, amounting to thirty-eight thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars and twenty-one and a half cents (\$38,675,21½.)

Total amount of sales up to this date, fifty-eight thousand five hundred and seventy-one dollars and thirty-one cents, (\$58,571,31.)

The average price of lands sold is three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$3,25) per acre.

There are twenty-eight thousand and fifty-four acres of University lands remaining unsold, which I think will sell for nearly five dollars per acre.

The University Fund, arising from the sales above referred to, has been paid into the Treasury of the State, and the Treasurer has loaned the principal out in sums not exceeding five hundred dollars to any one person, secured by real estate, at ten per cent per annum payable on the first day of January of each year.

#### BRANCHES AT FAIRFIELD AND DUBUQUE.

By an Act of the General Assembly, approved January 15th, 1849, there was a branch of the State University established at Fairfield, and one in the city of Dubuque by an Act approved January 16th, 1849. I believe the Trustees have never organized the branch located in the city of Dubuque.

At Fairfield, the Trustees proceeded to organize and erect a building, but what they have done I am wholly unadvised, as I have received no official communication from them.

#### NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The State is divided into three districts, in each of which there was to be established a Normal School for the education of Teachers.

for our Common Schools. The law establishing said Schools, located them at Oskaloosa, Mount Pleasant and Andrew. I am not informed what steps have been taken by the Trustees to effect an organization, or comply with the law, as I have received no report from them.

#### MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

I have received no Report from the Dean of the Faculty of the Medical Department of the State University of Iowa, nor do I think it his duty to report to me, or any person connected with the State University, from the fact that the Medical College located in the city of Keokuk, is only responsible to its own faculty, and not to the Trustees of the State University. I would therefore most earnestly recommend to you the importance of separating it entirely from the State University, and giving it a separate organization.

The best interests of the State University demand that the law, making the College of Physicians and Surgeons located in the city of Keokuk, the Medical Department of the State University of Iowa, should be repealed, and that the entire University Fund be concentrated upon one object, and the building up of one Institution, and not have it squandered by dividing it on different schools in various parts of the State, as by such means we will not be able to sustain a respectable Institution in the State. One Institution of Learning, well sustained, is of more advantage to the people at large, than twenty only in name, as many of our Colleges are in this State. One University, with an able corps of Professors, and properly managed, will be sufficient for the accommodation of all the students who will attend a State University, and besides that, will be a credit to the State.

#### SCHOOL LANDS.

The greater part of the School lands, granted to the State under the Act of Congress of the 4th of September, 1841, known as the "Five Hundred Thousand Acre Grant," have been ordered into market, and sold under the administration of my predecessor, Hon. Thomas H. Benton, Jr., to whose report I refer you for a more full statement. There are about one million of dollars in the hands of the different

School Fund Commissioners, within the State, which amount is loaned at ten per cent per annum, and will yield a revenue for the support of District Schools, amounting to nearly one hundred thousand dollars per annum. It will be but a few years until this sum will be doubled, and by its proper management, it will prove a blessing to future generations.

There is yet a large amount of the sixteenth sections unsold in many of the organized counties, and when sold, will bring some two dollars per acre on an average, adding daily to our already large fund.

The most of the School Fund Commissioners have been furnished with books prepared at this office, for the purpose of keeping all their accounts uniform.

For a full statement of the condition of the School Fund, School Lands, sold and unsold, and the working of the system generally, I would most respectfully refer you to the Report of Hon. Thomas H. Benton, Jr., late Superintendent of Public Instruction.

#### SCHOOL FUND COMMISSIONERS.

I wish to say one word in regard to the salaries of School Fund Commissioners. Under the present law, they are paid out of the interest arising from the School Fund, at an average of about three hundred dollars per annum each. We have about sixty-five counties organized in the State, and putting the salaries at the above amount, we find in paying them, we abstract from the School Fund some nineteen thousand dollars, which should be applied to the education of the youth of our State. I would recommend that you provide for the payment of the School Fund Commissioners as other county officers are paid, and leave the School Fund to the object for which it was designed. The pay of School Fund Commissioners should be regulated by the amount of labor performed in the office, as some counties do not have work enough to keep a good business man employed two months, while other counties would keep him occupied, at least, one-half his time.

It has been suggested that the office of "School Fund Commissioner" should be abolished, and that the County Judge and Treasurer should perform the duties of the same. I am inclined to the opinion that the business done by the School Fund Commissioners, could be done by the above named officers, at a saving of at least ten thousand dollars per annum.

## LIST OF BOOKS.

## DICTIONARIES.

- Webster's Dictionary, Unabridged.  
 Webster's Dictionary, University Edition.  
 Webster's Dictionary for Common Schools.

## ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

- First Book on Hygiene, by Calvin Cutter, M. D.  
 Human and Comparative Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene, by  
 Eunice P. Cutter.

## CHEMISTRY.

- Chemistry for Beginners, by Mrs. A. H. Lincoln Phelps.  
 Lectures on Chemistry, by A. H. Lincoln Phelps.

## ENGLISH GRAMMAR.

- Pinneo's Primary Grammar.  
 Pinneo's Analytical Grammar.

## GEOGRAPHY.

- Mitchell's School Geography.  
 Mitchell's Universal Atlas.  
 Mitchell's Atlas of Outline Maps.  
 Mitchell's series of large Outline Maps.

## NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.

- Natural and Experimental Philosophy, by R. G. Parker, A. M.

## ASTRONOMY.

- Burritt's Atlas of the Heavens.

## BOTANY.

- Wood's Class Book of Botany.



ARITHMETIC.

Ray's Arithmetic—Part First.  
Ray's Arithmetic—Part Second.  
Ray's Arithmetic—Part Third.

ALGEBRA.

Ray's Algebra—Part First.  
Ray's Algebra—Part Second.

BOOK-KEEPING.

Foster's Book-Keeping, Single and Double Entry.

HISTORY.

Parley's Illustrated History.  
History of the United States, by Emma Willard.  
Willard's Universal History.

READERS.

McGuffey's Eclectic First Reader.  
McGuffey's Eclectic Second Reader.  
McGuffey's Eclectic Third Reader.  
McGuffey's Eclectic Fourth Reader.  
McGuffey's Eclectic Fifth Reader.  
The Hemans Reader, for Young Ladies.

SPELLERS.

McGuffey's Eclectic Spelling-Book.

POLITICAL WORKS.

Exposition of the Constitution of the United States, by James Bayard.  
Political Grammar, by Edward D. Mansfield.

In making my selection of school books for this State, I have endeavored to select such works as would be best adapted to the wants and interests of the people at large, without any regard to the many solicitations from publishers and book agents.

The books above recommended, contain all that is calculated to elevate the moral character of the rising generation, without the least sectarian bias; and I think this one of the most important features in any work gotten up for a school book, that is a candidate for public favor.

It would be unnecessary for me to urge anything in favor of Webster's Dictionaries: they have a character that no other works of the kind ever attained in this country—in fact they stand without a rival in the annals of English lexicography. His Unabridged Dictionary is emphatically the greatest work of the age, and I respectfully ask at your hands, the power to place one copy of this work, in every school district in the State, as it is the only correct defining dictionary in the English language; and if we desire the teachers and pupils to understand the meaning of technical terms and words hard to be understood, let us place this great American work upon the desk of every public school teacher in the State.

Prof. McGuffey's Readers and Spellers, and Ray's Arithmetics and Algebras, are used in most of the public schools in the Western, Southern and Middle States, and have received the approval of many of the most eminent educators and friends of education throughout a large portion of the United States.

In the selection of text books, I have endeavored to do the best I possibly could to advance the educational interests of the State at large; and I hope the friends of education throughout the State, will give the foregoing educational series, a careful examination, and a fair trial in our schools.

It is evident to every person, that a *uniform* series of books to be used in our schools, is absolutely necessary to the advancement of the pupil, and that it is a great saving to the parents; and we call upon parents and teachers throughout the State, to assist us in bringing about so desirable an object.

## BLIND ASYLUM.

An institution for the instruction of the blind, was organized and put into operation, in this city, in the Spring of 1853, and placed under the charge of Prof. S. Bacon, Principal, and Prof. Thomas J. McGittigen, Teacher of Music, and Mrs. Bacon, Matron.

It has been with the greatest difficulty that a suitable building could be procured at any price, for the accommodation of the pupils; and the one now occupied by the school, is entirely inadequate to accommodate a large class, and we could not find room for one-half the number who wish to attend the school.

I would, therefore, most respectfully urge the absolute necessity, of the General Assembly making ample provision for the education of this unfortunate class of our citizens, by providing for the erection of suitable buildings, and the purchase of books, maps, and necessary apparatus for the use of the institution.

Many of our sister States have erected commodious buildings, and provided for the instruction of the blind in many of the mechanic arts, as well as to give them a liberal literary education.

The teachers in charge of the asylum, appear to be devoted to the best interests of the pupils, and look to their moral as well as mental training. The pupils all appear to be well pleased with their teachers and new home, and are getting along rapidly with their studies.

I would ask that all the pupils in the assylum, be placed on an equal footing as to pay, and that it be made a *free* school for *all*, rich and poor; and, by these means, we will be enabled to do away with the unpleasant distinction we are compelled to make under the present law, of having charity and paying pupils in the same school.

I believe it is the wish of all persons connected with the Asylum, to have the name changed from that of "Blind Asylum," to that of "Institution for the Instruction of the Blind"—to which I would ask your early and favorable attention.

I refer you to the Report of the Principal of the Asylum, for a more full history of its present condition and prospects.

## REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL TO THE OVERSEERS.

**GENTLEMEN:** In presenting this report, I do not conceive it necessary to give any arguments in favor of the establishment of institutions for the unfortunate where such institutions have multiplied with such unparalleled rapidity, and have been fostered with such care, as they have in the United States.

From the most remote antiquity, there have been numerous examples of the blind who were distinguished for their various acquirements, yet the idea of rearing up institutions for the instruction of the blind, is of recent origin. The Abbe Haüy has the honor of making the first attempt at anything of the kind for the instruction of this unfortunate class of our fellow beings. This was in the year 1784. Six years later, his school was taken under the patronage of the French government. Soon after this, schools were established in most of the European States. Preliminary steps were taken for the establishment of one by the citizens of Boston, in 1829; soon New York and Philadelphia followed in this benevolent enterprise. From these have sprung the different institutions for the instruction of the blind, which are scattered throughout our happy country. There are now eighteen in the United States, and all but three or four of the States, have made some provision for the education of their blind.

This institution was opened on the fourth of April, A. D. 1853, and continued in session until June 24th, 1854, when, by your direction, it was closed to open again on the fourth of September, the commencement of the present session.

In accordance with your instructions, I attended a convention of the teachers of the blind, held in the city of New York on the 16th, 17th and 18th of August, 1853. Many topics of interest were discussed—particularly that of printing for the blind. The convention adjourned after appointing a committee to memorialize Congress for a grant of public lands to aid in the building up and support of institutions for the instruction of the blind in the different States and Territories in the United States.

Probably this was the first convention of the kind, ever convened; and certainly it was the first in this country. This convention was well attended: the principals of fourteen institutions, were present—representing some twenty States.

While in New York, I obtained several donations of books for this Institution, and made such purchases as you directed; yet we are in great need of more books, instruments and other apparatus. The progress of the pupils, is greatly retarded for the want of them; but I cannot urge their purchase without there are more means placed at your disposal.

The course of instruction and division of time is as follows: The pupils rise at 5½ o'clock, A. M.; geography, from 6 to 7 o'clock; breakfast and recess, from 7 to 8 o'clock; arithmetic and algebra, from 8 to 9 o'clock; recess, ten minutes; one hour, vocal music; ten minutes, recess; one hour, grammar and writing; ten minutes, recess; one hour, instrumental music and reading raised print; dine, 12½ o'clock, P. M.; recess to 2 o'clock, P. M.; from 2 to 5 o'clock, the pupils are engaged in some kind of work—the males in the manufacture of brooms, and the females in sewing, knitting and bead-work; supper, at 5½ o'clock; recess to 7; from 7 to 8 o'clock, history. Younger pupils retire at 9 o'clock—the older ones, at 10 o'clock, P. M. In addition to the above course, the pupils receive instruction on the pianoforte, and a small class, in geometry. The news of the day, is read to the entire class, from the various papers sent to the Institution, gratis.

The pupils evince a great interest in their different pursuits, and feel thankful that there is a place provided for their education.

The discipline is mild, but firm—free from corporeal punishment. The plan of instruction is oral. No sectarian views are taught; but a due reverence and respect for the Supreme Being, is inculcated at all times in the Institution. If the weather will permit, all the pupils are expected to attend church on the Lord's day.

Generally, our household has been healthy, not one of the members of the Institution has lost a day from school on account of sickness; this is a little remarkable, as the blind, from their sedentary habits, are predisposed to diseases of various kinds. The number of pupils have not increased as fast as we could desire for several reasons. First, for the want of means to make the proper exertions to induce them to leave their homes. Secondly, the objection of parents to comply with the law; and, lastly, for the want of room to accommodate them.

I would most respectfully suggest the propriety of changing the name of the Institution from "Asylum for the Blind," to that of "Institution for the Instruction of the Blind," for it is not an Asylum, and the repealing of Sec. 5, of the law establishing the Asylum, or so far

as it makes a distinction between rich and poor, a distinction which is very prejudicial to the interests of any institution of learning.

It is true there is not much to be feared from the above distinction at present, as it is not likely there is a single blind person in the State who is really able to defray the expenses attending an education. It is worse than useless to require the parents to produce a certificate of their inability to defray the expenses of educating their blind child, for all look upon this as a degradation, which some will not submit to, preferring to rear their children in ignorance, thereby adding to the misfortune of physical blindness that of mental darkness. Iowa stands alone among the Western States in this restriction. It is to be hoped that she will adopt as liberal a policy as that of her sister States, educating all her blind, deaf and dumb free of charges.

It is with pleasure that I can speak in the highest terms of praise in regard to the conduct of all under my charge.

A. Keithly, Teacher of Mechanics, discontinued his connection with the Institution on the 16th of October last. His place has been temporarily supplied by C. M. Lee. The pupils have made fine progress under their Music Teacher, T. J. McGittigen, who bids fair to become a superior instructor in that branch.

The duties of Matron and Housekeeper have been discharged by Mrs. Bacon since the opening of the school in this city. Some change should be made, for the duties to be performed by the Matron, are so onerous that I would most respectfully recommend the appointment of an assistant Matron.

As to the policy pursued in this Institution, I can only say that I have had but one object in view, and that is to elevate the condition of the blind, and thereby place them in their true character before the public, and in so doing, make them intelligent and useful citizens.

It is confidently believed that the blind, with the proper instruction, will be able to maintain themselves free of charge from their friends or the State. There will be as few exceptions among this class, according to their numbers, as among those who have their sight.

Many experiments will yet have to be made, as the education of the blind is yet only in its infancy, but this Institution has the experience of many others before it, and our endeavors shall be to avoid all the errors of the past; and if we should fail in our effort, it will be a lack of judgment, and not of interest on our part.

I can not close this Report without respectfully urging upon you the

necessity of the erection of a suitable building for the school. The one we now occupy is the largest that can be obtained in the city. It is now filled to its utmost capacity, even more than prudence would admit if we could do otherwise. If we should have a protracted case of sickness among our number, it would be impossible to attend to it in the House. It is utterly impossible to carry out the design of the Legislature in educating all the blind of Iowa, without a suitable building for the reception of scholars.

In the erection of a building, I would, therefore, respectfully recommend the selection of some eligible site in the city, and that the building be large enough to accommodate at least fifty pupils. Probably this will be ample for several years, and when it becomes insufficient to supply the wants of the people, we will be able to erect more commodious and permanent buildings, which will do credit to our young and growing State, and locate the same to suit the convenience of our increasing population; and at that time the old buildings can be disposed of with but little loss to the State. If a contrary policy be pursued it must be many years before the blind of our State can be received into school, and many of them will have passed the most important period of life before receiving instruction, and the evil, in many cases, will be irreparable; and to prevent this, the blind of Iowa most respectfully and earnestly call upon you, their legal guardians, to make an effort to increase the capacity of this Institution to impart instruction to them.

In conclusion, allow me, gentlemen, to express to you the hope that the good understanding and kindness which has marked your intercourse with me may be continued. All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. BACON, Principal.

NO.	NAMES.	AGES.	RESIDENCE.	PLACES OF NATIVITY.	SEX.	DATES OF ADMISSION.
1	James A. Gilliland,	23	Johnson county,	Pennsylvania.	Male.	April 4th, 1853.
2	Agnes Walters,	21	Iowa "	Ohio.	Female.	" 5th, "
3	Josephine Porter,	14	Johnson "	Indiana.	"	" 29th, "
4	Mary Bushnell,	17	Lee "	Iowa.	"	May 12th, "
5	William Gunn,	17	Camanche "	Michigan.	Male.	" 24th, "
6	S. L. Grady,	17	Jefferson "	Illinois.	"	June 6th, "
7	A. Lett,	15	Cedar "	Ohio.	"	" 28th, "
8	Rhoda Bowen,	29	Johnson "	"	Female.	July 16th, "
9	John Stafford,	24	Lee "	Ireland.	Male.	" 19th, "
10	William Adair,	15	" "	Illinois.	"	November 19th, "
11	Mary Trimble,	16	" "	Indiana.	Female.	" 10th, "
12	John Bonn,	12	" "	Iowa.	Male.	October 27th, "
13	Mary Ann Bonn,	21	" "	New York.	Female.	" 27th, "
14	John Cisnee,	24	Des Moines "	Pennsylvania.	Male.	" 29th, "
15	Thomas Duff,	8	" "	Scotland.	"	December 14th, "
16	Jacob Niermeyer,	10	Marion "	Netherlands.	"	" 24th, "
17	James Ronalson,	21	Desmoines "	Scotland.	"	September 6th, 1854.
18	Albert Terwilligar,	17	Jones "	New York.	"	February 6th, "
19	Rebecca Calderon,	13	Dubque "	Pennsylvania.	Female.	" 6th, "
20	Phebe M. Caldwell,	13	Van Buren "	"	"	May 22d, "
21	John F. Wendell,	19	Jackson "	"	Male.	November 6th, "
22	Eliza Jane Stephenson,	22	Keokuk "	Illinois.	Female.	" 11th, "
23	John Poff,	19	" "	Indiana.	Male.	" 17th, "



## [B.]

*DONATIONS to the Asylum for the Blind, located at Iowa City, Iowa :*

By the American Bible Society,		
2 copies of Bible and Psalms,	- - - -	\$44 88
By D. S. Miller, of Philadelphia,		
6 copies of Common Prayer,	- - - -	18 00
By T. Butler, of New York,		
2 copies of Common Prayer,	- - - -	6 00
By American Tract Society,		
Miscellaneous Books,	- - - -	6 50
By American Sunday School Union,		
Miscellaneous Books,	- - - -	5 00
Keokuk Dispatch,	- - - -	2 00
Fairfield Ledger,	- - - -	2 00
Iowa Capital Reporter,	- - - -	2 00
Iowa Republican,	- - - -	2 00
Dubuque Herald,	- - - -	2 00
Miner's Express,	- - - -	2 00
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Total amount of Donations,	- - - -	\$92 38

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*RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS of Blind Asylum, located at Iowa City, Iowa.*

Appropriation by the General Assembly,	- - - -	\$2,000 00
Drawn on Pupils,	- - - -	2,889 50
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Total amount,	- - - -	\$4,889 50
For teachers' salaries, rents, repairs, and all other expenses, and disbursements,		
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Total amount,	- - - -	\$4,889 50

## DEAF AND DUMB.

An Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb has recently been opened in Iowa City by Prof. H. C. Ijams, late of Illinois. His success as a teacher, thus far, has met the expectations of the most sanguine friends of the Institution, and it is confidently believed that the number of pupils will be at least twenty the present session.

The basis upon which Prof. Ijams has opened this Institution is the provision in the Code, chapter seventy-three, providing for the instruction of mutes.

From the best information I am able to get on this subject, there are within our State about one hundred mutes, whose appeals, though silent, should not be neglected by the more fortunate part of the citizens of the State. I would most earnestly and respectfully urge your early attention to this matter, and I trust you will make ample provision for the instruction of every mute within the borders of our young and growing State, extending the blessings of your wise legislation to every one's door, like the dews of Heaven, without any distinction between rich and poor.

I have issued certificates in favor of the following mutes, as directed in chapter seventy-three, Code of Iowa:

Jacob J. Middleton, Washington County, Iowa; age, thirteen years.

Julianna Hawk, Johnson County, Iowa; age, twenty-three years.

Columbus Henderson, Washington County, Iowa; age, twenty-two years.

George H. Foey, Cedar County, Iowa; age fourteen years.

Mary Elizabeth Folwell, Madison County, Iowa; age, eleven years.

Mary Huges, Jones County, Iowa; age, fourteen years.

## SCHOOL JOURNAL.

Without some means for direct communication with the several districts and School officers of the State, our educational system will be incomplete. Communication by mail will be too burdensome and expensive to meet all exigencies of the School that will arise.

In addition to the necessary instructions and laws, a Journal, properly conducted, would be a most powerful auxiliary in the dissemination of

intelligence in regard to the condition and wants of our Public Schools, and the subject of education generally. The public mind must be aroused and enlightened in regard to the means and methods of actual instruction in the schools. To secure this, the medium of communication must be known and recognized as such by the people of the State. Access can then be had to all with but little delay.

It is believed that a Monthly Journal, sent to each organized district of the State would afford the cheapest and most direct means for such communication. The expense of such a Journal would be trifling compared with the good it would of necessity accomplish.

Similar Journals have been established in other States, and the result has been uniformly good. The work of publication would be undertaken, it is believed, by individual enterprise, and properly sustained, if it can receive the subscription on the part of the State of a sufficient number of copies to furnish one to each School District. I would, therefore, respectfully recommend the passage of a law authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to make such subscription, and that the expenses of the same be directed to be paid from the income of the School Fund.

Such Journal to be under the general control of the Superintendent, and to contain all laws and instructions relating to schools that he shall deem proper to publish from time to time, and such other matter, as in his opinion, will advance the educational interests of the State.

#### DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

The returns made to this department up to the first of November of the present year are incomplete, several counties having failed to make any return in accordance with the requirements of the law ; yet by reference to another page of this report, it will be seen that Iowa, young as she is, already commands a prominent position, not only in reference to the magnitude of her School Fund, but in the progress she has made in the organization of her Districts, and the general establishment of Free Schools.

According to the returns of the County Commissioners, there are twenty-three hundred and fifty-five organized School Districts in Iowa, and over one hundred and eleven thousand children between the ages of five and twenty-one years. When we consider, in connection with

these facts, that our population is increasing with a rapidity almost unparalleled in the history of any country, and that in a very few years we shall equal in numbers the most populous of the Eastern States, it becomes apparent that we cannot be too active and vigilant in all that pertains to the education of the youth of our State, who are so soon to control the destiny of a great Commonwealth,

While we congratulate ourselves upon the possession of so magnificent a School Fund, as has been secured to us by the action of the General Government and our State Legislature, we must not forget that much remains to be done on the part of the people themselves, before we shall fully enjoy the advantages of a universal system of Free Schools, of a character commensurate with the object of their organization, viz: to give to every son and daughter of Iowa a thorough knowledge of all the essential elements of a good practical education.

A portion only of the School Fund of the State being at present available, it becomes essential that a liberal spirit should be exercised in graduating the tax upon property which it is necessary to raise in order to supply the deficiency arising from the above cause, and to sustain, without interruption, the Free Schools which this appropriation was intended to support.

I trust that no argument is required to prove, that no more profitable investment can possibly be made by property holders, than that which, in the form of a tax, is appropriated to the purpose of education.

The enhanced value of real estate, by reason of its immediate proximity to good schools, is sufficient to remove any objection to the payment of the necessary tax, even on the part of those who are influenced by no higher motive than mercenary gain.

I have had the pleasure, during the past season, of visiting a large number of union or graded schools, in the larger towns of the State, and have been very highly gratified in witnessing the many advantages they possess, when properly conducted, over those schools which maintain separate organizations. Of course, these schools can only be maintained in towns or villages where there is a large number of scholars within a convenient distance of some central point.

It will be readily seen that a building, sufficiently commodious to accommodate several hundred scholars, can be erected for a much less

sum than would be required in the erection of several smaller buildings capable of containing the limited number of scholars ordinarily attending school in a single district.

The paramount advantages of these schools, however, is to be found in the classification and methods of instruction which can be adopted in a school where there are several departments over those where such classification is impracticable, by reason of scholars of all ages, and of different degrees of proficiency, being thrown together promiscuously in one room.

Again, in the graded school, a child entering the primary department, without a knowledge of the alphabet, even, can advance from one department to another, as he progresses in his studies, until he graduates from the highest department with a thorough practical education, and fitted it may be, to enter the University or College, if he desires a still more finished education than he has already acquired.

I have been especially pleased in visiting these schools, with the proficiency of the scholars in the various departments arising from their having the exclusive attention of a teacher whose business it is to instruct in those branches only which are suited to the attainments of the scholars in that particular department, and from the ambition created in the breast of the scholar to make such progress as will entitle him to take his place among the more advanced scholars in a still higher department.

Under the superintendence of a competent principal, aided by kind and experienced teachers, with a pleasant seat in a well ventilated and comfortable room, the pupil finds a pleasure in the acquisition of knowledge which tends greatly to promote his progress and to enable him ultimately to revert, with pleasure, to his school-boy days, and to cherish a sentiment of gratitude towards those who were instrumental in providing him with the inestimable advantages which he enjoyed.

#### TEACHERS.

However liberal may have been our State and General Government, in their appropriations for educational purposes, and however great our care in the erection of suitable school edifices, and in the general arrangement of our school system,—the friends of education in our State, will be greatly disappointed in the result of their efforts,—and the children

and youth of Iowa, will fail to receive the benefits intended in these provisions—if we fail to secure the most indispensable of all educational auxiliaries, viz: *competent and proper teachers*.

I cannot too strongly urge upon those whose province it is to secure the services of teachers in the respective districts of the State, the importance of the utmost vigilance and care in their selections. “The office of teacher, is one of grave duties and high responsibilities. It involves the care of minds open to every influence, impressed by every object, and led by every example. The child is quick to see, and ready to follow. Its powers of observation, mature before its habits of reflection, and are its only guide, aside from the restraints of authority. The teacher should be circumspect in his actions, careful in his conversation,—should possess temper and habits of a peculiar character. If deficient or unfaithful, he is unworthy of the trust.—Literary qualifications, although indispensable, are not the highest requisites.

“He should have studied the character of children, and be able to mould it into form—to shape and fashion it for the future character of the man or woman. He should be fitted to cultivate the morals, as well as the intellect; for the teacher leaves the impress of his own mind, upon the mind of the child. He plants in the susceptible understanding of youth, the germ of future good or evil.

“The good lessons of years, cannot efface the principles inculcated by months of daily intercourse between the pliant child and the man confirmed in frivolity or evil. The toils and trials of a life-time will not obliterate the lessons of truth and wisdom, carefully instilled by the precept and example of the accomplished teacher.”

I would earnestly recommend the employment of female teachers more generally, in our common schools, for the purpose of instructing the younger scholars: during those years in which the mind is most plastic, and susceptible of lasting impressions, it seems peculiarly the province of female teachers to mould and fashion it; and the tender, patient care, so requisite to the proper development of these young plants, is much more naturally and prudently exercised by that sex upon which devolves the earliest duties of the parent in the nurture of the infant mind.

As appears from the returns of the County Commissioners, the average sum paid to the district school teachers of this State, is less than twenty dollars to male, and less than ten dollars per month to

female teachers. I am well aware that many districts are newly organized, and with a limited number of families, can ill afford the expense incurred in the erection of school houses, and in the support of free schools. Still, making due allowance for these and other unavoidable causes, it is painfully evident that the profession of teaching, has not yet assumed its true position in the estimation of the great mass of our citizens. It is to be deplored that this, which should be the most prominent, as it is the most important of all the learned professions,—is made to yield in point of position, in favor of other and far less worthy objects; and while, in the various departments of manual labor, we do not hesitate to pay from one to three dollars per day for services rendered; and while, also, we pay to our clergy, salaries of from three hundred to twelve hundred dollars per annum,—and to the legal and medical professions, whatever they choose to charge,—the teacher, whose high duties, in reference to their controlling influence upon human destiny, overshadows them all, in the magnitude and importance of their results—must be content with a most shamefully inadequate and meagre compensation. I trust, however, that we shall soon witness a better appreciation of the services of teachers, throughout the different sections of our State.

I would here take occasion to solicit the co-operation of the friends of education with the teachers of Iowa, in securing a uniformity of our school books, that parents may not be subjected to the expense, and scholars to the unprofitable interruptions, attendant upon frequent changes of books, such as have hitherto so often been made, to gratify book agents, and such teachers as desired to introduce the books to which they were accustomed in the State from whence they chanced to come. Representing, as our teachers do, so many of the States of our Union, it will be readily seen that if they were respectively to require their pupils to procure the books used in their own States, such a variety would be fatal to all system and uniformity, and exceedingly detrimental to our educational interests.

I have thus briefly presented the foregoing facts and suggestions, for your consideration, with the utmost confidence that you will pass such laws only, as will be calculated to benefit the youth of the State by establishing free schools in every district within its territory.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES D. EADS,

Superintendent of Public Instruction.

*AN ABSTRACT of the Reports of School Fund Commissioners, for the period commencing October 15, 1853, and ending October 31, 1854, as shown by the following Tables, marked A and B.*

(A.)

Counties.	Number of organized Districts.	Number of persons between 5 and 21 years.	Number of District Schools.	Number of Pupils in Schools.	Number of Teachers employed.		Average Compensation of Teachers, per month.		Number of Days Schools have been taught.	Number of Vols. in Library.
					Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.		
Adams,	32	1,245	12	358	6	9	\$16 16	\$7 25	741	
Alamakee,										
Appanoose,	18	999	7	138	1	5	16 66½	11 60	494	
Benton,										
Butler,										
Bremer,	12	408	2	68	1	1	16 50	8 00	130	
Boone,	12	561	9	223	6	2	14 40		429	
Blackhawk,	13	585	5	179	2	4	26 87	15 70	313	
Buchanan,		981	10	268	7	2	16 54	9 50	924	
Cedar,	211	3,065	53	1528	32	30	18 15	8 85	3835	
Chickasaw,	3	157	1	21	1	1	20 00	10 00	66	
Clayton,										
Clinton,		2,221	36	464	15	23	19 20	8 94	2550	
Clarke,	14	509	5	106	1	3	12 00	8 83	269	
Dallas,	72	872	12	258	7	5	17 09	9 27	699	
Davis,	69	4,409	68	1720	42	25	16 06	10 38	3449	
Decatur,	16	765	5	143	1	6	17 71		494	
Delaware,	136	1,861	28	888	15	24	16 88	8 74	2527	



Des Moines,	294	5,632	59	1,950	46	37	19 87	11 68	5,526	250
Dubuque,	62	5,000	54	756	36	23	21 34	11 84	4,848	
Fayette,	33	1,469	21	669	7	19	15 28	7 05	1,896	
Floyd,										
Fremont,	17	1,003	12	256	11	5	18 91	8 00	387	
Guthrie,	9	327	3	190	1	1	25 30	10 00	272	
Harrison,	6	211	2	33	1	2	13 30	8 00	170	
Henry,	68	4,427	88	2,207	53	33	17 40	9 74	5,213	22
Hardin,	3	212	1			1				
Iowa,										
Jasper,	22	1,507	17	562	11	4	17 76	9 37	705	
Jones,	43	2,299	22	415	11	9	14 35	7 27	988	
Jefferson,	7	5,065	88	3,622	63	36	20 35	9 97	7,441	
Johnson,	59	3,240	31	1,026	25	27	16 35	8 21	2,819	
Jackson,	77	4,384	72	2,218	34	63	17 63	7 69	6,372	
Keokuk,	47	3,042	48	1,302	20	14	18 20		3,065	
Linn,	75	4,422	52	1,459	31	37	17 47		4,217	
Louisa,	51	2,794	42	1,090	35	18	19 47	10 46	3,114	75
Lee,	98	6,997	64	3,548	70	60	19 56	11 73	5,955	119
Lucas,	10	477	5	181	5		18 33		255	
Mills,	21	951	13	252	7	6	20 38	7 10	750	
Monroe,	47	2,009	33	720	20	13	17 70	9 26	1,792	
Madison,	29	1,073	14	334	9	4	19 21	9 05	633	
Mahaska,	59	3,757	61	1,477	29	32	16 28	10 30	3,521	
Marshall,	13	617	7	177	5	2	19 66	9 00	454	
Montgomery,	1	83								
Marion,	66	3,800	63	1,985	38	16	14 00	8 75	3,908	100
Muscatine,	45	3,058	33	1,077	18	18	23 08	12 00	1,729	
Polk,	36	1,832	14	366	10	4	19 92	11 80	657	
Pottawattamie,	6	588	5	202	3	2	15 88	12 50	358	

Counties.	Number of or- ganized Districts	Number of per- sons between 5 and 21 years.	Number of District Schools.	Number of pupils in Schools	Number of Teachers employed		Average Compensation of Teachers per month.		Number of days Schools have been taught	Number of Vols. in Library.
					Male	Female.	Male.	Female.		
Page,	10	500	5	93	3	2	17 88	8 14	246	10
Poweshiek,	17	816	6	70	3	1	16 44	6 70	84	
Scott,	49	3,931	39	1,338	32	21	15 05	11 43	2,833	
Story,	2	80	1	30	1		10 00		60	
Taylor,	4	124	3	30	1		20 00		55	
Van Buren,	91	6,088	113	2,678	68	54	16 89	8 26	6,887	
Wapello,	79	4,496	75	2,130	54	17	16 61	8 13	3,766	
Washington,	56	3,100	62	1,717	35	36	18 86	9 04	4,189	
Wayne,	16	655	4	111	2	2	14 99	7 16	320	
Webster,	7	293	2	60		2		8 00	144	
Warren,	28	1,569	16	622	11	4	22 48	9 68	1,043	
Winneshiek,	28	1,527	15	300	8	10	10 62	8 50	1,395	
Total amounts,	2,353	111,093	1,520	44,115	961	772	\$19 61	\$9 39	104,981	

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Counties.	Aggregate amount paid teachers during the year, and the source from which the same was received.		Amount of teachers' fund in hands of treasurers.	Number of district school houses, and of what material constructed.				Cost of district school houses.	Amount raised in the districts during the year by tax, and for what purpose.	
	Teachers' fund.	Voluntary subscription.		Brick.	Stone.	Frame.	Log.		Erection of school houses.	Contingent expenses.
Adams,	381 50	101 75	281 33			10	1,264 00	312 25		
Alamakee,	1 00									
Appanoose,	148 05	99 25	94 35			6	125 00	140 00	15 50	
Benton,		50 00						275 00	25 00	
Butler,	138 71	215 79	97 45			9	242 25			
Bremer,	45 20	115 05	5 90			5	110 00			
Boone,	527 72	52 28	27 00	2		2	942 00	555 00		
Blackhawk,	1,733 42	1,581 18	317 38	7		30	12,188 00	3,735 44	231 50	
Buchanan,	44 56	23 44				1				
Cedar,										
Chickasaw,	1,311 16	599 92	215 51	4	1	21	6,810 00			
Clayton,	39 84	36 66	67 51				208 47	219 91		
Clinton,	320 14	237 64	288 77			9	740 65	293 00	6 00	
Clarke,	2,221 75	977 53	749 60	2		55	5,179 15	1,003 88	230 57	
Dallas,	188 67	211 39	32 50			5	300 00			
Davis,	936 21	869 10	59 72	3		16	3,380 00	152 30	113 25	
Decatur,	2,584 81	2,096 15	355 90	1	4	40	22,096 80	2,022 59	383 57	
Delaware,	2,499 37	101 52	1,291 43	5	2	34	4,395 00	263 00	135 91	
Des Moines,	506 78	285 18	136 45			17	1,298 88	605 00	36 00	
Dubuque,										
Fayette,										
Floyd,										

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Counties.	Aggregate amount paid teachers during the year, and the source from which the same was received		Amount of teachers' funds in hands of treasurers.	Number of district school houses, and of what material constructed				Cost of district school houses	Amount raised in the districts during the year by tax, and for what purpose.	
	Teachers' fund.	Voluntary subscription.		Brick.	Stone.	Frame.	Log.		Erection of school houses.	Contingent expenses.
Fremont,	222 38	719 82	581 41	1		13	542 60			
Guthrie,	115 35	176 65	145 02			4	577 75	265 46	6 75	
Harrison,	10 50	69 00				1	83 00	83 00	12 00	
Henry, Hardin,	2 801 21	1,514 61	546 91	2		36	3,852 15	2 767 32	166 37	
Iowa,										
Jasper,	465 62	245 75	195 95			2				
Jones,	352 87	382 01	96 93			9	190 00	1,215 00	5 00	
Jefferson,	3,745 61	1,792 51	639 47	6		59	2,792 10	763 80	197 51	
Johnson,	1,979 94	716 66	338 86	1		21	3,650 00	1,008 06	27 00	
Jackson,	2,356 62	1,360 49	574 82	3		51	6,793 00	480 23	261 40	
Keokuk,	1,653 47	572 25	177 09			25	3,009 29	777 41	110 22	
Linn,	1,923 55	1,353 52	380 39	2		34	8,289 00	1,036 18	138 30	
Louisa,	3,509 85	1,461 03	502 24	7		28	8,230 00	704 89	42 20	
Lee,	4,185 77	1,739 48	1,035 78	18		41	20,221 87	504 25	35 00	
Lucas,	49 80	102 20	167 45			6	280 00	209 23	63 80	
Mills,	166 95	554 10	50 00			8	500 00			
Monroe,	884 03	365 98	368 65			17	1,512 50	320 00	2 50	
Madison,	391 89	363 95	193 60			11	1,245 67	852 15	62 55	
Manitaska,	2 292 64	670 60	1,607 18	2		41	6,636 65	3,306 04	143 96	
Marshall,	240 30	33 70	129 86			2	190 00	150 00	11 00	
Montgomery,										

Marion,	1,571 54	1,561 91	477 92	1		32	3,134 00	647 00	107 00
Muscatine,	1,345 65	1,288 35	102 95	3		10	1,405 00	1,378 09	126 50
Polk,	237 21	121 34	21 20			8	1,085 00	16 93	111 00
Pottawattamie,		252 00						41 00	98 00
Page,		192 80	1 40			3	191 00	130 00	
Poweshiek,	157 35	31 18	85 69			4	491 00	901 95	20 44
Scott,	3,264 47	403 80	759 75	3	2	13	11,482 00	5,492 61	325 63
Story,	10 00	20 00				1	75 00	75 00	
Taylor,	50 77					3			
Van Buren,	3,475 92	1,863 19	979 26	6		70	13,254 00	3,241 00	1,672 42
Wapello,	2,220 34	1,429 58	392 44			12	1,518 09	1,736 34	322 26
Washington,	2,279 52	697 51	502 84	2		35	5,173 40	851 50	131 80
Wayne,	74 03	89 97	204 17			10	680 00	93 00	
Webster,	64 00		37 64						23 50
Warren	699 16	363 42	86 69			14	1,419 50	259 50	105 40
Winneshiek,	343 76	130 83	237 76			10	2,790 50	1,339 85	118 21
	<b>\$56,662 90</b>	<b>\$31,154 02</b>	<b>\$15,642 12</b>	<b>98</b>		<b>9,897</b>	<b>\$170,565 18</b>	<b>\$30,224 07</b>	<b>\$3,624 51</b>

## C.

*Sales of School Lands, reported by the School Fund Commissioners, from April 1st 1854, to October 1st, of the same year.*

Counties.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credits.
	16th Section.	500,000 Acres.		
Alamakee,	2,360	29,525 36	19,519 53	21,828 97
Blackhawk,				
Boone,	1,875 80		1,053 88 3-4	2,961 66½
Bremer,	712 18-160	611 44	1,940 31	1,257 14
Buchanan,	1,169	160	613 50	1,192 50
Cedar,	640	6,043 69	6,971 56	17,665 74
Clarke,	2,840	1,770 60	2,002 17	2,617 62
Clinton,	540	6,633 21	2,395 55	6,449 56
Dallas,	760	1,760	1,192 50	1,987 50
Decatur,	3,440	13,828 36	9,690 38 5½	12,134 71
Delaware,	2,890	2,882	1,950 50	5,824 50
Des Moines,				
Dubuque,	80	720	250 00	750 00
Fayette,	1,440	924 54	1,132 60	2,925 07
Fremont,	560		250 00	440 00
Guthrie,	840		362 45	1,087 35
Henry,				
Iowa,	160		400 00	
Jackson,	480		153 20	459 60
Jasper,	4,280		2,165 00	4,605 00
Jefferson,				
Johnson,	2,560		1,227 25	3,683 15
Jones,	836	1,675 63	1,177 17½	2,420 51
Keokuk,	680		212 00	637 50
Linn,	3,130 27	2,219 72	1,933 57	5,162 93
Lucas,	840	120	322 50	967 50
Madison,	680		295 00	445 00
Mahaska,	1,400		620 50	1,711 50
Marshall,	160	1,022 7	830 39	989 17
Marion,	1,400		765 00	1,095 00
Monroe,	120		75 00	75 00
Muscatine,				
Polk,	240		325 00	225 00
Pottawattamie,	320		212 50	187 50
Poweshiek,	2,040	40	1,097 00	2,431 00
Taylor,	400		275 00	225 00
Union,		1,547 3	784 38½	1,153 16½
Van Buren,	252 12		103 07	309 06
Wapello,	120		37 50	112 50
Warren,	2,840	40	1,538 80	2,394 80

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Counties.	Number of Acres.		Cash.	Credits.
	16th Section.	500,000 Acres.		
Washington,				
Wayne,	1,987 80	6,706 44	3,866 99	6,920 93
Winneshieck,	2,340	12,042 38	5,559 75	11,603 78
<b>Total,</b>	<b>47,604 41 400</b>	<b>90,272 47 100</b>	<b>73,211 52 1-6</b>	<b>126,936 91½</b>

REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

KEOKUK, IOWA, January 15th, 1854.

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :*

By reference to the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, presented to your honorable body the present session, it will be seen that the report of this Institution has been omitted. Astonished at this, I feel myself called upon to state the facts in the case. Mr. Eads well knows that the report referred to was handed to him in person by our representative, the Hon. R. P. Creel, on the evening of the 2nd ult. His report is dated Dec. the 4th, two days after the receipt by him of my report, and several days previous to its presentation to your honorable body. The design of the Superintendent in suppressing the report, is best known to himself, and is just cause of much suspicion. Such procedure by a public functionary in withholding from the people's representatives facts which it is their legitimate right to know, is a proceeding too high handed to pass unnoticed.

In justice to myself, and in behalf of the Medical Faculty of a State Institution, I have thought it my duty to deny the truth of the statement of the Superintendent, for a copy of my report, cannot be complied with, owing to his absence, I have thought it proper to present each member of your honorable body a copy which has been taken from the original manuscript, and will not vary in meaning from the one already in the hands of the Superintendent.

With much esteem.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

J. C. HUGHES,

Dean Medical Faculty Iowa University.



TO THE HON. JAMES D. EADS,

*Superintendent of Public Instruction :*

SIR. The regulations established by our State Legislature in relation to the different departments of the Iowa University, require me, as Dean of this the Medical Department, to submit to its honorable body, through you, a report of the financial and scientific condition of said department.

Since the last report presented by the former Dean, John F. Sanford, (which report was not approved by the Faculty,) to the Hon. Thomas H. Benton, Jr., and through him to the last General Assembly, much of interest has transpired in this Department.

From the time of the location of the Institution in this place, and up to the date of that report, our classes were small, numbering the first session seventeen matriculants, the second session nineteen, and the third session being the time at which the former report was made, but fifteen students were present. The unusually small attendance at that time, and the embarrassments under which the institution labored, were most discouraging to the Faculty.

The General Assembly, at its session of 1850, appropriated to this Department of the University the sum of five thousand dollars, from the proceeds of the sales of the saline lands. This sum was made available, as will be seen by reference to the report of the former Dean, by receiving from the city of Keokuk her bonds giving the State appropriation in pledge for their payment. This amount was set apart for special purposes, as will be seen by referring to pages 5 and 6 of the Superintendent's Report of 1852. A part of the money having been received upon two of the bonds, from Messrs. Bangs & Bros. of New York, as may be seen by reference to the last report, (see page 9,) the application of this fund was entrusted by resolution of the Faculty to the then acting dean, John F. Sanford, and was reported by him to have been expended as follows :

(See page 10 of Superintendent's report, 1852 )

*Tabular Exhibit.*

Amount paid by Messrs, Bangs & Bros. - - - \$1,600 00

The account of the expenditures of this money was kept by the Hon. Mayor of his city, with whom the principal part was deposited, and to whom vouchers for the whole were exhibited and approved. The following is an exact copy of the account as rendered by him :

Amount paid R. P. Gray, contractor on college building,	\$761 00
Boatman for lumber,	15 00
J. A. Graham, cash advances,	81 25
Shepard & Volentine,	60 00
Cleghorn & Harrison,	50 61
Edward Tarbell,	4 60
Benjamin Pike, jr., N. Y., chemical apparatus,	127 00
do. do. microscope,	148 00
Joseph Brano, wax specimens,	54 00
C. E. Isaacs,	125 00
J. L. Hatch, (Agent),	8 37
Bill of expenses incurred on a trip from Keokuk to New York and return, as per bill of particulars, giving the items, &c.,	132 25
Drayage, Portorage, &c.	4 60
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	\$1672 89

Contrary to the provisions in the laws of the College, the Dean at the time selected as temporary Treasurer the Hon. Mayor of this City, with special reference to this fund. After the return of the Dean from New York City, where he had been to purchase appliances, the disbursement of the fund was reported to said temporary Treasurer, to whom vouchers were exhibited for the payment of the several sums as expended. The said Treasurer saw these vouchers, as is shown by the following certificate :

(Copy of a Certificate—see page 10 former report.)

I hereby certify that John F. Sanford, Dean of the Medical Institution of the City of Keokuk, Iowa, produced to me full and satisfactory vouchers for the payments made by him as Dean as aforesaid, to the amount stated, say 1672 dollars and 89 cents, which will overpay the amount which was deposited in my hands as Treasurer, the sum stated seventy-two dollars and eighty-nine cents.

(Signed)

JOHN A. GRAHAM.

The amount overpaid, \$72 87, is again charged to the College, being included in John F. Sanford's bill, as you may see by reference to 23d line on page 12 of former report.

After this report was made, circumstances transpired which led some members of the Faculty to suspect a misapplication of the funds by

the Dean, and investigations were made which resulted in the following disclosures :

For the article of Microscope, purchased from Benjamin Pike, Jr., of New York, he reports to have paid \$148 00, and presented a voucher to this effect, whereas the duplicate of Mr. Pike's bill, on file in this office, shows that the cost of the instrument was but \$48 00. Here is a deficiency which has not been explained. Also the bill of C. E. Isaacs he reports to have been \$125 00, when a letter on file in this office from Dr. Isaacs states that the amount paid was but \$25 00. Thus the institution has lost \$200 which was appropriated by the State for its benefit, as shown by these exhibits, and as soon as he (the Dean) was informed by the Faculty that these documents were in their possession, he resigned his connection with the institution, leaving the chair of the Surgery vacant.

A portion of the bonds upon which no payment had been made, was deposited with the house of Cox & Shelley, of this city, who met the indebtedness of the institution to the amount in their hands, the items of which may be found on the 11th page of the former report. The amount of indebtedness of the institution at the time said report was made, will be seen by reference to page 12 to have been as follows :

Amount paid by Messrs. Perkins & Pitman to L. J. Swart, interest to date,	33 56
Paid by C. Garber & Co. with interest to date,	182 50
Paid by J. E. Burke,	61 83
Balance due Messrs. Curtis & Gilmere,	78 51
Amount due Mr. Dewey, (about),	75 00
Paid by Mr. Anderson to Swart,	41 38
Paid by Bridgman & Reed,	125 00
J. F. Sanford for money paid for Chemical Apparatus and other purposes,	297 00
Amounting in all to	<u>\$894 78</u>

This amount, \$894 78, is represented in the report as being the total indebtedness of the institution at the date of statement, but the faculty have since canceled several claims contracted previous to that date.

The amount of indebtedness noted, \$894 78, has been canceled by individual members of the Faculty, with the exception of two items,

viz: that of Bridgman & Reid, 125 00, and that of John F. Sanford, \$297 00 in all, for which no definite arrangement has been made.

Besides the two hundred dollars specified above, the former Dean still holds a balance due from Messrs. Bangs & Brothers, as will appear on page 11 of his report; also Surgical appliances belonging to the institution.

Although laboring under these embarrassments, yet feeling that the interests of the profession of our young and flourishing State demanded a renewed effort on the part of the Faculty to sustain this department of the University, it was resolved by the remaining members to supply vacancies, and use every effort more fully to sustain it.

The Faculty was then organized by the appointment of

D. L. MCGUGIN, M. D.,

Professor of Physiology, Pathology and Microscopy.

FREEMAN KNOWLES, M. D.,

Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine.

J. C. HUGHES, M. D.,

Professor of Surgery and Dean of Faculty.

J. E. SANBORN, M. D.,

Professor of Chemistry and Materia Medica.

E. R. FORD, M. D.,

Professor of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children.

E. A. ARNOLD, M. D.,

Professor of Anatomy.

P. VAN PATTEN, M. D.,

Demonstrator of Anatomy.

This reorganization has resulted in making this department of the University more decidedly a State institution, and as such a lively interest has been awakened in the public mind in its favor, and the profession looks upon it as dispensing great good and as contributing to its best interests.

The chair of theory and practice becoming vacant before the opening of the session of 1853-'44, Freeman Knowles, M. D., who has been a successful practitioner in this State for the last thirteen years, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Before the Faculty were enabled, by proceed of sales of saline lands to meet the claims due the City of Keokuk on her bonds issued for our benefit, interest had accumulated on said bonds to the amount of some

six hundred dollars. The City Council, knowing the many difficulties under which the institution was laboring, have in their wisdom and generosity released the College from the indebtedness.

During the Session of 1852-'53, at which time the last report was made to the Hon. Thos. H. Benton, Jr., by the former Dean, our class numbered, as has been stated, but fifteen students. After the reorganization of the Faculty and during the session of 1853-'54, the number of matriculants amounted to 41, while the whole number in actual attendance upon the lectures was about 50. During the present session, the number of students has been largely increased beyond that of last winter, the number of matriculants being already between 65 and 70, and will reach 75 before the close of the session.

This rapid increase seems to be sufficient evidence of the estimation in which the institution is held by its numerous friends throughout the State, and also of the energy of the Faculty as well as their ability to instruct. We may add that the number of graduates at the close of the session of 1852-'53, was only 6. The number that graduated at the close of the last course of lectures, 1853-'54, was 13. While already the number of candidates for graduation at the close of the present course is 20.

It has become my duty to mention these facts as evidence of the increased prosperity and usefulness of the medical department. It is also a pleasure to me to record the uniformly harmonious and united efforts of the Faculty, during two years of difficulties and embarrassment. Nor must I omit to mention the courtesy and enthusiasm of the students, as evinced by their gentlemanly deportment, and their punctual and attentive presence at lectures.

While the efforts of the Faculty have been thus earnestly directed to the extension of the influence of the institution at home, the interests of this department have not been overlooked in the visits which several of the professors have made to the prominent Medical Colleges and Hospitals of the East during the last two years.

In the spring and summer of 1853, the Professor of Surgery spent some four months in the Cities of Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, diligently employed in the cultivation of his department; at this visit, he was also the delegate of the College and the State, at the annual meeting of the American Medical Association.

During the last season, Professor Sanborn visited New York and Boston, paying more particular attention to recent progress in chemi-

cal science, while Professors Ford and McGugin have each visited different portions of the East and the prominent medical schools.

During the month of August, 1853, since the last report to your predecessor, the first number of the Iowa Medical Journal was issued, a work designed to be the exponent of the Medical literature and character of this portion of the country, conducted by the Faculty, and identified with the Medical College. This Journal was originated because there was none in this State. Its success has exceeded our most sanguine expectations. It has already entered upon its second volume, much enlarged and improved. It exercises a healthful moral and professional influence in its sphere, and its position and rapid improvement are a sufficient proof of the estimation in which it is held by its numerous patrons and contributors.

The Anatomical and Medical Museum has shared largely in the improvements which have been made in the various departments of the institution. A large number of wet and dry preparations, representing numerous important points in general, special, and pathological Anatomy, are on exhibition for reference and observation.

A very numerous collection of Botanical plates, placed in the institution by one of its Faculty, is an efficient aid in the lectures upon *Materia Medica*. A number of valuable works have been furnished from various sources, by exchange with the Iowa Medical Journal, and by direct donations from members of Congress and the Smithsonian Institute, which go to form a very respectable nucleus for what we hope may in time be a creditable Library.

After having presented a condensed statement of the Scientific and Financial condition of the Institution, we would, in conclusion, ask a continuance of that fostering care and favor of the Legislature which has heretofore been extended to it. The Faculty in turn can but promise a faithful discharge of our responsible and arduous duties connected with this most important scientific enterprise in the State, which we ardently hope and believe, under the present government and management, will maintain its elevated and promising condition in the estimation of the American Medical profession and a generous public.

With great respect, I am, dear sir,

Yours,

J. C. HUGHES,

Dean Medical Faculty, Iowa University.

Keokuk, Nov. 30, 1854.

# CENSUS REPORT.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE IOWA, Iowa City, Dec. 20, 1854.

*Hon. M. L. Fisher, President of the Senate—*

SIR: I herewith present for the use of the Senate, a tabular statement of the census of the several counties in this State, for the year 1854.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEO. W. McCLEARY,  
Secretary of State.

Counties.	No. of idiots.	Deaf and dumb.	No. of insane.	No. of blind.	Number of males.	Number of females.	Colored males.	Colored females.	Number of voters.	Number of militia.	Number of aliens.	Total.
Adair,					78	72			26	23		150
Adams,					199	140			73	75	12	339
Alamakee,		1			2,247	2,019			819	690	575	4,266
Appanoose,					3,211	3,045	6	3	1,169	960	24	6,265
Benton,				1	1,452	1,171			555	504	3	2,623
Black Hawk,					1,402	1,112			612	532	14	2,514
Boone,					893	785			345	294	13	1,678
Bremer,					605	490	5	3	244	211	16	1,095
Buchanan,					1,256	1,043			537	399	40	2,299
Cass,					232	184			108	84		416
Cedar,					4,071	3,571	1		1,516	1,357	97	7,643
Chickasaw,					319	269			86	123	22	588
Clarke,					868	758			351	311		1,626
Clayton,					4,891	4,441	1	4	1,689	651	640	9,337
Clinton,			1		3,842	3,449	6	9	1,347	1,050	669	7,306
Dallas,		6	1		1,267	1,125			457	410	3	2,302
Davis,			5		5,096	4,691			1,745	1,525	8	9,787
Decatur,			1	1	1,538	1,489	1		604	494	35	3,028

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Counties.	No. of idiots	Deaf and dumb	No. of insane	No. of blind.	Number of males.	Number of females.	Colored males.	Colored females.	Number of voters.	Number of militia.	Number of aliens.	Total.
Delaware,					2,513	2,124			916	725	122	4,637
Des Moines,	3	1	6	4	8,685	7,997	11	7	3,096	2,585	136	16,700
Dubuque,		1	6	2	8,819	7,725	16	11	1,673	1,197	800	16,662
Fayette,		1			2,646	2,360	56	40	844	502	220	5,042
Fremont,					1,576	1,430	4	8	448	348	1	3,006
Guthrie,					432	340			172	140	2	772
Hardin,					660	597			260	219	3	1,259
Harrison,					590	475			249	194	4	1,065
Henry,			6	3	5,178	4,966	6	9	2,009	1,609	92	10,159
Iowa,					1,206	1,101			458	407	29	2,307
Jackson,				1	6,192	5,968	1	5	1,538	1,927	827	12,166
Jasper,		1	1		1,823	1,643			698	590	7	3,466
Jefferson,		1	3	1	5,666	5,450		1	2,039	1,697	114	11,117
Johnson,					4,431	4,015	10	11	1,703	1,503	253	8,467
Jones,					3,197	2,878			1,210	1,027	261	6,075
Keokuk,	2	1		1	3,763	3,530			1,337	1,202	50	7,299
Lee,		1		4	11,561	10,963	34	32	4,281	3,666	1,292	22,590
Linn,	2	1			5,591	5,211	5	2	2,078	1,859	85	10,802
Louisa,		2	3	1	3,900	3,390	22	29	1,541	1,289	65	7,341
Lucas,					1,024	897			412	356	1	1,921
Madison,					1,592	1,520			633	545	1	3,112
Mahaska,		1	3	1	4,685	4,408			1,744	1,491	22	9,093
Monona,					109	113			44	17	3	222
Marion,		2	5	2	4,760	4,539	10	6	1,734	1,599	197	9,315
					845	762			323	298		1,807



Mills,				1,173	998			471	406	2	2,171	
Monroe,				2,360	2,217			891	787	7	4,577	
Montgomery,				127	106			43	50		233	
Muscatine,				5,065	4,422	36	32	1,930	1,700	528	9,555	
Page,				602	546			213	135		1,148	
Polk,				2,831	2,537			1,016	890	20	5,368	
Pottawattamie,				1,660	1,199	1		650	512	90	3,060	
Poweshiek,				1,029	924			354	331		1,953	
Scott,	1	1		6,781	5,879	6	5	1,794	1,769	1,778	12,671	
Shelby,				171	157			69	69	1	328	
Story,				433	403			166	107	3	836	
Tama,				609	554			259	168	4	1,163	
Taylor,				456	435			183	153	2	891	
Van Buren,				6,996	6,843	4		2,625	2,029	141	13,843	
Union,				39	42			19	14		81	
Wapello,	2	4	3	5,427	5,088	4	2	1,955	1,587	45	10,521	
Warren,				2,392	2,051	2	1	925	773	42	4,446	
Washington,	5	1	2	3,967	3,593		2	1,519	1,290	69	7,560	
Wayne,				887	776			317	283	4	1,665	
Webster,				487	420			141	129	63	907	
Winneshiek,				1,811	1,504			435	402	474	3,315	
Woodbury,											170	
	7	28	47	27	170,302	154,900	258	222	59,984	50,284	10,378	326,014

## SPECIAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF STATE.

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, Iowa, }  
Iowa City, Jan. 2d, 1854. }

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*

In obedience to a resolution of your Honorable Body, I herewith transmit for your inspection, a detailed account of the financial condition of the State, for the last two fiscal years. For the particulars in relation to the various warrants redeemed at this office, I would most respectfully refer you to the Auditor of State.

Yours respectfully,

MARTIN L. MORRIS, State Treasurer.

*State Revenue received into the State Treasury, from November 1st, 1852,  
up to November 1st, 1854.*

1852.			
Nov.	1	Amount brought forward to Nov. 1, 1852,	\$8,051 60
"	9	Clayton county, Mr. Reed, Treasurer, by Revenue for 1851,	551 29
Dec.	6	Madison co., J. D. Guiberson, by Revenue,	41 00
"	8	Henry co., H. M. Snyder, Treas., Rev. and Code,	150 00
"		Davis co., Wm. S. Stevens, Treasurer, "	125 00
"	9	Warren co., J. Brinkerhoof, "	40 00
"	14	Scott co., Hiram Price, "	200 00
"		Clinton co., J. D. Brown, "	81 00
"		Iowa co., C. C. Slocum, "	50 00
"		Washington co., W. H. Jenkins, "	200 00
"	15	Fremont co., J. J. Singleton, "	54 47
"	16	Jefferson co., J. Bradley, "	178 35
"	17	Muscatine co., A. T. Banks, "	315 60
"	22	Louisa co., S. Townsend, "	191 00
"		Cedar co., J. C. Betts, "	84 00
"	23	Jackson co., Jos. Smith, "	284 00

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1853.		
Jan.	5	Dubuque co., M. O'Brien, by Revenue and Code, 1,250 00
"	7	Clinton co., Jas. D. Bourne, " 630 00
"	8	Madison co., J. D. Guiberson, by Code, 295 00
"		Polk co., S. Gray, " 1,032 50
"	10	Warren co., G. Brinkerhoof, by Revenue, 128 07
"		Clarke co., P. Cowles, " 22 51
"		Warren co., G. Brinkerhoof, by Code, 32 50
"	11	Winneshiek co., Daniel, by Revenue, 136 73
"		Benton co., Jas. Johnson, " 190 00
"	12	Lucas co., S. W. Walthall, " 173 39
"		Jasper co., H. Rogers, by Revenue and Code, 363 93
"		Mahaska co., H. Blackburn, by Revenue, 1,559 05
"	13	Dallas co., J. M. Hays, by Revenue and Codes, 105 50
"		Guthrie co., M. Maynard, by Revenue, 2 65
"		Marion co., C. Hall, by Revenue and Codes, 800 00
"	14	Davis co., W. S. Stevens, " 471 89
"		Keokuk co., H. T. Smith, " 709 43
"		Wayne co., D. Payton, by Revenue, 74 50
"		Wapello co., J. Pomroy, " 1,600 00
"		Appanoose co., N. W. Gibson, " 300 00
"		Jones co., S. T. Buxton, " 700 00
"		Delaware co., W. Philips, by Rev. and Codes, 362 80
"	15	Scott co., H. Price by Revenue, 1,500 00
"		Iowa co., C. C. Slocum, by Revenue and Codes, 106 30
"		Louisa co., S. Townsend, " 1,500 00
"	17	Van Buren co., Geo. Barker, by Rev. and Codes, 1,804 33
"		Johnson co., S. Workman, " 1,000 00
"		Boone co., R. S. Clark, " " 167 50
"		Monroe co., J. Webb, " " 417 50
"		Muscatine co., A. T. Banks, by Revenue, 1,500 00
"		Lee co., R. McFarland, " 2,575 40
"	18	Jefferson co., S. H. Bradley, " 864 56
"		Buchanan co., G. J. Cummins, " 202 50
"	19	Poweshiek co., I. Newhall, " 140 00
"		Washington co., W. H. Jenkins, " 830 00
"	21	Fayette co., I. A. Cook, by Revenue and Codes, 275 00
"		Decatur co. I. S. Brown, " 1851, 35 10
"		Decatur vo., A. Harlan, " 1852, 41 12
"		Henry co., H. M. Snyder, " 1,400 00
"	22	Marshall co., M. Woodman, by Rev. and Codes, 82 68
"		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien, by Revenue, 128 00
"		Muscatine co., A. T. Banks, " 24 75
"	24	Jackson co., I. H. Smith, " 611 30
"		Linn co., J. Cook, " 1,400 00
"	27	Page co., E. N. Thomas, " 24 00

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1853.				
Jan.	27	Cedar co., I. C. Betts,	by Revenue,	1,008 76
"	28	Des Moines co., C. Medary,	"	166 26
		Des Moines co., do.	"	1,214 05
"	31	Des Moines co., do.	"	52 00
"	19	Fremont co., J. J. Singleton,	"	52 50
		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	"	350 00
Feb.	7	Clinton co., J. D. Bourne,	"	3 90
"	23	Jefferson co., S. H. Bradley,	"	300 00
		Cedar co., I. C. Betts,	"	136 21
Mar.	18	Delaware co., W. Philips	"	175 00
April	8	Davis co., W. S. Stevens,	"	25 00
		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	"	1,469 20
"	14	United States, Sloan, Treasurer,	"	5,521 34
May	2	Scott co., H. Price, Treas.,	"	493 30
"	9	Benton co., James Johnson,	"	3 38
"	25	Henry co., H. M. Snyder,	"	1,275 06
	30	Des Moines co., C. Medary,	"	2,980 75
		Monroe co., Mr. Webb,	"	182 00
"	31	Washington co., W. H. Jenkins,	"	250 00
June	1	Jefferson co., S. H. Bradley,	"	525 19
		Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	"	1,000 00
"	2	Johnson co., S. Workman,	"	700 00
"	6	Linn co., J. Cook,	"	300 00
"	20	Clayton co., Mr. Reed,	"	1,608 00
"	29	Monroe co., J. Webb,	"	50 00
July	4	Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	"	140 00
"	15	Jackson co., Jos. H. Williams,	"	549 50
Aug.	3	Davis co., W. L. Stevens,	"	25 00
"	11	Lee co., R. McFarland,	"	3,231 16
"	13	Poweshiek co., Jos. Newhall,	"	98 41
"	24	Marion co., C. Hall,	"	594 00
"	25	Louisa co., S. Townsend,	"	362 94
		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	"	935 10
		Alamakee co., I. I. Shaw,	"	338 82
"	30	Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	"	7 00
		Benton co., W. R. Johnson,	"	13 62
Sept.	1	Jefferson co., S. H. Bradley,	"	87 16
		Fayette co., E. C. Bryon,	"	100 00
		Keokuk co., H. T. Smith,	"	293 79
		Delaware co., W. Philips,	"	201 53
		Wapello co., I. Pomroy,	"	1,331 50
		Henry co., H. M. Snyder,	"	659 86
"	2	Iowa co., C. C. Slocum,	"	145 22
		Warren co., G. Brinkerhoof,	"	125 00
"	15	Mahaska co., H. Blackburn,	"	74 65

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1853.			
Sept.	15	Clinton co., J. D. Bourne,	by Revenue, 251 00
		Buchanan co., Geo. Cummins,	" 59 06
"	16	Van Buren co., Geo. Parker,	" 1,537 08
"	17	Linn co., I. Cook,	" 243 18
		Jasper co., Henry Rodgers,	" 59 50
"	26	Washington co., W. H. Jenkins,	" 166 80
Oct.	1	Polk co., S. Gray,	" 418 77
"	4	Cedar co., I. C. Betts,	" 90 78
"	5	Davis co., W. S. Stevens,	" 837 53
"	28	Fremont co., J. J. Singleton,	" 100 00
Dec.	5	Scott co., H. Price,	" 530 34
"	10	Des Moines co., C. Medary, Treasurer,	" 1851, 502 50
"	28	Iowa co., Robert M'Kee, Treasurer,	" 4 32
		Keokuk co., H. S. Smith,	" 2 80
		Marion co., D. Stanfield,	" 700 00
1854.			
Jan.	5	Tama co., John Ross,	" 37 95
"	7	Polk co., S. Gray,	" 800 00
		Mahaska co., H. Blackburn,	" 1,995 95
		Van Buren co., T. Rankin,	" 1,700 00
		Pottawattamie co., —	" 160 00
"	9	Fremont co., J. J. Singleton,	" 115 15
		Story co., John Zieger,	" 35 30
		Decatur co., J. Jordon,	" 80 00
		Davis co., W. S. Stevens,	" 261 85
		Clayton co., S. L. Peck,	" 1,000 00
		Jefferson co., H. P. Warren,	" 692 20
		Monroe co., J. Webb,	" 500 00
		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	" 1,600 00
		Fayette co., E. Bryon,	" 175 00
		Buchanan co., John Leslie,	" 148 00
		Jones co., J. J. Hubert,	" 500 00
		Appanoose co., J. Overstreet,	" 315 60
		Lucas co., S. W. Walthal,	" 140 00
		Boone co., G. J. Dunn,	" 169 78
		Madison co., W. W. Wilson,	" 305 53
"	11	Pottawattamie co., W. D. Turner,	" 39 40
		Dallas co., I. W. Hays,	" 200 00
		Benton co., W. R. Johnson,	" 275 00
		Keokuk co., H. T. Smith,	" 800 00
		Webster co., John Tallman,	" 25 80
"	16	Henry co., W. S. Viney,	" 550 00
		Johnson co., S. B. Gardner,	" 1,310 93
		Warren co., George Brinkerhoof,	" 200 00
		Clarke co.,	" 120 00

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1854.			
Jan.	16	Blackhawk co., A. Dow, Treasurer by Revenue	70 00
		Page co., C. McBee,	51 19
		Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	1,700 00
"	17	Iowa co., R. McKee,	202 00
		Hardin co., S. Smith,	51 09
"	18	Delaware co., Z. A. Wellman,	458 00
		Linn co., J. Cook,	1,105 00
		Wayne co., G. Gorman,	126 16
		Poweshiek co., H. M. Taylor.	193 96
		Marion co., D. Stanfield,	2 55
"	19	Louisa co., I. C. Tucker,	1,091 00
		Jasper co., A. C. Ault,	315 00
		Clinton co., T. F. Butterfield,	505 00
		Marshall co., T. E. Collins,	110 00
		Wapello co., Mr. Pomroy,	761 59
"	24	Jackson co., I. Pope,	1,248 13
		Washington co., W. H. Jenkins,	1,000 00
"	26	Marshall co., T. E. Collins,	7 50
"	27	Cedar co., J. C. Betts,	1,168 00
Feb.	2	Winneshiek co., T. Hazlett,	180 00
"	8	Cedar co., J. C. Betts,	11 85
"	22	Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	400 00
		Alamakee co., Mr. Shaw,	235 00
		Jones co., S. Buxton,	350 00
"	27	Benton co., W. R. Johnson,	24 03
		Iowa co., R. McKee,	3 45
March	13	Monroe co., J. Webb,	8 70
"	18	Davis co., W. Stephens,	900 00
		Cedar co., J. C. Betts,	150 00
"	29	Monroe co., J. Webb,	100 00
April	11	Davis co., W. Stephens,	57 00
"	12	Louisa co., I. C. Tucker,	162 57
		Johnson co., S. B. Gardner,	300 00
"	20	Clinton co., T. J. Butterfield,	9 28
May	3	Jefferson co., G. M. Chilton,	1,014 48
"	8	Tama co., John Ross,	3 76
"	9	Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	95 00
"	20	Keokuk co., H. T. Smith,	6 92
"	25	Scott co., H. Price,	2,000 00
June	6	Henry co. W S. Viney,	1,400 00
		Marion co., D. Stanfield,	622 81
"	23	Des Moines co., C. Medary,	696 48
"	29	Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	500 00
		Decatur co., J. Jordon,	50 00
		Lucas co., S. W. Walthal,	50 00

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1854.			
June	29	Clarke co., G. G. Samson, Tr., by Revenue,	22 20
		Madison co., W. M. Wilson,	41 00
		Warren co., G. Brinkerhoof,	86 80
"	20	Washington co., W. H. Jenkins,	587 37
		Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	41 00
July	6	Polk co., S. Gray,	4 70
"	25	Louisa co., I C. Tucker,	310 00
Aug.	17	Alamakee co., I. I. Shaw,	125 41
"	24	Madison co., Enos Berger,	10 00
"	30	Benton co., W. R. Johnson,	23 15
		Van Buren co., Thos. Rankin,	903 00
"	31	Henry co., W. S. Viney,	509 19
		Dubuque co., M. O'Brien,	2,487 06
Sept.	1	Keokuk co., H. T. Smith,	440 63
"	2	Hardin co., S. Smith,	16 58
		Tama co., John Ross,	20 00
		Warren co., J. Brinkerhoof,	376 02
"	4	Jones co., J. J. Huber,	390 00
"	11	Mahaska co., H. Blackburn,	11 50
		Des Moines co., I. Arrick,	4,084 47
"	13	Fayette co., E. C. Bryon,	151 00
		Buchanan co., John Leslie,	139 75
"	14	Iowa co., R. McKee,	143 80
"	15	Muscatine co., A. T. Banks,	770 00
		Linn co., J. Cook,	1,000 00
"	18	Poweshiek co., H. M. Taylor,	34 20
"	19	Wapello co., J. Pomroy,	973 36
		Jefferson co., H. P. Warren,	1,004 11
"	21	Clinton, co., T. F. Butterfield,	400 00
"	22	Delaware co., Z. A. Wellman,	250 00
Oct.	18	Polk co., S. Gray,	150 00
"	24	Jackson co., John Pope,	1,630 00
			\$123,549 75

*The following is the amount received from the sale of Saline lands  
up to Nov. 1st, 1854.*

1853.		
Aug. 12	Lucas county, S. D. Huston, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	\$850 00
Nov. 23	Van Buren county, Mr. Wheeler, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	469 00
" 28	Lucas county, S. D. Huston, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	4,001 20
1854.		
Jan. 9	Monroe county, J. N. Massey, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	25 00
	Appanoose county, J. D. Sparks, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	1,950 00
12	Wayne county, D. W. Baker, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	287 50
	Decatur county, H. B. Notson, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	350 00
	Lucas county, S. D. Huston, School Fund Commissioner, by funds,	2,583 00
March 21		10,515 70
	Warrants redeemed, deducted,	5,000 00
Nov. 1	Balance on hand,	\$5,515 70



## WARRANTS REDEEMED.

Date.	No.	Payee.	Amount.
1852.			
Nov. 2	4847	Thos. H. Benton, jr.	10 00
	4846	J. P. Carleton,	250 00
	4833	Joseph Williams,	70 00
" 6	4848	T. H. Benton,	200 00
" 9	4850	N. G. Benton, Deputy Librarian,	69 05
	4479	H. D. Evans,	59 95
" 13	4849	A. Fry,	5 28
	4853	W. S. Walters,	19 20
	4851	L. S. Taylor,	4 00
	4854	James M. Grew,	8 88
	4852	Lt. Hester,	6 40
	4857	Samuel Helmick,	7 20
	4860	J. F. Perkins,	16 00
	4859	I. B. Irum,	4 93
	4858	D. P. McDonald,	12 50
	4863	Levi Chandler,	20 80
	4866	James W. Wilson,	10 25
	4862	S. H. McCarty,	25 60
	4861	S. H. Sawyer,	21 60
	4865	W. J. Hall,	20 80
	4864	E. Ellis,	26 40
" 16	4872	T. G. Dripps,	20 80
	4873	W. P. Organ,	4 80
	4870	W. M. Coffman,	12 50
	4876	R. Stafford,	48 00
	4878	I. M. Preston,	5 25
	4879	S. W. McArter,	16 00
	4881	I. W. Penn,	12 00
	4883	S. Barnes,	25 60
	4882	T. C. Hughes,	25 60
	4868	H. H. Still,	29 60
	4867	S. W. Sears,	14 40
	4874	Norman Sickett,	12 00
	4871	R. Ashley,	14 40
	4877	W. McCaffle,	48 00
	4874	H. C. Lacy,	17 00
	4869	A. F. Lyon,	20 00
	4892	D. F. Gaylor,	38 00
	4893	T. G. Given,	84 30
	4894	Warden & Daughm,	1 78
	4895	Given & Gillaspie,	10 45

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Amount.
1852.			
Nov. 16	4886	George Bachel,	22 06
	4889	D. F. Gaylord,	12 80
	4890	J. Leaman,	9 60
	4891	Wm. White,	12 00
	4884	M. Murringer,	28 05
	4887	David Smith,	8 00
	4888	W. H. Seevers,	250 00
" 17	4900	W. H. Stephens,	49 60
	4899	do. do.	45 60
	4901	do. do.	54 40
	4902	A. Huston,	20 00
	4898	S. Russell,	12 80
	4897	W. H. Weatherly,	14 40
	4896	W. C. Thompson,	26 40
" 20	4885	S. F. Kinney,	28 00
" 29	4905	R. C. Lowe,	250 00
Dec. 3	4909	Wm. Pattee,	150 00
	4907	W. H. Merritt,	41 43
" 6	4812	I. Kister,	100 00
	4906	G. H. Williams,	26 00
	4912	I. Kister,	37 50
	4910	W. E. Leffingwell,	22 00
	4913	Thomas Beall,	100 00
	4914	Hardin Nowlin,	8 00
	4911	A. Hall,	20 00
	4917	M. L. Morris,	100 00
	4541	J. C. Wendall,	00
	4919	M. Reno,	2537 62
	4920	J. Woods,	60 00
	4922	S. Hempstead,	250 00
	4923	W. H. Morrison,	114 00
	4924	Charlotte Sandy,	100 00
	4925	A. A. Bradford,	250 00
" 24	4929	H. H. Barber,	63 75
	4927	L. B. & O. A. Patterson,	11 10
	4928	C. Robbins,	6 75
	4926	G. E. Deforest,	64 15
	4934	do. do.	80
	4930	Lee & Pratt,	6 30
	4931	H. W. Fyffe,	2 70
	4932	G. S. Hampton,	34 02
	4933	do. do.	37 50
" 25	4935	W. H. Merritt,	293 47
	4936	B. F. Baybrook,	100 00

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Amount.
1852.			
Dec.	30	4963 S. T. Buxton,	26 40
"		4880 Samuel Smith,	8 00
1853			00
Jan.	1	4918 Geo. W. McCleary,	125 00
"		4928 Joseph Williams,	100 00
"	3	4939 John Brown,	80 00
"	5	4916 Thos. S. Wilson,	250 00
"	7	4941 W. H. Merritt,	562 21
"	8	4942 W. McKay,	250 00
		4943 W. T. Warrin,	45 87
		4944 A. M. Lyon,	18 00
"	14	4921 A. Brown,	100 00
"	15	4855 J. Minturn,	100 00
		4856 Louisa co. Agricultural Society,	50 00
"	17	4826 J. M. Whitaker,	78 00
		4948 J. S. Clark,	100 00
		4937 Joseph Williams,	150 00
		4908 J. E. Fletcher.	11 00
		4737 R. Quinter,	20 00
		4904 A. Bridgman,	50 00
		4915 John G. Swartz,	5 40
"	19	4842 A. A. Bradford,	52 50
		4949 Stephen Hempstead,	300 00
		4968 Mr. Hessey,	118 00
		4969 Mr. Wright,	124 00
		4954 I. M. Anderson,	124 00
		4979 Benj. Greene,	132 00
		5024 A. Harris,	126 00
		5020 Geo. W. Crane,	4 00
		5013 J. S. Hooton,	200 00
		5014 H. D. La Cassitt,	200 00
		4957 Mr. Bryant,	160 00
		5975 " Gilmore,	120 00
		5003 " Stephens,	112 00
		5019 J. Leper,	100 00
		4952 Mr. Allison,	130 00
		4951 " Allen,	130 00
		4960 " Cowles,	122 00
		4987 " Means,	152 00
		5021 S. P. Yeomans,	200 00
		4996 Mr. Ross,	122 00
		5018 James Wicks,	100 00
		5012 B. Searcy,	100 00
		4962 Mr. Cieaves,	108 00

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1853.				
Jan. 19	5006	Mr. Walters,		128 00
	5016	Geo. Grigsby,		100 00
	4963	Mr. Coffin,		120 00
	4997	" Russell,		118 00
	4992	" Ream,		118 00
	4973	" Fordyce,		116 00
	4986	" McPherrien,		116 00
	5011	" Washburn,		122 00
	4990	" Putnam,		120 00
	4971	" Eaton,		116 00
	5034	" Hendershatt,		116 00
" 20	4970	" Duncan,		136 00
	4947	J. M. Villass,		100 00
	4955	W. T. Adair,		100 00
	4946	J. Stafford,		100 00
	4950	Mr. Alger,		104 00
	5048	" Sales,		112 00
	5049	" Schramm,		118 00
	5032	" Hillis,		126 00
	5041	" Lucas,		170 00
	5042	" McAchran,		124 00
	5047	" Price,		120 00
	5027	" Coop,		112 00
	5052	" Wing,		116 00
	5026	" Clark,		118 00
	5005	" Townsend,		128 00
	5053	" Leffingwell,		220 00
	5007	" Wasson,		120 00
	4980	G. F. Greene,		120 00
	5033	Mr. Hedrick,		116 00
	5063	N. Everson,		4 00
	5062	J. E. Fletcher,		108 00
	5040	Mr. Lowe,		112 00
	4999	" Sells,		112 00
	5030	N. Everson,		108 00
	5046	Mr. Preston,		108 00
	5028	" Cowles,		122 00
	5051	" Spees,		116 00
	4956	" Bryon,		130 00
	5065	Richard Quinter,		50 00
	5038	Mr. Lewis,	2 00	120 00
	5035	" Hepner,		118 00
	5067	R. Quinter,		125 00
	4988	Mr. Mitchell,		112 00

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1853.				
Jan. 20	5061	Mr. Sharp,		164 00
	4989	" Montgomery,		136 00
	4974	" Garber,		130 00
" 21	4976	" Goodson,		130 00
	5008	" Williams,		114 00
	4967	" Duckworth,		122 00
	4961	" Clark,		116 00
	5002	" Steadman,		106 00
	5064	G. & J. Powell,		50 00
	5043	Mr. McKinney,		110 00
	4966	Mr. Drake,		120 00
	4958	Mr. Bunker,		104 00
	5066	G. Greene,		250 00
	4955	Mr. Bonson,		120 00
	4992	" Ramsey,		118 00
	4993	" Reeder,		108 00
	4982	" Hann,		124 00
	4984	" Jessep,		110 00
	4995	" Rodgers,		110 00
" 22	4981	" Grimes,		116 00
	5036	" Hull,		124 00
	5044	" Needham,		120 00
	5068	W. H. Merritt,		68 49
	5037	Mr. Johnson,		160 00
	5000	" Seymour,		116 00
	5050	" Shields,		120 00
	4994	" Rice,		134 00
	4953	A. D. Anderson,		120 00
	4965	Mr. Dodge,		112 00
	5022	W. H. Abrams,	2 00	4 00
	5060	S. J. Dunham,		108 00
	5061	N. Park Woods,		100 00
	5058	Mr. Sales,		98 00
	5059	" Boyles,		100 00
	5055	E. Vanmeter,		196 00
	5012	Mr. Whitmore,		116 00
	4998	" Sears,		116 00
	5054	T. B. Cumming,		196 00
	5070	P. B. Bradley,		28 00
" 23	5071	S. Walker,		8 80
" 24	5010	Mr. Whitter,		106 00
	5017	" Riggs,		100 00
	4977	" Grant,		212 00
	4964	" Dillon,		116 00

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1853.				
Jan. 24	5031	Mr. Fisher,		132 00
	4985	“ McArthur,		108 00
	5009	“ Wilson,		106 00
	5025	“ Browning,		116 00
	5064	“ Taylor,		116 00
	5056	“ Whitmore,		196 00
	4978	J. C. Geeen,		110 00
	4959	Mr. Caulk,		110 00
	5072	John Remlin,		40 00
	5023	James Butler,		50 00
	5069	W. H. Severs,		250 00
	5039	Mr. Love,		124 00
	5075	J. C. Knapp,		50 00
“ 25	5077	A. Hart, P. M.,		843 14
	5098	“ “		65 00
	5079	Hart & Love,		39 91
	5080	G. Hampston,		12 00
	5081	G. Gaymon,		120 00
	5082	Janies Pattee,		13 00
	5083	Peter Comboy,	2 00	4 00
	5084	E. C. Cole,		35 60
	5085	L B. & O. A. Patterson,		26 55
	5086	W. D. Powell,		4 00
	5087	P. B. Bradley,		16 00
	5088	J. D. Davis,		28 00
	5089	H. D. La Cossitt,		38 50
	5091	W. Pattee, S. P. Buildings,		1,000 00
	5092	Hutchinson & Watts,		18 17
	5093	J. Stetzer,		50 00
	5090	J. D. Evans,		8 00
	5094	Gower & Halt,		124 56
	5095	S. N. Pattee,		10 00
	5096	Wm. Pattee,		114 16
“ 26	5109	Thomas Snyder,		20 00
	5113	J. Powell,		48 35
	5002	N. G. Benton,		25 00
	5117	S. Hempstead,		300 00
	1512	G. Andrews,		4 26
	5118	J. P. Carleton,		23 71
	5057	W. H. Turner,		84 00
	5098	Trowbridge & Sanders,		29 45
	5119	M. L. Morris, Librarian,		32 00
	5103	Mr. Vogt,		50 00
	5120	James Williams, C. J. S. C.		800 00

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1853.				
Jan.	27	4983 Mr. Hutchinson,		108 00
		5121 Emerson & Shields,		22 30
"	28	5104 John Clark,		889 00
		5123 James W. Woods,		68 38
		5124 C. Calder,		28 88
		5125 James Williams,		44 00
		5126 Luke Palmer,		25 00
		5122 John S. Corse,		59 45
		5128 " "	2 00	1154 80
		5110 J. D. Templin,		16 50
"	29	5111 John Pattee,		206 00
		5107 H. W. Fyffe,		11 38
		5129 N. G. Benton,		25 00
"	31	5097 Secretary of State,		200 00
		5114 W. Pattee,		600 00
		5115 T. H. Benton, jr,		500 00
		5130 E. H. Ires,		52 00
Feb.	1	5131 James P. Carleton,		226 29
		5132 R. P. Lowe,		250 00
		5133 Geo. Andrews,		100 00
		5134 Thos. H. Benton, jr,		300 00
		5135 M. L. Morris,		400 00
		5136 " "		200 00
		5137 Thos. H. Benton,		1644 20
		5138 " "		600 00
		5139 " "		235 37
"	4	5141 A. Hart, P. M.		15 00
		5143 M. L. Morris, S. T.		400 00
		5145 John Clark,		200 00
		5142 Thos. H. Benton,		100 00
		4815 G. W. McCleary,		125 00
		5106 " "		79 20
		5116 W. H. Merritt,		157 21
"	5	5146 G. W. McCleary,		600 00
		5108 F. Sanxay,		1 99
		5029 Mr. Crosthwait,		100 00
		5105 G. D. Crosthwait,		381 00
		5147 H. D. Downey,		209 25
"	10	5154 R. Spaulding,		17 00
		5152 J. C. Fletcher,		24 00
		5155 W. & J. Greene,		29 31
		5160 Joseph Williams,		500 00
		4972 G. Folsom,		104 00
"	16	5173 G. D. Crosthwait & Co.		280 00

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1853.				
Feb. 16	5163	W. H. Turner,		12 60
	5162	Gower & Holt,		11 75
" 23	5150	F. Drown,		10 00
	5149	C. Negus,		50 00
	5166	Caleb Baldwin,		10 00
	5178	E. Drown,		40 00
	5164	J. Clark,		18 00
	5167	John Clark,		108 00
" 24	5182	Samuel Bressler,		120 00
	5186	James D. Eads,		30 00
	5157	Samuel Bressler,		30 00
	5189	Egle & Miller,		4 50
	5191	Sanders & Davis,		50
	5190	Gulech & Co.		15 00
	5101	Peter Robers,		50
	5161	Wm. Haddock,		5 50
	5100	Wm. Lee,		8 50
	5175	John Clark,		2 18
	5174	" "		8 10
" 25	5195	W. H. Merritt,		564 85
	5193	D. O. Finch,		1 00
	5197	Wm. Pattee,		17 15
" 25	5196	T. B. Cumming,		155 00
March 1	5199	Wm. Pattee,		150 00
	5214	Wm. H. Merritt,		56 17
	5209	Geo. W. McCleary,		21 10
" 9	5212	Wm. H. Merritt,		109 82
" 26	5219	Jas. H. Gower, T. B. A.		400 00
April 11	5169	Wm. H. Merritt,		810 83
	5265	Mahony & Dorr,		26 50
	5374	A. P. Wood,		75
	4529	Smith & McKinley,	2 00	10 00
	4419	Wm. H. Merritt,		15 12
	5194	W. H. Hamilton,		140 00
	5236	T. S. Wilson,		250 00
	5073	A. P. Wood,		16 00
	5237	Wm. H. Merritt,		200 00
" 14	5233	W. McKay,		250 00
	5213	Wm. H. Merritt,		550 00
	5238	Wm. H. Merritt,		419 63
	5221	Joseph Williams,		110 00
	5222	A. A. Bradford,		333 33
	5225	Jas. Cavanaugh,	38	49 00
	5217	Wm. Pattee, S. S. H.		100 00



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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1853.				
April 14	5227	Joseph Williams,		56 00
" 18	5099	C. A. Robbins,		7 00
	5076	W. H. Merritt,		29 00
	4719	James Cavanaugh,		51 00
	5230	Geo. W. McCleary,		200 00
	5210	Wm. Pattee,		300 00
	5229	Wm. P. Doty,		180 00
	5198	S. Hempstead,		250 00
	5200	Geo. W. McCleary,		125 00
	5232	A. Hart,		96 52
	5234	Curtis Bates,		1 00
	5235	Curtis Bates,		12 00
	5243	E. Vandyke,		100 00
" 21	5231	George Greene,		250 00
	5247	J. Smith Hooton,		165 00
" 25	5228	Joseph Williams,		94 00
28	5252	W. H. Merritt,		420 00
	5245	J. B. Howler,		10 00
	5246	" "		2 00
" 29	5144	M. L. Morris, S. Librarian,		500 00
May 2	5201	W. H. Merritt,		68 30
	5254	J. P. Carleton,		250 00
	5255	J. H. Gower, Tr. Bl. As.		250 00
" 3	5226	J. Cavanaugh,		20 00
	5241	W. H. Merritt,		75 45
	5239	" "		35 30
	5256	T. H. Benton,		300 00
" 9	5257	R. P. Lowe,		250 00
	5216	A. R. Fulton,		1 00
" 11	5259	Anson Hart,		12 16
	5271	M. L. Morris,		100 00
	5273	Jacob Stetzer,		50 00
	5272	M. L. Morris,		75 00
" 30	4841	A. A. Bradford,		50 00
	5156	Henry Jewett,		75 00
	5192	Harry & Co.		12 50
	5223	J. F. Kinney,		250 00
	5153	A. W. Carpenter,		2 25
	5168	J. Pierson,		19 00
	5127	Morgan & M'Kinney,		9 50
	4940	J. F. Kinney,		250 00
	4832	J. W. Woods,		16 00
	4836	A. A. Bradford,		50 00
	4837	" "		50 00

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1853.				
May	30	4838 A. A. Bradford,	.	50 00
		4839 " "		50 00
		4840 " "		50 00
		4724 R. Quinter,	15	10 00
		4722 R. Quinter,	15	10 10
June	1	5170 F. Springer,		90 19
		5281 M. L. Morris,		100 00
		5282 Wm. Pattee.		150 00
		5283 Geo. W. McCleary,		125 00
"	4	5296 Geo. Grigsby,		125 00
		5297 N. McCullough,		25 00
"	6	5280 M. L. Morris, (Inter.)		2,537 62
"	14	5299 Stephen Hempstead,		250 00
"	30	5302 J. S. Townsend,		500 00
July	1	5304 W. Pattee,		150 00
		5305 W. Lee,		3 50
		5306 Geo. Green,		250 00
"	5	5311 M. L. Morris,		32 00
		5301 H. D. La Cossit,		11 00
		5159 Henry Jewitt,	20	25 00
		5251 D. C. Dunlap,	15	20 00
"	8	5275 W. Lee,		2 50
"	15	5314 C. A. Robbins,		63 00
"	16	5315 C. A. Robbins,		8 00
"	23	5316 J. Brown.		80 00
"	25	5317 J. H. Gower, Tr., B. A.		250 00
"	28	5319 " " "		420 00
August	1	5321 Jas. P. Carlton,		250 00
"	3	5307 John Clark,		33 35
		5323 Thomas H. Benton, jr.		300 00
"	6	5324 W. P. Doty,		100 00
"	11	5180 Geo. Grigsby,		350 00
		5181 R. T. Trolne,		50 00
		5171 R. Quinter,		20 83
		5172 G. Grigsby,		596 34
		5158 R. Quinter,		41 66
		5148 " "	13	500 00
		4730 " "	12	10 00
		4729 " "		10 00
		5182 J. B. Morgan,		100 00
		5184 D. C. Dunlap,		24 00
		5185 John Whittaker,		24 00
		5202 " "		36 00
		5203 J. D. Eads,		30 00

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1853.				
Aug. 11	5201	D. C. Dunlap,		33 00
	5206	Geo. Grigsby,		50 00
	5507	" "		50 00
	5208	" "		25 00
	5248	T. S. Espy,		66 00
	5261	N. McCullough,		25 00
	5262	" "		25 00
	5263	" "		25 00
	5264	W. A. Hornish & Co.		4 00
	5265	" "		26 50
	5221	Geo. Grigsby,		430 00
	5277	D. C. Dunlap,		10 00
	5278	" "		10 00
	5285	Geo. Grigsby,	3 33	250 00
	5286	" "	1 33	100 00
	5290	" "	29	70 34
	5292	" "	1 33	100 00
	5293	" "	1 33	100 00
	5328	D. C. Dunlap,		20 00
	5279	" "		10 00
"	23	5524 John Clark,		131 40
"	24	5227 A. B. Bradford,		150 00
		5328 A. Black,		100 00
		5329 W. P. Doty,		30 00
"	25	5298 Mahoney & Dorr,		5 75
"	27	5330 T. S. Wilson,		250 00
		5284 W. P. Doty,	1 95	100 00
		5258 " "	1 80	75 00
"	30	5242 W. H. Merritt,	11 20	560 12
		5211 " "	7 00	350 00
		5240 " "	64	32 30
		5151 Mahan & Son,		3 00
		5253 John Lemp & Co.		4 00
"	31	5331 D. A. Dewey,		100 00
		5322 R. P. Lowe,	1 66	208 25
Sept. 1	5332	W. P. Doty,		250 00
	5274	W. H. Seevers,	5 50	28 00
	5276	Sanford Harned,		6 00
	5187	R. H. Warden,		12 00
	5179	W. A. Johnson,		57 00
	3421	Lewis Judson,	4 56	21 80
	5334	James Baker,		100 00
	5333	R. Bayless,		250 00
"	2	5313 W. E. Leffingwell,	2 49	250 00

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1853.				
Sept.	3	5260 T. S. Wilson,	5 81	25 00
		5335 Wm. Pattee,		125 00
		5336 Geo. W. McCleary,		100 00
		5337 M. L. Morris,		150 00
		5338 Wm. Pattee,		2,027 00
"	5	3341 John Brown,		100 00
"	6	5177 J. D. Huston,	85	150 00
		5310 Jos. Williams,	1 40	150 00
"	10	5343 W. Pattee, S. S. House,		250 00
"	14	5266 J. S. Hooten,		75 00
		5267 T. B. Cumming,		75 00
		5268 J. S. Hooten and T. B. Cumming,	8 91	180 00
		5270 W. Pattee,		4 15
"	15	5176 G. W. Bond,	1 65	100 00
		5215 John R. Needham,		11 00
		5328 W. E. Leffingwell,	1 00	250 00
		5308 Jos. Williams,		140 00
		5127 Morgan & McKinney,		26 50
"	16	5342 C. J. Robbins,		35 00
		5165 H. & S. M. Mills,		31 50
		5188 M. B. Root,		35 00
"	17	5345 D. C. Cloud,		200 00
		5294 G. Grigsby,	2 00	100 00
		5291 " "		400 00
		5347 N. McCullough,		50 00
		5348 G. Grigsby,		125 00
"	26	5339 W. G. Lovell,		200 00
		5340 S. Hempstead,		250 00
		5353 W. S. Mathews,		100 00
		5354 A. Allen,		150 00
		5273 W. Pattee,	1 50	150 00
"	27	5356 C. D. Gage,		500 00
		5355 W. P. Doty,		75 00
"		5368 J. S. Townsend,		250 00
		5369 M. L. Morris,		37 50
"	28	5370 Jas. Cavenaugh,		51 00
Oct.	1	5375 W. McKay,		250 00
"	4	5385 T. S. Wilson,		150 00
"	5	5374 W. P. Doty,		50 00
		5140 I. Kister		11 17
"	10	5372 W. P. Doty.		100 00
"	27	5393 W. C. Crawford,		30 00
"	28	5336 A. A. Bradford,		100 00
Nov.	18	5384 W. McKay,	1 66	250 00

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1853.				
Nov.	18	5349 W. E. Leffingwell,	2 00	250 00
"	19	5378 Joseph Williams,	2 00	220 00
		5386 A. D. Piner,	66	100 00
"	20	5376 George Greene,	1 66	250 00
		5409 P. Moriarty,		3 50
"	25	5413 John Pattee,		10 00
		5414 W. Pattee,		100 00
Dec.	2	5397 Jesse Berry,	50	70 00
"	3	5415 G. W. McCleary,		125 00
		5417 M. L. Morris,		100 00
		5419 " "		37 50
"	5	5420 S. Hempstead,		250 00
		5390 Jas. Cavenaugh,	35	39 00
		5416 W. Pattee,		50 00
		5421 John Pattee,		6 00
		5422 Peter P. Freeman,		33 60
"	7	5423 D. C. Cloud,		3 50
		5424 " "		200 00
Dec.	9	5427 Banbury & Redhead,		23 07
		5428 S. Mitchell,		7 00
		5429 F. Thompson,		2 25
"	11	5431 M. L. Morris,		2,585 62
"	12	5432 Geo. W. McCleary,		29 20
"	13	5433 Jacob Starzer,		20 00
"	17	5434 M. McGinniss,		69 00
"	23	5439 W. Pattee, S. S. House,		250 00
"	24	5440 Jacob Starzer,		26 00
"	28	5443 David Stanfield,		24 00
1854.				
Jan.	1	5444 G. Greene,		
"	2	5446 Walter Terrell,		2 00
"	7	5450 Jesse Berry,		20 00
		5451 W. McKay,		250 00
		5218 J. Needham,		4 00
		5452 W. H. Seevers,		250 00
		5403 " "	1 30	100 00
		5404 " "	60	50 00
		5402 " "	1 30	100 00
		5318 Mahaska co., Agr. So.,		56 00
		5325 W. H. Seevers,	8 47	250 00
		5449 Joseph Williams,		127 40
		5300 S. H. Riddle,		250 00
		5351 H. C. Caldwell,		50 00

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1854.				
Jan.	7	5425 H. G. Caldwell,		93 00
		5453 S. H. Riddle,		250 00
		5406 A. A. Bradford,		100 00
		5405 " "		100 00
		5407 " "		50 00
"	9	5395 Johnson co., Ag. Society,	3 10	200 00
		5453 A. A. Bradford.		250 00
		5454 H. P. Warren,		11 00
		5455 J. S. Townsend,		200 00
		5445 D. Murphy,		50 00
		5377 J. F. Kinney,	3 66	250 00
		5448 " "		250 00
		5287 G. W. Grigsby,	4 00	100 00
		5289 " "	4 00	100 00
		5295 " "	4 00	100 00
		5388 Jefferson co. A. Society,	3 33	200 00
		5344 J. G. Gordon,	5 33	200 00
		5380 R. Putman,	50	20 00
		5399 Agricultural Society,	2 33	200 00
		5373 W. P. Doty,	2 00	50 00
		5383 R. Putnam,	50	20 00
		5456 J. G. Stein,		60 50
		5442 John Clarke,		4 70
		5456 G. Gillaspy,		20 00
"	10	5447 James Williams,		55 00
		5458 J. C. Townsend,		50 00
		5401 J. H. Gower, T. B. Asy,	3 33	250 00
		5459 George Grigsby,		100 00
		5410 W. P. Doty,	1 00	50 00
"	11	5303 A. W. Babbitt,		3 00
		5244 " "		15 00
		5466 Wm. Pattee,		300 00
		5465 T. H. Benton,		300 00
		5467 Wm. Smith,		250 00
		5468 J. H. Gower, T. B. A.		750 00
"	13	5469 Geo. W. McCleary,		250 00
		5470 John Tollerman,		25 80
"	16	5411 Wm. P. Doty,	58	50 00
		5381 Robert Putnam,	45	20 00
		5379 " "	45	20 00
		5389 James Cavenaugh,	39	21 00
		5382 Robert Putnam,	45	20 00
		5371 W. P. Doty,	2 08	100 00
		5412 " "	87	73 75

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1854.				
"	17	5471 C. McBee,		40 00
		5472 W. H. Holmes,		267 50
		5473 S. Smith,		23 00
"	18	5387 Wm. Smith,	5 00	250 00
Jan'y	19	5408 J. Minturn,		100 00
		5396 Louisa Co. Ag. Soc.		77 00
		5474 James Cavanaugh,		9 00
"	20	5475 Jos. Williams,		67 50
		5427 Wapello Co. Ag. Soc.		110 95
"	21	5476 W. H. Holmes & Co.		35 35
"	23	5441 W. Lee,		4 00
		5478 J. L. Corse,		3 40
		5430 R. P. Lowe,	1 66	250 00
"	26	5480 John Pattee,		50 00
		5481 President Blind Asylum,		954 00
"	27	5479 C. C. Pratt,		74 00
Feb'y	1	5482 E. Vandyke,		100 00
"	15	5484 G. Madden,		96 25
"	22	5488 John Pattee,		306 58
		5398 Jones Co. Ag. Soc.		83 00
		5486 S. S. Wilson,		400 00
		5487 S. Hempstead,		250 00
		5489 W. Pattee,		50 00
"	23	5493 L. B. & O. A. Patterson,		18 60
		5492 T. Snyder,		12 00
		5494 John Clark,		215 16
"	24	5495 R. P. Lowe,		250 00
"	25	5499 John Clark,		8 00
"	28	5500 J. Statzer,		20 00
March	1	5485 T. H. Benton,		200 00
		5501 " "		1644 20
		5502 " "		600 00
		5503 " "		235 37
"	2	5269 George W. McCleary,	25 65	400 00
"	6	5504 F. Sanxay,		38 31
"	7	5506 W. Pattee,		100 00
"	8	5508 M. L. Morris,		100 00
		5509 " "		37 50
		5510 George W. McCleary,		125 00
		5511 W. Pattee, Cen. Blks.		50 00
"	8	5507 Watts & Hutchinson,		15 18
"	11	5514 S. Mitchell,		15 00
		5515 R. Coles,		50 10
"	14	5516 J. Frink & Co.		35 12

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1854.				
March	16	5517	D. C. Cloud,	200,00
"	18	5518	W. Pattee,	300,00
"	29	5519	J. S. Townsend,	150,00
		5520	" "	100,00
"	30	5521	M. L. Morris,	27,50
April	4	5352	George W. McCleary,	20 00
		5522	President Blind Asylum,	479,00
"	5	5523	George Greene,	510,50
		5524	J. C. Hall,	250,00
"	8	5525	T. P. Ballard,	8,00
		5526	G. Madden,	129,25
		5527	G. Pane,	82,35
"	10	5528	S. Mitchell,	20,00
"	18	5533	G. Grigsby,	125,00
"	22	5535	Joseph Williams,	75,00
		5534	Wm. Smith,	250,00
"	26	5536	Johnson Co. Ag. Society,	200,00
May	2	5537	Joseph Williams,	80,00
"	3	5538	W. McKay,	111,00
"	5	5540	Jacob Startzer,	64,00
"	6	5542	S. H. Riddle,	500,00
"	7	5543	W. E. Leffingwell,	250,00
		5544	G. Madden,	100,00
"	9	5547	G. G. Walker,	28,24
		5545	A. A. Bradford,	250,00
		5548	Joseph Williams,	95,00
		5549	John Frink & Co.	4,50
"	12	5551	W. H. Seevers,	250,09
		5546	Geo. W. McCleary,	275,00
"	18	5553	John Clark,	16,50
"	26	5559	George Madden,	169,93
June	5	5562	W. Pattee,	150,00
		5563	M. L. Morris,	100,00
		5564	" "	37,50
"	7	5565	W. McKay,	55,67
"	9	3725	Asa Hughes,	2,13
		5566	David Stanfield,	24,00
"	10	5567	D. C. Cloud,	200,00
"	12	5569	M. L. Morris, (Interest)	2,585,62
"	15	5571	W. Smith,	250,00
		5572	Geo. W. McCleary,	125,00
"	16	5573	Jas. Cavanaugh,	6,00
"	17	5575	R. M. Burnett,	259,05
"	23	5350	W. M. Wallbridge,	200,00



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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1853.				
June 23	5309	Jos. Kinney,		250 00
	5477	J. L. Corse,		36 50
	5288	Geo. Grigsby,	4 99	100 00
	5291	" "	4 99	100 00
" 28	5577	John Clark,		3 00
	5570	George Paul,		10 90
" 30	5578	T. S. Wilson,		250 00
	5579	S. Hempstead,		250 00
	5580	J. S. Townsend,		250 00
	5549	A. S. Mitchell,		12 00
	5282	Joseph Williams,		41 00
July 1	5584	Geo. Greene,		250 00
" 3	5585	Joseph Williams,		133 25
" 4	5586	E. Sanxter,		40 20
" 1	5583	W. H. Seevers,		250 00
" 6	5587	President Blind Asy.,		525 00
	5589	M. S. Beach,		37 00
	5588	Joseph Dungan,		57 50
	5581	Joseph Williams,		75 75
	5590	W. Lee,		2 00
" 12	5591	J. C. Hall,		250 00
" 13	5589	" "		125 00
" 17	5592	J. D. Eads,		300 00
" 20	5594	L. D. Wheelock,		200 00
" 29	5596	C. A. Robbins,		14 00
August 1	5598	C. J. McFarland,		333 00
" 12	5602	S. W. Wheelock,		1,400 00
" 19	5605	W. Winter,		30 00
	5604	J. D. Eads,		30 00
	5603	J. R. Swartz,		45 00
" 21	5607	Joseph Dungan,		15 00
	5610	A. A. Bradford,		250 00
" 22	5611	J. D. Eads,		300 00
" 25	5612	R. M. Burnett,		1,119 70
" 29	5613	" "		533 00
" 31	5614	W. S. Viney,		10 00
	5568	Dubuque City Guards,		15 00
	5558	Mahoney & Dorr,		39 38
	5557	" "		97 00
	5556	" "		100 00
	5555	" "		100 00
	5554	" "		100 00
	5553	" "		100 00
	5497	Geo. McHenry,		5 00
	5496	R. Rettney,		24 90

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Date.	No.	Payee.	Interest.	Amount.
1854.				
Aug. 31.	5499	W. W. Hamilton,		160 00
	5615	T. S. Wilson,		350 00
Sept. 2	5616	M. L. Morris,		100 00
	5617	" "		37 50
	5618	Geo. W. McCleary,		125 00
	5619	J. Brinkerhoof,		26 00
" 6	5620	Stephen Hempstead,		250 00
" 8	5621	Joseph Dungan,		15 00
" 9	5599	Lewis Garrett,		296 00
	5622	W. Lee,		2 00
" 11	5438	W. Talbot,		2 05
" 13	5623	Richard Bayless,		100 00
	5624	W. T. Matthews,		100 00
" 15	5625	W. P. Hepburn,		20 00
	5626	D. C. Cloud,		200 00
" 15	5627	Wm. Pattee,		150 00
	5628	" "		50 00
	5629	Mahony & Dorr,		317 03
" 16	5632	Sylvester & Harrison,		6 00
" 19	5491	James Thompson,		60 00
" 22	5633	Monroe County Agr. Society.		100 00
" 25	5634	Henry County Agr. Society.		65 16
	5635	R. M. Burnett,		150 00
" 30	5629	J. G. Green,		200 00
	5636	Joseph Williams,		69 62
Oct. 2	5637	W. Lee,		2 00
	5638	Wm. Smith,		250 00
	5639	George Green,		250 00
" 4	5642	W. H. Seevers,		250 00
" 6	5612	Clegham & Harrison,		18 25
	5631	G. W. McCleary,		284 70
	5646	Joseph Dungan,		20 00
" 5	5643	J. S. Townsend,		250 00
	5644	C. J. McFarland,		250 00
" 6	5647	President Blind Asylum,		375 00
" 24	5609	J. B. Booth,		250 00
	5776	" "		250 00
" 25	5645	Mahony & Dorr,		90 77
	5651	Amos Cummings,		109 65
	5648	J. C. Hall,		250 00
	5650	Scott County Agr. Society.		200 00
	5653	President Blind Asylum,		105 00
			\$198,94	113,343 96
				198 94
		Total amount,	\$113,542	190

## SPECIAL MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, December 22, 1854.

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

I regret that it is impossible for me to give a satisfactory reply to your resolution of the 19th instant, calling upon me for information in relation to the deaf, dumb, blind, and insane, in this State: the information at my command in regard to their "number and condition," is very limited, and not of the most reliable character. From the census returns, however, of 1850, and from other data, a calculation may be made, that will probably approximate the true "number."—The "condition" of a large majority of them is unknown.

The returns of the State census for 1854, show but twenty-eight deaf and dumb, forty-seven insane, twenty-seven blind, and no idiots in the State. Many of the counties are not reported at all, and others are only partially reported. The county of Lee, for instance, is reported as containing no insane persons, whilst, according to the letter of Judge Johnstone (hereto appended), there were, at the very time the census was taken, eight lunatics kept at the county charge—four of whom were confined in the common jail. According to his letter, there are not less than sixteen lunatics in the county of Lee alone. Mr. Bacon, Superintendent of the Blind Asylum, is satisfied that there have been as great errors in the enumeration of the blind. He is of the opinion that there are not less than two hundred blind persons in the State, of all ages; and accompanying this, is a list of such as are personally known to him.

There are, unquestionably, as great errors in the enumeration of the deaf and dumb.

About two years ago, Professor McGugin, of Keokuk, whose efforts to ameliorate the condition of the insane of our State, deserve the commendation of every humane and Christian man,—attempted to ascertain their true number. To this end, in conjunction with Judges Lowe and Johnstone, he addressed circulars to every county in the State, containing inquiries as to the age, sex, etc., of each lunatic.

Replies were received from only twelve counties, and from none of the most populous in the State. It appeared, from the returns made to him, that in the counties of Muscatine, Boone, Mahaska, Louisa, Scott, Davis, Marion, Dallas, Fayette, Henry, Iowa and Clinton, there were thirty seven of these unfortunate persons, or within ten of the number, reported as within the entire State, in 1854.

Another evidence of the incorrectness of the returns, for 1854, is the fact that the number of insane persons does not correspond with the usual proportion of that class, to the general population of the United States. The returns show but one lunatic in 6,880 of our population, whilst the census of 1850, shows that in the population of 23,191,673, there were 15,768, insane, or one in 1,470 of the inhabitants.

According to the national census of 1850, there were then domiciled, within the State, 59 Deaf and Dumb persons, 50 Blind, 42 Insane, and 94 Idiots.

The idiotic and the insane, were doubtless, in many instances, classed together. Indeed it is frequently very difficult to draw the line of distinction between those whose mental powers are naturally beclouded and those who have been bereft of their reason by extraneous and accidental causes. The total population of the State, in 1850, was 192,214. The population in May last, exceeded 326,000. Since then there has been a large increase. But taking 330,000, as the present aggregate population of the State, and admitting that these unfortunate classes of persons have increased in proportion to the general population, there must now be one hundred and thirty deaf and dumb, one hundred and twelve blind persons, ninety-five lunatics, and two hundred and eleven idiots. Allowing that one half of the idiots should properly be classed with the insane, and we would then have two hundred and one insane persons in the State, or one in 1622, of our population, which is about the proportion in other western States. This number, also, corresponds very nearly with the proportion in the State of Indiana, where it is one in 1,707, and is supported by information derived from intelligent citizens residing in different portions of our State.

These lunatics are in various conditions of disease and treatment, but a large majority of them are wholly uncared for, or else confined in loathsome jails, in company with felons and outlaws. Professor McGugin, giving an account of his investigations into their condition,

in a letter to me, of the 14th inst., says, he found many "confined in jails, and there incarcerated in felon's cells, not for any crimes they had perpetrated, but because they were unfortunate enough to have lost their reason and the power of self control. Some of these unfortunates were among the most respectable, moral and intelligent of our citizens; nay, more, it is well known that some of those now in confinement, in our county jails, are accomplished and intelligent ladies. Others are confined in small tenements, or small apartments poorly warmed or ventilated, here kept confined and secluded, while that terrible malady was being visited upon them without a hope of recovery."

In regard to the erection of buildings, I have but few suggestions to make. I am an advocate for economy. But I conceive, that it would be the poorest possible economy to erect any other than the most substantial buildings. Unlike the deaf, dumb and blind, insane persons cannot be kept in ordinary buildings. Structures must be erected for their special use and treatment.

I think it would be wise to appoint Commissioners of intelligence and character, with authority to visit asylums for the insane in other States, to obtain plans for proper buildings, and to lay these plans before the Superintendents of those asylums, for such suggestions as their experience may dictate. Improvements are being constantly made in the construction, ventilation and heating of such structures, and the State should avail herself of all such improvements.

It should be borne in mind, that it will be but a few years before a second asylum for the insane, will be required. This unfortunate class will increase with the population of the State. Massachusetts, with a population of 994,514, has 1,661 insane, or one in 604 of her population. She has three asylums filled to overflowing.

Vermont, with 314,120 souls, not as many as there are now in the State of Iowa, has five hundred and sixty insane, or one in 569 of her population. Ohio is now erecting two new asylums, one in the northern and another in the southern part of the State. Our State asylum, therefore, should be located with a view to the future increase of the number.

Four years ago the General Assembly devoted the Saline lands of the State, to the establishment of an Insane Asylum. I have sought to ascertain the amount of money received from the portion of the lands sold, and the amount and condition of the lands yet unsold. I learn from the Treasurer of the State, that the amount of this fund paid into

his hands is \$14,855 60, of which he has paid under An Act of the General Assembly, to the Medical School, at Keokuk, \$5,000, leaving now in the Treasury \$9,855 60.

I find that no officer of the State is entrusted with the management and charge of the Saline lands. No one knows the amount sold and unsold; the amount yet secured to the State, nor the amount claimed by the State. I suggest that these lands be committed to the control of some State officer.

JAMES W. GRIMES.

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#### REPLY OF JUDGE JOHNSTONE.

*To Governor Grimes.*

DEAR SIR: I hasten to reply to your inquiries respecting the number, &c., of the insane in Lee county.

There are at present, eight of these unfortunate persons kept at the public charge. Four of them have been confined, during the past season, and still are, in the County jail, and four remain at the County Farm. You are aware that Section 862, chapter 50 of the Code of Iowa, requires, that such persons, when dangerous, &c., shall be confined in jail, a most improper place in my judgment. Such confinement is calculated generally to increase, rather than to alleviate their malady.

There are in our County, about eight or ten more insane persons, in addition to those above mentioned, kept and provided for by their friends. From the information I have on the subject, I believe many of the insane of Lee county might be restored to reason if placed under proper treatment.

About a year ago, Dr. McGugin, Judge Lowe, and myself, addressed a circular letter to the several judges, and other officers throughout the State, requesting information in regard to the number, condition, &c. of the insane in their several counties. The replies were directed to be addressed to Dr. McGugin, of Keokuk, from whom much intelligence on the subject might be obtained. I can only say now, that I am inclined to believe, from the information thus received, and otherwise,

that there are from one to two hundred insane persons in the State.

Hoping that the Legislative Assembly, now in session, may not adjourn until ample provision has been made for this unfortunate class of our fellow beings.

I remain very respectfully yours,

EDWARD JOHNSTONE,

Judge of Lee County, Iowa.

Iowa City, Iowa, Dec. 19, 1854.

*List of Blind persons in the State known to the Superintendent of the  
Blind Asylum.*

Lee,	19
Van Buren,	4
Davis,	4
Page,	1
Des Moines,	9
Henry,	1
Jefferson,	3
Wapello,	1
Monroe,	2
Louisa,	3
Washington,	1
Keokuk,	4
Marion,	1
Muscatine,	2
Scott	1
Clinton,	4
Cedar,	2
Johnson,	6
Iowa,	2
Jackson,	3
Jones,	2
Linn,	9
Marshall,	1
Dubuque,	2
Clayton,	1
Poweshick,	1



## SECRETARY'S REPLY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, IOWA,  
Iowa City, December 21, 1854. }

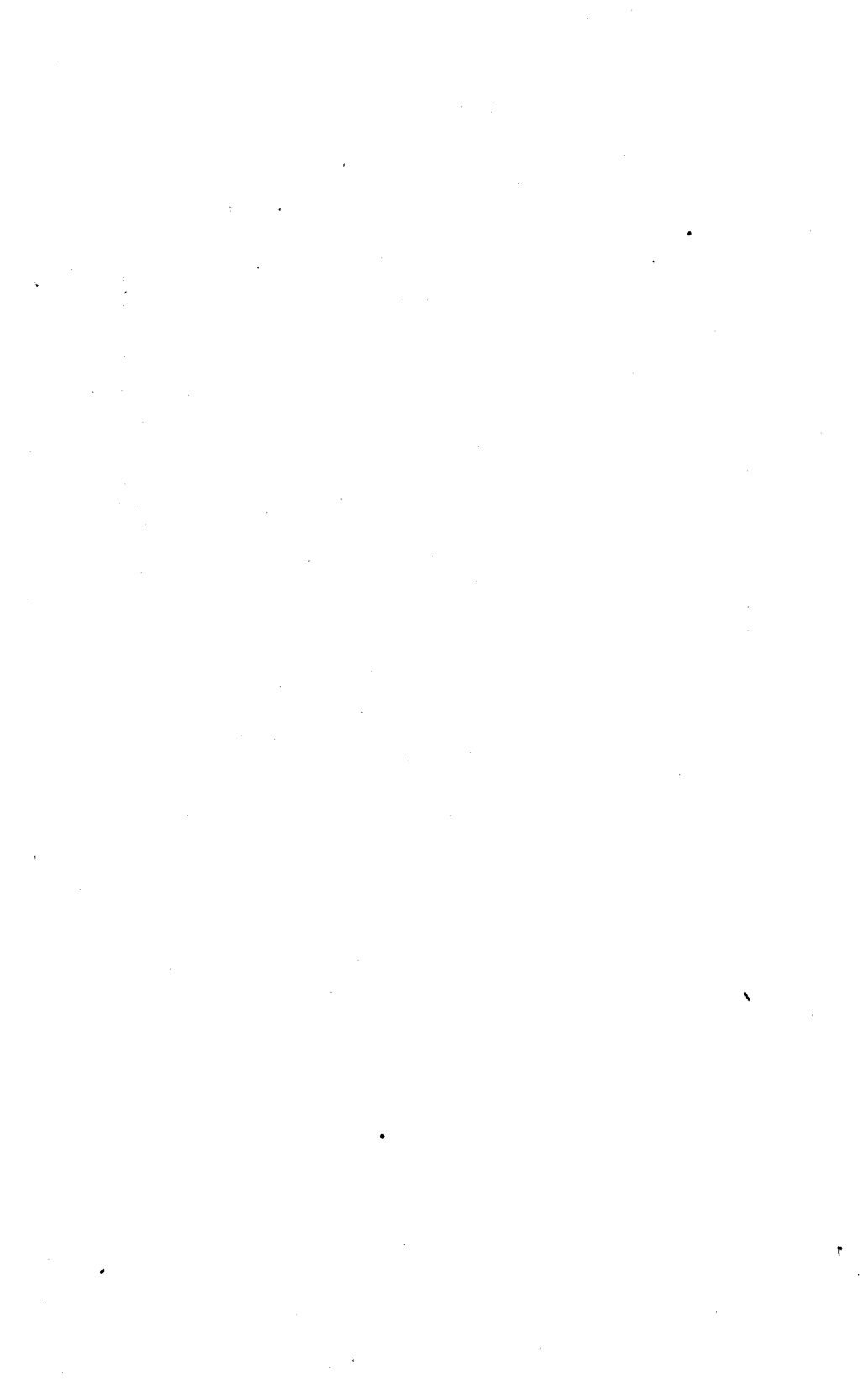
*His Excellency Gov. Grimes :*

SIR.—In compliance with your request, I herewith furnish you a statement of sales of the Saline lands belonging to this State, so far as they have been reported to this office, by the School Fund Commissioner of the counties in which the Saline lands lie, which reports were made to me at my request, as I have no control whatever, over the actions of those Commissioners, in the disposition or sale of these lands, or the payment of the proceeds thereof into the State Treasury, nor to require reports of sales to be made ; but on your suggestion, I wrote to the School fund Commissioners, for the information contained in the enclosed statement.

Very respectfully,  
GEORGE W. McCLEARY,  
Secretary of State.

*Statement of sales of Saline Lands, belonging to the State of Iowa.*

Counties.	No. of acres of land sold.	Cash received for lands sold	Amount of credits on sales of lands.
Appanoose,	2,940	\$2,922 50	\$752 50
Lucas.	6,610 58 100	2,125 25	6,176 72
Van Buren,	640	469 00	1,167 00
Wayne,	1,748 82-100	748 68	1,436 53
	11,969 62-100	\$6,265 43	\$9,532 75



## REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE

*To whom was referred the Communication of the Board of Trustees of the State University.*

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Board of Trustees of the State University beg leave to present the following Report: Your Committee, in pursuance of the instructions of the General Assembly, proceeded to examine the books and papers in the Treasurer's office and in the office of the Board of Trustees of the University, relating to the condition of the "University Fund," and upon a careful examination of the books and accounts in said offices, are satisfied of the general accuracy of the reports herewith submitted to the General Assembly—one from the Board of Trustees showing the amount of lands sold and remaining unsold, the amount of cash received on account of such sales, the amount of bills receivable, and the general expense account of said Board; the other from Martin L. Morris, Treasurer of the University Fund, showing the amount of money received, the amount of bills receivable, and the amount of both principal and interest in his hands belonging to the University. It will be seen by an examination of the Treasurer's Report that he has received on account of the 'principal' of said Fund the sum of \$19,889 87-100ths, of which amount he has loaned out \$17,796 98, leaving in his hands \$1,092 98, as yet undisposed of. A list of the loans so made is herewith appended. It will also appear that he has received up to the 1st of January last the sum of \$2,773 30, on the "interest" account, of which he has paid out on the orders of the Board of Trustees, the sum of \$1,044 85, leaving in his hands the sum of \$1,728 42 of "interest" unappropriated. By reference to the report of the Board of Trustees, directed to the General Assembly, it is shown that there have been sold of the University Lands up to the 15th instant 18,650 70-100ths acres, for the sum of \$60,463 15, and there remains unsold 27,354 19-100th acres, 14,513 19-100th acres of which have been appraised by the Board of Trustees at an average of \$4 07 per acre.

The Committee feel it to be their duty to state, while they do not wish to be understood as imputing any criminality or improper in-

tion to the State Treasurer, that the necessary precaution has not, in their opinion, been exercised in all cases, by that officer in the loaning of the University Fund, and that in their judgment the interests of said Fund would be better protected by its entire separation from the duties of the State Treasurer. Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that the Board of Trustees of the State University be authorized by law to elect a treasurer of their own, who shall be required to execute a bond, to be approved by them as well as the Governor of this State, for the faithful performance of his duty, and requiring the same to be deposited with the Secretary of State, and it is further suggested that the law now governing the School Fund Commissioners in the loaning of the School Fund be made to apply to the Treasurer of the University Fund when elected.

Your Committee feel it to be their duty, also, to state, that from the examination made by them, they can discover no justification of the charge made by the Treasurer against the Board of Trustees, of "squandering" any part of the interest belonging to the University Fund, but on the contrary, bear willing testimony to the zeal and fidelity with which, in the opinion of your Committee, they have guarded the interests confided to them.

As to the allegation, that the funds required to pay the necessary expenses of the Board, in appraising, advertising and selling the lands, &c., were drawn without any particular authority of law, your committee would remark, that while it is not their province to determine this matter, they are, nevertheless satisfied, that the Board of Trustees were not actuated, in their construction of the law, by any desire to "squander" the Fund, or apply it to any illegitimate or improper purpose.

Your Committee were further instructed "to examine into the condition of the Saline and School Lands, belonging to the State, and the fund arising therefrom; and to report the same to the General Assembly." With regard to this part of their duty, your committee beg leave to remark, that from want of the necessary time, and the absence during the most of their labors, of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, they were prevented from going into any extended investigation, of these subjects, and are not able to report any facts of interest to the General Assembly, beyond those contained in the official report of the Superintendent. Your committee were not able to obtain any information at any of the executive departments in regard to the con-

dition of the Saline Lands, beyond that already in the possession of the General Assembly ; a limited inquiry, however, which your committee were enabled to make into the manner in which the School and University lands are being sold, has satisfied them, that the interests of the State would be promoted, and the value of these "funds" materially increased, by the enactment of a law requiring all "State Lands," when hereafter sold at public sale, *only* in the counties in which they are situated ; and prohibiting the pre-emption for the future of any of these lands. Your Committee would further, without wishing to dictate to the General Assembly, respectfully suggest that there is, in their opinion the most urgent necessity for a *full and thorough* examination of all the books and accounts, of the different Executive departments of the State, as well as of the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction ; and would recommend that a commission be appointed by the General Assembly for that purpose ; and to prescribe some mode more accurate and systematic than now prevails, for the keeping of the proper accounts, &c., with full authority to act in the premises. Your Committee herewith append the following papers :

No. 1. Report of the Board of Trustees of the State University to the General Assembly.

No. 2 Report of the State Treasurer in regard to the University Fund.

No. 3. Report of the same officer in regard to the Saline Fund.

No. 4. List of Notes belonging to the University Fund.

No. 5. Showing the amount of interest paid on said notes, and the amount *due and unpaid*

No. 6. Testimony taken before the Committee.

No. 7. Letter of Thos H. Benton, Jr., in respect to the manner of disposing of the School Lands.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. COOLBAUGH,  
ALVIN SAUNDERS,  
Senate Committee.

AMOS WITTER,  
S. A. RUSSELL,  
JAIRUS E. NEAL,  
House Committee.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa.

I have the honor herewith to present the following statement in regard to the University Lands.

Total amount of Land sold up to Jan., 1855, 18,170 70-100 acres, amounting to			\$59,423 15½
Amount sold since 1st Jan., 1855, 480 acres, amounting to			1,040 00
<b>Total sales, Jan., 15, 1855, 18,650 70-100 acres,</b>			<b>\$60,463 15½</b>
Received in cash to 1st Jan., '55,	\$20,103 22		
"    bills receivable, '55,	39,319 93½		
		\$59,423 15½	
Since 1st Jan., cash,	\$260 00		
"    "    bills receivable,	780 00	1,040 00	\$60,463 15½
<b>Total am't cash rec'd to Jan., 15, '55,</b>	<b>\$20,363 22</b>		<b>\$60,463 15½</b>
"    bills receivable,    "	40,099 93½		
Cash paid I. Kister, State Treasurer, 1851-'52,	\$1,114 45		
Cash paid to M. L. Morris, to date,	19,044 07		
Bills rec'ble handed to I. Kister, St. Tr.	2,443 35		
"    "    "    M. L. Morris    "	36,876 58½		
Cash remaining in my hands,*	294 70		
Bills receivable,	780 00		\$60,463 15½
<b>Total sales aveagring \$3,34 per acre.</b>			<b>\$36,475 21½</b>
Sold at <i>Public Sale</i> , 9,792 83-100 acres, amounting to			
Amount over and above the appraised value on Public sales, viz:			
Sale in Harden co., August 17, 1854,			\$4,327 36
Sale of land in Scott co., 1851,			32 16
Sale of land in Iowa co., Oct. 10, 1854,			10 00
Sale at Fort Des Moines of Land in several counties, Oct. 17, 1854,			625 11
<b>Total amount over and above appraised value,</b>			<b>\$4,994 63</b>

\*Sales not yet perfected.

Lands remaining unsold January 15, 1855, viz: 14, |  
 513 19-100 acres *appraised*, amounting to | \$59,111 30  
 or an average of \$4 07 per acre.  
 12,841 acres *unappraised*.

27,354 19-100 acres total unsold land.

The lands remaining unsold lie in the following counties to-wit:

In Hardin county,	1393.53 acres.	} Appraised.
In Iowa " "	280 "	
In Jasper, Polk, Warren, Story, Boone and Dallas,	12,839.66 "	
Appanoose,	640. acres.	} Not appraised.
Davis,	1,257.36 "	
Decatur,	2,560. "	
Jefferson,	1,280. "	
Lucas,	4,545.44 "	
Wapello, Clarke,	1,920. " 638 20 "	

27,354.19 acres.

*List of Expenditures of the Board of Trustees up to January 15, 1855.*

1853.	Paid Geo. Paul for printing,	\$36 00
Jan. 19	“ R. Spaulding for books,	24 00
	“ A. Hart, services as Secretary,	25 00
1854.	“ “ “ “	25 00
January.	“ University land plats and field notes,	30 00
Feb'y 7	“ Wm. Lee for binding same,	6 00
	“ Reporter Office for printing,	2 50
March 16	“ M. J. Morsman per diem and expenses as ap- praiser,	62 00
	“ Doct. J. J. Sanders, ass't ditto,	9 00
Aug't 29	“ A. Hart for exp. paid out by him on sale of lands in Hardin County,	29 23
Oct. 28	“ Same for expenses attending sale at Fort Des Moines,	51 15
	“ Reporter Office for printing and publishing notice of sale,	39 00
July 7	“ M. J. Morsman per diem and expenses as ap- praiser,	239 00
		577 88
1855.		
January.	“ Anson Hart for services as agent of University lands, viz: sale of \$58,943 at $\frac{1}{4}$ of one per cent.,	\$442
	Services as Sec'y one year,	25
		467 00
	Total amount expended by the Board,	\$1,044 88

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board of Trustees of the State University.

A. HART, Sec'y and Agent University Lands.



[No. 2.]

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, IOWA, }  
Iowa City, Jan. 16, 1855. }

HON. W. F. COOLBAUGH,

*Chairman of the Joint Committee.*

SIR—I herewith transmit to the General Assembly, through you, a statement of the condition of the “University Fund;” the interest paid thereon, up to this date; also the principal received and loaned out; as well as “Bills Receivable” from the 6th day of December, A. D. 1852, up to January 13th, 1855.

Permit me, through you, to thank the committee for the impartial manner in which they conducted the investigation of this whole matter. Sir, I regret it sincerely that I cannot say as much in favor of the Committee on the part of the “Board of Trustees,” who have manifested a rancorous disposition to hunt me down, throughout the entire proceedings; and no one, in my opinion, would evince such a spirit, if he had a proper conception of the common proprieties of social life, merely because I saw proper to use my own judgment, in the disposition of this Fund, as I fondly hope for the benefit of the State at large.

## BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Dec. 6, 1852.

Rec'd notes of I. Kister, (former Treasurer),	-	-	\$3,246	37 1/2
Received of Anson Hart, Agent, at different dates,	-	-	36,876	58 1/2
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			40,122	96
Notes paid off up to this date,	-	-	834	60
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			39,288	36
Notes secured by mortgage,	-	-	18,796	98
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“Bills Receivable” in the Treasury,			58,085	34
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## PRINCIPAL RECEIVED.

Cash received at various times, - - - - -	\$19,055 27
Notes paid off, - - - - -	834 60
Total amount of cash, - - - - -	19,889 87
Amount loaned, (principal.) - - - - -	18,796 98
Principal remaining in the treasury, - - - - -	1,092 89

## INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Below will be found the amount of interest received and disbursed from the 6th day of December, 1852, up to the 13th day of January, 1855.

December 6, 1852, received from former treasurer, - - -	\$42 72
Received up to January 1st, 1854, - - - - -	670 61
Received from the above date up to Jan. 1st, 1855,	2,046 30
Total amount of interest received, - - - - -	2,773 30
Warrants drawn by the Board of Trustees redeemed up to January 13, 1855, - - - - -	1,044 88
Total amount on hand, - - - - -	\$1,728 42

As there is no State University in operation at this time, and has not been, I will append for the perusal of the committee a true copy of the opinion of the Attorney General of this State, upon the subject of the disposition of the *interest* of the *University Fund*, to wit :

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, }  
Iowa City, Jan. 5th, 1855. }

HON. M. L. MORRIS,

*Treasurer of State.*

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your inquiry, I am of opinion that the Trustees of the State University cannot appropriate any part of the *interest* arising from the University Fund to any purpose except for the "support of said University, and such branches as the General Assembly shall establish."

*Contingent expenses*, for selecting and *selling* the *University lands*, &c., must be paid out of funds appropriated for that purpose by the General Assembly.

Yours truly,

D. C. CLOUD,

Attorney General for the State of Iowa.

You will observe, from the above official document, that the position I assumed in a communication, dated on the 3d inst., directed to the "Board of Trustees," has been fully sustained by the Attorney General, who is by law my legal adviser. And, in conclusion, permit me to suggest to the committee the propriety of the State Treasurer giving separate bonds for the faithful management of this fund, and the apparent necessity of more clearly defining his duties as disbursing agent. I think the committee will see the propriety of guarding against the *inroads* of the "*Board of Trustees*" on the *interest* arising from this fund, and to protect the land yet unsold from absolute waste.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

MARTIN L. MORRIS.

State Treasurer.

[No. 3]

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }  
Iowa City, Jan. 15, 1855. }

HON. W. F. COOLBAUGH,  
*Chairman of Joint Committee.*

SIR—I have the honor to transmit to you the condition of the "SALINE LAND FUND," so far as this office is concerned, up to this date.

Date.	Counties.	Amount.
1853.		
Aug. 12	Lucas co., S. D. Huston, S. F. Com., by cash,	\$850 00
Nov. 23	Van Buren, Mr. Wheeler, " "	469 00
" 28	Lucas, S. D. Huston, " "	4001 20
1854.		
Jan. 9	Monroe, J. N. Massey, " "	25 00
" "	Appanoose, D. R. Sparks, " "	1950 00
" 12	Wayne, D. W. Baker, " "	287 50
" "	Decatur, H. B. Notson, " "	350 00
" 15	Lucas, S. D. Huston, " "	2583 00
Dec. 4	" E. A. Temple, " "	3061 65
" "	" " " " " "	1100 00
" "	Monroe, J. N. Massey, " "	178 25
" 29	Decatur, J. Jordan, " "	265 00
" 21	Lucas, E. A. Temple, " "	400 00
1855.		
Jan. 4	Appanoosc, D. P. Sparks, " "	960 00
1854.		\$16,480 60
March 21	Deduct warrant redeemed,	5000 00
1855.		
Jan. 13	Balance in the Treasury,	\$11,480 60

Respectfully submitted.

MARTIN L. MORRIS, State Treasurer.

(No. 4.)

## NOTES IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Date.	Payors.	Amount.
1854.		
Sept. 7	Thos. H. Benton, Jr.,	500 00
	H. W. Lathrop,	300 00
March 1	Thos. Kelso,	100 00
Oct. 28	John Johnson,	100 00
Sept. 1	Geo. W. McCleary,	1000 00
Nov. 18	Edward O. Trotter, (Dec. 22, '54, filed,)	250 00
Dec. 1	Wm. Pattee,	400 00
Oct. 12	Joseph Dungan,	200 00
" 24	Jerry Tyler,	300 00
" 28	John I. Burge, (filed Dec. 27,)	250 00
" 24	Richard H. Sylvester,	500 00
Nov. 12	Robert H. Finkburn, (filed for record Dec. 27,)	250 00
	Chauncey F. Lovelace, (filed Dec. 27,)	250 00
1852.		
Dec. 6	Israel Kister,	200 00
1853		
Aug. 25	Samuel W. Workman, (not filed,)	2000 00
1854.		
Aug. 23	Henry Welsh,	250 00
" 28	W. P. Doty,	250 00
" 28	John J. and Phebe J. Sanders,	400 00
" 28	Rachel H. Crummey,	200 00
" 24	George Paul,	400 00
" 23	Lewis Reppert,	300 00
" 23	Ephraim Welch,	250 00
" 22	James D. Eads,	500 00
Oct. 28	Thomas Kelso,	500 00
" 25	Edmund & Edgar Harrison,	500 00
May 4	M. J. Morseman,	500 00
Oct. 25	Mary A. Lenhart,	300 00
March 1	Wm. Pattee,	500 00
June 20	F. M. Irish,	500 00
Aug. 24	Martin L. Morris,	500 00
Dec. 7	John Shull,	150 00
Aug. 24	Martin L. Morris, (not filed,)	1000 00
Nov. 9	John McComas, (filed Dec. 27,)	200 00

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Date.	Payors.	Amount.
1854.		
Sept. 4	S. A. Knapp,	250 00
1855.		
Jan. 1	Samuel Bacon, (not filed,)	300 00
" 1	John H. Carlton, (not filed,)	300 00
1851.		
Nov. 28	Wm. P. Doty,	150 00
" 25	Legrand Byington,	300 00
" 1	Samuel Herschil, s.	924 00
" 1	Henry Veiths, s.	910 27
Dec. 1	Henry Veiths, s.	309 07½
" 1	Samuel Herschel, s.	300 00
1854.		
Sept. 20	Wm. Edmonds,	100 00
Aug. 24	C. E. De Forest,	300 00
Nov. 8	Daniel Hart,	150 00
" 8	Wm. Smyth,	500 00
Oct. 24	Thomas Snyder,	200 00
1851.		
Nov. 24	Thomas Snyder,	150 00
1854.		
Aug. 23	Richard Burge,	500 00
Oct. 24	A. B. Stillwell,	500 00
" 26	F. H. Lee, (filed Dec. 27,)	250 00
" 26	Samuel J. Hess, (filed Dec. 27,)	250 00
March 4	John Porter,	200 00
Aug. 23	Anson Hart,	296 98
1851.		
Dec. 9	" "	203 02½
1854.		
Nov. 12	Presley Connelly, (not filed,)	250 00
Sept. 9	Clinton De Forest,	400 00
1855.		
Jan. 1	Wm. J. Sanders, (not filed,)	500 00
1854.		
Aug. 23	Thos. Hughes,	300 00
" 24	John M. Davis,	200 00
		\$22,393 85

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Date.	Payors.	Amount.	Inter'st P'd.
1854.			
Aug. 17	N. Sifferman,	153 00	5 41
June 16	Nelson H. Dowd,	120 00	6 38
Aug. 17	Edgington & Bro.,	259 50	9 51
" 29	Arthur Kessinger,	75 00	2 50
June 7	Lydia Ballard,	64 50	3 65
Aug. 17	Samuel S. Higginbotham,	82 50	3 00
June 6	J. D. Danner,	225 00	12 62
Aug. 9	W. B. Hood,	75 00	1 00
June 6	Wm. C. Ballard,	193 50	10 37
Aug. 17	I. H. Ripley,	120 00	4 40
Sept. 1	Issac Murphy,	300 00	10 00
Aug. 28	Archibald M. Whitehead,	75 00	2 55
" 17	David Hank,	327 89	12 00
Sept. 2	I. W. Lonsberne,	225 00	7 50
" 19	David Fosler,	150 00	4 20
Oct. 17	George Haworth,	201 00	4 08
" 7	James Kinnan,	37 50	85
Sept. 9	Ellis Parker,	75 00	2 32
Nov. 10	Joy M. Kendall,	150 00	2 04
Oct. 10	John W. Pilkins,	180 00	4 00
" 25	" "	347 35 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 16
Aug. 30	Abram G. Barns,	225 00	7 50
" 19	" "	68 25	2 51
Dec. 16	Andrew Bard,	75 00	30
Oct. 17	Wm. K. Laffin,	105 00	2 03
" 17	Daniel W. Ballard,	150 00	3 05
Nov. 10	A. B. Kendall,	150 00	2 04
Aug. 19	J. K. Louranz,	255 00	8 25
" 17	Ulrich Steinblock,	195 00	7 15
Sept. 30	John B. Smith,	37 50	1 27
Aug. 18	Isaac Johnson,	37 50	1 40
" 17	Edgington & Bro.,	222 00	8 14
" 17	Jacob Miller,	75 00	2 75
April 22	John Smith,	240 00	16 34
Aug. 17	Samuels B. Collins,	210 00	7 60
" 17	Peter Hadlock, and two sureties,	243 00	8 00
" 17	John Benson,	1,400 00	
Oct. 19	Thomas V. Clark,	105 00	2 04
" 17	Jacob Bolebaugh,	420 00	8 40
March 29	James A. Scott,	240 00	18 00
Nov. 14	David Howery,	91 80	7 79
Oct. 10	L. Byington and two sureties,	184 37	4 08
Aug. 17	Emory Fuller,	312 23	11 62
June 6	Wyatt Brownlee,	264 37	27 43

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Date.	Payers.	Amount.	Interst P'd.
1854.			
Dec. 7	Wm. B. Freeburn,	45 00	30
Aug. 17	John Williams,	240 00	8 80
" 17	George Johns,	206 10	7 58
Oct. 17	Isaac Nusbaum,	146 65	2 95
" 10	Elizabeth Slater,	102 15	2 33
Aug. 16	Allen Greer,	188 20	7 05
Feb. 13	Solomon Perkin,	450 00	39 50
Oct. 17	Isaac Honrey,	300 00	6 00
Feb. 13	Wm. Ashworth,	300 00	26 33
Oct. 17	" "	120 60	2 40
Nov. 28	Henry Hudserfiller,	861 12	7 80
Oct. 17	Wm. Ashworth,	120 00	2 40
Feb. 15	Joshua Bishop,	200 00	17 65
" 14	John W. Corf,	150 00	13 13
" 14	Jonathan J. Bishop,	91 80	8 05
Oct. 10	J. W. McCadden and two sureties	187 50	4 13
Feb. 14	Daniel R. Perkins,	525 00	45 93
April 24	Stephen A. Williamson,	180 00	12 25
Aug. 17	Wm. F. Shafer,	150 00	5 49
Feb. 14	John Hughes,	360 00	30 00
Aug. 17	C. Killgore,	150 00	5 49
July 10	Almin Hughes,	193 50	10 57
Aug. 17	John G. Parham,	75 00	2 75
" 17	Thos. Baker,	20 00	4 40
" 19	Henry C. Webster,	120 00	4 30
Aug. 17	Crawford Baker,	781 50	28 65
" 23	Dennis P. Greely,	210 00	7 70
Oct. 17	L. Mayer,	810 00	16 20
April 24	Nicholas Rice and surety,	180 00	6 12
Feb. 14	Robert Kirkpatrick,	300 00	26 25
Aug. 17	Henry C. Webster,	150 00	5 49
" 19	J. D. Putnam and surety,	37 50	1 38
" 17	James D. Putman and surety,	37 50	1 40
" 17	Nathan Sunner,	300 00	11 00
Nov. 9	Charles J. Anderson,	196 56	4 00
Feb. 15	I. S. Senber,	260 00	12 68
Aug. 17	Henry Johns,	54 00	1 98
	John W. Bryles,	142 50	5 23
	Wm. E. Rogers,	363 00	13 31
	Peter Hadlock and sureties,	243 00	8 00
Oct. 17	Moses T. Burnett,	240 00	28 87
Nov. 9	Frederick Shafer,	196 60	4 00
Aug. 17	Elza Rogers,	150 00	5 50
" 19	John Ketchum,	240 00	8 80



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Date.	Payers.	Amount.	Interest p'd
1854.			
Oct. 17	Hugh Sherman,	356 85	7 14
" 18	Nelson Thayer,	39 37½	80
" 17	John C. Elliot,	180 00	3 65
	Ephraim Stratton,	182 50	3 70
	Wm. T. Blair,	150 00	5 49
Aug. 19	James H. Tucker,	150 00	5 49
" 17	Wm. Patton,	90 00	3 80
" 16	Wm. Robeson,	75 00	2 77
" 17	Wm. Robeson,	150 00	5 50
	Wm. Robeson,	78 00	2 86
" 15	Wm. Patton,	360 00	15 30
" 17	Jacob Chist,	157 50	5 75
" 15	John G. Parham,	240 00	9 00
" 17	Thos. Y. McClure,	225 00	8 25
" 18	Thos. Y. McClure,	75 60	
June 16	Wm. F. Shafer,	37 50	
April 17	Wm. P. Hays,	302 97	11 00
Aug. 17	John B. Findley,	210 00	7 70
	Coryden Hall,	264 00	11 88
	David Ellison,	181 50	6 65
	Isaac Johnson,	60 00	2 20
	Catharine Hill,	120 00	4 40
	David Finch,	525 00	19 25
	Jarvis Platt,	437 35	16 03
	Luther F. Sanderson,	135 00	4 95
	Jesse D. Turner,	150 09½	5 50
	Day E. Pattee,	275 04	10 10
	Day E. Pattee,	492 20	18 04
	Nathan Blakely,	450 00	16 46
Aug. 18	Matthew Maddox,	37 50	1 35
" 19	Matthew Maddox,	75 00	2 73
Oct. 26	John Ball,	525 00	9 48
" 19	James Campbell,	90 00	1 75
Nov. 25	Thomas Dowler,	300 00	3 00
Oct. 17	Daniel Beery,	309 73	6 23
	John Utterson,	300 00	6 05
	John Ball,	178 87½	3 62
	Wm. Barnett,	135 00	2 74
	Lewis C. Bishop,	90 00	1 80
" 19	Josiah Fritz,	393 34½	7 97
" 17	Issac Bachler,	120 00	2 43
	Sol. Perkins,	300 00	6 08
	John C. McEwander,	270 00	5 48
	Matthew Maddox,	75 00	2 77

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Date.	Payors.	Amount.	Interest p'd.
1854.			
Nov. 6	Davis Harrison,	90 00	1 35
Oct. 30	Granville Pugh,	150 00	2 50
	D. Wilcox,	75 00	1 25
" 17	Benj. Williams,	190 50	3 85
1853.			
Dec. 30	John Jordan, Jr.,	300 00	
1854.			
Aug. 30	John Benson,	700 00	
Aug. 17	Levi W. Southard,	120 00	
Aug. 13	John W. Funk,	154	
	Haren Starr.	270	
" 19	Ezra S. Hungerford,	68 25	
Oct. 17	John Anderson,	90	1 80
	Matthew Elliot,	210	4 25
	Harman Haworth,	225	4 55
	John Anderson,	90	1 80
June 5	Joel Ballard,	300	17
" 6	M. Ballard,	300	16 92
Oct. 17	John Kerr,	490 05	9 93
	James C. Vance,	270	4 47½
	" "	630	12 77½
	L. T. Fowler,	345 09	7
	Richard Hopkins,	75	1 50
	Wm. Barnett,	150	3 04
	Isaac Murphy,	180	3 65
	Andrew Panderson,	90	1 80
	Wm. Phillips,	600	12 15
	Wm. Hawks,	75	1 50
	Morman Ballard,	75	1 50
	Archibald Pierson,	135	2 74
Aug. 11	Federick Bowle,	200	7 34
" 17	Henry Alsworth,	90	3 30
Sept. 29	John A. Garlow,	150	3 75
" 2	Luther F. Sanderson,	285	9 27
Aug. 17	Lewis Hayden,	240	8 80
	Total,	\$35,831 92	1,180 30½

[No. 5.]

INTEREST ON UNIVERSITY FUND PAID  
To JANUARY 1, 1855.

Names.	Interest.	Names.	Interest
Isaac Surber,	12 68	Am't bro't up	\$277 70
Jacob Bollibaugh,	8 40	Matthew Elliot,	4 25
James A. Scott,	18 00	John Anderson,	1 80
D. Honrey,	7 79	Harmon Haworth,	4 55
Legrand Byington,	4 08	John Shull,	1 50
Emery Tuller,	11 62	Morman Ballard,	1 50
Jas. D. & R. Putnam,	1 40	Archibald Pierson,	2 74
J. D. Putnam,	1 38	William Hawks,	1 50
Henry C. Webster,	5 49	William Philips,	12 15
Thos. Baker,	4 40	Andrew P. Anderson,	1 80
Henry C. Webster,	4 30	Isaac Murphy,	3 65
Crawford Baker,	28 65	Wm. Barnett,	3 04
Dennis P. Greeley,	7 70	John Anderson,	1 80
Lipman Mayer,	16 20	Richard Hopkins,	1 50
John H. Ripley,	4 40	John Ken,	9 93
Abraham M. Kendall,	2 04	James C. Vance,	12 77
Joy W. Kendall,	2 04	" "	4 47
John W. Filkins,	4 00	Leonard F. Fowler,	7 00
" "	6 16	Luther F. Sanderson,	9 27
Abram G. Barnum,	7 50	Wm. K. Laughlin,	2 03
" "	2 51	John Ball,	9 48
Andrew Bard,	30	James Campbell,	1 75
Daniel W. Ballard,	3 05	Thomas Dowler,	3 00
John Jordan,	30 00	Daniel Biery,	6 28
Ellis Parker,	2 32	John Ball,	3 62
James Kinman,	85	Wm. Barnett,	2 76
George Haworth,	4 08	Lewis C. Bishop,	1 80
David Foster,	4 20	Josiah Fritz,	7 97
J. W. Lounsberry,	7 50	Isaac Bachler,	2 43
Frederick Bolle,	7 34	Solomon Perkins,	6 08
Morman Ballard,	16 92	Moses F. Burnett,	4 87
John A. Garlow,	3 75	John C. Nicowander,	5 48
Isaac Murphy,	10 00	John Atterson,	2 05
M. Whitehead,	2 55	Isaac Nussbaum,	
Lewis Hayden,	8 80	Isaac Johnson,	1 40
Henry Ellsworth,	3 30	Edgington & Bro.,	8 14
David Hawk,	12	I. Smith,	16 31
	\$277 70		\$431 25

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Names.	Interest.	Names.	Interest.
Amount brought up,	\$431 25	Amount brought up,	\$731 34
David Finch,	19 25	Jacob Miller,	2 75
Jarvis Platt,	16 03	Samuel B. Collins,	7 60
Luther F. Sauderson,	4 95	Wm. P. Hays,	11 10
Jesse T. Turner,	5 50	John B. Furley,	7 70
Day E. Pattee,	10 10	Corydon Hall,	11 88
" " "	18 04	Edgington & Bro.,	6 65
Nathan Blakely,	16 46	Isaac Johnson,	2 20
Matthew Maddox,	1 35	Catharine Hill,	4 40
" " "	2 73	Nathan Lumner,	11 00
" " "	2 77	Wm. F. Shafer,	5 49
Charles J. Anderson,	2 79	T. A. Williamson,	12 25
Frederick Schaffer,	2 80	Saml. L. Higginbothan,	3 00
Davis Harrison,	1 35	Thos. Y. McClure,	2 75
Granville Pugh,	2 50	" " "	8 25
Dijah Wilcox,	1 25	John G. Parham,	9 00
Benj. Williams,	3 85	Jacob Crist,	5 75
Nelson Thayer,	80	Wm. Patton,	16 80
John C. Elliott,	3 65	Wm. Roberson,	2 86
Ephraim Stratton,	3 70	John G. Parham,	2 75
Wyatt Browlee,	14 81	Wm. Roberson,	2 77
James H. Tucker,	5 49	" " "	5 50
Wm. F. Shafer,	3 65	Wm. Patton,	3 30
Nicholas Sefferman,	5 41	Wm. T. Blair,	5 49
Nelson H. Dond,	6 33	Hoyt Sherman,	7 14
Edgington & Bro.,	9 51	John Ketcham,	8 80
Arthur Kesinger,	2 50	Elijah Rogers,	5 50
J. R. Lowrance,	8 25	Wm. E. Rogers,	13 31
W. Steenblock,	7 15	John W. Briles,	5 22
John B. Smith,	1 27	Henry Johns,	1 98
George Johns,	7 58	R. S. Finkbine,	3 27
John Williams,	8 80	R. H. Sylvester,	9 02
Henry Hutsonpillar,	7 80	John J. Burge,	34 23
Almon Hughes,	10 57	Jerry Tyler,	5 33
Ezekiel Kilgore,	5 49	Joseph Dungan,	4 27
Joel Ballard,	17 00	W. Pattee,	3 83
Lydia Ballard,	3 65	Edward Trotter,	2 86
Wm. C. Ballard,	10 37	John McComas,	10 00
Wilson B. Hood,	1 00	Geo. W. McCleary,	33 33
J. D. Tanner,	12 62	J. Johnson,	1 67
R. H. Crummey,	6 73	Thos. Kelso,	8 33
G. Paul,	13 44	John M. Davis,	3 61
Lewis Reppert,	10 50	Thos. Hughes,	10 50
	\$731 34		1054 48

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Names.	Interest.	Names.	Interest.
Amount brought up,	1054 48	Amount brought up,	1556 22
E. Welsh,	8 75	Samuel Herschel,	30 00
J. D. Eads,	17 50	Henry Veiths,	30 40
T. Kelso,	1 70	Allen Greer,	7 05
Mary A. Lenhart,	5 33	Solomon Perkins,	39 50
M. L. Morris,	51 05	Isaac Henry,	6 00
E. & E. Harrison,	8 89	W. Ashworths,	26 33
M. J. Morsman,	32 64	" "	2 40
Wm. Pattee,	12 50	" "	2 40
F. M. Irish,	26 25	John Hughes,	30 00
Legrand Byington,	30 00	H. W. Lathrop,	9 33
Samuel Herschel,	92 40	R. Kirkpatrick,	26 25
W. P. Doty,	8 41	D. R. Perkins,	45 93
J. J. Sanders,	13 66	J. W. McCaddon,	4 13
Henry Welsh,	8 75	J. J. Bishop,	8 05
S. Workman,	51 69	John W. Corp,	13 13
Elijah Slater,	2 33	Joshua Bishop,	17 65
Israel Kister,	20 00		
W. P. Doty,	15 00		
Henry Veiths,	91 02		
C. F. Lovelace,	3 27		
	1556 22		1878 87

INTEREST UNPAID AND DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF  
JANUARY, 1855.

Names.	Amount	Names.	Amount
G. E. Detorest,	\$10 62	W. Edmunds,	2 75
Daniel Hart,	2 12	N. Rice,	6 12
Wm. Smyth,	7 09	John Benson,	23 33
T. Snyder,	18 61	T. N. Clark,	2 04
Rich Burge,	17 50	Havens Starr,	9 90
A. B. Stillwell,	9 02	John Benson,	51 32
F. H. Lee,	4 37	Peter Hadlock,	8 91
S. J. Hess,	4 37	S. W. Suthard,	4 40
John Porter,	16 67	J. L. Funk,	5 64
Anson Hart,	30 71	E. S. Hungerford,	2 51
P. Connelly,	3 27	W. B. Freidburn,	30
C. Deforest,	12 22		
T. H. Benton,	15 56		
			\$267 05

P. S.—Since the above date, several of the above items of interest have been paid off.

January 11, 1855.

M. L. MORRIS.

(No. 6.)

## TESTIMONY.

*Saturday Morning, Jan. 13, 1855.*

Committee met. Present, Coolbaugh, Saunders, Witter, Russel, and Neal.

Anson Hart sworn.

Question. Does the Abstract presented by you to the board marked No. 1, contain a true account and statement of all lands sold by order of the Board of Trustees of the University to the date mentioned?

Answer. Yes.

Q. Does Abstract No. 2, as presented by you, contain a correct list of all University lands remaining unsold to the date mentioned?

A. I believe it does.

Q. Have any of said lands been sold since the 1st of January last? and if any, how much, and for what sum?

A.. About 400 acres at \$2 per acre, and 80 acres at \$3 per acre.

Q. What proportions of the lands sold have been sold at private sale?

A. About \$25,000 worth.

Q. By whom have the lands been sold?

A. By myself as agent; except in cases where the appraiser was authorized to settle with claimants or occupants of the lands.

Q. About how many such exceptions are there?

A. 2,280 acres; and the amount received \$5,751 60.

Q. Have the public sales made of lands amounted to more than the appraised value? and if so how much?

A. They have amounted to more, but I cannot tell how much without examination.

Q. Have any private sales been made above the appraised value?

A. None.

Q. Have any persons ever been permitted to bargain for any lands with the understanding that they should be allowed a certain time to take them?

A. They have not.

Q. Is there any rule adopted by the Board, by which lands once appraised and not sold, are subsequently re-appraised before sale?

A. There is none.

Q. Is Abstract No. 3, showing the aggregate amount of lands sold and unsold, and the amount of funds and notes deposited with the State Treasurer, correct?

A. It is to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Q. Have you a statement of the expenses incurred by the Board of Trustees, and the amount of the same?

A. I have; and the amount of the same too.

Q. Has any preference ever been given to any person over another in the disposition at private sale of any University lands?

A. Never.

Q. Is there any plat of the University lands filed anywhere except in the office of the Board of Trustees?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Have the Board of Trustees an office anywhere except in Iowa City?

A. Not any.

Martin L. Morris sworn.

Q. Have you charge of the University fund?

A. I have.

Q. Do you acknowledge Abstract No. 3, as presented by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, so far as the same relates to the money and notes paid you, to be correct?

A. I presume it is.

Q. Do you keep the University fund separate and apart from other State funds?

A. I do.

Q. What disposition has been made by you of the University fund?

A. It has been principally loaned out.

Q. How loaned? in what amounts? on what time? and upon what security?

A. There has been none loaned for less than five years, some for ten years, on real estate security in every case, and in sums ranging from \$100 to \$2000.



Q. Are the securities taken for loans in Iowa City, or are they in different parts of the State?

A. They are in various parts of the State.

Q. Do you make any examination into the titles to and value of the real estate taken by you as security before making any loans? and is the real estate so taken in all cases free from previous incumbrances?

A. I have made a personal examination in several cases, and in others I have taken the word of the party applying for the loan. In two or three cases I was aware of previous incumbrances.

Q. Have you ever made any loans without taking real estate security, or allowed the money on such loans to be drawn before the execution and delivery to you of the mortgage securing the same?

A. I think I have for a short time.

Q. In what cases and to what amount have you done so?

A. I believe that John M. Davis, Joseph Dungan, Wm. Pattee, and John Shull, have so drawn money.

Q. Have you loaned any other person or persons, or allowed them to use, any portion of the University fund, at any time whatever, without first giving you the real estate security for the same, except in the cases just mentioned by you?

A. I think not.

Q. Are the mortgages taken by you as security, recorded immediately after their execution and drawing of the money, or are they permitted to lie on your hands any length of time, and if so how long?

A. Some of them have been taken to be recorded the first time I went to the Recorder's office, and others have remained some time in my office, and one mortgage is yet in my office.

Q. Have all the mortgages taken by you been filed for record except in the case alluded to?

A. They have been all filed except Thos. H. Benton, Wm. Pattee, John Shull, and Daniel Harts, and they have been sent to the proper counties to be recorded.

Q. When were they sent?

A. I do not recollect the precise time at which they were sent; but at different dates.

Q. Have all the mortgages taken on property in Johnson county been filed for record?

A. All except Mr. Hughes, which was omitted to be sent to the Recorder's office through mistake.

Q. When were the mortgages executed by Samuel Workman, Martin L. Morris, Samuel Bacon, John Carleton, and Wm. J. Saunders, filed for record?

A. On the 10th and 11th of this month.

Q. Were the above-mentioned mortgages executed upon the days and dates mentioned in them, and the acknowledgments taken at the dates of said acknowledgments, or were they dated back?

A. They were not executed at the time they bear date, but were some of them dated back to correspond with the time the money was obtained; Wm. Saunders, Wm. Bacon, and Mr. Carleton were made to correspond with the 1st Jan. and they did not draw the money until that time.

Q. Are those mortgages now deposited with the Recorder of Johnson, Co., for record?

A. They are.

Q. Do the notes taken by you for loans made of the University Fund, specify the fund to which they belong?

A. I think not; they are all drawn to the order of the State Treasurer or his successor in office.

Anson Hart recalled.

Q. Are you the Secretary of the Board of trustees of the State University?

A. I am.

Q. When were you elected Secretary of said Board?

A. On the 27th June, 1851.

Q. What compensation do you receive as Secretary of the Board of Trustees?

A. \$25 per year.

Q. What other compensation do you receive, or have you received from the said Board of Trustees?

A. I have received the sum of \$442 for services, as agent of the University lands,

Q. What are your duties, as agent, and by whom were you appointed agent?

A. I was appointed agent by the Board of Trustees, and my duties are to sell the lands and keep a record of the same.

Q. What are your duties as Secretary?

A. To attend the meetings of the Board, and keep a record of their proceedings.

Q. Who appraises the University lands?

A. Dr. Morseman, who was appointed by the Board to perform that service.

Q. What compensation does Mr. Morseman get for such service?

A. Three dollars per day and his expenses.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock.

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Two o'clock, P. M.

Committee met—present, Coolbaugh, Witter and Russell.

Examination of Anson Hart resumed.

Q. Have the Board of Trustees ever exercised or attempted to exercise any control over the agent appointed to locate the University lands?

A. Not that I know of.

Mr. Morris re-called.

Q. What kind of funds did you receive from the Board of Trustees?

A: Gold and silver only, except some \$1,500 exchange on New York, which I received as specie.

What kind of funds have you paid out on account of the loans made for the University?

A. The same kind of funds received, except some \$5,000 which I received at Fort Des Moines, in gold from Mr. Hart, which I exchanged for paper to avoid transporting the gold from Fort Des Moines to the State Treasury.

Q. What kind of currency did the \$5,000 consist of?

A. Ohio, State Bank of Indiana, Virginia, Hallowell, &c.

Q. Did you receive any bonus or premium in exchange for the gold, by taking paper?

A. I received a premium of one per cent., I think.

Q. Have all the loans made, except for the sums as stated, been made in gold and silver?

A. They have.

Q. Have you ever received, directly or indirectly, any rate of in-

terest, exceeding 10 per cent., or any bonus, in money or otherwise, for making any loans, at 10 per cent., or any promise of any?

A. I have not.

Q. Have you at any time used any of those funds, yourself, without first giving the requisite security, as provided by law?

A. I have not.

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JANUARY 16, 1855.

Committee met—present, Coolbaugh, Saunders, Witter and Russell.

Thos. H. Benton, jr., sworn.

Q. Please say, whether any pre-emptions, other than those allowed by law, were allowed during your superintendency, on any School land?

A. I think there were.

Q. Were any such pre-emptions allowed to any person, except to actual settlers?

A. I think there were.

Q. What are the conditions upon which such pre-emptions were allowed?

A. The conditions were, that they should have the land at the appraised price, provided there were no prior claimants.

Q. In such cases, what time was allowed to such claimants to pay for the land?

A. Six months after said lands were brought into market by my order.

Q. After such lands were offered at public sale, what disposition was made of those remaining unsold?

A. They were sold at private sale, at their appraised value generally, but in some instances, re-advertised and sold at private sale.

Q. Did you ever instruct School Fund Commissioners to sell at private sale, any particular tracts of land to particular individuals.

A. Not to my knowledge.

James D. Eads sworn.

Q. What amount of lands have been sold at private sale, as nearly as you can remember, since your superintendency?

A. Not exceeding a section or two, so far as I know.

Q. What amount of school land has been pre-empted in the same time, so far as you are advised?

A. There have been some few tracts only, of which I have any knowledge.

Q. Have such pre-emptions been allowed to actual settlers only?

A. They have.

Q. Are such pre-emptions limited to any number of acres, and if so, how many?

A. To 320 acres.

Q. Are all the abstracts of land returned by the selecting agent, deposited in your office?

A. They are.

Q. Have any persons been permitted to register their names on such abstracts, since they were filed in your office, and allowed to claim any such lands?

A. Some names have been so registered in my absence.

(No. 7.)

*Iowa City, January, 1855.*

Gentlemen: As suggested in my interview with you this afternoon, I beg leave to submit for your consideration the following statement relative to the selection and disposition of School lands.

The Act of Feb. 25th, 1847, the first law enacted authorizing the sale of School lands, contained the following provision, to wit:

Sec. 8. That the manner of selecting the five [hundred] thousand acres of land, mentioned in the second section of the tenth article of the Constitution, and the disposition thereof, for the support of schools, shall be as follows, to wit: Any person capable of contracting, having settled upon public lands, the quality whereof and the improvements thereon, will, in the opinion of the fund commissioner of the county, render the selection a safe and profitable one, may in writing signify to said fund commissioner of the county wherein the land is situated, his or her desire to have the same recognized as school land, and thereupon the same, not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres, shall be returned by said fund commissioner, with the date of their selection, to the superintendent of public instruction, to be by him registered as lands selected by the State under the grant from Congress referred to. After which the said fund commissioner shall proceed to contract with such settler for a sale thereof upon the following terms, to wit: One fifth of the purchase-money in advance, or within three months from the day of making the contracts, (as the said fund commissioner may think best,) and the balance on a credit of not more than ten years, at the discretion of the purchaser, bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, payable annually at the office of said fund commissioner."

The School Fund Commissioners selected and sold under it 24,695,36 acres, at \$1,25 per acre, that being the minimum price established by law, for the sale of School lands. This law was repealed at the suggestion of the undersigned by the act of January 15th, 1849, and three Commissioners were appointed to select the remainder of the grant, and to fix the valuation of each quarter section, per acre, under oath. See sections 1063 to 1069, inclusive, of the code.

The Constitution of Iowa provides, that

“3. The General Assembly shall not locate any of the public lands which have been or may be granted by Congress to this State, and the location of which may be given to the General Assembly, upon lands actually settled, without the consent of the occupant. The extent of the claim of such occupant, so exempted, shall not exceed three hundred and twenty acres.”

I authorized the Commissioners, in the event any claims, as contemplated in the foregoing provision of the Constitution, should be selected by them *with the consent of the claimants*, to say to such claimants that they should be permitted, so long as the matter was under my control, to purchase their claims at the appraised value. These claims were but few in number, and were reported to me by the Commissioners when making a return of their selections. I allowed them no fees for reporting such claims, and do not know of their exacting any, nor have I ever charged any such fees myself, directly or indirectly. Subsequent to this time numerous persons (emigrants and former residents of the country,) settled upon and claimed a very large proportion of the lands selected, and desired me to grant them the right of pre-emption. I refused to do so, on the ground that I had no authority. They afterwards made application to the Legislature, through their Representative, Hon. Eliphalet Price, of Clayton county, for relief. House of Representatives file, No. 192, a bill for an Act supplemental to an Act to establish a System of Common Schools, being under consideration, Mr. Price offered the following amendment :

“SEC. —. Every head of a family, or single person over the age of twenty-one years, having a claim to any tract of land belonging to the State, which claim may be recorded in the office of any school fund commissioner, or which may have been returned by such claimant, as school land, to any agent for the selection of the 500,000 acres of school land in this State, or which may be otherwise recognized by law, and not otherwise disposed of so as to cause an incompatibility with this arrangement, has a right of pre-emption thereto, or to any part thereof in legal subdivisions, at the minimum price established by the agents for the selection of school lands, or township trustees, providing that no pre-emption shall embrace a larger tract than three hundred and twenty acres.”

This amendment was adopted, and the bill as amended passed the House, and subsequently passed the Senate, but owing to some oversight or negligence of the clerks it was engrossed *without the amendment*, and in that form received the approval of the Executive. In consequence of this omission, the amendment, although fairly enacted by the General Assembly, as the Journals show, failed to become a law. Under the circumstances, it having been passed in opposition to my recommendations, I felt myself morally obligated to conform my action to it, and accordingly recognized the claims referred to in accordance with its provisions, except that I required in such cases actual settlement and improvement. The recognition of these claims is what I mean by my affirmative answer to the question of the Committee, as to whether any pre-emptions had been granted on school lands, other than those authorized by law. Of the validity of these claims, I required proof before the School Fund Commissioners, in the counties in which the lands were sold, in all cases where any conflict existed. See House Journal, for session of 1850-51, pages 356, 357, 372 and 390.

These lands were valued by the Commissioners at from \$1.25 to \$3 per acre. Some 40,000 acres of the last selections made by the commissioners were valued at from \$2 to \$3 per acre. The total amount selected and approved is 523,337.42 acres, being an excess over and above the amount of the grant of 23,337.42 acres. The total amount selected and sold by the School Fund Commissioners is 24,695.36 acres, and the total amount ordered into market by the undersigned, is 447,763.20 acres, and by my successor 478.51 acres, leaving a balance (after deducting the excess of 23,337.42 acres,) of 27,062.93 acres not yet ordered into market. The lands yet to be ordered into market, especially those in Iowa and Poweshiek counties, I consider the most valuable that have been selected.

The 16th sections that have been brought into market, have been regularly allotted and appraised by the township trustees, and advertised and offered to the highest bidder, by the School Fund Commissioners. No pre-emptions have been granted on the 16th sections except those authorized by law. The total sales of school lands up to the 31st of March, 1854, is as follows: of the 16th sections 269,437.51 acres, and of the 500,000 acre grant, 285,862.76 acres, and the total proceeds of sales are \$854,908.66. From the most accurate



estimate I can make, there remained unsold, at the above date, of the sixteenth sections 635,699.49 acres, and of the 500,000 acre grant 214,137.24 acres. For the sales since made, I beg leave to refer you to my successor, Hon. James D. Eads.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

THOMAS H. BENTON, JR.,

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Names of Members of the House of Representatives of Iowa.	Residence at present.	Place of Nativity.	Age	Occupation.	Religion, Faith or Denomination.	Remarks.
Reuben Noble, Speaker,	Garnavillo,	Mississippi,	33	Attorney,		Married.
Amos Witter,	Davenport,	State of New York,	48	Physician,	Methodist,	"
Green T. Clark,	Marion county,	Tennessee,	31	Farmer,	"	"
A. J. Hyde,	Scott county,	Vermont,	37	"	Universalist,	"
Samuel McFarland,	Mount Pleasant,	Washington co. Pa.	30	Editor,	Presbyterian,	Single.
James D. McKay,	Trout River,	New York,	40	Attorney,	Methodist,	Married.
Jacob W. Rogers,	West Union,	New Hampshire,	34	Farmer,	Universalist,	"
James N. Young,	Washington county,	Kentucky,	38	"	Methodist,	"
D. Kinert,	Jones county,	Pennsylvania,	36	Merchant,	Presbyterian,	"
W. H. Holmes,	Jones county,	New York,	28	Farmer,	Baptist,	"
Joseph A. Brown,	Brookfield, Clinton county,	Kent co., R. I.	48	"	Christian,	"
Nimrod Poston,	Chillicothe,	Virginia,	27	"	Methodist,	"
Rolla Johnson,	Iowa county,	Massachusetts.	39	"	"	"
Geo. Smith,	Cedar county,	Vermont,	45	"	"	"
Samuel H. McCrory,	Johnson county,	Virginia,	47	"	"	"
Ezra Van Fossan,	Dallas county,	Pennsylvania,	37	Physician,	Presbyterian,	"
J. T. Baldwin,	Council Bluffs,	Washington co. Pa.	34	Merchant,	"	"
S. W. Creamer,	Wapello county,	Pennsylvania,	34	Farmer,	Methodist,	"
David S. Jackson,	Council Bluffs,	Otsego co., N. Y.	40	"	None,	"
William F. Morgan,	Keokuk county,	Kentucky,	50	"	Presbyterian,	"
T. A. Russell,	Washington county,	Baltimore City, Md.	35	Lawyer,	"	Single.
A. M. Lyon,	Polk county,	Madison, Indiana,	42	Merchant,	Methodist,	Married.
James P. Edie,	Maquoketa, Jackson county,	Alleghany co., Pa.	36	Surveyor,	A. R. Church,	"
John Connell,	Toledo, Tama county,	Paisley, Scotland,	29	Farmer,	Presbyterian,	Single.
E. Mechem,	Jefferson county,	Ohio,	38	Physician,	Methodist,	Married.
James Wamsley,	Jefferson county,	Ohio,	40	Blacksmith	"	"
Robert Stephenson,	Jefferson county,	England,	51	Farmer,	Methodist,	"

Willet Dorland,	Henry county,	State of New York,	32 Farmer,	Friends,	Married.
George Newsom,	Lee county,	Pennsylvania,	64 " "	Christian C'h,	"
P. Gad Bryan,	Indianola,	Ohio,	29 Attorney,	Protestant,	"
Wm. Dewey,	Sidney, Fremont county,	Massachusetts,	40 Physician,	"	"
Josiah Hinkle,	Lee county,	Virginia,	45 Farmer,	"	"
Horace Dewey,	Lee county,	New York,	38 MillWright	"	Single.
Samuel Boyles,	Montrose, Lee county,	Washington co. Pa	32 Attorney,		Married.
Cyrus Franklin,	Agency City,	Ohio,	31 " "		"
William Damon,	Lee county,	Massachusetts,	39 Farmer,	Doubtful,	"
J. C. Lockwood,	Louisa county,	Delaware,	43 Merchant,	Methodist,	"
James Barker,	Van Buren county,	Pennsylvania,	55 Farmer,	Presbyterian,	"
George N. Rosser,	Van Buren county,	Virginia,	47 " "	Protestant,	"
D. C. Greenleaf,	Bloomfield, Davis county,	Indiana,	31 Physician,		"
T. E. Turner,	Quasqueton,	Connecticut,	42 Farmer,	Anti-Slavery,	"
Henry Weatherington,	Indian Prairie, V. Buren co.,	Ohio,	40 " "		"
Thomas S. Smith,	Canton, Jackson county,	Illinois,	24 Merchant,	Methodist,	"
Richard Bonson,	Dubuque county,	England,	40 Smelter,	"	"
W. S. Hall,	Cascade, Dubuque county,	New Hampshire,	30 Merchant,		"
J. M. Moore,	Dubuque county,	Missouri,	46 Farmer,	None,	"
Wm. Monroe,	Appanoose county,	Pennsylvania,	46 " "	Universalist,	"
Reasen Pritchard,	Muscatine,	Ohio,	44 Physician,	Methodist,	"
J. H. Pigman,	Muscatine county,	Maryland,	53 Farmer,	"	"
Samuel Coffin,	Mahaska county,	North Carolina,	46 " "	Qaker,	"
M. T. Williams,	Oskaloosa,	Ohio,	34 Attcrney,	"	"
O. D. Tisdale,	Bloomfield,	New York,	32 Farmer,	Methodist,	"
M. A. Goodfellow,	Monroe county,	Pennsylvania,	38 " "	Unitarian,	Single.
A. D. Graham,	Cedar county,	Kentucky,	54 " "	OS Presby'an	Married.
S. P. Yeomans,	Lucas county,	New York,	33 Physician,	Methodist,	"
Robert Meek,	Bonaparte, Van Buren co.,	Ohio,	40 Farmer,	None,	Single.
T. Butler Neely,	Little Sioux, Harrison co.,	Ohio,	26 " "	Unitarian,	"

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R. P. Creel,	Keokuk, Lee county,	Kentucky,	39	B'ckmason,	None,	Married.
George S. Albright,	Des Moines county,	Lancaster, Pa.,	44	Tanner,	Methodist,	"
J. Tracy,	Burlington,	Belmont co., Ohio,	28	Attorney,	OS Presby'an	"
Thos. L. Sargent,	Middletown, Des Moines co	Washington co Pa.	35	Farmer,	"	Single.
John L. Corse,	Burlington,	Delaware,	41	Coach Mkr,	Unitarian,	Married.
Jairus E. Neal,	Knoxville,	New York,	36	Attorney,	Christian,	"
Ben. M. Samuels,	Dubuque,	Virginia,	31	"	Methodist,	"
Lafayette Bigelow,	Clayton county,	New York,	32	Farmer,	Episcopal,	"
Samuel B. McCall,	Boone county,	Indiana,	27	"	Protestant,	Single.
John P. Conkey,	Cedar Rapids, Linn county	New York,	31	Merchant,	Presbyterian,	Married.
Francis White,	Salem, Henry county,	Salem, Indiana,	34	Farmer,	So. of Friends	"
Robert Holmes,	Marion,	Kentucky,	35	Merchant,	Methodist,	"
Chas C. Nourse, 1st Clk	Keosauqua,	Maryland,	25	Attorney,	"	Married.
A. R. Fulton, 2d Clk,	Fairfield,	Ross co., Ohio,	29	Surveyor,	Meth by ed'on	"
F. A. Barker, En. Clk.	Pella, Marion county,	Dutchess co., N. Y.	56	Farmer,	Mis'ry Baptist	"
L. B. Dennis, Chaplin,	Iowa City,	Maryland,	42	Minister,	Methodist,	"
J. B. Brown, Sgt. at arms	Keokuk,	Kentucky,		Farmer,		
Wm. Said, Asst. "	Washington county,	"	38	"	Mis'ry Baptist	Single,

## RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## DUTY OF THE SPEAKER.

1. He shall take the Chair every day precisely at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned on the preceding day ; shall immediately call the members to order, and on the appearance of a quorum, shall cause the journal of the preceding day to be read.

2. He shall preserve order and decorum, and speak to points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose ; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House by any two members.

3. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

4. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to-wit : " As many as are of opinion that (as the question may be) say Aye," and, after the affirmative voice is expressed, " As many as are of the contrary opinion, say No." If the Speaker doubts, or a division be called for, the House shall be divided. Those in the affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats, and afterwards those in the negative.

5. The Speaker shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the Chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

6. All Committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House.

7. In all cases where the House is equally divided, the Speaker shall give the casting vote, and shall also vote on a call of the Yeas and Nays.

8. All acts, addresses and joint resolutions, shall be signed by the Speaker ; and all writs, warrants, and subpoenas, issued by order of the House, shall be under his hand and seal, attested by the Clerk.

9. In case of any disturbance, or disorderly conduct in the lobby, the Speaker or Chairman, of the committee of the whole house, shall have power to have the same cleared.

## 10. ORDER OF THE BUSINESS OF THE DAY.

After the Journal is read, the following order shall govern :

- 1st. Petitions or remonstrances to be offered.
- 2d. Resolutions and notices to bring in bills.
- 3d. Reports of Committees.
- 4th. Bills to be introduced, of which notice has been given.
- 5th. Messages and communications on the Speaker's table.
- 6th. Bills and resolutions read for a second time.
- 7th. Bills on their passage.
- 8th. Reports in possession of the House, which offer grounds for a bill, are to be taken up, in order that the bill may be ordered in.
- 9th. Bills or other matters before the House, and unfinished the preceding day.

## OF DECORUM AND DEBATE.

11. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker," and shall confine himself to the question under debate, and shall avoid personalities.

12. If any member in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call to order; in which case, the member so called to order, shall immediately sit down, but may be permitted, with leave of the House to explain; and the House shall if appealed to, decide the case, but without debate. If there be no appeal the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to; if the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he is at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, he shall not be permitted to proceed without leave of the House; and if the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

13. When two or more members happen to rise at once, the Speaker shall name the member who is first to speak.

14. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the House, nor more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

15. Whilst the Speaker is putting any question, or addressing the House, none shall walk out of, or across the House, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse; nor whilst a member is speaking, shall pass between him and the Chair.

16. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he

is immediately and particularly interested ; or in case where he was not present when the question was put, unless the Speaker again states the question.

17. Upon a division and count of the House on any question, no member without the bar shall be counted.

18. Every member, who shall be in the House, when the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the House, for special reasons, shall excuse him.

19. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Speaker ; or being in writing, it shall be handed to the Chair, and read aloud by the Clerk before debated.

20. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker or any member desire it.

21. After a motion is stated by the Speaker, or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn by leave of the House.

22. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn ; to lie on the table ; for the previous question ; to postpone to a day certain ; to commit or amend ; to postpone indefinitely ; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged ; and no motion to postpone to a day certain ; to commit or postpone indefinitely, being decided, shall be again allowed on the same day and at the same stage of the bill or proposition. A motion to strike out the enacting words of a bill shall have precedence of a motion to amend, and, if carried, shall be considered equivalent to its rejection.

23. When a resolution shall be offered, or a motion made to refer any subject, and different committees shall be proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order : The Committee of the Whole House ; a Standing Committee ; a Select Committee.

24. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, excepting when a member is speaking, or the House voting ; and the motion to lie on the table, shall be decided without debate.

25. The previous question shall be in this form : " Shall the main question be now put ; " it shall only be admitted when demanded by a majority of the members present, and its effect shall be to put an end to all debate, and bring the House to a direct vote upon amendments and then upon the main question. On a motion for the previous question, and prior to the seconding of the same, a call of the House shall

be in order; but after a majority shall have seconded such motion, no call shall be in order prior to the decision of the main question,

26. On a previous question there shall be no debate.

27. When a question is postponed indefinitely, it shall not be acted upon again during the session.

28. Any member may call for a division of the question, which shall be divided, if it comprehends questions so distinct, that one being taken away, the rest may stand entire for the discussion of the House; a motion to strike out, being lost, shall preclude neither amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed to be indivisible.

29. Motions and reports may be committed at the pleasure of the House.

30. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment.

31. When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member in the majority to move for the re-consideration thereof, on the same or succeeding day, and such motion shall take precedence of all other questions except a motion to adjourn.

32. Petition, memorials and other papers addressed to the House, shall be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place, a brief statement of the contents thereof shall verbally be made by the introducer, and shall not be debated or decided on the day of their being first read, unless where the House shall direct otherwise, but shall lie on the table, to be taken up in the order they were read.

33. A proposition, requesting information from the Governor, Secretary, or any other State officers, shall lie on the table one day for consideration, unless otherwise ordered by unanimous consent of the House; and all such propositions shall be taken up for consideration in the order they were presented, immediately after reports are called for from Select Committees, and when adopted the Clerk shall cause the same to be delivered,

34. Any five members, if the Speaker be in the Chair, shall be authorized to compel the attendance of absent members.

35. Upon calls of the House, or in taking the yeas and nays on any question, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically.



36. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House without leave, unless he be sick or unable to attend.

37. Upon the call of the House, the names of the members shall be called over by the Clerk, and the absentees noted, after which the names of the absentees shall again be called over, and the Sergeant-at-Arms shall be directed by the Speaker to compel their attendance.

38. No committee shall sit during the sitting of the House without special leave.

39. Thirty-six members, including the Speaker, shall constitute a quorum, and upon the demand of any two members, the yeas and nays shall be ordered.

40. The hour to which this House shall stand adjourned from day to day, shall be 10 o'clock A. M., and 2 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered by the House.

#### OF BILLS.

41. Every bill shall be introduced by motion for leave, or by an order of the House on the report of a committee. One day's notice, at least, shall be given of the motion to bring in a bill.

42. Every bill shall received three several readings in the House previous to its passage; and all bills shall be dispatched in the order they were introduced, unless the House shall direct otherwise, but no bill shall be twice read on the same day without special order of the House.

43. The first reading of a bill shall be for information; and if opposition be made to it, the question be: "Shall this bill be rejected?" If no opposition be made, or if the question to reject be negatived, the bill shall go to its second reading without a question.

44. Upon a second reading of a bill, the Speaker shall state that it is ready for commitment, or engrossment; and if committed, then the question shall be, whether to a select or standing committee, or to a committee of the whole House. If to a committee of the whole House, the House shall determine on what day; but if the bill be ordered to be engrossed, the House shall appoint the day when it shall be read a third time.

45. After a bill has been committed and reported back, it shall be considered on its second reading after the amendments of committee have been read.

46. After the commitment and report thereof to the House, or at any time before its passage, a bill may be re-committed.

47. All bills ordered to be engrossed, shall be executed in a fair round hand.

48. No amendment, unless by way of rider, shall be received to any bill on its third reading.

49. When a bill shall pass, it shall be certified by the Clerk, noting the day of its passage at the foot thereof.

#### OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

50. In forming committees of the whole House, the Speaker shall leave his chair, and a Chairman to preside in committee shall be appointed by the Speaker.

51. Upon bills committed to the committee of the whole House, the bill shall be first read throughout by the Clerk or Chairman, and then again read or debated by clauses, leaving the preamble to be last considered; after report, the bill shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses, before a question to engross it be taken.

52. All amendments made to an original motion in committee, shall be incorporated with the motion, and so reported.

53. All amendments made to a report committed to a committee of the whole House, shall be noted and reported as in the case of bills.

54. In filling up blanks in the committee, and in the House, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put.

55. The rules of the House shall be observed in committee of the whole House, so far as they are applicable.

56. No standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded or changed, without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor, nor shall any rule be suspended except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present; nor shall the order of business, as established by the rules of the House, be postponed or changed, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present.

57. It shall be in order for the committee on enrolled bills to report at any time.

58. No bill, memorial, or joint resolution, shall be printed unless ordered by the House.

59. When any matter is referred to a standing committee, by motion of any member, it shall be the duty of the chairman of such standing committee, to notify such member of the time of their sitting upon such

matter so referred; and said member shall be permitted to confer with such committee during their consideration of such matter.

60. The following shall be the Standing Committees:

Committee on Ways and Means.

- “ the Judiciary.
- “ Claims.
- “ Schools and State University.
- “ Military Affairs.
- “ Enrolled Bills.
- “ Engrossed Bills.
- “ Expenditures.
- “ Roads and Highways.
- “ Township and County Organization.
- “ Public Buildings.
- “ New Counties.
- “ Agriculture.
- “ Elections.
- “ Incorporations.
- “ Improvement of Des Moines River.
- “ Federal Relations.
- “ Internal Improvements.
- “ Charitable Institutions.
- “ Public Lands.
- “ Library.

61. The rules of Parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases where they are not inconsistent with the standing rules of this House, and the joint rules of both Houses.

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#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

*Ways and Means*—Lockwood, Rogers, Neal, Corse, and Baldwin.

*Judiciary*—Russell, Williams, Samuels, Tracey, and McKay.

*Claims*—Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Bonson, Damon, and White.

*Military Affairs*—Morgan, Dewey of Lee, Franklin, Wamsley, and Barker.

*Enrolled Bills*—Greenleaf, Dewey of Lee.

*Engrossed Bills*—Yeomans, Mechem.

*Expenditures*—Pritchard, Creel, Meek, McCall, Vanfossen.

*Roads and Highways*—Bigelow, Graham, Moore, Tisdale, Stephenson.

*Township and County Organization*—Lyon, Coffin, Jackson, Goodfellow, Monroe, Williams.

*Public Buildings*—Williams, Creamer, Weatherington, Boyles, Hall.

*Schools, and State University*—Turner, Dorland, Witter, Dewey of Fremont, Edie.

*New Counties*—Greenleaf, Rosser, Weatherington, Smith of Cedar, Neely.

*Agriculture*—Johnson, Poston, Sargent, Pigman.

*Elections*—McCrory, Connell, Bryan, Albright, Lyon.

*Incorporations*—Rogers, Young, Smith of Jackson, Franklin, Kinert.

*Improvement of Des Moines River*—Creamer, Walmsley, Goodfellow, Meek, Creel.

*Federal Relations*—Kinert, Coffin, Bryan, Jackson, McCrory.

*Internal Improvement*—Wamsley, Smith of Clinton, Bonson, Holmes of Jones, Hinkle.

*Charitable Institutions*—McFarland, McKay, Dewey of Fremont, Tisdale, Holmes of Linn.

*Public Lands*—Holmes of Jones, Connell, Walters, Pritchard, Newsam.

*State Library*—Conkey, Brown, Corse, Yeoman, Hyde.

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### Names of the Members of the House of Representatives,

WITH THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESS, AND THE DISTRICTS WHICH THEY REPRESENT.

Geo. S. Albright, Albright, Des Moines county; 17th District, Des Moines county.

J. T. Baldwin, Council Bluff; 41st District, Pottawatomie.

Joseph Barker, Winchester, Van Buren county; 24th District, Van Buren county.

- Lafayette Bigelow, McGregor; 2d District, Clayton county.  
R. Bonson, Dubuque; 5th District, Dubuque county.  
A. Boyles, Montrose, Lee county; 19th District, Lee county.  
Joseph A. Brown, Bloomfield; 10th District, Clinton county.  
P. Gad Bryan, Indianola, Warren county; 35th District, Marion, Warren, and Madison.  
Samuel Coffin, Oscaloosa; 33d District, Mahaska county.  
John P. Conkey, Cedar Rapids; 20th District, Linn county.  
John Connell, Toledo, Tama county; 33d District, Poweshiek, Jasper, Tama, and Benton.  
John L. Corse, Burlington, Iowa; 17th District, Des Moines county.  
J. P. Creel, Keokuk; 19th District, Lee county.  
S. K. Creamer, Agency City; 27th District, Wapello county.  
William Damon, Denmark, Lee county; 49th District, Lee county.  
Horace Dewey, West Point, Lee county; 19th District, Lee county.  
William Dewey, Sidney, Fremont county; 39th District, Fremont  
Page, Taylor, &c.  
Willet Dorland, Salem, Henry county; 18th District, Henry county.  
James P. Edie, Maquoketa, Jackson county; 6th District, Jackson county.  
Cyrus Franklin, Agency City, Iowa; 28th District, Wapello and Keokuk.  
Matthew A. Goodfellow, Scovilla; 31st District, Monroe.  
Allen D. Graham, Tipton; 9th District, Cedar county.  
D. C. Greenleaf, Bloomfield, Davis county; 26th District, Davis county.  
W. S. Hall, Cascade, Dubuque county; 5th District, Dubuque county.  
Josiah Hinkle, Warren, Lee county; 19th District, Lee county.  
Robert Holmes, Marion, Linn county; 20th District, Linn county.  
W. H. Holmes, Marshfield, Jones county; 7th District, Jones county.  
A. J. Hyde, Pleasant Valley, Scott county; 11th District, Scott county.  
Daniel S. Jackson, Council Bluff City; 41st District, Pottawattamie county.  
Rolla Johnson, Homestead, Iowa county; 22d District, Johnson and Iowa counties.

David Kinert, Anamosa, Jones county; 8th District, Jackson and Jones counties.

J. C. Lockwood, Fort Louisa, Louisa county; 14th District, Louisa county.

Alfred M. Lyon, Ft. Desmoines; 36th District, Polk county.

Samuel B. McCall, Boonsboro, Boon county; 38th District, Boon, Webster, Story, Hardin and Marshall counties.

Samuel H. McCrory, Iowa City; 21st District, Johnson county.

Samuel McFarland, Mt. Pleasant; 18th District, Henry county.

James D. McKay, Trout River, Winnesheik county; 1st District, Allamakee and Winnesheik counties.

Edmund Mechem, Abingdon, Jefferson county; 25th District, Jefferson counties.

Robert Meek, Bonaparte; 24th District, Van Buren county.

William Monroe, Centreville; 30th District, Appanoose county.

J. M. Moore, Centertown; 5th District, Dubuque county.

William F. Morgan, Steady Run, Keokuk county; 29th District Keokuk county.

Jairus E. Neal, Knoxville, Marion county; 35th District, Marion, Warren, and Madison counties.

Thomas B. Neely, Magnolia, Harrison county; 42d District, Harrison, Shelby, Woodbury and Monroe counties.

George Newsam, Big Mound; 19th District, Lee county.

Reuben Noble, Garnavillo; 2d District, Clayton county.

J. H. Pigman, Melphine, Muscatine county; 16th District, Muscatine county.

Nimrod Poston, Chillicothe, Wapello county; 27th District, Wapello county.

R. Pritchard, Muscatine; 16th District, Muscatine county.

Jacob W. Rogers, West Union, Fayette county; 3d District, Fayette, Bremer and Chickasaw.

George N. Rosser, Troy, Davis county, 24th District, Van Buren county.

Samuel A. Russell, Crawfordsville; 13th District, Washington county.

Ben M. Samuels, Dubuque; 5th District, Dubuque county.

T. L. Sergeant, Middletown; 17th District, Des Moines county.

T. L. Smith, Canton, Jackson county; 6th District, Jackson county.

Geo. Smith, Gower's Ferry, Cedar county; 12th District, Cedar, Clinton and Scott counties.

Robt Stephenson, Rome, Henry county; 25th District, Jefferson county.

O. D. Tisdale, Bloomfield; 26th District, Davis county.

T. E. Turner, Quasqueton; 4th District, Delaware and Buchanan counties.

Tutt Glenwood; 40th District, Mills, Montgomery and Adams counties. Has not taken his seat nor presented his credentials.

Joshua Tracy, Burlington county; 17th District, Des Moines county.

Ezra Vanfossen, Adell, Dallas county; 37th District, Polk, Dallas and Guthrie counties.

Jas. M. Walters, Knoxville; 34th District, Marion county.

Jas. Wamsley, Libertyville; 25th District, Jefferson county.

Henry Weatherington, Lebanon; 24th District, Van Buren county.

Francis White, Salem; 18th District, Henry county.

Micajah T. Williams, Oskaloosa; 33d District, Mahaska county.

Amos Witter, Dixon, Scott county; 11th District, Scott county.

S. P. Yoemans, Chariton, Lucas county; 32d District, Lucas, Wayne, Decatur and Clarke counties.

Jas. N. Young, Washington; 15th District, Louisa and Washington counties.

## REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO VISIT THE IOWA PENITENTIARY.

The Joint Committee appointed by the Legislature, to visit and inspect the Penitentiary, have performed that duty, and submit the following report :

Your Committee examined the Books and accounts of the prison, and found them to be correct, so far as they relate to the affairs of the prison under the administration of the present Warden, George Grigsby.

Your Committee found the following to be the state of the prison accounts, as shown by the books :

Indebtedness of the prison, February 1st, 1853,  
at which time Mr. Grigsby took possession, \$1,385 11

Indebtedness from Feb. 1st to Oct. 1st, 1853,  
as follows :

For Provisions,	\$288 79	
Clothing and bedding,	423 64	
Lights and fuel,	143 39	
Building and repairs,	657 80	
Salaries,	350 00	
Hospital,	40 50	
Books for Library,	22 60	
Materials and tools for workshop, and miscellaneous expenses,	158 24	
		\$2,085 06

Indebtedness from Oct. 1st, 1853, to Oct. 1st,  
1854, as follows :

For Provisions,	\$581 75
Clothing and bedding,	134 49
Lights and fuel,	121 40
Building and repairs,	2638 24
Salaries,	862 19
Hospital,	155 19



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Materials and tools for workshop, and miscellanies,	439,81	
		<u>4,933 17</u>
Total amount of prison indebtedness, Oct. 1st, 1854,		8,402 34
Amount paid by Grigsby, from Feb. 1st, 1853, to Oct. 1st, 1854, as shown by his vouchers,		<u>5,609 85</u>
Total,		2,793 49
Deduct from this the amount paid C. D. Gage, by the Auditor of State, for prison cells, which amount is charged against the prison, but no credit given, as the money did not come into the hands of the Warden,		<u>1,662 50</u>
		1,130 99
Add balance due Warden. as shown by the books and accompanying account,		<u>444 23</u>
Total amount of prison indebtedness,		\$1,575 22
To meet this amount, your committee find that there was due from the contractors for labor of convicts, on the 1st of October, 1854, the sum of,	\$386 91	
Due for keeping the U. S. convict,	287 50	
Due from R. Quinton, former warden,	233 35	
Probable amount due from other sources,	50 00	
Probable amount which will be due from contractors for labor of convicts on 1st of January, 1855,	<u>275 00</u>	
		<u>1,232 76</u>
Total amount of present indebtedness,		342 46
Add probable cost of finishing workshop, due contractors,		<u>1,500 00</u>
Total indebtedness,		\$1,842 46

The amount of appropriation necessary to liquidate the indebtedness of the prison, on the 1st day of January, 1855, your committee find to be the sum of \$1,842 46.

There are now completed in the prison thirty cells, and it will require eighteen more to finish the lower tier, according to the original design of the building. The cell room is designed to contain three tiers of cells, forty-eight in each tier, making in all, one hundred and forty-four cells. Your committee are of the opinion that an appropriation should be made to finish the lower tier of cells immediately. The estimated cost of each cell is \$230, which is the cost of those already constructed. The probable increase in the number of convicts for the next two years, will make the construction of those additional cells absolutely necessary.

There is no suitable provision made for the reception of female convicts, if such there should be; and although their proportion to the males is always small, yet your committee deem it important that some preparation should be made for them. The prison is also destitute of a hospital, dining-room, and kitchen. The room occupied at present as a dining-room and kitchen, is in the basement of the workshop, and is totally inadequate to the purpose. Besides, that room will soon be wanted for other purposes, especially if the contractors succeed in establishing extensive manufactories, as they design. The female ward, hospital, dining-room and kitchen, should constitute one building, two stories high, extending north from the north-west corner of the main building, in the form of a wing.

The dining-room and kitchen should occupy the lower story, and the hospital and female ward the upper. Its dimensions should be about 160 feet in length, by 40 in width, and it should be constructed of the same material, and be the same style of architecture as the main building, except the inside wall, which might be of brick. The cost of such an addition to the prison, your committee find from reliable sources, to be about \$6,000, which amount they recommend should be appropriated for the purpose.

Your committee find that the wall enclosing the prison yard, is of inch oak plank, about 14 feet high, and enclosing a space of about 210 feet by 180.

The space enclosed by the wall, is barely large enough for present purposes; the yard will require to be enlarged, as the number of prisoners increase. Owing to the nature of the ground, the yard cannot be much enlarged east and west, or in the direction of the length of the main building, but additional area can be obtained by removing

the north or end wall. The wall surrounding the yard, must ultimately be constructed of stone or brick, and will involve considerable expense ; in view of which, your committee would recommend that the building of a permanent exterior wall, be postponed, till the necessities of the prison require a larger space to be enclosed. The present wall, (or rather fence) is sufficient to secure the prisoners during the day, by employing an increased force.

This force consists at present of four day guards and one night guard, which number is considered by the Warden as sufficient.

The day guards are on duty during the day, and are stationed so as to command a view of the whole extent of the wall. The night guard is on duty during the night, in the cell room.

Your committee find that sufficient regard has not been heretofore had, for the comfort of the prisoners in regard to beds and bedding. While every precaution should be taken to prevent the escape of the convict, he should not be treated with undue severity, nor his personal comfort neglected. His situation within the gloomy walls of a prison is sufficiently unfortunate to excite the sympathy of the philanthropist, and to induce such treatment as will secure to him the greatest possible amount of comfort not inconsistent with his perfect security. Your committee therefore recommend an appropriation sufficient to have constructed for each cell a neat and substantial bedstead, and sufficient bedding for two changes, to cover which the sum of two hundred dollars will be sufficient.

Your committee, in the above remarks, do not mean to be understood as conveying a charge against the Warden. It is the belief of the committee that he has done all that he could with the means in his power, and to ameliorate the condition of the guilty but unfortunate beings consigned to his keeping.

While upon the subject of the personal treatment of the prisoners confined in the penitentiary, your committee deem it important to call the attention of the Legislature to the duty of providing some means for their moral culture.

The object of the penal code in inflicting imprisonment, is not only to punish crime, but as far as possible to reform the criminal. Every dictate of humanity, to say nothing of religion, requires that all the means within our power should be used to develop moral sentiments in the heart of the imprisoned convict, so that, when he is turned out

upon the world, at the expiration of his term, he may go forth a wiser and a better man. One of these means undoubtedly is, religious instruction, and the usual exercises of public devotion.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that it be made the duty of the Warden and Inspectors of the prison, to employ a minister of the gospel, to preach to the convicts, in the prison, once on every Sabbath, and that the sum of one hundred dollars per annum be appropriated for that purpose.

Your committee find that the manner of keeping the accounts of the prison is defective, and that some difficulty was therefore found by them, in arriving at the true state of its affairs. In order to simplify the books, and enable the Inspectors to ascertain, at any time, and with ease, the financial condition of the prison, your committee would recommend that a separate account be kept, of each of the following items of expense, viz: provisions, clothing and bedding, lights and fuel, salaries, hospital, building and repairs, and miscellanies. Your committee do not deem it necessary to embody their ideas on this subject in a bill, being satisfied that the Warden and Clerk will promptly act upon this recommendation.

Your committee further report, that from examination of the convict register, there have been received from Sept. 22d, 1849, to Nov. 8th, 1854, sixty-seven convicts, of which number,

38 were intemperate.  
 10 moderate drinkers.  
 17 temperate.  
 2 unknown.

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Of this number,

26 were married.  
 31 unmarried.  
 10 nnknown.

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No register of convicts was kept prior to Sept. 22d, 1849.

Your committee append hereto the following time register of the Iowa Penitentiary, from February 1st, to September 30th, A. D. 1853:

Months.	No. of days work done in each month	No. of days sick in each month	No. of days engaged in chores.	No. of days employed in kitchen.	Total No. days the convicts were employed at work, were sick, at chores, in kitchen.
February,	160	14	33	38	245
March,	228	3	35	31	297
April,	278½	10½	32	27	348
May,	260½	59	41½	26	387
June,	264½	20½	42½	26	353
July,	209½	16½	27½	25	276
August,	172½	35	17½	27	252
September,	147½	57½	17½	27½	250
	1719½	215½	245	227½	2,408

The above table only exhibits the working days, Sabbath not included. The total number of days, Sabbath included, during the above time, is two thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, (2,754.) We find the rations, during this time, cost about nine cents and eight mills, for each prisoner, per day, a fraction less than the cost of rations for the fiscal year, ending September 30th 1854. The cost for rations, the two preceding years, was about eleven cents for each prisoner, per day; making a saving in favor of this year, of about two cents per day, on each prisoner.

Your committee, in conclusion, submit the following estimate of appropriations necessary for the support of the prison, and the completion of the contemplated improvements, for the next two years, viz :

For the general support of the prison, including the salaries of the guards, per annum,	\$3,500 00
Deduct from this the probable amount to be derived from convict labor,	2,000 00
Leaving the appropriation for one year,	1,500 00
General support for two years,	\$3,000 00
Salary of Warden for two years,	1,000 00
“ Deputy Warden, “	960 00
“ Clerk, “	720 00
“ Inspectors, “	700 00

Salary of Chaplain, two years, - - - -	200 00	
Hospital expenses, " - - - -	200 00	
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		3,780 00
Amount due the contractors for completing work shop, - - - -		1,500 00
Amount of present indebtedness, - - - -		342 46
Cost of 18 cells, at \$230 each, - - - -		4,140 00
" " beds for cells, - - - -		200 00
" " the wing, to contain female wards, Hospital, dining room, &c., - - - -		7,714 00
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		<u>\$20,676 46</u>

## ESTIMATED COST OF HOSPITAL.

Stone wall 200 feet long, by 22 feet high, - - - -	\$2,551 50
For brick wall, 160 feet long, - - - -	987 00
Foundation for brick wall, - - - -	176 00
Materials for roof, and building same, - - - -	1,500 00
Thirty-two grate windows, at \$50 each, - - - -	1,600 00
Window frames, materials and making same, - - - -	100 00
Two partition brick walls, - - - -	150 00
Window sash and glass, - - - -	175 00
Materials and work for laying two floors, 40 by 40, - - - -	300 00
Three inside doors, - - - -	100 00
For inside windows, - - - -	75 00
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	<u>\$7,714 50</u>

I. M. PRESTON, Chairman.  
WM. DEWEY,  
J. P. EDIE.

The undersigned, members of the above committee, cannot fully concur in the recommendation expressed by the majority of said committee, in respect to the appropriation, at the present session of the General Assembly, for the erection of an hospital building—believing that said appropriation can be safely deferred for two years.

M. T. WILLIAMS,  
A. H. McCRRARY.

REPORT OF T. S. WILSON,  
JUDGE OF SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

*To the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1588, chapter 93, of the Code, enacts that, "Each of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts shall report to the Legislature, at each regular session thereof, all omissions, discrepancies, or other evident imperfections of the law which have fallen under his observation."

At the last session of the Legislative Assembly, the Senate passed a resolution, calling upon the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts, for the reports contemplated by the foregoing section, but none were made, for the reason that the other more urgent and imperious duties of their offices had left no time to the Judges for the performance of this branch of duty. The same reasons which existed then exist now, why an elaborate report should not be furnished to your honorable body, embracing all the imperfections of the present system, and I must, therefore, confine myself to those which seem to be the most glaring, and the most to require immediate amendment.

FIRST, THE SUBJECT OF DIVORCE.

The numerous applications for divorce which the calendar of cases in our courts exhibits, clearly indicates their origin to be in the numerous causes for which it may be asked, and the consequent facility with which decrees have been obtained.

A divorce may be obtained for any one of eight causes, viz:

"First, When the defendant at the time of his marriage was impotent."

Second, When he had a lawful wife then living.

Third, When he has committed adultery subsequent to the marriage.

Fourth, When he wilfully deserts his wife, and absents himself without a reasonable cause for the space of one year.

Fifth, When he is convicted of felony after his marriage.

Sixth, When, after marriage, he becomes addicted to habitual drunkenness.

Seventh, When he is guilty of such inhuman treatment as to endanger the life of his wife.

Eighth, When it shall be made fully apparent that the parties cannot live in peace and happiness together, and that their welfare requires a separation.

For any of the above causes the husband may, in all cases, obtain a divorce from the wife. The divorce which is decreed entirely dissolves the marriage relation existing between the parties. Some of these causes are not recognized in very many of the other States as grounds for which either kind of divorce may be decreed; in other States where they are regarded, such grounds constitute merely a cause of divorce from bed and board.

Divorces *a vinculo matrimonii* should, in my opinion, only be granted for the following reasons, viz:

First, Adultery after the marriage.

Secondly, Impotency at the time of the marriage.

Thirdly, Wilful desertion for three years.

Fourthly, Where one of the parties is guilty of such inhuman treatment as to endanger the life of the other.

The second cause specified in the Code, viz: Where the defendant has a lawful wife living, is wholly superfluous, because under such circumstances the second marriage is wholly void.

The eighth cause, to wit: "When it shall be made fully apparent that the parties cannot live in peace and happiness together, and that their mutual welfare requires a separation," should be wholly set aside as a ground for divorce, because it holds out an inducement to husband and wife so to demean themselves towards each other as to create this ground of divorce, and, in many cases, destroys all motive to the cultivation of good temper and harmony of feeling, or to the sacrifice of personal inclination for mutual happiness. It leads parties to do as jurors often do, to "agree to disagree," and for the same object, that they may be discharged by the court. So long as this latter cause of divorce stands upon your statute book, persons will be encouraged to enter into the matrimonial state, heedlessly and thoughtlessly, impressed with the belief that if they are not happy, or if their welfare should require a divorce, the law will compel the court to decree it; whereas, the happiness and interest of society, as well as of families, requires that this relation should only be entered into by the parties after mature deliberation, a thorough acquaintance with each other's character



and disposition, and that they should regard it as only to be severed by death.

That marriage is a civil contract, is an admitted truth, yet it does not follow from this that all the incidents that apply to other contracts apply to this. Many reason in this way : Marriage is a civil contract, and like other contracts. If my neighbor contracts to build me a house at a stipulated price, and does not build it, I am not compelled to pay the price ; the court, under such circumstances, will relieve me by setting aside the contract. My wife, at the time of our marriage, agreed to perform her part of the contract ; if she does not, the court should relieve me from the performance of my part by granting a divorce. To this it may be replied, that marriage is the most important institution of human society, and involves the most valued interest of every class. It changes the relations of parties to each other and to society,—that in these respects it is wholly different from other contracts, and that the setting aside of other contracts affects only the parties, while the setting aside the marriage contract affects vitally not only the welfare of the parties, but that of families and the community at large. It is a well settled principle of law and philosophy that every individual, in entering society, gives up so much of his natural liberty as is necessary to the well being and happiness of that society, and this principal applies not only to prevent man's commission of crime, but also to his performance of his marriage contract. The same necessity which makes bigamy a crime, demands of him fidelity to his marital vows, and that necessity is the well being of himself and of society. No such contract was ever violated where a serious injury was not inflicted upon the community, and no divorce was ever *improperly* granted, without inflicting a still greater. That many have been improperly granted cannot be denied, even admitting the causes specified in the Code to be good causes. This may have been owing to prejudiced or corrupt testimony, or to an improper view of the case (an error to which Judges, like all others, are liable,) or to a suppression by the applicant of the real merits of the case. The latter is very liable to occur where, as in most cases of applications of this character, the proceedings are *ex parte*, and where but one side of the case is presented. It follows, as a necessary consequence, that as you multiply the causes of divorce, so do you in a two-fold manner increase the liability to an improper setting aside of the marriage contract, for every

cause for which it may be granted gives rise to a new class of applications. There are other objections to the eight cause of divorce as specified in the Code, among which are the following, viz :

First, That it makes the happiness and welfare of *the parties* alone the only subject of consideration, whereas, as has been shown, it involves materially the most precious interests of society.

Secondly, It dispenses with the existence, allegation, or proof of any direct or positive act or acts of wrong. The defendant cannot know what he is called upon defend,—a right not denied to him in all other cases, no matter how unimportant the subject of litigation, or trifling the amount in controversy. This cause of divorce is undefinable, intangible, and cannot be responded to.

Thirdly, It leaves it to the discretion of the judge, or jury, for by an act of the last Legislature a jury may be demanded in all cases) to say what is best for the welfare of the parties, and so leaves it even where no special cause has been alleged or proved, and where the conclusion is to be formed on the opinion of witnesses. There is no limit to the exercise of this discretion, except the welfare of the parties, and what is for the welfare of the parties may be a matter of fancy or conjecture. That which to one judge or jury would seem to call loudly for the exercise of this discretion in granting a divorce, might to another appear barren of any grounds whatever. Thus there would be and could be no uniformity of decision, as to what course of conduct on the part of husband or wife would justify a judge or jury in the conclusion that the parties should be separated. Who that is a husband or wife can tolerate the idea, that the continuance of this relation may depend upon the whimsical or capricious opinion of a gossiping, ignorant, or unfeeling witness? Who would hold such interests by such an uncertain tenure? In legislating upon such important interests, the public good requires, whenever it can be done, that the boundaries of right and wrong should be clearly designated.

In order to prevent persons from emigrating from other States to this State, for the purpose of applying for divorces, the causes for which they are granted should originate in this State. The present law has been construed by the Supreme Court so as to authorize divorces for causes arising out of the State, and gives rise to *ex parte* cases, and consequently to an imperfect administration of justice between the parties, who ought, if either party desires a divorce, to be compelled

to resort to a legal tribunal where the causes of divorce originated, and where the parties are best known.

I would also report as requiring amendment, the law allowing appeals from Justices of the Peace to the District Courts. As the population of the State increases so is the increase of litigation in the District Courts, and these Courts ought not to be burdened with the hearing of all cases appealed from Justices. Sometimes the District Court is occupied a whole day in the trial of a case of appeal, where the amount in controversy is under five dollars. In my opinion it would be advisable to allow appeals, where the judgment appealed from, exclusive of costs, is under fifty dollars, to require the appeal to be taken to the County Court and tried before a jury of six men, giving to the District Court the power to review the case and correct errors upon *certiorari*. This would relieve the District Courts from some of its burdens; it would prevent appeals being taken for delay, as the County Courts sit monthly, whereas, in some of the counties, the District Court sits but once a year, and such a system would give all the benefit now afforded by the present law.

The statute upon the subject of authorizing the District Courts to hold special terms is imperfect in this, that it does not authorize the Judge to hold a special term whenever the business of the Court requires it. Sec. 1569 authorizes the Judge to order, at any regular term, a special term. Sec. 1570 authorizes him to call a special term for the trial of those causes in which both parties consent to a trial. These sections do not go far enough. It not unfrequently occurs that immediately after the adjournment of the Court, a criminal case arises which it is important to all the parties concerned that it should be immediately investigated. It is important to the public that the defendant, if guilty, may be punished; it is important to the accused in order that if innocent, he may be acquitted of the charge, and not be compelled to undergo long imprisonment. It will be seen that, by the present law, if the case arise after the adjournment of the regular term, no special term to try it can be held.

There is a conflict between the 12th section of the bill of rights of the State, and sections 3211 and 3212, chapter 192 of the Code, in reference to the right of a person charged with the commission of a crime to be admitted to bail. By the former, it is provided, that "all persons shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offences, where the proof is positive or the presumption

*great.*" Section 3211 declares that the defendant cannot be admitted to bail where he is *charged* with an offence punishable with death, and section 3212 declares that the defendant may be admitted to bail as a matter of right in cases of misdemeanor, and as a matter of discretion in all other cases. These two sections of the Code, it will be perceived conflict directly with the bill of rights. By the latter the defendant, although *charged* with an offence punishable with death, is entitled to bail unless the proof be positive or the presumption great. By the Code the mere *charging* the defendant with a capital offence deprives him of the right to bail, no matter how slight the proof or weak the presumption, and in *all cases* of crime it leaves it as a matter of discretion with the Justice of the Peace or Judge to say whether the defendant shall be admitted to bail or not. So far as these sections conflict with the bill of rights they should be repealed.

Respectfully submitted.

T. S. WILSON,

Judge Second Judicial District.

*To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa :*

The Trustees of the State University respectfully represent to the General Assembly, that at their annual meeting on the first Monday of January inst., they adopted a resolution calling upon the Secretary of their Board for a specific and detailed account of the lands belonging to the University, remaining unsold; the lands sold and paid for, and the lands bargained but not yet conveyed.

To this resolution they have received a full and satisfactory response.

At the same time they also adopted a resolution, calling upon the Treasurer of State, who is the Treasurer of the University, to report to them the amount of University lands in his hands, the amount loaned, where and to whom loaned, when and at what rate of interest, and the amount of interest received, with the amount in arrears.

The Trustees supposed that as they had the disbursement of the University fund, and had been appointed by the General Assembly for the special purpose of supervising the pecuniary and educational interests of the University, it was their duty, as well as their privilege, to obtain the information desired, not only for their own satisfaction, but for the purpose of embodying it in a report to the Legislature.

The resolution was couched in respectful language.

At the time of its adoption, not a word was uttered distrustful of the character or conduct of the Treasurer.

To that resolution the Treasurer has sent to the Trustees the accompanying reply, which is made a part of this communication, and to which the Trustees direct the attention of the General Assembly.

The Trustees have not a word to say as to the character of the Treasurer's report. It speaks for itself. He is an officer of State, and is legally amenable only to the General Assembly. Your honorable bodies can best determine whether that report is compatible with the dignity and character of the State, or with that of an important State officer.

The General Assembly will observe that there is an indirect charge of fraud and misapplication of money by the Board of Trustees. That charge should be investigated. The Trustees do not shun the fullest

investigation. They court it. They therefore pray that a joint committee of the two Houses may be appointed to investigate all the accounts, vouchers, books, proceedings and affairs of the Board of Trustees and of the Treasurer of State, in relation to the University and University funds, and to report at an early day to the General Assembly; and that they recommend to the General Assembly such amendments to the present laws relating to the University as may be deemed necessary.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

ANSON HART, Secretary.

Iowa City, January 8, 1855.

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STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }  
IOWA CITY, January 3d, 1855. }

HON. JAMES D. EADS,

*President of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa University:*

SIR:—By a resolution of your “*Honorable*” Board, passed on the 1st inst., you call upon the State Treasurer to report the condition of the University fund.

In replying to your contemptible request, permit me to remark that I do not recognize your authority in the premises, you having no more to do with the management of the “*Fund*” than the “*Bey of Algiers*.” But as you seem to be “in pursuit of knowledge under adverse circumstances,” I will enlighten your obtuse minds by informing you that there have been received into the State Treasury at various times \$19,055 27, the major part of which has been loaned out to Dr. M. J. Morsman, and other good citizens of this State, of equal *responsibility, capacity and fidelity*, which has been secured by note and mortgage on real estate, as provided for in the “*Code*.”

There has also been received into the Treasury, at different times, a considerable amount of interest, which is still on hand with the exception of \$577 88, squandered by the “*Board*” without any particular authority of law, or if there is any authority for thus using the interest, I would be gratified to learn the fact.

It is my opinion, on mature reflection, that the *Board* had better appoint a committee of one, (say the appraiser,) to traverse the State,

in a two horse buggy, with a driver employed at \$3 00 per day, and "roast beef," (with a liberal allowance for contingencies,) to inquire into the private affairs of every one whom he may suspect of not being sound on the "*Goose Question*." But of this you are the best judge.

I would advise the "*Trustees*" in a friendly spirit, to petition the Legislature now in session to legalize their *gross blunders*, and also to have the "Code" so amended as to take the funds out of the State Treasury and get them into their own hands.

In that event, some of the members of the Board would be enabled to do business on a larger scale; by this course some men could command more real capital than they now have, or could get on the usual terms, with good security.

My books, papers and funds are open at all times for the inspection of the Governor, the Legislature, or a committee thereof, or to any citizen who wishes to become enlightened.

In conclusion, let me conjure you, for the future to attend to your own legitimate business as a "*Board of Trustees*." In this way you will convince your creator (the Legislature) that the "*San Hedrim*" is made up of "*some punkins*."

Yours truly,

(Signed) MARTIN L. MORRIS, State Treasurer.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Iowa City, January 17th, 1855. }

*To the Honorable, the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

In compliance with the requirements of Section 11, Chapter 28, of the laws of the last session of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, I have the honor to submit the following report of the several items of expenditure paid out of the contingent fund of this office for the fiscal years of 1853-'54, to-wit:

Expenses for distributing the Code for use of County Officers, Justices, &c.; Chapter 76, Acts 1852-3,	\$150 00
Expense of distributing Code to new counties,	150 00
"                    "          Green's reports and laws of United States,	25 00

Paid for Postage and Postage Stamps,	\$150 00
Paid for Clerk hire,	500 00
Sundries,	25 00
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	\$1000 00
Amount of contingent fund appropriated for the years 1852-3,	600 00
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	\$ 400 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. McCLEARY,

Secretary of State.

OFFICE OF THE STATE LIBRARIAN,  
Iowa City, Jan. 17th, 1855. }

*To the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

In accordance with Section 453, of the Code, I herewith submit the following report respecting the State Library:

The only property missing from the Library is a small number of books, taken out and receipted for, as the Code provides. I have endeavored to collect the books which are out, but as yet have not entirely succeeded. I would suggest an amendment to Sec. 451, of the Code, so amending as to forbid the removal of books from the Library. It is difficult to employ compulsory measures successfully in the management of a Library. I, therefore, think it advisable to prohibit the removal of books, except in such cases as the Librarian may approve.

The last Legislature made an appropriation of \$500, to increase the Law Library, which was expended in the purchase of such law books as, in the opinion of legal gentlemen, were most needed. I can, however, say that \$500, purchased a small number of the law books usually found in State Libraries.

There are in the Library, reports from many of the States, but there are few full sets among them. This has thus arisen: it was not until the year 1850, or thereabouts, that this State began to exchange re-



ports with the other States, and on this account, the reports received from the States are of recent date. I would therefore suggest that an appropriation be made for the purpose of supplying the volumes necessary to the filling out of the deficient sets, at least of the reports of those States which are regarded as most important.

There have been many valuable contributions to the Library within the last two years. Among them are—“Natural History of New York,” “Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge,” “United States Exploring Expedition,” and others, which I need not name. These books are not only an ornament, but a credit to the Library.

I have purchased, for the use of the Library, Colton's Map of the United States, also, Colton's Map of Europe, out of funds received from the sale of Green's Reports. Of these Reports I have sold, up to this time, eight volumes, for which I received \$40.

The expenses of the Library the present session have been \$30.

In connection with this report, I submit the bill of law books purchased with the appropriation made two years ago :

6	U. S. Condensed Reports,	@ \$5 50	\$33 00
16	Peters' U. S. Con. “	@ 5 00	80 00
4	Denio N. Y. “	@ 5 00	20 00
14	Ohio “	@ 5 00	70 00
1	Vol, Wilcox Digest,		5 00
7	Hill's N. Y. Reports	@ 5 00	35 00
7	Barbour's S. C. “	@ 5 00	35 00
3	“ Ch. “	@ 5 50	16 50
5	Philip's Evidence, “	@ 5 00	25 00
3	Comstock's “	@ 4 00	12 00
1	Select equity cases,		5 50
3	Exchequer Reports,	@ 4 00	12 00
14	Howard “	@ 5 50	77 00
4	McLean “	@ 5 00	20 00
3	Story “	@ 5 00	15 00
1	Greenleaf overruled cases,		4 50
2	Story equity jurisprudence,		10 00
1	Story equity pleadings,		5 00
3	Vols. Greenleaf's evidence,		5 00
2	Vols. White's leading cases in equity,		10 00
2	Vols. American leading cases,		10 00
3	Stephen's Nisi Prius,		10 00
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	Discount on the above,		20 50
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			\$500 00

In concluding this Report, I would further add, that I hope the present Legislature will not fail to make an appropriation for Miscellaneous as well as Law Books, as it is well known the Library is very deficient in this department.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARTIN L. MORRIS, State Librarian.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 20, A. D. 1855. }

This will certify that at an election by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Saturday, the 20th day of January, A. D. 1855, Francis A. Barker was duly elected Warden of the Penitentiary of the State of Iowa.

MATURIN L. FISHER,  
President of the Senate.

REUBEN NOBLE,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Attest :*

A. SAUNDERS, Teller on the part of the Senate.

S. P. YEOMANS, Teller on the part of the House.

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 20, A. D. 1855. }

This will certify that at an election by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, in Joint Convention, on Saturday, the 20th day of January, A. D. 1855, Peter Moriarty was duly elected State Printer of the State of Iowa.

MATURIN L. FISHER,  
President of the Senate.

REUBEN NOBLE,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Attest :*

A. SAUNDERS, Teller on the part of the Senate.

S. P. YEOMANS, Teller on the part of the Senate.

## JOINT RULES.

1. In every case of an amendment of a bill, agreed to in one House and dissented from in the other, if either House shall request a conference, and appoint a committee for that purpose, and the other House shall also appoint a committee to confer, such committee shall, at a convenient hour, to be agreed on by their chairman, meet and state to each other, verbally or in writing as either shall choose, the reasons of their respective Houses for and against the amendments, and confer freely thereon.

2. When a message shall be sent from the Senate to the House of Representatives, it shall be announced at the door of the House by the door-keeper, and shall be respectfully communicated to the Chair by the person with whom it may be sent.

3. The same ceremony shall be observed when a message shall be sent from the House of Representatives to the Senate.

4. All messages from one House to the other, shall be sent by the Secretary of the Senate, Clerk of the House, or their respective assistants.

5. After a bill shall have passed both Houses, it shall be duly enrolled by the Secretary or Clerk of the House in which it originated, before it shall be presented to the Governor.

6. When the bills are enrolled, they shall be examined by a joint committee of two from the Senate and two from the House of Representatives, appointed as a standing committee for that purpose, who shall carefully compare the enrollment, with the engrossed bills, as passed in the two Houses, and correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled bills, make their report forthwith to the House in which the bill originated.

7. After examination and report, each bill shall be signed in the respective Houses, first by the Speaker, of the House, then by the President of the Senate.

8. After a bill shall have been thus signed in each House, it shall be presented by said committee to the Governor, for his approbation, it being first endorsed on the back of the roll, certifying in which House the same originated, which endorsement shall be signed by the Secre-

tary of the House in which the same did originate, and shall be entered on the journal of each House; the said committee shall report the day of presentation to the Governor, which shall also be entered on the journal of each House.

9. All orders, resolutions and votes which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall also, in the same manner, be previously enrolled, examined and signed, and shall be presented in the same manner, and by the same committee, as provided in cases of bills.

10. When a bill or resolution which shall have been passed in one House, is rejected in the other, notice thereof is to be given to the House in which the same may have passed.

11. When a bill or resolution which has been passed in one House, is rejected in the other, it shall not be brought in during the same session, without notice of five days, and leave of two-thirds of the House in which it shall be renewed.

12. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution may be founded.

13. After each House shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or resolution is lost.

14. When bills which may have passed one House, are ordered to be printed in the other, a greater number of copies shall not be printed than may be necessary for the use of the House making the order.

15. All messages, reports, or other documents presented to either House, for general information, and ordered to be printed by such House, shall, when printed be for the use of both Houses.

16. It shall be the duty of the Chief Clerk of the House, or the Secretary of the Senate, when any such document is ordered to be printed in their respective Houses, forthwith to communicate such order to the other, so that the same order may not be made in both Houses.

17. In all elections in joint convention or both branches of the General Assembly, the names of the members of both branches shall be arranged together in alphabetical order, and be called upon to vote in the order in which they shall stand arranged.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO EXAMINE  
THE BOOKS, ETC., OF THE COMMISSIONER AND REG-  
ISTER OF THE DES MOINE RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

*To His Excellency, JAMES W. GRIMES, Governor of the State of Iowa.*

The undersigned, appointed by a joint resolution of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Iowa—approved January 22d, 1853—a committee to examine the books, papers and accounts, pertaining to, and belonging to the Commissioner and Register of the Des Moines River Improvement, and to report to the Governor the number of acres of land granted for said Improvement, as shown by the books pertaining to said Officers; the number of acres sold, the amount per acre, the whole amount received, and by whom the same has been paid; to whom paid, and for what services paid; and also to ascertain the amount of money due the State from Paul Brattain, former Treasurer of the Board of Public Works, and to certify such amount to the Register; and to ascertain, and report to the Governor, the amount and present value of any lands formerly belonging to said grant, which are now owned by any of the present or past officers of said Des Moines River Improvement,

REPORT,

That they met as directed by said Resolution, at Ottumwa, in Wapello county, on the first Monday in April, 1853, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

With regard to “the number of acres granted for said Improvement,” we submit: that the Act of Congress, approved March 8th, 1846, entitled, “An Act, granting certain lands to the Territory of Iowa, to aid in the improvement of the navigation of the Des Moines River, in said Territory,” conveyed to the Territory for the purpose above mentioned, the alternate sections of land in a strip five miles wide on each side of said Des Moines River, from its mouth to its source.

The amount of land embraced in this grant has never yet been ascertained. Much of it is yet unsurveyed, and only a portion, as yet, of that which has been surveyed, has been reported to the Register's

Office. We are therefore unable to report the number of acres granted for said Improvement. The amount has been variously estimated at from one million to one and a half million acres. From the best information we have been able to obtain, we think it may safely be estimated at thirteen hundred thousand acres.

We find there have been sold of these lands, in all 253,472 43-100 acres.

Of the above number of acres, 252,472 43-100 acres have been sold at one dollar twenty-five cents per acre, making the sum of	\$315,590 55
Eight hundred and eighty acres at two dollars per acre,	1,760 00
Eighty acres at three dollars per acre,	240 00
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Making the whole amount received for lands sold,	\$317,642 55
Of this amount Paul Brattain, former Treasurer of the Board of Public Works, received	\$112,178 36
George Gillaspie, Register,	196,149 34
Paul C. Jeffery, " "	9,314 83

By a very careful, and somewhat protracted and tedious examination of records, vouchers, and witnesses, we find that Paul Brattain has paid the following named sums of money out of the amount so received by him, and for the purposes, and services, and to the persons mentioned, that is to say,

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No. 1. Issued March 8th, in favor of John Kenedy, for services as Steward of Engineer Corps, from Dec. 11th, 1847, to Feb, 4, 1848—2½ months, at \$20,	\$ 50 00
No. 2. Issued March 8th, in favor of John Kenedy, being the amount of his contingent expenses as Steward of Engineer Corps, as per account in small book and bills,	446 41
No. 3. Issued March 19th, in favor of John Lee, in full payment of one months services as Chaiuman,	20 00
No. 4. Issued March 30, in favor of S. R. Curtis, in part payment for services as Chief Engineer,	850 00
No. 5. Issued April 3d, in favor of John Kenedy, in full payment for his services as Steward of Engineer Corps from March 14th to April 30th, 1854,	10 66

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No. 6. Issued April 3d, in favor of John Kenedy, in full payment of his account as Steward for provisions, hands, &c.,	\$57 73
No. 7. Issued April 3d, in favor of John E. Shores, in full payment of services for self and team, from Dec. 27th, 1847, to this date, with Engineer's Corps, and expenses,	103 50
No. 8. Issued April 3d, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in full payment for three months services as Rodman and Chainman in Engineer's Corps,	90 00
No. 9. Issued April 4th, in favor of John Shores, in full payment for services as Chainman in Engineer's Corps, from Feb. 3d to March 28th, 1848, (less time lost)	20 33
No. 10. Issued April 15th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in part payment of services as Second Assistant Engineer,	200 00
No. 11. Issued May 22nd, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, for cash advanced by him for expenses of Engineer's Corps from April 5th to date, as per account rendered,	38 60
No. 12. Issued May 22d, in favor of Samuel Jacobs in part payment of services as Second Assistant Engineer,	50 00
No. 13. Issued May 25th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment for services as First Assistant Engineer,	85 00
No. 14. Issued May 28th, in favor of John Kenedy, in full payment for services from May 1st to June 1st, in Engineer's Corps,	20 00
No. 15. Issued May 28th, in favor of W. Albert Patterson, in full payment of his services in Engineers Corps, from May 4th to this date,	16 00
No. 16. Issued June 1st, in favor of Simon Dupry, in full payment for 8500 feet of pine timber,	425 00
No. 17. Issued June 3d, in favor of M. M. Hayden, in full payment for his services as assistant Engineer, from December 13th, 1847,	154 00
No. 18. Issued June 4th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for damages and lands for the use of State at the lower termination of the Canal, as per agreement,	1,500 00
No. 19. Issued June 24th, in favor of G. B. Wells, in full payment for twenty days services on Survey of Canal as Axeman,	15 00

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No. 20. Issued June 27th, in favor of C. H. Guiger, in full payment of boarding Engineer Corps up to this date from last settlement,	\$98 00
No. 21. Issued July 18th, in favor of Cassidy & Bell, in part payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate of July 18, 1848,	303 04
No. 22. Issued July 20th, in favor of C. H. Guyger, in full payment for boarding Engineer Corps from last settlement to this date,	37 90
No. 24. Issued July 20th, in favor of F. M. Wise, in full payment for towing raft of pine timber from Keokuk to Lock No. one,	10 00
No. 23. Issued July 20th, in favor of T. C. Toop, in part payment on rent of office at Keokuk, as per agreement,	42 00
No. 25. Issued July 20th, in favor of Moses Bole, in full payment for wharfage on raft of pine timber at Keokuk,	2 50
No. 26. Issued July 20th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment of services as first assistant engineer,	515 00
No. 27. Issued July 21st, in favor of J. T. Cane, in full payment for horse keeping, shoeing, and livery for Engineer Corps, and Board of Public Works,	26 25
No. 28. Issued Aug. 5th, in favor of S. R. Curtis, in payment of service as Chief Engineer,	800 00
No. 29. Issued Aug. 5th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment of services as Assistant Engineer,	100 00
No. 30. Issued Aug. 5th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as Assistant Engineer,	20 00
No. 31. Issued Aug. 10th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in full payment for one sorrel Horse for use of Engineer Corps,	60 00
No. 32. Issued Aug. 10th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in part payment for services as Rodman in Engineer Corps,	40 00
No. 33. Issued Aug. 16th, in favor of H. HOFFLEMAN, in full payment for a certain piece of land for use of State adjoining Dam at Plymouth,	50 00
No. 34. Issued Aug. 20th, in favor of S. H. Curts, in part payment on contract No. 3 as per estimate,	75 00
No. 35. Issued Aug. 24th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in full payment of one large Engineers Level for use of State,	135 00



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No. 36. Issued Aug. 24th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for Surveyor's Compass, Chain and Tripod, for the use of the State,	\$45 00
No. 37. Issued Aug. 24th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,	600 00
No. 38. Issued Aug. 25th, in favor of Cassiday & Bell, in part payment on section No. 10 as per estimate,	221 13
No. 39. Issued Aug. 25th, in favor of O. H. Corts, in part payment on section No. 3 as per estimate,	185 30
No. 40. Issued Aug. 26th, in favor of Barney McQuellin, in part payment on section No. 6 as per estimate,	50 00
No. 41. Issued Sept. 8th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in full payment for his services as 2d Assistant Engineer up to June 1st,	90 00
No. 42. Issued Sept. 15th, in favor of Richard Cane, in full payment for 68 barrels of Hydraulic Cement, delivered dam and lock at Tooms Mill,	136 00
No. 43. Issued Sept. 15th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for amount paid by him for boarding up to August 25th,	23 64
No. 44. Issued Sept. 15th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in full payment for amount paid for his boarding from 27th June to this date,	33 00
No. 46. Issued Sept. 15th, in favor of Jno. O. Statts, in full payment for Horse and Hack hire by Engineer Corps at different times up to this date,	4 50
No. 45. Issued Sept. 15th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in part payment for his services as principal Engineer as per contract,	657 65
No. 47. Issued Sept. 16th, in favour of Brigham & Maygee, in full payment on contract No. 8 as per estimate of Aug. 24th, 1848,	851 21
No. 48. Issued Sept. 16th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8 as per estimate,	248 79
No. 49. Issued Sept. 16th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on contract No. 4 as per estimate of this date,	910 15
No. 50. Issued Sept. 18th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for his services as second assistant engineer,	20 00

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No. 52. Issued Sept. 21st in favor of E. Rand, in full payment for bill of Engineer's keeping horses, &c., up to this date,	\$11 67
No. 51. Issued Sept 18th in favor of Quinn Carughu & Co., in full payment of contract, and Dam No. 2 and Lock No. 3 at Smith Mill, as per estimate,	340 00
No. 53. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Wm. McFadden, in full payment for boarding engineers, &c., up to this date,	27 00
No. 54. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate up to this date,	797 44
No. 55. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate up to this date,	260 96
No. 56. Issued Sept. 28th, in favor of I. L. Cave, in full payment for horse keeping, horse and buggy hire up to this date by engineers corps,	32 10
No. 57. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of S. H. Curts, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate of this date,	175 00
No. 58. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Daniel Hine, in full payment for use and damages done cables loaned the State of Iowa on Des Moines Improvement,	5 00
No. 59. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No. 9, as per estimate of this date,	636 68
No. 60. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of I. L. Curts, in full payment for candles for use of office,	1 50
No. 61. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Brigham Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate of this date,	891 01
No. 62. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Brigham Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, advanced on next estimate,	250 00
No. 63. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of B. McQuillin, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate of this date,	340 90
No. 64. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of T. C. Loof, in full payment for rent of office, for engineers, &c., up to the end of third quarter, ending Jan. 17th, 1847,	67 50
No. 65. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Richard Morris, in part payment for building culvert on section 3, as per estimate of this date,	54 80

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No. 66. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Beebe & Hillhouse, in full payment for box stove and pipe for engineer's office,	\$11 00
No. 67. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment of services as first assistant engineer,	120 00
No. 68. Issued Sept. 27th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as second assistant engineer,	60 00
No. 69. Issued Oct. 9th, in favor of Henry Ware, in full payment for one engineer's level and tripod,	120 00
No. 70. Issued Oct. 24th, in favor of Henry McCarty, in part payment for deeds of patent of this date, for opening, closing and suspending lock gates on Des Moines River,	500 00
No. 71. Issued Oct. 24th, in favor of Henry McCarty, for balance of payment for deeds of patent, for opening, closing and suspending lock gates on Des Moines River Improvement,	500 00
No. 72. Issued Oct. 24th, in favor of David Reed, in full payment for Thodolite, warranted to be a correct instrument,	100 00
No. 73. Issued Oct. 25th, in favor of Coleman Hailman & Co., for bill of Iron and six kegs of spikes, of this date as per bill rendered,	125 52
No. 74. Issued Nov. 2d, in favor of John Haggerty, in full payment for bill of chain cables, patent blocks, anchor, &c., for Des Moines River Improvement, as per bill of this date rendered,	160 56
No. 75. Issued Nov. 3d, in favor of D. A. Powell, in part payment for bill of castings, &c., for pile driving and snag boat, as per bill of this date rendered,	117 58
No. 76. Issued Nov. 3d, in favor of D. A. Powel, balance in full payment for bill of castings, &c., up to this date for pile and snag boats as rendered, (This draft was paid by Col. Patterson and charged to L. Lyon.)	200 00
No. 77. Issued Nov. 8th, in favor of E. R. Mills, in full payment for freight bill on Steamer Connecticut, from Cincinnati to St. Louis,	75 55
No. 78. Issued Nov. 11th, in favor of Brigham & Maggee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate of this date,	3527 98

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No. 79. Issued Nov. 11th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate of this date,	\$100 00
No. 80. Issued Nov. 11th, in favor of B. McQuillen, in part payment on contract No. as per estimate of this date,	594 34
No. 81. Issued Nov. 23d, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as assistant engineer,	50 00
No. 82. Issued, Nov. 23d, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in payment on account of boarding,	12 00
No. 83. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate of Nov. 10th, 1848,	697 10
No. 84. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate next made,	203 90
No. 85. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on contract Nov. 10, as per estimate of Nov. 10, 1848,	1,170 76
No. 86. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate.	200 00
No. 87. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co. in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate of Nov. 10, 1848,	464 16
No. 87. Nov. 28th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate of Sept. 27, 1848,	240 00
No. 88. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No. 9, as per estimate of Nov. 10, 1848,	1,045 89
No. 89. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of Walker, Campbell, & Co., in payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate,	400 00
No. 90. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of T. Lyon, in payment on contract,	527 50
No. 91. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of B. S. Beck, in full payment for expenses incurred and paid by me as Asst Engineer, and boarding from Oct. 1st, to Dec. 1st. 1848,	26 60
No. 92. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of T. Lyon, in payment on contract No. 1, as per estimate,	240 00
No. 93. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of J. L. Cave, in full payment for keeping and use of horses and livery from Sept. 27th, to this date for Engineers corps, etc.,	27 90

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No. 94. Issued Nov. 30, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate of Sept. 27,	255 00
No. 95. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate, Nov. 10, 1848,	640 00
No. 96. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Stewart & Walker, in payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate,	200 00
No. 97. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No. 9, for next estimate,	200 00
No. 98. No draft issued.	
No. 99. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on contract No. 13, as per estimate of Sept. 27, 1848,	93 50
No. 100. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on contract No. 13, as per estimate of Nov. 10, 1848,	332 00
No. 101. Issued Nov. 30th, in favor of Wm. McFadden, in full payment for boarding self and Engineers since last settlement,	16 00
No. 102. Issued Dec. 30th, in favor of Thomas Mitchell, in full payment for bringing Engineer corps from Polk county, to Fairfield, through the snow, with extra team,	26 00
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No. 103. Issued Dec. 30th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as Asst. Engineer,	190 95
No. 104. Issued Jan. 2d, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in part payment for services as principal Engineer,	350 00
No. 105. Issued Jan. 2d, in favor of Guy Wells in part payment for services as 1st Asst. Engineer,	100 00
No. 106. Issued Jan. 2nd, in favor of Richard Morris, in part payment on contract for culvert in Sec. No. 3, as per estimate of Nov. 18, 1848,	197 00
No. 107. Issued Jan. 2d, in favor of S. H. Curts, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate of Nov. 18, 1848,	314 50
No. 108. Issued Jan. 5th, in favor of John Kenedy, in full payment as rodman on survey from Ottumwa to forks,	39 00

No. 109. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of J. Burnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, at per estimate of this date,	622 80
No. 110. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate of this date,	3,675 56
No. 111. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of Barney McQuillin, in part payment on contract No. 7, as per estimate of this date,	996 94
No. 112. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of S. H. Curts, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate of this date,	143 49
No. 113. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of S. S. Loop, in full payment for rent of office up to the 17th of April, 1849,	22 50
No. 114. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate of this date,	242 25
No. 115. Issued Feb. 4th, in favor of Stewart & Walker, in part payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate of Jan. 18th, less \$403 90, Drafts No. 84 and 96,	1,615 34
No. 116. Issued Feb. 4th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on contract No. 1, as per estimate of Jan. 18th, 1849,	1,883 35
No. 117. Issued Feb. 5th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate of Jan. 18th,	704 00
No. 118. Issued Feb. 6th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate of June 18th, and in full of the same, less \$400, being the amount of Draft No. 89,	1681 04
No. 119. Issued Feb. 6th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment for services as 1st Assistant Engineer,	200 00
No. 120. Issued Feb. 6th, in favor of I. S. Beck, in part pay- ment for services,	20 00
No. 121. Issued Feb. 6th, in favor of Richard Morris, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate of Jan. 18,	147 05
No. 122. Issued Feb. 13th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, for services as 2d Assistant Engineer,	136 00
No. 123. Issued Feb. 25th, in favor of Connable & Cun- ningham, in part payment, on contract No. 9, as per esti- mate of Jan. 18th, less draft No. 97, \$200,	753 99

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No. 124. Issued Feb 25th, in favor of J. S. Beck, in part payment for services as Assistant Engineer, as rodman,	50 00
No. 125. Issued March 17th, in favor of Wm. Cassiday, in part payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate of Jan. 18th, less draft No. 86, \$200,	449 30
No. 126. Issued April 5th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate at this date,	517 14
No. 127. Issued April 5th, in favor of I. Z. Burnett & Co., in part payment on contract Dam No. one, and Lock at St. Francisville, as per estimate at this date,	1,128 24
No. 128. There is no draft issued of this number.	
No. 129. Issued April 23d, in favor of Chittenden & McGavic, in full payment of bill of iron, freights, storage, &c., as per account of this date rendered,	299 65
No. 130. Issued April 23d, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate of April 5, 1849,	1,153 35
No. 131. Issued April 23d, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in payment on contract No 14, as per estimate,	200 00
No. 132. Issued April 24th, in favor of Joseph Price, in full payment of freight bill, paid to Kate Kearney, and storage on lot cast iron machinery, and sundries for piling boat, &c.,	30 00
No. 133. Issued April 25th, in favor of I. L. Curtis, in full payment of bill of candles, wood &c; for use of Engineer's office, as per account,	7 55
No. 134. Issued April 26th, in favor of J. S. Cane, in full payment for livery bill and use of horses and buggies for Engineer's corps,	27 50
No. 135. Issued April 27th, in favor of P. H. Blake, in part payment on contract No. 5, as per estimate up to this date,	544 57
No. 136. Issued April 27th, in favor of P. H. Blake, in payment on contract No. 5,	400 00
No. 137. Issued April 27th, in favor of T. Lyon in part payment on Sections Nos. 1 and 2, as per estimate of this month,	2,554 67
No. 138. Issued April 28th, in favor of B. McQuillin, in part payment on section No. 6, as per estimate of this month,	331 31
No. 139. Issued April 28th, in favor of B. McQuillin, in part payment on Section No. 6, advanced on same,	165 68

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No. 140. Issued April 29th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on section No. 8, and lock No. 2, as per estimate,	2,507 50
No. 141. Issued May 1st, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on section No. 13, being an advance on same, as per estimate to be made,	97 90
No. 142. Issued May 7th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in part payment for services as Chief Engineer,	120 00
No. 143. Issued May 16th, in favor of E. G. Rand, in full payment for keeping crippled and engineers' horses; also themselves at Fairfield at various times since last settlement,	44 86
No. 144. Issued May 16th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in part payment as principal Engineer,	200 00
No. 145. Issued May 19th, in favor of N. Baldwin, in full payment for one saddle and bridle for use of engineers' corps,	15 00
No. 146. Issued May 25th, in favor J. S. Beck, in full payment for contingent expenses and board from Jan. 25 to June 1st, 1849, as rodman in Engineers' corps,	78 67
No. 148. Issued May 27th, in favor of John Shores, in full payment for 12 days use of horses by engineers taking estimates,	9 00
No. 147. Issued May 27th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in part payment for services as rodman in engineers' corps on public works,	100 00
No. 149. Issued June 5th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on section No. 11, as per estimate of June 1st,	1,000 00
No. 150. Issued June 5th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on section No. 1, as per estimate in part now making for the month,	301 83
No. 151. Issued June 5th, in favor of J. Z. Barnett, in part payment on section No. 12, as per estimate of date,	1,621 54
No. 152. Issued June 5th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on section No. 14, as per estimate of this date, less draft No. 131, for \$200,	1,042 20
No. 153. Issued June 5th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on section No. 14, being an advance on same,	200 00



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No. 154. Issued June 6th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate of June 5th, 1849,	\$1,152 65
No. 155. Issued June 6th, in favor of William Cassiday, in full payment for hauling gearing, piling hammer, and rigging piling boat, which were hauled by me from Keokuk to section 10,	16 00
No. 156. Issued June 6th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on section No. 8, as per estimate of this date in full,	1,000 00
No. 157. Issued June 7th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on section No. 8, as per estimate of this date—less drafts No. 140 and 156,	1,229 88
No. 158. Issued June —, in favor of Coleman, Hailman & Co., in full payment for 47 kegs wrought spikes, per order shipped on board steamboat Tagliona and burnt at St. Louis,	350 00
No. 159. Issued June 22d, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on section No. 7, as per estimate, of this date,	526 40
No. 160. Issued June 22d, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on section No. 9, as per estimate,	2,063 00
No. 161. Issued July 5th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on section No. 9; advanced on next estimate,	400 00
No. 162. Issued July 23d, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment for services as First Assistant Engineer,	250 00
No. 163. Issued July 23th, in favor of Walker, Campbell, & Co., in part payment on contract for Dam No. 3, and Lock No. 4; advance on our next estimate,	1,000 00
No. 164. Issued July 25th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate June 18th, 1849,	620 43
No. 165. Issued July 28th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on contract No. 1, as per estimate of June 18th, 1849,	300 00
No. 166. Issued July 27th, in favor of Quinn & Caragher, in part payment on contract No. 13, as per estimate of April 5th,	241 75

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No. 167. Issued July 29th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on contract No. 13, as per estimate,	\$847 86
No. 168. Issued July 30th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on contract No. 10, advanced on next estimate,	150 00
No. 169. Issued July 30th, in favor of J. Barnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, being an advance on next estimate,	100 00
No. 170. Issued August 8th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in part payment for services as Chief Engineer,	550 00
No. 171. Issued August 13th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in part payment on section No. 3, as per estimate of Aug. 6th, 1849,	370 81
No. 172. Issued Aug. 13th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in part payment on section No. 3, advanced on next estimate,	50 00
No. 173. Issued Aug. 13th, in favor of J. P. Stotts, in full payment for pair horses and wagon, for Col. Curtis & Co., on line of Improvement,	18 00
No. 174. Issued Aug. 13th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on section No. 13, as per estimate of August, 1849,	795 65
No. 175. Issued August 14th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on sections Nos. 1 and 2, as per estimate of August 6th, 1849,	834 48
No. 176. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on section No. 1 and 2. Balance of estimate of June 18th, 1849, less drafts 150 and 165,	1,036 30
No. 177. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of C. S. Moore, in full payment for smithing done for corps of Engineers,	2 75
No. 178. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on section No. 14, as per estimate of Aug. 6th, 1849,	818 35
No. 179. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Walker, Campbell & Co., in part payment on work done by them for State below low water mark, at the Dam and Lock, at Thom's Mill,	100 00
No. 180. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on section No. 11, as per estimate of August 6th, 1849,	1,089 74

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No. 181. Issued August 14th, in favor of J. Z. Barnett and Co., in part payment on section No. 12, as per estimate of August 6th, 1849, less draft No. 169, for \$100,	\$960 93
No. 182. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of J. Z. Barnett and Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, advanced on same, and advanced on work done for State, under water,	400 00
No. 183. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on section No. 9, as per estimate of Aug. 6th, 1849,	288 96
No. 184. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on section No. 9, as per estimate of Aug. 6, 1849, less draft 161, advanced on this estimate,	181 73
No. 185. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of B. McQuillin, in part payment on section No. 6, as per estimate of Aug. 6, 1849,	715 08
No. 186. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of B. McQuillin, in part payment on section No. 6, an additional advance on same,	100 00
No. 187. Issued Aug. 14th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on sections Nos. 7 and 9, being advanced on next estimate,	800 00
No. 188. Issued Aug. 15th, in favor of P. H. Blake, in part payment on section No. 5, in part of estimate of Aug. 6th,	150 00
No. 189. Issued Aug. 15th, in favor of Richard Morris, in part payment on culvert No. 1, advanced to purchase lime,	50 00
No. 190. Issued Aug. 16th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on section No. 4, as per estimate of June 18th, 1849,	541 37
No. 191. Issued Aug. 16th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on section No. 4, as per estimate of Aug. 6th, 1849,	575 54
No. 192. Issued Aug. 16th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as assistant engineer,	450 00
No. 193. Issued Aug. 17th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in full payment for contingent expenses and boarding paid by me as rodman in engineer's corps, from June 1st to Sept. 1st, 1849,	44 75
No. 194. Issued Aug. 17th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in full payment for services as rodman on River Improvement, from Aug. 1st, 1848, to Sept. 1st, 1849,	470 00

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No. 195. Issued Aug. 17th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on section 8 and lock No. 2, as per estimate of Aug. 6, 1849,	\$1,988 39
No. 196. Issued Aug. 17th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, advanced on section No. 8 and lock No. 2,	2,500 00
No. 197. Issued Aug. 17th, in favor of B. McQuillin, advanced on contract section No. 6, to be deducted from next estimate,	100 00
No. 198. Issued Aug. 18th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on section No. 10, as per estimate of Aug. 6, 1849,	901 46
No. 199. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of I. T. Cave, in full payment for use and keeping horses, &c., up to this date,	35 00
No. 200. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of T. Lyon & Co., advanced on sections Nos. 1 and 2, to be deducted from next estimate,	500 00
No. 201. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in full payment of boarding and contingent expenses incurred on line of Improvement from May 29th to date,	50 25
No. 202. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of Guy Wells, in full for boarding and contingent expenses incurred by him on line of Improvement from May 7th to Sept. 1st, 1849,	95 15
No. 203. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of Guy Wells, in full for services as first assistant engineer, up to this date as per bill rendered,	700 00
No. 204. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of C. Garber, for one brown horse for use of pile boat,	45 00
No. 205. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of G. H. Guyger, in full payment for boarding members of engineers' corps and those connected with Improvement transiently from last settlement to this date,	53 00
No. 266. Issued Sept. 20th, in favor of W. A. Patterson, for services as rodman on Improvement,	80 00
No. 207. Issued Aug. 27th, in favor of J. B. Knight, in part payment for services in corps of engineers,	30 00
Total amount,	\$85,578 57

The first Board of Public Works of the Des Moines Improvement were elected August 2nd, 1847, and commissioned on the seventh of September following.

At the first meeting, held on the 22nd of September, 1847, the following resolutions were adopted :

2nd Resolution. That the President be authorized to proceed to St. Louis for the purchase of books and stationery for the use of the Board, and that he be authorized to draw on the Treasurer for the amount, as also a safe for the Treasurer, and necessary furniture for office.

8th Resolution. Whereas it is thought necessary by the Board to profit as much as possible by the experience of other States which have constructed works of slackwater navigation, it is therefore ordered that the President be authorized to visit such improvements in other States as he may deem advisable, to obtain the most improved plans and specifications of locks, dams, &c., and procure such other information as he may deem best calculated to promote the interest of the State, in constructing the contemplated improvement of the Des Moines River. And the President is further authorized to employ a Chief Engineer, to purchase instruments necessary to the construction of the work, and to draw upon the Treasurer for the expenses thereby incurred.

*Bills allowed on second meeting of the Board, November 1st, 1847.*

No. 1. Oct. 22, 1847, Shepherd & Ober, for publishing advertisement, fourteen squares, three weeks,	\$28 00
No. 2. Oct. 26, 1847, B. Goodrich, Fairfield, for stove pipe for use of office,	2 50
No. 3. Oct. 28, 1847, Henry Heffleman, for 20 bushels coal at 9 cents,	1 80
No. 4. Nov. 1, 1847, C. S. Shaffer & Co., Fairfield, for one Franklin stove and pipe,	14 00
No. 5. Oct. 2, 1847. Amount paid A. R. Sparks, for 200 hand bills,	4 00
Advertising pre-emptions on lands appropriated by Act of Congress, etc., 8 squares, 4 weeks,	17 00

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Advertising plats received, 3 squares, 4 weeks,	6 38
Oct. 9. Seven quires blank affidavits, at \$1.50 per quire,	10 50
Oct. 18. Fourteen quires receipts, at \$1.50 per quire,	21 00
Oct. 18. Ten and a half quires certificates, at \$1.50 per quire,	15 75
Oct. 23. Four and a half quires affidavits, at \$1.50 per quire,	6 75
Oct. 30. One hundred handbills for pre-emption in Eastern Townships,	4 00
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	\$85 38
No. 6. Oct. 30. Amount paid Charles Corkery for washing office and removing furniture from office in Masonic Lodge,	1 25
Water bucket, dipper, broom, etc.,	1 25
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	\$2 50
No. 7. Sept. 28. Fairfield Post Office, postage of letter to Ex-Gov. Clarke,	.05
Oct. 1. Postage of letter from same,	.05
“ 6. “ to Jesse Williams,	.05
“ 6. “ to J. H. Bonney, Keosauqua,	.05
“ 6. “ to H. W. Sample, Cincinnati, Ohio,	.10
“ 6. “ to “ “ Washington, Pa.,	.10
“ 6. “ to Chief Clerk Surveyor General Office, Dubuque,	.05
“ 13. “ from Jesse Williams,	.05
“ 20. “ from H. W. Sample, Louisville, Ky.,	.10
“ 20. “ to Chief Clerk Surveyor General Office, Dubuque,	.05
“ 26. “ J. H. Bonney, Keosauqua,	.05
“ 29. “ H. W. Sample, St. Louis,	.05
“ 29. “ Hon. A. C. Dodge,	.05—\$0.80

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No. 8. Sept. To H. W. Sample for cash advanced to pay bills of A. Fisher & Co., of St. Louis, for Stationery, Books, Paper, etc., for Office of the Board.	
1 Ream ruled cap paper,	\$5.00
1 “ plain “ “	3.00

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½	Ream ruled white letter, sup. ex.,	\$5.00,	2.50
½	“ ruled blue “ “	“	2.50
½	“ plain folio post, white,	7.00,	3.50
4	Quires ruled folio post,	.62,	2.50
2	Doz. black sand,	.50,	1.00
3	Boxwood sand boxes,	.37,	1.13
3	Rulers, one at 75 cts., two at 50 cents,		1.75
1	Bankers note case,		1.50
3	Bill filers, one at 37 cts., two at 25 cts.,		.87
2	Letter clippers,	.50,	1.00
3	Iron ink stands with racks,	1.00,	3.00
2	Tin wafer boxes,	.25,	50
1	Lb. wafers, assorted colors,		1.00
½	Lb. pounce,	2.00,	1.00
1	Lb. government wax,		1.50
1	Eraser,		.50
3	Bone folders,	.25,	.75
2	Doz. red tape,	.50,	1.00
1	Ball linen twine,		.25
½	Ream envelope paper,	4.00,	2.00
200	Letter envelopes,	.50,	1.00
100	Legal envelopes,		1.00
1½	Doz. black lead pencils, 1 at 50 cts., ½ at 75 cts.,		1.25
1	Box everpoint leads,		.50
3	Doz. steel pens,	.50,	1.50
1	Pen holder,		.50
3	Bottles black ink points,	.40,	1.20
1	Bottle Stephens' blue,		.63
4	Bottles red ink, 1 at 50 cts., 3 at 15 cts.,		.95
½	Quire tissue paper,		.20
1	doz. white-board,		1.00
1	doz. drawing paper, 4 at 20c., 4 at 15c., 4 at 10c.,		1.80
150	doz. quills, 50 at 100c., 100 at 75c.,		1.75
3	pieces india rubber,		.30
1	pocket ink stand,		.50
½	doz. mouth glue,		.25
½	lb. arabic,		.50
1	doz. tavern board,		1.50
1	Case mathematical instruments,		2.50

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5 Memorandum books, 4 at 25c., 1 at 37c.,	1.37	
1 Port folio,	1.00	
2 Slates,	.75	
1 Record, 8 quires medium,	10.00	
1 Ledger, 2 index, 6 quires demy,	5.75	
1 Receipt, 2 expenditure, 6 quires demy,	5.25	
1 Day book, 6 quires cap,	2.25	
1 Reg. drafts, 6 " "	2.25	
1 Letter book, 4 " "	1.50	
1 Blotter, 3 " "	1.00	
3 Wafer stamps, 1 at 100c., 2 at 25c.,	1.50	
1 doz. pencils,	.50	
4 Memorandum books,	.40	
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Sept. 18. One register receipts, 8 quires,	\$14.00	
1 Register certificates, 8 quires,	14.00	
1 Tract book, 8 quires,	14.00	
5 Book treasury,	9.00	
		141 10
Sept. Charges and freight on same from St. Louis,	2 50	
Amount paid H. Crittenden for one-fourth ream demy plating paper,	3 00	
To amount for gross steel pens,	1 50	
"    "    rollers for desks,	1 00	
One Iron Safe, for Treasurer,	80 00	
Freight and charges on same to Fairfield,	7 00	
Traveling expenses from Fairfield to St. Louis and back for the same,	18 50	
		254 60
Oct. For Cash advanced for the traveling and other expenses of the President of the Board and the 1st Assistant Engineer on eastern tour, for the purpose of examining slack water and other improvements, and to procure the most improved plans, specifications and cost of the same, as well as to become acquainted with practical engineers, their experience, and employ one for the State service, and to induce and invite as much competition among practical men as contractors as possible, amounting as per memorandum kept,		228 60



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Oct. Expenses of Col. S. R. Curtis from Ohio to Keokuk, as per agreement,	14 00	
Dec. 1. Amount of expenses paid of engineers, &c., at and from Keokuk to Keosauqua, on reconnoitering the river &c., preparatory to the commencement of the survey,	20 25	
Amount paid for Surveyor's compass and chain,	42 50	
Bale of Buffalo robes,	40 00	
Two gum elastic book and paper bags and 8 pair gloves for use of Engineers' corps,	12 00	
Nov. 30. Amount paid H. Crittenden, for books and stationery.	31 96	
Amount paid for one six shooter, and appurtenances for the use and protection of the office,	11 00	
Paid for quire of tissue paper,	50	
“ freight and charges on the above to Keokuk,	1 75	
		<u>179 05</u>
Total amount of this bill,		657 16
No. 9. Dec. 25. Amount paid Wm. G. Head for two weeks rent of lodge for office,		2 00
No. 10. Oct. 15. Amount paid B. B. Tuttle for repairs done to the office of the Board,		9 27
No. 11. Oct. 23. Amount paid H. A. Wiltse, for copying and coloring 42 maps of township upon a scale 2 inches to the mile, at \$2 per map,		84 00
No. 12. Nov. 9 Amount paid Geo. W. Jenkins, Fairfield, one set of common chairs,	6 00	
“ high office do	4 50	
		<u>10 50</u>
No. 13. Nov. 24. Amount paid Samuel G. Linney, of Fairfield for furniture for office,		40 00
No. 14. Dec. 1. Amount paid J. Delano for walnut table, with three drawers, for office,		8 00
No. 15, Feb. 7, 1848. Amount paid Henry A. Wiltse for map of State of Iowa, scale six miles to an inch, 1847.		55 00
No. 16. Feb. 7, 1848. Amount paid to H. A. Wiltse, for copies of the original plats of Town 72, Range 13, 14, 15, and Town 73, Range 14, and 15, at \$2 per copy,		10 00

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No. 17.	Oct. 15.	Amount paid Howell & Coles, for publishing pre-emption regulations and notice to pre-emption claimants, &c., ten and one half squares, 3 weeks,	21	00
No. 18.	Jan. 17, 1848.	Amount paid A. R. Sparks for 100 handbills,	4	00
No. 19	Jan. 29.	Amount paid John Delano for making 15 specie boxes,	4	00
No. 20.	Dec. 6, 1847.	Amount paid H. W. Sample for services as President Board of Public Works, first quarter,	250	00
No. 21.	Dec. 4.	Amount paid Chas. Corkery for services of Secretary of Board for first quarter,	200	00
No. 22	Jan. 1, 1848.	Amount paid Paul Brattan for articles for use of office:		
	8 lbs. candles,	.15	1	40
	1 load wood,			50
	1 " coal,		2	00
	Candle stand and snuffers,			50
	4 lbs. candles,	.15	60	
	2 kegs for money,	.25	50	
	1 wash bowl,			50
	Paper D.			10
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No. 23.	Jan 24.	Amount paid Francis A. Maxley, for nine days services on surveying the Des Moines river,	7	00
No. 24.	Jan. 26.	Amount paid Wm. B. Augdeon, for one quarter's office rent, from Oct. 10th, 1847, to January 10th, 1848,	9	00
No. 25.	Feb. 1.	Amount paid H. W. Sample for services as President for 2d quarter,	250	00
No. 26.	Feb. 3.	Amount paid Daniel Campbell, for services as chainman in the corps of engineers from Dec. 13, 1847, to 3d Feb., 1848, at \$20 per month,	34	00
No. 27.	Feb. 3.	Amount paid John Sphon, for services in corps of engineers from Dec. 13th, 1847, to 3d of Feb. 1848, at \$20 per month,	34	00
No. 30.	March 7.	Amount paid Chas. Corkery, for service as Secretary for the quarter ending the 1st of Feb. last,	200	00

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No. 29.	Feb. 15 .Amount paid Samuel G Telney, for making drawers and other repairs of office, Fairfield,	2 00
No. 28.	Feb. 17. Shultz & Eberlin, as per bill:	
	One American Almanac, \$1, paid by Corkery,	
	“ box paints and brushes,	2 75
	“ doz. elastic bands,	50
	Half lb. India ink, \$1 50 per lb	75
		<hr/> 4 00
No. 31.	March 24th. Amount paid A. R. Sparks, for	
	200 hand bills, notice to contractors,	4 00
	Publishing in Iowa Sentinel, notice to contractors, 5 squares 3 insertions,	8 75
	100 slips, notice to contractors,	1 00
	100 copies Sentinel containing improvement law,	3 00
	8 quires circulars,	8 00
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No. 32.	Feb. 30th, Amount paid L. & N. W. Harbine, for use of wagon, had by Engineers out on line of survey,	4 00
No. 33.	March 31st. Amount paid Charles Corkery, for one fire shovel, bought for use of office,	75
	One candlestick for office,	62½
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No. 34.	April 1st. Amount paid A. R. Sparks, for 100 hand bills,	4 00
No. 35.	April 4th. Amount paid on quarter ending 31 March, 1848, on circulars sent, 65 at 3 cents,	1 95
	For roll of Plats from Dubuque,	1 99
	Four letters sent to Keokuk,	50
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No. 36.	April 4th. Amount paid W. B. Augdeon, for two and ¾ months rent of office, from Jan. 10th, to April 1st, 1848,	8 00
No. 37.	April 7th. Amount paid Jas L. Estes, for use of Engineers corps, Dec. 16th, 1847:	
	1 large dish pan,	70
	2 candle sticks,	40
	12 boat plates, 3 small at 15 cts, and 9 large at 12½ cts,	1 57
	1 large dipper,	20

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1 six quart bucket,	\$0 50
1 wash bowl,	25
1 two gallon bucket with cover,	60
1 large sauce pan,	1 00
1 two gallon bucket with cup,	60
1 seven quart pan,	40
1 cake cutter,	5
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No. 38. Amount paid J. W. Houston, for table with draws,	7 00
No. 39. April 30. Amount paid Palmer & Paul, for publishing notice to contractors in Capital Reporter three insertions,	10 00
No. 40. May 3d. Amount paid Henry A. Wiltse, per order, for maps furnished the State,	73 00
No. 41. June 12th, 1848. Bill of H. W. Sample, audited and allowed by Board, March, 1848, for stationery and postage at Keokuk,	75
30 yards muslin trimmings, etc., for binding Plats of Township,	4 75
Bill at Bonaparte going down on line of improvement,	75
Bill at Kenington,	1 00
“ “ Crows,	75
“ “ Crows for 5 axe handles,	1 00
“ “ Charleston,	50
“ “ Keokuk,	1 50
Expenses going to Fort Madison, to see Reid Kilbourn, etc., to get right of way,	3 00
Returning to Fairfield,	1 37
April 1st. Paid postage bill at Fairfield,	3 13
“ 8th. Left Fairfield for St. Louis, to buy stationery, get instruments repaired and to get the right of way, from land owners residing there, etc., for which my expenses were	17 25
April 23. Expenses going to and returning from Burlington, to see Grimes & Starr, to get the right of way for canal, etc.,	4 75
May 1. Paid Post Master at Fairfield, postage on circulars, and notices to contractors,	3 37

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May 8. Left for Keokuk, expenses going down,	\$2	37
While there paid Wells for tracing paper and expenses incurred by him for use of Engineer's corps,	4	75
Paid expenses of Kenedy & Beck, going to and returning from Keokuk, while on last surveying tour,	11	75
May 10. Charles H. Guiger, on account of Board of Engineers corps as per his receipt of this date,	80	00
Expenses incurred by me going out on line of improvement at various times with contractors showing them the work, etc.,	7	75
June 8. Expenses from Keokuk to Fairfield,	1	87
April 17. Paid H. Crittenden, of St. Louis, as per bill rendered for stationery,		
½ Ream P. and S. common letter	33½	1 75
½ " " "	3½	1 75
½ " French Cap.	4½	2 25
½ doz. Ink,	3	1 50
½ M Envelops,	3	75
1 doz. Garbers pencils No. 4,		75
1 " Letter stamp C. C.		75
1 qr. Tracing paper,	3	00
		—12 50
April 17. Missouri Republican for advertising notice to contractors as per bill,	6	00
April 17. Union for same,	6	00
April 18. Paid L. Blatnel of St. Louis, as per bill rendered for repairing instrument, etc.,		
One vernier for a Compass,	15	00
" Tripod,	8	00
" Compass Cup,	2	50
Two sockets repaired,	3	00
" Screws,	1	00
One level tube,	50	
		—30 00
For eight office chairs at St. Louis,	8	00
For freight and charges on them from St. Louis to Keokuk,	1	25
May 4. Amount paid W. G. Anderson, for axe,	1	25

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May 8.	Amount paid W. G. Anderson, per order of Henry B. Wiltse, of State maps, as per bill in possession of Board,	24 00	
Jan. 26.	Paid Bridgman & Evans, per bill of groceries, as rendered,		
	20 lbs sugar,	12½	2 50
	½ " tea,	1 25	62
	3 " candles,	15	45
Jan. 16.	For oiled canvas for the use of Engineers during the winter in camping on line of survey, furnished by me,	5 00	
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No. 42.	June 1st. Amount paid Jas. Tizzard & Co., to State Gazette for publishing notice to contractors, 5 squares, 3 insertions, one dollar for first square, and fifty cents for each subsequent insertion,		10 00
No. 43.	June 20th. Amount paid Chas. Corkery for services as Secretary for third quarter,		200 00
No. 44.	June 19. Amount paid Chas. Corkery, April 2nd, for removing office to Keokuk,	10 00	
	May 15. Items for use of engineers, to wit: one gross steel pens,	2 00	
	Four Blank Books,	1 00	
	Bucket, broom, candlestick, &c.,	1 75	
		<hr/>	14 75
No. 45.	June 24. Amount paid Russel & Doyle, for printing Specifications, composition 11,000 ems,	11 00	*
	Press work on same, 4 tokens,	4 00	
	June 1. 12 quires blank bids, 75 cents per quire,	9 00	
	" 24. 25 " " " " " "	18 75	
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No. 46.	July 12. Amount paid W. G. Beck, for boarding engineer's corps, use of room for office, keeping and horse hire, &c., from Feb. 4th to this date, at different periods while at Fairfield,		53 50
No. 47.	July 13. Amount paid E. S. Round, for horse keeping for President,		4 60
No. 48.	July 28. Amount paid Guy Wells for expenses paid on work, March, paid for tracing paper,		75

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Keeping sundry horses, and Bonnel's horse,	\$1 25
May 22. Paid McPherson for 28 meals, 12½cts,	3 50
“ “ Paid Williams for 8 meals,	1 00
“ 24. Angus McPherson, for 2½ days' work as axeman, and board,	2 50
Paid John Curts for a half day's work,	50
May 26. Paid Henry J. Campbell, for 26 meals and lodging, 15 cents,	3 90
“ “ Curts for 13 meals and lodging, 15 cents,	1 95
July 12. Paid Young Houghton for two days as axeman,	1 50
“ “ Oliver Houghton 1 day do.,	75
“ “ Doty, one day do.,	75
“ “ For board at McPherson's	1 50
“ “ For tin cup for office,	5
“ 20. Young Boatman, 2½ days as axeman, Ferryman, one day do.,	1 00
Paid Wycoff for board,	2 00
“ McCoy for teaming,	1 50
“ Bill at Chaleston,	95
“ S. Beck's bill do.,	50
July 28. Paid Murray bill for table for office,	7 00
Paid Leighton bill for tent rope,	2 75
	— \$37 10
No. 49. August 8. Amount paid H. W. Sample for cash advanced for postage up to 30th June, 1848.	1 40
No. 50. Aug. 10. Amount paid H. W. Sample for services as President for 3d and 4th quarter,	500 00
No. 51. Aug. 10. Amount paid H. W. Sample, for expenses incurred by himself and engineer's corps, in making surveys and locating dams as far up the river as Ottumwa,	68 37
No. 52. Aug. 15. Amount paid Shepherd & Ober, for publishing notice to contractors, one half square, 3 weeks,	3 75
No. 53. Aug. 12. Amount paid Wm. M. S. Riley, for services as axeman on Improvement, thirty-two days,	32 00
No. 53. Aug. 19. Amount paid D. T. Brigham, for record books and roll of drafting paper,	13 75

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No. 54. Aug. 20. Amount paid C. H. Guiger, for boarding part of engineer's corps from July 20th up this date,	\$3 77
No. 55. Aug. 21. Amount paid A. Hine for postage on letters to and from the Board, to this date, Keokuk,	5 18
No. 56. Aug. 24. Amount paid S. R. Curtis, for expenses from Jan. 28, 1848, to Aug. 24, 1848,	6 30
No. 57. Aug. 24. Amount paid Russell & Doyle, July 6, printing 10 quires blank contracts,	10 00
Aug. 3. Publishing notice to contractors,	5 00
" 20. Printing 200 copies of specifications,	15 00
	30 00
No. 58. Aug. 26. Amount paid Jas. S. Beck, for expenses advanced while out on line of survey as rod man,	4 00
No. 59. Sept. 2. Amount paid A. R. Sparks for 4 1-6 quires blank deeds, at 1 50,	6 25
Publishing notice to contractors 3 weeks,	1 75
	8 00
No. 60. Sept. 21. Amount paid H. W. Sample, President, for expenses paid by him while traveling on business connected with Board of Improvement, from Aug. 14th up to this date,	19 25
No. 61. Sept. 25. Amount paid H. W. Sample for services as President for fourth quarter,	250 00
No. 62. Sept. 11. Amount paid Stuly & Eberhise, for	
Half ream cap paper, \$6,	3 00
" " Letter	2 50
" Dozen No. 10 memorandums,	2 25
" " Receiving books, \$5,	2 50
100 No. 70 quills,	3 00
4 bottles red ink, 15 cts.,	60
1 dozen India rubber bands,	50
3 dozen lead pencils,	3 00
1 " red "	75
2 " Pocket inks, 35 cts.,	70
1 " Gillot's 164 pens,	2 00
1 " " 303 "	1 50
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1 wafer box,	25	
1 letter stamp,	25	
1 Young's paper folder,	25	
1 dozen pen holders,	60	
1 dozen India rubber bands,	25	
Box and drayage,	95	
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No. 63. Sept. 11. Amount paid Shultz & Eberlin, for stationery, 1 ream cap paper, superfine,	6 00	
1 ream letter \$5, 1 doz. ochre pencils, \$1,	6 00	
12 packs envelopes, 12½ cts, \$1 50, half dozen India rubber, 50 cts.,	1 75	
1 gross pens \$2, 1 card rack,	2 75	
1 paper holder, 50, 2 bottles red ink,	80	
1 dozen pen holders, 60 cts., 2 doz. elastic bands, 50,	1 10	
		18 40
No. 64. Sept 20. Amount paid Paul Bratton, for services as Treasurer of Board of Public Works for one year's salary,		800 00
No. 65. Sept. 29. Amount paid J. Blattner for repairing Compass,		6 00
No. 66. Oct. 7. Amount paid to J. C. Brooks for use of room for Treasurer of Board of Public Works,		6 00
No. 67. Oct. 11. Amount paid Street and Brothers for one set of Windsor Chairs,		5 00
No. 68. Oct. 14. Amount paid E. H. Tinney for hauling load of furniture from Fairfield to Agency City,		4 00
No. 69. Oct. 23. Amount paid Street and Bro., for one Shovel and Tongs,		87
No. 70. Oct. 25. Amount paid John Jurvin and Sons for one coil of Manilla rope,		40 04
No. 71. Nov. 7. Amount paid Guy Wells for board from Aug. 25th, 1848, to Nov. 7th, 1848,	26 50	
Incidental expenses from Aug. 1, 1848 to Nov. 7th, 1848, for board, etc., on the line of the works,	5 15	
		31 65
No. 72. Nov. 9. Amount paid Carson & Vorheis for 133 lbs Manilla rope,	5c 19 95	
Drayage same,	20	
		20 15

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No. 73.	Nov. 12.	Amount paid D. B. Knight for painting two signs for offices,	\$2, each—	\$ 4 00
No. 74.	Nov. 17.	Amount paid A. Wollcott for three hatchets,	\$1 each—	3 00
No. 75.	Nov. 17.	Amount paid Wm. M. S. Riley for two days work done on Improvement,		2 00
No. 76.	Nov. 22.	Amount paid S. G. Linney for one large desk and case,		30 00
No. 77.	Nov. 23.	Amount paid B. F. Rudd for one pair money balances,		3 00
No. 78.	Nov. 23.	Amount paid Josiah Hookinsons for two and a quarter days teaming,		4 50
No. 79.	Nov. 23.	Amount paid G. W. Stewart for transportation of Engineer's Corps,		12 00
No. 80.	Nov. 25.	Amount paid Charles Corkery for services as Secretary of Board of Public Works, fourth and fifth quarter,		400 00
No. 81.	Nov. 30.	Amount paid Charles Corkery for hauling, and other expenses from Keokuk to Agency City,		15 00
No. 82.	Nov. 30.	Amount paid Charles Corkery for traveling expenses, etc., incident to procuring plats from Surveyor Generals Office at Dubuque, pursuant to third order, first session of the Board of Public Works,		28 00
No. 83.	Dec. 18.	Amount paid Hubert Sullivan for draying in moving furniture of Engineer's Office,		2 00
No. 84.	Dec. 30.	Amount paid Solomon Rosy for services rendered from the 20th of Nov. to the 31st of Dec., inclusive,		27 30
No. 85.	Dec. 30.	Amount paid G. B. Philips for services rendered from the 22d of Nov. to the 31st of Dec., inclusive,		25 00
No. 86.	Dec. 30.	Amount paid B. A. B. Jenkins, for services rendered from 22d of Nov. to Dec. 31st, inclusive,		25 00
No. 87.	Dec. 30.	Amount paid John Lee for services rendered from the 13th of Nov. to the 31st of Dec., inclusive.		32 00

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No. 88. Dec. 30. Amount paid Orlando Johnson for services rendered from Nov. 27th until Dec, 31st, inclusive, 22 66

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No. 89. Jan. 1. Amount paid Samuel R. Curtis for money disbursed between the 1st of December, 1848, and the 1st of January, 1849, during the campaign above Ottumwa, in surveying of River to Fort Des Moines, as per accounts and receipts rendered by John Kenedy, John Lee and Benjamin Jeffries ; approved on examination by me, 166 35

No. 90. Amount to M. M. Haydon—bill of particulars not found, 170 00

(This amount was paid by draft No. 103.)

No. 91. Jan. 5. Amount paid Herrington Johnson, for services as Cook for the Corps of Engineers, 24 00

No. 92. Jan. 5. Amount paid Benjamin W. Jeffries for self and team, 38 days, in service of State, 57 00

No. 93. Jan. 5. Amount paid J. S. Beck for expenses in transporting Col. Curtis, Guy Wells, and camp equipage from Ottumwa to Keokuk, 10 00

Cash paid for use of horse from Keokuk to Ottumwa and back, 4 00

Cash paid for horse hire from Fairfield to Ottumwa and back, 1 50

Own expenses to Ottumwa and back, 4 00

Paid Mr. Cave for use of horse on line, 75

Paid for sawing wood for office, 50

.Paid for Stationery for office, 30

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No. 94. Jan. 18. Amount paid B. McQuillen—

For services and board of 2 men 2 days, \$1, 4 00

“ “ “ 3 “ 2 “ \$1, 6 00

“ “ “ 2 “ 1 “ \$1, 2 00

as Chainmen and Axemen in the Corps of Engineers, while re-locating line and staking out work, ——— 12 00

No. 95. Jan. 19. Amount paid James S. Beck, for contingent expenses:

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Stove box,	\$1.00	
Shovel and tongs,	1.00	
Bucket and dipper,	.60	
Wash Basin,	.25	
Drayage,	.37½	
2 loads of wood, sawed, and delivered to engineers' office,	2.55	
Services of Joseph Warren, assisting to move office,	.25	
	<hr/>	\$6.03
No. 96. Jan. 21. Amount paid Franklin Lodlock for 8½ cords of wood for office,		14.00
No. 97. Jan. 25. Amount paid J. S. Beck, for contingent expenses paid by Shrever Beck:		
Amount paid for repairing harness,	\$3.55	
1 pair snuffers for engineer's office,	.40	
Amount paid for repairing sleigh,	.75	
Bill at St. Francisville, while making estimates,	.40	
Paid horse hire eight days, at 50c. per day,	4.00	
Paid ferriage at St. Francisville,	.20	
Paid for Jumper,	2.50	
Expenses from Fairfield to Keokuk,	1.37	
Whip,	.50	
Paid my board, from Dec. 31, 1848, to Jan. 25, 1849, 8 weeks, at \$3 per week,	24.00	
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No. 98. Jan. 27. Amount paid C. S. Moore, for shoeing 2 horses all around,		3.00
No. 99. Jan. 25. Amount paid Jesse Williams and J. H. Bonney, for services as commissioners to select the Des Moines river lands,		100.00
No. 100. Jan —. Amount audited of an account presented by H. W. Sample:		
Sept. 15, 1848. Expenses for transportation of five boxes specie etc. from Fairfield to Keokuk to pay estimate,	\$10.00	
Nov. 12, 1848. Traveling and incidental expenses incurred in going to Cincinnati and Pittsburg, pro-		

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curing and contracting for iron and castings for locks and dams, as also piling and snag machinery, &c.,	92 50	
Nov. 13. To expenses of J. S. Beck, from Keokuk to Agency city, for funds to pay on estimate in part,	3 00	
Nov. 25. To expenses paid by me at Libertyville and Ottumwa, for engineers' corps going and preparing to commence survey from Ottumwa to Forks,	9 25	
Nov. 28. To expenses of transportation of \$8,000, funds, from Agency City to Keokuk, to pay balance of estimate,	12 00	
Dec 22. To expenses incurred in going and returning to and from Iowa City, to make report and procure the passage of a law, &c., in relation to the improvement, sale of lands, &c.,	31 50	
To exchange paid at St. Louis, on \$2,000, for eastern exchange at 1 per cent.,	20 00	
	—	177 75
No. 103. Feb. 7. Amount paid J. S. Beck, for keeping and hire of horses from Dec. 2d, 1848 to Feb 7, 1849. at and of Shores & Case, Keokuk,		11 10
No. 102. Feb. 6. Amount paid Wm. McFadden, for M. Haydon's board bill up to Jan. 16, 1849,	9 87	
Feb. 6. Amount paid Wm. McFadden, for H. W. Sample's board, ending Feb. 8,	12 00	
Jacob's board up to 24 Jan.,	3 00	
John Brattan to board,	1 75	
	—	26 62
No. 101, Feb. 7. Amount paid R. Y. Nosler, for hauling 3 loads of office furniture from Agency City to Ottumwa,		4 50
No. 104. Feb. 8. Amount paid J. H. Bonny, for a copy of an act providing for a re-organization of the Board of Public Works Certificate,	2 10	
	25	
	—	2 35
No. 105. Feb 20. Amount paid Chas. Nealy for abstract of land in Iowa City Land District, granted to the State of Iowa,		5 00

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No. 106.	Feb. 26.	Am't paid Bernhart Henn, for township plats of town 75 N. R. 19 W., and town 75, N R. 20 W.	6 00
No. 107.	March 5.	Paid Chas. Corkery for hack hire stage fare and other incidental expenses on taking Report of the Board of Public Works, to Gov. inclu- ding detention at Iowa City,	24 25
		Paid Palmer & Paul for handbills for postponement of land sales,	2 00
		Stage fare and expenses to Keokuk, including stay at Keokuk,	12 50
		Paid Mr Carpenter for office table and map frame,	3 00
		Several items postage, &c.,	2 00
		—	43 75
No. 108.	March 7.	Amount paid H. W. Sample, for services as President for 6th quarter,	250 00
No. 109.	March.	Amount paid Chas. Corkery for services as Secretary for sixth quarter as Secretary of Board,	200 00
No. 110	March 8.	Amount paid Paul Brattan for services as Treasurer for fifth and sixth quarters,	400 00
No. 111.	March 5.	Amount paid Street & Warden, for publishing four squares one insertion,	4 00
		Printing 100 slips,	2 00
		—	6 00
There appears to be no bill from No. 111, to 116.			
The above bills were audited and allowed, (as appears upon record,) at the regular monthly meetings of the Board. The following were not audited and allowed by the Board, but upon examination were found to be correct during Mr. Brattain's term of office.			
No. 116.	Feb. 18.	Amount paid Russell & Doyle for printing 49 quires of blanks, at \$1 50	73 50
		200 large bills,	10 00
		—	83 50
No. 117.	April 5.	Amount paid J. C. Ramsey, for office rent at Agency City,	37 50
No. 118.	April 10.	Amount paid Jas. Hawley, for wood furn-	

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ished for Secretary and Treasurer's room,	7 00	
Keeping Shine Beck and two horses over night,	1 00	
Sample and horse 3½ days,	3 66	
"    "    "    2½    "	2 33	
4 lbs. candles,	60	
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No. 119. April 30. Amount paid R. L. Sullivan, for office ex- penses, sundries, &c., from Nov., 1848, to 1849,		5 30
No. 120. Jan. 30. Amount paid J. H. Bonney, for drafting two maps of townships No. 76 and 77, N. R. 19 W.,		4 00
No. 121. May 1. Amount paid Guy Wells, for board from Nov. 10 to Nov. 20, 1848,	4 50	
April 5. expenses of corps at St. Francisville,	2 00	
"    6.    "    at Sugar Creek,	50	
"    10. For wood and stationery,	1 50	
"    29.    "    repairing and leveling rod,	1 00	
May 1. Bill and ferriage at St. Francisville,	1 20	
Paid for repairing old rod,	50	
"    "    board from Jan. 6, 1849, to May 1, 1849, Keokuk,	49 50	
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No. 122. Dec. 29, 1848. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, for expense and stage fare from Fairfield to Keokuk,		5 62
No. 123. March 29, 1849. Amount paid Shultz & Ebelin, for stationery:		
3 close ruled memorandums, at 50c.,	1 50	
2 doz. pencils, at \$1 per doz.,	2 00	
1 letter stamp,	25	
½ doz. India rubber at 37c.,	18	
1 ream super. cap paper,	6 00	
½ " letter paper, Eng., at \$6,	3 00	
½ " " " at \$3,	150	
½ doz. sand. at 50c.,	25	
1 cocoa ink pocket,	30	
½ doz. holders,	13	
1 pocket memorandum string,	40	
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No. 124. Jan. 29. Amount paid S. R. Curtis for contingent expenses :

Jan. 29. Paid for wood,	2 00	
Feb. 4. Advances to Beck to buy wood and candles, board up to Aug. 1848, as paid ass't Wells,	3 00	
board from Aug. 10th to Nov. 10th, 1848.	23 64	
March 7. Paid John for cutting wood for office,	22 00	
" 17. Wood and candles for office,	.75	
" 31. Cutting wood for office,	35	
April 16. " " "	50	
" 19. Cash for candles,	50	
board bill from Jan. 5 to May 1 same as Wells ac't,	1 00	
April 4. Horse keeping and ferriage,	49 50	
" 5. Bill at Bonaparte,	1 20	
" 6. Bill at Bentonsport,	25	
" 6. Bill at Bonaparte, dinner and horse feed,	25	
Bill at Farmington,	30	
Ferriage at Bonaparte,	50	
Ferry of horse at Farmington,	20	
Dinner at Charleston,	15	
" 27. Expenses,	25	
	50	
		106 84

No. 125. Feb. 19. Amount paid D. F. Rudd & Co.,

for $\frac{1}{2}$ ream blank envelope paper,	2 00
1 dust brush,	75
1 box,	25

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 3 00

No. 126. May 17. Amount paid Cropper & Windshall,

for $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. blank books, at 25c.,	1 50
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No. 127. May 19. Amount paid P. H. Blake as per

bill rendered 1848 for 6 days work of men as axemen for engineers in November,	6 00
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Feb. 8. 4 days do.,	4 00
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No. 128. April 2. Amount paid A. R. Sparks for print-handbills and blanks,

27 75

No. 129. Was for bill of spikes purchased of Coleman Hailman at Pittsburgh and destroyed by fire at St Louis, and were paid for by draft No. 158.



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No. 130.	June 13.	Amount paid Geo. Greene & Co., for advertising notice to contractors, 6 squares, 3 weeks,		12 00
No. 131.	June 15.	Amount paid Chas. Corkery for services as Secretary for seventh quarter salary,	200 00	
No. 132.	June 24.	Amount paid Benjamin Stout for services axeman,		29 12
No. 133.	June 24.	Amount paid Johnson King ser- vices as cook,		30 00
No. 134.	June 24.	Amount paid Jos. McIntire for service as teamster and chainman on improvement,		62 23
No. 135.	July 16.	Amount paid I. P. Dingman for service as chainman on Des Moines Imp. from May 1 to July 16, inclusive, at the rate \$20 per month,		50 00
No. 136.	July 19.	Amount paid Wm. Dewey, for ser- vices as Assistant Engineer from April 28 to July 18th, 1849, two months and 20 days, at \$70 per month,	186 66	
		Expenses up from Keokuk,	3 00	
			—	189 66
No. 137.	July 20.	Amount paid R. L. Sullivan for services as rodman from May 14 to July 19, 1849,	65 00	
		Expenses incurred,	3 50	
			—	68 50
No. 138.	July 20.	Amount paid R. L. Sullivan, for candles for use of office,		90
No. 139.	July 20.	Amount paid J. J. Adams for re- pairs on desk,	25	
		For cash board,	75	
		For making rules,	20	
			—	1 20
No. 140.	July 22.	Amount paid R. L. Sullivan, One bucket,	30	
		One tin can,	15	
		One cup,	10	
			—	55
No. 141.	July 26.	Amount paid Street & Warden, for printing 100 handbills,		2 00

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No. 142. July 29. Amount paid Jno. H. Holland for use of horses, carriage, and dinner, four days, \$3 per day,		12 00
No. 143. July 19. Amount paid S. R. Curtis :		
May 27. Stage fare from Keokuk,	9 50	
" 18. Ferriage,	10	
" 18. Bill at Edyville,	25	
" 24. Paid bill for night,	1 00	
" 30. " ferriage at Tally's,	25	
June 6. " horse hire,	4 20	
My own bill at Hawley's,	3 00	
Dinner at Hills tavern,	20	
" 7. Bill at Oskaloosa,	40	
Stage fare and dinner at Pella,	95	
Paid horse hire,	95	
" 8. Ferriage,	10	
" 12. Paid bill at Mr. Posts,	1 00	
" 15. Fixing target and horse shoeing Red Rock,	95	
July 1. Paid ferriage at Fort Des Moines,	20	
" 12. " bill at Mitchell's,	80	
" 13. " bill at Tool's,	2 00	
" 13. " bill at Post's,	1 00	
" 14. " bill at Wells,	10	
Horse hire one month,	10 00	
paid transportation scrap books from Keokuk,	25	
		37 20
No. 144. July 18. Amount paid M. M. Haydon for expenses advanced :		
May 1. Stage fare from Keokuk to Ottumwa,	3 75	
" 3. 1 set tally pins,	1 00	
1 axe helve,	20	
Ferry at Ottumwa,	25	
Jas. McIntire, cart,	2 85	
Freight on 450 lbs goods from Keokuk,	4 50	
1 barrel flour,	5 50	
20 mackerel,	1 60	
Expense of men and team to Oskaloosa,	10 00	
Bed cord and matches,	55	
Medicine for corps.	50	

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Extra tent cloth of John Ross,	3 75
1 bacon ham,	1 00
Self and Dewey stage fare to Eddyville,	1 50
1 loaf sugar,	50
Bill of corps at Dr. Nosler,	4 75
May 1. First camp. Butter and eggs,	65
For use of canoe,	50
Self and men to dinner,	30
June 2. Paid King to buy provisions,	2 00
“ 5. “ “ “ “ “	2 00
“ 5. “ “ “ “ “	1 25
Paid for provisions,	1 88
Butter and milk,	30
June 6. Expense team hauling,	25
Benj. Stout.	50
Benj. King,	20
State washing,	40
Benj. King,	50
Extra hand at White Breast,	3 50
6 lbs. butter, 60 cts., 10 gallons milk, \$1 25,	1 85
Dinner for corps at Cave, 50; Red Rock, 1 00,	1 50
June 14th. Mrs. Gallarry, milk and meal,	50
1 bottle pepper sauce,	50
1 gallon molasses,	70
Benj. Stout Cast,	3 00
33 lbs. bacon ham, 6¼c per lb.	2 08
June 15. Corps to dinner,	75
Paid King to buy provisions,	60
“ Ferry at Bennington,	55
Ham, butter and eggs of Brown,	1 90
P. J. Digman,	1 90
Benj. Stout,	1 00
Self and men to dinner,	75
Ferry at Bennington,	50
P. J. Digman,	25
Corn for horse,	1 00
Cook expenses, Oskaloosa,	60
Joe McIntyre,	1 65
Benj. King,	2 85
Sugar at Baker's,	2 00

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Paid Wm. Randal, extra hand,	5 00
June 27. J. Digman,	15
A. Haight, supplies for camp,	5 00
Mr. Brown, " "	2 00
Mr. Lindsly,	2 50
Dinner for corps at Hamlin's,	75
Sent man to Red Rock,	60
Carr & Brothers, 7 25, Leonard, 75,	8 00
Bill of board at Perter's,	3 00
Moving corps to Dudley, 1 50; paid Jesse Johnson for canoe, 1 00,	2 50
P. J. Digman, 2 00, S. Powell, extra hand, 75,	2 75
Wm. Bradford, bill of board, 7 50, State washing, 45,	7 95
Self to Red Rock for mail, 1 50, ferry at Martin's, 2 05,	3 55
Team to move camp, 1 50, Digman, 47,	1 97
July 5. Grocery bill on the 4th, made by the boys at Jack's,	90
Ham of McLaughlin,	1 20
Bill of sundries-furnished by Dewey,	3 30
Mason Watts, 2 days' work,	1 50
John Bender, 3 " "	1 75
Ferry across Coon River with team,	75
Wm. McKinney, to move camp,	4 00
P. J. Digman, (on his bill,)	5 00
Mr. McLaughlin, provisions and dinner for corps, by one day, &c.,	2 00
Shoeing horse, 62 cents. Board at Marvin's,	8 62
Ferry at Scott's, 1 00. Dinner for his horse, 1 00,	2 00
Myself and horse, expenses from Ferks to Oskaloosa,	1 50
Corps at Oskaloosa, 2 70. P. J. Digman, 50 cents,	3 20
Self and horse at Tally's and Eddyville,	75
Paid Monolson for transporting engineers' corps to Fort Des Moines,	13 00
Two extra men at Ottumwa,	3 00
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No. 145. Aug. 8. Amount paid H. W. Sample for ser- vices as President for 7th and 8th quarters,	500 00
No. 146. Aug. 10. Amount paid Jas. Thompson, for haul- ing office furniture from Fairfield to Agency City,	4 00

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No. 147. Aug. 13. Amount paid Herrington Johnson, balance due him as cook for corps of engineers,	3 75
No. 148. Aug. 29. Amount paid Samuel R. Curtis, Chief Engineer, July 26 :	
July 26. Bill at Iowaville,	75
“ 27. Paid two chainmen at Ottumwa,	1 00
“ 27. “ Wm. Harrington, axeman,	95
“ 28. “ Bill at Shepherd’s,	4 00
“ “ “ Hand at Bentonsport,	25
“ “ “ Bill “ “	50
“ “ “ Axeman,	15
“ 29. “ Bill at Bentonsport,	2 00
“ 30. “ “ “ Campbell’s, St. Francisville,	1 25
“ “ “ King for assisting with rod, &c.,	95
Aug. 3. “ Bill at Bonaparte, Jacobs and self,	75
“ 4. “ Bill at Bentonsport,	1 55
“ “ “ Postage on official business,	5 00
“ 29. “ Bill at Ottumwa for self,	11 00
“ “ “ Keeping horses at Stott’s,	2 00
“ “ Stage fare to Keokuk, paid Hawley,	4 25
	————— \$36 35
No. 149. Aug. 29. Amount paid Wm. Dewey for ser- vices as assistant engineer, from the 18th July to 29th Aug., 1 month and 20 days, at \$70 per month,	98 00
To materials for chains,	2 00
	————— 100 00
No. 150. Aug. 29. Amount paid Chas. Corkery for services as Secretary Board of Public Works, for eighth quarter’s salary,	200 00
No. 151. Aug. 21. Amount paid Richard Cave for hydraulic lime at Bonaparte and Bentonsport, for use of Public Works,	286 00
No. 152. Sept. 1. Amount paid R. L. Sullivan for service to Board and engineers, seven and one third months, \$25 per month,	183 33
No. 153. Sept. 3. Amount paid Brigham & Maygee Sept. 29, 1848, laborer of 2 axmen, 1 day,	2 00
Oct. 2. 2 rods made by order of Engineer,	1 50
Oct. 23. Axemen, 3 days,	3 00

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Oct. 23.	Team and two men 1 day,	3 00	
Nov.	Two axmen, 2 days,	2 50	
Feb. 5. 1849.	Two axmen and rodmen, 1 day,	3 00	
March 10.	One " " 2½ "	2 50	
June 10.	One " " "	1 00	
Aug. 25.	Shoeing horse,	50	
" "	New socket for Jacob Staff,	1 00	
April 25.	Repairing buggy,	25	
Sept 1.	Freights on State Iron to St. Francisville, Belfast & Croton,	30 00	
	Towing State pile driver up the river to St. Francisville,	10 00	
		—	60 25
No. 154.	Amount paid J. H. Bell, to purchase hammer for pile boat,		75 82
No. 155.	Nov. 11. Amount paid H. W. Sample, for freight advanced to steamer Lucy Bertrand, for machinery, etc.,		15 63
No. 156.	Feb. 3. Being orders issued by Brown & Sanford, in payment on contract for the construction of lock and dam, at Bentonsport, as per estimate, which were received in payment for State lands,		571 60
No. 157.	Feb. 3. Being orders issued by Brown & Sanford, in payment on contract for the construction on dam and lock, at Bonaparte, to be deducted from estimate,		624 55
No. 158.	Sept 10. Amount paid H. W. Sample, per cash paid J. Wayland of St. Francisville, on contract for land as per his receipt on back contract,	150 00	
	Cash paid Jesse Wright on contract for land.	50 00	
	Cash paid Lewis Crow, " "	1 00	
		—	201 00
No. 159.	Sept 10. Amount paid H. W. Sample, April 25th, 1849, for bill of groceries, provisions and outfit for corps of Engineers, Starting on survey of line from Ottumwa, to Fort Des Moines,		63 00
	May 4th, 1849. To 100 letter envelopes for office,	1 00	
	" " One tape line for Engineers,	2 50	
	" " " dusting brush for office,	1 00	

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June 8.	One ball twine,	30
" "	Three star candles,	1 12
May 3.	100 envelopes,	1 00
" "	3 star candles,	1 12
" "	½ ream letter paper,	2 75
" "	One fire proof iron safe for use of Engineers and disbursing office,	50 00
Aug. 23.	To 17059 pounds 1½ and 1½ square iron shipped to the location of dams and locks, for bolting down foundations of same, at 4cts per pound,	682 36
		806 15
No 160.	Feb. 1. Amount paid H. W. Sample, on account rendered by him.	
Feb. 1, 1849.	For expenses, etc., of transportation of funds from Agency City to Keokuk,	10 00
Feb. 1.	For damages and injury done pair of horses that were crippled in the ice while in the service of the State,	70 00
March,	For expenses of transportation of funds from Agency City to Keokuk, to pay contractors,	10 00
April 23.	For expenses, etc., transporting funds from Ottumwa to Keokuk,	10 00
	For postage paid on official correspondence from last account rendered up to this date,	3 00
	For amount of J. C. Sullivan, bill for hauling,	2 00
April 25.	Paid Shelby & Eberlin, one doz lock memorandums, made to order as per bill,	10 00
May 29.	Paid Shultz & Eberlin for stationary,	7 00
June 1.	For expenses, etc., transporting funds from Ottumwa to Keokuk to pay estimate,	10 00
July 20.	For expenses, etc., transporting funds from Ottumwa to Keokuk,	10 00
Aug. 20.	For expenses, etc., transporting funds Ottumwa to Keokuk, to pay estimate,	10 00
Sept. 1.	For postage paid on official correspondence from May 1st, to this date,	2 00
	For amount paid A. H. Shultz, of St. Louis, 2 reams and 16 quires medium paper for printing deeds,	37 38
	Printing same,	15 00
	Binding two 7½ quire books,	9 75
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For one buggy and harness furnished for the use of Engineers corps on line of improvement,	75 00	
For freight and charges on packages of deeds, records, etc., from St. Louis to Ottumwa,	1 50	
For amount assumed to be paid by me to Mr. Hutuwa, engraver at St. Louis, for engraving and striking 1000 copies of map of Des Moines River and improvement,	140 00	
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No. 161. Sept. 11. Amount paid L. L. Divin for part of rent on Land Office room,		50 00
No. 162. Sept. 15. Amount paid H. W. Sample for service as President ; being one half quarter salary ending 15th of September, 1849,		129 00
No. 163. Sept. 15. Amount paid Paul Brattain for services as Treasurer, for seventh and eighth quarters,	400 00	
Half quarter salary after expiration of two years term,	100 00	
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No. 164. Amount paid Charles Corkery for balance due him as Treasurer one and three quarter months over his two years term,		116 66
No. 165. Sept. 3. Amount paid J. Powers Faley for services as clerk in office,		225 65
No. 166. Sept. 17. Amount paid Jas. Hawley for—		
May, 20. Haydon and company, board,	12 00	
Stage fare for Mr. Sullivan,	75	
" 21. Sample, self and horse three days,	3 00	
" 13. One and a half days board,	1 13	
" 14. Self and horse one and two-thirds.days,	1 66	
" 16. Dingman, two days board,	1 00	
" " Dewey, three " "	1 50	
" " Sullivan, board,	3 00	
" " Haydon, "	2 50	
Aug. 8. Sample, one and three quarter days,	1 00	
Sept. " three days—self and horse,	3 00	
" 14. Col. Curtis's bill and stage fare,	6 75	
" 17. Sample's bill,	1 75	



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May. 14.	72 lbs bacon,	6c,	4 30
"	5. Candles,		75
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No. 167.	Aug. 25. Amount paid Mr. Bryson for board to Engineers, &c.,		11 27
No. 168.	Dec. 24, 1848. Amount paid Palmer and Paul for printing bills of postponement of land sales,		2 00
No. 169, )	Have all been allowed on account and bills previously.		
No. 170, )			
No. 171, )			
No. 172, )			
No. 173.	June 1. Amount allowed Brown and Sanford for building Lock and Dam at Bentonsport, per E. Manning,		355 00
			<hr/> \$13,648 61
Total amount of bills and accounts allowed,			85,578 57
Total amount of drafts issued,			
Amount of cash paid by Brattain, Treasurer, to Geo. Gillispie, his successor in office, at the expiration of his term of office,			8,298 93
Amount paid by Brattain's sureties,			3,551 85
			<hr/> \$111,077 96
Total amount of sales of land during the term of office of Paul Brattain up to 7th of October, 1849, as shown by the books of office,			112,178 36
			<hr/> 1,100 40
Balance due the State,			
Which sum we have certified as required by the Joint Resolution to the Register.			

Presuming that the intention of the Legislative Assembly in requiring a report of the services for which all moneys have been paid, was to elicit full information with regard to the amount and character of such services, we herewith submit such particulars and explanations in regard to some of the foregoing sums paid by Paul Brattain, as we have been able to obtain from the records of the office, and other sources. Others of the drafts and accounts paid, fully explain themselves, and others that might admit of more explanation, we are without information in regard to.

The following are a portion of the bills, and all we find accompanying and as vouchers for the Steward's accounts, while acting in that capacity for the Corps of Engineers, in the survey of the river.

These bills give a general idea of the character of such expenses as he was allowed for, as per drafts heretofore noted.

*Board of Public Works,*

1847.		In account with PATTERSON and ROBERTS, Keokuk,	Dr.
Dec. 17.	To	5 lbs Beef, at $3\frac{1}{2}c$ ,	\$1 75
"	"	11 lbs Candles, at 19c,	1 40
"	20.	1 bbl Corn Meal,	30
"	21.	22 lbs of Ham at 4c,	88
"	"	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs Side, at 4c.,	62
"	"	7 lbs Lard, at $5\frac{1}{2}c$ .,	38
"	"	80 lbs Lard, at 6c.,	4 80
"	22.	23 lbs Ham, at 4c.,	92
"	28.	1 Basket,	75
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			\$11 80

*Board of Internal Improvements,*

1848.		To CHITTENDEN & MCGAVIC,	Dr.
Dec. 20.	To	2 Collins' Axes, \$1 50 each,	3 00
"	"	" 5 lbs each of Sugar and Coffee, at 10c.,	1 00
"	"	" 1 bbl Flour,	4 85
"	"	" 60 yards Sheeting at 10c.,	6 30
"	"	" 6 lbs Cotton Batting, 15c.=90c., Thread, 10c.,	1 00
"	"	" 50 lbs Sugar, $8\frac{1}{2}c$ .,	4 38
"	"	" 50 lbs Coffee, at 9c.,	4 50
"	"	" 1 Rod $\frac{3}{4}$ Iron,	15
"	"	" Package and Sack,	25
"	"	" 1 sack of 50 lbs Buckwheat Flour, at 2c.,	1 00
"	"	" 1 Loaf of Sugar,	55
"	"	" 1 Jug, 25c; 2 galls. Golden Syrup. 75c.,	1 75
"	"	" 1 pair Boots to Spore per order, and tacks,	2 60
"	"	" 2 gallons Golden Syrup, at 75c.,	1 50
"	"	" 1 Loaf Sugar,	55
"	"	" 2 bars Soap at 15c.,	30
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In account with GUY WELLS.

Dr.

Dec. 10.	To	1 Tent and Fly,	\$23 00
"	"	2 Buffalo Robes, \$3,00 each,	6 00
"	"	2 Bed Quilts, \$2 50 each,	5 00
"	"	Hatchet,	75
"	"	1 Cast Iron Coffee Mill,	1 00
"	"	1 Coffee Boiler,	60
"	"	1 Camp Kettle,	1 00
"	"	1 large Bread Pan,	75
"	"	3 Tin Plates at 10c. each,	30
"	"	6 Tin Cups at 5c. each,	30
"	"	1 Pepper Box,	05
"	"	1 lot of Knives and Forks and Spoons,	50
"	"	1 Marking Iron,	40
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			\$39 65

*Board of Public Works,*

1847,

To J. W. HONSTON,

Dr.

Dec. 15.	To	one Scale Rod,	\$5 00
"	"	" Lumber and use of shop,	1 00
" 21.	"	large Wardrobe,	19 00
"	"	large over-shelf and hanging bed,	2 00
"	"	Scale Rod and Target complete,	8 00
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			\$35 00

*Board of Public Works,*

1847.

To C. S. MOORE,

Dr.

December.	To	1 Rod and Ring, and 24 Pins,	\$2 50
"		1 Socket,	25
"		1 pair Pot Hooks,	50
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			3 25
"		To Clasp on Target,	1 50
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			\$4 75

*Board of Public Works,*

1848.

To WM. G. BECK,

Dr.

To Board of Engineers corps	4 days, and horse keeping,	\$10 25
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1847.	To JOHN P. REID, & Co.,	Dr.
Dec. 4th.	To 40 lbs cotton batting, at 15c.,	\$6 00
1847.	To JOHN SHONS,	Dr.
Dec. 24th.	To keeping horses and teaming for Eng'r corps,	\$12 00
1847.	To C. GARBER & Co.,	Dr.
Dec. 14.	To 72 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards Osnaburgs, at 14c.,	\$10 18
	10 spools colored thread, at 3c.,	30
	1 ball twine,	15
	5 pieces cheap print, 173 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards, at 9c.,	\$15 59
	1 pair snuffers,	40
	1 blank book for Jacobs,	50
	16 yard Osnaburgs,	\$2 24
	3 reams fine paper, at 25c.,	75
	2 bottles black ink, at 10c.,	20
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		\$30 31
1847.	To SAMUEL STARKWEATHER,	Dr.
Dec. 14th.	To twine and needles,	25
	thread and twine,	73
	1 line,	50
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		\$1 48
1847.	To PITTSBURGH IRON STORE,	Dr.
Dec. 16th.	To 64 lbs $\frac{3}{4}$ rod iron, at 5c.,	\$3 20
	1 " $\frac{1}{2}$ rod iron, at 5c.,	5
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		\$3 30
1847.	To C. H. GUYGER,	Dr.
	To use of room and board of Engineers corps,	\$33 75
	To making one tent,	\$5 00
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		\$38 75
Dec. 19.	To boarding corps of Engineers, and hands, use of room, etc., up to date,	\$25 00
1847.	To J. J. JOHNSON,	Dr.
	For livery hire of corps of Engineers,	\$15 75
1848.	To EDWARD J. INGRAHAM,	Dr.
Feb. 23.	To 3 days of self and team with corps Engineers in survey of Des Moines river,	\$6 00

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1847.	TO GUY WELLS,	DR.
Dec. 15.	To 1 large dish pan,	70
	2 candle sticks, at 20c.,	40
	9 boat plates, at 12½c.,	\$1 12
	3 large boat plates, at 15c.,	45
	1 large dipper,	20
	1 6 quart bucket and cover,	50
	1 wash bowl,	20
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		\$3 62

Transcript from book kept by John Kennedy, steward of corps of Engineers, showing the general character of his expenditures for which he was paid by Board of Public Works, as per drafts in his favor.

Nov. 20.	Paid bill at Farmington,	\$2 75
	for belt and straps,	1 00
	bill at Winchester,	85
22.	bill at Fairfield,	3 00
23.	for painting target,	25
	for sugar box,	40
28.	½ doz. chickens,	37
	for 1 bushel potatoes,	38
	for washing towels,	25
	for ½ doz. chickens,	38
	for 6 yards toweling,	96
23.	for 40 lbs coffee,	4 00
	for ½ lb tea,	50
	for 12 lbs candles,	1 80
	for 10½ lbs loaf sugar,	1 60
	for 9 bars soap,	73
	for 2 lbs saleratus,	30
	for 1 jug 30c., 2 gallon molasses,	1 80
	for 1 bbls crackers,	4 50
	for ½ bushel salt,	75
	for 1 sack, 25c., 11 lbs butter,	1 35
	for 13 lbs meat,	40
	for washing and making towels,	75
	for 6 box matches and spade,	1 20
	for bed cord and snuffers,	75
	for mending kettle,	20

Paid for 50 lbs sugar,	4 00
for memorandum book,	10
for lbs flour,	2 50
for 1 sack,	15
for 2 plank for table,	37
for 1 tin bucket,	62
for 10½ lbs lard,	70
for 23 lbs venison,	69
for ½ doz. eggs and box,	20
for set tent poles,	75
for 2 planks,	66
for washing towels,	25
for 1 tin bucket,	90
for 7½ lbs butter,	75

Minutes of accounts of expenditures kept by B. Jeffers :

for 100 lbs flour,	2 25
for 1 gallon molasses,	62½
for 7 lbs lard,	30
for 1 axe handle,	10
for 1 bushel meal,	25
for 1 bucket of krout,	12½
for 1 turkey,	25
for bucket of turnips,	12½
for washing towels,	25
for 46 lbs pork,	1 14½
for bill of Johnson at Oskaloosa,	50
for 10 chickens,	80
for milk,	10
for 3 lbs lard,	12½
for 9½ lbs herring,	60½
for 2 doz. chickens,	1 20
for 4 lbs butter,	50
for 1 gallon milk,	20
for fodder for beds,	25
for 1 bottle and milk,	30
for 6 lbs cheese,	60
for 100 lbs flour,	2 50
for 4 bars soap,	60

Paid for 1 bucket,	31
for 5 mackerel,	25
for 4 lbs butter,	50
for 1 bottle ink,	12½
for 1 bed cord,	37½
for 12 rails burnt,	12½
for straw for beds,	05
for fodder for beds,	20
for 1 turkey,	25
10 lbs cheese,	1 45
for 14½ lbs crackers,	1 45
for venison hams,	80
for 2 gallon molasses,	75
for 4 lbs butter,	50
for 9½ lbs lard,	37½
for 30 lbs pork,	90
for team and hay of Henderson,	1 50
for 10 lbs butter,	1 25
bill at Toolspoint,	4 87
bill at Pella,	5 75
bill at Oskaloosa,	6 00
bill at McLains,	1 00
bill at Nevada.	50
bill at Eddyville,	2 50
bill at Fort Des Moines,	4 00

The following are copies of bills of particulars for which some of the drafts hereinbefore mentioned were drawn:

*Board of Public Works,*

Bought of COLEMAN, HAILMAN & Co.

6 kegs 6x½ spikes, 853 lbs., at 5c.,	42 65
5 bundles ½ rod iron, 586 lbs., at 4c.,	22 24
67 bars 1½x½ " " 2021 lbs., at 3c.,	60 63

Paid by draft No. 73. \$125 52

Bought of CHITTENDEN & MCGAVIC,

1 mirror for Wells,	1 40
Freight paid N. Waggoner on iron,	47 32

Drayage on lot,	75
Storage " "	2 50
Commission, 2½ per cent. advancing,	1 20
1 bed cord,	20
158 bars 1½ iron, 6157 lbs., 4c.,	246 28
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Paid by draft No. 129,	\$299 65

To SAMUEL JACOBS, Dr.

To boarding from May 29th, 1849, to Sept. 1st, 1849, at various places,	40 00
To stage fare from Bonaparte to Keokuk, on the 7th of August, on public business,	1 75
To cash paid Connable for buggy shafts,	3 00
To cash paid Armstrong for pad for harness, and repairing harness,	5 00
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	\$50 25

To GUY WELLS, Dr.

To services as first assistant engineer, from Dec. 10th, 1847, to Sept. 1st, 1849, at \$1,200 per annum,	\$2,066 60
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By draft No. 13 on Treasurer,	85 00
" " " 26 " "	515 00
" " " 67 " "	120 00
" " " 105 " "	100 00
" " " 109 " "	200 00
" " " 162 " "	250 00
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	1,270 00

Paid by draft No. 203,	\$796 60
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1849. To JAMES. L. BECK, Dr.

To cash paid difference in horses,	15 00
" " Bill at St. Francisville,	1 87
" " Sawing wood for office,	1 00
" " 1 iron bucket,	75
" " Wood,	75
" " For paper,	40
" " " Wood,	1 00



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To cash paid for candles,	2 00
“ “ “ Muslin for maps,	1 00
“ “ “ Gum Arabic,	15
“ “ “ Repairing harness,	75

\$24 67

To wood bill from January 25th, 1849. to June 1st, 1849, 54 00

Paid by draft No. 106, \$78 67

1849. To GUY WELLS, DR.

To paid Mr. Thomas for hauling out and piling raft of pine  
lumber, 36 00

Paid for board from May 7th, 1849, to Sept. 1st, 1849, 16 4-7  
weeks, at \$3 per week, 49 75

Paid for repairing waggon, 2 50

“ “ Whiffletree, 50

“ “ Tape line at Walker & Wilson's, 2 50

“ “ Shoeing horse, 75

“ “ Stationery and candles, 75

“ “ Postage and box in office, 40

“ “ William Dunn for services as axeman on line, 2 00

\$95 75

To JAMES L. BECK, DR.

To stage fare and expenses from Keokuk to Fairfield, 5 00

To cash paid for horse hire on the line, 1 75

To cash paid for keeping horse at St. Francesville, to this  
time, 2 00

To my boarding from June 1st, 1849, to August 31st, 1849,  
inclusive, 36 00

Paid by draft No. 193, \$44 75

To JOHN HAGARTY, DR.

1 chain cable  $\frac{5}{8}$  in. 1055, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., 81 76

“ “ “ 7-16 in., 567, 9c., 51 03

1 pair patent blocks, double 12 in., 12 75

“ “ “ “ “ 8 “ 5 50

1 anchor, 119 lbs., 8c., 9 52

Paid by draft No. 74. \$160 56

To D. A. POWELL,	DR.
To 3 wrought iron shafts, 2 wrought iron cranks, 874 lbs., 8c.,	69 72
1 spur wheel, 2 pinions, 1002 lbs., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	41 32
1 wheel, 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.,	22 20
2 crane frames, 2 spools, 2 spur wheels, 2 pinions, 4 caps, 880 lbs., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	33 00
4 cranks and 8 bolts, 238 lbs.,	19 04
1 pinion, 77 lbs.—1 clutch, 55 lbs.—4 sheares, 140 lbs.—2 pillow blocks, 45 lbs.—1 stand for wheel, 106 lbs.— 1 spool, 172 lbs.—1 bevel wheel, 471 lbs.—1 drop, 2303 lbs.,=3,369 lbs., at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	126 34
1 drop shaft,	5 76
Paid by drafts Nos. 75 and 76,	<u>\$317 58</u>

We give below the estimates made by engineers upon all the contracts, for the amount of which drafts have been drawn and paid as hereinbefore and hereinafter mentioned :

*Sections Nos. 1 and 2.—T. LYON, Contractor.*

ESTIMATE NO. 1, JANUARY 18th, 1849.

804 perches of lock stone, delivered, \$180,	1,447 50
Grubbing and clearing,	43 00
1,068 yards of embankment, 10c ,	106 80
777 perch of protection stone, 80c.,	621 60
	<u>\$2,215 60</u>
Deduct 15 per cent.,	332 25
Pay,	<u>\$1,883 35</u>

ESTIMATE NO. 4, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	350 00
2 504 yards muck ditch from stake 0 to 16 under left bank, and from 0 to 30 under right bank, at 12c.,	300 00
4,319 yards excavation, at 12c.,	518 25
27,226 " embankment, "	3,267 12

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1,200 perches protection stone at works, at 85c.,		1,020 00
1,081 " lock stone, at 1 80,		1,945 80
732 perch lock stone at quarry, at \$1,		732 00
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		\$8,133 68
Deduct from payments,	6,079 15	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,220 05	
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Pay,		\$834 48

ESTIMATE No. 8, AUGUST 1, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$515 00
3,555 yards excavation of muck ditch, at 13c.,		462 15
4,525 " of excavation, at 13c.,		588 25
59,452 " of embankment, at 14½c.,		8,769 17
127 " excavation creek channel, at 13c.,		16 51
3,353 perches of lock stone, delivered at \$2.20,		7,376 60
231 " " " at quarry, at 1.30,		300 30
1,500 " protection stone on embankment,		1,275 00
7,180 lineal feet of square timber for wear, at 10c.,		718 00
For cutting face stone, enough to lay 1356 perches in wall, at 30c.,		406 80
200 yards embankment in road, at 14½c.,		29 50
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		\$20,457 28
Deduct former payments,		14,600 66
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Pay,		5,856 62

ESTIMATE No. 2, APRIL 6, 1849.

503 yards muck ditch from station 14 to 24, at 13c.,		65 39
5,330 " excavation from station 15 to 21, at 12½c.,		666 25
7,198 " embankment, at 12c.,		863 76
1,200 perches protection stone, at bank, at 85c.,		1,020 00
1,081 " lock stone, delivered, at \$1.80,		1,945 80
410 " " " at quarry, at 50c.,		205 00
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Deduct former estimate,	1,883 35	4,766 20
Deduct 15 per cent.,	714 93	
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Pay,		\$2,167 92

Add error grubbing and clearing, left out,	250 00
Add increase on stone in quarry, 50c., perch,	205 00
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	455 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,	68 25
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Pay,	\$386 75

## ESTIMATE No. 3, JUNE 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		300 00
1,689 yards muck ditch under right bank, from station 2 to 26, and under left bank from station 2 to 16, at 13c.,		219 37
5,330 yards excavation from station 15 to 21, at 12c.,		666 25
19,511 " embankment, at 12c.,		2,341 32
1,200 perch protection stone at work, at 85c.,		1,020 00
1,081 lock stone, delivered at \$1.80,		1,945 80
659 perch of lock stone at quarry, at \$1.,		659 00
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		7,151 94
Deduct former payments,	4,438 02	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,072 79	
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		5,510 81
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Pay,		1,641 13

## ESTIMATE No. 5, Nov. 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		350 00
2,864 yards muck ditch under left bank from 10 to 16, under right bank, and from 0 to 30, and from 31½ to 39½ under right bank, at 12c.,		323 68
4,219 yards of excavation, at 13c.,		561 47
33,934 yards of embankment, at 14¼c.,		5,005 25
127 yards of excavation in turning creek, at 13c.,		16 51
1,200 perches protection stone at and on work, at 85c.,		1,020 00
1,081 " lock stone at work, at \$1.80,		1,945 80
809 " " " quarry, at \$100,		809 00
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Deduct former payment,	6,913 63	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,504 75	
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Pay,		<hr/> 1,563 34

ESTIMATE No. 6, FEBRUARY 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		450 00
3,555 excavation muck ditch, at 13c.,		462 15
4,319 yards excavation, at 13c.,		561 47
48,574 " embankment, at 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.,		7,164 66
127 " excavation in turning creek channel, at 13c.,		16 51
2,333 perches of lock stone, delivered, \$1,80,		4,199 40
225 " " " quarry, \$1,00,		225 00
1,300 protection stone at and on work, at 85c.,		1,105 00
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Deduct former payments,	8,526 97	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,127 61	
	<hr/>	10,654 58
Pay,		<hr/> \$3,529 61

ESTIMATE No. 7, MAY 6, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		500 00
3,555 yards excavation muck ditch, at 13c.,		462 15
4,525 " " at 13c.,		588 25
59,282 " embankment, at 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.,		8,744 09
127 " excavation of creek channel, at 13c.,		16 51
2,508 perches of lock stone, delivered, at \$1,80,		4,514 40
1,320 " protection stone, on work, at 85c.,		1,122 00
25 " coping, delivered, not cut, at \$2.50,		62 50
170 " lock stone at quarry, at \$1,00,		170 00
2,363 superficial feet cut stone, at 18c.,		425 34
5,200 lineal feet square timber for weir, at 11c.,		572 24
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Deduct former payment,	12,056 58	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,576 58	
	<hr/>	14,633 16
Pay,		<hr/> 2,544 08

*Estimates made on Section No. 3—THOMAS H. CURTS, Contractor.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, AUGUST 24, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing over most of the section,	\$318 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,	47 70
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Pay,	\$260 30

## ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,	\$318 00
2,006 yards embankment, at 9½c.,	190 51
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	508 57
Deduct former estimates,	260 30
Deduct 15 per cent.,	73 27
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	333 57
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Pay,	\$175 00

## ESTIMATE No. 3, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,	\$375 00
5,338 yards of embankment, at 9½c.,	507 11
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	882 11
Deduct former estimate,	435 30
Deduct 15 per cent.,	132 30
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	567 60
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Pay,	\$314 51

## ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 16, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	\$380 00
6,883 yards of embankment, at 9½c.,	653 88
188 yards of muck,	16 92
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	1,050 31
Deduct former estimate,	749 81
Deduct 15 per cent.,	157 50
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	907 31
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Pay,	\$143 49

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ESTIMATE No. 5, JUNE 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		380 00
14,247 yards embankment, at 9c.,		1,282 23
1,318 yards muck ditch, 390 yards above slough, and 928 yards includes all under right bank, from station 29, and 20 feet down to station 45, and under left bank down to station 42, at 9½c.,		118 62
		<u>1,760 85</u>
Deduct former estimate,	893 30	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	267 12	
		<u>1,160 42</u>
Pay,		\$620 43

ESTIMATE No. 6, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$380 00
1,540 yards muck ditch, at 9½c.,		138 60
16,965 yards embankment, at 10c.,		1,698 50
		<u>2,217 10</u>
Deduct former payment,	1,513 73	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	332 26	
		<u>1,846 29</u>
Pay,		\$370 81

ESTIMATE No. 7, NOVEMBER 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		390 00
2,072 yards muck ditch, at 9½c.,		186 48
23,164 yards embankment, at 10c.,		2,316 40
		<u>2,892 88</u>
Deduct former payments,	1,884 54	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	433 93	
		<u>2,318 47</u>
Pay,		\$574 41

ESTIMATE No. 8, FEBRUARY 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$400 00
3,197 yards muck ditch excavation, at 9c.,		287 73

25,002 yards embankment, at 10c.,		2,500 20
3,908 embankment in slough, at 18c.,		703 44
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		3,891 37
Deduct former estimate,	2,458 95	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	583 70	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		\$848 72

## ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY 6, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$400 00
3,542 yards muck ditch excavation at 9c.,		318 78
29,638 " embankment, at 11c.,		3,260 18
11,010 " " in slough, at 17c.,		1,871 70
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		5,850 66
Deduct former payments,	\$3,307 67	
" 15 per cent.,	877 60	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		1,665 39
Add 10c. per yard on 11,010 yards of emb.,	220 20	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	33 00	pay, 187 20

## ESTIMATE No. 10, AUGUST 1, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing		\$400 00
3,542 yards mucking and muck ditch excavation, at 9c.,		318 78
29,238 " embankment, at 12c.,		3,508 56
10,670 " " in slough, at 19c.,		2,027 30
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		6,254 64
Deduct former payments,		5,160 26
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Pay,		\$1,094 38

*Culvert on Section 3—RICHARD MORRIS, Contractor.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Stone quarried and near work,		\$50 00
720 timber, delivered,		14 40
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		64 40
Deduct 15 per cent.,		9 60
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Pay,		\$54 80



## ESTIMATE No. 2, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

3,000 feet of timber for foundation,		\$120 00
300 perch of stone at quarry, at 50c.,		150 00
18 " " delivered, at \$1 50		27 00
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		297 00
Deduct former estimate,	54 80	
" 15 per cent.,	44 45	
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Pay,		\$197 65

## ESTIMATE No. 3, JANUARY 18, 1849.

3,000 feet of timber for foundation,		120 00
350 perch of stone, delivered, at \$1,		350 00
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		470 00
Deduct former estimate,	252 45	
" 15 per cent.,	70 50	
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Pay,		\$147 05

## ESTIMATE No. 4, NOVEMBER 5, 1849.

3,000 feet lumber for foundation,		\$120 00
350 perch of stone, delivered,		409 50
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		527 50
Deduct former estimate,	399 50	
" 15 per cent.,	78 00	
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Pay,		\$50 00

Copy of order of the Board, passed at their special session, held in the city of Keokuk, Nov 20, 1850:

"It appearing from the Report of the Chief Engineer, that the culvert of Section No. 3, is not being prosecuted with sufficient vigor, the contract with Richard Morris is, therefore, declared forfeited, and the President of the Board is hereby authorized to re-let the work at a price not exceeding that given the said Morris, giving in, free of charge, all the materials furnished by the former contractor, which have been estimated at \$449 50."

*Culvert on Sec. 3—E. LINSLEY, W. P. DOTY and M. MCGINIS, Cont'rs.*

FIRST ESTIMATE, SEPTEMBER 10, 1850.

533 perches of masonry at contract price, \$5 40,

Pay,

\$2,878 20

GUY WELLS, Chief Engineer,

SECOND ESTIMATE, APRIL 1, 1851.

RICHARD JONES, *Contractor.*

509 cubic yards puddling on culvert, at 19c.,

Pay,

\$96 71

GUY WELLS, Chief Engineer.

*Section No. 4—STEWART and WALLACE, Contractors.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPTEMBER 16, 1848.

Grubbing, clearing and fixtures,

\$450 00

4,370 yards excavation, at 14c.,

64 80

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1,061 80

Deduct 15 per cent.,

159 65

Pay,

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\$910 15

ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,

\$500 00

6,669 yards excavation, at 14c.,

877 66

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1,061 80

Deduct 15 per cent.

151 65

Pay,

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260 96

ESTIMATE No. 3, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,

\$696 00

11,552 yards embankment, 13c.,

1,501 76

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\$2,197 76

Deduct former estimate,

1,171 11

“ 15 per cent.,

329 55

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1,500 66

Pay,

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\$697 10

## ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$696 00
8,793 yards excavation, at 14c.,		1,231 02
16,058½ " of embankment, at 12c.,		1,990 68
287 perch of protection stone, in work, at 85c.,		243 95
1,032 " protection stone at quarry, at 40c.,		412 80
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		4,574 45
Deduct former estimates,	1,865 21	
" 15 per cent,	686 00	
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Pay,		\$2,020 24

## ESTIMATE No. 5, JUNE 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$696 00
10,600 yards excavation, at 14½c.,		1,484 00
16,900 " embankment, at 12c.,		2,028 00
287 perch protection stone, in work, at 85c.,		243 95
2,532 " " " at quarry, at 30c.,		759 60
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		5,211 55
Deduct former estimates,	3,888 45	
" 15 per cent.,	781 73	
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Pay,		\$541 37

## ESTIMATE No. 6, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$696 00
18,450 yards embankment, at 12½c.,		2,306 25
11,008 " excavation,		1,602 16
541 perches protection stone in work, at 85c.,		459 65
192 " one mile below work on Mo. side,		124 80
2,332 " protection stone at quarry, at 30c.,		699 60
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		5,888 66
Deduct former payments,	4,429 82	
" 15 per cent.	883 30	
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Pay,		\$575 54

## ESTIMATE No. 7, NOVEMBER 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$696 00
21,567 yards embankment, at 12½c.,		2,695 87
11,104 " excavation, including M. D., 14½c.,		1,610 08
1,962 perch of stone on work, protection, at 85c.,		1,667 70
370 " protection stone at different points along the river, at 50c.,		185 00
649 " protection stone at Curts quarry, at 30c.,		194 70
190 yards of embankment on Sec. No. 1, for race at 10c.,		19 00
Work done by Smith and Morseman, on Sec. No. 5 :		
Grubbing and clearing,		33 00
88 yards excavation muck ditch, at 8c.,		7 04
3,760 " embankment, at 10c.,		376 00
		7,484 39
Deduct former payments,	5,005 36	
" 15 per cent.,	1,122 66	
		6,128 02
	Pay,	1,356 37
541 perches protection stone on work, omitted above, at 85c		459 85
192 " " " at Bylants, Mo. side river at 65c		124 80
		584 65
Deduct 15 per cent.,		87 69
	Pay,	\$496 96

## ESTIMATE No. 8, FEB. 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$696 00
23,319 yards embankment, (old contract) at 12½c.,		2,914 87
11,473 " excavation, " " at 14½c.,		1,663 58
16,170 " embankment, N. C. at 17c.,		2,748 90
11,090 lineal feet pile timber delivered, at 3¾c.,		412 50
2,503 perches protection stone at and on work, at 85c.,		2,127 55
370 perches along Nassau Slough, at 50c.,		185 00
192 perches at Byland's, Mo. side, at 65c.		124 80
2,114 " from Corts & Barek's, at \$1 20,		2,536 80
190 yards embankment, at 10c.,		19 00

*Section 5.*

Grubbing and clearing,		33 00
88 yards excavation of muck ditch, at 8c.,		7 04
5067 " embankment, at 10c.,		506 70
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		\$13,975 74
Deduct former payments,	\$6,856 69	
Deduct 15 per cent,	2,096 36	
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Pay,		\$5,020 69

## ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY 6, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		696 00
23,119 yards embankment, at 13c.,		3,005 47
11,475 " excavation of muck ditch, at 12c.,		1,721 25
43,071 " river embankment, at 17½c.,		7,537 42
190 " embankment of race on No. 1. at 10c.		19 00
2,707 perches protection stone, at and on work, at 85c.,		2,300 95
14,000 lineal feet pile timber delivered, at 3¾c.,		525 00
370 perches protection stone along Nassau Slough at 50c.,		785 00
2,114 " " " new contract; at \$1 30,		2,748 20

*Section, 5.*

Grubbing and clearing,		33 00
88 yards excavation of muck ditch, at 8c.,		7 04
5,067 " embankment, at 10c.,		506 70
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		\$19,285 03
Deduct former payment,	11,879 38	
" 15c., cent,	2,892 75	
	<hr/>	14,772 13
Pay,		\$4,512 90

## ESTIMATE No. 10, AUG. 1. 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		696 00
23,260 cubic yards embankment, at 13c.,		3,023 80
11,496 " " excavation, at 15c.,		1,724 40
45,066 " " river embankment, at 18c.,		8,111 88
190 " " embankment for race on Sec. 1, at 10c.,		19 00
2,707 perches protection stone, on work, at 55c.,		2,300 95
14,544 lineal feet pile timber delivered, at 3¾c.,		545 40
370 perches stone along Nassau Slough, at 50c.,		185 00
2,123 " protection stone, new contract, 1 30		2,759 90

*Section 5.*

Grubbing and clearing,	33 00
88 yards excavation of muck ditch, at 8c.,	7 04
5,067 yards embankment, at 10c.,	506. 70
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	19,913 07
Deduct former payments,	16,392 28
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Pay,	3,520 79

*Section Nos. 5 and 7, BLAKE & Co., Contractors.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, JAN. 18, 1849.

1,990 yards embankment, at 9c.,	179 10
78 " excavation of muck ditch, at 8c.,	6 24
Grubbing and clearing,	80 00
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	265 34
Deduct 15 per cent,	39 75
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Pay,	225 59

## ESTIMATE No. 6, APRIL 2, 1849.

4,226 yards excavation, at 9½c.,	401 47
Grubbing and clearing,	100 00
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	501 47
Deduct 15 per cent,	75 15
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Pay,	426 32
450 yards excavation, at 10c.,	45 00
Grubbing and clearing added,	100 00
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	145 00
Deduct 15 per cent,	21 75
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Pay,	123 75

## ESTIMATE No. 3, AUG. 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	200 00
99 yards muck ditching, at 8c.,	7 92
7,215 yards excavation, at 9½c.,	685 42

112 perch protection stone, at quarry near the work, at 75c.,		84 00
		<u>977 34</u>
Deduct former payment,	549 57	
"    15 per cent,	146 60	
	<u>        </u>	996 17
Pay,		<u>281 17</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 4, Nov. 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		350 00
8,904 yards excavations including M. D., at 10c.,		890 40
112 perches protection stone, at 75c.,		84 00
For lost embankment and removing drift as per order of the board,		400 00
		<u>1,724 40</u>
Deduct former payment,	830 74	
"    15 per cent,	258 66	
	<u>        </u>	1,089 40
Pay,		<u>635 00</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 5, FEB. 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		500 00
8,904 yards excavation including M. D. done by Blake, at 10c.,		890 40
112 perches protection stone per Blake, at 75c.		84 00
For lost embankment allowed Blake,		400 00
1,795 yards excavation, between stations 29 and 37 at 12c.,		215 40
1,315 "    "    aqueduct pile, at 12c.,		170 95
284 "    muck ditch excavation, at 12c.,		29 76
1,184 "    embankment from station 3 to 7, at 12c.		142 08
3,310 cubic feet foundation timber for aqueduct, at 7c.,		231 70
11,117 lineal feet pile timber delivered, at 3½c.,		416 68
		<u>3,081 17</u>
Deduct former payment,	1465 74	
"    15 per cent,	462 18	
	<u>        </u>	1,927 92
Pay,		<u>1,153 25</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 6, MAY 6, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		575 00
8,904 yards excavation including M. D., by Blake, at 10c.,		890 40
112 perches protection stone, " " " " 75c.,		84 00
For lost embankment allowed Blake,		400 00
1,795 yards excavation between stations 29 and 37, at 12c.,		215 40
7,600 yards ex aqueduct pit and creek channel, at 13c.,		988 00
248 " ex muck ditch from stations 3 to 7, at 12c.,		29 00
4,900 " embankment " " " at 12c.,		588 00
5,937 cubic feet foundation timber, at 5c.,		415 59
11,117 lineal feet pile timber, at 3½c.,		416 68
1,144 perches protection stone for aqueduct, at 62½c.,		720 00
15,000 B M delivered, at 1 50.,		225 00
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		6978 03
Deduct former payment,	2,618 99	
" 15 per cent,	1,046 70	
	<hr/>	3,665 69
Pay,		3,312 34

## ESTIMATE No. 7, AUG. 1, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		600 00
For lost embankment allowed Blake,		400 00
8,904 yards excavation including MD done by Blake, at 10c.,		890 40
112 perches protection stone, " " " 75c.,		84 00
1,795 yards excavation between stations 29 and 37, at 12c.,		215 40
8,429 " " aqueduct pit and creek, etc., at 13c.,		1,095 77
179 " excavation of muck ditches from stations 3 to 7, at 12c.,		23 88
5,105 yards embankment from stations 3 to 7, at 12c.,		612 60
5,937 cubic feet foundation timber, at 6½c.,		385 90
12,448 lineal feet of pile timber, at 3½c.,		466 80
1,144 perches protection stone, at \$1,30,		1,487 20
360 " stone for aqueduct, at 2½c.,		765 00
15,000 feet, B. M., foundation plank, at \$15,		225 00
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		7,251 95
Deduct former payment,	5,931 33	
" trimming and lopping brush from 3 to 7	20 62	
	<hr/>	5,951 95
Balance due,		1,300 00



*Section No. 6—1 mile of canal.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPT. 27, 1848.

986 cubic yards of excavation in lower pit on old line, at 10c.,	98 60
741 " " " " " upper	74 10
Grubbing and clearing on old line,	150 00
" " " " new "	40 00
288 yards embankment, at 10c.,	28 80
74 " excavation of muck ditch, at 10c.,	7 40
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	398 90
Deduct 15 per cent,	58 00
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Pay,	340 90

## ESTIMATE No. 2, Nov. 10, 1848.

Excavation, and grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
Grubbing and clearing on new line,	250 00
333 yards muck ditch excavation between stakes 43 and 47½, at 10c.,	33 30
6,178 yards embankment, at 8c.,	494 24
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	1,100 24
Deduct former estimate,	340 90
" 15 per cent.,	165 00
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	505 90
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Pay,	\$594 34

## ESTIMATE No. 3, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Excavation, grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
Grubbing and clearing on new line,	250 00
Muck ditching between stations 9 and 11, and between 43 and 51, 603 yards, at 10c.,	60 30
18,222 yards embankment, at 9c.,	1,639 98
Deduct former payments,	985 24
15 per cent.	340 50
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	1,276 04
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Pay,	\$996 94

## ESTIMATE No. 4, APRIL 5th, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
“ “ “ new line,	250 00
Muck ditching, 695 yards, at 10c.,	69 50
22,451 yards embankment,	2,020 29
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	2,662 90
Deduct former payments,	1,932 18
“ 15 per cent.,	399 30
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Pay,	2,331 48
	\$331 31

## ESTIMATE No. 5, AUGUST 6th, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
“ “ “ new line,	270 00
1,089 yards of muck ditching, at 10c.,	108 90
3,858 yards excavation, at 9c.,	347 22
25,846 yards embankment, at 9½c.,	2,455 37
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	3,504 19
Deduct former payments,	2,263 49
“ 15 per cent.,	525 62
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Pay,	2,789 11
	\$715 08

## ESTIMATE No. 6, Nov. 21st, 1849.

Excavation, grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
“ “ “	415 00
1,532 yards muck ditching, at 10c.,	153 20
4,132 “ excavation, at 10c.,	413 20
30,092 “ embankment, at 12c.,	3,611 04
For lost embankment by flood, as per order of Board,	120 00
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	5,035 14
Deduct former payment,	2,978 57
“ 15 per cent.,	755 27
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Pay,	3,783 74
	\$1,201 30

## ESTIMATE No. 7, FEB. 15, 1850.

Excavation, grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
"    "    "    "    new line,	500 00
1,962 yards excavation muck ditching, at 10c.,	196 20
4,653 yards excavation, 10c.,	463 30
42,568 " embankment, 12c.,	5,108 16
For lost embankment by flood, as per order of board,	120 00
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	6,712 36
Deduct former payment,	4,279 87
"    15 per cent.,	1,006 86
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	5,286 72
Pay,	<hr/>
	\$1,425 64

## ESTIMATE No. 8, MAY 6, 1850.

Excavation, grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
"    "    "    "    new line,	650 00
4,700 yards canal excavation, 10c.,	470 00
2,811 " excavating muck ditches, at 10c.,	281 10
58,300 " embankment, at 12½c.,	7,287 50
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	\$9,011 30
Deduct former payments,	5,705 51
"    15 per cent.,	1,351 69
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	7,057 20
Pay,	<hr/>
	\$1,954 10

## ESTIMATE No. 9, AUGUST 1st, 1850.

Excavation, grubbing and clearing on old line,	322 70
"    "    "    "    new line,	650 00
4,963 yards excavation, at 10c.,	496 30
2,811 " muck ditch and mucking, at 10c.,	281 10
57,489 " embankment, 12¼c.,	7,329 84
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	9,079 94
Deduct former payments,	7,659 61
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Pay,	<hr/>
	\$1,420 33

*Section No. 7.*

## ESTIMATE NO. 1, JUNE 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	250 00
3,325 yards of embankment, at 10c.,	332 50
367 " muck ditch from station 4 to 9, at 10c.,	36 70
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	619 20
Deduct 15 per cent.,	92 80
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Pay,	\$526 40

## ESTIMATE NO. 2, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	300 00
5,728 yards embankment, 10½c.,	601 44
378 " muck ditching, 10c.,	57 80
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	959 24
Deduct former payment,	526 40
" 15 per cent.,	143 88
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	670 28
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Pay,	\$288 96

## ESTIMATE NO. 3, NOV. 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	325 00
13,450 yards embankment, at 11½c.,	1,546 75
1,906 " excavation M. D., at 10c.,	196 60
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	2,062 35
Deduct former payments,	815 36
" 15 per cent.,	389 35
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	1,124 71
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Pay,	\$937 64

## ESTIMATE NO. 4, FEBRUARY 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,	325 00
27,013 yards embankment, 11½c.,	3,105 50
2,916 " excavation muck ditching, at 10c.,	291 00
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	3,722 10
Deduct former payments,	1,753 00
" 15 per cent.,	558 31
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	2,311 31
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Pay,	\$1,410 79

## ESTIMATE No. 5, MAY 6, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,	375 00
33,850 yards embankment, at 12c.,	4,062 00
2,791 " excavation, at 10c.,	297 10
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	4,734 10
Deduct former payments,	3,163,79
" 15 per cent.,	710 11
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	3,873 90
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Pay,	\$860 20

## ESTIMATE No. 6, AUG. 1st, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing within and without C. L.,	650 00
32,745 yards of embankment, at 12½c,	4,011 26
2,971 " excavation, muck ditching and mucking,	297 10
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	4,958 36
Deduct former payments,	4,023 99
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Pay,	\$934 37

*Section No. 8. (1 mile of canal at Little Yellow Banks.)*

BRIGHAM &amp; MAYGEE, Contractors.

## ESTIMATE No. 1, AUGUST 24th, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing the extra mile equal to the work needed to complete original location,	1,300 00
4,800 yards excavation from station 28 to 29,	384 00
Puddle ditch, 211 yards, excavation from station 24 to 28½,	23 21
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	1,707 21
Deduct 15 per cent.,	256 00
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Estimated payment,	\$1,451 21

SAMUEL R. CURTIS,

Prin. Engineer.

## ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPT. 27, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,		1,300 00
4,800 yards excavation, at 8c.,		384 00
Puddle ditch, 277 yards, from 21 to 28 $\frac{3}{4}$ ,		30 47
5,400 yards embankment, between stations 23 and 29, at 10c.,		648 00
68 perch protection stone in works,		68 00
6,500 feet lock timber, most of it delivered, at 5c.,		325 00
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		2,755 47
Deduct from estimate,	1,451 21	
"    15 per cent.,	413 05	
	<hr/>	1,864 46
Pay,		\$891 01

## ESTIMATE No. 3.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,300 00
4,800 yards of excavation, at 8c.,		384 00
310 " muck ditch, 18 to 29, at 11c.,		34 10
877 " excavation below bluff, at 9c.,		78 93
16,870 " embankment, between 18 and 27, at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,		1,940 57
2,759 perches protection stone, at 95c.,		2,621 05
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		6,358 65
Clearing lock pit, etc.,		25 00
700 yards excavation in lock pit, at 10c.,		70 00
8,250 feet foundation timber, delivered at work, at 6c.,		495 00
5,000 feet oak plank, B. M., at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,		75 00
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		7,023 65
Deduct former estimate,	2,342 22	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,053 45	
	<hr/>	3,395 67
Pay,		\$3,627 98

## ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,300 00
	<i>Canal.</i>	
4,502 yards excavation, at 10c.,		450 00
600 y'ds muck ditching between 18 and 29 and 9 to 18, 11c.,		67 10
38,043 yards embankment, at 12c.,		3,365 16

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3,257 perches protection, delivered,		257 00
250 " " at quarry, at 40c.,		100 00
	<i>Lock.</i>	
4,680 yards of pit excavation,		1,076 40
11,250 feet B. M. plank, at 1½c.,		168 00
15,300 " " timber, at 7c.,		1,071 00
160 perches of lock stone at quarry, at 60c.,		96 00
Removal of lock materials from 1st to 2d location,		300 00
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		11,251 41
Deduct former payments,	\$4,511 99	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,687 65	
Deduct first payment, omitted,	1,451 21	
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Add gullying and clearing lock pit,		3,600 56
		75 00
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Pay,		\$3,675 56

ESTIMATE No. 5, APRIL 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,300 00
14,807 yards excavation, at 10c.,		1,480 70
818 " muck ditch on whole section 11,		89 98
37,284 " of embankment, at 12c.,		4,660 50
3,893 perches protection,		3,893 00
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		11,424 18

*Above on Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing lock pit,		75 00
4,680 yards pit excavation, at 23c.,		176 40
15,250 feet B. M. timber, at 1½c.,		228 75
15,300 " timber,		1,071 11
420 perches cut stone, delivered, \$2,80,		1,176 00
435 locking, " 2,00,		870 00
Removal of lock material,		1,000 00
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		16,921 33
Deduct former payments,	\$9,645 76	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,538 19	
	<hr/>	12,183 95
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Pay,		\$4,737 38

## ESTIMATE No. 6, AUGUST 5, 1849.

*Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing,	1,300 00
14,807 yards excavation, at 10½c.,	1,554 13
41,132 " embankment, at 13c.,	5,347 16
818 " muck ditching, includes all on section,	89 98
5,186 perches protection stone, delivered,	5,186 00
270 " " " at quarry,	82 50
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	13,560 37

*Lock.*

Grubbing and clearing lock pit,	75 00
28,790 feet b. measure 2 and 3 inch plank, at 1½c.,	431 85
15,300 " of foundation timber,	1,071 00
4,680 yards pit excavation,	1,076 40
420 perches cut stone, delivered, at \$2.80,	1,176 00
435 " locking stone, delivered,	870 00
Removal of lock materials from 1st to 2d location,	1,000 00
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	19,260 62
Deduct former payments,	\$14,383 14
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,889 09
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	17,272 23
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Pay,	\$1,988 39

## ESTIMATE No. 7, Nov. 21, 1849.

*Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing,	\$1,812 00
15,413 yards excavation, at 11c.,	1,695 43
45,056 " embankment, at 13½c.,	6,082 56
818 " muck ditch, at 11c.,	89 98
6,509 perches protection stone, delivered, \$1,	6,509 00
1,470 " " " at quarry, 60c.,	441 00

*Lock.*

Grubbing and clearing lock pit,	75 00
28,790 feet b. m., 2 and 3 inch oak plank, at 1½c.,	431 85
15,300 feet foundation timber, at 7c.,	1,071 00
4,680 yards pit excavation, at 25c.,	1,170 00



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420 perches cut stone, delivered, 3,30,	1,386 00
435 " locking stone, 2,25,	978 75
150 " lock stone at quarry,	75 00
Removal of lock materials,	1,500 00

*Allowances made by Board.*

Loss of lock timber by flood,	100 00
Injury to lock foundation, by flood,	100 00
6,000 yards embankment washed away, by flood,	810 00
For increased quantity of protection stone delivered over original estimate,	1,000 00

25,365 00

Deduct former payments,	\$16,371 53
Deduct 15 per cent.,	3,804 76

20,176 29

Pay,

\$5,188 71

ESTIMATE No. 8, FEBRUARY 15, 1850.

*Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing,	1,812 00
1513 yards excavation,	1,695 48
818 " " muck ditches, at 11½c.,	89 98
44056 " embankment,	5,947 56
36709 " " 15c.,	5,506 36
6509 perch protection stone delivered, at \$1 00,	6,509 00
317 " " " not on works, at \$1,20,	380 00
1174 " " " at Quarry, at 40c.,	469 00

*Lock.*

Grubbing and learing Lock Pit,	75 00
5222 yards excavation Lock Pit, at 25c.,	1,305 50
28790 feet B. M. Oak plank, at \$1 50,	431 85
15300 cubic feet foundation timber. at 7c.,	1,071 00
420 perches cut stone, delivered, at \$3 30,	1,386 00
435 " locking stone, delivered, at \$2,25,	968 75
360 " lock stone, at quarry, at \$1 00,	360 00
Removal of lock materials,	1,500 00
Allowance for losses and increased quantity of protection stone as per order of the Board,	2,010 00

\$31,528 42

Deduct former payments,	21,560 14	
"    15 per centum,	4,729 26	
	<hr/>	\$26,289 50
Pay,		5,238 92

## ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY 6, 1850.

*Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,812 00
16000 yards excavation, at 11c.,		1,760 00
818 " " muck ditch, at 11c.,		89 98
49056 " embankment, at old prices, 13½c.,		5,947 56
69000 " River embankment at new prices, 15c.,		10,050 00
6509 perches protection stone, delivered, at \$1 00,		6,509 00
691 " " " " and laid, N. C.		
at \$1 50,		1,036 50
1200 perches " " " net laid, C., \$1 30,		1,560 00

*Lock*

Grubbing and clearing Lock Pit,		75 00
5222 yards excavation Lock Pit, at 25c.,		1,305 50
41757 feet plank, at \$1 50,		626 35
15300 cubic feet foundation timber, 7c.,		1,071 00
1200 perches lock stone delivered, at \$2 25,		2,700 00
5000 superficial feet cut stone, at 18c.,		900 00
197 perches lock stone at quarry, front coping,		236 50
Removal of lock materials,		1,800 00
Allowance for losses and increased quantities of protection stone, as per order of the Board,		2,010 00

Estimate total,		39,489 20
Deduct former payments,	\$26,796 16	
"    15 per centum,	5,923 39	
	<hr/>	32,722 55
Estimate payment,		\$6,766 74

## ESTIMATE No. 10, AUGUST 1, 1850.

*Canal.*

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,750 00
16754 yards of excavation at 11c.,		1,849 94

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41906 yards of embankment at old prices, 13½c.,	5,657 31
70402 " " new " 15c.,	10,560 30
6509 perches protection stone at old prices, \$1 00,	6,509 00
691 " " " new " \$1 50,	1,036 50
1200 " " " not laid, \$1 30,	1,560 00
80 " " " at Quarry, 75c.,	60 00
Allowed by Board in Nov., 1849,	<u>2,010 00</u>

*Locks.*

Grubbing and clearing,	75 00
5222 yards pit excavation, at 25c.,	1,305 50
15300 feet of timber for foundation, at 7c.,	1,071 00
39657 " Oak plank, at \$1 50,	594 85
2100 " sheet piling, 9c.,	189 00
1200 perch lock stone, delivered, at \$2 25,	2700 00
Cutting stone,	936 72
282 perches lock stone, at quarry, \$1 20,	338 40
Change of location of lock, and attending expenses,	2,100 00

\$40,295 52

Deduct from payments,

33,565 90

Pay,

\$6,730 62

*Section No. 9.—CONABLE & CUNNINGHAM Contractors.—1 mile of Steamboat Canal.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPT. 27th, 1845.

Grubbing and clearing,	450 00
3,736 yards excavation, 8c.,	298,88

\$748.88

Deduct 15 per cent.,

112 20

Pay,

\$636.68

ESTIMATE No. 2, Nov. 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing ¾ done,	700 00
15,052 yards excavation, 8½c.,	1,279 43

\$1,979 42

Deduct former payment,	636 68	
"    15 per cent.,	296 85	
	<u>          </u>	933 53
Pay,		<u>\$1,045 89</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 3, JANUARY 18th, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		800 00
22,755 yards excavation, at 9c.,		2,047 95
2,867 " embankment, at 8c.,		229 36
244 " excavation muck ditch,		24 40
		<u>3,101 71</u>
Deduct former payment,	1,682 57	
"    15 per cent.,	465 15	
	<u>          </u>	2,147 72
Pay,		<u>\$953 99</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 4, JUNE 5th, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		900 00
41,163 yards excavation, at 9½c.,		3,910 48
7,295 " embankment, at 9½c.,		693 02
254 " muck ditch, 10c.,		25 40
		<u>7,528 90</u>
Deduct former payments,	2,636 56	
"    15 per cent.,	829 33	
	<u>          </u>	3,465 89
Pay,		<u>\$2,63 01</u>

## ESTIMATE No. 5. AUGUST 6th, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		1,000 00
41,599 yards excavation, at 10c.,		4,159 90
10,280 " embankment, at 10c.,		1,028 00
554 " muck ditch, at 10c.,		25 40
		<u>6,213 30</u>
Deduct former payments,	4,699 57	
"    15 per cent.,	932 00	
	<u>          </u>	5,631 57
Pay,		<u>\$581 73</u>

## FINAL ESTIMATE, DEC., 1st, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing, contract price,		1,000 00
“ “ for basin outside canal limits,		100 00
46,808 yards excavation, at 10c.,		4,680 80
305 “ muck ditch excavation, at 10c.,		30 50
347 “ excavation of drains back of spout bank, 10c.,		34 70
12,607 “ of embankment, which includes 377 yards for filling gapes at 10c.,		1,260 70
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		7,106 70
Deduct former payments,	5,281 30	
“ 15 per cent.,	1,065 93	
	<hr/>	6,347 25
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Pay,		\$759 47

*Section No. 10, Canal.—CASSIDY & BELL Contractors.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, JULY 18th, 1848.

1,338 yards excavation,		107 04
Clearing the section,		250 00
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		357 04
Deduct 15 per cent.,		54 00
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Pay,		303 04

## ESTIMATE No. 2, AUGUST 24th, 1848.

3,333 yards excavation, at 8c.,		266 64
Grubbing and clearing,		250 00
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		516 64
Deduct former estimate,	303 04	
“ 15 per cent.,	92 49	
	<hr/>	395 51
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Pay,		\$221 13

## ESTIMATE No. 3, SEPT. 27th, 1848.

12,699 yards excavation, at 9c,		1,142 91
Grubbing and clearing,		350 00
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		1,492 91

Deduct former estimate,	524 17	
"    15 per cent.,	171 30	
		<u>695 47</u>
Pay,		\$797 44

## ESTIMATE No. 4, NOVEMBER 10th, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,		450 00
25,913 yards excavation, at 9c.,		2,332 17
Work on pile boat,		150 00
		<u>2,992 17</u>
Deduct former payment.	1,391 61	
"    15 per cent.,	439 80	
		<u>1,740 41</u>
Pay,		\$1,170 76

## ESTIMATE No. 5, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$500 00
32,180 yards excavation, at 9c.,		2,896 00
Work on pile boat,		250 00
		<u>3,696 00</u>
Deduct former payments,	2,492 37	
"    15 per cent.,	554 40	
		<u>3,046 77</u>
Pay,		649 23

## ESTIMATE No. 6, JUNE 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$625 00
42,390 yards excavation, at 9½c.,		4,027 05
Work on pile boat,		400 00
		<u>5,052 05</u>
Deduct former payments,	3,141 60	
"    15 per cent.,	757 80	
		<u>3,899 40</u>
Pay,		\$1,152 65

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ESTIMATE No. 7, AUGUST 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$675 00
50,376 yards excavation, at 10c.,		5,037 60
Work on pile boat,		400 00
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		6,112 60
Deduct former estimates,	4,294 25	
"    15 per cent.,	916 89	
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Pay,		\$901 46

ESTIMATE No. 8, NOVEMBER 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$725 00
60,527 yards excavation, at 10c.,		6,052 70
Work on pile boat,		450 00
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		7,257 70
Deduct former estimates,	5,195 71	
"    15 per cent.,	1,084 15	
	<hr/>	6,279 86
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Pay,		\$947 84

ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$725 00
66,100 yards excavation, at 10c.,		6,610 00
Work on pile boat,		450 00
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		7,785 00
Deduct former payments,	6,143 55	
"    15 per cent.,	1,197 75	
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Pay,		\$473 70

ESTIMATE No. 10, AUGUST 1, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$680 00
63,321 yards excavation, at 10c.,		6,332 10
3,816 " " in rough state, at 9c.,		343 44
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		7,355 54

Deduct former payments,	6,617 25
	<u>738 29</u>
Add for work on pile boat,	450 00
Pay,	<u>\$1,188 29</u>
 <i>Section No. 11, (L. TURNER Contractor,) 1 mile Canal and Guard Lock.</i>	
ESTIMATE NO. 1, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.	
Grubbing between station Nos. 6 and 18,	\$300 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,	45 00
Pay,	<u>\$255 00</u>
 ESTIMATE No. 2, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.	
Grubbing and clearing	\$800 00
2,800 yards excavation, at 9c.,	252 00
	<u>1,052 00</u>
Deduct former estimate,	255 00
“ 15 per cent.,	157 00
	<u>412 00</u>
Pay,	640 00
 ESTIMATE No. 3, JANUARY 18, 1849.	
Grubbing and clearing,	\$900 00
80 perch of stone, delivered, at \$1 80.	144 00
1,577 cubic feet of timber, for lock foundation, at 8c.,	126 16
7,902 yards excavation, at 9c.,	711 18
	<u>1,881 34</u>
Deduct former payments,	895 00
“ 15 per cent.,	282 15
	<u>1,177 15</u>
Pay,	\$704 19
 ESTIMATE No. 4, APRIL 5, 1849.	
Grubbing and clearing	\$950 00
150 perch of stone, delivered, at \$1 80,	270 00



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2,894 feet of foundation timber, at 8c.,		231 52
118 " sill timber,		11 80
11,404 yards excavation, at 9c.,		1,026 36
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		2,489 68
Deduct former payments,	\$1,599 19	
" 15 per cent.,	373 35	
	<hr/>	1,972 54
Pay,		<hr/>
		\$517 54

ESTIMATE No. 5, JUNE 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		1,271 66
150 perch of stone delivered, at \$1 80,		270 00
2,891 cubic feet foundation timber, at 8c.,		231 52
118 " " sill timber, at 10c.,		11 80
20,509 yards excavation, at 9c.,		1,845 81
3,228 feet B. M. oak plank, at \$1 10,		35 50
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		3,666 29
Deduct former estimate,	2,116 33	
" 15 per cent.,	549 96	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		\$1,000 00

ESTIMATE No. 6, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		1500 00
150 perches stone delivered, at \$1 80,		270 00
2894 cubic feet foundation timber, 8c.,		231 52
118 " " sill timber, 10c.,		11 80
29181 yards of excavation, at 9½c.,		2,772 19
143 " muck ditching, at 10c.,		14 30
6000 feet B. M. foundation plank, \$1 10,		66 00
110 perches of stone at quarry, at 75c.,		82 50
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		4,948 31
Deduct former payments,	\$3,116 33	
" 15 per cent.,	742 24	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		1,089 74

## ESTIMATE No. 7, Nov. 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,600 00
150 perches of lock stone, delivered, at 18c.,		270 00
2894 cubic feet foundation timber, at 8c.,		231 52
118 " " sill timber, at 10c.,		11 80
35754 yards excavation, including muck ditch, 18c.,		3,575 40
300 " embankment, 11c.,		33 00
6000 feet B. M. foundation plank, \$1 10,		66 00
354 perches of lock stone, at quarry in Mo., 75c.,		265 80
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		6,053 22
Deduct former payments,	4,206 07	
" 15 per centum,	907 98	
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		5,114 05
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Pay,		939 17

## ESTIMATE No. 8, FEB. 15, 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		1,600 00
185 perches of lock stone, at \$1 80,		333 00
2894 cubic feet foundation timber, at 8c.,		231 52
118 cubic feet sill timber, at 10c.,		11 80
37087 " yards excavation, including muck ditch, 10c.,		3,575 40
300 " " embankment, at 11c.,		33 00
11939 feet B. M. oak plank delivered at \$1 10,		131 27
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Deduct former payments,	5,145 24	6,327 39
" 15 per cent.,	949 11	
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		6,094 35
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Pay,		233 04

## ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY, 5 1850.

Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,900 00
28 perches cut stone delivered, \$3 25,		91 00
31 " " at quarry, \$2 50,		77 50
196 " backing stone delivered, \$1 80,		352 80
202 " rough stone at quarry, at 75c.,		151 50
2894 cubic feet foundation timber, delivered, 8c.,		231 52
1534 " " " " in river, 7c.,		107 38

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118	“	“	sill timber, at 10c.,	11	80
42875	yards	canal excavation and M. D.,	10c.,	4,287	50
1082	“	lock pit excavation, 12c.,		129	84
1655	“	embankment, 11c.,		182	05
11934	feet	B. M. oak plank delivered, \$1	10,	131	27
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				7,654	16
		Deduct former estimate,		5,378	28
		“	15 per cent.,	1,148	12
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				6,526	40
		Pay,		1,127	76

## ESTIMATE No. 10, AUGUST 1, 1850.

		Grubbing and clearing,		\$1,975	00
43724	yards	canal excavation, at 10c.,		4,372	40
628	“	muck ditch excavation, at 10c.,		62	80
2163	“	lock pit excavation at 12c.,		259	56
2110	“	embankment, at 11c.,		232	10
28	perches	cut stone, delivered, at \$3	65,	102	20
30	“	“	at quarries, at \$2	50,	77
201	“	backing stone, delivered, at \$1	50,	461	80
220	“	at quarries and on bank, at 75c.,		165	00
4687	cubic feet	foundation timber, at 8c.,		374	96
118	“	“	sill timber, at 10c.,	11	80
11473	feet	B. M. oak plank, at \$1	35,	154	88
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				8,150	00
		Deduct former payments,		6,506	04
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		Pay,		\$1,643	96

## Section No. 12—BARNETT &amp; Co., Contractors—Dam No. 1, at St. Francisville.

## ESTIMATE No. 1, JANUARY 18, 1849.

814	perch	of stone delivered at lock ; 350 being large			
		stone suitable for lock, at 90c.,		730	60
		15 per cent. off,		109	80
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		Pay,		\$628	80

## ESTIMATE No. 2, APRIL 5, 1849.

200 perches, mostly lock stone at quarry, at 30c.,		\$100 00
600 " " " " delivered, \$1 80,		1,080 00
665 " crib filling, " at 50c.,		332 50
6140 lineal feet square timber, " at 6½c.,		399 10
3711 " " round timber, " at 4c.,		180 44
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		2060 04
Deduct former estimate,	622 80	
" 15 per cent.,	309 00	
	<hr/>	931 80
Pay,		1,128 24

## ESTIMATE No. 3, JUNE 5th, 1849.

490 perches Lock stone at the quarry, \$1,		490 99
1,000 " " " delivered \$1 80,		1,800 00
1,049 " crib filling, " 50c.,		524 50
10,937 lineal feet square timber, do. 7c.,		765 59
13,753 " round " " 5c.,		687 65
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		3,967 74
Deduct former payments,	1,741 04	
" 15 per cent.,	595 16	
	<hr/>	2,346 30
Pay,		\$1,621 54

## ESTIMATE No. 4, AUGUST 6th, 1849.

1,344 perches of crib filling, delivered at 50c.		670 00
1,600 " lock stone, " at \$1 50		2,400 00
55 " cut lock stone, " at \$2 50		137 50
220 " lock stone at the quarry, at \$1,		220 00
13,847 lineal feet square timber, at 7c.,		969 29
16,342 " round " at 5c.,		817 10
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		5,215 89
Deduct former payments,	3,372 58	
" 15 per cent.,	782 38	
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Pay,		\$1,060 93

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ESTIMATE No. 5, NOVEMBER 5th, 1849.

1,837 perches crib filling, delivered, at 50c.,	918 50
2,414 " lock stone " at 1 50,	3,621 00
220 " " cut and delivered, at 2 50	550 00
220 " " at quarry, at 1 00	200 00
14,557 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 7c.,	1,019 13
16,692 " " round " " at 5c.,	834 60

*Abutment Pit.*

Grubbing and clearing,	30 00
5,013 yards excavation, at 12c.,	601 56
1,414 yards embankment at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	208 56
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	\$8,003 35
Deduct former payments,	4,433 51
" 15 per cent,	1,200 50
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	5,634 00
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Pay,	\$2,369 34

ESTIMATE No. 6, FEBRUARY 15th, 1850.

4,102 superficial feet cut stone, at 18c.,	738 36
1,763 perches crib filling, delivered, at 50c.,	881 50
2,734 " lock stone, " at 1 80,	4,921 20
245 " " at quarry, at 1 00,	245 00
23,020 lineal feet square timber, at 7c.,	1,612 10
16,692 " " round " at 5c.,	834 60

*Abutment Pit.*

Grubbing and clearing pit and embankment,	40 00
5,966 yards excavation pit, at 12c.,	715 92
1,993 " embankment to join canal bank, at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	293 96
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	10,282 54
Deduct former payments,	6,802 85
" 15 per cent.	1,542 40
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	8,345 25
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Pay,	\$1,937 39

## ESTIMATE No. 7, MAY 6th, 1850.

4,859 superficial feet cut stone, at 18c.,		874 62
5,091 feet crib filling, delivered, at 50c.,		2,545 50
3,144 perches of lock stone, delivered, at 1 50,		5,659 20
60 " " " " at new quarry, at 1 00		Error
39,617 lineal feet square timber, at 7½c.,		2,971 27
16,692 " " round " at 5c.,		834 60
30,000 feet B. M. oak plank, at 1 50,		450 00
Grubbing and clearing abutment pit		40 00
5,966 yards excavation of pit, at 12c.,		
1,993 " embankment to join canal bank,		293 96
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		14,445 07
Deduct former payments,	9,520 97	
" 15 per cent.,	2,166 76	
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Pay,		\$2,757 24

## ESTIMATE No. 8, AUGUST 1st, 1850.

6,709 superficial feet cut stone, at 18c.,		1,207 62
10,312 perches crib filling, at 50c.,		5,156 00
1,409 " crib filling at quarry, at 40c.,		59 60
3,492 " lock stone delivered, at 2 dollars,		6,984 00
49 " coping, delivered, at 3 dollars,		147 00
246 " lock stone at quarry, at 1 dollar and 30c.,		319 80
39,617 lineal feet square timber, at 7½c.,		2,971 27
16,692 " " round " at 5c.,		834 60
18,537 feet B. M. oak plank, at 1 dollar and 35c.,		250 25
160 perches crib filling in coffer dam,		112 00
Work on abutment pit and embankment,		1,049 88
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		19,092 02
Deduct former payments,		12,278 31
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Pay,		\$6,813 71

WM. PATTEE *Contractor for Piling.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1, (FINAL.)

5,423 feet pileing,		203 36
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JACOB CRUM, *Pile Driving.*

## ESTIMATE No. 1.

550 lineal, at 9c. per foot,	49 50
1,275 " " 10c. "	127 50
For draying up pile and for work on state,	5 00
Paid Jenkins for work on State board,	4 75
To moving boat three times from Don, Mo., to Y. B.,	13 25
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Pay,	\$200 00

## ESTIMATE No. 2, MAY 6, 1850.

6,306 lineal feet piles driven, at 9c.,	567 54
9,407 " " " at Yellow Banks,	940 70
Paid for labor cutting piles,	7 00
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Pay,	\$1,515 21

*Section No. 13, Contract at Belfast, Dam No. 3.*

QUINN, CARAGHER & Co.,—and re-let to JOEL WALKER & BROTHERS,  
after its abandonment by the original contractors, Q., C. & Co.

## ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPT. 14, 1848.

400 perch of stone, and fixtures,	400 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,	60 00
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Pay,	\$340 00

SAMUEL C. CURTIS, Engineer.

## ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPT. 27, 1848.

510 perch of stone for locks,	510 00
Deduct former estimate,	340 00
" also 15 per cent.	76 00
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Pay,	\$93 00

SAMUEL R. CURTIS,

Principal Engineer.

## ESTIMATE No. 3, Nov. 10, 1848.

585 perch of lock stone at quarry, very near works, at \$1,	585 00
75 " curb filling, delivered, at 50c.,	37 50
150 " lock stone, " 1 80c.,	270 00
200 lineal feet square timber, at 4c.,	8 00
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	900 50
Deduct former estimate,	340 00
" 15 per cent.,	135 00
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	568 50
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Pay,	\$332 00

## ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 18th, 1849.

825 perch of stone at quarry, 25 cut lock stone, and most of the stone lock stone, at \$1,	800 00
142 perch lock stone, delivered, some of it cut, at \$2,	284 00
8 " coping, delivered and cut, at 8c.,	64 00
75 " crib filling, delivered, at 50c.,	37 50
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	1,185 50
Deduct former payments,	765 50
" 15 per cent.,	177 75
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	943 25
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Pay,	\$242 25

## ESTIMATE No. 7, AUGUST 6th, 1849.

82 perches of cut stone, delivered, at \$2 50,	205 00
6 " coping, cut and delivered, at 8c.,	48 00
640 " rough backing and face stone, delivered,	1,152 00
3,700 lineal feet square timber, at 4c.,	148 00
3,495 " " round " at 3c.,	104 85
157 " " cut stone at quarry, at 1 80-100,	282 60
10 " " coping, cut at the quarry, \$7,	70 00
1,268 " " rough face and backing stone, at \$1,	1,268 00
636 " " square timber, on works, 3c.,	25 08
5,000 " " round timber, at works, at 2c.,	100 00
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	3,403 53
Deduct former payments,	2,097 36
" 15 per cent.,	510 52
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	2,607 88
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Pay,	\$795 65



## ESTIMATE No. 8, Nov. 5, 1849.

195 perches cut stone, delivered, at 2 50-100,	487 50
7 " coping, cut and delivered, 8 00,	56 00
1,040 " rough stone, mostly backing, 1 80-100,	1,872 00
4,475 lineal feet square timber, at 3c.,	127 53
10 perches coping, cut at the quarry, at 7 00,	70 00
163 " stone, " " at 1 80-100,	293 40
1,068 " rough stone at the quarry, at 1 00,	1,068 00
6,600 feet round timber, at 2c.,	132 00
4,975 lineal feet square timber, at 4c.,	179 00
3,000 " " " " on river bank, at 3c.,	90 00
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	4,375 43
Deduct former payments,	2,893 01
" 15 per cent.,	656 31
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	3,549 32
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Pay,	\$826 11

## ESTIMATE No. 9, APRIL 12, 1850.

4,511 lineal feet of square timber including railroad track, at 5c.,	\$225 55
3,151 lineal feet on bank of river, at 4½c.	141 80
7,462 " " round timber, at 3c.,	223 86
4,252 " " " " near work, at 3½c.,	148 82
316 perches cut stone, delivered, \$3,	948 00
58 " cut stone at quarry, \$2,50,	145 00
857 " rough stone, delivered, \$1,80,	1,542 60
650 " " " at quarry, at \$1,	650 00
204 " crib filing in coffer dam, at 62c.,	127 50
7 " coping cut and delivered,	56 00
9 " " imperfectly cut at quarry,	54 00
For stuffing quarry,	75 00
For excavating road and laying down railroad track,	150 00
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	4,485 13
Deduct former payments,	3,719 12
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	\$769 01

The foregoing work, amounting to \$4,488 13, was done by Messrs. Quinn, Caragher & Co., after which they abandoned this contract, and

the work was re-let to Messrs. J. C. Walker & Brothers, on the day of A. D. 1850. The following are estimates of work done by the latter contractors :

ESTIMATE No. 1, Nov. 10, 1850.

643 lineal feet square timber, 3 miles above work, at 9c.,	57 87
10,000 " " " " near Johnson's at 9c.,	990 00
250 " " " " for miter sills, at 12c.,	30 00
6,000 " round timber above work, at 5c.,	300 00
For cutting stone before estimated,	30 00
125 perches rough stone at quarry, at 50c.,	62 50
187 " lock stone at quarry, at \$1,00,	187 00
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	\$1,567 37

ESTIMATE No. 2, MAY 15, 1851.

29,380 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 9c.,	\$2,644 20
7,500 lineal feet round timber, delivered, at 5c.,	375 00
250 lineal feet square timber for miter sill, at 12c.,	30 00
For cutting stone caps before estimated,	130 00
125 perches rough stone at quarry, at 50c.,	62 00
187 perches backing and heading stone,	187 00
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	3,429 38
Deduct former estimate,	1,567 37
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	\$1,862 01

ESTIMATE No. 3, SEPTEMBER 1, 1851.

35,258 lineal feet square timber, at 9c.,	\$3,173 22
7,500 lineal feet round timber, at 5c.,	375 00
439 lineal feet miter side timber, at 12c.,	52 68
For cutting 66 perches of stone that had been estimated,	130 68
125 perches rough stone at quarry, at 50c.,	62 50
187 perches backing and heading stone at quarry, \$1,00,	187 00
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	3,981 08
Deduct former payment,	3,429 38
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Due,	\$551 70

*Section No. 14, Dam No. 3—JAS. S. WALKER and HENRY J. CAMPBELL,  
Contractors.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

2,000 feet hewed timber, at 5c.,	\$100 00
400 perches stone crib filling,	140 00
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	\$240 00

SAMUEL R. CURTIS, Chief Engineer.

ESTIMATE No. 2, Nov. 10, 1848.

450 perch crib filling at quarry, at 30c.,	135 00
120 " lock stone " 80c.,	96 00
50 " " " cut, \$1 30	65 00
25 " " " delivered and cut, at \$2 00	50 00
65 " crib filling delivered at 60c.,	39 00
885 lineal feet round timber, delivered, at \$4 00	35 36
6,800 " " square timber, at 6c.,	408 00
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	828 36
Deduct former estimate,	240 00
" 15 per cent.,	124 20
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	364 20
Pay,	<hr/>
	464 16

ESTIMATE No. 3, JAN. 18, 1849.

130 perch lock and crib stone at quarry, at 50c.,	65 00
250 " " stone partly cut and delivered, at \$1 90.,	475 00
583 " crib filling delivered at 60c.,	349 80
12,550 feet square timber delivered at 6c.,	753 00
10,460 " round " " 3c.,	313 80
120,000 B M 2 and 3 in plank, \$1 10,	1,320 00
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	3,276 60
Deduct former payment,	714 16
" 15 per cent.,	491 40
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	1,195 56
Pay,	<hr/>
	2,081 04

## ESTIMATE No. 4, APRIL 18, 1848.

160 perch cut stone at quarry, at \$1 60,		256 00
50 " backing " " \$1 00,		50 00
200 " crib filling " 30c.,		60 00
225 " cut stone delivered, \$2 50,		562 50
175 " backing stone delivered,		315 00
600 " crib filling " at 60c.,		360 00
16,000 feet square timber, " at 6c.,		960 00
15,000 " round timber, at 5c.,		750 00
120,000 B M 2 and 3 in. plank, at \$1 10,		1,320 00
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		4,633 50
Deduct former estimate,	2,785 20	
" 15 per cent.,	694 95	
	<hr/>	3,480 15
Pay,		1,158 35

## ESTIMATE No. 5, JUNE 5, 1848.

250 perches cut stone at quarry, \$1 60,		400 00
250 " rough stone at both quarries, at \$1 50,		125 00
440 " cut stone delivered, at \$2 50.		1,100 00
400 " backing stone delivered, at \$1 80,		720 00
800 " crib filling at 60c.,		480 00
20,000 feet lineal square timber, at 6c.,		1,200 00
15,000 lineal feet round timber,		750 00
120,000 feet B. M. 2 and 3 inch plank, at \$1 10,		1,320 00
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		6,095 00
Deduct former payment,	3,938 57	
" 15 per cent.,	914 25	
	<hr/>	4,852 50
Pay,		1,242 20

## ESTIMATE No. 6, AUG. 18, 1849.

255 perches cut stone at quarry, at \$1 60,		408 00
450 " rough stone " at 50c.,		225 00
570 " cut stone " at \$2 50,		1,425 00

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500 perch backing delivered, \$1 80.,		900 00
6,050 " crib filling, at 60c.,		630 00
20,000 lineal feet square timber, at 5c.,		1,400 00
15,000 " " round timber, at 5c.,		750 00
120,000 " " B. M. 2 and 3 inch plank,		1,320 00
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		7,058 00
Deduct former payment,	5,180 75	
" 15 per cent,	1,058 70	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		815 55

## ESTIMATE No. 7, Nov. 5, 1849.

28 perches cut stone at quarry, at 1 80.,		50 40
1,450 " rough " " at 50c.,		725 00
790 " cut stone delivered, at 2 50.,		1,975 00
680 " backing stone delivered, at 1 80.,		1,670 00
1,050 " cribbing stone delivered, at 60c.,		630 00
21,000 lineal feet square timber, at 7c.,		1,505 00
15,000 " " round " at 5c.,		750 00
120,000 " " B. M. 2 and 3 inch oak plank,		1,320 00
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		8,125 40
Deduct former payment,	5,999 30	
" 15c., cent,	1,218 81	
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Pay,		<hr/>
		907 29

## ESTIMATE No. 8, Dec. 5, 1849.

28 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 00.,		56 00
1,050 " rough " " at 50c.,		525 00
560 " cut " " at 3 00.,		1,680 00
360 " backing " at 60c.,		662 40
680 " crib filling at 60c.,		390 00
21,100 lineal feet square timber, at 7c.,		1,477 00
18,000 " " round " at 5c.,		900 00
111,000 " " B. M. 2 and 3 inch plank del'ed, at 1,10.,		1,221 00
921 perches masonry laid, at 3 30.,		3,039 30
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		9,950 70

Deduct former payments,	6,906 59	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,492 60	
		<u>8,399 19</u>
Pay,		1,551 51

## ESTIMATE No. 9, FEB. 15, 1850.

10 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 00.,		20 00
886 " rough stone " at 50c.,		443 00
618 " cut " delivered, at 3 00.,		1,854 00
494 " backing stone delivered, at 1 80,		889 20
680 " crib filling " at 60c.,		408 00
793 " " " at quarry, at 40c.,		312 00
235 " backing " at 80c.,		188 00
16 " coping cut $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles below, at 3 00,		47 80
23,910 feet lineal square timber delivered, at 7c.,		1,673 70
18,000 " " round " " at 5c.,		900 00
130,000 " B. M. oak plank, at 1 10,		1,430 00
921 " masonry in lock wall, at 3 30,		3,039 30
		<u>11,210 40</u>
Deduct former payment,	8,458 10	
" 15 per cent.,	1,681 56	
		<u>10,139 66</u>
Pay,		1,070 74

## ESTIMATE No. 10, MAY 1, 1850.

10 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 00,		20 00
446 " rough " " at 50c.,		223 00
618 " cut " delivered, at 3 00,		1,854 00
634 " backing " at 1 80,		1,141 20
1,080 " crib filling " at 60c.,		648 00
3,000 " stone at quarry, over river, at 50c.,		1,500 00
90 " coping cut and delivered, at 4 00,		360 00
20 " " not cut, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, at 1 50,		30 00
32,110 lineal feet square timber delivered at 7c.,		2,247 70
243 " " " " miter sills,		24 40
18,453 " " round timber, at 5c.,		922 00

130,000 lineal feet B. M. oak plank, at 1 10,	1,430 00
921 perches masonry laid in lock wall, at 3 30,	3,039 30
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	13,440 25
Deduct former payment,	9,528 84
"    15 per cent.,	2,016 14
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	11,544 88
Pay,	1,895 37

## ESTIMATE No. 10, Nov. 10, 1850.

24,631 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 7c.,	1,724 17
2,919 " " " " ½ mile from work, at 6½c.,	189 73
20,337 " " round timber, delivered, at 5c.,	1,016 85
130,000 " " B. M., oak plank, delivered, at 1 15,	1,495 00
800 " " foundation timber, in lock, at 11c.,	88 00
3,352 " B. M. plank in foundation lock, at 180,	60 33
3,996 perches masonry, in lock walls, at 3 30,	13,186 80
515 " rule masonry, in hind wall, at 2 80,	1,442 00
45 " rip rap protection, at 95c.,	42 75
114 " protection, at 95c.,	108 30
150 " crib filling, delivered, at 60c.,	90 00
3,600 " rough stone at quarry, at 50c.,	1,800 00
215 cubic yards ex., in pit and wall, at 14c.,	30 10
1,748 " " embankment in road, at 14c.,	244 72
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	21,518 75
Deduct former payments,	11,424 21
"    15 per cent.,	3,287 21
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	14,662 52
Pay,	\$6,866 73

## ESTIMATE No. 12, MAY 15, 1851.

26,981 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 7c.,	1,888 67
2,919 " " " " from works, at 6½c.,	189 73
2,337 " " round " delivered, at 5c.,	116 85
130,000 B. M. oak plank, delivered, at 1 15c.,	1,495 00
800 feet foundation timber in lock, at 11c.,	88 00
3,352 " B. M. plank in foundation, at 1 80,	60 33
3,996 perches masonry in lock walls, at 3 30,	13,186 80
515 " rule hind wall, at 2 80,	1,442 00

45 perches rip rap protection, at 95c.,	42 75
114 " protection on embankment, at 95c.,	108 30
150 " crib filling, delivered, at 60c.,	90 00
3,600 " rough stone at quarry, at 55c.,	1,980 00
215 cubic yards excavation to fill hind wall, at 14c.,	30 10
1,748 " " embankment, at 14c.,	244 72
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	21,863 25
Deduct former payments,	18,290 94
" 15 per cent.,	3,279 48
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	21,570 42
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Pay,	\$292 83

## ESTIMATE No. 13, Oct. 10, 1851.

24,753 lineal feet square timber, delivered at 7c.,	1,732 71
2,919 " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from work, at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	189 73
19,665 " " round timber, delivered, at 5c.,	983 25
130,000 " " B. M. oak plank " 1 15	1,495 00
800 " " foundation, timber in lock, at 12c.,	96 00
3,352 " " B. M. plank in lock foundation, at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	75 42
3,996 perches masonry in lock wall, at 4 00,	15,984 00
738 " ruple masonry in wall, at 3 00,	2,214 00
582 " slope wall, at 2 25,	1,309 50
3,600 " rough stone at quarry, at 55c.,	1,980 00
215 cubic yards excavation, at 14c.,	30 10
4,748 " " embankment, at 14c.,	664 72
1,000 " " excavation in creek, at 10c.,	100 00
2,228 lineal feet square timber, in pier, at 12c.,	267 36
742 " " round " " at 10c.,	67 20
283 perches crib filling in pier, at 90c.,	254 70
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	27,443 69
Deduct former estimates,	18,583 77
" 15 per cent.,	4,116 55
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	22,700 32
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Pay,	\$4,743 30



## ESTIMATE No. 14, DEC. 1, 1851.

3,996 perches lock masonry, at 4 00,	15,984 00
24,875 feet square timber, delivered, and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above, 8c.,	1,990 00
18,497 " round timber, at 6c.,	1,109 82
130,000 " B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 25,	1,625 00
800 feet foundation timber, in lock, at 12c.,	96 00
3,352 " B. M. plank in lock found., at 2 25,	75 42
738 perches ruple masonry, at 3 00,	2,214 00
653 " slope wall, at 2 25,	1,469 25
3,600 " rough stone at quarry, at 60c.,	2,160 00
215 cubic yards pit excavation, 15c.,	35 25
5,947 cubic yards embankment, at 20c.,	1,189 40
1,453 " " excavation in creek, at 15c.,	217 95
146 perches stone pavement, at 1 50,	219 00
5,025 feet square timber in pier, at 16c.,	804 00
1,840 feet round timber, at 14c.,	257 60
717 perches crib filling in pier, at 90c.,	645 30
435 " slope wall, at 1 20,	522 00
3,000 lineal feet square timber, at 8c.,	240 00
600 " " " " delivered, at 10c.,	60 00
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	30,920 00
Deduct former estimates,	23,327 14
" 15 per cent.,	4,638 15
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	27,965 29
Pay,	<hr/>
	\$2,955 70

## ESTIMATE No. 15, JUNE 1, 1852.

3,996 perches lock masonry, at \$4,	\$15,984 00
5,025 lineal feet square timber in upper pier, 8 inch. breaker, at 16c.,	800
3,124 lineal feet square timber in lower pier, at 12c.,	
800 " " " " lock foundation, at 12c.,	
1,276 " " " " delivered and framed, at 10c.,	
30,000 lineal feet hewed, " " at 8c.,	2,400
24,388 " " b. m., plank, delivered, \$1,25,	304 80
3,352 " " lock foundation, delivered, \$2,35,	75 42
1,036 " " lower breaker, at \$2,25,	23 31

1,840	lineal feet round timber in upper pier, at 14c.,	257	60
600	“ “ “ “ in lower pier, at 10c.,	60	00
680	“ “ “ framed and delivered, at 8c.,	54	40
10,000	“ “ hewed, “ “ at 6c.,	600	00
730	perches ruple masonry, at \$3,00,	2,214	00
653	“ “ “ slope wall, at \$2,25,	1,469	25
435	“ slope wall on embankment, at 1,20,	522	00
947	“ crib filling in both piers. and ice break- ers, at 90c.,	852	30
146	perches stone pavement, creek, 1,50,	219	00
3,600	“ rough stone at upper quarry, at 60c.,	2,160	00
4,000	“ crib filling, at 50c.,	2,000	00
125	“ large stone, at 1,00,	125	00
170	“ crib filling, delivered, at 60c.,	102	00
215	yards pit excavation, at 15c.,	32	25
1,453	“ creek channel excavation, at 15c.,	217	95
4,199	“ embankment, abutment below side wall, at 20c.,	839	80
Amount of loss by flood of May and June, 1851,		4,376	07
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	Deduct former estimate,	26,282	84
	Deduct 15 per cent.,	5,425	75
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		31,781	59
	Pay,	4,463	09

## ESTIMATE No. 16, JULY 30, 1852.

3,996	perches masonry in lock wall, at \$4,00,	\$15,984	00
6,173	lineal feet square timber in upper pier, at 16c.,	987	68
2,260	“ “ “ “ in lower pier, at 12c.,	271	70
2,056	“ “ round “ in upper pier, at 14c.,	287	84
960	“ “ “ “ in lower pier, at 10c.,	96	00
800	“ “ square “ in lock foundation, at 12c.,	96	00
1,163	perches crib filling in pier, at 90c.,	1,046	70
30,000	lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	2,400	00
16,000	“ “ round timber, delivered, at 6c.,	960	00
23,200	“ “ b. m. plank, delivered, at \$1,25,	291	25
3,352	“ “ b. m. plank in lock foundation, at \$2,25,	75	42
2,618	“ “ in pier and ice breaker, at 2,25,	58	90

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738 perches ruple masonry, at 3,00,		2,214 00.
653 " slope wall, at 2,25,		1,469 25
435 " " " at 1,20,		522 00
146 " stone pavement, at 1,50,		219 00
3,600 " rough stone at upper quarry, at 60c.,		2,160 00
4,580 " crib filling at 50c.,		2,290 00
250 " large rough stone, at 1,00,		250 00
215 yards pit excavation, at 15c.,		32 25
1,453 " excavation of creek, at 15c.,		217 95
4,199 " embankment, at 20c.,		839 80
170 perches crib filling delivered, at 60c.,		102 00
Amount of loss by flood of May and June,		4,376 07
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		37,247 31
Deduct former estimate,	30,745 93	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	5,587 09	
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Pay,		914 29

*Section No. 15—McCune & Co., Contractors on dam No. 4. at Farmington.*

ESTIMATE NO. 1, CERTIFICATE, No. 5, SEPT. 6, 1849.

160 perches lock stone delivered not cut, at 1,00,		160 00
1,016 perches crib filling delivered, at 60c.,		609 60
150 " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 40c.,		60 00
50 " backing, " " " " 70c.,		35 00
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		864 60
Deduct 15 per cent.,		129 69
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Pay,		734 91

The above estimate was paid by certificate No. 5, which was paid and cancelled Dec. 17, 1849, by paying principal and interest \$747 16 as appears of record.

ESTIMATE No. 2, DEC. 6, 1849.

160 perches lock stone delivered not cut 1,50.		320 00
1,623 " crib filling " at 60c.,		973 80

44 perches backing delivered at 1,50,	66 00
293 crib filling $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 40c.,	117 20
168 " backing " " " 80c.,	134 40
100 " filling $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of work, at 40c.,	40 00
70 " backing and filling $\frac{1}{3}$ mile above work, at 50c.,	35 00
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	1,686 40
Deduct former payments,	734 91
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Pay,	951 49

This estimate paid by certificate No. 8, which was paid and cancelled March 25, 1851, amount of principal and interest \$1,020 34, as appears of record.

ESTIMATE No. 3, FEBRUARY 15th, 1850.

160 perches lock stone, delivered, not cut, at 2 dollars	320 00
1,823 " crib filling, " at 60c.,	1,093 80
44 " backing " at 1 dollar and 50c.,	66 00
1,371 " crib filling at both quarries, at 40c.,	548 40
168 " backing one-half mile below work, at 80c.,	134 40
266 " crib filling at upper quarry, at 40c.,	106 40
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	2,268 00
Deduct former payments,	1,686 40
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Pay,	\$581 60

This estimate paid by certificate No. 9, which was cancelled April 1st, 1851. Amount of principal and interest \$597 81.

ESTIMATE No. 4, MAY 1st, 1850.

190 perches lock stone, delivered, not cut, at 2 dollars,	380 00
2,870 " crib filling, " at 70c.,	2,014 00
168 " backing, " at 1 dollar and 50c.,	252 00
1,673 " crib filling, at both quarries, at 40c.,	669 20
168 " backing stone $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 80c.,	134 40
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	3,450 20
Pay,	1,182 20

This estimate, paid by certificate No, 14, cancelled by pay- ing, April 1st, 1851,	521 70
And 8 per cent certificate, July 1st, 1851, for	660 50
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	\$1,182 20

## ESTIMATE No. 5, JULY 20th, 1853.

90 perches cut stone, delivered, at 3 dollars,	270 00
659 " backing stone, " at 1 dollar and 50c.,	988 50
4,156 " crib filling, delivered, at 70c.,	2,909 20
168 " backing $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 1 dollar and 50c.	252 00
293 " crib filling, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 50c.,	196 50
1,380 " " 1 mile above work, at 45c.,	621 00
20 " cut stone at upper quarry, at 2 50,	50 00
50 " backing and face stone, not cut, at 1 50	75 00
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	5,360 20
Deduct former payments,	3,450 20
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Pay,	1,912 00

This estimate paid by certificate No. 15, which was paid July 1st, 1851, by an 8 per cent certificate, amounting to \$1,912 00

## ESTIMATE No. 6, Nov. 10th, 1850.

150 perches cut stone at quarry near Bonaparte, at 2 50,	375 00
493 " face stone, not cut, at 1 dollar and 25c.,	616 25
608 " backing at quarry near Bonaparte, at 90c.,	547 20
79 " cribbing, at 40c.,	31 60
90 " cut stone, delivered, at 3 dollars,	270 00
695 " backing stone, delivered, at 1 dollar and 50c.,	988 50
4,671 " crib filling, delivered at 70c.,	3,269 70
168 " backing $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 90c.,	151 20
293 " crib filling, at 50c.,	146 50
1,380 " " 1 mile above work, at 45c.,	621 00
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	7,016 95
Deduct former payments,	5,362 20
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Pay,	1,654 75

This estimate paid by certificate No. 20, which was cancelled July 1st, 1851, by giving an 8 per cent. for \$1,654 45.

ESTIMATE No. 7, FEBRUARY 20th, 1853.

243	perches cut stone at quarry near Bonaparte, at 2 50	607 50
444	“ face stone, not cut, at 1 25,	555 00
608	“ backing stone, near Bonapart, at 98c.,	547 30
79	“ crib filling, at 40c.,	21 60
90	“ cut stone, delivered, at 3 dollars,	270 00
659	“ backing stone, “ at 1 dollar and 50c.,	988 50
4,671	perches of crib filling, delivered, at 70c.	3,267 70
168	“ backing, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below work, at 90c.,	151 20
293	“ crib filling, “ “ “ at 50c.,	146 50
2,000	“ “ $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above work, at 45c.,	900 00
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		7,467 60
	Deduct former payments,	7,016 95
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	Pay,	\$450 25

This estimate was paid certificate No. 21, which was cancelled July 1st, 1851, by giving an 8 per cent certificate for \$450 25.

ESTIMATE No. 8, MAY 15th, 1850.

425	perches cut stone at Meek's quarry, at 3 50,	1,487 50
52	“ coping, not cut, “ “ at 2 00,	104 00
62	“ face “ “ “ at 1 50,	93 00
573	“ backing &c., at Meek's quarry, at 1 00,	573 00
55	“ crib filling, at Meek's quarry, at 58c.,	42 50
90	“ cut stone, delivered, at 4 dollars,	360 00
695	“ backing stone, “ at 1 dollar and 50c.,	988 50
4,671	“ crib filling, delivered, at 60c.,	2,802 60
168	“ backing, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below, at 90c.,	151 20
293	“ crib filling, “ “ at 60c.,	175 80
3,350	“ crib filling, 1 mile above, at 60c.,	2,010 00
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		8,788 10
	Deduct former payments,	7,467 20
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	Pay,	\$1,320 90

Paid by certificate No. 24. It cancelled July 1, 1851, by giving 8 per cent. certificate \$1,320 90.

*Section No. 16—MEEKS & SONS, Contractors—Dam No. 5, at  
Bonaparte.*

ESTIMATE NO. 1, FEBRUARY 3, 1849.

18 perches cut stone at upper quarry, at \$1 80,	32 40
800 " backing and ruple stone, at upper quarry, 70c.,	560 00
85 " face stone at lower quarry, at \$1 00,	85 00
2 " " " delivered, at 2 00,	4 00
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	681 40
Deduct 15 per cent,	102 00
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Pay,	579 40

*Certificate No. 2, given in payment, cancelled July 21, 1849, by paying  
principal and interest, \$579 40.*

ESTIMATE NO. 3, SEPTEMBER 6th, 1849.

9250 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 7c.,	647 50
3700 " " round " " 5c.,	185 00
15 perches of cut stone at upper quarry, at 1 80,	22 40
800 " backing and crib filling at upper quarry, at 70c.,	560 00
435 " cut stone delivered, at 2 50,	1,087 50
53 " coping stone, not cut, at 2 00,	106 00
420 " backing " delivered, at 1 50,	630 00
70 " crib filling, " at 50c.,	35 00
50 " crib filling, south side, at 50c.,	25 00
96 " cut stone at lower quarry, at 1 80,	172 80
535 " backing " " at 80c.,	428 00
30 " coping " " at 1 25,	37 50
350 " crib filling " " at 30c.,	105 00
100 yards abutment pit excavation at 15c.,	15 00
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Deduct former estimate,	579 40
" 15 per cent.,	610 00
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	1,189 40
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Pay,	2,877 30

Paid by Certificate No. 3, on which, as appears of record, has been paid, as follows:

April 13, 1850,	\$500 00
May 2, "	500 00
Sept. 6, 1849,	405 15
May 6, 1850,	50 00
June, 5, "	500 00
Sept. 22, "	44 00
Oct. 15, "	300 00
Nov. 11, "	50 00
Dec. 11, "	50 00
April 1, 1851,	100 00
May 15, "	250 00
June 13, "	150 00

## ESTIMATE NO. 3, NOVEMBER 23, 1849.

9250 lineal feet square timber delivered, at 7c.,	647 50
3700 " " round " " at 5c.,	185 00
18 perches cut stone at upper quarry, at \$1 80,	32 40
500 " backing and crib filling, at upper quarry,	350 00
135 " cut stone, delivered, at \$2 50,	337 80
53 " coping stone, not cut, at \$2 00,	106 00
200 " backing stone, delivered, at \$1 50,	300 00
70 " crib filling, delivered, at 50c.,	35 00
55 " " " south side, at 50c.,	25 00
96 " cut stone, at lower quarry, \$1 80,	172 80
300 " backing stone " " 80c.,	240 00
30 " coping " " " 1 25,	37 50
350 " crib filling, " " 30c.,	105 00
100 yards abutment pit excavation, at 15c.,	15 00
1433 " stone masonry in wall, at \$3 20,	3,627 74
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	6,216 44
Deduct former estimate,	3,456 70
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Pay,	2,759 74
Add on stone masonry, 25 cents per foot,	283 85
" 50c. on masonry, as per order of Board,	566 83
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	3,609 82

Paid by certificate No. 6, on which, as appears of record  
has been paid :



Feb. 13, 1851,	2,000 00
“ 22, “	500 00
Mar. 26, “	500 00
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	\$3,000 00

## ESTIMATE No. 4, FEB. 15, 1850.

9000 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	720 00
7700 “ round “ “ 6c.,	462 00
108 perches cut stone at quarry, at \$2 00,	216 00
668 “ backing and crib filling stone, at 70c.,	467 60
208 “ cut stone, delivered, at \$3 00	624 00
12 “ backing “ at \$1 50,	18 00
40 “ crib filling “ at 60c.,	24 00
400 “ “ “ south side, at 60c.,	240 00
145 “ backing at lower quarry, at 80c.,	116 00
350 “ crib filling, “ “ at 30c.,	105 00
20 “ coping, not cut, at \$2 00,	40 00
580 yards of excavation, at 20c.,	116 00
1270 feet of timber in ice breakers, at 12c.,	152 40
1222 perches crib filling “ at 90c.,	109 80
1133-67 “ masonry in locks, at \$3 80,	4,307 94
11500 feet B. M. oak plank,	126 50
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	7,845 24
Deduct former payments,	7,066 52
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Pay,	778 72
Paid by certificate No. 11—(account of payments on journal, if any.	

## ESTIMATE No. 5, May 1, 1850.

15,777 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	\$1,262 16
7,700 “ “ round “ “ at 6c.,	462 00
42,363 “ “ B. M. oak plank, “ “ \$1 10.	465 70
960 “ “ “ “ in abutment, at \$2 25,	21 60
2,776 “ “ square timber in pier, at 12c.,	327 12
179 perches crib filling, at 90c.,	161 10
580 yards of excavation, at 20c.,	116 00
1,133-67 perches masonry in lock, at \$3 80,	4,307 94
1,203 “ crib filling, delivered at 70c.,	842 10

256	perches cut stone, delivered, at \$3 00,	768 00
75	" coping, cut, at 5 00,	375 00
296	" backing, delivered, at 1 80,	532 80
668	" backing and crib filling at upper quarry,	467 60
21	" coping, cut, at lower quarry, at \$4,	84 00
16	" " not cut, " " at \$2,	32 00
30	" cut stone " " at 2 50,	75 00
214	" backing, at 80c,	171 20
374	" crib filling, at 30c.,	112 20
80	" face stone, at 1 00,	80 00

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10,663 52  
7,845 24

Deduct former payments,

Pay,

\$2,818 28

Certificate No 12, given.

ESTIMATE No. 6, JULY 20, 1850.

2,131	perches of masonry in lock wal/s,	at \$3 80,	\$8,097 80
176	" cut stone, delivered,	" 3 00,	528 00
111	" coping, cut and delivered	" 5 00,	555 00
20	" backing stone, " "	" 1 80,	36 00
2,000	" cribbing " " "	" 70,	1,400 00
179	" crib filling in ice break and abut.	90,	161 10
4	" coping, cut, at lower quarry, at 4 00,		16 00
194	" lock stone at " " not cut, " 1 00,		194 00
340	" crib filling at " " " 30,		102 00
620	" backing and cribbing, at upper qr.,	70,	434 00
580	yards excavation,	at 20,	116 00
7,457	lineal feet square timber, in work,	" 12,	894 84
24,500	" " " " " "	" 8,	1,960 00
800	" " round " in dam,	" 10,	80 00
14,000	" " " " delivered,	" 6,	860 00
960	feet B. M. plank, in abutment,	" 2 25,	21 60
50,900	" plank, B. M., delivered,	" 1 10,	559 90

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16,002 24  
10,663 82

Deduct former payments,

Pay,

\$5,338 72

Paid by certificate No. 17.

## ESTIMATE No. 7, NOVEMBER 10, 1850.

2,936 perches masonry in lock,	at \$4 00,	11,744 00
9,530 feet lineal round timber in work,	" 10,	953 00
19,595 " " square " " dam,	" 12,	2,351 40
3,854 perches crib filling, " "	" 90,	3,468 60
52 " stone in wing walls,	" 1 50,	78 00
9,254 feet B. M. plank, in work,	" 2 25,	208 21
757 yards excavation,	" 15,	113 55
80 " embankment,	" 20,	16 00
56 " puddling,	" 25,	14 00
16,346 feet plank, delivered,	" 1 25,	829 32
12,262 " lineal square timber, delivered,	" 08,	980 96
5,270 " round " "	" 6,	316 20
343 perches crib filling,	" 50,	171 50
140 " rough stone,	" 1 50,	210 00
36 " backing, at lower quarry,	" 70,	25 20
245 " crib filling, " "	" 30,	103 50
9 " cut stone, delivered,	" 3 00,	27 00
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		21,610 44
Deduct former payments,		16,002 24
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Pay,		\$5,608 20

Paid by Certificate No. 18.

## ESTIMATE No. 8, FEB. 20, 1851.

2,936 perches lock masonry,	at \$4 00,	\$11,744 00
12,180 lineal feet round timber, in work,	" 10,	1,218 00
23,290 " " square " " "	" 12,	2,794 80
783 " " " " " "	" 14,	109 62
4,730 perches crib filling,	" 90,	4,257 00
52 " stone in wall,	" 1 50,	88 00
38,470 feet B. M., plank in work,	" 2 25,	865 57
757 yards excavation,	" 20,	151 40
120 " embankment,	" 20,	24 00
68 " puddling,	" 25,	17 00
37,130 feet B. M. plank delivered,	" 1 25,	464 12
2,978 " square timber "	" 8,	238 24
850 " round " "	" 6,	51 00

43	perches	crib filling, delivered	at	60,	25	80
36	"	backing, at lower quarry	"	70,	25	20
9	"	cut stone, delivered	"	3 00,	27	00
60	"	backing	"	1 50,	90	00
330	"	crib filling, "	"	30,	99	00

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22,279 75  
21,610 44

Deduct former payments,

Pay,

\$669 31

Paid by Certificate No. 23.

ESTIMATE No. 9, MAY 15, 1851.

2,936	perches	in lock wall, 4 00,	11,744	00
23,290	lineal feet	square timber in work, 12c.,	2,794	80
12,180	"	" round timber in wall, at 10c.,	1,218	00
783	"	" square timber in head wall, at 14c.,	109	62
4,762	"	" crib filling, at 90c.,	4,285	80
52	perches	masonry in wings, at 1 50,	78	00
38,470	feet	B. M. plank in work, at 2 25,	865	57
988	yards	excavation, at 20c.,	197	60
120	"	embankment, at 20c.,	24	00
68	"	puddling, at 25c.,	17	00
44,076	feet	B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 25,	550	95
2,978	"	square timber, " at 8c.,	238	24
850	"	round " " at 6c.,	51	00
510	"	backing, " at 1 50,	765	00
352	"	crib filling, " at 70c.,	246	40
9	"	cut stone, " at 3 00,	27	00
36	perches	backing, at 1 00,	36	00
784	perches	crib filling, at 30c.,	235	20

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23,484 18  
22,279 75

Deduct former estimates,

Pay,

\$1,204 43

Paid by certificate No. 25.

ESTIMATE No. 10, OCT. 10, 1851.

2,936	perches	of masonry in walls, at 4 00,	11,744	00
20,848	lineal feet	square timber in work, at 12c.,	2,501	76

9,630 lineal feet round timber in work at 10c.,	963 00
783 " " square " in head wall, at 14c.,	109 62
4,716 perches crib filling in work, at 90c.,	4,244 40
52 " masonry in wing walls, 1 50,	78 00
21,461 feet B. M. plank in work, at 2 25,	482 87
988 yards excavation, at 20c.,	197 60
120 " embankment, at 20c.,	24 00
68 " puddling, at 25c.,	17 00
51,184 feet B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 25,	639 80
2,935 " square timber, " at 8c.,	234 08
280 perches crib filling, " at 70c.,	196 00
600 perches crib filling, at quarry, at 50c.,	300 00
9 " cut stone, delivered, at 3 00,	27 00
150 " rough stone, at 1 00,	150 00
121 " masonry in head wall, at 3 00,	363 00
191 yards excavation, at 15c.,	28 65
27 " puddling, at 20c.,	5 40
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	\$22,306 90

\$4,035 62, estimated loss by flood.

ESTIMATE No. 11, DEC. 1, 1851.

2,936 perches masonry in lock walls, at 4 00,	11,744 00
22,150 lineal feet square timber in works, at 12c.,	2,658 00
10,350 " " round " " " at 10c.,	1,035 00
783 " " square " in head wall, at 14c.,	109 62
4,905 perches crib filling in work, at 90c.,	4,414 50
52 " masonry in wing wall, at 1 50,	78 00
24,093 feet B. M. plank in work, at 2 25,	542 09
988 yards excavation, at 20c.,	197 60
120 yards embankment, at 20c.,	24 00
68 yards puddling, at 25c.,	17 00
48,544 feet B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 25,	608 80
4,703 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	376 24
438 perches crib filling, delivered, at 10c.,	306 60
9 " cut stone, " at 3 00,	27 00
191 yards excavation, at 15c.,	28 65
445 perches masonry, at 3 00,	1,335 00
27 yards puddling, at 20c.,	5 40

140 feet timber, at 15c.,	21 00
10,000 " round timber, delivered, at 6c.,	600 00
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	24,126 50
Deduct former estimates,	23,484 18
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Pay,	\$642 32

## ESTIMATE No. 12, FEB. 1, 1852.

2,936 perches of lock masonry, at 4 00,	11,744 00
31,788 lineal feet square timber in work, at 12c.,	3,814 68
16,460 " " round " " at 10c.,	1,640 00
783 " " square " head wall, at 14c.,	109 62
6,800 perches crib filling in work, at 90c.,	6,120 00
52 " masonry in wing wall, at 1 50,	78 00
68,630 feet B. M. plank in work, 2 25,	1,544 29
988 yards excavation, at 20c.,	197 60
68 " puddling, at 25c.,	17 00
46,438 feet B. M. plank delivered, at \$1,25,	580 57
1,738 " square timber " at 8c.,	139 04
187 perches crib filling " at 70c.,	130 09
9 " cut stone " at \$3,00	27 00
191 yards excavation, at 15c.,	28 65
445 perches masonry, at \$3,00,	1,335 00
27 yards puddling, at 20c.,	5 40
140 feet square timber, at 15c.,	21 00
100 perches rock slope wall, at 75c.,	75 00
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	27,613 75
Deduct former estimate,	24,126 50
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Pay,	\$3 487 25

## ESTIMATE No. 10, Nov. 13, 1852.

2,936 perches masonry in wall, at 4,00,	11,744 00
33,560 lineal feet square timber in work, at 12c.,	4,027 20
16,460 " " round " " at 10c.,	1,646 00
783 " " square, head wall, at 14c.,	109 62
7,139 perches crib filling in dam, at 90c.,	6,425 00
52 " masonry wing wall, at 1,50,	78 00

120,958 feet B. M. plank in work, at 2,25,	2,721 55
988 cubic yards excavation, at 20c.,	199 60
68 " " puddling, at 25c.,	17 00
191 yards excavation in pit, at 15c.,	28 65
523 perches masonry side wall, at 3,00,	1,569 00
27 yards puddling, at 20c.,	5 40
220 feet square timber, at 15c.,	33 00
100 perches rock slope wall, at 15c.,	75 00
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	28,677 12
Deduct former estimate,	27,613 75
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Pay,	\$1,663 37

*Section No. 17, Dam and Lock at Bentonsport—BROWN & SANFORD.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, FEB. 3, 1849.

110 perches cut stone at quarry, at 1,80,	198 00
101 " lock " " at 1,00,	101 00
218 " backing and ruple, at quarry at 70c.,	152 60
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	451 60
Deduct 15 per cent.,	67 74
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Pay,	383 86

Paid by certificate No. 1, paid and cancelled Sept. 1st, 1849.

ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPT. 6, 1849.

11,096 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 7c.,	776 72
1,300 " " round " " at 5c.,	65 00
4,000 " " " " on bank river,	180 00
518 perches cut stone at quarry, at 1,80,	932 40
885 " backing and crib filling at quarry, at 70c.,	619 50
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	2,573 62
Deduct former payment,	383 86
Deduct 15 per cent.,	386 04
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	769 90
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Pay,	1,803 72

Paid by certificate No. 4, which was cancelled and paid January 1st, 1851.

## ESTIMATE No. 3, DEC. 6, 1849.

11,096 lineal feet square timber delivered, at 7c.,	776 72
5,911 " " round " " at 6c.,	354 66
4,121 " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above work at $4\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	185 49
646 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2,00,	1,292 00
946 " backing " at 80c.,	756 80
28 " coping, at 1,25,	102 50
828 " crib filling at quarry, at 40c.,	331 20
144 " " " delivered, at 50c.,	72 00
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	3,871 37
Deduct former estimates,	2,187 58
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Pay,	1,683 79

Paid by certificate No. 7, cancelled January 1st., 1851.

## ESTIMATE No. 4, FEB. 15, 1850.

9,296 lineal feet square timber delivered, at 5c.,	743 68
5,911 " " round " " at 6c.,	354 66
4,122 " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above work, at $4\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	185 49
646 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2,25	1,453 50
946 " backing stone " at 1,00,	946 00
828 " crib filling " at 40c.,	331 20
144 " " " delivered, at 60c.,	86 40
100 " backing stone " at 1,80,	180 00
34 " coping, cut and delivered, at 4,00,	136 00
60 " coping, at quarry, at 2,50,	150 00
156 " crib filling, at 90c.,	140 40
1,800 lineal feet square timber, at 12c.,	216 00
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	4,923 33
Deduct former payment,	3,871 37
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Pay,	1,051 96

Paid by certificate No. 10, cancelled and paid May 20, 1850.

## ESTIMATE No. 5, MAY 1, 1850.

4,656 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	372 48
5,911 " " round " " " 6c.,	354 66
6,122 " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above works, at $4\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	275 49



658 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 50,	1,645 00
946 " backing stone, at quarry, at 1 00,	946 00
888 " crib filling at quarry, at 40c.,	355 20
410 " " " $\frac{1}{4}$ mile above, at 50c.,	205 00
144 " " " delivered, at 70c.,	100 80
280 " backing, " at 1 80,	504 00
101 " coping, cut and delivered, at 5 00,	505 00
6,440 lineal feet square timber in works, at 12c.,	772 80
410 perches crib filling, " at 90c.,	369 00
764 yards excavation, at 20c.,	152 08

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 6,558 23

Deduct former estimates,

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 4,923 33

Pay,

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 \$1,634 90

Paid by certificate No. 13.

## ESTIMATE No. 6, JULY. 20, 1850.

19,577 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	1,566 16
1,166 " " round " " at 6c.,	609 96
4,122 " " " " $\frac{1}{4}$ mile off, at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	185 49
544 perches cut stone, upper quarry, at 2 50,	1,360 00
1,072 " backing, at 1 00,	1,072 00
1,138 " crib filling, at 40c.,	455 20
25,300 " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ mile off, at 50c.,	1,250 00
1,460 " " " " at 50c.,	730 00
246 " backing, " " at 1 00,	246 00
467 " backing, delivered, at 1 80,	840 60
136 " cut stone, " at 3 00,	408 00
101 " coping, " at 5 00,	505 00
2,290 lineal feet square timber, in works, 12c.,	274 80
800 lineal feet round timber, " at 10c.,	80 00
480 " " crib filling, at 90c.,	432 40
28,104 feet B. M. plank, delivered, at 11c.,	309 14
764 yards excavation, at 20c.,	152 80

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 10,477 15

Deduct former payments,

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 6,558 23

Pay,

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 \$3,918 92

Paid by certificate 15, Nov. 20, 1850. Paid and cancelled.

## ESTIMATE No. 1 OF STATE WORKS, JULY 20, 1850.

Building coffer dam, bailing, &c.,	600 00
83 days' work preparing dam foundations,	82 00
Boating hydraulic cement,	25 00
“ “ “	7 50
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	\$714 50

## ESTIMATE No. 7, Nov. 10th, 1850.

1,673 perches of lock masonry, at 4 00,	6,692 00
21,635 lineal feet square timber in work, at 12c.,	2,946 26
10,400 “ “ round “ “ at 10c.,	1,040 00
4,427 perches crib filling in dam, at 90c.,	3,984 30
4,770 feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	381 60
3,780 “ round “ “ at 6c.,	226 80
400 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 50,	1,000 00
980 perches backing at quarry, at 70c.,	686 00
800 perches crib filling, at 40c.,	320 00
1,246 perches crib filling $\frac{1}{4}$ mile above, at 50c.,	618 00
186 perches coping stone, at 4 00,	744 00
29,184 feet B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 25,	364 80
52 perches slope wall, at 1 25,	65 00
3,000 feet B. M. plank in work, at 2 25,	67 50
657 yards excavation, at 20c.,	121 40
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	18,917 60
Deduct former payments,	10,477 15
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Pay,	\$8,440 45

Paid by certificate No. 19. Paid and cancelled Jan. 1st, 1851.

## ESTIMATE OF STATE WORK No. 2, Nov. 18th, 1850.

Further allowance for building coffer dam, backing, &c., &c.,	400 00
106 days work additional at dam foundation,	106 00
Hauling cement from Iowa mill, &c.,	62 50
Use of tools and blacksmith's bill,	30 00
5 $\frac{1}{2}$ days work on mitre sill,	8 25
For removing coffer dam to lay dam foundation,	25 00
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Pay,	\$631,75

## ESTIMATE No. 4, STATE WORK.

77 days work making coffer dam,	77 00
7 days use of boat, at 2 dollars,	14 00
Hauling 188 bbls. cement from Keokuk, at 1 dollar,	188 00
16 bbls cement from Croton, at 50c.,	8 00
7 loads of iron hauling,	49 00
Iron for boats,	4 13
Superintending building coffer dam,	10 00
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Pay,	\$350 00

## ESTIMATE No. 5, STATE WORK, DEC. 1st, 1851.

Hauling 98 bbls cement, at 1 dollar,	98 00
“ iron, &c., from Keokuk,	19 51
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Pay,	\$117 51

## ESTIMATE No. 8, FEBRUARY 20th, 1851.

1,673 perches masonry in walls, at 4 dollars,	6,692 00
21,635 lineal square feet, in works, at 12c.,	2,596 20
4,400 “ round “ “ at 10c.,	1,040 00
6,000 perches crib filling, in work, at 90c.,	5,400 00
4,770 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	381 60
6,252 “ round “ “ at 6c.,	375 12
960 “ “ “ ½ mile off, at 4c.,	38 40
408 perches cut stone, at quarry, at 2 dollars and 50c.,	1,020 00
590 “ backing, at 70 cents,	350 00
900 “ crib filling, at 40c.,	360 00
476 “ backing, one-half mile off, at 90c.,	420 30
3,600 “ crib filling “ “ at 48c.,	1,728 00
200 “ “ delivered, at 60c.,	120 00
186 “ cut stone, delivered, at 4 dollars,	744 00
29,184 feet B. M. plank “ at 1 dollar and 25c.,	364 80
69 perches protection, at 1 dollar and 20c.,	82 80
3,000 feet B. M. plank in work at 2 dollars and 25c.,	67 50
751 yards excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
172 feet miter sill timber, at 11c.,	18 92
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	21,949 84
Deduct former payments,	18,917 60
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Pay,	\$3,032 24

Paid by certificate No. 22, on which there have been made the following payments:

February 13, 1851,	\$50 00
"    14, "	450 00
"    15, "	400 00
"    20, "	989 00
April 15, "	200 00
June 12, "	200 00

ESTIMATE No. 9, FEBRUARY 15th, 1851.

1,673 perches masonry in work, at 4 dollars,	6,692 00
14,855 lineal feet square timber in work, at 12c.	1,782 60
5,200 " round " " at 10c.,	520 00
5,364 perches crib filling in work, at 90c.,	4,827 60
1,239 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	991 20
9,652 " " round " " at 6c.,	579 12
960 " " " 1/4 mile off, at 5c.,	48 00
408 perches cut stone, at 2 dollars and 50c.,	1,020 00
674 " backing, at 1 dollar,	674 00
1,082 " crib filling, at 50c.,	541 00
892 " backing, at 90c.,	802 80
5,487 " crib filling, at 50c.,	2,743 50
308 " " " delivered, at 60c.,	184 08
186 " cut stone, delivered, at 4 dollars,	744 00
101 " coping, cut and delivered, at 5 dollars.	505 00
69 " rip rap, at 1 dollar and 20c.,	82 80
29,184 feet B. M. plank, delivered, at 1 dollar and 25c.,	364 08
3,000 " " in work, at 2 dollars and 25c.,	67 50
751 feet excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
172 " miter sill timber, at 11c.,	18 92
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	23,339 84
Deduct former payments,	21,949 84
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Pay,	\$1,390 00
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Estimated amount carried away by the floods,	3,146 02
17,000 feet plank not in work, at 1 dollar and 25c.,	212 00
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## ESTIMATE No. 10, OCT. 10, 1851.

2,435 perches of masonry in lock walls, at 4 00,	9,740 00
27,017 lineal feet square timber in work, at 12c.,	3,242 04
7,822 " " round " " at 10c.,	782 20
6,144 perches crib filling, at 90c.,	5,529 60
4,000 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	320 00
10,200 " " round " " at 6c.,	612 00
326 " " cut stone at quarry, at 2 50,	815 00
522 perches backing, " at 1 00,	522 00
3,540 " crib filling, at 50c.,	1,770 00
460 " backing $\frac{1}{4}$ mile off, at 90c.,	414 00
200 " backing and cribbing, at 80c.,	160 00
101 " coping, cut and delivered, at 5 00,	505 00
69 " protection wall, at 1 20,	82 80
3,000 feet B. M. plank, at 2 25,	67 50
751 yards excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
172 feet miter sill timber, at 11c.,	18 92
765 feet timber, at 12c.,	91 80
2,182 feet B. M. plank, at 2 25,	49 00
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	24,902 06
Deduct former estimates,	23,339 84
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Pay,	\$1,562 02

## ESTIMATE No. 11, DEC 1, 1851.

3,236 perches masonry, at 4 00,	12,944 00
30,877 feet square timber in work, at 12c.,	3,698 04
9,472 feet round timber in work, at 10c.,	947 20
651 perches crib filling, at 90c.,	6,120 90
450 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	360 00
8,550 feet round timber, at 5c.,	513 00
50 perches cut stone at quarry, at 2 80,	125 00
200 " backing, " at 1 00,	200 00
2,880 " crib filling, at 50c.,	1,440 00
101 " coping, at 5 00,	505 00
99 " protection wall, at 1 20,	82 80
5,182 feet B. M. plank, at 2 25,	116 59
751 yards excavation, at 20c.,	150 20

172 lineal feet miter sill in wall, at 11c.,	18 92
10,000 feet B. M., plank, delivered, at 1 25,	125 00
765 feet timber, at 12c.,	91 80
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Deduct former payments,	27,438 45
	24,902 06
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Pay,	\$2,536 39

## ESTIMATE No. 12, FEB. 1, 1851.

3,236 lock masonry, at 4 00,	12 944 00
44,599 feet square timber, at 12c.,	5,351 18
16,750 " " round at 10c.,	1,675 00
9,389 perches crib filling in dam, at 90c.,	8,458 20
78 perches of cut stone, at quarry, at \$2 80,	195 00
500 " backing, at 1 00,	500 00
200 " crib filling, at 50c.,	100 00
101 " coping, at \$5,	5 05
69 " protection, at 1 20,	82 80
5,182 " B. M. plank at 2 25,	116 59
751 yards excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
172 feet miter sill, at 11c.,	18 92
1,800 feet square timber, at 12c.,	216 00
44,184 feet B. M. plank, at 2 25,	994 14
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	31,307 73
Deduct former payments,	27,438 45
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Pay,	\$3,869 69

## ESTIMATE No. 13, OCT. 1, 1852.

3,699 perches masonry, at 4 00,	14,796 00
285 " " side walls, at 3,00,	855 00
48,142 lineal feet square timber, at 15c.,	5,577 04
17,050 " " round " at 10c.,	1,705 00
9,599 perches crib filling, at 90c.,	8,639 10
35 " cut stone at quarry, at 2,50,	87 50
200 " backing " at 1,00,	200 00
90 " coping, at 5,00,	450 00
69 " protection wall, at 1,20,	82 80

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71,416 perches B. M. plank on work, at 2,25,	1,606 86
751 yards pit excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
191 " " at 15c.,	28 65
172 feet miter sill, at 11c.,	18 92
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	34,397 07
Deduct former estimate,	31,307 73
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Pay,	3,089 34
Certificate No. 26, for \$3,417 17.	

## ESTIMATE No. 6, STATE WORK, OCT. 1, 1851.

Further allowance on lock protection,	800 00
135 days work,	135 00
232 feet timber,	18 56
568 feet round timber,	28 40
Removing coffer dam,	50 00
Laying 100 perches stone,	75 00
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Pay,	1,106 96

## ESTIMATE No. 14, FEB. 1, 1853.

3,699 perches of masonry on work, at 4,00,	14,796 00
285 " " in wing wall, at 3,00,	855 00
49,885 lineal feet square timber in work,	5,986 20
17,540 " " round " " at 10c.,	1,735 00
9,849 perches crib stone, at 90c.,	8,864 10
35 " cut stone at quarry, at 2,50,	87 50
200 " backing and linking at 1,00,	200 00
90 " coping, at 5,00,	450 00
69 " protection, at 1,20,	82 80
85,260 feet B. M. plank on work, at 2,25,	1,920 60
751 yards excavation, at 20c.,	150 20
109 " " at 15c.,	28 65
172 feet miter sill timber, at 11c.,	18 92
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	35,174 47
Deduct former estimate,	34,397 07
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Pay,	777 90

*Section No. 19, Dam and Lock, at Keosauqua—BONNEY & WHITTLESEY  
Contractors.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, Oct. 1, 1852.

2,000 perches crib filling delivered, at 60c.,	1,200 00
6,000 " lock stone " at 1,80,	1,440 00
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	2,640 00
Add 20 per cent.,	528 00
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	3,168 00
Deduct 10 per cent.,	316 80
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Pay,	2,851 20

ESTIMATE No. 2, Dec. 1, 1852.

Preparing part of foundation for lock,	500 00
395 perches of lock masonry, at 4,00,	1,592 00
500 " ruple stone delivered, at 1,50,	750 00
1,700 " crib filling delivered, at 60c.,	1,020 00
136 bls of cement,	340 00
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	4,202 00
Add 20 per cent.,	840 00
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	5,042 00
Deduct former estimate,	2,851 20
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	2,190 80
Deduct 10 per cent.,	504 20
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Pay,	1,686 60

ESTIMATE No. 3, APRIL 20, 1853.

Preparing part of lock foundation,	700 00
398 perches masonry in lock wall, at \$4 00,	1,592 00
3000 " rough lock stone delivered, at \$1 50,	4,500 00
400 " cut stone, delivered, at \$4 00,	1,600 00
3000 " crib filling at 60c.,	1,800 00
12000 B. M. plank, at \$1 50,	180 00
2500 lineal feet square timber, delivered, at 8c.,	200 00,



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436 bbls cement, delivered, at \$2 50,		1,099 00
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		11,662 00
Add 20 per cent.,		2,332 40
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		13,994 40
Deduct former estimate,	4,537 80	
"    10 per cent.,	1,399 44	
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Pay,		8,057 16

Work not included in any particular contract, but done by the State, and may be called—

*State Work.*

ESTIMATE No. 1—To W. P. Wilson,

5187 feet piles delivered, at 3¼c.,	181 54
Deduct 15 per cent.,	27 23
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	154 51

DECEMBER 27, 1849—Samuel Dunn.

5047 feet pile timber delivered, at 3¼c.,	176 64
No. 2—Same.	
6533 lineal feet delivered on Section 8, at 3¼c.,	244 98
For extra hauling on canal bank,	1 00
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	245 98

Butler &amp; Welding, for hauling and piling timber and plank.

ESTIMATE No. 1.

811 sticks, 20,270 feet, at St. Francisville, at 1c.,	202 75
1146 "    20,650 ft. at Camargo, at 1½c.,	429 75
148 "    3,700 ft. between Camargo and Belfast, at 1½c.,	55 50
499 "    12,475 ft. at Belfast, at 1½c.,	187 12
225 "    5,675 ft., below Belfast and Croton, at 1½c.,	85 12
14000 feet at St. Francisville, at 1c.,	70 00
4028 "    at Belfast, at ½c.,	20 13
4350 "    between Belfast and Croton, at ½c.,	21 75
12810 B. M. plank to Camargo, at 1c.,	12 80
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	1,084 98

Work estimated on preparing pit for lock by Barnett & Co., returned by Mr. Jacobs,	34 00
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J. Z. BARNETT & Co.

146 days work on lock pit, at \$1 00,	146 00
14½ days superintendence, at \$1 50,	22 12
	168 12

WALKER & Co.—Amount rendered.

144 days work, foreman, &c., building coffer dam,	288 00	
50 " " " on lock pit, at \$1 50,	75 00	
145 " " " " " 1 25,	556 00	
438 " " " " " 1 00,	438 00	
5½ " man and team,	2 50,	14 37
9½ night work,	1 50,	14 25
102½ " " 2 00,	205 00	

*Materials used and lost August 17th, 1849.*

1 doz. Ames' shovels,		12 00
2 wheel barrows,	\$4 00,	8 00
1 tape line,		2 50
10 bailing bowls,	50c.,	5 00
1 doz. buckets,	25c.,	3 00
9000 feet plank in coffer dam,	1 30,	117 00
400 " square timber in coffer dam,	10c.,	40 00
400 perch of stone,	80c.,	320 00
4 bbls whiskey,	10c.,	40 00
		2,138 12
50 days at \$2 00,		100 00
222 " 1 25,		277 50
189 " 1 00,		189 00
50 nights,		74 00
Fitting in timber for gate step,		3 00
Hauling 130 bbls. cement, at 50c.,		60 00
" 20 " " 75c.,		15 00
		718 90

## T. LYON &amp; Co.

418 days work laborers, making coffer dam and excavating pit, at 1 dollar,	418 00
29½ days superintendence,	29 75
12 days team and hands hauling lumber,	24 00
3 kegs blasting powder, at 4 dollars and 50c.,	13 50
300 feet fuse,	4 50
10 kegs powder, at 4 dollars and 50c.,	45 00
300 feet fuse,	4 50
19 lbs. cast steel,	4 37
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Pay,	\$543 62

## BRIGHAM &amp; MAYGER.

119 days work removing protection stone, at 1 dollar,	195 00
11 " " superintending, at 1 dollar and 50c.,	16 50
4½ " team, cart and driver, at 1 dollar and 50c.,	6 75
11 " boat, at 3 dollars,	33 00
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Pay,	\$251 25

## T. LYON &amp; Co.

393½ days on lock pit, at 1 dollar,	393 50
24 days superintendence, at 1 dollar,	24 00
73 perches stone used in coffer dam, at 50c.,	36 50
27 lbs. cast steel,	6 21
300 feet blasting fuse,	4 50
blacksmith's bills, use of tools, &c.,	55 90
Add for hauling 73 perch of protection stone,	14 60
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Pay,	535 21

## BRIGHAM &amp; MAYGER, SEC. 8.

55 days labor re-hauling protection stone,	85 00
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## SMITH, MORRISON &amp; Co.

2,500 perches stone re-handled, at 17c.	255 00
Deduct 166 lineal feet timber sold belonging to State,	100 00
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Pay,	\$155 00

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## LEWIS TURNER.

20 $\frac{1}{2}$ days work cutting and trimming piles. at 1 dollar,	20 75
9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " team and hand, at 2 dollars,	19 00
30 lbs iron for pile bands,	1 80
16 days labor Sec. 11, removing stone from lock pit,	16 00
4 " " team and hand,	8 00
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Pay,	\$65 55

*State Work on same Continued.*

23 $\frac{1}{2}$ days labor foreman in lock pit, at 1 dollar and 50c.,	33 75
58 " " work common laborer, at 1 dollar,	58 00
134 " " in mud and water at 1 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,	150 75
17 " " bailing lock pit, at 1 25,	21 25
8 " " Sunday and nights bailing, at 2 00,	16 00
Lumber, nails, iron, leather, and work on two pumps,	28 75
Troughs and tubs for bailing,	5 00
Hauling logs and drift out of pit,	2 00
10 gallons whiskey for 40c.,	4 00
Cutting off piles and preparing foundation for abutment,	50 00
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	\$369 50

## JULY 20, JACOB CRUM.

For driving 396 piles, 11,958 lineal feet, at 10c.,	1,195 80
Cash paid for hauling piles as per bill,	26 50
1 rope for State boat,	5 00
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Pay,	\$1,227 30

## 1849, WALKER &amp; Co.

96 $\frac{1}{2}$ days labor on lock, at 1 00,	96 75
13 days superintendence, at 2 00,	26 00
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	\$122 75

## J, Z. BURNETT &amp; Co.

4 days work piling plank.	4 00
Hauling cement to river,	3 00
" 49 bbls. cement from sugar creek,	25 00
Work of Crorey, and Downer, and Irvin,	3 50
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Pay,	\$35 50

## ESTIMATE No. 4, NOVEMBER 20, 1850—Walker &amp; Co.

Hauling cement,		\$84 10
135 $\frac{1}{2}$ days labor on coffer dam, in May,		135 75
8 " superintendence,		16 00
13 " work on miter sill and foundation,		17 87
288 " " on coffer dam and bailing,		288 00
35 " excavating rock and putting in sill,		35 00
19 " superintendence,		38 00
10 " bailing and drilling,		15 00
33 $\frac{1}{2}$ " night bailing,		50 25
Blacksmithing,		19 25
Hauling miter sills,		4 00
Making 45 bolts,		11 25
30 tubs and 5 buckets for bailing,		8 75
One large sledge broken,		3 50
" " drill cut up for hand drills,		6 19
300 feet of lumber for spouts,		3 75
One tape line for Haydon,		2 50
Hauling castings and spike from Keokuk,		5 00
Eight gals. whiskey for men while bailing,		4 00
Board of Colton while framing miter sill,		4 00
Use of tools,		15 00
Extending lower recess		10 00
Removing masonry for sheet piling,		10 00
10 nights superintending bailers,		20 00
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		\$807 13

## ESTIMATE No. 5—Walker &amp; Co.

*Repairing abutment to side wall, preparing foundation for wing wall and removing drift.*

7 days by Geo. McIntire, (Mason)	at \$2 00	14 00
7 " " James Culleton, "	" 1 75	12 25
7 " " P. Culleton,	" 1 50	10 50
28 " com. laborers,	" 1 00	28 00
7 " superintendence, by T. A. Walker,	" 1 50	10 50
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		\$75 20

*Repairing foundation and slope wall and abutment pit.*

14 days by Geo. McIntire, (Mason),	at \$2 00	\$28 00
14 " " P. Colleton,	1 50	21 00
9 " " James Culleton,	1 75	15 75
102½ " common laborers,	1 00	102 50
Thos. A. Walker superintendent,	1 50	34 50
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		\$201 75

*Preparing foundation for Pier and Ice Breaker.*

119 days work, common laborers, including boat,	\$148 75
20 " by T. A. Walker, Superintendent, at \$1 50,	30 00
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	187 75

*Preparing foundation for lower pier.*

30 days work by common laborers, \$1 25,	37 50
12½ " " " T. S. Walker, superintendent,	18 75
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	\$56 25

*Repairing Lock Walls.*

8½ days work by Geo. McIntire, (Mason),	\$17 00
8 " " " Jas. Culloton, "	14 00
73 " " " common laborers,	75 00
7 " " " team,	7 00
7 " " " T. S. Walker, superintendent,	10 50
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	\$121 50

Hauling 37 barrels of cement from Keokuk,	27 75
Making 44 bills	8 80
Use of tools and sharpening drills,	15 00
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**WM. MEEK & SONS.**

338 days work, in lock pit,	242 87
13 nights work bailing,	18 50
33 days preparing lock pit,	198 00
Josiah Meek 14 days, superintending,	28 00
Rob't " 22 " " "	44 00

338 days boarding hands, at 25c. per day,	84 00
Cutting rock,	25 00
Use of tools and blacksmithing	30 00
Detention for hydraulic cement,	25 00
To pulling down and building up part of wall,	20 00
Paid for hauling cement as per receipt,	31 60
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	\$747 47

60 gallons whiskey furnished men while working in water,	15 00
Hauling cement and pumping,	10 00
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410 days work on coffer dam and on lock pit,	369 00
36 days, Robt. Meek, superintending work,	72 00
1½ " James Stedman,	3 37
2½ " Saddler & Gallanger	4 38
1 " Gallinger,	1 25
14½ " Rope, 20c.,	2 85
Paid Cooper for hauling,	2 50
Blasting powder,	90
292 lineal feet miter sill timber,	35 04
Blacksmith bill and use of tools,	40 00
Paid for blasting tubes,	1 10
46 days pumping lock pit,	138 00
lumber furnished for runing plank,	5 00
6 gallons whiskey furnished men in water,	2 40
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	733 29

## ESTIMATE No. 4, Nov. 10.

118½ days work on lock pit, at 90c.,	106 42
1½ " " " " at 2,00,	2 50
20 " pumping " "	60 00
Blacksmith bill and use of tools,	15 00
Bolting down mud sill,	5 00
Furnisiug lime and timber,	12 00

Bill of nails,	2 73
Hauling cement, castings and spikes,	8 88
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	212 63
Deduct 18 days work, at 90c.,	16 20
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Add 165 days work preparing foundation,	165 00
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Pay,	361 33

## ESTIMATE No. 5, WILLIAM MEEK &amp; SONS, FEB. 20, 1851.

Hauling iron from Croton,	2 00
Furnishing iron and making belts for ice braker,	7 44
Iron for piles to abutment,	1 85
Paid Dunn for hauling iron,	3 24
Paid E. Rublee, " " from Keokuk,	6 44
Paid S. Proper " 3000 lbs castings,	7 50
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	28 47

## ESTIMATE No. 6, SEPT. 1. 1848.

For removing old saw and carding mill from mouth of Lock,	200 00
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## ESTIMATE No. 7, WM. MEEK &amp; SONS, DEC. 3.

9 days work of Kiver, framing miter sills,	13 50
Hauling spikes, etc.,	2 35
" cement from Keokuk,	138 32
" iron from Bentonsport,	1 00
" 2 loads of iron from Croton,	4 50
" 4 " " " Keokuk,	11 15
35½ days work common laborers,	31 72
10 " " building coffer dam, for side walls,	10 00
10 " " foundation of side wall,	10 00
10 " " removing coffer dam to side wall,	10 00
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Pay,	232 54

## ESTIMATE No. 8 WM. MEEK &amp; SONS.

56½ days work on dam excavation and hanging gates,	56 28
36 " " bailing and working in water,	45 00



2 nights bailing,	10 00
7 lbs powder and fuse,	2 47
500 feet plank for lock, at 1½c.,	7 50
300 " " coffer dam,	4 50
Use of tools and smithing,	8 00
11 buckets for bailing,	3 30
26 lbs lead for clamps,	2 08
Hauling 6 loads of iron from Keokuk,	35 47
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	174 57

*State Work, Continued.*

SEPT. 15, ESTIMATE NO. 6, H. WALKER &amp; Co.

240 lineal feet miter sill timber,	28 80
Making 239 bolts,	47 80
Framing, sawing and beveling 1,200 feet of timber and bolting on coffer dam,	48 00
Hauling load of castings from Keokuk to Bentonsport,	12 00
17½ days work on foundation of little dam,	17 50
107 " on foundation for lower pier,	107 00
24 " removing drift and turning water from lock,	24 00
11 days work of team clearing out lock and removing drift,	27 50
393 days work in removing coffer dam and excavating channel below lock in the months of June, July, August and part of September—see time roll on file,	393 00
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	\$705 60

We herewith submit the receipts, and expenditures, and disbursements, with vouchers, &c., &c., of William Patterson, late President of the Board.

The list of disbursements made by William Patterson, President of the Board of Public Works, commencing October 4th, 1849, as appears from books, papers and vouchers exhibited by him:

## 1849—DRAFTS.

No. 1. Issued October 4th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtiss, in part payment for services as chief engineer,	\$600 00
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No. 2. Issued October 11th, in favor of Brigham & May-gee, in part payment on contract No. 8, advanced on next estimate,	200 00
No. 3. Issued Nov. 5th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in full for services as assistant engineer, up to Sept. 1st, 1849, at \$70 per month,	241 56
No. 4. Issued Nov. 9th, in favor of L. Willson, in part payment on contract No. for procuring pile timber,	37 86
No. 5. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No. 7, as per estimate,	937 64
No. 6. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment of services as assistant engineer,	150 00
No. 7. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of Bell & Cassidy, in part payment on contract No. as per estimate,	947 84
No. 8. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of C. T. Moore, in full payment for blacksmithing for pile boat, as per bill rendered of this date:	
To 4 bands,	6 00
" 1 sloe and remove,	50
" Irons on axletrees,	75
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No. 9. issued Nov. 10th, in favor of Frederick Nesby, in full payment for 1,000 feet of pine lumber to cover pile boat, at \$1 75 per hundred, bill rendered,	17 50
No. 10. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of Stewart & Wallace, in part payment on contract No. 4,	1,353 33
No. 11. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of H. W. Sample & Co., in full payment for cash advanced and goods furnished, as per bill rendered, to wit:	
1849. Sept. To candles and matches for Engineers' office,	1 55
Aug. 15. To cash advanced to President to pay for castings for pile boat,	50 00
Oct. 13. To candles, &c., for Engineers' office,	2 00
" 22. To one gallon oil for pile boat,	1 10
" 25. To one cross-cut saw,	6 50
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No. 12. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of J. Z. Burnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12., as per estimate,	1,050 00
No. 13. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of T. Lyon, in part payment on contracts Nos. 1 and 2, as per estimate,	1,000 00
No. 14. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of B. McQuillin,* in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	250 00
No. 15. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of Walker & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, and on work done for the State, as per estimate,	3,462 36
No. 16. Issued Nov. 10th, in favor of J. B. Knight, in part payment for my services as superintendent of masonry,	175 00
No. 17. Issued Nov. 12th, in favor of I. H. Bell, in full payment for two bills castings, freight and contingent expenses in the two trips to St. Louis, as per bills rendered, to wit:	

Sept. 13th, 1849. To Kingsland &amp; Lightner.

2 bevel wheels, 168½ lbs., at 4c.,	6 27
Pile driver, 1442 lbs., at 4c.,	57 68
Pattern of do.,	17 00
Lifter, 40½ lbs., at 10c.,	4 05
Boring out two wheels,	2 50
Fitting in key,	2 00
1 key,	25

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Cr. by old wheel, 84½,

63

Sept. 13. Cash in full of Mr. Bell,

\$89 52

Of Laty, McCune &amp; Co.,

2 bevel wheels, 977 lbs., at 4c.,

38 08

Altering eyes of patterns,

3 50

Boring wheel and cutting key seat in same,

5 00

Boring out large bevil wheel,

6 00

Drayage,

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52 83

Cr. By old wheels, 626 lbs., at ½c.,

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Drayage on same,

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To I. H. Bell, contingent expenses.

Bill at Guyger House, Keokuk,	50
Drayage in Keokuk,	15
Passage down, and freight,	3 50
Drayage in St. Louis,	25
Bill at Virginia Hotel,	6 00
Drayage from foundry,	30
Passage and freight up,	5 25
Storage and drayage at Keokuk,	1 00
Horse keeping while gone to St. Louis,	2 00

## SECOND TRIP.

Bill at Guyger Hotel, Keokuk,	37
Passage and freight down,	4 00
Drayage and loading,	35
Bill at Virginia Hotel,	6 00
Passage and freight up,	4 50
Bill at Guyger's Hotel,	60
Horse keeping while gone,	1 00
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*Recapitulation.*

Kingsland & Leighton's bill,	90 15
Latty & McCune's bill,	49 13
Bill casting,	36 37
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	175 65
Deduct amount advanced by Sample for cash, as per draft No. 11,	50 00
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	\$125 65
No. 18. Issued Nov. 12th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in part payment on contract, No. 3, as per estimate,	524 41
No. 19. Issued November 15th, in favor of O. Baldwin, in full payment for services as rodman, in the Corps of Engineers, up to this date,	40 00
No. 20. Issued November 20th, in favor of James Clark, in full payment for one hundred and twenty-five barrels of cement, delivered,	250 00

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No. 21.	Issued November 21 <sup>st</sup> , in favor of P. H. Blake, in part payment on contract No. 5, as per estimate,	366	17
No. 22.	Issued Nov. 26th, in favor of L. Lyon & Co., in part payment on contract No. 1 and 2, as per estimate,	613	34
No. 23.	Issued November 26th, in favor of C. Garber & Co., in full payment for bill of stationary, as per bill of this date, to-wit :		
	2 large bottles of ink,	\$2	00
April 27.	1 bunch of envelopes,	20	
July 3.	1 doz. pencils,	75	
Aug. 19.	3 boxes drawing pencils,	2	50
" 25.	half ream letter paper,	2	50
			7 95
No. 24.	Issued Nov. 27th, 1849, in favor of H. H. Campbell in full payment for right of way through the N. W. ¼ of Sec. 29, T. 65, R. 5, as per order of the Board,	100	00
No. 25.	Issued November 28th, in favor of James S. Bell, in part payment for services in the Corps of Engineers,	100	00
No. 26.	Issued November 28th, in favor of J. Z. Barnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, as per estimate,	919	34
No. 27.	Issued November 28th, in favor of B. McQuillen, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	635	62
No. 28.	Issued November 28th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. —, as per estimate,	2,300	00
No. 29.	Issued November 28th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate,	939	17
No. 30.	Issued August 21st, in favor of Wm. Meek & Sons, in part payment on contract No. 16—it being for two orders drawn on Board of Public Works for State lands in favor of Bell & Cassaday,	100	00
No. 31.	Issued August 23d, in favor of Wm. Meek & Sons, in part payment on contract No. 16—it being for an order of this date drawn on the Board of Public Works for State lands, in favor of John Bigley,	50	00

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- No. 32. Issued November 28th, in favor of Wm. Meeks & Sons, in part payment for State work done at contract No. 16, as per estimate, 747 47
- No. 33. Issued November 28th, in favor of Wm. Meeks, in part payment on contract No. 16, for State work done below water mark, as per estimate, 25 00
- No. 34. Issued December 1st, in favor of John B. Knight, in part payment for services as superintendent of masonry, on the Des Moines Improvement, 50 00
- No. 35. Issued December 1st, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in full payment for services as Assistant Engineer up to Dec. 3d, 1849, 140 00
- No. 36. Issued Dec. 4th, in favor of Quinn, Caragher & Co., in part payment on contract No. 13, this with the amount of \$97 90, advanced previously, make the full amount of Nov. estimate, 728 21
- No. 37. Issued Dec. 5th, in favor of William Pattee, in part payment and as an advance on contract for delivering piles, 50 00
- No. 38. Issued Dec. 5th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, and part payment of November estimate, 500 00
- No. 39. Issued Dec. 5th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, and part payment of November estimate, 500 00
- No. 40. Issued Dec. 8th, in favor of Richard Cane, in full payment for fifty-three barrels cement used by Mr. Knight at Bonaparte, 119 25
- No. 41. Issued Dec. 8th, in favor of H. W. Sample, in full payment for storage, receiving and forwarding 125 bbls. cement and plats and reports of improvement as per bill rendered, to wit:  
 October and November, 1849.—To drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding 125 bbls. hydraulic cement, at 20c. per bbl., 25 00

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Freight and charges on box plats from St. Louis,	1 50	
Dec. Freight and charges on box reports,	1 50	
Drayage, storage and commission on 100 barrels cement,	20 00	
		48 00
No. 42 Issued Dec. 8th, in favor of Connable & Cunnings- ham, in full payment on contract No. 9, as per estimate. This sum also includes the back money on 15 per cent. which had been returned,		1,025 40
No. 43. Issued Dec. 8th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment for services as 1st assistant engineer,		300 00
No. 44. Issued Dec. 18th, in favor of J. S. Cane, in full payment for horse keeping and horse hire for the corps of engineers and train, from Sept. 1st to date, as per bill rendered, <i>to wit</i> :		
Sept. 10th, 1849. To use of buggy for Haydon one day,	75	
Sept 11th, To use of buggy for Haydon one day,	75	
“ 12th, For hauling broken buggy to town for Haydon,	1 00	
Sept. 12th, Keeping horse one day for Jacobs,	30	
“ 13th. Use of horse one day for A. Patterson,	50	
“ “ Keeping horse for Haydon,	25	
“ 15th. Use of horse and buggy 1 day for Curtis,	1 50	
“ 27th. Shoeing horse for State,	1 50	
Nov. 1st. Keeping horse for Haydon one day,	30	
Use horse 4 days per Sec. Board,	3 00	
“ “ “ Treas. Board,	3 00	
“ 19th. Use horse and buggy for Baldwin one day,	1 00	
Nov. 24th. Use horse and buggy for Baldwin one and one-half days,	1 12	
Nov. 30th. Horse and buggy for Haydon one day,	1 50	
Dec. 2d. Keeping Haydon's horse 3½ days,	1 00	
“ 5th. Use horse for Baldwin two days,	1 50	
“ 15th. “ “ “ “	1 50	
Keeping State horse from Sept. 1, to Dec. 19, 15 weeks, at \$1 75 per week,	26 25	
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Dec. 8, Draft No. 208,	500 00
"    "    209,	1,000 00
"    "    210,	800 00

Were issued by Sample when acting as President, and were redeemed by Mr. Brattain, and by him turned over to Mr. Gillaspie as cash in hand, and by Mr. Gillaspie paid over to Colonel Pattison as cash.

Sept. 21. To Holt & Keesecker, for publishing Engineer's Report by order of Board at its last session, of 12th September, 1849,	90 00
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Amount paid by Wm. Pattison, President, on the following bills rendered :

To Joseph P. Stotts.	
To two horses and buggy, per Col. Curtis,	2 50
To two horse hire, per G. Wells,	50
	3 00
Aug. 3. To Quinn, Carragher & Co. :	
order on Guy Wells,	5 00
Sept 13. To L. J. Dougherty & Co. :	
For axle tree in buggy,	2 00
Smith work on same,	50
	2 50
Oct. 18. To J. Blathmer :	
For one fifty foot chain, brass handle,	5 00
"    "    clamp screw,	1 00
"    "    tripod repaired,	1 25
	7 25
Nov. 3. To Joseph Patterson :	
For hauling casting for pile boat,	5 00
June 15. To John Shores :	
For horse and buggy to St Francisville, per Beck,	2 00
"    "    "    " section 8    "    "    "	1 50
	3 50

Amount paid on Pay Roll No. 1—for State Work done at Dam No. 1, pile driving from the first day of September, 1849, to the 10th day of November, 1849, inclusive:

To John Bell, foreman, 13 days work at \$2 50,	32 50
James Love, carpenter, 2 "    "    1 02,	2 04
J. Z. Barnett & Co., hands furnished, 14 days at \$1 00 per day,	14 00



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Robert Querry, laborer, 2 days work at	\$1 00,	2 00
Bell and Cassidy, laborers, 4½ days, at	1 00,	4 50
John Dorman, " 2 "	1 00,	2 00
H. H. Ream, carpenter, 29¾ "	1 43,	42 54
Jas. Love, " 3 " at \$30 per m'th	3 45	
Francis A, Clark, laborer, 14 days at	1 00,	14 00
Hiram Bell, " 13 "	1 00,	13 00

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## Teaming :

Thos. Reading one team horses, 2¼ days, at	\$2 00,	4 50
Wm. King " " oxen, ¾ "	1 50,	1 12½
Lemuel Wilson " " " ½ "	1 50,	75
Thos. Dews, team horses, hand 9¼ "	2 50,	23 12
Spencer Grenell, " and self 10 "	1 50,	15 00
Wm. Lewis, wagoning 4 "	1 75,	7 00
" " one yoke oxen ½ "	1 50,	75
John H. Oliver, " " ¼ "	1 50,	37½

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## Oct. 27. To Thos. Dews :

one pair of trace chains,	75
Cash paid for ferriage of horses worked on pile boat, on various occasions,	1 80

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## Nov. 17. To Samuel Wright, blacksmith :

Sept. 4. Making screw band,	1 25
two screw bolts,	75
one pin and one screw,	25
four new bolts,	1 25
one new key and mending ring,	25
mending cogwheel,	2 25
one new horse screw,	35
fusing and mending clamps,	1 75
making two new screw bands,	2 50
four new bolts,	1 25
mending seven bolts,	1 25
four new bolts,	62
mending two bands,	1 00
fixing saw,	75
one small screw,	10

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Oct. 24. To Willson :

For 46 lbs of 1½ inch rope, at 15c.,	6 90
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Nov. 13. J. A Coke :

For services putting horses on and off the pile boat, when when anchored in the river, on two occasions,	1 00
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Nov. 13. To Bell &amp; Cassiday :

For fifty feet of rope for pile boat,	1 75	
one cake of tallow,	60	
forty pounds lard and keg for pile boat, at 6¼c.,	2 50	
	4 85	

Nov. 19. To William Smith, blacksmith :

“ 1. For repairing one hoop and two bolts,	75	
“ 2. “ “ “ “	50	
“ 7. “ repairing four hoops, one bolt, and ma- king four new bolts,	2 40	
“ 8. one hoop repaired,	50	
“ 9. “ “ and two bolts repaired,	80	
“ 14. four hoops and one bolt repaired and twelve bolts made,	4 50	
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Nov. 13. To Lewis Turner :

For 70 lbs. of iron, for collar bands for pile boat, at 6c per lb.	4 38
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Nov. 17. To Thomas McCoy :

repairing sheers and welding bands, for pile boat,	75
mending collars for pile boat,	1 25
one new shoe on State horse and repairing of buggy,	50
	2 50

Sept. 5th. To Thomas L. Bugh, for repairing buggy and  
shoeing two horses belonging to the State,

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Nov. 12th. To Spencer Grenell :

For halter and breast-strap for State horse,	1 25
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Keeping State horse up to Oct. 8th, 1 5-7 weeks, at \$1 15 per week,	1 97
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To keeping State horse for pile boat, 3 weeks, from 4th Sept. and Oct.,	3 45
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To keeping same horse 2 weeks, up to Nov. 7, at 125, 2 50	
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No. 13. To J. Z. Burnett :

For hauling State Iron from Des Moines River to store house,	50	
Oct. 8. To hauling wheel for pile boat to blacksmith shop and back to river,	50	
Oct. 25. To 1 set harness for pile boat,	5 00	
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Nov. 14. To T. E. Redding :

For keeping and feeding one horse $4\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, at 1 25,	5 71	
To keeping and feeding one horse from Oct. 16 to 18, '49,	36	
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Pay Roll No. 2. State work at Dam No. 1, from Nov. 10, to Dec. 1, 1849, inclusive.

Amount paid John Bell, foreman, 16 days, at $2\frac{1}{2}$ ,	40 00	
" " H. R. Kean, carpenter, 6 days, $1\frac{1}{2}$ ,	9 00	
" " F. A. Clark, laborer, 15 " 1 00,	15 00	
" " Hiram Bell, " $17\frac{1}{2}$ " 1 00,	17 50	
" " William Cole, teamster, $13\frac{1}{2}$ days, 75,	10 12	
" " J. K. Kean, carpenter, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days, at 1 25,	7 18 $\frac{3}{4}$	
" " F. W. Smith, laborer, 1 day,	1 00	
" " J. Z. Burnett & Co., furnish hands, 5 days, at 1 00,	5 00	
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Dec. 4. To Bell &amp; Cassiday, for pile boat at Dam No. 1 :

Nov. 14. To cash paid Lewis for enclosing pile boat,	3 25	
20 bushels corn for pile boat, for horses to date, 20c.,	4 00	
500 lbs. hay for same,	1 75	
$1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. black lead for use of boat, 20c.,	30	
1 oil can,	20	
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Nov. 7. To E. C. Hyde :

" 15. For 8 lbs. nails,	50	
" 24. " " "	50	
1 curry-comb, 10c.; 1 halter, 25,	35	
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Dec. 11. To Wm. Smith, blacksmithing :

Nov. 19, 1849.	Repairing shears,	1 50	
" 20.	Making 3 bolts and repairing 2 hoops,	2 00	
" 21.	" 1 hoop,	1 20	
" 22.	" 1 "	1 40	
" 28.	" 1 bolt and repairing 2 hoops,	1 00	
" "	5 lbs. $\frac{3}{4}$ round iron, at 5c.,	25	
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Dec. 28. To Bell &amp; Cassiday :

For 14 days' work on pile boat, from Sept. 3d to date,			
at 2 50,		36 25	
For 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ days' work for boat, which includes 2 trips to			
St. Louis for castings, at \$2 per day,		39 20	
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Draft No. 76. Drawn by Sample, in favor of D. A. Powell, The money for this draft was advanced by Col. Patterson to T. Lyon, who failed to pay the same, but appropriated the money to his own use; the money to be charged to his (Lyon's) account,		200 00	
Amount paid James Hattan, for lithographic plates, and printing 1,000 copies of Map of Des Moines River,		140 00	

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No. 45. Issued Dec. 24th, in favor of Wm. Pattee, in payment for delivering piling, as per estimate of engineers, bearing even date as per engineers' book,		153 36	
No. 46. Issued Dec. 24th, in favor of Smith, Morrison & Co., in payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate,		500 00	
No. 47. Issued Dec. 24th, in favor of B. McQuillan, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,		150 00	
No. 48. Issued Dec. 24th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,		500 00	
No. 49. Issued Dec. 25th, in favor of W. A. Patterson, in full payment for services as rodman in the corps of engineers to date,		170 00	

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No. 50. Issued Dec. 25th, in favor of Walker & Co , in  
payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate, 1,551 51

No. 51. Issued Dec. 26th, in favor of Brigham & Magyee  
in part payment on contract No. 8. as per estimate, 350 00

No. 52. Issued Dec. 26th, in favor of O. Baldwin, in part  
payment for services in the corps of Engineers, 70 00

No. 53. Issued Dec. 27th, in favor of Samuel Dunn, in full  
payment for piles delivered on Sec. No. 8. as per estimate  
of this date, 176 64

No. 54. Issued Dec. 31st, in favor of Smith, Morrison, &  
Co., in payment on contract No. as per estimate, 400 00

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No. 55. Issued Jan. 3d, 1850, in favor of R. L. Doyle, for  
publishing sales of land, etc., 11 50

No. 56. Issued Jan. 8th, in favor of T. Lyon & Co., in  
part payment on contract No. 1 and 2, as per estimate, 400 00

No. 57. Issued Jan. 8th, in favor of Cleghorn & Harrison,  
for one box, 40 lbs star candles, at 26, 10 25

No. 58. Issued Jan. 8th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in  
payment on contract, No. 8, as per estimate, 100 00

No. 59. Issued Jan. 8th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in pay-  
ment on contract No. 3. as per estimate, 40 00

No. 60. Issued Jan. 10th, in favor of B. McQuillan, in  
payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate, 100 00

No. 61. Issued Jan. 14th, in favor of J. B. Knight, for my  
services as superintendent of masonry, 70 00

No. 62. Issued Jan. 14th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full  
payment for cash paid contingencies as per bill rendered,  
to-wit :

Sept. 2d, 1849, paid Wm. Armstong for horse and buggy,	1 50
Oct 8th, " for wood for office,	1 25
Nov. 9th, " for candles "	1 15

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Nov. 19th, paid for wood for office,	1 00	
Dec. 8th, " " "	1 75	
Dec. 26th, " " "	2 00	
Dec. 28th, " " "	1 00	
" " " Mr. Brooks, for use of buggy one day,	50	
Jan. 14th, 1850, " for wood for office,	1 00	
" " " for cutting,	40	
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No. 63. Issued Jan. 14th, in favor of Jacob Crum, in full payment of estimate No. 1, pile driving,		200 00
No. 64. Issued Jan. 18th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,		2 50
No. 65. Issued Jan. 25th, in favor of James W. Johnston, in full payment for book case for office, as per receipt,		9 00
No. 66. Issued Jan. 25th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in full payment for services as chief Engineer, as per con- tract,		205 69
No. 67. Issued Jan. 25th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in full payment of his contingent expenses as per bill, ren- dered to-wit :		
Sept 1st. 1849 paid bill down to Keokuk,	1 75	
" 9th, paid stage fare,	4 25	
" 10th, breakfast 25c, dinner at Bonaparte 25c. and bill at Fairfield,	90	
" 15th, bill at Farmington and Fairfield,	85	
Nov, 9th, paid drayage on box 10c, candles for office, 50c.,	60	
Dec. 10th, paid drayage 15, Dec. 10, paid for paint brushes 60c.,	75	
" 13th, paid for wood 55c., bill at Bonaparte,	2 80	
" " " bill at Bentonsport,	1 00	
" " " " " Farmington,	2 62	
" " " " " Browns,	90	
Board expenses from 1st Sept. to 27th, Dec. 17 weeks and 3 days,	51 00	
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No. 68.	Issued Feb. 5th, in favor of R. S. Doyle, for printing blank receipts as per receipt,		10 00
No. 67.	Issued Feb. 8th, in favor of John McCune, in full payment of stage fare and expenses, and services, etc., during the trip to Ottumwa for funds, as per bill of this date, rendered, to-wit :		
Nov. 1, 1849.	To 1 lock for office door,	\$2 00	
Oct. 10, " "	" Stage fare to Ottumwa and back,	9 00	
" " "	" Expenses for the trip,	4 25	
" " "	" 5 days service, at \$2 00,	10 00	
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Dec. 17, 1849.	To amount paid John McCune & Co.—principal on certificate No. 5,	\$734 91	
	Interest on same,	12 25	
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	Certificate No. 8,		52 84
Jan. 4, 1850,	Brown & Sanford, endorsements,	400 00	
" 17, " " " " "		3 50	
		<hr/>	750 00
April 24.	Wm. Meeks & Sons, order for B. C. Turner, and endorsed on certificate No. 2,		210 00
No. 70.	Issued Feb. 13th, in favor of Brigham and Maygee in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,		4 90
No. 71.	Issued Feb. 15th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in part payment for services as First Assistant Engineer,		325 60
No. 72.	Issued February 18th, in favor of Brigham Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,		3,300 00
No. 73.	Issued February 18th, in favor of Douglass & Morrison, Attornies for P. H. Blake, in part payment on contract No. 5, as per estimate,		1,153 25
No. 74.	Issued February 18th, in favor of Smith, Morrison & Co., in part payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate,		4,120 69
No. 75.	Issued February 18th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate,		233 04

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No. 76. Issued February 18th, in favor of Phillip Sullivan, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate,	848 72
No 77. Issued February 18th, in favor of T. Lyon & Co., in part payment on contract No. 1 and 2, as per estimate,	3,000 00
No. 78. Issued February 18th. in favor of B. McQuillan, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	1,100 10
No. 79. Issued February 18th, in favor of Jas. S. Beck, in part payment for services in Corps of Engineers,	100 00
No. 80. Issued February 18th, in favor of J. Z. Barnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, as per estimate,	2,752 12
No. 81. Issued February 19th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No., 7, as per estimate,	1,410 79
No. 82. Issued February 25th, in favor of Barney McQuillan, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	325 54
No. 83. Issued February 26th, in favor of Quinn, Carraghan & Co., in part payment on contract No 13, as per estimate,	500 00

March 15. Amount paid Amos H. Shelby, for stationary, as per bill rendered, to-wit :

Oct. 9, 1849. 1 letter stamp,	30
1 box of pens,	2 50
½ doz. holders,	13
2 " pencils,	2 00
1 paper tearer,	15
1 ink stand,	65
½ ream letter paper at \$6 00,	3 00
200 envelopes, at 30c.,	60
100 " "	45
½ doz. memorandum books,	1 75
¼ lb. sealing wax,	50
1 box paints,	35
Tissue paper,	1 50
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Feb. 18th. Amount paid Smith, Morrison & Co., as  
per bill rendered, *to wit*:

6½ days labor to lay out work, Dec. 9, 1849,	6 50	
Man and horse to Keokuk ch'd by order,	1 00	
5 men by Mr. Baldwin, Dec. 8, allowed 1 50 each,	7 50	
2 men by crossing at night above ferry, allowed	1 00	
6 men this day, Dec. 9, with Mr. Beck,	6 00	
4½ days labor from Dec. 5 and 4 days from Dec. 4, December 10.	8 00	
2 days, Dec. 20,	2 00	
Labor by 5 men, Jan. 25, and foreman,	6 00	
1½ days last work laid out,	1 50	
	—	40 00
No. 84. Issued March 7th, in favor of James Clark, in full payment for 120 barrels hydraulic cement,		152 00
No. 85. Issued March 12th, in favor of Walker & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate,		1,320 74
Amount paid William A. Patterson for stage fare from — to Ottumwa,	4 50	
Expenses on the way,	1 25	
At Ottumwa,	1 50	
Stage fare home,	9 00	
Expenses,	1 25	
	—	17 50
No. 86. Issued March 12th, in favor of O. Baldwin, in full payment for services in the engineer corps, up to Feb. 15, 1850.		110 00
No. 87. Issued March 13th, in favor of Brigham & May- gee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate,		1,200 00
No. 88. Issued March 13th, in favor of Richard Cane, in full payment for 535 barrels cement, 466 at Iowaville, 17 at Keosauqua, 27 at Bonaparte, and 25 at Farming- ton,		1,070 00
No. 89. Issued March 13th, in favor of Ely, Lindsley & Co., in part payment for culvert,		100 00
No. 90. Issued March 14th, in favor of T. Lyon & Co., in part payment on contract Nos. 1 and 2, as per estimate,		700 00

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No. 91.	Issued March 18th, in favor of John Boatman, in full payment for sawing about 26,000 M. feet pine lumber,	119 16
No. 92.	Issued March 18th, in favor of J. B. Knight, in part payment for services as superintendent of Masonry,	128 00
No. 93.	Issued March 29th, in favor of Wm. Dewy, in full for services as assistant engineer up to date,	63 94
No. 94.	Issued April 12th, in favor of George K. Irvine, superintendent of pile boat, in part pay for services,	50 00
No. 95.	Issued April 13th, in favor of Quinn, Carragher, & Co., in full payment on contract No. 13, as per estimate,	269 01
No. 96.	Issued April 15th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as assistant engineer,	55 00
No. 97.	Issued April 15th, in favor of Guy Wells, in part payment for services as chief engineer,	670 00
Amount paid April 13, 1850.		
	Wm. Meeks and Sons on certificate No. 3, issued on estimate No. 2,	500 00
Feb. 15. Amount paid Brown & Sanford.		
	On certificate No. 10,	150 00
	March 7, “	100 00
	April 29, “	50 00
	May 1, “	50 00
		<hr/> 350 00
Amount paid Wm. Meeks and sons, Nay 2.		
	On certificate No. 3,	500 00
Amount paid for contingent expenses as per sundry vouchers marked B.		
Feb. 2d,	Cash paid for wood for office Engineers,	1 50
“	“ “ ledger,	2 50
“	“ “ cutting wood,	50
“	“ “ screw driver,	63
“ 5th,	“ “ wood,	2 00
“ 11th,	“ “ expenses up the line,	5 00
“	“ “ postage,	50

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Feb. 11th, Cash paid for wood and team 6 days for			
State work,			23 00
" 4th. " " expenses up the line,			5 00
" " " " repairing level,			50
" " " " wood and cutting,			1 50
" " " " hauling State property to			
the Yellow Banks,			4 00
" 18th, " " wood and cutting,			1 50
" 20th, " " Col. Williams expenses to			
St. Louis,			8 50
" " " " Pattersons expenses to St.			
Louis,			10 75
May 8. " " wood and cutting,			1 50
" 15th, " paid up the line,			8 00
" " " " paid Col. Williams, St. Louis,			5 00
" " " " wood and cutting in Jan.,			1 50
" " " " transporting funds in Nov.			15 00
Dec. 24th, " " " " in Dec.,			15 00
Feb. 13th, " " " " in Feb.,			18 00
May 21th, " " for buggy hire,			5 00
			136 38
April 12th. Amount paid D. T. Brigham in full for freight			
on 100 bbls cement,			28 75
May 2nd. Amount paid D. T. Brigham in full for trans-			
porting 74 bbls cement,			18 50
April. Amount paid on pay roll No. 1, for State at dam No. 1, as			
certified by M. M. Haydon, Asst. Engineer.			
William Roach,	16 days,	1,50	28 00
L. McGuck,	18 "	1,00	18 00
J. Fitzgerrald,	14½ "	1,00	14 50
Edward Parker,	17 "	1,00	17 00
W. Gray,	18 "	1,00	18 00
J. Foster,	11½ "	1,00	11 50
J. Starr,	14¾ "	1,00	14 75
J. Ryan,	13 "	1,00	13 00
P. Bum,	13 "	1,00	13 00
Patrick Hoy,	5½ "	1,00	5 50
P. Coley,	2 "	1,00	2 00
James Brady,	3-4 "	1,00	75

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Patrick Quinn, Foreman,	12½ days, at 2,00	25 00
Add for hauling running plank,		5 00
		— 186 00
March 12.	Amount paid Alfred Colvin, for board furnished Engineers at sundry times from Nov. 6, 1849, to May 1, 1850, 90 meals, at 15c.,	13 50
April 30.	Amount paid C. H. Guyger, for 10 days board for Jesse Williams,	10 00
	Cash paid for washing,	50
		— 10 50
May.	Amount paid to John Shores for horse hire and passage in hack,	1 25
No. 98.	Issued May 4th, in favor of James Clark, in full payment for 350 bbls cement, at 2,05 per bbl,	717 50
May 13.	Amount paid D. A. Powell, of Ohio, per H. W. Sample, as per bill rendered, to-wit : for one set step pinions of cut iron for lock gotes,	40 00
No. 99.	Issued May 13th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as Asst. Engineer,	50 00
No. 100.	Issued May 13th, in favor of James S. Beck, in part payment for services in the corps of Engineers,	150 00
No. 101.	Issued May 13th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in part payment for services as 1st Asst. Engineer,	3 10
No. 102.	Issued May 13th, in favor of J. Z Burnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, as per estimate,	2,925 46
No. 103.	Issued May 13th, in favor of Lewis Turner, in part payment on contract No. 11, as per estimate,	1,193 31
No. 104.	Issued May 13th, in favor of B. McQuillan, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	1,704 10
No. 105.	Issued May 13th, favor of M. McQuillan, in part payment on contract No. 6, as an advance on next estimate,	108 00
No. 106.	Issued May 13th, in favor of Michael Hunt, in full payment for services as axeman in the corps of engineers,	28 08

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No. 107. Issued May 13th, in favor of H. W. Sample, in full payment of bill of this date, for charges on cement, as per bill rendered, to wit:

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Nov. 20.	To amount charges on 40 bbls. cement,	7 80
" 24.	" " storage on 40 " "	2 00
Dec. 5.	Paid drayage on 20 bbls. cement,	1 05
" 5,	Storage on same,	3 00
" 12.	1 box, 25c., star candles 40 lbs., at 28c.,	11 45

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Feb. 28.	1 keg 3 inch, wrought spikes for culvert,	7 50
March 1.	1 set of harness,	15 00
	1 gal. sweet oil,	2 00
	10 lbs nails, at 6c.,	60
" 8.	Drayage on 50 bbls. cement.	3 00
	Storage on same,	7 50
" 12.	Amount of freight paid Brigham, on 50 bbls. cement,	12 50
May 13.	Receiving, storing, draying and forwarding 350 bbls. cement,	70 00
		<u>143 40</u>

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March 21.	By 310 lbs manilla line, at 15c.,	41 85
May 13.	By draft No. 107, of Col. Paterson,	87 60
		<u>129 45</u>
	Balance due and paid,	<u>13 95</u>

No. 108. Issued May 13th, in favor of J. T. Cave, in full payment for horse keeping, horse hire and horse shoeing, up to May 19, 1850, as per receipt, 65 00

No. 109. Issued May 13th, in favor of Smith, Morrison & Co., in part payment on contract No. 4, as per estimate, 4,667 90

No. 110. Issued May 13th, in favor of Douglas & Morrison, Assignees of P. H. Blake, in part payment on contract No. 5, as per estimate, 3,312 34

No. 111. Issued May 13th, in favor of Brigham & Maygee, in part payment on contract No. 8, as per estimate, 5,341 95

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No. 112. Issued May 13th, in favor of J. Crum, in part payment for pile driving at dam No. 1.	200 00
No. 112. Issued May 13th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in part payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate,	1,852 59
No. 113. Issued May 13th, in favor of Phillip Sullivan, in part payment on contract No. 3, as advanced on next estimate,	150 00
No. 114. Issued May 13th, in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment of culvert, as per estimate,	300 00
No. 115. Issued May 13th, in favor of Bell & Cassiday, in part payment on contract No. 10, as per estimate,	323 63
No. 116. Issued May 13th, in favor of Samuel Dunn, in full payment for piles delivered on section No. 8, as per estimate,	245 90
No. 117. Issued May 13th, in favor of T. Lyon & Co., in part payment on contract No 182, as per estimate,	2,785 02
No. 118. Issued May 14th, in favor of George R. Irwin, in full payment on pay roll No. 1, for pile driving at section No. 4, <i>to wit</i> : from Feb. 22 to May 14, 1850,	366 68
To George Irwin, Sup't, 47 days, at \$2 25,	105 75
Team and driver hauling piles 20 " " 2 00,	40 00
Hiram Bell, laborer, 39½ " " 1 00,	39 50
Josiah Holmes, " 23 " " 1 00,	23 00
John Carpenter, carpenter, 26 " " 1 00,	26 00
James McCarty, laborer, 14 " " 1 25,	17 50
Francis C. Williams, " 6½ " " 62,	3 60
Amount of pay roll	\$286 35
Cleghorn & Harrison's bill,	8 73
J. C. Bruce's bill, (groceries,)	5 45
Win. Foster, blacksmith bill,	7 75
Boarding all hands to date,	55 39
Morrison's blacksmith bill to date,	41 61
Paid on raising and bailing boat,	6 00
" for pine lumber,	5 70

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Horse feed, corn and oats,	10 80
Iron, axe, wheel, oil can, &c.,	6 90

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Draft No. 94,	\$50 00
"    " 118,	366 68

\$416 68

No. 119. Issued May 14th, in favor of Walker & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14, as per estimate, 1,895 37

No. 120. Issued May 14th, in favor of Richard Piles, in full payment for horse hire, as per bill rendered, to wit:

To one day's horse hire,	75
" two " " "	2 00

2 75

No. 121. Issued May 15th, in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment on culvert, as per estimate, 100 00

No. 122. Issued May 15th, in favor of R. L. Doyle, in full payment for printing 300 blank certificates, as per bill rendered, 7 00

No. 123. Issued May 15th, in favor of Jacob Cratin, in part payment for pile driving, as per estimate No. 2, 1,315 24

No. 124. Issued May 15th, in favor of Smith & Morrison, in part payment on contract No. 4, as an advance on next estimate, 422 00

May 22d. Amount paid on vouchers presented by Samuel Jacobs, for work, &c., done on State work at Dam No. 1, at St. Francesville, to wit:

Nov. 26, 1849. To Thomas L. Bugh.

For horse shoeing,	1 00
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Nov. 22, 1849. To Hancock & Smoat.

For 240 feet pine plank, at 1 25,	3 00
" 320 " siding,	4 00
" Sea-grass cable,	7 75
Nov. 24. 308 feet scantling, at 1 25,	3 85
" " 160 feet flooring, at 1 50,	2 40
" 12. 48 feet scantling, at 1 25,	60

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Nov. 12.	290 feet siding, at 1 25,	3 62	
" "	76 feet sheeting, at 1 00,	76	
" "	Nails,	75	
" "	3½ days' work of horse on boat, at 50c.,	1 75	28 48
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March 14, 1850. To Elijah Norris.			
Jan. 11.	For keeping 1 State horse 2 weeks, at 1 25,	2 50	
" 10.	" " horse No. 2, 6 weeks, at 1 25,	7 50	
Feb. 27.	" " " 7 weeks, half price, 62c.,	4 37	14 57
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March 30. To Isaac R. Campbell, for keeping State horse, Bill, 9 weeks, from Jan. 10 to March 14, 1850, at 1 50,			
		13 50	
May 11. To Thomas Bugh, for blacksmithing for pile boat, as follows :			
	For welding 7 pile bands,	1 40	
	Making 3 " "	75	2 15
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To Samuel Wright, for blacksmithing,			
Dec. 26.	Setting 4 shoes,	65	
Jan. 10.	2 new shoes,	75	
26.	Setting 2 shoes,	35	
	Piecing band,	37	
Feb. 17.	Mending buggy,	1 50	
March 8.	New brace and cross bar for do. 2 hold-backs in shafts,	1 00 30	
March 29.	Shoeing horse, Mending tape,	1 50 25	
April 2.	" 3 bands for piles,	1 50	
" 24.	" 3 "	1 25	
May 13.	4 new bands,	4 00	13 42
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May 22. To J. Z. Burnett & Co.			
Feb. 27.	To hauling to Yellow Banks,	2 70	
March 23.	2 kegs powder, at 4 50,	9 00	
	10 feet fuse, 1½,	1 50	
April 6.	Hauling cement,	3 00	16 20
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May 24. Amount paid Jas. W. Johnston, for 4 specie boxes, as per bill rendered,	2 50
No. 125. Issued June 8th, in favor of B. G. Woodworth, in part payment for services as engineer,	63 05
No. 126. Issued June 18th, in favor of Cleghorn & Harrison, in full payment for cable and rope for pile boat, to wit:	
March 25. 37 lbs. $\frac{3}{4}$ inch rope, at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,	6 17
April 16. 217 " large rope, at 18c.,	39 06
	45 23
No. 127. Issued June 20th, in favor of Connable & Cunningham, in part payment on contract No. 7,	860 20
No. 128. Issued July 10th, in favor of E. Lindsey & Co., in part payment and as advance on work done on culvert on section 3.	322 30
No. 129. Issued July 16th, in favor of J. Z. Burnett & Co., in full payment for State work done to this date as per estimate, on Sec. No. 12, as per receipt,	369 50
No. 130. Issued July 20th, in favor of J. Crane, in full payment for hauling piles, &c., on Sec. No. 5, as per bill rendered, to wit:	
Am't paid Lightgoop for hauling, by Smith, Morrison & Co.,	10 50
Cash paid Cowles per receipt,	6 00
1 day team for Lightgoop, cash,	2 00
8 days hand, at \$1 00,	8 00
1 rope for State boat,	5 00
	31 50
July 8. Amount paid Butler for Hauling,	5 00
No. 131. Issued July 28th, in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment for building culvert on Sec. No. 3,	165 15
No. 132. Issued July 30th, in favor of B. Farnam, in full payment for making drawing board for Engineer's office as per receipt,	2 50
Aug. 8. Amount paid Amos Shiltz for stationery,	10 00

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No. 133. Issued August 16th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for bill of contingent expenses, as per bill rendered of this date, to wit :		
May. 1/4 ream paper, bought of Cox & Shelly,	2 00	
June 12. Telegraphing to Cocktown, Pa.,	2 30	
“ 20. Paid for shoeing horse twice,	3 00	
Envelopes for office,	30	
June 25. Paid for repairing buggy,	2 25	
Paid ferriage at Farmington, and St. Francisville at different times,	1 50	
June 15. Paid for extra expenses by way of Ottumwa from Iowa City,	7 00	
July. Paid for stationery, McGregor, and postage bill	75	
	—	20 60
No. 134. Issued August 16th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for one work horse to work on pile boat, as per receipt,		40 00
No. 135. Issued August 19th, in favor of Wm. Limbocker, for 6 1/4 days hauling timber on Sec. 1, for State purposes,		19 00
No. 136. Issued August 23rd, in favor of John Shores, in full payment for horse hire as per receipt,		5 00
Amount paid August 21. H. W. Sample in full for his expenses going and returning from Ottumwa for funds for river improvement as per receipt,		12 00
Amount paid H. W. Sample in full payment for money advanced by him to pay salvage and charges paid for raising and saving spikes belonging to Des Moines river improvement, lost by fire at St. Louis on board steamboat Tagliona.		62 00
August 24. Amount paid J. M. Breckenridge for hauling castings, one load, from St. Francisville to Keokuk,		3 00
No. 137. Issued August 24th, in favor of P. H. Curts, in payment for ditching on canal,		4 00
No. 138. Issued August 28th, in favor of M. M. Haydon, In part payment for services as assistant engincer,		90 00
No. 139. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of B. P. Woodworth, in full payment for services as as't engineer to date,		225 00

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No. 140. Issued Sept. 1st, in favor of B. McQuillon, in part payment on contract No. 6, as per estimate,	73 00
No. 141. Issued Sept 12th, in favor of E. Lindsley, in part payment for culvert on Sec. No. 3, advanced,	181 03
No. 142. Issued September 13th in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment for culvert on section No. 3.	339 00
No. 143. Issued September 18th, in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment for culvert,	634 20
No. 144. Issued September 18th, in favor of E. Lindsley & Co., in part payment for culvert,	130 00
No. 145. Issued October 18th, in favor of S. T. Vail & Co., in full payment for castings for lock, etc., as per bill rendered of this date, to-wit:	
722 lbs. $\frac{1}{2}$ set lock steps, at $4\frac{1}{4}$ c.,	\$30 68
247 " 6 segments cog-wheels, at 5c.,	12 35
146 " 1 pinion, at 5c.,	7 30
185 " 4 gudgeons, at 5c.,	9 25
Making patterns,	10 00
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Oct. 19. Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 10—principal and interest,	713 65
Nov. 20. Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 16—principal and interest,	3,156 79
Amount paid Wm. Meek & Sons on certificate No. 3:	
April 13th, \$500 00; May 6, \$50 00; Sept. 22, \$44 00,	
Oct. 15th, \$300 00,	894 00
Amount paid John McCune & Co., on certificate No. 9:	
May 18, \$337 01. Oct 19, \$200 00,	537 01
No. 146. Issued Oct 21st, in favor of J. B. Knight, Superintendent, for boating cement from Iowaville, as per Pay Roll:	
Wm. Hurley, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$1 00,	6 50
Elijah Holmes, " " "	6 50
John Greathouse, " " "	6 50
James McGaven, " " "	6 50
N. Henington, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "	11 50
Wm. Hessenflower, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "	8 50
James Thomas, " " "	8 50

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Steward Knight,	9 days, at \$1,00,	9 00	
M. A. Miller,	6 " "	6 00	
Noah Caroyer,	2½ " "	2 50	
Francis Hessenflower,	2 " "	2 00	
			74 00
Amount paid E. Manning, as per bill for—			
Aug. 3.	65½ lbs. ½ inch, square iron, at 8c.,	5 24	
" 10.	65 " " Sligo " "	5 36	
	Use of barge 8 days, at \$4 00 per day,	32 00	
	Damage breaking same at Keosauqua,	5 00	
	Storage and hauling 67 bbls. cement,	3 00	
			50 60
Amount paid Patrick Allen for hauling cement and iron from Keokuk to Bonaparte,			
			4 38
Amount paid B. Godfrey for boating 59 bbls. hydraulic cement from Iowaville to Keokuk,			
			14 75
Amount paid John Murphy for hauling spike, iron and cement from Keokuk to Bonaparte, for use of lock and dams,			
			7 45
Amount paid for hauling lime around Keosauqua dam,			
			7 00
Amount paid for repairing barrels, boarding men and use of boats while boating,			
			51 70
Amount paid for hauling 117 bbls. cement from Pittsburg,			
			47 20
Amount paid for hauling steps to gates from near Charleston to Pittsburg,			
			2 00
No. 147.	Issued October 21st, in favor of J. B. Knight, in part payment for services as Superintendent of masonry,		100 00
July 8.	Amount paid P. G. Butler for men and team for hauling plank from dam No. 3 to dam No. 2, as per receipt,		5 00
Aug. 8.	Amount paid Guy Wells for money advanced to Amos H. Shutts, as per receipt,		10 00
No. 148.	Issued November 1st, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in part payment for services as Assistant Engineer,		130 00

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No. 149. Issued November 4, in favor of Guy Wells, for services as Chief Engineer,	100 00
No. 150. Issued November 4, in favor of J. C. Walker & Co., in part payment on contract No. 14,	1,444 35
No. 151. Issued Nov. 4th, in favor of P. H. Curts, in full payment for digging drain on Sec. 2 and 3,	21 00
No. 152. Issued Nov. 4th, in favor of Smith & Morrison, in part payment on contract No. 4, this being for the amount of his final estimate, assigned W. S. Searls,	2,489 95
No. 153. Issued Nov. 6th, in favor of Philip Sullivan, in full payment on contract No. 3, as per estimate,	904 38
No. 154. Issued Nov. 18th, in favor of J. Z. Burnett & Co., in part payment on contract No. 12, as per estimate, No. 8.	1,950 00
No. 155. Issued Nov. 19th, in favor of W. A. Patterson, for expenses thence to Ottumwa,	39 00
No. 156. Issued Nov. 20th, in favor of T. J. Walker, in part payment for State work No. 14, as per estimate,	100 00
No. 157. Issued Nov. 21st, in favor of J. T. Cane in full payment for horse keeping, horse hire for board of Public Works and corps Engineers,	103 65
No. 158. Issued Nov. 21st. in favor of James S. Beck, in full payment for services in corps of Engineers, including ten dollars paid contingences for the use of the State	110 00
Nov. 26th. Amount paid President salary,	1,000 00
No. 159. Issued Nov. 26th, in favor of Jesse Williams, in full payment for one years salary as Secretary of Board of Public Works,	800 00
No. 160. Issued Nov. 26th, in favor of G. Gillaspie, in full payment for one years salary, as Treasurer of the Board of Public Works,	800 00
No. 161. Issued Nov. 26th, in favor of G. Gillaspie, Treasurer, in full payment of his bill of his contingences up to April 1st 1850, to-wit,	930 83

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Oct. 12, 1849.	Cash paid Drown & Logan, for printing notices for opening land office,	5 00
	Paid stage for bringing handbills from Fairfield,	25
	Paid for candle stick and 1 lb candles for office,	90
Oct. 27th.	Cash paid for fuel, matches and candles,	2 00
Nov. 5th.	Cash paid Jesse Williams for stationary,	61 75
" 8th.	Cash paid W. Dewey, for service as Sec.	15 00
" 9th.	To Treasurer cash paid on mistakes in Secretaries office,	2 30
" 20th.	Cash paid expenses in holding session of Board at Keokuk,	19 95
" 24th.	Cash paid for money bags, 1,00 and 2 towels, 40c.,	1 40
Feb. 10th.	Cash paid Fort Des Moines Star, for publishing notice of land sales,	22 00
"	Cash paid for hauling candles from Keokuk	50
"	" " E. Washburn, for ash bucket and water pot for office,	1 81
"	" " J. H. Bonney for furnishing plats of river lands,	18 00
"	" " Ink,	50
"	" " board for Sec. and Treas. at Keokuk,	6 25
"	" " postage at Iowa City,	1 20
"	" " Jesse Williams for expenses at Keokuk,	18 87
"	" " Warden, P. M. at Ottumwa,	5 20
"	" " expenses of land office at Pella,	34 40
Feb. 12th.	Cash paid Clark & Tizzard for printing application and duplicate rec'pts	25 00
Feb. 18th,	To cash for bottle ink,	10
" 20th,	" " Thos Dunn, for office rent at Ottumwa,	50 00
"	" " Street & Warden for publishing notice of land sales,	5 00
"	" " Shepherd & Stont, for publishing notice of land sales,	12 00

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March 30th, 1850.	Paid Thos Dunn, for wood at Ottumwa for land office,	27 00
" " " "	for ink, letter envelopes of Carter	75
" " " "	in taking money to Keokuk,	22 15
June 19th.	T. R. Nicholas for horse and buggy, for Guy Wells to Fairfield,	3 00
Aug. 5th.	Paid Morgan & Kinney for printed bl'ks for land office,	21 00
" " " "	W. J. Barney for drawing 10 plats at Dubuque,	20 00
" " " "	R. H. Warden, P. M. at Ottumwa, for postage,	12 40
" " " "	T. Abrams, for red ink,	50
May 2d, 1850.	To cash paid Chas Corkery for services in land office,	466 67
" " " "	cash paid Wm. Barney of Dubuque for furnishing town plats as per bill,	32 00
" " " "	cash paid R. H. Warden for reports sent off as per bill,	2 00
" " " "	cash paid R. H. Warden, P. M. for postage,	5 99
" " " "	cash paid R. H. Warden, for reports sent off,	2 85
" " " "	cash paid R. H. Warden, P. M. for postage,	5 14
Nov. 20.	Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 16,	778 91
Nov 20.	Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 19,	2,512 41
Nov. 29.	Amount paid for wood and other contingent expenses, (no bill of items.)	216 77
July 3, 1850.	Amount paid Wm. Lamb, due on order of H. W. Sample, President Board Public Works, being issued for land, but paid in cash,	76 36
Oct. 19, 1849.	Amount paid B. McQuillan, for one man $\frac{1}{2}$ day, 81c.,	50
	Carrying tools and instruments for Jacobs, $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	50

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Use of men and oxen hauling skiff for Mr. Baldwin,	2 00	
Labor of men at sundry times from the 19th October, 1849, to May, 1850,	4 00	7 00
Oct. 10, 1850. Amount paid Ashman J. Butler for 8½ days works on miter sills and breast walls at dam No. 3 and 5,		8 25
Oct. 18. Amount paid Walker & Wilson for hauling one load cement from Croton to Bonaparte,		3 00
Nov. 23d. Amount paid Thos. C. Allison for hauling 12 bbls cement from Farmington to Bonaparte,		3 00
Nov. 23d. Amount paid Jas. Bulgee for five days work done on coffer dam, and five days work done in extending railroad at dam No. 2,		10 50
Nov. 11th. Amount paid Thos. Correy for 16 days services in hauling cement from St. Francisville to Bonaparte and Bentonsport, for use of State up to this date, at \$2 per day,	32 50	
Ferriage,	50	32 50
Nov. 18. Amount paid Edward Johns for 13½ days services of team hauling cement from St. Francisville to Bonaparte and Bentonsport, for use of State up to this date, at \$2 per day,	27 00	
Ferriage,	50	27 50

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No. 162. Issued Nov. 28th, in favor of Jesse Williams, for traveling expenses, etc.,		45 00
No. 163. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of Brown & Sanford, in part payment for State work on section No. 17, as per estimate,		714 50
No. 164. Issued Nov. 29th, in favor of Brown & Sanford, in part payment on State work done at section No. 17, as per estimate of Nov. 18th, 1850,		100 00
No. 1. Issued from New Book, Dec. 1, in favor of James Clark, in payment for 91 bbls cement,		193 60



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No. 2.	Issued Dec. 2d, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in full payment for services as assistant engineer to date,	254 66
No. 3.	Issued Dec. 1, in favor of M. M. Haydon, in full payment for horse hire, horse-keeping, and stage fare to date,	64 00
No. 4.	Issued Dec. 1st, in favor of J. B. Knight, in full payment for services as superintendent of masonry to date,	355 75
No. 5.	Issued Dec. 4th, in favor of J. B. Knight, in full payment of bill blacksmithing paid Wm. Ross for State work,	20 00
No. 6.	Issued Dec. 4th, in favor of John Stead, in full payment for horse hire to Ottumwa,	10 00
No. 7.	Issued Dec. 18th, in favor of Chittenden & McGavic, in full payment for bill of iron to date, to-wit :	
Jan. 1st.	To Ball, account for iron, etc.,	8 05
April 25th.	2 bars iron, 106 lbs., 5c.,	5 30
Oct. 3d.	1 keg five inch spikes,	5 50
" "	6 bds $\frac{1}{2}$ inch square, 445 lbs., 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	33 38
		<hr/> 52 23
No. 8.	Issued Dec. 19th, in favor of Z. Vandyke, in full payment for stage fare for Patterson & Wells to Ottumwa and back,	19 00
No. 9.	Issued Dec. 22d, in favor of Wm. Meeks, in full payment for State work up to July 25th, as per estimate,	733 29
Dec. 12th.	Amount paid Henry Price and Sons for seven and a half days hauling cement from St. Francisville to Bentonsport, for State, at \$2 per day,	15 00
No. 10.	Issued Dec. 26th, in favor of H. W. Sample, in full payment for 12 cast iron lock gates and trimmings as per bill rendered, to wit :	
	12 cast iron wicket gates,	8,982
	12 racks and 12 pinions,	371
	24 hinges and latches,	744
		<hr/> 10,097 at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. 429 12
To drilling and riveting latches,		6 00
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No. 11. Issued Dec. 26th, in favor of William Ross, in full payment for balance of blacksmithing work done for the lock and dam at Bonaparte,

4 65

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No. 12. Issued Dec. 31st, in favor of George K. Irvine, in full payment for pay roll No. 2, and bills thereto attached, for work done at the big yellow banks, to wit:

261 56

George K. Irvine 19 days at 1 25,	42 75
Team 11 days, at 1 50,	16 50
Hiram Bell 31 days at 1 00,	31 00
Joseph Holmes, 22 days, at 1 00	22 00
James McCarty, foreman, 35 days at 1 25,	44 37
Madison D. Bylan, com. laborer, 10 days at 1 00,	10 00

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Amount paid Mr. Holmes for hauling piles,	12 00
For hauling one load from Keokuk,	2 00
For 10 bush. corn at Keokuk,	5 00

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19 00

Amount paid G. Ervine, Esq., for 50 feet  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch cordage bought at Cleghorn & Harrison's as per bill rendered, 32 lbs., at 18c.,

5 76

Amount paid H. Bunce, June 3d, for  $\frac{1}{2}$  bbl. flour,

3 75

Coffee,

50

Tea,

75

42 lbs. bacon, at 6c.,

2 52

1 bottle pepper sauce,

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Amount paid, June 28th, for bill boarding hands whilst working on pile boat up to 20,

21 08

Amount paid Smith & Morrison, for sundries as certified by Irvine,

41 33

No. 13. Issued Jan 20th, 1851, in favor of Doyle & Halsey in full payment for printing bills and deeds, as per rec<sup>t</sup>,

100 00

No. 14. Issued Jan. 20th, in favor of G. W. Wyrick, in full payment for hauling and piling timber on Sec. No. 1, for State.

20 00

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No. 15. Issued Jan. 20, in favor of W. A. Patterson, in full payment for 2 trips to Ottumwa and back as per rec't,	25 00
No. 16. Issued Jan 20th, in favor of C. Garber & Co., in payment for stationery as per bill rendered,	
Dec. 8, 1850. 1 ream fools cap paper,	5 50
Dec. 21, 1850. one-half ream letter paper,	2 50
	<hr/> 8 00
No. 17. Issued Jan. 22nd. in part payment for building lock at Bonaparte, as per receipt,	100 00
No. 18. Issued Jan. 27th, in favor of M. D. Byland, in full payment for bailing and tending to pile boat,	8 00
No. 19. Issued Jan 27th, in favor of J. T. Cane, in full payment for horse keeping and livery to date,	16 25
No. 20. Issued Jan. 27th, in favor of W. A. Patterson, in full payment for services as rodman in the corps of Engineers up to Nov. 10, 1850,	550 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Jan. 1st, interest on certificate No. 7,	107 75
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Jan 1st, interest on certificate No. 4,	83 65
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Jan. 1st, interest on certificate No. 19,	53 59
Amount paid Brown & Sanford Jan. 1st, principal on certificate No. 7,	1,683 79
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Jan. 1st, principal on certificate No. 4,	866 08
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Jan. 1st, balance principal on certificate No. 19,	5,928 04
No. 21. Issued Feb. 15th, in favor of J. McCarty, in full payment guarantee for a debt due by P. Sullivan,	15 00
No. 22. Issued Feb. 15th, in favor of Guy Wells, in full payment for board and traveling expenses from Sept. 1, 1849, to Feb. 1, 1851, as per bill rendered, to wit :	
To amount paid for board from Sept. 1st, 1850, to Dec. 1st, 1851, 74 weeks, \$3 per week,	222 00

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Paid Cunningham for use of buggy,	8 00
“ For repairing buggy at different times,	10 50
“ Expenses up the line in Sept. 1849,	4 70
“ “ “ “ “ Oct. “	4 00
“ “ “ “ “ Nov. “	4 50
“ “ “ “ “ Dec. “	4 50
“ “ “ “ “ Feb. 1850,	4 60
“ “ “ “ “ April, “	4 00
“ “ “ “ “ May, “	3 80
“ “ “ “ “ June, “	4 00
“ “ “ “ “ July, “	3 70
“ “ Buggy repairs, Aug.,	7 00
“ “ up the line with Col. Williams, Sept.,	5 50
“ “ To Ottumwa to make out report,	13 00
“ “ For stationery,	1 50
“ “ For postage at various times,	1 75
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- No. 23. Issued Feb. 17, in favor of Chittenden & McGavic, in full payment for 1,774½ lbs. square iron, at 6½ cts., as per bill rendered, 115 32
- No. 24. Issued Feb. 17th, in favor of W. A. Patterson, for expenses to Ottumwa and back, 13 50
- No. 25. Issued Feb. 18th in favor of Deming & Walcott, in full payment for one tape line, and shovel and tongs for office, as per receipt, 2 00
- No. 26. Issued Feb. 18th, in favor of Brown & Sanford, in part payment for State work, as per estimate No. 2, 22 00
- No. 28. Issued Feb. 20th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in full payment for cash advanced by me for hauling castings, cement, and piling plank, as per bill rendered.
- Sept. 20, 1850. Cash paid Dornon & Covey, for services as axemen, and piling plank on the canal, 3 50
- Oct. 23, 1850. Cash paid teamsters for hauling cement from Iowaville, 5 00
- Feb. 20, 1851. Paid Farley for hauling 4,000 lbs. of lock gate castings from Keokuk to Bonaparte, at 25c, 10 00
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No. 27. Issued Feb. 20th, in favor of Samuel Jacobs, in full payment for boarding, horse keeping and traveling expenses, from Sept. 1, 1849, to March 1, 1851, as per bill,	300 00
No. 29. Issued Feb. 22nd, in favor of J. Z. Burnett & Co., in full payment for State work, as per estimate No. 4,	35 50
No. 30. Issued Feb. 22nd, in favor of Wm. Lamb, in full payment for pasture of State horse,	5 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 22, February 20,	989 00
Amount paid Colton, carpenter, July,	25 00
Amount paid for boating timber, July,	20 00
Amount paid E. Lindsley & Co., Feb. 7, 1851, in part payment of balance due on contract Sec. No. 3, on the canal,	20 00
Amount paid Richard Johns, June 7, two orders, \$15 90 and \$14 00,	29 90
Amount paid Greene & Ross, as per bill rendered, to wit :	
Jan. 10, 1851. To making four bands for post gate to abutment,	1 00
Feb. 14. To making 105 bolts,	10 50
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Amount paid expenses of President's office from Jan. 30 to March 8th,	
Paid for wood cutting,	\$2 00
“ “ box of candles of J. C. Anderson,	9 85
“ “ telegraph despatch from Washington,	1 75
“ “ answering same,	5 50
“ “ postage,	7 35
“ “ for wood and cutting	2 65
March 8. Paid for transporting funds from Ottumwa,	15 40
Paid for hauling timber and cement,	40 00
“ livery bill and repair of buggy,	15 00
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Amount paid Geo. Gillaspie, Secretary of the Board of Public Works, incidental expenses from the 28th Nov., 1850, to March 7, 1851, as per bill rendered for his office :

Dec. 3.	To Samsey for candles,	2 00	
" 18.	For wood,	50	
" 25.	For expenses for Williams and Gillaspie, to Iowa City,	29 00	
Jan. 6.	Paid cash for candles,	50	
"	" Jas. Hawley, stage fare to Iowa City,	9 50	
" 15.	" Faker & Johnson for printing blanks,	12 50	
"	" for candles,	50	
Feb. 21.	Paid for candles and broom	1 20	
" 14.	" " "	1 00	
" 15.	" Palmer and Paul,	35 00	
"	" McIntosh for binding reports,	11 00	
20.	" for matches,	10	
"	" R. H. Warden, postage,	12 25	
"	" A. Briggs for wood,	15 00	
"	W. C. Church, clerk,	30 70	
			140 75

Error of \$20 in Gillaspie's favor.

No. 31.	Issued March 8th, in favor of Geo. Gillaspie, in full payment salary as Treasurer of Board of Public Works, to date,	500 00
No. 32.	Issued March 8th, in favor of Jesse Williams, in full payment of salary as Secretary of Board of Public Works, to date,	500 00
No. 33.	Issued March 10th, in favor of Wm. C. Clark, for services as clerk in Secretary's office up to date, from Nov. 20, 1850, to March 10th, 1851, at \$35 per month,	128 00
	Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, on certificate No. 3, Nov. 11, 1850,	50 00
	Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons on certificate No. 3, Dec 11, 1850,	50 00
	Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons on certificate No. 6, Feb. 13, 1851,	2,000 00
	Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons on certificate No. 6, Feb, 22,	500 00

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Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22. Feb. 13, 1851,	50 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22, Feb- ruary 14, 1851,	450 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22, Feb- ruary 15, 1851,	400 00
Amount paid salary of President from Aug. 1, 1850, to March 15, 1851, at \$1,000 00,	625 00
No. 34. Issued March 10, in favor of Chittenden & McGavie, in part payment, of Wm. P. Wilson, for delivering piles as per estimate No. 1,	62 00
No. 35. Issued March 10th, in favor of Cleghorn & Harri- son, in part payment of Wm. P. Wilson for delivering piles, as per estimate No. 1,	52 65
Total amount of disbursements,	134,192 10
Amount of drafts paid to order of Col. Patterson, Presi- dent of the Board of Public Works, by George Gillas- pie, Treasurer of same :	
Drafts No. 1, dated Nov. 5, 1849,	\$15,292 83
“ “ 2, “ “ 20, “	9,000 00
“ “ 3, “ Dec. “	6,809 77
“ “ 4, “ Feb. 14, 1850,	22,000 00
“ “ 5, “ May, “	20,347 00
“ “ 6, “ July 1, “	7,339 57
“ “ 7, “ Sept. 4, “	7,257 85
“ “ 8, “ Nov. 0, “	12,605 28
“ “ 9, “ “ 26 “	4,435 38
“ “ 10, “ March 8, 1851,	27,226 46
Total amount of receipts of Wm. Patterson, President of the Board of Public Works, during his term of service,	132,314 14
Total amount of disbursements as appears from books, bills and receipts, as shown by him,	134,192 10
	1,877 96

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\* Balance due Wm. Patterson, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven dollars and ninety-six cents, being the amount of disbursements over and above his receipts.

Receipts of V. P. Van Antwerp, Commissioner of Des Moines Improvement, from the Treasurer of said Improvement, arising from the sales of lands belonging to the State of Iowa, also from the sale of bonds issued by the Board of Public Works of the Des Moines Improvement, as shown by the books, papers, and other evidences exhibited to your committee :

March 25.	By cash received from George Gillespie, Register of the Des Moines Improvement on Draft No. 1,	3,350 55
April 22.	“ “ “ 2,	4,100 00
May 10.	“ “ “ 3,	2,138 87½
June 12.	“ “ “ 4,	2,427 73
July 1.	“ “ “ 5,	3,313 45
Aug. 2.	“ “ “ 6,	4,294 47½
Aug. 8.	Received from H. Dewey, money advanced to him to purchase lock gate and iron at Pittsburg, Penn., now refunded,	500 00
Aug. 30.	on Draft No. 7,	250 00
Oct. 12.	By cash received from Register, etc., (monies received by him from Bangs, Brothers & Co., on my Draft No. 8,	5,000 00
Nov. 30.	“ “ 9,	118 29

\* This balance found due Wm. Patterson, at the close of his official connection with the Des Moines Improvement, appears to have been settled by his successors in office.

\* Note by A. Hebard.

See Van Antwerp's Voucher, No. 26,	May 24, 1851, on page 247,	\$500 09
“ “ “ “ 45,	July 2, “ “ 250,	200 00
“ “ “ “ 46,	“ 10, “ “ 250,	150 00
“ “ “ “ 131,	April 8, 1852, “ 270,	100 00
		<u>\$950 00</u>

The difference between this sum \$1877 96, and the amount of these vouchers \$950 00, seems to be unanswered for and not claimed by Col. Patterson.



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Dec. 22.	Received on ten Drafts for \$500 00 each, dated Dec. 20, 1851, drawn by George Gillaspie, Register, etc., on Bangs Brothers, & Co., payable at American Exchange, in the city of New York, 30 days after date,	5,000 00	
	Discount and Interest off,	75 83	
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Dec. 22.	Received on two Drafts same as those last above described,	1,000 00	
	Discount and Interest off,	13 50	
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Dec. 22.	Received on two other drafts, same as those above described,	1,000 00	
	Discount and Interest off,	13 50	
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Dec. 23.	Received on one same as above described, cash,		500 00

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Jan. 5.	Received on two drafts sold in St. Louis for \$5,000 00, in all respects (except as to amount) like those above described,	10,000 00	
	Discount and Interest off,	130 00	
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Jan. 8.	Received on three drafts of \$500 00, same as those above described,		1,500 00
Feb. 4.	Received on two drafts, (sold in Pittsburg, Pa.,) for \$500, same as above described,		1,000 00
Feb. 27.	Received on draft of register, etc., payable 10 days after sight:		
	“ “ “ No 10,		500 00
Feb. 28.	“ “ “ 11,		500 00
March 1.	“ “ “ 12,		250 00
April 3.	“ “ “ 13,	18,552 67	
June 30.	“ “ “ 14,	3,551 81	
Aug. 13.	“ “ “ 15,	7,403 95	
Sept. 3.	“ “ “ 16,	2,138 25	
“ 23.	“ “ “ 17,	500 00	
Oct. 14.	“ “ “ 18,	2,110 70	
Nov. 25.	“ “ “ 19,	600 00	
Dec. 2.	“ “ “ 20,	7,394 62	

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Jan. 15, 1853. Received of Geo. Gillespie, through Henn, Williams & Co.,	4,871 55
Feb. 5. " " "	1,435 00
Feb. 16. " " "	1,898 00
March 14. Received of Paul Jeffries, register of D. M. Imp., etc., through Henn, Williams & Co.,	1,675 00
April 4. " " "	2,610
May 16, " " "	3,062 75
Total amount of receipts from all sources,	<u>\$104,316 85½</u>

*Disbursements made by VERPLANK VAN ANTWERP, Commissioner of Des Moines Improvement, from March 26th, 1851, to May 28th, 1853, as appears from Books, Papers, and Vouchers, exhibited by him.*

Voucher No. 1. March 26, 1851. Amount paid Samuel Jacobs on account of services as assistant engineer in improvement,	90 00
March 26. Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, endorsed on certificate No. 6, dated Nov. 23d, 1849,	500 00
No. 2. March 27. Amount paid J. B. Knight, to be applied for hireing hands to remove drift for opening the lock at Thom's dam, (Croton) in order that boats may pass through,	30 00
March 28. Amount paid John McCune & Co., contractors, endorsed on certificate No. 8, endorsement dated March 18, 1851,	900 00
No. 3. March 28. Amount paid Richard Johns in part payment of estimate for puddling culvert on section No. 3,	20 00
No. 4. April 1. Amount paid Guy Wells, chief engineer, for services prior to March, 1851, on salary, being part payment,	530 00
No. 5. April 1. Amount paid H. Dewey, in part payment on contract for building lock gates at Bonaparte for Des Moines Improvement,	140 00
No. 6. April 1. Amount paid H. Dewey, to be used for procuring lock irons for the lock gates at section No. 16; (this refunded; see credit),	500 00

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No. 7. April 17. Amount paid Richard Johns, on his account for estimate for puddling culvert on section No. 3,	36 05
No. 8. April 19. Amount paid Guy Wells, on account for services as chief engineer, prior to March 1851, on salary,	40 00
No. 9. April 23. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, on order of B. McQuillan, contractor, accepted by late President Board Public Works,	65 00
No. 10. April 23. Amount paid Phillip Sullivan, contractor, etc.,	20 00
No. 11. April 24. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., in part payment of a balance due for work done on section 14, lock and dam at Croton,	1,500 00
No. 12. April 24. Amount paid T. Lyon & Co., in part payment of a balance due for work done on section No. 1 and 2,	150 00
No. 13. April 24. Amount paid J. Z. Burnett & Co., in part payment of a balance due for work done on section No. 13, Lock and Dam at St. Francisville,	150 00
No. 14. April 26. Amount paid B. McQuillan, in part payment of a balance due for work done on section No. 6,	52 90
No. 15. April 26. Amount paid Wm. Patterson, former President Board of Public Works, in part payment of balance due him as disbursing officer,	800 00
No. 16. May 1. Amount paid Wm. Patterson, former President Board of Public Works, in part payment of balance due him as disbursing officer,	132 85
Amount paid John M'Cune & Co., contractors, on certificate,	650 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, contractors, on certificate,	200 00
No. 17. May 10. Amount paid Samuel Jacobs, in part payment for services prior to March, 1851, as assistant engineer,	257 66
No. 18. May 12. Amount paid J. B. Knight, in part payment for services performed as superintendent, &c.,	60 00

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May 12. Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, contractors, endorsed on certificate No. 3, endorsement dated April 1st, 1851,	100 00
May 15. Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, contractors, endorsed on certificate No. 3, dated Feb. 6th, 1851,	250 00
No. 19. May 15, Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., contractors, in part payment of balance due for work done on section No. 14, Lock and Dam at Croton,	750 00
No. 20. May 16. Amount paid Richard Johns, contractor, in part payment for work done by me on section No. 3,	6 00
No. 21. May 17. Amount paid J. Z. Burnett & Co., contractors, in part payment of a balance due for work done on section No. 12, lock and dam at St. Francisville,	100 00
No. 22. May 19. Amount paid J. A. Parish, Att'y, for D. A. Powell, being a balance due on draft No. 76, dated Nov. 3, 1848, drawn by President Board of Pub. Works,	50 00
No. 23. May 20. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, on account, for services as assistant engineer on Improvement,	50 00
No. 24. May 21. Amount paid Jacob Crum, on account, for piles driven at different points,	50 00
No. 25. May 23. Amount paid Dr. J. F. Sanford on order of E. Colton,	20 00
No. 26. May 24. Amount paid Wm. Patterson, in part payment of monies advanced by him to contractors, and on account of his salary as President Board of Pub. Works,	500 00
No. 27. June 7. Amount paid O. P. Condon, in full for services in saving and hauling out of the river 127 sticks of square timber during the great flood,	25 00
No. 28. June 11. Amount paid Lewis Turner, contractor, in part payment for work done by him on section No. 11,	150 00
June 13. Amount paid Brown & Sanford, contractors, endorsed on certificate No. 22,	200 00
June 13. Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, contractors, endorsed on certificate No. 3,	150 00

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June 13. Amount paid T. Lyon & Co., contractors, in part payment of the amount due them for work done on sections Nos. 1 and 2,	150 00
No. 30. June 13. Amount paid J. Z. Burnett, & Co. contractors, in part payment of the amount due them for work done on section No. 12,	100 00
No. 31. June 16. Amount paid W. W. Carson for services in securing from waste by floods, 53 pieces of square timber and taking care of same,	15 00
No. 32. June 16. Amount paid Daniel Kenedy for services in securing from waste by flood, 30 pieces of square timber and taking care of same,	8 00
No. 33. June 16. Amount paid Thomas Philips for services in securing from waste by flood, 17 pieces of square timber and taking care of same,	5 00
No. 34. June 17. Amount paid Jacob Crum, contractor, in part payment of a balance due as contractor for driving piles,	50 00
No. 35. June 19. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., in part payment for balance due them, for work done on contracts,	500 00
No. 36. June 20. Amount paid Green & Doyle for printing notice concerning Des Moines river improvement,	3 00
No. 37. June 21. Amount paid Guy Wells for services as chief engineer, prior to March, 1851,	390 50
No. 38. June 23. Amount paid James Beebee on order of B. McQuillon,	25 50
No. 39. June 24. Amount paid O. Baldwin for services in assisting to measure and estimate work done on said improvement, at 2 50 per day,	27 50
No. 40. June 24. Amount paid Richard Johnes in part payment for work done by him on Sec. No. 3.	5 00
No. 41. June 30. Amount paid Wm. Patterson on order of P. McQuillon, contractor,	12 00
No. 42. June 30. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, assistant engineer, on ac't,	100 00

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July 1.	Amount paid J. A. Brown, contractor, endorsed on certificate No. 22, dated June 13, 1851.	100 00
No. 43.	July 1. Amount paid C. Gashee on order of B. McQuillan,	43 95
No. 44.	July 2. Amount paid Elias Irvin for services in saving 35 sticks of square timber, and keeping the same,	12 00
No. 45.	July 2. Amount paid William Patterson on balance due him as President of late Board of Public Works, in part payment of same,	200 00
No. 46.	July 10. Amount paid Wm. Patterson, late President Board Public Works, in part payment of balance due him,	150 00
No. 47.	July 10. Amount paid Guy Wells, chief Engineer, in part payment for services, due prior to March 1851,	200 00
No. 48.	July 11. Amount paid M. M. Haydon in part payment for services as assistant engineer,	50 00
No. 49.	July 12. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., to be endorsed, pro rata, on his certificate of indebtedness,	400 00
No. 50.	July 25. Amount paid R. L. Doyle & Co for printing 200 blank certificates of imp't indebtedness,	10 00
No. 51.	July 29. Amount paid Philip Sullivan in full for services on said improvement from July 4, to July 29, inclusive, in saving timber from flood,	20 00
No. 52.	Aug. 5. Amount paid Samuel Jacobs on account of services as first assistant engineer, due prior to March, 1851.	350 00
No. 53.	August 6. Amount paid John B. Knight for services as superintendent on improvements,	100 00
No. 54.	Aug. 8. Amount paid Horace Dewy, being for amount of his bill of expenses in going from Ohio to Pittsburg, Pa., to purchase irons for lock gates,	27 50
No. 55.	Aug. 8. Amount paid M. M. Haydon for services as assistant engineer, on his account,	100 00

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No. 56. Aug. 8. Amount paid John Foster on order of B. McQuillan, contractor,		11 70
No. 57. Aug. 9. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., to be endorsed, pro rata, on certificates of indebtedness for work done on this improvement,		450 00
No. 58. Aug. 11. Amount paid Guy Wells, chief engineer, a balance being in full for salary, \$82, and contingent expenses \$18, up to March 15, 1851,		100 00
No. 59. Aug. 12. Amount paid W. D. Skillman for bills of stationery procured by late Secretary B. P. Works, to wit:		
April 27, 1850. To binding 200 maps, at 15c.,	30 00	
1½ ream letter paper, at 4 50,	6 75	
½ gross legal envelopes,	2 00	
½ gross letter " "	75	
6 packs white " folders 25c.,	60	
1 gross commercial pens, &c.,	1 75	
1 ivory folder,	1 00	
		42 85
No. 60. Aug. 15th. Amount paid Brown & Sanford, Contractors on State Work as per estimate No. 2,		372 35
No. 61. Aug. 15. Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, contractors on State Work, balance due on estimates,	389 80	
Interest,	17 50	
		407 30
No. 62. Aug. 19. Amount paid Richard Jones, in part payment for embankment on culvert on Sec. No. 3,		12 00
No. 63. Aug. 27. Amount paid M. M. Haydon in part payment for services as Asst. Engineer on said Improvement,		200 00
No. 64. Aug. 27. Amount paid Guy Wells, Chief Engineer, on account of services,		250 00
No. 65. Aug. 28. Amount paid Edward Manney, for balance due on rent and damage of lighter,	20 00	
March 11th, 92½ lbs ¾ square iron, for Samuel Jacobs, at 7c.,	6 48	
		26 48

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No. 56.	Aug. 28.	Amount paid J. B. Knight, on account, for services as Asst. on said Improvement,	100 00
No. 67.	Aug. 30.	Amount paid Samuel Jacobs, for services as Asst. Engineer, due him prior to march 15th, '51,	250 00
No. 68.	Aug. 30.	Amount paid G. H. Williams for legal services and advice including drawing of contract with Bangs, Brothers & Co., and agreement with Allander & Co.,	50 00
No. 69.	Sept. 3.	Amount paid Richard Jones, contractor, in part payment on estimate for ditching,	25 00
No. 70.	Sept. 5.	Amount paid Coleman, Hartman, & Co., for 16 pair castings for capstans and 48 plumer blocks, 1,120 lbs, at 3c.,	33 60
No. 71.	Sept. 5.	Amount paid McKee & Gracey, of Pittsburgh, for one sett lock irons, 7,728 lbs, at 5½c.,	425 04
No. 72.	Sept. 8.	Amount paid H. Dewey, on contract, for building lock gates at Bonaparte, in part payment,	160 00
No. 73.	Sept. 9.	Amount paid L. T. Vail & Co., for ½ set cast iron lock gate steps, weighing 730 lbs at 3½c.,	25 00
No. 74.	Sept. 16.	Amount paid Wm. Meek & Sons for removing old saw mill and carding machine at Bonaparte, as per contract,	200 00
No. 75.	Oct 2.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon, on account, of services as 1st Asst. Engineer,	20 00
No. 76.	Oct. 14.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon, in part payment for salary as 1st Asst. Engineer.	80 00
No. 77.	Oct. 14.	Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., contractors, in part payment of estimate Oct. 1851,	1,500 00
No. 78.	Oct. 15.	Amount paid Wm. Meek & Sons, contractors, in part payment of estimate, Oct. 1851,	1,400 00
No. 79.	Oct. 15.	Amount paid Jas. A. Brown, contractor, in part payment of estimate Oct. 1851,	1,700 00
No. 80.	Oct. 20.	Amount paid Richard Jones, on account for work done on Sec. No. 3,	5 00



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No. 81. Nov. 29. Amount paid Richard Jones, in part payment for excavating drain along side the canal embankment on Sec. No. 3,	100 00
No. 82. Nov. 30. Amount paid Guy Wells, Chief Engineer, on account of services as same,	100 00
No. 83. Nov. 30. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, in full to date for salary, etc., including disbursements made by him as per account rendered to J. T. Cane, in full for horse and buggy hire, from March 17th, to Dec. 1st. inclusive,	54 00
Incidental and traveling expenses, official, on the work, from the 17th day of March to the 1st day of June,	31 60
Incidental and traveling expenses, official on the work from the 1st of June to the 1st of September,	32 05
Incidental and traveling expenses, official on the work, from 1st day of September to 1st day of December,	18 00
Amount of charges for use of horse and keeping the same from the 1st day of July, to the 1st day December,	42 60
Amount of cash to boatmen and others for saving and securing timber as per vouchers,	17 75
Amount paid cash for coal,	2 50
Amount due for services as assistant engineer on improvement from 17th day of March to 15th day of Sept. at the rate of \$900 per annum,	450 00
Amount due for services as assistant engineer on the improvement from the 15th day of Sept. to 30th day of Nov., at the rate of \$1,000 per annum,	208 33
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Deduct former payments	600 00
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No. 84. Nov. 30. J. B. Knight for services as assistant on works at Bonaparte, Bentonsport and Croton, from March 20, 1851, to Nov. 30, 1851, 8½ months, at \$60 per month,				500 00
To Wm. C. Mitchell,	5½ days, at \$1 00 per day,			5 50
John Greathouse,	2½ "	1 00	"	2 75
Price Whitmore,	1 "	1 00	"	1 00
Stewart Knight,	1 "	1 00	"	1 00
Lewis Pohl,	1 "	1 00	"	1 00
Ira Brown,	½ "	1 00	"	50
Stephen Powel,	½ "	1 00	"	50
Wm. Hessenflower,	4½ "	1 00	"	4 50
Joseph Crawford,	2½ "	1 00	"	2 50
Oliver Neal,	4½ "	1 00	"	4 50
Daniel Shaffer,	½ "	1 00	"	50
Paid for board for board for same.				
Perkins and Mitchel,	13 meals,			2 00
For clearing drift from lock at Croton,				41 50
Geo. Hoffleman, as witness for attending court, October term, 3 days, at Fairfield, in behalf of State,				6 00
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By Cash received, as per estimate, \$30 00				
" former payment on salary, as per receipts,		260 00		
		<u>260 00</u>		290 00

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No. 85. Nov. 30. Amount paid Guy Wells, Chief Engineer, in full to date, as per bill rendered, to wit:				
For services as Chief Engineer, on said improvement from March 15, '51, to Sept. 1, '51, five months, at \$900 per annum,				412 50
For services as Chief Engineer, from Sept. 1, '51, to Dec. 1, '51, three months, at \$1200 per annum,				300 00
For contingent and traveling expenses from March 15 to Dec 1, 1851 :				
March. To cash paid expenses up line,				3 75
" Stage fare from Winchester to Keokuk,				2 50

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April.	Cash for postage,	25
May.	Cash paid expenses up the line,	3 50
Aug. 1.	“ “ “ “ “	3 22
“ 8.	“ “ charges on maps from Ottumwa,	25
“ 18.	“ “ expenses, on trip to Gillis,	3 75
Sept. 15.	“ “ “ to Bentonport	3 65
Oct. 2.	“ “ “ “ “	1 85
“ 2.	Stage fare down from Bonaparte,	1 75
“ 15.	“ “ to Fairfield and back,	6 00
“ “	“ “ and expenses to Fairfield and back, to law suit, Allander against State,	3 50
	Postage at different times,	50
Oct, 20.	One load of wood for office,	1 25
“ 23.	Cash paid for telegraphing to Bangs,	1 50
Nov. 20.	One load of wood for office,	1 25
Aug. 1.	To horse and buggy 3 days up Des Moines,	7 50
“ 17.	“ “ “ “ “ “	7 75
“ 27.	“ “ two days up the line,	2 00
Sept. 5.	“ “ one day “ “	1 00
“ 17.	“ “ and buggy 5 days up the Des Moines,	7 50
Oct. 6.	“ “ part of a day,	75
	“ Keeping horse for Wells and Miller,	80
	<b>Total.</b>	<u>778 05</u>

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August 25, 1851.	By cash, as per receipt	\$250 00
Nov. 30.	“ “ “ “ “	100 00
		<u>350 00</u>

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No. 86. Nov. 30. Amount paid J. L. Cane for buggy and horse hire while on official duty as Commissioner, &c., from March to Dec. 11, 1851, as per bill rendered, to wit:

March. 27, 1851.	To hire of horse and buggy for 11 days, at \$3 per day,	33 00
May 8.	To hire of horse and buggy 3 days at \$3,	9 00
May 27.	“ “ “ “ 2 “ “ 3,	6 00
June 14.	“ “ “ “ 6 “ “ 3,	18 00
Aug. 5.	“ “ “ “ 9 “ “ 3,	27 00
“ 27.	“ “ “ “ 2 “ “ 3,	6 00
		<u>99 00</u>

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No. 87.	Dec. 6.	Amount paid Matthew Mayer, of St. Louis, 5 days as witness, and 200 miles travel,	21 00	
		Amount paid Isaac Lees, of Mo., 5 days and 90 miles travel,	12 20	
		Deposition of C. Floyd,	1 12	
		“ “ J. N. Dawson,	5 00	
				39 32
In arbitration cases with contractors.				
Nov. 30.		Amount paid V. P. Van Antwerp, traveling expenses actually and necessarily incurred while on official business as Commissioner, exclusive of trip to Washington City, &c., from March to Dec., 1851,		57 50
Nov. 30.		Amount paid V. P. Van Antwerp, for postage, &c., on telegraphic despatches on official business, as commissioner during the period above mentioned,		9 30
No. 88.	Dec. 10.	Amount paid J. C. Knapp, for services as arbitrator in the cases of T. Lyon, and other contractors, against the State, on three different occasions,		250 00
No. 89.	Dec. 10.	Amount paid Enos Lowe for services as arbitrator in the matter of the contracts on said Improvement <i>vs.</i> said Commissioner, including three several trips made by me down to Keokuk, to attend said arbitration, to wit: one in June, one in October, and one in November and December, 1851,		150 00
No. 90.	Dec. 13.	Amount paid R. B. Ogden, in full payment for stationery, as per bill rendered, to wit:		
	June 3.	One map of Iowa,	1 50	
		½ ream English cap,	3 00	
		½ ream post,	2 25	
		1 bottle carmine ink,	50	
	Aug. 30.	½ ream letter paper,	2 25	
	“ “	½ ream cap,	2 00	
	Dec. 12.	1 ream letter,	5 00	
	“	½ ream cap,	2 00	
	“	4 quires flat cap, 30c.,	1 25	
	“	2 dozen pencils,	2 00	
	“	1½ quires wrapping paper,	30	

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Dec. 12.	1 quire blotting paper,	25	
"	1 gross pens,	1 25	
"	$\frac{1}{2}$ dozen holders,	15	
"	500 envelopes,	1 00	
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No. 91.	Dec. 22. Amount paid for witnesses in arbitration case with contractors :		
	Amount paid P. L. Moon, 2 days' attendance, at \$1,	2 00	
	25 miles travel, 4c. per mile,	1 00	
		<hr/>	3 00
	Amount paid D. M. Ripley,	6 96	
"	" John Stears,	6 08	
"	" Wm. Stotts, bailiff and foreman,	37 75	
"	" B. Farnam,	6 08	
"	" W. M. Perry,	6 40	
"	" N. C. Turner,	10 00	
"	" Orin Baldwin,	3 00	
"	" Wm. Roberts,	7 00	
		<hr/>	86 27
No. 92.	Dec. 23. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., contractors, it being the balance due on Oct. estimate, and part payment of Dec. estimate, 1851,		2,000 00
No. 93.	Dec. 23. Amount paid Wm. Meeks and Sons, contractors, in full payment of October estimate, 1851		1,453 34
No. 94.	Dec. 23. Amount paid Brown & Sanford, contractors, in part payment of Oct. estimate, 1851,		2,500 00
No. 95.	Dec. 24. Amount paid Conable, Smith & Co., bill for storage and receiving, &c., to wit,		
	May 2, 1851. To drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding 33 bbls. at 20c.,	6 60	
	May 9, do. do. do 17 bbls, at 20c.,	3 40	
	June 4. 4 jute cords for holding timber, at 35c.,	1 40	
	" 30. 2 " " " at 50c.,	60	
	July 22. Extra storage on 50 bbls., at 10c,	5 00	
	" " Draying and shipping per Caleb Cope,	1 00	
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No. 96. Dec. 24. Amount paid Conable Smith & Co.,

To 3 bbls. cement,	10 50
Draying, storage, receiving and forwarding fifty barrels cement, at 20c..	10 00
11 bbls. New Albany cement,	31 90
5 " " " "	14 50
Drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding 75 bbls. cement,	15 00
6 bbls. cement,	10 00
Cash, \$8, paid Caleb Cope on 16 bbls. cement to Croton,	8 00
Advancing 20c.,	20
7 bbls. cement,	16 10
Telegraphing to Pittsburgh and St. Louis,	3 99
Drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding 55 bbls., 20c.,	11 00
do. do. do. 50 bbls. do.	10 00
do. do. do. 20 bbls. do.	4 00
do. do. do. 30 bbls. do.	6 00
do. do. do. 30 bbls. do.	6 00
do. do. do. 50 bbls. do	10 00
Cash, freight and charges on 235 bbls. cement,	458 75
Drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding,	47 00
Advancing,	11 43
Cash paid charges on 252 bbls. cement,	443 55
Drayage, storage, receiving, forwarding and advancing,	61 49
Cash paid charges on 552 pieces and 9 boxes lock irons,	119 04
Drayage 4 60, storage 11 50, advancing 3 37,	19 47
Drayage, storage, receiving and forwarding 13 barrels, at 20c.,	2 60
	1,342 80

No. 97. Dec. 29. Orson Eaton for hauling lock gate irons from Keokuk :

For hauling two loads lock iron from Keokuk to Croton,  
4,263 lbs. at 35c. per 100 lbs.,

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Received, Dec. 29, 1851, from V. P. Van Antwerp, Com'r Des Moines river improvement, fourteen dollars and ninety-two cents in payment of above account.

ORSON EATON.

No. 98. Dec. 30. Walker & Colton on contract for building lock gates at Croton, 50 00

[\$50.] Received, Keokuk, December 30, 1851, of V. P. Van Antwerp, Com'r of Des Moines river Improvement, fifty dollars, to be used in the purchase of material for building gate for lock on Des Moines river improvement at Croton, as per contract this day entered into by us with said Commissioner; the price agreed to be paid us for building and putting up said gates, being \$1,050 00.

WALKER & COLTON.

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No. 99. Jan. 6. James Clark for cement,	753 60
To 300 bbls. cement, at 2 05,	615 00
“ 63 “ “ at 2 20,	138 00
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KEOKUK, JAN. 6, 1852.—Received payment from Gen'l Van Antwerp,

JAMES CLARK

Per CONNABLE, SMITH & Co.

No. 100. Jan. 8. Amount paid James Clark, for 50 bbls. cement, at \$2,05, 102 50

Keokuk, Jan. 8, 1852, received payment of, Gen. V. P. Antwerp.

JAMES CLARK,

By CONNABLE, SMITH & Co.

No. 101.. Jan. 8. Amount paid Margaret Ware, widow of John Ware, deceased, for 17½ days labor performed by her husband, from Feb. 13 to March 19, 1851, on lock wall at Bonaparte, to-wit: cutting recess and lengthening same for lock gates to open, at \$2 per day, 35 50

No. 102. Jan. 8. Amount paid Wm. Meeks and Sons, contractors, on October estimate,	2,858 34
December estimate,	1,819 60
Estimate of State work,	230 54

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October 15.	By cash,	1,400	00	
December 23.	"	1,453	34	
				2,853 34
	Amount paid, being balance due on estimates,			2,057 14
No. 103.	Jan. 8.	Amount paid Brown & Sanford, contractors, on estimate for work done by them on improvement at Bentonsport, between Aug. 9 and Dec. 1, 1851, as per receipt,		3,500 00
No. 104.	Jan. 8.	Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., contractors, October, 1851, estimate,	3,000	00
		December, " "	2,348	69
		Estimate of State work,	685	05
				6,033 74
	Dr. To cash, October 14,	1,500		
	" " December 23,	2,000		
				3,500
	Balance due on said estimates,			2,533 74
No. 105.	Jan. 8.	Amount paid J. Hancock, for hauling cement, lock gate iron, etc., as per bill rendered, to-wit:		
	Dec. 4, 1851.	Hauling 4 bbls cement,	4	00
	" 25, "	" 8 " "	8	00
	" 25, "	" 1,400 lock irons, 40,	5	60
				17 60
No. 106.	Jan. 8.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon, for services as assistant engineer, on said improvement, since Dec. 1, 1851,		50 00
No. 107.	Jan. 10.	Amount paid H. Dewey, on contract, for building lock gates at Bonaparte on said improvement,		200 00
No. 108.	Jan. 10.	Amount paid E. Manning, for iron as per bill rendered, to-wit:		
	Sept. 25, 1851,	155 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. $\frac{1}{8}$ square iron, at 6c.,	9	35
	" 27, "	33 " $\frac{1}{8}$ " " 6c.,	1	98
	" 27, "	96 " $\frac{1}{8}$ " " 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	6	24
	" 29, "	109 " $\frac{3}{8}$ " " 7c.,	7	63
	" 30, "	87 " $\frac{5}{8}$ " " 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.,	6	52
	" 30, "	58 " 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " 6c.,	3	77
	Oct. 3, "	94 " $\frac{1}{2}$ " " 7c.,	6	58
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No. 109. Jan. 14. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, for disbursements, as per receipts rendered, to-wit:		
Amount paid E. T. Colton, for balance due for work done on miter sills,	5 00	
Amount paid James Corwine, in full for rent of engineers office,	9 00	
Amount paid M. Braman, in full for table and desks for the office of engineers at Farmington,	14 00	
Amount paid R. J. German, in full for one com- mon stove for engineers office at Farmington,	8 00	
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No. 110. Jan. 15. Amount paid S. S. Vail & Co., Jan. 2, 1852, for one-half cast iron lock gate steps, 696 lbs. at 3½c.,		24 36
No. 111. Jan. 16. Amount paid Thos. Perkins and Alley Allbaugh, for hauling lock gate irons from Keokuk to Bonaparte, 9 loads, 15,542 lbs., at 40c.,		62 16
No. 112. Jan. 16. Amount paid Orson Eaton, for hauling one load lock irons, 2,078 lbs., from Keokuk to Croton,		7 27
No. 113. Feb. 4. Amount paid McKee & Gracy, Pitts- burgh, for 15,253 lbs., lock irons, at 5c.,		835 56
No. 114. Feb. 4, 1852. W. A. W. Galt, for services as rodman, 5 days work, at 2,00, Correct to my own knowledge,		10 00
M. M. HAYDON, Asst. Engineer.		
No. 115. Feb. 6. Jas W. Johnston, repairing instruments of Engineers, and making 3 rulers,		2 00
No. 116. Feb. 18. Paid teamsters for hauling cement 6 bbls cement from Keokuk to Bentonsport,		6 00
No. 117. Feb. 24. Chas. Parsons on draft drawn by G. Gillespie, register, etc., on Bangs, Broth. & Co., and by said Bangs, Bro. & Co., dishonored,		1,000 00
No. 118. Feb. 25. Paid teamsters for hauling lock gate irons from Bentonsport to Croton,		4 50

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No. 119. Feb. 27. Walker & Colton, per contract for building lock gates at Croton,	350 00
No. 120. March 1. Chittenden & McGavie, on account for iron,	164 44
No. 121. March 2. J. Brown, contractor, on estimate for work done on work at Bentonsport,	500 00
No. 122. March 2. J. T. Cave for buggy and horse hire for use of commissioner from Dec. 1. 1851,	39 00
Stage fare trip to Ottumwa and back,	9 00
Traveling expenses actually and necessarily incurred while on business as commissioner from Dec. 1, 1851 to this date,	28 50
March 2. 1 load wood and cutting same for office of Engineers,	2 25
For one load of wood for Board of Arbitrators, while setting in Nov. and Dec. last,	3 00
No. 123. March 2. For telegraphic despatches and postage on official business as commissioner, from Dec. 1851 to this date,	38 24

As per bill as follows :

Paid for despatch to Bangs, Bro. & Co.,	2 24
Postage on package Engineers certificates, received from New York,	1 45
Postage on package " " " "	1 10
" " " " sent from Ottumwa to Duncan, Sherman & Co., N. Y. City,	80
Despatch to Bangs, Bro. & Co.,	3 58
" McKee & Gracey, of Pittsburgh,	1 75
" sent from St. Louis by John Brown, to Bangs, in New York in regard to drafts,	2 30
Despatch from Bangs in New York,	2 19
" " " " "	1 72
" to Duncan, Sherman, & Co.,	1 80
" to Bangs,	2 04
" from Duncan, Sherman, & Co.,	1 50
" to McKee and Gracey, of Pittsburgh,	1 20

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Despatch to Duncan, Sherman, & Co., of New York,	1 90	
“ Cashier American Exchange Bank, “	1 80	
“ from “ “ “ “	1 40	
“ from Duncan, Sherman, & Co.,	1 72	
“ to “ “ “	1 50	
“ to Lyon, Shorb, & Co., of Pittsburgh,	1 20	
“ to Duncan, Sherman & Co., New York,	1 48	
Postage on other letters received and sent off,	1 80	
	—	38 25
No. 124. March 2. Geo. Armstrong & Coffin, printing, binding, etc., 500 copies annual report of Commissioner and Register, for 1851,		126 66
No. 125. March 2. G. H. Williams, for services as counsel and attorney in trial of cases with contractors before Arbitrators,		150 00
My salary as commissioner from March 3d, 1851, the date of my oath of office being 1 year,		1,000 00
To amount of expenses of my trip as commissioner to Washington, Baltimore and New York, during the mth's of August, Sept. Oct. and Nov. 1851, to procure a decision establishing the title of Iowa, to land above Raccoon Forks, whereby nearly a million of acres were obtained for the use of the Des Moines River Improvement. See testimony of this transaction in reports of Commissioner and Register of Dec. 1st 1851, and Nov. 30, 1852,		500 00
No. 126. March 12. Amount paid Thos. Perkins, for hauling iron,		6 12
For hauling 1,531 lbs iron from Keokuk to Bentonsport, at 40c., per 100,		
No. 127. April 6. E. T. Colton, on contract, building lock gates at Croton,		350 00
No. 128. April 6. Walker & Colton, for lock gates at Croton,		150 00
No. 129. April 6. Jas. A. Brown, on contract, at Bentonsport,		500 00

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No. 130. March 6. F. Hancock, for hauling cement and iron from Keokuk to Bentonsport; being paid as follows:

Jan.	24.	To Wm. Willson,	7 bbls., at \$1 00,	7 00
Feb	13.	Win. Smith,	12 " "	12 00
"	13.	James Watson,	10 " "	10 00
"	27.	G. W. Easley,	6 " "	6 00
"	27.	G. Miller,	4 " "	4 00
Mar.	3.	A. Swartz,	2 " "	2 00
"		G. W. Easley,	5 " "	5 00
"		B. Herring,	2 " "	2 00
"		Gate irons, 740 lbs., at 35c.,		2 59
"		G. W. Easley, 300 do. at 35c.,		1 05
April	5.	T. McNeil, 555 lbs. iron, at 4c.,		22 20
		" 1 bbl. cement,		1 20

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- No. 131. April 8th. Amount paid W. Patterson on account of monies due him from river fund, at the expiration of his term of service as President, 100 00
- No. 132. April 8th. Amount paid Chittenden & McGavie in part payment for bill of Iron furnished for Improvement, 400 00
- No. 133. April 8. Amount paid J. C. Walker & Co., in part for work done on section No. 14 of said Improvement, prior to May 15th, 1851, 1,500 00
- No. 134. April 8. Amount paid J. B. Knight, in part for services as Superintendent on said Improvement, 50 00
- No. 135. April 6. Amount paid G. H. Williams on order of J. Roberts, for conveyance of right of way, etc., through lands of said Roberts, as per agreement with Board of Public Works, 200 00
- No. 136. April 9. Amount paid Charles Parsons for draft on American Exchange Bank, in New York, to pay interest on bonds issued to Bangs Brothers & Co., 201 00
- No. 137. April 10<sup>l</sup>. Amount paid on protested drafts drawn on Bangs Brothers & Co., to-wit: Five hundred dollars

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to S. Richards, on draft No. 21, issued for \$500 00 by George Gillaspie, dated Dec. 20, 1851, on Bangs Brothers & Co., New York,	\$500 00
Four thousand dollars to Page & Bacon, upon two drafts, issued by George Gillaspie, for 5,000 00 each, on Bangs Brothers & Co.,	4,000 00
Two thousand dollars to Charles Parsons, upon ten drafts of five hundred dollars each, drawn by George Gillaspie, on Bangs Brothers & Co.,	2,000 00
One hundred and sixty-six dollars to Wm. Meek & Sons, on draft No 18, drawn by Geo. Gillaspie on Bangs Brothers & Co., dated Dec. 20th, 1851,	166 00
One hundred and sixty-six dollars to Deming & Wollcott, on draft No. 4, drawn by George Gillaspie on Bangs Brothers & Co., dated Dec. 20th, 1851,	166 00
One hundred and sixty-seven dollars to Deming & Wollcott on a draft for five hundred dollars, by George Gillaspie, dated Dec. 20, 1851, on Bangs Brothers & Co., New York,	167 00
One hundred and sixty-six dollars and fifty cents, to John W. Ross on draft No. 16, for five hundred dollars, drawn by George Gillaspie, dated Dec. 20, 1851, on Bangs Brothers & Co., New York,	166 50
One hundred and sixty-six dollars and fifty cents to Bridgman & Reed, on draft No. 17, for five hundred dollars, drawn by George Gillaspie, dated Dec. 20, 1851, on Bangs Brothers & Co., New York,	166 50
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Said drafts were endorsed by the Commissioner of the River Improvement, and by him sold, and were protested for non-payment.

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No. 138.	April 10.	Amount paid S. S. Vail & Co., in part payment for bill of castings for lock and gate on said Improvement,	100 00
No. 139.	April 12.	Amount paid Richard Jones in full payment of all accounts against said Improvement to date,	41 31
No. 140.	April 15.	Amount paid John G. Walker, Sept. 9, 1851, for hauling three loads of iron from Belfast to Croton, at \$2,	6 00
No. 141.	April 16.	Amount paid Reeves & Miller, in part payment for Attorney's fees, in the case of arbitration of the contractors of said Improvement <i>vs.</i> V. P. Van Antwerp as Commissioner,	100 00
No. 142.	April 18.	Amount paid Wm. Meeks & Sons, in part on estimate for work done on said Improvement,	500 00
No. 143.	April 24.	Amount paid E. R. Ford, on accepted order of E. Lindsley & Co., and dated Keekuk, Sept. 13th, 1850,	9 00
No. 144.	May 13.	Amount paid T. C. Dewey, in part for building lock and gates at Bonaparte, on said Imp.,	200 00
No. 145.	May 15.	Amount paid Martin Murphey, on acceptance by Col Patterson of an order on Cassidy & Kean, in favor of Daniel Coniff,	19 30
No. 146.	May 25.	Amount paid E. T. Colton, in part for framing miter sills, at Bentonsport, on said Improvement	20 00
No. 147.	June 1.	Amount paid Guy Wells for services as Chief Engineer, and for contingent expenses to date, to wit :	
		For services as Chief Engineer from Dec. 1, 1851, to June 1, 1852, at \$1,200 per annum,	600 00
	Dec. 2, 1851.	One load of wood for office, and sawing same,	1 65
	Dec. 11.	Do.	1 65
	Dec. 21.	Do.	1 65
	Jan. 2, 1852.	Postage at sundry times,	40

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Jan. 11.	Expense up the line,	2	80
" "	Load of wood for office, including sawing, &c.,	1	70
Jan. 18.	1 load of wood, &c.,	1	60
Feb. 11.	do. do.	1	60
March 2.	do. do.	1	60
"	1 tape line,	1	50
April 8.	Expenses to Ottumwa and back, to land sales,	15	00
	Repairs to buggy,	3	00
	Telegraphing,	1	70
April 10.	1 load of wood and cutting,	1	70
	Postage paid at different times,		60
May 5.	For record deed for right of way,		60
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No. 148.	June 1. Amount paid M. M. Haydon, in part for services as Assistant Engineer on Improvement,	400	00
No. 149.	June 10. Amount paid H. E. Sublett, for hauling cement, six barrels, from Keokuk to Bentonsport,	6	00
No. 150.	June 28. Amount paid S. S. Vail & Co., on account, for iron castings for lock gates on Improvement,	50	00
No. 151.	June 30. James A. Brown, contractor, work on job at Bentonsport,	551	81
July 2.	James Fairleigh, for work done on coffer dam for side wall, at Bentonsport, 7½ days' work,	7	50
July 2.	Benton Sullivan, do. do. do. 11½ days' work,	11	25
No. 152.	July 12. A Hamlin & Co., blanks and stationery, 1 quire letter paper, 1 journal, 4 quires paper, ink, &c.,	4	60
No. 153.	July 17. S. S. Vail & Co., on account for iron and castings for lock gates,	25	00
	James A. Brown, contractor for work at Bentonsport,	300	00
Aug. 12.	C. H. King, for materials and work for side walls at Bentonsport,	50	00
	J. A. Brown, contractor on work at Bentonsport,	500	00
No. 154.	Aug. 12. S. S. Vail & Co., on account of iron castings for lock,	138	80

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No. 155. Aug. 12. Buller & Walden, on account for hauling and piling timber,	50 00
M. T. P. Murphy, for work on coffer dam at Bentonsport,	7 00
E. T. Colton, on contract for building lock gates,	250 00
No. 156. Aug. 12. J. B. Knight on account of salery,	200 00
No. 157. Aug. 12. R. J. Germon on account for clearing out snags and channel of river below St. Francisville,	400 00
No. 158. Aug 30. Reeves & Miller on account for services as counsel &c., in arbitration cases with contractors,	100 00
No. 159. Aug. 30. H. Dewey on contract building lock gates at Bonaparte,	150 00
No. 160. Sept. 3. John Green for blacksmithing work done at Bonaparte.	55 67
Making 44 $\frac{3}{8}$ spikes,	1 32
"    3 bolts,	30
"    4 "	50
"    4 cramps,	35
"    90 spikes,	90
"    448 spikes,	4 48
"    6 wedges,	60
"    drilling 56 bands,	8 40
"    punching and setting 8 bands,	10 00
Making 17 bolts,	4 25
"    welding 12 bars, &c.,	3 00
"    drilling 32 holes, repairing 8 wheels, filing irons,	4 00
Making 8 rollers,	2 00
To altering iron for Paling,	80
"    iron,	1 00
4 wedges,	40
Capson iron	5 00
"    "	3 00
Making drill,	15
2 sharps,	6
2 "	6
7 "	21



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4 spikes and chisel,	27	
4 "	12	
40 cramps,	1 00	
Altering irons,	20	
Drift hook,	40	
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I certify the above to be correct.

J. B. KNIGHT,  
1st As't Engineer.

No. 161. Sept. 3. E. Manning, for iron, nails, &c., used on the job at Bonaparte,			102 19
7½ doz. 3½ inch screws, 20c.,		1 47	
1 piece 1 in. sqr. iron,	23 lbs., at 5c.,	1 15	
3 " ⅝ " "	62½ " 6c.,	3 72	
3 " ⅝ in. round iron,	162½ " 6c.,	9 73	
3 " ⅝ " "	133 " 5c.,	6 65	
3 " 1 " "	94 " 5c.,	4 70	
3 " 1½ square "	86 " 5c.,	4 30	
3 " ¾ " "	151 " 5c.,	7 55	
3 " ½ " "	37½ " 6½c.,	2 44	
3 " 1½ round "	104 " 6c.,	6 24	
3 " 1½ sligo iron,	309 " 6½c.,	20 09	
3 " ⅝ " "	171 " 6c.,	10 26	
1 " 1 square cast steel,	4½ " 25c.,	1 06	
1 ½ and ½ Sligo iron,	42 " 6c.,	2 52	
1 1½ " "	28 " 5c.,	1 40	
Nail rods and screws,		3 73	
1 piece 1½ and ½, bar iron,	30 " 5c.,	1 50	
3 " 1½ and ½ "	109 " 5c.,	5 45	
1 " 1 inch sqr., cast steel,	4 " 25c.,	1 00	
1 " 2 " Sligo iron,	90 " 8c.,	7 20	
	—		\$102 19

I certify that I have revised this bill and find it correct.

J. B. KNIGHT, As't Engineer.

No. 162. E. Manning for hauling spikes from Keokuk,		1 30
300 lbs, at 35c., per 100.		1 05
1 box for J. B. Knight,		25

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No. 163. Sept. 3. J. C. Walker & Co., for hauling lock gate irons from Keokuk, 31 00

No. 164. Sept. 4. F. Hancock, hauling cement from Keokuk to Bentonsport, 100 00

And bill rendered as follows :

April 10, 1852. Paid Jas. Fulton,	75
May 6. Paid C. L. Alden,	6 00
“ 19. “ Robert Plunket,	9 50
“ 22. “ E. T. Catline,	27 40
“ “ “ Rope for coffer dam,	1 78
June 26. 12 lbs. Manilla rope,	2 40
“ “ G. B. Heaghes,	50
Aug. 10. Hauling 126 bbls cement Keokuk to Bentonsport,	126 00
Paid Chas. King,	1 00
Sept. 8. Paid S. Bowman for hauling load of castings from Keokuk,	4 45
Sept. 12. Paid J. Taylor for hauling 1350 lbs. castings,	4 72
Paid M. O. Crosswell, per receipt,	16 12
“ L. F. Dewey,	3 50
“ 17 bars of lead, at 5c.,	85
“ 13 lbs. spikes and iron,	84
“ J. Taylor for hauling spikes and iron,	8 07
Sept. 23. Paid for 2 lbs. nails, at 7c.,	14
Paid Murphy, Stock & Meloy, as per receipt,	13 00
“ for hauling 57 bbls. cement,	57 00
Sept. 28. Paid James Gasten, per receipt,	2 50
Paid J. T. Smith, as per receipt,	3 20
“ for nails and screws for building trough,	27
“ J. Doffemen, per receipt,	3 25
Sept. 30. Paid Richard Colter for hauling straw for sleeping dams, 3½ days,	7 00
Paid Bias for bailing, per receipt,	1 50
“ Shevelins, do.	2 50
Oct. 4. Paid H. Thomas, do.	6 25
Paid J. Emerick, do.	3 25
“ Isaac Shelton, do.	2 75
“ Joseph Lanier, do.	3 25

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Expenses paid for removing obstructions in the river at Keosauqua dam,		131 50
Oct. 9.	Paid M. Conner per receipt,	4 00
	Paid Isaac Kent, do.	3 00
	“ E. L. Cotton, do.	10 00
	“ A. J. Owen, do.	11 50
	“ Lewis Engletutel, do.	3 50
	“ P. Sloan, do.	4 00
	“ J. T. Smith, for hauling wicket gate,	2 00
	“ James McCram,	3 50
Oct 10.	Paid James Powers, as per receipt,	5 25
	Paid James Dofflemen, do.	2 00
	“ Ira Kelsey, do.	1 00
	“ N. C. Warner, do.	1 75
Oct. 12.	Paid J. T. Smith, do.	10 00
	“ 15. “ Isaac Kent, do.	1 00
	“ 20. “ J. Taylor for hauling lock castings from Keokuk,	2 00
	Allowed J. Taylor for going to Keokuk for wicket gate,	2 00
	Removing the old lock from the channel,	200 00
	Amount paid for spiling and tightening the dam,	350 00
	Balance of King & Pilkins bill of work and materials on frames for head walls,	29 35
	Goodrich's bill of blacksmithing for lock irons in part,	30 00
Oct. 22.	Paid Israel Woodworth for bailing as per receipt.	2 50
Dec. 13.	Harvey Thomas, do.	3 00
	“ 27. Paid Eberline for mending tools,	1 00
	“ “ “ A. Merritt for bailing water 6 days,	7 50
	“ “ “ for 50 lbs. of lead for clamping, at 8c.,	4 00
	“ “ “ A. Robinson for hauling lock irons from Bonaparte,	1 50
Jan. 8, 1853.	Hauling wicket gate from Keokuk,	8 00
Feb. 2,	“ Percy Colleton, per voucher,	1 75
“ 22,	“ Richard Mellory, 3 days work on lock,	3 38
Mar. 7,	“ Chains for wickets, 80 spikes at 10c.,	90

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" 12, "	Paid Robert Kent for hauling,	7 50
Apr. 12, "	" M. Kelly, per voucher,	10 00
" 16, "	" 16 lbs. rope for lock gate,	3 00
" 29, "	" M. O. Croswell for work on dam,	75
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Total,		1182 12
Cr. by cash,		1060 00
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Balance due,		122 12

I hereby certify that the above account rendered for materials furnished, and cash paid for work done on the Des Moines River Improvement is correct,

M. M. HAYDON,

Assistant Engineer.

No other vouchers appearing.

No. 165.	Sept. 4. Amount paid James A. Brown, in part for materials furnished, and work done on section No. 17, during the month of August, as per receipt,	500 00
No. 166.	Sept. 8. Amount paid R. J. Germain in part on contract for removing snags from Des Moines river,	50 00
No. 167.	Sept. 9. Amount paid Walker & Colton on account of building lock and gates at Croton,	200 00
No. 168.	Sept. 9. Amount paid Walker & Colton for bill of Iron furnished for lock gates at Croton, as per bill rendered :	
	For nails and screws,	1 70
	" " " spikes,	1 12
	Drayage to and from blacksmith-shop,	2 50
	Lumber for miter sills,	1 65
	Paid E. Vickney for trip with team to Bonaparte for gate irons,	1 50
	Team to Bentonsport for gate irons,	2 50
	Paid Lamaster's team to Bentonsport,	2 50
	" J. C. Walker, team to Farmington for iron,	1 00
	Iron for two bands for gates, 120 lbs., 4½,	5 40
	" " " " 422 lbs., 4c.,	16 88
	1 keg 4½ inch spikes,	4 50

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2 bundles, 134 lbs., round iron,	7 40	
Cash paid for iron and nails,	3 37	
“ “ “ at Farmington,	2 37	
“ “ Vicksey for hauling 400 lbs. castings,	1 00	
Extra arms and work on miter sill,	50 00	
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Deduct extra arms,	50 00	
	<u>55 03</u>	
No. 169. Sept. 10. Amount paid J. L. Cave for bill rendered at date, for buggy and horse hire, to wit :		
April 5, 1852. To hire of two horse buggy with horses, to go to Fort Des Moines and back, at \$3 per day, ten days,*	30 00	
June 29. Do., 4 days,	12 00	
July 16. Do., 3 “	9 00	
July 20. Do., 1 “	3 00	
Aug. 15. Do., 6 “	18 00	
Sept. 5. Do., 6 “	18 00	
	<u>90 00</u>	
No. 170. Sept. 11. Amount paid James Green in part for work done on coffer dam at Bentonsport,		
		10 00
No. 171. Sept. 17. Amount paid Chittenden & McGavie, for bill of iron for use of Improvement, in part pay for same,		
		150 00
No. 172. Sept. 20. Amount paid Jas. Brown, in part for materials furnished, and work done on lock and dam sec. No. 17, said Improvement, during the month of September, 1852,		
		650 00

\* This trip was made by Guy Wells, by my direction, to attend the land sales at Fort Des Moines, in the latter part of March, and bring down the money, the proceeds of such sales, together with the amount the Register might have on hand subject to draft at Ottumwa—I having started from home on the 10th of March, for the east, in connection with my official duties as Commissioner, and did not return home until late in June, and was necessarily absent when the sales were held, and directed Mr. Wells to be present in my stead

V. P. VAN ANTWERP, Commissioner, &c.

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No. 173. Sept. 29. Amount paid Wm. O. Neil, blacksmith,  
in part on work for lock gates at Croton, as per bill rendered, to wit:

Feb. 18, 1852.	To drilling 128 hold straps, at 10c.,	12 80
March 1.	To making 64 large bolts, at 35c.,	22 40
	“ “ 12 clamps, at 20c.,	2 40
June 28.	To cutting 2 stay rods, at 50cts.,	1 00
	“ bending 7 “ “ at 5c.,	35
	“ Sharpening 3 drills,	15
June 29.	“ Making 12 clamps, at 20c.,	2 40
	“ Making 6 loops and 6 plates for wicket gates, at 30c.,	4 20
	“ Drilling 32 holes in cast wheels and riveting on levers, at 15c.,	4 80
	“ Trimming off wicket arms at 20c.,	1 60
July 1.	To making 4 large wood screws, at 50c.	2 00
	“ Making 8 short bolts, 25c.,	2 00
	“ “ 3 large bolts, 35c.,	1 05
	“ “ 8 small wood screws, 25c.,	2 00
July 2.	To drilling 16 holes in 4 swing bars, and bending them, at 75c ,	3 00
	To making 3 large bolts, at 35c.,	1 05
July 5.	To shanking cold chisel,	5
	“ Cutting metal away on wicket gate,	40
	“ Making 8 large wood screws, at 40c.,	3 20
	“ Cutting of strap and punching holes,	15
	“ Making 3 large bolts, at 35c.,	1 05
	“ Bending 4 stay rods, at 5c.,	20
July 6.	“ Drilling holes in 4 screw bars and bending the same, at 75c.,	3 00
	“ Splicing 8 wicket rods, at 80c.,	6 40
July 7.	“ Making 3 large bolts, at 35c.,	1 05
	“ “ 12 clamps, at 20c.,	2 40
	“ Welding steel drill,	25
July 8.	To splicing two stay rods, at 50c.,	1 00

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July 15.	To making 16 bolts, at 25c.,	4	00	
" 15.	" " 4 spindles, at 50c.,	2	00	
" 14.	" " 4 large eyes, at 75c.,	3	00	
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		91	35	
	Cr. by 41 lbs. iron, at 4½c.,	1	84	
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		89	51	
	Cr. by cash,	60	00	60 00
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	Balance due,	29	51	
No. 174.	Sept. 24. Amount paid Alfonso Brown, in full for hauling one load of iron from Keokuk to Bonaparte, 1,823 lbs., at 35c. per 100 lbs.,			6 40
No. 175.	Sept. 25. Amount paid R. J. Germain, on acct. for clearing out channel in Des Moines river, as per contract,			50 00
No. 176.	Sept. 28. Amount paid R. J. Germain on account for clearing out channel of said Des Moines river below St Francisville as per contract,			200 00,
No. 178.	Sept. — Amount paid Abraham Link and others for work in removing old dam and opening channel below lock at Bonaparte, as per Pay Roll No. 1, <i>to wit</i> :			
	To Abraham Link, 10 days, at \$1 00 per day,	10	00	
	Zachariah Link, 5½ "	1	00	" 5 50
	Willard Buchram, 6½ "	1	00	" 6 50
	James Ramsey, 13½ "	1	00	" 13 50
	Daniel Shaffer, 4½ "	1	00	" 4 50
	John Greathouse, 13 "	1	00	" 13 00
	James Carr, 7 "	1	00	" 7 00
	Wm. Carr, 6½ "	1	00	" 6 50
	Abel Scofield, 11½ "	1	00	" 11 50
	Joseph Perkins, 3 "	2	00	"
	with horses and scraper,			6 30
	M N. Loomis, 3½ "	75		" 2 65
	Jacob Emerich, 3½ "	85		" 3 00
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No. 177. Sept. 30. Amount paid John Woods and in full for two days labor performed in filling upper lock gates to miter sills at Bonaparte, 3 00

Amount paid M. R. Keane in full for labor performed and lumber furnished and fitting lower lock gates to miter sills at Bonaparte, 3 00

No. 179. Sept. Amount paid John H. Stewart, and others, for labor performed in opening the flat and steam boat channel in Plymouth dam located in Des Moines river :

To Jno. Stewart,	5 days	at \$1 25	6 25
D. W. Davis,	4	" 1 25	5 00
Levi Cooper,	3	" 1 25	3 75
Fred. Bethe,	4½	" 1 00	4 50
Geo. King,	6	" 1 25	7 50
Mr. Carr,	6	" 1 25	7 50
James Carr,	6½	" 1 25	8 10
Wm. Carr,	6	" 1 25	7 50
R. J. Greene,	3	" 1 75	5 25
L. Fisher,	5½	" 1 25	6 90
S. B. Arrison,	5½	" 1 10	6 00
N. Bratten,	2½	" 1 00	2 50
S. Bratten,	2	" 1 25	2 50
A. McLees,	2½	" 1 25	3 10
Jacob Delhee,	2½	" 1 25	3 10
John Delhee,	1	" 1 00	1 00
Geo. Dawson,	1½	" 1 25	1 85
J. H. Conner,	2½	" 1 12	2 80
Joshua Dorman,	1½	" 1 25	1 90
James Dorman,	1½	" 50	75
Benj. Alfrey,	2½	" 1 25	3 10
James Ramsey,	6	" 1 25	7 50
" " "	1	" 1 00	1 06

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For board as per receipt,

110 95

No. 180. Thos. Galland, for bailing out lock pit at Benton's-port, and keeping it dry through the night of October 6th 1852,

15 00



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No. 180.	[H.] F. Hancock, on account, afterwards rendered, and hercin disallowed,	80 00
No. 181.	G. W. Armstrong & Co., for paper and printing 300 blank bonds—Des Moines River Improvement bonds,	18 00
No. 182.	D. J. Evans, Clerk of Jefferson County Court, for entering decree case of Allander and other vs. Commissioner Des Moines River Improvement	2 50
No. 183.	John D. Sanford, and other fees in the case of Allander & Co. vs. Commissioners, etc.,	31 60
	As per bill of clerk, John D. Sanford, 5 days, 25 miles,	7 50
	E. T. Colton, 5 days, 35 miles,	8 50
	H. R. Kran, 5 " 28 "	7 80
	Wm. Cassidy, 5 " 28 "	7 80
		31 60
No. 184.	R. J. Germon, balance due on contract for clearing channel below St. Francisville,	200 00
No. 185.	William Ross, blacksmith bill at the Bonaparte work.	
	Making 483 $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch square bolts, at 8c.,	38 64
	" 534 " " " " "	42 72
	" 190 " " " " "	15 20
	" 30 $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " at 5c.,	1 50
	540 $\frac{5}{8}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ in. " " "	27 00
	" 221 1 inch " " "	11 05
	" 23 " " " " "	1 15
	" 52 $\frac{3}{4}$ " " " "	2 60
		139 86
	One half paid by Meek & Sons,	69 93
	I certify the above bill correct,	
	J. B. KNIGHT, Assistant Engineer,	
No. 186.	M. M. Haydon, Asst. Engineer, on account for services,	366 54
No. 187.	John B. Knight, Superintendent, on account for services,	150 00

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No. 188. Butler & Weldon, on bill for hauling and piling timber drifted by the great flood of 1851, as per estimate of Dec. 1st, 1852, payment made Jan. 16, 1853, 252 00

No. 189. Balance due S. S. Vail & Co., for cast iron, for lock gates at Bonaparte and Bentonsport, 100 00

*Bill.*

½ set lock gate steps, 739 lbs, at 3½c.,	25 86
4 paddle gates, 3381 lbs, at 3½c.,	118 33
8 gate boxes, 220 lbs,	7 70
8 pair small boxes, 32 lbs,	1 12
4 pinions and racks, 132 lbs,	4 62
1 paddle gate, \$28, less old gate \$8,	20 00

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313 82

Paid,

Balance,

100 00

No. 190. Amount paid in August 1852, to several holders of drafts drawn by Register on Bangs, Bro. & Co., by me endorsed and sold, and dishonored by Bangs, Bro. & Co., 1834 00

Paid to hollers as follows, see accompanying receipts :

Charles Parson,	1,000 00
“ “	500 00
J. M. Ross,	83 50
Bridgman Reed,	82 50
Demming & Wolcete,	84 00
“ “	83 00

1,834 00

No. 191. Guy Wells, bill of American Express Co., for transportation of money from New York to St. Louis in October, 1851, 10 00

No. 192. Wm. Patterson, witness fees in case of Arbitration with contractors in Nov. and Dec. 1851,

Wm. Patterson,	6 00
M. M. Haydon,	8 60
Wolfs deposition,	6 60
Samuel Jacobs,	13 00

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Expenses of my trip as Commissioner to Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, etc., during the months of March, April, May and June, 1852, to procure contractors or negotiate a loan for carrying forward Des Moines River Improvement. See history of this matter in report of Commissioner and Register of Nov. 30th, 1852,	500 00
My traveling expenses actually and necessarily incurred while on business as Commissioner, from June 1852, to Nov. 1st, 1852,	42 75
On certificates of indebtedness, monthly instalments issued by me, as Commissioner, etc., to contractors between July 1st, 1851, and Nov. 1st, 1852, per entries in journal and endorsement on certificates,	13,322 91
No. 193. Nov. 1. Amount paid C. W. Gage, for hire of Buggy 6 days, at \$3,	18 00
No. 194. Nov. 8. Amount paid F. Hancock, on account of moneys advanced on Des Moines Improvement; see bill No. 164, Sept. 4.	100 00
No. 195. Nov. 20. Amount paid R. T. Carter, in full for hauling 23 bbls cement from Keokuk to Bentonsport,	23 00
No. 196. Nov. 25. Amount paid F. Hancock, on account for materials and labor on works at Bentonsport, as per bill rendered, No. 164, Sept. 4; see bill,	600 00
No. 197. Nov. 27. Amount paid J. M. Love, on account of George Smart, for catching and preserving state timber and plank, to-wit:	
June 10, 1852, for same,	20 00
Aug. 20, " To one skiff for use in said Imp.,	3 00
	23 00
No. 198. Dec. 1. Amount paid T. J. Rice & Co., in full for 261 lbs. $\frac{1}{2}$ inch square iron, at $5\frac{1}{4}$ c.,	15 00
No. 199. Dec. 2. Amount paid M. T. J. Murphy, for work on coffer dam and securing miter sills in lock at Bentonsport,	22 00
No. 200. Dec. 3. Amount paid Magee & Achison, attorneys, for services in case of Allender & Co., vs. Coms. Des M. R. Improvement,	25 00

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No. 201.	Dec. 6.	Amount paid J. B. Knight, on account of services as superintendent of said improvement,	200 00
No. 202.	Dec. 6.	Amount paid E. T. Colton, on account for building lock gates at Croton, being the balance due on contract,	300 00
No. 203.	Dec. 7.	Amount paid F. Hancock, on account for materials furnished and work done on the dam, and cash advanced for the work on dam at Bentonsport,	100 00
No. 204.	Dec. 8.	Amount paid Jas. A. Brown, in part for materials furnished and work done on lock and dam at section No. 17,	1000 00
No. 205.	Dec.	Amount paid Chas. Parsons, Messrs. Page and Bacon, and others, on protested drafts of register, on Bangs, Brothers & Co., dated Dec. 20, 1851, endorsed by Commissioner and dishonored by said Bangs, Brothers & Co.,	
		To Chas. Parson to be applied on protested draft,	500 00
		To Page & Bacon, to be applied on protested drafts,	1,000 00
		To A. Wolcott, to be applied on protested drafts,	100 00
		To A. Bridgman, to be applied on protested drafts,	100 00
			<hr/> 1,700 00
No. 206.	Dec. 10.	Belden & Wilden, on account for hauling and piling timber, carried away in the flood,	100 00
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No. 207.	Jan. 1, 1853.	R. B. Ogden, bill of stationery, use of engineers' office :	
		2 bottles of ink, at 20c.,	40
		1 ream English post, Mr. Gillespie,	4 50
		½ " cap,	1 70
		½ " laid paper,	2 50
		½ " white paper,	1 50
		100 envelopes,	50
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No. 208.	Jan. 22	F. S. Phelps, buggy and horse hire, used while on business as commissioner, 4 days hire of horse and buggy with driver, at \$3 per day,	12 00
No. 209.		Balance due Smith, Morrison & Co., on contract section 4,	8 84

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No. 210.	Geo. W. McCleary, Sec'y of State, for certified copies of two acts of General Assembly, about Des M. River Improvement,		5 00
No. 211.	Finton Broek, hauling 50 bbls. cement from Keokuk to Bentonsport,		50 00
No. 212.	Brownell and H. W. Sample witness fees in case of contractors vs. commissioners,		
	Wm. Brownell,	6 08	
	H. W. Sample,	6 08	
		—	12 16
No. 213.	Guy Wells on account of salary as chief engineer,		400 00
No. 214.	Peter Lamasters, hauling cement,	5 50	
	Peter Butz, securing timber,	2 00	
		—	7 50
No. 215.	Jan. 27. Amount paid John A. Graham for rent of office of engineers from Dec. 1, 1848, to Jan. 1, 1853, being four years and one month, to wit: From Dec. 1, 1848, to Oct. 1. 1850, 1 y. 10 m. \$115,	210 84	
	From Oct. 1, 1850, to Jan. 1, 1853, 2 y. and 3 m. \$75,	168 75	
		—	379 59
No. 216.	Jan. 27. Amount paid R. J. German on ac't for removing old dam at Belfast and irons from pile boat,		25 00
No. 217.	Jan. 29. Amount paid Chittenden & McGavie on account for iron furnished for improvement,		152 00
No. 218.	Feb. 1. Amount paid Thomas Green in full for services in framing coffer dam at Bentonsport,		15 75
No. 219.	Feb. 2. Amount paid E. T. Colton on contract for building lock gates at Bentonsport,		383 00
No. 220.	Feb. 5. Amount paid Chas. Parsons on protested drafts of Register on Bangs, Brothers & Co. of December 20, 1851,		500 00

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No. 221.	Feb. 20.	Amount paid T. J. Cave,			
	Sept 17, 1852.	For hire of buggy and horses for			
		use of Commissioners 5 days, at \$3 per day,		5 00	
	Oct. 7.	do do 2½ days, do		7 50	
	Nov. 17.	do do 6 do do		18 00	
	" "	Bill for mending buggy,		1 50	
	Feb. 17.	To hire of carriage and horses to take			
		commissioners and assistants, Messrs. U. Biggs,			
		and G. Wright, to Hannibal, Mo., and thence to			
		Naples, Illinois, including expenses of driver and			
		horses for the trip,		40 00	
				<u>76 00</u>	

The Commissioners and assistants went to St. Louis to negotiate a contract with Page and Bacon under act of Legislature.

No. 122.	Feb. 24.	Amount paid U. Biggs for 15 days ser-			
		vice as assistant commissioner, under act of Gen. Ass.,			
		of Jan 24, 1853, at \$3 per day, 15 days.		45 00	
No. 223.	March 1.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon in full to			
		this date for services as assistant engineer, as per bill			
		rendered, to wit:			
		Salary as assistant engineer on Des Moines Im-			
		provement, from Dec. 1, 1851, to March 1, 1853,			
		at the rate of \$1,000 per annum,		1,250 00	
		Expenses of traveling and horse hire during time			
		mentioned, at the rate of \$16 66 per month,		250 00	
				<u>1,500 00</u>	

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	June 6, 1852.	By cash as per receipt of			
		that date,		50 00	
	June 1.	do do do		400 00	
	Oct. 30.	do do do		366 56	
				<u>816 54</u>	633 46
No. 224.	March 4.	Amount paid on protested drafts of			
		Register on Bangs, Brother & Co., of Dec. 20, 1851, en-			
		dorsed by Commissioners, to wit:			
		To J. A. Brigham, amount paid on draft No. 16,		150 00	
		To Brigham & Reed, am't paid on draft No. 17,		150 00	
				<u>300 00</u>	

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No. 225. March 5. Amount paid J. B. Knight per ac't for services as assistant &c., prior to Dec. 1, 1852,	100 00
No. 226. March 11. Amount paid E. T. Cotton, on account for building lock gates at Bentonsport,	100 00
No. 227. F. Hancock, on account for labor and materials etc., at Bentonsport,	80 00
No. 228. Jas. McCam, putting in anchor, etc., lock at Bentonsport,	24 00
No. 229. Reeves & Miller, Atty's in the Arbitration case, contractors, vs. commissioner, and Alexander & Co. vs. commissioner,	200 00
No. 230. W. A. Hornish & Co., for printing, binding, etc., 500 copies reports of Commissioners and Register, year 1852,	85 00
No. 231. Samuel H. Mohlar and others, work removing old lock gate at Plymouth,	5 00
No. 232. Charles Parsons on drafts of Feb. 5th, 1853, which was substituted for balance due on protection drafts of Register, on Bangs, Bro. & Co., paid \$500, on March 4th, and \$1,000, this date, making,	1,500 00
No. 233. In full balance due on drafts Nos. 16 and 15, for \$500 each, drawn by Register on Bangs, Bro. & Co., dated Dec. 20th, 1851, payable to order of Commissioner and by him endorsed, protested for non-payment by Bangs, Bro. & Co.,	221 75
To-wit:	
Geo. Gillaspie, draft on Bangs, Bro. & Co., New York,	500 00
Add 5 per cent., damages,	25 00
Protest ———	2 00
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	527 00
1853, March 4th, balance of interest,	32 06
Less payment, April 8, 1852,	166 50
Aug. 17,	83 50
Dec. 10,	50 00
March 4, 1853,	150 00
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	450 00
	100 00

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Draft No 17, same as No. 16,	109 00
balance due March 4, 1853	218 12
April 19, 1853, interest from March 4, 2 months, and 15 days,	3 63
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	221 75
No. 234. May 19, Amount paid to Claggett & Dixon, in part on drafts No. 4 and 5, drawn by Geo. Gillespie, Register, etc., on Bangs Bro. & Co., dated Dec. 20, 1851, due thirty days after date for \$500 each. Said drafts, payable to the order, V. P. Van Antwerp commissioner etc., and protested for non payment and which amount is this day endorsed on said notes,	300 00
No. 236. May 19. Amount paid Lyon, Short & Co., on drafts No. 22 and 23, date and amount same as above,	500 00
No. 236. May 19. Amount paid Chittenden & McGavic on account for iron furnished for the use of said Im- provement,	200 00
No. 237. May 19. Amount paid Guy Wells for services as Chief Engineer from June 1, 1852, to Dec. 1, 1852, at \$100 per month,	600 00
Same from Dec. 1, 1852, to May 1, 1853, 5 months at \$50 00 per month,	250 00
Incidental expenses to May 1, 1853, as per bill ren- dered to-wit :	
June 30, 1852. Expenses up the line,	4 75
"    "    Candles for office,	50
July 10. Cash paid to repair office door,	50
Aug. 20. Expenses up the line,	4 25
"    "    Cash paid for repairing lever,	1 00
Sept. 2. Expenses to St. Francisville,	50
Oct. 20. Two loads of wood and cutting same for office,	5 00
Cash paid for repairing office window,	50
Nov. 10. One load wood for office and cutting,	2 50
"    20. Expenses to St. Louis to confer with Messrs. Page & Bacon, in relation to contract,	15 00



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Dec. 1.	One load wood for office and cutting,	2 50	
"	Candles for office,	50	
April 2, 1853.	One load wood for office,	2 50	
"	" Cash paid for livery bill,	15 00	
		<u>905 00</u>	
	By cash, as per receipt, of Jan 27, '53,	400 00	\$505 00

No. 238. May 21. Amount paid J. B. Knight, late assistant, on order in favor of G. W. McLean, 28 00

No. 239. May 21. Amount paid Crum & Brown, for bill of stationary, furnished for use of engineer's office in 1850, to wit:

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May 24,	½ ream of paper, at \$3½ per ream,	1 75	
June 24.	½ " " " 5 "	2 50	
	Steel pens,	20	
Aug. 1.	1 ream paper,	5 50	
	Ink,	50	
		<u>10 45</u>	

No. 240. May 22. Amount paid F. Hancock, being balance on his account for labor and incidental expenses at Bentonsport, as per bill 164, Sept. 4, rendered at that date, see bill, 122 12

No. 241. May 23. Amount paid M. M. Haydon on account for services since March 1, 1853, 200 09

May 22. Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 13 294 23

No. 242. May 24. Amount paid H. W. Sample & Co., for Nov. 4, 1850.

Cash for despatch from Pittsburg,	1 20
Charges on 25 bbls. cement, at 20c,	5 00
Aug. 30. Charges on 10 bbls. cement, at 20c.,	2 00
Nov. 18. " " 50 " " "	10 00
	<u>18 20</u>

Jan. 22, 1851. Cr. By paid bbl. cement, 2 10 16 10

No. 234. May 26. Amount paid Steamer Globe, freight on 25 bbls. cement from Keokuk to Bentonsport, 75c., 17 25

1853.

No. 211. May 23. Amount paid Clagget & Dixon on drafts Nos. 4 and 5, for \$500 each, drawn by Geo. Gillaspie, Reg. &c., on Bangs Brothers & Co, dated Dec. 20th, 1851. payable to order of Commissioner, and protested for non-payment, being in full amount due on said drafts :

Amount of notes due Jan. 22d, 1852,	500 00
Damages at 5 per cent.,	25 00
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	525 00
Interest to April 8th, 1852,	8 98
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	533 98
Then paid,	166 00
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Due,	373 98
Interest to Aug. 20, 1852,	10 61
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	378 59
Then paid,	84 00
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	294 59
Interest to Dec. 10th, 1852,	7 19
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	301 78
Then paid,	50 00
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	251 78
Interest to 19th May, 1853,	8 77
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	260 65
Then paid,	150 00
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	110 65
Interest to May 28, 1853,	22
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	110 87
Protest,	1 50
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Due May 28th, 1853,	112 37
The above calculation is applicable to draft No. 5,	112 37
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Total amount on both drafts,	224 7

1853.

No. 245. Feb. 19, 1852. Amount paid Chas. Parsons for telegraphic despatch in regard to Bangs Bro.'s & Co.'s protested drafts,	5 00	
Feb. 27. Collecting drafts, 1 per cent.,	5 00	
“ 28. “ “ “ “ “	5 00	
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Mr. Parsons advanced money on said draft, and charged 1 per cent.

No. 246. May 28. Amount paid Connable, Smith & Co., on account for goods furnished Hayes & Co., as per bill rendered, to wit:		
July 28, 1852. 1 coil manilla rope, 158 lbs., at 16c.,	25 28	
Aug. 18. 2 kegs 5 inch spikes, wrought, 300lbs, 8c.,	24 00	
Sept. 27. Bangs Brothers & Co., amount of ac- count assumed,	155 37	
Storage on 487 bbls. cement, 4 months, at 5c.,	97 40	
May 14, '53. Drayage on 23 bbls to steamboat Globe,	1 50	
Storage on 23 bbls for 7 months, at 5c.,	8 05	
Shipping on Globe,	1 00	
May 26. Interest on account up to date,	20 35	
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	332 92	
Amount paid on account,	100 00	
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	232 92	100 00

This bill remains for consideration and examination before paying  
whole amount. V. A.

May 28. Amount paid on certificates of indebtedness to contractors, between Nov. 1, 1852, and this date, and endorsement on certificates,	11,589 50
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May 28. Amount paid postage on official letters and docu- ments sent and received by me as Commissioner, &c., between March 31, 1852, and this date,	7 93
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May 28. Amount paid traveling expenses actually and necessarily incurred as Commissioner, including trip to St. Louis in Oct. 1852, not heretofore charged, to nego- tiate with Page & Bacon, and also trip to St. Louis in February, 1853, accompanied by assistants, Messrs. Wright and Biggs, on same business, since Oct. 1852,	84 19
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1853.

Amount paid salary, as Commissioner, at the rate of  
\$1,000 per annum, since March 2, 1852, to this date, be-  
ing one year, five months and 26 days, 1,486 11

Total amount of disbursement, \$104,316 85½

Account of the incidental expenses paid by George Gillaspie, Regis-  
ter, to whom paid, when paid, and an explanation of the accounts  
and purposes of such payment, so far as we have been able to as-  
certain them from records, books, and evidence, from October 12.

1849.

Oct. 12.	Cash paid Drown & Lyon, for printing 300 handbills, notice of office opening,	\$5 00	
	Cash paid for two candlesticks and snuffers,	75	
	Paid stage for bringing handbills from Fairfield,	25	
	One lb. candles,	15	
		<hr style="width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"/>	6 15
Oct. 27.	Cash paid for 2 lbs. candles,	60	
	One gross matches,	40	
	Sundries,	1 00	
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Nov. 5.	Cash paid Jesse Williams, as per voucher,	61 75	

[The above amount was paid Mr. Williams on salary by  
Mr. Gillespie and afterwards included in Mr. Patterson's  
draft. This amount has been added at the last part of this  
bill of contingent expenses.]

Nov. 8.	Cash paid Mr. Dewey, for services in Secretary's office,	15 00	
	" 9. Error of Secretary on application,	2 30	
	" 20. Cash paid expenses incurred for Secretary and Treasury holding session at Keokuk,	19 95	
	" 24. Cash paid for two hand towels,	40	
	" 25. Cash paid for money bags,	1 00	
	" 26. Cash paid B. Granger, for printing for land sales as per bill,	22 00	
Dec. 22.	Cash paid for hauling candles from Keokuk, as per bill,	50	
1850.			
Jan. 31.	Cash paid Washburn for bucket, pot, etc.,	1 81	

Jan. 31.	Cash paid J. H. Bonney, for drawing plats of river lands, as per bill,	18 00
Feb. 1.	Cash paid for ink, as per bill,	50
" 1.	Cash paid Guiger House, as per bill,	6 25
" 1.	Cash paid for postage a Iowa City,	1 20
" 1.	Cash paid Jesse Williams, as per bill for expenses at Keokuk,	18 87
" 2.	Cash paid Warden, Post Master at Ottumwa, as per bill,	5 20
" 9.	Cash paid for expenses at land sales at Pella,	34 40
" 9.	Cash paid James Clark, for printing applications and duplicate receipts,	25 00
" 18.	Cash for one bottle of ink,	10
" 20.	Cash paid Thos. Divan, for rent of office, as per bill,	50 00
" 25.	Cash paid Street & Warden, for publishing of land sales at Pella, Feb. 4, 1850,	12 00
"	Cash paid Shephue & Sweet, for publishing notice land sales at Pella, Feb. 4, 1850,	12 00
" 30.	Cash paid T. J. Divin, for wood,	27 00
April 20.	Cash paid Carter for ink,	50
	Letter envelopes,	25
		75
May 1.	Cash paid for expenses in taking money to Keokuk, 1850.	22 15
June 19.	Cash paid N. R. Nichols for horse hire to take G. Wells to Fairfield,	3 00
Aug. 5.	Cash paid Morgan & McKinney for printing blanks as per receipt on file,	21 00
	1849.	
Oct. 20.	Cash paid H. J. Barney for drawing 10 township plats,	20 00
Dec. 6.	Cash paid for red ink of Fox & Abrams at Burlington, as per bill,	50
Aug. 16.	Cash paid R. H. Warden, P. M., as per bill on file,	12 41
Aug. 20.	Cash paid W. J. Barney for drawing town plats, 1850.	32 00
May 24.	Cash paid R. H. Warden for postage on reports sent off as per bill,	2 00

1850.		
July 30.	Cash paid R. H. Warden for postage, as per bill,	5 99
Jan. 14.	Cash paid R. H. Warden for reports sent off, as per bill,	2 85
April 1.	Cash paid R. H. Warden for postage, as per bill,	5 14
Dec. 3.	Cash paid Gurnsey for Candles,	2 00
“ 18.	“ “ for wood,	50
“ 25.	“ for Williams & Gillespie going to Iowa City to meet President in order to complete report,	29 00
1851.		
Jan. 6.	Cash paid for candles,	50
“ “	Paid James Hawley, as per bill,	9 50
“ 13.	Paid Baker & Johnson, for printing blanks du- plicates, as per receipt,	12 50
[ “ 13.	Cash paid for candles,	50
“ 21.	Cash paid for candles,	1 00
“ “ “	broom,	20
	—	1 20
Feb. 14.	Cash paid for candles,	1 00
“ 15.	“ “ Palmer & Paul, as per bill, for printing,	35 00
“ 20.	“ “ James Macutors, as per bill on file,	11 00
Jan. 20.	“ “ Cash paid for matches,	10
	Not in any account. Am't paid by Patterson, \$57 95.	
March 11.	Paid U. Biggs, as per bill,	20 00
“ 18.	Cash paid for candles and matches,	1 00
April 15.	“ “ R. H. Warden, as per bill on file,	16 08
“ “	Cash paid Abrams & Co., for letter envelopes, as per receipt,	2 00
“ 28.	Cash paid expenses for self to Keokuk	10 85
	Horse and buggy for the trip,	10 50
	—	21 35
May 8.	Cash paid Baker & Johnson for bill, as per receipt,	16 50
“	Cash paid T. G. Geven, clerk, for oath seal to list of lands	37½
“ 20.	Paid Warden & Leighton for one box of star candles,	9 60
	One bottle of Ink,	55
	—	10 15
May 30.	Cash paid Thomas Devin on rents as per receipt on file,	60 00
June 2.	Cash for matches for office,	10
“ 3.	Cash paid for one quire paper,	25
“ 3.	Cash paid for three pencils,	30

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1851.		
July 4.	Cash paid for expenses going to Keokuk to State arbitration,	12 00
	Cash paid for box pens,	1 25
	Cash paid for map of State for office,	1 50
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		14 75
July 4.	Cash paid for clerk up to this date	15 00
" 14.	Cash paid for one quire paper,	20
Aug. 2.	Cash paid T. G. Given, Clerk District Court, for taking two acknowledgments and seal to abstracts,	
" 12.	Cash paid for expenses in going to Keokuk to make contract,	15 00
" 12.	Cash paid Morgan & McKinney for printing and furnishing blank books for office,	150 50
" 12.	Cash paid Galliger Snodgrass, as per bill, for ink and matches,	80
Sept. 30.	Cash paid for one quire paper,	25
Oct. 2.	Paid R. H. Warden for publishing notice to close land office,	2 00
	Paid postage on letters for office,	5 20
		7 20
" 17.	Cash paid in attending Court at Fairfield, Geo. C. Allander (25) Commissioner and Register,	5 00
" 22.	Cash paid Clark Williams for six cords of stove wood, at \$2 00 per cord,	12 00
" 25.	Paid Grant for putting glass in window in office,	40
" 30.	Cash paid Murphy & Co. one quire paper,	20
" "	Cash paid C. Bates for publishing notice of closing and opening office for Aug. 12, 1851,	2 50
" 19.	Paid T. G. Given for certificate and seal to list of lands sold in August,	35
Dec. 1.	Cash paid expenses in going to Keokuk to State arbitration,	16 50
" 8.	Cash paid Mudge & Co. for one ream of writing paper,	1 75
" 20.	Cash paid Warden & Lighton for five papers of sand,	50
" 24.	Cash paid Johnson, for printing 100 blank drafts,	75
	Paid John Pomeroy for paper to print the above on	50
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1852.		
Jan. 1.	Cash to R. H. Warden, P. M., for postage,	6 20
Feb. 19.	Cash paid Wm. A. Johnstone, for printing five hundred bills giving notice of land sales 25th March and opening of office,	10 00
" 19.	Cash paid postage on bills sent off by mail,	25
" 19.	Paid Jno. Pomeroy for sealing wax for office,	10
" 19.	Paid postage for January and February,	5 20
" 19.	Paid B. F. Brown, for copying Knap's opinion as arbitrator,	1 00
" 23.	Paid A. Mudge for wafers,	10
" 26.	Cash paid John Pomeroy, Druggist, for 1 bottle ink,	15
" 26.	Paid Wm. Scott for Broom,	25
" 25.	Paid Wm. A. Johnstone, for printing and advertising as per bill on file,	30 50
Mar. 15.	Cash paid for expenses to Fairfield to court,	12 00
" 15.	Cash paid R. H. Warden postage,	3 25
" 17.	Cash paid Warden & Leighton for stuff to make books for township plats, as per bill,	2 25
" 18.	Cash paid Clark & Williams for wood and cutting same for use for stove for office,	2 00
" 19.	Cash paid for money bags, to go to land sale at Fort Des Moines,	30
" 20.	Cash paid Thos. G. Given, for service in office and making plat book,	7 75
" 25.	Cash paid Hall & Bates for pub. notice of land sale as per bill on file,	15 00
April 3.	Cash paid for horse and Carriage to land sales to Fort Des Moines,	28 00
" 3.	Paid R. H. Warden for publishing notice of land sales,	18 00
" 3.	Wm Marvin, for use of room and other expenses to land sales in Fort Des Moines,	20 00
April 3.	Cash paid expenses to Fort Des Moines, going and returning,	12 00
" 22.	Cash paid Clark Williams, for one load of wood,	1 0
May 2.	" " G. B. Sargent, Surveyor General, for town plats, as per bill on file,	17 5
" 15.	Cash paid R. H. Warden, postage on letters, etc.,	3 8
" 24.	" " " " P. M.,	2 8
" "	" " " Warden & Leighton for pencils,	2



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1852.		
July	3. Cash paid for expenses to Keosauqua, to let new dams,	6 75
"	9. Paid James Hawley for one box of steel pens for office,	1 00
"	13. Cash paid R. H. Warden, P. M., for postage,	1 00
"	" " " " Mudge & Baldwin, for wafers,	20
"	19. Cash paid Warden & Leighton for 1 bot. ink, 75	
"	" " " " " " " " " red ink, 25	
		1 00
Aug.	10. Cash paid R. H. Warden, P. M., for postage,	1 35
"	21. Cash paid W. A. Johnstone for printing bills, and advertising land sales as per bill on file,	7 50
Oct.	22. Cash paid Wm. A. Johnstone for printing blank accounts and receipts on file,	12 50
"	" " Paid R. H. Warden, P. M., for postage,	2 20
"	" " Expenses to Fairfield to court,	4 50
"	27. Paid postage to R. H. Warden, P. M.,	2 20
Dec.	1. Cash paid James Baker, J. P., for 6 certificates at 35c. each,	2 10
"	1. Cash paid for expenses going to Iowa City to make report,	16 50
"	1. Paid Richard Fisher for wood,	2 00
1853.		
Feb.	1. Paid for wood,	2 50
"	" " " " postage,	1 25
"	13, " Bates of the Star for publishing land sales, July 1, 1852,	2 00
"	13, Three certificates of land sales, December, January and February,	1 25
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		1,161 93
	Should be added,	61 75
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	Total amount,	\$1,226 68

Exhibit of certificates of indebtedness paid, and part paid, and the amount of principal and interest, issued July, 1851.

No.	Amount.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
1	\$500 00	\$285 00		\$285 00
2	500 00	225 00		225 00
3	494 15	224 00		224 00
4	369 00	169 50		169 50
5	500 00	417 50		417 50
6	2,000 00	930 00		930 00
7	200 00	123 00		123 00
8	100 00	86 50		86 50
9	100 00	46 50		46 50
10	100 00	86 50		86 50
11	100 00	46 50		46 50
12	100 00	23 35		23 35
13	200 00	107 00		107 00
14	200 00	62 00		62 00
15	200 00	73 00		73 00
16	100 00	46 50		46 50
17	100 00	31 00		31 00
18	137 62	62 00		62 00
19	350 00	159 75		159 75
20	330 00	142 50		142 50
21	120 00	50 00		50 00
22	100 00	55 50		55 50
23	100 00	51 00		51 00
24	100 00	36 50		36 50
25	100 00	36 50		36 50
26	100 00	54 50		54 50
27	100 00	54 80		54 80
28	150 00	68 75		68 75
29	150 00	68 75		68 75
30	150 00	51 50		51 50
31	150 00	64 25		64 25
32	500 00	410 00		410 00
33	500 00	477 50		477 50
34	500 00	227 50		227 50
35	500 00	227 50		227 50
36	463 71	213 50		213 50
37	300 00	174 00		174 00
38	300 00	199 00		199 00
39	300 00	129 00		129 00
40	100 00	43 00		43 00
41	95 80	43 00		43 00
42	100 00	100 00	\$18 85	118 85
43	100 00	100 00	21 35	121 35

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No.	Amount	Principal Paid	Int Paid	Total Paid.
44	100 00	35 00		35 00
45	100 00	55 50		55 50
46	100 00	55 50		55 50
47	120 00	57 00		57 00
48	625 00	308 00		308 00
49	325 00	191 50		191 50
50	196 72	66 00		66 00
51	190 00	97 50		97 50
52	500 00	500 00	107 90	607 90
53	500 00	500 00	107 90	607 90
54	500 00	500 00	107 90	607 90
55	500 00	500 00	107 90	607 90
56	500 00	500 00	107 90	607 90
57	500 00	175 00		175 00
58	343 29	343 29	73 37	416 66
59	500 00	160 00		160 00
60	500 00	160 00		160 00
61	300 00	300 00	97 00	397 00
62	594 14	179 00		179 00
63	580 00	173 00		173 00
64	650 00	194 00		194 00
65	1,922 50	1,078 50		1,078 50
66	1,654 75	955 00		955 00
67	450 00	175 50		175 50
68	1,320 90	599 50		599 50
69	50 00	15 50		15 50
70	100 00	35 00		35 00
71	100 00	58 00		58 00
72	100 00	58 00		58 00
73	140 67	167 50		167 50
74	171 12	93 00		93 00
75	416 00	299 50		299 50
76	500 00	275 00		275 00
77	431 37	246 00		246 00
78	137 00	43 00		43 00
79	182 98	67 50		67 50
80	125 55	81 00		81 00
81	100 00	19 00		19 00
82	147 99	28 50		28 50
83	489 00	276 00		276 00
84	2,489 95	1,371 60		1,371 60
85	35 30	14 00		14 00
Issued August 10, 1852.				
86	1,000 00	160 00		160 00
87	1,000 00	155 00		155 00

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No.	Amount.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
88	\$1,000 00	60 00		\$60 00
89	429 38			
90	This was issued for interest.		\$405 00	405 00
91	1,000 00	188 79		188 79
92	1,000 00	110 00		110 00
93	1,000 00	60 00		60 00
94	1,000 00	110 00		110 00
95	1,000 00	60 00		60 00
96	1,000 00	60 00		60 00
97	1,000 00	60 00		60 00
98	1,000 00			
99	250 00			
100	250 00			
101	250 00			
102	250 00			
103	500 00	500 00	33 00	530 00
104	500 00	25 00		25 00
105	500 00			
106	500 00	25 00		25 00
107	500 00			
108	75 09			
109	1,000 00	50 00		50 00
110	1,000 00	50 00		50 00
111	This was issued for interest.		1,121 21	1,121 21
112	100 00			
113	100 00			
114	100 00			
115	100 00			
116	151 70			
117	100 00	85 00		88 00
118	100 00			
119	100 00			
120	100 00			
121	100 00			
122	100 00			
123	105 60			
	\$49,245 87	\$19,048 79	\$2,306 28	\$21,255 06

Certificates issued on the award of Arbitrators, with the payments issued December 1st, 1851 :

No.	Amount.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
1	\$500 00			
2	360 00			
3	500 00			
4	500 00			
5	500 00			
6	500 00	\$500 00	\$58 89	\$558 89
7	500 00	500 00	58 89	558 89
8	500 00	500 00	58 89	558 89
9	500 00	500 00	58 89	558 89
10	100 00			
11	100 00			
12	100 00			
13	100 00			
14	100 00			
15	100 00	100 00	11 77	111 77
16	100 00	100 00	11 77	111 77
17	100 00	100 00	11 77	111 77
18	100 00	100 00	11 77	111 77
19	100 00	100 00	11 77	111 77
20	250 00	250 00	28 45	278 45
21	250 00	250 00	28 45	278 45
22	275 00			
23	60 00			
24	165 00			
25	100 00			
26	100 00			
27	100 00			
28	100 00			
29	100 00			
30	200 00			
31	200 00			
32	200 00			
33	200 00			
34	200 00			
35	500 00			
36	500 00			
37	500 00			
38	500 00			
39	500 00			
40	500 00			
41	500 00			
42	175 00			
43	25 00			
44	200 00			

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No.	Amount.	Princinal Paid.	Int. Paid.	Total Paid.
45	600 00			
46	50 00	50 00	5 87	55 87
47	400 00			
48	240 00			
49	666 66			
50	500 00			
51	593 34			
52	260 00			
53	750 00			
54	620 00			
55	620 00			
56	100 00			
57	100 00			
58	90 00			
59	100 00			
60	150 00			
61	500 00			
62	500 00			
63	500 00			
64	4000 00			
65	175 72			
66	89 69			
67	25 00	25 00	2 94	27 94
68	200 00			
69	206 48			
70	100 00			
	\$23,896 89	\$3,075 00	\$360 12	\$3,435 12

Exhibit of certificates issued to contractors, bearing 6 per cent., with payments, etc.

No.	Amount.	Prin. P'd.	Int. P'd	Total Paid,
1	383 86	383 86		383 86
2	579 40	579 40		579 40
3	2,877 30	2,877 30	21 85	2,899 15
4	1,803 72	1,803 72	83 65	1,887 37
5	734 91	734 91	12 25	747 16
6	3,609 82			
7	1,683 79	1,683 79	107 75	1,791 54
8	951 49	951 49	68 85	1,020 34
9	581 60	581 60	16 21	597 81
10	1,051 96	1,051 96	11 89	1,063 85
11	778 72			
12	2,818 28			
13	1,634 20			
14	1,182 20	1,182 20		1,182 20
15	1,912 00	1,912 00		1,912 00
16	3,918 92	3,918 92	16 78	3,935 70
17	5,338 72			
18	5,608 20			
19	8,440 45	8,440 45	53 59	8,494 04
20	1,654 75	1,654 75		1,654 75
21	450 25	450 25		450 25
22	3,032 24	2,289 00		2,289 00
23	669 41			
24	1,320 90	1,320 90		1,320 90
25	1,204 43			
26	6,417 17			
	\$57,638 71	\$31,816 50	\$392 82	\$32,209 32

## Certificates to contractors, 8 per cent.

No.	Amount.	Prin. Paid.	Int. Paid.	Total Paid.
1	500 00			
2	500 00			
3	500 00			
4	500 00			
5	500 00			
6	500 00			
7	500 00			
8	500 00			
9	500 00			
10	500 00			
11	500 00			
12	500 00			
13	500 00			
14	500 00			
15	500 00			
16	500 00			
17	500 00			
18	500 00			
19	500 00			
20	500 00			
21	500 00			
22	500 00			
23	500 00			
24	500 00			
25	500 00			
	\$12,500 00			

Issued to Bonney & Whillson in 1852 and '53, contractors on Dam at Keosauqua.

## Certificates issued on May 13th, 1850, and not cancelled.

No.	Amount.	Prin. Paid.	Int. Paid.	Total Paid.
60	15 00			
66	10 00			
150	15 00			
159	13 00			
	\$53 00			



1853.

An exhibit of ten drafts of five hundred dollars each, numbering from 6 to 15, inclusive, drawn by Geo. Gillespie, Register of Des Moines River Improvement, on Bangs Bro. & Co. and endorsed by V. P. Van Antwerp, payable at the American Exchange Bank, City of New York, and protested for non-payment.

Due Jan. 22, '52,	5,000 00	Protests, 1 50 each,	15 00
		Damages at 5 pr ct.,	250 00
		Int. to Apr, 16, 85 days,	109 44
P'd Apr, 16, as pr rec't,	2,000 00		
	<u>3,000 00</u>	Add to principal,	374 44
	374 44	Int. to Aug. 17, 125 days	92 23
Add Interest,	<u>92 23</u>		
	3,466 67		
P'd Aug, 17, as pr rec't,	500 00		
	<u>2,966 67</u>	Int. to Dec. 6, 111 days,	73 16
Add Interest,	73 16		
	<u>3,039 83</u>		
P'd Dec. 6, as pr rec't,	500 00	Int. to Feb. 3, 61 days,	34 43
	<u>2,539 83</u>		
Add Interest,	34 43		
	<u>2,574 26</u>		
P'd Feb. 5, as pr rec't,	500 00	Int. to May 9, 93 days,	42 87
	<u>2,074 26</u>		
	42 87		
	<u>2,117 13</u>		
For this amount,	2,117 13		
there has been issued,			
Feb. 5th, '53, a draft pay-			
able 90 days after date.			
P'd Mar, 4, as pr rec't,	1,500 00		
	<u>617 13</u>	Total Interest, etc.,	617 13
Two drafts, same as those above		discounted,	
for 5,000 00, sold Jan. 5th, 1852,			10,000 00
Discount,			130 00
			<u>9,870 00</u>

1852.

On which payments have been made as per receipt,

Feb. 23, 1852,	1,000
April 10,	4,000
Aug. 10,	1,000
Dec. 6,	1,000
	7,000

RECAPITULATION OF INDEBTEDNESS ISSUED TO CONTRACTORS.

Certificates from July 1st, 1851 to August 15th, 1852, numbered from 1 to 123, inclusive.

Amount Issued.	Paid Principal.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$49,245 87	\$19,048 79	\$2,306 28	\$21,255 06

Certificates of award, issued on agreement of arbitrators, with payments, dated Dec. 5th, 1851, numbered from 1 to 70.

Amount Issued.	Principal paid.	Interest.	Total paid.
\$23,896 89	\$3 075 00	\$360 12	\$3,435 12

Certificates issued to contractors, bearing 6 per cent., with payments during the years of 1849, '50 and '51.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$57,638 71	\$31,816 50	\$392 82	\$32,209 33

Certificates on Construction stock, bearing 8 per cent. interest,

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$12,500 00			

Certificates issued to contractors, May 13th, 1850.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$53 00			

Due on Draft issued on Feb. 5, 1853.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$607 13			

Drafts Nos. 22 and 23, drawn on Bangs & Brother, and protested for non-payment—\$500 00 each.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$1,000 00	\$500 00		\$500 00

Due on four other drafts same as above—\$2,000 00.

Upon the certificates that have been issued and cancelled, there has been paid \$1,530 01 interest. There has been issued two additional certificates, Nos. 90 and 111, for \$1,526 21, in payment of interest on the original certificates, which have been cancelled. These two items, together, make the sum of \$3,056 22, which has been paid as interest on certificates of indebtedness.

Total amount of payments, including interest paid on same,	\$64,499 51
Deduct interest paid,	3,059 22
	\$61,440 29

Take this amount from the whole amount of certificates issued,	166,065 73
	61,440 29

Total amount of indebtedness, exclusive of interest, up to the present time,	\$104,625 44
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Two Drafts of \$5000 00, same as above.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$10,000 00	\$7,000 00		\$7,000 00

Monies advanced by Bangs Brothers & Co.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$5,000 00			

Balance due on ten Drafts that were protested for non-payment, on Bangs Brothers & Co.

Amount Issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
\$617 13			

Judgment held by G. C. Allender & Co., for damages obtained by them against the State.

Amount issued.	Principal Paid.	Interest.	Total Paid.
3,507 00			
\$166,065 73	\$61,440 27	\$3,069 20	\$64,499 51

From the above exhibit it will be seen that there is an indebtedness of \$166,065 73, less \$61,440 27; leaving an actual indebtedness of \$104,625 44. Of this amount, a portion of it is drawing six per cent. interest, but a larger part is drawing eight per cent. Several of the certificates have been cancelled, but by far the greater part of them have received endorsements from time to time.

Of lands formerly belonging to the State and embraced in the Des Moines River grant, George Gillespie, former Treasurer and present Register of the said Improvement, owns 218 23-100 acres, worth, with the improvements, five dollars per acre.

Jesse Williams, late Secretary of the Board of Public Works, owns 720 acres, entered by him at two dollars per acre, in recordance with and by authority of an act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Iowa, approved February 5th, 1851, which land is worth, on an average, three dollars per acre.\*

We are not advised that any other past or present officer of said Board of Public Works own or have owned any of the land embraced in the said grant.

A full exhibit of all the lands sold by the Board of Public Works from October 11th, 1847, to March 23rd, 1853, inclusive:

252,472 43-100 acres, at \$1 25,	\$315,590 55
880 " 2 00,	1,760 00
80 " 3 00,	240 00
40 " 1 30,	52 00
<hr/> 253,472 43-100 for	<hr/> \$317,642 52

\* The lands entered by Jesse Williams referred to, I should estimate at not less than five dollars per acre.—A. HEBARD.

Amount of lands sold, and moneys received and prices per acre, by Paul Brattain, during his term of service as Treasurer of Board of Public Works of Des Moines River Improvement, from October 11, 1847, to July 31, 1849.

Oct. and Nov. 1847.	5,781 89 acres, at \$1 25,	\$7,227 36
Dec. 1847.	1,178 10 "	1,472 62
Jan'y 1848.	7,469 67 "	9,337 00
Feb. "	2,366 43 "	2,956 04
March "	13,770 45 "	17,216 06
Oct. "	2,927 75 "	3,659 67
Nov. "	9,040 70 "	11,300 86
Dec. "	281 77 "	352 31
" "	120 00 2 00	240 00
February, 1849.	2,626 49 1 25	3,285 00
March "	5,712 93 "	7,141 17
April, "	5,582 14 "	6,977 68
May, "	6,875 51 "	8,594 30
June and July, 1849,	25,895 26 "	32,369 08
" " "	40 00 1 30	52 00
Total acres,	89,669 09	\$112,178 33

Of these amounts there has been sold,

89,509 9-100 acres, at 1 25,	111 886 38
120 " 2 00,	240 00
40 " 1 30,	52 00
<hr/> 89,669 9-100	<hr/> 112,178 38

Exhibit of Paul Brattain's account as Treasurer of the Board of Public works as appears from books, papers, and other evidence in the office of said Board :

Total receipts from sales of land from August, 1847,	
to August, 1849,	112,178 36
Paid on drafts and other accounts as per vouchers,	99,227 19
Paid over to G. Gillespie, his successor in office,	6,203 93

Amount paid by Brattain's-sureties, do.,	3,551 85
Balance now due the State as per certificate rendered by this committee,	1,100 40
	<hr/> 112,178 36

Amount of lands sold by George Gillespie during his term of service as Treasurer and Register, from Oct. 9th, 1849, to the 20th Feb., 1853, and the prices per acre :

October sales, 1849.	9,398 07	acres, at \$1 25	\$11,747 58
“ “ “	40 00	“ 2 00	80 00
November “ “	7,245 88	“ 1 25	9,057 34
December “ “	5,090 31	“ “	6,362 89
January “ 1850,	8,823 27	“ “	11,029 09
February “ “	16,371 58	“ “	20,464 47
March “ “	2,720 25	“ “	3,400 31
April “ “	3,496 06	“ “	4,370 07
May “ “	3,876 86	“ “	4,846 07
June “ “	4,031 56	“ “	5,039 45
July “ “	2,513 61	“ “	3,142 01
August “ “	2,401 59	“ “	3,001 98
September “ “	1,705 03	“ “	2,131 28
October “ “	5,670 20	“ “	7,067 75
November “ “	6,178 37	“ “	7,722 96
December “ “	7,991 48	“ “	9,989 30
January “ 1851	4,871 48	“ “	6,089 35
February “ “	5,778 21	“ “	7,222 76
March “ “	4,750 91	“ “	5,938 63
April, “ “	2,787 46	“ “	3,484 33
May “ “	2,673 93	“ “	3,342 41
June “ “	3,674 75	“ “	4,593 44
July “ “	2,926 92	“ “	3,659 65
“ “ “	280 09	“ 2 00	560 00
August “ “	930 13	“ 1 25	1,162 66
Dec and Jan “ “ ’52	80 00	“ 3 00	240 00
March “ 1852	16,175 83	“ 1 25	20,219 78
“ “ “	400 00	“ 2 00	800 00
July and Aug. “	7,661 35	“ 1 25	9,576 68
September Sales “	1,792 19	“ “	2,240 24
October “ “	4,452 92	“ “	5,566 15
November “ “	2,695 99	“ “	3,367 48

December sales, 1852,	2,283 44 acres, at \$1 25	2,854 39
“ “ “	40 00 “ 2 00	80 00
January “ 1853	2,699 58 “ 1 25	3,374 47
February, “ “	1,844 26 “ “	2,305 32

Total, 156,351 47 acres. \$196,149 34

Of this amount there has been sold,

155,511 47 acres, at \$1 25	\$194,389 34
760 00 “ 2 00	1,520 00
80 00 “ 3 00	240 00

Total, 156,351 47 acres, \$196,149 34

Exhibit of Geo. Gillespie, Treasurer and Register, in account with Des Moines Improvement.

Total receipts from land sales,	196,149 34
From Bangs, Brothers & Co.,	5,000 00
From Paul Brattain, former Treasurer,	8,298 93
From Paul Brattain, sureties,	3,351 85
	<u>\$213,000 12</u>

*Disbursements.*

Paid on drafts to Wm. Patterson, Pres.,	132,314 14
“ “ “ V. P. Van Antwerp, Com.,	68,495 38
“ “ Henn, Williams & Co., as per receipts, by order of Commissioner,	8,273 25
Land charged to Jesse Williams, by act of General Assembly, as cash,	1,440 00
Balance of salary,	1,839 00
Contingent expenses, as per bills rendered, and embraced in the foregoing report, and not heretofore allowed,	638 35
	<u>\$213,000 12</u>

Exhibit of Paul C. Jeffries' account, as Register of Des Moines Improvement, from Feb. 19th, 1853, to May 23d, inclusive.

Receipts from sales of lands.

Feb. and March.	332,976 acres, at \$1 25;	4,162 19
April.	205,676 “ “ “	2,570 95
May.	206,535 “ “ “	2,581 68

745,187 acres, \$9,314 83

Total amount of receipts from lands, 9,314 83

Total amount of disbursements, as per vouchers, 9,314 83

Amount of disbursements of Paul Jeffries, Register of Des Moines Improvement, from Feb. 19th, 1853, to 23d of May, inclusive, making three months and four days.

1853.

Feb. 19th.	Amount paid Graves for gates,	35
" "	" " for one load of wood,	1 10
" 21	" " one quire letter paper,	20
" 25	" " one paper sand,	10
March 10.	" " one load of wood,	1 25
" 14.	" " pen holder and envelopes,	35
" 22.	" " one load wood,	1 10
" 26.	" " " " "	1 10
" 31.	" " one bottle red ink,	10
" 31.	" " envelopes and money bag,	25
May 7	" " "	10
" 7.	" " one bottle black ink,	75
" 11.	" " one box points,	15
" 16.	" " two quires paper,	40
" 16.	" " printing blanks,	1 50—8 90
Amount paid A. Briggs per order V. P. Van Antwerp,		25 00
March 14.	Amount paid Henn, Williams & Co. as per rec't, 1200 00	
" 29.	" refunded to Solomon Bond per act of General Assembly, on purchase of 40 acres land, at \$3 per acre,	70 00
April 2d.	Amount paid Henn, Williams & Co., as per rec't, 2,650 00	
" 6th.	" " J. Hawley, per order V. P. Van Antwerp,	10 00
April 10.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon as per order of V. P. Van Antwerp,	100 00
April 11.	Amount paid M. M. Haydon as per order of V. P. Van Antwerp,	300 00
April 11.	Amount paid Henn, Williams & Co., as per rec't,	335 00
April 23.	Amount paid Henn, Williams & Co., as per rec't,	335 00
Amount paid self for services from 19th February to 23d of May, inclusive, three months and 4 days, at \$1,000 per annum,		262 78
May 23.	Amount paid over to George Gillespie, his successor in office,	1,290 40
		<u>\$9,314 83</u>



We hereby certify that upon investigation of the accounts between Paul Brattain, late Treasurer of the Board of Public Works, and the State, we find that said Brattain is indebted to the State, in the sum of one thousand one hundred dollars and forty cents, (\$1,100 40.)

Given under our hands at Keosauqua, June 14th, 1853.

JOSEPH C. KNAPP,  
WAREHAM G. CLARK, } Committee.  
ALFRED HEBARD,

In concluding this report, we deem it proper to add that we can offer no apology for its extreme length, but the necessity of the case, if we attempted in the discharge of our duty to furnish your Excellency with any thing more than a condensed abstract of amounts and of conclusions that *we* might come to as the result of our examination. We deemed it more in accordance with the probable wish of the Legislature in the adoption of the resolution, to give a full account of facts, and allow those interested to draw their own conclusions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH C. KNAPP,  
WAREHAM G. CLARK,  
ALFRED HEBARD.

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- Page 8—Doorkeeper, read *William Said*.
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- “ 50—Read Mr. *Witter* instead of *Ritter*.
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- “ 225—Read H. F. 60, instead of H. F. 6.
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- “ 283—Read S. F. 93, instead of S. F. 96.
- “ 380—Next to last line, should read, *to lay amendment on the table*.
- “ 397—S. F. No. 44, presented for signature, had not passed the  
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- “ 421—First line, read committee on military affairs.
- “ 451—S. F. 114, presented for signature, (error.)
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